

February 5, 2004

KILMARNOCK, VIRGINIA



by Reid Pierce Armstrong

HANOVER—An accident claimed the lives of two Northumberland High School graduates last Saturday.

Justin H. Jordan, 26, and his sister, Johnette Jordan Rock, 32, were killed when their vehicle failed to yield the right of way as it pulled out onto Route 360 in Mechanicsville, said Lt. Doug Goodman of the Hanover County Sheriff's Office.

dan's 1996 Acura Coup pulled out of the Battlefield Green subdivision where the siblings separately resided. Police said the Jordan vehicle turned right, entering into the lefthand, westbound lane where it was struck on the drivers side by a 2003 Chevrolet 2500 Quad-Cab pickup carrying a family of three.

There was no indication of excess speed or of alcohol involved in the accident, Lt. Goodman said.

At 11:46 a.m. January 31, Jordan's 1996 Acura Coup pulled out of the Battlefield Green subdivision where the siblings separately resided. Police said the Jordan vehicle turned right, entering into the lefthand, westbound lane where it was struck on the drivers side by a 2003 Chevrolet 2500 Quad-Cab pickup carrying a family of three.

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Del. Terrie Suit of Virginia Beach listens to testimony regarding House Bill 446, putting the menhaden industry under the management of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission. Suit said she thought the bill would be straight forward and was not prepared for how polarizing and emotional the issue would become.

# Menhaden bill flounders

by Reid Pierce Armstrong

RICHMOND—A proposed law that would have put the menhaden industry under the jurisdiction of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) died in a General Assembly subcommittee last week.

Following a public hearing on House Bill 446 last Thursday, the Chesapeake subcommittee of the Virginia House of Delegates committee on agriculture, Chesapeake and natural resources passed by the bill indefinitely.

The controversial proposal had been introduced by Del. Terri Suit of Virginia Beach and Del. Gary A. Reese of Oak Hill.

The bill's proponents plan to continue fighting for what they say is an important issue.

"We will continue working with Del. Suit for the best management of the species," said David Nobles, vice president of the Coastal Conservation Association of Virginia (CCA).



Del. Suit said she did not realize when she introduced HB446 how "polarizing" and "emotional" the issue of menhaden management is.

Of the approximately 100 people in attendance, some two-thirds were Omega Protein employees and Northumberland County officials opposing the measure.

Supporting the CCA's effort were representatives from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the Virginia Association of Municipal Wastewater Agencies, the Recreational Fishing Alliance and a dozen conservation-minded sportfishermen.

Del. Suit tried to reach a compromise with the bill's opponents, suggesting that the heart of the issue lay in the General Assembly's inability to quickly respond to management recommendations from the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC).

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## Police Reports

Lancaster County Sheriff Ronnie Crockett reported nine arrests last week.

Stephanie S. Ketner, 23, of Johns Neck Road was charged January 28 with 10 counts of check forgery-uttering and four counts of grand larceny between October 14 and November 28.

Samantha L. Watson, 27, of Chesapeake Drive was charged by direct indictment February 2 with five counts of embezzlement and one count of grand larceny between June 11 and August 1.

A 34-year-old man was charged January 28 with domestic assault and battery after the sheriff's staff responded to Greenwood Court for a domestic dispute.

A Farmville man, 36, was charged by direct indictments February 2 with reckless handling of a firearm and brandishing a firearm on November 5.

On January 26, Virginia State Police charged a subject with reckless driving, eluding police, and child endangerment after the sheriff's staff responded to a domestic disturbance and child custody complaint in the Little Bay area.

A Weems man, 18, was charged with public drunkenness January 26 after the sheriff's staff responded to a reported fight on Taylors Creek Road.

An Urbanna man, 30, was charged January 30 with public drunkenness.

A Doggett Lane man, 32, was charged January 27 with contempt of court in Westmoreland County on October 8.

A Reynolds Farm Road woman, 28, was charged February 2 with issuing a bad check on December 25.

### Accidents

The sheriff's staff responded with Virginia State Police on February 1 for a two-vehicle accident on Pinckardsville Road. Response was made for two separate single-vehicle accidents on January 26 on Gaskins Road and near River Road and Hutchings Lane.

Another single-vehicle accident warranted response January 31 near Mary Ball and Methodist Church Roads. The sheriff's staff

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### Retiring with a blast

Dexter C. Rumsey III (center) was honored last week by the White Stone Town Council for 30 years of service as town attorney. From left are town manager Sherri Jewell, Rumsey and Mayor Lloyd B. Hubbard Jr. Rumsey was presented a plaque and a Ducks Unlimited collectible Remington shotgun by the town. He was further honored with a reception featuring toasts from his friends and father. Rumsey, of the Rumsey & Bugg law firm in Irvington, retired as town attorney last year. (Photo by Robb Hoff)

## Supervisors to meet early

HEATHSVILLE—The Northumberland board of supervisors will meet Wednesday, February 11, instead of Thursday, February 12.

The meeting was rescheduled so that supervisors and county staff may attend Legislative Day at the General Assembly, sponsored by the Virginia Association of Counties.

The board meeting begins at 2 p.m. at the courthouse at 72 Monument Place. Public hearings begin at 7 p.m. at the new courts building at 39 Judicial Place.

Issues set for public hearing include a request from Inez Bates of the Northumberland County Community Center Organization

## School board seeks input on budget

LOTSBURG—The Northumberland school board is seeking public input on its 2004-05 budget.

It will be a tight budget year, superintendent Clint Stables warns. The board will have to request an additional \$300,000 from the county just to maintain its current employee benefits, and

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for an extension of a special exception permit to construct a community center near Wicomico Church.

Although the building is close to completion, the original permit had a one-year time limit which is about to expire.

Bobbie and Larry Wade are seeking authorization to establish a family mobile home park by placing an additional singlewide mobile home at 4221 Ridge Road in Heathsville.

The couple lives in a mobile home on the property. The addition of one more to house a relative would classify the site as a "family mobile home park." There is no house on the property.

Self Realty and Patsy Self have applied for an exception to the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Ordinance to construct a dwelling extending 80-feet into the resource protection area buffer. The property is at Morrison Street and Sutton Avenue on Cockrell's Creek in Reedville.

Platted before the Bay Act came into existence, the property is unbuildable without encroachment into the 50-foot buffer, said zoning administrator W.H. Shirley.

The board also will consider amending the county's Bay Act provisions to comply with state mandates.

## Supervisors loosen purse strings for hurricane aftermath; address hospital concerns, legislation

by Robb Hoff

LANCASTER—County supervisors last week modified a waste wood handling contract with R.L. Self Timber Inc. at Lively Woodyards to accommodate excessive debris generated by Hurricane Isabel.

By a 4-0 vote, supervisors amended the contract to include a reimbursement rate of \$6 per cubic yard to the company for wood waste disposed at the site as a result of a county or state declared natural disaster.

The contract modification is retroactive to account for 65,474 cubic yards of wood debris handled by the company as a result of the hurricane.

County administrator William H. Pennell Jr. said the modification was necessary to facilitate a fair reimbursement for disaster debris services provided by the company above the level anticipated by the initial contract. Of the \$392,844 reimbursement, Federal Emergency Management Agency funding covers 75 percent, state funding covers 17 percent and 8 percent will come from the county, said Pennell.

He noted the county will receive some \$18,000 from the company because the county share is approximately \$32,000 and the supervisors had advanced the company \$50,000 to cover additional costs in the aftermath of Isabel.

Board chairman Patrick Frere was absent.

### School drainfield

The board unanimously approved a \$32,900 expenditure for drainfield repairs at Lancaster Primary School.

School superintendent Dr. Randolph Latimore said the work by Church View Septic Service Inc. is not expected to begin until March due to ground conditions.

Payment for the work was authorized through capital improvement fund interest.

### Hospital concerns

The board discussed the formation of an ad hoc committee to consider the effects of ending obstetrical services at Rappahannock General Hospital, but later delayed any action.

The hospital board has announced plans to close the obstetrics unit at the end of February.

"When a hospital loses its obstetrical service, it

loses more than just those patients," said supervisor Pete Geilich, a retired hospital administrator and executive. He cited the patient-doctor relationship as a potential basis for referrals for services from doctors and facilities outside of the RGH network.

Pennell said the suspension of obstetrical services could have an economic impact when professional couples and others decline to relocate to the area based upon the lack of these services.

He said the suspension also could tax county emergency medical services resources if rescue squad personnel are required to transport patients in need of obstetrical services to Richmond or other locations outside of the county.

"Conceivably you could have both of your ambulances out on maternity calls," Pennell said.

### Legislative matters

Supervisors unanimously authorized Pennell to notify Del. Albert C. Pollard Jr. and the General Assembly that the county does not support House Bill 1418 sponsored by Del. Pollard.

The proposed bill would assess a \$1 monthly fee to be paid by owners of improved property valued over \$60,000. The fee would go to a state water quality improvement fund that would allocate 70 percent of the fund for point source pollution remedies and 30 percent for non-point source pollution. The bill calls for an additional \$1 monthly fee for property owners served by a wastewater treatment facility.

Acting chairman B. Wally Beauchamp called the bill "another unfunded mandate to the counties and municipalities that we simply can't afford."

He said the county could collect \$8,000 monthly in fees and the state would require the county to administer the program for just \$2,900 annually. Northumberland County also plans to oppose the bill, he said.

Supervisor F.W. "Butch" Jenkins Jr. said the water improvement initiative should be funded by existing state tax sources, such as income tax and sales tax.

By consensus, supervisors also adopted a resolution in support of Omega Protein Inc. The res-

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## Highway matters addressed

LANCASTER—Virginia Department of Transportation resident engineer Joseph Staton last week told Lancaster supervisors that snow removal and road treatment expenses for the January 25-26 snowfall totaled \$400,000 to \$500,000.

He also noted that a VDOT driver in the Weems area was struck in the face by an iceball thrown through an open window of his truck. The driver required treatment at Rappahannock General Hospital and the incident is under investigation by the Virginia State Police, said Staton.

Among other highway issues, Staton reported:

- Hydraulic engineering is in progress on Main Street in Kilmarnock to resolve drainage problems that have in part delayed the town's \$2.7-million Main

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# A Closer Look

by Jane Tims

Roger Donaldson has seen lots of changes in White Stone since he was a kid bagging groceries at his parents' store. The blacksmith shop is not coming back, nor will the typewriter repairman return, and The River Market sits where Donaldsons' Supermarket used to be.

A mechanical engineer, Roger saw change as well in his 36 years with the aluminum can division of Reynolds Metal Company, where he started the day after his graduation from the University of Virginia. That was 1968, when lab techs used slide rules and secretaries used carbon paper and reports took two weeks to make their way around the company.

The first aluminum can, with its thumb-nicking "ring pull" opener, was five years old. The goal was to make it faster, lighter, better, cheaper.

Back then, a typical can plant had 500 employees making 300 cans a minute. Today a plant of 75 turns out 10 times that many. The U.S. industry annually produces 100 billion cans

that cost less and require half as much aluminum as they did in '68. The improved ring opener, developed by one of Roger's eventual employees in 1976 and patented by Reynolds in 1978, remains in universal use.

Aluminum cans are 100 percent recyclable and the processing of recycled cans takes five percent as much energy as that of virgin aluminum. Unfortunately, U.S. recycling has dropped from 70 to 50 percent in the last 10 years and the rate of recycled to virgin aluminum in a sheet used for cans is approximately one to one.

I don't mean to dwell on statistics. The point is that Roger is proud of the industry's strides, proud of Reynolds' contribution, proud of the 2,500 employees who worked in 18 U.S. plants, for which he oversaw operations.

Reynolds Metal was like a great big family, said Roger. It was a wonder-

ful place to work. Then in 1998, a cash-strapped Reynolds sold its profitable domestic can division to Ball.

"Our management team flew to every plant and told people what was coming," said Roger. "We went to thank them and wish them well. There

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was a lot of sadness. In the Richmond can division, 175 lost their jobs."

He and 10 others stayed on to provide technical assistance to the one Saudi Arabian and seven South American can plants in which Reynolds still had interests. Used to the daily trip from White Stone to Richmond (he put one million miles on his cars in 25 years of commuting), Roger began traveling often to Brazil, Argentina and Chile, gaining

respect for the energetic workers he met there.

In 2000, Alcoa bought the rest of Reynolds. The purchaser was good to the remaining employees, but the family feeling was gone. Instead of three huge buildings on the Reynolds campus, Alcoa occupied two floors of one building. The presence in Richmond was dramatically reduced and 1,000 more lost their jobs.

Still, Roger continued, knowing what was coming, but not when. At Thanksgiving, Alcoa sold the global canning interests, and on December 31, Roger retired, turning out the lights as he left.

"I have no regrets," he said, although he will not miss airports or the West Point bridge on Friday afternoons. "It's been a great ride. I don't think I'd change a thing."

Yet change is what it's been about. Change in automation. Change in production capacity. Change in ownership. Change as colleagues left to look

elsewhere for work.

"A huge number of jobs go away and never come back," said Roger. "In their place will be different jobs with different problems. All we can do is be flexible and prepared for change. You can't stop it. I'm not sure you want to."

Still, he's concerned about manufacturing jobs headed overseas; concerned that over the long haul, America cannot survive if it makes nothing; concerned that educators of children, like his wife, Sue, dean of guidance at Gloucester High School, make less money than makers of beer cans. He has, he says, no solutions.

He's easing into retirement. He gets up early to see Sue off to school. He'll continue his volunteer work at the Northern Neck Free Health Clinic, fix some long-neglected things around the house, do a little kayaking when the weather breaks and fire up his boat for some overdue fishing.

He's not out looking for the blacksmith.

## Reflections

by  
John Howard Farmer  
pastor, Irvington Baptist Church

### Do You Know Him?

Sometimes I think we have it all wrong: you know, the-cart-before-the-horse syndrome. We work so hard at getting folks to church that we fail to introduce them to the author of our faith.

People need Jesus, and if they are not already in a relationship with a local house of worship, they probably view our ministrations with some suspicion. Push it to the edge with me: people don't need the church; we need Jesus.

It is not about theology, particular denominational persuasions, nor about Christianity. It is not really about Bible study, or even just getting folks to read the Word.

God has been reaching out his hand to us since the creation. First he viewed us with such deep admiration. Since the discovery of original sin, he tenderly calls us from ourselves to lives of promise. He gave to his chosen the mantle of his divine leadership. All the Old Testament teaches this.

We need to refocus our concern for friends, family, loved ones, neighbors: we need to introduce them to Jesus. We all need a living Lord to maximize our faith's potential. Once we have a rela-

tionship with the Lord, church attendance will be a given. As one understands Christ's passion, one will be more than ready to study the Bible. One will then have a hunger and thirst for all things divine.

I've known this all along. It's just that sometimes I am so busy massaging my professional practice that I think I am somehow responsible for the local church. I am not. Your pastor is not. It is God's only son who holds those keys and shoulders those liabilities.

I traveled a lot in my former profession. Since I am not a party animal, nor a carouser, I worked hard at finding worthwhile experiences when on the road.

In a dark Broadway theater in the mid 1970's, I had a most unusual encounter with Christ. The concierge at my hotel had found a New York ticket agent willing to let go of a prime seat at a prime price for "Jesus Christ, Superstar." It was a fresh interpretation of the life and times of our Lord: a rock opera written by composer Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyricist Tim Rice, both in their early 20's. Sure I knew the story; I had read the book, you

see. I was a deacon in a rural Virginia church, taught Sunday school, and served as choir director and organist. But I was out of my pew, off my bench. Up on the stage, the lights grew dim. Jesus and the disciples were coming to the end of their earthly pilgrimage together. Tomorrow would be an awful day.

The sun drops from the horizon. A low burning fire lights the stage. Jesus falls asleep with his head in the lap of Mary Magdalene, who has been much maligned across the years, though not in scripture.

Mary sings the most poignant love song I had therefore ever heard. She sang, "I Don't Know How to Love Him." I listened intently to the words, the lovely music. I watched the actor portraying Jesus as he slept. My heart ached. I began to cry. I was meeting a human Christ. Somehow it was transforming my understanding of

him. It was a tale of two loves. The sleeping Jesus certainly loved Mary. She loved Him. But their loves were worlds apart - because of me. Me. Jesus could not have a full humanly rewarding relationship with this beautiful woman because of my sin. He would

have to die as an innocent for me to find salvation.

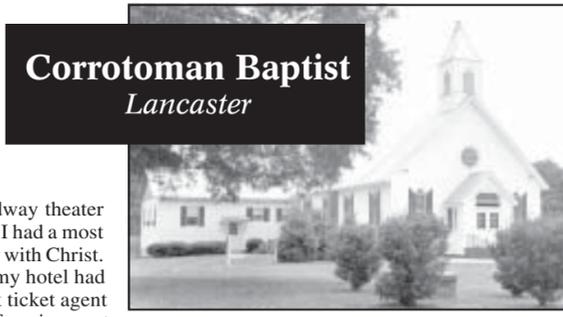
Do you know that Jesus?

Well, there is another fresh interpretation coming around the corner. It is getting much hype from the media. There is a new Mel Gibson film, "The Passion Of The Christ," coming to theaters on Ash Wednesday, February 25.

Oh sure, the church will cry out. "Blasphemy," will slip from the lips of pulpit monitors 'round the globe. Folks of Jewish persuasion always get bristled about how we view their roll in the crucifixion of Christ. Let's set the story straight. God promised the Jews a savior and for thousands of years they taught the prophecy. The Jewish leaders, Roman government and Judas Iscariot were simply tools in the hands of an angry God. This will never be a politically correct story. There is too much at stake. There had to be a blood sacrifice for the redemption of the human race. But know this: millions of people will get to know a living Jesus and understand his passion and leave the theaters in tears.

So let's shed our self-righteousness. We don't need churches full of guilty or habitual attendees. We need hearts wounded by the blood of Christ to experience him. He will then fill our churches.

Gather up as many folks as you can and head for the theaters nearest you. Buy the popcorn, soda, and candy, but be sure to take plenty of Kleenex. Be prepared to be shaken from your pew-bound faith.



**Corrotoman Baptist**  
Lancaster

## BAPTIST

**Beulah Baptist**  
4448 Mary Ball Road, Lively; 462-5000  
Rev. Ronald Dunaway, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Calvary Baptist**  
490 East Church Street  
Kilmarnock; 435-1052  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
8:45 a.m., Church School  
10 a.m., Devotions  
10:15 a.m., Worship with Communion  
7 p.m., Radio Broadcast, 101.7 FM  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

**Claybrook Baptist**  
2242 Weems Road, Weems; 438-5570  
Rev. John W. Carter, Pastor  
Pastor's office hours: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
**Saturday, February 7:**  
2 p.m., Memorial Service for Calvin Shelton  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Morning Worship  
6 p.m., Winter Bible Study (youth & adults)

**Tuesday, February 10:**  
6:30-8:30 p.m., ESL Class  
7 p.m., Youth Committee Meeting  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer Mtg.  
7:45 p.m., Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
Cemetery will be cleaned out February 14. Please remove any flowers you may want to keep.

**Coan Baptist**  
Heathsville; 580-2751  
Rev. Robert Lee Farmer, Minister  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Tuesday, February 10:**  
7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer/Bible Study

**Fairfields Baptist**  
15213 Northumberland Highway, Burgess; 453-3530  
Rev. Brian A. Hamrick, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Children's Choir and Prayer Meeting  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship/Children's Church  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting  
7:45 p.m., Chancel Choir

**Harmony Grove Baptist**  
Routes 3 and 33, Topping; 758-5154  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
Nursery provided; 9:45 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
7 p.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

**Hartswell Baptist**  
10559 River Road, Lancaster; 462-0845  
Rev. Bunnie C. Dunaway, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10:15 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Prayer & Praise  
11:30 a.m., Worship

**Irvington Baptist**  
53 King Carter Drive, Irvington  
438-6971; John Howard Farmer, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School Assembly  
10 a.m., Bible Classes  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
12 noon, Women's AA  
7 p.m., Fellowship and Sharing

**Kilmarnock Baptist**  
65 East Church Street  
Kilmarnock; 435-1703  
Bill and Mary Dell Sigler, Pastors  
**Friday, February 5:**  
5 p.m., Exercise Group  
**Saturday, February 7:**  
5:50 - 7 p.m., Kids Bowling  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Morning Worship-Boy Scout Sunday

12 noon, Coffee Hour Fellowship  
12:15 p.m., Tone Chime Rehearsal  
12:30 p.m., Deacon's Meeting  
5 p.m., Youth Fellowship  
**Monday, February 9:**  
5 p.m., Exercise Class  
7 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 242  
**Tuesday, February 10:**  
10:30 a.m., WMU Meeting  
5 p.m., Exercise Class

7 & 7:35 p.m., Handbell Rehearsals  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
9 a.m., Moms in Touch  
5:30 p.m., Fellowship Supper and Bible Study  
6 p.m., Children's Choir Rehearsal  
7 p.m., Adult Choir Rehearsal  
**Thursday, February 12:**  
5 p.m., Exercise Class

**Lebanon Baptist Field**  
Carlton Milstead, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
**Lebanon**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship Service  
Today is Baptist Women's Day at Lebanon and Miss Mandy Ransome will be the guest speaker for the service. Following the worship service there will be dinner in the fellowship hall.

**Providence**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
**Norwood**  
9:45 a.m., Worship Service  
11 a.m., Sunday School  
**Lighthouse Baptist Independent**  
Rt. 200, Wicomico Church, 435-2435  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship/Children's Church  
6 p.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study

**Maple Grove Baptist**  
Windmill Point Road, Foxwells  
Richard C. Newlon, Minister  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Morattico Baptist**  
924 Morattico Church Road, Kilmarnock; 435-3623  
Rev. Craig Smith, Pastor  
Organized January 7, 1778  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Mount Vernon Baptist**  
269 James Wharf Road  
White Stone; 435-1272  
Rev. Robert H. Sutherland Jr., Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Church School  
11 a.m., Worship

**New Friendship Baptist**  
Burgess (Elevator access)  
Rev. Steve Taylor, Pastor, 453-4235  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:15 a.m., Coffee, juice and doughnuts  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Morning Worship  
7 p.m., Bible Study  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Bible Study

**Northern Neck Baptist**  
280 Hampton Hall Hwy.  
Callao, VA 529-6310  
Rev. Ken Overby, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship  
6 p.m., Evening Service  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship

**New St. John's Baptist**  
Kilmarnock  
Rev. Dwight Johnson, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Church Service  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

**Queen Esther Baptist**  
7228 River Road, Lancaster; 462-7780  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Sharon Baptist**  
1413 Lumberlost Road, Weems; 438-6659  
Rev. Rodney D. Waller, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Church School  
11 a.m., Morning Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
1 p.m., Mid-day Bible Study  
7 p.m., Evening Bible Studies, Adult and Youth

**Smithland Baptist**  
1047 Walnut Point Road  
Heathsville; 580-2843  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7:30 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study

**White Stone Baptist**  
517 Chesapeake Drive

White Stone; 435-1413  
wsbc@kaballero.com  
www.whitestonebaptistchurch.org  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
Nursery Provided at 9:45 & 11 a.m.  
9:30-10 a.m., Church Library open  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School for all ages  
11 a.m., Worship-Boy Scout Sunday  
11:15 a.m., Children's Church  
**Monday, February 9:**  
7 p.m., Pastor Search Committee Meeting  
7 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 235  
**Tuesday, February 10:**  
7:30 p.m., Choir Practice  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
6 p.m., Family Night Dinner  
6:45 p.m., Praise & Prayer  
7 p.m., Praise Service

**Willie Chapel Baptist**  
510 Merry Point Road, Lancaster  
462-5500; Rev. Michael Reed, Pastor  
Rose Curry, Associate Minister  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Sunday School  
11:15 a.m., Prayer and Praise  
11:30 a.m., Worship with Communion  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7:30 p.m., Bible Study

## CHURCH OF GOD

**Trinity Church of God**  
991 Fleeton Road, Reedville  
453-4972; Rev. Larry Murphy, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Worship  
11 a.m., Sunday School  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

**Warsaw Church of God**  
15 Church Lane, Warsaw  
333-4951; Rev. Danny Duell Sr.  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Morning Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Worship

## EPISCOPAL

**Grace Episcopal**  
303 South Main Street, Kilmarnock; 435-1285  
Rev. Hugh C. White, Rector  
Rev. Richard E. Fichter, Jr., Asst. Rector  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
8 a.m., Holy Eucharist  
9:15 a.m., CE for all  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist and Ministry of Healing

**St. Mary's Episcopal**  
3020 Fleeton Road, Fleeton, 453-6712  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Adult Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7:30 p.m., Prayer Ministry

**St. Stephens Episcopal**  
6853 Northumberland Highway, Heathsville; 580-4555  
Rev. Jeffrey O. Cerar, Rector  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Holy Eucharist, coffee follows  
9:50 a.m., Sunday School with nursery  
**Thrift Shop:**  
Open Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**St. Stephens Episcopal**  
6853 Northumberland Highway, Heathsville; 580-4555  
Rev. Jeffrey O. Cerar, Rector  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Holy Eucharist, coffee follows  
9:50 a.m., Sunday School with nursery  
**Thrift Shop:**  
Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Wicomico Parish**  
5191 Jessie duPont Memorial Highway  
Wicomico Church; 580-6445  
Rev. W. Scott Dillard, Rector  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
8 a.m., Communion, breakfast follows  
10 a.m., Sunday School with nursery  
10 a.m., Communion  
11 a.m., Coffee Hour  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
10 a.m., Healing Service, Communion  
**Thrift Shop:**  
10 a.m.-1 p.m., Wed., Fri., Sat.

**St. James Anglican/Episcopal**  
Rt. 14 at 626, Mathews County  
Rev. William T. Kump, 757-244-7955  
B. R. Humphreys 435-9776  
1928 Prayer Book, 1940 Hymnal  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
Septuagesima  
10 a.m., "Exploring the Bible" (Study)  
11 a.m., Morning Prayer & Sermon  
10 & 11 a.m., Child Care Provided

## LUTHERAN

**Apostles Lutheran**  
Main Street, Gloucester; 693-9098  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:15 a.m., Sunday School  
10:30 a.m., Worship

**Good Shepherd Lutheran**  
2 miles North of Callao on Hwy. 202  
Callao; 529-5948  
Rev. Michael Ramming, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
8:30 a.m., Worship accompanied by Sunday School  
9:30 a.m., Coffee fellowship  
10 a.m., Adult Bible Study  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
12 noon, Bag Lunch & Bible Study

**Trinity Lutheran**  
Woman's Club Building, Virginia Street  
Urbanna; 758-4257  
Luther Baughman, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Worship

## METHODIST

**Afton United Methodist**  
5130 Hacks Neck Road  
Ophelia; 453-3770  
Rev. M. P. White, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship Service

**Asbury United Methodist**  
Foxwells; Rev. Thomas W. Oder  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Worship

**Bethany United Methodist**  
454 Main Street, Reedville, 453-3282  
Rev. Dr. Donna McEwan, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
8:30 a.m., Sunday School  
9:30 a.m., Worship  
10:30 a.m., Coffee hour and adult classes

**Fairfields United Methodist**  
14741 Northumberland Highway, Burgess; 453-2631  
Rev. Marion Paul White, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Sunday School  
9:45 a.m., Worship

**Galilee United Methodist**  
747 Hull Neck Road, Edwardsville; 580-7306  
Rev. Vernell M. Carter, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Heathsville United Methodist**  
39 Courthouse Road, Heathsville  
580-3630; James B. Godwin, Pastor:  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Sunday School  
10 a.m., Worship

**Henderson United Methodist**  
72 Henderson Drive, Callao  
529-6769; Rev. Sue Ann Salmon, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School, all ages  
11 a.m., Worship, traditional

**Irvington United Methodist**  
26 King Carter Drive, Irvington  
438-6800; Rev. John Biondolino, Pastor  
**Saturday, February 6:**  
8 p.m., AA  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7:30 p.m., Choir

**Kilmarnock United Methodist**  
89 East Church Street, Kilmarnock  
435-1797; (Elevator access)  
Rev. Edward S. Barnett, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship

**Rehoboth United Methodist Parish**  
435-1792; Rev. Joe Hammond, Minister  
Gerald W. Lee Sr., Associate Minister  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
**Bluff Point**  
11 a.m., Worship  
Noon, Coffee Fellowship  
**Mila**  
9:45 a.m., Worship  
10:45 a.m., Sunday School

**Rehoboth**  
9:45 a.m., Worship  
10:45 a.m., Coffee Fellowship  
**Wicomico**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
3:30 p.m., Choir-Bluff Point

**White Stone United Methodist**  
118 Methodist Church Road, White Stone; 435-3555  
Rev. Richard Scott Gordon, Pastor  
**Friday, February 6:**  
9 a.m., Fit for Life Exercise Class  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Adult Bible Study  
11 a.m., Worship Service  
Noon, Library open  
7 p.m., AA  
**Monday, February 9:**  
9 a.m., Fit for Life Exercise Class  
**Tuesday, February 10:**  
2 p.m., United Methodist Women  
7:45 p.m., Church Council  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
9 a.m., Fit for Life Exercise Class  
4 p.m., Grief Support Group  
7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal  
**Thrift Shop:**  
10 a.m.-3 p.m., Tues., Fri., Sat.  
9 a.m.-3 p.m., Thurs.

**Campbell Memorial Presbyterian**  
Rt. 222 (Weems Road), In the Village of Weems, 438-6875;  
Rev. Dr. William S. Morris, Pastor  
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Convocation  
9:45 a.m., Church School/Adult Bible Class  
"Being Presbyterian Today"  
Christian Home Builders' Class  
11 a.m., Worship  
Mission Sunday/Luncheon  
Guest Missionary: Mrs. Florence Sthresley  
5¢-A-Meal Offering Received  
Crib and toddler nurseries available.  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
1 p.m., Worship Ministry Group  
2:30 p.m., Congregational Care Ministry Group  
5:30 p.m., Chancel Choir  
**Thursday, February 12:**  
10 a.m., Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle  
7 p.m., Presbyterian Evening Circle

## PRESBYTERIAN

**Milden Presbyterian**  
Sharps  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship with nursery  
**St. Andrews Presbyterian**  
435 East Church Street, Kilmarnock; 435-3948  
Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Coye, Pastor  
**Thursday, February 5:**  
4 p.m., Pastoral Asssts.  
4:30 p.m., Choir  
**Friday, February 6:**  
9 a.m., Disciple I  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Church School  
11 a.m., Worship  
Sermon: "What Goes Around..." (I Kings 21:17-23)  
**Tuesday, February 10:**  
9:30 a.m., MOPS  
7 p.m., Stephen Ministry SPICE  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
4 p.m., Barbershop Singers

**Wesley Presbyterian**  
1272 Taylor Creek Rd.  
Weems, 438-5853  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9 a.m., Worship  
10:15 a.m., Sunday School  
Children and Adult

## OTHER DENOMINATIONS

**Calvary Pentecostal**  
John's Neck Road, Weems  
438-5393; Thelma Jones, Pastor  
9:05 a.m., Radio Broadcast, 101.7 FM  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
7 p.m., Praise and Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7:30 p.m., Worship

**Chesapeake Christian Center**  
Irvington Road, Irvington  
**Thursday, February 5:**  
7 p.m., Bible Study  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Worship  
**Christian Science Society**  
Lancaster Women's Building,  
Route 3, Lancaster  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10:30 a.m., Service and Sunday School  
Lesson/sermon: Spirit

**Church of Deliverance**  
3734 Mary Ball Road, Lively; 462-0553  
Rev. Donald O. Conaway, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School

11 a.m., Worship  
7 p.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study  
**Holy Tabernacle of God**  
Merry Point Road, Lancaster  
Elder Nancy Pinn, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11:30 a.m., Morning Worship  
**Mon.-Fri:**  
1-3 p.m., Emergency Food Bank

**Hope Alive Christian Center**  
149 Queen Street, Tappahannock; 443-5165  
Pete and Pam Sullivan, Pastors  
**Thursday, February 5:**  
6 p.m., Prayer  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Sunday School  
10:30 a.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
Noon, Prayer  
7 p.m., Worship

**Rappahannock Church of Christ**  
9514 Richmond Road, Warsaw  
333-9659; Walker Gaulding, Minister  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship  
6:30 p.m., Worship  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Teaching

**River of Life Assembly of God**  
Waverly Avenue, Kilmarnock; 438-5307  
Rev. Leroy Froyen, Pastor  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Worship and Children's Church, ages 4-9  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
7 p.m., Bible Study

**Seventh-Day Adventist**  
401 South Main Street, Kilmarnock  
Clinton M. Adams, Pastor  
804-925-1175/804-443-1821  
**Saturday, February 7:**  
9 a.m., Worship Service  
10:30 a.m., Sabbath School  
7 p.m., Revelation Seminar  
Elder Ron Rogers, speaker

**St. Francis de Sales Catholic**  
151 East Church Street, Kilmarnock  
Rev. James C. Bruse, Pastor  
**Saturday, February 7:**  
4-4:40 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5 p.m., Vigil  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:30 a.m., Religious Education  
11 a.m., Mass  
**Monday - Friday**  
9 a.m., Mass

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**  
Corner of Rt. 3 & Devil's Bottom Rd.  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
9:45 a.m., Meeting  
**Tuesday & Wednesday:**  
11 a.m.-4 p.m., Genealogical Library  
Open to Public

**The Lord's House**  
1027 Jessie duPont Memorial Highway  
Burgess; 453-7773  
Rev. Enid DeArmon  
**Thursday, February 5:**  
7 p.m., Ministry Training  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
7 p.m., Worship

**Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock**  
Woman's Club of White Stone  
560 Chesapeake Drive  
White Stone  
758-4790; L. Lowrey  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10:30 a.m., Worship

**Victory Temple Church**  
1252 Morattico Road  
Rev. Annie Gaskins, 462-5512  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
10 a.m., Sunday School  
11 a.m., Praise and Worship  
**Friday, February 13:**  
7 p.m., Bible Study

**White Stone Church of the Nazarene**  
Ministry Center & Office: 419 Rappahannock Drive, White Stone;  
Office hours: Mon.-Thur., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
435-9886  
Rev. Jim Jackson, Pastor  
Rev. Brad Grinnen, Pastor  
Worship center: school building, corner of Windmill Point Rd. & Beach Rd.  
**Sunday, February 8:**  
Worship Center:  
9:30 a.m., Sunday School,  
10:45 a.m., Praise/Worship Service & Children's Church  
Nursery provided  
Ministry Center:  
6 p.m., A.F.T.E.R. Hour for teens  
**Wednesday, February 11:**  
6:30 p.m., Teen Prayer Time

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# Obituaries

## Mitchell T. Carlson Sr.

KILMARNOCK—Mitchell Tyler Carlson Sr., 86, of Kilmarnock died February 2, 2004.

Mr. Carlson was the widower of Marie Headley Carlson.

He was a member of Rehoboth United Methodist Church and a retired merchant and farmer.

He is survived by a daughter, Rose Love Donovan of Kilmarnock; two sons, Mitchell T. Carlson Jr. of White Stone and Danny Carlson of Kilmarnock; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a great-great-granddaughter; a stepgranddaughter; a brother, Charles N. Carlson of Kilmarnock and three special friends, Mary Nickens, Vanessa Waddy and Benjamin H. Nickens Jr.

Funeral services were held February 4 at Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock with Rev. Craig Smith officiating. Interment was in Morattico Baptist Church Cemetery in Kilmarnock. Pallbearers were Benjamin H. Nickens Jr., H. Wayne Hudgins, Harry V. Donovan Jr., Garland Ray Walker, Jeffery Kellum, Michael P. T. Painter, W. Mitchell Forrester and Gerald W. Sellers.

Memorials may be made to Kilmarnock-Lancaster Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 333, Kilmarnock, VA 22482; Morattico Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, 37 Chase Street, Kilmarnock, VA 22482, and Trinity Episcopal Church Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 208, Lancaster, VA 22503.

## Norris W. Coates

BUNNELL, FLA.—Norris W. Coates, 76, of Bunnell, Fla., formerly of Lancaster and Northumberland, died January 26, 2004.

Mr. Coates was a waterman who retired to Florida in 1999.

He was predeceased by his father, Thomas Edward Coates; his mother, Mittie Ann Bowen Coates; two sisters, Elsie Conrad and Lorraine Bussells, and two brothers, Robert Edward Coates and James Hampton Coates.

He is survived by his wife, Norma R. Coates; three sons and a daughter-in-law, Norris Edward Coates, James W. Coates of Reedville, and John Wayne and Mary Virginia Coates of Palm Coast, Fla.; a daughter, Victoria Layne of Heathsville; five grandsons; five granddaughters; two stepgrandsons; five nephews and six nieces.

## Ralph E. Edmister Jr.

HARTFIELD—Ralph E. Edmister Jr., 91, of Hartfield, a longtime resident of Heathsville, died Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at Rappahannock General Hospital.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Darlene Edmister.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Catherine; five daughters, Mary Lou Lawson, Doris Schell, Ida Mahan, Linda Gould, and Brenda Ballantyne; two sons, Richard Edmister and John Edmister; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, February 5, at 11 a.m. at Bristow-Faulkner Funeral Home in Saluda. Interment will be in Middlesex Memorial Cemetery in Urbanna.

## Mae C. S. Edmonds

TAPPANNOCK—Mae Carlson Sutton Edmonds, 89, of Tappannock died January 27, 2004.

Mrs. Edmonds was a retired

school teacher and a member of Rappahannock Christian Church in Dunnsville.

She was predeceased by a son, Archibald Eubank Sutton Jr., and her first husband, Archibald Eubank Sutton Sr.

She is survived by her husband, Brainard Edmonds; a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Bruce Parker of West Point; two stepdaughters and a stepson-in-law, Charlotte Edmonds of Alexandria, and Susan and Dave Whitlow of White Stone; three grandchildren, Tim Parker, Stephen Parker and Eric Parker; two stepgrandchildren, Colin and Sarah Whitlow; and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held January 30 at West Point Christian Church.

Burial was private.

Memorials may be made to West Point Christian Church, Box 800, West Point, VA 23181, or Rappahannock Christian Church, Box 1111, Dunnsville, VA 22454.

## Donald R. Ezzell

WICOMICO CHURCH—Donald Ray Ezzell, 61, of Richmond, formerly of Wicomico Church, died January 18, 2004.

Mr. Ezzell was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Terry E. and Greg Mann; a son and daughter-in-law, Nathaniel A. and Jennifer Ezzell; two grandchildren, Kendall and Ella Ezzell; his mother, Mildred B. Bell; a stepsister, Audrey Weatherford; a stepbrother, Alvin Bell Jr., and a companion, Cheri Saville.

A memorial service was held January 26 at Meadowbrook Country Club.

To establish a scholarship in Mr. Ezzell's name, memorials may be made to VSGA Foundation, c/o Youth Golf Program, 600 Founders Bridge Road, Middlethian, VA 23113.

## Elizabeth H. Gregory

WARSAW—Elizabeth Hobbs Gregory, 73, of Warsaw died January 25, 2004.

Mrs. Gregory was the widow of James Oscar Gregory Sr., and the daughter of Irene and Leonard Hobbs of Brink in Greenville County.

She is survived by a son, James Oscar Gregory Jr. of Little Plymouth; a daughter and son-in-law, Brenda G. Harris and Joseph Harris of Tappahannock; three grandchildren, Sylvia F. Wray, Tasha C. Harris and Raven "R.S." Harris, all of Tappahannock; two brothers, George Hobbs and Lewis Hobbs of Emporia, and a special friend, Richard L. Dunn.

A memorial service was held January 31 at Menokin Baptist Church in Warsaw with Rev. Michael Dawson officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Menokin Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1135, Warsaw, VA 22572.

## Philip L. Hayden Sr.

CALLAO—Philip Lynn Hayden Sr., 41, of Callao, died January 26, 2004.

Mr. Hayden was a carpenter, a marine veteran and a member and deacon of Rappahannock Church of Christ. He served as a youth and worship leader.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Hayden; seven children, Philip Jr., Coleman, Jacob, Adam, Seth, Jenna and Kristin Hayden, all of Callao; his mother and stepfather, Katherine Hayden Ashburn and Melvin Ashburn, of Callao; a brother, Charles Hayden Jr. of West Point, and a sister, Wanda Hayden Payne of Indian

Head, Md.

A funeral service was held January 31 at the Rappahannock Church of Christ in Warsaw with pastor Walker Gauding officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Doug Sebra, Charles Belfield, Charles Ward, William Balderson, Bobby Saville, Delacy Dodson, Todd Oliff and James Spring.

Memorials may be made to the Karen Hayden Fund, c/o the Bank of Northumberland, P.O. Box 1040, Callao, VA 22435, or such designated funds may be donated to Rappahannock Church of Christ, 9514 Richmond Road, Warsaw, VA 22572.

## Rosser H. Headley

CALLAO—Rosser Hyatt Headley, 85, of Callao died January 26, 2004. Mr. Headley was the owner of People's Drug Sundry.

He was the widower of Virginia Hayden Headley, a member of Henderson United Methodist Church, Westmoreland Lodge No. 212 AF&AM, and the Westmoreland Royal Arch Chapter No. 41. He was also active in many civic organizations and was the last surviving charter member of the Callao Volunteer Fire Department.

He is survived by a sister, Carolyn Headley Cralle of Callao; a special friend, Bea Gawen of Callao; a brother-in-law, James V. Garland; two nephews, Vince Garland and Wiatt Garland, both of Village; four nieces, Jean Sisson and Dorothy Reynolds, both of Callao, Nancy Hughes of Kilmarnock and Hye Smith of Farnham.

Funeral services were held January 29 at Henderson United Methodist Church with interment in the Bethany Baptist Church Cemetery. Rev. Sue Ann Salmon and Rev. John DeJong officiated.

Pallbearers were Todd Thomas, Vince Garland, Wiatt Garland, Paul Smith, Billy Reynolds, Robert Hughes, Lance Reynolds, and Allen Garland. Honorary pallbearers were Allen Crowder, John Cornwell, Millard Wilkins, Mac Tignor, Chris Neal, Todd Vanlandingham, Phillip Dietz Sr., Edlyn Dawson and James V. Garland.

Memorials may be made to Callao Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 39, Callao, VA 22435, or Shriner's Hospital for Children, c/o ACCA Shrine, P.O. Box 9217, Richmond, VA 23227.

## C. Neil Johnson

HEATHSVILLE—C. Neil Johnson, 86, of Heathsville died February 1, 2004.

Mr. Johnson was a member of Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess.

He retired from the U.S.D.A. as an attorney after 37 years of service.

He was a member of the Widowed Person Service and Northumberland Historical Society.

He was predeceased by his wives, Louise Nichols Johnson and Mary Groves.

He is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Sharon M. Johnson of Chevy Chase, Md., and Sandra J. Green and Richard Green of Middlethian; a brother, Norman Johnson of Arizona; two grandsons, Harrison M. Green and Jarrett N. Green, both of Middlethian, and a special friend, Cornelia Cockerel of Wicomico Church.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 6, at 10 a.m. in Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess. Burial will be private.

Faulkner Family Funeral Home in Burgess is handling the arrangements.

## Russell R. Miles

FARNHAM—Russell Raymond Miles, 79, of Farnham died February 1, 2004.

Mr. Miles was a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia L. Miles; two sons and daughters-in-law, Robert Russell and Andrea Miles of Saluda, and Roy Dale and Elena Miles of Charleston, S.C.; six grandchildren, Rodney R. Miles, Angela R. Miles and Melonie K. Pipes, who were raised by Mr. and Mrs. Miles, and Robert H. Miles, Emily L. Miles, and Kelly M. Miles; a great-granddaughter, Kayleigh Sierra Miles, and a special friend, Beverly Courtney.

Funeral services were held February 4 at Jones-Ash Chapel with the Rev. Clayton Custalow officiating. Interment was in Northern Neck Memorial Gardens.

## Nettie T. Shehigh

BURGESS—Nettie Timbs Shehigh, 103, of Burgess died Wednesday, January 28, 2004.

Mrs. Shehigh was a member of New Friendship Baptist Church in Burgess and Elizabeth Chapter No. 35 Order of the Eastern Star in Reedville.

She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph Dewey Shehigh, and a son, Garnet Lee Shehigh.

She is survived by a son, Edwin Shehigh of Glebe Point; a grandson, Joseph Dewey Shehigh II of Bristol, and several nieces.

Funeral services were held in the Faulkner Family Funeral Home Chapel on January 31. Interment was in Roseland Cemetery in Reedville.

Pallbearers were Cecil "Sonny" Whaley, Billy Burgess, Charles Estes, Warren Haynie, W. R. Keyser and Glen O'Neil.

## Frances I. C. Stine

TEQUESTA, FLA.—Frances Insley Corsa Stine of Tequesta, Fla., daughter of the late Clayborne Sydney Corsa Sr. and the late Irene Insley Corsa of Fleeton, died January 3, 2004.

Mrs. Stine was the widow of Colonel Harlan C. Stine.

She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Jeffrey and Patty Stine of Hebron, Ky., and Gregory and Julie Stine of Jupiter, Fla.; two granddaughters, Jennifer and Susan Stine of Hebron, Ky., three stepgrandchildren, Tiffany, Ryan and Sara Aldred of Jupiter, Fla.; two sisters, Madelyn C. Davis of Springfield, Mo., and Charlotte C. Haynie of Reedville, and a brother, Carl Douglas Corsa of Richmond.

Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery next to her husband. A memorial service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Fleeton in the spring.

## Christian Valentine Social set at Calvary Baptist Church

The Calvary Baptist Church Woman's Carnation Ministry will have its annual Christian Valentine Social, on Saturday, February 14, from 6 to 10 p.m. in the fellowship hall at Calvary Baptist Church in Kilmarnock.

The theme is "A Love Worth Giving" based on 1 Corinthians 13.

Activities include a catered dinner, words of love by Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Ruffin of Petersburg and music by the New Singing Disciples of Richmond County.

Tickets are \$40 per couple, or \$25 per single.

For tickets, call 435-6924, 436-1117 or 435-3150.

## Answers on Aging

What are some ways to approach an elderly relative who is too confused and forgetful to continue living at home alone and needs to move to assisted living, but does not see the problem?

Although it is difficult to "convince" someone that moving to a health care facility is best, you and your family can make a loving impression that you care about them, that you only want the best for them, that you are willing to listen, and that you do understand their feelings. Try to be consistent by repeatedly telling them that you want the best for them and then try to move the conversation on to something positive.

To help influence their understanding, you might also try enlisting the support of other important figures in your relative's life, such as a clergy person or a physician who is not a part of the family.

The more the relative can be involved in the selection process, the better. If they are able to visit different places with you, this will also help them to feel that the decision is being made, in part, by them and not being forced upon them.

You might consider hiring a care manager that can help create and implement long-term care plans. Also, a care manager can assess your loved one's needs and he or she will be more likely to "tell it like it is," without some of the hesitance or bias that we as family members bring to conversations with those we care about so deeply.

To find a list of care managers, nursing homes and fact sheets on eldercare decisions, or to ask an expert about your own caregiving concerns, visit [www.seniornavigator.com](http://www.seniornavigator.com).

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Loving Husband

*You said when you were with me, that I was the key to your Heart. But the truth is you were mine. I ask the Lord above, To answer my prayers that you would come back but that would not be fair I now know that you are happy where you are, safe in the arms of Jesus, without any care. But I want you to know, that I still Love you so, and I will go on living for Him... knowing that His Light will never dim. Someday together we will be, but until then! The Lord will take care of me!*  
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## Church Notes

### ■ Elton Smith to speak

The Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Wicomico Church will celebrate its annual Black History Program at 3 p.m. on February 15.

Former Brookvale High School principal, former King and Queen County school superintendent and Mt. Vernon Baptist Church Deacon Elton Smith is the guest speaker. Music will be provided by the Sharon Baptist Church Men's Group of Weems.

### ■ Church to honor Rev. Reed

The Willie Chapel Baptist Church Family will honor its pastor, Rev. Michael R. Reed Sr., for 10 years of dedicated service Sunday, February 15, at 4 p.m.

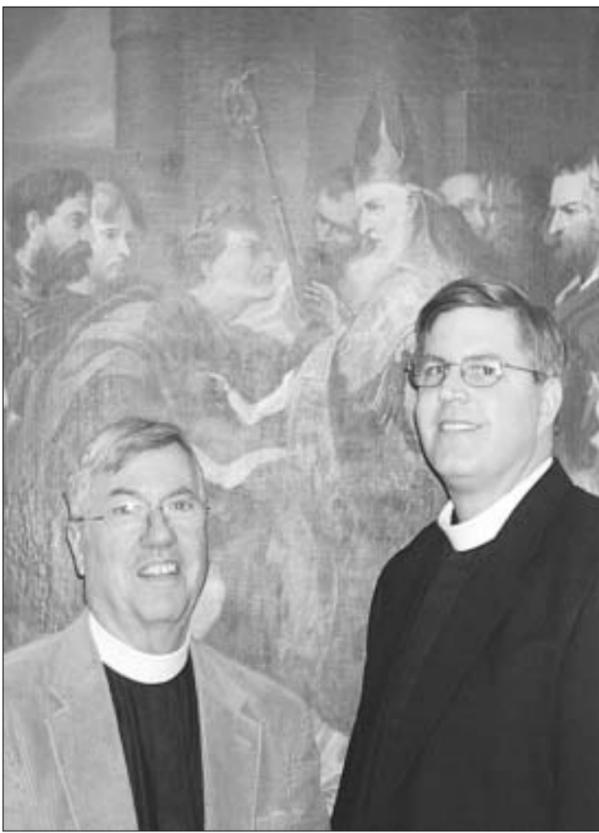
Rev. Claude Tate of New Jerusalem Baptist Church in Kinsale is the guest speaker. The B.C. Dunaway Singers of Hartswell Baptist Church will perform.

### ■ Revelation seminar set

A Revelation Seminar will be conducted by Pastor Ron Rogers at the Kilmarnock Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Kilmarnock February 5 through 14.

The free Bible course offers "Insights Into the Prophecies of Daniel and Revelation."

On Thursday, February 5, at 7 p.m. the topic is The Revelation Style; on Friday, February 6, at 7 p.m., Revelation's Babylon; on Saturday, February 7, at 9:30 a.m., Revelation's Four Horsemen and at 7 p.m., Revelation's Mark of the Beast; on Sunday, February 8, at 7 p.m., Revelation describes the USA in Prophecy; on Monday, February 9, at 7 p.m., Revelation's Seven Last Plagues; Thursday, February 12, at 7 p.m., Revelation's Movement of Destiny; on Friday, February 13, at 7 p.m. Revelation's Point of No Return; and on Saturday, February 14, at 9:30 a.m., Revelation's Last Call.



The Rev. Hugh White (left) and the Rev. Richard Fichter will lead an upcoming series on religious art.

## Two-week program to study religious art

The Rev. Hugh White and the Rev. Richard Fichter Jr. will lead a two-part program on religious art and symbolism Wednesdays, February 11 and 18, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock.

The first session will explore biblical stories and theological truths reflected in pieces of art, some of which are over 250 years old.

In the second week, the study will move to pictures from Eastern European churches and reproduction of icons. A brief history of

icons, their symbolism and role in the Eastern Orthodox Church will be presented.

Revs. White and Fichter are rector and assistant rector, respectively, of Grace Episcopal Church. Rev. White is a collector and restorer of art. Rev. Fichter began collecting icons after visiting Russia in 1992.

The program is sponsored by Bay Center for Spiritual Development. The fee is \$25. To register, send the fee to Bay Center at P.O. Box 938, Kilmarnock, VA 22482.

## February is 'Low Vision Awareness' month

In recognition of "Low Vision Awareness Month" during February, Lighthouse International urges adults to consider going for a low vision examination.

With Americans living significantly longer lives, vision loss, or low vision, from eye conditions such as macular degeneration, glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy has become a huge issue among older people.

In the United States, 16.5 million persons over age 45 report having vision loss. People are considered to have "low vision" when their eyesight cannot be corrected by ordinary glasses, contact lenses, medication or surgery.

Many adults are conscientious about getting routine annual check-

ups from their eye care professional. However, a low vision examination is recommended for those who have difficulty reading the newspaper or other fine print, even while wearing glasses; seeing traffic signals or highway signs; seeing the curb when walking; adapting to light when entering indoors; or experience glare all the time.

"There are many ways to evaluate and treat individuals with reduced vision," said Bruce Rosenthal, OD, chief of low vision programs. "Ask your eye care professional whether you would benefit from treatment and referral to a low vision doctor."

Conducted by specially trained optometrists and ophthalmologists, the low vision examination is designed to accurately evaluate how

one's vision functions in day-to-day living. It is not only about how well you see an eye chart, but also how well you see faces, street signs, newspaper print and other visual clues.

An examination includes a special chart to measure how well one sees at a distance and up close. The chart measures vision, regardless of how limited it is. The charts can also be useful for teaching a patient how to make the best use of remaining vision.

Another specialized chart measures contrast sensitivity and locates blurry or distorted areas in the visual field. The chart can be used to determine the need for specialized lighting, as well as strong lenses and/or high-tech devices.

A prescription of high-powered optical and other devices such as magnifiers and telescopes, sited to eye condition, activities and lifestyles may be administered. Some low vision lenses enable patients to read again, even when it was considered impossible with ordinary glasses.

Individual instruction may be offered in how to use prescribed devices and time for practice. Getting accustomed to using most devices often requires additional practice at home.

After a low vision doctor prescribes devices to make best use of existing vision, there is more that can be done. Low vision care is part of a broad range of counseling and training services provided under the term, "vision rehabilitation."

While vision rehabilitation cannot restore lost sight, it can help to maximize remaining sight and equip individuals with the techniques to maintain an independent lifestyle.

For an eye doctor specializing in low vision, call 800-829-0500 or visit lighthouse.org.



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Twenty-one Mexican men of White Stone send "many thanks" for recent Christmas gifts, including a tree, Spanish greeting cards, food and clothing. They express their appreciation to Country Cottage Nursery, White Stone Baptist Church, White Stone Church of the Nazarene, Irvington Baptist Church and Anita Robertson. To participate in the Spanish Christian Fellowship project, call White Stone Academy at 435-7245.

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From left are Pat Reamy, Peggy Patteson and Terri Jones of the Hope and Glory Inn gift shop in Irvington.

## Floral shop blooms inside of gift store

The Hope and Glory Inn is expanding its gift shop to include floral designs.

The gift shop will offer hard-to-find flowers such as dendrobium orchids, oriental lilies, strelitzia (birds of paradise), mazurka alstromeria as well as fresh cut tulips, dahlias, and snapdragons.

"In addition to offering exquisite folk art and distinctive gifts, we are also a flower shop, offering cut flowers, designer services and accessory vases and flower holders," said co-owner and managing partner Peggy Patteson. "We also encourage our customers to bring us their vases; and, our designers will return them filled with lovely cut flowers."

Special orders can be turned around by the next day and local delivery is anticipated in the near future, said Patteson.

This Valentine's Day the shop will offer its first signature floral design series, featuring a small arrangement of cut flowers.

There is a "centuries-old" language of flowers that the Hope and Glory believes is an easily accessible formula for every man or woman to indulge romantic impulses, said Patteson.

The inaugural offering includes two arrangements, each with its own message on a card hand designed especially for the occasion.

The "True Love" design offers the red tulip expressing a declaration of ardent love; red rose, I love you; purple larkspur, ardent attachment; red Gypsy bloom, passion; lavender, devotion; and honeysuckle, bonds of love.

The "True Devotion" design offers the pink rose, expressing grace and beauty; pink Gypsy bloom, pure affection;

heather, admiration; purple static, gratitude; and rosemary, remembrance.

Each arrangement will be nestled in flowering paper which offers hope and laurel which symbolizes glory.

As with true love and devotion, the flowers were carefully selected so that each of the designs can be preserved in tact as a beautiful dried flower arrangement that will last forever, said Patteson.

To launch the floral program, Patteson drew design talent from the Washington and Richmond markets.

One of the floral designers is Pat Reamy whose flowers have graced Washington landmarks from the Kennedy Center to the Willard Hotel. She has designed floral arrangements for over thirty years for many Washingtonians, event planners and retail shops. Her last retail shop was in Potomac, Md.

She is joined by Terri Jones who brings seventeen years of experience in cut flowers both as a wholesaler and retailer. Terri's design work has been admired in Richmond clubs and museums, as well as weddings and the Governor's Mansion.

"I am just thrilled to be living and working in Irvington, and contributing my part to this charming town's wonderful changes," said Jones.

The shop is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The phone number is 438-9999. A floral designer is on staff every day.

"We are available to accommodate our customers' needs at any time, and not just during the published hours of operations," added Reamy.

## Home sales climb in 2003, Northern Neck leads pack

Virginia home sales had another banner year with 2003 figures ahead of the previous year, according to the most recent Virginia Home Survey published by the Virginia Association of Realtors.

Closed home sales were 10.41 percent higher in 2003 than in 2002. Some 122,749 closings were recorded, compared to 111,173 the previous year.

The Northern Neck region led all others with closed home sales 40.18 percent higher in 2003 than in 2002. Some 921 closings were recorded, compared to 657 the previous year. The Northern Neck region includes Essex, Lancaster, Northumberland and Richmond counties and portions of King and Queen and Westmoreland counties.

"The decline in mortgage interest rates was more significant than most of the analysts predicted," said VAR president Nathan Booth. "That was probably the leading factor in home

sales once again beating out the previous year's numbers. As more and more seek to become homeowners, we hope that rates continue to remain low throughout 2004 to improve the affordability for first-time buyers. If our national economists are correct, that scenario will continue for several more months and we'll see another very busy home sales market in the Commonwealth."

Statewide, 124,448 homes were listed for sale, compared to 114,327 the previous year, up 8.85 percent. Homes stayed on the market an average of 108 days in 2003 and the average sales price was \$202,863, compared to \$190,828 the previous year.

In the Northern Neck, 720 were listed for sale, compared to 398 the previous year, up 80.9 percent. Homes stayed on the market an average of 202 days in 2003 and the average sales price was \$218,178, compared to \$229,796 the previous year.

## Health workshops continue

Gaylin Vandenbroucke of the Garden Spa in Kilmarnock gave a presentation and demonstration of massage and acupressure at Pure n' Simple Family Chiropractic last Wednesday.

Vandenbroucke demonstrated acupressure points for relieving sinus pressure and congestion. She is a certified massage therapist.

The demonstration was the fourth in a series of community health empowerment workshops. The next workshop is March 3 at 6:15 p.m. and will feature local exercise, dance and holistic consultant, Daina Cockrell of Renaissance in Motion, in Callao.

Seating is limited, call 435-2273 for reservations.



Gaylin Vandenbroucke demonstrates acupressure.

## Patricia Hines to speak at BPW dinner meeting

The Northern Neck and Essex County Business and Professional Women's Club meets February 12 at Lowery's Restaurant in Tappahannock.

The board meets at 5 p.m., the general meeting begins with networking at 6 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Patricia Hines, executive director for the Healthy Beginnings Network, is the guest speaker. Hines earned a bachelor's in psychology from the University of Minnesota and a master's in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University. She began her career serving in mission work with the Methodist Church.

Hines has lived for 17 years in the Northern Neck with her husband, Frank Delano, and their two children, ages 11 and

15. Healthy Beginning Network began serving the Northern Neck in 2000. It is a private non-profit organization funded by grants and donations. Its mission is to assist in meeting the needs of mothers with young children. The services are free.

For reservations, call Lisa Roccaforte at 443-4343 by noon on February 12.

### Business Briefs

**Pool side earns award**  
Pool Side in Kilmarnock has received a PDC Spas 2003 Outstanding Sales and Service Award. The award was presented last week to Jack France of Pool Side by Joe Riccio of PDC Spas at the National Pool and Spa Convention in Atlantic City.

**Workshops planned**  
The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center in Warsaw Office will offer a First Steps to Starting a Business Seminar on February 12 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Northern Neck Planning District Commission headquarters. The fee is \$20. Pre-registration and payment are required before February 9.

A Financial Forecasting seminar will be held on February 24 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. also at the NNPDC headquarters. Pre-registration and payment must be received by February 19. The fee is \$20. To register, call 333-0286 or 800-524-8915.

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Kathleen Noffsinger works and teaches in watercolors.

## Noffsinger displays, teaches at Kilmarnock art gallery

Kathleen Noffsinger of Deltaville is exhibiting paintings at the Rappahannock Art League Studio Gallery in Kilmarnock.

Noffsinger also is extending her teaching at the gallery. She is giving a workshop in February and 12 Tuesday morning classes during March, April and May.

Noffsinger's watercolors focus on wildlife and nature of the Chesapeake Bay and the Florida Keys.

"I am fascinated by the life that is both above and below the water's surface and the play of light and color on that life," said Noffsinger. "I love to zoom in on every aspect of nature, capturing special moments in 'close ups' that force me to use my creativity to make a painting rather than just copy what I am seeing."

She recently added a new studio/gallery to her home. She looks out on the banks of a fresh-water lake off the Piankatank River. Her property is a wildlife habitat, alive with birds, ducks, turtles and deer. In the spring, Noffsinger paints the flowers in bloom, and plans a new garden "to inspire her."

"My students inspire and motivate me," said Noffsinger. "I love to teach beginners the joy of mixing color for the first time—then work with them in classes to see them grow in their talents." She is delighted that many of her intermediate and advanced students have become accomplished artists showing and selling their work and winning awards.

Drawing and painting since childhood, Noffsinger graduated from the University of Maryland with

a degree in elementary education, choosing classes in art and design for electives. She has painted solely in watercolor since 1991, studying over the years with several internationally known artists.

Her paintings have been featured in several publications, including Chesapeake Bay Magazine. She is a member of the National Watercolor Society, the Virginia Watercolor Society, and local arts groups. Her work is found in galleries throughout the East Coast.

To register for a workshop, call the Studio Gallery at 436-9309.

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## Career fair is scheduled February 28

On Saturday, February 28, at Bethel Elementary School in Gloucester, The Rappahannock Tech Prep Consortium of Rappahannock Community College will sponsor a Career and Education Fair in partnership with the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce and Old Dominion University's TELETECHNET Distance Learning Center.

Fifteen career pathway choices will be presented. Business and government representatives will discuss careers available in their areas of specialization, as well as the training or education necessary to qualify for them. Institutions of higher learning will detail the programs and opportunities open to their students, as will military recruiters for those interested in joining the armed forces. Businesses offering current job opportunities are encouraged to send representatives, and potential candidates for these jobs should bring with them an updated resume.

Highlights will include mock interviews, online career and skill assessment inventories, resume reviews and an online resume service. Attendees can sign up for LearningExpressLibrary.com, an online interactive test preparation and practice service that instantly scores and gives customized feedback.

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### Spend to win

Chesapeake Bank business development officer Paula Rynd (right) presents a check to Benoit Robert of White Stone. Robert recently won third place in the bank's quarterly checkcard drawing. When customers spend more than \$100 with their Chesapeake bank checkcard, they are entered in a drawing for cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250.

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Fred and Karen Burke (above) admire a 17-carat, \$35,000 tennis necklace at the recent Retail Jewelers Organization buying show in Denver.

## Burkes attend buying show

Karen H. and Fred E. Burke of Burke's Inc. attended the recent Retail Jewelers Organization (RJO) buying show at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver.

"This show gave me the chance to expand my knowledge of jewelry and learn about the latest industry trends," said Fred Burke. "Being an RJO member enables me to buy new designs for our store at a significant discount and that savings is passed on to our customers."

"The show brought all the most popular stones and settings

to us," said Burke. "It saves time to have everything in one place."

Continuing education is a main reason jewelers attend the RJO convention.

"The business is ever-changing," said Burke. "You really have to keep on top of new trends and business practices to maintain your edge."

Jewelers are also able to talk with each other about what's working in their stores through roundtable discussions.

Burke's Inc., is at 86 S. Main Street in Kilmarnock.

## Auto dealer to celebrate grand opening of new facility

On Saturday, February 7, Ken Houtz Chevrolet-Buick will celebrate the grand opening of a new facility on Route 17, two miles south of Gloucester Courthouse.

The dealership has relocated to the location from Gloucester's Main Street, where it had been in business for more than 20 years. The new building is almost twice as large as the dealership's previous home, and was designed with customers in mind.

"In the next two years Chevy and Buick are going to bring out something like 20 new models of cars and trucks. As a result, we just had to build a new, bigger dealership," said Ken Houtz.

In addition to a newly designed Corvette and a newly designed Malibu, Chevrolet is introducing a new Colorado pick-up, a new Aveo sedan and a new, retro-look SSR sports truck-coupe. A yellow SSR will be on display at the grand opening.

The new location offers customers a much larger inventory of new and used cars and trucks. The service department has doubled, with a large, comfortable waiting

room. The parts department is fully computerized and linked to a central General Motors inventory system.

"We want to invite all our friends and neighbors and customers to come by and see us at our new place," said Houtz. "We're really proud and excited about it, and we can't wait to serve you."

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Dolores Cole (left) recently retired from Bank of Lancaster. She was presented several gifts by bank president and chief executive officer Austin Roberts including a framed Franklin Saye print, "Afternoon Breeze."

## Bank honors Dolores Cole

Dolores Cole retired in December from Bank of Lancaster after 21 years of service.

Cole joined the bank on May 30, 1982. She had been a teller and a customer service representative. She was given a reception by co-workers at the bank's northside office in Kilmarnock. The affair included refreshments, gifts and many hugs and well wishes.

Cole was honored again at the company's annual Christ-

mas dinner. Bank president and chief executive officer Austin Roberts extended the company's and his personal thanks for her service.

"Dolores' co-workers and many customers will greatly miss her. All of us at Bank of Lancaster and Bay Trust Company feel most fortunate that she was a part of our team," Roberts said.

Along with wishes for a happy, healthy retirement with her husband, Larry, Roberts presented Cole with a bank logo clock and other gifts.

## Waterway Guide announces new marketing, advertising consultant

Jack and Craig Dozier of Deltaville, owners of Waterway Guide, recently announced their association with Bruce and Pam Harris of Jupiter, Fla., owners of CMT Group 1 Inc.

Waterway Guide publishes the East Coast's oldest and most popular guides for the cruising boater.

The Doziers purchased Waterway Guide from PrimeMedia in 2002 and have long-term plans to expand the company's services to cruising boaters including companion service

and facilities guides, shore books and cruising magazines.

The Harrisises have specialized in marketing and advertising in the marine, publishing and broadcast industries. Their nearly decade-long association with Chesapeake Bay Communications was instrumental in the growth and expansion of that publishing group.

The Doziers and Harrisises look forward to continuing a long tradition of quality information and service to boaters and the marine industry.

## Farm Service Agency News

The United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency (FSA) provided \$275,587,185 to Virginia farmers in Commodity Credit Corporation program benefits.

The payments assisted many farmers who suffered losses from the drought in 2002 and the extremely wet season of 2003.

The Northern Neck FSA county office serving Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond and Westmoreland counties paid out \$3,312,315 in farm assistance program payments for the 2003 crop year. Farm and price supports

included a variety of different programs such as Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC), Livestock Compensation Program (LCP), Direct and Counter-Cyclical (DCP) Program, Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs), Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Crop Disaster Program (CDP) and Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP).

Based on 2003 payments per county, Lancaster farmers received \$289,900; Northumberland, \$940,457; Richmond, \$823,406; and Westmoreland, \$1,258,552.



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## Mary Washington Hospital offers RCC nurse training

The Mary Washington Hospital Foundation recently awarded Rappahannock Community College a \$10,000 grant.

The grant provides for an instructor to teach RCC students at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg. The current instructor is Audrey Sullivan, RN.

Mary Washington Hospital is an acute-care medical center offering cardiovascular care, surgical services, radiology services, diagnostic tests, and emergency care; over 45 medical specialties are represented on its medical staff. RCC clinicians will take place in a recently opened extended wing with 94 in-patient beds.

The new wing, in which several graduates of the RCC nursing program already work, includes a 38-bed intensive care unit, two surgical in-patient units, and an expansion of the mother-baby unit.

"Mary Washington Hospital takes a proactive approach to the nursing shortage," said foundation president Xavier Richardson. "We welcome this partnership with RCC—it has been a great relationship, which we hope will continue."

He and MWH chief nursing officer Shirley Gibson, a long-time colleague of RCC nursing programs coordinator Catherine Courtney, were the prime movers in putting together the foundation grant.



These students enjoy the High Touch-High Tech traveling magnet lab.

## Students experience the 'magic' of magnets

Armed with colorful wand magnets and metal paper clips, preschool and kindergarten children from a variety of community early childhood programs discovered how much fun experimenting with magnets can be.

Led by Lori Phillips, a scientist from the High Touch-High Tech traveling educational program, the children were guided to test the "pull and push" of magnetic force using a variety of surfaces.

After explaining the difference between magnets found in rocks and magnets made by man, Phillips urged children to use magnetic wands to find out for themselves if magnets would work even when they are not touching things.

"They do, they do," exclaimed the group.

The children then hypothesized whether or not their magnet would work to pull a metal object through plastic, wood, or laminated paper.

"I was so surprised that you could lift a paper clip out of a plastic cup of water using a magnet on the outside of the cup," said kindergarten Deanna Mangano.

The children compared the results of placing a paper clip on two different wooden sur-

faces and then running their magnetic wand below each surface.

"The force was stronger on the table than on the bleacher because the table was thinner," said classmate Brendan Brown.

Phillips encouraged the children to make guesses about what the magnets could or could not do.

"Sometimes you're right and sometimes you're wrong," said Phillips.

She then explained that it's okay to be both because questioning is part of the scientific process. Experimenting with how magnets repel proved to be extremely fun for the youngsters. Using their magnet wands, they were able to "drive" magnets of opposite forces all around the table without their ever touching.

"It was like magic!" said preschooler Duane Baker.

Part of Chesapeake Academy's Early Childhood Enrichment Program, the program provided a morning of non-stop, hands-on, scientific fun and learning for children and families in the community.

The series continues in the spring with the Frog Prince play and Ocean Emotions, a mobile laboratory program.

## Sexual responsibility workshop is Feb. 14

A workshop on sexual responsibility for males 12 years and older will be held Saturday, February 14, at Lancaster High School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m.

Young males will have an opportunity to talk "man-to-man" about issues of sexuality as they take part in Project Alpha, a national program designed to help young men make better, more informed choices about their sexual behavior.

Presenters for the conference will be led by Alvin Bryant MD, and include members of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and community leaders.

Topics to be covered include abstinence, the consequences of early sexual activity, peer pressure, HIV-AIDS, teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, relationships, being a responsible father and what it means to "be a man."

Males between ages 12 and 17 must have a completed Parent/Guardian Consent Form in order to attend. Forms are available from Lancaster High School and Lancaster Middle School. Males 18 and above and parents are welcome to attend.

The workshop is free. Lunch will be provided.



### LMS club is tough on crime

A Scholastic Crime Solvers Club (above) has organized at Lancaster Middle School. The purpose of the club is to spread the word to other students that they can call Crime Solvers at 462-7463 to report any infraction of school rules or crimes in the community. Callers never give their names and all calls are investigated by the school principal and the school resource officer or the sheriff's office. The club is sponsored by Lancaster County Crime Solvers, the sheriff's office and the school board. The club pays rewards with the assistance of Crime Solvers.

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### School Menu

Following are next week's breakfast and lunch menu in Lancaster County.  
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**Monday, February 9:**  
Sausage pancakes w/syrup, orange juice.

Chicken quesadilla w/salsa, golden corn, fruit cup.

**Tuesday, February 10:**  
Sausage biscuit, apple juice.

Hot dog on bun w/chili on side, potato chips, baked beans, pear halves.

**Wednesday, February 11:**  
Scrambled eggs, hot bread, grape juice.

Chicken patty on bun, mashed potato w/gravy, steamed broccoli.

**Thursday, February 12:**  
French toast sticks w/syrup, orange juice.

Spaghetti w/meat sauce, garden salad, spiced applesauce, Italian bread.

**Friday, February 13:**  
Chicken biscuit, grape juice.

Ham w/cheese, lettuce & tomato sub, potato wedges, green beans.

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## Adult ed sets morning class

An adult education morning class starts February 10 at 9 a.m. at the Workforce Enhancement Center at 8275 Mary Ball Road in Lancaster.

The class is offered by the Northern Neck Adult Education Program in partnership with the Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce Workforce Enhancement Partnership.

Adults seeking continuing education to increase their workplace skills or study for the GED exam are encouraged to enroll by calling 580-3152 during the work day.

## Head Start lands grant

Rep. Jo Ann Davis recently announced a \$227,470 grant awarded to the Northern Neck Alliance Inc., a non-profit organization that provides Head Start services. The grant was awarded by the Department of Health and Human Services.

"This grant will play an integral role in providing much needed funding for our local Head Start programs," said Rep. Davis. "This funding will help dedicated Head Start volunteers and professionals work to prepare low-income children for school by prompting early childhood development."

Head Start is a comprehensive child development program which serves children from birth to age five, pregnant women and their families. It offers child-focused programs with a goal of increasing school readiness of young children in low-income families.



Eighth-grade students at St. Margaret's School organized a mock election. From left are (front row) Tess Potter, Michelle Shackelford and Edie Jordan; (next row) Rose Patrick, Marissa Lambert, Danielle Farara and Gabi Price; and (back row) teacher David Cook, Hilary Brown, Leandra Osei, Becky Ulett-Hylton and Gretchen Smither.

## Students host mock primary

Eighth-grade students in David Cook's civics class at St. Margaret's School recently conducted a mock Democratic primary for students, faculty and staff.

"I liked having the whole school involved," said Gabi Price. "It made it feel like a real election."

"It was interesting to see the results," added Rose Patrick. "But I don't think they will necessarily predict the national outcome."

Each girl in the class chose one of the eight major candidates, researched his policy positions and made a campaign poster. In addition, the class created and distributed a chart summarizing the contenders' views on such key issues as the war in Iraq, the economy, the death penalty and gun control.

Girls then supervised balloting, counted votes and reported results. Perhaps reflecting the school's predominantly southeastern student body, Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina came in first with 18 votes. Sen. John Kerry was second with 16, fol-

lowed by Rep. Dennis Kucinich with 14, Gov. Howard Dean with 9, Gen. Wesley Clark with 8, Sen. Joseph Lieberman with 8, The Rev. Al Sharpton with 8 and Rep. Richard Gephardt with 1.

The students were surprised by a low turnout with 48 percent of the students and 41 percent of the faculty/staff voting.

"I would think people who could vote would vote," Price said. "But Mr. Cook told us that this was very close to the usual turnout for a national election."

Now the class is shifting its attention to local issues. Students are learning more about the area's economic and environmental challenges and writing letters to Rep. Jo Ann Davis.

"It's all part of teaching our students how to become active members of their communities," Cook said. "What I hope for most is that one day, they'll understand that they can make a difference, not only through voting, but also by questioning, thinking and taking a stand for what they believe is right."

## Scholarship applications due March 1

The application deadline for Long & Foster Real Estate scholarships for high school seniors is March 1.

The seven-state \$150,000 program is for students entering four-year colleges and universities. Some \$1,000 will be awarded to 150 recipients beginning May 1 for the 2004-05 academic year.

The monetary scholarship award will be made payable directly to the college or university in the student's name.

Applications can be obtained from Long & Foster's Bay River sales office or any Long & Foster office, from high school guidance counselors,

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A hard copy of the application and the required attachments must be mailed to Long & Foster Scholarship Program, c/o Corporate Marketing Department, Long & Foster Real Estate Inc., 11351 Random Hills Road, Fairfax, VA 22030-6082, Attn: Erin Wendel.



Nikki Lewis

## Lewis earns Dean's List

Nikki Lewis, a fourth-year student at the University of Virginia, has made the Dean's List for the Fall 2003 semester.

With a semester grade point average of 3.5, this is the second time she has made the Dean's List. Lewis is enrolled in a five-year program at the University, and will graduate in May 2005.

She will receive a bachelor's in politics and a master's in teaching, with a concentration on secondary social studies education.

Lewis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Lewis of Kilmarnock, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hampton Lewis of Senora, and Mr. and Mrs. George E. "Sonny" Thomas Jr. of Fleets Bay.



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# Electric deregulation won't work without competition

by Charles R. Rice Jr.

Deregulation has worked in many industries, from long-distance phone service to banking. As a strong free-market proponent, I hoped that deregulation would offer competitive choices and savings to our cooperative's consumers when the General Assembly passed the law in 1999 deregulating the electric utility industry in the Commonwealth.

But within the last couple of years, I've concluded—from my experience as a utility leader and as a keen observer of the industry—that deregulation of electric utilities doesn't work. And it isn't likely to work for many years, if ever.

These feelings about deregulation are not based on how it has worked, or not worked in Virginia. The cold fact is, electric deregulation has not worked and is not working in any state in the nation.

Deregulation in its modern form began in the 1970s. It was an attempt to uncouple industries from government regulation, and let the marketplace regulate the pricing of the product or service. Banks, telecommunications, railroads, airlines and trucking all went through deregulation. It worked better for some industries than others. Deregulation has produced some benefits for consumers, mostly innovations driven by the marketplace, rather than by government regulators.

Once the deregulation of other industries had been accomplished, large users of electricity, such as factories and commercial operations, turned their attention to electric utilities. Beginning in the early 1990s, they pushed legislators to consider deregulating the last regulated monopoly service, electricity. And legislators listened, as they were interested in providing opportunities for all electric customers, from large industrial to small residential, to shop around and save money on their electric bill.

As a result, some 24 states passed laws to deregulate electric service. In Virginia, the General Assembly passed a law in 1999 deregulating electricity, beginning in 2002.

However, within a few years of this national movement, eight states had dropped out, realizing that electricity is not exactly like telephone service or banking.

It's not a commodity that can be stored. It has to be generated at plants that are expensive to build, and then transmitted over many miles and used as soon as it's produced.

It's arguably the most critical infrastructure service of all. It's more vital now than ever before, as it powers all of the high technology that businesses

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count on to do everything from providing 24-hour security to maintaining financial and inventory information. It also keeps our homes safe, comfortable, and "connected."

Electricity and water are the two resources that we absolutely must have to survive and to enjoy the high standard of living that we do. As such, the electric utility industry is a dicey one to be restructuring and deregulating—in less than a 10-year period, mind you—what took 100 years to build and develop into the finest system in the world.

And I'm not speaking as a utility advocate. I'm speaking more as a consumer advocate. After all, the electric cooperative that I represent—along with the 12 others in Virginia and the 900 others across the nation—are the ultimate form of consumer organization. We operate at cost, providing reliable electricity to our member-consumers in parts of the state that other utilities weren't interested in serving. Each cooperative is governed by a board of directors elected from and responsible to the members. Cooperatives were not created to make a profit; we were created to provide a service—electricity—at cost.

The electric cooperatives that serve almost a million Virginians are not the only ones concerned about deregulation in Virginia. Del. Harvey Morgan of Middlesex is sponsoring a House Bill 1437 to suspend the state's deregulation law until such time it seems to be working in other states. Del. Albert Pollard Jr. and 18 others are co-sponsors.

Del. Morgan's bill is supported by "The Consumer Coalition" of every major consumer organization in the state. Among the coalition members are large industrial users, the Retail Merchants Association of Virginia and of Greater Richmond, the Virginia Agribusiness Council, the Virginia Citizens Consumer Council, the Virginia Farm Bureau and electric cooperatives. Coalition members represent more than 1.5 million Virginians, saying, "Let's suspend this well-meaning but failed effort at retail deregulation before it's too late."

Why am I saying, "suspend deregulation," rather than "stop deregulation"?

Del. Morgan's bill would allow retail pilot programs to continue, so that utilities and legislators can ascertain what might work down the road. The bill would also allow the wholesale market to continue to develop; if a utility is able to save money buying from a different supplier, then that utility

could pass some of those savings onto its consumers.

What the bill would suspend is retail deregulation, in which Virginia's electricity users beginning in 2002 have been allowed to select an alternative supplier of electricity.

The problem is, there are no alternative suppliers. So there are no savings for Virginia consumers. If deregulation continues forward, we'll likely go from "no savings" to "higher bills." When the law was passed in 1999, the General Assembly put a cap on rates, to protect consumers during the transition to deregulation. When these rate caps expire in a few years, though, Virginia consumers will be subject to the whims and the volatility of the electricity marketplace, which would likely subject our citizens to substantial increases in their power bill.

If deregulation were suspended, though, rate jurisdiction for electricity would return to the State Corporation Commission (SCC), which for almost a century has done a good job balancing the needs of utilities against the interests of consumers.

Dominion Virginia Power claims this regulatory system provided utilities with "little or no incentive to reduce costs and be more efficient," and that since the 1999 deregulation law was passed, "customers have saved hundreds of millions of dollars through the law's capped rate provision."

In a print ad campaign, Dominion Virginia Power further contends that "some are afraid of competition," and that "they think electric utilities should be monopolies." Well, to clarify, we—the electric cooperatives and our partners in The Consumer Coalition—presumably are the "some" and "they" mentioned in these ads.

Let's get a few things straight. We're not afraid of competition. Far from it. The electric cooperatives and the large industrial users of electricity supported the 1999 law allowing competition. We're afraid that there is no competition. And we don't believe there will be competition for years, if ever, and that this will create the worst kind of monopoly provider: an unregulated monopoly.

Let the entity created by the General Assembly to watch out for consumers—the SCC—determine if there are savings under a cap. If there are, then by all means let them continue. If there were excess earnings under the rate cap that have put some of the state's largest industries at a compet-

itive disadvantage in attracting jobs, then a rate examination by the SCC would determine that as well.

What is lost in waiting until deregulation is proven to work? What is lost in shielding consumers from the punishing increases likely in the open market? What is lost in returning to a system that has worked well for a century. What is lost in returning to a system that obviously produced efficient utilities, because the proof of a utility's efficiency is in its rates, and Virginia has had some of the lowest average retail rates in the nation! Why take a chance at losing that, simply to benefit large utilities at the expense of consumers?

It's in large part due to the good work of Virginia's utilities and the SCC that Virginia enjoys some of the lowest electric rates in the country. It's a telling, troubling fact that our average retail rates are the lowest among the 16 states that still have a deregulation law on their books. The other 15 states are almost all in the Northeast and Midwest, where rates have traditionally been higher than average. Their interest in deregulation is clear: with higher-than-average rates, they believe their rates can only go down through deregulation.

Many experts believe that deregulation will push all rates toward a common average. With Virginia's rates being lower than average, that means only one thing: our rates are likely to go up, if we continue down this path.

But we don't have to continue down this path. It's not too late. I hope that members of the General Assembly will join Del. Morgan in recognizing that electricity is not simply a commodity that can be deregulated and sold at retail on the open market. It is truly a service that must be provided to all our citizens in a reliable way at a reasonable rate.

The free market works well for virtually every product and service, driving down costs and improving quality. But I and millions of other Virginians now believe—through our experience and that of many other states—that our high quality of life is due in large part to electricity, and that our reliable, reasonably priced electricity is due in large part to involvement by the Commonwealth in setting rates that are both fair to utilities, and affordable to consumers. It's an involvement that we believe is critical to our future as a state that's both a good place to work and an even better place to live.

(Charles R. Rice Jr. is president and chief executive officer of Northern Neck Electric Cooperative).

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She recommended revising the bill to give the VMRC authority only to enact ASMFC recommendations while the legislature is out of session.

Menhaden industry representatives struggled to explain why they would object to this approach. They noted the possibility for duplicity and concerns that the VMRC board, with fewer members than the legislature, could more easily be lobbied, pressured or persuaded.

Opponents of the bill included Gov. Mark R. Warner. According to Secretary of Natural Resources W. Tayloe Murphy Jr., the legislation moving all edible finfish under the jurisdiction of the VMRC in 1984 spelled out clearly the parameters for managing food fish. But, he said, the legislation does not present parameters for managing industrial fish used for household products, meal and supplements.

Although the ASMFC sets guidelines for managing migratory fish, states are free to adopt more stringent legislation. Without proper guidelines the VMRC could pass legislation more stringent than the ASMFC's current stance, said Murphy.

Calling the legislation "premature," he said there must be a joint study between all the stakeholders so that if the VMRC is eventually given the authority to regulate the menhaden industry, it is done so with the guidance of the General Assembly.

Del. Suit's colleagues on the subcommittee said that while she may have had the "best intentions," the legislation's time had not come.

## ▼ Roads ...

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Street project.

• A county resolution in support of Virginia Scenic Byway designation for Devils Bottom Road is expected to be decided within 60 days from December 19. The supervisors adopted the resolution after some 750 residents signed a related petition.

• The next phase of road construction for Avis Trail in Courthouse Landing subdivision qualifies as a state and locality revenue sharing project. Staton noted the county share for the estimated \$165,000 project can be provided by the subdivision developer.

• Estimated at \$100,000, the repairs of damages caused by Hurricane Isabel on the Merry Point ferry road and the ferry ramps are complete.

• A drainage problem near River Ridge Road has been resolved. Staton said the problem was causing significant erosion and affecting wetlands.



El Camino taken for a ride, gets burned.

## Sheriff seeks help solving pickup theft

Northumberland County Sheriff Wayne Middleton is seeking information regarding the recent theft and destruction of a pickup truck.

On January 9, the sheriff's office received a report that a maroon 1986 Chevrolet El Camino pickup had been taken sometime that week from a residence on Fruit Plain Road in the Village area.

On January 12, the vehicle was found burned in the Gilliams area near Miskimon.

Anyone who saw this vehicle or has any information is encouraged to contact Sheriff Middleton or Capt. Greg Keyser.

A \$1,000 reward is being offered for information leading to an arrest. All information will be kept confidential.

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olition opposes any additional state legislation proposing management of the menhaden fishing industry by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

### Animal act

Supervisors unanimously amended the county code to prohibit cattle, bison, horses, mules, donkeys, sheep, goats, swine, llamas and water buffalo from running at large on the highways.

Companion animals such as cats and dogs are excluded from the ordinance requirements.

### Appointments

Supervisors unanimously appointed Henry Cathey of District 1 and Anita Sanders of District 3 to the county equalization board for reviewing the 2004 reassessment of property countywide.

### Othr business

Supervisors accepted an annual report submitted by the county wetlands board. The report lists 78 wetlands projects in 2003, including riprap and bulkheading of 18,601 feet at a total cost of \$1,475,162.

Supervisors also accepted an annual report from the board of zoning appeals. It cites a total of 13 appeals with 11 requests approved. The two denials were a

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also responded to traffic accidents January 28 on private property in Mollusk and January 29 on Fleets Bay Road.

### Other responses

On January 26, the sheriff's staff responded to a trespass and vandalism complaint at the Hills Quarter subdivision.

On January 27, reports were received of a runaway juvenile from Emerald Lane and the larceny of a business sign on Irvington Road. The staff also conducted a utility trailer inspection for licensing purposes and checked on the welfare of a Courthouse Road resident at the request of a concerned family member.

On January 28, response was made to Christ Church Road for a dispute between a landlord and a tenant. A juvenile behavioral problem was referred to the juvenile court services unit.

On January 29, response was made with state police to the Crawfords Corner area for the pursuit of a suspected wanted person. Response was also made with Kilmarnock police to Waverly Avenue for the investigation of a suspicious vehicle complaint.

On January 30, response was made to the 1900 block of Moratico Road for a domestic dispute

and the staff received a check fraud complaint from a Johns Neck Road resident.

On January 31, the staff responded with Kilmarnock police for a domestic disturbance on Harris Road and a disorderly conduct complaint on North Main Street. Response was also made for a trespass complaint on Boys Camp Road and the larceny of a business sign on Irvington Road was reported.

On February 2, response was made for a residential burglary complaint on Hills Lane, a suspicious vehicle complaint on Griffins Landing Road, and a complaint of a pedestrian interfering with traffic on Black Stump Road. Reports were received from a Queenstown Road resident about a stolen county vehicle tag and an Akins Lane resident about a stolen canoe.

Additionally during the week, the sheriff's staff made three traffic stops with one summons issued, responded to three building alarms, provided motorist assistance twice, and made one inmate transport.

### Fire calls

In calls for fire department service, the Kilmarnock Volunteer Fire Department responded to traffic accidents on Pinckardsville Road and at Irvington and

Harris Roads.

The White Stone Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched for a boiler/radiator problem in the 700 block of Beach Road and a heater problem in the 2200 block of Windmill Point Road.

The Upper Lancaster Volunteer Fire Department responded to the 7600 block of River Road for a fire alarm and report of smoke.

Northumberland County Sheriff Wayne Middleton reported four arrests last week.

A Callao woman, 42, was charged with failure to appear in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

A Lottsburg woman, 40, was charged on a Dinwiddie warrant for writing a bad check for \$35.15 to a Dinwiddie County area business.

A Lottsburg woman, 37, was charged with assault and battery.

A Heathsville woman, 44, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

The sheriff's office also received a report of possible credit card fraud to an individual in the Kilmarnock area. Unauthorized charges in the amount of \$2,374 are currently under

investigation.

The sheriff's staff responded to a larceny of some lawn maintenance equipment from the Reedville area. Taken was a FS 85 Pro Series weed trimmer valued at \$320 and a HT 75 Pole Pruner valued at \$180.

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there will be little room for new programs and staff.

A preliminary public hearing will be conducted at 5:30 p.m. Monday, February 9.

Following the hearing, the board will consider adjustments to the school calendar to make up for school days lost to the recent snow storm.

Although the schools still have several bank days, another snow storm would put the district in the position of having to add days to the end of the school year.

The board will also discuss the district's 2004-05 participation in the Chesapeake Bay Governor's School.

The board meets in the school board building on Northumberland Highway in Lottsburg.



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