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## MORE THAN 1,000 ATTEND ESCC COMMENCEMENT



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More than 1,000 people attended the 55th annual Eastern Shore Community College commencement on May 13 on the college campus in Melfa. Jeannette Edwards, chief executive officer of Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc., gave the commencement address.

ONANCOCK

## New town manager begins work

Council debates costs, number of crosswalks

BY SARAH BARBAN

Eastern Shore Post

Onancock officially has a new town manager — Wesley Wooten's first day on the job was Monday, May 18.

Wooten was hired through a search process by the Berkley Group, a Virginia-based governmental consulting firm.

The firm had also provided the town with an interim town manager, Bill Porter, after former manager Matt Spuck left to serve as Northampton County Administrator late last year.

Wooten did not have much time to settle in before being thrust into the spotlight. His first day coincided with the monthly council meeting.

Between welcoming Wooten and thanking Porter for his service, the council discussed crosswalks, the 2027 budget, and the ongoing work at the Historic Onancock School.

### Crosswalk issue

Last fall the town applied for and was awarded a competitive Virginia Department of Transportation grant that was focused on placing crosswalks throughout town.

Now the town has to decide if it wants to commit to moving forward with the project.

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**Furniture:** 19th Century Eastern Shore Pine tapered leg farm table with three board top, antique American Mahogany 2pc four door Georgian Style corner cabinet with four glass fretwork doors over carved paw feet circa 1850, Early 19th C. Mahogany tall case clock with triple brass finial, stunning 19th C. American Empire Mahogany and Crotch Flame Grain Burl three drawer over four door sideboard with solid gallery over carved column supports terminating in carved paw feet. Circa 1850, early 19th C. Mahogany and Burl five drawer chest of drawers c. 1820, 19th C. Mahogany and Burl drop leaf dining table with burl decorated base and solid legs terminating in brass castor feet circa 1850, 19th C. Poplar dovetailed blanket chest with glove box 19th C. Mahogany Pembroke table, antique Eastern Shore Pine Mortised bucket bench, 19th C. Walnut smoking stand, Empire Mahogany and Burl five drawer chest of drawers, beautiful Depression era Mahogany and Burl Provincial style four drawer vanity with fancy mirror top, Drexel Heritage Oriental style black lacquer and floral stenciled single over single drawer mirrored back curio cabinet, 19th Century Cherry and Burl round top lamp table with unique iron supported top, Harmony House Mahogany seven drawer vanity with mirror and matching vanity stool, reproduction Chippendale style rush bottom half round corner chair with stretcher base, J. Conn Scott. Leathercraft Inc. brown leather tufted lounge chair and ottoman, upholstered Queen Anne style wingchairs, Federal three section gold decorated "over the mantle" mirror, J.B. Van Sciver Co. Mahogany and Burl console table with matching mirror, Mahogany and Burl Ogee mirror, 19th C. Victorian Walnut carved open arm Parlor chair, J.B. Van Sciver Co. Mahogany four drawer server with pull out butlers slide, Poplar diminutive drop leaf butterfly table, Pair of contemporary Blue Floral Provincial style barrel back side chairs, Mahogany and Burl flip top hall/console table with reeded carved legs, Depression era Mahogany hexagon top stretcher base lamp table with decorated frieze, Pair of Mahogany two tier Chippendale style decorated end tables with ball in claw feet, Mahogany drop leaf butlers style cocktail table, Pair of Victorian Walnut carved side chairs with updated upholstery, Depression era Mahogany blue and gold upholstered settee, Victorian Poplar single drawer over two door washstand with tear drop pulls, Walnut four poster bed, 19th C. Saddlemakers Bench complete with saddle and riding helmet, beautiful Mahogany and Burl five drawer French Provincial style desk/vanity, 19th C. Cherry four drawer chest of drawers, 6pc White wicker sun porch/patio set, Pair of HD Poly Blue Adirondack chairs and more!

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# Virginia's farmers help feed and sustain the nation

In commonwealth, economic impact of agriculture industries has \$203B output, including 1.1M jobs

When referencing the American agricultural economy, Virginia's farmers, foresters, and agribusiness operators are serving up extra helpings of industry impact that sustain the nation.

The 10th annual "Feeding the Economy" report demonstrates strength and resilience of the American food and agriculture industry amid ongoing economic pressures.

Sponsored in-part by American Farm Bureau Federation, the 2026 report confirms food and agriculture industries remain a cornerstone of the U.S. economy, generating more than \$10.4 trillion in economic value — representing nearly 20% of the overall

national economy.

The sector supports nearly 49 million related jobs, or roughly 30% of total U.S. employment.

"The interesting piece here is where those jobs are," said Daniel Munch, AFBF economist. "Less than 2% are on the farm, but when you add food manufacturing, wholesale and retail, that adds another 24 million jobs, or about 15% of the workforce."

These figures mark an increase of nearly \$894 billion year-over-year, reflecting growth across the agricultural value chain amid ongoing inflation pressures, a challenging farm economy and an uncertain global trade environment.

Nationwide, California leads with more than \$1.2 trillion in food and agriculture output.

In Virginia, the direct and indirect economic impact of food and agriculture industries boasts a \$203 billion output, including 1.1 million jobs and \$59 billion in wages. These industries bring in \$2.7 billion in exports and generate over \$26 billion in business taxes.

In the commonwealth, the city of Lexington leads in total output among the state's food and farm sectors, accounting for \$21.8 billion.

"This report is a reminder that agriculture's impact reaches far beyond the farm gate," said Tony Banks, senior assistant director of agriculture, development, and innovation at Virginia Farm Bureau Federation. "The farm and forestry economy supports

jobs, wages, and commerce in every corner of the commonwealth."

With the overall farm economy struggling, Munch said it is vital to highlight the broad economic importance of agriculture in America. Economic benefits like jobs, wages, and tax revenue are tied to production centers.

"If production shifts overseas due to cost pressures, regulatory burdens, or competitive challenges, that economic activity moves with it," he said. "So, it's not just about the food supply — it's about all these other jobs, tax revenue, and economic commerce that supports industries across every corner of every state."

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# Onancock

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At the Monday meeting the town council discussed the plan that VDOT presented for introducing eight crosswalks to Onancock.

Under the terms of the grant the town would provide 20% of the funding while VDOT would provide the rest.

The town's portion, to be paid over a period of seven years, would be roughly \$412,000. That would add up to roughly \$50,000 per crosswalk solely for the town's portion.

The total cost is roughly \$2 million, or \$250,000 per crosswalk.

As of yet, the town has not included the roughly \$117,500 that would be required to begin the project in the 2027 capital improvements budget.

Future payments for the project would require roughly \$73,500 to be paid in December of 2028 and roughly \$220,000 to be paid in January of 2032.

Mayor Fletcher Fosque questioned

where the town would come up with the money that would be owed in the next budget cycle.

Porter said it was a matter of priority, and other projects like the Queen Street parking lot redesign may have to be delayed.

Several residents expressed concern with the price tag of the project.

"How do they possibly justify \$50,0000 a crosswalk, much less \$2.6 million total?" asked resident Jeff Daking. "What is the scope of the work? How could you possibly spend all that money?"

The crosswalks would be across Market Street at Ames Street, across Market Street at North Street, across North Street at Market Street, across King Street at North Street, across North Street between the DMV and town hall, across North Street at Kerr Street, across Market Street at College Avenue, and across Market Street at Hill Street.

Councilmember Cynthia Holdren said she felt that eight crosswalks are not necessary and in some areas the proposed crosswalks are too

concentrated.

The town could reduce the number of crosswalks in the plan, but doing so would kick the project back to VDOT for review, at which time VDOT would determine whether it wanted to proceed with the project with a reduced scope, Porter said.

Councilmember Sarah Nock pointed out that new curb cuts were made in town sidewalks relatively recently to improve accessibility, but the proposal included more work of that nature.

She expressed confusion as to why VDOT would have done accessibility improvements that didn't meet ADA standards, only to have to do them again.

Fosque said he would like to get more public input on the matter before the council makes a decision.

## School building updates

Nock provided an update on the ongoing restoration and renovation work at the Historic Onancock School.

The replacement of the school's roof is complete and the process is underway to secure bids for HVAC work.

The construction phase of the restoration efforts at the school will begin soon, she said.

Work to clean up the building after a Jan. 31 fire damaged a portion of the building was completed in late April, with construction expected to begin soon after, but the efforts have since

faced delays.

Jenkins Restoration, the company doing the cleaning and restoration work, had received authorization to begin work and did a walkthrough of the property on May 5, according to the Historic Onancock School's email newsletter.

It was later discovered that there were contract issues that would require revisions and the refile of paperwork.

The company did not provide an estimate of when that process would be completed, according to a newsletter sent by the Historic Onancock School on May 16.

## Upcoming meetings

The 2027 budget was on the docket for the Monday meeting but a public hearing couldn't be held on the matter because it wasn't advertised in advance as required by law.

The new date for the public hearing will be Monday, June 8, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers.

A public information session will be held on Wednesday, May 27, at 5 p.m. in the council chambers to inform the public about mosquito management.

A representative from the Agricultural Research and Extension Center will be present information about how mosquitoes can be managed in town.

## COUNTRYSIDE AUCTION

Hopeton, VA

**Saturday, May 30, 2026 @ 10:00 AM**

Selling from the Estate of Peter & Sue Paschall - Belle Haven, VA

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## Juneteenth Celebration is planned in Accomac

The Accomack County NAACP will hold its annual Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, June 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center in Accomac.

There will be activities for children and vendors at the family-friendly event.

Contact [naacp7041acck@gmail.com](mailto:naacp7041acck@gmail.com) for more information or to sign up to be a vendor.

## Cape Charles Brewing has America 250 label

Local creative team Skeeter & Com-

pany Design has partnered with Cape Charles Brewing Company to create a special commemorative can design for the brewery's American Lager in honor of the upcoming America 250 celebration.

The collaboration highlights both local craftsmanship and community pride, bringing together Eastern Shore creativity and small business partnership to celebrate 250 years of American history.

The limited-edition design reflects themes of patriotism, heritage, and the spirit of coastal Virginia, while showcasing the talent and collaboration of two locally rooted businesses.

The America 250 can design will be featured on Cape Charles Brewing Company's American Lager as part of the nationwide celebration.



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Pictured from left are Ramzi Ockaili, Tonya Martin, Christina Duffman, Alex Foxworthy, and Daryl Minus. (Not pictured: Kipro Kibet and Susan Greer.)

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# ESCC announces faculty awards at commencement

## Town of Belle Haven, Virginia Proposed Budget for 2026-2027

EXPENSES		INCOME	
Advertising	1550	Real Estate taxes	35,800
Bank charges	175	Zoning permits	70
Rent Expense	5,200	Consumption tax	1,130
Fire grants given	15,000	Interest	560
Insurance	3,880	Fire grants received	15,000
Office supplies & expenses	1,100	Litter grant received	1,838
Town clerk	11,200	Mortgage	6,360
Town attorney	2,500	Accomack County sales tax	56,000
Mayor	1,200	Vehicle registration	0
Council members	2,450	Town business licenses	300
Trash collection	46,200		
Electric	11,500		
Janitorial/lawn cleanup	2,400		
Telephone	1,800		
Sheriff Patrol	2,500		
Unappropriated expense	8,403		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$117,058</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$117,058</b>

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2506, the Town of Belle Haven will hold a public hearing on June 2, 2026 at 7 p.m., at the Eastern Shore's Own Arts Center, 15293 King Street, Belle Haven, Virginia, on the proposed budget, a synopsis of which is presented above. Citizens of the Town of Belle Haven have the right to attend the hearing and state their views thereon. A copy of the proposed budget is on file at the Town Office.

The Eastern Shore Community College Spring 2026 Commencement was held on Wednesday, May 13. In addition to the graduation, awards were presented to ESCC faculty members based on voting conducted in the weeks leading up to commencement.

Ramzi Ockaili, ESCC vice president of academic affairs, student success, and workforce development announced the awards, while they were presented to faculty members by ESCC President Daryl Minus.

The Recognition for Teaching Effectiveness Award was given to a faculty member whose performance in the classroom or other instructional environments best exemplifies effectiveness in promoting student achievement. The recipient was Kipro Kibet.

The Faculty Scholarly and Creative Engagement Award was awarded to a faculty member who has achieved a significant academic scholarly accomplishment through research, publishing and/or professional presentations, grant activity, or creative works. The recipient was William Foxworthy.

The Faculty Community Impact

Award was given to a member of the full-time teaching faculty who has greatly impacted the college's image through community service and involvement. The recipient was Christina Duffman.

The Faculty Leadership Award was presented to a full-time teaching faculty member who demonstrates leadership and commitment to the college. The recipient was Tonya Martin.

The Caramine Kellam and Dr. Caramine White Award was given to an ESCC faculty or staff member who has shown extraordinary concern for students and has gone above and beyond in their effort to help students succeed in school or life. The recipient was Tonya Martin.

The Faculty Award for Professional Excellence was an ESCC award for which a faculty member may be nominated. These faculty awardees substantially and demonstrably exceeded performance expectations in one or more of the following areas: Teaching, Scholarly and Creative Engagement, Institutional Responsibility, or Service. The recipients were Tonya Martin and Susan Greer.

# Winners are announced in Chincoteague Decoy and Art Festival

The Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce announces the winners of the 45th Annual Chincoteague Island Easter Decoy & Art Festival.

This local tradition brought together 68 decoy carvers, fine artists, photographers, potters, woodworkers, jewelry makers, authors, and culinary merchants from across the country to celebrate the heritage and craftsmanship that define Chincoteague's rich artistic community.

People's Choice for Best Carver was awarded to Jimmy Bowden. At a young age, Bowden mowed the grass for the now world-renowned decoy carver, Miles Hancock. Over 60 years later, Bowden continues to carve Hancock-style working decoys, shorebirds, and confidence stools.

People's Choice for Best Artist was awarded to Nancy Richards West. Nancy studied art at The College

of William and Mary in Williamsburg, where she was graduated with high honors for her thesis work in portraiture.

West's passion for drawing and painting continues to evolve, inspiring her to explore new techniques and creative forms of expression.

Best Photograph of Chincoteague or Assateague was awarded to Kelly Cosby for her picture of Chincoteague Ponies at the water's edge on a recent Beach Walk morning.

The Curtis Merritt Award of Excellence is awarded to an exhibitor who demonstrates exemplary qualities as an artist or carver as chosen by a jury of their peers. The 2026 recipient of the festival's highest award was Patrick Lieb, whose work is an eclectic array of wood sculptures, wall art, and decor inspired by the Eastern Shore region and peers in his field.

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## THE PAPER'S POSITION

# Memorial Day events are not 'celebrations'

We forgive those who make this error, but the word "celebration" does not go with Memorial Day events.

"Celebration" should be used for holidays that are inherently joyful and festive — Juneteenth, Independence Day, Christmas, New Year's Day, Easter, and the like.

Memorial Day is more like Good Friday, Patriot Day (Sept. 11), and National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (Dec. 7). These are solemn and mournful days of remembrance.

Certainly you would not think of describing an event on Sept. 11 as a celebration. Still, some persist in calling a Memorial Day event a celebration.

Instead, "observance," "ceremony," and "commemoration" work just fine.

Whether or not you attend one of the Eastern Shore's Memorial Day observances, set aside some time this upcoming Monday to reflect a bit on those who gave their lives for our freedom.

There are scores of people who were born and raised on the Eastern Shore who have given their lives in military service for our country.

They fought and died — some while still teenagers — for the freedom we enjoy.

There also are scores of people who were born and raised elsewhere who gave their lives in military service here on the Eastern Shore. They were stationed on Eastern Shore soil or died on Eastern Shore soil.

The ultimate sacrifice made by military personnel is not a cause or opportunity for celebration. Save the celebrations for a more appropriate holiday.

Ensure Memorial Day is always reverent and solemn.

## CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

The Eastern Shore Post strives for accuracy. Corrections and clarifications will be printed in this space. Email [editor@easternshorepost.com](mailto:editor@easternshorepost.com).

## Will be holding Kiggans accountable

To the editor:

I have made many calls to the office of U.S. Rep. Jen Kiggans on several different matters and she does eventually answer my calls with a form email attempting to address my concerns without really answering my questions.

So let me ask:

Why does she maintain an office in Onley, yet no one is ever there?

Why, when she comes to the Eastern Shore, is it for photo opportunities and not town hall meetings?

I have asked several times why she and this House of Representatives never hold the president accountable for his actions.

I would like to know why — since the president signed it into law — the Epstein files are not being shared as they were ordered to be.

Where is the justice for those victims? That's just the beginning.

## Guest columns and letters

The Eastern Shore Post welcomes your letters and guest columns. Letters and columns must include a phone number and a town of residence for verification. Letters should be no longer than 250 words. Guest columns should be limited to 500 words. Send letters to [editor@easternshorepost.com](mailto:editor@easternshorepost.com).

Rulings have also come down concerning the actions of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Department of Homeland Security, whose detainees are still entitled to due process.

Why is the president allowed to ignore the rulings and still deport people?

And, of course, there is the war with Iran, even though he now calls it a "ceasefire."

Bombings and attacks mean conflict is ongoing. Why is he allowed to proceed without congressional approval?

And this brings me to Kiggans' last vote taken in the House of Representatives, where she once again chose to back the president instead of requiring him to get congressional approval.

The majority of American citizens oppose this war, and yet, he gets yet another pass.

Why is Kiggans not investigating the corruption that is taking place and the money that the president and his family are making at the expense of the American people?

People are struggling with healthcare and inflation because of Kiggans and the Big Ugly Bill and now Republicans want us to pay for the president's ballroom and more funding for his war?

Primary elections will be held soon and I will be holding Kiggans accountable for her votes.

Paula Nees  
Chincoteague

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# In May 1944, 11 die in Wallops-area military plane crash

BY TED SHOCKLEY

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One of the Eastern Shore's worst military disasters happened on May 30, 1944, when 11 servicemen died in an airplane crash near the Chincoteague Naval Auxiliary Air Station. The air station today is occupied by the NASA Wallops Flight Facility.

According to the Ledger-Star newspaper, the crash happened one and one-half miles west of the air station and there were no survivors.

The airplane had taken off at 1:30 a.m., almost immediately developed engine trouble, and crashed while attempting to return.

"It was said the bomber, in coming down, sheared off treetops for a distance of about 100 yards," the Eastern Shore News reported.

Killed in the crash were:

■ Lt. (jg) William George Rehor, 26, of Price, Utah. He had been stationed at Chincoteague for six months while completing his bomber training.

■ Lt. (jg) Gerrit H. Wormhoudt, 36, of Pella, Iowa

■ Ensign Weldon Arthur Reeder, 34, of North East, Md.

■ Navigator Ensign James R. Gray, 23, of Carlyle, Ill.

■ Aviation Machinist's Mate 2nd Class James Arthur Donahoe, 22, of Lewiston, Maine

■ Aviation Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Stephen Stublarec, 21, of Lower Yoder Township, Penn.

■ Aviation Warfare Systems Operator 2nd Class David L. Rickards, of Carrabelle, Fla.

■ Aviation Ordnanceman 2nd Class Jacob Colby Clough, 19, of Fort Recovery, Ohio

■ Aviation Ordnanceman 2nd Class Cornelius R. Linehan, 19, of Glen Falls, N.Y.

■ Aviation Warfare Systems Operator 3rd Class George A. Quigg, 20, of Wilkes-Barre, Penn.

■ Aviation Machinist's Mate 3rd Class Roger Warren Julin, 30, of Minneapolis, Minn.

## 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](mailto:editor@easternshorepost.com) with information or questions.

## Black soldier overlooked

It has been disheartening to see how the deaths of Black military personnel from the Eastern Shore during World War I and World War II were not covered in local and state newspapers nearly as thoroughly as the deaths of white personnel.

U.S. Army Pvt. Norman H. Wise, of Onancock, is an example of this.

Wise died May 17, 1944, of drowning at Guadalcanal. This would have been more than a year after the conclusion of the Guadalcanal campaign that claimed 7,100 Allied lives during World War II. Presumably Wise was part of an occupying force on the island.

The May 26, 1944, edition of the Eastern Shore News listed the news of Wise's death at the bottom of the front page under the headline, "Drowning victim."

By my search, Wise's death was never reported in the Peninsula Enterprise, the other newspaper of the day that covered the entire Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Wise was mentioned in the Virginian-Pilot newspaper of Norfolk when

his body was returned to the United States.

His body was among 83 from Virginia that were returned to the United States in February 1949.

The article mentioned Wise and his father, Thomas Wise, and his father's address: "RFD Box 347, Onancock."

Searches for Wise's grave on the website [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) and on the Ghotes virtual cemetery, which has thousands of Eastern Shore gravesite photos, did not yield a photo or location of Wise's grave.

Wise's name is also not mentioned among other World War II military deaths on memorials in Parksley and Accomac.

## A curious death

The death of Isaac Randolph Daisey, of Chincoteague, on May 9, 1919, is one of the more curious Eastern Shore casualties of World War I.

Daisey's name is listed among fallen World War I soldiers on memorial plaques in Accomac and Parksley.

But news coverage following his death asserts Daisey was no longer in military service when he fatally shot himself in Petersburg.

"Daisey is said to have been discharged from the army at Camp Lee on account of ill health," an article in the Sunday, May 11, 1919, edition of the Virginian-Pilot newspaper reported.

Daisey's body was found in his Petersburg lodging room "with a bullet wound through the left temple," the newspaper reported.

"The pistol with which the fatal shot had been fired was found lying by the side of the dead man," it reported.

The newspaper stated that Daisey "had been suffering from a severe case of pyorrhea" — an advanced infection of the gums — "and had been treated for his teeth for some time."

The war memorial plaque on the circuit courthouse in Accomac mentions that Daisey "died at Camp Lee."

The Oct. 4, 1919, edition of the Peninsula Enterprise, which includes short biographical sketches of fallen Eastern Shore World War I servicemen, honors Daisey without disclosing specifics of his death.

"While in Camp Lee he often wrote his mother and told her that he would like to be home," wrote the Rev. O.W. Sawyer, who authored the biography.

"While in camp he was sick and he wrote his mother and expressed the desire he might have her care and attention. On May 9, 1919, he died."

An essay published in the July 19, 1930, edition of the Peninsula Enterprise about area World War I fatalities also skirted Daisey's cause of death.

The essay listed Daisey among a group of soldiers who "all died in camp, most of them of pneumonia."

Daisey's body was interred in Greenwood Cemetery on Chincoteague Island. His parents both died in 1923, four years after his death.

A poem published in the April 19, 1930, edition of the Enterprise expressed the grief of Daisey's siblings.

It read:

In memory of our brother, Isaac R. Daisey.

Our hearts in deep sorrow  
Return to this day  
As memory recalls  
How death took you away

On a hillside softly sleeping  
Where the flowers gently wave  
Lies the one we loved so dearly  
In his sad and silent grave

By his sisters,

Mrs. Harold McCleary  
Mrs. Otis Melvin

## Family Immigration Emergency Preparedness Plan

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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.sinbarrerascville.org](http://www.sinbarrerascville.org) and 434-531-0104.

■ Just Neighbors: Immigration legal services, [www.justneighbors.org](http://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.

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■ 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, numero A).

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

### Recursos de emergencia

■ Sin Barreras: Servicios legales de inmigración [www.sinbarrerascville.org](http://www.sinbarrerascville.org) y 434-531-0104.

■ Solo Vecinos: Servicios legales de inmigración, [www.justneighbors.org](http://www.justneighbors.org) y 703-979-1240.

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Prepare Enfòmasyon Medikal: Dokimante kondi- syon medikal pitit ou, medikaman, kontak doktè, ak de- tay 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:

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■ Evite fwod: Travay sèlman ak avoka ki gen lisans oswa reprezantan ki akredite yo. Pa janm siyen fòm vid oswa peye pou "koneksyon espesyal."

### Konnen Dwa Ou yo

#### Si ICE Vizite kay ou:

■ Pa louvri pòt la san yon mandyan siyen nan men yon jij.

■ Verifye garanti a pa mande ICE glise li anba pòt la.

#### Pandan entèraksyon ICE:

■ Rete kalm ak silans. Pa reponn kesyon oswa siyen anyen.

■ Mande yon avoka ak yon odyans devan yon jij imigrasyon.

■ Pote Esansyèl: Yon ID valab (si sa aplikab), yon kat Dwa Ou genyen, ak nimewo telefòn avoka w la.

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■ Afidavitasyon Otorizasyon Swen an ak lis kontak ijans yo.

### Resous ijans

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■ Jis vwazen yo: Èd legal ak imigrasyon, [www.justneighbors.org](http://www.justneighbors.org) ak 703-979-1240.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

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## Friday, May 22

■ **YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, Chincoteague. The church is holding its annual yard sale. Hot dogs and a bake sale table will be available.

■ **BARBECUE:** 10 a.m. until sold out., Parksley Volunteer Fire Co. annual Memorial Day chicken and pulled pork barbecue on Lankford Highway, Parksley, across from Royal Farms.

■ **BAKE SALE:** Noon to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House is hosting its two-day semi-annual bake and yard sale.

■ **DANCE:** 5 to 7 p.m., Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, Accomac. The Boys and Girls Club of the Eastern Shore's Torch Club is hosting a spring formal for children in grades kindergarten through third. Tickets are \$5. Parents must drop off and pick up their children.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Vaux Hall Farm, 16165 Vaux Hall Lane, Melfa. Brandon Bower, Rob Oliver, Jacob Vanko, and Brian Irminger perform live. Bring a chair. The cover charge is \$10.

■ **STREET FAIR:** From 5 to 8 p.m., downtown Pocomoke City will host the monthly Fourth Friday street fair. There will be food vendors, a cash bar, kids entertainment, and music.

■ **OPEN HOUSE:** 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., 9387 Box Tree Drive, Machipongo. The Nature Conservancy is hosting an open house as part of the annual Whimbrel Watch. Attendees can meet members of the conservancy's migratory bird team and learn more about whimbrels.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5:30 to 8 p.m., Chincoteague Pony Center, 6417 Carriage Drive, Chincoteague. Mojo performs live as part of the center's

## Best bets

■ **Saturday, May 23, the annual Art on the Farm festival will take place at the Barrier Islands Center. There will be live music, food, and artists and artisans selling their work. Tickets are \$5 for adults. Admission is free for anyone under age 18.**

■ **Friday, May 22, Saturday, May 23, and Monday, May 25, starting at 10 a.m. the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company will be selling barbecue on Lankford Highway in Parksley across from the Royal Farms.**

summer kickoff. There will also be food and pony rides available for purchase.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Ker Place, 69 Market St., Onancock. Shore History is hosting its annual Sunshine and Margaritas. This free concert will feature music by the Rhythm Section. There will be food trucks on site.

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

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Fil Rhythm performs live.

■ **SILENT DISCO:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Cape Charles Beach, Cape Charles. A silent disco is being held on the beach. Headphones will be provided with three music stations available. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children age 12 and under.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Joe Boris and the Fun Time perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Sun-

set Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. Double entAndra performs live.

## Saturday, May 23

■ **BAKE SALE:** 8 a.m. to noon, Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House is hosting its two-day semi-annual bake and yard sale.

■ **YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, Chincoteague. The church is holding its annual yard sale. Hot dogs and a bake sale table will be available.

■ **BIRDING FIELD TRIP:** 8 a.m., Chincoteague Island Nature Trail, Hallie Wheaton Smith Drive, Chincoteague. Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a field trip. Birders can search for resident and migratory birds during this guided walk. To RSVP text Sonal Shah at 703-395-4478.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, there will be an animal shelter food drive at the Onancock Farmers Market sponsored by

Friends of Animal Control Eastern Shore. Requested are Pedigree dog food, wet or dry, all ages, and Friskies cat food, wet or dry, for all ages. Also sought are treats, chews, or cash donations.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, corner of Market and Ames Streets, Onancock. At the Onancock Farmers Market shoppers will find produce, baked goods, meat and seafood, artisan goods, and much more.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Alex Hubb Field, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Farmers Market brings farmers, bakers, and artisans to the heart of town. There will also be live music.

■ **BARBECUE:** 10 a.m. until sold out, Parksley Volunteer Fire Co. annual Memorial Day chicken and pulled pork barbecue on Lankford Highway, Parksley, across from Royal Farms.

■ **FIREMANS MUSTER:** 10 a.m., Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, Pocomoke City. Fire companies will compete in challenges to see who comes out on top. General admission is \$5. Children under age 10 are free.

■ **CAR SHOW:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tasley Volunteer Fire Company, 23395 Tasley Road, Tasley. The fire company is hosting its annual Sonny Moore Car Show with the Eastern Shore Cruisers Car Club.

■ **FESTIVAL:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Barrier Islands Center, Machipongo. The annual Art on the Farm festival will bring live music, food, and artists and artisans to the Barrier Island Center. The cost is \$5 for adults. Children under age 18 are free.

■ **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.

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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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.vaalanon.org/districts/district-7-eastern-shore)

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

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

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

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- **BARBECUE:** 11 a.m., Chincoteague American Legion Post 159 will have a Memorial Day Barbecue and Bake Sale featuring barbecue chicken, smoked pork barbecue, and sides for \$10 per platter. It is hosted by the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 159 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 159 and will be held at 4023 Main St.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. The Speakeasies perform live.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Mini Golf, Cape Charles. Starfire performs live.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Joe Boris and the Fun Time perform live.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Sunset Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. E3 performs live.
- **CONCERT:** 7:30 p.m., Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles. The Dave Matthews Tribute Band performs live. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$15 for students. Visit [www.artsentercapecharles.org](http://www.artsentercapecharles.org) for tickets.

## Sunday, May 24

- **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 11 a.m., Painter Garrison's Methodist Church, 17300 Main St., Painter. Pastor Lori Egan will be the guest speaker on Pentecost Sunday.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., Sunset Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. Mike Gombas performs live.
- **OPEN MIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. The brewery is hosting its weekly Music Circle open mic.

- **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 2 p.m., Bethel Baptist Church, 7638 Bayside Road, Franktown. The church is hosting a Men's Day service. The guest speaker will be Ricky Rouse of First Baptist Church in Cape Charles.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 2 to 4 p.m., Chatham Vineyards, Machipongo. Melinda and the Speakeasies perform live.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 3 to 6 p.m., Cape Charles Tiny Livin', 22094 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton. Starfire performs live.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 7 p.m., E and O Pub, Cape Charles. Brian Irminger performs live.
- **OPEN MIC:** 6 p.m., Teaguer's Pub, Chincoteague. Teaguer's is hosting open mic night. Performers are invited to show off their skills.

## Monday, May 25

- **CEREMONY:** 10 to 11 a.m., Parksley Memorial Day Ceremony in the Parksley Town Square
- **BARBECUE:** 10 a.m. until sold out, Parksley Volunteer Fire Co. annual Memorial Day chicken and pulled pork barbecue on Lankford Highway, Parksley, across from Royal Farms.
- **CEREMONY:** 11 a.m., Cape Charles War Memorial, Cape Charles. American Legion Post 56 is hosting a Memorial Day ceremony.

- **FUNDRAISER:** 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Blackfin Island Grill, 7085 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. A portion of sales will be donated to Island Community House.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 8 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Joe Crowdog performs live.

## Tuesday, May 26

- **CLASS:** 9 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center, Melfa. A free class on health-care fundamentals is being hosted at the community college. Attendees should bring identification and set aside two hours for testing.
- **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The Eastern Shore Art League Stitches Together group will meet to socialize and create woven art. All levels are welcome.
- **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. The museum is hosting a demonstration and discussion on decoy carving with Arthur Leonard. Museum members, veterans, and children age 12 and under can attend for free. The cost is \$10 for all others. To reserve a seat call 757-336-6117.

## Wednesday, May 27

- **RECOVERY GROUP:** Noon to 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Center, Melfa. The college hosts a weekly all-recovery meeting for anyone seeking or maintaining recovery. Meetings are open to the community.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 8 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Medium Wave Jay performs live.
- **GAME NIGHT:** 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Island Community House, 6426 Mumford St., Chincoteague. The community is invited to a game night. Snacks are welcome.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Local-ish Art, 22 Strawberry St., Cape Charles. Melinda and the Speakeasies perform live.

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## SOFTBALL

**Accomack County  
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## Thursday, May 28

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 3 to 6 p.m., Farmers and Artisans Market at the Marina Club parking lot at Captains Cove, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 8 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Fil Rhythm performs live.

## Friday, May 29

■ **LECTURE:** 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., Virginia Cooperative Extension, 7247 Young St., Machipongo. The extension is hosting its monthly Perk Up and Learn Coffee Hour. During this session Roberta Kellam will cover why the Eastern Shore is a critical bird habitat and what residents can do at home to support birds.

■ **GOLF TOURNAMENT:** 10 a.m. shotgun start, Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club, Melfa. Shore History is hosting the Bill Bagwell Memorial Golf Classic. The cost is \$125 per ticket. A boxed lunch and adult beverages are included. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/yunmku6>

■ **SCREENING:** 10:30 a.m., and 1 p.m. NASA

Wallops Visitors Center, 175 Chincoteague Road, Wallops Island. The center is screening "Cosmic Dawn: The Untold Story of the James Webb Space Telescope." There will also be special hands-on programming.

■ **COMMUNITY DINNER:** 5 to 7 p.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Bobtown Road, Painter. The church is hosting a community dinner.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, Cape Charles. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 6 p.m., Foundation of Faith Ministries, 36190 Lankford Highway, Belle Haven. The church is hosting a Youth Explosion event. The speaker will be Mikeendra Ringgold.

■ **PLAY:** 6:30 p.m., Arcadia High School, Oak Hall. Arcadia High School presents "Macbeth." Tickets are \$5.

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

■ **STORY SWAP:** 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. The community is invited to share a story or just enjoy listening to others. This month's theme is right place, wrong time or right place, right time. Admission is free.

## Saturday, May 30

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, corner of Market and Ames Streets, Onancock. At the Onancock Farmers Market shoppers will find produce, baked goods, meat and seafood, artisan goods, and much more.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Alex Hubb Field, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Farmers Market brings farmers, bakers, and artisans to the heart of town. There will also be live music.

■ **GARDEN TOUR:** From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Village Neighbors is hosting a garden tour on Chincoteague. There will be nine gardens open. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at <http://village-neighbors.org/>

■ **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.

■ **SCREENING:** 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. NASA Wallops Visitors Center, 175 Chincoteague Road, Wallops Island. The center is screening "Cosmic Dawn: The Untold Story of the James Webb Space Telescope." There will also be special hands-on programming.

■ **FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. The Elks Lodge is hosting a Fire, Rescue, and Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. There will be awards for Firefighter of the Year, EMT/Paramedic of the Year, and Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. There will also be contests, food and beverages, and entertainment. Entrance is \$10.

■ **GARDEN TOUR:** From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Blooms and Brushes garden tour will offer a glimpse into private gardens in Onancock where artists will be painting plein air. Tickets are \$45 in advance or \$50 the day of at the Historic Onancock School. For more information or to purchase tickets visit [historiconancockschool.org](http://historiconancockschool.org)

■ **GRAND REOPENING:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Center, Pocomoke City. The museum is hosting its grand reopening. Admission will be free and there will be new exhibits, outdoor activities, games, contests, and an auction.

■ **MEETING:** 1 to 3 p.m., Giddens Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Road, Weirwood. The Sickle Cell Association is hosting a

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**CHINCOTEAGUE SPRING GARDEN TOUR**  
A fundraiser to benefit  
Village Neighbors of Chincoteague Island  
**May 30<sup>th</sup> 2026 • 10AM to 3PM**  
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1500 Old Cape Charles Rd., Cape Charles, VA (formerly the Rosenwald School)

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Hosted by & in Partnership with The Impact Center



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meet and greet luncheon. Those living with sickle cell, their families, and advocates are invited to attend. To reserve a seat call 804-513-0532.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Mark Calhoon performs live.

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

■ **PLAY:** 6:30 p.m., Arcadia High School, Oak Hall. Arcadia High School presents "Macbeth." Tickets are \$5.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Sunset Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. The Southern Fog Band performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Sunset Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. Dave Johnson and the Truth perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 11 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

## Sunday, May 31

■ **OPEN MIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., Cape Charles

Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. The brewery is hosting its weekly Music Circle open mic.

## Monday, June 1

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 8 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Joe Crowdog performs live.

## Tuesday, June 2

■ **VETERANS AFFAIRS,** 9 a.m. to noon, Jaime LeCates-Brown of the Virginia Department of Veterans Services will be at American Legion Post 56 in Cheriton to help veterans understand benefit services. The event is first-come, first-served and no appointment is necessary.

■ **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.

## Wednesday, June 3

■ **RECOVERY GROUP:** Noon to 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Work-

force Center, Melfa. The college hosts a weekly all-recovery meeting for anyone seeking or maintaining recovery. Meetings are open to the community.

■ **COMMUNITY PANTRY:** 1 to 3 p.m., Cheriton United Methodist Church, 4070 Sunnyside Road, Cheriton. On the first and third Wednesday of each month the church opens its doors to offer hygiene and personal care items to those in need on a first-come, first-served basis.

■ **OPEN MIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Great Machipongo Clam Shack, Nassawadox. Musicians, poets, and stand-up comedians will share their talents.

■ **LECTURE:** 7 p.m., VIMS Eastern Shore Laboratory, 36 Atlantic Ave., Wachapreague. ODU professor Ian Bartol will give a lecture on how squid spacing, alignment, and propulsor activity change with group velocity.

## Thursday, June 4

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 3 to 6 p.m., Farmers and Artisans Market at the Marina Club parking lot at Captains Cove, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 4 to 8 p.m., Ropewalk, Chincoteague. Fil Rhythm performs live.

## Friday, June 5

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Sunset Beach Bar and Grille, Cape Charles. Grant Austin Taylor performs live.

■ **CONCERT:** 7:30 p.m., Market Street Methodist Church, Onancock. The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore presents "Unfinished Business." The program will include Charles Ives "The Unanswered Question," Carl Stamitz's "Concerto for Viola and Orchestra" with Celia Daggy viola soloist, and Franz Schubert's Symphony No. 8, "Unfinished." Admission is free.

## Saturday, June 6

■ **YARD SALE:** Starting at 7 a.m. Parksley is hosting a townwide yard sale with sales going on throughout town.

■ **YARD SALE, BAKE SALE:** 8 a.m., Accomack Covenant Church, 21549 Adams Road, Greenbush, There will be jewelry, games, books, baked items, and more. Proceeds benefit Operation Christmas Child.

■ **YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to noon, Rock Church, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. The church is hosting a yard sale.

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- ✓ Recreation programs
- ✓ Community events
- ✓ Future improvements

# SAVE THE DATE!

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# OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

## Betty Griffin

**Mrs. Betty Butler Griffin**, 86, of Withams, wife of the late Master Trooper Reavis Howard Griffin, passed away on May 12, 2026, in Salisbury, Md.



Mrs. Griffin

Born on Nov. 9, 1939, in Norfolk, she was the daughter of the late Marion Holmes Butler and Mildred Cooper Butler.

Betty was a caring and loving homemaker — always cooking, baking, and

taking care of her beloved family. She enjoyed camping, fishing, and the outdoors, and she had a good sense of humor. She will be missed for her pleasant personality and love for those around her.

Betty is survived by her children, Janet Griffin McKeon, and her husband, Timothy J. McKeon, Kevin H. Griffin and his wife, Dawn Lynn Sparrow, and Carol Griffin Rice and her husband, Chris Rice; her grandchildren, CJ Rice Jr. (Brittany), Sean McKeon, Kelly Rice (Andrea), Alexis McKeon, Josh Griffin, Noah Sparrow, and Morgan Sparrow; and four great-grandchildren, Gracie, Rayna, Dixie, and Brynlee Rice. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Shirley Whitley, Joyce Lee Gardner, and Melvin H. Butler.

The family would like to thank the staff in the ICU/PCU at Tidal Health in Salisbury for the excellent care and for all of the long-term care she was given at Hartley Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, May 16, at 1 p.m. from Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley, with Pastor John Cullop officiating. Interment

followed at the Downings Cemetery in Oak Hall.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, 23379 Commerce Drive, Accomac, VA 23301.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

## Bob Gaskill

**Mr. Robert “Bobby/Bob” Gaskill** was 70 years of age when he traveled to the other world on May 2, 2026. Bob lived a life filled with variety and good



Mr. Gaskill

humor. He was best known for his loyalty, quick wit, and jovial spirit.

Bob was raised in Hamilton, N.J., where he graduated from Steinert High School in

1974. He went on to enjoy a rewarding career as an attorney. After many years of dedicated work, Bob was thrilled to retire to the Eastern Shore of Virginia. His life here allowed him to pursue his passions — fishing, hunting, micro-farming, socializing, cooking, and reading.

Bob cherished his many lifelong friendships formed out of family, school, and work. His wife, Gina, plans to hold two memorial services to celebrate such a well-lived life.

Family and friends are invited to join together at events in both New Jersey and Virginia. At Bob’s request, these gatherings will resemble Irish wakes. The arrangements will be announced at a later date.

Bob was very patriotic, and he supported Tunnels to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306. Please consider donating to this organization to commemorate his memory.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

## J.A. Beasley

**Mr. Jacob Alfred “J.A.” Beasley**, 73, of Onancock, passed away Friday, May 15, 2026, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born July 22, 1952, in Nassawadox, and raised in Onley, he was the son of the late Jacob Alfred “Jake” Beasley and Gladys Estelle Chandler Beasley.



Mr. Beasley

J.A. graduated from Onancock High School and continued his education at Eastern Shore

Community College, where he studied business.

He later worked for many years with the Virginia Department of Transportation and was especially known for the precision and pride he took in maintaining the roadways along the Eastern Shore.

Raised in a Christian home, J.A. remained close to the Lord throughout his life. He grew up attending worship with his family at Onley Baptist Church, where he was baptized and faithfully attended Sunday school.

J.A. was known for his gentle spirit and warm smile, and you’d never hear him speak a harsh word about anyone. He deeply loved his family and friends, who will all greatly miss his kind presence and caring heart.

He leaves to cherish his memory his sister, Margaret Ann Landon and her husband, Stan, of Onley; his nephews, Wes Landon and his wife, Laurie, and Steve Landon and his wife, Nicole; his nieces, Cindy Taylor and her husband, Gordy, and Brenda Beasley; his great-nieces and great-nephews, Darryn Landon, who was a devoted caregiver to J.A. over the last five years, Makenna Landon, Ryan Landon, Michael Taylor, and Amanda Taylor; and his dear friends, Joan and E.T. Dize and Brad Mowbray.

In addition to his parents, he was

predeceased by his brother Kenneth Beasley, and his wife, Eleanor, and their son, Michael Kenneth Beasley.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 20, at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Russell Fail officiating. Interment followed in the Mount Holly Cemetery.

Contributions in Jay’s memory may be made to Broadway Baptist Church, 15341 Broadway Road, Onancock, VA 23417.

Memory tributes may be shared at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements were by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

## Sally Parks

**Mrs. Sally Ann Taylor Parks**, 79, of Clam, passed away on May 13, 2026, in Newport News.

Born on Nov. 25, 1946, in Clam, she was the daughter of the late Orville Taylor and Frances Taylor.

Sally worked for the former Parksley Shirt Factory, Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, and Eastern Shore Seafood.

She enjoyed her animals, chickens, gardening, and a good yard sale.

Sally’s strong, outgoing personality meant she never met a stranger and was always ready for a good conversation.

Her love for her family was evident in everything she did. She treasured every moment spent with her children and grandchildren, and she leaves behind countless memories they will forever hold close.

Sally is survived by her children, Joseph Zayas (Ella), of Clam, O.J. Zayas (Wanda), of Clam, Angie Ward (Tommy), of Exmore, Melissa Paschall (Bob), of Exmore, and Juanita Parks

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(Paul), of Williamsburg; 12 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She also leaves behind several siblings, nieces, and nephews.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Kelsey Zayas, and her longtime partner, Donald Phillips. As one of nine children, four siblings preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 23, at 3 p.m., from Thornton Funeral Home, with Pastor Bobby Parks officiating.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the SPCA of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 165, Onley, VA 23418.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

## Mary Graham

**Mrs. Mary Graham**, age 78, passed away peacefully at her home on Feb. 2, 2026, surrounded by love. She was born on June 18, 1947, to Welford and



Alice Childress, of Midlothian.

Mary was a bright light in this world, and to say the least, she did not let a wheelchair slow her down.

### Mrs. Graham

Mary was the beloved wife of

Billy Graham, with whom she shared 55 years of marriage, having married in 1970 on Valentine's Day.

Together they made their home on Fox Grove Road in Parksley. Mary embraced life and traveled the world alongside her loving husband, creating a lifetime of cherished memories.

She was a devoted mother to her son, Michael Graham, and his wife, Kelly, of Murrells Inlet, S.C. Mary is also survived by her grandson, Avery Graham; her sister, Linda Rose, her niece, Lauren Selzer; and her grand-nephew, Jacob Selzer, of Painter.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Jeremy and Christopher Graham, and her sister, Loretta Peyton.

Services will be held at Exmore

Baptist Church on **TUESDAY, JUNE 2, AT 11 A.M.**, with the Rev. Jonathan Carpenter officiating. The family requests attendees wear bright colors to celebrate Mary's vibrant life.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Riverside Cancer Center.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

## Teresa Howard

It is with deep sadness that her family announces the passing of **Ms. Teresa Jane Howard**.

To so many throughout the years, especially the children whose lives she touched, she was lovingly known as "Aunt Tease." Teresa had a heart of gold and was deeply loved by many.



### Ms. Howard

She was the type of person who would give you the shirt off her back, help anyone in need, and turn a stranger into a lifelong friend within minutes. She

was the crazy, unforgettable one — the kind of soul who brought laughter, chaos, comfort, and love all at once. To know her was truly to never forget her.

Teresa found joy in the simple things in life. Just like her mother, she loved cleaning and doing laundry and took pride in caring for the people she loved. She enjoyed reading her Bible app, coloring, spending time with the family dog, Jax, and watching West-erns with her best friend, Russell.

No matter what she was going through herself, Teresa always tried to save everyone else first. Her nieces and nephews meant the world to her, and she loved each of them deeply.

She was preceded in death by her parents, the Rev. Robert Miller Howard Sr. and Mary Etta Howard; her grandparents, Laura Mae and Thomas Riggin and Annie Elizabeth and Maurice Howard; her brothers, Gregory Thomas Howard Sr. and Robert Miller Howard Jr.; her son, Trey William LeCates; her nephew, Richie O'Neal; and her lifelong friends, Maryann Pezzuto and Thomas Ray Lewis Jr., also known as "Fig."

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her daughter, Kristin "Kris" Howard; her grandsons, Trey Mahki Lilliston, Tyler LeCates, and Philip Alaniz; her granddaughters, Mia LeCates and Desiree LeCates; the father of her daughter, Wayne O'Neal; her sisters, Mary Beth Pfaff and Vivian Adean Alaniz; her nephews, Gregory Howard Jr., Robbie Howard, Tyler Taylor, Zachary Taylor, Ryan Taylor, Michael O'Neal, and Jeffrey Whitman, his wife, Serina, and their children, Mason, Wyatt, and Wae'Lynn; her nieces, Deanna Evans and her daughter, Ariana Ames, Heaven Howard Jones, and Amanda Howard Long; Kelly Diaz, who was like a sister to her; her best friend and roommate, Charles Russell Tyler; her lifelong friends, Maryshell Pepper, Anette Moore, and Doretha Grimes; and a host of extended family members and friends who loved her dearly.

Though her loved ones' hearts are broken, they find peace in knowing Teresa is reunited with so many loved ones who went before her. Her love, laughter, strength, and unforgettable spirit will forever live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

A memorial service to celebrate Teresa's life will be held on Saturday, May 23, at noon, at Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

*"Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure. You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure."*

## Cheryl Elliott

**Mrs. Cheryl Louise Phillips Elliott**, a native of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, and a descendant of Hog Island Doughty and Phillips families, passed away peacefully May 14, 2026, at Vitas Hospice in Rockledge, Fla., surrounded by her loved ones.

Born Jan. 8, 1945, in Nassawadox, to Margaret Louise (née Chandler), and Otto Wright Phillips, Cheryl was the quintessential Shore native and was affectionately known as "Hog Island Lass." She adored her time growing up in Red Bank and visiting relatives in Marionville and Machipongo.

A 1963 graduate of Northampton High School, Cheryl's charm and loving nature matured into the need to care for others as an LPN, leading to a long and illustrious career with Perdue Farms, Inc., in both Accomac, and Salisbury, Md.

In retirement, Cheryl loved writing about her adventures on the Shore with her family, including some hard-to-forget characters who made lasting (and laughing) impressions on her. Cheryl was a master needleworker and crafted heirlooms for her family that they will cherish for lifetimes.



### Mrs. Elliott

In addition to her parents, Cheryl was predeceased by her sister, Elizabeth "Liz" Ann Cottee Colvin, of Melbourne, Fla., and her brother, Captain William Ray "Billy Ray" Phillips, of Cape May, N.J.

By her side at her time of death, Cheryl is survived by her three children, Kenneth "Ken" Lee Hann (Angela), of Canton, Ga., David "Dave" Chandler Elliott (Gloria), of Millsboro, Del., and Benjamin Harrison "Harry" Elliott IV (Martha), of Melbourne. In addition to her many nieces and nephews, Cheryl is also survived by her grandchildren, Joshua Wade Hann, Dylan Jacob "DJ" Hann, Grayce "Vik" Noellen Elliott, Cayce Summerset Elliott, Emma Catherine Elliott, Mary Virginia Elliott, Henry Aaron Diaz Ramirez, Cindy Judith Ramirez Sandoval, Kimberly Isabelle Elliott, and Gabriella Grace Elliott; and her newly born great-grandson, Philip Douglas Gillespie.

A small graveside service will be held Saturday, May 30, at 11 a.m., at Franktown Cemetery in Franktown. All are welcome to attend. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests donations be made to the Barrier Islands Center, 7295 Young St., Machipongo, VA 23405.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

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## Billy Ray Bunting

**Mr. Billy Ray Bunting**, 86, of Chincoteague Island, passed into the arms of the Lord surrounded by his loving family on May 14, 2026.

Billy Ray was born on Feb. 11, 1940, to the late Harry Clay Bunting Sr. and Mary Andrews Bunting on Chincoteague.



**Mr. Bunting**

Billy Ray graduated from Chincoteague High School in 1958. He married the love of his life, Barbara

Gordy Bunting, and they began to raise their family.

Billy Ray's career was spent between Jones Brothers Seafood and NASA Wallops Island Fire Station. He was also a part-time employee of Salyer Funeral Home for many years.

Billy Ray was a proud original member of the Saltwater Cowboys and a member of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company for 68 years.

In 1964, he became a member of Masonic Lodge 243 of Accomack County. He was a member of Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague and a member of the Anglers Sunday School Class.

Billy is survived by his daughters, Brenda Bernstein (Bryan), of Hebron, Md., and Teresa McCain (Bill), of Salisbury, Md.; his grandchildren, Jeremy Bernstein, Rachel Forte (Eric), and Caitlin Martz (Connor); his great-grandchildren, Tucker Forte, Layton Forte, and Easton Forte; and his special nieces, Patsy Savage and Ashley Watkinson.

He was predeceased by his sister, Ruth Williams, and his brother, Harry Clay Bunting Jr.

Funeral services were held at Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague Island at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, with the Rev. Kevin Eley officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home on Chincoteague Island. Condolences may be made online at [www.salyerfh.com](http://www.salyerfh.com)

## Sonny Johnson

**Mrs. Sonja Denhart "Sonny" Johnson**, 83, of Southside Chesconnessex, was welcomed into the open arms of her Lord and Savior on Monday, May 18, 2026.

Born Nov. 29, 1942, Sonny was the youngest of three children born to the late Vernon Hundley Belote and Gretchen Denhart Shrieves Lewis.



**Mrs. Johnson**

Sonny was the sweetest of souls — the kind of person who radiated sunshine and happiness. She married her soulmate, Phillip Morris Johnson, on Jan. 6, 1958, and built a beautiful life for more than 61 years. Sonny's love for her family and those she thought of as family knew no bounds. There was nothing she couldn't make right with a warm hug, immediately followed by a home cooked meal. Some may even say her roast beef had special healing powers.

For nearly three decades, Sonny shared her light and love with countless residents at the former Hermitage on the Eastern Shore, where she was more than a housekeeper — to many she was a friend and a confidant.

A devoted member of Riverview United Methodist Church, Sonny was a true Christian woman who led by example throughout her life.

"Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates." — Proverbs 31:30-31

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughters, Valerie Crockett and her husband, Mark, of Melfa, and Nicole Powell Kennedy and her husband, Michael, of Accomac; her grandchildren, Amber Crockett, J.P. Powell, and Andrew Kennedy; and several nieces and nephews, all of whom she very much adored.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her brother and sister, Aubrey Wayne Belote and Alice Katherine "Kay" Jones.

A service in celebration of Sonny's life will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Saturday, May 23, at 12:30 p.m., with the Rev. Roland Major officiating. The family will gather for private interment at the Edgehill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Sonny's memory may be made to a local animal shelter of one's choosing or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, [www.stjude.org/donate](http://www.stjude.org/donate)

Memory tributes may be shared at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

## Jerry Evans

**Mr. Jerry Gordon Evans**, 93, of Onley, was called home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, surrounded by the love of his family.

Born on July 16, 1932, at the family home in Onley, he was the son of the late Winnie Core Evans and the late James Twyford Evans. Jerry lived a life grounded in faith, devoted to family, and dedicated to serving both his community and his country with humility and grace.



**Mr. Evans**

Jerry shared a remarkable love story with his beloved wife, June Horsey Evans. Married on Aug. 22, 1954, they were blessed with 71 years of unwavering love, partnership, and devotion to one another and to their family. Together, they built a home centered on faith, kindness, and enduring friendship.

A graduate of Onancock High School, class of 1951, Jerry proudly served his country in the U.S. Coast Guard before continuing his education at Old Dominion University.

He later began a distinguished 36-year career with NASA and the federal government at NASA Wallops Flight Facility. During his years of service,

he was recognized for his work on the Spacelab 2 mission, contributing to the advancement of America's space program with quiet excellence and professionalism.

While Jerry valued his professional accomplishments, his greatest calling was his faith and service to others. A devoted member of Market Street Methodist Church, he faithfully served for many years as a lay leader, offering encouragement, wisdom, compassion, and steadfast support to countless members of his church family and community. His gentle spirit and servant's heart touched many lives.

Jerry's greatest pride and joy was his family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved daughter, Holly June Evans, and his sister, Dawn E. Dize.

He is survived by his loving wife, June Horsey Evans; his son, Terry Evans (Julie), of Melfa; his grandsons, Joshua Evans (Amanda), of Norfolk, and Cody Evans (Kristi), of Onancock; and his treasured great-grandchildren, Nora Holly Evans, Layla Rose Evans, Brooklyn Mae Evans, and Beckham Thomas Evans. He is also survived by his nephew, R. Wayne Dize, Jr. (Anne), and his niece, Cynthia Franklin.

Jerry will be remembered for his unwavering faith, gentle nature, deep love for his family, and lifelong dedication to serving others. His legacy of kindness, integrity, and devotion will continue to live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him. His family extends their heartfelt gratitude for the prayers, love, and support shown during this time of loss.

Funeral services were held at Market Street Methodist Church on Thursday, May 21, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. C. Ray Daisey officiating. The family gathered for private interment at the Mount Holly Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jerry's memory may be designated to the charity of one's choice.

Memory tributes may be shared at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements were by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

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## Jerry Eller

Mr. Jerry Lane Eller, 86, of Delmar, Del., received the call to go home on Sunday, May 17, 2026. Ready to take the trip after a long fight through



Mr. Eller

three cancers and heart disease, he was surrounded by loving family as he left to join his family and friends on the other side for a perfect reunion.

He was born in North Wilkesboro, N.C., to the late J. Lance and Georgie Combs Eller.

Despite his many health challenges, grateful is a word that Jerry often used to describe his feelings about his life. Blinded in his left eye by an operation as a child, Jerry persevered and led a full life. He remained grateful for the sight that he had remaining. His cancers and heart disease were obstacles to overcome. Often, he mentioned that he was grateful for having loved two women whom he was fortunate to call his wives.

He was grateful that he had healthy children who were able to function well in society. Also, he was grateful that his grandchildren were healthy and finding their way in the world. Not least of all, he was grateful for the wonderful staff that he was fortunate to have working with him at Eller Tire Company. He often said he would never have been successful without them.

Jerry's early childhood was characterized by multiple relocations as his father moved the family constantly while building a construction business. At one point, before settling in Onley, Jerry had attended 11 elementary schools across Pennsylvania and Maryland. As a result, the teachers missed the fact that his language arts skills had not developed. While he excelled in math, he had missed some of his formative language and phonics education from having moved so frequently. Despite those obstacles, Jerry went on to graduate from Fork Union Military Academy, and after marrying his high school sweetheart, Linda Robbins, he founded Eller Tire Company.

The experience of having teachers overlook his early education formed the cornerstone of one of his passions later in life — that his children's education would be better than his and that it would be consistent and meet their needs completely. Jerry's passions in life were his family, his faith, and his love for taking something that looked like it was beyond redemption and bringing it back to life — be it an old home, a piece of furniture, or a garden patch.

Jerry was happiest in his garden, or if he was restoring an old piece of furniture or any object he identified as being a hidden treasure. His last year of life kept him from being in his shop or garden. His lament as spring approached was that he wasn't going to get to plant his wife's beloved flowers. In March, when it was clear that he wasn't going to be in the garden, he said rather forlornly, "My peas should be up by now."

Jerry was predeceased by his parents, J. Lance and Georgie Combs

Eller; his first wife, Linda Robbins Eller; his brother, Max Eller; and his sister, Bobbi Mullins.

Remaining to cherish his memory are his wife, Fay Ellis Jones-Eller; his son, J. Lance Eller, of Melfa; his daughter, Susan Eller Smith (David), of Kodiak, Alaska; his grandchildren, Joseph Eller, of Melfa, Christen Eller, of St. Petersburg, Fla., Zachary Smith, of Kodiak, Emily Smith, of Kodiak, and Joshua Smith, of Anchorage, Alaska; his brother, Randy Eller (Ruth), of Roanoke; as well as his nieces, nephews, and several cousins, with whom he shared a special bond. Jerry also leaves behind several friends with whom he traveled through life. And finally, he leaves behind his pets that miss him terribly.

To honor Jerry's wishes, services will be conducted from the graveside at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock on Thursday, May 28, at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in his memory to St. Mark's Episcopal Churchyard Fund, c/o J. Theodore Jenkins, Treasurer, 610 Ridge Road, Salisbury, MD 21801 or The Brandywine Valley SPCA, 22918 Dupont Blvd., Georgetown, DE 19947-8803.

Memory tributes may be shared at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

## Darlene Wetherington

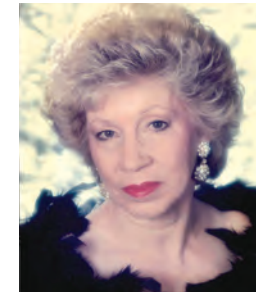
Mrs. Darlene Anne (Cherrix) Wetherington was born on July 15, 1940, to Mr. Homer L. "Jake" Cherrix Sr. and Rowena Virginia (née Melvin) Cherrix on Chincoteague Island, VA.

Darlene passed peacefully at home, surrounded by her family, on

May 17, 2026.

Darlene married Daniel Wetherington on March 17, 1962.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her daughter, Cheyne Adams; her granddaughter, Heather



Mrs. Wetherington

Petrillo; her parents, Homer and Rowena Cherrix; and her grandparents, Laura and Robert Taylor and Mary Melvin.

Darlene is survived by her daughters, Megan Peoples and Gina Wetherington; her brother, Homer "Jake" Cherrix Jr. (Debbie); her sisters, Mary Laura Roberts (Ricky) and Lynn Johnson (Bobby); her grandchildren, Marquita Olavarria (Natastia), Daniel Petrillo (Carissa), Melissa Rohan (Kevin), Christopher Peoples, Kaitlyn Peoples, Trace Adams, Ashlyn Morgan, and Amber Morgan; as well as her great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Darlene was a graduate of Chincoteague High School and was an avid golfer. She will be missed by many.

Funeral services will be at Christ United Methodist Church on Chincoteague Island, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, with visitation one hour prior. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital online, and/or SPCA Eastern Shore at P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, or online.

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home, Inc., on Chincoteague Island. Condolences may be made online at [www.salyerfh.com](http://www.salyerfh.com)



## Town of Chincoteague Notice of Public Hearing

The Chincoteague Town Council and the Planning Commission will conduct a joint public hearing commencing at **7 PM on June 1, 2026** in the Chincoteague Center building located at 6155 Community Dr. Chincoteague, VA 23336 to afford interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments concerning the removal of "tourist vacation homes" as an allowable use by-right from Appendix A, Article III, Section A- R-1-Single Family Residential District of Town Code. The full content of the proposed changes may be viewed at the Town office and on the Town's website [www.chincoteague-va.gov](http://www.chincoteague-va.gov). Written comments may be submitted to the Town Manager until **5PM on the June 1, 2026** at the above physical address or to [mtolbert@chincoteague-va.gov](mailto:mtolbert@chincoteague-va.gov).



## Town of Chincoteague Notice of Public Hearing

The Chincoteague Town Council will conduct a public hearing commencing at 7PM on June 1, 2026 in the Chincoteague Center building located at 6155 Community Dr. Chincoteague, VA 23336 to afford interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments concerning a proposed Short-Term Rental ordinance. The full content of the proposed ordinance may be viewed at the Town office and on the Town's website [www.chincoteague-va.gov](http://www.chincoteague-va.gov). Written comments may be submitted to the Town Manager until 5PM on June 1, 2026 at the above physical address or to [mtolbert@chincoteague-va.gov](mailto:mtolbert@chincoteague-va.gov).

# SPORTS

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## SOFTBALL

### Arcadia wins district title

Arcadia's softball team has a pretty simple game plan: Hit and run.

They are not all necessarily base hits, but the Firebirds just put the ball in play and then run the bases aggressively but not recklessly, hoping to force a throwing error or two.

It's working.

For the second straight season and the third time in four years, the Firebirds went undefeated in the Eastern Shore District.

Arcadia clinched the league title on Thursday, May 14, when Brinlee Kauthen went 3-for-4 with a triple and four RBI to lead the Firebirds to a 9-2 win at Nandua. Ryann Giddins pitched a three-hitter and struck out 16 while adding two hits — a triple and a double — and an RBI of her own. Payton Taylor also had two hits and an RBI for Arcadia (14-4, 6-0).

When asked what her district champs were doing well as the playoffs approach, coach Sandra Ellenberger said, "Hitting the ball. It's not all about getting base hits, but putting the ball in play. And when we get on base, we keep running. That's the game plan, and I think we executed it well today."

Ellenberger said one goal for her team is to strike out less than 10 times per game, but Nandua's Lela Lusk, a rising star as a freshman, fanned 11 Firebirds while allowing eight hits. "Lela is the real deal," said Ellenberger.

Emmalee Blake led Nandua with a double and two RBI. The Warriors (7-12, 3-2) were scheduled to play a district game at Northampton on Wednesday, May 20, but the game ended after deadline.

In other action, Arcadia was credited with a 13-5 district win at Chincoteague. The game was previously postponed in the fifth inning, with the Firebirds leading, 13-5. Chincoteague's coaches decided to forfeit the rest of the game. Megan Montross and Anslyn Greenwood had three hits each, while Giddins, Kau-



PHOTO COURTESY JACOB MARINER

**On Thursday, May 14, Brinlee Kauthen went 3-for-4 with four RBI to lead Arcadia to a 9-2 win at Nandua that clinched the district title for the Firebirds.**

then, and Kinsley Palmer had two hits each. Kauthen also pitched the win.

For the Ponies, Amaya Griffin had two hits, while Faith Stadler took the loss in the circle.

On Monday, May 18, Arcadia also was awarded a forfeit victory over Norcom. The Firebirds were scheduled to finish the regular season on Thursday, May 21, with a non-district doubleheader at Hopewell.

### Ponies win slugfest

On Monday, May 18, Chincoteague exploded for 26 hits in a 20-13 Eastern Shore District win at Northampton.

Faith Stadler, who pitched the victory, had five hits and three RBI for the Ponies (5-15, 2-5). Chincoteague also had strong games from Laila Custer (four hits, three RBI), E'Miyah Davis (four hits, one RBI), Ginny Sawyer (three hits, four RBI), Rylee Giddings (three hits, two RBI), Cheyenne Britton (three hits, four RBI), Amaya Griffin (two hits, one RBI), and Linerty Fosque (two hits).

On Thursday, May 14, the Ponies took a 7-6 loss at Northampton. Giddings had four hits, Fosque had three, and Alissa Bennicoff had two, while Stadler took the loss pitching.

### Jackets go 1-2

On Monday, May 18, Northampton lost, 21-13, in an Eastern Shore District slugfest to visiting Chincoteague.

Nitrice Lewis, Ruby Buck, Ryleigh Caison, and Anna Temich had two hits each. Temich took the loss in the circle.

On Friday, May 15, the Jackets lost, 15-1, to visiting Mathews; the game was called after five innings. Caison had two of Northampton's three hits; Temich took the loss.

On Thursday, May 14, Lewis had three hits and two RBI to lead Northampton to a 7-6 district win over visiting Chincoteague.

Buck, Caison, Hailey Dinwiddie, and Kelsey Hearn added two hits each, and Temich pitched the win.

### BA has two all-state picks

Broadwater Academy seniors Adrianna Holloway and Kacey Ford were named first team all-state in VISAA Division III this week.

Holloway, a catcher, led the Vikings in hitting (.569), RBI (36), home runs (6), triples (5), doubles (11), runs (41), and on-base percentage (.648).

Ford, a middle infielder, was just behind in most of those categories: hitting (.565), RBI (34), runs (32), triples (3), doubles (8), and on-base percentage (.600).

BA also had two second-team all-state picks in Neiley Guinan (.340 batting) and pitcher Carly Clayton (2.41 ERA, 127 strikeouts).

## TRACK & FIELD

### BA's Ye shines at states

On Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16, Broadwater Academy's Steven Ye won the discus (144-01) and finished second in the shot put (46-05) at the VISAA Division II state championships, held in Fork Union.

Teammates Thomas Eno and Logan Arnold finished second in the pole vault

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# Roundup

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(11-06) and seventh in the discus (116-06), respectively. Sofia Rader finished fifth in the girls pole vault (6-00).

In the 26-team boys competition, Blue Ridge School took first place, and BA finished eighth.

In the 24-team girls competition, Trinity Christian and North Cross tied for first, while BA finished in a tie for 20th.

Earning points for Broadwater (the top eight places earn team points) were:

## GIRLS

Pole vault: Sofia Rader (5th, 6-00)

## BOYS

Pole vault: Thomas Eno (2nd, 11-06)

Shot put: Steven Ye (2nd, 46-05)

Discus: Steven Ye (1st, 144-01); Logan Arnold (7th, 116-06)

## Firebirds hot at meet

On Saturday, May 16, Arcadia's Isaiah Davis (shot put, discus), Zyair Harmon (200, 4x100 relay), and Djasley Lucas (110 hurdles, pole vault) won two events each to lead the Firebirds to first place in the boys competition in a six-team meet at West Point.

Dale Lang (400), Marc Archil (800), and Gage Ross (1600) also won their events, earning Arcadia 198 team points, far ahead of second place Middlesex (138).

Arcadia's girls, meanwhile, finished second in the team standings (behind Middlesex), paced by wins by Demaris Shaw (200), Makiyah Davis (300 hurdles), and Seri Hicks (pole vault).

Earning points for Arcadia (top eight places earn team points) were:

## GIRLS

100: Ariana Latimer (4th, 13.47)

200: Demaris Smaw (1st, 27.24); Amy Lindor (8th, 30.47)

400: Amy Lindor (2nd, 1:09.02)

800: Seri Hicks (4th, 3:02.73)

100 hurdles: Jada Holden (2nd, 17.99); Alionna Beckett (3rd, 19.87)

300 hurdles: Makiyah Davis (1st, 57.88); Alionna Beckett (6th, 1:14.67)

4x100 relay: Arcadia (3rd, 55.78, names not available)

High jump: Ariana Latimer (3rd, 4-06), Makiyah Davis (7th, 4-04)

Pole vault: Seri Hicks (1st, 6-00)



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On Thursday, May 14, Nandua pitcher Jordan Snead picked up the win over Arcadia, pitching two innings of relief.

Long jump: Jada Holden (2nd, 14-08); Janiya Harris (5th, 14-01.50), Makiyah Davis (8th, 13-05.75)

Triple jump: Jada Holden (3rd, 30-03.75); Makiyah Davis (5th, 27-06.50); Janiya Harris (8th, 24-11)

Shot put: Daniela Larreinaga (8th, 19-07)

Discus: Norldgena Maitre (3rd, 81-08); Sa'miya Pettit-Holden (6th, 63-09)

## BOYS

100: Zyair Harmon (2nd, 11.28); Travar Cropper Jr. (5th, 12.11)

200: Zyair Harmon (1st, 23.34); Quentin Smaw (3rd, 24.81); Travar Cropper Jr. (4th, 25.01)

400: Dale Lang (1st, 55.22); Quentin Smaw (8th, 1:02.53)

800: Marc Archil (1st, 2:15.88); Gage Ross (2nd, 2:22.39)

1600: Gage Ross (1st, 5:17.58)

110 hurdles: Djasley Lucas (1st, 16.81); Kerson Normil (3rd, 17.61)

300 hurdles: Kerson Normil (2nd, 48.33)

4x100 relay: Arcadia (1st, 48.11; Zyair Harmon, Brian White Jr., Travar Cropper Jr., Nakahi Wilson)

4x400 relay: Arcadia (2nd, 4:15.90; Quentin Smaw, Malachi Palmer, Madoche Exantus, Dale Lang)

4x800 relay: Arcadia (2nd,

10:08.64; Gage Ross, Madoche Exantus, Marc Archil, Dale Lang)

High jump: Djasley Lucas (4th, 5-06)

Pole vault: Djasley Lucas (1st, 10-06); Kerson Normil (2nd, 9-06); Carson Wallace (3rd, 8-06).

Triple jump: Dale Lang (2nd, 39-03); Djasley Lucas (3rd, 38-10)

Shot put: Isaiah Davis (1st, 45-07); Brinley Normil (5th, 34-06); Carson Wallace (7th, 32-07)

Discus: Isaiah Davis (1st, 132-10); Brinley Normil (3rd, 115-01); Carson Wallace (8th, 77-01)

## Collins, Coates place well

On Saturday, May 16, Northampton's Kendrick Collins placed third in the pole vault (8-0) in a massive 53-team meet at Nansmond River High School. The Jackets' 4x800 relay team (names not available) finished seventh.

In the girls competition, Rylee Coates finished third in the long jump (17-3.25) and eighth in the 100 hurdles (18.58).

## BASEBALL

### Three teams tie for title

On Thursday, May 14, Nandua scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning for a 7-6 Eastern Shore

District victory over visiting Arcadia.

The Warriors' win means that three teams tied for the district title — Arcadia, Chincoteague, and Nandua, all going 4-2 in the league.

In the May 14 game, Arcadia had taken a 6-5 lead in the top of the seventh when Waylon Watson, who had doubled to open the inning, scored on a bunt single by Xavier Waters.

In the bottom of the stanza, Nandua's Orion Loreda scored from second on a two-out single by Ben Bonniwell to tie it at 6-6. Preston Parks reached on an error, and then Arcadia pitcher Dylan Chesser plunked consecutive Nandua batters — Kaiden Stokes and Jeremiah Webb — to advance the runners and send Bonniwell home with the winning run.

Bonniwell led Nandua with two hits and three RBI, while Jordan Snead picked up the win, pitching the final two innings.

Starter Lucas Stodghill gave up five runs but struck out 10 in five innings.

Brian White, Dalton Barnes, and Josh Woolford had two hits each for Arcadia. White pitched 4.1 innings and struck out 10, while Chesser pitched the last 2.1 innings and took the loss.

## Arcadia rolls at Norcom

On Monday, May 18, Brian White went 4-for-4 with two doubles and four RBI to lead Arcadia to a 15-4 win at I.C. Norcom; the game was called after six innings.

Pitchers Dalton Barnes (one inning, three strikeouts), Dylan Chesser (two innings, six strikeouts), and Larry Handy (two innings, three strikeouts) combined on a no-hitter for the Firebirds (9-9), while Handy added three hits and three RBI.

## Chincoteague wins two

On Monday, May 18, Clayton Luck pitched a one-hitter and struck out five in Chincoteague's 12-0 Eastern Shore District win at Northampton; the game was called after five innings.

Chincoteague's top hitters were Owen Bloxom (three hits, two RBI), George Katsetos (two hits), Landon Easton (two hits, three RBI), Austin Adams (two hits), and Luck (two hits).

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## Roundup

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Northampton starter Riley Carpenter pitched two innings and took the loss.

On Thursday, May 14, Bryce Luck and Easton combined on a four-hitter and struck out 12 in Chincoteague's 5-4 win at Northampton.

Micah Bennicoff had two hits for the Ponies.

Lucas Kindt, Trent Ferebee, Hayden Seay, and Jason Kim had two hits each for the Jackets, while Ferebee took the loss in three innings of relief.

### Northampton beats Mathews

On Friday, May 15, Northampton beat visiting Mathews, 7-0. No individual stats were reported.

### BA's Destro lauded

Broadwater Academy junior Eli Destro was named first-team all-state in VISAA Division III this week. Destro led the team in hitting (.508), home runs (2), triples (3),

doubles (9), stolen bases (22), and runs (32).

The Vikings also had two second-team picks in Owen Terry (.500 batting, 26 RBI) and Cohen Kellam (.460 batting, 21 RBI, 32 runs).

### BOYS SOCCER

#### Arcadia falls at Poquoson

On Friday, May 15, Arcadia dropped a 3-1 decision at Poquoson. The Firebirds (3-12-1) did not report individual stats.

### GIRLS SOCCER

#### Firebirds, Jackets tie

On Monday, May 18, Arcadia and Northampton played to a 1-1 tie in Eastern Shore District action in Oak Hall.

On Friday, May 15, Arcadia lost, 8-0, at Poquoson, and Northampton lost 3-2 at Mathews.

### Warriors held scoreless

On Monday, May 18, Nandua lost 4-0 at Windsor, ending the Warriors' season at 0-14.

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# Free tennis camp runs July 13 to 17

The Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague has obtained grant funding to expand its free summer tennis lesson program to a week-long tennis camp.

The free camp will be conducted from July 13 to July 17 at the Memorial Park tennis courts.

The camp will be divided into three age groups so that the lessons can be tailored to meet various skill levels. Children (ages 5 to 10) will meet at 3 p.m. Adolescents (ages 11 to 16) will meet at 4 p.m., and adults will meet at 5 p.m.

The association hopes to introduce tennis to new players and improve the skills of those who may be a little rusty. T-shirts will be provided to participants, and there will be a chance to win tennis-related prizes.

Jason Kutzura will be the instructor for the tennis camp. Kutzura is a member of the tennis association, a former college player, and a USTA competitor in New Jersey. He has coached at the high school level and has conducted tennis clinics for over 30 years.

The free tennis camp would not be possible without grant support from the Town of Chincoteague and the United States Tennis Association Mid-Atlantic Foundation.

If you would like to register for the tennis camp, contact the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague at [Communitytennisassoc.2013@gmail.com](mailto:Communitytennisassoc.2013@gmail.com) or 410-292-7872. Registration is required by July 10.



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**The Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague will conduct a free tennis camp during the week of July 13. There will be three age groups — children (ages 5 to 10), adolescents (ages 11 to 16), and adults. Pictured with their instructor are last year's young tennis lesson program participants.**

## Fellowship of Christian Athletes slates breakfast

Fellowship of Christian Athletes on the Eastern Shore invites the community to a special breakfast gathering featuring Virginia/DC State FCA Director George Morris as guest speaker.

The event will be held on Saturday, May 30, with prayer beginning

at 7 a.m., followed by breakfast at 8 a.m.

The breakfast will take place at Nandua High School cafeteria, with the speaker portion of the event to follow in the auditorium.

This event is an opportunity for coaches, athletes, parents, pastors, educators, and community members to come together and hear how FCA is working to impact students

across the Eastern Shore by building faith, character, and leadership through sports.

FCA seeks to meet students where they are — on the fields, courts, and campuses of our local schools — and share encouragement, hope, and the message of Christ through relationships and mentorship.

Support from local schools and communities has helped FCA con-

tinue providing opportunities for student-athletes throughout Accomack and Northampton counties.

Morris will share the vision of FCA across Virginia and the importance of reaching the next generation through faith and athletics.

All are welcome to attend.

For additional information or to RSVP, please contact Phil Brooks at 919-624-9613 or [pbrooks@fca.org](mailto:pbrooks@fca.org).



## JONES SIGNS TO PLAY SOCCER AT DELAWARE

Northampton High School senior Luke Jones announced his commitment to continue his academic and athletic career at the University of Delaware, signing on to join the Blue Hens soccer program. Jones, a standout on the Beach FC U19 ECNL National team in Virginia Beach, was named ECNL All-Conference in the Mid-Atlantic last season, with his team also making it to the ECNL National Playoffs in 2024. He has led the team in goals for the past two seasons. Jones is also a four-year varsity starter for the Yellow Jackets and has helped the Jackets to three Region 1A and two Class 1 State titles in the past three seasons. He was named First-Team All-State last season and has over 60 goals and 20 assists in his four years for the Yellow Jackets. The signing ceremony, held at the Beach FC facility on Sunday, May 17, was attended by family, coaches, teammates, and friends. “UD has many attributes that I looked for in a school — strong academics along with a top tier soccer program, the facilities, athletic staff support, and coaching staff,” Jones said. The University of Delaware men’s soccer program finished last season with a record of 12-1-3 in the NCAA D1 Summit League Conference. Pictured with Jones (seated) are, from left, his brother, Ben Jones; mother, Liz Jones; father, Will Jones; grandmother, Norma Jones; and grandfather, Claude Jones.

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## CENTRAL CHAOS WINS IN DELAWARE

Central Chaos, a local 12-and-younger travel softball team composed of players from Central Accomack Little League, recently went 5-0 at the Delaware Bash at the Beach tournament. Pictured are, front row from left, Riley Pruitt, Nora Wessells, Violet Davis, Kennedy James, Charis Agnew, and Winnie Brady. Pictured in the top row from left are coach Tamika Colona, coach Lauren Pruitt, Cam Pruitt, Malaya Colona, Ellie Marsh, Peyton Mears, Pippa Kinard, coach Bryan Justice, Caroline Lawson, and coach Billy Custis.

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Joel Simpson, left, and Angela Faraguna are two new members on the Onancock Farmers Market Board.

## Faraguna and Simpson join farmers market board

The Onancock Farmers Market welcomes two new members to its board of directors — Angela Faraguna and Joel Simpson.

Faraguna, owner of Angela's Pop Up Bakery, with the assistance of her son, Jeremy, has been a significant food vendor since the market was established in 2012. Faraguna believes this gives her tremendous insight into where the market has been and the great potential it has going forward.

Faraguna has served on the advisory board of her son's school, and she has participated in fundraising efforts for numerous animal groups. The board looks forward to benefiting from the experience she brings to this position as a successful, independent businesswoman.

Simpson, a gifted wood artisan, and his wife, Dawn, with her

crocheted creatures, have been popular vendors at the market for many seasons. Simpson has seen firsthand that the market benefits Onancock by attracting visitors, bringing together neighbors, and providing healthy food to the community.

A NASA engineer for 37 years, Simpson has chaired many organizational boards, including his church council, the Artisans Guild, the Bloxom Food Pantry, and his homeowners association. This experience has strengthened his conviction that nonprofits like the Onancock Market require constant attention in order to thrive and grow.

The Onancock Farmers Market Board is grateful for the fresh perspectives and wisdom these two individuals will bring to its future endeavors.

## Morrell selected as recipient of the 2026 Ames scholarship

The Diane E. Ames Scholarship Committee is proud to announce that Ms. Sophia Ann Morrell has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Diane E. Ames Scholarship Award in the amount of \$1,500.



Sophia Morrell

The scholarship was established to honor the legacy of Ms. Diane E. Ames, a dedicated teacher, and to encourage students pursuing careers in business or education while working

to make a positive impact in their communities.

This scholarship recognizes students who demonstrate academic achievement,

leadership, character, and a commitment to their future educational and career goals. Morrell was selected for her dedication, accomplishments, and strong potential for future success.

Morrell is a graduating senior at Nandua High School, and she plans to attend Liberty University, where she will major in early childhood education.

Morrell said, "I have always believed that the world depends on great teachers. Becoming an educator requires compassion, patience, and dedication, the qualities I strive to demonstrate daily. My personal journey, shaped by influential mentors, hands-on experience, and service to my community, has strengthened my commitment to education and inspired me to create lasting change in the lives of others."



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# CHINCOTEAGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CELEBRATES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



The following students received Student of the Month for April at Chincoteague Elementary School. In the front row, from left, are Laney Goodson, Elena Klettke, Jaxon Wolfgang, Parker Wood, and Erick Stevens. In the back row are Scarlett Brizak, Edgar Power, Isabella Jensen, Camille Berry, Raphael Zabawa, Ethan Johnson, and Hayes Moore. Not pictured are Janisa Bustos and Ariana Torres.

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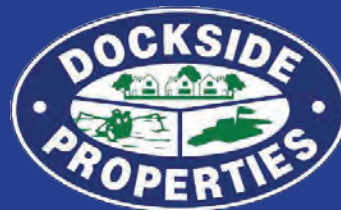
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# Farlow completes work experience

Grace Farlow, of Exmore, completed a work-based learning experience at James Madison University.

Farlow is majoring in elementary education.

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To qualify, the experience must do the following:

- Increase field-related knowledge and skills identified at the beginning of the experience.
  - Be supervised by a professional in the field who provides oversight and guides the student's experience.
  - Occur in a context beyond class.
- Work-based learning can include

experiences in which a faculty member serves as the site supervisor or in a course that requires students to complete a semester-long project for external partners or companies.

Work-based learning experiences may include internships, research, practicums, clinicals, or student teaching.

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# Shore students named to president's list

Six Eastern Shore students were named to the spring 2026 President's List at Southern New Hampshire University. The spring terms run from January to May.

The students were:

- Sheena Jackson, of Painter
- Patricia Heenan, of Melfa
- Austin Studebaker, of Horntown
- Andrew Bugaj, of Greenbackville
- Cody Anderson, of Atlantic.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List.

Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired eight-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

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## Smaller bay dead zone expected

The annual dead zone that threatens underwater life in the Chesapeake Bay is expected to be smaller than average this summer, according to a forecast issued by the Chesapeake Bay Program and partners.

The dead zone forecast comes as much of the Chesapeake Bay region is experiencing a drought.

Dead zone fluctuations from year to year are connected to weather, as well as efforts to keep nitrogen and phosphorus pollution out of waterways.

Runoff from rainstorms washes pollutants into the bay. This pollution, together with wastewater treatment plant discharges, fuels algal blooms.

When these algal blooms die and decompose, they use oxygen in the water and create dead zones. These are areas in the bay and its rivers that don't contain enough oxygen to support culturally and economically important animals such as

fish, crabs, and oysters.

"A smaller dead zone forecast this summer is welcome news, but dry weather won't save the Chesapeake Bay," said Alison Hooper Prost, Chesapeake Bay Foundation senior vice president for programs. "We're currently in a drought that could have devastating consequences for farmers. The long-term trend for our region is wetter weather and more intense storms, which equals more polluted runoff and dirtier water.

"Federal and state leaders from across the region just signed an updated Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement. Now it's time to put the plan into action with policies and investments needed to restore the bay for generations to come. That includes funding for U.S. Geological Survey monitoring efforts that support the dead zone forecast and help more efficiently and effectively restore the Bay."

## Nutrient plan training offered

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation's Nutrient Management Program will offer a two-part agriculture nutrient management training school in June and July.

The school is for anyone interested in learning about the development of agricultural nutrient management plans or how to become a certified plan writer.

The first session, held June 15 and 16, is a lecture series by Virginia Tech professors on soil science, soil fertility, and crop production.

The second session, held July 7 through 9, will cover nutrient management plan writing using a case-study farm.

Both sessions of the series will be hosted online. Each day will run from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Registration is \$150 for each session. The sign-up deadline for the soil

and crop training is June 8 and the sign-up deadline for the plan writing training is June 30.

Registration is available online at <https://tinyurl.com/46t8b2ap>

Nutrient management continues to be an important factor in a farmer's decision-making process when considering application of materials to supply nutrients to crops.

Nutrient management plans determine rates for applying manure, fertilizers, biosolids, and other soil amendments so that crop yields are maximized and nutrient loss to ground and surface waters is minimized.

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# Mentors inspire learning

In observance of National Apprenticeship Week, April 26 through May 2, Northampton County Public Schools highlighted the inaugural year of its partnership with Old Dominion University and its Grow Your Own initiative.

This program creates a direct pathway for local talent to enter the teaching profession, benefiting our community, schools, students, and future educators.

The program pairs aspiring educators with veteran mentor teachers, providing hands-on classroom experience while students complete their teaching degree and licensure requirements at no cost.

Through this residency model, apprentices receive the coaching and professional development necessary to be fully classroom-ready upon graduation.

Investment in Grow Your Own teachers allows the division to elevate dedicated staff members who are already deeply rooted in the Northampton community.

“Our apprenticeship program in partnership with ODU is a critical part of our ‘Grow Your Own’ strategy,” said Clara Chandler, Northampton County Public Schools director of human resources. “By investing in individuals who already know our students, schools, and community, we are building a stronger, more sustainable teacher pipeline for the future.”

“Being part of this program experience has been so meaningful,” said apprentice Jon McClaren. “Instead of only learning about teaching in theory, I saw what it actually looks like day to day — how lessons change in the moment, how teachers build relationships, and how a strong classroom community takes shape. My mentor teacher, Mrs. Middagh, supported me with patience and honest feedback that helped me improve to feel confident and ready for a real classroom.”

The experience has been rewarding for McClaren’s mentor as well.

“Serving as a mentor has strength-

ened both my instructional practices and my ability to support others,” said Kathryn Middagh, the division Teacher of the Year and a program mentor. “One of the most rewarding parts of this experience has been including Mr. McClaren in every aspect of teaching, from lesson planning and classroom management to preparing bulletin boards. Watching his confidence grow as he moves from observing to leading instructional activities has been a standout success. This mentorship experience has reinforced that investing in future educators is one of the most meaningful ways we can strengthen teaching and learning for our students.”

Apprentice Deborah Eder was given the opportunity to work with special needs students through the program.

“Having worked with Mrs. Mowry for the past 10 years, my love for special education has grown even more through this apprenticeship,” said Eder. “She’s a remarkable teacher who listens and leads with a smile. This program has allowed me to participate more deeply in working with students alongside an inspiring mentor. When I grow up, I want to be just like her. This opportunity is better than I ever imagined.”

Eder currently works as a paraprofessional, but Grow Your Own has helped her expand her education knowledge.

“Participating in this program has been incredible for both of us,” said mentor teacher Abigail Mowry. “It allows Ms. Eder to pursue her goal of becoming a special education teacher while continuing her role as a paraprofessional, creating a seamless pathway for growth. It empowers our small district to develop and retain exceptional teachers from within our community.”

Combining ODU’s academic rigor with daily practical experience in Northampton County Public Schools, the division is ensuring its future teachers are both highly qualified and personally invested in the success of students.



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# Bridge-tunnel releases name of officer in crash

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel has released the name of the officer whose patrol vehicle broke through the guardrail and teetered on the edge of the span in a Wednesday, May 20, crash.

Durell Robinson, 25, of Melfa, was the driver, said Tom Anderson, the bridge-tunnel's deputy executive director. He is a police officer for the bridge-tunnel police.

Robinson was transported to an area hospital where he was evaluated and released, Anderson said. No injuries were reported.

Images of the crash — in which the entire rear of the sport-utility vehicle seemed to dangle perilously over open water — jolted viewers and were widely spread on social media and news websites.

Anderson said the driver was not in

police pursuit at the time of the crash: “No law enforcement action was ongoing at the time of the accident,” he said.

The crash occurred in the southbound lane one mile from Virginia Beach.

Anderson said the police vehicle “struck the curb and bridge rail multiple times before rolling over and coming to rest on the side of the trestle.”

In addition, energized power lines under the vehicle delayed crews working to clear the scene, he said.

A crane working on the bridge was moved to the spot and used to help in the removal of the vehicle.

Southbound traffic was held for one hour and 45 minutes after the 12:30 p.m. incident, he said.

Anderson said the cause of the accident remains under investigation.

Any potential charges are pending the results of the investigation, he said.



COURTESY PHOTO

The rear of a Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel police cruiser teeters over open water after a May 20 crash.



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF CAPE CHARLES FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Following are the estimated receipts and expenditures of the Municipal Corporation of Cape Charles for the Fiscal Year 2027. The Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on **June 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive verbal and written comments on all proposed disbursements, as well as all tax and trash service rate changes. Written comments can be submitted prior to the hearing via email to [clerk@capecharles.org](mailto:clerk@capecharles.org) or hand delivered to Town Hall. Verbal comments can be provided during the public hearing. The proposed Fiscal Year 2027 budget and all tax and rate changes will be discussed and brought to a vote at the regular council meeting on **June 18, 2026**. For additional detail and explanation please visit the Town website at [www.capecharles.org](http://www.capecharles.org), under Agendas and Minutes / Town Council.

### Proposed 2027 Budget

#### GENERAL FUND

Revenue	\$	11,291,598.00
Expense	\$	11,291,598.00

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Revenue	\$	6,001,887.00
Expense	\$	6,001,887.00

#### GENERAL DEBT SERVICE FUND

Revenue	\$	30,122.00
Expense	\$	30,122.00

#### PUBLIC UTILITY FUND

Revenue	\$	-
Total Expenditures	\$	-

#### HARBOR

Revenue	\$	1,099,370.00
Expenditures	\$	1,099,370.00

#### SANITATION

Revenue	\$	401,336.00
Expenditures	\$	401,336.00

Total Town Budget	\$	18,824,313.00
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There are proposed changes to some of the Town's tax rates. The listing of all tax rates can be viewed on the Town's website under Agendas and Minutes / Town Council.

The Trash Collection fee will increase to **\$22.12 per month** per receptacle, and billed on a quarterly basis.

There are proposed changes to the Building, Planning and Zoning fee schedule, which may be viewed on the Town website under Agendas and Minutes / Town Council.

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# Miss Fashionetta crowned

Joyniah Gaskins, a senior at Nandua High School, was crowned Miss Fashionetta 2026 on Saturday, April 18. This year's program featured three young ladies competing for the title.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Pi Epsilon Omega chapter reaffirmed its support of local students through its biannual Miss Fashionetta program, which provides scholarships to college-bound students from Accomack and Northampton counties.

The pageant concluded a months-long enrichment program focused on academic readiness, social development, and personal wellness.

Contestants also participated in fundraising efforts supported by local businesses, the community, and sorority members. Proceeds benefit

local high school students pursuing higher education.

This year's program was chaired by Sylvia Stanley, a retired social worker and active sorority member, who guided participants through the program's developmental activities.

Chapter President Lise Caldwell-Hall underscored the importance of the initiative.

"Higher education is a powerful gateway to opportunity, growth, and leadership," she said. "Through programs like Miss Fashionetta, we are investing not only in the academic futures of these young women, but in the strength of our entire community."

The Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter aims to uplift youth through service, scholarship, and sisterhood.



COURTESY PHOTO

Joyniah Gaskins was crowned Miss Fashionetta 2026 on Saturday, April 18. Pictured from left are Harry Gaskins, Dominique James, Coriyanna Sample, Keyona Boggs, Joyniah Gaskins, Imani Gaskins, Cha'Mya Wise, Makiyah Gunter, and Markel Foster.

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Dr. Nicole Marsh  
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Atlantic & Onley

Appointments available Tuesday evenings!



Hermes Silva  
Atlantic



Dr. Uday Tiwari  
Eastville



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# Master naturalist applications open

The Eastern Shore chapter of Virginia Master Naturalists is accepting applications online for its fall basic training course.

Members of the master naturalists are volunteer educators, community scientists, and stewards helping conserve and manage natural resources and public lands on the Eastern Shore.

In 2025, chapter members contributed over 3,000 volunteer hours to this mission.

The course prepares attendees for volunteer service with the chapter and emphasizes the nature and natural resources of the Eastern Shore.

Topics range from invasive plants and coastal ecology to mammals and migratory birds.

Completion of the course is re-

quired to become a chapter member.

Daylong classes will be held on 10 consecutive Thursdays from Sept. 10 to Nov. 12, and will include classroom instruction and field trips.

The standard fee for the course is \$150. However, those approved to enroll in the course will have the option to select a different registration fee based on need.

The chapter sponsors and supports dozens of projects, providing a wide range of volunteer service opportunities to its members throughout Accomack and Northampton counties.

Applications are reviewed in the order in which they are received. Seats are limited.

To apply or get more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/4uh3rp6k>

# Teachers of the Year announced

Accomack County Public Schools announced the Teacher of the Year representatives for each school, recognizing outstanding educators who demonstrate excellence in instruction, dedication to student success, and a commitment to serving their school communities.

These teachers were chosen by their respective schools for their leadership in the classroom and their ability to inspire and support students.

The educator selected as the Accomack County Public Schools Teacher of the Year will go on to represent Accomack County in the state-level Teacher of the Year program.

The 2026 Teachers of the Year are:

- Lee Cline, fifth grade teacher at Accomack Elementary School
- Lauren Garbacz, ESL teacher at Arcadia High School

- Kelly Ticker, sixth grade math teacher at Arcadia Middle School

- Kara Jeffries, biology, human anatomy/physiology, and marine ecology teacher at Chincoteague Combined School

- Ashley Powers, a pre-kindergarten VPI at Chincoteague Elementary School

- Mary Matthews, a pre-kindergarten VPI at Kegotank Elementary School

- Tiffani Ford, a Title 1 specialist at Metompkin Elementary School

- James Lawrence, a CTE teacher at Nandua High School

- Betty Harmon, sixth grade math teacher at Nandua Middle School

- Shannon Sturgis, kindergarten teacher at Pungoteague Elementary School

- Christine Parks, pre-kindergarten and third grade teacher at Tangier Combined School.

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— TO PUBLISHED AUTHOR —



The author of *A Few Truths and Some Lies*, Asia Gibbs, Esq., was born and raised on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

She earned her degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, graduating *summa cum laude*.

She earned her law degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law. She is currently pursuing her Masters in Social Work from Capella University.

Her most cherished achievement is mothering her wonderful son, Kairo, lovingly known as Finks.

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Pictured is an ensemble cast of Broadwater Academy students performing “Anastasia The Musical,” youth edition.

## Broadwater stages ‘Anastasia’

Broadwater Academy middle and upper school students performed “Anastasia The Musical” youth edition.

BA Stage, Broadwater’s theater troupe, produced two performances of “Anastasia The Musical” on Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, in the Fine Arts Center.

A cast and crew of over 50 students in Broadwater Academy’s middle and upper schools presented the production.

Seniors Elise Adler, Sophia Rader, Noah Rudmin, and Carly Williams took to the stage, with Adler cast as Anya, the lead.

Rader sang an opening lullaby in Rus-

sian to begin the play, which was a touching gesture to her Ukrainian family and heritage.

Behind the scenes, seniors led the technical crew, with Olivia Hamilton, Rheya Patel, and Jocelynn Stevens manning props and the run of show.

BA Stage produces two large-scale shows each year, showcasing student talent and highlighting cameo performances by faculty.

Tatum Ford, Kalyn Nottingham, Natasha Smoot, and Michele Whitaker design and direct the productions of Broadwater’s youth talent.

## Birding Eastern Shore plans birding walk

Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a guided walk at the Chincoteague Island Nature Trail on Saturday, May 23, at 8 a.m.

Birders can search for resident and

migratory birds and learn about their breeding behavior.

The main trail is half a mile long and is paved and flat.

Beginner birders are welcome. To RSVP contact Sonal Shah at 703-395-4478.

The nature trail is located on Hallie Wheaton Smith Drive in Chincoteague.

# Town of Onancock Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Budget

### TOWN COUNCIL

Revenue	\$	-
Expenditures	\$	57,892
Net	\$	(57,892)

### ADMINISTRATION

Revenue	\$	2,220,101
Expenditures	\$	1,168,623
Net	\$	1,051,478

### POLICE

Revenue	\$	57,000
Expenditures	\$	581,083
Net	\$	(524,083)

### FIRE

Revenue	\$	15,000
Expenditures	\$	40,000
Net	\$	(25,000)

### DPW

Revenue	\$	115,000
Expenditures	\$	560,644
Net	\$	(445,644)

### MARINA

Revenue	\$	193,750
Expenditures	\$	192,608
Net	\$	(1,142)

### WATER

Revenue	\$	518,800
Expenditures	\$	518,800
Net	\$	0

### SEWER

Revenue	\$	780,000
Expenditures	\$	780,000
Net	\$	0

### GRANTS

Revenue	\$	0
Expenditures	\$	0
Net	\$	0

### TOTAL

Revenue	\$	3,899,651
Expenditures	\$	3,899,651
Net	\$	0

The Onancock Town Council will hold a public hearing on **June 8, 2026 at 6:00 pm** for the purpose of hearing comment from citizens on the Fiscal Year 2027 budget. Anyone wanting to comment without attending in person may submit written comment to the town no later than **4 pm on June 8, 2026**. See below for instructions to comment by letter or email. All comments must include the commenter’s name and address. The resolution vote for adoption is scheduled for June 22, 2026.

#### Comment by mail:

Debbie Caton  
15 North St.  
Onancock, VA 23417

#### Comment by email:

debbie.caton@onancock.com

The following tax rates have been proposed for the fiscal year 2027 budget:

Meals Tax **5.5%**  
Transient Occupancy Tax **5.5%**  
Real Estate **0.20 cents per \$100**  
Personal Property Vehicles  
**\$1.80 per \$100**  
Personal Property All Other  
**\$2.29 per \$100**

#### Garbage Collection:

Every other month billing **\$29**

Water: (every other month billing)

**IN TOWN:** Zero to 3,000 gallons (minimum) **\$34.05**

3,001 to 15,000 gallons **0.0187 cents per gallon**

Greater than 15,000 gallons **0.00834 cents per gallon**

**OUT OF TOWN:** Zero to 3,000 gallons (minimum) **\$37.46**

3,001 to 15,000 gallons **0.0186 cents per gallon**

Greater than 15,000 gallons **0.0092 cents per gallon**

HRSD Sewer Rate: **\$20.46 / 1000**

# Main Street receives grant

Onancock Main Street received a \$20,000 grant from the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Marketing Leverage Program for its next project to increase awareness of and visitation to Onancock by promoting the town as a waterfront getaway on Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Onancock Main Street partnered with other local businesses for the project, as well as the Town of Onancock, which is supplying \$20,000 in matching grant funds, bringing the total marketing dollars to \$40,000.

"We are thrilled and grateful to be able to build on the momentum we've established in marketing the Town of Onancock to tourists," said Lisa Fiege, president of Onancock Main Street. "These efforts are critical to ensuring the town and its businesses continue to thrive through new and returning visitors and a solid residential base."

Marketing efforts will continue to build awareness of Onancock while driving potential visitors to the town's tourism website — [experienceonancock.com](http://experienceonancock.com) — for trip planning.

Leveraging the town's branding — A little slice of nowhere else — Onancock Main Street will target travelers interested in nature, history, food, and the arts. Tactics will include digital display ads, paid social media, and engagement with an influencer with over 100,000 followers to expand outreach to new audiences.

In celebration of National Travel and Tourism Week, the Virginia Tourism Corporation awarded more than \$2.2 million in matching grant and sponsorship funds to 143 tourism programs across the Commonwealth. These awards are funded through the corporation's Marketing Leverage and Destination Marketing Organization Marketing Programs.

# ESCADV holds oyster roast

The Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence hosted a well-attended oyster roast and pig picking on Saturday, May 9, at Vaux Hall Farm, welcoming more than 300 attendees.

The event brought together community members, advocates, and supporters for an evening of food, fellowship, and purpose — raising awareness and strengthening efforts to end domestic and sexual violence in the region.

The event created an opportunity for meaningful connections while highlighting the coalition's mission to support survivors through advocacy, education, and essential services.

Music was provided by the band Local Conditions as guests enjoyed pork, fresh local oysters, and all the fixings.

The strong turnout reinforced the Eastern Shore's commitment to standing together in support of survivors and

of building a safer, more just community for all.

"This event was a powerful reminder of what our community can accomplish when we come together," said Board President Sharon Parker. "Seeing 300 people gather in support of ESCADV's mission is both inspiring and encouraging."

Funds raised and awareness generated during the event directly support the coalition's critical programs, including crisis intervention, advocacy services, emergency shelter, and community education. These services play a vital role in helping survivors regain safety, stability, and independence.

For more information about the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence's services or to learn how to get involved, contact Evelyn Fischer at (757) 787-1329.



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Jeannette Edwards, chief executive officer of Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc., gave the commencement address at the 55th annual Eastern Shore Community College commencement on May 13. Edwards earned her associate degree at ESCC before earning her bachelor's degree at Salisbury State University, now called Salisbury University.

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# DAR awards scholarship to Jorgensen

The Eastern Shore of Virginia chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution recently awarded EmmaBelle Jorgensen a scholarship of \$1,000 at its May meeting.

EmmaBelle is the daughter of Heather and Andrew Jorgensen and the granddaughter of Paula Gormley-Rack, a member of the DAR chapter.

As a member of Chincoteague High School's class of 2026, EmmaBelle will be attending the University of Virginia in the fall.

She earned the scholarship based on her passion for history, her overall academic excellence in all subjects, her leadership qualities and traits in her academic studies, and her school and community service.

In the essay portion of the scholarship application, EmmaBelle said that from an early age, her aspiration was to attend UVA. To achieve this goal, she took rigorous classes and participated in a variety of clubs and sports.

At an early age, her grandmother instilled in her a deep appreciation for American history and civic responsibility.

Her desire to understand how our political system works is leading her to pursue studies in political science.

Her goal is to have a career in politics so she can advocate for positive changes, serve her community, and impact the world around her.

Her social studies teacher, Daniel Gnieski, had good things to say about EmmaBelle.

"It is quite evident that EmmaBelle is a well-rounded and determined young woman who, once committed to a goal, will give her full effort to see it through to completion."

This scholarship of \$1,000 is awarded every year to an Accomack County senior who excels in the study of history at the high school level and will be pursuing collegiate studies in American history or political science.

There are many other scholarship opportunities offered by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Visit [DAR.org](http://DAR.org) to learn more.

Contact Mary Margaret Browning, local chapter DAR scholarship chair, for any local chapter support. Her email is [marymargaret\\_browning@yahoo.com](mailto:marymargaret_browning@yahoo.com).



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EmmaBelle Jorgensen is pictured with Mary Margaret Browning, DAR scholarship chair, after being awarded a scholarship.



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Responsibilities include planning; preparation and processing of reports, forms, correspondence, and event schedules related to basketball league programs; and ensuring locations are ready for scheduled events. Schedule will be no more than 29 hours per week.

**Minimum qualifications:** High school diploma or GED; supplemented by one (1) to three (3) years of experience in event planning, management, or related field; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience; proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite. **Preferred qualifications:** Sports league or sports event planning experience; certified in first-aid and CPR; bilingual capabilities a plus.

Satisfactory completion of a background check, medical exam including drug screening, and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. DMV records check will be performed annually thereafter.

Electronic applications are preferred, but paper versions will be accepted. **The position is open until filled, with the review of applications beginning on Thursday, June 4, 2026.**

Additional details may be found online, please visit:  
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### OPEN POSITIONS

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#### BUILDING INSPECTOR

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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.**

#### 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.

#### 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.

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

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## OPEN POSITION AT THE EXPERIMENT STATION RESEARCH SPECIALIST SR. (#536205)

Horticulture Research Technician at the Eastern Shore Agricultural Research & Extension Center in Painter, VA.

Applicants should have previous experience working outside with various agricultural and/or horticultural crops. Responsibilities include plant maintenance (planting, spraying, harvesting), as well as data collection, inventory management, and supervising hourly workers. 40 hr/week salaried position. For questions about the role, contact Amanda Lay-Walters at [amandamlw@vt.edu](mailto:amandamlw@vt.edu).

Apply online at <https://tinyurl.com/bdnva622>

## HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

Northampton County has an immediate opening for a full-time Heavy Equipment Operator.

This employee will operate and maintain heavy machinery and equipment at the Northampton County Transfer Station/Landfill. This includes wheel loaders, bulldozer, excavator, and road-tractors. Also performs site work, including cutting grass, weed-eating, and shoveling debris from the transfer station work areas.

Requires a high school diploma or GED and two years of operation and maintenance of heavy equipment experience.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, political affiliation, creed, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, handicap, or other non-job related factors.

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

Submit a completed application form to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347, or in person at the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347. The deadline to apply is May 29, 2026, at 5 p.m.

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

## Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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

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

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

Open until filled.

**Apply in person at the Eastern Shore  
Regional Jail**

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## ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

### Convenience Center Attendant I Part-time hourly rate of pay: \$15.45 Full-time starting salary: \$32,136

The County of Accomack is seeking applications for the full-time and/or part-time position of Convenience Center Attendant in the Department of Public Works.

The position is responsible for operating and maintaining a convenience center facility and assisting customers as needed. Applicants must be able to work weekends and holidays. Attendants may be assigned to any location within the county.

**Minimum Qualifications:** A valid driver's license and satisfactory completion of a background check and drug screening prior to employment are required. A high school diploma or GED is preferred.

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, June 4, 2026.**

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## ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

### Roadside Litter Crew Full-time w/benefits | Open Until Filled Starting Salary: \$32,136 – \$41,776 (based on experience)

The County of Accomack is seeking applications for the position of Roadside Litter Crew within the Public Works department.

**Description:** The position is responsible for helping maintain and preserve the beauty of our roads within Accomack County to ensure a safe and clean environment. The employees in this position may operate one or more types of vehicles and equipment to perform a variety of tasks, such as collection and disposal of roadside litter.

**Minimum Qualifications:** A desire to protect and preserve the natural beauty of our Shore; one (1) year prior work experience in an outdoor setting. *Preferred Qualifications include:* two (2) to three (3) years' experience in outdoor-based facilities such as marinas, roadside upkeep. Possession of a valid driver's license.

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.

The job description is available for review. Electronic applications are preferred, but paper applications are accepted. **The position is open until filled, with the review of applications beginning on Thursday, June 4, 2026.**

For questions, or to request accommodation, please contact: Human Resources, 757-787-5705 or [AskHR@co.accomack.va.us](mailto:AskHR@co.accomack.va.us)

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## INFORMATION SPECIALIST I/III CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND LIBRARY

The Eastern Shore Public Library System (ESPL) seeks qualified candidates for Circulation Services at Chincoteague Island Library (CIL). The ideal individual must be comfortable working in a team environment and providing outstanding customer service.

Essential Functions include:

- Providing circulation and patron services.
- Using technology including computers, computer programs, and photocopiers.
- Following and maintaining ESPL and CIL procedures.

Position is part-time, up to 24 hours per week, with some Saturday and evening hours required.

The starting rate for Information Specialist I is \$16.85/hr. Candidates with previous library and/or supervisory experience may be hired at the higher Information Specialist II level.

Full job descriptions and the application can be found on the *Job Opportunities* page at [espl.org](http://espl.org)

Alternatively, resumes and letters of interest can be sent to [espl@espl.org](mailto:espl@espl.org) by June 1.

## PART-TIME ASSOCIATE

A part-time position is available at Hortco Garden Center, Onley, VA, for an individual with substantial plant knowledge beyond basic home gardening experience. A solid understanding of plant identification, growing requirements, and care is required. Applicant must have the ability to work outdoors in varying weather conditions and lift up to 40 lbs. Must be able to work weekends. Retail sales experience is a plus. Qualified applicants, please apply in person at 21091 Overpass Drive, Tasley, VA 23441.

## SENIOR LEAD PAINTER

Ballard Built LLC is hiring for a senior lead painter.

### REQUIREMENTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Knowledge and use of specialized painting applications to include priming, lacquer, and conversion varnish finishing.
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- Operation of business vehicles to include lift gate, camera operations, and trailer hitch/towing.

To apply, email Chris Ballard at [ccs.cballard@gmail.com](mailto:ccs.cballard@gmail.com). The position is open until filled.

# Help Wanted

## PERSONAL PROPERTY TECHNICIAN - DEPUTY I

The County of Northampton's Commissioner of Revenue is accepting full-time employment applications for a Personal Property Technician - Deputy I.

This position provides assistance and information related to Personal Property Taxes, Real Estate Taxes, Business Licenses, State Income Tax, and various other job duties to the public and other government agencies. Please see full list of duties in the job description posted on the County website. The salary for this position includes benefits and is \$34,048 to \$40,470, depending on experience.

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- High school diploma or GED
- One (1) year of customer service experience and some office administration experience

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347 by Friday, May 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

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### How about a \$1,000 Sign on Bonus?\*

STAR Transit is hiring PT CDL Drivers for a local passenger service. New higher ROP \$19/hr. Steady income, PTO & paid holidays. CDL w/ Passenger Endorsement is preferred, but training may be provided to obtain CDL. Good DMV Record is a must! **Questions: Contact Bill @ 757-787-8322. Apply: Star Transit, 21250 Cooperative Way, Tasley, VA.**

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

## Help Wanted

**CLASS A AUTO TECH** - Full- or part-time. Must have own tools. Immediate opening. 757-787-4633.

**LUBE & OIL TECH** - Immediate opening. 757-787-4633.

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## Yard Sale

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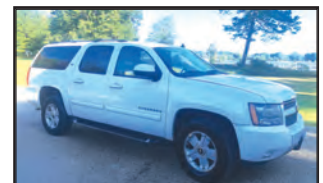


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- Who compiled a 13-15 regular season record as head coach of the NFL's New York Giants from 2016 to 2017?
- A Pro Football Hall of Fame Class of 2018 wide receiver shares a name with a horse racing handicapper/analyst. What's their name?
- At the 1963 Phoenix Open, which golfer inspired the 1964 "10-second rule" change in the Rules of Golf after he waited seven minutes for a ball on the edge of the hole to drop?

### Answers

- Messi and Ronaldo
- Phil, with two
- Boxing
- Ben McAdoo
- Randy Moss
- Don January

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# Legal Ads

## FORECLOSURE SALE IN OYSTER BAY II COMMUNITY PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. DESCRIBED AS: 5291 PINE TREE WAY, CHINCOTEAGUE, VA PARCEL ID: 031B10300027800

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 55.1-1800 et seq., Oyster Bay II Community Property Owners' Association, Inc. ("Association") caused to be filed a certain Notice of Lien on Real Property, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the County of Accomack on December 4, 2019, and identified as Instrument No. 190004608.002, a Notice of Lien on Real Property, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack on May 24, 2022, and identified as Instrument No. 220002664, and a Notice of Lien on Real Property, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack on February 27, 2024, and identified as Instrument No. 240000692, and appointed Pender & Coward, P.C., as Trustee ("Trustee"), pursuant to a Deed of Appointment of Trustee, and at the request and direction of the Association, the Trustee will sell the above-referenced property at public auction to the highest bidder at **11:00 a.m. on the 26th day of May 2026, on the front steps of the Accomack Circuit Court, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301.**

**TERMS:** Announcements made at auction time take precedence over any print, electronic, or verbal information. Successful bidder will be required to deposit with Trustee a deposit (non-refundable) in an amount equal to the lesser of \$20,000 or 10% of successful bid in cash or certified funds at time of sale, with the closing to occur within thirty days of the date of said sale or within such time set by Trustee in Trustee's sole discretion. Written one-price bids will be accepted for any of the properties pursuant to the terms set forth in Va. Code § 55.1-1833. There is no warranty relating to right, title, interest, or the like in this disposition. Property is being sold pursuant to Va. Code § 55.1-1833, and title will be conveyed pursuant to statute and subject to all liens or encumbrances as provided in said statute. All information for review by appointment only. The Trustee reserves the right to accept and/or reject all offers. Time is of the essence. Other conditions may be announced at the sale.

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Pender & Coward, P.C., Trustee  
222 Central Park Avenue, Suite 400  
Virginia Beach, VA 23462  
(757) 490-6261

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Commission (ESVA 9-1-1) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 5:30 PM, at the Accomack County Emergency Operations Center at 28598 Beacon Road, Melfa, VA 23410. In addition to regular business of the ESVA 9-1-1 Commission, public comment will be received on action for a one-time additional personnel compensation to ESVA 9-1-1 staff.

While the meeting will provide interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments, individuals also have the opportunity to submit oral or written statements on the proposed action to the ESVA 9-1-1 Center's Director's Office (P.O. Box 337, Accomack, VA 23301 or at [jflournoy@co.northampton.va.us](mailto:jflournoy@co.northampton.va.us)) no later than 1 PM on May 28, 2026.

Any individual having questions or needing special assistance may contact 9-1-1 Director Jeffrey Flournoy at 757-787-0909 or at the above email address.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Northampton County Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, to consider and to hear public comments on three cases.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM with site visits to the affected properties, in the order in which the cases are listed below. The Board will reconvene at or around 9:45 AM that same morning in Board Chambers in the County Administration Building at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, for the purpose of conducting public hearings.

**Variance 2026-03:** The Northampton County Board of Supervisors (property owner) and Cara Burton (applicant) are applying for a variance to exceed the maximum size for a public sign. The proposed sign will be approximately 5.4 square feet. The property is located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 58A1-A-6.

**Variance 2026-04:** Northampton Insurance Agency, Inc., and Eyre Baldwin are applying for a variance requesting the maximum density for a multi-family use from 2 units per 10,000 square feet to 2 units per 8,524 square feet in an existing structure. The property is located at 16435 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA, and is further described as Tax Maps 58A1-A-24 & 58A1-6-4.

**Variance 2026-05:** CMH Homes, Inc., is applying for a variance to encroach into the front setback to install a double-wide mobile home. The property is located on Lankford Highway, Machipongo, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 49-12-1.

The case 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 email to [olivia.bennett@co.northampton.va.us](mailto:olivia.bennett@co.northampton.va.us) or may be submitted by mail or hand-delivery to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office in the County Administration Building.

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

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

## NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of Charles Goffe, 6112 Nautilus Drive, Horntown, VA 23395, 757-894-9940.

**Description of watercraft** — 14' Grumman, tan, with a 25 HP Evinrude; VA 6885

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

## INVITATION TO BID

Northampton County Public Schools is requesting sealed bids for L.P. Gas products and services for school cafeterias, science rooms, and maintenance facilities. Sealed bids are also being requested for food, supplies, and dairy products.

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Monday, June 22, 2026, at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud.

For details and specifications, please contact Annette Kellam at (757) 678-5151, Ext. 2602.



## NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Town of Onancock proposes to increase property tax levies.

- 1. Assessment Increase:** Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 24%.
- 2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment:** The tax rate, which would levy the same amount of real estate as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$.18 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."
- 3. Effective Rate Increase:** The Town of Onancock proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$.20 per \$100 assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and proposed rate would be \$.02 per \$100 or 10%. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase."

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

- 4. Proposed Total Budget Increase:** Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of the Town of Onancock will exceed last year's by 0%.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 6:00 PM in Town Hall Chambers – 15 North St., Onancock, VA 23417.

## NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of William A. Lawton, 6293 Sunnyside Road, Cape Charles, VA 23310, 631-848-3969.

**Description of watercraft** — Carolina Skiff, 15' 8", 2000, White/black hull, HIN: EKHI6971H900, Vessel Title Number: VA 4669 AW.

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

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The Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, as owners of the hereinafter described real estate, will sell at public auction, subject to any and all terms and conditions contained herein, to the highest bidder,

**IN FRONT OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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ON FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2026  
AT 10:00 A.M.**

the following tract of valuable real estate, to-wit:

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Being in all respects the same land conveyed to Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Incorporated, by deed dated December 8, 2025, from Darren A. Koenig, and recorded in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court of Accomack County as Instrument Number 250004927.

A 4 Bedroom Certification Letter from the Accomack County Health Department was issued on November 13, 2019. A copy of said letter can be obtained by calling the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence at 757-787-1329.

**TERMS**

Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price will be required in cash on the date of sale with liberty to the purchaser to pay as much more in cash on that day as they might desire. This is a nonrefundable deposit. The balance not so paid in cash to be evidenced by the note of the purchaser, payable thirty (30) days from the date with interest at 4% from date of sale, and with personal security should the Seller require it. Title to the premises to be retained as additional security until the full amount of the purchase price has been paid. Bidders may be required to offer proof of a satisfactory financial condition prior to Seller's acceptance of their bid.

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Upon payment in full of the purchase price, the purchaser to be entitled to a deed for said property upon same being properly prepared by the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence at their expense conveying said property with SPECIAL WARRANTY of title.

For further information, contact the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence at 757-787-1329.

**VIRGINIA:  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY**

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA Plaintiff  
CIVIL CASE NO. 24-68

vs.

The heirs and devisees of  
THEODORE S. LEWIS, 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 02400A000004000.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Yvonne Lewis, Claudette E. Lewis, Derrick Crippen, Caretta L. Douglas, Calvin Lee Corbin, Zelda Pettit Lewis, Natacha Pettit, Nevada Lewis, Raven Lewis, and the heirs and devisees of Theodore S. Lewis, Theodore S. Lewis Jr., Calvin Lee Lewis, and Nevada James Lewis appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before July 10, 2026.

Enter this 13th day of May, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott  
Attorney at Law  
P.O. Box 1410  
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757-898-7000

**VIRGINIA:  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY**

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA Plaintiff  
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-818

vs.

HENRY THOMAS DENNIS, if living  
THOMAS DENNIS 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 numbers 02600A000011100, 02600A000011200, and 02600A000011300.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Thomas Dennis and the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Henry Thomas Dennis appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before July 10, 2026.

Enter this 12th day of May, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Chincoteague Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matters:

**CASE #260248 SETBACK VARIANCE —  
DENISE P. BOWDEN — PARCEL 30A5-23-10**

A public hearing request for a variance from rear setback requirements as stated in Article III, Section (C), Section 3.7.15 (1) of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to demolish the existing 10' x 16' accessory shed and construct a 12' x 24' accessory shed, which will encroach upon the side setback located at 6519 Rosedale Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

**CASE #260247 SETBACK VARIANCE —  
STEVEN LISUM — PARCEL 30A5-A-700**

A public hearing request for a variance from rear setback requirements as stated in Article III, Section (C), Section 3.9.2 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to construct a new 28' x 60' dwelling, which will encroach upon the front setback located upon Lot 14A, Howard Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

**CASE #260249 SETBACK VARIANCE —  
SCOTT CHRISTIANSEN — PARCEL 30A5-23-54**

A public hearing request for a variance from rear setback requirements as stated in Article III, Section (C), Section 3.7.15 (1) of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to construct a 12' x 20' accessory shed, which will encroach upon the rear and side setbacks located at 6448 Arbor Lane, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

**CASE #260250 SETBACK VARIANCE —  
SCOTT CHRISTIANSEN — PARCEL 30A5-23-51**

A public hearing request for a variance from rear setback requirements as stated in Article III, Section (C), Section 3.7.15 (1) of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to construct a 12' x 20' accessory shed, which will encroach upon the rear setback located upon Lot 51, Arbor Lane, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

**NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT**

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than 60 DAYS on the property of George Collins, 5009 Sunnyside Road, Cape Charles, VA 23310, 757-735-5050.

**Description of watercraft** — Carolina Skiff, 22', white

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

# Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 26-295

vs.

The heirs and devisees of RUEBEN D. SAMPLE

GERTRUDE SAMPLE

The heirs and devisees of RUEBEN ODELL SAMPLE JR.

AUDREY ELAINE SAMPLE

The heirs and devisees of RUEBEN ODELL SAMPLE III

TIFFANY E. SAMPLE

RUEBEN ODELL SAMPLE IV

KELISEY SAMPLE

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 119C00500003600.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Audrey Elaine Sample, Tiffany E. Sample, Rueben Odell Sample IV, Kelisey Sample, Gertrude Sample, if living, or if deceased, the heirs of Gertrude Sample and the heirs of Rueben D. Sample, Rueben Odell Sample Jr., and Rueben Odell Sample III appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before July 10, 2026.

Enter this 12th day of May, 2026.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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## BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026, AT 10 A.M. IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

**VAR-000058-2026 – NKM Properties LLC – 24070 Tall Pines Drive, Onancock**

The applicant requests a variance pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-369(1) and 106-369(2). The applicant has renovated a structure that would need to be brought into compliance with the Floodplain Ordinance. The approximately .46-acre site is located at 24070 Tall Pines Drive near Onancock, approximately 450' east of its intersection with Little Mimosa Drive, and is on Tax Map # 83C-1-23 and 83C-1-22. The parcel is zoned Agricultural and is located in a special flood hazard area (6BFE). This is an after-the-fact application.

**APPL-000063-2026 – Scout Storage LLC – 32400 Block of Chincoteague Road, Wallops Island**

The applicant has appealed a determination of the Zoning Administrator pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-234(4). The applicant is appealing that CUSE-000268-2021 expired on July 20, 2025; that no further work may be undertaken on Tax Map Parcel 27-A103A or elsewhere in Accomack County in pursuit of or related to Scout's Conditional Use Permit; Scout's site plan approved on March 10, 2026, is null and void; and Scout's land-disturbance permit approved on March 10, 2026, is null and void. The approximately 11.624-acre site is located at the 32400 Block of Chincoteague Road, approximately 100' west of its intersection with Fleming Road and is on Tax Map # 27-A-103A. The parcel is zoned Industrial.

**SUSE-000064-2026 – Mark Mason – 24400 Block of Lankford Highway, Accomack**

The applicant requests a special use permit pursuant to

Accomack County Code Section 106-78(a)(12) for any use of land and/or any permanent or temporary location of any type of building or facility thereon which is not specifically permitted within this chapter. The applicant has placed two containers for storage on the parcel. The approximately 11.777-acre site is located at the 24400 Block of Lankford Highway at the intersection with Taylor Road and is on Tax Map # 94-A-117A. The parcel is zoned Residential and General Business. This is an after-the-fact application.

**SUSE-000059-2026 – John Morrison on Behalf of Odachowski Group, Inc. – 20300 Block of Market Street, Onancock**

The applicant requests a special use permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-179. The applicant has placed a sign on the property advertising a business that is not on the property. The approximately 26.606-acre site is located at the 20300 Block of Lankford Highway, at the intersection with Fairgrounds Road and is on Tax Map # 93D-A-2B. The parcel is zoned Agricultural and General Business. This is an after-the-fact application.

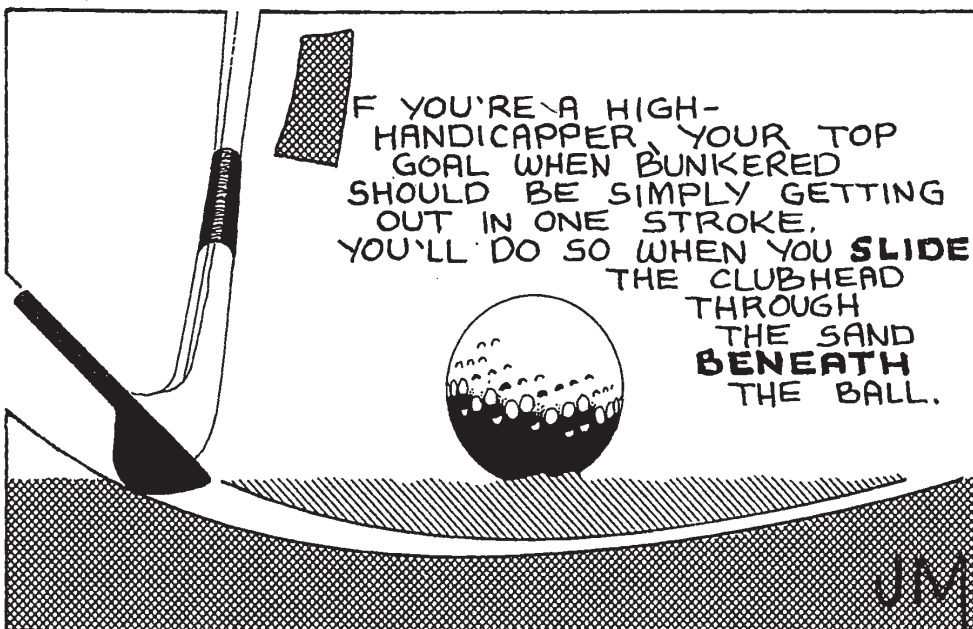
**SUSE-000071-2026 – Jonathan Mudd – 21338 Taylor Road, Tasley**

The applicant requests a special use permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-403(7) for residential uses, including single-family dwellings, not as an accessory to an approved use. The applicant wishes to construct a house on the property. The approximately 1.943-acre site is located at 21338 Taylor Road at the intersection with Coastal Boulevard and is on Tax Map # 94-A-1 and 94-A-3. The parcel is zoned General Business.

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

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By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 2 Timothy (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Ruth 1, who called herself Marah, a name meaning "bitter"? (Priscilla, Miriam, Naomi, or Deborah)
3. What did Malachi say the people of Judah were stealing from God? (Servants, Unrighteous miracles, Holy Grail, or Owed tithes)
4. Which was a city of Ephraim and home of the Ark of the Covenant? (Ai, Sardis, Gaza, or Shiloh)
5. What Old Testament word means "anointed"? (Bishop, Messiah, Jehovah, or Salvation)
6. Ahasuerus was also known as ... (Noadiah, Agrippa, Joash, or Xerxes)
7. Which prophet saw a valley full of dry bones come to life? (Isaiah, Ezekiel, Elisha, or Jeremiah)
8. Who asked, "If a man die, shall he live again"? (Samuel, Judas, Job, or Stephen)

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1. New
2. Naomi
3. Owed tithes
4. Shiloh
5. Messiah
6. Xerxes
7. Ezekiel
8. Job

Answers

## Legal Ads

### TRUSTEE'S SALE

24358 ADELAIDE STREET, PARKSLEY, VA 23421  
TAX MAP/ PARCEL ID NO./GPIN 078A10100003100

Pursuant to the terms of a deed of trust dated October 4, 2019, in the original principal amount of \$171,830.00, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia, as Instrument No. 190003844, and as modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded on November 1, 2024, as Instrument No. 240003829, and as assigned to Noteholder by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on November 24, 2025, as Instrument No. 250004475, the property briefly described below will be offered for sale at public auction:

All those certain lots or parcels of land as situate, lying and being in the Town of Parksley, Metompkin Magisterial District, Accomack County, Virginia, beginning at the Southeast corner of Adelaide Street and Browne Avenue, (which Browne Avenue is now extended Fifty Feet farther Easterly than as laid down on the original plat of the Town of Parksley now recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, so as to form one continuous avenue from Maxwell Street to Cook Street) and running thence Easterly along the Southerly side of Adelaide Street 100 feet; thence at right angles and running Southerly 145 feet (parallel with Browne Avenue) to the Northerly side of the 15-foot alley; thence Westerly along the Northerly side of said 15-foot alley, parallel with Adelaide Street 100 feet to the Easterly side of Browne Avenue, thence along the Easterly side of Browne Avenue Northerly 145 feet to the point of beginning. Said lot contains 14,500 square feet and being the first two lots on the Southerly side of Adelaide Street running Easterly from Browne Avenue; together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, privileges, and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and said plat referred to above is recorded in Plat Book 6, at page 82.

The sale will take place on **JUNE 2, 2026 AT 9:00 AM**, at the front entrance to the building housing the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301. The undersigned reserves the right to suspend bidding and/or to adjourn the bidding prior to the completion of sale.

The property and the improvements thereon will be sold "AS IS" and without representation or warranties of any kind. The sale is subject to all liens, encumbrances, conditions, easements and restrictions, if any, superior to the mentioned deed of trust and lawfully affecting the property.

**TERMS: A deposit in the form of CERTIFIED FUNDS in the amount of \$10,000.00 (CASH NOT ACCEPTED) or 10% of the successful bid, whichever is lower, is required of any bidder at the time of sale. Closing within fifteen (15) days of sale. If the payment of the balance does not occur within fifteen days of sale, the deposit shall be retained by the Trustee as liquidated damages. Time is of the essence. Trustee has no duty to obtain possession for purchaser. The risk of loss or damage to the property passes to the purchaser immediately upon conclusion of the Substitute Trustee's sale. Purchaser to pay all closing costs, including cost of Trustee's Deed. Sale subject to lender confirmation. The Trustee may file IRS Form 8300, and a successful bidder shall provide all required information and produce a Government Picture Identification Card. Additional terms may be announced at sale. James A. Evans, Attorney At Law, PLC and Hunter Hanger & Associates P.C., Substitute Trustee**

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: James A. Evans, Attorney At Law, PLC or Hunter Hanger & Associates P.C., Substitute Trustee, 2000 Arctic Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. 1-757-437-9500 or visit our website at [www.vblawyers.com](http://www.vblawyers.com) (09236).**

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For \$600,000

■ From Samuel S. Finnerty  
To Shea Ann Graney and David William Graney  
Lot 31, Bay Creek South, Cape Charles  
For \$113,000

■ From Tracy Azile Smith and Tracy Azile Smith Kiks  
To Deina Miller Coleman and Robert L. Coleman II  
Parcel A-1 in Townsend  
For \$38,000

■ From Kim Tirrell Vanderploeg  
To Jamal A. Blooker  
Lot 217, Vaucluse Shores, Machipongo  
For \$420,000

■ From Virginia Builders LLC  
To Susan Lee Cimmino and Patrick Alan Cimmino  
Lot L124 Village L, Bay Creek, Cape Charles  
For \$1.202 million

■ From Christian Hans Chamarczuk  
To Solutions Home Buyers LLC  
Lot 5, Bayview, near Cheriton  
For \$68,000

■ From Anne Proctor  
To Elizabeth Ambrose  
Lot A-1, Greenbriar Farm, Old Town Neck, Eastville  
For \$275,750

■ From Pamela Dee Ward and Kenneth Lee Ward  
To Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity LLC  
Part of lot 8 in Exmore  
For \$20,000

■ From Elizabeth Taylor Kellam, and George Browning  
Kellam Jr.  
To Robert Brooks Bowes  
Lot 16 near Exmore  
For \$126,000

■ From Sheron Vennie and Eddie Vennie  
To Topping Enterprise LLC  
Lot near Exmore  
For \$28,000

■ From Paula Henao  
To Samuel Farrier Neubert  
Lot 35, Tower Hill, phase 1, Cape Charles  
For \$89,750

■ From Susan Wissemann and David Wissemann  
To Tracy McDade and Michael Greene  
Multiple lots near Cheapside  
For \$379,000

■ From Nancy Kinzinger and Brenda Wright  
To Victoria Roberts and Henry Roberts  
Lot 58 in the town of Oyster  
For \$305,000

■ From Taylor Hart  
To Ellen Spong and Richard Perry Olenych  
Unit 3A in 300 Mason Ave. condominium  
For \$630,000

■ From Richard Lee Bulle  
To Susanna Miller  
Lot 73, Vaucluse Shores, Machipongo  
For \$27,900

■ From Lance Scanlan and Pierce Scanlan  
To Maggy's Eastern Shore Properties LLC  
Lot in the town of Exmore  
For \$2,000

■ From John R. Taylor  
To Daniel Gregory  
6 Wilsonia Shores, near Machipongo  
For \$25,000

### Accomack Property Transfers

■ From Horizon Farm Credit  
To Zia Hassanzadeh  
7193 Bullbeggar Road, Withams  
For \$155,000

■ From Melinda Torrence and Richard Torrence  
To Sandra Sugey Sanchez Perez  
15509 Pungoteague Road, Painter  
For \$233,500

■ From Eileen Pettit  
To Kevin Veney  
18234 Germaine Lane, Parksley  
For \$50,000

■ From Tracy Parks Blake, Frank William Blake III, et al.  
To Bojac Farms LLC  
40 acres on White Farm Road, Mutton Hunk  
For \$212,500

■ From Richelle Hathway and Nathan Hathway  
To Natalie Reider and Connor Cunningham  
33282 Maple Lane, Wallops Island  
For \$398,500

■ From Joyce F. Holland  
To Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity  
Lot 19, Pungoteague South, Painter  
For \$20,000

■ From Joseph Rodriguez  
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## Town of Belle Haven, Virginia

# AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND BLIGHT ABATEMENT CODE

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Belle Haven is authorized to protect public health, safety, and welfare through local ordinances pursuant to general police powers granted to towns under Virginia law, and consistent with definitions of blight found in Virginia Code 36-3; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that blighted and poorly maintained properties contribute to unsafe conditions, reduce property values, and impair the general welfare of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town desires to establish clear standards, enforcement mechanisms, and penalties for blighted properties;

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect public health and safety and preserve property values and community appearance through the prevention and elimination of blight.

stating:

- The nature of the violation;
- Required corrective action;
- A deadline for compliance (not less than 10 days unless emergency).

#### 2. Definitions

**"Blighted property"** any structure or improvement that:

- Is dilapidated, deteriorated, or unsafe;
- Constitutes a fire hazard or harbors vermin;
- Violates building, health, or safety codes;
- Is abandoned or unsecured;
- Is otherwise detrimental to public health, safety, or welfare.

**"Owner"** is any person, firm, corporation, or entity having legal or equitable interest in the property.

**"Occupant"** is any person in possession or control of property.

**"Nuisance conditions"** include, but are not limited to:

- Accumulation of trash, debris, or refuse
- Inoperable vehicles (outside enclosed structures)
- Overgrown vegetation creating hazards
- Structural disrepair or unsafe buildings.

#### 3. Prohibited Conditions

It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant to maintain property in a condition that constitutes blight, including:

- Structures that are unsafe, unsanitary, or unfit for habitation;
- Buildings that are vacant and not properly secured;
- Accumulation of garbage, refuse, or debris;
- Storage of inoperable vehicles or equipment outside enclosed structures;
- Excessive overgrowth of weeds or vegetation;
- Any condition that creates a fire, health, or safety hazard.

#### 4. Inspection Authority

The Town Manager, Code Enforcement Officer, or designee may:

- Inspect property upon reasonable notice;
- Investigate complaints of blight or nuisance conditions;
- Document violations.

#### 5. Notice of Violation

Upon finding a violation, the Town shall issue a written notice to the owner and/or occupant served by personal service or certified mail

#### 6. Failure to Comply

If the violation is not corrected within the specified time the Town may:

- Perform or contract for necessary abatement;
  - Remove trash, debris, or unsafe structures;
  - Secure or board vacant buildings;
- All costs shall be charged to the property owner and recoverable as a lien against the property.

#### 7. Civil Penalties

Any violation shall constitute a civil offense punishable by:

- A penalty of \$250 per day for so long as the violation continues; and,
- Each day the violation continues may constitute a separate offense.

#### 8. Emergency Abatement

If the Town determines a condition poses an immediate threat to public health or safety, it may:

- Enter the property without prior notice;
- Take necessary corrective action;
- Associated costs shall be assessed against the owner.

#### 9. Additional Remedies

The Town may:

- Seek injunctive relief in Circuit Court;
- Pursue any remedy available under Virginia law;
- Coordinate with health or building officials.

#### 10. Applicability

This ordinance applies to all property within the Town, including:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Vacant or undeveloped parcels.

#### 11. Severability

If any provision is held invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in effect.

#### 13. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

# TIDE TABLE

Seaside  
Bayside

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

## MAGIC MAZE ● MIDDLE —

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: **First Letter of Your Middle Name**

Ages	Ear	Manager	Rail
America	East	Names	School
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### Last week's answers

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### Weekly SUDOKU

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## Super Crossword

### POOL PLAY

- ACROSS**
- 1 Clipboard's larger relative  
 8 Nintendo game system  
 11 Styled after  
 14 Funny Foxx  
 19 Law of motion topic  
 20 Behind bars  
 22 Fabric design  
 23 Execute the opening pool shot perfectly?  
 25 Iowa senator Joni  
 26 Mid-voyage  
 27 Inquire  
 28 Unable to find your pool stick?  
 30 Actor Caine  
 34 1950s-'60s Egyptian president  
 35 Puts spin on a pool ball with no further tricks?  
 42 Animal throat  
 44 Chicken —  
 45 River of Bern  
 46 "Cops" sound  
 47 Office scribe  
 49 Road furrow  
 50 Basie's music  
 53 Pool triangle packed in a suitcase?
- 56 Ultimatum end  
 58 Assist  
 60 Anticipates a treat, maybe  
 61 Stridex target  
 62 Some schlumpy physiques  
 66 Bits of land in the ocean, in French  
 67 Label anew  
 69 Toddler who's a whiz at pool?  
 72 Really heavy herbivore  
 76 Lackluster  
 78 Street in Manhattan's Alphabet City  
 80 Scandinavian thunder god  
 81 Having a trio of components  
 86 Alex and — (jewelry brand)  
 87 "Quickly" or "slowly," e.g.  
 89 Perimeter of a pool table that people have plopped down on?  
 92 Habituate (to)  
 94 Org. for cavity fillers
- 95 In spite of the fact that, in brief  
 96 Itty-bitty  
 98 Scot's refusal  
 99 Ccase of the Cars  
 100 Put a tear in  
 101 Resume play after accidentally sinking the white pool ball?  
 106 "Othello" victim  
 109 Pool variety with 22 balls  
 110 Observe a hole in a pool table?  
 115 La mer filler  
 116 Love god  
 120 Jetson boy  
 121 Last shot of a pool game?  
 125 Be at a slant  
 126 Mass in the throat  
 127 Admiral Nelson  
 128 Liv of "Super"  
 129 Riddle-me —  
 130 Facial locale  
 131 Frightful flies
- 3 Certain small pooch  
 4 Reveries  
 5 Zeta follower  
 6 [not my typo]  
 7 Desert region in Africa  
 8 Deitalize  
 9 Vacation stop  
 10 Long-range nuke carrier  
 11 Gets mature biblically-style  
 12 Grasslands  
 13 Last name of singer Adele  
 14 Many PC pics  
 15 Alcove-hiding tapestry  
 16 Mixture baked in pies  
 17 Aetna offering  
 18 Kin of -ess  
 21 Grande of pop, for short  
 24 "Ozark" actor Morales  
 29 "Uh-uh"  
 31 "No bid"  
 32 Attacked as a cat might  
 33 The, to Jules  
 35 Hoopla  
 36 Info provider  
 37 Breadth  
 38 Not a one  
 39 "Despicable Me" anthero  
 40 Thigh locales
- 41 Actress Swenson  
 43 Pad thai pans  
 47 Cut, as ties  
 48 Reality shows, to some people  
 51 Not a one  
 52 Singer Barry  
 54 Similar  
 55 Baseballer Hodges  
 57 Guides, biblical-style  
 59 "A little dab'll —"  
 63 Mahmoud of Palestine  
 64 "seaQuest —" (sci-fi series)  
 65 Old Big Apple stadium  
 68 —Roman  
 70 Decade  
 71 Lay waste to  
 73 "—"  
 74 Swedish, say  
 75 Jerry of stage and screen  
 77 "The Simpsons" character once voiced by Hank Azaria  
 79 Ex-president Obama
- 81 Old autocrat  
 82 In a spiral-shaped way  
 83 1960s World War II series, with "The"  
 84 Ostrich kin  
 85 Arena level  
 88 John of plows  
 90 Ottawa loc.  
 91 Abbr. on a bad check  
 93 Not looked for  
 97 Cen. divisions  
 101 Tiny drink  
 102 Over the line  
 103 Central New York lake  
 104 Complain  
 105 Turkey's tallest peak  
 107 Breadth divisions, in Rome  
 108 More bashful direction  
 111 Suffix with fungi  
 112 Large joint  
 113 Berlin article  
 114 General — chicken  
 117 Witty sayings  
 118 Steinbeck migrant  
 119 Old Olds cars  
 122 Large joint  
 123 Call for help  
 124 Uno tripled

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