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Smith Point Lighthouse to shine as family retreat

story by Reid Pierce Armstrong

It was a piece of luck he stumbled across, said this man from Winona, Minnesota. He had never been to Virginia, nor seen the Chesapeake Bay, but he now owned a lighthouse there.

Unlike the storybook lighthouse spiraling up from a rocky shore, Smith Point Lighthouse hovers 20 feet above the water, 10 miles from land.

The lucky man, 54-year-old real estate developer Dave McNally, won the octagonal island in the bay through a government auction with a bid of $170,000.

He hopes to turn the old structure into a family retreat, "a cabin at sea."

McNally made his find while perusing property for sale on Ebay. During his search, he stumbled across a lighthouse for sale in New York.

If someone is selling a lighthouse on Ebay, he wondered, where else are they for sale? A quick internet search turned up four lighthouses in Virginia for sale.

It was highly unusual that four lighthouses would be up for public auction at the same time. Typically, excess lighthouses are snatched up by organizations interested in preserving them and opening them to the public.

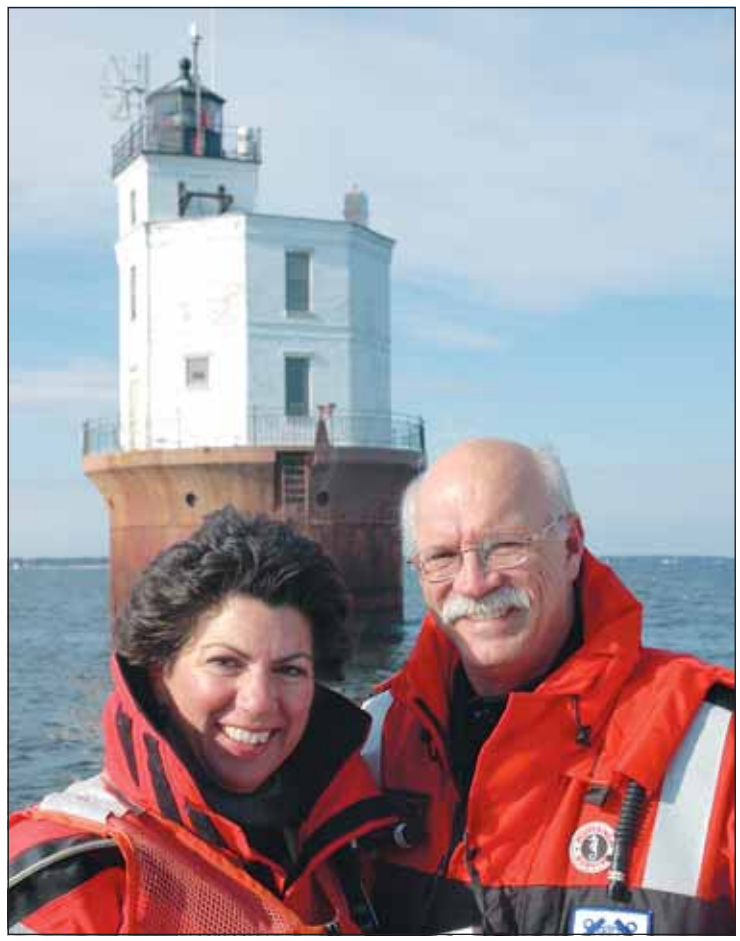
The U.S. Coast Guard had recently declared a huge inventory of old lighthouses "excess" property. Through a process outlined by the 2002 National Lighthouse Preservation Act, the four structures in the Chesapeake Bay were first offered to qualifying government agencies and non-profit groups.

But, because the four Chesapeake Bay lighthouses are all waterbound, they are difficult to access, challenging to maintain and without hope of having such amenities as public restrooms.

When no qualifying organization applied for the lighthouses, they were auctioned to the highest bidder through a division of the National Park Service.

More than a dozen private interests bid on Smith Point last fall. McNally walked away with the key after winning the most competitive bidding of all four lighthouses. He paid $100,000 more than any of the three other winning bidders.

The Coast Guard was selling just the buildings, not the lights and foghorns. Those will continue to run, the bright lights on a steady swivel, the deafening horns blowing every 15 seconds. The Coast Guard will visit the lighthouses to maintain them several times a year.



Built in 1897, Smith Point Lighthouse recently sold for $170,000. New owners Dave and Teri McNally of Winona, Minn., (above) plan to turn the lighthouse into a family retreat.

Photo compliments of U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Richard Condit

McNally's lighthouse, like the others on the Chesapeake, is built on a cast iron caisson. The caisson is a large iron tube buried deep in the bay bottom and filled with concrete. Developed to withstand the crushing force of the frozen bay, these lighthouses were built in 1897 after ice floes washed away the previous wood screw piling models.

Smith Point Lighthouse marks a shoal where the Potomac River makes its entrance into the Chesapeake Bay. The Coast Guard considers it one of the two most important aids to navigation on the bay, directing not just boaters, but tankers and military vessels as well.

Keepers inhabited Smith Point Lighthouse full time until 1971, when the light and horn were automated.

The McNallys first visited their new retreat in December with members of the Coast Guard. The trip by boat from Milford Haven took about an hour and 20 minutes. It was a clear blue day, winter temperatures a gentle 55, winds and seas calm.

About eight miles out, McNally said he saw a blink of light.

"That's it!" he called out. Skeptics aboard the boat reasoned that they were too far out yet to see the light. But McNally had read that the light could be seen for 10 miles. He kept watching the same spot and, sure enough, a lighthouse began to grow on the horizon. As did the sound of the foghorn.

With time, McNally said he expects he will be able to tune out the constant sound of the foghorn, but acknowledges that his wife, Teri, may have a problem with it.

"She's been my biggest supporter," he added. "She's been right here with me."

While the lighthouse is rock solid, McNally recalls the first trip up the 20-foot ladder being rather treacherous.

"It's difficult to get on that light," he said. "My wife hesitated."

Once inside, McNally said, the brick lighthouse smelled fresh and airy, not at all musty or damp as one would assume from a 100-year-old structure surrounded by

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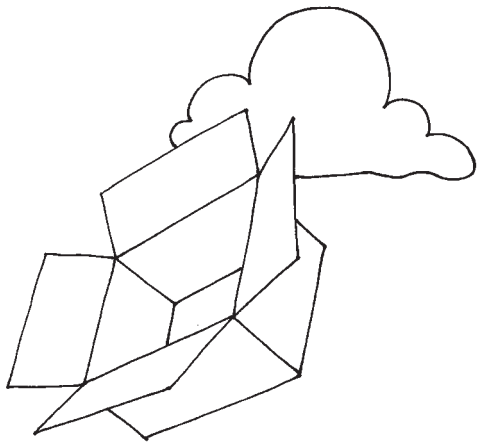

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water.

Armed with a measuring tape, flashlights, binoculars and an octagonal style drawing, the McNallys went straight to work, measuring rooms and drawing sketches.

Bigger than it looks, the 1,115-square-foot structure contains four stories, plus a full basement and a cistern that once collected rainwater for showers and drinking. The main floor includes an entryway, bathroom, kitchen, eating area and sitting room.

The second floor holds three bedrooms, each surprisingly large enough for a queen-size bed. The third floor is a large, open, 80-square-foot watch room with "amazing views," McNally said.

The fourth floor contains the light and foghorn as well as an attic where the McNallys discovered old paperwork and logs from the '50s and '60s.

Everything else, the old sinks, toilets, showers and appliances had been removed. All that remains are bare walls with peeling paint hiding some intricate woodwork.

McNally intends to work on the remodel by himself as much as possible. There is currently no running water, working plumbing or electricity, but McNally has plans to tackle these obstacles. A desalinator will fix the water issue. A small tank that treats wastewater will take care of the plumbing. And, he hopes to soon be allowed use of the electricity line that runs the light and horn.

Smith Point Lighthouse is listed on the National Historic Register, so any updates must be approved by a review committee and be true to the original structure.

McNally's first stop after closing the deal was Jett's Marine to buy a boat. First things first, after all; he needed transportation to his new retreat.

He plans to have the lighthouse ready for the first family retreat by July.

It will be a bit like camping, he admits, since the family will still be hauling in their own water, using a portable potty and relying on lanterns and flashlights to see at night.

McNally believes the lighthouse will some day act as a beacon for his own family, drawing his growing children back together even after they graduate from college and begin their own careers.

He sees it as a starting place for adventures.

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"Ihavealwayslovedlighthouses," he said. "I love boating. I love being on the water. I am sure I will love living in a lighthouse too."

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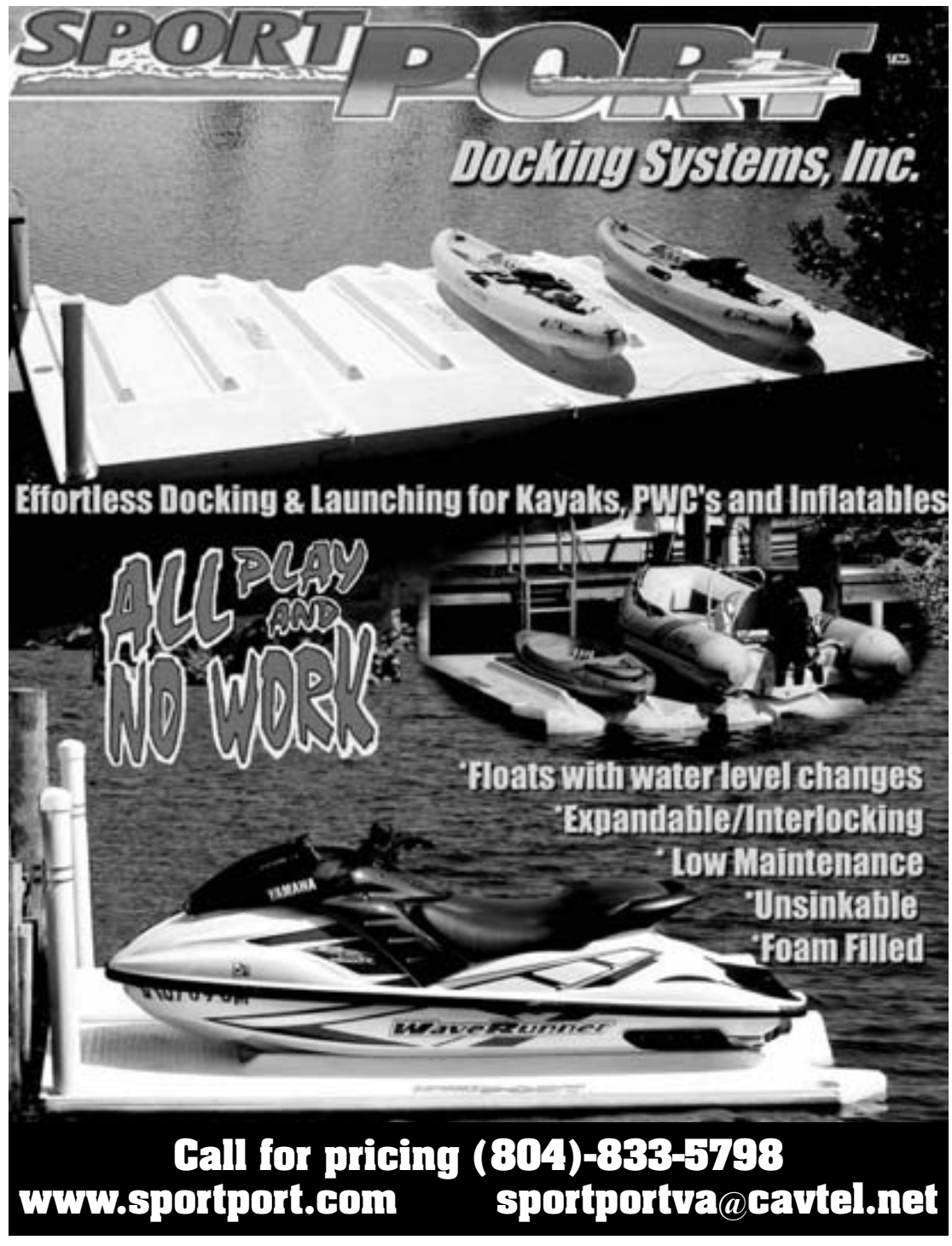

The misery of one man's annual sail

by Douglas M. Nabhan

Who can argue about the beauty of sailboats on the bay with their sails full of wind? Living on Fishing Bay in Deltaville, we also see the sailboat races with their cornucopia of sails and seeming bedlam at the starting line.

I lived behind a sailboat marina and would watch countless sailors devote weekend after weekend working on their boats. I could not for the life of me figure out how people could put so much energy into something that moves so slow. It is fairly evident that the "sail-car" was a failure, so why do so many people find such pleasure in sailing? I had to find out.

I purchased an Escape sailboat, which is so small that only one adult can be in it without submerging the boat. Each year I make myself rig this thing up so I can pronounce that I do sail. Last year, I forgot to do it, but this year it was on my list of goals for the summer.

As I got the boat out I found that I had lost the rigging instructions. Zoe from Escape emailed me another set, but I left them in Richmond. "Oh, how hard could this simple boat be to rig?" I thought.

One of life's mysteries is how do kinks get into hoses, extension cords and ropes. I have never actually tied a knot in one of these items yet every time I get these things out, the "knot fairy" has come along and tied knots in the cord. As I readied the boat, I found a knot in the end of the line that controls the only sail. As always, I untied the knot.

I put the rest of the boat together the best I could and put it in the water. While sailing is supposed to be peaceful, there is nothing to rival the irritating sound of one of these new synthetic sails flapping in the wind. It sounds like a thunderstorm. As I got on the boat, my wife had that "I wish he wasn't doing this" look on her face.

Since I am a simpleton on the water, I had watched the sailboats to determine which way I could go with the direction of the wind. It appeared that I could sail straight out and simply come about and come right back. I could sail for about 20 minutes and once again claim that I sailed.

As the wind caught the sail I relaxed and knew that it was like riding a bike, it had come back to me. As I got past the shelter of my harbor, I realized it was lot windier than I thought, but it was still fun. Suddenly, the wind became variable and would shift subtly. I had to adjust the sail a lot to keep the wind in the sail. (I forgot to mention that it was very hot on this day and that I had gone running and cleaned the gutters before sailing. I was totally dehydrated and forgot to bring water.) Suddenly, as the wind gusted to twenty knots, I began to have leg cramps from being contorted like Houdini in this bathtub with a sail. One annoying thing about sailing is that it takes two hands and that is exactly what I have. When my leg started cramping I could either let go of the rudder or the line that controls the sail. I chose to let go of the sail line and this is where it gets really interesting.

As I let go of the line, a big gust of wind caught the sail and pushed it way out. Suddenly, I figured out why that sail line had a knot in the end. It was so that if you let go of the line that all of the rigging would stay together. As I writhed in pain from cramps, I watched as the end of the line unraveled through each of the pulleys finally going through the last one and then just flying in the wind. I had no control over the sail. It was flapping so loud it could wake the dead. I was still having cramps and could not move and the wind was picking up. It would be impossible to get the line back. The sound of the sail flapping was deafening, so I came up with the same plan that I have on the powerboat when I get in trouble. Get towed in.

I crawled to the front of the boat and twisted the mast which rolled up the sail. I would wave someone down for a tow. While there are always boats everywhere in Fishing Bay on a summer Saturday, I looked about and there was not one single boat in sight. I sat there realizing this might take a while. Maybe my wife would spot me drifting, and figure out how to operate the jet ski and come and save me. The chances of that were as likely as me

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finding out that my little sailboat actually had a little tiny motor hidden on it. So I sat baking in the 100-degree heat.

Suddenly, I saw a boat on the horizon. I waved them down and they waved back and kept going. I decided I had to stand up and wave both arms. Standing in this sailboat is about as easy as climbing a ladder without using your hands. About an hour later, everyone decided it was time to go boating and suddenly there were boats everywhere. I stood up and started waving and two boats pulled up to help. I pointed to my dock and threw them a line and we were off. As we pulled up to the dock, I realized that my wife was standing in the yard with her arms folded. I thanked the kind boater and walked the sailboat in dodging a minefield of nettles. Of course, just as I got to the shore a nettle stung me across both legs. I was dehydrated, screaming in pain, sunburned and exhausted. I pulled the boat onto the yard tucked the sail under the house and went to bed at one o'clock. I guess I am still a sailor, only a little smarter now.

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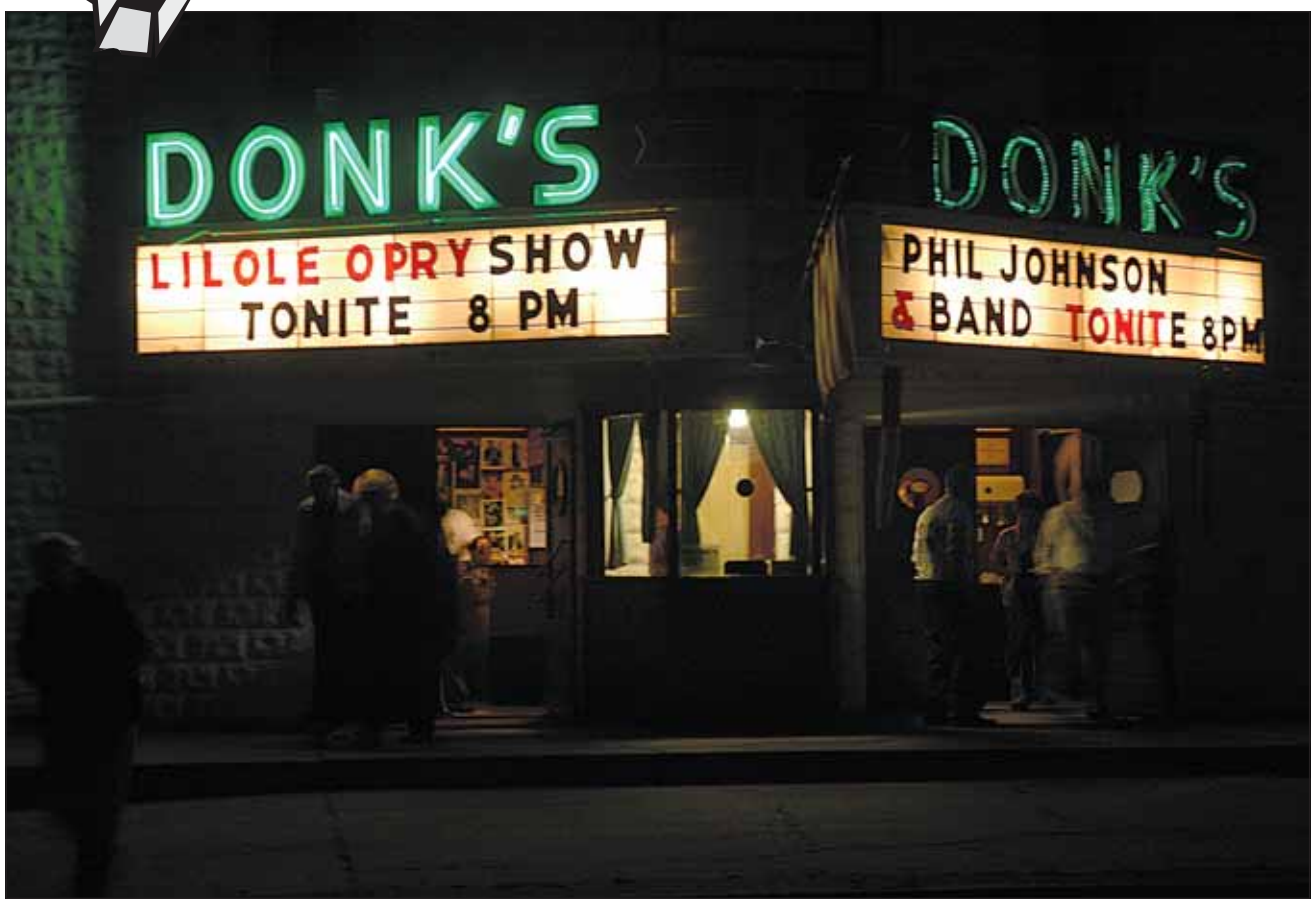

Donk's Theater in Mathews County hosts a country music show every other Saturday night.

P.J. Owens sings oldies at Donk's.

Donk's Ticket Information

- Adults $12
- Children $2 (12 and under)

Tickets are available at the door or in advance at: Mathews Visitor Center, 725-4229; Country Casuals, Mathews, 725-4050; Seabreeze Restaurant, Gwynn's Island, 725-4000; Lynn's Family Restaurant, Mathews 725-9996; Morgan and Edwards Real Estate, Mathews 725-1951; N&N Services, Rte. 17 and 610, Gloucester 693-5863; The Marketplace Antique Mall, White Marsh, 694-0544; Carolina BBQ House, Gloucester Point, 684-2450.

Tickets can also be reserved and held at the door by calling 725-7760.

story and photos
by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

It's Saturday night at Donk's Theater. The normally dark and quiet white stone-blocked building in tiny Hudgins in Mathews County is starting to fill with guests.

A line snakes out from the ticket booth, where Carolyn Smith and her granddaughter collect money, and winds down the sidewalk.

The smell of a musty, old theater closed for weeks is replaced by the intoxicating scent of buttered popcorn. There's a honky-tonk twang in the air.

The guests take their seats and the lights dim, all but a single spotlight shining on the corner of a blue-and-white starred curtain, where emcee Uncle Jimmy Wickham Smith emerges.

"Virginia's Lil' Ole Opry" is off and running.

With his corny jokes and Southern hospitality, he welcomes guests to the show, featuring his daughter Lynda Smith Greve, the Donk's staff band Shades of Country and the night's highlight act, Phil Johnson's "A Touch of Class" band, all the way from Richmond.

The theater, built in 1946 by Wilton "Donk" Dunton as a movie house, is about two-thirds full. On talent search and oldies nights, the 500-seat hall is usually jam-packed, according to Uncle Jimmy, who together with his sister and nieces started the country music show back in 1975.

"I had been to the Grand Ole' Opry and I had visions of hey, maybe we can do country music here," he said.

By here, he meant in rural Mathews County, where the sidewalks usually roll up at dusk, just about the time Donk's gets kickin'. Every other Saturday night, Uncle Jimmy and crew take the stage to perform some of the best country music this side of Nashville.

When the show first started, back at a time when country music hadn't made the crossover into popular mainstream, Donk's brought some pretty big names to the Middle Peninsula. Performers like Ernest Tubbs, Kitty Wells, Mickey Gilley, even Dolly Parton appeared there.

Parton made her pass through

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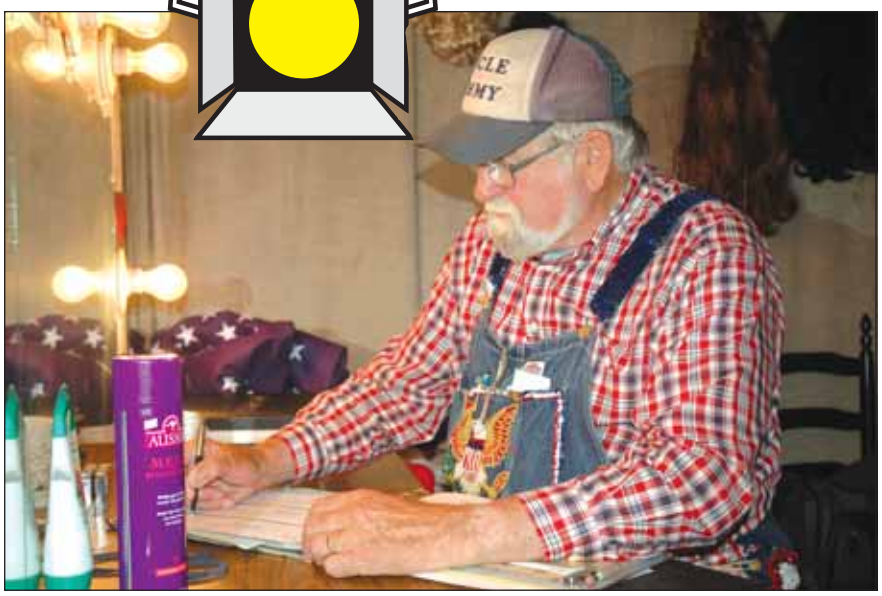

Uncle Jimmy Wickham Smith does it all at Donk's from emceeing the night's performance to working on stage props and signing payroll checks during a break in the dressing room.

Uncle Jimmy is the heart and soul of local country music scene

James Wickham Smith, aka Uncle Jimmy Wickham, is a robust man with a full gray beard and a healthy head of matching hair, covered slightly by a hat that simply states his best known nickname, "Uncle Jimmy."

Wearing his signature denim overalls with side seams of blue and red sequins and a bald eagle smack dab in the middle of his chest, he's exactly how one would envision the master of ceremonies at a country music show — the patriotic hillbilly.

He's Donk's Theater's answer to Hee Haw's Buck Owens, a flashy rhinestone cowboy decked in red, white and blue with a knack for corny storytelling.

"I'm Uncle Jimmy," he says, holding a hand up to shield the spotlight from his eyes. His glasses slide down his nose as he reads through a stack of note cards. "Now let's see who's here for the first time."

Like coming to visit Uncle Jimmy at his home, he welcomes each new guest with a personal hello.

Folks who've been to the country music show in Hudgins know the drill. If someone in the party is a first-timer, leave his name and where he's from at the front desk. All the pertinent information will get back to Uncle Jimmy, who'll call attention to the newcomers, make them stand, smile and wave.

"I like to get one-on-one with the audience to make them feel at home," said Uncle Jimmy, who has been emceeing the every-other-Saturday-night show since 1978.

His jokes are safe for all ears, young, old and the modest.

"I come on with some corny jokes. I get them from everywhere. People send them to me, stop me and tell 'em to me. I use a lot of the old favorites over and over. They're like a favorite old song you want to hear again and again. Lots of times, it's not the story but how you tell it."

The story of how the country music theater came to be must be one of his favorites, he tells it without pause.

The extended Smith family has always been a musical bunch, so in 1975, Uncle Jimmy, his older sister Harriet Farmer and his nieces Joanna Nix and Betsy Ripley pooled their money together to bring Grand Ole Opry sounds to rural Mathews County.

The old movie theater building had been vacant for about five years when the Smiths put in "about $800 apiece and with a little elbow grease from family and friends opened the old theater back up."

On June 14, 1975, under the name Country Jamboree, a show of gospel, country and bluegrass music opened to a full house at 8 p.m. For a mere $2 for adults and $1 for children, guests got four hours of entertainment.

They put on a show there every Saturday night that first summer then switched to semimonthly shows the next year.

Over the years, Uncle Jimmy has changed little. Like the Dukes of Hazzard's Uncle Jesse, he's the huggable, loveable voice and face of a Mathews County tradition.

How long will he continue telling his stories and welcoming guests into his second home?

As long as he can.

Kasey Meeks puts on her make-up and fixes her hair before showtime.

One of the crowd favorites, Lynda Smith Greve started performing at Donk's at age 2.

Donk's 2006 Show Schedule

June
10 — Steve Motley
24 — The Mullins Sisters

July
8 — "Salute to America"
22 — The Mullins Sisters

August
5 — Tracy Hill
19 — Lynda Smith

September
2 — Nashville recording artist, Linda Davis
16 — "Uncle Jimmy's Birthday Bash"
30 — Lauren Woodrum

October
14 — Richard Smith
28 — "Saturday Night Fever" — A salute to the 70s

November
11 — Joelle Goodwin/ Chris Hebert
25 — Gospel show featuring Michele Thacker and Revealed

December
9 — Smith Family Christmas Show

Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; shows start at 8 p.m.

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Hudgins on October 1, 1976, a show Uncle Jimmy won't ever forget. The country music icon had been in Atlanta resting up for a national tour and wanted to "try out" her vocal cords before a smaller audience.

"She took home all but $27 of the ticket money that night," said Uncle Jimmy. "She was just a plain old country girl. She was just like you and me."

Today's crowds don't see the Nashville legends. What they do see is local talents who could compete with just about anybody out of Tennessee.

Last month's show featured regulars Raymond Meeks, a young man who belted out a noteworthy rendition of "God Blessed Texas," and his younger sister, Kasey Meeks, whose version of "Inside Your Heaven" was American Idol-worthy.

Frances Walker of New Point claps and sings along with performers.

Michele Thacker brought tears to a lot of eyes with a religious song she dedicated to her grandmother, PJ Owens had the crowd clapping with his oldie, "If You've Got the Money."

Owens, who was called back for an encore, has a one-man fan club in Jimmy "Jim-Jim" Hudgins, who watches every show from a faded, beige recliner in the corner of the theater.

As always, the show featured Lynda Smith Greve, who is simply listed as Lynda Smith on Donk's schedule. The long-haired blonde made her debut on the Donk's stage at age 2, singing "Daddy's Girl."

"She took the microphone and has had it ever since," said proud dad, Uncle Jimmy.

She made a stab at Nashville but returned to her hometown theater, where she sings one or two solos every show, sings back-up with the Shades of Country and now dabbles in the overall operations as a partner.

She's put together a whole new staff band, which is why the theater won't offer its popular talent search competitions this summer. The band isn't ready to fill that many song requests.

The shows offer more variety now.

Although the "older folks like to hear the older songs, we've put in a few more of the newer ones," said Uncle Jimmy.

The flavor of the show hasn't changed. It's still good, clean family entertainment.

When Donk's opened, said Uncle Jimmy, the only place to hear country music was in a bar and that wasn't a place to take kids.

"We started this as a family recreation thing and I'm a believer in that," he said.

The jokes are mild and tempered for any age, the songs don't include some of the questionable lyrics out there today and the theater snack bar sells only sodas, popcorn and candy.

"When you step into Donk's, you step back 50 years."

The show always opens with the welcoming of guests. A couple from Midlothian stand to take a bow and wave to the crowd. It was their first time at "Virginia's Lil' Ole Opry."

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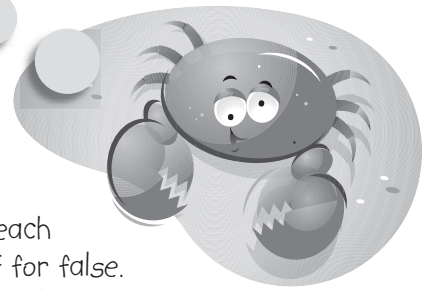

Beach

Can you help Claude with the beach facts below? Circle T for true or F for false. Check your answers at the bottom of the page.

1. High tide at the beach changes every day. **t** **f**
2. You should always swim with a buddy. **t** **f**
3. Wearing sunscreen is not important. **t** **f**
4. The beach is an important home for animals and plants. **t** **f**
5. Driftwood, shells and seaweed wash up on the shore from the water. **t** **f**
6. You can drink the river water. **t** **f**
7. The wind, rain, tides and temperatures are always changing the beach. **t** **f**
8. Sand is made up of fine, worn pieces of rock. **t** **f**

Things I've seen at the Beach

- ❑ oyster shell
- ❑ crab
- ❑ driftwood
- ❑ seaweed
- ❑ periwinkle
- ❑ sandcastle
- ❑ footprint
- ❑ fiddler crab
- ❑ stinging nettle
- ❑ shark tooth
- ❑ barnacle
- ❑ bird tracks

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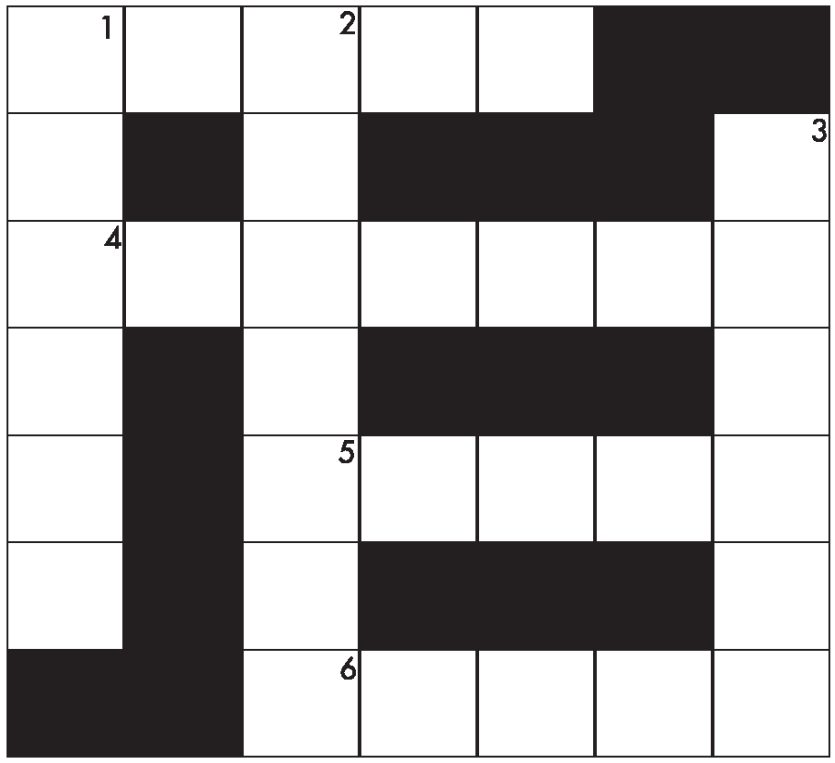

CLUES ACROSS

1. Bright outside
4. Brightened by the moon
5. Insect's baby
6. Ocean water is

CLUES DOWN

1. Warm season
2. Foam water toys
3. Very hot

Answers

Across
1. Sunny 4. Moonlit 5. Larva 6. Salty

Down
1. Summer 2. Noodles 3. Steamy

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FBYC plans Opti Kids classes in June

The Fishing Bay Yacht Club Opti Kids sailing classes are set for June 10-11 and 17-18. These sessions are held for beginning sailors ages 6-8. There is a fee and advanced registration is required. Space is limited.

Class will be held the two weekends prior to Junior Week. The classes will be half days, and students will attend classes on all four days. One parent must accompany each student to every class and get in the water.

Kids who develop an enthusiasm for sailing during this event are encouraged to enrolled in beginning Optimists classes for Junior Week.

For more information, email <.fbyc.net>.

Sailing association to greet season with raft-up/picnic

The Northern Neck Sailing Association (NNSA) will hold its annual raft-up and picnic on Saturday and Sunday, May 27 and 28, of the Memorial Day weekend. This event is the symbolic kickoff of the sailing season for NNSA members.

The raft-up will be at 4 p.m. Saturday in Kane's Cove on The Glebe. Bring the beverage of choice and an appetizer to share.

The picnic will start at 2 p.m. on Sunday at the Kane's home on The Glebe. NNSA will provide brats, burgers, beans, slaw, sodas and beer. Members are requested to bring an hors d/oeuvre or dessert to round out the menu.

The NNSA welcomes sailors from all over the Northern Neck. Anyone interested in joining or finding out more about the organization should call Pat Mc Chesney at 529-5239. New members are welcome to participate in the Memorial Day weekend festivities.

Kiwanis welcomes donated items for June 3 yard sale

The Kiwanis Club of Middlesex chose Saturday, June 3, for its fourth annual yard sale. The sale will take place inside from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cooks Corner where it has previously been held.

In addition to the sundry items normally for sale, the club will also conduct a bake sale.

According to fundraising chairman Roy Bowman, the club welcomes any donations of items from citizens and businesses. Those with items to donate, should deliver them to Cooks Corner on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or call Bowman, Ed Fisher, Jim Hill or Ray Kostesky to arrange for a pick up of same.

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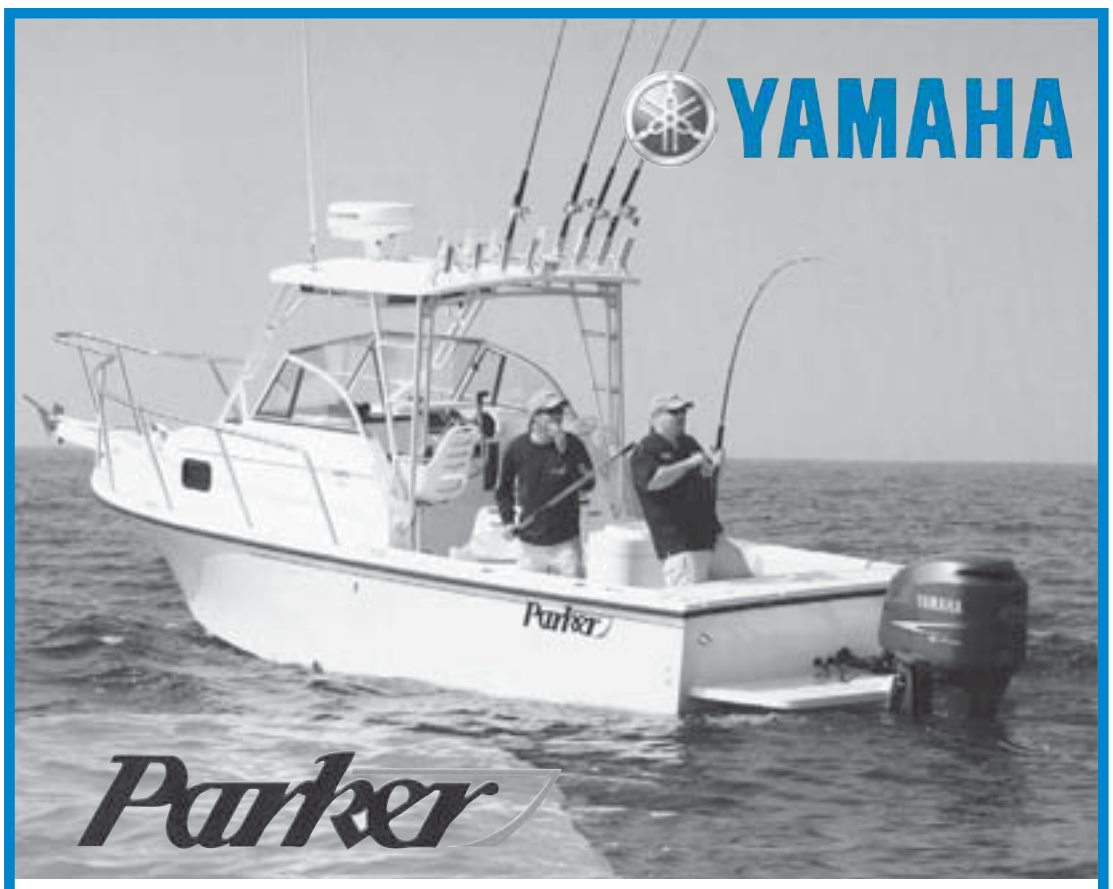

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Broad Creek

Chesapeake Cove Marina Rt. 1110, Deltaville. 776-6855. Gas and diesel fuel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, hull and engine repair, restrooms, Finatic fishing charters, travel lift. and Prop service. Powerboat sales.

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Norton's Yacht Sales Inc. Deltaville. 776-9211. Boat slips, gas and diesel fuel, sewage pumpouts, restrooms, 35-ton travel lift, new and used boat sales, dealer for Hunter sailboats and Jeanneau yachts, ASA sailing school and sailing charters, full service.

Norview Marina Route 33, Deltaville. 776-6463. Gas and diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, boatel, hull and engine repair, modern restrooms, boat ramp, swimming pool, laundromat, convenience market, travel lift, forklift, Delta boat sales and brokerage.

Regatta Point Yacht Club Neptune Lane, Deltaville. 776-8400, open and covered slips to 70', clubhouse, meeting/conference room, pool, wireless internet access, concrete floating docks.

Stingray Harbor Marina End of Route 33 near Stingray Point, Deltaville. 776-7272. Sail and powerboat slips.

Walden's Marina Deltaville. 776-9440. 60 covered and open boat slips, ship's store, gas and diesel fuel, restrooms, pumpout facility, full-service boatyard, hull and engine repair, bait, transient space, railway, travel lift.

Fishing Bay

Deagle's Boatyard Inc. 548 Deagles Rd, Deltaville. 776-9741. Ship's store, hull and engine repair, restrooms, travel lift, railway, dinghy sales, shedding tank sales.

Fishing Bay Harbor Marina 519 Deagles Rd., Deltaville. 776-6800. Gas and diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, modern restrooms, swimming pool, laundromat, bicycles.

Jackson Creek

Deltaville Boat Yard Route 683, Deltaville, 776-8900. Hull and engine repair, dry storage, fiberglass repair, carpentry work, travel lift, full service yard.

Deltaville Marina Route 683, Deltaville, 776-9812. Gas and diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, restrooms, swimming pool, Laundromat.

LaGrange Creek

Remlik Marina Resort and Mike's Marine Services 485 Burch Rd, near Urbanna. 758-5450. Full-service boatyard, hull and engine repairs, ship's store, pumpout, 30-ton travel lift, swimming pool, restrooms, onshore winter storage, gas, 99 covered slips.

Locklies Creek

Locklies Marina Route 621, Topping. 758-2871 or 1-888-860-1014. Gas and diesel fuel, ship's store, dry storage, 18 charter boats moor at the facility, restrooms, two launching ramps, boat rentals, picnic tables.

Regent Point Marina Inc. Topping. 758-4457. Sailboats only. Sewage pumpout, clean restrooms and showers, boat ramp for leaseholders, playground for children, covered picnic area, storage lockers, and boatyard service including hauling and ground storage available.

Urbanna Creek

Dozier's Port Urbanna Yachting Center 1 Waterfront Street, Urbanna. 758-0000. Hull and engine repair, restrooms, outside boat storage facilities, covered slips to 70', clubhouse and 40-ton lift.

Urbanna Bridge Marina At foot of Watling Street adjacent to Urbanna Creek Bridge. 758-8503. 44 slips, transient dock, bath and shower facilities, pumpout station, recreational area, restaurant access, apartment complex for yearly rental, mobile mechanics, convenient to gas and diesel pumps.

Urbanna Town Marina At foot of Virginia Street. 32 slips, 16 transient. Bath and shower facilities, laundry, pumpout station, handicapped accessible. 758-2613.

Urbanna Yachting Center At foot of Watling Street, Urbanna. 758-2342. Full-service yard, sail loft, gas and diesel fuel, ship's store, transient space, pumpout

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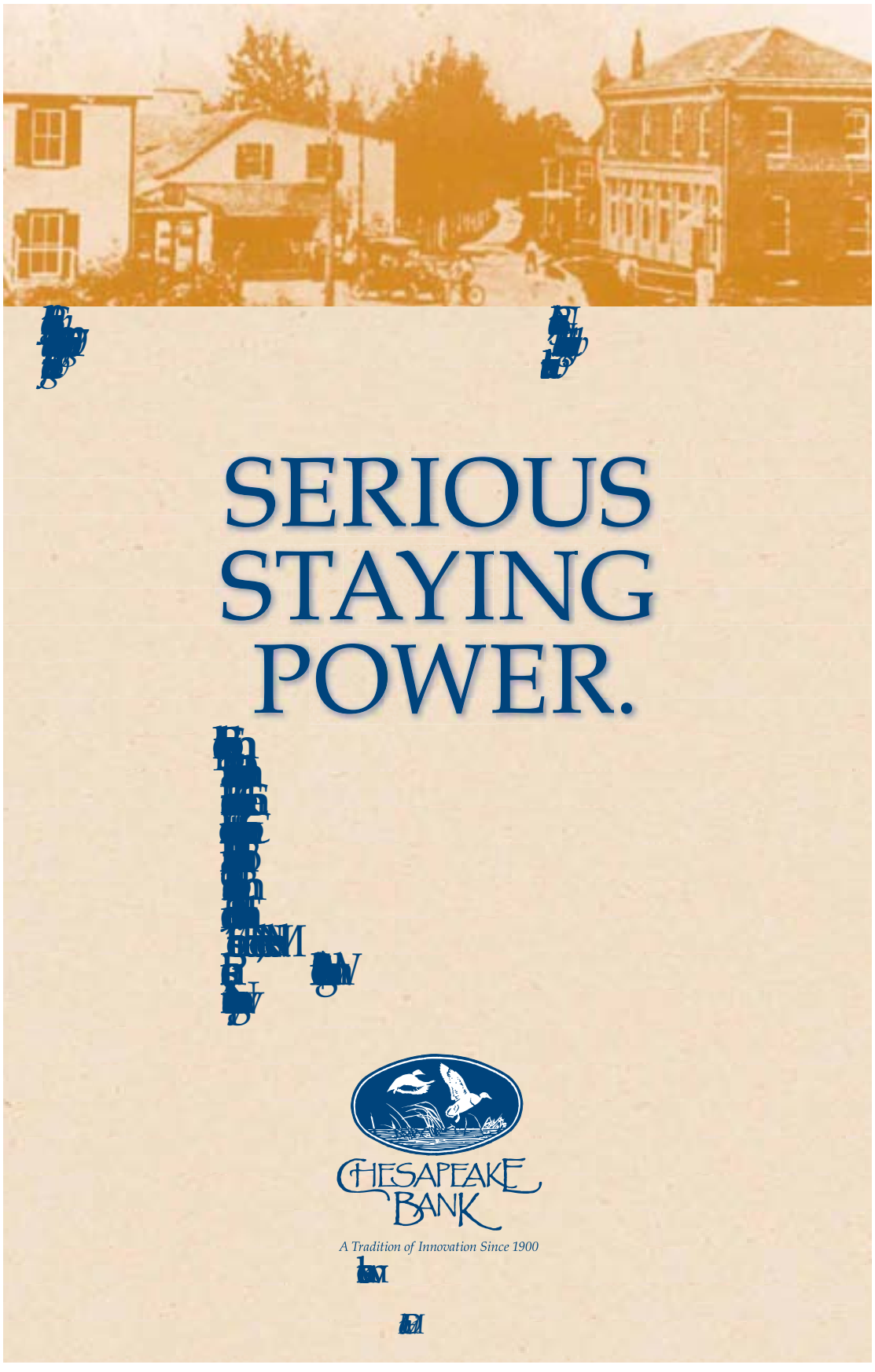

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facilities, 25 ton travel lift.

Northumberland

Coan River

Coan River Marina 3170 Lake Road near Lottsburg. Deep water slips with easy access to Bay and river. Gas/diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, laundry, restrooms, full repairs, 25 ton travelift. 529-6767.

Lewisetta Marina At the end of Route 624. Gas/diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, ABC off, ice, hull and engine repair, boat rentals, fishing and cruise charters, restrooms, launching ramp. 529-7299.

Cockrell's Creek

Buzzards Point Marina At the end of Route 656 near Lilian. Gas/diesel, ship's store (limited), hull and engine repairs, boat launching (by forklift). 453-3545.

Fairport Marina At the end of Polly Cove Road near Reedville, Gas/diesel, ship's store and restaurant, restrooms. 453-5002.

Little Wicomico River

Chesapeake Bay/Smith Island

KOA Near Lillian. 20 covered slips, store, hot showers, swimming pool, mini-golf, pavilion, 11 air-conditioned cabins for rent, breakfast served Sundays. Overnight and annual slip rentals. 453-3430.

Cockrell's Marine Railway Near Heathsville. Hull and engine repair, sewage pumpout, launching ramp. 453-3560.

Smith Point Marina Off Route 654 near Sunnybank. Gas/diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, party charters, launching ramp, restrooms. 453-4077.

Lodge Creek

Olverson's Lodge Creek Marina Inc. At the end of Route 623 (Melrose Road) near Lewisetta. Gas/diesel, sewage pumpout,

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From the Bay to the Arts, several great events are coming up during the months of June and July

"Art on Fishing Bay," 5:30 – 9 p.m., Friday, June 9
Dozens of local and area artisans present their unique artwork and crafts for sale during a fun evening at Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville. Admission is free, but bring an hors d'oeuvre to share.

"Leukemia Cup Junior Sail-a-thon," 4:30 p.m., Thursday, June 22
Elementary school-aged youngsters participate in a fan-oriented sailing event in which they sail set courses. The young sailors are encouraged to get sponsors for the number of laps they complete. Refreshments and incentives are presented following an exciting afternoon on the water.

Auction, Crab Cake Dinner & Music 7 – 9 p.m., Friday, July 7
Join us for a silent and live auction, food and drinks, as well as the Leukemia Cup Regatta registration at the Deltaville Firehouse, Rt. 33 in Deltaville. Auction items include various artwork by local artists, nautical items, spa and salon treatments, vacation getaways, and restaurant certificates. Admission is free and open to the public.

This year's Leukemia Cup Regatta is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 7, 8 and 9, in Deltaville.

To register for any of these events or to obtain more information, please contact Sheri Coombs at the Virginia Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at (800) 766-0797 or (804) 627-0400 or visit www.leukemiacup.org.

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launching ramp, sand beach, heated pool, laundry room, restrooms/showers, boat with trailer storage, 200 covered and open slips, transients welcome. 529-6868.

Great Wicomico River

Great Wicomico Marine Off Route 200 at Burgess, gas, launching ramp, restrooms, showers. 453-3351.

Towles Creek

Ingram Bay Marina At the end of Route 609 near Wicomico Church. Gas/diesel, sewage pumpout, ship's store, tackle/bait shop, fishing and cruise charters, private or party boat charters, boat/canoe rentals, restrooms/showers, launching ramp. 580-7292.

Yeocomico River

Krentz Marine Railway On Route 622, Harryhogan Road. Sewage pumpout, ship's store (hardware and marine supplies only), hull and engine repair, restrooms, slip rentals. 529-6851.

The Fishing Center At the end of Route 622 at Harryhogan Point. Sewage pumpout, fishing charters, restrooms/showers, deep water slips, adjacent to major repair yard. 529-7370.

Richmond

Morattico Creek

Whelan's Marina At the end of Route 647 in Farnham on the Rappahannock River and Morattico Creek. Gas, ship's store and snacks, boat repairs, launching ramp, ABC off, restrooms/showers, sales of boat and engines, travel lift. 394-9500. whelansmarina.com.

Westmoreland

Lower Machodoc Creek

Branson's Cove Marina 284 Branson's Cove Road, Coles Point, Boat ramp, slip rentals, fuel, store, snack bar and sewage pump-out. 472-3866.

Mattox Creek

Harbor View Marina Route 664 in Oak Grove, Slip rentals, showers, pool, snack bar, boat sales and repairs, fuel, sewage pump-out. 224-9265.

Monroe Bay

Nightingale's Motel and Marina 101 Monroe Bay Ave. Transient slips, restrooms, restaurant next door, motel accommodations. 224-7956.

Stanford's Marina and Railway 829 Robin Grove Lane. Working boatyard, slip rentals, haul and lift, wooden boat repairs, marine store. 224-7644.

Potomac River

Colonial Beach Yacht Center 1787 Castlewood Drive. Slip rentals, fuel, ship's store, boat lift, bathhouse, pub, restaurant. 224-7230.

Coles Point Plantation Rt. 728 in Coles Point, Slip rentals, boat ramp, fuel, store, boat yard, sewage pumpout, campground, pool, restaurant, fishing pier, biking/hiking trails, cabin rentals. 472-3955. colespoint.com.

Westmoreland State Park Route 3, West of Montross, A public boat ramp is located at the park. Gas, ice, bait and fishing supplies are available for sale. Paddleboats and rowboats can be rented Memorial Day–Labor Day. Kayaking classes and tours are also held periodically. 493-8821.

Yeocomico River

Kinsale Harbour Yacht Club and Restaurant Highway 203 in Kinsale. Deep water slips, showers, swimming pool, tennis court, and restaurant. Transients welcome. 472-2514.

Port Kinsale Marina and Resort Route 608 in Kinsale, 96 deep water slips in protected harbor, transients welcome. Ship's store, fuel, electric, laundry and modern bath houses, slip rentals, boat ramp, sewage pumpout, pool, laundry, picnic area, restaurant, campground, lodging. Full service marina and boat yard. Home of The Mooring Restaurant. 472-2044. portkinsale.com.

White Point Marina 175 Marina Drive in Kinsale. Slip rentals, fuel, sewage pumpout, showers, haul-out/railway facilities, full service repairs. 472-2977. whitepointmarina.com.

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Potomac Gateway Visitor Center

James Monrow Birthplace

Colonial Beach

Colonial Beach Museum

George Washington Birthplace

Westmoreland State Park

Stratford Hall

WESTMORELAND COUNTY

Coles Point

Montross

Westmoreland County Museum and Visitor's Center

Hague

Kinsale Museum

Potomac River

ESSEX COUNTY

Smith Island

Callao

Warsaw

Richmond County Museum

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Tappahannock

Essex County Museum

Virmar Public Beach

Cruise to Smith Island

Smith Point Light

Ball Memorial Library & Museum

Heathsville

Burgess

Sunnybank Ferry

RICHMOND COUNTY

Rappahannock River

Bushmill Stream Natural Area Preserve

Reedville

Reedville Fisherman's Museum

Tangier Island

LANCASTER COUNTY

Belle Isle State Park

Lively

Lancaster

Mary Ball Washington Museum

Cruise to Tangier Island

Canoe House Public Beach

KING & QUEEN COUNTY

Merry Point Free Ferry

Hughlett Point Natural Area Preserve

Kilmarnock

Lancaster Visitors Center

King William Courthouse

Mattaponi River

KING WILLIAM COUNTY

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Urbanna

Urbanna Visitor's Center

Irvington

Historic Christ Church

White Stone

Windmill Point Light

Mattaponi Indian Reservation

Windmill Point

Public Beach

Pamunkey Indian Reservation

Middlesex County Museum

Saluda

West Point

Deltaville

Stingray Point Light

Stingray Point

Chesapeake Bay

Gwynn's Island Museum

Gwynn's Island

GLOUCESTER COUNTY

MATHEWS COUNTY

Historic Gloucester Courthouse Square & Beaverdam Park

Tompkins Cottage

Wolf Trap Lighthouse

York River

William Wharf Rowing Center

Bethel Beach Natural Area Preserve

Mobjack Bay

Rosewell Ruins

New Point Comfort Lighthouse

New Point Comfort Observation Walkway

New Point Comfort Island

Williamsburg

Gloucester Point

VIMS Aquarium

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Boat Ramps

Sites of Interest

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