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KILMARNOCK, VIRGINIA

Lancaster Primary School receives award

DALLAS—Lancaster County Schools director of federal programs Ernest Palin and primary school principal Merle Stables recently attended the 2006 National Title I Conference in Dallas.

The conference theme, "A Galaxy of Stars," was the focus of the four-day conference ending January 31. The activities included an awards ceremony recognizing 54 schools from across the nation as distinguished schools and numerous conference sessions addressing learning, teaching, connections, policy, practice and parental involvement.

When Virginia Title I director Roberta Schlicher announced Lancaster Primary School for closing the achievement gap, Palin and Stables stood to be recognized.

"It was such an honor to represent our school at this event and accept this award on behalf of the faculty, students, parents, and community," said Stables.

U.S. Department of Education assistant secretary of elementary and secondary eduction Dr. Henry Johnson was the speaker for the first general session. Chauncey Veatch, 2002-03 National Teacher of the Year, gave a speech during the awards ceremony entitled "Be a Dream Maker, Not a Dream Breaker."

"I believe everyone who heard this message was moved and inspired by it," said Palin.

The certificate recognizing LPS as a Title I Distinguished School is displayed with other awards and certificates at the primary school. The Title I Distinguished School flag given to LPS at the convention hangs in the front hall.

From left are Merle Stables and Ernest Palin.

Council takes action to keep water flowing at the tap and to address drainage problem

by Robert Mason Jr.

IRVINGTON—How disheartening it would be to find the tap dry.

To avoid such a calamity in the future, the Irvington Town Council last Wednesday authorized town administrator Gil Unangst to invest in an emergency generator for the west Irvington water pump.

During a brief presentation, Unangst reminded council members and citizens present that Aqua Virginia earlier indicated it would install and maintain a generator if the town purchased it. He sought prices from the Northern Catalog and from Rappahannock Tractor in Kilmarnock.

A 50 kilowatt generator from Northern, including a propane tank and related installation costs totaled $13,962.

A 45 kilowatt generator from Rappahannock Tractor, including propane tank and related installation costs totaled $15,072.

Following discussion among Unangst, town attorney Matson C. Terry II, council members and citizens, councilman Garry J. Luckham introduced a motion to purchase the generator from Rappahannock Tractor pursuant to a contractual agreement with Aqua, which would require notification to the town regarding periodic maintenance. Ralph D. Ransone seconded the motion and council approved it by a 6-0 vote.

Unangst recommended the town purchase the generator from Rappahannock Tractor because dealing with a local source might be beneficial should problems arise in the future. Council members P. Richard Pittman Jr. and William H. Evans III voiced similar opinions.

Dr. Robert S. Westbrook said he recently received something from Virginia Power promoting the installation of a generator.

Terry and Unangst said that promotion was related to a residential application.

Dr. Westbrook also questioned what would happen if for some reason a few years down the road there is an electrical outage and the generator doesn't kick in.

Terry indicated Aqua would have a contractual obligation to make sure the generator kicks in to continue to supply water, and if not, the town could pursue legal proceedings.

Other items

By a 6-0 vote, council awarded a contract to Hayden Construction Inc, of Kilmarnock for drainage work, pipe installation and related grading at the Irvington Commons and Steamboat Museum. The work will be done in accordance with related plans drawn by Sutton and James.

Hayden's bid was $21,250. A separate bid from WHW Inc. of Topping was $21,170.

The town is pursuing the work to alleviate problems with a drainage pipe and ditch that has been a matter of contention between the town and adjacent property owners for several years.

By a 6-0 vote, council authorized Terry to present a service agreement to Sheriff Ronnie

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Commission members comment on comprehensive plan

by Robb Hoff

LANCASTER—The planning commission has tentatively agreed on dates and times for the public to provide input on the Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan.

A two-hour public input session is planned for each of the county's five voting districts. The sessions will be facilitated by LandDesign of Alexandria.

Two sessions are planned on March 4, one on March 10 and two more on March 11. Planning/land use director Jack Larson asked that the dates remain flexible until the locations for the sessions can be determined within each voting district.

Tentative starting times for the Saturday sessions are 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Friday, March 10, session is planned from 7 to 9 p.m.

Some commission members commented last Thursday on the direction of the input sessions and the aim of the comprehensive plan revision.

Donald McCann said the rural character of the county should be addressed with the question "Do we wish to keep it rural in general?" and if so, how the plan revision can accomplish that end.

McCann cited farming and water-dependent uses as features of the rural component of the county. He said that the heritage behind those historical land uses can conflict with the land use demands by people who move into the county.

McCann also identified three issues that could be addressed through the revision, including road infrastructure based on the correlation between land use and transportation needs, affordable housing availability, and farmland preservation.

McCann urged LandDesign "to divert negative comments so we can move in a positive direction" during the public input sessions.

Robert Smart said the existing comprehensive plan is already a good one that needs to address some issues.

"But I don't think anybody is looking to completely re-invent the wheel," said Smart.

The main issue that the plan needs to address, said Smart, is the prospect of growth and development, which he said has caught the county like "a deer in the headlights of a truck."

Smart said a goal should be "to make sure that the growth we see is what the county wants."

Chairman David Jones said he wants the process to maintain a positive outlook with open-mindedness about the possibilities for revising the plan and "not just what seems to be the consensus of the community."

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Historic state park building to be renamed Murphy Hall

RICHMOND—Gov. Tim Kaine last week announced that a historic building at Westmoreland State Park will be renovated and renamed Tayloe and Helen Murphy Hall in honor of former Delegate and Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources W. Tayloe Murphy Jr. and his wife.

The building, which once served as the park's restaurant, is being renovated by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation to serve as a site for meetings, special events and environmental education.

"This is a meaningful way to show our appreciation to Tayloe and Helen Murphy for years of service to the people and natural resources of Virginia," said Gov. Kaine. "Developing this facility in Westmoreland County, overlooking the Potomac River, is a tangible recognition of what this formidable team has accomplished for the Commonwealth."

The park restaurant was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the mid-1930s when Westmoreland became one of six original state parks to open to the public on June 15, 1936. The renovations, to be completed this year, are funded by DCR's state park revenues fund, comprised of funds from park sales, charitable donations and other revenue sources.

Gov. Mark R. Warner appointed Murphy as Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources in 2002. Since then, the Commonwealth has acquired three new state parks, 12 new natural area preserves and has added acreage to numerous other parks and preserves; completed and begun implementation of extensive strategies to clean up the Chesapeake Bay and Virginia's tributaries; developed stringent new water quality standards statewide; and made the largest financial investment in restoring Virginia's water quality in the state's history.

Prior to his appointment as Secretary, Murphy served in the House of Delegates from 1982 to 2000. He also served as chairman of the Chesapeake Bay Commission and chaired the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission during a review of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

"Throughout his tenure in the General Assembly, Del. Murphy was noted for his commitment to environmental conservation and stewardship and protection of Virginia's natural resources," said Virginia Natural Resources Secretary Preston Bryant. "Tayloe was an instrumental leader behind the Assembly's passage of both the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act and the Virginia Water Quality Improvement Act."

Helen Murphy also has been active in protecting Virginia's natural and historical resources. She serves on the Virginia Historic Resources Board and is a past member of the Virginia board of Conservation and Recreation.

She also served on the Caledon Natural Area Task Force and on master plan advisory committees for Caledon and Westmoreland State Park.

Long active in the Garden Clubs of Virginia, in 2002, both Murphys were awarded the Massie Medal for Distinguished Achievement, the GCV's oldest and most prestigious award for their work with The Garden Club of Northern Neck.

Legislators go for a piece of the pie

by Reid Pierce Armstrong

RICHMOND—Del. Rob Wittman and Sen. John Chichester have introduced budget amendments, hoping to bring home a sliver of the state funding pie to the Northern Neck.

Del. Wittman has requested $100,000 in fiscal year 2007 for the Northern Neck Farm Museum to assist in construction of the museum building. The total building cost is estimated to be $1 million.

The Farm Museum's mission is to preserve the history of farming and agriculture in this region of Virginia. The money would come in the form of a state grant to a non-state entity from the general fund.

He also has sought $232,000 in fiscal year 2007 from the general fund for the Northumberland Community Center to retire the debt on the building. The community center in Browns Store aims to serve the lower Northern Neck by providing a place for the community to congregate for public activities.

He has requested $500,000 in 2007 from the general fund for The Haven in Warsaw. The state funds would be matched with $500,000 from The Haven to construct a $1

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Police Reports

Northumberland County Sheriff Wayne Middleton reported 14 arrests last week.

Terrell Maurice Mitchell, 21, of Nuttsville was charged January 29 with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Bobbie Jean McYoung, 31, of Heathsville was charged January 30 with grand larceny, two counts of forgery and a misdemeanor charge of larceny.

Cynthia Keyser Douglas, 39, of Callao was charged January 31 with destruction of property

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A Closer Look

by Jane Tims

The next time houseguests ask what on earth you do here, tell them about the Rappahannock Institute for Lifelong Learning (RILL). Better yet, show them the brochure for the next series of seven classes, starting February 27. The topic variety and the teachers' expertise will knock their socks off.

Have you heard Dr. W. Sibley Towner speak? Yale-educated, a seminary professor for nearly 40 years, and specialist on Daniel, Genesis and Ecclesiastes, he has a marvelous optimism and enviable command of the English language. His RILL class will look at the image of God in various aspects of human nature.

Did you take Gail Kenna's RILL class on Frank and Flannery O'Connor? This time she's teaching the writing of memoir and every participant, experienced or beginner, will produce a piece of personal writing that Kenna will edit.

Have you taken Richard Carter's earlier music courses? Retired from the National Endowment for the Humanities and awarded the Outstanding Service Award six times by the Smithsonian Institution, he'll teach Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven.

Did you hear Tom York's book reviews at the Lancaster Community Library, or take his RILL courses on democracy in the Arab world? He loves Mark Twain, his quintessentially American topic this time.

Dr. David G. Davies taught economics at Duke, Harvard, George Mason and the University of North Carolina and now teaches at the College of William and Mary. He advised governments in Nigeria and Kenya, worked 20 years in Africa, Asia and Russia, and retired from the World Bank. His RILL class looks at Sub-Saharan Africa: Euphoria and Despair.

In an experimental one-day, five-hour format, Dr. Lynton Land will examine the geologic history, oceanography, and problems of the Chesapeake Bay. He is professor emeritus of geological sciences at the University of Texas at Austin.

On two days in April, Keith Egloff and Dave Hazzard of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources will teach archaeology of the Northern Neck. Egloff's portion is Virginia's Native Americans from 17,000 years ago to the arrival of the colonists, and Hazzard's is the research process, including excavations for artifacts of the colonial period.

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Classes are filling, so quickly take your pick. Pick them all. Each set is $30, and except for the bay and archaeology classes, each comprises three afternoon sessions. Classes are situated in Heathsville, Kilmarnock or Warsaw for accessibility to the entire Northern Neck. They are taught at college level and teachers may suggest reading lists. No topical background is needed, however, and no tests or course credit are given.

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Enter Rappahannock Community College and its RCC Educational Foundation Inc. Part of the non-profit foundation's mission is educational outreach, and RILL fits. Volunteers on RILL's program committee find topics and teachers, but the foundation does the support work, including registration.

"The variety is wonderful," said Elaine Weekley, who has taken RILL courses in poetry, nuclear energy, the pandemic, and foreign policy. "I find it stimulating and challenging to continue to pursue something that I'm either interested in or don't know anything about. Before RILL came into being, I went to Williamsburg to the Christopher Wren Association for a couple of classes at William and Mary, but having the same opportunity here is just marvelous."

"We had students from a range of backgrounds," said Elaine's husband Robert, a retired military officer who taught at West Point, advised the Department of Defense on foreign policy, worked for an international business, and therefore brought theoretical, practical and commercial experience to the two RILL classes he taught on foreign policy.

"We had people who came from the local business community and said they had no background, and people with more background and more strongly formed opinions who wanted to engage at a deeper level, and it worked for the whole spectrum," said Weekley.

For a RILL brochure, to register, to suggest topics or teachers for future series, or to volunteer for the program committee, call Sharon Drotleff in the foundation's development office at 333-6705 or 877-722-3679.

Reflections

by John Howard Farmer
pastor, Irvington Baptist Church

Is playing a lost art?

Friends of mine, all over 60, and I have had conversations of late about how difficult it is to keep a perspective on age. One chap said to me, "My mother still treats me like a child."

Good, I thought, because to her you still are her baby. Despite insignificant relationship spats, it is comforting to me to find family members involved in each other's lives at whatever level.

Our combined grandkid population now numbers six. Add those we've appropriated into the clan and we now surpass a gaggle. I remember my days of yore. My early days stomping about the alleys, the yards of Lawson Street in old south Richmond were days of tremendous opportunity. They were fodder for active imaginations.

Adding to my thesis is a scene remembered from a past summer, when two west Tennessee lads came to visit. The conversation between the brothers was heating up. One wanted to go "out." The other wanted to stay "in." Finally one lad said, "There's nothing to do outside. It's hot out there." Ouch!

When my youngest was a teen, on occasion she too would mutter that there was nothing to do around here.

Once I quivered as two teenage boys while visiting Disneyland quipped, "nothing to do here, let's watch TV."

Well, my sample of youthful ideas spans three generations. I am no expert, but this I know: With each new generation we seemed more and more to have lost touch with our imaginations. We have gone from entertaining ourselves to being entertained.

In the march of progress we have so automated and computerized things that a whole new crop of Americans is becoming a class of children who demand to be entertained.

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Within the Bible's New Testament one finds "children" listed 157 times, with 57 in the Gospels alone.

I am suggesting that we church folk take a good read of all of the texts that refer to children.

Then we can bring to our elders, deacons, councils, stewards, boards, committees, and what-have-you some roots from which trees might spring.

Since youngsters have such short attention spans, we will want any developing programs to be episodic. The cadence at which they think has been set by the words, "And now a word from our sponsors." Any program offering long duration will have to be captivatingly stimulating. Bible school planners take note.

A pouty little song of yesteryear sings out from an epoch of youthful imagination. The line hums along like this: "You can't holler down my rain barrel." It hits upon the notion of the importance of a simpler lifestyle, one where kids played by yodeling into a rain barrel. They also made race cars out of drink crates and skateboards, or scooters out of broken skate sets or wheels missing wagons.

Years ago my dad's youngest sister, Frances, sent me a Richmond newspaper article about a 1940s to 50s peer of mine from the 3400 block of Lawson Street, which, by the way, was across the street from Rev. Herbert Hall's last pastorate at Memorial Methodist Church. That church sat midway between US 60 and US 360, also known as Broad Rock Road.

Well, my playmate lad was Willard Childress, who once split my head open as we played next to the street. For some long forgotten reason, we were trying to drive a stake into the ground. I was behind him helping to hold the stake upright. He drew back on his hatchet to wham the stake and his arm wouldn't come back. He had buried the blade in his assistant's noggin (mine).

There were a few other episodes such as when my stepmother looked out the window at our WWII surplus Army tent. Some imagined enemy was attacking. Of course, I was hiding in the tent and received each blow rendered by the attackers. Eventually the war drew blood (mine). I caught a blow against my noggin that needed patching. Thank goodness for old Doctor Lush, whose home was also on Broad Rock Road, just a block off Hull Street. Now you know why I am like this.

Alleyways, streets, buses, streetcars, boats floating along the Corrotoman and toes in the sands flood my memory with opportunities of imagination. We fought Nazis and held off the Russians. We dressed in Superman, Spiderman and Lone Ranger costumes. We built cardboard space ships to resemble the latest Flash Gordon Saturday matinee models. We groomed stick horses named Trigger. We talked on walkie-talkies made from tin cans held together by string.

The few occasions I recall being indoors were around the family table or in front of the radio: great places for fertile, imaginative minds. In our living room we had a cigarette ashtray stand. From that stand I conducted the Voice of Firestone and the Texaco Metropolitan Opera singers. I also used it to mimic evening news commentator Edward R. Murrow. He would have been proud.

We have to teach children the fine art of playing again. Some of the great lessons of life come through sessions sparked by imagination. Read to them. Tell them about Jesus. Highlight the champions of truth and honor. Perform biblical plays. Find the costumes in the closet. Play with the kids.

BAPTIST

Beulah Baptist
4448 Mary Ball Road, Lively; 462-5000
Rev. Ronald Dunaway, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship

Bethany Baptist Church
Rt. 360, Callao, 804-529-6890
Rev. Kori Kiss
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer

Calvary Baptist
490 East Church Street
Kilmarnock; 435-1052
Sunday, February 12:
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 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

Claybrook Baptist
2242 Weems Road,
Weems; 438-5570
Rev. Stephen Turner, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
5 p.m., Covered Dish Dinner
6 p.m., North American Mission Study
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
7:45 p.m., Ladies Choir Rehearsal for WMU Day of Focus
Thursday, February 16:
7:30 p.m., Madge Wright Circle Mtg @ home of Beverly Benson

Coan Baptist
Heathsville; 580-2751
Rev. Robert Lee Farmer, Minister
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Tuesday, February 14:
7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer/Bible Study

Corrottoman Baptist
48 Ottoman Ferry Road, Ottoman
462-5674; Land deeded 1834
Rev. Frank G. Schwall Jr., Pastor
Thursday, February 9:
10 a.m., Exercise Group
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School for All Ages
11 a.m., Children's Church
11 a.m., Morning Worship
4:30 p.m., Deacon's Meeting
5:30 p.m., Covered Dish Dinner
6:30 p.m., Business Meeting
7 p.m., Youth Meeting
Monday, February 13:
4 p.m., Exercise Group
Tuesday, February 14:
4 p.m., Exercise Group
Wednesday, February 15:
4 p.m., Exercise Group
7 p.m., Prayer/Bible Study

Friendship Baptist
Hartfield, Pastor McKibbon
693-5503
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Nursery is provided
Wednesday, February 15:
6 p.m., Prayer Meeting
7 p.m., Choir Practice

Harmony Grove Baptist
Routes 3 and 33, Topping; 758-5154
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Nursery provided, 9:45 a.m. & 11 a.m.
7 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

Hartswell Baptist
10559 River Road, Lancaster; 462-0845, Rev. Bunnie C. Dunaway
Sunday, February 12:
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
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School Assembly
10 a.m., Bible Classes
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
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
Sunday, February 12:
Scout Sunday
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
12 noon, Coffee Hour
12:15 p.m., Deacon's Mtg.,
Tone Chimes and Children's Choir
6 p.m., Sweetheart Banquet
Monday, February 13:
7 p.m., Boy Scouts
Tuesday, February 14:
10:30 a.m., WMU Meeting
12 noon, Mission Action Committee
6:45 p.m., Handbell Rehearsal
Wednesday, February 15:
6 p.m. Worship
6:30 p.m., Fellowship Supper
7 p.m., Bible Study and Adult Choir Rehearsal

Lebanon Baptist Field
Carlton Milstead, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
Lebanon
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service. Today is Women's Day and Mrs. Lillian Cox will be our guest speaker. Fellowship dinner will follow the service.
Providence
10 a.m. Sunday School
Norwood
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
11 a.m., Sunday School

Lighthouse Baptist
Independent
7022 Jessie DuPont Memorial Highway
Wicomico Church,
435-2435
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship/Children's Church
6 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study
Choir Rehearsal afterward
Nursery Provided for all Services

Maple Grove Baptist
Windmill Point Road, Foxwells
Richard C. Newlon, Minister
Sunday, February 12:
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 12:
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 12:
9:30 a.m., Church School
11 a.m., Worship

New Friendship Baptist
Burgess (Elevator access)
Rev. Steve Taylor, Pastor, 453-4235
Sunday, February 12:
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 15:
7 p.m., Bible Study
8 p.m., Adult Choir Practice

New Hope Baptist
2596 Walmsley Road
Lottsburg, VA
Rev. Aaron Kirchhefer, Pastor
529-9223
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Sunday School
10:15 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Service
8 p.m., Choir Practice

Northern Neck Baptist
280 Hampton Hall Hwy.
Callao, VA 529-6310
Rev. Ken Overby, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship
6 p.m., Evening Service
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

New St. John's Baptist
Kilmarnock
Rev. Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Church Service
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

Queen Esther Baptist
7228 River Road, Lancaster; 462-7780, Dr. Vaughan M. Cunningham
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship

Second Baptist
34 Wellford Wharf Road
Warsaw, VA 22572 333-4280
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11:30 a.m., Worship Service
Thursday, February 16:
7 p.m., Bible Study

Sharon Baptist
1413 Lumberlost Road,
Weems; 438-6659
Rev. Rodney D. Waller, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Church School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
11 a.m. Senior Outreach
1 p.m. Mid-day Bible Study
7 p.m., Evening Bible Study

Smithland Baptist
1047 Walnut Point Road
Heathsville; 580-2843
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7:30 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study

White Stone Baptist
517 Chesapeake Drive
Dr. W. Dennis Martin, Pastor
White Stone: 435-1413
wsbc@kaballero.com
Sunday, February 12:
Nursery Provided at 9:45 & 11 a.m.
9:30 a.m., Church Library open
9:45 a.m., Sunday School for all ages
11 a.m., Worship Service

Willie Chapel Baptist
510 Merry Point Road, Lancaster
462-5500; Rev. Michael Reed, Pastor
Rose Curry, Associate Minister
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Sunday School
11:15 a.m., Prayer and Praise
11:30 a.m., Worship with Communion
Wednesday, February 15:
7:30 p.m., Bible Study

CHURCH OF GOD

Tibitha Church of God
991 Fleeton Road, Reedville
453-4972;
Rev. Steven P. Hency, Pastor
Home Phone 453-3231
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Worship
11 a.m., Sunday School
7 p.m., Study Group
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting and children's activities

Warsaw Church of God
15 Church Lane, Warsaw
333-4951; Rev. Danny Deuell Sr.
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Worship

EPISCOPAL

Grace Episcopal
303 South Main Street,
Kilmarnock; 435-1285
Rev. Dr. Howard Hanchey, Interim Rector
Rev. Richard E. Fichter, Jr., Interim Asst. Rector
Sunday, February 12:
8 a.m., Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m., Christian Education for all
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharis
Wednesday, February 15:
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

St. Mary's Episcopal
3020 Fleeton Road, Fleeton, 453-6712
The Rev. Warren A. Schaller, Jr., Rector
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Adult Bible Study
11 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Thrift Shop:
Open Tues.-Sat. 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
108 Fairport Rd., Reedville, 453-4830

St. Mary's Whitechapel Episcopal
5940 White Chapel Road, Lancaster
462-5908; Rev. Scott A. West, Rector
Office Hours: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Mon.-Fri.
Guided tours by appointment
Sunday, February 12:
11:15 a.m., Worship Service

St. Stephens Episcopal
6853 Northumberland Highway, Heathsville; 580-4555
Rev. Jeffrey O. Cerar, Rector
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Holy Eucharist, coffee follows
9:50 a.m., Sunday School with nursery
Thrift Shop:
Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 to 4

Trinity Episcopal
8484 Mary Ball Road, Lancaster
The Rev. Scott A. West, Rector
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Worship Service
9:30-11 a.m., Sunday School for children

Wicomico Parish
5191 Jessie duPont Memorial Highway, Wicomico Church; 580-6445, Rev. W. Scott Dillard, Rector
Sunday, February 12:
8 a.m., Communion, breakfast follows
10 a.m., Sunday School with nursery
10 a.m., Communion
11 a.m., Coffee Hour
Wednesday, February 15:
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
Roger Murch 436-9355
1928 Prayer Book, 1940 Hymnal
Sunday, February 12:
Septuagesima
10 a.m., Exploring the Bible (Study)
11 a.m., Morning Prayer & Sermon
Child Care Provided

LUTHERAN

Apostles Lutheran
Main Street, Gloucester; 693-9098
Sunday, February 12:
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 12:
8:30 a.m., Worship accompanied by Sunday School
9:30 a.m., Coffee fellowship
10 a.m., Adult Bible Study
Wednesday, February 15:
12 noon, Bag Lunch & Bible Study

Living Water Lutheran (ELCA)
Kilmarnock Methodist
89 E. Church St., 529-6269
Saturday, February 11:
2nd & 4th Saturday
5 p.m. Worship

Trinity Lutheran
Woman's Club Building, Virginia Street
Urbanna; 758-4257
Luther Baugham, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Worship

METHODIST

Afton United Methodist
5130 Hacks Neck Road
Ophelia; 453-3770
Rev. Brant Hays
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service

Asbury United Methodist
Foxwells; Rev. Thomas W. Oder
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Worship

Bethany United Methodist
454 Main Street, Reedville, 453-3282; bethumc@crosslink.net
Rev. Dr. Donna McEwan, Pastor
Sunday February 12:
9:30 a.m., Worship Service and Sunday School
10:30 a.m., Fellowship Time

Bethel-Emmanuel United Methodist
Rev. Robert O. Jones, Jr., Pastor
462-5790 (Elevator Available)
Website www.beumc.org
Thursday, February 9:
6 p.m., Lively Bells practice at Bethel
Sunday, February 12:
Bethel:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service
5 p.m., Valentine Social for Youth at Bethel
7 p.m., Chancel Choir practice at Bethel
Emmanuel:
9:30 a.m., Worship Service
11 a.m., Sunday School
Monday, February 13:
7:30 p.m., Emmanuel's Council meet
Wednesday, February 15:
6:30 p.m., BEUMM Sweetheart Dinner at Bethel

Fairfields United Methodist
14741 Northumberland Highway, Burgess; 453-2631, Rev. Brant Hays
Sunday, February 12:
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 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship

Heathsville United Methodist
39 Courthouse Road, Heathsville
580-3630; James B. Godwin, Pastor:
Sunday, February 12:
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 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School, all ages
11 a.m., Worship, traditional

Irvington United Methodist
26 King Carter Drive, Irvington
438-6800; Rev. John Durkovich, Pastor
Saturday, February 11:
8 p.m., AA
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7:30 p.m., Choir

Kilmarnock United Methodist
89 East Church Street, Kilmarnock
435-1797; (Elevator access)
Rev. Deborah T. Marion, Pastor
Thursday, February 9:
5:30 p.m., Administrative Council Meeting and Dinner
6:30 p.m., Prayer Ministry
8 p.m., AA-11th Step
Friday, February 10:
5:30 p.m., Children's Dinner and Movie
Saturday, February 11:
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Computer workshop
5 p.m., Lutheran Church
6 p.m. Emmaus
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Service of Word
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
12 noon, Staff-Parish Relations Meeting
12:15 p.m., Kids take Valentines to Lancashire
Monday, February 13:
7:30 p.m., VBS Planning
Tuesday February 14:
8 p.m., Al-Anon
Wednesday, February 15:
6 p.m., Handbells
7:30 p.m. Choir

Rehoboth United Methodist Parish
435-1792; Rev. Karen J. Sandoval, Pastor
Larry Burian, Associate Minister
Sunday, February 12:
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 15:
3:30 p.m., Choir-Bluff Point

White Stone United Methodist
118 Methodist Church Road,
White Stone; 435-3555
Rev. Richard Scott Gordon, Pastor
Brenda Burtner, Music Director
Friday, February 10:
9 a.m., Fit for Life Exercise Class
Saturday, February 11:
2 p.m., Medicare Workshop, Part D, public is invited
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Adult Bible Study
11 a.m., Worship Service
12:05 p.m., "Coffee Time"
7:30 p.m., AA meeting
Monday, February 13:
9 a.m., Fit for Life Exercise Class
Tuesday, February 14:
2 p.m., United Methodist Women
7:45 p.m., Administrative Council
Wednesday, February 15:
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.

PRESBYTERIAN

Campbell Memorial Presbyterian
Rt. 222 (Weems Road),
In the Village of Weems, 438-6875;
The Rev. Terry A. Robertson, Interim Pastor
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-4
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Church School for All Ages
9:45 a.m., Confirmation Class
11 a.m., Worship Service
Hunger Offering Received
Nursery provided during Worship
Monday, February 13:
9:30 a.m., Fellowship and Family Life Ministry Group
Tuesday, February 14:
5:30 p.m., Witness and Service Ministry Group
7 p.m., Christian Ed Ministry Group
Wednesday, February 15:
5:30 p.m., Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, February 16:
5 p.m., Session Meets

Milden Presbyterian
Sharps
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship with nursery

St. Andrews Presbyterian
435 East Church Street,
Kilmarnock; 435-3948
Website: saintandrewspc.org
Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Coye, Pastor
Thursday, February :
10 a.m., Presbyterian Women
4:30 p.m., Choir Practice
6:30 p.m., Disciple 4 (Ch. 17)
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School (All ages)
11 a.m., Worship
Sermon: "Where We Belong"
(John 17:13-16)
Monday, February 13:
6:30 p.m., Disciple I (Ch. 14)
Wednesday, February 15:
12:30 p.m., Disciple 4 (Ch. 18)

Wesley Presbyterian
1272 Taylor Creek Rd.
Weems, 438-5853
Rev. M. P. White, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
9 a.m., Worship
10:15 a.m., Sunday School
Children and Adult

OTHER DENOMINATIONS

Bread of Life Christian Center
10177 Jessie DuPont Mem. Hwy.
436-5079
Rev. Phillip C. Lee, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
11 a.m., Worship
Tuesday, February 14:
7 p.m., Guided Truth Bible Study

Calvary Pentecostal
John's Neck Road, Weems
438-5393; Thelma Jones, Pastor
7:45 a.m., Radio Broadcast, 101.7
Sunday, February 12:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Praise and Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7:30 p.m., Worship

Center for Spiritual Awareness
Freeshade Community Center,
Syringa, 725-1234
Sunday, February 12:
8:30 a.m., Orientation
9 a.m., Meditation Service
Non-denominational for all ages

Chesapeake Christian Center
Irvington Road, Irvington
Thursday, February 9:
7 p.m., Bible Study
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Worship

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Obituaries

Caroline W. Barnes

VIRGINIA BEACH—Caroline Wright Barnes died peacefully February 3, 2006.

Mrs. Barnes was born in Oldhams in 1921 to Wilford William Wright and Caroline Daily Wright.

She was predeceased by her husband of 44 years, Fleet Everett Barnes, in 1986.

She is survived by a daughter, Linda Barnes Moore of Virginia Beach; a sister, Pauline Wright Crabbe of Morattico; four grandchildren, one with a husband, Tracy Moore Raborg of Chesapeake, Cheri Moore Shores and Lance Patrick Shores of Virginia Beach, Chadwick Bradford Moore of Arlington and Weldon Blair Moore of Virginian Beach; and two great-grandchildren, Grant and Chase Raborg.

A graveside service was held February 6 at St. Mary's White Chapel Episcopal Church Cemetery in Lively.

H.D. Oliver Funeral Apts. Inc. in Virginia Beach handled the arrangements.

Nelson D. Cecil

RICHMOND—Nelson Donald Cecil, 74, died Thursday, January 26, 2006.

Mr. Cecil was born November 5, 1931, in Baltimore, to Hazel Wood Cecil and Nelson Brown Cecil. In 1956, he graduated from the University of Baltimore and began a career with the accounting firm of Ernst and Ernst, now Ernst and Young. He was transferred to the Richmond office of Ernst in 1958 and was made a partner in 1970. From 1973 until he retired in 1989, he was managing partner of the office.

In the mid 1970s he was president of the National Association of Accountants and was simultaneously on the advisory council of the University of Richmond's Business School. In 1986, at the University of Virginia, he was inducted into Beta Alpha Psi, an international honorary organization.

In retirement, from 1990 to 1998, he served as chairman of the audit committee for the Board of Bon Secours, St. Mary's Hospital. From 1994 to 1998, he was a board member of Wintergreen Partners Inc. and served as president from 1996 to 1998.

In 2000, he became a trustee of St. Joseph's Villa, an institution for which he had great admiration. He served as a member of the executive committee, as chairman of the finance committee and as a member of the Craig Health Board. He also was a driver for Meals on Wheels.

He was a past member of the Commonwealth Club and the Country Club of Virginia.

He was predeceased by his wife, Patricia Cochran Cecil, the mother of his sons.

He is survived by four sons and two daughters-in-law, Michael Donald Cecil of White Stone, Timothy John Cecil and Kim Cecil, Alexander Wilson Cochran Cecil and Cynthia Cecil, all of Richmond, Robert Thomas Cecil of Seneca, Rocks, W.V.; a sister, Anna Virginia Cecil; his wife, Ann Lawrence Cecil; her son and daughter-in-law, John Guthrie Smith and Sarah Smith, his wife's daughter and son-in-law, Nancy Smith Gibson and Jeffrey Gibson; and seven grandchildren, Alexa and Wilson Cecil, Sydney, Madelyn and Mason Smith, Emory and Molly Gibson.

A memorial service was held January 30 at All Saints Episcopal Church in Richmond. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Joseph's Villa, 8000 Brook Road, Richmond, VA 23227, All Saints Church, 8787 River Road, Richmond, VA 23229, or to a charity of one's choice.

Woody Funeral Home in Richmond handled the arrangements.

Andrew H. Clarke Jr.

HEATHSVILLE—Andrew Harold Clarke Jr., 74, of Heathsville died February 2, 2006.

Mr. Clarke was a member of Smithland Baptist Church in Heathsville and a member of the Warsaw Bauman Lodge No. 322 A.F.&A.M., Richmond Scottish Rites, ACCA Shrine Center, the Northern Neck Legion of Honor, and the Rappatomac Shrine Club.

He was the retired owner of Clarke Lumber Company.

He was a U.S. Coast Guard and Korean War veteran.

He is survived by a daughter, Wanda Clarke Morin of Mt. Lake, Terrace, Wash; a son and daughter-in-law, Steven Dale Clarke and Elizabeth Clarke of Burgess; five grandchildren, Joshua Clarke, Erica Dusausoy, Melissa Wright, Tennyson Morin and Wynton Morin; and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, February 12, at 2 p.m. in Smithland Baptist Church in Heathsville with Rev. Sam Pittman officiating. Burial will be private.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Jones-Ash Funeral Home in Rainswood is handling the arrangements.

Helen I.N. Gordon

WARSAW—Helen Irene Newsome Gordon, 78, of Warsaw, widow of Edward R. Gordon, died February 4, 2006.

Mrs. Gordon was a retired bookkeeper for Bareford Buick and Pontiac.

She is survived by her son, Rev. Rodney E. Gordon of Richmond; a brother and sister-in-law, Gordon Lee Newsome Sr. and Elsie Newsome; a sister-in-law and her husband, Doris Gordon Brodersen and Rudy Brodersen; three grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces, relations and friends.

Funeral services were held February 7 at Warsaw United Methodist Church. Interment was in Henderson Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 2727 Enterprise Parkway, Suite 201, Richmond, VA 23294, or Riverside Tappahannock Hospice, 618 Hospital Road, Tappahannock, VA 22560.

Welch Funeral Home in Warsaw handled the arrangements.

John D. Jefferies Sr.

HIGHLAND SPRINGS—John Dangerfield "Jack" Jefferies Sr., 93, of Highland Springs, originally of Kinsale, died February 3, 2006.

Mr. Jefferies was the son of James McKendrie Jefferies and Lettie Belfield Jefferies.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mildred Gray Jefferies.

He is survived by a daughter, Charoltte J. Hudgins; two sons, Jack D. Jefferies Jr. and William McKenrie Jefferies Sr.; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mary Willis Sichol.

Funeral services were held February 7 at Nelson Funeral Home in Richmond. Interment was at Washington Memorial Park.

Albert J. Jett

LOTTSBURG–Albert Joseph "Bruiser" Jett, 80, of Lottsburg, died February 2, 2006.

Mr. Jett was a World War II Army veteran and a retired pilot with Zapata-Haynie.

He is survived by his wife, Genevieve T. Jett; two sons and a daughter, Capt. Michael A. and Sherry Jett of Miami, Fla.; and Joseph Keith Jett of Lewisetta; two daughters and a son-in-law, Melissa J. and David Traylor of Litwalton, and Tina E. Jett of Reedville; five grandchildren, Christopher Jett, Nicholas Jett, Jade Traylor, July Traylor, and R.J. MacDonald; a sister, Ruby J. Hammock; and three brothers, Luther "Rosie" Jett, Phillip "Kingfish" Jett and Clarence "Pete" Jett, all of Northumberland.

A funeral service was held February 5 at Jones-Ash Funeral Home in Rainswood with Rev. M.P. White officiating. Burial was in Melrose United Methodist Church Cemetery.

William A. Powell

HEATHSVILLE—William A. Powell, 96, of Heathsville died February 5, 2006, at Lancashire Convalescent Center in Kilmarnock.

Mr. Powell was the widower of Adele Powell and was a member of Afton United Methodist Church.

He also was a member of Heathsville Masonic Lodge 109 AF&Am.

He is survived by a son, Dr. W. Allen Powell of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; two grandchildren, Will Powell of Algonquin, Ill., and Danielle Powell of Chestertown, Md.; and two great-granddaughters, Kirsten and Paige.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, February 11, at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock. Burial will follow in Claybrook Baptist Church Cemetery in Weems. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Friday, February 10, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Virginia M. E. Puller

SALUDA—Virginia Montague Evans Puller, 97, died February 4, 2006, at her home in Saluda.

Mrs. Puller was the widow of Marine Corps hero Lt. Gen. Lewis Burwell "Chesty" Puller. She married then Capt. Puller in Saluda when she was 29. She followed her husband while he served in China, Hawaii and across the U.S.

During World War II and the Korean War, she returned to Saluda to raise their three children, Virginia and twins Martha and Lewis Jr.

Her husband earned the Navy Cross a record five times. He retired from the Marine Corps in 1955 and the couple settled in a house in Saluda near where Mrs. Puller grew up.

She was predeceased by her husband in 1971, and by their son, Lewis Burwell Puller Jr. in 1994. He was the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Fortunate Son*.

She is survived by her two daughters and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, February 11, at Christ Church in Middlesex County where her husband was buried 35 years ago.

William T. Rice

RICHMOND—William Thomas Rice, 93, died February 5, 2006, in Richmond after a brief illness.

Mr. Rice was a decorated Army veteran of World War II and was instrumental in the 1980 creation of the CSX Corporation.

He directed overseas operations of the military railway service in European and Pacific theaters. He later rose to major general in the Army Reserve. He received the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters.

He joined the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad in 1946 and was named its president in 1955. He became president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in 1957 and president and director of Seaboard Coast Line Railroad in 1967. He became chairman of SCL Industries and of the Family Lines.

He worked with Hays T. Watkins to effect the merger of SCL and the Chessie system to form CSX. 1n 1987, CSX's 850-acre Waycross Terminal, handling more than a million rail cars annually, was renamed Rice Yard.

Mr. Rice was born in Hague and graduated from Virginia Tech in 1934 with a civil engineering degree. He received honorary degrees from Stetson University and The Citadel.

He was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Richmond.

He was predeceased by his wife of 67 years, Jaqueline; and a son, John Thomas Rice.

He is survived by a daughter, Jaqueline Rice Heard; a daughter-in-law, Grace Arendall Rice; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 10, at 1 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Interment will be Saturday, February 11, at 11 a.m. at Yeocomico Church in Westmoreland County.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets W. Thomas Rice Scholarship Fund, or Westminster Canterbury Fellowship Fund in Richmond.

Helen D. Rowe

LANCASTER—Helen Douglas Rowe, 96, of Lancaster died February 2, 2006.

Mrs. Rowe was born June 18, 1909, to Edward J. and Lular Barnes Douglas. She was the widow of Ernest Barrie Rowe and a lifelong member of Lebanon Baptist Church.

She also was predeceased by a son, Barrie Douglas Rowe, who died May 12, 2003; a sister, Marian Loder; and a brother, Edward J. Douglas Jr.

She is survived by a sister-in-law; a niece; two nephews; and a special friend, Herbert Doggett.

Graveside services were held February 4 at Lebanon Baptist Church Cemetery in Alfonso with Rev. Carlton Milstead officiating.

Memorials may be made to Lebanon Baptist Church, 1712 Lara Road, Lancaster, VA 22503.

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JoAnn Timm

LANCASTER—JoAnn Timm, 69, a 23-year resident of Lancaster, died February 2, 2006, after a one-year illness, at Henrico Doctors Hospital in Richmond.

Mrs. Timm was elected to the board of the Northern Neck Orchestra in 2004, just prior to her illness.

She is survived by her husband, Dwight Timm; a daughter and son-in-law, Nikki and Craig Johnson, three grandchildren, Barrett, Jordan and Madeline Johnson.

Memorial services will be held 1 p.m. February 14 at Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Northern Neck Orchestra, P.O. Box 263, Kilmarnock, VA 22482.

J. Robert Wilkins

WARSAW—J. Robert Wilkins, 75, of Warsaw, died February 2, 2006. Mr. Wilkins was a retired line foreman for Virginia Power and an Army veteran of the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Gallagher Wilkins; three sons, John R. Wilkins Jr. of Ocran, E. Gary Wilkins of Kilmarnock and David W. Wilkins of Warsaw; a daughter, Janet Wilkins Wright of Mechanicsville; two brothers, Leslie Wilkins Jr. of Warsaw and Mitchell Wilkins of Richmond; four sisters, Madlynn Headley of Mechanicsville, Dorothy Basye of Lottsburg, Shirley McNeal of Irvington and Joyce Wilkins of Richmond; and six grandchildren, Victoria Rose Wright, Joshua Wright, Christina Wright, Mary Ruth W. Hunt, Elizabeth Wilkins and Kevin Wilkins.

Funeral services were held February 4 at Totuskey Baptist Church with interment in the church cemetery. Rev. Chance Mace officiated. Pallbearers were Curtis Jenkins, Timmy Scott, Norris Harper, David Weedon, Charles Lewis, Ray Walker, Roy Lee Jewell, Beaver Rock and Bobby Allison.

Honoraries were Horace Sanders, Darrell Woolard, Woody Yeatman, Bill Bowen, Harding Waterfield, Grayson Lee Smith and Carey Headley.

Memorials may be made to Totuskey Baptist Cemetery Fund, 152 Smithville Lane, Warsaw, VA 22572, or Rappahannock General Hospital Cancer Center, P.O. Box 588, Kilmarnock, VA 22482, or Richmond County Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 55, Warsaw, VA 22572.

Bible study to review the end of times

On Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. for the next eight weeks, pastor Thelma Jones will teach a Bible study on the end times.

The classes will be held at Weems Calvary Pentecostal Tabernacle at 771 Johns Neck Road in Weems.

Topics will include the role of Israel, the rapture, tribulation, the antichrist, mystery of Babylon, marriage of the lamb, battle of Armageddon, the millennial reign, judgment and all things new.

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In loving memory of my husband and our father, Isaac Smith who passed away three years ago today February 6, 2003.

We didn't know that day God was going to call your name.

We loved you dearly and in death we do the same.

You left us wonderful memories and your love is still our guide;

Although we can't see you, we know that you're always at our side.

Our family circle is broken, and nothing seems the same;

But as God calls us one by one, the Circle will be complete again.

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SUNDAY MORNINGS
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for the special message series
"Serving God with Determined Faith"
February 12–Where To Look For Help
February 19–Overcoming Obstacles
February 26–Renewing Relationships
March 5–Are You Willing To Serve?
White Stone Baptist Church
517 Chesapeake Drive
White Stone, VA 22578
For more information:
(804) 435-1413
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Dr. Ritchie to speak Sunday at Unity of the Chesapeake

George G. Ritchie Jr., M.D. will speak at Unity of the Chesapeake in Deltaville Sunday, February 12, at 12:30 p.m.

Dr. Ritchie's pioneering books *Return From Tomorrow* and *My Life After Dying* resulted in near-death experiences becoming a house-hold term. Dr. Ritchie had a near-death experience, resulting in an outer-body journey, during training in World War II.

Dr. Ritchie is a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia and did residence training at the University of Virginia in psychiatry where he became an instructor in psychiatry. He lives in the Northern Neck with his wife, Marguerite.

Unity of the Chesapeake is a part of the New Thought and Unity Movement of Practical Christianity. Call 435-9553 or 776-9172 for details and directions.

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Christian Science Society
Lancaster Women's Building,
Route 3, Lancaster
Sunday, February 12:
10:30 a.m., Service and Sunday School
1st and 3rd Wednesday
7:30 p.m., Testimony Meeting

Church of Deliverance
3734 Mary Ball Road, Lively; 462-0553,
Rev. Donald O. Conaway
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study

Holy Tabernacle of God
Merry Point Road, Lancaster
Elder Nancy Pinn, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship, Youth Service
Emergency Food Bank: Mon.-Fri: 1-3

Hope Alive Christian Center
149 Queen Street, Tappahannock; 443-5165, Pete and Pam Sullivan
Thursday, February 9:
6 p.m., Prayer
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Sunday School
10:30 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
Noon, Prayer
7 p.m., Worship

Northern Neck Religious Society & Friends (Quakers)
Alice & Dave Hershier 804-453-7062
Sunday, February 12:
11 a.m., Discussion
12 noon, Social Fellowship

Rappahannock Church of Christ
9514 Richmond Road, Warsaw
333-9659; Walker Gaulding, Minister
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
6:30 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Teaching

River of Life Assembly of God
Waverly Avenue, Kilmarnock
Rev. Scott Norman, 693-6079
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship and Children's Church, ages 4-9

Seventh-Day Adventist
401 South Main Street, Kilmarnock
Clinton M. Adams, Pastor
804-443-3070/804-443-1821
Thursday, February 9:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
Saturday, February 11:
2 p.m., Sabbath School
3 p.m., Worship Service

Shachah World Ministries of the Northern Neck
Pastor Dean Carter
Sunday, February 12:
8 a.m., Worship @ Holy Tabernacle
Thursday, February 16:
7:30 p.m., Bible Study @ Holy Tabernacle

St. Francis de Sales Catholic
151 East Church Street, Kilmarnock
Rev. James C. Bruse, Pastor
Mass Schedule
Saturday, February 11:
4 p.m., Sacrament of Reconciliation
5 p.m., Vigil
Sunday, February 12:
11 a.m., Mass
Monday - Friday
9 a.m., Mass
Tuesday February 14:
4 to 5:15 p.m., Religious Education

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
11650 Mary Ball Road
Sunday, February 12:
9:30 a.m., Meeting
Wednesday, February 15:
6 p.m.-8 p.m., Genealogical Library Open to Public

The Lord's House Of Habitation
1027 Jessie duPont Memorial Highway, Burgess; 453-7773
Rev. Raymond C. Boyd, Pastor
Sunday, February 12:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Hour of Power
Wednesday, February 15:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
Thursday, February 16:
7 p.m. Teen Empowering
7 p.m. Youth Ministry

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock
Woman's Club of White Stone
560 Chesapeake Drive
White Stone, 758-4790; L. Lowrey
Sunday, February 12:
10:30 a.m., Worship

Victory Temple Church
1252 Morattico Road
Rev. Annie Gaskins, 462-5512
Sunday, February 12:
11 a.m., Sunday School
12 noon, Praise and Worship
7 p.m., Worship Service
Friday, February 17:
7 p.m., Bible Study

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Sunday, February 12:
10:45 a.m., Praise & Worship Service & Children's Church, Nursery provided
Monday, February 13:
6:45 p.m., First Place Weight Loss
Tuesday, February 14:
7 p.m., Study Series Week 4 - "Where is God When....divorce happens?"
Wednesday, February 15:
6:30 p.m., Women's Bible Study
Thursday, February 16:
7:30 a.m., Men's Breakfast at Lee's

Black History matinee planned

On February 25 at 4 p.m., Sharon Baptist Church will host a Black History matinee. Popcorn and soft drinks will be served. All ages are welcome.

On February 26 at 3 p.m., the church will host a program of musical renditions, recitations, dramatizations, fashions and presentation.

The fellowship hall will be transformed into a museum with exhibits, art work, memorabilia and heirlooms. Soul food will be served.

To participate or for more information, call Faith Waddy at 435-3665.

New St. John's plans unity march

The New St. John's men's chorus and senior choir on February 25 will celebrate "Together We Praise in Unity."

All men are urged to dress in suits and march with the St. John's men as they remember Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and other famous men throughout history.

All women are urged to dress in African attire and march with the choir members as they remember Rosa Parks, Sojourner Truth and others. Entire visiting choirs are welcome to march.

The guest choirs for the evening will include The Gospel Tones of Williamsburg and The All-Together Singers of Colonial Beach.

The program will begin at 6 p.m. at New St. John's Baptist Church in Kilmarnock.

Unitarians to host 'Soap Box Sunday'

On Sunday, February 12, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock (UUFR) will hold its first-ever "Soap Box Sunday."

All are invited to prepare and present a short statement of their passion, concern, inspiration, or issue, Hyde Park style—hop on the box and state whatever is on their heart and mind.

The presentations will be limited to three or four minutes. Bob Weekley will serve as moderator. Any topic, with the exception of partisan political statements, will be welcome.

The UUFR meets at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday at the Woman's Club of White Stone at 560 Chesapeake Drive.

White Stone UMC looking for friends

"Bring a friend or neighbor to church month" was a success at White Stone United Methodist Church in January, so it has been extended through February, according to Rev. Richard Gordon.

"If you are looking for a spiritual home, please come and visit with us," said Rev. Gordon. "We are on Methodist Church Road, just off Route 3 in White Stone.

Adult Bible study begins at 9:45 a.m. and worship begins at 11 a.m. Coffee time will follow morning worship.

For more information, call the church office at 435-3555.

Calvary Baptist plans black history celebration Feb. 19

Calvary Baptist Church will present its annual black history program February 19 at 3 p.m. The theme is "Through the Struggle." The program will include a combination of song, praise dance and dramatic presentations.

Calvary's Step Team, Sharon Community Choir, New Hope Singers of King and Queen County, Calvary Mass Choir, several dramatic presentations and an African Heritage Processional will be featured. Guests may wear African attire. For more information, call Rosemary Moody at 435-0617.

Church Notes

■ 26th anniversary

The Mount Vernon Gospel Chorus of White Stone will celebrate its 26th anniversary February 18 at 5 p.m.

Guests will be the New St. John's Mens Chorus, the B.C. Dunaway Singers of Hartswell Baptist Church, the Mount Olive Mens Chorus, the Beulah Mens Chorus and Harmony to Heaven Singers.

■ Study Revelation

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Callao holds a community "Sack Lunch Bible Class" each Wednesday from noon to 1:45 p.m. in the church Fellowship Hall.

The study book is Revelation. The study is led by Rev. Mike Ramming. Everyone is urged to use their favorite scripture version.

■ Women's Day

The annual Women's Day Service will be held on Sunday, February 12, at Lebanon Baptist Church in Alfonso. Sunday school will be at 10 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m. Lillian S. Cox of Gloucester will be the guest speaker. Lunch will be served following the service.

■ Where is God?

"Where is God when divorce happens?" is the topic for a community discussion at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 14, at the White Stone Church of the Nazarene at 57 Whisk Drive, off Route 3 a mile north of White Stone.

The 13-week series continues February 21 with "Where is God in addictions?" For more information, call the church office at 435-9886.

Community discussion topic to focus on divorce

A 13-week study series entitled, "Where is God when...?" continues at the White Stone Church of the Nazarene. Sessions are held on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Family Life Center, a mile north of White Stone.

On February 14, the discussion topic will be "Where is God when divorce happens?" On February 21, the topic will be "Where is God in addictions?"

One or more persons who have life experience with the topics will facilitate each week. The sessions will be interactive and each participant does not need to attend all sessions.

Other topics will include financial crisis, serious illness or injury and death. Study books are available.

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Lancashire Lines

by Joan M. Foster

Folks took a virtual reality trip to Reno and Las Vegas last Monday, playing "Black Jack" and winning more games than "house" won. They also enjoyed a rendition of Wayne Newton's song, "You're Nobody 'Til Somebody Loves You" to provide a sense of being in a Las Vegas nightclub. During afternoon arts and crafts session, residents painted pictures of jungle animals in their natural habitats.

On Tuesday, residents discussed some advertisements from the "Saturday Evening Post" of the 1940s and 1960s. Later, they held "Western Day" and learned about 'cowboy's grub' and a bit about the rodeo circuit. They sang some western tunes like "Happy Trails To You." Afternoon bingo winner was Thomas Reynolds.

On Wednesday, Rev. Herbert Hall led Bible study. Melvin Bromley won a horseshoe challenge in the afternoon. Alex Webster and Matthew Walker assisted with the game.

On Thursday, Rappahannock residents chatted about "Groundhog's Day" and tried to come up with good things about groundhogs since they have a day named after them. It seems that shadow-seeing is the only merit our folks could identify about groundhogs. Marian Benjamin and Elizabeth Folger tied for highest scorers in Bingo.

On Friday, Chesapeake residents recalled many of Thomas Edison's inventions. Hymn sing was a true joy later in the day. Folks celebrated with a "Hula In The Coola" Day during the afternoon with homemade snow cones made by Miss Emma.

On Saturday, Louise Ward won the most bingo games. City worship Center of Kilmarnock led our afternoon Bible study.

On Sunday, Beulah Baptist church hosted an afternoon worship service.

This Side of 60

by Marie Snider

Organize your space

Last Saturday, my daughter and I went to a feng shui workshop at our local arboretum. Feng shui is an ancient Chinese system that studies people's relationships to the environments in which they live.

The class taught us to apply the ancient eastern principles to western life, helping us arrange our spaces to improve our lives. And the beautiful arboretum was the perfect spot to think about this discipline of placement.

We began the day with introductions. Each person had a special reason for coming to the workshop.

One woman said she hates house work. She wants to declutter her house so cleaning is easy and she can get on with her life. Another lives in a big old farm house and says she loves simplicity. Her life is already simple, but she's always looking for more ideas.

I could identify with the first one, whose house needs decluttering. And I certainly envied the second who had already achieved simplicity.

For years, I have been very interested in the art of feng shui. I have a shelf of books on the subject and have tried to arrange my house according to its principles.

For me, feng shui is not an obsession but a guideline. I like the openness. I like the emphasis on light and water and on plants and trees. I like the elimination of clutter that feng shui calls for.

Let's begin with light and water. Feng shui requires you to open your drapes wide in the morning and light dark places in your house and your heart. And it's nice if you can have some moving water - a waterfall, a fountain, a fish tank or even a percolator of coffee.

What's more important is plenty of healthy plants and trees. According to Nancilee Wydra, the author of "Designing Your Happiness: A Contemporary Look at Feng Shui," the Chinese revere old trees much like they revere a venerable sage.

"Even when it doesn't make economic sense, roadways are often routed around old trees," writes Wydra. "Cutting down an ancient tree without replacing it by planting others elsewhere is an ominous action that invites disaster."

Feng shui is all about creating life energy, which the Chinese call chi. And anything that creates clutter creates blocks in the flow of chi.

So Melinda Smith, our teacher, recommended starting with one space and making it more functional. Do you have a dining room table that's piled high with papers? Start by clearing it off, so that it can be set for dinner.

Then gradually progress through your house, picking up clutter and increasing the flow of chi. Place things where they should be, eliminate objects that have negative feelings attached to them, fix or get rid of broken items.

This side of 60 many of us begin to think about down-sizing. What a wonderful opportunity to simplify. Even if you aren't moving into a smaller home, sorting through and organizing your things will help increase your life energy.

So remember the principles of feng shui as you look around your house. Can you increase the light and add flowing water or healthy plants? Then, as you eliminate clutter, think about the wonderful life you are creating.

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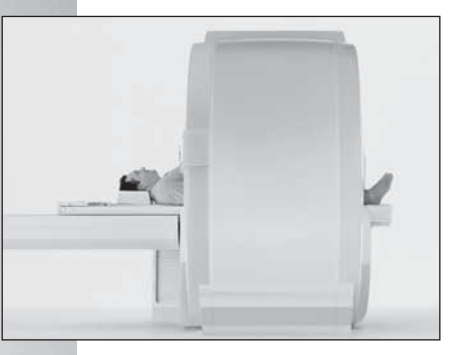

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Bay Aging to build more housing for the elderly

Bay Aging recently announced that it has received a $1,515,900 capital advance grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to construct another apartment complex, called Tartan Village Phase Two, for the elderly in Kilmarnock.

Bay Aging also received $299,500 in rental subsidies to help keep the apartments affordable for citizens ages 62 or older.

Tartan Village Phase Two will consist of 19 one-bedroom apartments and a community building adjacent to the 22-unit Tartan Village Phase One development. The design for the expansion will match the existing buildings, while preserving as much "green space" as possible. Public water and sewer will be supplied by the town public works system, said Joshua Gemerek, senior vice president of Bay Aging's Senior Apartments Division.

"We anticipate construction will begin in 2007," said Gemerek. "There continues to be a high demand for safe, affordable and attractive senior housing in the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula region. We experienced a rapid rent-up and immediately established a long waiting of people interested in the existing apartments. It is anticipated that these additional homes will also fill up very quickly."

At move-in, applicants' annual income cannot exceed $18,050 for a single-person household and $20,650 for a couple. No household will be required to pay more than 30 percent of its monthly income as rent. Residents will receive a monthly utility allowance.

To be placed on an interest list with no obligations, call 758-2386.

Singing Valentines

The Northern Neck Bay Tones recently announced its annual Singing Valentine's program. One of its quartets will serenade a loved one with a love song or two in the barbershop harmony style. From left, members of the Bad Buoys are Harry Stemple, Gene Doody, Paul Kimball and Bill Croner. The fee is $40. For booking information, call Sonny Harper at 453-2633, or visit www.baytones.org.

Taxpayers should have their 1099 forms by now

"If you receive certain types of income, you may get a Form 1099 for use with your federal tax return," IRS spokeswoman Gloria Wajciechowski said. "Form 1099 is an information return provided by the payer of the income. You should have received your Form 1099-series information returns by January 31."

Those who have not received Form 1099 should contact the payer. Those who still do not receive the form by February 15, should call the IRS for assistance at 1-800-829-1040.

According to Wajciechowski, in some cases, folks may obtain the information that would be on the Form 1099 from other sources. For example, a bank may put a summary of the interest paid during the year on the December or January statement for a savings or checking account. Those who are able to get the accurate information needed to complete a tax return, do not have to wait for the Form 1099 to arrive.

Generally, folks will not need to attach a 1099-series form to a return, except when they receive a form 1099-R that shows income tax withheld. Folks should keep a copy of all the 1099s that they receive with their tax records for the year. There are several different forms in this series, including Form 1099-B, Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions, Form 1099-DIV, dividends and Distributions, Form 1099-INT, Interest Income, Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, Form 1099-OID, Original Issue Discount, Form 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, and Insurance Contracts and Form SSA-1099, Social Security Benefit Statement.

If one files a return and later receives a form 1099 for income that they did not fully include on that return, they should report the income and take credit for any income tax withheld by filing form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return.

Form 1040X and instructions are available at IRS.gov, or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

Business Briefs

■ Accolades

The Shoe Store in Kilmarnock recieved honorable mention for creativity among commercial entries in the Kilmarnock Christmas decorating contest. Mention of the award was omitted in a previous listing.

David Whitehurst to speak at conservation symposium

David Whitehurst, director of wildlife diversity for the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, will speak at the sixth annual Northern Neck Conservation Symposium, "Preserving Wildlife Habitats: The Virginia Wildlife Conservation Strategy."

Sponsored by the Garden Club of the Northern Neck with support from the Northern Neck Conservation Network, the symposium is February 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury near Irvington. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 a.m.

Whitehurst will discuss the top sources of stress to wildlife species including habitat destruction and fragmentation, water quality, and invasive plant and animal species.

Whitehurst is a nationally recognized wildlife biologist and the recipient of a number of awards including the River Conservationist of the Year award from the Virginia Wildlife Federation, and the Conservationist of the Year from Trout Unlimited. In 2005, he received the Dr. Henry S. Mosby Award from the Virginia Chapter of the Wildlife Society for outstanding contributions to the wise management of Virginia's wildlife resources, and a special recognition from Watchable Wildlife Inc. for the establishment of the Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail. Whitehurst is currently serving as chairman of the board of directors of Watchable Wildlfe Inc.

David Whitehurst

"We are pleased to present this conservation program, the sixth in a series we began in 2001," said GCNN conservation chairman Anne Olsen. "Our goals are to educate and advocate for sound conservation principles and policies. Past programs have included smarter growth and sound land use planning, rural and cultural landscape preservation, shoreline conservation and invasive species control, and we look forward to learning about habitat preservation this year."

"We have also invited representatives of our member organizations to set up displays and participants will have an opportunity to learn about local activities and programs aimed at wildlife habitat reclamation and preservation and find out how they can get involved in our own community," said Northern Neck Conservation Network coordinator Susan Tipton.

Belle Isle State Park, Friends of the Northern Neck Natural Area Preserves, Northern Neck Audubon, Northern Neck Land Conservancy, Northern Neck Master Gardeners, the Northern Neck Chapter of the Virginia Native Plant Society, Northumberland Association for Progressive Stewardship and the Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge have been invited.

For more information, contact Olsen at 580-8004, or olsenj@crosslink.net.

Legal services to visit

John R. Rellick, managing attorney of Rappahannock Legal Services in Tappahannock, will be available at First Baptist Church at 3585 Courthouse Road in Heathsville, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays, February 16, March 2 and March 16. He will meet with persons from Northumberland and Lancaster counties seeking free legal services.

Although walk-ins will be served, it is preferred that applicants call in advance at 443-9393 or 1-800-572-3094 to determine eligibility for services and reserve an appointment time. Rappahannock Legal Services also continues to serve clients out of its office at 407 Prince Street in Tappahannock.

Eligibility is based on a household's income and assets. Services are provided in many kinds of civil cases. However, personal injury cases, divorce, traffic and criminal cases are not handled by Rappahannock Legal Services.

DMV offices to be closed for holiday

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will be closed Monday, February 20, in observance of George Washington Day.

DMV encourages customers to use alternative service options, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for routine transactions.

"Almost every Virginia vehicle owner can renew his or her license plate decals without visiting a DMV customer service center," said DMV Commissioner D.B. Smit. "The agency provides three convenient alternative service options; Internet, telephone and U.S. mail. An Internet transaction takes less than four minutes. The customer updates his own record online and DMV automatically sends replacement decals to his home in just a few days."

More than half of Virginia's drivers are eligible to renew driver's licenses using an alternative service option. Customers can find out if they are eligible by checking their renewal notices.

"Visit the DMV website to see just how easy it is to conduct transactions online," said Smit. "The instructions on the website, www.dmvnow.com, will walk you through the process. It's easy and saves you a trip to the DMV."

Farm Credit returns $24.5 million

Member-owned cooperative Farm Credit recently returned more than $24 million in patronage refunds to its Virginia borrowers.

At a ceremony in Richmond, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry Robert Bloxom joined representatives from the three Farm Credit associations serving Virginia to announce the distribution of refunds to farmers and rural residents.

J.N. Mills Jr., chairman of the board of Colonial Farm Credit and a farmer from King William County, explained that Farm Credit is organized as a customer-owned cooperative.

"Our customers share in the profitable operation of their company through a patronage refund, reducing their borrowing costs and returning money to the rural communities where they live," said Mills.

Patronage is just one of the reasons he is a borrower, he said.

"Of course I like the service, but sharing in the profits is a huge incentive as well," said Mills.

"This check represents the millions and millions of dollars that Farm Credit is putting back into the agricultural and forestry community, helping the thousands of citizens that provide the food and fiber for this country and the world," said Secretary Bloxom.

From left are John N. Mills Jr., secretary Robert Bloxom and Greg Farmer.

Valley Farm Credit, Colonial Farm Credit and Farm Credit of the Virginias provide more than $2 billion in financing to over 18,000 farmers, agribusinesses and rural homeowners in Virginia. They loan funds for home purchase and construction, land and farm purchases, equipment, farming expenses, horse and livestock purchases in addition to financing agribusiness.

Kilmarnock Chamber announces raffle winners

The Kilmarnock Chamber of Commerce on Monday announced the winners of the Kilmarnock Days raffles. The annual Kilmarnock Days sale promotion was held February 3 and 4 at participating merchants throughout town.

Alison Jayne of White Stone won a two-night stay for two at the Ramada Oceanfront Plaza on the Outer Banks.

Jennifer Kelley of White Stone won lunch for two at Lee's Restaurant.

Lyn Porter of Lancaster won lunch for two at Dixie Deli.

Shirely Morgan of Montross won lunch for two at the Brake Pad.

Bill Gibson of Kilmarnock won a reusable hot/cold gel pack from Pure and Simple Family Chiropractic.

Dennis McNeal of Weems won a $50 gift certificate from Adam's Jewelers.

Jennifer Mann of Burgess won a $100 gift certificate from Rappahannock Hangups.

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Rilling photos displayed

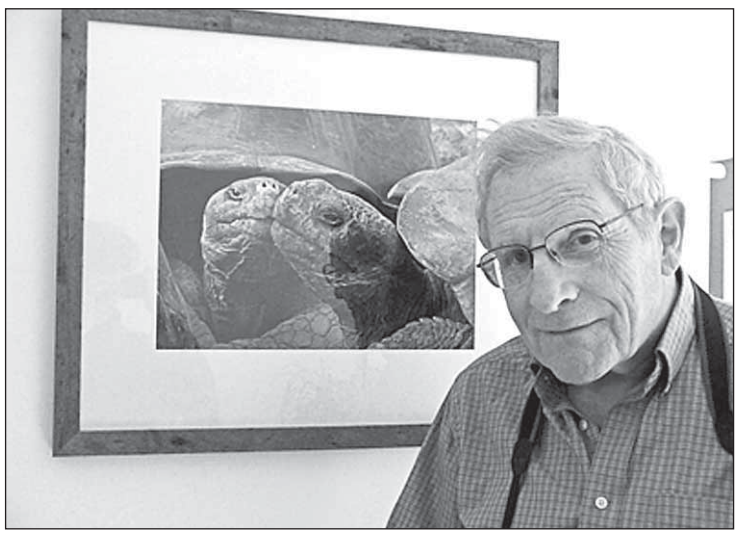
Hans Rilling's photography is featured in a window at the Studio Gallery on Main Street in Kilmarnock.

Rilling has always enjoyed photography, but since moving to Virginia he has focused on digital photography and has been exhibiting his work.

He earned a bachelor's in chemistry from Oberlin College and a doctorate in biochemistry from Harvard. He was a professor at the University of Utah at Salt Lake City for 30 years. After retiring, he and his wife, Alison, spent 10 years in Oregon where he was active in watershed conservation.

When the Rillings moved east, they were familiar with the Northern Neck, having visited a daughter living in the area. After doing research, they decided on Lancaster County and moved here three years ago.

Rilling joined the Rappahannock Art League a year ago and began exhibiting his work at the Studio Gallery. He is a gallery director, a board member and co-editor of the league's newsletter.



Hans Rilling displays a photo taken on a recent trip to the Galapagos islands.

"Photography focuses my attention on details and makes me much more aware of my surroundings," said Rilings. "Digital photography gives me immediate gratification by permitting instant viewing. Photos can be modified, even manipulated, in a computer. My experience as a scientist, with computers and computer graphics has found a new home in editing images with my desk top darkroom—my computer."

From left are Jeffrey M. Szyperski, Harry Lee Self and bank senior vice president John O'Shaughnessy.

Self's service recognized

Chesapeake Bank recently recognized Harry Lee Self for his contribution and leadership on the Northern Neck Advisory Board.

The owner of River Homes Inc., Self has served as chairman of this board since its inception in 1998.

The Northern Neck Advisory Board consists of business and community leaders. They provide input to bank management on a variety of issues and serve as a sounding board by raising issues independently of those expressed by management.

"Harry Lee has been an excellent ambassador for Chesapeake Bank," said bank president and chief executive officer Jeffrey M. Szyperski. "He has provided valuable input on issues that affect how we deliver products and services to our customers. We appreciate the time and leadership he has given to us on our Northern Neck Advisory Board."

From left are Chesapeake Academy events coordinator Tim Saunders and Michele Faulkner, Jack Neal and David Nickel of Neal & Nickel Wealth Management of Wachovia Securities.

Investment team to serve as a diamond sponsor for Chesapeake auction

Chesapeake Academy's 2006 annual silent and live dinner auction, the "ZENsational" Auction will be held on the Irvington campus of Chesapeake Academy April 29 at 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds will benefit the growth, development, and academic enrichment for the academy's 181 students.

The academy has varied levels of sponsorship. Neal & Nickel Wealth Management of Wachovia Securities in Kilmarnock has committed to be a diamond sponsor. To become a sponsor, to place an ad in the auction catalog, or to attend, contact Carrie Ahlborn or Tim Saunders at 438-6490, or email cahlborn@chesapeakeacademy.org.

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Firm can match baby boomers with franchises

As baby boomers start to turn 60, they may be feeling nostalgic about the early days of their careers, when job security actually meant something and a person could retire comfortably at 65.

Unfortunately, today's reality for many workers over the age of 50 is downsizing, difficult job searches and the very real prospect of working past 65. This generation has more opportunities for self-employment than ever before and are increasingly considering that option as they head into their golden years.

According to AARP, nearly half of the self-employed population is over 50, and about one in three self-employed workers age 51 to 69 made the transition to self-employment at or after 50.

"The franchise market has proven to be an excellent opportunity for downsized professionals or career changers to pursue after the age of 50," according to Mike Byrne, a Kilmarnock area consultant with The Entrepreneur's Source.

Byrne said that new business opportunities—particularly in the franchise market—can be a very rewarding and flexible career path for business professionals who have valuable experience.

Motives for starting a new business or choosing to go the entrepreneurial route are often different for the over-50 business owner. Many have the financial means to buy into a franchise and look at their business as an investment that not only generates income but allows them to have more flexibility and personal freedom, he said.

"Franchises are a good place to start when researching whether you're ready to make the leap to become an entrepreneur," said Byrne. "Because they often have long-term strategic plans to build their brand, a tested model and a support structure to help franchisees, they are generally more successful than an independent small business."

Ninety-five percent of the people helped by The Entrepreneur's Source become an owner of a business they would never have considered on their own, he said.

Byrne uses a "discovery process" that allows people to explore business options and uncover possibilities that are in sync with both their personal and income goals.

"Our clients look to us to tell them what would be best. But my job as a consultant is to find what motivates them, understand their goals, needs and expectations, and help coach them through The Entrepreneur's Source discovery process, so they can evaluate options for themselves and determine what works best for them," Byrne sid.

Let the IRS know of any address changes

"If you changed your home or business address, notify the IRS to ensure that you receive any refunds or correspondence," IRS spokeswoman Gloria Wajciechowski said. "While the IRS uses the Postal Service's change of address files to update taxpayer addresses, notifying the IRS directly is still a good idea."

There are several ways to do this. Taxpayers may:

• correct the address legibly on the mailing label that comes with a tax package or write the new address in the appropriate boxes on the return.

• use Form 8822, Change of Address, to submit an address or name change at any time.

• inform an IRS employee, if contacted about an account.

• write to the IRS center where the return is to be filed.

The addresses for the IRS centers are listed in the tax instructions. In order to process an address change, the IRS will need the full name, old and new addresses, and the social security number or employer identification number, and signatures. If a joint return was filed, each taxpayer should notify the IRS of their new addresses.

"It's also a good idea to notify your employer, and any former employers, of your new address so that you can get your W-2 forms on time," Wajciechowski said.

If the change of address occurs after filing a return, don't forget to notify the post office at the old address so mail can be forwarded.

The IRS should also be notified if the taxayer makes estimated tax payments and a change of address occurs. Mail a completed Form 8822, Change of Address, or write the IRS center where you file your return. Continue to use the old preprinted payment vouchers until the IRS sends new ones.

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York to teach upcoming course on Mark Twain

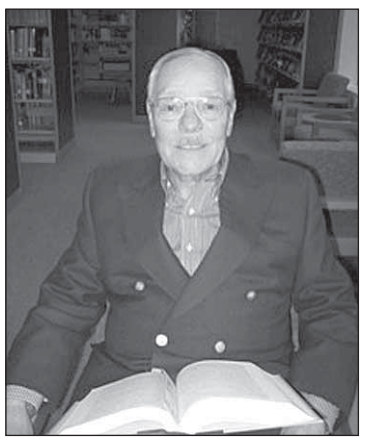
Tom York will teach his third course for the Rappahannock Institute for Lifelong Learning. Classes will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. February 28, March 7 and March 14 at the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock.

York's previous courses saw enrollments which challenged the capacity of the room, according to planning committee member Mary Lloyd Lay.

"This new presentation should be no exception," she said.

York will teach "Social Commentary in Some Works of Mark Twain," focusing on Twain's works, *Tom Sawyer, Hucklebrry Finn, A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court,* and "The Man That Corrupted Hadleyburg."

Prior to entering the U.S. Navy, York was a graduate student and instructor at Kansas State University. Although his area of graduate school concentration was Medieval English literature, he found time to indulge himself with a semester course devoted to studying the works of Twain. The course argued that Twain's works were seminal in the development of today's literature, a view popularized by Ernest Hemingway who said, "all modern American literature comes from one book, Twain's *Huckleberry Finn*."


Thomas A. York

With the passage of time, York came to see that in addition to his place in literature as an innovator, Twain was a trenchant observer of and commentator on American society and its shortcomings.

Twain was a keen observer of the American scene of his time, incorporating his views and attitudes in his writings. While the first three books mentioned above are well-known novels, the last is a shorter work that has been called both a story and an essay. Whichever it is, the work is a small masterpiece even though it presents a dark view of the human condition.

RILL courses are sponsored by the Rappahannock Community College Educational Foundation Inc.. To register, call Sharon Drotleff at 333-6707, or 877-722-3679.

St. Mary's issues call for grant applications

St. Mary's Whitechapel is now accepting applications for educational grants.

Applicants must indicate in their own handwriting their reasons for selecting the school they hope to attend and their need for financial aid.

Applicants, or their family, must be a resident of Lancaster County, or the child or grandchild of a St. Mary's Whitechapel parishioner.

For an application, write St. Mary's Whitechapel Episcopal Church, 5940 White Chapel Road, Lancaster, Virginia 22503, or call the church office at 462-5908, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The deadline for completed applications and requested documentation is April 19.

Random Chicks win Brain Bowl

From left, the fifth-grade team of Elizabeth Flynn, Meghan Frere, Brooke Hudnall and Casey Clarke won the season's fourth Brain Bowl February 3 at Lancaster Middle School. It was the team's second victory this year. The competition helps students prepare for standards of learning tests. The next Brain Bowl will be Friday, February 10, at 9 a.m. in the LMS theater. The public is welcome.

School Menu

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Monday, February 13:
Pancakes w/syrup or Cereal & toast
Apple juice
Hot dog on bun or Chicken sticks
Tater tots or Carrot sticks
Fruit cup, Fresh fruit

Tuesday , February 14:
Chicken biscuit or Cereal & toast
Orange juice
Steakum & cheese sub
or Fish nuggets w/roll
Golden corn or Steamed broccoli
Spiced applesauce or Fresh fruit

Wednesday, February 15:
Waffle sticks w/syrup or Cereal & toast
Grape juice
Chicken nuggets or Tuna sandwich w/chips
Mashed potatoes or Green beans
Pear halves or Fresh fruit

Thursday, February 16:
Sausage biscuit or Cereal & toast
Orange juice
Tacos/salsa or Ham & cheese on bun
Lettuce, tomato, cheese or Golden corn
Sliced peaches or Fresh fruit

Friday, February 17:
French Toast w/syrup or cereal & toast
Fruit punch
Deli turkey sandwich w/lettuce & tomato or Hot pocket
Potato wedges or Peas
Mandarin oranges or Fresh fruit

School counseling week is celebrated

National School Counseling Week, sponsored by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), will be celebrated February 6 to 10.

The special week honoring school counselors provides recognition for school counselors who "implement comprehensive school counseling programs, a vital part of the educational process for all students as they meet the challenges of the 21st century," according to Lancaster High School principal Sandra Spears.

In a proclamation, Spears cited school counselors Lara Brown and Barbara Smith for being actively engaged in helping students examine their abilities, strengths, interests and talents, for working in a partnership with parents as they encounter the challenges of raising children in today's world, for focusing on positive ways to enhance students' social/personal, educational and career development, and working with teachers and other educators to provide an educational system where students can realize their potential and set healthy, realistic and optimistic aspirations for themselves.

"Every day, school counselors work with school counseling programs that address the personal/social, academic and career needs of all students," said ASCA president Barbara Blackbum. "Their ultimate goal is to enable all students to achieve success in school and to become responsible and productive members of our society."

As part of its celebration for National School Counseling Week, on February 7 LHS seniors will participated in a SAT and post-secondary planning workshop and a financial aid workshop. On February 8, juniors took a practice SOL writing prompt in preparation.

On February 9, freshmen will participate in a workshop, "How to get good grades." On February 10, sophomores will participate in a career interest survey through Virginia View and Kuder Career Planning Services.

Any parents or other community member with specific questions or concerns about school counseling programs may contact the Lancaster High School Guidance Department at 462-0703.

Katelyn Stillman

Katelyn Stillman receives music study scholarship

The Rappahannock Music Study Club recently awarded Katelyn Stillman of Kilmarnock a $1,000 Genevieve Pledge music study grant for the 2006-07 term.

A rising junior with a major in visual and performing arts at Longwood University in Farmville, Stillman is studying voice, piano, and conducting, and performs with the Chamber Singers.

The music club is offering another $1,000 scholarship to high school seniors planning to study music in college this fall. Open to residents of all Northern Neck counties, the grant is funded by an endowment from the late Carolyn K. Dunton, and can be renewed each year. Applicants must have musical talent and reasonable proficiency, a good academic record, and need financial assistance to further their education. A performance audition is required.

Applications are available from the guidance departments in all high schools, or from scholarship chair Joan Blatterman. Call 435-9171 to request a form. The deadline for applications for the 2006-07 college year is March 17.

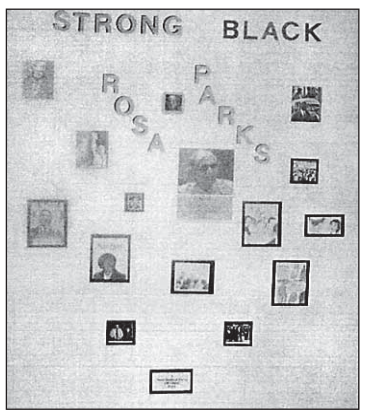
Future teachers pay tribute

The Lancaster Middle School Chapter of the Future Teachers of America recently created a display to honor Rosa Parks.

The club members portray Rosa Parks as a strong black woman who stood up for what she believed and consider her to be an example for people of all colors in America.

The display of pictures and short biographies in the LMS front hallway will continue to grow as future teachers add more African-American leaders to the annual Black History display.

The Future Teachers club hopes to instill in students a desire to work towards a teaching career. The club promotes academic achievement, leadership responsibilities and a positive self image. The club is sponsored by Rosemary Moody and has several ongoing projects.



The Rosa Parks display at LMS.

Charlotte E. Cornwell

Cornwell graduates

Charlotte E. Cornwell graduated January 7 from the University of Delaware with a bachelor's in English. She also was named to the Dean's List.

Cornwell was the lead editor of the student-run university magazine "DEconstruction." During the summer she worked locally as a YMCA camp counselor and summer camp assistant director.

She is a 2002 honors graduate of Christchurch High School. She is the daughter of Allen and Sally Cornwell of White Stone and the granddaughter of Paddy and Peter Stericker of Torquay, England, and John and Elsie Cornwell of Callao.

She works and lives in Newark, Del.

Johnson accepted to VCU nursing school

Katherine Rose Johnson of Lancaster has been accepted to Virginia Commonwealth University's School of Nursing for fall 2006.

Johnson is a senior at Lancaster High School and will graduate in June.

Her desire to enter the nursing profession stems from her work with the elderly at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury where she has worked since 2004.

Johnson has also been on two work and witness mission trips with the White Stone Church of the Nazarene to Costa Rica in 2003, and to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 2005. In Costa Rica, she helped build a dormitory to house missionaries-in-training. In Rio, she helped build a school for street children and orphans. Both trips contributed to her desire to serve those in need.

She is the daughter of David and Joan Johnson of Lancaster.

Katherine Rose Johnson

Spanish training held for child care workers

On January 30, as part of a Command Spanish program at Rappahannock Community College, the Workforce and Community Development office sponsored a workshop for child care workers.

Instructor Leslie Park taught Northern Neck Head Start teachers and staff how to communicate with young children and their parents in Spanish on a variety of need-specific topics.

In addition to Spanish language instruction, "Spanish for Child Care Facilities" provides cross-cultural training to help Spanish-speaking children and their parents make the transition to English-language child care and educational institutions. It prepares non-Spanish-speaking child care workers and early childhood education students for more informed interaction with and effective care of Spanish-speaking children.

Those who successfully completed the course should have enough familiarity with Spanish to exchange basic information about health issues, personal needs, and social and scholastic concerns with both children and their parents or guardians. They should be able to register new students, direct the children in emergency procedures, manage classroom activities and schedules, and teach basic Spanish information as colors, numbers and the alphabet to English-speaking children.

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Dr. Brooks to discuss African-American history

As part of Rappahannock Community College's celebration of Black History Month, the Student Development office has invited Dr. Christopher Brooks, department chair of African-American studies at Virginia Commonwealth University, to lecture on "Why Is African-American History Important to You?"

Dr. Brooks will speak Wednesday, February 15, at noon in the Warsaw Campus Workforce and Community Development Center. With the help of interactive video technology, he will be heard simultaneously in Rooms 181 and 183 in Warsaw, and Room 183 of the Glenns Campus WCD Center.

Dr. Christopher Brooks

Dr. Brooks holds professorships in African-American studies and anthropology; his doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin is in anthropology and ethno-musicology. He has brought out numerous publications focusing on the African continental and diasporan experience. He also has contributed to the "African and African-American Religions" and "Religion and War" volumes in the "Religion and Society" series published by Routledge in 2001 and 2003, and is the general editor of a forthcoming volume on Christian missionaries and missionization for the same series.

Following the lecture, a reception will be held in the student lounge, where Dr. Brooks will sign copies of his books.

Blue Crab Bowl is Saturday at ODU

Old Dominion University's Department of Ocean, Earth and Atmospheric Science and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science of the College of William and Mary will co-host the Blue Crab Bowl 2006.

Competition will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, February 11, at the Batten Arts and Letters Building at Old Dominion University in Norfolk.

The Chesapeake Bay Governor's School-Warsaw Campus will send a team.

In Blue Crab Bowl 2006, teams of high school students face off in Virginia's regional ocean sciences bowl. The winning team will compete against 24 other regional champions in the ninth annual National Ocean Sciences Bowl (NOSB) May 13 to 15, in Pacific Grove, Calif.

The NOSB, a program of the Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education in Washington, D.C., in partnership with the National Marine Educators Association, seeks to interest students in ocean science as a college major and potential career.

Through 25 regional competitions across the nation, NOSB also provides an educational forum to generate student interest in the ocean sciences, improve awareness of oceans, coasts and Great Lakes and create an "ocean literate" society.

College foundation tops $2 million in assets

The value of endowed scholarships and other assets of the Rappahannock Community College Educational Foundation (RCC/EFI) recently exceeded $2 million for the first time, according to RCC president Dr. Elizabeth H. Crowther.

"This is the first of many milestones we intend to pass as we move toward the goal of providing a college education to every person in our twelve-county service region who has that dream," said Dr. Crowther.

The foundation awards more than 120 scholarships, totaling nearly $150,000, each year.

RCC has experienced record enrollment levels for fall 2005 and the current semester. Increased enrollment, and more registrations from students just graduating from high school, may be a direct result of the establishment of guaranteed-admission agreements with 13 four-year colleges and universities in Virginia, including the most recent, forged with The College of William and Mary.

"We want to continue this trend of increased enrollment by being able to offer more and larger scholarship awards as the assets of the Educational Foundation continue to grow," said Dr. Crowther.

She said the RCC/EFI annual fund drive, "Campaign for Excellence," is under way, and is also reaching record response levels.

To help support RCC, call 333-6707.

Hughes on Dean's List

Laura Hughes was named to the fall 2005 Dean's List at the University of Mary Washington with a GPA of 3.65. She has also been named to the National Dean's List and the National Scholars Society. Hughes is a biology major and is planning to attend pharmacy school. She is the daughter of Ronald and Charlotte Hughes of Lively, and the granddaughter of Edna Revere of Lively and the late Rudolph Revere, and Leroy and Joyce Hughes of Taylors Creek.

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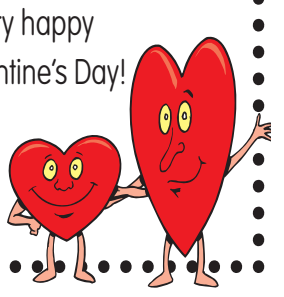

Terreka D. Maiden

Maiden honored

Terreka D. Maiden has been named to the honors list at Virginia State University and has been nominated for the National Dean's List for the 2005-06 school year for the second time.

As a member of the National Dean's List, Maiden has earned a nomination to serve as a collegiate scholar in the 2006 International Scholar Laureate Program Delegation on anthropology and archaeology in China.

Maiden will graduate in May. She is majoring in criminal justice and sociology. She is also interning at the Petersburg Police Department. After graduation she plans to attend Virginia Commonwealth University and work toward her master's in criminology.

Maiden was a five-year employee at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury and continues to work there on the weekends.

She is the daughter of Genita Shearin of Merry Point and Terry Maiden of Kilmarnock.

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Statewide outdoor fire ban goes into effect February 15

CHARLOTTESVILLE—The Commonwealth's 4 p.m. Burning Law goes into effect February 15. This law prohibits burning before 4 p.m. each day through April 30 if the fire is in, or within 300 feet of, woodland, brushland or fields containing dry grass or other flammable materials.

"The 4 p.m. burning law is one of the most effective tools we have in the prevention of wildfires," said John Miller, Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF) director of resource protection.

"Each late winter and early spring, downed trees, branches and leaves become 'forest fuel' that increase the danger of a forest fire," said Miller. "By adhering to the law and not burning before 4 p.m., people are less likely to start a fire that threatens them, their property and the forests of Virginia."

Last year, there were 773 wildfires in the Commonwealth, according to the VDOF. These fires destroyed 4,859 acres of forest land.

"The leading cause of forest fires in Virginia is carelessness," said VDOF forest protection coordinator Fred Turck. "An unattended fire, a discarded cigarette or a single match can ignite the dry fuels that are so prevalent in the early spring. Add a few days of dry, windy conditions and an escaped wildfire can quickly turn into a raging blaze."

Of the 773 wildfires last year, 255 were caused by people burning debris or yard waste, 132 were arson, 92 were equipment use, 37 were due to smoking, 35 were started by children, 16 were caused by lightning, 11 were related to the railroads, nine were campfires, and the rest were classified as miscellaneous causes.

Areas affected by hurricanes, tornadoes or strong thunderstorms are of particular concern. In addition to creating more forest fuel, large numbers of downed trees make firefighting more difficult and dangerous.

"People living in or near these areas are especially at risk," said Turck. "To take a quote from Smokey Bear, 'Only You Can Prevent Wildfires.' "

For more information, a complete copy of the Forest Fire Laws, contact the local VDOF office, or visit www.dof.virginia.gov.

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million emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking as well as the homeless.

Del. Wittman has also asked for $600,000 in 2007 from the general fund for ongoing maintenance of the facilities and equipment at the Northern Neck Farmers' Market. The money will pay for compressors, two 20-ton turbo ice machines and the supporting structure to store the ice and house the equipment.

He has requested $20,000 in 2007 and in 2008 for the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to increase support for the Potomac River Fisheries Commission, which regulates the fisheries of the tidal Potomac River. The amount requested restores funding for the PRFC to its 2001 level.

He has put in for an additional $1 million in 2007 and in 2008 for the Department of Conservation and Recreation to develop the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail. The funding will be used to leverage federal, private and local funds to build hiking trails connecting communities and historic sites from Fredericksburg to the Northern Neck. The entire length of the trail will ultimately stretch from the mouth of the Potomac River to the Allegheny Highlands in Pennsylvania.

Del. Wittman also has requested $13,000 in 2007 from the general fund for the Richmond County Museum. The money will pay to restore the bronze on the William Atkinson Jones Memorial. Jones grew up in Warsaw and fought in the Civil War. He later studied law at the University of Virginia and served as a U.S. Congressman for the First Congressional District for 28 years.

Sen. Chichester has sought $390,000 in 2007 and in 2008 from the Department of Aging for Bay Aging. The money would supplement private donations and other resources for its Adult Day Break program, which operates in partnership with local churches. Through the program, Bay Aging would provide health, social and support services for frail elderly and disabled persons and their caregivers to allow individuals to receive care at home and prevent or delay entry into institutional settings.

Sen. Chichester also has requested $80,000 from the Virginia Tourism Authority in 2007 to cover the operating costs of the Potomac Gateway Welcome Center in King George. The funding would release the counties of the Northern Neck, including Northumberland and Lancaster, from their obligation to fund the center. This is the only welcome center in Virginia currently funded by localities. King George County has been footing a large part of the bill in recent years and has asked that the other Northern Neck counties step up their contributions, which have likewise dwindled in recent years.

Sen. Chichester and Del. Wittman have put in requests for $496,000 and $96,000 respectively from the Department of Health in 2007 to support the start-up and operation costs of a pilot project birthing center in the Northern Neck. Wittman's request adds an additional $100,000 in 2008 to hire a project coordinator whose job will be to secure sustainable funding for the center. (See related story on page A1).

Northumberland to begin working on school budget

LOTTSBURG—The Northumberland school board will hold an input session on the 2006-07 school budget at 5:30 p.m. Monday, February 13, at the school board office in Lottsburg.

Superintendent Clint Stables will make preliminary budget recommendations.

Responses to a request for proposals for replacing or renovating the middle school and high school are due February 15. Stables will provide an update on the process and present guidelines for Phase 2 of the review for approval by the school board. The board also will establish meeting dates to review proposals with the board of supervisors.

School board members will be acknowledged Monday in honor of School Board Appreciation Month and Lois Brann will be recognized in honor of School Board Clerk Appreciation Week.

The board also will consider requesting the following special flow-through appropriations from the county:

• $1,920.74 for internet-associated expenses through the state E-rate program.

• $1,184.15 for expenses incurred to improve services for children with severe emotional or behavioral problems.

• $14,984 from the SLIVER Grant for special education staff development.

• $5,000 from the Virginia Transitions Outcomes Project.

• $10,000 in grant money for bi-lingual tutoring, teachers and aides.

• $600 in grant money from Rappahannock Community College for a mentor teacher program.

Commission sets hearings

LANCASTER—The planning commission for Lancaster County will meet Thursday, February 16, at 7 p.m. in the Lancaster General District courtroom.

Two public hearings are scheduled.

George Ralph Pickeral seeks authorization to rezone 15 acres of property on Old Salem Road near its intersection with Ring Farm Road from agricultural use to commercial use. He plans to establish a self-storage business with 1,000 units at full buildout.

Knull Properties LLC seeks authorization to amend proffers for a past rezoning of Yankee Point Sailboat Marina property in order to operate a snack bar at the marina.

▼ *Planners . . . .*

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Although he said he personally dislikes the idea of Wal-Mart opening a store in the county, the dialogue should remain open about the plan revision with an emphasis on what might be beneficial to the county five or 10 years in the future, said Jones.

Larson said the issue of potable water should be addressed in the revision through consideration of an alternative to aquifer ground water supply, such as a reservoir.

There is currently no surface water alternative like a reservoir in the county but ordinances could be adopted to establish a reservoir at one of the existing potential sites within the county, he said.

"We know where they are, but we've got subdivision occurring around some of them right now as we speak," said Larson.

He also said the state has mandated that localities participate in the development of a plan for regional water supplies.

Environmental planner Stuart McKenzie of the Northern Neck Planning District Commission (NNPDC) said localities are required to develop a plan within six years.

McKenzie said the NNPDC has submitted a grant proposal on behalf of Northern Neck counties for the first phase of the plan, which would examine the existing resources for water supply and usage. The second phase, forecasting future water needs, would be pursued through grant funding available in future years, said McKenzie.

The level of the primary aquifer providing water to the region is dropping at a level of one-and-one-half feet per year, he noted.

Lancaster school board sets meeting

LANCASTER—The Lancaster school board will meet Monday, February 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Lancaster Middle School media center.

Agenda items include a three-year contract for use of a mobile facility to house the Air Force Reserved Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program at Lancaster High School.

The board also may implement a policy governing the donation of computers no longer used by the school division.

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Crockett regarding a dedicated patrol for the town. The primary focus of the patrol would be traffic law enforcement during peak hours.

As proposed, the town would pay an off duty sheriff's deputy $15 an hour to patrol the town. As an employee of the sheriff's department, the deputy would be under the supervision of the sheriff for insurance and liability concerns, explained Terry. Salary-related expenses would be a responsibility of the town, he added.

Mayor Alexander McDonald Fleet appointed council members Kathleen F. Pollard and Ransone to work with a committee of citizens pursuing improvements, including new equipment, for the town playground.

Council to meet

The town council will meet Thursday, February 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the town office at 235 Steamboat Road.

A public hearing will be held on a proposal by Grayson Mattingly to subdivide a 6.1-acre parcel known as the Wilder Grant off Steamboat Road to create a 2-acre lot and a 4.1-acre lot.

Rappahannock Record Deadlines

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Tuesday at 2 p.m.

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valued over $1,000.

Amanda Saunders Fletcher, 30, of Heathsville was charged February 4 with forgery as well as misdemeanor charges of embezzlement and petit larceny.

A 24-year-old Warsaw man was charged January 24 with failure to appear in the General District Court.

A 17-year-old Heathsville juvenile was charged January 25 with possession of marijuana and possession of alcohol under the age of 21.

A 13-year-old Callao juvenile was charged January 25 with a probation violation and possession of marijuana.

A 12-year-old Heathsville juvenile was charged January 25 with two counts of possession of alcohol under the age of 21.

A 23-year-old Callao man was charged January 30 on a Richmond County warrant with failure to appear in the General District Court.

A 55-year-old Lottsburg man was charged January 31 with assault and battery of a family member.

A 51-year-old Burgess man was charged January 31 with driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest.

A 44-year-old Heathsville man was charged February 2 with failure to obey a court order.

A 27-year-old Heathsville man was charged February 3 with trespassing and destruction of property.

A 52-year-old Heathsville resident was charged February 4 with petit larceny.

An 18-year-old Farnham man was charged February 5 with possession of alcohol under the age of 21.

On February 5, the sheriff's staff received a report of a larceny from a residence in the Reedville area. Taken was a Rohl single-lever kitchen faucet with hand spray valued at $421 and a Rohl extended flange for a sink drain valued at $100.

For the week ending February 5, the sheriff's office handled 124 calls. Deputies responded to 17 alarm calls, 47 citizens' complaints, eight accident or traffic related offenses, five transports of inmates and 14 animal control complaints.

LANCASTER COUNTY CRIME SOLVERS

The Lancaster Sheriff's office is seeking information about a fire and vandalism at 550 Lara Road just past Lara apartments. The fire is of suspicious nature. It took place Sunday, February 5, around 6 p.m.

If you have information about someone on the property before the fire broke out, call Lancaster County Crime Solvers at 462-7463. Your call will not be recorded and you could receive a reward for your information.

The sheriff's office has warrants for:

• Misty Elizabeth Keyser-Lewis, 30. She is described as a white female with black hair and hazel eyes. She is 5'5" tall and weighs 280 pounds. Her last known address was 200 East Omni Place in Ashland, and perhaps Northumberland County also. She is wanted for refusing to comply with probation.

• Christine Carmon, 44. She is described as a black female with black hair and brown eyes. Her last known address is 6290 Old Warwick Road in Richmond. She is wanted for a felony bad check that was passed to a business in the Kilmarnock area.

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