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In Oak Hall, tense fence suspense

Vehicle vaults from highway,
destroys yard, leaves scene

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

When Oak Hall resident Billy Taylor woke up Monday morning, everything was normal until his grandson brought up something that wasn't.

"He asked me, 'Pop, what happened to your fence?'" Taylor said.

The 89-year-old Taylor went outside to see that a swath of his white fiberglass fence — which he bought for \$12,000 fewer than two years ago — was now scattered in pieces all over his side yard.

He and law enforcement officials are looking for the culprit.

"I hope they've got great insurance," Taylor said of the driver.

The skid marks and burned rubber tell the story that unfolded overnight Sunday while Taylor slept.

Tire marks in the grassy median of

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Billy Taylor stands beside the spot where a car careened off U.S. Route 13, vaulted through the fence in his yard, re-entered the highway, and drove off.

CHINCOTEAGUE

Mayor casts deciding vote for land purchase

Bowden breaks tie for town
to buy property for park

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

A divided Chincoteague Town Council decided by the narrowest of margins to purchase waterfront property on South Main Street for \$2.25 million that will house a public area and park.

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Chincoteague invests in its residents, visitors, future with land buy | Page 10

Chincoteague Mayor Denise Bowden cast her vote in favor of purchasing the 2.5-acre property, breaking a 3-3 tie among members of the town council.

"God's not making more land," Bowden said, recalling the purchase of property that became the Robert N. Reed Sr. Downtown Waterfront Park.

"Look at it now," she said. "It's one of the most-used places that we have."

The town council had voted 5-1 in November to enter into a contract to buy the property, which in 2022 was purchased by owners of the massive waterfront Seacrets Restaurant and Bar, in Ocean City, Md., who disclosed plans for a smaller Chincoteague version.

But in a Monday, April 6, motion to proceed with the purchase, Councilmen Nick Howard and Jay Savage changed

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Police charge man with firing in Parksley RoFo

A man police say fired a gunshot at a window of the Parksley Royal Farms store during an April 2 robbery, touching off a massive search, has been arrested.

Noah Christopher Lamphier, 28, of New Church, was taken into custody without incident two days later, according to the Accomack County Sher-

iff's Office. He is being held in the Accomack County Jail.

He is charged with armed robbery, shooting in an occupied building, the use of a firearm in commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

According to a press release from Sheriff Todd Wessells, Lamphier entered the Royal Farms store, removed a gun from a bag while he approached the cashier, and demanded money before fleeing the area.

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Police: Onancock ice cream shop was meth hub

An Accomack County Sheriff's office methamphetamine investigation team identified Scoops Ice Cream and Sandwich Shop, 132 Market St., Onancock, being used as a meth hub, resulting in the arrests of two people.

Amanda Rae Daisey, 39, of Temperanceville, and Chad Bangura "Ocho" Crockett Jr., age not available, of Laurel, Del., were arrested and charged with drug crimes after an investigation, Sheriff Todd Wessells said.

In separate cases, Wessells said his office's criminal impact unit arrested a New York man after a traffic stop revealed 5.4 grams of packaged cocaine, and a Melfa man was arrested with almost 56 grams of the drug MDMA, commonly known as ecstasy.

"The Accomack County Sheriff's Office remains committed to identifying and disrupting the distribution of illegal narcotics, protecting the citizens of Accomack County, and continuing strong partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies, including Homeland Security Investigations, to combat drug trafficking and related criminal activity," Wessells said in a prepared release.

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Operation Melt Down

In February 2026, sheriff's office investigators launched Operation Melt Down, an initiative designed to combat the distribution of methamphetamine in Accomack County, Wessells said.

During the investigation, investigators identified Daisey as a suspected source of supply and conducted controlled purchases at Scoops Ice Cream and Sandwich Shop. In March 2026, investigators identified Daisey's source of supply as Crockett, according to Wessells.

Investigators allegedly observed Crockett arrive at Scoops and deliver approximately 60 grams of packaged methamphetamine along with 12 bundles of other illegal drugs.

A search warrant executed at Scoops resulted in the seizure of 12 grams of packaged methamphetamine and a digital scale, Wessells said.

Crockett was subsequently arrested and charged with trafficking methamphetamine, distribution of methamphetamine, and distribution of heroin, Wessells said. Crockett is currently being held without bond at the Accomack County Jail.

Daisey was arrested on three counts of distribution of a Schedule I or II controlled substance, second or subsequent offense, and one count of possession with intent to distribute a Schedule I or II substance, second or subsequent offense. Daisey was given a \$5,000 unsecured bond by the Norfolk Magistrates Office, Wessells said.

Two others arrested

On March 28, 2026, members of the criminal impact unit and the Home-

land Security Investigations Norfolk Field Office conducted a traffic stop on a 2011 Dodge Journey bearing Georgia registration.

During the stop, a free-air sniff of the vehicle was conducted and a positive alert for the presence of narcotics was given.

A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed a false compartment located beneath the third-row seating area, in which 5.4 kilograms of packaged cocaine was discovered, Wessells said.

The driver, John Valentin, 49, of Bronx, N.Y., was taken into custody.

On April 1, 2026, members of the Criminal Impact Unit arrested Terique Denovis McCloud, 26, of Melfa, after a search warrant produced 56 grams of the drug MDMA, commonly known as ecstasy.

He is currently being held at the Accomack County Jail.

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Reliable broadband access has long been a challenge for many communities on Virginia's Eastern Shore, but a locally focused technology company is helping to close that gap. NeuBeam, a fixed wireless internet provider launched in 2015 by Declaration Networks Group (DNG), has spent the past decade expanding high-speed connectivity across the region, with a focus on affordability, reliability, and community partnership.

Headquartered in Vienna, Va., DNG introduced NeuBeam on the Eastern Shore to address limited internet options in rural and underserved areas. Instead of relying solely on traditional wired infrastructure, NeuBeam uses fixed wireless technology to deliver broadband service efficiently to homes and businesses that previously lacked dependable access.

A key part of NeuBeam's approach is its use of existing public infrastructure. The company leverages the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority's middle-mile fiber network, along with publicly owned assets, such as water towers and utility poles. By combining these resources with private investment, NeuBeam is able to extend service into more remote areas while keeping costs manageable for customers.

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Community involvement has also played an important role in NeuBeam's growth. Early on, the company introduced a referral program and the Community Hub initiative, which allows customers to host network equipment and help extend coverage within their neighborhoods. This "neighbor helping neighbor" model has strengthened local connectivity while fostering community engagement.

In 2024, NeuBeam expanded its offerings with the launch of its Xtra service tier. As a result, some Shore communities, including Belle Haven, Exmore, and Chincoteague, now have access to internet speeds of up to 500 Mbps for both residential and business users. The expansion reflects the increasing demand for faster, more reliable broadband on the Shore.

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ESVA Housing Mission launches website

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“It’s pretty simple, really,” said Don Taylor, board advisor for the ESVA Housing Mission. “For those who can’t afford essential home repairs, we want to make homes warm, safe, and dry.”

Statistics show that of the 14,152 households in Accomack County, 2,051 are at or below the poverty level. Of the 5,292 households in Northampton County, 853 are at or below the poverty level.

Studies also show that investing in safe homes has a 200% return on reduced medical costs from falls and injuries.

Jennifer Shelton Barnes, a board member who works with Riverside Hospice, says she has been in many homes that badly need the repairs now being offered by ESVA Housing.

“The truth is any of us are only one fall away from a different life,” she said. “Making homes safer for those who can’t afford to make repairs brings hope and dignity to our low-income home owners.”

Major donations from local businesses and individuals kickstarted the organization and funded several projects in late 2024.

In its first 18 months, the ESVA Housing Mission completed 26 projects

with teams of volunteers from local businesses, churches, and civic clubs. Another 25 are planned for 2026.

The projects typically include wheelchair ramps for the handicapped, roof or floor repairs, and other essential needs for safety and comfort.

Donna Smith, chief executive officer of the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging, serves as the board chair for the ESVA Housing Mission. She says the two agencies complement each other and other groups on the Eastern Shore offering assistance.

“Our aim is not to replace any agency but to add to the work already being done,” she said. “We are excited about the possibilities in support-

ing those who live in poverty.”

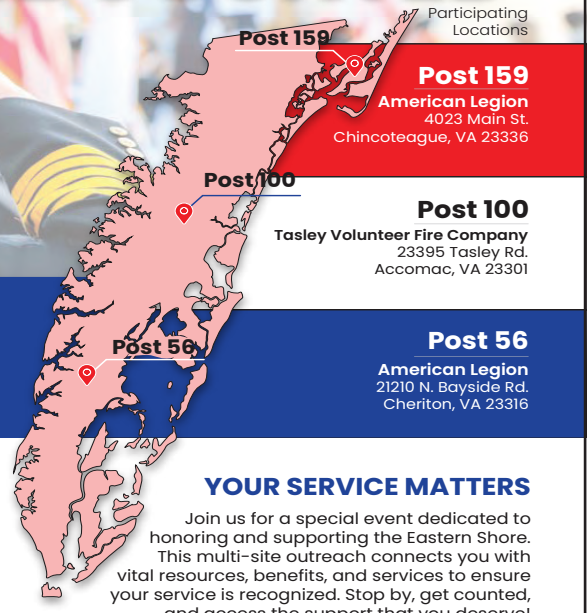
Taylor, a 1966 Atlantic High School graduate, founded a similar group in Maryland in 2009, which completed more than 1,000 projects over 15 years, before he helped form ESVA Housing Mission.

“We’ve had tremendous financial support and amazing volunteers to get to this point,” he said. “But we recognize there is still a great deal of need in Accomack and Northampton counties. I invite everyone to take a look at our new website to see how they can help or how they can apply for assistance.”

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Purchase

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their minds and cast votes against the purchase.

“My concern right now is the money that we’ll have to put into the property,” said Howard.

He noted other town expenses and impending upkeep and feared the purchase’s impact on the town surplus.

“It’s a lot of money,” he said of the purchase.

At a public hearing on Nov. 20, 2025, regarding the property purchase, speakers alternately spoke to the need to fund other matters and their desire to see the land purchased.

Also voting against the purchase was Councilman William McComb Jr., who said the purchase would take 19% of the town’s reserve funding.

He said it would be a large investment, “especially with so ma-

ny things that are at our heels now.”

He said he would be more in favor of the purchase if the property were contiguous to other island parks so they could be expanded.

But Councilman Gene Wayne Taylor and Councilwoman Ellen Richardson gave spirited comments justifying its purchase.

“We owe it to our people,” said Taylor, who called it “a very impressive piece of property” and its purchase a commitment to open space.

He also said parks are a place for “good, free fun.”

Richardson said the property’s purchase “gives everybody the opportunity” to enjoy a waterfront area.

“It can be an open place for poeple to come and sit,” she said.

She also gave a veiled reference to the purchase being a contentious issue, noting that it as a big vote during an elec-

tion year but she was unfazed by repercussions.

“I may not be re-elected this year, but so be it,” she said. “God’s in control.”

In 2022, most public sentiment bemoaned the idea that the property could be used as a Seacrets-styled restaurant and bar.

It was to be modeled on the original Seacrets, opened in Ocean City in the late 1980s, which features a small tiki bar, a rock bar, a raw bar, a restaurant, and a boutique.

The company then expanded to include a radio station, Atlantic Beverage Center, and Seacrets Distillery.

Taylor said people might complain about the town’s purchase of the property, but it is not as vociferous as the reaction four years ago that Seacrets might be coming.

“They had more complaints about what was coming here,” he said.

Coalition Against Domestic Violence sets oyster and pig roast

The Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence will hold its Oyster Roast and Pig Pickin’ Saturday, May 9, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Vaux Hall Farm in Melfa.

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Chincoteague purchase
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The town of Chincoteague will purchase a 2.5-acre waterfront parcel on South Main Street that will be a public space and park. Chincoteague's mayor cast a tiebreaking vote in favor of the purchase after its six-member town council deadlocked on the issue. The town entered into a contract to buy the property in November pending its due diligence process.

So many times our municipal spending is on the decidedly important but relatively unglamorous functions of government: pipes and wells, maintenance and upkeep, audits and engineering studies. Keeping the trash picked up and the water flowing is vital.

But our local town and county governments also should have an eye on the future and potential improvements. Making sure the day-to-day responsibilities are handled is of utmost importance. But investments in amenities for residents and visitors should also be a priority when such projects are feasible.

Among members of the Chincoteague Town Council, there was a question of whether the \$2.25 million for the new waterfront park property was appropriate when there are so many other needs. That is a legitimate concern. Prioritizing funding and expenditures is one of the most important roles our elected officials have. Keeping a focus on smart use of the public's money is essential for good government.

Fortunately, our governments on state and local levels have had a few extra dollars in recent decades to ensure prime pieces of Eastern Shore property are purchased and set aside for the enjoyment of the public. We look forward to seeing how seeing how Chincoteague's new public property is enjoyed. We also look forward to other Eastern Shore municipalities dedicating resources to similar projects.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'Yes' referendum vote
offsets other states'
unbalanced districts

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Melody Copper
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Vote 'no' on April 21
district referendum

To the editor;

The proposed congressional redistricting map created by the General Assembly Democrats is unfair to Virginia's voters.

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Area Coast Guardsman lost during 1950 Md. rescue

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

On April 8, 1950, U.S. Coast Guard Chief Engineman Charles E. Elliott, of Northampton County, was on duty near Ocean City, Md., on a rescue mission towing a ship ashore during rough weather.



Charles E. Elliott

The Coast Guard rescue craft overturned with four personnel aboard. When it righted itself, Elliott, 41, was not on the vessel, according to the Virginian-Pilot newspaper.

Elliott, a lifelong resident of Townsend, had been assigned to

the Ocean City Coast Guard station in 1949. One of the other three men aboard who survived was Seaman 1st Class William Calvin Aycock, of Chincoteague Island.

"Elliott had been scheduled for retirement soon," reported the newspaper. He had been in the Coast Guard for 23 years and in Ocean City, "he was one of the most popular men at the station."

After a large-scale search, his body was found two days later on a beach 13 miles south of Ocean City, The Daily Times newspaper of Salisbury, Md., reported.

Elliott's grave is at the Capeville Masonic Cemetery. According to press accounts, he was survived by his wife, Eleanor Travis Elliott, daughters, Pauline Small, Elaine Elliott, and Esther Elliott, and a grandson, Clyde Small.

■ There were many fatal military airplane crashes on the Eastern Shore during the 1940s and 1950s, including one involving U.S. Navy Reserve Lt. (jg) Theodore Richard McClure, of Texas.

McClure, 27, was in formation in his aircraft with two other airplanes on April 10, 1953, when "it plummeted to earth," The Virginian-Pilot newspaper reported.

He was attached to Utility Squadron Four, based at the Chincoteague Naval Auxiliary Air Station. The station was

Local fallen heroes

This column is the continuation of a series remembering military personnel from the Eastern Shore of Virginia and southern Worcester County, Md., who died while on active duty. The column also includes line-of-duty deaths by area law-enforcement officers and volunteer fire and rescue personnel. Those featured are remembered around the anniversaries of their deaths. Email editor@easternshorepost.com with information or questions.

on land now occupied by the NASA Wallops Flight Facility.

McClure and his wife, Betty, lived on 11th Street in Pocomoke City at the time of the crash, which happened on a farm within one-half mile of Accomac, the newspaper reported.

The Ledger-Star newspaper reported that the plane crashed on Clarence Lewis' farm. McClure's remains are interred at a cemetery in San Angelo, Texas.

■ On April 14, 1945, U.S. Navy Chief Aviation Pilot Henry Steiner was killed when his aircraft crashed near Melfa, according to The Virginian-Pilot.

Steiner, 21, was stationed at the Oceana Naval Auxiliary Air Station in what is now Virginia Beach.

According to the April 20, 1945, edition of the Peninsula Enterprise newspaper, "The plane was reported as backfiring when it passed over Exmore and Nassawadox and was seen to be flying very low as it approached Keller."

The Enterprise reported that it clipped the tops of trees as it crashed in Fleming's Swamp, west of Keller.

An eyewitness who reached the scene said Steiner "was sitting in the seat of his plane, which had been torn from it in the crash and landed about 20 feet away."

Steiner's body is interred at the Rabbi Isaac Elchonon Cemetery, Ever-

ett, Mass.

■ On April 15, 1945, U.S. Navy Sonarman 3rd Class Howard Charles MacKnight, 33, whose address was listed as Chincoteague, died during World War II. His death day also is listed in some places as April 5.

MacKnight, a New Jersey native, married a local woman, Grace Beebe.

MacKnight's line-of-duty death was barely covered in Eastern Shore or New Jersey newspapers.

His gravesite is at Beverly National Cemetery, Burlington County, N.J.

A fleeting mention of his death was included in the May 4, 1945, edition of the Eastern Shore News: "Ms. Grace Beebe MacKnight received word the past week that her husband had died of wounds received in action with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Beebe, of Chincoteague, are spending some time with her at her home in Clementon, N.J."

MacKnight is listed on war memorials in Accomac and Parksley.

■ On April 15, 1945, U.S. Army Cpl. Thomas Marvin "Tom" Pettit was killed in Germany during World War II.



Thomas Marvin Pettit

Arlington National Cemetery.

Pettit served in the field artillery of the Army ground forces. According to the Peninsula Enterprise newspaper, he had worked for his uncle in Rehoboth Beach, Del., before he joined the Army.

He was born on Chincoteague Island.

■ On April 19, 1945, U.S. Army Pvt. 1st Class John Jasper Clark Jr., of Cape Charles, was killed in action while serving with the 16th Infantry Regiment of the First Infantry Division in Germany during World War II.

Clark was 21 when he was killed.



John Jasper Clark Jr.

Black soldiers who were killed during World War II, there is barely a mention of Clark's service in any of the Eastern Shore newspapers of the day.

■ On April 19, 1945, U.S. Army TSgt. Harry B. Cutler, of Parksley, was killed in action while in the Philippines. He was 32.

His grave is at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial. Cutler was attached to the 384th Quartermaster Truck Company.

Little else is known about Cutler, whose death apparently did not prompt much local reporting.

■ On April 20, 1945, U.S. Army Lt. Robert S. Holloman was killed in the Philippines during World War II.



Robert S. Holloman

His death — and his posthumous receiving of the Distinguished Service Cross — was covered extensively in Eastern Shore newspapers. The cross is the second-highest decoration given by the U.S. Army for extraordinary heroism in combat with an armed enemy force.

His widow, Sue Robbins Holloman Nottingham, of Cheriton, died at the age of 82 in 2006. His daughter, Suzanne Shelley Holloman Rayne, of Salisbury, Md., was 69 when she died in 2013.

His gravesite is at the Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial.

Clark possibly made his residence in Norfolk at the time of his death. Records list his wife as Jean J. Clark.

As frequently happened with

Gerald Boyd: To name a crime is to begin repair

BY GERALD BOYD

Guest columnist

The United Nations General Assembly has considered whether to formally acknowledge what history has long made plain: that the trafficking of African people stands among the gravest crimes against humanity.

Here on the Eastern Shore, this is not abstract. It is memory. It is inheritance. It is land, labor, and legacy.

The Transatlantic Slave Act was not a distant event confined to textbooks. It was a system that shaped communities like ours — fields worked without pay, families separated, identities erased and rewritten under the force of law and custom.

And though generations have passed, its imprint remains.

We see it in economic disparities that did not appear by accident.

We hear it in narratives that still distort who Black people are.

We feel it in the quiet, ongoing work of reclaiming dignity in a world that once denied it.

That is just not history. That is structure.

So when the assembly considers naming this crime for what it is, the question is not whether it happened.

The question is whether the world is prepared to tell the truth about it — fully.

To name this as one of the gravest crimes against humanity is not to com-

pete with other suffering.

It is to recognize scale, duration, and intent. It is to acknowledge that an entire system was built on the idea that some human beings could be owned, used, and discarded.

Naming matters — because what is not named can be ignored. What is ignored is never repaired.

But we should be clear: Recognition is not repair.

If this moment is to matter, it must lead to something more: honest education that tells the full story. Policies that address enduring inequities. A shared commitment to restoring dignity — not in words alone, but in practice.

Otherwise, it risks becoming another

statement filed away, acknowledged but unchanged.

Here on the Eastern Shore, we understand something about endurance.

We understand what it means to carry history quietly, to build anyway, to raise families, faith, and community in the face of what was done.

We also understand this: We are not the residue of a crime. We are its interruption. We are the continuation of something older and deeper than what was imposed upon us.

So, yes — let the world name it.

But let that naming be the beginning, not the end.

■ *The writer, who focuses on issues of identity, dignity, and collective healing, lives near Birdsnest.*

Letters

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congressional districts to one party. It slices up representation of districts by merging rural regions of the commonwealth with metropolitan areas.

The majority of Virginians would see significant changes if the proposed map is approved. Many localities would be represented by a different member of Congress.

Representation from metropolitan areas would overtake that of rural areas. The interests and concerns of many voters, especially rural, would be abandoned.

Democrats want to blame MAGA for causing them to redistrict in an extreme way. Changing four Republican congressional districts to favor Democrats in a state that only has 11 total seats in Congress is an example of extreme gerrymandering.

California and Texas moving five seats out of 52 and 38 total seats, respectively, to favor Democrats or Republicans were previously considered the most extreme examples.

I don't see how eliminating the voices of so many voters in Virginia is a good thing. The Democrats are

not looking to fight MAGA. They are looking to change Virginia to be like New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and California.

In addition to gerrymandering, Virginians are facing significantly higher taxes on income and goods and services, skyrocketing electric bills, an influx of labor union affiliations, unrestricted abortion laws, gun regulations that put many hardships on hunters and other legal gun owners, a state-run paid leave program that will reduce take-home pay, refusal to cooperate with immigration law enforcement at the state level, and criminals being released to the streets.

The proposed referendum to drastically redistrict Virginia in favor of Democrats is not making anything fairer with regard to elections. The proposed redistricting has been rushed through with an intentionally poorly worded, easily misunderstood referendum question. If approved, Virginia will no longer be a shining example of how the democratic process should work to keep political favoritism out of the redistricting process.

Voters should choose their representatives, not have parties and representatives choosing for them. Vote NO to

redistricting in Virginia on April 21.

Rick Mattson
Parksley

Thanks ANEC for restoring power during storms

To the editor:

I would like to express my deepest thanks to A&N Electric Cooperative for the manner in which it responded to the many electric outages resulting from the recent storms.

Under such uncompromising conditions, ANEC restored power in an unbelievably short time.

I am so pleased and admire this cooperative so much that I cannot find the words to describe it.

I trust we all realize just how valuable electricity is until we lose it.

William B. Derrickson
Chincoteague

Trump started gerrymander trend — so vote 'yes' in Va.

To the editor:

Regarding the vote for the Virgin-

ia redistricting amendment: I didn't want to be in a position to vote for or against such a measure in the middle of a decade.

On principle, I am against gerrymandering, and I believe that any state redistricting efforts should only occur after a census — and only then by an independent, nonpartisan commission. That is the way it has historically been done, and it the only fair way to go about this process.

Unfortunately, President Trump and the Republican Party have taken "fair" off the table. The president, who still falsely claims the 2020 election was rigged, began this mess first by demanding that Texas Gov. Greg Abbott gerrymander his own state to add five more GOP-leaning districts.

It was Trump's first shot fired in his naked attempt to rig the 2026 midterms, an unethical move of pure panic by a president who is upside down in the polls. He knows the GOP can't win the midterms, so he wants to undermine democracy by rigging elections — the very thing he's always accusing Democrats of doing. (A friend has noted that in MAGA world, accusation always equals confession.)

Several other states, in their loyalty

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to Trump, have followed suit, including North Carolina and Missouri. And now Florida is attempting to do the same.

In the last six weeks, the Eastern Shore Post has printed 15 letters to the editor urging a “no” vote. And I understand the logic behind many of them: Folks don’t want a mid-decade gerrymander. Neither do I.

But none of the 15 letters mentioned the fact that Trump started this fight, first via Texas and now with other states. He is not playing fair at all.

I have asked several friends in the “no” camp what should be done to counteract Trump’s naked attempts to rig November’s vote. None of them has a good answer.

I believe that Virginia’s proposal — a temporary countermeasure to blatant cheating by the GOP — is the best possible response. I wish there was a better way, but there isn’t.

I’ve already voted “yes” on the amendment, and I urge my fellow cit-

izens — those who still care about democracy and fair elections — to join me in doing the same.

Nina Moring
Onley

Vote ‘yes’ to restore balance in voting

To the editor,

As Virginians, we often ask ourselves what we can do to make our state stronger, fairer, and more representative of the people who call it home.

With the April 21 redistricting election approaching, we have a clear and meaningful opportunity to do just that.

Redistricting is not a distant political concept — it directly shapes how our communities are represented.

While many of us may feel uneasy about the idea of gerrymandering in any form, we also cannot ignore the reality of how district lines have been used in other states to tilt the playing field. Supporting this measure is a way to restore balance and ensure

that our communities are not left at a disadvantage.

This is not about permanent advantage or partisanship — it’s about creating a fair system in the face of an uneven national landscape. It’s a temporary step to protect fair representation and make sure every Virginian’s voice carries equal weight.

If you’ve ever wondered how to make a difference, this is one of those moments. Talk to your neighbors. Share information. Most importantly, make a plan to vote on April 21.

Democracy works best when we all participate. Let’s take this opportunity to move Virginia forward — together.

Tracey Murdoch
Chincoteague

By ignoring other states, we aid ‘red state’ gerrymanders

To the editor:

Letters in the Eastern Shore Post and its editorial urging voters to vote

“no” on the redistricting amendment deserve a response.

Like the letter writers, I also voted for the bipartisan commission that is currently enshrined in Virginia’s constitution.

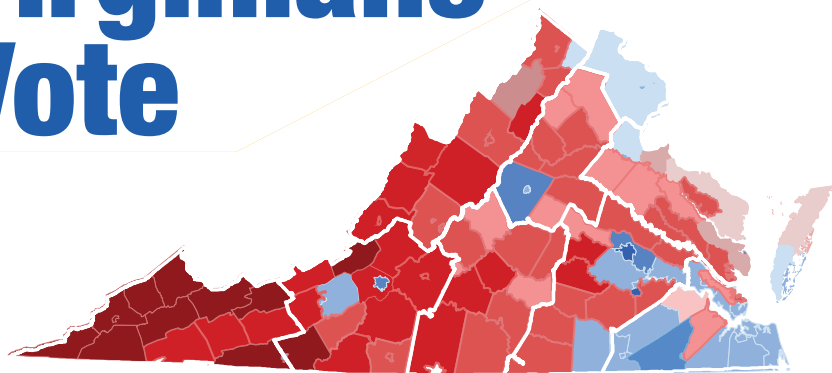
Like the letter writers, I also dislike gerrymandering and have long supported systems that create a more representative way to allocate Congressional seats.

However, unlike the Post and the letter writers, I feel the only way to reduce such gerrymandering is to vote “yes” on the amendment. A “no” vote will take us backwards. A broader historical discussion is necessary to understand why.

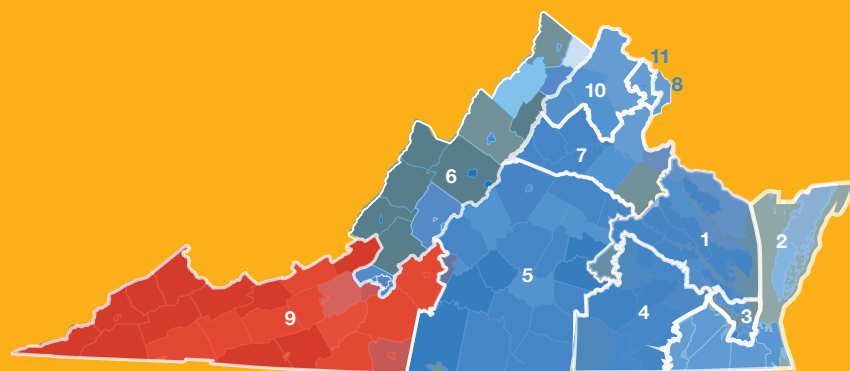
Our current system was overwhelmingly approved by Virginia voters back in 2020, in contemplation that, after the 2020 Census, it would be used to create compact districts for Virginia’s House of Delegates and Senate, as well as for federal House of Representatives districts.

It was intended to prevent gerrymandering by whatever party is in
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This is How Virginians Vote



This is Not



From balanced representation to 10/1 control Vote NO on Redistricting April 21st

ENTERTAINMENT

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Friday, April 10

■ **BIRDING FIELD TRIP:** 8:30 a.m., Seaview Farm, 18119 Seaside Road, Cape Charles. Maggie Long is leading a birding field trip at the farm. To register contact Long at 610-500-9971.

■ **LECTURE:** 9 to 10 a.m., Eastville Community Center, 17202 Courthouse Road, Eastville. The Virginia Cooperative Extension is hosting a Perk Up and Learn Coffee Hour on how to get started with a native plant garden.

■ **ADULT CRAFT:** Noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a Crafternoon. Crafters can bring any project they're working on and work while enjoying the company of others.

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

■ **BINGO:** Doors open at 5:30 p.m., early bird game begins at 6:15 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. The fair is hosting bingo. Food will be available for purchase.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 p.m., Chincotiki Caribbean Bar and Grill, Chincoteague. The Fil Rhythm Band performs live.

■ **EXHIBIT OPENING:** 6 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. A new exhibit titled "Carvings of a Soldier: miniatures of Chet deGarve" is opening at the museum.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Bill Armstrong and the Moonlight Rangers perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Charlotte Hotel, Onancock. La Doo Vay performs live.

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

■ **DINNER:** 6:30 p.m., American Legion

Best bets

■ **Saturday, April 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** the Great Pocomoke Fair is hosting the Recycled Treasures Wedding Sale. There will be wedding decor, dresses, accessories, and more for sale.

■ **Thursday, April 16, at 5 p.m.** the Eastern Shore Literacy Council is hosting its annual Bee for Literacy. Six teams representing local businesses will compete to see who can out spell the rest. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2uc4d8wn>

Post 56, 21210 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton. The legion is hosting a dinner. The menu includes racked chicken, baked potatoes, broccoli, salad, applesauce, rolls, and assorted desserts. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children age 12 and under.

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

■ **CONCERT:** 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers present Back Roads Harmony, a country music revue and celebration of the organization's 50th anniversary. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students age 12 and under. For tickets visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org

Saturday, April 11

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

■ **CAR SHOW:** Registration opens at 9 a.m., show runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Anchors Down Seafood, 24380 Lankford Highway, Tasley. Eastern Shore Cruisers is holding a car

show.

■ **CAR SHOW:** 9 a.m. to noon, Vaux Hall Farm Market, 27698 Bobtown Road, Melfa. Car lovers can show off their ride or check out what other are driving during Cars and Coffee.

■ **WEDDING SALE:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, Pocomoke City. The fairgrounds is hosting the Recycled Treasures Wedding Sale. There will be gently used items for sale such as dresses, centerpieces, decor, accessories, and more.

■ **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.

■ **HAM AND CLAM DINNER:** 5 to 8:30 p.m., American Legion Post 56, Cheriton. The Northampton Performance Ensemble Boosters are hosting a clam fritter and ham dinner. The menu includes clam fritters, ham, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, green beans, rolls, cornbread, and dessert. Eat in and take out are available. Tickets are \$15.

■ **LECTURE:** Doors open at 6 p.m., lecture beings at 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Lois Szmanski, author of

"Chincoteague Pony Tales," will share stories. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/yax6c3c6>

■ **CONCERT:** 6 to 8 p.m., The Oyster Farm at Kings Creek, Cape Charles. Tim and Savannah Finch and the Eastman String Band perform live.

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

■ **CONCERT:** Doors open at 6:30 p.m., Concert begins at 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Backroad performs as part of the Island Concert Stage series. Tickets will be sold at the door. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for those under age 18.

■ **CONCERT:** 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers present Back Roads Harmony, a country music revue and celebration of the organization's 50th anniversary. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students age 12 and under. For tickets visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org

■ **CONCERT:** 7 to 8:30 p.m., Historic Cokesbury Cultural Center, 11 Market St., Onancock. Good Shot Judy will perform a free concert.

Sunday, April 12

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 10:30 a.m., Unitarian Universalists of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, 15421 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. Learn about Unitarianism during "A 'Radical' Faith: Exploring our Unitarian Roots in the United States."

■ **PURSE BINGO:** Doors open at 12:30 p.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven. The Nandua After Prom is hosting purse bingo. To register call Tammy Pruitt at 757-709-0605 after 4 p.m.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 2 to 4 p.m., Chatham Vineyards, Machipongo. Melinda and the

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Be included

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

Important standing meetings and emergency numbers for the Eastern Shore

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

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

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

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

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

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Speakeasies perform live.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 3 p.m., Anointed Word of Deliverance Ministries, 32170 Seaside Road, Melfa. The church is hosting an anniversary service. The guest speaker will be Pastor Lionel Goodwyn of City of Refuge Church in Suffolk.

Monday, April 13

■ **POETRY NIGHT:** 6 p.m., Book Bin, Onley. The bookstore is hosting a Poetry Night.

Tuesday, April 14

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

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

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

■ **VETERANS SUPPORT:** 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Tasley Volunteer Fire Company, Tasley. The Veterans Support Committee will meet to hear about and discuss the needs of local veterans. A light lunch will be served. Veterans and their family members are invited.

■ **TEEN GAMING NIGHT:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can enjoy puzzles, board games, and video game.

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

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

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. As part of the museum's Tuesday Night Lecture series there will be a film screening and discussion about Thomas Jefferson. To reserve a seat call 757-336-6117.

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

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

Wednesday, April 15

■ **ART CLASS:** 10 a.m. to noon, Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Kurt Jarvis is teaching a class on watercolor pencil art. All skill levels are welcome. Students must be age 14 or older. The cost is \$55 which includes all supplies and a frame. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/stf32hvy>

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

■ **SUPPORT GROUP:** 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The Martha W. Goodson Center is hosting Memory Cafe, a social engagement for caregivers and those living with brain changes.

■ **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.

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

Thursday, April 16

■ **SPELLING BEE:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa. The Eastern Shore Literacy Council is hosting its annual Bee for Literacy. Six teams made up of members of local businesses will compete to see which team are the best spellers.

The evening begins with a social hour and silent auction, followed by dinner and the spelling bee. Tickets can be purchased at <https://tinyurl.com/2uc4d8wn>

■ **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., games start at 6 p.m., Eastern Shore Railway Museum, Parksley. The Parksley Volunteer Fire Company is hosting bingo at the museum. The cost is \$1 per game. Bring a canned good for a free card. There will also be a raffle and silent auction. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

■ **TEEN CREATIVE WRITING:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can learn practical writing skills and meet other teen writers. This month's session will cover creating characters and building tension.

■ **CRAFT NIGHT:** 6 p.m., Northampton

Free Library, Nassawadox. The library is hosting a craft night for adults. The craft will be claw clips with charms. To register call the library at 757-414-0010.

■ **CLASS:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a class on the basics of generative AI.

■ **DANCE LESSONS:** 6 to 7:30 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock. Ballroom and More on the Shore is hosting dance lessons. The cost is \$5 per person. Those of all skill levels are welcome.

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

Friday, April 17

■ **CHICKEN SALAD SALE:** 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Melfa Volunteer Fire Company, 28328 Hatton St., Melfa. The fire company is hosting a chicken salad cold plate sale. Chicken salad cold plates will be available for dine in or take out. Plates include chicken salad on a bed of lettuce, potato salad, macaroni salad, a pickle, crackers, and a drink. The cost for a plate is \$12. Pints and quarts of chicken salad will

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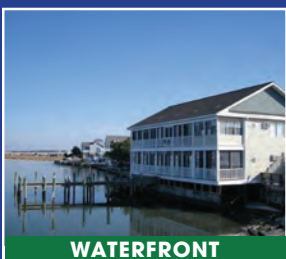
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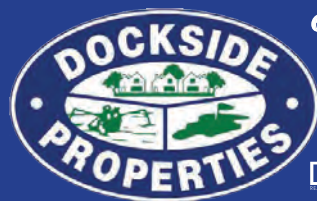
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■ **SUPPORT GROUP:** 1 to 2 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Women Supporting Women is hosting a support group for those who have been diagnosed with breast cancer.

■ **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.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. Billy Crockett will give a talk about his road to becoming a master carver.

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

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Captain's Cove Golf and Yacht Club Marina Restaurant, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville. The Rhythm Section performs live.

Saturday, April 18

■ **BIRDING WALK:** From 8 to 10 a.m., Chincoteague National Wildlife is hosting a guided birding walk. Birders can look for returning warblers, shorebirds, and other wildlife. The meeting point is the Woodland Trail parking lot. Binoculars will be available. The walk is about a mile.

■ **PLANT SALE:** 8 a.m. to noon, Woman's Club of Accomack County, 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley. The club is hosting its annual plant sale. There will be a wide variety of unique plants donated by local nurseries.

■ **YARD SALE:** From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cape Charles is hosting a Town Wide Yard Sale.

■ **DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT:** 9 a.m., Bloxom Town Square, Bloxom. The Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company is hosting a dodgeball tournament. Those interested in putting together a team can call or text Manuel Salazar III at 757-710-5243. Spectators are welcome. There will also be entertainment, 50/50 raffles, food for purchase, a touch-a-truck exhibit, and awards.

■ **CHILDREN'S EVENT:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Family YMCA, 26164 Lankford Highway, Onley. The Y is hosting Healthy Kids Day. There will be games, resources, crafts, S.T.E.M. activities, family fitness stations, and much more. This is a free event. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/fwru36kx>

■ **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 will lead a session about basic gardening.

■ **MOTOR SPORTS:** Gates open at 11 a.m., racing begins at 1 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. An ATV/MX Drag Bash is coming to the fairgrounds. The cost is \$20 for riders and \$10 for spectators. There will be food and drinks available for purchase. For more information contact Tyler McCready at 443-365-9109.

■ **OYSTER ROAST:** From 4 to 7:30 p.m., the Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust is hosting its annual oyster roast. It will be held on a property near Onancock with a land trust conservation easement. Tickets include clams, oysters, dinner, drinks, and desserts. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/429zuedb>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., The Listening Room at Morphosis, 33 Market St., Onancock. Ginny and Sean perform with Bayside Jazz. Tickets are \$15. Call 757-710-8718 to reserve a seat.

■ **CASINO NIGHT:** 7 p.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven. The lodge is hosting Blackties and Blackjack. There will be blackjack, poker, roulette, and craps. Tickets are \$30 for a single or \$50 for a couple and include Moose Bucks for play and heavy hors d'oeuvres. For tickets call Alex at 757-710-4938 or Amy at 757-709-4333.

Sunday, April 19

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 4 p.m., Anointed Word of Deliverance Ministries, 32170 Seaside Road, Melfa. The church is hosting an anniversary service.

The guest speaker will be Superintendent Kelsey Little of Miracles of Faith Church in Chesapeake.

■ **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** 4 to 7 p.m., Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 26405 Horsey Road, Jenkins Bridge. The church is hosting a pancake supper and bazaar. The menu includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, buckwheat pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, fried apples, and beverages. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children age 12 to 6. Children under age 6 are free. Eat in and take out are available.

Tuesday, April 21

■ **SUPPORT GROUP:** 1 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Women Supporting Women will hold a support group for breast cancer survivors.

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■ **TEEN GAMING NIGHT:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can enjoy puzzles, board games, and video games.

■ **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.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. As part of the museum's Tuesday Night Lecture series there will be a discussion about the Captain Timothy Hill house. To reserve a seat call 757-336-6117.

■ **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 22

■ **PLEIN AIR PAINTING:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Eyre Hall, Eastville. The Eastern

Shore Art League is hosting a painting session at Eyre Hall. This event is free. Artists are asked to bring their own materials.

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

■ **JOB FAIR:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center, Melfa. The community college is hosting a job fair.

■ **SPAGHETTI DINNER:** 5:30 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley. The church is hosting a spaghetti dinner. The menu includes baked spaghetti, bread, drinks, and desserts. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children.

■ **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 23

■ **CRAFT PARTY:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a Spring Kids Craft Party. There will be crafts, activities, pizza, and games.

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OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

James Via II

Mr. James Percy Via II, died peacefully on March 26, 2026, at his home in Onancock after a valiant battle with COPD.

Born in Alexandria on Jan. 19, 1966, James, known as Jim or Jimmy to friends and family, first came to Onancock in 1993, where he was an instructor at the Eastern Shore School of Hair Design.

He owned and operated the Style-N-Motion salon in Onancock from 1994 until 2003. He did hair and wig design for several shows at the North Street Playhouse, including the first two productions of the musical “Beehive,” where he was affectionately known as “the Beekeeper.”

He also performed in the North Street Playhouse staged reading of “Mothers & Sons,” along with Terry Bliss, his husband, Jim, and his grandson, Joey.

Jim loved to travel, and during their 33 years together he and his husband visited 48 states and nine countries.

Jim was much loved and is survived by his husband and best friend, James J. Szablewicz; his mother, Tina Via; his daughter, Jamie N. Via; his son, James P. Via III (Jenny); and nine grandchildren, Ren Via, Taeshaun Faulkner, Taisha Johnson, Joey Via, Aaliah Johnson, Arissa Johnson, Nariah Johnson, Tavis Johnson Jr., and Adrian McCullough.

He was predeceased by his father, James P. Via, and daughter, Amanda Victoria Via.

Honoring his wishes, there will not be a public service at this time. A celebration of Jim’s life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions in Jim’s memory may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, <https://www.cff.org/donate>

Arrangements were by Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Inc., Accomac.



Mr. Via

Janie Pruitt

Mrs. Mary Jeanette “Janie” Pruitt, 76, of Onancock, was joyously reunited with her beloved husband, Alfred Ayres “Al” Pruitt Jr., on Sunday, April 5, 2026.

Born March 30, 1950, in Fruitland, Md., she was the daughter of the late James Thomas “Pete” Banks and Mary Lee Banks.

Soon after high school, Janie became a licensed beautician and also



Mrs. Pruitt

worked among many familiar faces behind the counter at Corner Bakery. She later earned her associate degree and began her career as a legal secretary with Mapp, Mapp & Klein, where she remained for several decades before retiring.

Janie’s life revolved around her two greatest loves and priorities — her husband, Al, and their son, Skidder. Throughout their 50 years of marriage, Janie and Al shared a passion for dancing and traveling — spending many evenings on the dance floor and taking trips to the Caribbean, Atlantic City to play the slots, NASCAR races, and destinations across the United States. When Skidder was born, their family was complete. Janie was the epitome of a devoted wife and mother and will be forever remembered for the warmth and kindness she shared with all who knew her.

Janie is survived by her son, Alfred Ayres “Skidder” Pruitt III, of Onancock; her sister, Jacqueline “Jackie” Lynch, of Selbyville, Del.; her brothers-in-law, Walter Donaway, of Powellville, Md., and Mark S. Pruitt and his wife, Robin, of Belle Haven; as well as several nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her brother, James T. Banks Jr.; her sis-

ter, Linda Donaway; and her brother-in-law, C. Kenny Lynch.

Services will be conducted from the graveside at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery on Tuesday, April 14, at 11 a.m.

Contributions in Janie’s memory may be made to the Eastern Shore Community Services Board (ESCSB), P.O. Box 318, Tasley, VA 23441, to assist those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Gilberta ‘Bunny’ Scott

Mrs. Gilberta H. “Bunny” Scott was called from labor to reward March 31, 2026.

She was born June 3, 1940, in Princeton, N.J., to Nancy and George M. Scott. She attended Princeton



Mrs. Scott

Public Schools and graduated from Princeton High School as well as Wilfred Academy for cosmetology.

She enjoyed music, dancing, and traveling. She lived in various places, including California, Chicago, Bimini in the Bahamas, and North Carolina, before falling in love with the Eastern Shore in Virginia.

Bunny married the love of her life, Ronald (Butch) Scott, Dec. 19, 2011, in Exmore.

She was a former member of the Cornerstone Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Exmore.

She was a breast cancer survivor as well as an advocate for Alzheimer’s disease, and she fundraised and walked to support research for both. Bunny was also well known for her zucchini bread!

She was loved by many and leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Ronald (Butch) Scott; her sister, Marsha Winston; her niece and nephew, Denise Albert and Dwight Bullock; her great-

niece and great-nephews, Ayana Murray, Marshaun Walker, Christopher Jackson, and Chloe Rice; her cousins; and a host of friends and family.

Barbara Matthews

Ms. Barbara Louise Matthews, 72, of Greenbush, was welcomed home by her Lord and Savior on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026.

Born Dec. 19, 1953, in Nassawadox, she was the eldest child and only daughter of the late Frederick Donald Matthews and Peggy Isdell Matthews.

Following high school, Barbara completed the Licensed Practical Nurse program. She then obtained her Registered Nurse credentials, followed by a bachelor’s degree.

Barbara dedicated her life to caring for others through her work as a nurse. She spent years working for Dr. Snyder, the Hermitage, Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital, and later as a home health nurse with Riverside, where her compassion and gentle spirit touched countless lives.

A faithful servant of the Lord, she was a devoted member of Independent Pilgrim Church. In her free time, Barbara enjoyed cooking and expressing her creativity through art, and she had a remarkable talent for completing even the most challenging 1,000-piece puzzles with ease.

She leaves to cherish her memory her brothers, Freddy Matthews and his wife, Carol, and David L. Matthews, all of Parksley, and Ronnie Matthews and his wife, Barbara “BeBe,” of Greenbush; her nieces, Tammy Selby (Bobby), Kristin Daniels (Billy), Katie Kelley (Ward), Heather Fluhart (Walker), and Holly Matthews; her great-nieces and great-nephews, Tracy, Bradley (Allison), Robbie, Meredith, Micah,

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Ms. Matthews

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Everly, Kelley, and Walker; and her great-great-niece and great-great-nephews, Violet, Ryan, and Weston.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Sunday, April 12, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Wayne Asbury officiating. Interment will follow in the Liberty Cemetery. There will

be a visitation at the funeral home on Saturday, April 11, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Contributions in Barbara's memory may be made to Independent Pilgrim Church, 19428 Greenbush Road, Parksley, VA 23421, or Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 14, Parksley, VA 23421.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

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Arcadia's Giddins a dual threat on the diamond

BY MARK MORING

Eastern Shore Post

Last spring, Arcadia's softball team went unbeaten in the Eastern Shore District and was riding a six-game winning streak heading into the second round of the 2A regional playoffs.

And then, boom, it was over too quickly, as the Firebirds fell 10-1 at Poquoson. Most of the Arcadia players went on to other things, especially since it was near the end of the school year.

But not Ryann Giddins, a freshman who had just been named District Player of the Year. She had been first or second on the team in almost every statistical category, and her pitching stats were eye-popping: a 1.50 ERA with 192 strikeouts in 92 innings. But none of that was good enough for Giddins, who wanted to be even better.

A couple days after the loss, she texted coach Sandra Ellenberger: "Can you come out to the field and work with me?" Ellenberger jumped in the car and headed right over.

"She's just constantly asking, 'How can I improve?'" says Ellenberger.

That moment illustrates why Giddins, now a sophomore, is not only one of the best softball players on the Shore, but also a rising star on the radar of many colleges and universities. She is the 28th-ranked player nationally in the Class of 2028, according to Extra Inning Softball.

But none of it has gone to her head. Giddins is easygoing, a friend to many with an easy smile and a ready laugh, and she loves to help others — including teammates with less experience.

"Whatever I can do to help them grow," she says. "I just want people to know me as a nice, caring person, and help whenever I can."

Giddins has been playing since she was 8 years old, when her mom signed her up for youth league. She started out



PHOTO COURTESY MARC CAINA

Arcadia's Ryann Giddins is versatile in the circle. She throws a fastball in the 60s, a dropball, a riseball, a curveball, and a changeup.

at third base, but as she watched pitchers in action, her interest was piqued.

"I told my coach, 'I want to try that,'" she says. "And when I tried it, I realized I could throw it hard."

Soon, Giddins was training with Bill Dryden, who ran a fast-pitch clinic in Maryland and who had worked with young pitchers throughout the Delmarva Peninsula. After Dryden died of cancer in 2020, Giddins began working with a pitching coach with the East Coast Titans, a traveling team based in Salisbury.

The last two years, Giddins has been playing summer ball with the Lady Dukes, a nationwide organization with teams for elite players of all ages. And she's a member of the U.S. Virgin Islands 18-under national team.

Wait, what? A girl from Greenbackville on the Virgin Islands team? Giddins explains:

She was playing in a tournament in Virginia Beach last summer when a coach from the USVI team approached Ryann's mother, Camesha Watson.

"He told her he liked my pitching and wanted me to try out," Giddins says. "So we went to St. Croix, I did my tryout, and they put me on the national team."

The USVI team won their regional championship and then competed in the World Series in Florida, finishing in third place. Giddins is already looking forward to playing with the team again this summer and admits it's a nice perk to travel to the Virgin Islands.

Giddins is a versatile pitcher. Her Lady Dukes coaches describe her as "a dynamic pitcher who brings velocity in the 60s, with an elite drop, rise, curve, and changeup that keeps hitters off balance," and they laud her "intensity, leadership, and competitive drive."

Ellenberger says Giddins is learning the art of more finesse pitching, varying her speeds on her fastball and working on location, all while also improving on her curve, changeup, and riser.

"She has great determination and a high softball IQ," says the coach. "She's also our leadoff hitter who gets on base about 80% of the time. And she's got great speed on the bases." Giddins often will stretch a double into a triple and has even hit an inside-the-park home run.

When not playing softball, Giddins is a stalwart on the Arcadia basketball team, where she was a first-team all-district selection. She is also a part-timer on the Firebirds track team, where she runs the 100 and on the 4x100 relay team — when meets don't conflict with softball, her No. 1 sport.

Away from competition, she is an art enthusiast who dabbles in all media — drawing freehand or on a computer program, working with papier-mâché and coloring books, and building LEGO sets.

Wherever Giddins ends up playing college ball, she hopes to bring

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PHOTO COURTESY MARC CAINA

Ryann Giddins is the leadoff batter for the Firebirds.

Giddins

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those artistic tendencies to a major in interior design or architecture.

Giddins is the daughter of Samuel Giddins III and Camesha Watson. Her dad is a master carpenter for Giddins Home Improvement, and her mom is director of accounting at TidalHealth. She has two siblings — Zachary Giddins, a former Firebirds baseball star and now a freshman pitcher at Penn State Brandy-

wine, and Christian Fauntleroy, an eighth-grader at Arcadia Middle.

The Firebirds (2-1), who have been off for two weeks, including one for spring break, are back in action Friday with a 4 p.m. game against visiting Holly Grove Christian.

Giddins can't wait to get back at it. "I love my team," she says. "I love playing with a team of girls who have grit and strive to win. We're all here just to give it all we have."

And if somehow that's not enough, she'll call her coach and come back for more.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

BASEBALL

Yellow Jackets roll

On Wednesday, April 1, Northampton rolled to a 17-1 victory at Franklin.

Thomas Mason, Lucas Kindt, and Hayden Seay combined to pitch a no-hitter, while Jason Kim and Trent Ferebee had two hits each for the Yellow Jackets (3-1).

Broadwater beaten

On Thursday, April 2, Broadwater Academy fell, 9-5, at Greenbrier Christian.

Brody Hall had two hits for the Vikings (2-1), while Eli Destro took the loss on the mound.

Holly Grove nips SC

On Tuesday, April 7, Holly Grove Christian scored four runs in the top of the seventh and held on for a 5-3 victory at Salisbury Christian.

Will Donovan went 3-for-4 with an RBI for the Eagles (2-2), while Jonathan Young threw 6.2 innings for the win.

BOYS SOCCER

Jackets now 1-5

On Thursday, April 2, Northampton dropped a 3-2 double-overtime decision to visiting Great Bridge.

The game was tied 2-2 at the end of regulation, and Great Bridge scored the winner in the second OT.

Sebastian Mayorga had a goal and an assist for the Yellow Jackets (1-5), while Fernando Palacio had the other goal.

GIRLS SOCCER

Northampton shut out

On Thursday, April 2, Northampton dropped a 5-0 game at Camden County, N.C. The Jackets fell to 1-3.

SOFTBALL

Jackets cruise

On Wednesday, April 1, Hailey Dinwiddie homered twice and drove in eight runs while Northampton

exploded for 34 hits in a 33-7 win over visiting Franklin.

Dinwiddie, Ruby Buck, and Sasha Gale had five hits each for the Yellow Jackets (4-1), while Nitrice Lewis, Ryleigh Caison, and Makiah Upshur added four hits each.

Warriors held scoreless

On Tuesday, April 7, Nandua suffered a 12-0 loss to visiting Sussex in a game that was called after five innings.

Amirrah Church had the lone hit for Nandua (2-5).

Vikings fall at NSA

On Tuesday, April 7, Broadwater Academy lost, 8-1, at Nansemond-Suffolk Academy.

Kacey Ford, Miranda Smith, and Ava Webb each had a hit for the Vikings (1-1).

HGCS tumbles

On Tuesday, April 7, Holly Grove Christian traveled to Salisbury Christian and took a 16-5 loss in a game called after five innings.

The Eagles (1-2) had just one hit, a double by Brynna Travis.

TRACK & FIELD

Holly Grove's Patel shines

On Wednesday, April 1, Holly Grove Christian's Druv Patel competed in three events at a multi-team meet at Snow Hill.

Patel, a freshman, finished seventh in the 1600 (5:50.35), eighth in the long jump (15-2), and 10th in the 800 (2:41.12).

GOLF

Vikings split two

On Thursday, April 2, Broadwater Academy fell, 189-208, to Greenbrier Christian at Greenbrier Country Club.

On Tuesday, March 31, Broadwater topped Denbigh Baptist, 224-230, at Kiln Creek Golf Club in Newport News. No individual scores were reported for either match.

High School Sports Schedule April 10 to April 17

FRIDAY, 4/10

Softball

Holly Grove Christian at Arcadia, 4 p.m.
Broadwater at Cape Henry, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Norfolk Christian at Arcadia, 4:30 p.m.
West Point at Nandua, 5:30 p.m.
Delmar at Holly Grove Christian, 4 p.m.

Boys & Girls Golf (Co-ed)

Broadwater at Atlantic Shores 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, 4/11

Track & Field

Arcadia at West Point, 9 a.m.

Baseball

Arcadia at Norview, noon

MONDAY, 4/13

Softball

Arcadia at Parkside, 4 p.m.
Nandua at Mathews, 4:30 p.m.
Salisbury Christian at Chincoteague, 4 p.m.

Baseball

Nandua at Mathews, 4:30 p.m.
Salisbury Christian at Chincoteague, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Arcadia at Nansemond River, 5 p.m.
Nandua at Granby, 6 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Middlesex at Northampton, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 4/14

Girls Soccer

Arcadia at Holly Grove Christian, 4 p.m.

Softball

Northampton at Cape Henry, 4:30 p.m.
Atlantic Shores at Broadwater, 4:30 p.m.
Snow Hill at Chincoteague, 4 p.m.

Baseball

Arcadia at Randolph-Henry, 6 p.m.
Atlantic Shores at Broadwater, 4:30 p.m.
Salisbury Christian at Holly Grove, 4 p.m.

Boys & Girls Golf (Co-ed)

Greenbrier Christian and Denbigh Baptist at
Broadwater, at Bay Creek, 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 4/15

Softball

Nansemond River at Nandua, 4 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Nandua at Mathews, 5 p.m.
Northeastern at Northampton, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 4/16

Track & Field

Broadwater, Chincoteague, Nandua at
Greenbrier Christian, 3 p.m.

Softball

Arcadia at Holly Grove Christian, 4 p.m.
Greenbrier Christian at Broadwater, 4:30 p.m.

Baseball

Greenbrier Christian at Broadwater, 4:30 p.m.
Greenwood Mennonite at Holly Grove, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Nandua at Grassfield, 7 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Concord Christian at Holly Grove, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, 4/17

Baseball

Southampton at Arcadia, 4 p.m.
Northampton at Broadwater, 4 p.m.
Nandua at Menchville, 4:30 p.m.
Lancaster at Chincoteague, 4:30 p.m.

Softball

Southampton at Arcadia, 4 p.m.
Northampton at Broadwater, 4 p.m.
Lancaster at Chincoteague, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Arcadia at Greenville County, 6 p.m.
Nandua at Windsor, 6:30 p.m.
Northampton at Jamestown, 7 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Northampton at Mathews, 6 p.m.
Sussex Central at Nandua, 6 p.m.
Windsor at Arcadia, 6:30 p.m.

*Schedule was accurate at press time
but is always subject to change.*

*Visit <https://tinyurl.com/2s2nzfzf>
to report scores and stats.*

SHORE SWIMMERS COMPETE



COURTESY PHOTO

Almost 800 athletes age 18 and under from YMCAs in Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina competed over four days at the 2026 Upper Southeast Regional YMCA Championships, held March 19 to 22 at Liberty University in Lynchburg. Swimmers have to qualify for this event by meeting demanding time standards while swimming in at least three YMCA meets during the YMCA swim season that ran from October to March. Eastern Shore YMCA qualified six swimmers and five were able to attend. The best performance belonged to Sarah Bentley, who qualified for the finals in the 500-yard freestyle and 100-yard freestyle. Bentley also competed in an exciting swim-off for the 50-yard free when she tied another swimmer (down to the hundredth of a second) for first alternate for those finals. Although she did not win, she set a personal record in the attempt. In the top photo, from left, are Evelyn Clark (12) and Anthony Cuba (9). In the bottom photo, from left, are KJ Bentley (coach), Caroline Bentley (13), Sarah Bentley (18), Taj Dorn (14), and Lucas Elliott (coach).

CHINCOTEAGUE CENTENARIAN HONORED



COURTESY PHOTO

Tom Bentz received a proclamation of recognition from Chincoteague Mayor Denise Bowden. Bentz, a World War II Navy veteran, will be 100 years old on April 19. Bentz has called Chincoteague home for the last 50 years. He was married to his wife for 75 years before her passing and he is still active in tending to his garden, and donating his surplus vegetables to the local food pantry.

Delta Kappa Gamma offering scholarship

The Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, a professional society of women educators promoting excellence in education, is offering four grants-in-aid to female high school seniors, college undergraduates, or graduate students from Accomack and Northampton counties who intend to pursue a career in the field of education.

The grants-in-aid include one \$500 grant, two \$4,000 grants, and one \$5,000 grant.

Applications must be received or postmarked by April 20. Only applications completed in full will be considered.

Applicants may see their respective high school guidance counselors for application forms or contact Norma Jones at 757- 442-7796.

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The ladies of the Accomack Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority celebrated Dr. Bertha Maxwell Roddey Day of Service on March 20.



COURTESY PHOTO
The Accomack Northampton Alumnae Chapter Social Action Committee, led by Terry Bailey, coordinated sorority members giving donations to blessing boxes from Cape Charles to Horntown.

EVENT

Historical society dinner planned

The Worcester County Historical Society is hosting its Spring 2026 General Meeting at the Pocomoke Fire House on Friday, May 8.

The event includes a 5 p.m. social time, 6 p.m. dinner, presentations, and guest speaker Anna Dolle Bushnell, who will share the sweet history behind one of the Eastern Shore’s most beloved candy shops, Dolle’s.

Dinner will be \$35 for members, \$40 for nonmembers, and will consist of chicken, dumplings, and all the fixings.

Bushnell will talk about the origin of the business and the traditions that have defined it for her family in Ocean City, from salt water taffy to boardwalk memories.

There will be a 50/50 raffle and silent auction. If interested in donating to the auction contact Kim-

berly Jones at 443-366-4471.

The ticket deadline is May 1. Checks can be made payable to Worcester County Historical Society and mailed to P.O. Box 111, Snow Hill, MD 21863.

The 2026 Bob and Kathy Fisher Award winner is Nancy Lee Howard. Howard has dedicated her career to public service, community leadership, and coastal development on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. She continues to serve the community through leadership roles on several Worcester County boards and local foundations.

The Worcester County Historical Society encourages the preservation of the history of Worcester County. The society always welcomes new members and is looking for new projects.

EVENT

Drug take back day April 25

For more than a decade, the Drug Enforcement Administration has hosted a biannual event called National Prescription Drug Take Back Day that provides the public with the opportunity to easily and safely dispose of unneeded medications.

Riverside Health, in partnership with local law enforcement and the DEA, is hosting a take back day at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onley on April 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Since the early 1990s, the opioid overdose epidemic has been a growing concern across the country, involving both prescription and illicit opioids.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that last year in the United States, approximately 101,751 people died as a

result of drug poisoning. Of those deaths, 1,900 were reported in Virginia.

“As the opioid epidemic persists, we remain committed to improving the health, safety, and wellness of our communities,” said Dr. Cindy Coffey, retail and specialty pharmacy director at Riverside. “Encouraging the safe disposal of unneeded medications is a crucial step in minimizing the risks of accidental misuse and overdose of these prescriptions.”

At the event, local law enforcement and the DEA will collect tablets, capsules, patches, and other forms of prescription drugs. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. Syringes, sharps, and illicit drugs will not be accepted.

NORTHAMPTON MIDDLE BASEBALL WINS DISTRICT



COURTESY PHOTO
Northampton Middle School won the local district championship recently with a 6-0 season record. Players and coaches include, front row from left, Levi Kindt, Wyatt Brassfield, Andy Lewis, Ayden Robinson, Mason Horner, Severn Nottingham, and Liam Burgess. Pictured in the back row from left are coach Jeb Brady, Chase Brady, Jayden Talbott, Eason Willis, Ben Jones, Ethan Queck, Karson Ward, Augie Henderson, coach Jeff Horner, and head coach Ben Willis.

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Proposed Constitutional Amendment

To be voted on at the April 21, 2026, Special Election

BALLOT QUESTION

Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended to allow the General Assembly to temporarily adopt new congressional districts to restore fairness in the upcoming elections, while ensuring Virginia's standard redistricting process resumes for all future redistricting after the 2030 census?

EXPLANATION FOR VOTERS (Approved by House and Senate Privileges and Elections Committees on February 20, 2026)

Present Law

Virginia's eleven congressional districts are drawn once every ten years by the Virginia Redistricting Commission, a legislative body made up of eight legislators and eight citizens, with an equal number of Republicans and Democrats. Virginia's congressional districts were last redrawn in 2021 and will next be redrawn in 2031.

Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would give the General Assembly the authority to redraw one or more of Virginia's congressional districts before 2031 in limited circumstances. In the event that another state redraws its own congressional districts before 2031, without being ordered by a court to do so, the General Assembly would then be able to redraw Virginia's congressional districts. The General Assembly's power to do so would continue until October 31, 2030, and the Virginia Redistricting Commission would reassume the responsibility of drawing the congressional districts in 2031.

The proposed district map has been approved by the General Assembly and would take effect only if the constitutional amendment is approved by the voters.

A "yes" vote would allow the General Assembly to redraw Virginia's congressional districts, since other states have done so, in addition to giving effect to the proposed district map in time for the 2026 Congressional elections, and return the responsibility of drawing the congressional districts in 2031 to the Virginia Redistricting Commission.

A "no" vote would leave the authority to draw congressional districts with the Virginia Redistricting Commission once a decade and Virginia's current districts would remain in place.

FULL TEXT OF AMENDMENT

[Proposed new language is underlined. Deleted old language is ~~stricken~~.]

ARTICLE II.

Franchise and Officers

Section 6. Apportionment.

Members of the House of Representatives of the United States and members of the Senate and of the House of Delegates of the General Assembly shall be elected from electoral districts established pursuant to this section and Section 6-A of this Constitution. Every electoral district shall be composed of contiguous and compact territory and shall be so constituted as to give, as nearly as is practicable, representation in proportion to the population of the district. Every electoral district shall be drawn in accordance with the requirements of federal and state laws that address racial and ethnic fairness, including the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, and judicial decisions interpreting such laws. Districts shall provide, where practicable, opportunities for racial and ethnic communities to elect candidates of their choice.

The Commonwealth shall be reapportioned into electoral districts in accordance with this section and Section 6-A in the year 2021 and every ten years thereafter, except that the General Assembly shall be authorized to modify one or more congressional districts at any point following the adoption of a decennial reapportionment law, but prior to the next decennial census, in the event that any State of the United States of America conducts a redistricting of such state's congressional districts at any point following that state's adoption of a decennial reapportionment law for any purpose other than (i) the completion of the state's decennial redistricting in response to a federal census and reapportionment mandated by the Constitution of the United States and established in federal law or (ii) as ordered by any state or federal court to remedy an unlawful or unconstitutional district map.

Any such decennial reapportionment law, or reapportionment law modifying one or more congressional districts, shall take effect immediately and not be subject to the limitations contained in Article IV, Section 13, of this Constitution.

The districts delineated in the ~~decennial~~ any reapportionment law shall be implemented for the November general election for the United States House of Representatives, Senate, or House of Delegates, respectively, that is held immediately prior to the expiration of the term being served in the year that the reapportionment law is required to be enacted. A member in office at the time that a decennial redistricting law is enacted shall complete his term of office and shall continue to represent the district from which he was elected for the duration of such term of office so long as he does not move his residence from the district from which he was elected. Any vacancy occurring during such term shall be filled from the same district that elected the member whose vacancy is being filled.

SCHEDULE

Section 6. Application and duration of certain redistricting amendments.

The authorization in Article II, Section 6 authorizing the General Assembly to modify one or more congressional districts at any point following adoption of a decennial reapportionment law in the event that any State of the United States of America conducts a redistricting of such state's congressional districts at any point following that state's adoption of a decennial reapportionment law shall be limited to making such modifications between January 1, 2025, and October 31, 2030, in response to actions taken by another state between January 1, 2025, and October 31, 2030



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Competition launched to reimagine historic town harbor

The town of Cape Charles has announced the launch of the Cape Charles Railroad and Harbor Ideas Competition, a national initiative inviting creative thinkers to help shape the future of its historic waterfront.

The competition seeks innovative and visionary concepts to inform a new master plan that is being developed for the harbor area — once the heart of the town’s railroad and shipping industry along the Chesapeake Bay.

With the decline of rail infrastructure and the rise of remote work in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, Cape Charles is experiencing renewed interest as a vibrant coastal community.

The town is exploring new possibilities for the former railroad and harbor

site. The competition aims to generate forward-thinking ideas that balance historical legacy with contemporary design, while sparking public dialogue about the future of American towns that have evolved beyond their industrial roots.

“This competition is an opportunity to connect Cape Charles’ rich past with its promising future,” said competition organizer James P. Clark. “We’re inviting participants from across the country to help us imagine what comes next.”

The competition is open to individuals ages 12 and older, including students, artists, architects, planners, historians, educators, and anyone with a compelling idea for civic space design.

Participants will compete across three stages:

■ Stage 1: Up to \$10,000 in prize

money will be distributed among selected semifinalists.

■ Stage 2: Five finalists from Stage 2 will receive stipends and professional design and technical support.

■ Stage 3: Cape Charles residents will cast their vote for the People’s Choice for two Honor Awards and three Honorable Mentions.

■ All entrants will be eligible for inclusion in a published competition catalog.

Key dates

■ May 1: Registration opens and materials become available

■ Sept. 18: Stage 1 submissions due

■ Sept. 25: Jury selects semifinalists

■ Oct. 10: Public exhibition during

Cape Charles Fall Festival

■ Spring 2027: Stage 2 submissions and selections

■ Summer 2027: Stage 3 presentations to Town Council

■ September 2027: Public voting for People’s Choice awards.

To participate

Participants must register in advance. Submissions must be in PDF format and submitted electronically.

Stage 1 entries are limited to three pages and must include an abstract of no more than 50 words.

Registration fees are:

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For full details and registration information available starting May 1, 2026, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y6k7ew6b>



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An ANEC member smiles with a plant under his arm on a previous Arbor Day. This year's event will be held Saturday, April 25.

ANEC Arbor Day event is April 25

A&N Electric Cooperative will host its annual Arbor Day and Member Appreciation event Saturday, April 25.

The cooperative will be giving away free seedlings and an assortment of shrubs to help celebrate Arbor Day, in addition to offering a number of demonstrations.

The event will be held at the cooperative's Tasley headquarters.

The seedlings will be given away from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., or while supplies last.

The free seedling giveaway is a part of the coop-

erative's right-of-way program that has achieved a Tree Line USA designation from the Arbor Foundation for several consecutive years.

Tree Line USA, a partnership between the foundation and the National Association of State Foresters, recognizes public and private utilities for pursuing practices that protect and enhance America's urban trees. Tree line USA promotes the dual goals of delivering safe and reliable electricity while maintaining healthy community forests.

For more information, visit anec.com or follow the cooperative on Facebook.

EDUCATION

ESCC names Ockaili as new vice president

Eastern Shore Community College announces the appointment of Ramzi Ockaili as the the vice president of academic and workforce programs.

Serving as interim VP since March 2025, Ockaili took part in interviews for the permanent position this spring and was chosen for the role.

Ockaili brings more than 25 years of distinguished experience in higher education, teaching, leadership, and research.



Ramzi Ockaili

He served as the department chair of anatomy and physiology and biology at Reynolds Community College and has an extensive background in faculty development, student mentoring, curriculum innovation, and institutional effectiveness.

Throughout his career, he has demonstrated a strong commitment to academic excellence, innovative teaching, and supporting students and faculty alike.

Ockaili holds a bachelor's degree in biology from the American University of Beirut, a master's degree and a Ph.D. in physiology from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a post-baccalaureate graduate certificate in medical education from VCU's School of Education. He also completed his postdoctoral training in the department of internal medicine, division of cardiology, at VCU.

With deep knowledge of the Virginia Community College System and a strong record of innovation and partnership, his strategic vision aligns with ESCC's mission and will continue to be essential in guiding the college's goals under the leadership of President Daryl Minus.

In his year as interim, Ockaili has been instrumental in guiding growth both in academic and workforce programming at the college. In addition to leading ESCC faculty, he has worked to prepare the college for the launch of its new engineering program for fall 2026.

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Eastern Shore Rail to Trail Project: Melfa to Onley Segment Accomack County

Find out about the proposed plans to convert a portion of the former Bay Coast Railroad into a 10-foot-wide, bi-directional shared-use path between Melfa and Onley in Accomack County as part of the Eastern Shore Rail to Trail projects. The proposed project includes constructing a 4.2-mile segment of the trail beginning at the intersection of Route 13 (Lankford Highway) and Route 1420 (Parkway Road) in Melfa and extending north to Route 789 (East Main Street) in Onley. Additional improvements include six paved, unsignalized roadway crossings; three new shared-use path crossings at Main Street (Route 626), Philips Drive (Route 639) and East Main Street; a pedestrian crossing at Route 13 and Parkway Road; signal modifications to add pedestrian signal phases at Route 13 and Parkway Road in Melfa and at Route 13 and Main Street in Onley; evaluation of pedestrian lighting conditions at the Parkway Road intersection; the addition of two new northbound right-turn lanes on Route 13 at Philips Drive and Main Street; and construction of a bus stop, trailhead and parking lot within the railroad corridor right-of-way just south of East Main Street in Onley.

Review the project information and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document in the form of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) at VDOT's Hampton Roads District Office located at 7511 Burbage Drive, Suffolk, VA 23435, 757-956-3272, TTY/TDD 711. You can also review the project information at VDOT's Accomac Residency Office located at 23096 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia 23301, 757-956-3272. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions.

If your concerns cannot be satisfied, VDOT is willing to hold a public hearing. You may request that a public hearing be held by sending a written request to Mr. Wali Zaman, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation, 7511 Burbage Drive, Suffolk, VA 23435, on or prior to **April 27, 2026**. If a request for a public hearing is received, notice of date, time and place of the hearing will be posted.

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Food assistance grants open

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is accepting applications for the Virginia Agriculture Food Assistance Program.

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Applications should be submitted to VDACS by 5 p.m. on May 5. A total of \$1.1 million in reimbursable funding is available for this grant round.

Applicants should outline a plan to engage local farmers to purchase locally grown, minimally processed agricultural products, and how the food items will be distributed to individuals needing food assistance. To receive grant funding, an organization must clearly demonstrate how the project will benefit people and families in Virginia who

are food insecure.

"The Virginia Agriculture Food Assistance Program helps provide nutritious food to individuals and families who might otherwise lack access, while also supporting local agriculture and the regional community," said VDACS Commissioner Charles Green. "Virginia farmers and agribusinesses are compensated for harvesting, packaging, processing, or transporting agriculture products donated or sold to food assistance organizations, which provides these entities with additional food resources to serve those in need."

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Developer reduces size of plan, but speakers remain wary

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

A developer has pared down his proposal to build a community of homes west of the Shore Plaza shopping center in Exmore, but many speakers at a meeting continue to fear its impacts on traffic, services, and the local way of life.

Chris Carbaugh, of Atlantic Group and Associates, spoke at Exmore’s planning commission meeting Tuesday, April 7, about his newest proposal, which would build 220 homes in a planned unit development, or PUD.

Exmore Town Council would have to approve Carbaugh’s application for the PUD, which is a zoning tool allowing for higher density and development flexibility.

Carbaugh’s original proposal was for 870 units and then it was down-

sized to 730, both to be completed in several phases, before shrinking to 220.

“This is the most affordable project we can bring into a development setting,” Carbaugh said. “We tried to do something we think would fit into the community.”

The 220-unit development would include a pool, clubhouse, sidewalks, street lighting, and more on Occohan-nock Neck Road in Exmore.

Prices would range from about \$250,000 to the low \$300,000 range by his own estimate, although he said construction costs are difficult to predict and could change.

Units would range from 900 square feet to 1,500 square feet.

Carbaugh predicted the project would take as long as seven years to complete fully once construction starts.

Carbaugh said there is a need for

more housing in Northampton County and that at the time of his presentation, there were only 10 homes in Northampton County listed on the market under \$350,000, according to the local real estate multiple listing service.

He also said that teachers, medical professionals, and others often avoid moving to the Eastern Shore for work because of the lack of housing.

Carbaugh’s latest proposal again was met with heavy opposition from members of the public, many of whom spoke at the meeting voicing their concerns.

Among these concerns is a need to rewrite or update Exmore’s comprehensive plan. Speakers also were concerned that schools, area health care providers, and traffic infrastructure would be overburdened with the additional homes, among other concerns.

Speakers also said the issue involveds more than just Exmore and

the proposed development also would impact surrounding areas.

Exmore resident Heather Kinneer, who said she previously had taught at the Northampton Middle and High School facility, said the school system can not handle the students it already has.

“It’s a terrible place,” she said. “These students are suffering right now.”

Carbaugh said he has spoken to officials at Northampton County Public Schools and Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital who said they have staffing issues due to lack of housing and would like to see more of it.

The town’s planning commission voted for the town council to review the comprehensive plan before continuing work on the matter. Exmore’s comprehensive plan last was updated 11 years ago — the state suggests five-year updates — and does not include a provision for PUD projects.



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Broadwater's Locklear wins Ariz. enduro event

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY

Eastern Shore Post

MacK Locklear, who spells his first name with a capital “K” at the end, started riding motorized dirt bikes when he was just 4 years old growing up in Florida.

The Broadwater Academy sophomore always had wanted to race growing up, but his mother worked as an emergency room nurse and had seen and heard of plenty of motocross injuries.

So his parents, Alex and Randy Locklear, steered him toward the sport of enduro from an early age.

“A lot of people don’t understand it,” the younger Locklear said of hard enduro, a sport in which riders compete on grueling courses with tough obstacles for of up to five hours.

Hard enduro races are won by the rider who either completes a designated number of laps of a course or is leading when the time expires — typically 3 to 4 hours.

Courses usually contain obstacles so difficult that many competitors cannot cross them and forfeit the race entirely. When Locklear first competed, that was often the case.

He grew up in the panhandle of Florida and he and his family moved to the Eastern Shore two years ago. He never lived in a place with rocky features or hills, so he had to practice them in different ways.

Locklear’s parents frequently take him to different areas to practice his sport. On the Eastern Shore, he’ll make courses himself out of logs and tractor tires to practice.

He competes in the AMA National Hard Enduro Championship’s “Schoolboy B” class with his Husqvarna TE 250, a purpose-built, two-stroke dirt bike.

His first event of the season was in Page, Ariz., where Locklear won his class. The next event he will compete in is in North Carolina in May.

The Locklears moved to the East-



Above, MacK Locklear, who spells his first name with a capital “K” at the end, jumps his motocross bike at a recent event in Arizona. At left, Locklear won his first event of the year in Arizona, competing in the AMA National Hard Enduro Championship’s “Schoolboy B” class with his Husqvarna TE 250, a purpose-built, two-stroke dirt bike.

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ern Shore to be closer to family living in Hampton Roads, but they needed more space than an urban or suburban setting.

Locklear’s sister, Susanna, a senior at Broadwater, competes in show jumping competitions, in which a rider and horse navigate courses that demonstrate speed and agility.

“None of us could live in a neigh-

borhood,” their mother, Alex, said.

Alex Locklear also said the hard enduro community is very welcoming and she enjoys seeing her son meet people at events that he’s watched online for years.

Her son hopes to continue competing in hard enduro in the future and is looking forward to graduating from competing in youth-designated classes to competing against riders

he looks up to.

Following what he loves doing requires a lot of commitment and hard work.

He works out at Broadwater’s weight room after school and drives cross country with his father to go to events, but to him, it’s more than worth it.

“I just want to ride — it’s my dream,” he said.

Letters

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power after each decennial census. It helped ensure that the number of representatives elected to all these seats would roughly reflect the balance of supporters of the two main political parties.

Most Republicans and independents supported the measure because the Democrats, who controlled both houses of the Virginia legislature as well as the governorship at the time, could easily have gerrymandered the state. That would have made it very difficult for Republicans to win back either the Virginia House of Delegates or Senate or to win more than one or two federal House seats. However, many Democrats also joined the Republicans (the state Senate voted for it unanimously) to approve the new system in our constitution, because it seemed the fair and democratic thing to do.

The system worked as intended on the state level. While hardly a “shin-

ing beacon” that our first president (who adamantly opposed giving political parties a role in government) would have approved, it did make the process much more democratic.

For voters who wished to end gerrymandering in federal elections, however, the system turned out to be a mistake. Why? Because in federal elections, Virginia can only control Virginia. After the 2020 census, nine Democrat-controlled states with a total of 143 seats in the House had implemented bipartisan or nonpartisan redistricting systems, but only two small Republican-controlled states (with a total of 4 safely Republican seats) did so.

In fact, the Republican Party went the other way, doubling down on gerrymandering in order to win back and retain control of the House of Representatives. Then, in 2025, Texas and other red states took the unprecedented step of redistricting in the middle of the decade, using AI and sophisticated algorithms to create super-gerrymanders. Metaphorically, the Democratic states had unilaterally disarmed, while

the red states stepped up their production of nuclear weapons.

Platitudes and hyperbole about “fairness” or what George Washington might have thought aside, what the Republican states did was legal and predictable.

It was part of a well-documented strategy to gerrymander states where Republicans controlled the redistricting process to ensure they would control the state and federal legislatures even if they got a minority of the votes.

I voted “yes” on the redistricting amendment, because I support the bipartisan commission as a vast improvement over our previous methods of drawing state legislative districts.

The redistricting amendment does not change that system at all. However, I also support the amendment because I do not believe in unilateral disarmament in federal elections.

We should not use a nonpartisan or bipartisan system to draw our Congressional districts if all the Republican-controlled states use a gerrymandering system.

By ignoring what other states do, we only encourage red state gerrymandering. For those who truly wish to end gerrymandering in the United States, a focus only on Virginia will not advance our goal.

So what is the answer? Our state legislators from both parties should reach out to other states to form multi-state compacts to amend their constitutions to create systems similar to Virginia’s. California could do a deal with Texas. Virginia and Maryland could do a deal with North Carolina and South Carolina.

Slowly but surely, gerrymandering by both parties could be eliminated across the country. But no one will talk to us if we remain unilaterally disarmed. The redistricting amendment gives us until 2032 to find some states to partner with before our system reverts back to the bipartisan approach. Let’s pass the amendment and get to work eliminating gerrymandering in all federal elections.

David Felt
Greenbackville



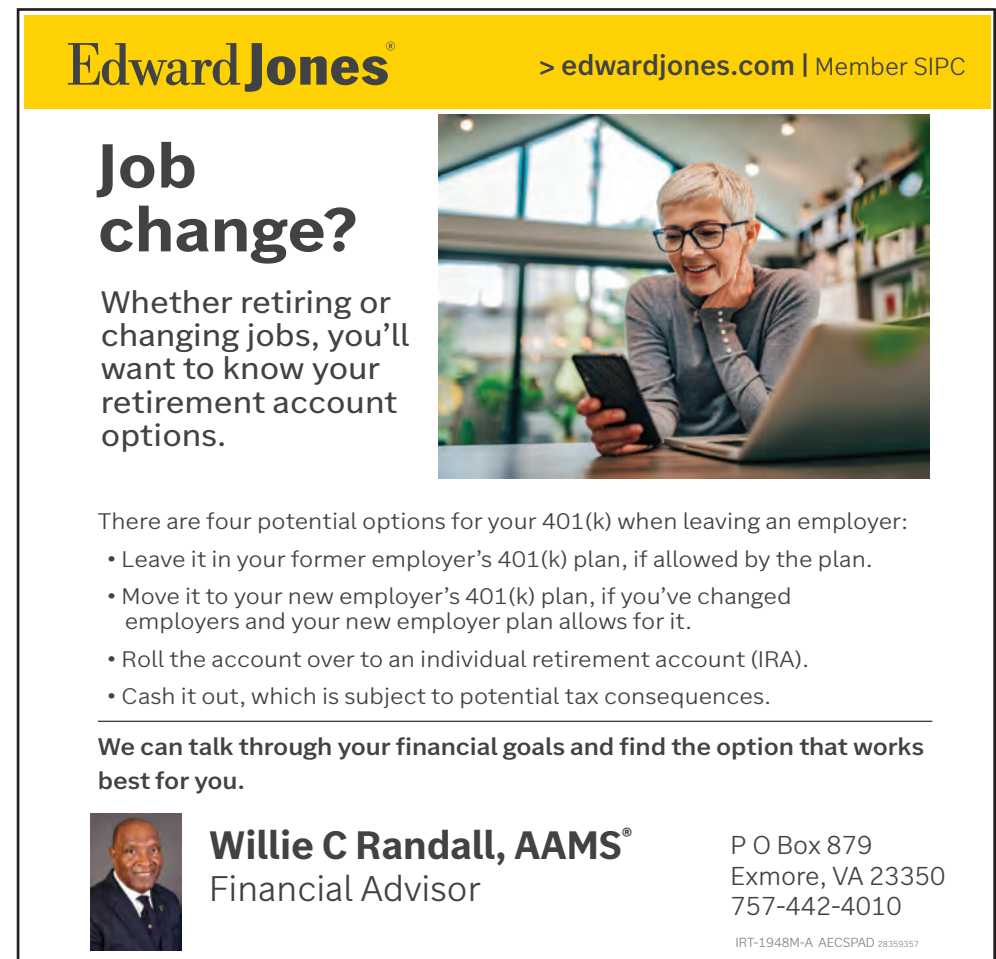
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Kiptopeke celebrates Earth Week

Virginia State Parks will celebrate Earth Day not only on April 22, but from April 17 through 26 to allow more time for visitors to engage in activities and enjoy more time outside this spring.

All locations will host a variety of special programs and activities that spotlight conservation and sustainable living.

On Saturday, April 18, Kiptopeke State Park is hosting Preserve the Beauty from 9 to 11 a.m. The event is a service project that will allow the community to help beautify the Big Water Visitors Center. Park rangers and volunteers will be weeding, cleaning out flower beds, and planting native species.

Volunteers should bring gloves and dress to get messy.

Park cleanups make a real difference for the environment as well as the animals that rely on these protected spaces.

Earth Day's 2026 theme, Planet vs. Plastics, calls attention to the global push to reduce plastic consumption and its impact on ecosystems and people.

Find more Earth Week events at <https://tinyurl.com/yzeswxvj>

"Virginia State Parks provide meaningful, hands-on opportunities for visitors to experience conservation in action and understand how it shapes the environment we depend on," said Chief of Education and Interpretation Katie

Shepard. "We hope you'll join us outdoors for some fun while making a lasting, positive impact on our planet."

Virginia State Parks are managed by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. For more information visit www.virginiastateparks.gov

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Fence

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U.S. Route 13 indicate that a vehicle was traveling north before crossing the median into the southbound lane.

Entering Taylor's front yard, the tire marks end — the vehicle must have been airborne for 20 yards or so after it vaulted off the highway and over a low shoulder.

But deep wheel tracks abruptly begin again where the vehicle returned to earth in Taylor's front yard.

The vehicle made a direct hit on Taylor's fence, smashing through two sides of it — entering and exiting — and strewing fiberglass planks and pickets as it proceeded.

At this point, the driver decided to vacate the premises, wheel tracks show.

Taylor's side yard was wet and the wheel tracks cut gullies through the grass back to the highway.

There were clues left at the scene — a car door handle and side mirror cap amid the rubble of the broken fence.

By his own reckoning, Taylor said the fence will likely be at least \$5,000 to fix, not including the damage to his front and side yard.

The impact also damaged other portions of the

'I thought fiberglass fences would last forever, but I guess I was fooled.'

Billy Taylor, Oak Hall resident, after a wayward driver vaulted off U.S. Route 13 and drove through his \$12,000 fiberglass fence

fence that were not directly hit by the vehicle. Some of it was leaning a bit.

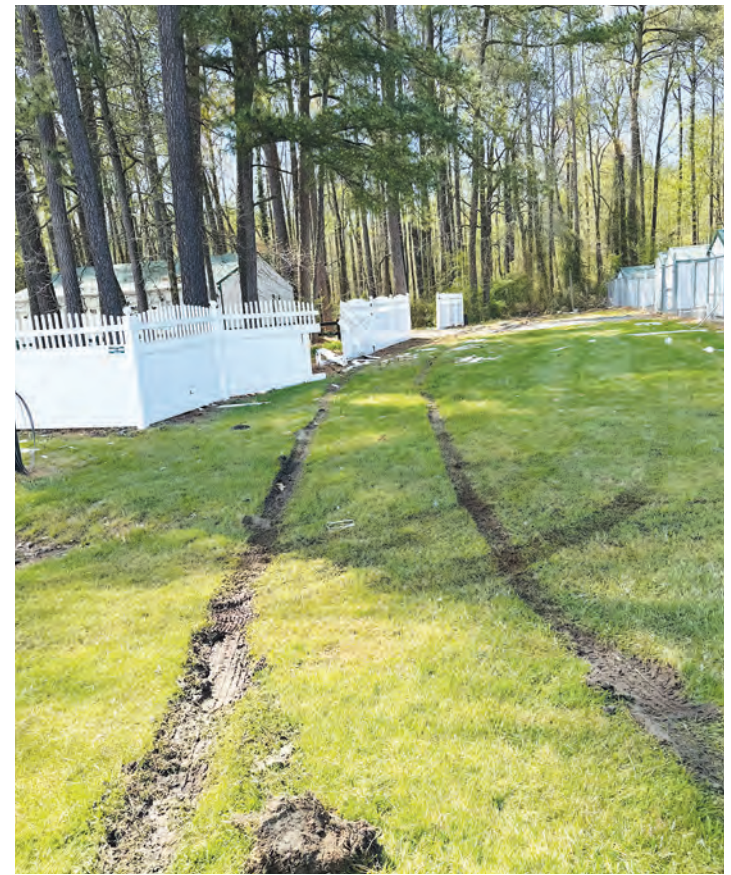
Taylor reported the crash to law enforcement, which is investigating the incident.

Anyone noticing a vehicle caked with dirt and grass, speckled with fiberglass fence shards, and in drastic need of a front-end alignment can contact Taylor or a nearby law enforcement officer.

Taylor owns the storage facility next-door to his home and has always made an effort to keep things around his home and storage facility neat and presentable.

That's part of why he bought a fiberglass fence in the first place. He knew it would look nice, need little maintenance, and stand the test of time.

"I thought fiberglass fences would last forever, but I guess I was fooled," he said.



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Wheel tracks mark the spot where a wayward U.S. Route 13 vehicle drove through Billy Taylor's fence in Oak Hall.

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Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications
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FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN

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

Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements and application form at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings or an application can be obtained through the Human Resources office.

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

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Deputy Director of Human Resources
F/T position with benefits / Open Until Filled
Starting Salary: \$81,207 to \$105,567 (based on experience)

Accomack County is currently recruiting for the position of Deputy Director of Human Resources.

This position is responsible for the County's human resources functions, developing and maintaining clear, consistent, and transparent policies and practices. The Deputy Director of Human Resources supports key areas including, employee relations, recruitment and retention, compensation, and benefits, organizational development, and workforce development.

Bachelor's degree in Human Resources, Public Administration, or a related field preferred; an equivalent combination of relevant education, training, and experience will be considered. Current PHR and/or SHRM certification and a minimum of five (5) years of progressively responsible Human Resources experience required. Experience using and implementing HR modules within ERP systems, including leave management.

Excellent benefits package includes participation in the Virginia Retirement System, vacation, sick leave, life insurance, health insurance, and professional development expenses.

Applications can be obtained from the County's website: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>. Review of applications will begin on Thursday, April 23, 2026.

For questions, or to request accommodation, please contact: Human Resources, 757-787-5710 or AskHR@co.accomack.va.us.

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to an inclusive and diverse workforce.*

PART-TIME GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER

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

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

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

Help Wanted

SUMMER CAMP COUNSELOR

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JOB SUMMARY:

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- Manage group dynamics and utilize behavior management techniques when necessary.
- Maintain cleanliness and organization of camp facilities and equipment.
- Participate in training sessions to enhance skills in childcare or related fields.
- Demonstrate reliability, punctuality, and effective time management while working scheduled shifts.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience working with children in childcare, daycare, or similar settings.
- Ability to work well with children and create a positive, engaging environment.
- Must be able to work in various weather and working conditions.
- Strong communication skills and attention to detail.
- Must possess good time management skills and be dependable in reporting to scheduled shifts on time.
- Must be able to swim.

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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TOWN OF ONLEY PART-TIME CLERK

The Town of Onley is accepting applications for a Part-Time Clerk (20-25 hours per week).

A complete job description and application are available at www.townofonley.org

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Applications will be received at the Onley Town Office, 25308 Lankford Highway, Onley, VA 23418.

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OPEN POSITIONS AT THE EXPERIMENT STATION RESEARCH SPECIALIST SR. (JOB #535926)

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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS TWO FULL-TIME & ONE PART-TIME

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for Communications Officers — two full-time and one part-time. Job requires 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.

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/yezesa6ra> for further position descriptions. Please submit a completed County application with cover letter to Human Resources. **Positions open until filled.**

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Building & Facilities Technician

F/T position with benefits

Open Until Filled | Starting Salary: \$32,136 - \$39,446
(based on experience)

Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Building & Facilities Technician in the Public Works Department.

Description: The position is responsible for performing the general upkeep of the County's facilities, to include building and grounds maintenance, custodial, and litter control functions. *Applicants must be able to work weekends and holidays. Attendants may be assigned to any location within the County.*

Minimum qualifications: A high school diploma or GED is preferred. Position requires a valid Virginia Driver's License. The satisfactory completion of a background check, medical exam (including drug screening), and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. DMV records check will be performed annually thereafter.

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

Review of applications will begin on Thursday, April 16, 2026.

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Help Wanted

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Environmental Planner/Inspector I
Full-time position with benefits
Open Until Filled | Starting Salary: \$43,066 - \$55,984
(based on experience)

The County of Accomack is seeking a detailed-oriented and motivated Environmental Planner or Permit Specialist to join our Environmental Programs Division. The successful candidate will play a key role in review of plans, issuance of permits, and inspections of sites to assure compliance with County ordinances and state law in both office and field work. The position will be responsible for correspondence with contractors, developers, engineers, and property owners regarding permitting compliance. The candidate should be able to exercise analytical judgment, act in accordance with regulation, policies, and procedures, and implement decisions in accordance with regulations, policies, and procedures.

Minimum qualifications: Associate degree with course work in drafting, surveying, engineering, planning, landscape architecture, project management, or related field; supplemented by one (1) to three (3) years of relevant experience and/or training; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience.

Preferred qualifications: Bachelor's or Master's degree with major concentration in civil engineering, environmental science, or related field, supplemented by five (5) years previous experience or any equivalent combination of acceptable education and experience determined to be sufficient to perform the essential functions listed above. Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) Program Administrator, Stormwater (SWM) Program Administrator, ESC Inspector, and SWM Inspector certification required. If not certified, the ability to obtain this certification within 18 months of employment is required. The incumbent shall maintain this certification and participate in additional/ongoing training as mandated by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. Basic computer hardware and software proficiency. Possession of a valid driver's license. Satisfactory completion of a background check, DMV records check, and drug screening prior to employment. Annual DMV records check thereafter.

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

Electronic applications are preferred. **The position is open until filled, with the review of applications beginning on Thursday, April 23, 2026.**

If you require a paper application, have questions, or need to request accommodation, please contact: Human Resources, 757-787-5705 or AskHR@co.accomack.va.us

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ENGINEERING ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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

Eastern Shore Community College is seeking part-time engineering adjunct instructors.

The adjunct faculty member is responsible for teaching courses for which he/she has specific training or competence. Plans, organizes, teaches, and provides feedback to students to promote and direct learning in the classroom, while serving students with a wide variety of academic backgrounds and experiences. Engages students outside of class via office hours and provides thorough, timely, and effective feedback to students regarding the mastery of course and program learning outcomes.

Required qualifications: Master's degree in engineering or a Master's with 18 graduate semester hours in engineering. Ability to communicate effectively in an electronic format.

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WELDING ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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

Eastern Shore Community College is seeking part-time welding adjunct instructors.

The adjunct faculty member is responsible for teaching courses for which he/she has specific training or competence. Plans, organizes, teaches, and provides feedback to students to promote and direct learning in the classroom, while serving students with a wide variety of academic backgrounds and experiences. Engages students outside of class via office hours and provides thorough, timely, and effective feedback to students regarding the mastery of course and program learning outcomes.

Required qualifications: High school diploma or equivalent, preferably an associate degree or equivalent in welding, five years of current occupational experience, ability to communicate effectively in an electronic format, and demonstrated potential in teaching effectiveness.

ESCC is seeking applications for this part-time position. For additional details, qualifications, and the application process, please visit: <https://jobs.vccs.edu/postings/94374>

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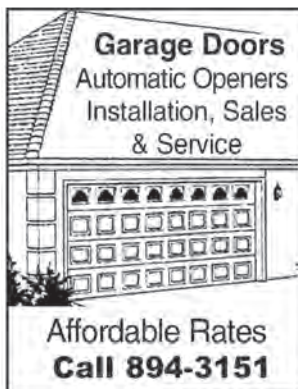
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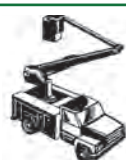
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TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cape Charles Town Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive public comment on the following:

A. Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 2026-01: application from the Town of Cape Charles to amend Town Code Chapter 32, Article VII (Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Overlay District) and related updates to Appendix A (Definitions) and Appendix C (Site Plan Ordinance) to ensure the ordinance complies with state law regarding the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act.

The Town Council will hold its regular meeting immediately following the public hearing to review and vote on the application. The application and supporting documents are available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org under *Agendas and Minutes / Upcoming Meetings*.

Please contact the Zoning Administrator, Katie Nunez, at 757-332-2036 or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or need additional information. Anyone interested in attending and requiring special assistance should contact the Town at least 48 hours before the hearing.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION VARIOUS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority (A-NRHA) and the Eastern Shore of Virginia Housing Alliance (ESVHA) are seeking letters of interest in the following property management service provision.

Letters may be submitted for the full portfolio OR for individual properties. The full portfolio is preferred. The Agencies reserve the right to negotiate with multiple providers and make partial awards to ensure the best service for each location.

Interested individuals or companies can provide information for any or all of the following services of interest.

Services of interest include:

1. On-call maintenance and repair, and preventive maintenance
2. On-call property management including collecting of rents, security deposits, inspection of units and common areas, utility service and purchases
3. Reporting, eligibility of residents, compliance of residents
4. Units turns, including painting and cleaning

All provision of services require compliance with federal, state and local laws prohibiting discrimination in housing.

A letter of interest addressing the Request for Information Components, as itemized in the full packet Request for Information located at www.esvaplan.org/rfi/, will be received until 3:00 PM, Friday, April 24, 2026, local prevailing time at the offices of the:

A-NRHA / ESVHA
The Enterprise Building
23372 Front Street
P.O. Box 387
Accomac, VA 23301

To be considered, mailed RFIs must be post-marked in adequate time to reach the address named above by the above deadline. Unless canceled or rejected, the RFI will be evaluated and interviews will be held with prospective service providers. Negotiation for service contracts may follow.

Please call (757) 787-2936, ext: 118, Eric Horito, Director of Housing Development, with any questions.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL POCOMOKE CITY

Pursuant to Chapter 230 of the Code of Pocomoke City, Maryland, the Mayor and Council will conduct a public hearing on **MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026 AT 6:30PM** to receive public comment on a proposed zoning map amendment from B-2 General Business to the Planned Residential Development (PRD) to construct 15-unit apartments at 0 Old Virginia Road, Tax Map 402, Grid 11, Parcel 1606. The zoning map amendment request is from M-1 Industrial and B-2 General Business Filed by Cypress Grove LLC, also known as Miles and Maine Property Group.

A copy of the zoning map amendment request and supporting documents may be available for viewing at the Pocomoke City Hall, 101 Clarke Avenue, Pocomoke City, MD 21851. Written comments may be addressed to: City Manager, P.O. Box 29, Pocomoke City, MD 21851.

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.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 26-336

vs.

The heirs and devisees of EVA B. COOPER, et als, etc.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as tax map numbers 005A40100224900, 005A50400001400, and 005A50400011300.

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 Eva B. Cooper, Russell Cooper, Adele Jones, Rachel Edwards, Maude Rogers, Roy J. Evans, Barbara A. Evans, the heirs of Huntley Ann Cole, Faye Becraft, Matthew Carson, and David Carson appear on or before May 22, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 23rd day of March, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 26-338

vs.

The heirs and devisees of ISABELL L. PARKS, et als, etc.
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as tax map number 062A1A000027500.

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 Isabell L. Parks (also known as Isabell Lee Thorne Parks), the heirs of Owen Ashton Parks Jr., the heirs of David Wayne Parks, the heirs of Jeffrey Lynn Parks, the heirs of Hugh James Parks, the heirs of Rosa Lee Parks, Carey Cline, Jamie Parks, Paul Parks, Marie O. Parks, Carli M. Piech, Michael J. Parks, and Stephen Parks appear on or before May 22, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

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POCOMOKE CITY, MARYLAND LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, April 20, 2026, the Pocomoke City Mayor and Council will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Clarke Avenue, Pocomoke City, Maryland 21851. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input on Resolution No. 2026-R-10: A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City Approving the Abatement of Certain Property Taxes for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Public testimony is encouraged.

The summary is as follows:

The Pocomoke City Council considered the following list of properties for the abatement of taxes. The following is a list of real properties being considered for abatement of taxes. The Bypass Road, Ocean Highway, and Taylor Avenue properties do not receive all City services. The Cypress Knee property is located on Market Street Extended (near Buchanan). They were given annexation, tax-free until the property is developed. The Byrd Road, Jenkins Orchard Road, and Adkins Farm Lane properties are small sections used to run the sewer line to the YMCA. The Unionville Road property was annexed into the City for the new well but was not purchased by the City. These taxes have been abated by the City for the past several years.

The Resolution may be viewed at City Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or viewed online at <https://www.cityofpocomoke.com/public-hearing-and-legal-notice>

If approved, this resolution will take effect July 1, 2026.

By Authority of the Mayor and City Council of Pocomoke City

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 26-339

vs.

MATTHEW S. SWEENEY, et als, etc.
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as tax map number 08000A0000003A0.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Matthew S. Sweeney, Elizabeth Christian, Margie H. Young, if living, or the heirs of Margie H. Young, the heirs of Samuel C. Young, the heirs of William T. Young, the heirs of Benjamin F. Young, the heirs of Clarence D. Young, the heirs of John S. Young, the heirs of Nancy L. Young, the heirs of Etta C. Young, the heirs of Dora S. Young, the heirs of Ida M. Young, the heirs of Benjamin F. Young Jr., and the heirs of Kate Young Mitchell appear on or before May 22, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

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TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cape Charles Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 14th, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive public comment on the following:

A. Application from Brad and Kimberly Goldstein for a variance from Accawmacke Plantation Planned Unit Development Section 9.17 and Town Code Chapter 32, Article VII, Section 32-186 (Development Criteria for Resource Protection Areas), to allow for a patio to encroach into the Resource Protection Area (RPA). The variance application is authorized pursuant to Town Code Chapter 32, Article II, Sections 32-42 and 32-43. This property is located in the PUD-R2 District of Bay Creek.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a meeting immediately following the public hearing to consider the application. The application and supporting documentation are available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org under *Agendas and Minutes > Upcoming Meetings*.

Please contact the Zoning Administrator, Katie Nunez, at (757)-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information. Anyone interested in attending and needing special assistance, please contact the Town at least 48 hours before the hearing.

TRUSTEE'S SALE 23062 CEDAR CREEK ROAD, ONANCOCK, VA 23417

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated September 4, 2003, in the original principal amount of \$103,640.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia, as Instrument No. 200306462, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on June 5, 2026, at 2:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE NEAR ONANCOCK, LEE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, BEING DESIGNATED LOT B-1-2, CONTAINING 3.176 ACRES, AS SHOWN ON A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY CAPTIONED "COMPILED PLAT OF VERNE M. MCGREW & MARGARET I. MCGREW, BEING PARCELS B-1 THRU B-9 POPULAR COVE, LEE DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VA," DATED FEBRUARY 26, 1995, AND REVISED AUGUST 1, 1993, AND MADE BY EASTERN SHORE SURVEYORS, LTD., WHICH PLAT IS RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK IN PLAT BOOK 95, AT PAGE 162.

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.aldridgepate.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.aldridgepate.com

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Town of Cape Charles is inviting bids for construction of three handicap ramps on Mason Avenue. Bids will be received in the Town Hall, 412 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310, or via email to bob.panek@capecharles.org, until 11:00 AM local prevailing time on April 23, 2026, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

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

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE 23437 SAXIS ROAD, SANFORD, VA 23426

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated June 11, 2024, and recorded at June 11, 2024, in Instrument Number 240001886 in the Clerk's Office for the Accomack County Virginia Circuit Court, Virginia, securing a loan which was originally \$110,500.00, the appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC, will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Accomack County Circuit Court, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301

May 08, 2026 at 3:00 PM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of the following described property, to wit:

Description: All that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the Village of Sanford, Atlantic Magisterial District Accomack County, Virginia, containing 1.05 acres all as shown on a certain plat of survey entitled "Plat of Survey Parcel of Land Surveyed at the Request of Carroll Lee Marshall. Located in Sanford, Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia," made by Shore Engineering Co., Inc., dated August 12, 2003, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack in Instr #200306633, and reference is hereby made to said plat for a more particular description of the property herein conveyed.

AND as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold "AS IS," WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of \$20,000 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required at the time of sale, in the form of certified check, cashier's check, or money order by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee's fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, whether incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes or any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the seller's attorneys at settlement, a fee of \$470.00 for review of the settlement documents.

Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale, and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustees a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT
Rosenberg & Associates, LLC
(Attorney for the Secured Party)
4340 East West Highway, Suite 600
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-907-8000
www.rosenberg-assoc.com

TRUSTEE'S SALE 18336 JUSTISVILLE ROAD, PARKSLEY, VA 23421

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated April 7, 2025, in the original principal amount of \$96,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 250001267, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on June 5, 2026, at 2:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN METOMPKIN DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, ON THE WEST LINE OF STATE ROUTE 675, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF ROUTE 675, WHICH POINT OF BEGINNING IS FIFTEEN FEET (15 FT.) FROM THE CENTER LINE OF SAID ROUTE ON A CALL OF SOUTH 30° 36' 00" EAST FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING TO SAID CENTER OF THE ROAD AND WHICH CENTER POINT OF ROUTE 675 IS SITUATE 689.6 FEET FROM THE CENTER LINE OF ROUTE 669 AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH ROUTE 675 ON A CALL OF SOUTH 59° 24' 00" WEST, AND FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING NORTH 30° 36' 00" WEST 300 FEET TO A POINT ON THE LINE OF REMAINING LAND OF BESSIE P. EWELL, THENCE NORTH 59° 24' 00" EAST 100 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL CONSTITUTES THE EAST ONE-HALF (1/2) OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED BY PLAT OF SURVEY BY GEORGE E. WALTER JR., C.L.S., DATED JUNE 11, 1981, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED TO A CERTAIN DEED OF PARTIAL RELEASE BY AND BETWEEN ROBERT E. KANE JR., TRUSTEE, AND ROY A. EWELL, ET UX, RECORDED FEBRUARY 24, 1983, IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A FULL DESCRIPTION.

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

Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Virginia Pre-Sale Department of counsel for Equity Trustees, LLC at 301-961-6555, website: www.aldridgepite.com

POCOMOKE CITY, MARYLAND LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, April 20, 2026, the Pocomoke City Mayor and Council will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Clarke Avenue, Pocomoke City, Maryland 21851. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input on Resolution No. 2026-R-9: A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City, Maryland, setting the Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Public testimony is encouraged.

The tax rates are as follows:

The tax rates be and the same are hereby levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) worth of property as assessed, in accordance with the following schedule of property classifications: Real Property-owner occupied residential (\$0.9375), Real Property-other (\$1.1311), Personal Property (\$2.00), Railroads (\$2.00), Public Utilities (\$2.40), Ordinary Business Corporations (Excluding Manufactured Inventory and the First \$125,000.00 of Commercial Assessed Inventory) (\$2.00), Equipment Used in Manufacturing Process (\$1.00).

The Resolution may be viewed at City Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or viewed online at <https://www.cityofpocomoke.com/public-hearing-and-legal-notice>

If approved, this resolution will take effect July 1, 2026.

By Authority of the Mayor and City Council of Pocomoke City

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 26-302
vs.

The heirs and devisees of
RICHARD ELLISON, deceased, et als.
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent real estate taxes on tax map number 062A3A000000500.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Richard Ellison appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before June 2, 2026.

Enter this 2nd day of April, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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

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Legal Ads

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet and conduct public hearings on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to conduct regular business and review the following applications to forward recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

Minor SUP 2026-03: Walker Brothers, LLC (property owner) and Ellen Walker (applicant) are applying for a minor special use permit to construct a guest house, a more intensive use requiring a special use permit in the Agriculture/Rural Business (A/RB) zoning district. The property is located at 2199 Morleys Wharf Road, Exmore, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 3-A-14.

Major SUP 2026-04: Birdsnest Inn, LLC and Katherine Campbell are applying for a major special use permit to renovate and expand an existing school building into an inn & restaurant, uses requiring a special use permit in the Hamlet/Residential (H/R) zoning district. The property is located at 9181 Birdsnest Drive, Birdsnest, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 31-A-76.

Minor SUP 2026-05: Raquel T. Hall is applying for a minor special use permit for a Single-Wide Mobile Home, a use requiring a special use permit in the Village/Residential (V/R) zoning district. The property is located on Bayside Road, Exmore, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 15E-1-B-5.

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

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

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

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

NOTICE OF TAKING PROOF OF DEBTS AND DEMANDS OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD E. LEWIS

At the request of John P. Custis, Executor of the Estate of Richard E. Lewis, I have fixed Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 11:00 AM as the time and the office of Robert G. Turner, 23328 Wise Court, Accomack, VA 23301 as the place, for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate.

Given under my hand this 1st day of April, 2026.

Robert G. Turner
Assistant Commissioner of Accounts
Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia

TRUSTEE'S SALE

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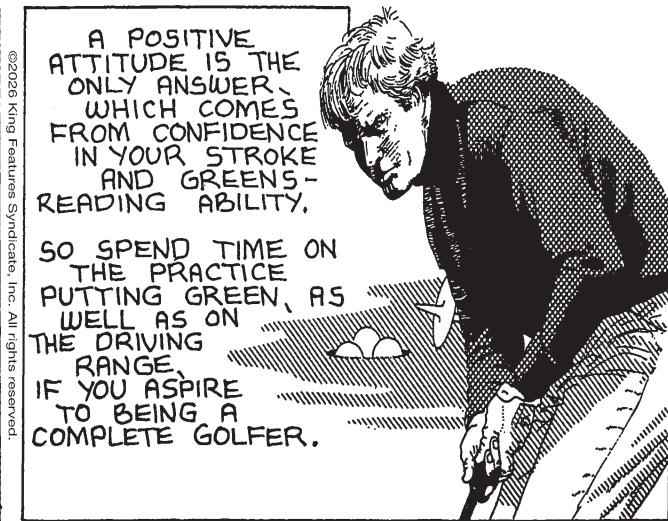
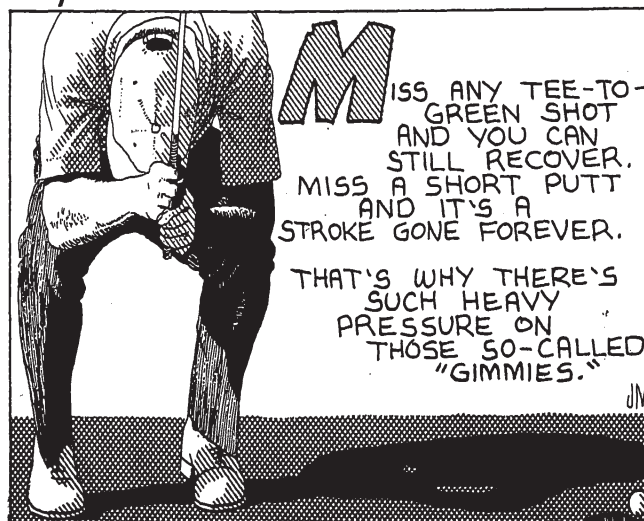
In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated February 3, 2021, in the original principal amount of \$281,325.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia, as Instrument No. 210000709. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on June 5, 2026, at 2:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SITUATE NEAR TASLEY, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, CONTAINING THREE ACRES (3 A), MORE OR LESS, BUT SAME IS SOLD IN GROSS AND NOT BY THE ACRE WITHOUT ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ANY EXCESS OR DEFICIENCY THEREOF, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A CERTAIN POINT MARKED BY AN IRON PIPE AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE WESTERN EDGE OF THE EASEMENT OF ACCOMACK-NORTHAMPTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR A POWER LINE, THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF MERRY BRANCH ROAD AND THE LAND HEREIN CONVEYED; THENCE RUNNING IN A SOUTHWESTERN DIRECTION ALONG THE EDGE OF THE AFORESAID EASEMENT OF ACCOMACK-NORTHAMPTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR A DISTANCE OF THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND ONE-HALF FEET (361 ½ FT.), MORE OR LESS, TO AN IRON PIPE; THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING IN A WESTERN DIRECTION IN A STRAIGHT LINE PARALLEL TO MERRY BRANCH ROAD FOR A DISTANCE OF THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND ONE-HALF FEET (361 ½ FT.), MORE OR LESS, TO AN IRON PIPE; THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING IN A NORTHEASTERN DIRECTION IN A STRAIGHT LINE PARALLEL TO THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF THE AFORESAID EASEMENT OF ACCOMACK-NORTHAMPTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR A DISTANCE OF THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND ONE-HALF FEET (361 ½ FT.), MORE OR LESS TO AN IRON PIPE ON THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF MERRY BRANCH ROAD; THENCE TURNING AND RUN-

NING IN AN EASTERN DIRECTION ALONG MERRY BRANCH ROAD FOR A DISTANCE OF THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND ONE-HALF FEET (361 ½ FT.), MORE OR LESS, TO THE IRON PIPE AT THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE IS BOUNDED GENERALLY ON THE NORTH BY MERRY BRANCH ROAD; ON THE EAST AND SOUTHEAST BY THE EASEMENT OF ACCOMACK-NORTHAMPTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE; ON THE SOUTH BY THE LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF VANKESTEREN FARMS, INCORPORATED, FROM WHICH THIS PARCEL WAS TAKEN; AND ON THE WEST AND NORTHWEST BY OTHER LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF VANKESTEREN FARMS, INCORPORATED, FROM WHICH THIS PARCEL WAS TAKEN.

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

IN RE:

ESTATE OF DONALD EDWARD KELLAM JR., deceased
A/K/A DONALD E. KELLAM JR., deceased
COURT FILE NO. 250000016

SHOW CAUSE AGAINST DISTRIBUTION

It appearing to the Court that the debts and demands against the estate have been filed in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton and that six months have elapsed since the qualification of John P. Custis, as Executor, now on motion of the personal representative it is ordered that the creditors of and all other persons interested in the estate do show cause, if any they can, on the 20th day of April, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. before this Court at its courtroom in Eastville, Virginia, against the delivery and payment of the estate to the distributees, with or without requiring refunding bond as the Court may direct.

It is further ordered that the foregoing portion of this order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post, a newspaper published in the County of Northampton.

Entered this 3rd day of April, 2026

Lynwood W. Lewis,
Judge

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- * Australia is wider than the moon.
- * Japanese runner Shizo Kanakuri "finished" the 1912 Olympic marathon in 1967 with an unforgettable end time of 54 years, 8 months, 6 days, 5 hours, 32 minutes and 20.3 seconds.
- * When 300,000 people walked across San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge in observance of its 50th anniversary on May 24, 1987, the iconic structure sagged seven feet.
- * Cicadas have been known to confuse the roar of power tools for mating calls and sometimes even swarm people using lawn mowers.
- * Marshmallows are about 50% air.
- * Sleeping through summer is known as estivation.
- * Nobody knows who invented the fire hydrant — its patent was lost in a fire!

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Sports Trivia

By Ryan Berenz

1. Introduced in 1990, the PGA Tour Player of the Year award trophy is named in honor of what golf great?
2. The Balmy Beach Beachers, winners of Grey Cup championships in 1927 and 1930, were a Canadian rugby football team located in what city?
3. In the original Trivial Pursuit board game, what color was used to represent the Sports & Leisure category of questions?
4. The phrase "get through to tea" - meaning persevere until the afternoon break - originated in what sport?
5. What Ohio stadium was home to the University of Akron Zips football team from 1940 to 2008?
6. Who scored the gold medal-winning goal for the U.S. Men's Hockey Team in their 2-1 overtime victory over Canada at the 2026 Milan Cortina Winter Olympics?
7. What member of the Los Angeles Lakers, nicknamed "Swaggy P," had his look of bewilderment inspire an internet meme in 2014?

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1. Jack Nicklaus
2. Toronto
3. Orange
4. Cricket
5. The Rubber Bowl
6. Jack Hughes
7. Nick Young

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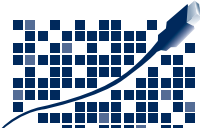
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Prepare Medical Info: Document your child's medical conditions, medications, doctor contacts, and health insurance details. Share this with schools and caregivers.

Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit: Use this form to authorize a caregiver to make decisions for your child. It does not transfer custody.

Legal and immigration preparedness

Understand Your Immigration Options:

■ **Green card holders:** Check if you can apply for U.S. citizenship.

■ **Visa holders:** Explore paths to a green card.

■ **Undocumented:** Consult a licensed immigration attorney for eligibility.

■ **Avoid fraud:** Work only with licensed attorneys or accredited representatives. Never sign blank forms or pay for "special connections."

Know your rights

If ICE Visits Your Home:

■ Do not open the door without a signed warrant from a judge.

■ Verify the warrant by asking ICE to slide it under the door.

During ICE Interactions:

■ Stay calm and silent. Do not answer questions or sign anything.

■ Request a lawyer and a hearing before an immigration judge.

■ **Carry Essentials:** A valid ID (if applicable), a Know Your Rights card, and your attorney's phone number.

Store copies of the following in a secure but accessible location:

■ Passports, birth certificates, and health insurance information.

■ Immigration documents (e.g., green card, work permit, A-number).

■ Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit and emergency contact lists.

Emergency resources

■ **Sin Barreras:** Legal and immigration aid, www.sinbarrerasville.org and 434-531-0104.

■ **Just Neighbors:** Immigration legal services, www.justneighbors.org and 703-979-1240.

Plan Familiar de Preparación para Emergencias de Inmigración

Plan de Cuidado Infantil

Designe cuidadores de confianza: Identifique a los adultos que puedan cuidar a sus hijos en su ausencia. Actualice los contactos de emergencia de la escuela/guardería con su información.

Prepare información médica: Documente las condiciones médicas, los medicamentos, los contactos con el médico y las detalles del seguro médico de su hijo. Comparta esto con las escuelas y los cuidadores.

Declaración jurada de autorización del cuidador: Use este formulario para autorizar a un cuidador a tomar decisiones por su hijo. No transfiere la custodia.

Preparación legal y de inmigración

Entienda sus opciones de inmigración:

■ **Titulares de la tarjeta verde:** Verifique si puede solicitar la ciudadanía estadounidense.

■ **Titulares de visas:** Explora los caminos para obtener una tarjeta verde.

■ **Indocumentado:** Consulte a un abogado de inmigración con licencia para conocer la elegibilidad.

■ **Evite el fraude:** Trabaje solo con abogados autorizados o representantes acreditados. Nunca firme formularios en blanco ni pague por "conexiones especiales."

Conozca sus derechos

Si ICE visita su casa:

■ No abra la puerta sin una orden firmada por un juez.

■ Verifique la orden pidiéndole a ICE que la deslice por debajo de la puerta.

Durante las interacciones con ICE:

■ Mantén la calma y el silencio. No responda a preguntas ni firme nada.

■ Solicitar un abogado y una audiencia ante un juez.

■ Lleve consigo lo esencial: Una identificación válida (si corresponde), una tarjeta de Conozca sus derechos y el número de teléfono de su abogado.

Guarde copias de lo siguiente en un lugar seguro pero accesible:

■ Pasaportes, actas de nacimiento, e información sobre seguros de salud.

■ Documentos de inmigración (por ejemplo, tarjeta verde, permiso de trabajo, número A).

■ Declaración jurada de autorización del cuidador y listas de contactos de emergencia.

Recursos de emergencia

■ **Sin Barreras:** Servicios legales de inmigración www.sinbarrerasville.org y 434-531-0104.

■ **Solo Vecinos:** Servicios legales de inmigración, www.justneighbors.org y 703-979-1240.

Plan Preparasyon Imigrasyon Pou Ljans Pou Ljans Fanmi

Plan Swen Timoun

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Prepare Enfòmasyon Medikal: Dokimante kondisyon medikal pitit ou, medikaman, kontak doktè, ak detay asirans sante. Pataje sa a ak lekòl ak moun kap bay swen.

Afidavi Otorizasyon Moun kap bay swen an: Itilize fòm sa a pou otorize yon moun k ap bay swen an pou pran desizyon pou pitit ou a. Li pa transfere titèl.

Preparasyon Legal ak Imigrasyon

Konprann Opsyon Imigrasyon ou:

■ **Moun ki gen kat vèt:** Tcheke si ou ka aplike pou sitwayènète Ameriken.

■ **Detantè Visa:** Eksplòre chemen nan yon kat vèt.

■ **San pape:** Konsilte yon avoka imigrasyon ki gen lisans pou kalifikasyon.

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Marriage Licenses

■ Myung Sook Kaniecki, 54,
and Jeffrey Mark Hottenstein, 63, both of Machipongo
■ Margaret Jeannette Reese, 60,
and James Michael Waltz, 57, both of Greenbackville
■ Harley Dawn Haynes, 29,
and Zachary Blaine Estes, 35, both of Onancock
■ Carly Nicole Baumann, 29,
and Marcos Tonathan Gaztelum Franco, 29, both of Painter
■ Kristina Ana Reeves, 19, of Westover, Md.,
and Paulina Aguilar Rios, 20, of Parksley
■ Elizabeth Elaine Lawrence, 78,
and Gary Prince Williams, 72, both of New Church
■ Stephanie Lee Williams, 21, of Bloxom,
and Kevin Alexander Bull Jr., 19, of Withams
■ Lesvi Elidita Ortiz Roblero, 38,
and Lucio Vasquez Gabriel, 51, both of Mappsville
■ Giang Huong Nguyen, 29,
and Coleburn Tyler Spence, 29, both of Exmore
■ Kathleen Mary Burke, 62,
and Frank James Abella III, 58, both of Quinby
■ Violette Ulysse, 46,
and Jean Raymond Ulysse, 62, both of Parksley
■ Autum Miles Bridges, 48,
and Kenneth James Dix, 47, both of Saxis
■ Michele Annette Rehbein, 58, of Pocomoke City,
and Alvin Lawrence Ayers, 78, of Sanford
■ Nikia Shawan Howard, 42,
and Alvin Fuller, 69, both of New Church
■ Dilma Antoniet Vasquez Valdez, 27, of Bloxom,
and Mark Andrew Lassiter III, 24, of Richmond
■ Bertha Merzilus, 41,
and Jules St. Thomas Brenevy, 49, both of Melfa
■ Ailsa P. Cumming, 44,
and Wayne Thomas Mears, 48, both of Melfa
■ Brianna Renea Parks, 22,
and David Luke Branch, 23, both of Belle Haven
■ Ashley Nicole Killmon, 29,
and Steven Mark Key, 40, both of Bloxom
■ Caroline Estella Seigert, 22,
and David Matthew Colonna III, 22, both of Temperanceville
■ Jonathan Garcia, 20, of Melfa,
and Jordan Townsend, 23, of Horntown
■ Lloselin Ramirez Tomas, 19, of Parksley,
and German de Jesus Aguilar Solis, 23, of Machipongo
■ Stacey LaPorte, 24,
and Dustin Val Fluhart, 23, both of Keller
■ Keidy Dayanna Fandino Nossa, 25,
and Maximilian Todd Bogie, 29, both of Norfolk
■ Deborah Christine Lewis, 55,
and Richard Christopher Brown Sr., 55, both of Onancock

■ Nathacha Vernet, 54,
and Jean Renold Belin, 66, both of Parksley

Northampton Property Transfers

■ From Anne Littlefield and John Littlefield
To Underground Holdings LLC
Lot near Birdsnest
For \$145,000
■ From Daniel J. Escalera
To Legacy Home Solutions LLC
Lot 2, Chesawadox, Jamesville
For \$245,000
■ From Ruiz Homes and Investment LLC
To Ann Habeeb and Edward Habeeb
Lot 67, Parcel I, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
For \$1.069 million
■ From AEO Legacy Development LLC
To William Gibbons
Lot 84, Tower Hill, Phase Two, Cape Charles
For \$343,250
■ From Eastern Shore Holdings LLC
To Diana Harris and William Harris II
Lot in Cheapside
For \$38,650
■ From Admiral Real Estate I LLC
To GPM Investments LLC
Three lots near Nassawadox
For \$336,600
■ From GPM Investments LLC
To GPM RE LP
Three lots near Nassawadox
For \$336,600
■ From Laura Burns and Patrick Burns
To Stephanie Deanne Vuiller
Two lots near Machipongo
For \$170,000
■ From AAB Mahant JI LLC
To David Neil Andrews
Lot near town of Exmore
For \$30,000
■ From Richard W. Veronen
To Seth Michael Dever
Lot 16, Chesapeake Shores, Section 1, Capeville
For \$265,000
■ From Mill City Mortgage Loan Trust
To Michael Koncir
Lot near Capeville
For \$49,900

■ From Kelli Gregory and Darrell Prince
To Ariana Wilson and Logan Farlow
Lots 7-1 and 5, Peaceful Oaks, near Exmore
For \$225,000

Accomack Property Transfers

■ From Diane Landau and Keith Landau
To Molly Kamide, Barbara McGrath, Brian P. McGrath, et al.,
2438 Spinnaker St., Greenbackville
For \$250,000
■ From Anthony Parks
To Julie Mills and Thomas D. Smith
36052 Kellam Road, Machipongo Shores, Quinby
For \$35,000
■ From Jeffrey E. Beall and Lucas Beall
To Stacey Clark
23813 Cedar Lane, Accomac
\$206,300
■ From CMH Homes Inc.
To Shacara Monique Parker-Wharton and Christopher Eugene Wharton
20376 Bayside Road, Greenbush
For \$315,000
■ From G.C. Stamoules Holdings LLC
To Lida P. Marschke, trustee
5557 Main St., Chincoteague
For \$1.62 million
■ From VanKesteren Farms Inc.
To Ibis Court LLC
21089 Fairgrounds Road, Onancock
For \$40,000
■ From Mariluce Machado
To John Litsikas
135 Bunker Hill Road, Chincoteague
For \$15,000
■ From GPM3 LLC
To GPM Investments LLC
28448 Lankford Highway, Melfa
For \$156,400
■ From Lynier E. Linton and Chris Lankford
To Edward Allen Furniss
15101 Country Club Road, Melfa
For \$200,000
■ From Allison Fay and Eric Fay
To Linda Beth Eby and Robert James Eby, trustees
6321 Captains Lane, Chincoteague
For \$554,900
■ From Stephen Lynn
To Rose Shinn and John Shinn
3184 Meridian Drive, Greenbackville
For \$220,000

■ From Cornell Wharton and Cornell Wharton Sr.
To Jennifer Perez Juarez and Martin Perez Torres
24177 Fisher Road, Greenbush
For \$37,000
■ From HCE LLC
To Mary Bartley and David Bartley
3488 Navigator Drive, Greenbackville
For \$410,000
■ From Lenin Hernandez and Britt Hernandez
To Mary Thorbjornsen and Theodore Thorbjornsen
7069 Bond St., Chincoteague
For \$305,000
■ From Heather Grace Dench
To Carole Ann Snead
35149 Friendly Road, Horntown
\$17,500
■ From Donna J. Colson
To Debra Herron and Fred Herron III
Lot 8, Nandua Shores, Painter
For \$210,000
■ From Lori Ann Bauman-Moreno and Pamela Bauman
To Ann Fink and Michael Fink
3122 Navigator Drive, Greenbackville
For \$280,000
■ From Gregory E. Loniewski
To Pennylyou LLC
2484 Smugglers Way, Greenbackville
For \$276,000
■ To Brittany Koltys
From Christina Rose Nicoll
27044 Sunset Landing Drive, Onancock
For \$391,000

Alcohol-related convictions for February

■ Courtney Jamell Duncan, 31, of Melfa, was found guilty Feb. 3 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Nov. 15, 2025. She was fined \$100 and charged \$131 in court costs.
■ Garrett Scott Miles, 23, of Jamesville, was found guilty Feb. 3 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Dec. 20, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$216 in court costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.
■ Ivan Mazariegos-Bartolon, 21, of Onancock, was found guilty Feb. 4 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Dec. 21, 2025. He was fined \$500,

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charged \$266 in court costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Gavin Belote, 18, of Harborton, was found guilty Feb. 4 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 20, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$216 in court costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Kwalon Kelley, 27, of Exmore, was found guilty Feb. 5 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Sept. 24, 2025. He was fined \$100 and charged \$40 in court costs.

■ Alexander Morales Morales, 30, of Parksley, was found guilty Feb. 9 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Jan. 29. He was fined \$500, charged \$221 in court costs, sentenced to 60 days with 55 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Joshua Russell, 52, of Chincoteague, was convicted Feb. 10 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Nov. 10, 2025. He was fined \$50 and charged \$131 in court costs.

■ Darrell Pettit, 34, of Greenbush, was convicted Feb. 10 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Nov. 21, 2025. He was fined \$50 and charged \$131 in court costs.

■ Charles William Carey, 40, of Hallwood, was found guilty Feb. 10 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Nov. 16, 2025. He was fined \$50 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Curtis James Miles Jr., 34, of Saxis, was found guilty Feb. 11 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of second-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 6, 2025. He was fined \$1,000, charged \$291 in court costs, sentenced to 60 days with 50 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Brett Barry Hostetter, 68, of Saxis, was found guilty Feb. 11 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Oct. 6, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$196 in court costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Lisa Faye Cowan, 52, of Chatham, Va., was found guilty Feb. 17 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 4, 2025. She was fined \$500, charged \$216 in court costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had her license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Brandon Beach, 41, of Cape Charles, was found guilty Feb. 19 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Dec. 12, 2025. He was fined \$100 and charged \$40 in court costs.

■ Levon Dinel Giddens, 48, of Melfa, was found guilty Feb. 25 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 16, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$316 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

Alcohol-related convictions for March

■ Jaime Vasquez-Zacarias, 48, of Greenbush, was found guilty March 2 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Jan. 24. He was fined \$500, charged \$502 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Phillip Wesley Williams, 54, of Greenbush, was found guilty March 3 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Jan. 20. He was fined \$25 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Willie Thomas Harmon Jr., 53, of Horntown, was found guilty March 3 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Dec. 24, 2025. He was fined \$25 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Jonathan William McQuiston, 36, of Greenbackville, was found guilty March 4 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Jan. 5. He was fined \$500, charged \$216 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Joan Debord, 24, of Camden, N.J., was found guilty March 4 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Aug. 28, 2025. She was fined \$500, charged \$215 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had her license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Devin Scott Palmer, 33, of New Church, was found guilty March 4 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while under the influence of alcohol/drugs. The incident happened Sept. 25, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$356 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Richard Liddle, 49, of Horntown, was found guilty March 10 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Feb. 3. He was fined \$50 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Kevin Roger Fisher, 61, of Pocomoke City, was found guilty March 10 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened March 7, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$336 in court costs, was sentenced to 90 days, given 12 months of probation, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Luis Jose Santos, 51, of Painter, was found guilty March 11 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 11, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$371 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Trey Austin Holloway, 21, of Temperanceville, was found guilty March 11 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Dec. 11, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$346 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Bert Crosswell, 26, of Cape Charles, was found guilty in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Jan. 7. He was fined \$25 and charged \$101 in court costs.

■ Morales Hector Escalante, 57, of Parksley, was found guilty March 11 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Jan. 1. He was fined \$500, charged \$346 in court costs, was sentenced to 35 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Christy Rose Gates, 45, of Bloxom, was found guilty March 11 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of second-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 21, 2025. She was fined \$500, charged \$411 in court costs, was sentenced to 60 days with 50 days suspended, had her license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Lakeisha Bangbelu, 41, of Atlantic, was found guilty March 11, in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Dec. 9, 2025. She was fined \$500, charged \$371 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 25 days suspended, had her license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Doreen Anne Murray, 62, of Phillipsburg, N.J., was found guilty March 17 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Feb. 11. She was fined \$25 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Gregorix Denis Jimenez Cruz, 27, of Yonkers, N.Y., was found guilty March 18 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while under the influence of drugs/alcohol. The incident happened Nov. 5, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$434.25 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Naaman Bogush, 42, of New Church, was found guilty March 23 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Feb. 6. He was fined \$50 and charged \$35 in court costs.

■ Jeffery Oldham, 68, of Chincoteague, was found guilty March 24 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Feb. 8. He was fined \$100 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Tide Cartaz Northan, 40, of Parksley, was found guilty March 24 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. The incident happened Feb. 8. He was fined \$25 and charged \$96 in court costs.

■ Alexis Perez Velasquez, 21, of Temperanceville, was found guilty March 25 in Accomack County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 15, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$434 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Asheer Neim Carrington, 24, of Exmore, was found guilty March 25 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of second-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 14, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$366 in court costs, was sentenced to 90 days with 50 days suspended, had his license suspended for three years, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ David Lee Hawks, 42, of Cape Charles, was found guilty March 25 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened Nov. 3, 2025. He was fined \$500, charged \$366 in court costs, was sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

■ Olivero Arreola Garcia, 51, of Greenbush, was found guilty March 31 in Northampton County General District Court on a misdemeanor charge of first-offense driving while intoxicated. The incident happened March 2. He was fined \$500, charged \$341 in court costs, given 12 months of probation, had his license suspended for one year, and must complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.



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Bayside

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Assateague Beach	H L	3:00 p.m. 9:21 a.m.	H L	4:01 p.m. 10:16 a.m.	H L	4:58 p.m. 11:08 a.m.	H L	5:50 p.m. 11:57 a.m.	H L	6:37 p.m. 12:42 p.m.	H L	7:03 a.m. 1:26 p.m.	H L	7:49 a.m. 2:10 p.m.
Chinco. Channel	H L	3:05 p.m. 9:25 a.m.	H L	4:05 p.m. 10:20 a.m.	H L	5:01 p.m. 11:10 a.m.	H L	5:53 p.m. 11:56 a.m.	H L	6:42 p.m. 12:38 p.m.	H L	7:08 a.m. 1:19 p.m.	H L	7:54 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
Gargatha Neck	H L	3:56 p.m. 10:00 a.m.	H L	4:57 p.m. 10:55 a.m.	H L	5:54 p.m. 11:47 a.m.	H L	6:46 p.m. 12:36 p.m.	H L	7:13 a.m. 1:21 p.m.	H L	7:59 a.m. 2:05 p.m.	H L	8:45 a.m. 2:49 p.m.
Folly Creek	H L	3:49 p.m. 9:45 a.m.	H L	4:50 p.m. 10:40 a.m.	H L	5:47 p.m. 11:32 a.m.	H L	6:39 p.m. 12:21 p.m.	H L	7:06 a.m. 1:06 p.m.	H L	7:52 a.m. 1:50 p.m.	H L	8:38 a.m. 2:34 p.m.
Wachapreague	H L	3:03 p.m. 9:16 a.m.	H L	4:09 p.m. 10:09 a.m.	H L	5:17 p.m. 11:03 a.m.	H L	6:14 p.m. 11:55 a.m.	H L	6:44 a.m. 12:44 p.m.	H L	7:31 a.m. 1:31 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 2:18 p.m.
Quinby Inlet	H L	3:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.	H L	4:01 p.m. 9:55 a.m.	H L	4:58 p.m. 10:47 a.m.	H L	5:50 p.m. 11:36 a.m.	H L	6:37 p.m. 12:21 p.m.	H L	7:03 a.m. 1:05 p.m.	H L	7:49 a.m. 1:49 p.m.
Machipongo	H L	3:30 p.m. 9:29 a.m.	H L	4:31 p.m. 10:24 a.m.	H L	5:28 p.m. 11:16 a.m.	H L	6:20 p.m. 12:05 p.m.	H L	6:47 a.m. 12:50 p.m.	H L	7:33 a.m. 1:34 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 2:18 p.m.
Tangier Sound Light	H L	6:40 a.m. 1:35 p.m.	H L	7:41 a.m. 2:29 p.m.	H L	8:37 a.m. 3:20 p.m.	H L	9:29 a.m. 4:05 p.m.	H L	10:16 a.m. 4:47 p.m.	H L	11:02 a.m. 5:26 p.m.	H L	11:47 a.m. 6:05 p.m.
Muddy Creek	H L	6:46 a.m. 1:55 p.m.	H L	7:50 a.m. 2:54 p.m.	H L	8:57 a.m. 3:47 p.m.	H L	9:54 a.m. 4:35 p.m.	H L	10:43 a.m. 5:21 p.m.	H L	11:31 a.m. 6:06 p.m.	H L	12:18 p.m. 6:51 p.m.
Guard Shore	H L	7:00 p.m. 1:51 p.m.	H L	7:42 a.m. 2:50 p.m.	H L	8:49 a.m. 3:43 p.m.	H L	9:46 a.m. 4:31 p.m.	H L	10:35 a.m. 5:17 p.m.	H L	11:23 a.m. 6:02 p.m.	H L	12:10 p.m. 6:47 p.m.
Chescon. Creek	H L	6:35 p.m. 1:03 p.m.	H L	7:17 a.m. 2:02 p.m.	H L	8:24 a.m. 2:55 p.m.	H L	9:21 a.m. 3:43 p.m.	H L	10:10 a.m. 4:29 p.m.	H L	10:58 a.m. 5:14 p.m.	H L	11:45 a.m. 5:59 p.m.
Onancock Creek	H L	6:49 p.m. 1:23 p.m.	H L	7:31 a.m. 2:22 p.m.	H L	8:38 a.m. 3:15 p.m.	H L	9:35 a.m. 4:03 p.m.	H L	10:24 a.m. 4:49 p.m.	H L	11:12 a.m. 5:34 p.m.	H L	11:59 a.m. 6:19 p.m.
Pungoteague Creek	H L	6:05 p.m. 12:37 p.m.	H L	6:47 a.m. 1:36 p.m.	H L	7:54 a.m. 2:29 p.m.	H L	8:51 a.m. 3:17 p.m.	H L	9:40 a.m. 4:03 p.m.	H L	10:28 a.m. 4:48 p.m.	H L	11:15 a.m. 5:33 p.m.
Nassawadox	H L	4:59 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	H L	6:01 p.m. 11:57 a.m.	H L	7:00 p.m. 12:50 p.m.	H L	7:27 a.m. 1:39 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 2:24 p.m.	H L	9:08 a.m. 3:08 p.m.	H L	9:55 a.m. 3:52 p.m.
Occhohan. Creek	H L	5:31 p.m. 12:12 p.m.	H L	6:32 p.m. 1:04 p.m.	H L	7:05 a.m. 1:55 p.m.	H L	8:01 a.m. 2:43 p.m.	H L	8:51 a.m. 3:25 p.m.	H L	9:37 a.m. 4:03 p.m.	H L	10:20 a.m. 4:41 p.m.
Cape Charles	H L	3:39 p.m. 10:07 a.m.	H L	4:47 p.m. 11:06 a.m.	H L	5:51 p.m. 11:59 a.m.	H L	6:45 p.m. 12:47 p.m.	H L	7:14 a.m. 1:33 p.m.	H L	8:02 a.m. 2:18 p.m.	H L	8:49 a.m. 3:03 p.m.
Kiptopeke Beach	H L	3:22 p.m. 9:39 a.m.	H L	4:31 p.m. 10:36 a.m.	H L	5:34 p.m. 11:27 a.m.	H L	6:24 p.m. 12:13 p.m.	H L	6:48 a.m. 12:57 p.m.	H L	7:34 a.m. 1:40 p.m.	H L	8:20 a.m. 2:24 p.m.

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O M G N O N O I T C I F N O N
D C O N A O R E Z N O N O O O
Z N X W V U E V I T A N N O N

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

Non-GMO	Nonfat	Nonskid	Nonstop
Nonacid	Nonfiction	Nonslip	Nonsuch
Nonaligned	Nonnative	Nonsmoker	Nonunion
Noncom	Nonresident	Nonstick	

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Last week's answers

BUR	SIT	IT	S	SHE	E	N	A	I	S	L	A	M
ALI	EN	ATE	S	HE	R	M	A	N	Q	U	E	S
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INE	Z	I	M	U	P	G	M	A	N	D	R	A
ZUL	U	W	A	R	R	I	O	R	S	D	W	E
ESC	O	C	D	E	A	S	E	D	A	Y	T	O
RIO	T	S	D	I	O	N	S	E	A	E	S	S
AS	I	N	F	R	A	U	D	U	T	C	H	M
OH	O	H	A	W	A	I	A	N	P	U	N	C
CAN	A	A	N	B	A	N	S	S	O	R	E	L
HIN	D	I	C	I	N	E	M	A	M	E	N	O
SL	E	D	M	E	T	A	I	M	E	P	E	A
GOL	D	E	N	D	E	A	R	H	E	B	R	E
AR	A	B	I	C	N	U	M	E	R	A	L	S
MEM	O	D	E	S	I	E	T	A	S	A	A	R
BLE	N	D	W	A	T	C	H	Y	O	U	R	T
ISS	U	E	M	I	R	I	A	M	B	E	E	R
TE	A	S	E	E	N	I	G	M	A	S	A	R

1	3	7	9	6	8	5	2	4
6	5	2	3	4	7	9	8	1
8	4	9	2	1	5	3	6	7
5	1	4	7	3	6	2	9	8
2	7	3	8	9	4	1	5	6
9	6	8	5	2	1	7	4	3
7	9	6	1	8	2	4	3	5
4	2	5	6	7	3	8	1	9
3	8	1	4	5	9	6	7	2

Weekly SUDOKU

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	2	4		8			5	3
	3	9			5	8		

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

GEM OF A PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Law enforcers, slangily
5 War on Poverty prez
8 Husband on "The Munsters"
14 Injections
19 High hairstyle
20 Atop, in verse
21 Baltimore pro athlete
22 Conical home
23 Fifth Avenue retailer of luxury goods
25 Pungent sushi paste
26 Tibetan, e.g.
27 "Cool, dude!"
28 Many an intl. charity gp.
29 Where to hit a home run
31 Simpson trial judge Lance
32 Khaki color
33 Warlike deity
34 Frequently, in verse
35 What a dealer deals from
38 River vessel
41 Parisian play part
45 Put in a tomb
46 Indian dress
47 Stores away
48 Closest bud

51 Bit of wristwear with small, linked segments
56 Rage
57 Surgery ctrs.
59 Cake layers
60 Org. for drs.
61 Spike of films
62 Food — (post-meal condition)
64 Prefix for "milk"
66 Become stretched out
68 Occasion upon three-score years of marriage
73 Building part enclosed by blaze-resistant walls
74 Western flick
75 Fat-removal option, briefly
77 King, in Arles
78 Brief slumber
79 Green shade
81 Four halves
84 Zero
85 Gift for popping the question
89 Point where the moon is farthest from Earth
91 Milk farm
92 At any point

93 Supermodel Kate
95 "Jenny" co-star Alan
96 Hi-tech organizers
97 Footwear for golfer Payne Stewart
103 Busy insect
105 Fat or protein unit
106 Skill, in Latin
107 Prevaricate
108 Alternative to rhinestone
114 Capote, to pals
115 Small hotel
116 Ordinary
117 Cell with an axon
118 Things associated with eight answers in this puzzle
120 Helmsley of hotels
121 Wash out the mouth audibly
122 Busy insect
123 Detestable
124 Secret rendezvous
125 Roots firmly
126 Sporty English autos
127 Did perfectly

DOWN

1 Rotten
2 Downer drug
3 Adobe Acrobat file, for short
4 Gut-punch sound
5 Way past the time that
6 "Crazy in Love" singer
7 Third-year H.S. students
8 Sportscaster Cosell
9 Rubs away
10 Goes upward
11 Utah town near Arches National Park
12 Jessica of "Dark Angel"
13 Moonwalker
14 Work crew
15 Hem and haw
16 Sheriff Taylor's tyke
17 Greenish shade
18 Dispatch
24 Oscar nominee Banderas
29 Pub
30 Realtor's unit
36 DIYer's set
37 Singer Garfunkel
38 It may be fretless
39 Globe
40 Sortie signal
42 Arresting, informally
43 Canary of cartoons
44 Perfumer
46 Titled man
47 Looks over
48 Big name in pens
49 Relating to an eating-away process
50 Somewhat stiff
52 Mark indelibly
53 Old-time actress
54 Genre for "L.A. Confidential"
55 Love, in Latin
58 Ambien or ZzzQuil, for short
63 Wood cutter
65 — loss for words
66 12/24, e.g.
67 Miss
69 Sharp-tasting
70 "Dies —" (hymn)
71 "Avatar" race
72 Major Calif.-to-Fla. hwy.
73 Disco singer
76 Corrida shout
79 Wallet wad
80 Mailbox item: Abbr.
82 Aquatic rodents
83 American marsupial
86 Graceful, swift horses
87 Actress
88 Chap
90 Second wife of Lennon
94 Arranging on a dish for serving
96 Brick-shaped tart candy
97 Betrayer
98 Old-time actress Ella
99 A.M. show since '75
100 Facility for outpatients
101 Set ablaze
102 Felt intuitively
104 Brilliant effect
105 Grand
108 Niche religion
109 Exploiter
110 Sea marker
111 Playwright
112 Extract the juice from
113 Hydrant site
118 Grand
119 Eggs, in labs

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