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Northampton County Treasurer Kristin Willis sits in her office. "I was honored to be asked to do this," she said.

Willis, new county treasurer, gets to work

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

When Kristin Willis moved to the Eastern Shore in 2002, it was not her intention to one day be the Northampton County treasurer.

But Willis is not the type to turn down an opportunity to work with

people and numbers.

Willis, who is well-known for founding Eastern Shore Coastal Roasting Coffee Company in Eastville and starting the highly regarded Machipongo Trading Company, among other endeavors, now adds Northampton County Treasurer to an already long resume.

"I was honored to be asked to do this," Willis said of her new position as one of five constitutional officers in the county.

Circuit Judge Lynwood Lewis appointed Willis after longtime treasurer Cynthia Bradford announced her retirement.

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ACCOMACK

Proposed TV translator system end draws ire

County mulls cut to service passed in 1977 referendum

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

A cost-saving plan by Accomack County to end its translator television service, which helps residents better receive Hampton Roads TV channels, has not been well received by some residents who use it.

"A lot of people use it as their primary, and a lot of people use it as their supplement," said Sandy Hart Mears, a former member of the Accomack County Board of Supervisors who lives near Lee Mont.

Accomack County's \$79.4 million operating budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 would discontinue the service as of Jan. 1, 2027, yielding an annual savings of \$20,774, said County Administrator Mike Mason.

He said discontinuing the service also would avoid an upcoming equipment upgrade cost of \$130,000.

A 5:30 p.m. public hearing will be held on the budget on March 30 at Metompkin Elementary School in Parksley.

The translator system enables televisions with antennas to receive some Hampton Roads stations that normally would have been out of viewing

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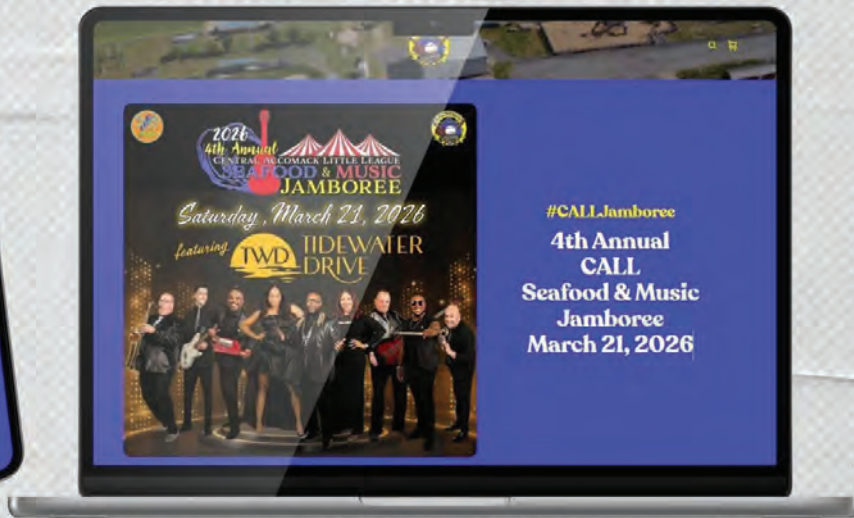
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Translator TV

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range.

The translator system was approved by Accomack County voters in a November 1977 referendum and went live in 1980.

County residents petitioned for a referendum on the matter. Supervisors warned that its expense might cause tax increases.

"If the people of this county vote to have the translator TV, they are voting to raise taxes," said then-Supervisor Elvin Custis in a Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1977, meeting of Accomack supervisors.

The measure passed anyway, with 4,090 voting in favor and 3,750 against.

Over the years, advances from cable and satellite television to internet streaming have led some to wonder if the translator service is still being used.

More than 20 years ago, Ron Wolff, then a member of the board of supervisors, advocated disconnecting the system to see who was using it.

The pushback was fierce, he remembered.

"There are a lot of people who use the translator television system," he said this week.

Terry Ewell, who lives near Clam,

When you go

- **WHAT:** Public hearing on Accomack County's proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 budget.
- **WHEN:** Monday, March 30, at 5:30 p.m.
- **WHERE:** Metompkin Elementary School cafeteria, Parksley.
- **INFO:** The proposed budget includes a tax increase of slightly more than a penny per assessed \$100 in real estate taxes. Building and zoning fees will increase by 10% and landfill tipping fees will increase to \$85, up \$5, if the budget is passed.

said she uses the translator system — as does her mother, who lives in Guilford.

"My mother faithfully watches the news every night," she said. "I know there are a lot of other people."

She hoped to circulate a petition against its discontinuation.

"It was such short notice that there has not been time to canvass the neighborhoods," she said.

Mears said ending the service will make it hard to get it back.

"Once it's gone, it's gone forever," she said.

Riverside announces grief groups

Riverside Shore Hospice has announced its grief support groups.

The groups meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Tasley Volunteer Fire Company, the second Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m. at the Cornish Celebration of Life Center in Hare Valley, and the third Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church, Chincoteague.

In addition, Camp Fragile Hearts for children ages 7 to 17 will be held May 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Sawmill Park in Accomac.

The camp is for children who have

experienced a loss.

Father's Day raffle is scheduled

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ESCC Project Horizons/Discovery Alum Thrives at College by Miriam Cornwell

When Desmond Wessells crossed the graduation stage at Northampton High School in 2024, he carried with him not only a diploma but the momentum of the Eastern Shore Community College Foundation's Project Horizons/Discovery program — and a full-ride Gates Scholarship that would open doors at one of Virginia's top engineering schools, the University of Virginia (UVA).

For many first-generation college students, the journey from high school to higher education can be both inspiring and challenging. Now a sophomore at UVA, Desmond has embraced rigorous coursework, earned a spot on the Dean's List, and found meaningful ways to give back to the program that helped him get there. Last summer he served as an intern for ESCC Foundation's Project Horizons/Discovery program where he mentored younger students and planned the Senior Celebration. When Project Horizons/Discovery students toured UVA in December, Desmond spent his day showing them around campus and sharing his experience as a first generation college student from the Eastern Shore. He takes time to build community with his fellow college students and stepped in to support a friend who recently underwent emergency surgery.

Project Horizons/Discovery provides mentoring, enrichment and scholarship opportunities to show students in grades 7-12 pathways into higher education and job training. Coordinator Miriam Cornwell asked Desmond to share his reflections as a college sophomore at a large university.



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What has been your biggest challenge since graduating from High School?

My biggest challenge was adjusting to the workload. In high school, I never had to study much, nor did I have an abundance of homework. I took 18 credits my first semester of college, so I spent many long days completing assignments and studying for hours on end during midterms and finals.

In what ways do you think you have changed since high school?

I have become more responsible. Since I am mainly on my own, I have to rely on myself to get things done, such as chores and schoolwork. I take better care of myself (mental health is important!) and strive to be the best person I can be. I am more fiscally, physically, and mentally responsible than I was when I was on that stage two years ago.

What are your summer plans?

I plan on studying abroad in Stuttgart, Germany this summer and exploring engineering-focused sites and industries. I also applied for internships with NASA and Rocket Lab on Wallops Island (fingers crossed!)

What advice do you have for current high school students?

Being kind to others is one of the best things you can do. You never know what someone is going through, and a simple act of kindness can go a long way. Pay someone a compliment, help them with something, and remember that a simple smile can make someone's day.

Anything else?

Apply for scholarships! Scholarships can mean a huge difference to your college experience. Always be on the lookout for scholarships and ask for help with college essays. Your English teacher, college admissions advisor or Project Horizons/Discovery coordinator are great resources, so reach out.

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

A third viewpoint on the statewide redistricting vote

There are at least three viewpoints when it comes to Virginia's April 21 redistricting referendum, passage of which would allow a vote on creating a Democratic majority in 10 of the state's 11 U.S. House of Representatives districts. The viewpoints are worth a deeper look and, in some cases, a lamentation.

Those advocating a "no" vote may see the measure as an unnecessary infringement on Virginia's properly nonpartisan decennial redistricting — a gold standard of good governance. Using the divisive language of the moment, they also might say the redistricting is a shameless power grab by leftist, lying Democrat weasels intent on using Congress to undermine President Trump's important work cutting government waste, fixing former President Biden's immigration failures, gutting the laughable and unnecessary U.S. Department of Education, eradicating woke indoctrination, eliminating Iran's nuclear capabilities, and initiating regime change in heinously oppressive countries. To them, a "no" vote is the last bulwark against the creeps, cretins, and curs trying to turn Virginia into California.

Still using the divisive language of the moment, those advocating a "yes" vote may see redistricting as a way to fight back against the felonious, vengeful, misogynistic president, the utterly clueless, incompetent, and unqualified cast of bootlickers and toadies he has appointed to leadership positions, and his classless, chaotic, divisive governing style. To them, desperate times calls for desperate measures, so they will allow a capricious, dubious redistricting process if it reins in an uncouth president who celebrates what is uncultured and uneducated, and his imbecilic policies, which have negatively impacted science, medicine, arts, culture, diversity, and the United States' world standing. Besides, didn't Trump start this mess by urging Texas do to the same sort of redistricting?

A third, more philosophical viewpoint laments the profound political division that consumes our country

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Wants more opinion about paraquat impact

To the editor:

I wrote 100th District Delegate Robert Bloxom Jr. about my concerns about paraquat, since he's a proponent of this potentially very dangerous herbicide and he responded with a detailed explanation of his reasoning ("Bloxom details crab pot, paraquat, and redistricting issues," column, Feb. 20).

I've tried to elicit the help of the organic and scientific community in opposing paraquat and in offering concise alternatives like deep buffer zones planted with harvestable perennials like blue stem, contour plowing, and cover crops.

No-till practices have not worked out, as far as I know. Cover crops are mandatory in Maryland, I believe. Maybe the Virginia Institute of Marine Science will give its opinion.

It's hard enough to farm or-

ganically in this state because the toxins drift. I don't live next to any fields but a crop duster plane got dust in our home recently.

It costs a lot to be certified organic, too, and I think it should be free — because these farmers are helping everyone to healthier lives and environments.

They are typically small so I believe they don't have protection that industrial agriculture has.

Before we sicken and kill with paraquat and other chemicals that are banned in dozens of other countries (how do they do it?), let's get our ducks in a

row and hear from those in the know.

C.A. Violi
Harborton

'Yes' redistricting vote will protect democracy

To the editor:

I feel compelled to respond to the recent letters in the March 13 edition of the Eastern Shore Post opposing a "yes" vote on Virginia's temporary redistricting proposal.

Those letters leave out an important point: This effort did

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Remembering decluttering lessons from a favorite author

The author of one of my all-time favorite books died March 12. The book is not about the Eastern Shore of Virginia and does not reference it. But it certainly could be of help to some Eastern Shore people.

Margareta Magnusson wrote “The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning: How to Free Yourself and Your Family from a Lifetime of Clutter,” the 2018 book that advocated for people to downsize and minimize before they die so their loved ones and other people are not tasked with doing so.

It is a wonderful read that essentially asserts growing old becomes much better for elderly folks — and everyone else — if they begin to pare down all their stuff.

But the actual accumulated stuff is only part of it. It is also a book about the liberating aspect of getting rid of stuff. And a book about your responsibility as an owner of stuff.

For example, ethical accumulators would not leave the dreaded posthumous responsibility of cleaning the junk from their attics, garages, closets, and basements to the people they love most in the world.

Further, in death cleaning, people are actually choosing how they will be



Ted Shockley

remembered, Magnusson said.

Do people want to be remembered by their families as a pack rats and hoarders who filled every closet, shelf, and shed with decades of doodads and so-called collectibles?

Or do people want to be remembered for their elegantly minimalist sensibilities by having reduced their various worthless sundries?

I first wrote about Magnusson’s book in the July 21, 2023, edition of this paper. The book’s content was too good not to share with others.

After reading it, I decided I love my family too much to make them take vacation days from work — or expend pretty afternoons or weekends — to pore over and sort out my things after I’m dead and gone, or incapable of doing it myself.

I also became an informal ambassador of the book, encouraging others to weed through and throw away their

trifles and baubles, mostly to non-plussed listeners.

Stuff causes anxiety in families. “Many adult children worry about the amount of possessions their parents have amassed through the years,” Magnusson wrote.

Very few people, it seems, are ready or willing to scale down their belongings and prune their lives. It is a fascinating phenomenon.

Maybe it is because we frequently define ourselves by our accumulations. Maybe when we donate, sell, or throw away all the mess we have stowed away, we lose a bit of our identity.

Is that actually the type of identity we want — an identity defined by things?

As the eternal question goes: Do we own our stuff? Or does our stuff own us?

The book also gives advice on how to part with stuff, which is not easy. Her thoughts: start small, involve family. People should give away meaningful items while they are still alive, creating a poignant, relational moment.

“A loved one wishes to inherit nice things from you. Not all things from you,” she wrote.

The book also is also a gentle reminder of an uncomfortable truth.

We’re all going to die, probably when we are busy doing other things. (“Because I could not stop for death, He kindly stopped for me,” famously wrote the poet Emily Dickinson.) Death is inevitable. You have a duty to everyone to find a place for the things you leave behind.

Sure, you might love that hulking real-wood sideboard from your grandmother’s home. It does not fit in your dining room, so it has been in your monthly rental storage unit for eight years now. You are not getting any younger.

Instead of having your children and other relatives strain their backs trying to take it to the landfill after you die, why don’t you donate it to charity or list it for sale while you are still alive?

And do not wait too long. The older we get, the less stamina and strength we have to do the important work of cleaning up after ourselves.

Plus, it is not going to be finished in one weekend. It takes a while. I am still working on my stuff. But at least I am working on it. I do not want to burden my children — or anyone else — with it.

I think the late Margareta Magnusson would approve.

Gerrymandering

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and our state — witnessed in the tenor of the two paragraphs above. This unfortunate division will become more polarized if Virginia’s stark redistricting plan proceeds.

Creating so many one-sided House districts is not representative of the state’s population, will limit debate, and will essentially disenfranchise millions of voters.

Civility, compromise

This third viewpoint thinks Virginians should celebrate the state’s current districting, which was created

with little partisan input and strives to keep communities of similar interest together.

That districting produced the current congressional representation of six Democrats and five Republicans, a close split promoting compromise and persistence.

Nationally, a shrinking number of states have successfully avoided gerrymandered power grabs by major political parties.

This viewpoint seeks to reduce polarization. How? Impose non-partisan redistricting commissions or Virginia’s system of balanced partisan committees and judicial backup across the nation and curtail the excessive power of the major parties.

People of this opinion see general elections and centrist policies as more

important than primaries and political grandstanding. This will help Congress’ return to its role as a constitutional check on presidential excesses.

How can our society achieve more civil discourse and patience and reduce polarization? It is by being in each other’s company, listening to each other’s concerns, and trying to understand people’s opinions instead of seeking to change those opinions.

Where does this happen? Certainly not on the national or state level. Civility and respect is often fostered in our everyday encounters, peer groups, civic organizations, volunteer initiatives, and anywhere else where people come together and show deference and respect.

(One of these places is church, which is how our forebears on the

Eastern Shore would have begun the important work of building trust and reconciliation — perhaps by praying for those who don’t agree with us.)

This is all the essence of what John Adams, the second U.S. president, wrote in his 1798 letter to the Massachusetts militia, “We have no Government armed with Power capable of contending with human Passions unbridled by morality and Religion. Avarice, Ambition, Revenge or Galantry, would break the strongest Cords of our Constitution as a Whale goes through a net.”

Let’s start repairing the net of our democracy by examining our own hearts and strengthening our will against power grabs — even temporary ones — such as this redistricting referendum.

Data center proponents, opponents impact state budget

The 60-day General Assembly session is over. The most important task of the General Assembly is not complete: the adoption of the biennial budget.



Delegate Rob Bloxom

We will be called back into special session to complete this task when the state Senate and the House of Delegates agree on the amount of revenue we have to spend.

The disagreement centers on the data center sales and use tax exemption, which in the Code of Virginia runs through 2035. This exemption was put in place to

attract this new industry to Virginia. That incentive helped Virginia become the data center capital of the world.

The benefits to Virginia, and especially to localities, are significant. In fact, the local tax revenue allows one county in Northern Virginia to lower its personal property tax by 30 cents on the dollar.

To give you some reference for the biennium, Virginia gave a \$2 billion incentive in the form of sales and use tax exemption but received \$81 billion in capital investment, over 3,000 new jobs, and the locality benefited with \$4 billion in local taxes.

Opponents argue that data centers increase electricity costs and strain water resources, although water usage has been reduced through new cooling technology.

Others point to the large buildings and the constant hum of cooling

systems. I find it ironic that many of these same critics rely on smartphones and cloud storage, services that depend on these very facilities.

It is also important to remember that many parts of Virginia would welcome data centers. The tax revenue could help fund schools and reduce reliance on the two primary local revenue sources: the car tax and personal property tax.

It is also worth noting that Democrats control both the House and Senate, as well as the Governor's Mansion. At the same time, the Virginia Clean Economy Act is pushing the Commonwealth toward 100% clean energy, which is contributing to higher electricity costs.

We need reliable base load generation alongside clean energy, rather than importing electricity from neighboring states that often produce

power with higher emissions.

I fully support the House position. These companies made long-term commitments to Virginia, and now we are changing the rules in the middle of the game. That is damaging to our reputation in the business community.

Companies have invested billions of dollars based on the understanding of these policies. Thanks to former Gov. Glenn Youngkin and the incentives put in place over the years, we have multiple businesses under contract to locate in Virginia.

Reversing course now is akin to pouring ice water on hot coals. I am concerned that this shift, along with other business-unfriendly legislation currently on the governor's desk, will drive investment to competing states.

Another issue with not having a

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not arise in a vacuum.

Virginia's proposal came in response to a broader national redistricting fight, including moves in Texas that many saw as an effort to tilt the electoral playing field.

The Virginia referendum is explicitly tied to this larger struggle, and Virginia voters will decide the question directly at the ballot box on April 21.

The real question is whether we are willing to defend fair representation when the rules are being bent for partisan advantage.

I find it hard to believe that those now opposing this proposal would remain silent if the same tactic were being used by the other side.

What matters most is that, in Virginia, this decision is being put to the people.

That alone should remind us that protecting democracy is not, or

should not be, a partisan cause.

My father, uncle, and aunt all served honorably in the fight for a free world. Their example reminds me that democracy is not self-sustaining.

It requires citizens willing to stand up for it. I hope Virginians will do exactly that and vote yes.

Peg Snowden Volk
Cape Charles

Keep gerrymandering out of Virginia

To the editor:

A neutral, open, and fair process should be used to draw congressional district maps.

Virginia currently uses an independent commission to do so.

We should never allow politicians in Richmond to gerrymander our 11 congressional districts to gain partisan advantage.

Gerrymandering has a sad history. In 1812, a proposed Massachusetts district map resembled a sala-

mander. The governor — whose last name was "Gerry" — approved it even though he knew it unfairly favored his party. Thus began the practice of manipulating maps to favor partisans and undermine the voting power of opponents.

Gerrymandered maps have also been used to suppress the votes of minorities. In more recent history, the maps in some states have been gerrymandered to an extreme.

The Texas map favoring Republicans and the proposed California map favoring Democrats are the two worst examples in 50 years, with five-seat partisan gains in each case.

Manipulating district maps has been made easier with sophisticated mapping software along with detailed voter history records, demographic information, and consumer data. The software can test thousands of map configurations to achieve a desired outcome with a high probability of success.

In the history of gerrymandering, including the first case in 1812, the party in disfavor is subsequently able

to gain power and reverse the gerrymandering in its own favor.

Never is gerrymandering to unfairly influence elections a good idea. It ignores the wishes of the American people who oppose gerrymandering by a huge majority.

The 200-year-old practice of gerrymandering is a threat to democracy. Gerrymandering to favor or disfavor a specific group hurts all voters. Voters should choose their representatives, not the other way around.

Vote no to the proposed constitutional amendment to allow the General Assembly to gerrymander Virginia to favor Democrats in 10 of 11 congressional districts.

This would be another worst-case scenario with significant impact to communities that will be fragmented and underrepresented.

Do not delay — vote "no" to the referendum question on or before April 21.

Jean Sellard
Melfa

Virginia lawmakers prioritize conservation in 2026 session

BY JAY FORD
Guest columnist

Virginia lawmakers helped secure key wins during their 2026 session by passing legislation to promote clean water, cut down on harmful chemicals, and safeguard critical wetland areas.

Lawmakers are still weighing the coming two-year budget that starts July 1, which will include funding for other issues like agricultural conservation practices and wastewater treatment that are foundational for a healthy Chesapeake Bay ecosystem.

There is also still more critical work to be done to protect menhaden, a key forage fish for the Chesapeake Bay.

Major successful bills and issues the Chesapeake Bay Foundation supported this session addressed topics including:

■ **PFAS.** The legislature passed several bills aimed at helping reduce the prevalence of PFAS, or “forever chemicals,” in fertilizer, waterways, and elsewhere, with the ultimate goal of cutting their presence in the Bay watershed.

One bill, carried by Senator Richard Stuart (R-King George) in the Senate and Delegate Alfonso Lopez (D-Arlington) in the House, will require sewage sludge used in fertilizer to be tested for PFAS and for the use of such materials to be prohibited if they test positive for certain thresholds of PFAS.

This is a significant step forward, and CBF will continue to support strengthening the measure to reduce the amount of PFAS allowed in sewage sludge under the law.

Another bill from Delegate Nadarius Clark (D-Chesapeake) and Senator Jeremy McPike (D-Prince William)

requires wastewater treatment plants to monitor PFAS and report them to DEQ if they are detected.

And a bill from Delegate Amy Laufer (D-Albemarle) allows for localities to test for PFAS in biosolids, providing them additional information about the health of the land in their communities.

■ **RGGI.** Lawmakers passed legislation from Delegate Charniele Herring (D-Alexandria) and Senator Mamie Locke (D-Hampton) to ensure that Virginia re-joins the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, or RGGI, a regional carbon trading program for power plants that generates revenue used for priorities like flood preparedness.

■ **Tree canopy.** Legislation from Delegate Patrick Hope (D-Arlington) and Sen. Saddam Salim (D-Fairfax) expands the authorities of cities and counties to allow for higher tree canopy replacement requirements during development and requires stakeholders to develop additional recommendations to expand tree canopy.

■ **Beneficial use of dredged material.** CBF supported legislation from Del. Rob Bloxom (R-Accomack) that establishes a statewide policy promoting the use of material dredged from waterways — turning an expensive disposal issue into a key asset that will help increase coastal resilience and the health of the Chesapeake Bay, and will strengthen the environmental and economic vitality of Virginia.

■ **Environmental Justice.** The legislature passed a bill from Delegate Shelly Simonds (D-Newport News) requiring larger cities and counties to adopt an environmental justice strategy when reviewing their comprehen-

sive plans.

■ **Wetlands and coastal resilience.** Lawmakers passed bills intended to protect wetland areas, which are critical for bay ecology and for mitigating the effects of climate change. One from Delegate Phil Hernandez (D-Norfolk) seeks to maintain wetland areas during the permitting process, and another from Lopez updates a state resilience policy to identify potential wetland migration corridors.

Another bill from Delegate Alex Askew (D-Virginia Beach) establishes a Habitat Policy Oversight Committee within the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, which will be important for supporting the Commonwealth’s coastal resilience efforts and protecting and enhancing essential marine ecosystems.

■ **Solar canopy cover.** Legislation from Senator Jennifer Carroll Foy (D-Prince William) and Delegate Briana Sewell (D-Prince William) provides localities the option to develop rules requiring solar canopy cover installations over certain parking areas.

Several bills CBF supported did not pass the legislature, including:

■ **Terrapins.** CBF had strongly supported legislation from Delegate Kathy Tran (D-Fairfax) that would have developed new diamondback terrapin protection areas in parts of the bay and increased the use of bycatch reduction devices, or fittings that prevent terrapins from being trapped, on recreational crab pots placed within the protection areas.

■ **Pay-for-Outcomes.** The full legislature did not advance a bill from Senator Dave Marsden (D-Fairfax) that would have established a dedicated fund for the pay-for-outcomes

program, which incentivizes government, business, and nonprofit groups to develop solutions that measurably cut pollution in the bay watershed.

■ **Road salt.** Lawmakers did not pass a bill from Senator Danica Roem (D-Prince William) directing the department of transportation to study alternatives to road salt, which can harm waterways, for treating roads in the winter.

Virginia residents will enjoy cleaner air and cleaner water thanks to the significant wins lawmakers advanced this session for the Commonwealth’s environment and economy. Lawmakers took meaningful steps intended to cut the prevalence of PFAS, or forever chemicals, in our waterways, to ensure our quick re-entry into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, help protect our wetlands, and accelerate Virginia’s climate change resilience efforts.

Unfortunately, the menhaden fishery industry once again helped block legislation aimed at ensuring a thriving menhaden population in the Bay. Commonsense legislation to protect diamondback terrapins, a species of significant conservation need in Virginia, also failed to advance.

As budget negotiators continue their deliberations, we urge them to include robust funding for wastewater treatment, agricultural clean water practices, conservation, and other climate resilience efforts. Lawmakers have a historic opportunity to position the Commonwealth for success in these areas for the next two years and beyond, and we are hopeful they will meet the moment.

■ *The writer lives in Belle Haven and is the Chesapeake Bay Foundation Virginia Policy Manager.*

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budget on time is that our localities rely on state funding to finalize their own budgets. This delay creates a rip-

ple effect that worsens the longer the stalemate continues. This is not a revenue problem; it is a spending problem. Youngkin left the new administration with a \$1.9 billion surplus. The House Appropriations Committee stayed within its means. The Senate,

however, spent \$2 billion more and now seeks additional revenue from an industry that has fallen out of favor with some local opposition.

In the coming weeks, I will highlight additional topics and discuss legislation considered this session,

including those bills now on the governor’s desk. She has until April 13 to veto, amend, or sign them into law.

As always, you can contact me at my district office at 757-824-3456 or by email at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov.

Educational opportunity, success, shouldn't depend on luck

BY ABRAHAM MATEOS-ENRIQUEZ

Guest columnist

On the warm evening of June 4, 2021, after graduating from Accomack County Public Schools, I stood outside the gym taking pictures with my family as the sun began to set over the Eastern Shore.

My parents had brought a large poster board covered with photos and newspaper clippings celebrating my years playing sports and growing up in our community. At the time, it felt like the closing of one chapter.

Just a few years later, I found myself opening an admissions portal while on FaceTime with my parents. When the message appeared saying I had been accepted into the Harvard Graduate School of Education to study education leadership and entrepreneurship, we all began cheering in disbelief. Even now, I am still trying to grasp the magnitude of that opportunity.

But if I am honest, that journey did not begin with a grand plan or anything remarkable about me. It began with a simple question from a teacher.

During my sophomore year, Sheryll Stanley, a long-term French substitute teacher, often stayed after school talking with students about their futures.

One afternoon she asked me, “Do you want to go to college?”

When I hesitated, she told me something I will never forget: “You are going to go to college, and you are going with a full ride.”

She repeated that promise often. During the summer, she helped guide me through the QuestBridge application process, sitting with me after school as I worked on essays and scholarship materials.

At the time, college had felt distant and uncertain. Like many students on the Eastern Shore, I assumed I would likely begin working after graduation, learn a trade, or possibly attend community college later if finances allowed.

This teacher helped me see a different path.

Stories like mine should not depend on coincidence. Students should not have to rely on chance encounters to discover college opportunities. We should not have a system where pursuing higher education depends on luck.

Accomack County Public Schools and many educators across the Eastern Shore have worked hard to expand opportunities and college guidance for students.

But stories like mine also suggest that there is room to introduce

students and families to the process earlier, so that opportunity does not depend on whether someone happens to meet the right mentor at the right time.

The summer before senior year can be a critical moment. Rising 11th graders can use that time to begin researching colleges, drafting application essays, asking teachers for recommendation letters, and searching for scholarships.

Starting early allows students to approach the process with confidence rather than uncertainty.

Students should also remember that the experiences they bring with them already carry value. Like many children of immigrant families on the Eastern Shore, I grew up around the working landscapes that sustain our community: chicken farms, construction sites, agricultural fields, and seafood processing plants.

Those environments taught me discipline, responsibility, and the dignity of hard work. Long before I stepped into a college classroom, I was learning lessons about perseverance and sacrifice from the people around me.

These experiences are just as meaningful as the internships or programs often available to students from wealthier backgrounds.

Helping students pursue high-

er education is not the responsibility of schools alone. Families, educators, churches, and community members all play a role in encouraging young people to explore opportunities and believe in their potential.

When families understand the college process earlier, they are better equipped to support their children through it.

Somewhere on the Eastern Shore this spring, another student will stand outside a gym after graduation while their family holds a poster board celebrating their journey. The future they imagine in that moment should not depend on luck or chance encounters.

It should grow from a community that prepares its students early, supports their families, and reminds them that the opportunities of higher education belong to them, too.

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Proposed statewide animal cruelty conviction list nixed again

BY PAIGE FREY

Capital News Service

A legislative effort to establish a statewide animal cruelty convictions list was nixed again this session, though it has been introduced in some form at least 13 times since 2011.

Del. Ellen McLaughlin patroned House Bill 673, the most recent attempt to institute the list. McLaughlin's bill did not advance from the House Courts of Justice committee by the midway deadline.

HB 673 proposed a publicly accessi-

ble, statewide registry that would include the names of people with felony convictions for cruelty to animals, including animal fighting, maiming, poisoning, or killing.

The name of the offender, offense, date, and where they were convicted would be listed in the database, which would be available through the Virginia State Police website.

Individuals on the registry would pay a \$50 fine, to be used for the maintenance of the site. Maintenance would include the removal of deceased persons, people whose convictions have

been reversed or pardoned, and people who have been free of additional convictions for 15 years.

Sen. Bill Stanley, R-Franklin, is known by many as an animal rights advocate in the legislature. He has introduced this bill four times since 2014 and at least one animal rights bill each term since he was first elected, he said.

Both McLaughlin and Stanley plan to introduce the bill again in the future.

“We get closer every year. We’re not going to give up on it,” McLaughlin said.

Opponents of criminal registries do not believe they reduce crime, and

some offered testimony that an animal cruelty convictions list is just a method of shaming people.

Many of Stanley's bills to establish an animal cruelty convictions list faced some backlash from the public, who said public registries are not always effective.

The advocacy group Women Against Registry say such lists make it harder for an offender to find employment and housing and often result in isolation and alienation. That contradicts efforts to reintegrate people into society, the organization stated.



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ENTERTAINMENT

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Friday, March 20

■ **LECTURE:** 9 to 10 a.m., Eastville Community Center, 17202 Courthouse Road, Eastville. The Virginia Cooperative Extension is hosting its Perk Up and Learn Coffee Hour. This month's theme is "Planning Your Spring Garden." There will also be a plant and seed exchange.

■ **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.

■ **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** 5 to 7 p.m., Saxis Fire Hall, 8337 Free School Lane, Saxis. Saxis United Methodist Church is hosting a pancake supper. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, scrapple, apples, and beverages. There will also be a baked good table and a silent auction. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 6 and under. Take out is available.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Hemlock Hollow performs live.

■ **PLAY:** 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The playhouse presents "Kalamazoo." Tickets are \$15, to purchase visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org/tickets

■ **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.

Best bets

■ **Saturday, March 21, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Eastern Shore Tourism Commission is hosting a pop-up bridal event at Moonrise Jewelry in Cape Charles.**

■ **Thursday, March 26, at 6 p.m., Eastern Shore Regional Library in Parksley is hosting a family movie night. There will be free popcorn and a screening of "Turning Red."**

Saturday, March 21

■ **BIRDING FIELD TRIP:** 8:30 a.m., Edward S. Brinkley Nature Preserve, 20001 Seaside Road, Cape Charles. Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a field trip at the preserve. The trip will be led by Maggie Long and Joette Borzik, who will guide birders on a search for wintering waterfowl, sparrows, and other passerines. To register text Borzik at 757-350-1659.

■ **NATURE WALK:** 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Wildlife Loop parking lot, Assateague. The Eastern Shore Master Naturalists are hosting a guided nature walk. Binoculars and bug spray will be provided. The walk is about 1 mile.

■ **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. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla is hosting a Boating America course. The cost is \$25. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/43wvh3az>

■ **KIDS CRAFT:** 11:30 to 12:30 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Parents and children between ages 2 and 9 can drop in to create watering can art.

■ **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 to 17. 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.

■ **CLEANUP:** 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Cape Charles Beachfront, Cape Charles. The town is hosting Cape Charles Day, a community cleanup and picnic. Those interested in helping with the cleanup should meet at the gazebo at the beachfront at 10 a.m. The community picnic will be held in Cape Charles Central Park at 12:30 p.m.

■ **WORKSHOP:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., ESO Arts Center, 15293 King St., Belle Haven. Marina Pierce is leading a workshop about how to capture the best photos on a cell phone. The cost is \$50.

■ **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.

■ **LECTURE:** 10:30 a.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. The Eastern Shore Master Gardeners are leading a lecture about pollinator gardens.

■ **CHILDREN'S CRAFT:** 10:45 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Jessica Kendrick will teach children between the ages of 5 and 10 how to paint bird houses. To register email littlemcd1984@gmail.com.

■ **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.

■ **WEDDING SHOW:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Moonrise Jewelry, 325 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. The Eastern Shore Tourism Commission is sponsoring a pop-up bridal event. There will be welcome bags, door prizes, refreshments, and meet-and-greets with local vendors.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** Noon to 2 p.m., Dollar Tree, Exmore. The Eastern Shore Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is hosting Change for Babies, a fundraiser for the March of Dimes.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 4 to 10 p.m., Central Accomack Little League, 10 Hartman Ave., Onancock. The little league is hosting its annual Seafood and Music Jamboree. Tickets

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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 757-442-7707 or 800-764-4460.

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include all-you-can-eat seafood, burgers, hot dogs, beverages, music by Tidewater Drive Band, silent and live auctions, raffles, and more. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/sjf5payd> for tickets.

■ **LECTURE:** 5:30 p.m., Market Street Methodist Church, Onancock. Miriam Riggs will lead a lecture titled "Mapping the Past: The Ker Place Plantation and Onancock Towne."

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 6 p.m., Onancock Baptist Church, Onancock. The church is hosting a Women's Night of Worship. It will be led by Carrie Hawker and friends. Coffee, tea, and water will be available.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Local Conditions performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Crescent Moon Duo performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., ESO Arts Center, 15293 King St., Belle Haven. Forest Flynn and Old Soul Revival perform live. Gavin Belote opens the show. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. To reserve tickets call ESO at 757-442-3226.

■ **PLAY:** 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The playhouse presents "Kalamazoo." Tickets are \$15. To purchase visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org/tickets

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., The Listening Room at Morphosis, 33 Market St., Onancock. La Doo Vay perform live. Tickets are \$15. Call 757-710-8718 to reserve a seat.

Sunday, March 22

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 10:30 a.m., Drummondtown Baptist Church, 23474 Front St., Accomac. The church is hosting Friends N Faith during its service. The community is invited for worship, fellowship, and gospel music.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 10:30 a.m., Unitarian Universalists of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, 15421 Merry Cat Lane, Suite 15B, Belle Haven. The church is hosting a spring equinox service. There will be a guided nature meditation, All are welcome.

■ **INFORMATION SESSION:** Doors open 12:30 p.m., lunch is served at 1 p.m., program starts at 2 p.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, 15315 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. Love in the Name of Christ ESVA is hosting a pre-launch celebration for the organization. To

RSVP visit <https://tinyurl.com/y3mr8dme>
 ■ **EASTER EVENT:** 1 to 3 p.m., Chincoteague Center, Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Elementary School PTA presents Hop Around the Bunny Trail. The event will include visits with the Easter Bunny, a display of paper mache eggs created by students from the elementary school, games, baked goods, and a Chinese auction for Easter baskets created by local businesses.

■ **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

■ **WORKSHOP:** 8:30 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa. The Eastern Shore Tourism Commission is hosting a workshop called Seasons of Success. The focus will be on helping hospitality, retail, and service businesses strengthen operations and grow revenue. To purchase a ticket visit <https://tinyurl.com/2s3hn2wp>

■ **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.

■ **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The Eastern Shore Art League Stitches Together group will meet to socialize and create woven art. All levels are welcome.

■ **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.

■ **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.

■ **LECTURE:** 5 to 7 p.m., Cape Charles

Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. During A Sip of Science senior researchers with the University of Virginia will discuss the history and founding of the Anheuser-Busch Coastal Research Center.

■ **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.

■ **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a screening of "Turning Red." There will be free popcorn.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 to 7 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum: 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Carla Small is delivering a lecture on women of history on the Eastern Shore. The cost is \$10 per person. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/495nh69f>

■ **DANCE LESSONS:** 6 to 7 p.m., The Oyster Farm, Cape Charles. Ballroom and More on the Shore is hosting dance lessons. The cost is \$5.

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

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Friday, March 27

- **TRAINING:** Noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Participants can take this training to become certified to use the library's Scan N Cut. To register call the library at 757-787-3400.
- **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.
- **COMMUNITY DINNER:** 5 to 7 p.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Bobtown Road, Painter. The church is hosting a community dinner.
- **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Daniel McGill will discuss the past, present, and future of NASA Wallops. The cost is \$10. Members, active duty military, and children under age 12 are free. Call 757-336-6117 to reserve a seat.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

Saturday, March 28

- **BIRDING WALK:** 8:30 a.m., Mutton Hunk Fen Natural Area Preserve, 28583 Baker Road, Parksley. Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a field trip at the preserve. This trip is free and the public are welcome. Contact Joette Borzik at 757-350-1659 to register.
- **CHESS TOURNAMENT:** 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Center, Melfa. The college is hosting a chess tournament. There will be three rounds. United States Chess Federation membership is required. The cost is \$10 for ESCC students, faculty and staff, as well as those under age 18. The cost is \$15 for all others. To register email cduffman@es.vccs.edu or execdir@easternshorechess.org. There will be a food truck on site.
- **BIRDING WALK:** 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Bateman Center parking lot, Assateague. The Eastern Shore Master Naturalists are holding a guided migratory bird walk. Binoculars and scopes will be provided. The walk is about 1 mile.
- **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.

- **PLOW DAY:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lankford Highway and Machipongo Drive, Machipongo. Peninsula Tractor Organization is hosting its annual Plow Day. There will be tractors on display and the Eastville Volunteer Fire Company will have food and drinks for sale.
- **YARD SALE:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Epworth United Methodist Church, Exmore. The church is hosting a community food and yard sale. There will be yard sale items and pre-ordered food can be picked up. The food menu includes beef empanadas, chicken taco soup, chicken salad, and frozen chocolate chip cookies. To order visit <https://tinyurl.com/rebte97w>
- **FIELD TRIP:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., The Mu-

seum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. The museum is hosting Heritage Day, a field 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>

- **SWAP AND SELL:** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.,

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Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. The elk's lodge is hosting a Hunting and Fishing Buy, Swap, and Sell. For \$25 per space sportsmen can bring new, used, and unwanted equipment to sell. Businesses can buy a space for \$50. To reserve a space call Wayde at 757-710-1694. This event is open to the public. Admission is \$2.

■ **CHARITY RUN:** 5K starts at 10 a.m., 1K starts at 11 a.m., Nandua High School, Onley. The Run for Life is raising money for the American Cancer Society.

■ **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.

■ **PLANT SWAP:** 11 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a house plant cutting swap.

■ **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.

■ **NATURE ACTIVITY:** 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. During Teens to Tots children of all ages can make turtle shell art while hanging out with turtles. There will also be a live feeding. The cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. To learn more visit <https://tinyurl.com/4xzy9h9h>

■ **EASTER EGG HUNT:** Noon, Epworth United Methodist Church, 4158 Seaside Road, Exmore. The church is hosting an Easter egg hunt.

■ **RESOURCE FAIR:** 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa. The Blooming Together in Spring Resource Fair is designed to connect the community with local organizations and resources. There will also be activities and entertainment for children.

■ **BOWLING:** 1 to 3 p.m., Eastern Shore Lanes, 1834 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Pocomoke Elementary School PTO is hosting a bowling fundraiser. The cost is \$10 per person for an hour of bowling with shoe rentals. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

■ **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.

■ **DOG FOSTER EVENT:** 2 to 4 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Animal welfare organizations on the Eastern Shore are teaming up for a foster information event. There will be information about how fostering pets works, meet-and-greets with adoptable dogs, and information and resources from local animal welfare organizations.

■ **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 to 9 p.m., Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Margot and Valerie perform live.

■ **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

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 10 a.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Parksley. The church is holding a Palm Sunday service.

■ **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.

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■ **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

■ **TOURISM SUMMIT:** Registration opens at 9 a.m., program begins at 9:45 a.m., The Impact Center, Cape Charles. The 2026 Tourism Summit will offer insights on branding, marketing, and hospitality. The keynote speaker will be Jon Schallert, a destination business expert.

■ **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 McPeck, Morgan Leigh, Kendall Bradley, and Marty Burgess will share poems. Tickets are \$7. To reserve a seat call 757-710-8718.

Tuesday, March 31

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 5 p.m., Cypress Roots Brewing Company, Pocomoke City. Members of the Downtown Pocomoke Association will be guest bartending at Cypress Roots Brewing Company. A portion of sales will go to support downtown beautification and events.

■ **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.

■ **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.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 7 p.m., Capeville United Methodist Church, 4410 Capeville Drive, Cape Charles. The Lower Shore Charge of the United Methodist Church is holding a live show of the Last Supper and communion as part of Maundy Thursday services.

■ **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.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 5:30 to 8 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Parksley. The church is hosting a Good Friday service. There will be a covered dish supper at 5:30 p.m., followed by a worship service.

Saturday, April 4

■ **MUD HOP:** Gates open 8 a.m., Easter egg hunt 11 a.m., racing starts at noon, 316 Dirt Drag, 20305 Greenbush Road, Greenbush. The Bunny Hop is a mud hop for the whole family. The Easter Bunny will be a special guest and there will be an Easter egg hunt and racing. Admission is \$20. Kids age 10 and under are free.

■ **EASTER EGG HUNT:** 8 a.m. to noon, Bethel Baptist Church, 14050 Bethel Church Road, Bloxom. The church is hosting an Easter egg hunt and yard sale. The Easter egg hunt will be at 11 a.m. Proceeds from the yard sale will benefit Accomack Northampton Pregnancy Center.

■ **CAR SHOW:** Registration starts at 9 a.m., show runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Market Street Pocomoke. The Eastern Shore Cruises is hosting its first car show of the year in the parking lot on Market Street.



Accomack County Board of Supervisors Public Hearings Notice • County of Accomack, Virginia

Fiscal 2026-2027 Estimated Budget & Tax Rates • March 30, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

A brief synopsis of the Operating and Capital Budget for the County of Accomack for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year was ordered published by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on February 18, 2026. The Operating and Capital Budget is published for informational and fiscal planning purposes only. The Board of Supervisors will hold public hearings on the Accomack County budget and tax rates on March 30, 2026 at Metompkin Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Road, Virginia with the budget hearing beginning at 6:00 P.M. Citizens have the right to submit oral or written statements on the estimated budget and tax rates. Any citizen having questions concerning the estimated budget or tax rates needing special assistance to attend the meeting may contact the County Administrator's Office by calling (757)787-5700 or (757)824-5444 or by email: administration@co.accomack.va.us. A summary of the budget is available for inspection in the County Administrator's Office during normal business hours and is listed on the Accomack County website on the Finance Department "Budget Development" page. This notice is published in accordance with Virginia Code Sections 15.2-2506, 15.2-1427 and 58.1-3321.

Consolidated General Government Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	
General Property Taxes	\$ 45,440,580	General Government Administration	\$ 8,362,866
Other Local Taxes	12,591,274	Judicial	2,982,331
Permits, Fees, & Licenses	578,133	Public Safety (includes law enforcement and jail)	23,002,901
Fines & Forfeitures	150,000	Public Works	11,243,274
Use of Money & Property	2,618,487	Health & Welfare	8,026,719
Charges for Services	5,417,213	Education (local share of public school division budget)	23,956,061
Miscellaneous Revenue	307,449	Education (Community College supplement)	91,028
Recovered Costs	274,508	Recreation & Cultural	1,326,541
From the Commonwealth	12,760,614	Planning & Community Development	3,847,965
From the Federal Government	2,854,012	Contingency/Nondepartmental	165,591
Total Estimated Revenues	82,992,270	Debt Service	3,152,792
From Fund Balance, General Fund	5,845,147	Total Estimated Expenditures	86,158,069
From Fund Balance, Consolidated EMS Fund	1,065,939	"Rainy Day" Committed Fund Balance Addition	1,070,051
From Fund Balance, Other Funds	96,148	Transfers to Fund Balance, Consolidated EMS Fund	2,000,000
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$ 89,999,504	Transfers to Landfill Closure/Post Closure Reserve	434,719
		Transfers to Fund Balance, Other Funds	336,665
		Total Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	\$ 89,999,504

Accomack County School Board Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	
Charges for Services	\$ 420,000	Instruction	\$ 54,031,229
From Other Sources	1,753,791	Administration, Attendance, & Health	4,225,895
From the County	23,956,061	Pupil Transportation	5,546,758
From the Commonwealth	50,268,336	Operations & Maintenance	7,651,304
From the Federal Government	5,626,217	Food Services	6,007,997
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$ 82,024,405	Transfers	296,508
		Technology	4,264,714
		Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 82,024,405

Accomack County Economic Development Authority Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	
From the County	\$ 10,000	Planning & Community Development	\$ 10,000

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

Type of Rate	2025 Adopted Rate ²	Lowered Tax Rate ³	2026 Proposed Rate ⁴	Type of Rate	2025 Adopted Rate ²	2026 Proposed Rate ⁴
Real Estate & Mobile Homes (base rate)	\$0.383	\$0.342	\$0.355	Automobiles & Trucks (base rate)	\$3.630	\$3.630
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ⁵	\$0.151	\$0.131	\$0.131	Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ⁵	\$0.090	\$0.090
Real Estate & Mobile Home Tax Rate	\$0.534	\$0.473	\$0.486	Maximum Automobiles & Trucks Tax Rate	\$3.720	\$3.720
Greenbackville & Captains Cove Area Mosquito Control District	\$0.015	\$0.014	\$0.014	Other Taxable Personal Property (base rate)	\$3.630	\$3.630
Maximum Real Estate & Mobile Home Tax Rate	\$0.549	\$0.487	\$0.500	Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ⁵	\$0.090	\$0.090
Machinery & Tools (base rate)	\$3.630	n/a	\$3.630	Maximum Other Taxable Personal Property Tax Rate	\$3.720	\$3.720
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ⁵	\$0.090	n/a	\$0.090	Personal Property Tax Relief:		
Maximum Machinery & Tools Tax Rate	\$3.720	n/a	\$3.720	Personal use vehicles valued at \$1,000 or less	100%	100%
Airplanes (base rate)	\$0.730	n/a	\$0.730	All other personal use vehicles (Relief applies to first \$20,000 of value only)	31%	29%
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ⁵	\$0.020	n/a	\$0.020			
Maximum Airplanes Tax Rate	\$0.750	n/a	\$0.750			

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LISTED ABOVE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Accomack County proposes to increase property tax levies.

- Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total value of real property by 13.4%.
 - The 2025 tax rate is the tax rate adopted by the Board of Supervisors last fiscal year.
 - Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$0.473 per \$100 of assessed value. This tax rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."
 - The 2026 "proposed" rate is the tax rate ordered advertised by the Board of Supervisors.
 - This special tax district imposes an "add-on" real estate and personal property tax rate that is used to fund emergency medical services (EMS). It does not apply to property located in the Town of Chincoteague.
 - Effective Rate Increase: Accomack County proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$0.486 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered rate and the proposed rate would be \$0.013 per \$100, or 2.7%. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase."
- Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

7. Proposed Total Budget Decrease: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of Accomack County will be less than last year's by 3.63%.

A public hearing on the decrease will be held on March 30, 2026 at Metompkin Elementary School.

OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

Glenn Beasley

Mr. William “Glenn” Beasley Jr., 83, of Cape Charles, passed away on Feb. 8, 2026.

He was preceded in death by his sons, Mark Louis Beasley and Daniel Ellis Beasley; his parents, William G.



Mr. Beasley

Beasley Sr. and Mary O. Beasley; and his brother, Michael W. Beasley.

He leaves behind a legacy of love through his wife, Mary Wilkins Beasley; his daughter,

Maryglenn Beasley Phillips (Ernie); his grandchildren, Kendal (Joe), Jessie (Alex), Jordan (Michael), and Madison; his great-grandchildren, Braeden, Laney, Jaxon, Connor, and Jameson; his brother, James Lonnie Beasley; and his sister, Anita Beasley Fields (Ray).

Also close to his heart were Margie and John Bessler and the twins, Trevor and Travis Wright, who were lovingly brought into the family 50 years ago and were never let go.

Glenn served in the U.S. Navy in Cuba during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He spoke fondly about the Cuban people and their culture, noting especially how he loved the weather and the ten-cent beer.

Upon retiring from the Navy, Glenn worked for over 30 years at Philip Morris alongside his brother, Jimmy, as a sheet metal mechanic. He was excellent at his craft and proudly served as a shop steward for many years. Glenn loved his job and the opportunities to build long-lasting friendships.

After his retirement, he reluctantly moved to the Eastern Shore with Mary, where they lived for over 20 years. Glenn loved fishing, Monday night poker, and dinner with friends, but above all else, he loved his Shore

friends dearly. After many years of love and laughter, Glenn decided it was time to come back home to Chesterfield to be with his family.

Glenn coached all of his children and countless others in football, baseball, and softball in the Chesterfield County area. He was the founding member of the Chesterfield Girls Softball League and continued as commissioner until he went on to be head coach of the Post 137 American Legion Baseball Team. Glenn was recognized in 2015 by induction into the L.C. Bird Hall of Fame for founding the LCB Athletics Booster Club in 1978. He served as the first president, the officiant at the track meets, and volunteered on the football chain crew for 25 years. Glenn was the ultimate sports lover, and it was fitting for him to have passed on the day of the Super Bowl.

The family would like to extend special thanks to all his Shore people for looking out for “The Beez”/“Pop.”

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. on March 21, at American Legion Northampton Post 56, 21210 N. Bay-side Road, Cheriton, VA 23316.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Post 56. Dress is casual for the service and reception. Family and friends will raise a glass to Glenn and celebrate his “Wonderful World.”

Mary Lou Boyd

Ms. Mary Lou Boyd was born on Oct. 2, 1930, in Parksley, to the late Henry S. Finney and Nellie Watkinson Finney.

In 1948, she graduated from Accomac High School in Accomac and attended Mary Washington College.

After receiving her bachelor’s degree in sociology, Ms. Boyd began teaching at the high school level. Following 10 years in education, she and her family moved to Kent Island in 1965, residing in Stevensville.

In 1969 the Chesterwye Center was

organized, and she became the first executive director. After 28 years of dedicated service, she retired in 1996. During her tenure she oversaw significant expansion of the services offered by the center and two moves, ultimately leading the effort to build



Ms. Boyd

the current facility in Grasonville. Her legacy is sealed in the “Boyd Home,” a residential home for Chesterwye clients.

In retirement Ms. Boyd was an active volunteer

for Chesterwye Center and served on the board of directors for eight years. In later retirement she volunteered for METAvivor Research and Support managing correspondence. She enjoyed sewing, knitting, and crafts, especially with her grandchildren.

Her children and grandchildren were her world. She was a dedicated and loving mother and grandmother who, in all 95 of her years, never missed a family birthday, graduation, or holiday celebration. She often marked these occasions by reading poems she had authored to commemorate the milestone. These poems became cherished family keepsakes.

In recent years she became skilled at texting and FaceTime, often making lists of what was happening in her grandchildren’s lives to discuss on their calls.

Ms. Boyd is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth Tawil (Jack), of Arnold, Md., and Kelly Lange (Mike), of Annapolis, Md.; one son, John Boyd (Meg), of Elkridge, Md.; and four granddaughters, Mollie Boyd, Anna Boyd, Helena Tawil, and Allison Boyd.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Chesterwye Center, <https://chesterwye.org/giving/>

Gerald Parks

Mr. Gerald (Jerry) Lee Parks, 92, passed away on March 15, 2026, in his home, with his wife and daughter by his side.

He was born on May 27, 1933, in Harborton to the late Norman



Mr. Parks

and Oneita Archie Parks. His childhood was spent there, always outside and playing at the waterfront.

His family later moved to Cape Charles, where he spent

the remainder of his youth.

At the age of 5, he met the love of his life, Eula Mae Doughty. These childhood sweethearts were always together, marrying after high school and remaining together for 73 years.

He worked in Norfolk until he realized he was to be drafted during the Korean War. He wanted to be a Marine, so he joined the Marine Corps, serving two years at Camp Lejeune.

After service, he returned to Norfolk and began his 50-year career in the maritime business. He eventually became the owner of Capes Shipping Agencies. He traveled throughout Europe, South America, and eastern Asia. He participated in several of the governor’s trade missions to increase shipping to Virginia ports.

Upon retirement, he returned to the Eastern Shore. He enjoyed metal detecting and began an intense interest in antiquing. Thus began a new business managing 12 antique booths at the Blue Crow. He could always be found attending auctions, estate sales, yard sales, and church sales.

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Obituaries

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Left to cherish his memory are his wife and his daughter, Brenda Lynn Parks.

He is also survived by his sister, Janice Hylton, of Utah; his nieces and nephews, Sharon Caporella and Joe Caporella (Diane), of Pennsylvania, Nicky Parks, of the Eastern Shore, Randy Hylton (Trish), of Suffolk, Scott Hylton, of the Eastern Shore, David Hylton (Brenda), of Colorado, Matthew Hylton (Wendy), of Hampton, and Elizabeth Harris (Matthew), of Utah.

He was predeceased by his son, Stephen Lee Parks, and his brother, Everett Parks.

The family has great appreciation for his special friends Sidney and Myriam Downing, Rudy and Alice Brady, and his special nephew, Scott Hylton. Their visits and excursions to take him to his favor-

ite restaurants gave him so much to look forward to when he became housebound.

The family also appreciates all the help given to him by his special friend, George Rams, and his neighbors, Nancy Bunce, Jim, Mary, and Taylor Grey, and Wink Wesberry Frendig and Chuck Frendig.

The family gives special thanks to his caretaker, Betty George, the hospice health care team, and Riverside physical therapy.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 21, at 2 p.m., at Doughty Funeral Home, with Pastor Shaun Smith officiating. Friends will join family at the funeral home one hour prior. Interment will be private at Cape Charles Cemetery.

Flowers will be accepted, or a memorial may be made to your favorite charity.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.



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SPORTS

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Vikings named All-State

Broadwater Academy seniors Kacey Ford and Neiley Guinan were named to the first and second teams, respectively, as VISAA All-State selections.

Ford averaged 17.1 points per game, and Guinan averaged 6.1 points and 3.0 steals.

BOYS SOCCER

Jackets fall in opener

On Tuesday, March 17, Northampton opened its season with a 5-0 loss at Frank W. Cox.

The Yellow Jackets, who won the Class 1 state title last spring, were facing a Class 5 team in the Falcons.

TRACK & FIELD

Ye wins two events

On Tuesday, March 17, Broadwater Academy's Steven Ye won the shot put (49-03) and the discus (141-07) in a seven-team meet at Norfolk Academy.

Teammate Logan Arnold finished third in the discus (117-06), and the Vikings placed sixth in the team standings.

In the girls competition, BA's Sofia Rader took second place in the pole vault (5-6).



COURTESY PHOTOS

Broadwater Academy's Kacey Ford (left) and Neiley Guinan were named to the first and second teams, respectively, as VISAA All-State selections in girls basketball.

CHINCOTEAGUE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS CROWN CHAMPS



COURTESY PHOTOS

The Chincoteague Athletic Boosters recently crowned two champions. Above is the Reapers, sponsored by Hampton Inn & Suites Chincoteague, champions of the 13- to 15-year-old league. Pictured from left are Assistant Coaches Nikki and Kevin Wilson, Coach Todd Tarr, Selena Branch, Owen Farrell, Sam Ross, Jaikeyse Reid, Rylee Giddings, and Winnie Brady. Below is the Hammers, sponsored by Allen Clark Jr., champions of the 9- to 12-year-old league. Pictured from left in the front row are Reagan White, Chase Savage, and Watson Bloxom. Pictured in the back row are James Bueno, Locklyn Giddings, Beckley Farrell, D'Mauri Dickerson, and Coach Jerry Tarr.

SHORE GRADS SHINE FOR WASHINGTON & LEE



COURTESY PHOTOS

Eastern Shore natives Grace Bentley and Leah Smith, student-athletes at Washington & Lee University, are both third-team selections in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC). Bentley, a 2024 Nandua High School graduate and a W&L sophomore, helped lift the Generals to the ODAC team title and made the third team by virtue of her sixth-place finish in the 100 backstroke (59.71). Bentley also finished 12th in the 50 free and 12th in the 100 free. Smith, a 2025 Broadwater Academy grad and a freshman at W&L, helped pace the Generals' indoor track and field team to the conference title. She was named to the all-ODAC third team due to her third place finish in the shot put (39-3.00). She also finished 14th in the weight throw. Smith now turns her attention to the outdoor track season, which begins this weekend with an invitational meet at W&L.

CHINCOTEAGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



COURTESY PHOTO

The students pictured were named Students of the Month for February at Chincoteague Elementary School. From the left in the front row are Watson Bloxom, Raiden Charnock, Thomas Dishon, Willow Clark, Peyton Cherrix, and Jonah Custis. In the back row from left are Layla Harley, Philip Cathell, Kaya Filipic, Anders Savage, Shepherd Davis, Ivan Breland, and Navy Chaudhari. Raheem Lankford was not pictured.

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Members of the Chincoteague Pony Drill Team perform during the O'Nancock St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Onancock on Saturday, March 14.



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Representatives of Onancock Main Street toss candy from the back of a car during the O'nancock St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 14.



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The Virginia Tech Agricultural Research and Extension Center float glides down Market Street during the O'nancock St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 14.



EASTERN SHORE POST/SARAH BARBAN

Members of the Onancock Town Council toss candy from a golf cart during the O'nancock St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 14.

UVA students create new vision for Mary N. Smith

Students from the University of Virginia School of Architecture are helping shape new possibilities for the historic Mary N. Smith School.

On March 9, UVA students presented research, historical documentation, and redevelopment concepts for the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center during a special exhibit, *Planning with the Eastern Shore*, attended by members of the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association and community partners.

The student projects documented the historical significance of Mary N. Smith through oral histories, archival research, and visual timelines.

Recorded interviews with alumni and community members captured memories of classroom life, school events, and the role the school played as a cultural hub for the community.

Students also developed historical displays tracing the school's history since its opening in 1953 as the county's first high school for Black students.

In addition to preserving the building's history, students explored design concepts for the future of the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center. Projects included interior design studies, floor plan concepts, and visual walkthroughs that demonstrate how the historic building could be adapted for community programming, cultural events, and other uses while maintaining its architectural character.

Students also researched practical considerations for redeveloping the building, including renovation costs, potential funding sources, and long-term operational planning.

Their research examined similar adaptive reuse projects across Virginia and explored opportunities such as historic tax credits and



COURTESY PHOTO

Students from the University of Virginia School of Architecture shared research, redevelopment concepts, and historical documentation for the Mary N. Smith building during an event called *Planning with the Eastern Shore* on March 9.

the potential benefits of listing the building on the Virginia Landmarks Register and the National Register of Historic Places.

Barbara Brown-Wilson, of the University of Virginia, opened the gathering by highlighting the ongoing partnership between the university and community leaders on Virginia's Eastern Shore, including the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association.

Mary N. Smith Board Member Colby West Jr., thanked the students for their diligence and the effort they invested during the project.

Board Member Ashley Pettit also

recognized the extensive work that goes into projects of this nature and acknowledged the students for the many hours spent behind the scenes to make the project meaningful and impactful.

Leslie West, of Beyond Numbers Consulting, who served as a liaison between the University of Virginia and the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association, emphasized the value of the collaboration and noted that the students' work could be adapted to support the organization's current operations and future planning initiatives.

Kellen Singleton, of the Accomack-Northampton Planning Dis-

trict Commission, also addressed the students, emphasizing the important role planners play in community development and project implementation. He encouraged the students as they move forward in their careers, noting that the future of the planning profession is in capable hands.

The collaboration between the University of Virginia and the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association reflects a shared commitment to preserving the legacy of the historic school while exploring new opportunities for community engagement and development on Virginia's Eastern Shore.

CHINCOTEAGUE HOLDS MOM PROM



COURTESY PHOTO

On Saturday, Feb. 28, Chincoteague Combined School's PTSA hosted Mom Prom. This ticketed event was an adult prom for those age 21 and up. The event raised \$2,500 dollars for the PTSA. This money will go toward annual scholarships, future dances, future fundraisers, and teacher appreciation week, which is the first week of May. It isn't a prom without royalty. Brad Friese was named prom king, and prom queen was Julia Grimm.

BROADWATER THANKS ANEC



COURTESY PHOTO

The Broadwater Academy Senior BETA Club created a poster to thank ANEC for its work during recent power outages. Elise Adler, president of BETA, and Steven Ye, secretary/treasurer, pose with the poster.



COURTESY PHOTO

Tavion Chandler, of the Eastern Shore Boys and Girls Club, was named Junior Youth of the Year in Southeastern Hampton Roads.

Chandler named Jr. Youth of the Year

Tavion Chandler, of the Eastern Shore Boys and Girls Club, was named the Junior Youth of the Year at an annual awards banquet in Norfolk recently.

Chandler, 13, was among a group of finalists from clubs in Southeastern Hampton Road.

“I hope to inspire and motivate people through public speaking,” he said in his speech at the banquet.

Chandler said being chosen to represent his club in the Youth of the Year competition “allows him to step up and become a better human being, not just at the club but in the world.”

Chandler was introduced to chess at the Boys and Girls Club, and now he counts chess and cooking as two of his favorite hobbies.

“Cooking lets me find something

new every time and gives me confidence,” he said. “With chess, I enjoy the quiet focus and planning several moves ahead.”

Chandler said what surprised him when he joined the Boys and Girls Club three years ago was how “determined everyone is,” explaining the members are striving to succeed while having fun.

“It’s more than just a place to go after school,” he said. “It shaped me. I learned, I had fun, and I became part of a family bigger than I ever imagined. I’m more confident and more connected because of it.”

For more information, contact Boys and Girls Club director Kathy Custis at 757-709-3038 or email easternshore@bgcseva.org.

Rural health staff complete training

Heather Diem, case management coordinator at Eastern Shore Rural Health System, recently completed the Community Health Center University Leadership Program.

This one-year program targets emerging leaders from community health centers, free health clinics, and other safety-net providers across Virginia. Safety-net providers care for those with limited income and insurance.

The program addresses the demands for developing leaders in health care organizations to help support the growth of their organization’s operations, succession planning, and leadership development in participants.

Diem’s capstone presentation focused on launching a mobile medical unit.

Nurse Practitioner Jyn Albano, who serves as the Eastville center clinical director, has been certified in lifestyle medicine by the American College of Lifestyle Medicine.

Lifestyle medicine focuses on helping people prevent and manage chronic conditions like diabetes by making healthy changes to their daily habits, such as what they eat, how active they are, and how they manage stress.

Clinicians trained in lifestyle medicine help patients improve their health

by focusing on everyday habits and helping them make healthier changes.

Rural Health leaders met with elected officials in Washington, D.C., recently to share community health center priorities.

Community health centers focus on providing affordable, high-quality care, improving access to services, and addressing the health needs of the communities they serve, including caring for under- and uninsured individuals. Rural Health sees two out of every three people living on Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

Community health centers urged lawmakers to prioritize stable funding, protect Medicaid and 340B savings, strengthen the health care workforce, and expand access to affordable care — especially in underserved communities.

The 340B program permits community health centers to buy prescription drugs at lower prices and offer them at a discount to needy patients.

340B savings, the difference between the full price reimbursed by insurance and the cost paid by centers, are then plowed back into patient care, which is mandated by law. 340B savings played a key role in the construction of Eastville Community Health Center.

De-cluttering workshop begins April 9

The Center for Community and Family Development is hosting a two-session workshop, “The Art of DE-cluttering,” on Thursdays, April 9 and 23, from 10 a.m. to noon at Eastern Shore Community College in the Workforce Development Center.

This interactive workshop will help participants learn practical strategies to reduce clutter, organize their living spaces, and create a more stress-free environment.

Activities, discussions, and simple planning tools will guide participants through the DE-cluttering process.

The cost is \$25 for both sessions, which includes a workbook and handouts.

Registration is required to ensure materials are available. Email centercfd@gmail.com to register or for additional information call or text 757-993-0266.

New manager takes helm at country club

Joe Hewitt's heart has always belonged to Virginia, so he jumped at the chance to assume the general manager's position at Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club, he said.

"I know I come here at a very opportune time," he said. "The clubhouse is still relatively new, and there have been some major improvements to the marina and the pool under the leadership of Chris Stodghill. I want to keep the momentum moving forward."

Hewitt spent the past seven years as the clubhouse manager at the Augusta Country Club, just down the street from the world famous course where the Masters is played in Augusta, Ga.

"Prior to my time in Georgia, I worked at the Williamsburg Inn, a five-star establishment well-known for its outstanding service," Hewitt said. "Hospitality is about having a servant's heart. It's a special opportunity to serve here at this club."

Born in San Diego, Cal., Hewitt's family moved to Williamsburg in 1998, where he was a standout swimmer for Jamestown High School.

He converted to water polo at James Madison University, where he captained the team his senior year. He graduated in 2015 with a degree in hospitality management, with a minor in business.

Although today he is a near scratch golfer whose handicap was a plus two but has dropped to a still sparkling two, he didn't make much of an impact on his high school golf team. His twin brother, however, often held the number one position on the team.

At 6 feet, 6 inches tall, Hewitt stands above most, but not in his family. His father, Jim, was 4 inches taller and played center for the



Joe Hewitt is the new general manager at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club. He comes to the club from Augusta, Ga., where he was the clubhouse manager at the Augusta Country Club.

University of Richmond basketball team in the early 1970s.

Hewitt took time off from his career to be with his father prior to his death in 2022 after a long struggle with dementia.

"He had a fascinating career in the international oil industry as a chief financial officer for companies owned by Chevron and worked in over a dozen countries in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East," said Hewitt.

A major factor in moving back to Virginia was to be closer to his mother in Williamsburg.

Deborah Hewitt holds a Ph.D. from Duke University and is a clinical professor emerita of economics and finance at William and Mary's Raymond A. Mason School of Business.

"My brother and sister both live in Denver, Colo. so it's good to be closer to home and my mother," Hewitt said. "I would like to find a house in Onancock eventually and raise my future family here."

Hewitt said he likes to cook, golf, and learn about the history and geography of the world of wine.

"I would love to help with the harvest at a local vineyard and get involved in the community," he said.

An active board member of an international hospitality association, Hewitt says he wants to be an advocate for club members.

"AI can't replace personal relationships. I want to instill a sense of personal service that conveys warmth and helpfulness here at the club. I am very excited to get started."

Bridal pop-up planned in Cape Charles

Moonrise Jewelry, in partnership with the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission, is hosting the ESVA Bridal Pop-Up event on Saturday, March 21, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Moonrise Jewelry at 325 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

Over 25 local vendors will make themselves available in a meet-and-greet style setting. Prospective brides and their families can mingle with service providers ranging from jewelers, caterers, florists, venue operators, and beyond — and enter to win door prizes.

Samples, gift bags, and refreshments will be provided.

Email info@moonrisejewelry.com or call or text 757-678-0055 for more information.

Moonrise Jewelry has been proudly woman-owned and operated since 2005, with a flagship store at 325 Mason Ave. in historic Cape Charles.

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The store also offers a curated collection of vintage and fine jewelry, as well as heirloom jewelry re-design, repair services, and permanent jewelry.

Tourism on the Eastern Shore of Virginia is supported by the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission, whose mission is to attract visitors, stimulate economic development, and protect the region's unspoiled ecosystems and local communities. For more information see visitesva.com

Treasurer

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Bradford was elected in 2011 when she won a three-way race for treasurer, replacing Ilva James, who retired. She was re-elected in 2015, 2019, and 2023.

Willis began shadowing Bradford on Feb. 19 and began duties on March 2.

Willis will be a candidate in a special election in November for the position. Nolan Thomas Rayfield, of Capeville, also has filed to run in the election.

Willis, who grew up in rural Mississippi, attended the University of Southern Mississippi, studying marine biology.

While most marine biology majors don't end up becoming municipal treasurers later on, Willis said there are a lot of numbers and data collection — which she has always enjoyed — that go into both fields.

Prior to coming to the Eastern Shore, Willis worked on fishing vessels off the coast of Alaska and served as the Mid-Atlantic Area Coordinator for the National Marine Fisheries Service, overseeing operations in a range from New Jersey to southeastern North Carolina.

Willis said she will be able to juggle the duties of being treasurer and a small business owner.

Willis said her full-time efforts will go into being “a steward for the taxpayers,” and she will continue to do oversight and keep the books for her other businesses.

She said there are already “awesome systems and fantastic people in place,” to ensure smooth operations.

Willis said the past 25 years living on the Eastern Shore have flown by and in that time, she's made quite the name for herself, and continues to do so, in a community she and her family love.

“We've been in this community for a long time — I'm so grateful for it,” she said.

Ham and clam dinner to benefit Northampton performance arts

The Northampton Performance Ensemble Boosters will have a clam fritter and ham dinner fundraiser on Saturday, April 11, from 5 to 8:30 p.m., at American Legion Post 56 in Cheriton.

All proceeds support the performance arts at Northampton High

School.

The menu is clam fritters, ham, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, green beans, a roll or cornbread, and dessert.

Tickets are \$15 and the event is dine in or take out. To purchase tickets, text 757-350-1214.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are currently being accepted for funding under the Northampton County Tourism Grant program. All funded projects must complement and advance the Tourism Strategy adopted by the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission.

To be considered for the tourism grant funds, applicants must complete an original application and return it (*with four additional copies*) to the Northampton County Administration no later than April 17, 2026. Grants will be awarded to selected projects by May 8, 2026.

Prospective applicants can call the County Administrator's Office at 757-678-0440 ext. 516 (or e-mail jwilliams@co.northampton.va.us) to request an application packet.

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LOVE Run invites walkers, runners of all ages

The annual Cape Charles Main Street LOVE Run returns April 25 for another year of fitness, fun, and community spirit along the beautiful Chesapeake Bay waterfront.

Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to lace up for the one-mile, 5K, or 10K events, each offering scenic views as participants make their way through town and along the bay.

The timed event has quickly become a favorite local tradition, drawing residents and visitors alike to celebrate wellness and the charm of Cape Charles' coastline.

Following the main races, there will be a free Kids' Dash and the third annual wheelchair race, ensuring the event remains inclusive and family-friendly, highlighting the LOVE Run's commitment to accessibility and community participation.

Race day perks include a swag bag of items plus a free event T-shirt for participants and a finisher medal — the fourth and final medal in a special four-part series that together spell out "LOVE" designed after the iconic Cape

Charles "Love" sign.

After crossing the finish line, runners can enjoy an after-party featuring music and celebratory refreshments, including mimosas, Bloody Marys, and beer that will be available for purchase so participants can toast their accomplishment with friends and fellow runners. 103.3 FM WESR will be broadcasting live from the event.

Registration is now open, with tiered pricing available until race day. Entry fees are currently \$25 for the 1-mile, \$45 for the 5K, and \$55 for the 10K. Register today to secure your spot. The Kids' Dash and Wheelchair Race are free to enter.

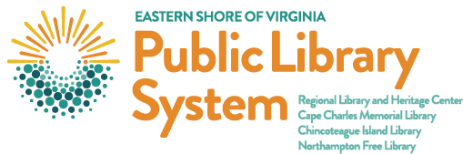
Visit the Cape Charles Main Street Facebook page to get weekly updates and tips for training for the 5K race from a local sports specialist.

Whether you are chasing a personal best or simply looking to enjoy a morning by the water, the LOVE Run promises a vibrant day of movement, community, and coastal views — capped off with a well-earned celebration.



COURTESY PHOTO

The annual Cape Charles Main Street LOVE Run returns April 25.



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Eastern Shore Regional Library & Heritage Center Parking Enforcement

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Please be advised that the Eastern Shore Regional Library & Heritage Center, located at 24313 Bennett Street, Parksley, VA, 23421 will begin parking enforcement effective **April 1, 2026**.

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BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY

Eastern Shore Post

Progress on the construction of the first phase of the Eastern Shore Rail Trail has become more noticeable with the pouring of pavement.

In addition, the estimated date of completion is running ahead of schedule.

Ron Wolff, executive director of the Eastern Shore Rail Trail Foundation, said the construction calls for completion in October, but his unofficial timetable is sometime this summer.

“Things are going very well,” Wolff said.

Phase one of the project is a roughly four-mile-long section starting at a new trailhead in Cape Charles, crossing Route 13, and ending in Cheriton at the trail’s intersection with Sunnyside Road.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held last May for phase one of the eventual 49.1-mile route spanning from Cape Charles to Hallwood.

Other than the trail construction itself, the foundation has been working hard behind the scenes to ensure smooth operation of the trail once it is open to the public.

Cassatt Parkway will be closed through early April while the trail is paved, according to the Virginia Department of Transportation. Detours have been designated.

Wolff said he has spoken to attorneys for both Northampton and Accomack counties to create ordinances allowing for the rules of the trail, which will be limited to pedestrians and bicyclists, to be enforced by local police.

Wolff said that with the first completed phase of the trail beginning in Cape Charles, there are concerns over misuse of the trail by motorized vehicles, especially golf carts.

“We know it’s going to be a big issue,” Wolff said of golf carts illegally using the trail.

The foundation also is considering other methods of keeping golf carts off of the trail, like cameras and bollards — the short, vertical yellow posts that act as barriers.

Section two of the trail, spanning from Cheriton to Birdsnest, is completely funded. The foundation has a meeting with the Virginia Department of Transportation in April to update it on the progress and discuss advertising for bidders to complete the job.

Funding has also been acquired to build the trail as far north as Onley. The foundation is currently in the process of acquiring funding for the segment that will span from Onley to Greenbush.

Not only will the trail benefit commuters and tourists, an important reason for its construction was to help towns and communities along the trail, Wolff said.

Cape Charles has agreed to help maintain the trail out to Route 13 to ensure it keeps more people coming to town.

“It’s all been very exciting,” Wolff said.



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A ribbon of new asphalt lines the Eastern Shore Rail Trail as it runs past the Cape Charles water tower. Paving the trail is running ahead of schedule.

CIAO looks forward to season

Island Theater to host Earth Day Festival April 25 with live music, vendors, food

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

The Chincoteague Island Arts Organization is bringing more activity to the Island Theater this year with the intention of the theater becoming an active and bustling centerpiece of Main Street once again.

In 2026, the theater will host not only movies, but festivals, concerts, plays, and more.

“We’re really trying to bring the town together,” said Joshua Barrett, of the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization festival committee.

While the nearly 80-year-old theater has not been inactive in recent years, the CIAO wants it to be even busier.

The Island Theater has new members on its board of directors who want to instill new life into the old theater.

On Saturday, April 25, the theater will host the Chincoteague Island Earth Day Festival with live music, sustainability workshops, vendors, food, and more.

More festivals will be held at the theater later this year, including the Summer Vibe Festival in July and the Chincoteague Harvest Festival in October.

The CIAO is working to build collaborations with other organizations and schools to bring outside influences to events.

One of the CIAO’s hopes for the re-emergence of the theater is for nearby businesses to collaborate with them on events and bring more traffic into those businesses, as well.

Barrett speculated that when the causeway was moved in 2010, it created a decrease of traffic in the area — traffic the CIAO wants to bring back to the historic downtown.

The CIAO also wants the community to begin thinking of the Island Theater as a gathering place once more, just like it was intended to be when it was built in the 1940s.

“We want to let the town know that the theater is there for them,” Barrett said.

Pancake supper on Saxis Island

Saxis United Methodist Church will have a pancake supper on Friday, March 20, from 5 to 7 p.m.

It will be held at the Saxis fire hall, 8337 Free School Lane, Saxis.

The menu will consist of pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, scrapple, apples, coffee, juice, and water.

The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. There will be a baked goods table and silent auctions available. It is dine in or take out. Contact Sherry Lewis at 757-894-0813 or Aubrey Justis at 757-894-2167 for more information.

Aaron Christie elected to Phi Kappa Phi

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From the bay's critters and habitats to the watermen and farmers working its resources, the foundation is requesting submissions that display what citizens love about the bay.

From the bay's headwaters in New York to its mouth in Virginia, from the Shenandoah Mountains of West Virginia to the Eastern Shores

of Maryland and Virginia, images of people, wildlife, recreation, and farms within the watershed will all be considered.

Official judging will be conducted by a panel of Chesapeake Bay Foundation employees who will judge entries on subject matter, composition, focus, lighting, uniqueness, and impact.

The public will also be able to vote online for their favorite photo in the Viewers' Choice Gallery running from April 6 to 24.

There are monetary awards for first through third place and the Viewers Choice winner.

In addition, the first-prize photograph will appear in the foundation's 2027 calendar.

To submit a photo visit <https://tinyurl.com/bds46r9t>



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ACCOMACK

Supervisors discuss storm, batteries, food bank

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Accomack Supervisor Donald Hart Jr. expressed his irritation during the March 18 Board of Supervisors meeting that Richmond leaders did not declare a state of emergency Feb. 23 during a snow and wind storm that paralyzed the northern Eastern Shore.

Instead, Accomack County declared a local state of emergency. Supervisors ratified the move after-the-fact during the meeting.

“We had to do it ourselves,” Hart said, peeved that there was no state help.

He saw it as foreboding, saying if the county is in danger, “We’re going to be on our own.”

“It was very harrowing,” Hart said of the storm, during which he said more than 10,000 Accomack County residents lost power.

Hart thanked the contingent of organizations that helped during the storm — everyone from the Virginia Department of Transportation to police officers and A&N Electric Cooperative, among many others.

He said the county opened warming shelters at Arcadia and Nandua high schools, which he called “a very smart thing to do.”

Battery storage facilities

The board of supervisors unanimously approved stricter rules governing battery energy storage facilities. No one spoke at a public hearing about the more rigid guidelines.

One such facility is being built in Tasley. Construction on another is set to begin in Wattsville.

With the facilities, electricity would be purchased and stored in batteries when supply is abundant and inexpensive, to be sold and resup-

plied to the power grid during peak demand.

New regulations now require 200-foot setbacks, a noise study, an emergency response plan, and a decommissioning agreement that would ensure the facility’s components are removed if it ceases operation.

It also would require decommissioning and remediation financial assurance.

Supervisors approved the stricter rules but worried they were not strict enough, and they could revisit the matter.

“If we adopt this, we have some control,” said Supervisor Robert Crockett.

Supervisor Jeff Parks said he is concerned about an emergency or fire at the battery plants, saying, “It’s going to consume massive amounts of water.”

“The firemen are concerned and I am, too,” Parks said.

Hart said the issue of battery energy storage facilities is statewide, adding, “We really need to watch what we are doing here.”

Food bank to expand

The board of supervisors voted unanimously to pay \$54,000 to the firm George, Miles, and Buhr LLC for design work to expand the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia’s facility in Tasley.

Christopher Tan, the food bank’s president and CEO, told supervisors the expansion will include re-routing traffic backups during distribution and the construction of more space.

He said one in seven people in Accomack County — and one in four children — is food insecure.

“The food bank has a rich history of providing food for this community,” he said.

Pocomoke's Delmarva Discovery Museum abruptly closes

16,000-square-foot center showcased wildlife, ecology

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

The Delmarva Discovery Museum, a massive riverfront Pocomoke City facility showcasing the ecology, wildlife, and maritime history of the Eastern Shore, will close permanently on Friday, March 20.

Executive Director Christy Gordon attributed the decision to “ongoing financial challenges.”

She said the museum’s board of director was grateful for the support it had received since it opened at 2 Market St.

“It is a lot of things combined,” said Gordon, adding that visitation and donations have been down.

“All nonprofits are struggling,” she said. “We have been beating on doors since January to try to find resources.”

Gordon said there were 10 employees of the museum. She would not disclose its annual budget.

The museum’s IRS 990 form, found online, showed revenues of \$323,000 and expenses of \$351,000 in 2024.

The disposition of the animal and reptile exhibits was one of the immediate questions Gordon faced when the closure was announced.

The museum houses two otters, 10 turtles, and a shark, she said.

All will be sent to future accommodations that have reputations for care

and nurturing, like other museums, she said.

“We have a couple of places we’re talking to.”

She said costs for the animals will continue until they are housed elsewhere.

“Salt water is incredibly expensive and it has doubled in price,” she said, adding, “and I have to have salt water for my shark.”

Another revenue drop was attributed to many school field trips not allowing students to visit the gift shop at the center.

When it comes to funding, she said the museum competes with 14 other nonprofit museums in Worcester County alone. Grants are becoming harder to find. And seeking donations is difficult.

“At some point it’s almost harassment when you keep going to the same groups over and over again,” she said.

The 16,000-square-foot museum has been educating locals and tourists alike since 2009 and regularly updates and adds on to its already wide array of offerings.

News of the closure cast a pall over those who have enjoyed trips to the center or have participated in its workshops.

“I have been crying since yesterday,” said Gordon on Wednesday, March 18. “I have been here eight years. This is



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Patrons of the Delmarva Discovery Museum look at an exhibit in 2025. The facility will close forever on Friday, March 20.

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Students learn local history from those who lived it

Eleventh grade students from Broadwater Academy recently visited the Cape Charles Impact Center for a field trip that brought classroom lessons about segregation and civil rights to life.

The Impact Center is located in the historic Cape Charles Elementary School building, a Washington-Rosenwald school constructed by the Black community in the 1920s as part of a national effort to build schools for Black children across the segregated South. The school operated under Jim Crow segregation until integration led to its closure in 1966.

Prior to their visit, students watched the WHRO documentary “Monuments with Blackboards” about Virginia’s Rosenwald schools and read excerpts from “Invisible History: Growing Up Colored in Cape Charles” by local author Thomas Godwin Sr.

During the visit, students participated in a panel discussion with alumni of Cape Charles Elementary School, including local artist Richard Press Sr.; Godwin and his wife, Juanita, of Gray’s Funeral Home; and retired Northampton County teacher Dianne Davis. Panelists shared their experiences attending the school and growing up in Cape Charles during segregation.

Students arrived prepared with thoughtful questions and left with a greater appreciation for the sacrifices made by previous generations. The visit reflects the Impact Center’s growing partnerships with schools across the region, providing students opportunities to engage with history through firsthand stories and historic spaces.

“History is different when you hear it from the people who lived it,” said Elise McMath, director of programming and communications at the Cape Charles Impact Center. “We’re grateful to Broadwater Academy teacher Katherine Lacks for helping connect her students with members of our community who experienced this history firsthand.”

“When we learn about invisible history in our communities, we learn why the present looks the way it does,” said Sterling Stonestreet, an 11th grade student at Broadwater Academy.

The Cape Charles Impact Center, which opened in January 2026 following the rehabilitation of the historic Cape Charles Elementary School building, serves as a hub for lifelong learning, cultural programming, workforce development, and community partnerships. For more information on how your organization can partner with the Impact Center, call 757-695-4415.



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Speaking to students from Broadwater Academy were, from left, Thomas Godwin Sr., Juanita Godwin, Dianne Davis, and Richard Press Sr.



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Hall, Pruitt, Tasley firefighters are lauded

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors had plenty to celebrate and be thankful for during its meeting on Wednesday, March 18.

■ Supervisors presented a resolution to the Tasley Volunteer Fire Company in honor of 100 years of service to the Eastern Shore. The company dates to Feb. 1, 1926.

Supervisor Robert Crockett read the resolution, which stated the company “is one of the oldest fire companies on Virginia’s Eastern Shore and currently operates out of the newest fire station.”

The resolution commended the company “for its long and faithful service to the citizens of Accomack County.”

■ County Administrator Mike Mason recognized C. Ray Pruitt, Accomack’s director of public safety, who received the 2025 Governor’s Fire Service Award.

The announcement was made Feb. 18 at the annual Virginia Fire and Rescue Conference in Virginia Beach.

“We’re happy that Mr. Pruitt has been recognized for his commitment,” said Mason.

Pruitt thanked his family, the board of supervisors, and county administration for their support.

“He has done a tremendous job,” said Crockett, adding, “He knows the volunteers. He was a volunteer here for years.”

The awards, established in 2002, recognize excellence in Virginia’s fire service.

Pruitt won the Governor’s Fire Service Award for Excellence in Volunteer Fire Services.

The governor’s address read, “Pruitt excels in communication, which has been instrumental in keeping all the career and volunteer entities of the Eastern Shore informed to ensure safe and timely responses to localities throughout Virginia by educating firefighters as an adjunct in-



COURTESY PHOTO

An Accomack County resident took this photo of County Deputy Administrator Stewart Hall picking up roadside litter during his lunch break.

structor for the Virginia Department of Fire Programs.”

■ Mason also recognized County Deputy Administrator Stewart Hall for his commitment to the county “when he is on the clock and off.”

One of Hall’s responsibilities is litter control. Mason said Hall “spends many of his lunch hours voluntarily picking up roadside litter at various locations in close proximity to the county public works office.”

Mason shared a photograph of Hall taken by a resident while he was cleaning roadside litter during his lunch.

“Your efforts inspire those around you and reinforce a culture of collaboration, service, and community,” Mason said.

Hall was thanked by supervisors.

“You can’t lead what you don’t know and you can’t lead where you don’t go,” said Chairwoman Reneta Major. “This just speaks volumes.”

“We are fortunate to have the department heads we have in this county,” said Crockett.



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- Must possess good time management skills and be dependable in reporting to scheduled shifts on time.
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If you're looking for a rewarding summer job where you can make a difference in children's lives while gaining valuable experience, apply now! We look forward to having you on our team.

Please submit the completed county application form to:

Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or submit in person to 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347.

Deadline: May 1, 2026

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TWO FULL-TIME COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS

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

Qualifications: Over the age of 18 and have obtained high school diploma or GED.

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.

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 off-season. 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.

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Athletics Coordinator

P/T position | Open Until Filled

Starting Salary: \$18.77 - \$24.41 (based on experience)

Accomack County is currently recruiting for a part-time Athletics Coordinator in the Parks and Recreation Department. The purpose of the position is to manage sports league programs and events at Sawmill Park and other locations where the Parks and Recreation division conducts sports-related programs. This position is responsible for sports league programs and sports-related event planning; the preparation and processing of reports, forms, and correspondence; the monitoring of sporting events schedules; and ensuring grounds, fields, and areas of the parks are ready for the scheduled events and programs. Schedule will be no more than 29 hours a week. **Minimum qualifications:** High school diploma or GED; supplemented by one (1) to three (3) years of experience in event planning, management, or related field; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience; proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite. **Preferred qualifications:** Sports league or sports event planning experience; Certified in first-aid and CPR; Bilingual capabilities a plus.

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. Electronic applications are preferred, but paper versions will be accepted. **The position is open until filled, with the review of applications beginning on Thursday, March 26, 2026.** Additional details may be found online: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>

Accomack County is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.

HOME AIDE OR NURSE FOR GRANDFATHER

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

Daily tasks include dressing, occasional bathing, toileting, and using a patient-lifter (moving him from bed to wheelchair).

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

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Position requires strong customer service, organizational skills, and the ability to manage multiple tasks in a fast-paced environment, particularly during peak season (Memorial Day-Labor Day). Experience in hospitality, property management, or real estate preferred. Reliable transportation required.

Send resume and inquiries to: Propertymanagerjob68@gmail.com

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.

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/yez6ra> for further position descriptions. Please submit a completed County application with cover letter to Human Resources. **Positions open until filled.**

Help Wanted

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\$1,000 Sign-On Bonus:

Office Services Specialist
Accounting Manager
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Developmental Disabilities Aide
(\$14.00/hour - \$2.50/hr night & wkend differential)
Clinician

For more information or to apply, please visit the ESCSB's website at www.escsb.org



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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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

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/5n6epay>

Open until filled.

Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Help Wanted

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

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

MASON - Blockwork experience a must. Lower Eastern Shore, VA. Pay DOQ. 757-710-8365.

PT FARM WORK - Private horse farm in Painter. Looking for dependable person to do morning/evening feedings and barn work. Mon. - Fri. a.m. and p.m. Exp. w/ horses a plus. Please text/call 301-639-1444.

PT PRINTING PRESS OPERATOR - Eastern Shore Printers, 152 Market St., Onancock. 757-787-4646.

DEPUTY CLERK - Northampton General District Court. Visit vacourts.gov under "employment opportunities" for job description, qualifications, pay, benefits, and to apply.

CAREGIVER - \$15/hour plus a longevity bonus for the right person. Hours are negotiable. Weekend hours could pay more. Contact Martha at 717-713-0664.

Real Estate

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NEW 3BR, 2BA \$500 DEPOSIT CALL FOR DETAILS: 302-846-9100.

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Commercial Rentals

ONANCOCK - New retail space. 3,000 sq. ft. Possible drive thru w/ parking. \$1,800/mo. 757-710-0070.

Cars, Trucks, ATVs, RVs, Parts

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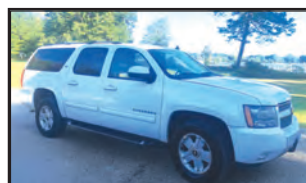
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Contact Ron
757-667-9590

Misc. For Sale



SHERATON STYLE WALNUT HUNTBOARD

Gallery back with star inlay. Satinwood banding and escutcheon on drawer. One long drawer and two side drawers. Arched apron and tapered and reeded legs. Circa 1820.

Length: 55 1/2"; Depth: 21"; Height: 49 1/2"

This antique huntboard was part of the Althea and Bootie Shelton estate.

It was appraised by a professional antique appraiser for \$15,000.

I will accept any reasonable offer. Delivery is not available. It will need to be picked up upon arrangements.

Would the gentleman that made me an offer on this huntboard please call me? I have misplaced your phone number. Thank you! Gina

Call 757-434-2255

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Misc. For Sale

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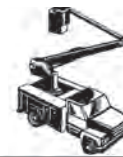
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Chincoteague Inc. is requesting proposals for roof and siding repair as needed for 6150 Community Drive and 6155 Community Drive until 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 3, 2026, at which time all proposals will be opened and evaluated.

An on-site meeting is mandatory and can be scheduled by calling the Town Offices at 757-336-6519 ext. 6 until close of business on March 22, 2026.

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

George Snyder (2025063) has applied for approximately 109.49 acres of oyster planting ground in Metompkin Bay situated in Accomack County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-43.3554 / W75-35.4564

To view a map of the application or to provide public comments, use this web link to search the application by number (2025063): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or contact the VMRC Shellfish Management Division at 757-247-2262.

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

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TRUSTEE SALE 9347 SOUTHWIND ROAD, ATLANTIC, VA 23303 ACCOMACK COUNTY

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$83,640.00, dated July 7, 1995, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 950002626, in Book No. 0694, at Page 00526 and modified in Document No. 000000051, in Book No. 0820, at Page 00180 and modified in Document No. 250003085, at the request of the holder of the Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee and will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, on April 17, 2026 at 10:30 AM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 16, Southwind, Section Two, with any improvements thereon

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH: A deposit of \$20,000.00 or 10% of the sales price, whichever is lower, cash or certified check will be required at the time of sale, but no more than \$9,000.00 of cash will be accepted, with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale which affects the validity of the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of his deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector attempting to collect the indebtedness referred to herein and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee

This is a communication from a debt collector.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (95311)
448 Viking Drive Suite 350
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
757-457-1460 - Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
or visit our website at www.siwpcc.net

TOWN OF EXMORE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Exmore Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, located at 3305 Main Street, Exmore, VA 23350.

The purpose of the meeting is for Atlantic Group & Associates, Inc., to discuss their project, including asking for zoning changes, for Tax Map #10-A-8 to be considered, and to solicit public comment.

Copies of the application may be obtained at the Exmore Town Office, 3305 Main Street, Exmore, VA 23350 during normal business hours or accessed at: <https://www.exmore.org/event-details/planning-commission-public-hearing>

Questions should be directed to Pam Ward at 757-442-3114 ext. 1000.

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



ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULE MARCH 30, 2026

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors will a Public Hearing on Monday, March 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Cafetorium of Metompink Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA 23421

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:

Amending Appendix "A" of the Accomack County Code entitled "Schedule of Fees," to Revise Fees for Buildings Permits and Inspections, Electrical Permits and Inspections, Amusement Device Inspections, Sign Permits, Zoning Reviews and Approvals, Mobile Home Park Reviews, Travel Trailer Parks Reviews, Wetlands Applications, Subdivision Reviews, Transcripts, Documents, Accomap Subscriptions, Virginia Erosion Stormwater Management Reviews, Refuse Disposal Charges, Water and Sewer Charges, Airport Rentals, and Parks and Recreation Services. AND Amending Chapter 38 of the Accomack County Code entitled, Environment: Article III, Sections 38-70(c), 38-81, And 38-84 Therefore to Correct Clerical Errors and to Provide for Fees in Accordance with the Virginia Administrative Code

Any citizen wishing to view documents, submit a comment, having questions, or needing special assistance for the disabled, may contact the County Administrator's Office:

Mike Mason: (757) 787-5700 / 824-5444
or administration@co.accomack.va.us

County's electronic Board Agenda
on the Friday before the meeting at:
<https://go.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public>

LEGAL NOTICE

On April 24, 2026, or thereafter, proceedings may be commenced pursuant to Virginia Code §58.1-3965 et seq., to sell the following parcels of real estate located in the Town of Tangier, Virginia, due to non-payment of real estate taxes and other fees owed thereon.

Owner(s): Richard Ellison
Tax Map No.: 62-A1-A13

Owner(s): Richard Ellison
Tax Map No.: 62-A3-A5

The owner(s) of the properties listed above may redeem their properties at any time before the date of the sale, by paying all accumulated real estate taxes, penalties, interest, attorney's fees, and costs owed thereon, including the cost of this publication.

Jason A. Dunn, Esq. (VSB No.: 68117)

Jason A. Dunn, PLC
303 34th Street, Suite 6
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
Telephone: (757) 937-0872
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Email: Jason.dunn@jdunnplc.com
Counsel for the Town of Tangier

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

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
7100 U.S. Route 17
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

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

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, a public hearing will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia, at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, March 26, 2026, for the following application:

BIC, INC. — VMRC #2025-1263

This is an amendment to a pier application in which the applicant is proposing an additional deck or pier section over wetlands. This project is located at 2383 Main Street, Chincoteague, tax parcel 45-A-5.

All interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to be heard or to present written statements. Applications may be examined in the Office of the Environmental Programs, 23282 Courthouse Road, Accomac, Virginia 23301.

Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5723.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

4120 MAIN STREET, EXMORE, VA 23350

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated April 19, 2007, in the original principal amount of \$127,500.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Northampton County, Virginia, as Instrument No. 070001130. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on May 12, 2026, at 1:15 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN THE CITY OF EXMORE, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, STATE OF VIRGINIA, CONVEYED AND DESCRIBED MORE PARTICULARLY IN DEED BOOK 282, PAGE 670. CURRENTLY IDENTIFIED BY NORTHAMPTON COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBERS 10A3-6-9A, 10A3-6-15, AND 10A3-6-14.

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.aldridgepите.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.aldridgepите.com

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026, AT 7:00 PM 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. Agricultural and Forestal District Removal Request - Suzanne Tankard et al.

Request to remove multiple parcels from the Pungoteague Agricultural and Forestal District. The properties are located at the 10th Block of Liberty Street near Onancock, approximately 2000' west of its intersection with Hill Street, and are tax parcels 92-A-95B, 92-A-95B2, 92-A-95B3, 92-A-95B4, and 92-A-95C.

B. Agricultural Forestal District Removal Request - Justin Annis on behalf of Vankesteren Farms Inc.

Request to remove two parcels from the Tasley Agricultural and Forestal District. The parcel is located at 21073 Fairgrounds Road near Tasley, approximately 2500' west of its intersection with Greenbush Road, and is tax parcel 85-A-60 and 85-A-52.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Accomack County Planning Department, 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 105 – Accomac, Virginia and on the County's website at <http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public> on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

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

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The property holding company for the Eastern Shore Community Services Board, doing business as Mendisadd, Inc., is seeking proposals from qualified firms/Realtors to facilitate the sale of several properties.

The intent of this RFP is for the successful firm/Realtor to enter into a professional services contract with Mendisadd, Inc. Knowledge of the local market and experience in the purchase and sale of properties on the Eastern Shore is essential for this project.

Please contact Sharon Jones, Finance Director, at ssjones@escsb.org or 757-693-0694 to obtain a copy of the RFP. The deadline to submit proposals is April 17, 2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Chincoteague (VMRC #2026-0272) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to slip-line an existing 36-inch concrete pipe culvert, including the installation of temporary cofferdams to allow construction to be conducted in the dry, and to place riprap along the shoreline adjacent to Maddox Boulevard crossing Eel Creek in Accomack County.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2026-0272) 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.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026, AT 10 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. VAR-000031-2026 – David Evans – 21220 Adams Road, Greenbush

The applicant requests a variance of 150' pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-57. The applicant intends to create a 1.4-acre lot with no road frontage. The approximately 198-acre site is located at 21220 Adams Road near Greenbush, approximately 3500' north of its intersection with Greenbush Road, and is on Tax Map #77-A-132. The property is zoned Agricultural.

B. SUSE-000032-2026 – Katheryn Etheridge – 17287 Big Road, Parksley

The applicant requests a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(14) for travel trailers, located outside of travel trailer parks, which are to be occupied for habitation or storage of chattels. The applicant has located an RV on the property for temporary habitation while a home is renovated. The approximately 9.29-acre site is located at 17287 Big Road near Parksley, at its intersection with Clam Road, and is on Tax Map #68-A-109. The property is zoned Agricultural. This is an after-the-fact application.

C. VAR-000035-2026 – Tiaira Christopher – 7400 Block of Wallops Millpond Road, New Church

The applicant requests multiple variances from the 50' front setback requirement set forth in Accomack County Code Section 106-81. The applicant intends to place a manufactured home. The approximately .29-acre site is located at 4320 Horntown Circle near New Church, approximately 600' south of its intersection with Horntown Road, and is on Tax Map #13A-2-11. The property is zoned Residential.

D. APPL-000168-2025 – Nishana Morgan on Behalf of NKM Properties – 24070 Tall Pines Drive, Onancock

The applicant requests an appeal of the zoning administrator's decision pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-369. The applicant is appealing the decision that renovations to the home completed by the applicant is over 50% of its market value and requires the home to comply with the current floodplain regulations. The approximately .46-acre site is located at 24070 Tall Pines Drive near Onancock, approximately 450' east of its intersection with Little Mimosa Drive, and is on Tax Map #83C-1-23 and 83C-1-22. The parcel is zoned Agricultural and is located in a special flood hazard area (6BFE).

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

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia, entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at the Accomack County Circuit Courthouse, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301, at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

- PARCEL 1: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. ANNIE AYERS
MAP NO. 111A3A000001100
OFF MAPPSBURG ROAD; 0.25 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 2: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. RONDA S. BENNETT
MAP NO. 075A0A000006200
20211 DEEP CREEK ROAD; 0.50 ACRE +/-
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 3: TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE vs. FRANCES LEE BOENDER
MAP NO. 030A10400005400
8185 SEA GULL DRIVE; LOT 54,
OCEAN BREEZE MOBILE HOME SITES
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 4: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. HILLIS LARRY BOWEN
MAP NO. 02400A0000046A0
25422 SAXIS ROAD; 0.34 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 5: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GEORGE W. BRADFORD
MAP NO. 120000400000400
ON BRADFORD ROAD; 0.63 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 6: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. EVELYN NORCOM BURTON/
BLANCHE DAWSON
MAP NO. 005A10100084200
LOT 842, SECTION 1, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 7: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. EVELYN NORCOM BURTON/
SYLVESTER BLACK
MAP NO. 005A60200010500
LOT 105, SECTION 10, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 8: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. DOROTHEA E. CLARK/THE COVE LLC
MAP NO. 005A60200014800
LOT 148, SECTION 10, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 9: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. JUAN ANTONIO ESTEBAN-GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 085A3A000003800
22 BOUNDARY AVENUE, TOWN OF ONANCOCK; 0.25 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 10: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. JUAN ANTONIO ESTEBAN-GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 085A3A000003900
ON BOUNDARY AVENUE, TOWN OF ONANCOCK
- PARCEL 11: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MARGARET SARAH FINNEY
MAP NO. 11000A000008700
31537 BOGGS ROAD; 1.00 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 12: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. THOMAS L. GIDDENS
MAP NO. 102A0A000000400
30389 RACETRACK ROAD
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 13: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. THOMAS L. GIDDENS/
THOMAS GIDDENS, JR.
MAP NO. 110000300B00009
16032 LEROY LANE; 0.75 ACRE +/-
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 14: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MILDRED LEE GREENWOOD/
NANCY GULMANTOVICZ
MAP NO. 005A40300237000
LOT 2370, SECTION 5, CAPTAIN'S COVE

- PARCEL 15: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. FRANKLIN HALL/
VERNELL DRUMMOND
MAP NO. 086C0A000000300
ON DRUMMOND LANE; 1.00 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 16: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. DANIEL HAYES
MAP NO. 111A30100000100
33286 ALEXINE STREET, TOWN OF PAINTER
- PARCEL 17: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. LEE ANTHONY HAYNES, SR./
TELLERVO HENTMAN
MAP NO. 005A40100232200
LOT 2322, SECTION 4, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 18: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. LEE ANTHONY HAYNES, SR./
ANDREW HOLLERN
MAP NO. 005A40300248000
LOT 2480, SECTION 5, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 19: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. THOMAS C. JOYNES
MAP NO. 085F0A000001900
ON TOWN ROAD
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 20: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. LEE KING
MAP NO. 062A3A000000800
5120 CANTON ROAD, TANGIER ISLAND
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 21: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MARCENA L. MAPP
MAP NO. 10000A000002600
ON BOBTOWN ROAD; 1.50 ACRES +/-
- PARCEL 22: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. CARRIE MATTHEWS
MAP NO. 027A0A000000400
ON CHINCOTEAGUE ROAD; 1.00 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 23: TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE vs. DOREEN MURRAY
MAP NO. 030A60900004000
6314 HIGHLAND PARK DRIVE; 0.21 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 24: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. NAOMI R. POOLE/
BRENDA TERESA DALE
MAP NO. 02800A000002100
7186 FLEMING ROAD
- PARCEL 25: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MARTIN SIMONS
MAP NO. 005A40300238800
LOT 2388, SECTION 5, CAPTAINS COVE
- PARCEL 26: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MARTIN SIMONS/SEA WHORE LLC
MAP NO. 005A60100006100
LOT 61, SECTION 7, CAPTAINS COVE
- PARCEL 27: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. FRANCES L. TURNER
MAP NO. 09200A000008600
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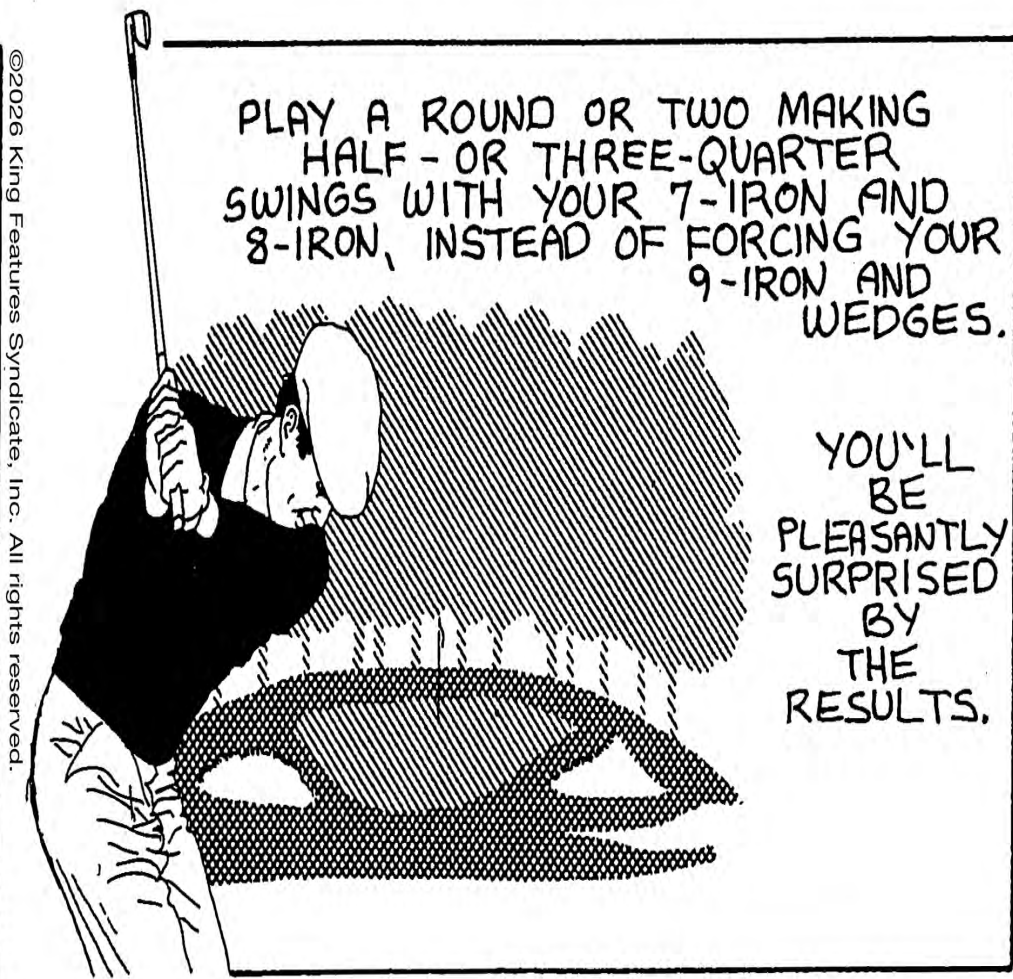
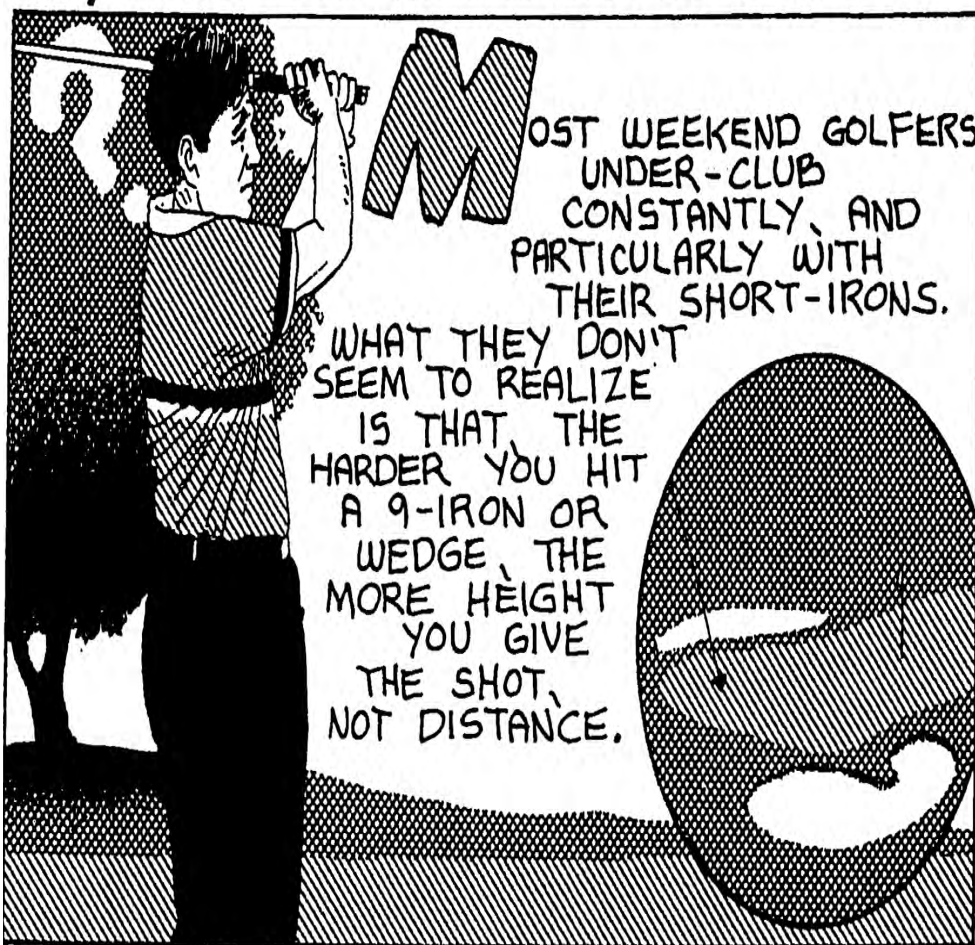
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MAP NO. 084C2-0A-BLK-00 0000147
21453 S. BAYSIDE ROAD; TOWN OF CHERITON
- PARCEL 2: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs FARISE ALLEN OVERTON BRICKHOUSE
MAP NO. 0015C-01-BLK-00 00000CW
10276 BRICKHOUSE DRIVE; 4.00 ACRES +/-
- PARCEL 3: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CHARLIE LANE
MAP NO. 00015-0A-BLK-00 0000128
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ON BAYSIDE ROAD
- PARCEL 5: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs SARAH BETH LEVIN
MAP NO. 00013-21-BLK-00 000000B
ON OSPREY LANE & SALTWORKS ROAD (2 PARTS); 1.13 ACRES +/-
- PARCEL 6: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs OLESTER TAYLOR MANUEL
MAP NO. 0030A-01-BLK-00 0000003
10169 JOHNSON TOWN ROAD; 0.51 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 7: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs PIERCE SCANLAN
MAP NO. 010A1-0A-BLK-00 0000082
11526 OCCOHANNOCK ROAD, TOWN OF EXMORE; 0.29 ACRE +/-

- PARCEL 8: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs WILLIE D. SMITH
MAP NO. 0105A-0A-BLK-00 0000105
ON CHEAPSIDE ROAD
- PARCEL 9: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs PLENTY SPADY
MAP NO. 00105-0A-BLK-00 0000041
ON WALNUT GROVE LANE; 1.00 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 10: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs MELISSA A. WASHINGTON
MAP NO. 0040B-09-BLK-00 000001C
8286 TREHERNEVILLE DRIVE; 0.35 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 11: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs MELISSA A. WASHINGTON
MAP NO. 0040B-09-BLK-00 000001D
OFF TREHERNEVILLE DRIVE; 0.45 ACRE +/-
- PARCEL 12: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs EBONIE S. WEBB
MAP NO. 00084-0A-BLK-00 0000134
22170 RAYMOND LANE; 2.00 ACRES +/-

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PUBLIC NOTICE – ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a water body in New Church, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: March 20, 2026, to April 20, 2026

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Cardinal Village; 6379 Lankford Hwy, New Church, VA 23415; VA0065196

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Cardinal Village has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private Cardinal Village Wastewater Treatment Plant. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewaters from residential areas at a rate of 0.006 million gallons a day into a water body. The sludge will be disposed of by Boggs Water & Sewage Inc. The facility proposes to release the treated sewage in the Unnamed Tributary to Tunnels Mill Branch in New Church in the Pungoteague Creek watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: flow, physical and chemical properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, bacteria, and inorganics.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Bradley Phelps; Tidewater Regional Office, 5636 Southern Blvd, Virginia Beach, VA 23462; Phone: (757) 945-1293; E-mail: Bradley.phelps@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Northampton County Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, to consider and to hear public comments on one case.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM with a site visit to the affected properties. The Board will reconvene at or around 9:45 AM that same morning in Board Chambers in the County Administration Building at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing.

Variance 2026-01: Shelton Alley is applying for a variance to encroach into the front, rear, right, and left side setbacks to install seven single-family dwellings. The properties are located on Stumptown Drive, Eastville, VA and are further described as Tax Maps 68A-2-1; 68A-2-2; 68A-2-3; 68A-2-4; 68A-2-5; 68A-2-6; and 68-A-39.

The case 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 case information, contact the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office at (757) 678-0443, ext. 545.

NOTICE OF JOINT WORK SESSION

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A JOINT WORK SESSION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026, AT 5:30 PM AT THE EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA REGIONAL LIBRARY AND HERITAGE CENTER, LOCATED AT 24313 BENNETT STREET, PARKSLEY, VIRGINIA.

The work session will officially start the County's Comprehensive Plan update by: 1) describing the overall plan-making process; 2) providing an opportunity for the Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission, and others present to hear findings of the consultant's review of the current 2018 comprehensive plan; and 3) conducting a brief visioning exercise.

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By Lucie Winborne

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Assateague Beach	H L	9:48 a.m. 4:07 p.m.	H L	10:32 a.m. 4:50 p.m.	H L	11:19 a.m. 5:36 p.m.	H L	12:08 p.m. 6:28 p.m.	H L	1:02 p.m. 7:29 a.m.	H L	2:04 p.m. 8:34 a.m.	H L	3:14 p.m. 9:42 a.m.
Chinco. Channel	H L	9:48 a.m. 3:54 p.m.	H L	10:31 a.m. 4:35 p.m.	H L	11:17 a.m. 5:21 p.m.	H L	12:08 p.m. 6:14 p.m.	H L	1:05 p.m. 7:23 a.m.	H L	2:09 p.m. 8:27 a.m.	H L	3:17 p.m. 9:32 a.m.
Gargatha Neck	H L	10:44 a.m. 4:46 p.m.	H L	11:28 a.m. 5:29 p.m.	H L	12:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	H L	1:04 p.m. 7:08 a.m.	H L	1:58 p.m. 8:08 a.m.	H L	3:00 p.m. 9:13 a.m.	H L	4:10 p.m. 10:21 a.m.
Folly Creek	H L	10:37 a.m. 4:31 p.m.	H L	11:21 a.m. 5:14 p.m.	H L	12:08 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	H L	12:57 p.m. 6:52 p.m.	H L	1:51 p.m. 7:53 a.m.	H L	2:53 p.m. 8:58 a.m.	H L	4:03 p.m. 10:06 a.m.
Wachapreague	H L	10:21 a.m. 4:14 p.m.	H L	11:04 a.m. 4:56 p.m.	H L	11:48 a.m. 5:41 p.m.	H L	12:36 p.m. 6:33 p.m.	H L	1:30 p.m. 7:38 a.m.	H L	2:29 p.m. 8:39 a.m.	H L	3:34 p.m. 9:40 a.m.
Quinby Inlet	H L	9:48 a.m. 3:46 p.m.	H L	10:32 a.m. 4:29 p.m.	H L	11:19 a.m. 5:15 p.m.	H L	12:08 p.m. 6:07 p.m.	H L	1:02 p.m. 7:08 a.m.	H L	2:04 p.m. 8:13 a.m.	H L	3:14 p.m. 9:21 a.m.
Machipongo	H L	10:18 a.m. 4:15 p.m.	H L	11:02 a.m. 4:58 p.m.	H L	11:49 a.m. 5:44 p.m.	H L	12:38 p.m. 6:36 p.m.	H L	1:32 p.m. 7:37 a.m.	H L	2:34 p.m. 8:42 a.m.	H L	3:44 p.m. 9:50 a.m.
Tangier Sound Light	H L	1:41 p.m. 7:51 a.m.	H L	2:26 p.m. 8:40 a.m.	H L	3:14 p.m. 9:34 a.m.	H L	4:06 p.m. 10:32 a.m.	H L	5:06 p.m. 11:35 a.m.	H L	6:14 p.m. 12:40 p.m.	H L	7:01 a.m. 1:45 p.m.
Muddy Creek	H L	2:12 p.m. 8:38 a.m.	H L	2:55 p.m. 9:24 a.m.	H L	3:42 p.m. 10:13 a.m.	H L	4:32 p.m. 11:09 a.m.	H L	5:27 p.m. 12:11 p.m.	H L	6:27 p.m. 1:18 p.m.	H L	7:11 a.m. 2:30 p.m.
Guard Shore	H L	2:04 p.m. 8:34 a.m.	H L	2:47 p.m. 9:20 a.m.	H L	3:34 p.m. 10:09 a.m.	H L	4:24 p.m. 11:05 a.m.	H L	5:19 p.m. 12:07 p.m.	H L	6:19 p.m. 1:14 p.m.	H L	7:03 a.m. 2:26 p.m.
Chescon. Creek	H L	1:39 p.m. 7:46 a.m.	H L	2:22 p.m. 8:32 a.m.	H L	3:09 p.m. 9:21 a.m.	H L	3:59 p.m. 10:17 a.m.	H L	4:54 p.m. 11:19 a.m.	H L	5:54 p.m. 12:26 p.m.	H L	6:38 a.m. 1:38 p.m.
Onancock Creek	H L	1:53 p.m. 8:06 a.m.	H L	2:36 p.m. 8:52 a.m.	H L	3:23 p.m. 9:41 a.m.	H L	4:13 p.m. 10:37 a.m.	H L	5:08 p.m. 11:39 a.m.	H L	6:08 p.m. 12:46 p.m.	H L	6:52 a.m. 1:58 p.m.
Pungoteague Creek	H L	1:09 p.m. 7:20 a.m.	H L	1:52 p.m. 8:06 a.m.	H L	2:39 p.m. 8:55 a.m.	H L	3:29 p.m. 9:51 a.m.	H L	4:24 p.m. 10:53 a.m.	H L	5:24 p.m. 12:00 p.m.	H L	6:38 p.m. 1:12 p.m.
Nassawadox	H L	11:51 a.m. 5:49 p.m.	H L	12:35 p.m. 6:32 p.m.	H L	1:23 p.m. 7:19 a.m.	H L	2:14 p.m. 8:13 a.m.	H L	3:11 p.m. 9:13 a.m.	H L	4:17 p.m. 10:19 a.m.	H L	5:30 p.m. 11:30 a.m.
Ocohan. Creek	H L	12:17 p.m. 6:35 p.m.	H L	1:03 p.m. 7:21 a.m.	H L	1:49 p.m. 8:08 a.m.	H L	2:38 p.m. 9:01 a.m.	H L	3:31 p.m. 10:02 a.m.	H L	4:32 p.m. 11:10 a.m.	H L	5:40 p.m. 12:15 p.m.
Cape Charles	H L	10:43 a.m. 4:58 p.m.	H L	11:26 a.m. 5:40 p.m.	H L	12:13 p.m. 6:26 p.m.	H L	1:03 p.m. 7:21 a.m.	H L	1:58 p.m. 8:23 a.m.	H L	2:58 p.m. 9:30 a.m.	H L	4:12 p.m. 10:42 a.m.
Kiptopeke Beach	H L	10:16 a.m. 4:19 p.m.	H L	11:01 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	H L	11:49 a.m. 5:47 p.m.	H L	12:41 p.m. 6:42 p.m.	H L	1:37 p.m. 7:57 a.m.	H L	2:40 p.m. 9:06 a.m.	H L	3:58 p.m. 10:16 a.m.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: PRECIOUS —

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Bonds	Freezer	Purse	Vault
Checking	Mattress	Safe	Wallet
Cookie jar	Money belt	Savings	

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Last week's answers

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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Super Crossword

DOWNWARD TREND

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|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 46 Equine beast | 87 Low-status, as labor | 128 Sloping | 22 "Suppose ..." | 77 Form a group |
| 1 Baldwin and Guinness | 47 Blaze fighter's helmet | 89 Treatment tablet | 129 Decompose | 27 Ancestry via the father's side | 79 Golf norm |
| 6 Pines' cousins | 51 Facilities for processing a paddy product | 91 Like fattening food | 130 Oct. preceder | 29 Event at which people enter frigid water | 84 Planet's livable zone |
| 10 Google Play buy | 53 Pep rally yells | 95 Be the chairperson | 131 Bob of folk | 33 With | 86 Overly modest type |
| 13 In recent times | 55 Big bay windows | 97 Plato's "T" | DOWN | 57-Across, singer with the 1994 #1 hit "Stay" | 88 Smog soils it |
| 19 A ton of, in Tijuana | 56 Cope (with) | 98 Toward the mouth, to an anatomist | 1 "Do I need to draw you —?" | 36 Tarnish | 89 Actress — Flynn Boyle |
| 20 All over | 57 See 33-Down | 99 Bungee, e.g. | 2 Garage job | 37 Pal, in Paris | 92 Philosopher — -tzu |
| 21 Outstanding examples on display | 59 Env. directive | 100 Large plant with fronds | 3 Recession | 39 Olive of comics | 93 Investment option, in brief |
| 23 Hot and bubbling | 61 Back of the neck | 102 Hershey's toffee bar | 4 Maine's state bird, e.g. | 41 "Baloney!" | 94 Investment options, in brief |
| 24 All over | 62 Revolutionary | 103 Long periods | 5 Of the sun | 42 Goof up | 96 Trapping morays, say |
| 25 Adds a little dash to? | 64 Baking pans | 104 Turkey Day tuber | 6 Craze | 43 Held in check | 101 Promote |
| 26 Ballpoint topper | 66 Tall conifer of California | 107 — -mo | 7 By a single decisive action | 48 Likely to run into adversity | 104 California's — Buena Island |
| 28 Kind of tide | 68 Revise copy | 110 Actress | 8 "Get Shorty" actress | 49 Of Swiss peaks | 105 Skating leaps |
| 30 Nighttime light from a clear sky | 69 — -Cola | 112 Strangely beautiful quality | 9 Cuss | 50 African fly | 106 Media bigwig |
| 31 Creole cooking pod | 71 This instant | 72 — Zedong | 10 Burnt residue | 52 Wrestling pad | 109 Peaks |
| 32 Actor Flynn | 73 Grand — wine | 74 Clamors | 11 Flip-top's relative | 54 Wall Street fluctuation | 111 Formed into a ball |
| 34 — standstill | 75 Cyber-chuckles | 76 French painter Manet | 12 1995 war film with Danny Glover and Ray Liotta | 58 Witty | 113 "— yellow ribbon ..." |
| 35 Writer Fleming | 78 1996 running mate Jack | 80 Once named | 13 Fish features | 60 Lacerated | 114 Somali supermodel |
| 36 Doll's call | 81 Rival of Hertz | 82 Long period | 14 Emmy winner | 62 Letter-shaped vise | 115 Prefix with drama |
| 38 Bean curd | 82 Long period | 83 Haiku, e.g. | 15 Second part of a play | 63 Vacuum cleaner brand | 118 Laos' home |
| 40 Person with a mouth-related nervous habit | 85 Gavel noise | 85 Gavel noise | 16 Singer — Marie | 65 Lymph — | 119 "It's — real!" |
| 45 Some breads and whiskies | | | 17 Ruhr Valley city | 67 Dingbat | 121 June hrs. |
| | | | | 70 Help | 123 Stage design |

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