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KILMARNOCK, VIRGINIA

Audit reveals county's net assets moving up

by Robert Mason Jr.

LANCASTER—As anticipated by local government officials, county auditor Paul Lee of Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates delivered a favorable report to the board of supervisors last week regarding finances for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

He commended the various county departments for a smooth audit.

Among the highlights, he noted that the county's net assets continue to "move up."

Net assets include everything, and not necessarily cash on hand, he said.

As local government audits in the Commonwealth go, the auditors note that net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a county's financial position.

In Lancaster, the recent audit reflects total net assets of $4,306,270 for 2005, an increase of $241,746 over 2004, explained Lee.

For 2005, the county's statement listed current and other assets at $6,292,708 and capital assets at $5,101,832 for total gross assets of $11,394,540.

With then current liabilities of $594,630 and long-term liabilities of $6,493,640, the county's total liabilities stood at $7,088,270.

According to the county's 2005 statement, Lancaster's general fund revenues totaled $16,299,979, general fund expenditures totaled $17,135,167, transfers in and out totaled $625,822, the beginning fund balance was $1,925,369 and the ending fund balance was $1,716,003.

Lee indicated the general fund balance represents about 8 percent of the county's total operating budget. He'd like to see it a little higher, he said.

Meanwhile, tax collections are 99.5 percent, added Lee.

Supervisor Peter N. Gelich asked if there were any shortcomings with the audit.

If the county would get the fund balance up to 15 percent of the operating budget, "that would be great," said Lee.

However, board chairman F. W. 'Butch" Jenkins Jr. acknowledged an ongoing difference of opinion in that area. Jenkins said he considers it a poor use of taxpayer money to just hold onto it for a higher fund balance.

Water quality is a key issue, says Del. Wittman

by Gary Madson

LANCASTER—"How we address water quality issues is the single biggest challenge facing those of us who live in the Northern Neck," said Del. Rob Wittman when he met with residents in Eagle Landing on Saturday.

"We all know that it is going to be very expensive and will take many years to restore the Chesapeake and its tributaries," said Del. Wittman. "The frustrating part for us in the legislature from areas most concerned about it, is that there is no continuous, reliable source of funds to be used to clean up our waters.

"Now the only dedicated sources of funds for bay cleanup is limited to the Commonwealth of Virginia's budget surplus," he said. "We need a steady level of funds for a program of this nature. We can't succeed with a significant spending program one year and then watch while those funds drop to near nothing the next. And that's where we are."

From left are Del. Rob Wittman, Michele Tucker and Cameron Blandford.

Cameron Blandford urged Del. Wittman to have state authorities make much greater use of the abilities of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) in this effort.

"VIMS has the data, know-how and responsibility to provide information to the General Assembly," he said.

Wally Dawson cited recent property inspections in the area as evidence that the Virginia Department of Health is checking for failed septic systems and urged greater resources be devoted to making sure such systems are corrected and made functional again.

Del. Wittman described a program of state financial assistance for those unable to correct their failed septic systems.

Blandford notes the abundance of volunteer help in the area and asked that some way be found to use volunteers to help with water quality sampling to expand this program at no-cost to local or state governments. Wittman pledged to explore ways to expand the progress in the effort to stop localized pollution.

Del. Wittman said the General Assembly is headed towards authorizing funding for a basic level of transportation improvements statewide and then allowing Northern Virginia and the Hampton Roads areas to implement additional funding sources to meet their specific transportation needs.

"In the next 10 years, it is forecast that Northern Virginia will add 750,000 jobs to its economy," Del. Wittman said. "They face much different transportation solu-

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2006

Assembly has yet to reach consensus

by Reid Pierce Armstrong

RICHMOND—The General Assembly special session will reconvene in full Monday, April 10.

Still at odds over transportation and budget issues, the House, Senate and governor's office are working to come to terms with how to spend last year's surplus.

The House wants to spend the $1 billion general fund surplus on transportation, which opponents say is only a temporary fix.

The Senate and the governor want to increase certain transportation-related taxes and fees to create what they say will be a long-term solution to the transportation problem and to save the surplus for teachers' salaries and safety issues.

Various committees have been working over the last few weeks to reach a resolution without success. This one-week hiatus will allow members time to recuperate before what everyone hopes to be the final push.

Del. Wittman presents resolutions to students

NEENAH—Del. Rob Wittman recently presented commending resolutions by the House of Delegates to Woodland Academy students Jordan Baughan, Holly Sanford and Ed Grimes for their essays on safe boating.

"I am tremendously proud of Ed Grimes, Holly Sanford and Jordan Baughan and their efforts to communicate the importance of safe boating," Del. Wittman said. "With both commercial and recreational use of our Virginia waterways at an all time high, it is great to know that there are efforts by our youth to promote safe boating practices."

The students were the winners in a nationwide essay contest entitled "Why I Wear My Life Jacket." The contest was sponsored by the National Safe Boating Council. The students were the only winners in Virginia.

In their age groups, Ed Grimes won honorable mention, and Holly Sanford and Jordan Baughan each won first place.

The legislation establishing the resolutions of commendation was patroned by Del. Wittman and co-patroned by 57 other delegates.

From left are Del. Rob Wittman, Jordan Baughan, Holly Sanford and Ed Grimes.

Sheriffs note scam activity on the rise

Lancaster and Northumberland authorities last week reported an increase in fraudulent activity.

At 9:30 a.m. on March 29, Lancaster County Sheriff Ronnie Crockett received a complaint about the fradulent sale of a "secondary Medicare card" for a one-time fee of $318.

The fraudulent call was made from outside of Virginia. The caller offered to sell a "Medicare card to be used along with your existing Medicare card. For $318, the second Medicare card will pay for any prescription not covered by your primary Medicare card," the caller claimed.

Sheriff Crockett warns Medicare cardholders about this specific fraud scheme, and to use caution if any similar calls are received. Any changes to the Medicare program are announced by mail to each Medicare cardholder.

As always, there are 3 indicators of a telephone fraud scam:

- You are called by someone you don't know.
- You are told about an offer that is only available during the call.
- You are asked for your credit card or bank account number.

A new financial scam in Lancaster also was reported last week.

At 11 a.m. on March 30, Sheriff Crockett received a call from a local attorney acting on behalf of clients who live in the Moran Creek area.

At about 9:30 a.m. that same day, a well-dressed white male with blond hair, approximately 40 years of age, knocked on the door of the targeted victims. When the door was answered, the suspect said he was following up on the telephone call from March 29 to discuss the victims' financial matters, including a trust account, tax shelters and other significant financial matters.

Once inside, the suspect made a telephone call to an unknown female, who in turn "confirmed' the appointment with the victims. Fortunately, the victims declined to cooperate and the suspect left.

The suspect's vehicle was described as either a Toyota Camry or a Mazda, light beige in color.

This is the first complaint about this type of fraudulent activity, noted Sheriff Crockett. All citizens are asked to immediately call the sheriff's office if approached under similar circumstances by anyone. Once again, citizens are reminded to be most careful about releasing financial or personal identifying information, and to use caution when approached at home by strangers.

Also last week, Northumberland Sheriff Wayne Middleton reported a citizen received a check as partial winnings from a lottery named Player City Lotto Exchange.

This also is a scam. The alleged lottery attempts to get personal bank information or asks the recipient to send money. Use extreme caution when dealing with lotto companies or sweepstakes winnings, the sheriff cautioned. Many of the lotteries are located out of the country and any money sent to them will be lost, he said.

Police Reports

Lancaster County Sheriff Ronnie Crockett reported six arrests last week.

Susan M. Self, 36, of Muncie, Ind., was charged March 30 with two counts of petit larceny, five counts of grand larceny (felonies) and 14 counts of forgery/uttering (felonies).

A Crawfords Corner Road man, 19, was charged March 27 with petit larceny.

A White Stone area man, 38, was charged March 27 with using profane/threatening language over the telephone.

A Kilmarnock area man, 33, was charged March 28 with failure to pay child support.

A Chesapeake Drive man, 20, was charged March 30 with using profane/threatening language over the telephone.

A Weems Road woman, 28, was charged with issuing a bad check and for public drunkenness when staff responded to a trespass complaint on Gaskins Road.

Other responses

On March 27, the sheriff's staff responded to a citizen's report of a small child walking on the highway in the Brookvale area, a citizen's report of finding possible stolen property in the Cliff View Road area and with the Kilmarnock Police Department to a disturbance call on School Street.

On March 28, the staff responded to the home of a Keep Safe program participant after prearranged telephone contact could not be made (no emergency services needed), to a vandalism complaint in the 100 block of Spring Hill Lane, with the White Stone Volunteer Fire Department (WSVFD) to a fire on Sandlin Drive and to a single vehicle accident in the 12200 block of Mary Ball Road.

On March 29, the staff responded to a prowler complaint in the 900 block of Johns Neck Road, a vandalism complaint in the 100 block of Alfonso Road, a burglary in progress call in the 1300 block of Shore Drive, and received a report of the theft of wheels, tires and clothing. The staff also responded to a trespass complaint on Shore Drive, received a walk-in report of check forgery, responded with the Upper Lancaster Volunteer Fire Department (ULVFD) to a fire ban complaint on River Road, responded to a noise violation complaint on Beach Road and received a report of the theft of a license plate from Washington Street.

On March 30, the sheriff's staff responded to an open door/unattended business report in Lively and a target shooting complaint on Rappahannock Landing Drive, referred a property owner to the court on a landlord/tenant complaint, received a possible telemarketing fraud complaint from an E. Cove Lane resident and responded to the area of Whites Lane to assist Virginia State Police with a vehicle pursuit/traffic stop.

On March 31, the staff received a landlord/tenant complaint in the 100 block of Ocran Road,

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A Closer Look

by Jane Tims

After five-and-a-half years in Virginia, Jay and I made our first trip to Washington, D.C., last Friday as we helped chaperone 82 Lancaster Primary School third-graders on three coach buses to the nation's capital, a spectacular field trip donated by school volunteer, tutor and benefactor, Margaret Socey.

It was a perfect cherry blossom day. Jay and I spent 15 hours in charge of eight exuberant children, with whom we learned so much.

We learned that we'd forgotten about the magnificence of Washington architecture. Skyscrapers! shouted our busload as we approached the city. The White House was bigger than they expected. They correctly identified the columns as Ionic. They thought they saw the president on the porch.

We learned to multi-task. While silently reading the Gettysburg Address, I completed three counts of eight bobbing heads. In spite of the dual focus, or maybe because of it, the Lincoln lump swelled large in my throat.

We learned that we have passed our chaperoning prime. One boy asked Jay if he was 77. That's fine if you're 81, but Jay is 63.

It was not the physical getting in and getting out and getting up and getting down that wore us out, but the constant knowledge that we had eight precious lives in our hands and a pledge of safe return.

Jay said the children were doing a great job of staying together. He said not to count so often, but I couldn't stop. By 3:30, I thought they were going to have to drop me at Arlington.

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We learned that a big bill burns a fast hole in a little pocket. Although the trip cost families and taxpayers not one single penny, parents had allotted spending money for the zoo gift shop. One boy bought a bald eagle figurine for his father. One, who said his father had cautioned him to get something that was "worth it," selected a box of plastic zoo animals. Some bought animal masks and many purchased pandas.

We learned that students had prepped for the trip. At the Jefferson Memorial, they said that Jefferson was the third president and wrote the Declaration of Independence. At the Lincoln Memorial, they said that Dr. Martin Luther King had delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech there.

I was not so accurate. At the "Jackson" statue on the walk to the White House, I told them that Stonewall Jackson fought for the South, loved to eat lemons, and was killed by his own troops. Jay advised me quietly that the statue was not Stonewall but Andrew.

Parents brought their children to school at 7 a.m., admonished them to behave, kissed them good-bye, then returned for them at 10 p.m. That's a long time to wonder what they're seeing, how they're feeling, if they'll be changed by the city. Like putting them on the school bus for the first time or allowing them to sleep overnight at a friend's, letting go takes trust.

Lancaster Primary School earned that trust. The energy and caring and patience of teachers and staff were endless. Teachers were tough when they needed to be and soft when softness applied. On the trip back after a bottomless pizza buffet, sleepy heads gradually drooped. Principal Merle Stables walked up and down the aisle ensuring that all was well. She knew each child by name.

Many thanks to community supporters who provided invaluable LPS tee shirts, disposable cameras and film development, snacks and tote bags; to four school board members who helped chaperone; and to the LPS faculty for preparation and execution of the trip. Now every child from third through eighth grade has had the opportunity to experience a Socey-spearheaded excursion.

From Long Island, Margaret Socey was a product engineer for an aircraft repair company. She and her "150-percent supportive" husband, Peter Fallon, live comfortably, so when her mother died in 1999, Margaret designated estate funds for the Washington trips.

"If one child can see that there's a bigger world outside and aspire to something more; if one child can see that he or she can do anything; that's what motivates me most," said Margaret.

I picture the budding professional photographer who carefully staged a photo shoot of his teachers at the White House. I picture the last boy to leave our bus back at school. "I wish this day would never end," he said, and for children and chaperones, the memories never will.

Reflections

by
John Howard Farmer
pastor, Irvington Baptist Church

by Rev. John H. Farmer

Too late a meadow, too soon a lawn

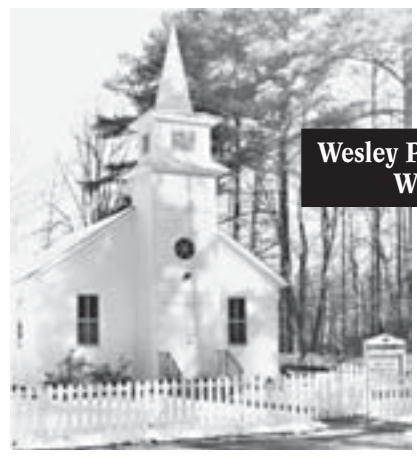
I am busy pushing things into the ground, hoping for a quick return of all things flora and fauna. Our yard is a hillside meadow that falls off to a low-lying marsh. Early on, we can claim to live in the meadow. Our meadow is a short tapestry of weeds. Mind you, they are pretty weeds. One industrious chap even stopped and asked if he might kill all the weeds in our yard and replant the area with grass.

What an awful idea.

I like the fact that God planted our meadow, with the help of missionary winds and birds. No person could have constructed such a pattern beautiful. We have a purple ground cover which is wandering into all the wrong places, yellow buttercups, dandelions, wild onions and thousands of purple violets. All these colors, all these textures sprang up from the earth and spread quickly across our lot. By week's end they will have reached height proportions such that the lady I work for will start nudging me towards the mower.

We found a chap with a vacuum strong enough to suck up piles of sweet gum balls and add them to our someday burn pile.

Far too soon I'll hop aboard John Deere, Dear, and lower the blade sufficient to chop back the wild carpet. Before I can park the mower, wild onions will laughingly return, their short tufts of green the first to renew.



Wesley Presbyterian
Weems

Dandelions, too, will escape the blade and thrust their yellow hue aloft. If you stand very still and quiet, you can watch as the yellow turns to globes of white. Old men, not just children, love to pluck them and blow their seeds to the wind. Once a nosy drive-by gardener caught me woofing my dandelions. A day or too later we chatted at the Post Office in municipal Irvington. He commented that he had observed me as I was scattering those awful weed seeds all across my yard.

My response was, "I hope so, I love the yellow flowers."

The ground cover will be the first to leave, and without chemical assistance, I might add. Our violets will stand fast until drier weather and punctuate the changing landscape. Wild grasses will sprout and, with weekly manicuring, the meadow will give way to our lawn. At first, it will be dappled with blank spots. Dust will fly as the mower crawls back and forth. Later, it will be a neat-tucked lawn yielded to the blade. Weekly discipline will encourage everything to stay at dress-right-dress.

However, if the mower fails, or the preacher does, God will push and pull and the close-cropped yard will yawn and stretch and tippy-toe towards the heavens. My decrepitness will cause me to call a younger lawn-boy (to whom I'll defer), one who can also shoulder a weed eater. (I wish there was a better name, say "a rotary cutter," perhaps). He'll have to pass muster for the rest of the growing season.

I'll fight the episodic state mower crews that fail to tend the roadside line until I foolishly think they'll not be back, and ask my aging frame to wade around the marsh and trim the margins. They'll stand off and watch as I plant this and that. They'll wait until they see flowers blooming in the ditch and, from nowhere, they will march in and vacate my feeble efforts. Oh well.

I continue to search for low maintenance plants to stab into the ground around our fickle pond. Numerous underground springs, and the throttled-back overflow from the farm next door, supply the pond. Even as dry as it has been thus far, we still have an eye-catching basin. At times the shallow spots will bridge and even tease the mower just enough to head off into the area. Just when you think you are safely across, wet hands will grab the mower and yell, "this is still a pond." I'll have to hike back up to the house and beg my black pickup to help the preacher tug the mower loose from the disguised wetlands. The truck begrudgingly will accompany me back to the pond, mumbling under its breath, "How many times will I have to do this?"

Our visiting herd of deer has taught me that while I might like to have a vegetable garden, they, too, love fresh produce. So, my 2006 farm will consist of a few pots of tomatoes and strawberries lined up on the concreted patio out back. I am still not sure if we will get either crop. One evening just last week, right at dusk, the herd came to call. As they nibbled their way across my collection of all things wild, I do believe I saw them cast eyes towards the pots and whisper back and forth about how nice the tomatoes and berries will taste, elevated off the ground and all.

I truly love what God has given us to enjoy. I even love that I think my minuscule ministrations can improve my acreage. However, as I cast my eyes around I can see forest, meadows, wetlands and more, that he has planted without my help. Then I think how beautiful was my meadow, until tradition yelled "cut the grass."

Isn't God wonderful?

BAPTIST

Beulah Baptist
4448 Mary Ball Road, Lively; 462-5000
Rev. Ronald Dunaway, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship

Bethany Baptist Church
Rt. 360, Callao
804-529-6890
Rev. Kori Kiss
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer

Calvary Baptist
490 East Church Street
Kilmarnock; 435-1052
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

Claybrook Baptist
2242 Weems Road,
Weems; 438-5570
Rev. Stephen Turner, Pastor
Saturday, April 8:
10 a.m.-12 noon, Easter Egg Hunt for ages 12 years and under
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
5 p.m., Covered Dish Supper
6 p.m., Palm Sunday Service
Wednesday, April 12:
12 noon, Lenten Service at St. Andrews
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
7:45 p.m., Choir Rehearsal

Coan Baptist
Heathsville; 580-2751
Rev. Robert Lee Farmer, Minister
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Tuesday, April 11:
7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer/Bible Study
Thursday, April 13:
6 p.m., Maundy Thursday Dinner
7 p.m., Maundy Thursday Service

Corrottoman Baptist
48 Ottoman Ferry Road, Ottoman
462-5674; Land deeded 1834
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School for All Ages
11 a.m., Morning Worship
7 p.m., Youth Meeting

Friendship Baptist
Hartfield, Pastor McKibbon,693-5503
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Nursery is provided
Wednesday, April 12:
6 p.m., Prayer Meeting
7 p.m., Choir Practice

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

Hartswell Baptist
10559 River Road,
Lancaster; 462-0845
Rev. Bunnie C. Dunaway, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
10:15 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Prayer & Praise
11:30 a.m., Worship

Irvington Baptist
53 King Carter Drive, Irvington
438-6971; John Howard Farmer, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School Assembly
10 a.m., Bible Classes
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
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
Thursday, April 6:
6 p.m., Exercise Group
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
12:15 p.m., Deacons Meeting
Tone Chimes and Children's Choir
6 p.m., Salt & Light
Monday, April 10:
7 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 242
Tuesday, April 11:
10:30 a.m., WMU Meeting
6 p.m., Exercise Group
6:45 p.m., Handbell Rehearsal
Wednesday, April 12:
12:05 p.m., Community Lenten Service at St. Andrews
7 p.m.,Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 13:
6 p.m., Maunday Thursday Dinner
7 p.m., Maunday Thursday Service

Lebanon Baptist Field
Carlton Milstead, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
Lebanon
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship 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, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship/Children's Church
6 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
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, April 9:
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, April 9:
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, April 9:
9:30 a.m., Church School
11 a.m., Worship

New Friendship Baptist
Burgess (Elevator access)
Rev. Steve Taylor, Pastor, 453-4235
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 12:
7 p.m., Bible Study
8 p.m., Adult Choir Practice

New Hope Baptist
2596 Walmsley Road
Lottsburg, VA, 529-9223
Rev. Aaron Kirchhefer, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
9 a.m., Sunday School
10:15 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
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, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship
6 p.m., Evening Service
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting

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

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

Second Baptist
34 Wellford Wharf Road
Warsaw, VA 22572 333-4280
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11:30 a.m., Worship Service
Thursday, April 13:
7 p.m., Bible Study

Sharon Baptist
1413 Lumberlost Road, Weems; 438-6659, Rev. Rodney D. Waller, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
9:30 a.m., Church School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
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, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
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, April 9:
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
12:15 p.m., VBS Meeting, Puppet Team (bring bag lunch)
Palm Sunday
Monday, April 10:
7 p.m., Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday, April 11:
7:30 p.m., Choir Practice
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Church Council Mtg.
Thursday, April 13:
7:30 p.m., Community Maundy Thursday Service

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

Warsaw Church of God
15 Church Lane, Warsaw
333-4951; Rev. Danny Deuell Sr.
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Worship

EPISCOPAL

Grace Episcopal
303 South Main Street,
Kilmarnock; 435-1285
Rev. David M. Hay, Rector
Rev. Richard E. Fichter, Jr., Interim Asst. Rector
Sunday, April 9:
8 a.m., Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, April 12:
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing
Thursday, April 13:
7 p.m., Maundy Thursday HE Service

St. Mary's Episcopal
3020 Fleeton Road, Fleeton, 453-6712, The Rev. Warren A. Schaller, Jr.
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Adult Bible Study
11 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Holy Eucharist
Palm Sunday - Liturgy of the Palms and HE Rite 1
Thursday, April 13:
7 p.m., Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist Rite 1
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 Krejci, Interim Rector
Office Hours: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Mon.-Fri.
Guided tours by appointment
Sunday, April 9:
11:15 a.m., Worship Service

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

Trinity Episcopal
8484 Mary Ball Road, Lancaster
Rev. Scott Krejci, Interim Rector
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 9:
8 a.m., Communion, breakfast follows
10 a.m., Sunday School with nursery
10 a.m., Communion
11 a.m., Coffee Hour
Wednesday, April 12:
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
e-mail: wtkump@juno.com
Roger Murch 436-9355
1928 Prayer Book, 1940 Hymnal
www.stjamesapa.org
Sunday, April 9:
Palm Sunday
10 a.m., Exploring the Bible (Study)
11 a.m., Morning Prayer & Sermon
Child Care Provided
Thursday, April 13:
Maundy Thursday
7 p.m., Service of Holy Communion

LUTHERAN

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

Living Water Lutheran Church (ELCA)
429 E. Church St., 435-6650
www.livingwaterchapel.org
Sunday, April 9
10 a.m., Worship

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

METHODIST

Afton United Methodist
5130 Hacks Neck Road, Ophelia; 453-3770, Rev. Brant Hays
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service

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

Bethany United Methodist
454 Main Street, Reedville, 453-3282; bethumc@crosslink.net
Rev. Dr. Donna McEwan, Pastor
Sunday April 9:
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, April 6:
10 a.m., Bible Study at Bethel
6 p.m., Lively Bells practice at Bethel
7:30 p.m., Bible Study at Emmanuel
Sunday, April 9:
Bethel:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service
5 p.m., UMYF meet at Bethel
7 p.m., Chancel Choir practice at Bethel
Emmanuel:
9:30 a.m., Worship Service
11 a.m., Sunday School
Monday, April 10:
7:30 p.m., Emmanuel's Council meets
Tuesday, April 11:
7 p.m., PPR Committee and Parsonage Trustees meet at the Parsonage
Wednesday, April 12:
6:30 p.m., BEUMM meet at Emmaneul

Fairfields United Methodist
14741 Northumberland Highway,
Burgess; 453-2631, Rev. Brant Hays
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship

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

Henderson United Methodist
72 Henderson Drive, Callao
529-6769; Rev. Sue Ann Salmon
Sunday, April 9:
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
Saturday, April 8:
8 p.m., AA
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship Service
Wednesday, April 12:
7:30 p.m., Choir

Kilmarnock United Methodist
89 East Church Street, Kilmarnock
435-1797; (Elevator access)
Rev. Deborah T. Marion, Pastor
Thursday, April 6:
7:30 p.m., Finance Meeting
8 p.m. AA-11th Step Meeting
Saturday, April 8:
6 p.m. Emmaus
Sunday, April 9:
Palm Sunday
9 a.m., Service of Word and Table, Holy Communion
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Liturgy of the Palms/Liturgy of the Passion
Tuesday April 11:
6:15 p.m., UMW Evening Circle
8 p.m., Al-Anon
Wednesday April 12
12:05 p.m., Lenten Service at St. Andrews
3:30 p.m., Brownies,
6 p.m., Handbells
7 p.m., Choir

Rehoboth United Methodist Parish
435-1792; Rev. Karen J. Sandoval, Pastor
Larry Burian, Associate Minister
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 12:
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
Sunday, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Adult Bible Study
11 a.m., Worship Service
7:30 p.m., AA meeting
Tuesday, April 11:
2 p.m., United Methodist Women
7 p.m., Church Planning meeting
Wednesday, April 12:
4 p.m., Grief Support Group
7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 13:
7:30 p.m., Maundy Thursday Service, White Stone Baptist Church
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
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-4
Sunday, April 9:
9:30 a.m., Church School
11 a.m., Palm Sunday and Worship Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Baptism
Nursery provided during Worship
12 noon, Coffee Hour
Monday, April 10:
9:30 a.m., Fellowship & Family Life Ministry Group
3:45 p.m., Community Mission Program
7 p.m., Agape Committee
Tuesday, Aprol 11:
2:30 p.m., Congregational Care Ministry Group
5:30 p.m., Witness and Service Ministry Group
7 p.m., Christian Ed Ministry Group
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Pastor Nominating Committee
5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 13:
10 a.m., Presbyterian Women's Circle
7 p.m., Maundy Thursday Service and Lord's Supper

Milden Presbyterian
Sharps
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship with nursery

Wesley Presbyterian
1272 Taylor Creek Rd. Weems, 438-5853, Rev. M. P. White, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 9:
11 a.m., Worship
Tuesday, April 11:
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, April 9:
9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Praise and Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
7:30 p.m., Worship

Chesapeake Christian Center
Irvington Road, Irvington

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Obituaries

George S. Baird

WEEMS–George Steele Baird of Weems died in his sleep March 13, 2006, at home after a long illness.

Mr. Baird was born in Pittsburg, Pa., to Hester Steele Baird and DuBois Baird. He spent his early years in Stubenville, Ohio, and moved to Dunedin, Fla., with his mother and two brothers in his early teens. He was a graduate of St. James in Hagerstown, Md., and had a bachelor's from Georgia Tech, graduating with honors.

He spent four years in the Navy serving as a Lieutenant on mine sweepers in the Korean War.

He retired from Hercules Powder Company after 30 years where he acted as production manager, sales manager and district manager, living in Hopewell, Charlotte, N.C., and Wilmington, Del. After retiring from Hercules, he started his own company, Baird Infrared, which used infrared technology to solve industrial, military and commercial problems. He was one of the pioneers in the field.

He was a former member of the American Chemical Society and wrote textbooks and articles on infrared technology. After selling his company, he went to work at his wife's company.

He is survived by his wife, E. Jen Baird of Weems, two daughters, Laura B. Grantham of Abingdon and Alice R.T. Baird of Richmond; two granddaughters, Sarah W. Grantham and Katie H. Grantham, both of Abingdon; a stepson, Ethan T.C. McBride of San Francisco, Calif; two nephews; a grand niece in Michigan; and two nieces and a grand-nephew in Tarpon Springs, Fla.

A memorial service will be held June 6 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Kilmarnock at noon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd. Suite 110, Rockville, MD 20852, or at www.kidneyfund.org.

Calvin E. Barrack Jr.

IRVINGTON—Calvin Earl Barrack Jr., 83, of Irvington died March 30, 2006.

Mr. Barrack was the widower of Margaret Broaddus Barrack.

He was a member of Irvington Baptist Church and Lancaster Union Lodge 88 A.F.&A.M. in Kilmarnock.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and a retired plumbing contractor.

He was predeceased by a brother, Howard H. Barrack.

He is survived by a son, Bob Barrack of Irvington; two grandsons, Schley and Tyler Barrack; two sisters, Tillie Randall of White Stone and Mary B. Tebbs of Kilmarnock.

Graveside services were held April 2 at Irvington Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. John H. Farmer officiating. Masonic Rites were officiated by Lancaster Union Lodge 88 A.F.&A.M.

Memorials may be made to Lancaster Union Lodge 88 A.F.&A.M. Building Fund, or one's local volunteer fire department.

Curry Funeral Home in Kilmarnock handled the arrangements.

Thelma S. Brann

WARSAW—Thelma Sydnor Brann, 85, of Warsaw died March 27, 2006.

Mrs. Brann was the widow of Noble C. Brann Sr.

She was a member of Northern Neck Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Noble C. Brann Jr. and Barbara Brann of Callao; a daughter, Lou H. Brann of Warsaw; a sister and brother-in-law, Louise S. and Boatwright Saunders of Warsaw; two grandchildren, Michael Brann and Paula Lam; and a great-grandchild, Corbin Lee Lam.

Funeral services were held at Welch Funeral Home Marks Chapel March 30. Interment was in Gibeon Baptist Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice, or to Gibeon Baptist Cemetery Fund, c/o Barbara H. Sanford, P.O. Box 139, Lottsburg, 22511.

Houston M. Camper Jr.

WARSAW—Houston M. Camper Jr., 88, of Warsaw died March 31, 2006.

Mr. Camper was born in Blacksburg, January 7, 1918, to Houston Sr. and Cleta E. Camper.

He attended Blacksburg public schools and Virginia Tech. He earned a bachelor's in agronomy. He was a member of the Class of 1941; however, due to illness his graduation was delayed until December 1943. Following army service, he began employment with Virginia Tech on January 1, 1947. His first assignment was from 1947 to 1950 with the Williamsburg Agricultural Research Station, working with the late R.P. Cocke. The station was relocated to the present site in Warsaw in 1950. He served as superintendent until his retirement, August 31, 1987, after serving 40 years and eight months.

He was a volunteer weather observer with the National Weather Service, NOAA, from January 1, 1951 to January 1, 2001.

He was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Dorothy B. Camper; and a sister, Cleo C. Winston.

He is survived by two daughters, Patricia "Pattie" Camper and Peggy C. Miller, both of Glen Allen; a niece, Pamela Kangas of Aptos, Calif.; a cousin, William Camper of Blacksburg; other cousins, nieces, nephews, church family and associates; and special friends, Henderson Grissom of Richmond and Thomas Boswell and Carroll Miller of Warsaw.

A funeral service was held at Warsaw United Methodist Church April 3. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Warsaw UMC Cemetery Fund, or the Northern Neck Virginia Tech Alumni.

Welch Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Elizabeth F. Cockrell

MISKIMON—Elizabeth Oldham Forrester Cockrell, 84, of Miskimon died March 30, 2006.

Mrs. Cockrell was born June 3, 1921, to the late Ivis and Cora Forrester. She was the widow of William Mallory Cockrell whom she married October 20, 1945; they celebrated 56 years of marriage until his death October 18, 2001.

She was an active member of Providence Baptist Church in Miskimon, serving as financial secretary for many years.

For 42 years, she was an active member of the King Carter Chapter No. 5 Order of the Eastern Star. Through the years, she served five terms as worthy matron and in many other officer positions.

She was predeceased by four brothers, Leonard, Robert, Roland and Grafton Forrester; two sisters, Catherine Brock and Nancy Parks; and a niece, Bonnie P. Hinton.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Edward E. and Jayme B. Cockrell of Port Republic, Md.; two granddaughters, Jessalyn Mallory and Alyse Virginia Cockrell; a sister, Margaret F. Ransone of Kilmarnock; a brother, Garland Forrester of Lively; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held April 3 at Providence Baptist Church with Rev. Carlton Milstead Jr. officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Kenny Norman, Meredith Dodson, Michael Dodson, Wayne Forrester, Tucker Beane, Rannie Ransone, Larry Petty and John Mulholland. Freddie L. "Buck" Beatley was an honorary pallbearer.

Memorials may be made to the Youth Club of Lancaster County, P.O. Box 1491, Kilmarnock, VA 22482.

Curry Funeral Home in Kilmarnock handled the arrangements.

Ruth P. Francois

HEATHSVILLE—Ruth P. Francois, 80, of Heathsville died March 30, 2006.

Mrs. Francois was a member of St. Timothy's Catholic Church in Tappahannock.

She was a member of River Knitters and Northumberland Homemakers Club.

She was a retired physicist assistant.

She was predeceased by her husband, August Paul Francois.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Maryann and David Kinsey of Heathsville; three sons and daughters-in-law, Ronald and Debbie Francois, Curtis and Phyllis Francois, all of New York, and Christopher and Andria Francois of Illinois; a sister and brother-in-law, Edna and Fred Benesch of North Carolina; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 4 at St. Timothy's Catholic Church. Burial was at Roseland Cemetery in Reedville.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Foundation.

Jones-Ash Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

John J. Gallagher Jr.

WHITE STONE—John James Gallagher Jr., 63, of White Stone died April 2, 2006.

Mr. Gallagher was a retired U.S. Government bookbinder and a U.S. Navy veteran of the Vietnam War serving on the U.S.S. Constellation.

He was predeceased by his father, John James Gallagher Sr.; a brother, Chuck Gallagher; and a sister, Laura Wright.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl L. Gallagher; a daughter and son-in-law, CS first class Christie Lipford, U.S.N. and Clarence Lipford of Washington, D.C.; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Major Sean C. Gallagher, U.S.M.C. of Camp Pendleton, Calif., and AT second class Eric J. Smith U.S.N. and Regan Gallagher of Patuxant River, Md.; seven grandchildren, Kiara, Kalonni and C.J. Lipford, Mickey, Kelly, Nathan and Rachel Smith; his mother, Elizabeth C. Gallagher of White Stone; a brother, Donald Gallagher of White Stone; a sister, Susie Gallagher of Vermont; three horses, Mack, Cheyenne and Thundercloud, his dog, Apache and three cats.

Memorial services will be held Friday, April 7, at Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock at 11 a.m. with Rev. Richard Newlon officiating. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to White Bird Appaloosa Horse Rescue, P.O. Box 561, Marshall, VA 20116.

Hurley H. Gill

HEATHSVILLE—Hurley H. Gill, 89, a lifelong resident of Heathsville, died April 2, 2006.

Mr. Gill was the son of the late Thomas Handy Gill and Catherine Estelle Luttrell Gill and a member of Corinth United Methodist Church.

He was predeceased by his wife of 54 years, Bess Barnes Gill; and a brother, Thomas H. "Tache" Gill Jr.

He is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Annie W. Pane of Woodbridge, and Onda G. and Glenn Gooding of Mechanicsville; a son and daughter-in-law, Hurley H. Gill Jr. and Shirley Gill; two grand-children, Jayton H. Gill and Jordan W. Gill, all of Radford; and a sister, Eyleen Edwards Brent of Chase City.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with funeral services immediately following on Saturday, April 8, at 2 p.m. at Welch Funeral Home, Corinth Chapel, 1753 Newmans Neck Road in Heathsville. Pastor James D. Sumpter will officiate.

Stephen R. Hribar

KALAMAZOO, MICH.—Stephen R. Hribar, 91, of Kalamazoo, Mich., formerly of Kilmarnock, died March 30, 2006, at Rose Arbor Hospice.

Mr. Hribar was the widower of Betty Fran Wilson Hribar.

He was born December 24, 1914, in Bructon, Pa., to Alois and Louise Dovecar Hribar. He was an Army Veteran of WWII and later joined the U.S. Army Reserve, from which he retired as a major in 1953.

He was a retired electrical engineer and mostly worked with gas and electric companies in business forecasting.

He was an active member of St. Augustine Cathedral and an active resident at Friendship Village.

He was predeceased by a son, Charles Hribar in 1973; and by three brothers: Lou, Bob and Frank Hribar.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Rich and Gale Hribar of Canandaigua, N.Y.; a daughter and son-in-law, Libby and Bill Brodie of Travelers Rest, S.C.; four grandchildren, Katie and husband Ben Johnson, Becky Brodie, Justin and Heather Morgan; a sister, Anne Demps of Detroit; and nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated April 3 at St. Augustine Cathedral in Kalamazoo. An interment service was held April 5 at St. Francis de Sales Cemetery in Kilmarnock with Father James Bruse officiating.

Visit Mr. Hribar's memory page at www.lifestorynet.com to read his life story, archive a memory, order flowers or make memorial contributions to Covenant House, St. Augustine Cathedral of Rose Arbor Hospice.

Life Story Funeral Home, Betzler, in Kalamazoo handled the arrangements.

David C. Jacobi

LANCASTER—David Charles Jacobi of Lancaster died April 2, 2006.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, Mr. Jacobi graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology and received a master's in business administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was a director of marketing and communications at the former Best Products, and marketing and communications manager for the chemicals division of Ethyl Corporation, and president of marketing solutions.

He is survived by his wife, Susie Jacobi; two sons, Matthew Jacobi of Durham, N.C., and Geoffrey Jacobi of Washington, D.C.; a daughter-in-law, Katherine Jacobi; two granddaughters, Ann Morgan Jacobi and Campbell Jacobi, all of Washington, D.C.; his father, George Jacobi of Richmond; and two brothers and sisters-in-law, Dennis and Karen Jacobi of Lincoln, Ne., and Joseph and Susan Jacobi of Colorado Springs, Colo.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, April 8, at Bethel United Methodist Church in Lively at 11 a.m. Family and friends will be received at the Jacobi home in Lancaster following the funeral.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice Support Services of the Northern Neck, P.O. Box 262, Warsaw, VA 22572.

Faulkner Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Burgess is handling the arrangements.

S.C. 'Scotty' Jones

MOLLUSK—Schuyler Colfax "Scotty" Jones, 67, of Mollusk died March 28, 2006.

Mr. Jones was a member of White Stone Baptist Church.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and a retired manager for U.S Filter Company of Chesapeake.

He is survived by his wife, J. Lynn Jones; a son and daughter-in-law, David A. and Betty B. Jones of White Stone; two daughters and a son-in-law, Kathy J. and Thomas L.Lewis of Reedville, and Tamara S. Gaillard of Virginia Beach; three stepchildren and their spouses, David S. and Jill M. Jablonsky of Manchester, Conn., Douglas R. Jablonsky and Karen Doble of New York, N.Y., Mary S. and Jay P. Rawlins of Denver, Colo.; and five grandchildren, Jason and Erinn Lewis, Sarah Jones, Jackson Rawlins and Christine Jablonsky.

Funeral services were held April 1 at White Stone Baptist Church with Dr. W. Dennis Martin officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Jay Rawlins, Thomas Lewis, Allen Brocklebank, Bill Hope, Lloyd B. Hubbard and B.H. Hubbard.

Memorials may be made to Rappahannock General Hospital Oncology Swift-Walker Fund, P.O. Box 588, Kilmarnock, VA 22482.

Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock handled the arrangements.

Francis H. Kines

CALLAO–Francis Henry Kines, 93, of Callao died March 29, 2006.

Mr. Kines was a lifelong member of Henderson United Methodist Church in Callao.

He was a member of the Northumberland Lions Club and a retired shipwright and carpenter.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Berdelle K. Kines; a brother, John G. Kines of Callao; two grandchildren, Lauren M. England and Mark C. England, and a great-granddaughter, Noelle Kines England, all of Richmond.

Funeral services were held March 31 at Henderson United Methodist Church with Rev. Sue Ann Salmon officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were John Kines Jr., Todd Thomas, Ernie Krentz, Michael Krentz, Ricky King and Jack Spina.

Memorials may be made to Callao Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 82, Callao, VA 22435.

Jones-Ash Funeral Home in Rainswood handled the arrangements.

Ronald J. Lang

WEEMS—Ronald John Lang, 68, died March 29, 2006, in Richmond.

Mr. Lang was born October 9, 1936, in Chicago, Ill. He was an alumnus of the Illinois Institute of Technology.

He was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force and flew for Mohawk, Pan American and Delta airlines.

He was a member of the Kilmarnock-Irvington-White Stone Rotary Club, the Rappahannock Pistol & Rifle Club, and was the current president of the Virginia Aeronautical Historical Society.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie Otto Lang; two sons, Alfred Chisolm Lang of Melbourne, Australia, and Hanford McIver Lang of Weems; a sister, Susan Lang Ward of Houston, Texas; and a brother, Robert Lang of Elizabeth City, N.C.

A graveside service was held April 1 at Christ Church near Irvington with Rev. Richard E. Fichter, Jr. officiating.

Memorials may be made to The Animal Welfare League of the Northern Neck, P.O. Box 975, White Stone, VA 22578.

Currie Funeral Home in Kilmarnock handled the arrangements.

Lillian R. McBath

IRVINGTON—Lillian Russell McBath, 97, of Irvington, widow of Bartley Russell McBath, died March 31, 2006.

Mrs. McBath is survived by three children, Marylin Bailey of Lakewood, N.J., Amanda Sprenger of Berryville, and Lillian M. O'Connor of New Hope, Pa.; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 4 at Campbell Presbyterian Church in Weems with interment in the church cemetery. The Rev. William F. Summers officiated.

Memorials may be made to the Northern Neck Free Health Clinic, P.O. Box 1694, Kilmarnock, VA 22482, or to a charity of one's choice.

Edith P. Milby

GLOUCESTER—Edith Pearl Milby, 95, died March 28, 2006, in Walter Reed Convalescent Center.

Mrs. Milby was born in Saluda. She was the widow of James David Milby.

She was a member of Olive Branch United Methodist Church.

She had retired from Suttons Restaurant with over 30 years of service.

She is survived by a son and a daughter-in-law, David A. and Jane Hayden; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Floyd and Marion Hayden of California and Raymond and Jean Hayden; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held March 31 in Windsor Gardens Cemetery with Rev. Amy E. Pannell officiating.

Memorials may be made to Olive Branch United Methodist Church.

Andrews Funeral Home in Gloucester handled the arrangements.

J. Marion Parr Sr.

HAYNESVILLE—J. Marion Parr Sr., 82, of Haynesville died April 2, 2006.

Mr. Parr was a retired farmer and egg man. He was a World War II Navy veteran.

He was predeceased by a son, Albert Parr.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret P. Parr; a son and daughter-in-law, James "Jimmy" M. Parr Jr. and Nancy Parr; a brother, John Will Parr; a sister, Myrtle P. Davis; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 5 at Totuskey Baptist Church, with interment in the church cemetery.

Welch Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Maria J. Vanderhorst

REEDVILLE—Maria J. Vanderhorst, 94, of Reedville died March 30, 2006.

Mrs. Vanderhorst was predeceased by her husband, George Vanderhorst, and a son, Tony Muller.

She is survived by two sons and a daughter-in-law, Franciscus and Pat Muller of Reedville, and Louis Muller; a brother, Franciscus Koolwyk of the Netherlands; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Interment will be private at a later date.

Faulkner Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Burgess handled the arrangements.

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Sincerely
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WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 9, 2006 - PALM SUNDAY
8:00 A.M. Traditional Language Holy Communion Service
10:30 A.M. Holy Communion Service
Both services include the Liturgy of the Palms

APRIL 13, 2006 - MAUNDY THURSDAY
7:00 P.M. Holy Communion Service followed by the Stripping of the Altar

APRIL 14, 2006 - GOOD FRIDAY
12:00 P.M. Good Friday Liturgy

APRIL 16, 2006 - EASTER
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'Community Crusade' to gather in Heathsville

Three churches in Northumberland will present a "Community Crusade" April 19, 20 and 21 at Northumberland High School in Heathsville.

The crusade was initiated by First Baptist Church three years ago, and continues to grow in popularity. St. Stephen's Episcopal and Zion Baptist have joined the program. Other churches are welcome to participate.

Beginning on April 10 at 7 p.m., the combined choirs of First Baptist (Heathsville), St. Stephen's (Heathsville) and Zion (Lottsburg) will conduct a rousing musical praise to the Lord and to the communities of the Northern Neck. Children will perform praise dances.

Pastor John Bibbens of Zion will preach April 19, the Rev. Jeff Cerar of St. Stephen's will preach April 20 and Pastor John Fountaine of First Baptist will preach April 21.

There is no charge for this crusade. However, an offering will be taken each evening.

From left (front row), preachers John Fontaine, Jeff Cerar and John Bibbens, along with a combined choir from First Baptist, St. Stephen's Episcopal and Zion Baptist churches will lead a "Community Crusade" April 19, 20 and 21 at Northumberland High School in Heathsville.

Maundy Thursday cantata planned

The Kilmarnock United Methodist Church Choir under the direction of Barbara Watson will present a Maundy Thursday cantata by Joseph M. Martin entitled "Song of the Shadows" on Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m. at the church. Pastor Debbie Marion will offer Holy Communion within the context of the cantata. Choir members, from left, are (front row) Watson, Jeannette Crickmore, Sylvia Dozier, Betsy Elliott, Mary Lee Johnson, Claudia Holmes, Betty Riley and Ruth Rice; (next row) Helen McGonegal, Lois Jones, Carol Hall, Joycelyn Gilmore, Betty Klein, Leah Pittman and Rev. Marion; (next row) Winnie McCrobie, Don McGonegal, Em Brown, Ron Jones, Don Gilmore, Dave Reedy, Harry Stemple and Bill Croner.

St. Francis youth to present stations

The youth of Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church will perform the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 14, at 5 p.m.

There are many versions of the Stations of the Cross depicting the Passion of Christ. In this presentation, the narration will be read from the perspective of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Therese Bowen will play Mary as others act the stations. The congregation will sing and read meditations at each of the stations.

To prepare for the event and pray for the community and the world, the youth will do a prayer walk from Main Street to the church immediately before the presentation.

The Stations of the Cross is a traditional devotion to help the faithful relive and participate in the last events of Jesus' life. The tradition began in the fourth century with St. Jerome mentioning the crowds of pilgrims visiting Christ's path, the Via Dolorosa, from the Mount of Olives to Calvary in Jerusalem.

Due to the devotion's popularity, the Franciscan order, caretakers of the Holy Land shrines, requested permission in 1686 to build miniature versions of the stations in their churches and monasteries in Europe. This enabled those who were unable to perform the pilgrimage to participate spiritually. Pope Innocent XI gave his permission and in 1731, Pope Benedict XIII extended the privilege to all churches. At that time, the number of stations was fixed at 14, as they still are today.

The performance is free. All are welcome.

'Christ in the Passover' to be presented April 13

Michael Herts, a representative of Jews for Jesus, will present "Christ in the Passover" at the White Stone Church of the Nazarene Family Life Center on Maundy Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m.

Rev. Jim Jackson said that the presentation enhances one's understanding of the Jewish background of Christian communion. Ancient and modern Jewish customs will be described with an emphasis on redemption.

The presentation will include a table set with traditional Passover foods, the ceremonial Seder plate, the three-compartment pouch in which unleavened bread is kept and the traditional cup of Elijah.

Jews for Jesus has performed the presentation in more than 5,000 churches, Rev. Jackson said. The presentation was scripted in 1956 by Moishe Rosen, founder and former executive director of Jews for Jesus.

The Christian concept of the Trinity, substitutionary atonement and salvation through a personal relationship with the Messiah are implied in the Seder, the Passover feast, Rev. Jackson said.

The White Stone Church of the Nazarene Family Life Center is at 57 Whisk Drive, off Route 3 a mile north of White Stone. The program is open to the public.

Rev. Robert Hall speaks at Brunswick stew dinner

On Tuesday, March 21, at Grace Episcopal Church a Brunswick stew dinner with salads and desserts was enjoyed by a large crowd. Following was a 45-minute presentation with questions and answers by the Rev. Robert C. Hall Jr. The evening concluded with Compline.

After a long career in business and the ministry, his last full-time ministry was as rector of Saint George's in Arlington from 1974 to 1995. Hall and his wife, Lee, came to the Northern Neck where he has been active in reading and tutoring programs in the Lancaster Public Schools and in jail ministry.

In addition to his "supply" duties at Grace Church, Hall has been active in helping other parishes in need, according to Rev. Richard E. Fichter Jr. He has a well deserved reputation for never saying no when asked for any good cause, he added.

Rev. Robert C. Hall Jr.

"Bob's insightful remarks engendered rapt attention and seemed all too brief," said Rev. Fichter.

Campbell announces Holy Week schedule

Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church in Weems will begin its observance of Holy Week with baptism and the celebration of the Lord's Supper during a worship service on Palm Sunday, April 9, at 11 a.m.

A Maundy Thursday service, also with Holy Communion, will be held April 13 at 7 p.m.

On Easter Sunday, April 16, the annual community sunrise service will take place on the banks of Carter's Creek at the end of Weems Road at 6 a.m. A continental breakfast will follow in the fellowship hall at 7 a.m.

At 9:30 a.m., there will be a special Easter program and resurrection egg hunt for church school students.

A traditional Easter service, at 11 a.m., will include the flowering of the Lenten Cross, the confirmation of the 2006 class, baptism, and the receiving of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. The church Session will host a coffee and fellowship hour after the service.

The Rev. Terry Robertson is interim pastor of Campbell. The communion table is universal, open to all who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and savior.

For more information, call the church at 438-6875.

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Raising a wall, from left, are Lynnie McCrobie, Mary Maiden, homeowner Lynn Curry, Winnie McCrobie, youth representative K.C. Tignor, Holly Eppihimer, Dean Loudy, Caitlin Tignor, Herb Fowler and Daniel Rasmussen.

Teens help raise houses for Habitat

Local teens are giving their time to help Habitat for Humanity build a new home. Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit Christian housing ministry that works to eliminate poverty housing around the world and to make adequate housing a matter of conscience and action.

The Lancaster/Northumberland Habitat for Humanity builds and renovates houses in partnership with people in need.

Youth volunteers are needed. Habitat welcomes individuals or groups. Contact Lancaster youth representative K.C. Tignor at 438-6244, or karkel2@msn.com.

For safety reasons, only teens ages 14 and older are allowed on the job site.

"Remember, by working together today we can build a better tomorrow," said Tignor.

Meade to preach

Deacon Calvin S. Meade (above) will deliver his initial sermon April 15 at Faith Unity Fellowship Ministries at 126 Main Street in Warsaw at 6 p.m. He is the son of Ruby Meade of Richmond County and the late George T. Meade.

Nazarene Church sets Holy Week events

The White Stone Church of the Nazarene will be open for individuals and groups to observe the Stations of the Cross Monday, April 10, to Sunday, April 16, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The stations depict the route that Jesus followed from his condemnation in Pilate's Hall to Golgatha and his death and burial. The stations are marked by artwork by the congregation and local artists. There will be prayers, scripture readings and music.

On April 13, Jews for Jesus will present a traditional remembrance of the Last Supper at 7 p.m.

On April 14, a Good Friday service will be held at 7 p.m. Scripture will be read in stages as candles are extinguished to dramatize the darkness of Jesus' death. Worshippers will leave in silence.

On April 16, at 6 a.m. an Easter "sonrise" service will be held with songs and a devotional.

On April 16, at 10:45 a.m., a traditional Easter service will be held with choirs, music, special presentations and the flowering of the Cross.

All events will take place at the White Stone Church of the Nazarene Family Life Center at 57 Whisk Drive, off Route 3 a mile north of White Stone.

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Relay for Life needs help

The American Cancer Society Piankatank Relay For Life event will be held June 2 and 3 at Middlesex High School in Saluda. The relay includes Middlesex, King William and King and Queen counties.

The support of businesses, churches and other organizations is needed. Sponsorship levels are as follows: Diamond/$2,500, Platinum/ $1,000, Gold/$500, Silver/$300 and Bronze/$150. To participate as a sponsor, call Melody Latimore-Christian at 758-9777, or the American Cancer Society at 1-800-240-4227.

The highlight of the event will be honoring cancer survivors. All survivors are welcome to attend the survivors' reception and participate in the survivors' lap. Pre-register by calling Corrine Young at 758-5643.

Piankatank Relay For Life is seeking area talent to provide live entertainment at the event. Pre-register by calling Melody Latimore-Christian at 758-9777.

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Church Notes

■ Easter week

St. Mary's-Fleeton Episcopal Church at 3020 Fleeton Road in Reedville last week announced its Easter week schedule.

A Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist will be observed at 11 a.m. on April 9, Palm Sunday. Holy Eucharist will be administered on April 13, Maundy Thursday at 7 p.m. A Good Friday Liturgy will be conducted at 7 p.m. on April 14. An Easter worship will be held at 11 a.m. on April 15.

■ Soup and service

On Thursday, April 6, at 6 p.m., St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Heathsville will host a soup supper followed by a Lenten program, "Praising God," presented by Rev. David Harper, rector of Church of the Apostles in Fairfax.

■ Seder dinner

On Thursday, April 13, at 6 p.m., St. Stephen's will host a Seder dinner and Rev. Jeff Cerar will conduct a Maundy Thursday service which will include a symbolic foot-washing.

■ Submitting notes

Items for Church Notes should be submitted on 8.5- by 11-inch paper (or larger), or by email to the attention of Robert Mason Jr., editor. The name and phone number of a contact person should be included.

■ Sunrise services

An Easter sunrise service will be held at White Marsh United Methodist Church between Kilmarnock and Lancaster on Route 3 Sunday, April 16, at 6 a.m. The speaker will be Rev. Marion Paul White.

■ Confucious

On Sunday, April 9, Adele Failmezger will speak at the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock at 10:30 a.m. at 560 Chesapeake Drive in White Stone. The title of her talk is "Confucius."

Every winter, Failmezger spends several months in Chiang Mai, Thailand; while there she studies Asian religions, cultures and politics. She is a charter member and former president of UUFR.

■ Sunrise on the river

Bethel Emmanuel United Methodist Church will hold a community Easter sunrise service at 6:30 a.m. on the shores of the Rappahannock River. The service will be held at the home of Jim and Shirley Weakley in Morattico, at the end of Morattico Road. Please bring a chair.

■ Scarament and Word

A Holy Week worship service will be held Tuesday, April 11, at 11 a.m. in the Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury auditorium with the Rt. Rev. David Colin Jones, Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia and the Rev. H. Carson Rhyne Jr., Stated Clerk/General Presbyter of the Presytery of the James.

Musicians will be Julia Olson, organ; Patricia Morris, piano; Amy Lewis, cello; and the RW-C residents' choir.

■ Easter drama

Friendship Baptist Church of Hartfield will present an Easter drama, "Like a Lamb," April 7, 8, 9 at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited.

During Passion Week a Jesus movie will be presented April 10, 11, 13 and 14 at 7 p.m.

■ Easter events

The Sharon Baptist Church hill near Weems will be transformed into Golgotha Hill on Easter Sunday morning.

A sunrise service will begin at 6 a.m. and breakfast at 7 a.m. A dramatization, "The Day That Transformed The World," will begin at 11 a.m.

■ Annual Day

The Deacons and Deaconesses of New St. John's Baptist Church will celebrate their Annual Day April 23 at 4 p.m. All local churches are invited. Rev. Russell Smith is the speaker.

■ Concert celebration

The men's chorus of New St. John's Baptist Church will celebrate its 14th anniversary April 15 at 6 p.m. Harmony to Heaven Sharon Men's, Beulah Men's choirs and the Gospel Angels of Washington, D.C., will participate.

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Thursday, April 6:
7 p.m., Bible Study
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Worship

Christian Science Society
Lancaster Women's Building,
Route 3, Lancaster
Sunday, April 9:
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, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study

Holy Tabernacle of God
Merry Point Road, Lancaster
Elder Nancy Pinn, Pastor
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
4 p.m. Youth Service, Sister Nicole Turner
Emergency Food Bank: Mon.-Fri: 1-3

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

Rappahannock Church of Christ
9514 Richmond Road, Warsaw
333-9659; Walker Gaulding, Minister
Sunday, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
6:30 p.m., Worship
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer and Bible Teaching

River of Life Assembly of God
Waverly Avenue, Kilmarnock
Rev. Scott Norman, 693-6079
Sunday, April 9:
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
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Thursday, April 6:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
Saturday, April 8:
2 p.m., Sabbath School
3 p.m., Worship Service

Shachah World Ministries of the Northern Neck
Pastor Dean Carter
Sunday, April 9:
8 a.m., Worship @ Holy Tabernacle
Thursday, April 13:
7:30 p.m., Bible Study @ Holy Tabernacle

St. Francis de Sales Catholic
151 East Church Street, Kilmarnock
Rev. James C. Bruse, Pastor
Holy Week Mass Schedule
Saturday, April 8:
5 p.m., Vigil Mass
Sunday, April 9:
11 a.m. Palm Sunday Mass
Mon.-Wed.
9 a.m., Mass
Thursday, April 13:
7 p.m., Holy Thursday Mass

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
11650 Mary Ball Road
Sunday, April 9:
9:30 a.m., Meeting
Wednesday, April 12:
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, April 9:
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Worship
7 p.m., Hour of Power
Wednesday, April 12:
7 p.m., Prayer Meeting
Thursday, April 13:
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, April 9:
10:30 a.m., Worship

Unity of the Chesapeake
473 Timberneck Rd.
Deltaville, VA 776-9172, or 435-9553
Sunday, April 9:
11 a.m., Streamed service from Detroit Unity.
12:45 p.m., Meditation, Study Group (the Quest)
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Victory Temple Church
1252 Morattico Road
Rev. Annie Gaskins, 462-5512
Sunday, April 9:
11 a.m., Sunday School
12 noon, Praise and Worship
7 p.m., Worship Service
Friday, April 14:
7 p.m., Bible Study

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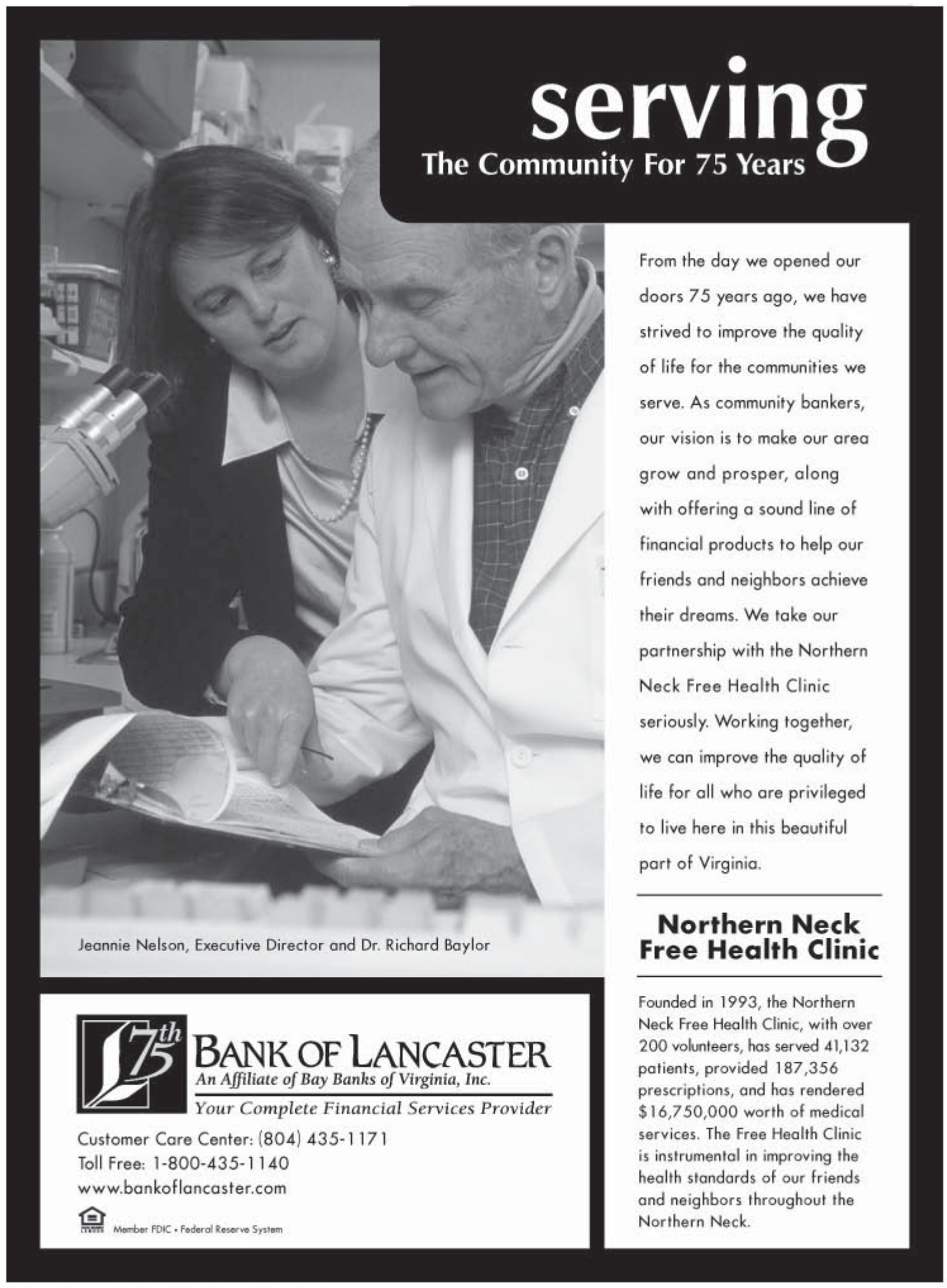
Saturday, April 8:
9-11 a.m., Food Bank/Clothing Bank
Sunday, April 9:
9:30 a.m., Sunday School
10:45 a.m., Praise & Worship Service (Communion Sunday)
Children's Church/Nursery
Monday, April 10:
6:45 p.m., First Place Weight Loss
Tuesday, April 11:
6 p.m., Prayer for the World
Wednesday, April 12:
6:15 p.m., Women's Bible Study



Kilmarnock UMC plans Holy Week activities

Kilmarnock United Methodist Church at 89 E. Church Street in Kilmarnock recently announced its Holy Week calendar.

On April 9, Palm Passion Sunday will be observed with Holy Communion served at 9 a.m., Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and a Liturgy of the Palms/Liturgy of the Passion at 11 a.m.

On Maundy Thursday, April 13, a cantata and Holy Communion will begin at noon.

On Good Friday, April 14, the Sanctuary will be open for prayer and meditation from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

On Holy Saturday, April 15, a children's Easter party for all children in the church and community will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please RSVP at 435-1797.

On April 16, Easter Sunday will be observed with a sunrise service at the Alexandria Police Youth Camp at 6:30 a.m.; service and Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m.

Bay Banks reports its best year ever

The board of directors of Bay Banks of Virginia, the holding company for Bank of Lancaster and Bay Trust Company, recently declared a first quarter dividend for 2006. A dividend of 16 cents per share was paid March 31 to stockholders of record March 17.

The dividend was paid on 2,371,466 shares for a total of $379,435, compared to $364,940 paid in March 2005.

"Through the confidence placed in us by our shareholders; the dedication of our directors, officers and employees; our commitment to our communities; and the patronage of our customers, we are able to report the best year in our company's 75-year history, said president Austin L. Roberts III. "This has, indeed, made our 75th year of service most meaningful and rewarding for all of us."

Roberts reported record earnings for 2005 of $2.5 million, 17 percent higher than 2004; and dividends increased for the 34th consecutive year, producing a yield on the company's common stock at year-end 2005 of 4.3 percent.

Loans had net growth of over $16 million, or an 8 percent increase over the prior year. Loan quality remains strong, Roberts reported, with only a third of 1 percent of the portfolio more than 90 days delinquent or in a non-accrual status. This compares most favorably to peer institutions having a half of 1 percent in this status.

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>
> Austin Roberts,
> Bay Banks President

"Reinvesting deposits into our local communities is a primary goal for Bay Banks of Virginia," said Roberts. "Our residential, commercial and consumer loans are available with numerous options to meet the needs of our customers. It is very gratifying to close 2005 with an 8 percent loan growth, an indication to us that we are meeting the needs of our communities as we seek to help our friends and neighbors achieve their financial dreams to build their homes, establish their business, and even to plan for a more secure tomorrow."

For the first quarter of 2006, loan growth continues to be strong as evidenced by $6.8 million in new loans since year-end 2005.

Checking accounts, which Roberts stated are the core of a banking relationship, were up $4 million at year-end 2005, or an increase of 10 percent over the prior year.

Roberts reported that Bank of Lancaster was also pleased to receive the deposit market share information from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and learn that Bank of Lancaster continues to hold the largest market share of any bank in the Northern Neck.

Bay Trust Company saw increases in its revenue in 2005 by nearly 9 percent while at the same time decreasing its expense levels by approximately 5 percent.

"2005 was a bright entrance for us into our next 75-year journey," Roberts said. "Our founders in 1930 had a vision: to help their friends and neighbors improve the quality of their lives and to help our villages and towns be strong and prosperous. Those visionaries had the courage to open a bank as financial institutions throughout the country were closing their doors. What a remarkable achievement this was, given that our country was at the onset of the Great Depression.

"On Monday morning, November 3, 1930, Bank of Lancaster's doors opened with four employees and assets of less than $500,000. We closed 2005 with 127 employees and assets exceeded $302 million. 2005 was the best year in our company's 75-year history, and it gives us great pleasure to report this because these achievements indicate to us that we are meeting the needs of our customers and our communities. That is why we are here today and why we were established in 1930. We are in the service business.

"Today, Bay Banks of Virginia, Bank of Lancaster and Bay Trust Company have a strong, proven foundation. We bring to the table one of the most experienced, knowledgeable, financial teams you could find anywhere. We will continue on our journey towards excellence by systematically improving our branch offices, expanding our retail delivery network, supporting our communities, and giving our employees the opportunities to grow both professionally and personally. With a complete array of financial products and services to take our customers from their first savings account to estate planning, we are positioned well to meet the needs of our customers for generations to come."

The Board of Directors of Bay Banks of Virginia also established the Annual Stockholders Meeting date of May 15. The meeting will be held at Indian Creek Yacht & Country Club in Kilmarnock.

Ran Marshall (left) posed in his cycling outfit for artist Jeff Warren.

Portrait show features work of local artists and models

More than 30 portraits of a dozen Kilmarnock area residents are on display at the Rappahannock Art League Studio Gallery through April 16.

Photographer Hans Rilling's comment, "This is the best show of our members' work that I have seen" was typical of the reaction of those attending a recent opening reception.

The show consists of the best portraits that were painted in the Portrait Open Studio sessions that have been held monthly at the Studio Gallery since July. At each five-hour session, two models pose for the artists.

Jeff Warren had taught several portrait painting classes at the gallery and felt that his students needed an opportunity to develop their skills. He conceived the idea of having a monthly session of portrait painting and the idea has attracted a large group of "regulars" who are very accomplished artists.

"The models are all from the Kilmarnock area," said Warren. "I've recruited models from Tri-Star, from the vegetable stand on North Main, even from craftsmen building a neighbor's house. I've also signed up my cycling buddies and friends ."

The models represented in the show are Sandra D'Antonio, Michael Lawrence, Kathy Bryant, Betty Fleming, Bud Williams, Jeff Twardy, Earl Hooper, Jay Webster, Don Kennedy, Ran Marshall, Mary Cobb, Val Bauer, Bob Fox and Penny Primmer.

The artists represented in the show are Linda Bruner, Nancy Reath, Ann Vliet, Don Kennedy, Jane Stouffer, Jeff Warren, Judy Hannold, Susan Crave Rosen, Pat O'Shaughnessy, Naomi Myrick, Anne Hayes, Johnny Hayes, Charles VanDenburgh, Margaret Van Etten and George Chung.

There is an ongoing need for models, said Warren. He invites anyone who might be interested in modeling for the group, which meets on the second Monday of each month at the Studio Gallery, to send a photo to Jeff Warren, 108 Oystershell Road, Kilmarnock.

Returning dealer

Louis Sikkelee of Richmond will bring a selection of fine period silver, porcelains and glass for the third annual Northern Neck Antiques Fair Memorial Day Weekend, May 27 and 28 at Epping Forest Plantation near Lively. For more information, call Louise Jesse at 462-7960.

From left are Chesapeake Investment Group vice president and trust officer Jean Light, Bluff Point Community League president Gary Swift and Chesapeake Bank marketing director Paula Milstead.

Bluff Point School receives donation

Historic Bluff Point School serves as a community meeting-place and an educational venue for children in Lancaster and Northumberland schools.

The children take field trips to the school to learn about its history and how children were educated in early American schools.

The Bluff Point Community League is raising funds for the restoration of the building so it may continue to educate youth on the historical aspects of the Northern Neck.

Chesapeake Bank and Chesapeake Investment Group recently made a donation to the project.

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As interest in switching to fuel mixtures like ethanol and biodiesel increases among Virginians, so do questions about performance and availability. The good news is most consumers should have no trouble using a biofuel blend.

"All automobile manufacturers say a blend of biofuels is fine for modern vehicles," said Andrew Smith, senior assistant director of governmental relations for the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation. "However, ethanol and biodiesel are natural engine cleaners, and so drivers may have to replace their fuel filters after beginning to use a blend. It's cleaning the gunk out of your engine."

The National Corn Growers Association has published a pamphlet to address many concerns about the growing use of ethanol. It can be found online at www.ncga.com/ethanol/pdfs/ethanol/Facts11292005.pdf.

A common misconception is that, as petroleum companies begin adding ethanol to their fuel mixtures, consumer prices will rise because there's not a large domestic supply of ethanol. Smith said that's not a major concern now, and the Virginia General Assembly has taken steps to boost biofuel supplies at the request of farmers.

"That's why Farm Bureau pushed for new legislation in the General Assembly this year," Smith said. "This legislation creates a biofuels incentive program. It will help attract large-scale biofuel production to Virginia by offering a 10-cents-per-gallon producer credit from the state for every gallon of ethanol or biodiesel produced on a minimum production level of 10 million gallons a year."

How soon can Virginians expect to see more biofuels at local gas stations? It will take a while, Smith said. But truckers on Interstate 81 already are using biodiesel made from Virginia soybeans and manufactured in New Kent County.

Virginia farmers support the move toward more ethanol and biodiesel fuels for obvious reasons, Smith said.

"It's going to create an even bigger market for their crops, like barley, corn, soybeans and potentially even wood-based products down the road. That will help our growers, because it will increase demand," said Smith.

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Area sales associates earn company honors

Long & Foster Real Estate Inc. recently honored seven sales associates from the Bay River office at Chesapeake Drive in White Stone.

Agents recognized for outstanding achievement for 2005 include F. L. (Skipper) Garrett – Founders Club, Top Producer, Top Lister and Top Sales person; Wanda Bukoski – Chairmans Club and Top Producer/Units; Scott Guay – Chairmans Club; Ahmet Anday – Presidents Club and Rising Star of the Year for the Richmond Region; Ellen Denkinger – Presidents Club; Byrl Phillips-Taylor – Presidents Club; and Al Shriver – Outstanding Service Award.

The awards were presented at a recent awards ceremony at the Marriott Hotel in Richmond.

The Long & Foster Companies is comprised of Long & Foster Real Estate Inc., Prosperity Mortgage Company, Long & Foster Settlement Services, Long & Foster Insurance Agency Inc., and VISION Relocation Group. The firm also has the following divisions: commercial, new homes, property management, leasing services, relocation services, resort rentals, and the Home Service Connections group.

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Garrett

Long & Foster Real Estate Inc. is the largest privately-owned real estate firm in America. The firm has 237 residential real estate sales offices throughout Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, Delaware, West Virginia, New Jersey and North Carolina, with 16,000 sales associates and annual real estate sales for 2005 of $44.6 billion.

Sales for all the Long & Foster Companies totaled $65.8 billion for 2005. For more information about Long & Foster, visit www.longandfoster.com.

Business Briefs

■ Eminent domain

In polls conducted since the U.S. Supreme Court's eminent domain ruling last summer, the public is almost unanimously opposed to government using eminent domain to seize private property for private development.

For a summary of the various polls, visit the Castle Coalition website at www.castlecoalition.org/media/releases/3_27_06pr.html.

■ Food prices

U.S. food prices are expected to remain steady. According to long-term projections from U.S. government analysts, food will remain affordable for Americans for at least the next 10 years. Retail food prices are expected to increase less than the overall inflation rate.

Predictors call for producers to receive more for their crops, with most of the increased income offset by rising costs for production. U.S. consumers pay 9.5 percent of their annual disposable income for food, less than any other country in the world. For additional data, visit www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/CPIFoodAndExpenditures/Data/table7.htm.

■ Monthly sale

The Mathews County Visitor and Information Center will sponsor a monthly community yard sale the last Saturday of each month, May through September, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Main Street in front of the Foster-Faulkner Building and Johnson Law Center.

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Kidwell is surprised

Pamela Kidwell got a workday surprise last Friday when Fred Burke of the Kilmarnock Chamber of Commerce presented her with flowers and a plaque as the March employee of the month. Kidwell is the customer service representative at the Bank of Northumberland's Kilmarnock branch. The flowers were furnished by The Flower Cart.

Child care series planned

InterCounty Childcare Connection, a program of Virginia Cooperative Extension, will sponsor a workshop series to provide education and resources to individuals who may be considering family child care as a prospective business.

This workshop is part of the Quality Initiative Grant Program in cooperation with the Westmoreland Department of Social Services.

The "You can be a Stay at Home Mom" business development series will be offered at the Colonial Beach Public Library.

The April 15 session is "Can I Afford to Quit?" The April 29 session is "Setting Up a Family Child Care Business–Beyond Babysitting."

The May 13 session is "How to Survive as a Family Child Care Provider and be Successful." Each session will begin at 9 a.m.

The registration fee is $5 per workshop. The fee will be refundable at the door to participants of funded counties.

For more information, contact coordinator Kathy Sauter at 1-804-693-9446, or 1-800-650-2128; or at ksauter@vt.edu.

'R. Smart House' opening set May 8

"R. Smart House" at 72 North Main Street in Kilmarnock will hold a grand opening May 8.

Owned and operated by Northern Neck Solutions Inc., the company features automation, television and theater systems, wired and wireless security systems for homes and businesses. Company president Robert Natereli has 23 years of experience in home automation.

The firm also works with contractors in new construction so that clients can deal with one party rather than three or four to achieve multiple applications. Many houses now being built have systems installed to increase appeal and insure resale value, Natereli said.

The automation systems employ sensors which enable homeowners to remotely monitor stock rooms, tool bins, liquor cabinets, domestic areas, doors, water heaters, water levels, heating and air-conditioning systems, lights, ovens, timers and to see if medication for homebound persons has been dispensed.

Installation and monthly monitoring charges apply.

Reedville company to offer high speed internet services

Doug Walker and Sons Inc. of Reedville recently announced it will offer WildBlue satellite internet service, providing affordable high-speed internet connections to homes and small businesses in the Northern Neck.

Doug Walker and Sons Inc. will offer internet access in three service packages to consumers and small businesses ranging from $49.95 per month for download speeds up to 512 kbps and upload speeds up to 128 kbps; $79.95 per month for download speeds up to 1.5 Mbps and upload speeds up to 256 kbps.

All packages include Internet Service Provider (ISP) services such as email and web space, the WildBlue Portal 24 hours per day customer care, and an equipment warranty.

Doug Walker and Sons will initially offer its equipment package for $299 and installation for $179.00.

"Doug Walker and Sons is excited about providing WildBlue's high-speed internet access services to our entire community, including areas that cannot be or have not been reached by other providers" said Joey Walker, owner. "We are pleased to bring the Northern Neck affordable, two-way high-speed internet access that is always on and available anywhere our community members work or live.'

An always-on broadband internet connection, WildBlue will offer access speeds that are comparable to DSL and cable modem services. WildBlue's two-way wireless service provides high-speed data in both directions, upstream and downstream. Customers will not need an additional phone or cable line or the expense of a traditional dial-up ISP in order to receive broadband internet services.

Denver-based WildBlue Communications Inc. was established to accelerate consumer broadband access to the internet in smaller cities and throughout rural America. More information on the company is available at www.wildblue.com.

Doug Walker and Sons Inc. is a family-owned business since 1971. In addition to WildBlue, they also sell and install Dish Network Systems, TV and FM antenna installation, and offer custom wiring for home entertainment systems and home networking.

Donaldson earns news writing award

Tara Slate Donaldson, formerly of White Stone, was recently awarded a first prize for general news writing by the Virginia Press Association.

The annual prizes are awarded to newspaper writers, designers and photographers and are categorized by circulation. Donaldson was entered among the largest weekly newspapers in the state. She submitted a package of stories about road construction in Northern Virginia.

The judge said, "The stories in this package demonstrated a clear understanding of the topic and an ability to make it understandable to readers. Yet, there was also complexity of topics, an analysis of alternatives and background info that was compelling and made me feel like an expert."

Donaldson is the editor of The Gainesville Times in Northern Virginia. Her newspaper also received third-place awards for government writing and sports feature writing. She is a 1994 graduate of Lancaster High School and a 1997 graduate of the VCU School of Journalism.

She is the daughter of Sue and Roger Donaldson and the granddaughter of Estelle Towels Slate, all of White Stone.

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Second-graders tour library

Northumberland second-grade students recently toured the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock. After the tour, youth services assistant Tonya Carter gave a talk and read several books about China. April 2-8 is National Library Week.

LMS lists Honor Roll

Lancaster Middle School recently announced its Red and White "A" average Honor Roll for the third quarter.

Those named in the fourth grade are Chelsea Alldredge, Brittany Ashburn, Olivia Beck, Cameron Brent, Carlee Broadus, Batiyah Coleman, Ta'Sheem Crosby, Justin Fisher, Trenae' Henderson, Aleah Hill, Moira Hull, Montgomery Hurst, Thomas Hyde, James Joyner, Katherine Keyser, Elijah Lewis, Joshua Moore and Allesia Muschette.

Also, Kate Nelson, Benjamin Nickerson, Kaliq Noel, Nicholas Nonnemacker, Hannah Richardson, Weston Schomer, Graham Shivers, Laura Smith, William Smith, Kenosha Stewart, Micaela Syversen, Kevin Thomas and Shawn Valdrighi.

Those named in the fifth grade are Kelvonna Clayton, Marissa Coates, Dorothy Flynn, Meghan Frere, Samuel Friday, Lauren Hudnall, Bradley Hudson, Skylar Kellum, Thomas Morning, Hannah Smith, Alexander Webster and Nicholas Whay.

Those named in the sixth grade are Ashley Alberts, Samoya Ball, Zachary Bullis, Abigail Clark, Alison Davis, Jacquelyn Hinson, Henry Hull, La'Terron Jones, Natalie Kohlhepp, Maya Lee, Robert Moore, Brianna Noel, Ashley Rose, Sarah Smith, Jonathan Stickler and Eric Wagers.

Those named in the seventh grade are Richard Bunnell, Jermaya Cox, Thomas Flynn, Emma Hand, Phillip Humphreys, Natalie Jackson, Brooks Muschette, Rebecca Patton, Cassandra Quick, Kelsey Rollins, William Savoy, Lauren Selph, Sydney Shivers, Gina Shores, Alexander Syversen, Christina Syversen and Cheniera Wiggins.

Those named in the eighth grade are Kristen Connelly, Robert Crowther, James Johnson, Ryan Joyner, Katelyn Keyser, Marina McGrath, Kathryn Mitchell, Douglas Montgomery, Michael Nonnemacker, Grace Perkins, Elizabeth Shelton, Jade Traylor, Andrea White and Shanice Yerby.

College celebrates National Library Week

The Library Center at Rappahannock Community College celebrated National Library Week, beginning April 2. Exhibits continue in the RCC libraries through April 8.

"Breakfast with the Arts" programs were scheduled for 9 a.m. April 5 at the Warsaw campus and April 6 at the Glenns campus. The breakfasts involve high school and RCC student art, a performance by a String Trio, and refreshments. High Schools participating include Christchurch, Lancaster, King and Queen, King William, Rappahannock, St. Margaret's and Washington and Lee.

An "Evening with Art in the Library" was scheduled April 4 in Glenns campus and April 5 in Warsaw.

The public is invited to visit the RCC libraries during National Library Week to review artwork by students and sign up for a library card. For more information, contact the libraries at 758-6710 in Glenns or 333-6710 in Warsaw.

Tate teaches Latin

Each winter, a group of sixth-graders at Richmond County Intermediate School are chosen, based on their academic achievement, to take an after-school class in Latin taught by Leslie Tate of Reedville.

Tate, who taught Latin via satellite is retired, but continues a decades long endeavor to inspire youngsters to learn about ancient culture and study the Latin language. Students heard the benefits of taking Latin and were exposed to the language, culture, history, geography, mythology, sports, and architecture of the Romans. Their final activity was about Roman clothing.

The Richmond County schools have a history of excellence in the Latin classes broadcast by the Virginia Satellite Educational Network. Tate hopes that many of the 25 eager learners who completed her class will sign up to take Latin in the seventh or eighth grade.

Lancaster student art contest and exhibit is slated April 29-30

The 16th annual Lancaster County Public Schools Spring Art Show is April 29 and 30 at Lancaster Middle School in Kilmarnock. The show will be open to the public from noon to 3 p.m. April 29 and 30.

Some 700 works of art by students in kindergarten through twelfth grade will be displayed in the lobby and hallways. An awards ceremony will be held April 30 at 1 p.m.

Students have worked diligently all year to produce for show at this huge juried event, according to art teachers at the primary, middle and high schools.

The Rappahannock Art League and Rappahannock Foundation for the Arts generously provide judges, ribbons, awards, prizes and foods.

RAL member Dorothy Pagano sought and confirmed three volunteer jurors for the show, including Jane Stouffer, Faith Kauders and Pat Ramey.

Stouffer has a bachelor's from the University of Washington. She has 40 years of teaching experience and has written and illustrated Super Duck. Her extensive connection to the arts encompasses teaching, creating, exhibits, and numerous awards. Her one-person shows have been viewed in Italy, Boston, Cambridge, Alexandria, Irvington, and Kilmarnock. Works by Stouffer can be seen at Rappahannock Hang-Ups & Gallery and at the RAL Art Gallery.

Kauders has an associate's in fine arts summa cum laude. After her children completed their college degrees, Kauders returned to her palette. She has continued her studies in watercolor painting with artists in northern Virginia and in the Northern Neck. Her paintings hang in the RAL Studio Gallery in Kilmarnock and have also been juried into shows at the Shockoebottom Arts Center in Richmond.

Ramey moved to the Northern Neck after a 34-year career with Washington Gas. She has attended RAL workshops and has been awarded numerous ribbons for her work. Ramey's art has been exhibited in several museums, corporations, and has been used on a book cover.

Art teachers Shauna McCranie at the high school, Marilyn E. Sprouse at the middle school and Mary Grafton Yagel at the primary school noted they are thrilled to have such impressive artistic skills among the judges and eagerly await their arrival April 29.

Jurors will arrive early to interview the art teachers, then view and select those works deserving special recognition while the art teachers wait behind closed doors. Immediately following judging, the doors will open to the public. There is no admission fee.

Rally to address multitude of issues affecting youth

The third annual Rural Virginia United Coalition (RVUC) R.A.L.L.Y. will be held April 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lancaster High School.

The free one day prevention conference serves some 600 middle and high school youth and adults in the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck.

Registration is required. Forms are available at www.rvuc.com, or by calling 1-888-773-8550. The registration deadline is April 21.

Facilitators include LaCriscia Fowlkes who worked Game Day Operations with the Miami Dolphins during the 2005-06 season. She volunteers as an Orange Bowl Ambassador, and is working in the Barry University Physician Assistant Program in the School of Graduate Medical Sciences. Since 1993, Fowlkes has been involved with the Virginia Youth Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Project (YADAPP).

Eddie Slowikowski, a three-time All-American, holds many records including third fastest indoor mile for the United States (3:58) in Madison Square Garden New York in 1990. He also represented the U.S. at the 1987 Pan Am games, 1990 USA Track & Field team as well as the 1992 Olympic Trials.

Slowikowski inspires thousands of people every year with his message of conceiving, believing, and achieving one's dreams in life. He will present "True Values," a powerful journey of self-reflection and self-discovery.

Mini sessions will address leadership, responsible action, intervention strategies, gang awareness, character building, dating, drug awareness, laws, getting involved and alcohol prevention.

The conference is sponsored by The Rural Virginia United Coalition and the Prevention Services Division of The Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board.

The event is funded through a federal grant from the Office of National Drug Control Policy and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Registration is open for spring classes at community college

Classes for the summer 2006 semester at Rappahannock Community College will begin May 16. Assisted on-campus registration is available now Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Online registration through RCC's Student Information System is also available for either new or returning students. Users will find step-by-step instructions at www.rcc.my.vccs.edu. Payment for online registration can be deferred until noon May 5. Online registration will continue from May 5 though May 16, with immediate payment online.

All students, whether registering online or on campus, should first meet by appointment with their advisors. Students may take advantage of walk-in advising on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m., and placement testing, also on Tuesdays and Thursdays (please arrive by 5 p.m.). They may also complete the registration process either there or online.

For distance-learning (FLO) classes, students may register online, or at any of RCC's locations, but must also attend an orientation meeting on Saturday, May 20, where they will meet their instructors and be given necessary information. FLO Orientation will be held in the Warsaw Campus lecture hall from 8:30 to 11 a.m., and in the Glenns Campus lecture hall from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Final registration for any class, either distance learning or traditional, can take place during the May 20 FLO orientation if there has been no earlier opportunity.

The class schedule for the summer semester has been mailed to over 85,000 homes and businesses, and is also available in various locations around both campuses. Students also can consult the online version of the schedule at the RCC web site, www.rcc.vccs.edu.

Anyone who has further questions about the Summer 2006 schedule or the registration process should telephone RCC's Admissions and Records Office at 804-758-6740 for the Glenns campus, 804-333-6740 for the Warsaw campus, or 540-775-0087 for the King George site.

School Menu

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Monday, April 10:
Pancakes w/syrup or Cereal & toast
Apple juice
Hot pockets or Chicken salad sandwich w/potato chips
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Tuesday , April 11:
Chicken biscuit or Cereal & toast
Orange juice
Taco w/soft shell or Ham & cheese croissant w/chips
Lettuce, tomato & cheese or Golden corn
Peach cup Fresh fruit

Wednesday, April 12:
Scrambled eggs, bacon and toast
Cereal & toast Grape juice
Chicken sticks or Hot dog on bun
Potato wedges or Green peas
Pear half or Fresh fruit

Thursday, April 13:
Sausage biscuit or Cereal & toast
Orange juice
Spaghetti w/meat sauce w/Italian bread or Deli turkey sub
Garden salad or Green beans
Spiced applesauce Fresh fruit

Friday, April 14:
French Toast w/syrup or Cereal & toast
Fruit punch
Pepperoni pizza or Cheese pizza
Garden salad or Golden corn
Mixed fruit or Fresh fruit

Primary school drama club presents 'Dig It!'

On March 17, the Lancaster Primary School Drama Club performed the play, "Dig It!" at the Lancaster Middle School Theater.

The performance was a song and dance revue that highlighted ancient civilizations. It was written by John Jacobson and Roger Emerson.

The play began with the three main characters, Taki (Delaney Headley), Tut (Manaal Siddiqu) and Lucy the Skelton (Keondra Jenkins) meeting in Hadar, Ethopia, at the site where Dr. Gray and Johanson have just discovered a skeleton that later became known as Lucy.

The three travel back in time to learn the impact that the ancient civilizations of Mesopotamia, Egypt, Asia, Greece and Rome have had on life today.

School Notebook

■ 4-H Camp

April 20 is the deadline to register for 4-H camp at the Jamestown 4-H Center on the James River near Williamsburg. Northumberland, Lancaster, Richmond and Westmoreland counties camp together from June 12 to 16. 4-H Camp is open to all boys and girls age 9 to 13. A fee of $150 covers meals, lodging, programs and transportation. Financial aid is available.

For more information about 4-H Camp, call the Northumberland County Extension Office at 580-5694, or the Lancaster County Extension Office at 462-5780.

■ Dean's List

The University of Mary Washington recently announced the names of those students to earn Dean's List honors for the 2005 fall semester.

Local students named on the list include junior Laura Hughes of Lively, sophomore Amy Lawson-Stopps of Lancaster, senior Xochil Cisneros of Hague and senior Kerry Vautrot of Urbanna.

Fifth-grade Science Fair winners

Lancaster Middle School recently announced the winners of its annual Science Fair competition, which included investigations, models and inventions. Winners in the fifth-grade investigations competition, from left, are (front row) Will Kellum (honorable mention), Stephen Shrader (second) and De'Jon Savoy (second); (next row) Meghan Frere (first) and Paige Pittman (third).

Winners in the fifth-grade inventions competition, from left, are (front row) Hannah Smith (third) and Brandi Benton (third); (next row) Sam Friday (second), T.J. Morning (first) and Nicholas Whay (honorable mention).

Winners in the fifth-grade models competition, from left, are (front row) Casey Clarke (first) and Jared Herring (honorable mention); (next row) Jovonte Smith (third) and Lainey Ross (second).

Winners win

The Winners Brain Bowl team at Lancaster Middle School won its first competition last Friday. From left are Keondra Owens, Kwanza Moody, Kendall Noel and Ryan Smith. The competitions prepare students for SOL testing in May in language arts, science, mathematics and social studies. The next Brain Bowl will be Friday, April 6, at the LMS Theater in Kilmarnock at 9 a.m. The public is welcome.

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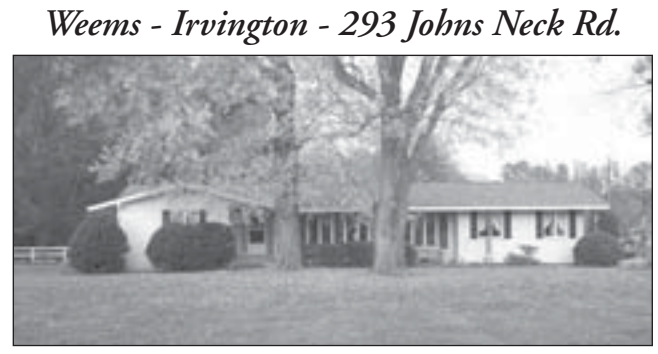

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Gov. Kaine recognizes programs to assist crime victims across Virginia

by Robert Mason Jr.

RICHMOND—Gov. Tim Kaine recently declared April 23-29, as "Crime Victims' Rights Week" in the Commonwealth.

In a related resolution, Gov. Kaine stated: "Victims across the state and nation need and deserve support and assistance to help them cope with the consequences of crime. Being united against crime and for victims' rights and services, we gain strength as individuals, as communities, as a state, and as a nation as a whole, and offer strength to victims who seek to recover in the aftermath of crime."

In the office of Lancaster County Sheriff Ronald D. Crockett, Gwen Carneal serves as the Victim-Witness Program director.

"Many victims and witnesses feel a sense of frustration with the criminal justice system," said Carneal. "Although your role either as a victim or witness of crime may seem frustrating, we are here to help. The Victim-Witness Program is available to assist you in any way possible. We will do our best to ensure that you, as a crime victim or witness, receive sensitive treatment while participating in the criminal justice system."

The Code of Virginia defines a crime victim as anyone suffering physical, psychological or economic harm as a direct result of a felony or assault and battery, stalking, sexual battery, attempted sexual battery, maiming or driving while intoxicated.

Carneal said a victim of a crime may be entitled to certain protections, including physical protection while a case is pending; financial assistance, including restitution or compensation; notifications, including employer contact to ensure one is not penalized for appearing in court; input in cases, including a victim impact statement prior to sentencing of a defendant; and courtroom assistance, including an interpreter during court proceedings.

She urges citizens to call the Victim-Witness Program with any questions they may have as a victim or a witness to a crime. The phone number is 462-5151.

Museum seeks support

Planning for the construction of the Northern Neck Farm Museum near Burgess is proceeding quickly, according to board member Ginny Barnes. Roxy Moubray (above) of Kilmarnock Lettering Company recently made a contribution of this sign marking the future site of the museum complex on Route 360 between Burgess and Heathsville. The board of the Northern Neck Farm Museum is in a fund-raising stage and support from the community is needed to begin construction of the buildings. To make a financial donation or lend your support with goods and services, contact the museum at 333-1919 or P.O. Box 365, Heathsville, VA 22473.

▼ *Del. Wittman . . . .*

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tions than almost any other part of Virginia."

"We can improve our roads without playing a shell game of adding taxes designed so as to not be felt and, later, only to find the funds are continually wasted because we continue to operate as we do now. We need new, innovative road and rail approaches," he said. "And we can meet our transportation needs by assuring that we focus on usage as part of raising revenues such as implementing tolls, 'hot lane' fees, and granting of concessions in private partnerships."

The House approach to helping meet transportation needs is to use some of the current budget surplus, take on a limited amount of 10-year debt, and add "abuser fees" for chronic traffic violators to get the needed state-wide transportation funding. To adopt the Senate's approach would, among other items, add on average $600 sales tax onto the purchase price of the average new car sold in Virginia.

To prevent transportation services from always requiring greater and greater state funding, Del. Wittman said, "There needs to be a link between state funds and development. Currently, there is no provision in state law for developers to pay for road improvements. Those who stand to profit from the development need to make proffers to cover transportation costs. There must be better land use planning so we can limit growth close to jobs."

(Gary Madson is a resident of Eagle's Landing).

▼ *Police . . . .*

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checked on the welfare of a Johns Neck Road resident at the request of health care providers, and responded to a shots fired/poaching complaint in the 2800 block of Crawfords Corner Road and a noise violation complaint in the area of Belmont Drive.

On April 1, the staff responded to a burglary/trespass complaint in the 1400 block of Weems Road, notified Northumberland authorities of a vehicle accident reported on Northumberland Highway, responded to a medical emergency on South Main Street and responded to a traffic complaint on Irvington Road.

On April 2, the staff responded to a trespass complaint in the 4700 block of River Road; a single vehicle accident on Christ Church Road and received a motorist's report of a deer strike near Mary Ball and Boys Camp roads.

On April 3, the staff responded to a man overboard incident off of Simmons Lane.

Additionally last week, the sheriff's staff made nine traffic stops with four summonses issued, provided motorist assistance once, provided traffic control twice, responded to 14 building alarms, served one mental health order, made three inmate transports and received four calls for animal control service.

Among calls for fire department service last week, the Kilmarnock Volunteer Fire Department responded to an appliance fire in the 1700 block of Ditchley Road, a fire alarm in the 200 block of Wiggins Avenue, a brush fire on Roseneath Avenue and with the ULVFD to a brush/structure fire in the 100 block of Gill Road.

The WSVFD responded to a controlled burn on Sandlin Drive and a traffic accident on Christ Church Road.

The ULVFD also responded to a controlled burn/banned fire on River Road and a ditchline fire on Granville Bay Road.

Northumberland County Sheriff Wayne Middleton received a report on Saturday, April 1, of a single-car accident in the Burgess area. Once on the scene, deputies found a black male with multiple stab wounds in the vehicle.

The injuries were from an altercation which had taken place prior to the victim's auto accident. The victim was transported by rescue squad to Rappahannock General Hospital in Kilmarnock.

Grady Eugene Powers, 39, of Hartfield was charged with malicious wounding. He is being held in the Northern Neck Regional Jail in Warsaw.

Sheriff Middleton reported 12 other arrests last week.

David Lee Edding, 35, of Richmond was charged March 30 with construction fraud and writing a bad check for $1,486.26 to a Callao area business.

Travis C. Gordon, 21, of Callao was charged April 1 with failure to appear in the Circuit Court.

A Lancaster woman, 18, was charged March 25 with writing a bad check for $29.36 to a Callao area business.

A Callao woman, 69, was charged March 25 with failure to secure a child in a child safety seat.

A Colonial Beach man, 21, was charged March 26 with two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

A Bowie, Md., female, 16, was charged March 23 with possession of marijuana.

A Lottsburg woman, 18, was charged March 26 with possession of marijuana.

A Lottsburg man, 84, was charged March 27 with assault and battery of a family member.

A Burgess man, 30, was charged March 27 on Lancaster County summons with failure to file a clearing and site plan and failure to obtain a land disturbance permit.

A Lottsburg man, 44, was charged March 29 with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

A Lottsburg woman, 34, was charged March 29 with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

A Reedville man, 49, was charged March 31 on a summons to determine if a pet is a dangerous dog.

A Reedville man, 37, was charged April 1 on a summons to determine if a pet is a dangerous dog.

Lancaster County Crime Solvers

The Lancaster County Crime Solvers seek information on several wanted persons.

Kevin Terrell Harcum, 37, is described as a black male, 6'4" tall, 235 pounds, brown eyes, short black hair.

His last known address was 2448 Merry Point.

He is possibly in the Hampton or Newport News area.

Felony warrants are on file for sex with a minor, misdemeanor warrant for contribute to the delinquency of a minor, and a warrant for probation violation.

Tirischa Lanette Walters, 27, is a black female, 5'6" tall, 125 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes. Her last known address was Dilver Lane in Kilmarnock, but is possibly in the Newport News or Hampton area.

She is wanted for failure to appear in Lancaster County Circuit Court in April of 2003 for feloniously possessing with intent to sell or distribute cocaine.

Report information about either of these wanted persons to Lancaster County Crime Solvers at 462-7463.

Your call is not recorded, you do not have to give your name and will not have to appear in court. Your information could lead to a reward of up to $1,000.

Northumberland equalization board to meet

HEATHSVILLE—Northumberland County residents who say their new property assessment is unfair will soon have the opportunity to have their complaints heard.

The county's board of equalization convenes this month to consider any objections to the new values.

Any owner of real estate or his agent may appear before the board to make a case regarding discrepancies, mistakes or values that seem unfair.

The board is charged with affirming or decreasing assessed values to ensure that real estate taxation falls fairly among property owners in Northumberland County.

The burden falls upon the property owner or taxpayer to provide substantial evidence to support his case. He must prove that his reassessment is not in line with other similar properties or that the reassessed value is in excess of the fair market value.

Appeals may be made in person, by mail to P.O. Box 129 in Heathsville, or by email to cadmin@co.northumberland.va.us.

In-person hearing dates are April 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26 and 28. More hearing dates will be set in May if necessary. The hearings will take place in the Robertson House next to the courthouse in Heathsville. The Robertson House is the second house on the left past the Heathsville Post Office.

Property owners wishing to make an appeal in person must call 580-9261 between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. or from 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday to arrange a convenient date and time.

Retired senior special agent seeks information on relatives

Earl Phifer-Cottman of Baltimore is currently compiling information for an autobiography.

Recently retired from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as a senior special agent, he worked in Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) for almost 33 years.

Over the years, Phifer-Cottman buried both friends and colleagues in his line of work, including a highly respected agent he trained who was killed in the Oklahoma City bombing.

To honor law enforcement officers and firefighters who have laid down their lives in the line of duty, he composed a requiem titled "The Black Band and the Flag: A Requiem for a Crimefighter, Firefighter and Public Servant," also known as "The Heroes Requiem."

The requiem has been performed at numerous memorial services across the country. It also was played for the Oklahoma City Memorial Board in 2000, said Phifer-Cottman.

In addition to career law enforcement honors, Phifer-Cottman has received honors and citations for the requiem from U.S. Sen. Paul S. Sarbanes, Maryland Gov. Paris N. Glendening, several city and county police chiefs and other elected officials.

Phifer-Cottman is the son of the late Thomas Henry Cottman and Katie Lee Phifer-Cottman. His father, Thomas, was the son of Ira Harding Cottman and Anne Butler-Cottman of Lancaster County. His father, Thomas, was born in Lancaster County on March 3, 1924, and had seven siblings; Ophelia, Herman, Bertha, Caroline, Annie, Ira and Lorenzo.

Anyone with information related to the Cottman or Butler families of Lancaster County is urged to write Earl Phifer-Cottman at P.O, Box 2373, Baltimore, Md., 21203-2373.

He also is working on a documentary related to the transition of the U.S. Customs Service into the Department Homeland Security.

Resort trips among April 29 auction items

Bitter End Yacht Club, a British Virgin Islands resort, is celebrating its fifth consecutive year as a highlight in the Chesapeake Academy auction April 29.

The trip to the BVI resort includes a five-night European plan for two people in a beachfront villa.

The Bitter End trip is organized by Meridian Yacht Charters, a Caribbean sailing and resort vacation specialist.

Details and photos for the Bitter End trip are posted at www.meridianyachts.com/clients/. Enter "auction" for user name and "BEYC" for password.

The auction raises funds for academic programs and financial scholarships at Chesapeake Academy. For more information, call the development office at 438-6490.

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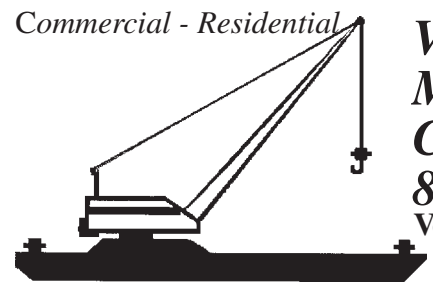
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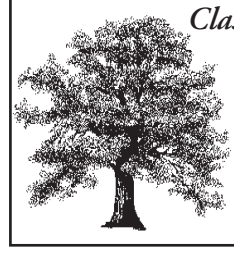
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