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WHO WE ARE

Finney, new hospital CEO, has Shore roots

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

When Kristie Finney graduated from Broadwater Academy in Exmore in 1992, she had no idea that she would someday have such a large role in her home community.

Even when Finney, the newly named president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onley, came back to the Eastern Shore to work in the hospital's lab after graduating from the College of William and Mary, she never imagined she would someday be the person in charge.

"I just wanted to learn everything about what I was doing then," she said of her just-out-of-college job.

Finney had been serving as the hospital's interim president since November and was announced as the president on Feb. 24.

She replaces Nick Chuquín, who took a new role as vice president of operations at Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News.

Like Finney, Chuquín also was a

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Kristie Finney, a 1992 graduate of Broadwater Academy, recently was named the president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onley.

EXMORE

Hearing set for first phase of development

Carbaugh seeks approval for 220-unit neighborhood

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

After a lengthy wait, an application has been filed with Exmore that would allow one of the two large-scale developments proposed within town limits in an area west of the Shore Plaza shopping center.

Maryland-based developer Chris Carbaugh submitted an application to the town for the project called Residences at Broadwater, which will be on a 32.77-acre property west of Shore Plaza that is currently occupied by farmland and woods.

Carbaugh's application states the development would consist of 220 units — 140 single-family units and 80 multifamily units at 6.7 units per acre. It is the first phase of an 870-unit plan.

The public will have an opportunity to speak on the issue when the Exmore Planning Commission holds a hearing on Wednesday, April 1, at 6 p.m., on a request by Carbaugh's business, Atlantic Group and Associates, for a planned unit development on the site.

The planning commission must make a recommendation on the proposal before it moves to the Exmore Town Council, which also must hold a public hearing on the application.

Planned unit developments can combine a mix of uses and flexible zoning under a unified plan, instead

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Parksley man pleads guilty to attack and strangulation of female neighbor

BY NANCY DRURY DUNCAN
Eastern Shore Post

A 31-year-old Parksley man who broke into his neighbor's house and viciously attacked her pleaded guilty to burglary and strangulation.

At 6 a.m. on Aug. 4, 2025, Eduar Andres Gutierrez Morales went inside his neighbor's home and knocked on the bedroom door.

The woman inside thought it was her husband, who had just left for work.

She opened the door and saw the defendant, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan.

She attempted to close the door, but he forced his way into her room.

He pushed her onto the bed and said, "I am going to kill you," Morgan said.

The man grabbed an electrical cord attached to a pair of electric hair clippers and wrapped it around her neck, Morgan said.

She continued to fight him off, even as she struggled to breathe. She grabbed his genitals and he backed off, Morgan said.

Then the defendant grabbed a pillow and tried to suffocate the woman, even pulling out chunks of her hair during the struggle.

Suddenly, the defendant told the woman he began to think of his mother. He told her to leave and to never come back or he would kill her.

Morgan said the woman had lacerations on her hands and bruising on her neck from the attack.

She called police and reported the crime. She told the deputy who responded she smelled a strong odor of alcohol and marijuana on her assailant.

Police were called and the man was arrested. The woman's husband said he saw the man outside drinking when he left to go to work, according to Morgan.

Judge Lynwood W. Lewis asked if there was any connection between the man and his victim.

Morgan said their only connection was that they were neighbors.

Gutierrez Morales will be sentenced on Thursday, May 28.

Oak Grove hosting chicken salad sale

Oak Grove United Methodist Church is hosting a chicken salad sale with pick up from 2:30 to 5 p.m. on Friday, March 6. The cost is $10 per pint. The church is located at 30053 Seaside Road, Melfa.

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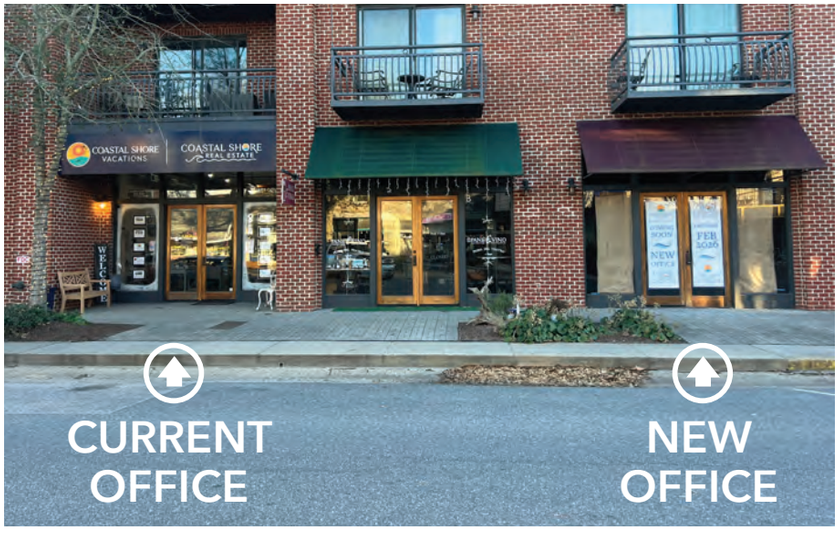
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Recycling volume down 92 tons in 2025

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Northampton County is taking measures to recycle more waste than ever, but the amount of recyclable materials collected is dropping, figures released by the county show.

In 2025, Northampton County recycled glass, used oil, batteries, discarded appliances, pesticide containers, and textile materials, according to a report received by the Northampton County Board of Supervisors.

The county's designated recycling bins received significantly less material in 2025, which was down 92 tons of collection volume compared to 2024.

Four of the county's six waste collection stations saw a decrease in recycling traffic, with two seeing an increase in such traffic.

While recycling traffic and volume were both down significantly last year from 2024, total solid waste visitors are also down slightly.

However, revenues from tipping fees were up $41,148.89.

The county began its own recycling efforts in 1989 for just batteries and has since grown recycling to include many more items, even turning some into extra revenue for the county.

Northampton County has been making revenue from scrap metal since 2018 for what it refers to as white goods, which are refrigerators, stoves, air conditioners, and water heaters.

In 2025, the county turned white goods recycling into $21,020.19 of revenue, the report shows.

In the last four years, the county has averaged $22,033.65 of revenue for the recycling of scrap metal.

The county also recently introduced glass recycling and in 2025 recycled 189,740 pounds of glass through Davis Disposal, which transports it to a glass recycling facility.

This system has only been in place for the last two years in Northampton County; prior to 2024, glass was just included in the solid waste disposal.

Recycling isn't the only waste disposal showing regression in Northampton County.

At a Northampton County Board of Supervisors work session Tuesday, Feb. 24, Waste Watchers of the Eastern Shore President Marilyn Ailes gave a presentation illustrating a concerning three-year trend.

While Northampton County litter averages are down overall since 2014, Waste Watchers found that litter amounts along Eastern Shore roads have increased every year since 2022.

Ailes said it is a trend the group has been monitoring. It has been discussing if action is necessary, including informing the public about the issue to try to reverse the trend.







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Finney

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local high school graduate with Eastern Shore roots.

As president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Finney oversees more than 35 departments or services on the Eastern Shore directly or indirectly.

Finney leads a team of 435 people working at the hospital and adjacent cancer center.

Getting to the point where she is now was a long process but one the longtime Eastern Shore resident enjoyed.

It is probably rare in the medical field that someone becomes the president of a hospital just a quick drive away from where she attended preschool.

Finney, daughter of Henry and Sandra Finney, attended Belle Croft in Accomac — known to many as "Miss Jean's."

After graduating from Broadwater, Finney earned an undergraduate degree from William and Mary and then two master's degrees — a Master of Business Administration from Duke University and a Master of Science in toxicology from the University of Florida. She earned her doctorate from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Finney said she enjoys learning and meeting new people — two traits that helped to get her where she is today.

She is already working to better the hospital by working more closely with the Virginia Department of Health and collaborating with Eastern Shore Rural Health.

"When you have groups like that that come together for the good of the Shore, you can do anything," she said.

Finney emphasized the positives of the culture of the hospital and the community it serves — and the benefit of being part of the larger Riverside Medical Group.

Finney said she understands the meaning and importance of being able to serve the community in which she grew up.

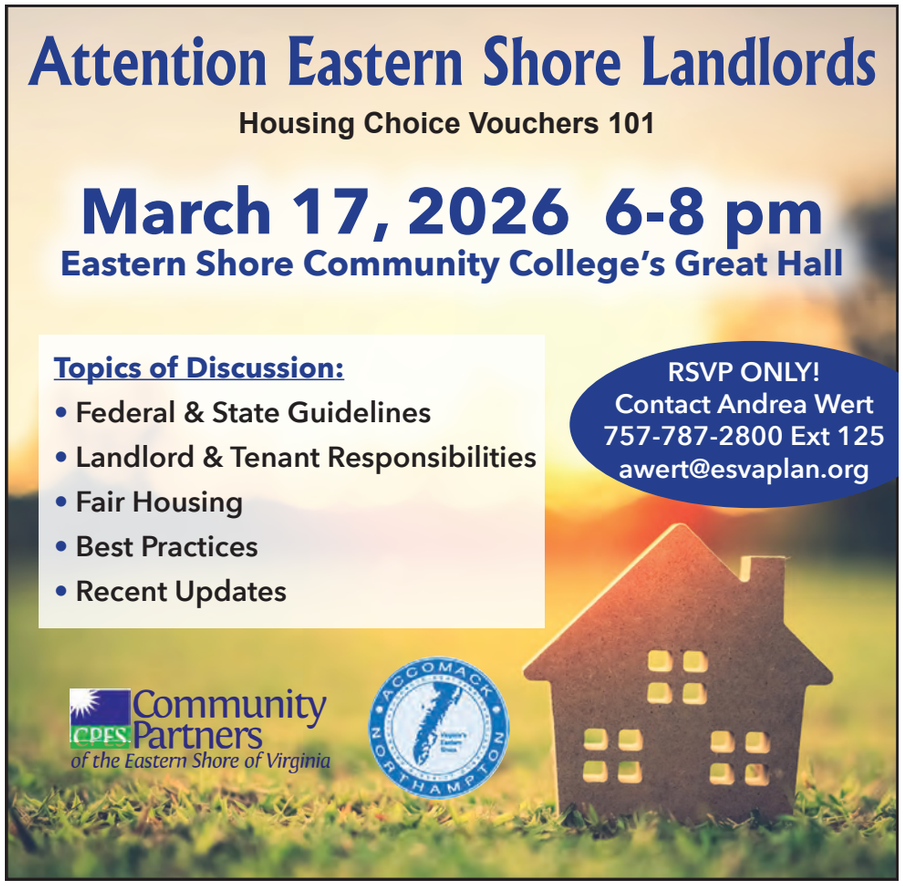
"Providing health care for the community in which you know everyone really makes you want to make situations better," she said.

"This hospital is very community focused."



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Kristie Finney, an Eastern Shore native, recently was named the president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onley. "Providing health care for the community in which you know everyone really makes you want to make situations better," she said.





Investigation launched after Royal Farms shooting

According to Sheriff W. Todd Wessells, on March 1, at 1:23 a.m., deputies were dispatched to the Royal Farms in New Church for a report of a large crowd fighting in the parking lot.

While deputies were en route, the call was elevated to shots fired. Assistance was requested from the Pocomoke City Police Department, Worcester County Sheriff's Office, and Virginia State Police.

Upon arrival, deputies were advised that the crowd and involved individuals had left the area. Deputies were further informed that a firearm had been discharged inside the business.

Deputies have identified multiple juveniles and adults involved in the fights. During the incidents, several adults and juveniles were observed possessing and displaying firearms. During one physical altercation inside the store, a firearm was discharged.

Anyone with information related to this incident or other criminal activity is encouraged to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at (757) 787-1131 or (757) 824-5666.

Northampton sheriff's office investigating shooting

According to Sheriff David Doughty, on March 1, at 4:23 p.m., the Northampton County Sheriff's Office received a report of multiple shots fired on Laughing Gull Road in the Bayview Area. When deputies arrived on the scene, they discovered two male individuals who had been shot.

One individual was treated and released and the other was transported to Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital and currently is listed in stable condition.

The Northampton County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Cape Charles Police Department, Eastville Police Department, Exmore Police Department, Virginia State Police, Virginia Marine Police, and the Northampton County Department of EMS.

The incident is still under investigation and anyone with information is asked to contact the Northampton County Sheriff's Office at 757-678-0458.

Exmore

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of piecemeal building. They are designed to reduce development sprawl with small lot sizes.

In addition to the residential areas, Carbaugh's application filed with the town also states there would be walking areas, parks and community lawns, and recreational facilities, such as a clubhouse.

The plan intends for the water and sewage service to be through the town of Exmore.

This is the first phase of a larger plan Carbaugh proposed to eventually build 870 new homes on 157 acres in Exmore.

The entire project would include two clubhouses and two community pools. He said 30% of the acreage would be left in open spaces.

Carbaugh told the town council in September that there would be one-, two-, and three-bedroom units for sale and prices would start at the "mid to upper $200,000s for a one-bedroom unit."

"We have a housing problem," Carbaugh told the town council. "We want to be here to help solve a problem," he said.

A large crowd in attendance while Carbaugh spoke had concerns about the potential of traffic, affordability, and a loss of open space.

In addition to Carbaugh's 870-unit proposal, a second development — featuring 150 housing units, a medical center, and an assisted living facility — has been proposed near Exmore's Holiday Inn Express by a venture that includes the leader of a worldwide foundation dedicated to addressing social needs.

However, a public hearing on the second proposal has not been scheduled.

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

Aging town infrastructure is worrisome in winter

The Onancock Taphouse's sewer line wasn't working. There apparently are no accurate maps for town water and sewer lines. After the sewer line was located, several problems were found, including a total collapse. The town itself is only responsible for whatever is within 10 feet of the sewer main. When running a new sewer line, a main water line was hit. When it was over, it cost the business owner a chunk of money in repairs. There was also lost revenue and headaches.

Exmore issued a boil water advisory for four days after backflow from the ground entered a water pipe break. The town's antiquated cast iron water pipes cannot expand or contract fast enough when extremely cold or hot water runs through them. With a boil water advisory, fast-food restaurants had to issue canned sodas, instead of fountain drinks, and businesses and residents were inconvenienced.

We all know that problems happen — and we all know this has been a harsh winter particularly perilous for pipes. But problems like these do not engender confidence from these towns' current or prospective businesses. Businesses want their governments to be enabling partners in recruiting and developing commerce. Merchants do not want municipal infrastructure problems to inhibit commerce.

It seems as though both towns take a piecemeal approach to fixing their aging water and sewer infrastructure problems instead of creating — and saving for — overarching, long-term plans to address them. In Onancock, the interim town manager said the search continues for the exact location of the aging water and sewer lines. In Exmore, an unexplained spring of water down the street is the first clue that an old pipe has cracked.

In the meantime, businesses (and residents) must deal with broken pipes, boil water advisories, and infrastructure problems involving missing underground pipes.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Will be voting 'yes' on state's redistricting referendum

To the editor:

I would like to share a response to the three letters to the editor in last week's Eastern Shore Post concerning redistricting.

I want to begin by saying that I also agree that districts should be fair and balanced. I believe that every state's elections should be fair and balanced.

The problem here began in Texas. The president's interference by asking a sitting governor to change the state's districts to favor Republicans took away the chance for voters to be heard.

And it didn't stop there. North Carolina, Missouri, and Ohio followed suit. And, yes — we are talking about the president who wanted Georgia to find him 11,000 votes.

This interference has eliminated the option of "fair and balanced" elections in at least those four states, with Florida and others possibly headed down the same road.

So now, in those states, elections are no longer either fair or balanced. No one man should have the power to do this.

So I will be voting "yes" on the redistricting referendum because desperate times call for desperate measures.

The choice will remain in the hands of the voters — as it should, always.

This is a temporary change and we will have to make sure that our legislators do keep to that promise.

Right now we are facing some very difficult times. We are faced with difficult choices. As sad as it makes me that

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2nd Lt. Hugh Hunt, Hardtimes' brother, died March 5, 1943

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Hugh Thompson Hunt's older brother, the late Herman "Hardtimes" Hunt, of Oyster, is the sibling everyone remembers.

Hugh Thompson Hunt, however, is the sibling who gave his life in service to his country.

Hugh Hunt, a graduate of Capeville High School who attended Hampden-Sydney College, was a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Corps when he died March 5, 1943.

He was 32 years old and made his home in Richmond at the time of his death.

Hall was survived by his wife, the former Mary Scott Minor, of Richmond.

Hunt died as the result of an accidental fall at the training ground of the officers' candidate school in Miami, Fla., according to the March 6, 1943, edition of the Richmond News Leader newspaper.

Hunt's funeral was conducted with full military honors at Holmes Presbyterian Church cemetery, near Cheriton.

Hunt's parents, Lena Thompson Hunt, who died in 1955, and Herman Hunt Sr., who died in 1951, also have grave sites at Holmes Presbyterian.

Their plots are near the grave of Hugh Hunt's brother, Hardtimes Hunt, who died in 1974 and was one of the Eastern Shore's foremost characters of the 1950s and 1960s.

Hardtimes Hunt, of Oyster, a nonconformist in full and a raconteur of the first order, was a homespun philosopher and former political candidate for the House of Delegates and, in 1969, for lieutenant governor. He famously never won an election.

He previously had written for newspapers in Baltimore and Norfolk and had worked in a number of fields, including as a waterman. He was known statewide for his wit and sayings.

Hardtimes Hunt also invented the Oyster Chamber of Commerce and once said that, in Oyster, "progress is our most important nightmare."

When Hardtimes Hunt died, newspapers all over the state carried lengthy stories about the eccentric Northampton County resident.

When his younger brother, Hugh T. Hunt, died 31 years earlier in service to his country, his death remarkably merited only a scant few paragraphs.

■ Virginia National Guard Technical Sgt. Michael E. East, 40, of Parksley, died March 3, 2001, when an aircraft on which he was a passenger crashed in Georgia while flying back to Virginia after a training mission in Florida.



Michael E. East

In all, 21 servicemen were killed in the crash, including a total of 18 Virginia National Guard airmen who, like East, were attached to the 203rd Red Horse Flight unit based at Virginia Beach's Camp Pendleton.

East's military job was as an electrical systems craftsman. As a civilian, he worked as an electrician at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility.

"We're all just devastated," said his neighbor, Dana Bundick, then the Accomack County treasurer, in a March 5, 2001, story in the Richmond Times-Dispatch. "He was so well throught of in the community. He was a nice, quiet guy. Everybody knows everybody around here, and everybody is in shock."

He had served for 10 years with the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company as an emergency medical technician.

He was survived by a 10-year-old daughter.

East's remains are interred in Parksley Cemetery.

■ U.S. Army Pvt. Charles Rubean Phipps, 36, of Chincoteague, was killed in Italy on March 3, 1945, during World War II.

Phipps was survived by his wife, Helen Carpenter Phipps. Phipps draft registration card cited his address as 56 Church St., Chincoteague.



Charles R. Phipps

It appears that Phipps was the son of Lillie J. Phipps, who died in 1945, and Emory W. Phipps, who died in 1940.

On his draft card, Charles Phipps listed his employer as Henry Leonard, of North Main Street, Chincoteague.

Information about Phipps' military service is scarce.

■ U.S. Navy Seaman First Class John J. "Jack" Ward III, 18, of Marionville, was killed March 6, 1945, when the airplane in which he was a passenger was "believed to have made a forced landing 15 to 20 miles east" of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., during a training flight, according to the March 8, 1945, edition of the Miami News.

Ward's body and the body of the pilot were never recovered despite an extensive search.

Ward's obituary in the March 30, 1945, edition of the Peninsula Enterprise newspaper included quotes from his commanding officer, who said, "The loss of any young man is a cruel blow and especially so in the case of a man of John's caliber."

He was survived by his parents, Eliza and John J. Ward. His remains were interred at the Red Bank Baptist Church cemetery in Marionville, of which the seaman was a member.

■ Three military serviceman died March 6, 1951, when their B-26 attack bomber crashed near Smith Island on the lower Northampton County seaside.

The men were stationed at the Langley Air Force base. The area where they crashed was being used as a bombing range by Langley aircraft.

The body of the pilot, U.S. Air Force Capt. Frank S. Hagan, 25, was never recovered.

Hagan lived in Hampton at the time of his death and was survived by his wife and son.

There is a cenotaph — a grave site for someone whose body was never recovered or whose grave site is far away — at the Baton Rouge National Cemetery in Louisiana.

The bodies of 1st Lt. Clayton F. Seavers and 1st Lt. William H. Rinker were recovered.

Seavers was survived by his wife and three daughters, who lived in Ohio. His remains are interred at a cemetery in Cleveland, Ohio.

Rinker was survived his wife and two young sons, with whom he lived in Hampton. His remains are interred in the Hampton National Cemetery.

He was a veteran of World War II and had served in Burma and China, according to newspaper reports.

■ George Bernard Eaton, age not found, of Cape Charles, was a second engineer on the U.S. Merchant Marine vessel S.S. James Sprunt during World War II.

Eaton died when the ship was attacked on March 10, 1943, by a German submarine.

The Merchant Marine transports domestic and international cargo and its employees are civilians.

However, those who served in the Merchant Marine during World War II have been granted veteran status. During the war, many U.S. cargo ships were commandeered for wartime duty.

The ship on which Eaton served was en route from South Carolina to India with a cargo of 4,000 tons of explosives.

The website www.findagrave.com states the ship was on its maiden voyage. It "was hit by one torpedo that caused her cargo to explode and the ship completely disappeared in 30 seconds." All of the 69 crew members died.

Despite Eaton's status as a veteran killed in wartime, his name is not on monuments in Eastville or Cape Charles.

The website states Eaton was posthumously awarded the Mariner's Medal and the Combat Bar with a Star.

Eaton's body was never recovered. The website that contains information on Eaton's death shows no gravestone or cenotaph photos.

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‘Senate Republicans remain committed to delivering real tax relief’



State Senator Bill DeSteph

As we continue this legislative session, it is important to note that Democrats currently hold the majority in both the House of Delegates and the Senate. This shapes the direction of committee agendas, floor votes, and the advancement of legislation.

I intend to provide a clear and accurate account of what is happening in the General Assembly — what proposals are moving forward, what key measures are being debated, and how those decisions may impact coastal Virginia and the commonwealth.

My goal is to keep you informed with transparency and context so you can stay engaged in the process.

Senate Republicans remain committed to delivering real tax relief, reliable energy, and policies that prioritize Virginia families over special interests.

Budget update

Last Sunday evening, the Senate Finance Committee approved amendments to former Governor Glenn Youngkin’s introduced budget for the 2026-2028 biennium and sent them to the Senate floor.

These amendments include teacher salary increases, state employee raises, a one-time tax rebate, and an increase in the standard deduction.

However, the majority embedded numerous hidden tax schemes and unfunded mandates, such as forcing collective bargaining on local governments, removing tuition caps on colleges and universities, rejecting real tax cuts, and imposing stealth tax hikes like rejoining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative and a new hunting tax.

Shockingly, Democrats voted to give themselves a salary raise, almost tripling their salary, while offering hardworking teachers only a 2% increase in salary.

Virginia Democrats, led by Gov. Spanberger, continue to mislead Virginians about their unaffordable agenda.

Senate Republicans will keep fighting for immediate tax relief and policies that put more money back in the pockets of working Virginians.

Budget floor amendments

Last Thursday, Senate Republicans introduced two key floor amendments to the committee-approved budget.

Senator Suetterlein’s Amendment No. 2 aimed to return hundreds of dollars to Virginia families by eliminating the grocery tax at the checkout line. Democrats killed it on a party-line vote of 19-21.

Senator Sturtevant’s Amendment No. 1 sought to repeal the hated car tax, returning thousands to taxpayers while making localities whole to prevent property tax hikes.

Despite campaigning on ending the car tax for two years, Senate Democrats blocked this immediate relief on a party-line vote of 19-21.

Agenda highlights

Senate Republicans advanced a series of proposals aimed at reducing the cost of living for Virginia families, with an estimated $3,000 or more in potential tax and fee relief per household.

These measures included eliminating the grocery tax to lower everyday expenses, ending taxes on tips and overtime pay to support working Virginians, and phasing out the local car tax to provide meaningful relief to families facing rising costs.

We proposed reforms to strengthen energy affordability, including repealing provisions of the Virginia Clean Economy Act (saving taxpayers more than $1,000 per year) and reducing regulatory costs that could contribute to higher utility bills.

While these initiatives did not advance, they were part of a broader effort to prioritize household affordability and economic competitiveness.

At the same time, several policies were advanced by the majority that will increase costs for employers, employees, or local governments.

Proposals such as a mandatory paid family leave payroll program, expanded collective bargaining requirements for localities, and continued participation in multi-state carbon initiatives may carry fiscal impacts that ultimately add to the burden on taxpayers, ratepayers, and homeowners.

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this is the situation we are in, I cannot stand by and watch our democracy disappear.

We are Virginia — the state of James Madison, the father of the Constitution; the state of Thomas Jefferson, who wrote our beautiful Declaration of Independence.

We will be celebrating 250 years of American Independence. If you still believe in those values — then I urge you to vote yes.

Paula Nees
Chincoteague

Proposed constitutional amendment does not restore fairness

To the editor:

In 2020, 66% of Virginia’s voters and every county except one passed a constitutional amendment to take the power of drawing congressional and legislative districts out of the hands of politicians. They transferred the power to a commission of four Democratic legislators, four Republican legislators, and eight citizens.

Having district maps drawn by a fair and transparent process without political bias increases voter trust. This was praised by Gov. Spanberger in 2020 when she was serving in the U.S. House of Representatives.

The General Assembly is not honoring the 2020 voter-approved redistricting process.

The assembly is proposing a new amendment to allow them to redistrict Virginia so that the Democrats are favored in 10 of 11 congressional districts.

Several of the assembly’s proposed congressional districts span hundreds of miles, starting in Northern Virginia.

The districts traverse the state like serpents to incorporate parts of south central or southeastern Virginia into Northern Virginia and the Eastern Shore into urban Hampton Roads.

Northern Virginia will be overrepresented because of its dense populations. Rural areas, like the Eastern Shore, will be underrepresented and have little say in who represents them.

Constituents living in the rural areas will likely have limited access to their congressional representatives, who will likely be elected from the urban areas. Are we back to taxation without representation?

The referendum question to be voted on, starting on March 6, includes a misleading statement that an amendment “restores fairness.”

This statement ignores the fact that Virginia voted for a fair redistricting process in 2020. It would not make sense to return to a partisan process that was deemed unfavorable by a majority of voters and counties in Virginia.

A map with 10 of 11 congressional

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districts unduly favoring Democrats and urban areas does not "restore fairness."

Neither does replacing a bipartisan redistricting commission with a politically biased one.

Authors of the U.S. Constitution established fairness by creating an electoral college giving proportional representation to states based on population for presidential elections and in Congress.

A "no" vote on or before April 21 will keep partisan politicians from changing the established, fair redistricting process in Virginia.

Colleen Daley
Onancock

Current state districting ensures elected officials are good fit in communities

To the editor:

It is time to vote on the proposed redistricting amendment to the Constitution of Virginia. No matter what your party affiliation, you should vote in this and all elections.

The referendum would allow the General Assembly to redraw the map of the Virginia congressional districts.

It amends the Constitution of Virginia, which stipulates that a special commission of four Democratic and four Republican assembly members and eight citizens oversee the drawing of the map.

The commonwealth is a mixed party state. We each have a voice in the General Assembly, the Senate of Virginia and the U.S. House of Representatives because we elect district representatives.

Virginia leans more Democratic, with approximately 55% Democrats and 45% Republicans. Six of the 11 congressional district seats are held by Democrats and five are held by Republicans.

The current congressional districts map, drawn after the 2020 census, groups similar communities.

It allows both rural and urban areas in Virginia to elect representatives that understand their needs in terms of culture, infrastructure, economics, and workforce.

As a result, elected officials are a good fit for the communities they represent and work to improve the lives of their constituents.

The General Assembly has redrawn the congressional districts map so that 10 of 11 districts lean Democratic by merging four rural districts with urban districts.

This is not representative of the Commonwealth's communities. Representation will shift heavily to urban areas. It will be much harder for rural areas to have their voices heard at the national level.

Allowing politicians from any political party to have unchecked influence in the election process is not a fair process. Redistricting to favor a political party betrays the fundamental democratic ideal that leaders are chosen by the people.

On or before April 21, vote "no" to the amendment to change Virginia's congressional districts map.

Keep redistricting in the hands of the bipartisan commission that the Constitution of Virginia mandates. Opposing this referendum is essential for maintaining electoral fairness in Virginia.

Debbe Kitzmiller
Greenbackville

Plan for Virginia gerrymandering is wrong

To the editor:

Virginia relies upon an independent mapping commission to draw its congressional district boundaries, an approach that minimizes partisanship and emphasizes fairness.

Criteria like compactness, contiguity, and preserving communities of interest determine which voters will in common select their representative in Congress.

This process emphasizes the power of the electorate and ensures that elected officials are continuously reminded that the voters who put them in office are, in fact, in charge. There's no guarantee of a lifelong seat in Congress and there's genuine risk in ignoring people back home.

Virginia's contributors to the U.S. Constitution foresaw this challenge, and they built effective state and federal safeguards against one-party rule and unchecked partisanship.

But now, a mid-decade redistricting proposal in Virginia threatens the principles upon which American representative democracy was built — under the leadership of Virginians.

How wrong is the redistricting proposal? Based upon data at the Virginia Public Access Project and Ballotpedia, very wrong.

Congressional districts can be evaluated as leaning toward a particular party. A district, for example, may lean four points toward the Democrats — meaning a Democrat candidate can expect on average to outperform against her opponent by 4% of the votes or so in that district.

Under Virginia's current congressional map, the total partisan lean presents a cumulative partisan advantage of +104 for Democrats to +45 for Republicans across all 11 seats.

The new map, however, projects a cumulative partisan lean of +210.6 for Democrats to +10 for Republicans across Virginia's 11 districts.

Extreme gerrymandering like this has far-reaching and long-lasting consequences.

If adopted, the new map will erode politicians' accountability to the electorate. It will entrench party bosses, donors, and consultants, and marginalize Virginia's voice in national decision making.

Your voice won't be heard because incumbents will find that their re-election is basically inevitable if they follow their party's orders.

Instead of racing to the bottom, Virginia should lead and remain what it has been —a model for Congressional redistricting, not another haven for political machines and hacks.

A "no" vote will ensure that the people, not party bosses, are in charge.

Joe Devaney
Onancock

Why aren't DeSteph, Bloxom going to Texas to fight against GOP redistricting?

To the editor:

There's a famous scene in "Casablanca" (among many famous scenes) where Chief of Police Claude Rains announces he is closing down Bogart's nightclub (as ordered by the Nazis).

"How can you close me down?'' demands Bogie.

"I'm shocked — shocked — to learn that gambling is going on here," Rains haughtily replies, at which point the croupier walks up and tells Rains, "Your winnings, Monsieur."

That scene is often referenced in discussions of hypocrisy and I am shocked — shocked — to find Republican state Sen. Bill DeSteph and Republican Delegate Rob Bloxom aghast at the Democrats' attempts to rewrite the state's congressional map, particularly when they aren't shocked at Republican attempts to do the same in states like Texas and Florida.

Nor are they shocked at President Trump's attempts to rewrite the U.S. Constitution, rejecting birthright citizenship and rewriting history by removing all mention of slavery and restoring Confederate statues.

In other words it's only wrong when the other guys do it, but perfectly fine when we cheat and break the rules.

Perhaps it would help them if they realize that Democrats are no longer operating under the old bromide "when they go low, we go high."

Rather, Democrats are now taking their cue from a different film, 1987's "The Untouchables." I'm sure you know which one I mean — it's the one about the knife and the gun, the hospital and the morgue.

If DeSteph and Bloxom were honestly in favor of fairness and rules following, they would be on a bus to Austin to lobby their Republican colleagues against following Trump's unconstitutional plans. I would even pay for the bus ticket.

But they're not. Instead, they're too busy accepting their winnings from the croupier. At least until the next election.

Fredric Berg
Melfa

GUEST COLUMN

Exmore talking dog TV appearance recalled, 69 years later

BY JEAN MARION PARKER
Guest column



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In this image from the Sunday, March 17, 1957, edition of the Virginian-Pilot newspaper, Kendall and Jean Parker, of Exmore, sit with their dalmation, Betsy, which won $1,000 on a television program in New York City. The caption read, "Betsy is quite loquacious for a canine, her vocabulary extending to the rather plaintive request, "I want my mama."

Once upon a time (and this is a true story), there was a brown-and-white spotted dog found wandering around an area at the former Chincoteague Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Wallops. A housing area was being constructed at the former base.

Fred, the architect, took the dog home. His wife, Lucy, named the dog Betsy. Fred took her to a friend who had just lost her golden retriever. The friend told Fred that the new dog could not replace the lost dog but to leave her anyway. Being dog lovers, they promised they would find a home for her.

Meanwhile, my late husband, Kendall Parker, and I were looking for a watchdog at our home in Exmore because he was away from home several nights a week. We contacted a man in the area who frequently had dogs that needed adopting, so we went to see him.

Poor little Betsy came from under the stoop of the porch cowering and shivering. We petted her and talked with the gentleman. We decided we would take her; however, we needed to have permission from our landlord to have a dog in our apartment.

Back home we went, hoping we could come back for her. The landlord agreed that we could keep her — if we could find a place for her during the day because we both worked.

This was good news because my husband's family had just the right area and also had a dog house.

We went for Betsy a few days later and she was covered in fleas. We took her to my father-in-law's cleaning plant. My husband applied cleaning fluid to her body and her floppy ears (We never had any more flea problems through the years.) We learned brown and white spots were the original colors of a Dalmatian. Betsy became our Dalmatian.

Learning to talk

Years went by and my husband trained her to be obedient, do some tricks, and even be a babysitter outdoors for our daughter, who was born five years later.

Betsy could fetch our slippers, choose which can of dog food she wanted, and learned to "talk."

Our family friend built her a knotty pine bed. Our friend also had heard Betsy talk — he heard her say "mama" and "yum yum," which was a dog treat.

Our friend contacted us about a CBS television morning show contest for talking dogs and gave us the phone number.

Arrangements were made, and off to New York City went my husband, his brother, Creston Parker, and his brother's friend, Woody Justis. They went in Woody's new Pontiac sedan. (Woody said, "Nothing is too good for Betsy.")

Betsy and my husband appeared on the show "Good Morning! with Will Rogers Jr.," on March 6, 1957 — 69 years ago.

Rogers made sure personally that Betsy was comfortable before her performance.

There were two poodles with the show's guest, the actress Hermione Gingold. They weren't there for the competition, but they made Betsy nervous. The poodles were escorted from the set.

The time came for Betsy to go on stage and talk. Two judges from Field and Stream magazine were listing for a two-syllable word from the dog. Each syllable was worth $500.

Betsy said, "I want my mama," and "Yum yum." She won $1,000 and a huge unabridged Webster dictionary. Rogers said she could use the dictionary to look for more words to say.

The show was repeated for the West Coast because of the time difference. Betsy performed again, using the

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same words.

After the show, my husband, his friend, Woody, and Betsy went strolling in New York City to see the United Nations building. Woody and Betsy remained outside while the brothers went inside.

When they returned to the street, they found Betsy entertaining a group of people who enjoyed hearing her talk.

Talked out of a ticket

On their way home that night, the brother in the front seat asked Woody how fast the Pontiac would go, so Woody accelerated.

My husband, in the back seat with Betsy, saw a flickering light in the distance and alerted Woody, who slowed down and pulled over.

The state trooper wanted to know why he was going so fast. Woody told him he was headed home to Virginia and the dog in the back seat had just won $1,000 for talking on television.

The state trooper told him to prove that the dog could talk and he would not give him a ticket.

Woody told Betsy, "If you have ever talked, do it now."

My husband and Betsy exited the sedan into the cold night. Shivering, she managed to say, "I want my mama." The state trooper handed back Woody his driver's license and registration and said, "Please drive home carefully and arrive home safely. Good night." And they did.

Betsy became a celebrity after having her picture in the newspapers. When we would travel, people would ask her to talk. She had a child's firefighter hat that she wore and really looked like a firehouse Dalmatian. Betsy lived a long and happy life. Her remains are buried in our backyard.

We eventually had another Dalmatian from the SPCA. She was named Dottie. Her talent was to join in with a howl when we would sing "Happy Birthday." Another talent was to retrieve the morning paper. She, too, had a long and happy life. We buried Dottie's ashes next to Betsy's resting place.



COURTESY PHOTO

Betsy the talking dog, of Exmore, holds her $1,000 check in her mouth and puts her foot on a dictionary that was used as a prop at the television show on which she performed March 6, 1957.

We have had two Pomeranians. They are very lovable and special in their own way but don't perform like our Dalmatians did.

We are dog lovers no matter the breed. Dogs are devoted companions. They provide us with so much joy — especially as we grow older.

■ *The writer, who is 97 (and is quick to note that she still drives), lives in Hampton, where she moved with her husband shortly after Betsy appeared on television. Her husband, Kendall Parker, who retired from Newport News Shipbuilding, died at the age of 94 on March 6, 2022 — 65 years to the day after Betsy appeared on television. His brother, Creston Parker, died in 2012. Elwood T. "Woody" Justis Jr. died in 2009.*



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ENTERTAINMENT

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Best bets

■ Saturday, March 7, at 7 p.m. The Do Drop Inn is hosting Mardi Gras Meets St. Patrick's, a variety show. Tickets are $25 at the door.

■ Wednesday, March 11, from 5 to 7 p.m., the Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company is hosting a corned beef and cabbage dinner.

Friday, March 6

■ RIBBON CUTTING: Noon, Coastal Shore Real Estate, 300 Mason Ave., Suite C, Cape Charles. Coastal Shore is relocating a few doors down from its old office and a ribbon cutting is being held. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served.

■ CHICKEN SALAD SALE: Pick up from 2:30 to 5 p.m., Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 30053 Seaside Road, Melfa. The church is hosting a chicken salad sale. The cost is $10 per quart. To place orders in advance all 757-710-4920 or 757-787-1508.

■ FISH FRY: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Remson Christian Church, 4249 Sheephouse Road, Pocomoke City. The church is hosting a fish fry. Meals are $12 each and include fried flounder, macaroni and cheese, green beans, cornbread, and a dessert. Dine in and carry out are available.

■ YOUTH DANCE CLASS: 5 to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth hip hop dance class on Fridays.

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

■ MOVIE: 7 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. Onancock International Films is screening "Sinners" as part of The Oscars in Onancock. Tickets are $10.

Saturday, March 7

■ TRAINING: 10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce, Melfa. A training called It's My Money: A Path of Financial Freedom is being offered by the Community and Family Development Training Center. To register call 757-993-0266.

■ JOB FAIR: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. The center is hosting a job fair.

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

■ PEACE WALK: 10:30 a.m., Kayak Landing Park, Onancock. A peace walk is being held in downtown Onancock.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Myrtle Landing Apartment, 815 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ MOVIE: 2:30 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. Onancock International Films is screening "Marty Supreme" as part of The Oscars in Onancock. Tickets are $10.

■ BINGO: Doors open 5 p.m., sales start at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m., Eastville Community Center, 17202 Courthouse Road, Eastville. The Eastville Volunteer Fire Company is hosting bingo.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. The Southern Fog Band performs live.

■ VARIETY SHOW: 7 p.m., Giddens Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Road, Franktown. Dr. Rotcod's Variety Show is coming to the Do Drop Inn for the Mardi Gras Meets St. Patrick's celebration. Hors d'oeuvres will also be served. Tickets are $25 at the door.

■ MOVIE: 7 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. Onancock International Films is screening "Hamnet" as part of The Oscars in Onancock. Tickets are $10.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 7:30 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Karla D. Robinson and her jazz combo perform live. Champagne and light fare are included. For tickets visit https://tinyurl.com/4p52amw7

Sunday, March 8

■ MOVIE: 1 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. Onancock International Films is screening "One Battle After Another" as part of The Oscars in Onancock. Tickets are $10.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 1 p.m., Grace Independent Methodist Church, 31383 Drummondtown Road, Wachapreague. The church is hosting a Friends and Family Day service. The guest preacher will be James Nock of Snead's Memorial United Methodist Church in Keller.

Tuesday, March 10

■ BREAKFAST: 8:30 to 10 a.m., American Legion Post 159, 4023 Main St., Chincoteague. All veterans and active military personnel are invited to Veterans Cafe, a free breakfast held by the legion.

■ VETERANS AFFAIRS: 9 a.m. to noon, American Legion Post 159, Chincoteague. A representative from the Virginia Department of Veterans Services will be at the post to help veterans understand their benefits. No appointment is necessary.

■ MEETING: 9 a.m., Eastern Shore Community Services Board Administration Office, 24233 Lankford Highway, Tasley. The CSB is holding its monthly board meeting.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Northampton County Parks and Recreation Community Center, 7247 Young St., Machipongo. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ MEETING: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., American Legion Post 159, Chincoteague. The Veterans Support Committee will meet about available resources and veteran needs. A light lunch will be provided. Veterans and their families are welcome.

■ TEEN GAME NIGHT: 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can play video games or boardgames or do puzzles. There will also be a craft activity.

■ 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.

■ MEETING: 6 p.m., American Legion Post 56, Cheriton. The legion will hold its monthly meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

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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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■ WRITERS GROUP: 6 to 7 p.m., Chincoteague Island Library, Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Island Writers Group will meet. Writers can share a piece based on the prompt, which can be found on the group's Facebook, or read their other work. Readings are limited to five minutes. To register call 757-336-3460 or email twright@espl.org

■ GAME NIGHT: 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, Temperanceville. Each week Par 4 hosts a game night featuring cards, dominoes, corn hole, and bingo.

Wednesday, March 11

■ TECH HELP: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get help with tech devices on demand all day.

■ SUPPORT GROUP: 11 a.m., Tasley Volunteer Fire Company, Tasley. The Veterans Peer Support Group for all Eastern Shore veterans is meeting. This guided support group allows veterans to connect with others.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to noon, St. John's United Methodist Church, 10352 Atlantic Road, Atlantic. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Exmore Town Park, 3305 Main St., Exmore. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ CORNED BEEF DINNER: 5 to 7 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, 21334 Bayside Road, Cheriton. The fire company is hosting a corned beef and cabbage dinner. The menu includes corned beef, cabbage, buttered potatoes, cornbread, desserts, and beverages.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 5 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, Cape Charles. The brewery is hosting a live music jam session.

■ YOUTH CHESS: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth chess club every Wednesday.

■ BINGO: Doors open 6 p.m., games start 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Company, 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter. The fire company hosts bingo every Wednesday.

Thursday, March 12

■ BIRDING FIELD TRIP: 8 a.m., Seaview Farm, 23039 Rose Cottage Road, Melfa. Meriwether Payne will lead a birding field trip at Seaview Farm. Boots are recommended.

■ GARDENING: 10 a.m. to noon, Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. The Eastern Shore of Virginia Master Gardeners will be at the library to answer gardening questions and distribute free seeds.

■ BINGO: 6 p.m., Northampton Fire and Rescue, 10239 Pine Ave., Nassawadox. The station is hosting bingo.

■ CRAFT: 6 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Adults can learn how to make a spring bonnet. To register call the library at 757-414-0010.

■ LECTURE: 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Authors Mary and Nabil Khouri will discuss their respective books and publishing journeys.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 to 8 p.m., Kuchisabishii, Onancock. Sean Thomas and the Kuchisabishii Jazz Trio perform live every Thursday.

■ BOOK CLUB: 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., Skys the Limit Yoga, 712 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles. Skys the Limit is hosting a book club. The selected book is "The Correspondent," by Virginia Evans. Members are free, the cost is $5 for non-members. All proceeds benefit REACH VB.

■ MOVIE: 7 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. Onancock International Films is screening the South African film "Don't Let's Go To The Dogs Tonight." Tickets are $8.

Friday, March 13

■ ADULT CRAFT: Noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Adults can learn how to make a leather traveler's journal.

■ YOUTH DANCE CLASS: 5 to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth hip hop dance class on Fridays.

■ BINGO: Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 6:45 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fairgrouns, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke. The fair is hosting a designer purse and cash bingo. The cost is $30. There will be a special game benefiting Samaritan House and there is a canned food drive. There will also be food, raffles, and special games. To purchase tickets in advance call 410-726-8012 or 410-4229195.

■ CABARET: Doors open at 6:30 p.m., show starts 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. The alliance is hosting an Irish Cabaret. The evening will include songs, storytelling, and more. There will be a cash bar. The suggested donation is $5.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 7 to 8 p.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. The church is hosting a 50th anniversary service. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

Saturday, March 14

■ TRAINING: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Broadwater Academy, 3500 Broadwater Road, Exmore. A Basic Hunter Education Course is being held.

■ STEM PARTY: 10 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a STEM party. There will be vendors, snacks, visits with a gecko, and STEM kits to checkout.

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

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bayview Heritage Gardens, 22807 Blue Heron Road, Cheriton. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION: Noon to 5 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, Cape Charles. The brewery is celebrating St. Patrick's Day with live music, a keg toss, and green beer.

■ MEETING: 1 p.m., Sage Diner, 25558 Lankford Highway, Onley. The Disabled American Veterans will hold its meeting.

■ PARADE: At 3 p.m. the O'Nancock St. Patrick's Day parade will kick off in downtown Onancock.

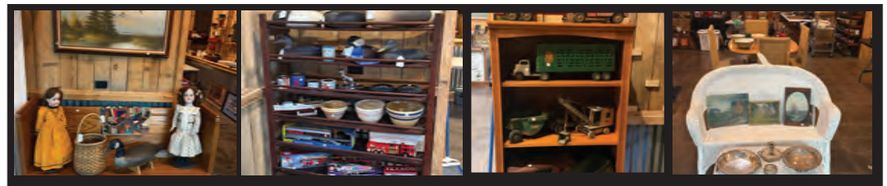
■ SPAGHETTI DINNER: 4 to 7 p.m., Bethel Baptist Church, 14050 Bethel Church Road, Bloxom. The church is hosting a spaghetti dinner. The cost is $10 per plate and the menu includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, and a drink. Proceeds will benefit the Accomack Northampton Pregnancy Center.

■ OYSTER ROAST: 4 to 7 p.m., The Shan-

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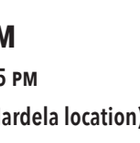
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ty, Cape Charles. The Northampton County Education Foundation is hosting Oysters for Education. Tickets are $125 per person and include oysters, barbecue, sides, and drinks. There will also be live music. For tickets visit https://tinyurl.com/4a4zn2hc

■ QUARTER AUCTION: Doors open at 4 p.m., auction begins at 5 p.m., Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. The Eastern Shore Force baseball team is hosting a quarter auction. Tickets are $15.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m.,The Listening Room at Morphosis Gallery, 33 Market St., Onancock. Salts performs live. The cost is $15. Call 757-710-8718.

■ LIVE MUSIC: Doors open at 7 p.m., concert starts at 8 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, Temperanceville. The Focus Band performs live. There will also be a buffet dinner.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 7 to 8 p.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. The church is hosting a 50th anniversary service. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

Sunday, March 15

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 10:30 a.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. The church is hosting a 50th anniversary service. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 2 p.m., Adams United Methodist Church, 23421 Lee Mont Road, Parksley. The church is hosting a Women's Day. The guest speaker is the Reverend Donna Tucker.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. The Fil Rhythm Band performs live.

Tuesday, March 17

■ 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.

■ GAME NIGHT: 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, Temperanceville. Each week Par 4 hosts a game night featuring cards, dominoes, corn hole, and bingo.

Wednesday, March 18

■ TECH HELP: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get help with tech devices on demand all day.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 10 to 11:30 a.m., African Baptist Church, 4224 Sunny Side Road, Cheriton. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 28281 Main St., Hallwood. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ YOUTH CHESS: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth chess club every Wednesday.

■ BINGO: Doors open 6 p.m., games start 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Company, 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter. The fire company hosts bingo every Wednesday.

Thursday, March 19

■ PRAYER BREAKFAST: 8 a.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, 15315 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. The Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association is hosting its annual prayer breakfast. Jamar K. Walker, a federal judge in the Eastern District, will be the keynote speaker. The cost is $15 for non-members. To RSVP email or text ESCBA president Rhudy Naylor at rlnaylor2@gmail.com or 757-710-9638.

■ BOOK CLUB: 1 to 3 p.m., Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church, Onancock. The Third Thursday Book Club will meet. This month's discussion will center on books about women in history. The selection is reader's choice.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 to 8 p.m., Kuchisabishii, Onancock. Sean Thomas and the Kuchisabishii Jazz Trio perform live every Thursday.

Friday, March 20

■ SEARCHING FOR SHAMROCKS: From 4 to 7 p.m., Searching for Shamrocks will bring a scavenger hunt to Chincoteague. Participants can visit different businesses around the island for clues to a riddle. Costumes are encouraged. For more information visit https://chincoteaguemerchants.com/

■ YOUTH DANCE CLASS: 5 to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth hip hop dance class on Fridays.

■ CONCERT: 7:30 p.m., Market Street Methodist Church, Onancock. The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore presents "Four B's" featuring music from Boulogne, Bach, Beethoven, and Brahms. The concert is free but donations are welcome.

Saturday, March 21

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 9 to 10:30 a.m., Jerusalem Baptist Church, 10011 Jerusalem Road, Temperanceville. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ BOATING COURSE: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles. The U.S. Coat Guard Auxiliary Flotilla is hosting a Boating America course. The cost is $25. To register visit https://tinyurl.com/43wvh3az

■ FIREARMS TRAINING: 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., NOAAWIVA Sportsmen Inc., 30516 Chincoteague Road, Chincoteague. A firearms safety and marksmanship training is being held. This training is free for children from age 13 to17. The cost for adults is $25. Participants should wear long pants and shirts and a billed cap. Personal firearms are not permitted. Protective gear, snacks, and drinks will be provided.

■ SEARCHING FOR SHAMROCKS: From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Searching for Shamrocks will bring a scavenger hunt to Chincoteague. Participants can visit different businesses around the island for clues to a riddle. Costumes are encouraged. For more information visit https://chincoteaguemerchants.com/

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

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Myrtle Landing Apartment, 815 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

Sunday, March 22

■ CONCERT: 4 p.m., Hungars Episcopal Church, Machipongo. The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore presents "Four B's" featuring music from Boulogne, Bach, Beethoven, and Brahms. The concert is free but donations are welcome.

Tuesday, March 24

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Northampton County Parks and Recreation Community Center, 7247 Young St., Machipongo. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ 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.

■ GAME NIGHT: 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, Temperanceville. Each week Par 4 hosts a game night featuring cards, dominoes, corn hole, and bingo.

Wednesday, March 25

■ TECH HELP: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get help with tech devices on demand all day

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Exmore Town Park, 3305 Main St., Exmore. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saxis Volunteer Fire Company, 8337 Free School Road, Saxis. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ YOUTH CHESS: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth chess club every Wednesday.

■ BINGO: Doors open 6 p.m., games start 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Company, 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter. The fire company hosts bingo every Wednesday.

Thursday, March 26

■ BLOOD DRIVE: 1 to 6 p.m., Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. The Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague is hosting a blood drive. Visit https://www.redcrossblood.org/ to set up an appointment.

■ BINGO: 6 p.m., Northampton Fire and Rescue, 10239 Pine Ave., Nassawadox. The station is hosting bingo.

■ KIDS ART: 6 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Kids can learn to make paper plate butterflies.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 to 8 p.m., Kuchisabishii, Onancock. Sean Thomas and the Kuchisabishii Jazz Trio perform live every Thursday.

Friday, March 27

■ YOUTH DANCE CLASS: 5 to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth hip hop dance class on Fridays.

Saturday, March 28

■ ARTISAN SHOW: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, 25 Main St., Wachapreague. Artisans of Wachapreague are holding a show and sale at the church. There will be crafts, paintings, prints, jewelry, sculptures, lamps, carvings, and more.

■ FIELD TRIP: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., The Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. The museum is hosting Heritage Day, a field

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trip that covers some of the highlights of the island all in one day. The day begins at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, followed by coffee with Mayor Denise Bowden, a visit to Chincoteague Island National Wildlife Refuge to climb the lighthouse and visit the Bateman Center, an exclusive trip down the service road in the park, lunch at Don's Seafood, a walking tour of downtown, and visits to the Timothy Hill House and the Beebe Ranch. The cost is $75. To purchase tickets visit https://tinyurl.com/3xa9ysb6

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

■ FOOD DISTRIBUTION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bayview Heritage Gardens, 22807 Blue Heron Road, Cheriton. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is hosting a mobile pantry.

■ CASH BASH: 1 to 6 p.m., Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Company, 1410 Market St., Pocomoke City. The volunteer fire company is hosting its 10th annual Cash Bash. There will be a chance to win $250 every 15 minutes, a $500 giveaway at 3:30 p.m., and a $10,000 grand prize. This is a 21 and up event. Tickets include entrance, beer, soft drinks, and all-you-can-eat food. A cash bar will also be available. There will also be live music. For tickets visit https://tinyurl.com/y2u4s6nu

■ LECTURE: 2 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. The Virginia Master Gardeners will lead a lecture on how to create an herb garden. This event is free and open to the public.

■ BINGO: Doors open 5 p.m., sales start at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m., Eastville Community Center, 17202 Courthouse Road, Eastville. The Eastville Volunteer Fire Company is hosting bingo.

■ REUNION: 7 p.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, 15315 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. A reunion is being held for the Cameo Room. There will be live music by Steve Bassett. Tickets are $10 in advance or $15 at the door. To purchase tickets call or text Amy at 757-709-4333.

■ CONCERT: 7 p.m., Historic Cokesbury Cultural Center, 13 Market St., Onancock. Crim Dell Quartet take the stage in a rescheduled performance. This is a free concert.

■ CONCERT: 7:30 p.m., Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles. Damn the Torpedoes, a Tom Petty cover band, performs live. Visit www.artsentercapecharles.org for tickets.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 9 p.m., E and O Pub, Cape Charles. The Fil Rhythm Band performs live.

Sunday, March 29

■ EASTER EGG HUNT: 11 a.m., Grace United Methodist Church, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley. The church is hosting an Easter egg hunt. There will also be a light lunch, crafts, games, and pictures and visits with the Easter Bunny.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 2 to 5 p.m., Giddens Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Road, Franktown. Bayside Jazz performs live. Tickets are $25 at the door.

Monday, March 30

■ BINGO: 1 to 3 p.m., Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. Island Community House and Village Neighbors are hosting bingo. The cost is $5 per card or $20 for five cards.

■ POETRY NIGHT: 6 p.m., The Listening Room at Morphosis, 33 Market St., Onancock. Poets Melinda McPeek, Morgan Leigh, Kendall Bradley, and Marty Burgess will share poems. Tickets are $7. To reserve a seat call 757-710-8718.

Tuesday, March 31

■ CERTIFICATION: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Eastern Shore Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 33446 Research Drive, Painter. A commercial pesticide recertification is being held.

■ 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.

■ GAME NIGHT: 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, Temperanceville. Each week Par 4 hosts a game night featuring cards, dominoes, corn hole, and bingo.

Wednesday, April 1

■ TECH HELP: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get help with tech devices on demand all day.

■ YOUTH CHESS: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth chess club every Wednesday.

■ BINGO: Doors open 6 p.m., games start 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Company, 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter. The fire company hosts bingo every Wednesday.

Thursday, April 2

■ LIVE MUSIC: 6 to 8 p.m., Kuchisabishii, Onancock. Sean Thomas and the Kuchisabishii Jazz Trio perform live every Thursday.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: 7 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Parksley. The church is hosting a Maundy Thursday service.

■ BIKE RIDE: Cyclists will meet beginning at 7:25 p.m. at the Cape Charles Beachfront for a Full Moon Bike Ride. Riders will depart at 7:45 p.m. for a bike ride around Cape Charles. Costumes and decorated bikes are encouraged.

Friday, April 3

■ DECOY FESTIVAL: Noon to 5 p.m., Chincoteague Combined School, 4586 Main St., Chincoteague. The Easter Decoy and Art Festival will showcase the work of local decoy carvers as well as artists of all kinds. Carvers will be working live on site. Admission is $5, cash only. Children under age 12 are free.

■ SPECIAL SERVICE: Lineup begins at 1:45 p.m., procession starts at 2:15 p.m., Cape Charles Central Park. St. Charles Borromeo Church is hosting the Stations of the Cross at the park.

■ YOUTH DANCE CLASS: 5 to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Family YMCA, Onley. The Y is hosting a youth hip hop dance class on Fridays.

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OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

Susan Norris

Mrs. Susan Norris, known as Susy, was intelligent, thoughtful, and articulate, with a strong memory and an easy command of language. She was a dedicated priest, a careful liturgist, and a chorus director who knew Episcopal hymns and show tunes by heart. She was also a generous hostess and a skilled cook, creating homes where people felt welcome. She lived a life shaped by conviction, service, and care for others.



Mrs. Norris

Susy attended DePauw University, where she studied sacred music, deepening her lifelong love of liturgy and the church's musical tradition — foundations that later shaped her ministry.

During the first five years of her life, she was raised in Missouri by her mother, Alice, while her father, Harold, served in Army intelligence during World War II. Growing up as an only child with a single mother during her formative years left her with a lasting belief in women's strength and capability and a confidence that stayed with her throughout her life. It was likely the beginning of her path toward the Episcopal priesthood, at a time when the ordination of women was still uncommon.

She did not believe much in obstacles. If something stood in the way, you kept going until you crossed it. She lived that way herself and raised her children with the same expectation. She opposed injustice and worked consistently to ensure that the dignity, needs, and rights of all people were upheld.

Family mattered greatly to Susy. Raised in Missouri, she was close with her sister, Nancy, despite their five-year age difference, and often told stories about their great-aunties, her grandmother's chicken farm, and the many adventures of Girl Scout camp, a time she loved and returned to often in memory. Her "adopted" sister, Ann, present throughout many of these stories, remained an important part of her life for more than 70 years. These early bonds shaped the way Susy understood family, not only as inheritance, but as something tended and chosen.

Graduate school brought Susy to New York City, which she loved for its energy, food, theater, music, and general chaos. She attended the Union Theological Seminary School of Sacred Music, where she met Scott, beginning a partnership grounded in love, affection, and mutual respect. Their life together was rooted in friendship, faith, and shared purpose; they were devoted Episcopalians. During this time, they adopted their first cats, Humphrey and Constance, known as Mousey, and welcomed their daughter, Anne.

Madison, N.J., became the place where Susy and Scott began raising their young children and shaping their family's early years. There they welcomed the birth of their son, John, on July 7, 1977. During these years, Susy earned her Master of Divinity degree at Drew University and began navigating the ordination process, pursuing her call prior to the Episcopal Church's formal approval of the ordination of women.

In New York and New Jersey, Susy formed friendships that would remain central to her life. Ann and Roland became, in every meaningful way, family. Together they raised children, shared summers, and discovered Chincoteague, a place that would later become Susy and Scott's home. Over the years, Susy continued to gather people into her life with care, holding friends and family close.

After ordination and brief service at two churches, Susy found a home at Grace Church in Plainfield, N.J., where she served as assistant priest and was known to many as Mother Susan. She assisted the rector in parish leadership and ran after-school choir programs for community children, drawing on her musical background and steady presence. It was during her years in Plainfield that she officiated the wedding of close friends the day after learning of her father's death, asking only that it not be mentioned.

She later served for many years at Grace St. Paul's in Mercerville, N.J., a calling to a community she loved, where her ministry deepened and expanded. There she walked with parishioners through baptisms, funerals, ordinary Sundays, and difficult seasons, bringing steadiness and clarity to her work. For several years she also directed the Diocese's Deacon Formation program, mentoring and guiding those preparing for ordained ministry. Many of the deacons she formed remained grateful for her counsel and example. She also served on the Diocese's Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons. For the wider Episcopal Church, she was active on the committees dealing with LGBTQ issues, which led to the adoption of the trial marriage liturgy suitable for same-sex marriages.

She was attentive to those around her. On one Maundy Thursday at Grace St. Paul's, she spent hours sitting with a parishioner newly diagnosed with cancer. She could also be direct. When a teenage parishioner tried to avoid serving as crucifer during Holy Week because it conflicted with baseball season, she said, "It is Holy Week. I will see you at Stations of the Cross whether you're wearing baseball pants, suit pants, or no pants. I honestly don't care. I'll see you there."

Over the years, Susy managed her family with quiet competence, overseeing the day to day, navigating the realities of home and work, and cooking meals despite a demanding schedule. Later, she designed the family home on Chincoteague Island. After retiring there, she continued to serve local churches, played bridge with neighbors, transformed the yard, welcomed visitors, and volunteered her time filing books at the island bookstore. Her granddaughter, Betsy, brought her particular joy. Together they baked, read, explored Little Beach, jumped waves, and rode on the bow of her wooden skiff, the Betsy Bea.

Susy is survived by her husband, Scott; her children, Anne and John; her granddaughter, Betsy; her sister, Nancy; and her cats, Lady Edith, Billie, and Bing.

She gave her time and attention freely and expected much of herself. She served her family, her church, and her communities with steadiness and faithfulness. She will be remembered for her presence, her clarity of purpose, and the many lives she touched.

Memorial services will be held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, in Jenkins Bridge, on Saturday, March 14, at 11 a.m. and at Grace Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, in Mercerville, N.J., on Saturday, April 25, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Union Theological Seminary, New York City; Episcopal Relief and Development; The Nature Conservancy; or Grace Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Mercerville.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

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Obituaries

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Nancy Gosline

Mrs. Nancy Jane Gosline passed away peacefully at home on March 1, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Amityville, N.Y., to the late Emil Anderson and Elizabeth Sleight Anderson, Nancy lived a life devoted to her family, her faith, and her community. She was the beloved wife of Edward Charles Gosline Jr., with whom she shared a deep love of gardening and 58 cherished years together.



Mrs. Gosline

Nancy was a devoted and proud mother to her precious twins, Amy Elizabeth Anderson Mireles (Casper) and Edward Charles Gosline (Carla). She found her greatest joy in being Grandma to Madeline Reagan Mireles, Julia Grace Gosline, and Cooper Charles Gosline, who brought endless happiness to her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Richard Anderson and Gerald Anderson; and her sister, Joan Baxter.

Nancy was deeply committed to serving others. For more than 10 years, she was an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, faithfully serving as both chaplain and treasurer. She also generously gave her time to her community as president of the girls Little League team, supporting and encouraging young athletes.

Her dedication to children extended to her own family, where she was actively involved in her children's education, serving as a class mother and at times as a substitute teacher. Nancy believed in nurturing not only her own children but all those around her.

She will be remembered for her warm heart, steadfast faith, tireless service, and the beautiful gardens she lovingly tended alongside her husband. Nancy's legacy lives on in the lives she touched and in the family she cherished so dearly.

Her family will forever hold her memory close to their hearts.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, March 4, at Doughty Funeral Home, at 5 p.m., with Pastor Tommy Kellam officiating. A committal was held Thursday, March 5, at 1 p.m. at Belle Haven Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 615, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

James Bundick

Mr. James Hamilton Bundick, 79, of Williamsburg, passed away peacefully at home on Feb. 23, 2026, after a battle with cancer.

He is survived by his wife, Lynne; two children and five grandchildren; and his sisters, Charlotte Killmon and Sue Henderson (Andy).



Mr. Bundick

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Hamilton and Annie Lou Bundick, and his brother-in-law, Jerry Killmon.

A full obituary is available on Bucktrout of Williamsburg's website: https://tinyurl.com/4vz4y274

A celebration of Jim's life will be held at King of Glory Church, in Williamsburg, on May 2, at 11 a.m.

Elizabeth Bundick

Mrs. Elizabeth Acworth Bundick, 89, of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, passed away peacefully on Feb. 27, 2026, at Shore Health and Rehab in Parksley.

She was born on Dec. 25, 1936, in Norfolk, to Pearl and Weldon Acworth. Elizabeth grew up on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, a place that remained dear to her heart throughout her life.

Following her graduation from high school, Elizabeth moved to Delaware, where she attended Goldey-Beacom College in Wilmington. Her time there marked the beginning of many years spent building her life and career in the state she would call home.

On Nov. 19, 1955, she married Alfred Bundick. They shared 19 years of marriage until his passing in 1974. She was also preceded in death by her beloved daughter, Elizabeth Bundick Downs.

Elizabeth worked for many years at the University of Delaware in the Appointments Processing Office, where she was known for her dedication and reliability.



Mrs. Bundick

Outside of her professional life, she found joy in reading, needlework, and lunch outings with her friends. She was a longtime member of the Order of the Eastern Star and valued the fellowship and service it represented.

She is survived by her daughters, Natalie Story (Steven), of Assawoman, and Bernice Guerrero (Bob) of Greeley, Colo.; her grandchildren, Lauren Downs, of Elkton, Md., Joanna Waring (Jamie), of Baltimore, Sarah MacDonald (Matt), of Millersville, Md., Mitchell Downs (Amy), of Northport, Fla., and her honorary granddaughter, Megan Truitt (Matt), of Cholera, Md.; as well as several great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life service will be conducted Thursday, April 16, at 10 a.m., at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Charles Peterson officiating. Inurnment will be private in Johnsons United Methodist Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 163, Salisbury, MD 21803-0163, Alzheimer's Association, Southeastern Virginia Chapter, 6350 Center Drive, Suite #102, Norfolk, VA 23502, or Eastern Shore SPCA, Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Paul Horning

Mr. Paul Good Horning, 94, was born in Berks County, Pa., to Paul Brendle (Papa) Horning and Luella Good Horning.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mary Daniels Horning, and his son, Clinton Arthur Horning.



Mr. Horning

Paul is survived by four nieces and six nephews and his soulmate, Lola Bailey, of Virginia.

Paul served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War.

He operated a retail garden supply store and nursery in Bellair Bluffs, Fla., for 12 years and worked for 24 years as district sales manager in Florida for the Ferti-Lome company. Paul retired in Florida and moved to Cape Charles in 2011.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, March 8, at 2 p.m., at Cheriton Baptist Church with the Rev. Dr. Charlie Peterson officiating.

Memorial donations may be made Cheriton Baptist Church, P.O. Box 227, Cheriton, VA 23316.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Reuben Quanbeck

Mr. Reuben Quanbeck, born July 26, 1956, passed away Nov. 6, 2025, under the care of hospice surrounded by his loving family.



Mr. Quanbeck

There will be a celebration of life service at the Eastville Inn in Eastville on March 21 at 1 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Cancer Center, Riverside Hospice, or the Northampton County Education Foundation.

Blessed be his memory!

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Obituaries

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Bill Weston

On Feb. 13, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ called His servant Bill to His heavenly home. **Mr. William C. "Bill" Weston** died from complications of pulmonary disease. He joins his two beloved brothers.

He is survived by his son, Tony Weston, and his daughter, Julie Watson; two nieces and a nephew; two sisters-in-law; 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



Mr. Weston

Being a soul of cheerful optimism and unquenchable friendliness, he also leaves behind innumerable friends, colleagues, and fellow parishioners in both Virginia and Maryland.

Grateful for the grace and forgiveness necessary to be sober for 47 years, Bill was dedicated to paying it forward by helping others overcome addictions.

A celebration of life, memorial service, and burial will be held on his posthumous birthday; Friday, April 10, at 10 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church of Piscataway, 13405 Piscataway Road, Clinton MD 20735.

Repast will follow at Knights of Columbus Hall, 16403 Livingston Road, Accokeek, MD 20607.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made out to Onancock Baptist Church on behalf of Celebrate Recovery, Onancock Baptist Church, 1 Crockett Ave., Onancock, VA 23417, (757) 787-4348.

His family would like to graciously thank everyone in the community who has sent kind words, prayers, and condolences. His family deeply appreciates these sentiments in this time of grief.

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Holly Grove Christian sweeps conference titles

BY MARK MORING
Eastern Shore Post





PHOTOS COURTESY HOLLY GROVE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

The Holly Grove Christian boys and girls basketball teams celebrate their DVCAC titles. Pictured on the boys team, front row, from left, are John Banks, Drew Linton, Lucas Creighton, Brody Johnson, Jack Ellis, Will Donovan, and Levin Brittingham. In the back row are Jordan Monk (advisor), Lee Ramsay (head coach), Jeremiah Dagen (team manager), Tommy Davis (assistant coach), Will Dize, Jonathan Young, Oliver Mester-Toth, Balazs Kiss, David Chew, Shane King (assistant coach), and Dave Ellis (strength and conditioning coach). Pictured on the girls team, front row, from left, are Claire Bromley, Reagan Brittingham, Madi Dunn, Audrey Davis, Ella Powell, Abby Pruitt, Macki Muir, Cate Sterling, Kamryn Salvas, and Bethanie Parks. In the back row are Joe Hubbs (head coach), Phil Parks (assistant coach), and Jonathan Pruitt (assistant coach).

Holly Grove Christian School's boys and girls basketball teams both wrapped up their seasons last weekend with conference championships.

On Saturday, Feb. 28, Balazs Kiss had 10 points and six assists to lead the Eagles to a 38-29 victory over Delaware Valley Classical School in the title game of the Delaware Valley Christian Athletic Conference (DVCAC) tournament. The game was played at a neutral site, Chestertown Christian Academy.

It was the first DVCAC tournament championship for the Holly Grove boys since 2016.

Also on Feb. 28, Holly Grove's girls made it a DVCAC sweep. Kamryn Salvas (14 points) and Mackenzie Muir (13 points) led the Eagles to the crown, winning the title game, 39-36, against Calvary Christian Academy.

Holly Grove's boys had started the season by losing three of their first four games, but they finished the season by winning seven straight in February, ending the year at 15-7 and winning the DVCAC South regular season title.

In the championship game against the Titans, the Eagles also had strong games from Jack Ellis (nine points, five rebounds), Drew Linton (eight points, seven rebounds), and Oliver Mester-Toth (eight points, 10 rebounds).

In the semifinal game on Feb. 26, Kiss and Mester-Toth had 16 points each to lead the Eagles to a 61-49 win over Greenwood Mennonite.

Ellis was named MVP of the DVCAC tournament. Kiss was also named first-team all-conference, and Linton was named to the second team.

"We started building a culture last year, and our term for it was 'brick by brick,'" said second-year coach Lee Ramsay. "The boys worked incredibly hard from the start of last season until now, and that work paid off. I couldn't be more proud of them."

In the girls championship game, Abby Pruitt chipped in four points and a dozen rebounds for the Eagles (15-7), who also had won the DVCAC South regular season crown. Muir was named MVP of the tournament, while Muir and Pruitt were both second-team all-conference selections.

"This season was really about building on the turnaround season we had last year," said HG girls coach Joe Hubbs, noting that the Eagles went from 3-17 two years ago to 13-7 last winter. "Fast forward to this year, and we've pushed buying into the process and using every game to prepare us for the playoff push.

"I'm really proud of these girls for locking in for these last two weeks and finishing what we started last season."

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Firebirds lose home court advantage

BY MARK MORING
Eastern Shore Post

The Arcadia girls basketball team surged into the playoffs last week with momentum on its side. The team had not only notched its second straight Eastern Shore District title, but had won eight straight games by an average margin of 21.2 points.

The fourth-seeded Firebirds earned a first-round bye in the Region 2A tournament and were slated to host fifth-seeded Greensville County in the quarterfinals.

Then Winter Storm Hernando messed up everything — including Arcadia's home-court advantage. The Firebirds ended up having to travel 3.5 hours to Emporia for the game, which they lost, 63-57, ending their season at 18-5.

"This was the toughest loss of my career," said Arcadia coach Casey Cordrey, who is retiring after seven years as coach. Cordrey recently married and wants to invest more time into raising a family.

"I want to thank all the players, parents, and coaches for making this season a success. This was a special season that I did not want to see come to an end. At some point, every season does, but this one just hurt a little more."

Cordrey couldn't help but wonder if things might have been different had the game been played in Oak Hall.

The Firebirds lost a January game at Greensville, 53-44, but the combination of wanting to avenge that loss and having home court advantage was in Arcadia's favor.

The Greensville playoff game was originally scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 24, at Arcadia. But when the Feb. 22 storm canceled school for two days, the game was pushed back to Wednesday, Feb. 25, which Accomack County Public Schools designated as a "virtual learning day," when students do not attend school in person.

The school board could have decided to allow Arcadia to host the game on that Wednesday, and one Arcadia official, who was granted anonymity to give further insight, confirmed that the Greensville team was willing to travel to Oak Hall to play.

But ACPS decided not to allow the game to be played at Arcadia for a variety of reasons, according to Danielle Clark, public information officer.

Clark said the decision had to be made on Tuesday morning, Feb. 24, about the location of the next day's game.

"When schools are closed due to inclement weather, all after-school activities are typically canceled or rescheduled to ensure consistency and to mitigate unnecessary risk," Clark said in a statement, citing weather forecasts and conditions on back roads.

Clark said that the board's "decision timeline was constrained by Virginia High School League requirements. A determination was required early on Tuesday, Feb. 24, and once communicated, it could not be reversed."

In a later conversation, Clark added, "We had to make the decision on Tuesday to give the (Virginia High School League) time to arrange for referees. Once we made that decision with VHSL on Tuesday, we could not repeal it."

But VHSL Director of Communications Mike McCall said there are no such league requirements for regional playoff games. "The VHSL does not assign referees for district or region games," he said.

McCall noted that all decisions involving regional playoff games are made at the local level and that the VHSL is not involved. McCall said VHSL rules only apply to state playoffs, to be held March 12 to 14 in Richmond.

Clark also noted that when the decision was made on the morning of Feb. 24, "Accomack County remained under a declared state of emergency."

But that state of emergency was lifted at 11 a.m. on Feb. 24 — 31 hours before game time.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, turned out to be partly cloudy with no precipitation and a high above 50 degrees — and Greensville was willing to make the trip. Local referees were available to work the game, had it been played at Arcadia.

Clark's statement further explained the district's decision: "Faced with the choice of forfeiture or relocation, we carefully weighed both the safety implications and the competitive significance of the contest. While student safety remained paramount, we also sought to preserve our student-athletes' opportunity to compete.

"After thorough consideration, relocation represented the most responsible and balanced course of action. This decision was not made lightly."

Arcadia principal Shaun O'Shea declined to comment, referring questions to ACPS.

Cordrey declined to comment, saying, "I will save all of the ifs, ands, and buts."

Cordrey later added of his team, "It was up to us to go take care of business and we fell short."

After spotting Greensville County a 17-2 lead in the first quarter, Arcadia stormed back with 55 points over the next three periods to make a game of it.

Amani Hope led the Firebirds with 19 points and Megan "Boo" Montross added 15. Ashaureya Tankard had eight points and nine rebounds, and Payton Taylor had 17 assists.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

BOYS BASKETBALL

Jackets fall in state quarters

On Tuesday, March 3, Northampton's historic postseason run came to an end with a 75-56 loss at Luray in the quarterfinals of the Class 1 state tournament.

No Northampton boys basketball team had ever advanced to the state quarterfinals before.

"It was a good season," said Yellow Jackets coach Wayne Bell. "It wasn't the way we wanted it to end, but now we have something to build on moving forward."

Luray jumped out to a 19-10 lead after one quarter and never looked back. The Bulldogs (22-6) hit 15 three-pointers. Region 1B player of the year Matthew Owens was 7-of-11 from beyond the arc and led all scorers with 35 points. Owens, Luray's all-time leading scorer, will play at James Madison University.

"Luray shot the ball very well," said Bell. "We couldn't seem to stop their offensive attack."

Jasheem Collins led the Yellow Jackets (14-8) with 15 points, while Antoine Horsley added 13 points and six rebounds. Travon Hill chipped in with nine points.

Northampton had advanced to the quarterfinals by way of their second-place finish in the Region 1A playoffs. (In Class 1, both the champ and runner-up in each of Virginia's four regions advance to the state quarterfinals.)

On Saturday, Feb. 28, the Jackets fell, 82-57, at Northumberland in the 1A Regional championship game. The Indians rode Tyreek Lundy's 34 points to the win, while the Jackets were paced by Jaquan Doughty (15 points, six assists), Jasheem Collins (14 points, five rebounds, five assists), and Horsley (13 points, 11 rebounds, four blocks).

On Friday, Feb. 27, Northampton notched an 80-64 win over visiting Rappahannock in the 1A semifinals. The Jackets were led by TraQuan Coston (27 points, eight rebounds, four blocks), Jasheem Collins (23 points), Malique Collins (12 points, six assists, six steals), and Horsley (eight points,

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Roundup

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10 rebounds, six steals, seven blocks).

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Jasheem Collins' 28 points, six rebounds, and five steals led the Jackets to an 88-49 win over visiting Middlesex in the 1A quarterfinals. Malique Collins added 21 points, four assists, and four steals, and Coston and Horsley added 10 points each. Horsley also had 10 rebounds.

Arcadia's season ends

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Arcadia lost, 74-63, at Armstrong in the quarterfinals of the Region 2A playoffs, ending the season for the Firebirds (13-9).

Arcadia was led by Ry'Shon Pettit (15 points), Jordan Cropper (14 points), and Kamren Harmon (13 points, seven assists).

Chincoteague falls

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Chincoteague's season came to an end in the quarterfinals of the Region 1A playoffs. The Ponies fell, 60-26, at Lancaster.

Braedyn Ayres led the Ponies (9-10) with 10 points, and J'Darius Davis added eight.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Jackets eliminated by Essex

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Northampton lost, 64-38, at Essex in the quarterfinals of the Region 1A playoffs, ending the Jackets' season at 5-10.

Vikings bested in playoffs

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Broadwater Academy's season came to an end with a 42-27 loss at St. Michael the Archangel in the quarterfinals of the VISAA Division IV playoffs.

Kacey Ford led the Vikings (12-9) with 17 points, and Neiley Guinan added eight.

TRACK & FIELD

Coates, Tankard lauded

On Wednesday, Feb. 18, Northampton's Rylee Coates placed first in five events to lead the Yellow Jackets to the team title in the Region 1A Girls and Boys Indoor Track & Field Championships in Hampton.

Coates, a senior, won the pole vault (11-0), long jump (16-8.5), high jump (5-0), 55m hurdles (8.44), and 55m dash (7.45) and was named the 1A Girls Performer of the Year. She also placed third in the 4x400m relay and fourth in shot put (24-11.75).

The Yellow Jackets' Mark Tankard, a junior, was named 1A Boys Performer of the Year after winning the long jump (21-6), high jump (6-0), and triple jump (43-0). He also placed third in the 4x200m relay. Tankard's performance led the boys to second place in the team standings.

Coates and Tankard led Northampton into the Class 1 Indoor State Championships, held March 4 and 5 at Liberty University. The top three regional finishers in each event qualified for the state meet.

Northampton's other state qualifiers and their regional results are as follows:

BOYS

4x400m relay: Amir Gholson, Kingston Thomas, Kendrick Collins, Hudson Taylor (1st, 3:53.68)
4x800m relay: Camron Wimber, Taylor, Gholson, Collins (2nd, 9:30.26)
4x200m relay: Gholson, Charles Hope, Wimber, Tankard (3rd, 1:41.19)
High jump: Wimber (2nd, 5-8)
500m: Taylor (3rd, 1:15.01)
Pole vault: Fernando Palacio (3rd, 8-0)

GIRLS

4x800m relay: Renniah Rono, Izabella Cuevas Rodriguez, Ashby Hernandez, Amelie Rutschow (1st, 13:03.98)
4x200m relay: Chloe Fisher, Crystal Boles, Zynajah Beckett, Brelyn Coates (3rd, 2:17.04)
4x400m relay: Boles-Rono-Rutschow-Rylee Coates (3rd, 5:23.52)
3200m: Scarlette Gallimore (1st, 14:39.41)
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Pole vault: Brelyn Coates (2nd, 8-0)
55m hurdles: Brelyn Coates (3rd, 10.38)



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EVENT

Tickets on sale for Prayer Breakfast

Tickets for the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association Prayer Breakfast are on sale until Wednesday, March 11.

The breakfast is on Thursday, March 19, at 8 a.m. at the Exmore Moose Lodge in Belle Haven.

Non-members can attend for $15 a person. Payment can be made at the door. Seating is limited.

To RSVP text or email Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association President Rhudy Naylor at rlnaylor2@gmail.com or 757-710-9638.

Jamar K. Walker, a United States district judge in the Norfolk Division of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, will be the keynote speaker.

He is a 2004 graduate of Nandua High School and was a key member of a two-time national champion mock trial team at the University of Virginia.

The breakfast is sponsored by the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association to promote unity among elected leaders and the highest ethical standards in our community.

Vocal entertainment will be provided by Ginny McMath, an Eastern Shore native who has acted on TV shows and performed at cabaret shows and off-Broadway in New York City, as well being featured in cruise ship entertainment.

COMMUNITY

ALL accepting scholarship applications

The Academy for Lifetime Learning is offering three $1,500 scholarships to graduating students on the Eastern Shore of Virginia to continue their education at a community college or university.

One of the three, The Betty Ross Nursing Scholarship, is named in honor of the founder of the Academy for Lifetime Learning, who passed away in 2014. It is only open to graduates pursuing a nursing program.

The other two scholarships are open to any 2026 high school graduate who plans to study at a two-year or four-year college. The scholarships are to be used to defray college expenses.

Scholarship requirements and the application form can be found at https://tinyurl.com/7bn3dwab

Supporting materials can be uploaded with the application in standard formats.

Completed applications must be submitted by May 1.

For more information contact Mary Kay Mulligan at 757-787-4891 or email esvaall@gmail.com.

The Academy for Lifetime Learning of the Eastern Shore of Virginia is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization where members share a common interest in continuing learning experiences and intellectual stimulation.

Birding field trip planned

Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a field trip to Seaview Farm on Thursday, March 12, at 8 a.m.

Meriwether Payne will guide birders through Seaview Farm with opportunities to see shorebirds and songbirds.

Seaview Farm is located at 23039 Rose Cottage Road in Melfa.

Boots are recommended. Birders should also be prepared for ticks, the sun, mosquitoes, and weather.

WHO WE ARE



COURTESY PHOTO

Dorothy T. White, of Onancock, turned 101 years old on Saturday, Feb. 28.

Onancock woman turns 101

Dorothy T. White, known as Ma Dot, turned 101 years old on Feb. 28.

She lives in Onancock in the Bayside community and enjoys making her home-cooked meals and baking for family and friends.

She enjoys games and has been a winner of the Eastern Shore Post games in the past.

She prides herself on being the community historian and is often called upon to provide family data.

She is a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, but she has often taken on the love and nurturing of so many more in the community just like they were her own.

CHINCOTEAGUE FOOTBALL TEAM LAUDED



COURTESY PHOTO

Chincoteague Mayor Denise Bowden presents a plaque to the Chincoteague High School football team in honor of the team winning the Danny Moore Bowl Championship. Coach Geno Geminiani accepted the plaque with members and coaches of the team. Bowden told the young men that they are the future and that no matter where they go in life, Chincoteague will always be home for them.

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The Pi Epsilon Omega chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority donned red as part of the national Pink Goes Red campaign to support heart health.

AKAs support heart health initiative

The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Pi Epsilon Omega chapter, joined the nationwide Pink Goes Red campaign this February in recognition of Heart Health Month.

The initiative, part of the sorority's international Women's Health and Wellness program under the theme Empower Our Families, emphasizes the importance of heart disease awareness, prevention, and education within African American communities.

Members of Pi Epsilon Omega swapped their signature pink and green for vibrant red attire to raise visibility around cardiovascular health — the leading cause of death among women in the United States, particularly among Black women.

"Heart disease is often called the silent killer," said Lise Caldwell Hall, president of Pi Epsilon Omega chapter. "Through Pink Goes Red, we aim to empower women to take charge of their heart health by knowing their numbers, making healthier choices, and supporting one another in wellness."

Since the program's inception, Alpha Kappa Alpha's national health initiatives have focused on promoting preventive care, increasing access to health resources, and addressing disparities that disproportionately affect women of color.

Across the nation, chapters united in red to support the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women movement, amplifying awareness through social media campaigns and virtual heart health check-ins.

Pi Epsilon Omega chapter aims to embody Alpha Kappa Alpha's commitment to service, advocacy, and education — proving that sisterhood and heart health truly go hand in hand.

COMMUNITY

Riverside hosting online auction

The Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is hosting an online auction through Wednesday, March 18.

Proceeds from the auction will support patient care and team member continuing education at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Items in the auction include vacation accommodations, framed original local art, an impressive luxury bourbon basket, a twilight cruise on Onancock Creek, baked goods, home decor, and more.

To bid visit https://auxauction2026.cbo.io

The auxiliary has been a leader in supporting local health care since its inception in the 1920s, even before the construction of the original hospital. In addition to the online auction, the auxiliary hosts the Hospital Ball, Fire and Ice, and the Festival of Lights, and runs the Althea Shelton Carousel Gift Shop in the hospital lobby.

COMMUNITY

Ruritan Club offering scholarship

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club is accepting applications for a $2,000 scholarship for students planning to attend or currently attending Eastern Shore Community College or a four-year university.

The Custis-Quinn scholarship is open to Accomack County students who reside in election districts 901 (Painter), 803 (Wachapreague), 802 (Melfa), 801 (Bobtown), or 701 (Nandua).

Students residing in Northampton County are eligible if their home residence is in District 3 (Nassawadox Fire polling place), District 4 (Johnson's United Methodist Church polling place), or District 5 (Exmore Fire Station polling place).

High school seniors planning to attend ESCC or a four-year university are eligible to apply.

Current college students who will be continuing their education at ESCC or a four-year university for the fall of 2026 are also eligible to apply.

The scholarship award will be made to a local student with an educational goal of completing a bachelor's degree at a four-year institution of higher learning.

Applicants must reflect great potential for becoming a contributing member of society through their planned profession and through community service.

In addition, financial need, character, and academic promise will be considered.

The number of scholarships available will depend on the club's fundraising and overall financial status in the spring of 2026.

Applications are available from guidance counselors at Nandua High School, Northampton High School, Broadwater Academy, and on the ESCC website at https://tinyurl.com/3np4uhya

The deadline for receiving applications is Friday, May 8. Questions may be directed to members of the Pungoteague Ruritan Club Scholarship Committee:

- Bill Sterling, committee chair, billsterling10@gmail.com, 757-710-2649.
- Carol Wehner, committee member, carol@sandoir.com, 757-442-2130.
- Paul Custis, Ruritan Club treasurer, custispr@gmail.com, 757-442-2931.

Organizations seek financial support from supervisors

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Representatives from 12 Eastern Shore agencies made monetary requests of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, Feb. 24, for its Fiscal Year 2026-27 budget, the largest of which was for the Community Volunteer Fire Company of Exmore.

Chase Sturgis, of the fire company, said the number of volunteers has been decreasing for a long time, the fire company's equipment needs to be upgraded, and more equipment should be added.

Sturgis requested $100,000 — the amount the county customarily gives each year to its volunteer fire companies — and an additional $286,000 to support paid firefighters to staff the Exmore station at all times.

Paid firefighters have never been approved by Northampton County to date.

Northampton does have career emergency medical providers who staff ambulances and work for the county.

Supervisor Jon Dempster said he believes this is a "major issue" facing Exmore and the county as a whole, but he said granting support for career firefighters to Exmore would make other Northampton County fire companies also want paid firefighters, making the $286,000 requested by Exmore turn into many similar requests.

Jane Cabarrus made requests on behalf of the Eastern Shore Community Services Network and NAACP for two different events happening in the coming months.

Cabarrus requested $15,000 for Exmore's Juneteenth festival and $5,000 for an Earth Day event.

Unlike other requests presented, Cabarrus's request was for the current fiscal year.

The Eastern Shore Public Library requested $305,642, up slightly from requests from past years, in order to keep up with rising health insurance premiums for employees.

Christopher Pote, director of the Eastern Shore Public Library, said the library system has seen a significant rise in library visitation thanks in part to the new Parksley facility.

Security upgrades have been done at both the Parksley and Nassawadox library locations, with additions planned for the Nassawadox location in the future to better match the services offered in Parksley.

Representatives of Star Transit requested $154,230, citing use of the service being around the all-time high from October 2024 to September 2025.

Star Transit is also planning upgrades to its services that serve the entire Eastern Shore of Virginia and is planning routes to cater to users of the Eastern Shore Rail Trail in the future.

Other organizations that presented were Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission, Friends of Kiptopeke State Park, the YMCA, Eastern Shore Community Services Board, Waste Watchers of the Eastern Shore, Eastville Volunteer Fire Company, and Eastern Shore of Virginia 911.

SNYDER SPEAKS TO CHRISTIAN BUSINESSMEN



COURTESY PHOTO

Richard Snyder, left, director and professor emeritus at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Wachapreague Lab, was the guest speaker at the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club. Snyder discussed the development of aquaculture under predecessor Michael Castagna, which has been a huge economic boost to the Eastern Shore, as well as the reemergence of bay scallops through VIMS research and major renovations to the Wachapreague facility, which have helped it to become a leading research station in the nation.

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High school senior awarded $40,000 college scholarship

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Asia Ortiz Hall had no idea the morning of Thursday, Feb. 26, that her future was about to change dramatically.

The 17-year-old Northampton High School senior was pulled aside by faculty of the school and taken to an empty classroom, where she was presented with a surprise $40,000 scholarship to the college of her choice.

The scholarship was awarded through BigFuture, a College Board program that awards scholarships to students who enter to win them online.

Ortiz Hall said the entry process was quick and "very simple," but she had completed it months prior, so it was not on her mind on the morning of the award.

BigFuture emailed her to notify her of the opportunity. She then followed the steps, which include starting a list of desired colleges, careers, and more.

The more steps the student completes, the more likely they are to win.

The entry process doesn't favor students with higher grades — there isn't a GPA minimum and no tests are required to be taken.

Along with representatives from BigFuture, Ortiz Hall's parents were also present in the meeting, which was held via Zoom.

BigFuture representatives in the meeting said the program gives out two scholarship amounts, $500 scholarships and $40,000 scholarships.

Hundreds of $500 scholarships are awarded to students monthly, but only 26 students nationwide receive the $40,000 scholarship per year.

While it is common for Northampton students to enter to win, Ortiz Hall is the first Northampton student to receive the scholarship, one she plans to use at Virginia Tech beginning in the fall.

At Virginia Tech, Ortiz Hall plans to study engineering and is considering a concentration in electrical engineering, but she is not quite sure yet.

Once in Blacksburg, she likely will not forget her time at Northampton, where her favorite and most influential teacher is her English teacher, Robert Broyden.

And she certainly will not forget what happened last Thursday morning.

"I had no clue I was going to get it," she said.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Asia Ortiz Hall was awarded a $40,000 scholarship by BigFuture on Thursday, Feb. 26.

Thank You!

Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity





Thank you to everyone who participated in the Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity Annual February Freeze! Your incredible support made this year's event a tremendous success. Because of your generosity and enthusiasm, we were able to raise $112,000 that will go directly toward building safe, affordable homes for families in our community. We are deeply grateful for your dedication and spirit–together, we are making a lasting impact in our Eastern Shore Community.

2026 Dipping Teams

Pattie Brogan, One Presidential Mortgage (Celebrity Dipper)
Team Sheriff David Doughty
Northampton County Commonwealth's Attorney (Team Cold Justice)
Team Wayne Parsley
Montessori Children's House of Franktown
Northampton County Dept of Social Services (Seals)
Lord Coldemort
The United Community
Team Bay Creek
Mary Mitchell
Susan Harris
Lian Rodriguez
Baileigh Edmonds
Northampton Honor Society
Kipper Dippers
Ice Ice Maybe
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Davis Disposal
Willow Collins
Chris Gros
Emily Abraham
Gavin Wallach
Kristen Cushing



ESO hosting day of workshops

ESO Art Center in Belle Haven is hosting a series of workshops on Saturday, March 21.

There will be a workshop on phone photography from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with Marina Pierce. Attendees will learn how to capture the best photos with a cell phone. The cost is $50.

From noon to 2 p.m. Nancy Kinzinger will lead a workshop on how to make a bangle bracelet. The cost is $50 plus a $10 materials fee payable to the instructor.

Heather Bryant will lead a workshop from 3 to 5 p.m. on awakening inspiration through collage using magazines, books, photos, and other materials. The cost is $40.

To register call ESO at 757-442-3226.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Winter Hours Schedule will terminate at the Northampton County Sanitary Landfill/Transfer Station at the end of February 2026. That means that commencing **Saturday, March 7, 2026**, the operating hours on Saturdays will revert to the standard **8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** time frame.

Please plan your solid waste disposal accordingly.

Shore native pens book about technology

William Mapp, a Painter native and a Nandua graduate, recently released "Seven Brief Lessons on Computing," his latest title helping readers understand computers in a technology-driven world.

Mapp is chief technology officer of Qlarant, an Easton, Md. health care technology company.

Mapp announced the book's release on First News 570, an Asheville, N.C., radio news program.

"If you or someone you know is confused about technology or want to know more about how it's used, this book is for you," said Mark Starling, First News' host and writer of the book's foreword.

Meant to be enjoyed by new and power users alike, "Seven Brief Lessons" guides readers from the dawn of computing to today's most advanced algorithms and AI technologies.

Mapp aims to engage readers with wit and doesn't use jargon explaining how computers, algorithms, and AI work.

"We have always needed to count and compare things," said Mapp, "I start the book with a story featuring an abacus."

Mapp shared the inspiration behind writing the book and how he wants to help people find success by understanding technology.

"I like helping people win, and I'm often asked to explain how technology works."

"Seven Brief Lessons on Computing" breaks down computer technology into its smallest pieces in seven chapters.

Each chapter is dedicated to one aspect of computers.

He uses associations to make topics easy to understand, like comparing a computer's main chip to the human brain.

Later chapters in the book explain how algorithms work, helping readers understand why social networks "mysteriously" show web searches in their feed.



COURTESY PHOTO

Painter native William Mapp recently released a new book called "Seven Brief Lessons on Computing," which aims to help readers better understand technology and how it works.

Mapp serves as a guide and closes with explaining how AI works.

"I wrote this book so people can feel empowered and make technology work for them," Mapp said.

"Seven Brief Lessons on Computing" is available at Barnes and Noble and many other booksellers. It is also available on Amazon.

Mapp, a native son of Painter and a 1999 graduate of the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, is eager to spread knowledge and help people learn.

He seeks to inspire with wit, humor, and humility. He's had the opportunity to speak at SAP Insider, Minority Innovation Weekend, EYECON, the National Retail Federation, RFID Journal, Blerdcon, and nonprofits and universities.

Mapp is an award-winning technologist with trademarks, copyrights, and patents attributed to him.

Over 1 billion people have used or been impacted by products he has created.

Over the years he has served as a radio host, technology analyst, and podcast guest, and has written three books.

State Flood Awareness Week held March 8 to 14

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation is recognizing March 8 through 14 as Flood Awareness Week to encourage Virginians to learn about flood risks in their communities and take steps to protect their families, homes, and businesses from the commonwealth's most frequent and costly natural hazard.

Flooding can occur anywhere in Virginia, along rivers and streams, in coastal areas, and in neighborhoods far from mapped floodplains.

"Flooding affects every region of the commonwealth and can happen with little warning," said Nikki Rovner, director of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. "Flood Awareness Week is an opportunity to remind Virginians that preparation saves lives, reduces damage, and strengthens communities. Understanding your risk today can make all the difference tomorrow."

DCR's Flood Awareness webpage offers fact sheets and a risk assessment tool designed to help Virginians determine their flood risk and assist with planning for future flood events.

Virginians can learn about a property's flood risk by entering an address into the Virginia Flood Risk Information System.

Despite the risks, only 3% of Virginians carry flood insurance, according to the National Flood Insurance Program.

"Flood awareness starts with knowing your risk and having a plan," said Angela Davis, director of DCR's Floodplain Management Division. "Whether it's signing up for local alerts, purchasing flood insurance, or supporting local mitigation projects, small actions can significantly reduce the impacts of flooding."

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WEEKLY MARKETPLACE

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Help Wanted

OPEN POSITIONS

Northampton County has the following open positions in the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department:

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Building Inspector. The essential function of this position is to perform building inspections. Provides customer service and clerical duties.

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.

Please refer to Northampton county's website at https://tinyurl.com/yezes6ra for further position descriptions. Please submit a completed County application with cover letter to Human Resources. **Positions open until filled.**

PART-TIME GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER

The Northampton County Department of Public Works is accepting applications for a part-time grounds maintenance worker. The primary duty of this position will be to maintain the lawns of various County-owned facilities. Other general facilities maintenance duties may also be required. This is a year-round part-time position with up to 35 hours per week during the lawn care season and up to 20 hours per week during the offseason. Experience operating zero-turn lawn mowers and towing trailers is a plus. A valid Virginia Driver's license is required.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements, and application form.

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

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Eastern Shore Health District

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE POSITION #ES021

The Eastern Shore Health District is seeking a Registered Nurse to provide clinical and field nursing services for the Accomack and Northampton County Health Departments, supporting the Nurse-Family Partnership Program.

For detailed job information and to apply, visit https://jobs.virginia.gov/, posting #5085450. Virginia Department of Health (VDH) only accepts online applications; apply by March 26, 2026.

Help Wanted

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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

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

Applications may be obtained from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or online at https://tinyurl.com/5n6epayy

Open until filled.

Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

NURSING CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR
EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Shore Community College is a member of the Virginia Community College System. The College serves the residents of Accomack County and Northampton County as a two-year institution of higher learning.

Eastern Shore Community College is seeking two part-time Nursing Clinical Lab Instructors.

Functional Responsibilities: Provide instruction, supervision, and evaluation of students' performance in classroom, clinical, and lab settings. Supervise and evaluate groups of students (usually 6-10 students) in hospital or health care settings. Understand the objectives of the assigned course and be familiar with the nursing curriculum. Maintain a collaborative and positive relationship with the clinical site, other faculty, and staff. Responsibilities may include work during the day, evening, and/or weekend as determined by the course(s) assigned. Maintain student records, including accurate clinical hours, and sign off at the end of each clinical day. Meet and communicate with students on a regular basis to provide academic feedback. Accurately complete clinical paperwork. Participate in all mandatory training courses and/or meetings required before and during the semester, to include site-specific orientation.

For additional details, qualifications, and the application process, please visit https://jobs.vccs.edu/postings/94051

EOE

HOME AIDE OR NURSE FOR GRANDFATHER

Searching for Home Aide for 1-2 hours a day (10 hours/week).

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Payment $20-$30/hour, depending on experience. Please call 757-710-3477 if interested. Only serious inquiries should apply.

TOWN OF EXMORE, VIRGINIA
POLICE OFFICER
IMMEDIATE OPENING

The Town of Exmore is now accepting applications for the position of full-time Police Officer. Duties entail full police services to the community. Current Virginia law enforcement certification as a Police Officer is preferred. Applicants who cannot meet the minimum requirements described in Section 15.2-1705 (A) of the Code of Virginia will not be considered.

Benefits for full-time employees include health care with dental coverage, VRS Retirement with LEOS, short term and long-term disability, life insurance, 12 paid holidays, two personal days, paid leave, and a take home car.

Applications, together with copies of the job description and the statute referenced above, may be obtained at the Exmore Town Office, 3305 Main Street, Exmore, Virginia 23350 during normal business hours. Position will remain open until filled.

Questions regarding this position should be directed to Exmore Police Chief Adam Zieger at 757-442-3114 X 1007.

The Town of Exmore is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.

ACCOMACK COUNTY *Virginia*

Real Estate Records Coordinator
F/T position with benefits
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Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Real Estate Records Coordinator in the Real Estate Assessment Department.

Description: The position's responsibility is to read and interpret all documents recorded in the Clerk's office that will change the ownership of assessment of real property. This position is responsible for maintaining all the transfer and ownership information in the Proval Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System, inputting information and updating computer and land cards, transferring property, verifying the accuracy of data entered, maintaining a variety of lists, reports, and records, and communicating issues.

Minimum qualifications: High school diploma or GED, supplemented by vocational/technical training in real estate, paralegal, and business, supplemented by two (2) to four (4) years of previous experience and/or training that includes real estate, market analysis, or real estate law, or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. Microsoft Office Suite proficiency. Satisfactory completion of a background check, medical exam including drug screening, and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. DMV records check will be performed annually thereafter.

A job description and application instructions can be obtained from the County's website: http://www.co.accomack.va.us

Review of applications will begin on Thursday, March 19, 2026.

Accomack County is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.

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

EASTERN SHORE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
CONSUMER-DIRECTED SERVICE FACILITATOR

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- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing
- Develop a rapport and communicate with people from diverse cultural backgrounds

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Computer skills
- Valid driver's license and/or reliable transportation

BENEFITS

- On-the-job-training at Virginia Commonwealth University

APPLY

- Submit resume by email: vaescil@gmail.com or fax 757-414-0205.

CUSTODIAN (FULL-TIME & PART-TIME POSITIONS)

The Northampton County Department of Public Works is accepting applications for full-time and part-time custodians. The primary duties of these positions are to clean and maintain county-owned facilities. Applicants must be 18 years or older. Requires high school diploma, GED, or vocational training and a valid Virginia driver's license.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements and application form at https://tinyurl.com/46cc4bf5 or an application can be obtained through the Human Resources office. Please submit completed county application form online or to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or in person to 16404 Courthouse Road. Position is open until filled. Northampton County is an EOE.

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

This position is open until filled. EOE.

Help Wanted

ATTENTION GENERAL CONTRACTORS

St. Peter The Apostle Catholic Church on Coastal Highway in Onley, VA, is seeking a licensed and insured contractor to renovate the church rectory.

Contract documents can be picked up at the church office at 25236 Coastal Highway, Onley, VA 23418.

Office hours vary. Please call in advance for best time to pick up documents: 757-787-4592.

Help Wanted

PART TIME NURSING CARE - for elderly couple in Onancock area. CNA required. Mail interest to P.O. Box 5, Exmore, VA 23350.

FIELD SERVICES ENGINEER - Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority. See complete job description and apply at esvba.com

LAB TECHNICIANS - Wako Chemicals in Cape Charles is hiring. M-F, 7a-3:30p. Must be 18. High school diploma or equivalent required. Email resume to jennifer.slovinski@fujifilm.com

HELPER - For chores around farm in Onancock. Mechanical skills a plus. $16/hr. FT available. 609-658-3777.

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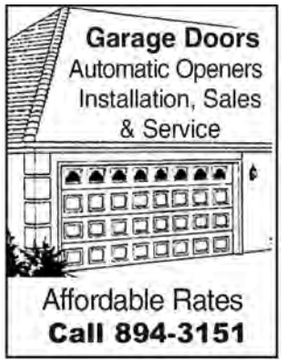
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TOWN OF ACCOMAC
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Accomac, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on March 25, 2026, at 7 p.m. in the Accomac Town Hall, located at 23367 Front St., Accomac, VA 23301.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will hear the following:

Applicants Richard J. Johnson and Charlene Johnson are requesting a variance to divide the lot at 24033 Drummondtown Road, Accomac, into two separate parcels, one of which will be under the required lot size of 22,000 square feet.

All persons interested in this matter may appear at the hearing or submit written comments to the Board of Zoning Appeals prior to the hearing date. Copies of the application and survey are available for review at the Accomac Town Hall.

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 26-52

vs.

The heirs and devisees of DANIEL LEE SIMMONS, 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 029A10300021000.

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 Daniel Lee Simmons, Jason Lee Simmons, and Linda M. Simmons appear on or before April 17, 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 17th day of February, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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NOTICE OF CORRECTED STATUTORY REFERENCE
ABANDONMENT OF PORTION OF ROUTE 692
(HAPPY UNION DRIVE)
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Notice is hereby given that the Northampton County Board of Supervisors previously advertised its Public Notice regarding the proposed abandonment of a portion of Route 692 (Happy Union Drive), consisting of an approximately 0.66-mile segment located at the western portion of the road.

The original published notice inadvertently referenced §33.2-908 of the Code of Virginia. The correct statutory authority for this action is §33.2-909 of the Code of Virginia. This notice is published solely to correct that clerical error. All public notice requirements have been satisfied, and the Board of Supervisors has considered and acted upon this matter.

ATTENTION GENERAL CONTRACTORS

St. Peter The Apostle Catholic Church on Coastal Highway in Onley, VA, is seeking a licensed and insured contractor to renovate the church rectory.

Contract documents can be picked up at the church office at 25236 Coastal Highway, Onley, VA 23418.

Office hours vary. Please call in advance for best time to pick up documents: 757-787-4592.

REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR ROUTINE GRASS MOWING

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is requesting quotes from licensed landscaping contractors for routine grass mowing of multiple properties. To receive bid requirements and property locations, prospective bidders should call 757-815-1102 or email mparker@ escsb.org.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
15227 FOOKS LANE, PAINTER, VA 23420

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated June 30, 2025, in the original principal amount of $244,163.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 250002241, 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 April 30, 2026, at 11:00 AM, 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 CONTAINING SEVENTY-SEVEN HUNDREDTHS ACRES (.77 A.), AND SHOWN AS "LOT 9" ON A CERTAIN PLAT ENTITLED "PLAT OF SURVEY 'PUNGOTEAGUE SOUTH' LOCATED: PUNGOTEAGUE DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA" DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1988, REVISED JUNE 22, 1988, AND MADE BY SHORE ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC., AND BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTHEAST BY LOT 8, ON THE SOUTHEAST BY FOOKS LANE, ON THE SOUTHWEST BY LOT 10, AND ON THE NORTHWEST BY LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY MARY F. DRUMMOND. SAID PLAT IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 88, PAGES 73-74, AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR IN MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY CONVEYED 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.aldridgepite.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. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Virginia Pre-Sale Department of counsel for Equity Trustees, LLC at 301-961-6555, website: www.aldridgepite.com

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Town of Cape Charles is inviting bids for upgrading the electrical system and lighting on the north side of Mason Avenue. Bids will be received in the Town Hall, 412 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310, or via email to bob.panek@capecharles.org until 11:00 AM local prevailing time on March 18, 2026, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

An Invitation for Bid package may be obtained on the Town website, www.capecharles.org, under *Bid Opportunities*. It also may be picked up at the Town Hall.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities and informalities in any bid. Bids received after the specified time of closing will be returned unopened.

AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTAL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY AGRICULTURE & FORESTAL DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA** TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. C. Arthur "Brother" Rutter on behalf of Corratock LLC – 10280 Block of Teackle Road, Craddockville

The applicant requests to remove a parcel from the Craddockville Agricultural and Forestal District. The property is located at the 10280 Block of Teackle Road near Craddockville and is tax parcel 108-A-12.

B. Barbara Hatfield – 28121 Pitts Creek Road, New Church

The applicant requests to remove two parcels from the New Church Agricultural and Forestal District. The parcel is located at 28121 Pitts Creek Road and is tax parcel 11-A-29A and 11-A-30B.

TOWN OF ONLEY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Onley, Virginia, is seeking proposals of qualifications and experience from qualified architects and architectural firms for design, bidding, and construction management services related to the construction of a new Town Office facility to be located at 25571 E. Main Street, Onley, VA.

Respondent shall be a licensed architect in the State of Virginia and shall present demonstrated evidence of ability, qualifications, and experience successfully completing similar projects for small local governments. In addition to a listing of similar projects completed and a contact person of reference for each project, each proposal shall also contain the credentials and hourly rates of all personnel expected to participate in the proposed project. More details in RFP, which may be obtained at the Onley Town Office.

Proposals should be received on or before 5:00 p.m., April 6, 2026, and addressed to: Town of Onley, P.O. Box 622, Onley, VA 23418, Attn: Town Office Project.

Sealed proposals shall be opened on April 6, 2026, at the town's regular monthly meeting. Interviews and competitive negotiation with selected firm(s) will be scheduled after that date.

The Town of Onley reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

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CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY
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Zenny Chareas, Owner

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

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Town of Exmore is seeking proposals for Right of Way Herbicide Services through December 2026 to include:

- Crape myrtle bases on Rt. 13 Business and Willis Wharf Road
- All sidewalks and curbing within town limits
- In Town Park, spray around tree bases, playground equipment, and gravel parking lot
- Town office building perimeter and parking lot seams
- Use of caution-labeled, industry-approved chemicals only

Current VA Category 6 Certification and Insurance are required with proposal.

Coordination with the Town Manager is required.

Proposals will be accepted at the Exmore Town Office, 3305 Main St., Exmore, VA 23350. Proposal deadline is noon on Monday, March 9, 2026. The Town has the right to reject any and all proposals.

For more information, please contact Pam Ward at 757-442-3114 ext. 1000 or via email at pward@exmore.org.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors will hold its regular meeting on **Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Room 104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301.**

Public hearings will be held at 6:00 p.m. to afford interested persons the opportunity to be heard or present written comments on the following matter(s):

A. Amending Chapter 82, Section 8, of Accomack County Code, which will increase the amount of erroneous taxes the Treasurer may refund without Board of Supervisors approval from $5,000 to $10,000

B. Amendments to Chapter 106 "Zoning" to Regulate Battery Energy Storage Facilities, including limiting such facilities to the Industrial District with a conditional use permit, requiring the provision of emergency response plans and decommissioning agreements, imposing fire suppression standards, establishing minimum setbacks, and requiring certain financial assurances.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Office of the County Administrator at 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 203 – Accomac, Virginia, or http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

Handicapped Assistance available, call: (757) 787-5704.

VIRGINIA WINERY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
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The above establishment is applying to the
VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY
for a Wholesale Wine (30,000 gallons or less) license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Stan Joynes, Chairman

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet and conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to conduct regular business and review the following application to forward a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

Minor SUP 2026-02: Michael and Amy Young (property owners), represented by Joseph V. Sherman (applicant), are applying for the continued use of a coop to keep chickens as pets on a residential lot, a use requiring a special use permit in the Existing Subdivision/Residential – Rural Village Rural Residential (ES/R-RVRR) zoning district. The property is located at 4450 Wilsonia Shores Drive, Machipongo, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 38C2-1-20A.

The application file may be viewed in the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office in the County Administration Building, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or viewed electronically at https://co-northampton-va.community.diligentoneplatform.com/Portal/

Written comments may be sent via e-mail to olivia.bennett@co.northampton.va.us or may be submitted by mail or hand-delivery to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office in the County Administration Building.

Persons needing assistance attending the meeting or viewing the files may contact the County at (757) 678-0443, ext. 544.

For questions on application information, contact the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office at (757) 678-0443, ext. 545.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-763

vs.

MARY E. DRUMMOND CUSTIS, 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 087B00301001300.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Mary E. Drummond Custis and Herbert Lee Custis, if living, or if deceased, the heirs of Mary E. Drummond Custis and Herbert Lee Custis appear at the above-named court and protect their interests on or before April 13, 2026.

Enter this 13th day of February, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-296

vs.

The heirs and devisees of EARL THOMAS TANKARD
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 021A1-0A-BLK-00 0000052.

It is ORDERED that this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Janet Lemay, Anthony Tankard, Gregory Tankard, Curtis Kellam, Theodore R. Kellam, Corrine Pandora Williams Watts, Patricia Williams Curtis, Jacqueline Williams Curtis, and Linwood Williams, if living, and the heirs of Linwood Williams, Earl Thomas Tankard, Mary Helen Kellam, Susie Ann T. Williams, Lisa Ann Tankard, and Jamaar Rhyshawn Tankard appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before May 1, 2026.

Enter this 3rd day of March, 2026.

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. 26-53

vs.

BRIAN SWIM, 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 109E00200003400.

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 Brian Swim appear at the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests on or before April 27, 2026.

Enter this 27th day of February, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Accomack County School Board will hold committee meetings on the dates listed below. The Discipline and Finance committees will both meet in the Board of Supervisors Chambers at the Accomack County Administration Building, located at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA 23301. The Policy committee will meet at Metompkin Elementary School, located at 24501 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA 23421. All committee meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m.

- Discipline Committee — Monday, March 9, 2026
- Finance Committee — Tuesday, March 10, 2026
- Policy Committee — Wednesday, March 11, 2026

The Accomack County School Board will hold its Regular Session Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at Metompkin Elementary School, located at 24501 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA 23421, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

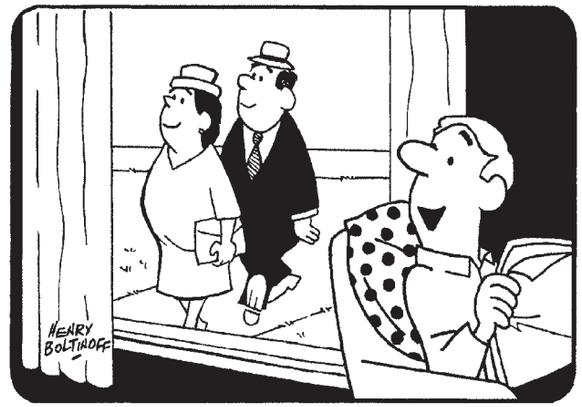
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (VMRC #2026-0345) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to deploy 18 acoustic receivers at various locations within the Chesapeake Bay as part of a fish distribution study adjacent to Northampton County, Accomack County, the City of Poquoson, Matthews County, Gloucester County, Middlesex County, and Lancaster County.

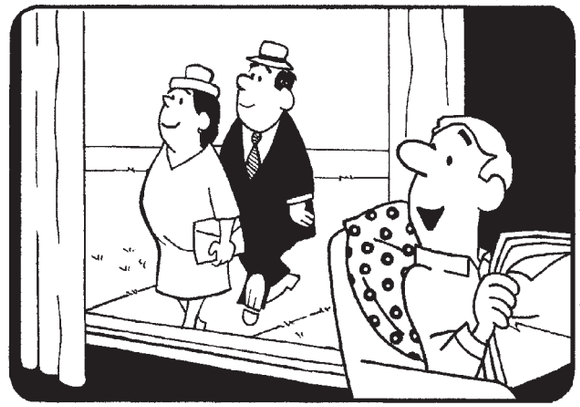
You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2026-0345) at https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/ We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

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By Lucie Winborne

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* On July 26, 2025, Thaddeus Daniel Pierce was born from an embryo that had been frozen since May 1994.

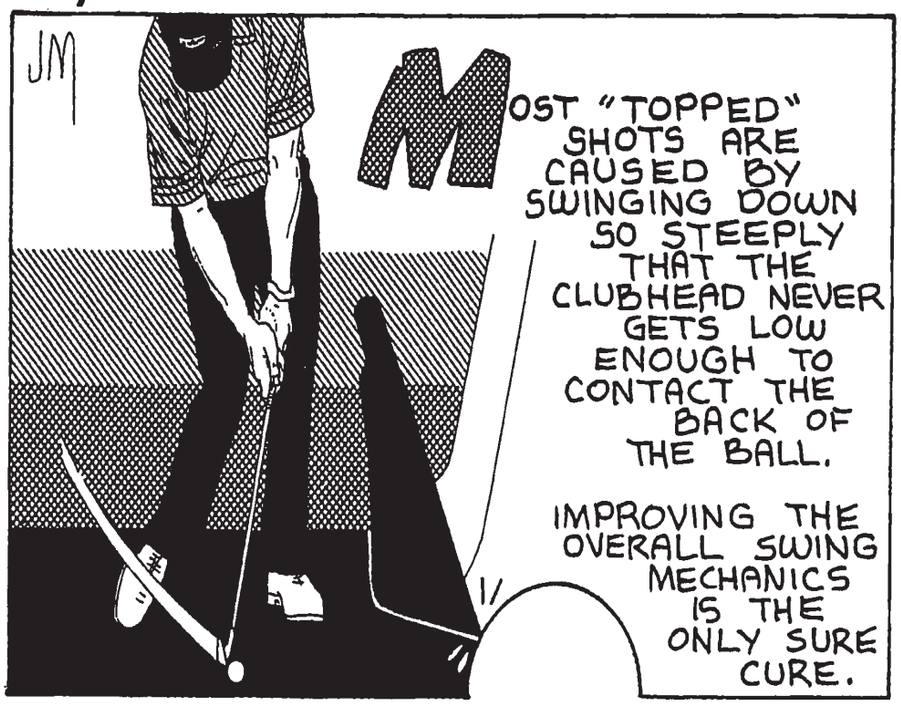
* After the beloved TV series "I Love Lucy" ended, Desi Arnaz offered Vivian Vance (Ethel) and William Frawley (Fred) their own spin-off called "The Mertzes," but Vance declined, primarily because she didn't want to work one-on-one with Frawley. The pair's onscreen chemistry notably didn't mirror their offscreen relationship.

* Broccoli has more protein per calorie than steak.

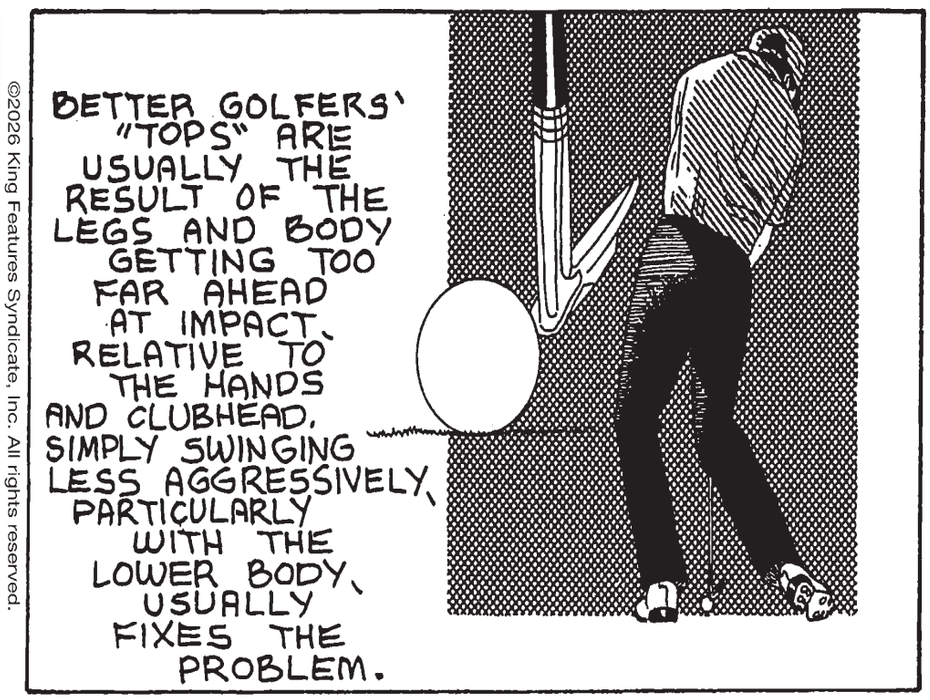
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To Haritomeni Hatzi and Demitri Hatzi
Lot 53, Kings Creek Landing, Cape Charles
For $423,500

■ From BECO Tower Hill LLC
To Jesse Nalls and James Nalls
Lot 49, Tower Hill phase 2, Cape Charles
For $589,900

■ From Pamela West and Jo West
To Devon Taylor
Parcel A near town of Cheriton
For $35,000

■ From The Landings Cape Charles LLC
To DS Landings of Cape Charles LLC
Lots in The Landings, Cape Charles
For $1 million

■ From DTH Enterprises LLC
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Lot 1 of The Landings, Cape Charles
For $45,000

Accomack Property Transfers

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To Bigbag LLC
33145 Boston Road, Painter
For $140,000

■ From Cara Rolander
To Pamela Melvin
1.17 acres south of Modest Town
For $460,000

■ From Susie Lemar
To Diane Burgan and Kevin Burgan
3377 Navigator Drive, Greenbackville
For $171,000

■ From Juanita Garris and Robert Garris
To Judith Katherine Roblero and Delgadina Roblero Santizo
Property near Onancock
For $13,500

■ From Milton S. Savage Sr.
To Milton S. Savage Jr.
One quarter acre of land on Chincoteague Road, Wattsville
For $6,000

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To Maria Luisa Moreno
Lot 20, unit 3, sheet 7, Trails End, Horntown
For $45,000

■ From Lisa Koch and Timothy Koch
To Mary Margaret Mullen
30065 Back Creek Road, Hacks Neck
For $480,000

■ From Jennifer Rossetti and Joseph Rossetti
To Patricia Johnson and Richard Johnson Jr.
3429 Captains Corridor, Greenbackville
For $235,000

■ From H.J. Breenan, trustee
To Anna Canada and Christopher Dotolo
Lot 14, section 1, Nandua Bay, Painter
For $162,500

■ From RMD Island Enterprises Inc.
To Compassion Excellence Caring Company
4141 Main St., Chincoteague
For $850,000

■ From Kenneth Lee Burton, trustee
To 1819 Holdings 2 LLC
Daisey Marsh East Side, 7 acres, Chincoteague
For $14 million

■ From Tara Schley
To Sharon Max and David Max
Lot 97, unit 3, sheet 5, Trails End, Horntown
For $54,300

■ From Marion Jane McCullough and George McCullough, trustees
To Megan Campbell
1 Switch Bridge Road, Wachapreague
For $275,000

■ From Almer Rogers Jr.
To Alex Estrada
Real estate near Craddockville
For $40,000

■ From Cove MG LLC
To Richard Lee Greene
3150 Amidship Drive, Greenbackville
For $275,000

■ From Marshall Cox, successor trustee
To Hilton Gordon Oliver
20442 Doe Crossing, Melfa
For $325,000

■ From Sheli Ann Engles
To Tracy Campbell and Donald Campbell
Lot 134, unit 3, sheet 6, Trails End, Horntown
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Chinco. Channel	H L	9:51 a.m. 4:03 p.m.	H L	10:31 a.m. 4:41 p.m.	H L	12:11 p.m. 6:21 p.m.	H L	12:55 p.m. 7:12 a.m.	H L	1:44 p.m. 8:06 a.m.	H L	2:41 p.m. 9:04 a.m.	H L	3:41 p.m. 10:05 a.m.
Gargatha Neck	H L	10:47 a.m. 4:50 p.m.	H L	11:26 a.m. 5:28 p.m.	H L	1:06 p.m. 7:08 a.m.	H L	1:48 p.m. 7:55 a.m.	H L	2:36 p.m. 8:46 a.m.	H L	3:31 p.m. 9:42 a.m.	H L	4:33 p.m. 10:41 a.m.
Folly Creek	H L	10:40 a.m. 4:35 p.m.	H L	11:19 a.m. 5:13 p.m.	H L	12:59 p.m. 6:53 p.m.	H L	1:41 p.m. 7:40 a.m.	H L	2:29 p.m. 8:31 a.m.	H L	3:24 p.m. 9:27 a.m.	H L	4:26 p.m. 10:26 a.m.
Wachapreague	H L	10:14 a.m. 4:12 p.m.	H L	10:50 a.m. 4:46 p.m.	H L	12:27 p.m. 6:22 p.m.	H L	1:07 p.m. 7:18 a.m.	H L	1:51 p.m. 8:09 a.m.	H L	2:41 p.m. 9:01 a.m.	H L	3:41 p.m. 9:56 a.m.
Quinby Inlet	H L	9:51 a.m. 3:50 p.m.	H L	10:30 a.m. 4:28 p.m.	H L	12:10 p.m. 6:08 p.m.	H L	12:52 p.m. 6:52 p.m.	H L	1:40 p.m. 7:46 a.m.	H L	2:35 p.m. 8:42 a.m.	H L	3:37 p.m. 9:41 a.m.
Machipongo	H L	10:21 a.m. 4:19 p.m.	H L	11:00 a.m. 4:57 p.m.	H L	12:40 p.m. 6:37 p.m.	H L	1:22 p.m. 7:24 a.m.	H L	2:10 p.m. 8:15 a.m.	H L	3:05 p.m. 9:11 a.m.	H L	4:07 p.m. 10:10 a.m.
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Guard Shore	H L	2:03 p.m. 8:40 a.m.	H L	2:39 p.m. 9:21 a.m.	H L	4:17 p.m. 11:04 a.m.	H L	4:58 p.m. 11:50 a.m.	H L	5:42 p.m. 12:41 p.m.	H L	6:33 p.m. 1:39 p.m.	H L	7:22 a.m. 2:45 p.m.
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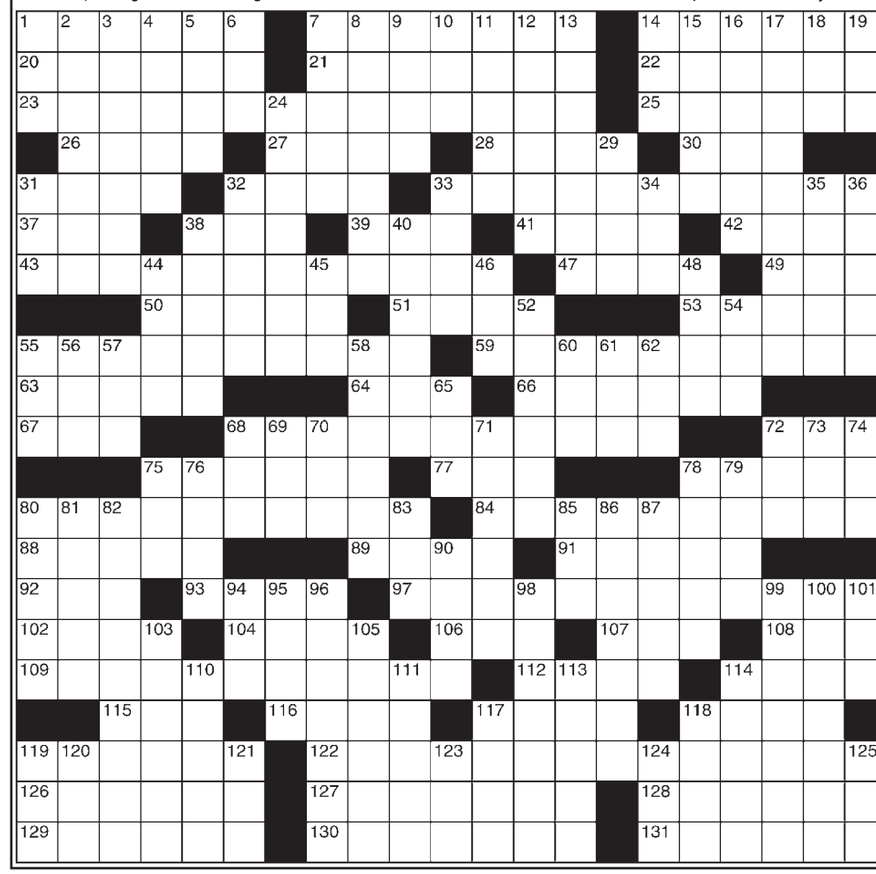
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ACROSS

1 Lack of vitality
7 Neighbor of Florida
14 Garlicky sauces
20 In a rational manner
21 Unexpired driver's license, e.g.
22 Well-spoken
23 Whole bunch of baby felines?
25 Regions, weatherwise
26 Some reddish deer
27 Sex educator Shere
28 Jokester Jay
30 Viscous stuff
31 DVD- — (data holders)
32 Make angry
33 Dogs that hunt egrets?
37 Fade away
38 B.A., e.g.
39 Corp. exec in charge of ads and branding
41 Locale
42 "Oh, gotcha"
43 Snacks that help physicists build atomic bombs?
47 Campus digs
49 Text-scanning device: Abbr.
50 French for "the king"
51 Head up
53 1890s veep Stevenson
55 Back of an overseas ship?
59 Entrepreneur Bezos who cooks sheep delicacies?
63 Tan-colored
64 "Ich bin — Berliner"
66 Actors Momoa and Statham
67 Frigid
68 Ladies who use Speed Stick?
72 — Newton
75 Shared a living space
77 Water, in Lille
78 2008 documentary about the national debt
80 Cover girl from a city in central Georgia?
84 Fire breather's parachute descent?
88 Flabbergast
89 Paddy food
91 — Park (Edison's home)
92 Machinery wheel
93 Unwell
97 Package shipped to singer Dolly?
102 From the top
104 En — (in full court)
106 Free TV spot, in brief
107 "I taut I — a puddy tat!"
108 Med. group
109 Serenity in a rabbit colony?
112 Woodsy den
114 U-boats, e.g.
115 Feel unwell
116 Andean land
117 French essayist Simone
118 Singer Horne
119 Nag
122 Answer from poet Countee?
126 Greek goddess of wisdom
127 Phoenician goddess of fertility
128 "Could be"
129 Deny
130 Own
131 Atlantic City hotel/casino

DOWN

1 Request
2 Capital of Kenya
3 Buries
4 Doles (out)
5 Specks in la mer
6 "Anthem" author Rand
7 Benefit
8 Med. test worker
9 Balm additive
10 Playbill info
11 Befuddle
12 Some track runners
13 Lymphoid throat mass
14 Ravens' gp.
15 "Send me"
16 "Yes, yes!," in France
17 Food flatfish
18 Suffix with Benedict
19 Roads: Abbr.
24 Bun worn at the back of the neck
29 Savvy about
31 Fight arbiter
32 Co. shuffling
33 Expectation
34 That girl
35 Unstimulating java
36 Letter stroke
38 Protest at which people lie down
40 "Uncle" of old TV
44 Whole lot
45 U.S. spy gp.
46 "Uncle" of the U.S.
48 Singer Aimee
52 "Of the day," on menus
54 VIPs at raves
55 DOJ agency
56 Tolkien fiend
57 Crooner Orbison
58 Often-dinged car feature
60 — -o'-shanter
61 Mao — -tung
62 Ending for ball or bass
65 DE-to-VT dir.
68 Dad's mate
69 Angsty genre
70 Flanders of "The Simpsons"
71 Fishing boots
72 Animal's coat
73 The same: Prefix
74 Hiatus
75 Cartoonist Chast
76 Wallet bills
78 Spouse's father, e.g.
79 Bad smell
80 Kind of parrot
81 Refrigerator brand
82 Reluctant to be filmed
83 Glass edge
85 Latin "I love"
86 Non-Jewish
87 Comparable (with)
90 Robin's wear
94 "Son of," in Arabic
95 Al who drew Li'l Abner
96 Patella
98 Natural gifts
99 England-to-France connector
100 Envoy's residence
101 — Angeles
103 Authors
105 David of "NYPD Blue"
110 Justice Kagan
111 Niche sects
113 Buenos —
114 Capital of South Korea
117 Existed
118 Meg Mallon's gp.
119 Wok, e.g.
120 Greek vowel
121 Light beam
123 Notes before tis
124 Sis, e.g.
125 Swirly letter



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