Welcome to Gloucester County

■ Size: 287 square miles ■ Shoreline: 269 miles
■ Population: 34,500

Wet your line, take a swim or launch your boat at Gloucester Point Beach. On Tuesday, July 4, an Independence Day celebration will be held at the beach located in the shadows of the Coleman Bridge just off Route 17.

History

Exploration of what would become Gloucester County began soon after 1607 when Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in the new world, was started 25 miles to its south.

Just as the Indians had their villages along Gloucester's creeks, rivers and bays, many settlers built their homes along these same transportation routes.

From the Indians colonists learned to grow tobacco, the mainstay and cash crop of colonial Virginia. But it was another Indian staple, corn, that sustained early settlers.

Gloucester County was formed in 1651 from York County. It contained Kingston Parish, which became Mathews County in 1791.

Gloucester was home to several well-known persons. One of the better known was Pocahontas, daughter of Indian Chief Powhatan. According to legend, she petitioned her father to spare the life of English explorer Captain John Smith, who was one of the first white men to see the area in the early 1600s.

In 1676 Nathaniel Bacon, irked at the governor's slow action, led a force of planters against the Indians. Bacon's Rebellion defeated the Indians and then attempted to make the governor reform colonial policies. His army burned Jamestown and he briefly controlled the colony before his death ended the revolt.

Dr. Walter Reed, who, in 1900 proved yellow fever is transmitted by mosquitoes and could be controlled by eliminating them, was born at Belroi in 1851.

Lesser known is John Buckner, who brought the first printing press to Virginia.

World-renowned botanist John Clayton was a clerk of the court.

Attorney Thomas Calhoun Walker, the state's first black collector of customs, was the only black to hold statewide office in the federal Works Project Administration.

Gloucester Point's location at the York River and the Chesapeake Bay has held a strategic place in history. Fortified during Bacon's Rebellion, Gloucester Point is just across the York River from Yorktown, site of the British surrender to end the American Revolution.

Originally called Tyndall's Point, named for an early mapmaker, it was renamed Gloucester Towne and was once the county seat until it was moved 13 miles north during the 1700s.

When Jamestown was burned by Bacon in 1676, the Virginia Executive Council considered moving the state capital to Tyndall's Point, but the motion was rejected by a 21 to 18 vote. Jamestown remained the state capital until it was shifted to Williamsburg.

In 1769, the new county seat, Botetourt Towne (old town Gloucester), was laid out. It was named for Baron de Botetourt, then governor of Virginia.

Today, visitors can find a classic example of an early Virginia county seat at the Gloucester Courthouse Historic District on Main Street (Route 17 Business) in the business district.

Government

Many county offices are in the Gloucester County Courts and Office Building on Main Street (Route 17 business), Gloucester. Hours: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 693-4042.

Other frequently called numbers are: animal warden, 693-5290; clerk of the circuit court, 693-2502; general district court, 693-4860; solid waste transfer station, 693-5109; parks and recreation, 693-2355; water and sewer service emergencies, 693-3890; mosquito control, 693-5250; zoning administrator, 693-4041. <gloucesterva.info>.

2005 tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.95; personal property, including cars and trucks, $2.20; and boats, $1.00.

Chamber of Commerce

Gloucester Chamber of Commerce, Coca-Cola Building, Main St. Gloucester, Va. 23601. Hours: 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Mon.–Fri. 693-2425.

The Gloucester Visitor Center is in the Roane Building (1896) on the Historic Court Circle on Business Route 17. The visitor's center and gift shop are open Monday–Saturday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. and Sunday, 1–4 p.m., and by appointment for groups. Also open during operating hours is the Colonial Courthouse and the Clayton Building, which was a clerk's office in the early 1800s. 693-3215 or <visitgloucesterva.info>.

Services

ABC Stores Main Street near the courthouse in Gloucester, open 10 a.m.–9 p.m. Mon.–Sat., 693-3973. Hayes in the York River Crossing Shopping Center just north of Gloucester Point on Route 17. 642-9084.

Churches Call 693-3821 for information on Gloucester churches.

Day Care/Baby Sitting Gloucester Learning Center, for children ages 6 weeks through 12 years. Gloucester Courthouse, 693-4000; Hayes, 642-2000.

Recycling The convenience centers accept the following for recycling: newspapers, household papers, corrugated cardboard, glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles (#1 and #2), metal food and beverage cans, aluminum foil products, paint cans and metal aerosol cans, and used motor oil. Call Gloucester Clean Community at 693-5370 or the landfill at 693-5109.

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Trash Disposal Gloucester has five convenience centers to accept solid waste and recyclables from residents. Hours: Monday–Friday 8 a.m.–7 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m.–7 p.m. The landfill is on Route 17 north of Adner and is open Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–7 p.m., and Saturday 7 a.m.–7 p.m. Call 693-5480 or the landfill at 693-5109.

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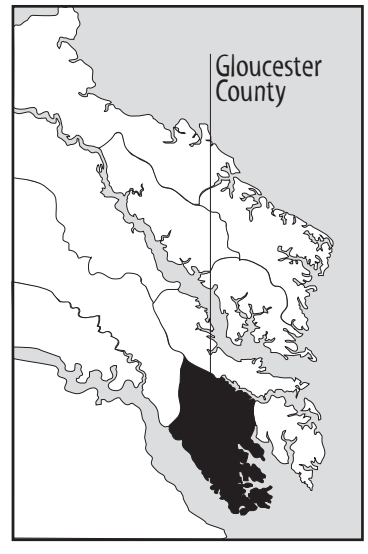

New artists will add spice to 8th Art On Fishing Bay

One measure of the strength of an annual arts and crafts show is the return of many artists who exhibit year after year. Another is the first appearance of exciting newcomers.

Art On Fishing Bay, to be held on Friday, June 9, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at the Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville, offers the best of the old and the vitality of the new. It benefits the Virginia Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Back by popular demand are the latest work of such painters as Kathleen Noffsinger, Joan Mannell, Dixie Hoggan, Carolyn Davis, Brockett Muir Jr., Elise Ritter and Jerry Spangler. And it wouldn't be Art On Fishing Bay without the crafts of Edward "Rip" Radcliffe, the furniture and oil painting of Jane Hall, the animal portraits of Jane McCullough Wells, the wood carvings of William Benjamin Richardson, the photography of Tina McCloud, the weavings of Julie Colby, and the pottery of Martha and Bill Hayes.

These artists have busy exhibiting schedules, but they wouldn't dream of missing the party atmosphere and old friendships of the Fishing Bay event. "It's like being a butterfly in a field of flowers," says McCloud.

Gayle Wilson, a VCU graduate, employs rustic pinch, coil and

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ing and in-home pet care), call 888-266-3084 for pickup and delivery. Tails of Gloucester Pet Sitting, 694-0804. Emergency Veterinary Clinic (nights, weekends and holidays only), Route 17 at Oyster Point Road, Tabb. (757) 874-8115.

Recreation

The Gloucester Department of Parks and Recreation has 25 public parks or water access areas. A brochure is available by calling the office at 693-2355.

Water Access

Two of Gloucester's public boat landings have picnic areas. They are Cappahosic, on Route 618 at the York River, and Deep Point on Route 606 at the Piankatank River. Cappahosic, in addition, has seasonal restrooms.

The following locations have boat landings and fishing areas. They include: Cedar Bush/Olivers on Route 633 at the York River, Cherry Point on Route 641 at the Severn River, Glass Point, on Route 656 at the Severn River, John's Point on Route 629 at the Severn River, Millers on Route 612 at the Poropotank River, Paynes on Route 630 at Wilson Creek, Severn on Route 649 at Mobjack Bay, Warehouse on Route 621 at the Ware River, and Gloucester Point Beach on Route 1208 at the York River, which has fishing, a boat landing and restrooms.

Athletic Fields All of Gloucester's public schools have open play areas. Abingdon Elementary on Route 1308 at Wicomico has play equipment. Achilles Elementary on Route 216 at Achilles and Botetourt Elementary on Main Street near the old courthouse have softball fields and play equipment. Gloucester High on Route 615 has baseball, soccer, softball, tennis and outdoor basketball facilities. Page Middle School on Route 17 at White Marsh has baseball, soccer, softball and tennis facilities. T. C. Walker Elementary on Route 629 at Roanes has soccer and softball fields. Petsworth Elementary on Route 17 at Ark has soccer and softball fields and outdoor basketball. Ark Park on Route 17 two miles south of Ark has athletic fields.

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slab techniques in her pottery. The result, says Wilson, is "a piece-by-piece uniqueness . . . at once useful and intriguing."

Tom Blunt, known for his whimsical style and intense use of colors, creates "art with an attitude" that "doesn't match the sofa." Tom says, "My work has only one purpose—to put a smile on your face."

Bev Hardin started making jewelry for fun. Using gemstones, glass beads and sterling silver, Bev's jewelry-making has become her passion. "It's quite an honor to be asked to be part of this show. I don't buy my beads locally, so my jewelry is a bit different," says Hardin.

Warren Robinson spent more than 20 years at sea. During that time he spent many hours building model ships and small craft. Today he creates reproductions of workboats found along the Chesapeake Bay during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Other artists exhibiting at Art On Fishing Bay for the first time are Laura Hayward, Pamela Waldron (watercolors), Debbie Abbe (stained glass), Jacqui Ruse (photography), Rochella Cooper (jewelry) and Jack Banks (watercolors).

In between the veterans and newbies are artists who are returning to the show this year. Rita DiAmico works with stoneware clay which she either fires and glazes at high temperatures for functional pieces or at lower temperatures to create Raku sculptures and pottery. Carolyn August makes pottery and all-natural vegetable oil soaps when she is not performing as a singer-songwriter at local clubs and parties.

Accompanying the visual art will be the Art on Fishing Bay String Quartet and "Strings and Things."

Familiar or new, Art On Fishing Bay offers a great opportunity to see and buy some of the finest art and crafts made in Virginia. Each artist will contribute artwork, which will be sold at a live and silent auction and crab cake dinner on July 7 at the Deltaville Firehouse on Route 33 from 7 to 9 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to both events, and the only admission charge to Art On Fishing Bay is to bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. Donations and proceeds from beverage sales will benefit the Leukemia Society as part of this summer's Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta.

For more information, please call 804-776-6950 or email Bob Kates at fma@ooln.com.

Martha and Bill Hayes of Summer Haze Pottery in Mathews will be among the artists at Art On Fishing Bay.

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Welcome to Mathews County

■ Size: 87 square miles ■ Shoreline: 214 miles
■ Population: 9,200

History

Mathews County was an established shipbuilding center for the Chesapeake Bay when it broke away from Gloucester in 1791 to become a separate county.

About that time, 12 sailing ships over 20 tons each were built in a single year in Mathews, which the Chiskiake Indians had called Werowocomico.

Between 1790 and 1820, approximately a third of the ships built in Virginia came from Mathews. The sharp, fast vessels, popularly known as Baltimore Clippers, were built throughout the Chesapeake Bay region. Before the War of 1812, these fast ships were simply known as "Virginia built."

In 1801, Congress authorized the building of a lighthouse at the county's southern tip, Point New Comfort. The stone structure still towers over the Bay today, though the land has eroded from around it.

From 1802 to 1844, Mathews was an official port of entry for the registration and enrollment of ships. During this period, 10,000 vessels called at the "Port of East River." The customs house stood at Williams Wharf (marker 13), which was a center of maritime activity until the steamers quit running in the 1940s.

Cricket Hill, near Gwynn's Island, was the site of one of the last naval engagements of the Revolutionary War. In June 1776, Continental forces bombarded the British fleet and encampment on Gwynn's Island. Lord Dunsmore, the last royal governor, was driven from the colony, ending British rule in Virginia.

When water was the highway, boats were the standard means of travel. The arrival of steamships at Williams Wharf with cargo from Norfolk, Newport News or Baltimore was a daily highlight.

World War II put most of the steamboat lines out of business. In 1942 the government requisitioned most of the bay and coastal steamers for service in the war effort.

Even before the war, faster means of transportation and better roads caused stiff competition for the boats.

The last remaining steamboat line, the Old Bay Line, stopped its York River to Baltimore run in 1942. About 20 years later, the Old Bay Line dropped passenger service between Baltimore and Norfolk.

The steamers stopped for good in the spring of 1962.

New Point Comfort Island at Mathews County's southern tip offers a view of the 1805 lighthouse that was once surrounded by 200 acres of land. The island is accessible only by boat at high tide. (Photo by Tom Chillemi)

Government

County administrator Stephen K. Whiteway, 725-7172. Most county government offices are in Liberty Square at 10604 Buckley Hall Road (Route 198). The main mailing address is P. O. Box 839, Mathews, Va. 23109. Except as noted, county office hours are 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday.

Other frequently called numbers are: animal warden, 725-7177; clerk of circuit court, 725-2550; general district court, 758-4312; landfill, 725-3000; parks and recreation, 725-7305 or 725-7171; wetlands board secretary, 725-5025; zoning administrator 725-4034.

Tax rates (per $100): Real estate: $.53; personal property (cars), $3.60; boats, $1.45; other personal property, $2.14.

Chamber of Commerce

Mathews County Chamber of Commerce. 725-9029. <mathewschamber.com>.

The Mathews Visitor and Information Center, on the corner of Main and Church streets inside Maggie's Store near the historic courthouse, is open Tuesday–Saturday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. 725-4bay (4229). <visitmathews.com>.

Services

The Gwynn's Island Drawbridge on Route 223 operates 24 hours a day. Boats have priority over cars and bridge operators will open the bridge only when the crossing boat is in sight. Boats should sound a horn (one long and one short blast) to alert operator. Bridge operator will answer with a similar siren sound. The bridge operator may be called on VHF radio channel 13, CB radio channel 11, or by phone at 725-2853. The maximum width is 80' and there is a deep channel (about 12') on the north side of the bridge opening. Several shoals in the area are marked with day markers.

Special Navigation Notice Boaters should remember a navigation quirk in Milford Haven and Hills Bay which reverses the navigational markers, meaning boaters traveling east towards the Bay are considered to be going upriver and red markers should be kept on to the right through marker 12. At marker 16, go back to standard marker delineation.

Boaters traveling west and entering Hole in the Wall and Milford Haven from the Bay should use standard "red right returning" through marker 16. Beginning at marker 12, red should be kept to the left.

Red markers should be kept to the left through the narrows at the bridge.

Trash Disposal The trash transfer station is on Route 14, two miles west of Route 198. It is open 9 a.m.–7 p.m. Thursdays–Tuesdays; closed Wednesdays. 725-2654 or (800) 683-0922.

Recycling The transfer station accepts newspaper, glass, cardboard, aluminum, used motor oil, antifreeze and numbers 1 and 2 plastics.

Day Care/Baby Sitting Day care is provided for children ages six weeks to 12 years by Westville Day care on Main Street in Mathews. Hours: 6 a.m.–6 p.m. Monday–Friday. 725-7640.

Churches About 28 churches serve Mathews County. Rev. Wayuen Moore of the Mathews Christian Ministers Association will assist persons in finding a local church. 725-2414.

ABC Store Buckley Hall Road behind the Hardee's in Mathews. Open 10 a.m.–6 p.m. 725-

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Veterinary Services Mathews Veterinary Services, Route 198, Blakes. 725-4123.

Recreation

Mathews Recreation Park is next to Mathews High School. It has a softball field, a basketball court, a playground and two tennis courts with lights.

Public Water Access Most of the following public access areas may be used for fishing, picnicking and swimming. Some uses are restricted at certain access points and some sites are bordered closely by private property; please avoid trespassing:

Auburn Public Landing off Route 620 is on the North River.

Bayside at the end of Route 633 on Gwynn's Island at the Bay is a very small beach.

Davis Creek Landing, with a 175-foot pier, is on Route 689 and leads to Mobjack Bay. It is used by local watermen.

Doctor's Creek Landing is at Route 691 and the Bay.

Route 645 at the Bay has a beach and a portable boat may be launched there. Please observe no trespassing signs.

Haven Beach on Route 643 at the Bay has a beach and a portable boat may be launched there.

White's Creek Public Landing at Route 682 and the Bay is used commercially now.

Horn Harbor Landing is on Route 698 at the Bay.

Edwards Creek Public Dock on Route 672 is used by local watermen.

New Point Comfort Island at the Bay is accessible only by boat at high tide.

New Point Comfort Observation Walkway is at the end of Route 600 and offers a view of the historic lighthouse.

Winter Harbor Landing is at Route 611 and Winter Harbor.

Winter Harbor Haven is at Route 608 and Winter Harbor.

Warehouse Landing at Route 631 and Piankatank River.

Piankatank River Landing on Route 632, with beach.

Roane's Point Landing on Route 630 accesses the Piankatank River.

Rose's Creek is at Route 662 and the Bay and is used by local watermen.

Williams Wharf Landing is a public access facility for small engineless watercraft such as canoes, kayaks, rowing shells and small sailboats. There are two floating docks for easy launching of boats, and the facility also offers opportunities to learn to row for exercise or fun. At the end of Route 614 (Williams Wharf Road) off of Route 14, two miles south of Mathews Courthouse, it is open daily during daylight hours. It's the training site of the Mathews High School and Mobjack Rowing Association crew teams. Call Mimi Ulsaker at 693-5160 to schedule lessons. Groups are encouraged but individuals can be coached privately as well. Boats and coaches are provided.

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Family Boat Building Week has June 1 deadline

Deltaville Maritime Museum will be holding its fourth Family Boat Building Week July 17-22.

Again this year museum officials are expecting up to 15 family groups to come to Holly Point Park to spend a busy and exciting five days building their own rowing skiff, which will be a replica of the 12-foot-long "Wright Skiff" that has been so successfully completed by about 40 happy families and friends in the last three summers.

Groups that choose to join the building gang will receive a kit of all the needed materials, building instructions and plenty of personal guidance from museum volunteers who will assist them through the whole construction process.

This year for the first time the museum will also offer a 14-foot boat kit. The cost of a 12-foot kit is $700, and the 14-foot kit is $900.

A small list of hand tools that must be provided by the builder group will be sent upon receipt of an application for the kit. A deposit of is required with the application to secure a reserved kit. June 1 is the deadline for receiving applications.

The construction site will be on the grounds of Holly Point Nature Park adjacent to the museum's own boat building shed on the banks of Mill Creek off Jackson Creek. Pleasant lunches will be provided for a small additional fee, so there will be only a short disruption of the working day. Participants will be able to work on hours that suit the family, from early morning to late afternoon.

Working from Monday to Friday it is expected that participants will have a completed boat, with a coat of paint on it, if all goes well. Kaptain Krunch will paint the happy name that participants choose for their vessel on the stern so it can be recognized by all as the twilight row begins on Friday.

On Saturday there will be a grand launching party with prizes for the most successful categories. (And with Kaptain Krunch choosing the categories you can be sure that there will be something silly that everyone will be pleased to win.)

On Saturday evening there will be a party with music and an inexpensive fish fry dinner prepared by the museum chefs.

Many building groups return for the fun of joining in our party a second time. There have been fathers and sons, fathers and daughters, grandpas and their grandkids, groups of high school students, and last year there was even a newlywed couple that built a particularly lovely boat together and even went away feeling happy with each other after a week of difficult work amid sun and sawdust. "So come and have your own unusual family adventure together," said a museum official.

Mathews yard sale moving to Main Street

The Mathews County Visitor & Information Center (McVIC) is once again sponsoring a monthly Community Yard Sale the last Saturday of each month, May through September, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year, however, the yard sale moves to Main Street in front of the Foster-Faulkner Building and Johnson Law Center. This year's first yard sale will be on May 27.

Contact the Mathews County Visitor & Information Center at 725-4229 or mcvic@vistismathews.com for infromation.

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Del. Rob Witman will speak at annual Memorial Service

The annual Memorial Day service, sponsored by the Northern Neck Chapter of the Military Officers Association and the American Legion Adams Post # 86 in Kilmarnock, will honor America's military personnel, with special reference to those who made the supreme sacrifice in service to the nation.

It will be held at Christ Church on Monday, May 29, at 11:30 a.m. The Rev. David H. May will be the officiant, and the guest speaker is Del. Rob Wittman. Also participating in this traditional event will be the Lancaster High School brass ensemble and the color guard from Post 86.

The designated honoree at this year's service will be Col. Arval Roberson, originally from Indiana and now living near White Stone. He joined the Army Air Force in 1942 and became an aviation cadet, flew P-39 Aircorbras and P-51 Mustangs, and when stationed in England saw his first combat mission in February 1944 and became an ace. He flew a total of 76 combat missions during WWII with a total of 6 victories, one probable and one on the ground.

Col. Roberson returned to combat during the Korean War, logging 100 missions in Mustangs and was promoted to lieutenant colonel. He later served as liaison officer with the Vietnamese Joint Chiefs of Staff, but still managed to log 26 combat support missions in the C-47. He was promoted to colonel, and his last position was as Commander, Otis AFB, on Cape Cod. He retired from the Air Force in March 1973, with 31 years of service.

Col. Roberson's military decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with an OLC, the Air Medal with 15 OLC, the Army Commendation Medal, the French Croix de Guerre, the RVN Armed Forces Honor Medal and the Russian Medal of Freedom.

The service at Christ Church is open to all persons who desire to show their appreciation for the sacrifices by the members of the nation's armed forces.

Wine and arts festival slated

The Wine and Arts Festival at Locust Grove in Walkerton will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 10. The public is invited to enjoy wine, art, food and live music. Visit www.locustgrove1665.com or call (804) 769-8201 for more information.

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Essex

Marsh Street Park Marsh Street in Tappahannock, run by Essex County Parks and Recreation Department, Pool open starting June 11, Tuesdays–Saturdays 11 a.m.–6 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m.–6 p.m. 443-2470.

Gloucester

Beaverdam Park at the end of Route 616, Roaring Springs Road, contains a 635-acre freshwater lake. Built in 1990, 11 fish attractors and several species of fish are found there. Canoes, paddleboats, and Jon boats with or without electric motors are for rent, or you may launch your own boats for a fee. Motors powered by fuels are not permitted. The park also has a playground, picnic shelter and an extensive hiking trail system including an interpretive trail, a multi use trail for horseback riding or biking and an exercise trail. The park is open year around from sunrise to sunset. Fishing and hunting licenses, bait and snacks are available at the ranger station. For information call 693-2107 or 693-2355.

Tyndall Point Park contains remnants of Confederate and Union fortifications. It is the site of colonial Gloucester Towne, the first building of which was a tobacco warehouse built in 1632. The park is off of Route 17 at Gloucester Point and has open play areas.

Riverwalk at Gloucester Point Beach offers fishing with no license required, public beach and playground, restrooms, snack bar, an elevated observation deck with high powered binoculars to view birds and wildlife.

Lancaster

Belle Isle State Park Route 683. A 700-acre park on the Rappahannock River, Mulberry and Deep Creeks. Open daily sunrise to sunset. Picnic areas, handicap accessible boardwalk and fishing pier, hiking/biking trails, bridle paths, overnight accommodations, motorboat ramp ($3 fee). Canoe and kayak rentals ($6 per hour; $12 for four hours), bicycle rentals ($3 per hour; $8 for four hours) and motorboat rentals (from $10-$18 per hour and $50-$90 per day); guided canoe trips, nature programs. Parking fee $3 weekends/holidays, $2 weekdays. 462-5030 or <dcr.state.va.us>.

Mathews

Bethel Beach Natural Area Preserve Turn left on Rt. 611 just south of the town of Mathews. Turn right on Rt. 643, then left on Rt. 609. This 50-acre parcel contains a sandy beach, low dunes and salt marsh habitat bordering the Chesapeake Bay. Over 90 bird species have been reported on the preserve, which also protects the globally rare Northeastern Beach Tiger Beetle.

Port Fun with a playground, ball fields and tennis courts, is on Route 14 about a mile north of Mathews Courthouse.

Middlesex

Taber Park Rappahannock Avenue in Urbanna (for residents and guests of residents): playground, swimming and tennis.

Deltaville Community Association Park Route 33 in Deltaville (for residents and guests of residents): playground, tennis, swimming and basketball.

Holly Point Nature Park in Deltaville offers a tranquil retreat on the banks of Mill Creek by Fishing Bay. There are benches and space for picnicking, bird watching or walking the wooded nature trail. Visitors can explore the fish-shaped wildflower meadow and view the boats exhibited on the grounds by the Deltaville Maritime Museum. There is a delightful children's garden with plants marked to exploit their taste, smell and touch. The park plans to have exercise stations along the trail and a nautical playground. The park is open daily from 9 a.m. until dusk.

King George

Caledon Natural Area Rt. 218. A National Natural Landmark, Caledon was the early colonial seat of the Alexander family. John and Philip Alexander founded the city of Alexandria and established Caledon Plantation in 1659. Caledon is the summer home for one of the largest concentrations of bald eagles on the East Coast. Preservation of the national bird's habitat is the primary focus of the natural area. Five hiking trails in the natural area are open year-round and take park visitors through environmentally sensitive marshlands and picturesque wooded areas of the park. The 3.5-mile Boyd's Hole Trail leading to the Potomac River is the most popular of the trails. Because human traffic disturbs the park's summer population of roosting and foraging eagles, this trail is only open from Oct. 1–March 31. Limited tours of the eagle area are offered mid-June through August by reservation only. Park guests can learn more about the natural history of Caledon and the American bald eagle by touring the visitor center. Interpretive Programs: Eagle tours, Junior Rangers night hikes, conducted walks, astronomy, storytelling, bonfire programs, birdwatching and crafts. (800) 933-PARK.

Barnesfield Park Highway 301 at the Potomac Gateway Welcome Center, King George. 175-acre county park on the Potomac River with nature trails, picnic areas and playground. Nature trails and beach fishing along Potomac River shore. (540) 663-3205.

Northumberland

Bush Mill Stream Natural Area Preserve At the mouth of Bush Mill Stream freshwater meets the saltwater of the Great Wicomico River. Fresh to brackish tidal marshes and mud flats are hidden between the steep-sided forested shores of this upper Coastal Plain stream. The quiet waters are home and resting area for an abundance of waterfowl and wading birds, including colonial nesting birds, raptors and large numbers of great blue herons. Access can be gained by foot or canoe. Public access facilities are open during daylight hours and include trails, a boardwalk, a wildlife viewing platform and interpretive signs. Four miles from Heathsville on Route 201, continue straight on Route 642 for half a mile, and turn left at the sign.

Hughlett Point Natural Area Preserve This 205-acre preserve has sand beaches on the Chesapeake Bay and the mouth of Dividing Creek, hiking trails and observation decks to view shorebirds, deer, turkey and migratory waterfowl. The beaches are home to the threatened north-

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eastern beach tiger beetle. From Kilmarnock, take Route 200 north then right on Route 606 to the end. Turn right on Route 605. From Burgess, take Route 200 south then left on Route 606 to the end. Turn right on 605. 225-2303.

Dameron Marsh Natural Area Preserve This 316-acre preserve contains one of the most significant wetlands on the Chesapeake Bay for marsh-bird communities, and its pristine sand beach habitat is highly important for the threatened northeastern beach tiger beetle. Public access facilities include a trail and boardwalk, a wildlife viewing platform, and a small parking area. Part or all of the preserve may be periodically closed for resource protection or resource management activities. For additional information or to arrange a visit, contact Rebecca Wilson at 225-2303.

Richmond

Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge, 336 Wilna Road, Warsaw. This is the newest of four refuges that comprise the Eastern Virginia Rivers National Wildlife Refuge Complex. Established in 1996, the goal of the refuge is to protect 20,000 acres of wetlands and associated uplands along the river and its major tributaries. As of November 2004, the refuge had protected 6,545 acres. Archeological and historic sites are abundant on both sides of the river. The 18th century Bristol Iron Works was located adjacent to the refuge's Toby's Point Tract, while the Leedstown Resolves, a 1766 protest against the Stamp Act, was signed near the refuge's Mothershead Tract. Old pilings can still be seen from the days when steamboats made regular stops to pick up produce and passengers for transport to the Port of Baltimore. At least four federally-listed threatened or endangered species may be found within the refuge boundary, including the American bald eagle, peregrine falcon, shortnose sturgeon, and sensitive joint vetch. The state's largest wintering roost for bald eagles is located within the refuge boundary. Shorebirds, neotropical migrant songbirds, raptors, and marsh birds rely on the Rappahannock River's corridors during the spring and fall migration periods. The refuge is restoring native grasslands and riparian forests along the river and tributary streams to provide additional habitat for these species. The Refuge hosts three sites on the Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail. For more information about this trail, please visit <www.dgif.state.va.us/wildlife/vbwt/index.asp>.

The Children's Garden at Holly Point Nature Park in Deltaville is a favorite hangout for kids. The park and the Deltaville Maritime Museum are located on the same grounds on Mill Creek in Deltaville. The season opens Saturday, May 27.

Totuskey Tricentennial Park with boat landing, Route 3 at Totuskey Creek Bridge.

Wilna Pond, a 35-acre site, is now open to public fishing. The pond is home to largemouth bass, bluegill sunfish, fliers, yellow bullhead catfish and American eel. The Wilna Unit is open for wildlife observation and photography daily, sunrise to sunset. Access for canoes and kayaks to engage in these activities is available at Wilna Pond. Please note: All Virginia boating laws apply to Wilna Pond. All other refuge units are open for wildlife observation and photography by advanced reservation only. To schedule a visit, please call (804) 333-1470. The refuge headquarters is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., except federal holidays. From Tappahannock, take US-360 E (across the Rappahannock River, toward Warsaw). Follow US-360 E for 4.1 miles, then turn left onto Rt. 624/Newland Rd. Follow Newland Rd. for 4.2 miles, then turn left onto Strangeway/Rt 636. Follow Strangeway for 1/4 mile, then turn right onto Sandy Lane/Rt 640. Follow Sandy Lane for 1.1 miles, then turn left into Rappahannock River Valley NWR. 333-1470.

Westmoreland

Hurt Field at Legion Park Route 3 west of Montross. Four-acre public park adjacent to Chandlers Mill Pond offering both active and passive recreational opportunities for county residents.

Oak Grove Park Route 205 between Oak Grove and Colonial Beach. Eight-acre public park featuring a sports field with bleachers, playground and picnic area.

Robin Grove Park on Robin Grove, off Monroe Bay Avenue, Colonial Beach.

Voorhees Nature Preserve A 729-acre preserve on the northeast bank of Rappahannock River, next to the Westmoreland Berry Farm. It is home to the bald eagle and many other birds. Four miles of wooded trails for self-guided walks. The difficulty level is moderate. A trail map and brochure are available at the adjacent Westmoreland Berry Farm store. There are picnic sites, restrooms and pick-your-own fruits and vegetables at the farm. The preserve is open on weekends, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., from April 22 to December 17. For information, call (434) 295-6106.

Westmoreland State Park Six miles northwest of Montross off Route 3. The park extends about one and a half miles along the Potomac River, and its 1,299 acres neighbor the former homes of both George Washington and Robert E. Lee. The park's Horsehead Cliffs provide visitors with a spectacular view of the Potomac River. The park offers hiking, camping, cabins, fishing, boating and swimming. The visitor center, open during summer, gives an informative historical and ecological perspective to an important natural area on the coastal plain.

'History Trail' set for June 10 in Gloucester

On Saturday, June 10, the "Gloucester History Trail" will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. The public is invited to tour five historic homes/buildings not normally open to the public. They include Bethel Baptist Church, Long Bridge Ordinary, Pocahontas Museum, Rosewell Ruin, and Walter Reed's Birthplace. Admission is free except at the Rosewell Ruin. The tour is sponsored by the Gloucester Recreation Department.

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'Mike Aiken Music & Mojo Fest' scheduled for June 10 in Urbanna

The first annual "Mike Aiken Music & Mojo Fest" will take place in Urbanna on Saturday, June 10. This one-day festival featuring Americana and acoustic music and boats is designed to bring music and boats together on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay.

The four festival organizers, Bud Deans and Megan Brockman, owners of Café Mojo in Urbanna, along with musicians Mike and Amy Aiken, had an itch to bring an acoustic festival to a small Bay town. Festival information can be found by visiting www.mikeaikenmusicandmojofest.com.

It started with Mike Aiken's desire to start an intimate music festival that would feature mostly Americana and acoustic music . . . from sea chanteys to bluegrass, blues to singer/songwriter. Bud Deans held a similar goal.

Aiken's music, labeled maritime folk rock by NPR and Americana by most others, is born of living and traveling on his sailboat and recording in the tugboat studio he and Amy built. "Geographically the area had to be accessible by and have accommodations for boats, motorcycles, RVs, camping, B&Bs, etc.," said Mike.

The Town of Urbanna has all of this, including a warm welcome to the idea of the Mike Aiken Music & Mojo Fest, said Mike.

Daytime festival activities include: the "Schooner Serenity" will be dockside and taking folks out for day-sails; Gary Thimsen will have model skipjacks and schooners on display; waterside music with the band "Identity Crisis; and an intimate songwriting seminar by Mike Aiken.

In the evening there will be a sunset cruise on the Schooner Serenity and an evening concert by the Mike Aiken Band and Steve Keith. "Fun, boats and music!" said Mike.

Most of the activities at the fest are free. To cruise on the Schooner Serenity will cost $20 for a day-sail ($12 for kids 12 and under) and $25 for the sunset cruise.

Tickets for the evening concert at Cafe Mojo with performances by the Mike Aiken Band and Steve Keith are $15 and can be reserved by calling 758-4141.

Festival tee-shirts will also be available. For more information on the activities on June 10, lodging and directions, call 877-606-5773 or visit the festival website at www.mikeaikenmusicandmojofest.com.

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Third annual Antiques Fair preparations are under way

Antiques dealers from all over will be returning for the third annual Northern Neck Antiques Fair Memorial Day Weekend May 27 and 28.

"Last year's show was such a success, almost all the dealers are returning for a repeat performance." said event promoter Louise Jesse. "Any time you get this great response from the dealers, who hail as far away as Mississippi, New York, or Tennessee, you've usually got a winner."

Over 1,300 antiques enthusiasts attended last year's show and raved about the quality of the dealers and the great selection of merchandise.

Sponsored by Lancaster County Historic Resources Commission, the event will take place on the lawn at Epping Forest Plantation, birthplace of Mary Ball, George Washington's mother. Hours of the show are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m to 4 p.m. Sunday. Please No Pets.

Admission to the show is $5, however look for the show cards at various business sites and ads in the papers for a $1 off the admission or clip this article and show it the day of the show for the $1 discount. Parking is free. Food and beverages will be available.

The Antiquer's Cafe and Food Court will be located in front of the plantation house. Providing food and favorite beverages for those hungry shoppers will be The Corrotoman Hunt Club.

For more information, please call Louise Jesse at 804-462-7960, or email at eppingforest@rivnet.net.

Mathews fireworks display scheduled

A Independence Day fireworks display will take place on Saturday, July 1, at Williams Wharf in Mathews County, where a spectacular pyrotechnics show will be launched from a barge in the East River. Promoted as a "family event," there will be live music featuring the oldies band "Bad Dog," paddleboat rentals, food, games, demonstrations and more.

For details and more information, contact Bobbi McElroy at 725-4229 or email mcvic@visitmathews.com.

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Welcome to Northumberland County

■ Size: 222 square miles ■ Shoreline: 438.4 miles ■ Population: 12,400

History

Northumberland County was originally known as Chickacoan, an Indian district on the Northern Neck between the Rappahannock and Potomac rivers, tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay.

Presumably settled by the English in 1640, Northumberland was officially established by an act of the Burgesses in Jamestown in 1648. It was later divided into three additional counties, Lancaster, Richmond and Westmoreland Counties.

At its heart is Heathsville, the county seat. In 1992, the National Register of Historic Places designated Heathsville as an Historic District, along with the original courthouse and tavern, now an operating restaurant, gift shop and museum.

Northumberland was once dependent upon tobacco as its major cash crop and currency. Later, most of its residents relied on the water for their livelihoods. The quaint fishing village of Reedville, with its "Millionaire's Row" of Victorian homes remains a tribute to the area's heritage and the Reedville Fisherman's Museum provides a comprehensive overview of the village's fishing industry, both past and current.

With more than 220 miles of scenic shoreline, Northumberland's rustic atmosphere has lured many urbanites. So much so, that in recent years, Northumberland's population has been changing from that of full-time residents to one of many weekenders, vacationers and retirees.

Nothing says summertime like a juicy slice of watermelon. Fresh produce stands pop up along roadsides throughout the Northern Neck during the summer. O'Biers located near the post office in Lottsburg offers a selection of locally-grown fruits and vegetables as well as jams and preserves.

photo by Reid Pierce Armstrong

Government

County Administrator Kenneth D. Eades, Route 360, Heathsville. Hours: Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. 580-7666 or <co.northumberland.va.us>.

Tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.61; personal property, $3.60.

Chamber of Commerce

Northumberland County Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center, Route 360, Callao; Thursday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. 529-5031. <rivnet.net/chamber/>.

Services

Trash and Recycling Service Northumberland County has three trash collection sites which also offer recycling: on Route 360 in Lottsburg behind the school board office; on Rt. 360 across from Route 639 at Horsehead; and on Route 200, 1.8 miles north of Kilmarnock. The centers are open from 7 a.m.–7 p.m. daily.

Day Care/Baby Sitting Lighthouse Christian Academy and Day Care, Wicomico Church. Summer day care runs June 7–August 20 for ages 2–10 (as long as potty trained). Paid on weekly basis. 435-2435.

Northumberland Family YMCA, Heathsville, provides weekly summer camp sessions in conjunction with the public schools. 580-8901. <peninsulaymca.org>.

Churches Rev. Mike Ramming; 529-9930 (will refer according to denomination).

Ferry Boat The Northumberland connects Route 644 from Sunnybank to Ophelia; Normally operates Monday–Saturday, 7 a.m.–7 p.m.

ABC Store Route 360 in Callao; Hours: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–7 p.m. 529-7125.

Veterinary Services Heathsville Animal Hospital, Route 360, Heathsville. Doctor's hours: 9–11 a.m. and 1–3 p.m. weekdays; Mon., Tues. and Thurs. nights, 7–8 p.m., Sat. 9–11 a.m. Hospital hours: 8 a.m.–5 p.m. weekdays; 8 a.m.–noon Sat. 580-5135 or (800) 809-7779.

Recreation

Fishing Piers The Great Wicomico Public Fishing Pier is on the southern shore of the Great Wicomico River just off State Route 200 near the bridge at Glebe Point. It is open from sunrise to sunset.

Boat Cruises

Capt. Billy's Charters, Wicomico Church. Cruising packages available for up to 41 passengers. (Bay and River). Private trips include sunset cruises, business, birthday, wedding parties. Also available: Tangier Island, Onancock, Creek peek, historic Reedville trips. 580-7292. <captbillyscharters.com>.

Claud Somers at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum sails every other Saturday at 10 a.m. starting May 28. $20 members and $25 non-members, limited to 20 people. 453-6529. <rfmuseum.org>.

Crabbe's Charter Fishing and Cruises, Reedville. Cruises on the scenic waters of the Little Wicomico River and the Chesapeake Bay aboard the 43-foot Kit II. Cruise to Smith or Tangier islands. 453-3251. <eaglesnest.net/fishing>.

Pittman's Charters Inc. Sunset and sightseeing cruises, Reedville. Charter fishing aboard Mystic Lady II, May–December, 1–25 passengers. Open 7 days. 453-3643.

Smith Island Cruise aboard the Captain Evans departing from KOA Campground at the end of Route 650 in Reedville. Follow the blue and white signs from Route 360. In operation from May–October. Reservations required. 453-3430. <cruisetosmithisland.com>.

Tangier Island Cruise on the Chesapeake Breeze departs from Buzzard's Point Marina at the end of Route 656 in Fairport. The cruise runs 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. daily May–October. Follow the billboards from Route 360 near Reedville. Reservations required. 453-2628. <tangiercruise.com>.

Rental Boats Ingram Bay Marina, Wicomico Church, rents canoes

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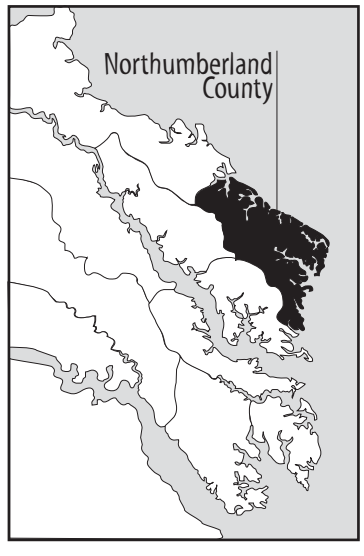

Relay for Life event planned

The 2006 Relay For Life event for Lancaster and Northumberland counties will be held June 3 at Northumberland High School. The theme is "On Track For a Cure."

Relay For Life is a team event to raise funds for the American Cancer Society to be used for cancer research, cancer education and other cancer related programs. The event will begin with an opening ceremony and a survivors' victory lap at 10 a.m. Local area cancer survivors and those battling cancer will gather in the "survivors' activity pit shop" at center track to register for the Victory Lap. After a Victory Lap, they will be escorted to "survivors' row" for brunch.

Throughout the day, teams will be walking the track 'relay' style, while taking time to pause at the many "pit stops" to learn more about the American Cancer Society's many prevention and early detection programs, advocacy and the Cancer Survivors' Network.

Area survivors will be asked to once again gather at 8 p.m. in the survivors' pit stop to take an evening victory lap before the luminaria ceremony at 8:30 p.m.

To register for the victory lap, purchase a luminaria, visit www.acsevents.org/lancaster, or call Denise at 453-3621.

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and small skiffs, 14–18 foot. Fishing licenses included in rental. 580-7292. <captbillyscharters.com>. Chesapeake Bay/Smith Island KOA Campground, Reedville. 453-3433.

Public Beach Vir-Mar Beach at the end of Route 643 in Hack's Neck.

Ball Fields Callao Ruritan Club on Route 712, men's and women's softball leagues, hours vary. 529-7860. Northumberland County Athletic Park and Little League Park at the Northumberland County Middle School, Route 360 one mile east of Heathsville, ball park and soccer complex, hours vary. 529-6134.

YMCA Northumberland Family YMCA provides programming throughout the year. 580-5455.

To change or update Northumberland information, contact <rarmstrong@rrecord.com>.

Silent auction to benefit Hands Across Middlesex

Hands Across Middlesex will hold its annual Silent Art Auction on Saturday, May 27, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Middlesex Woman's Club Building on Virginia Street in Urbanna.

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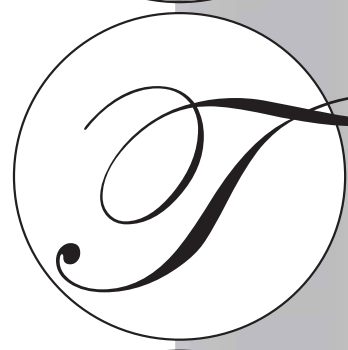

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Welcome to Lancaster County

■ Size: 136.5 square miles ■ Shoreline: 277 miles
■ Population: 11,300

History

Indians had occupied the Northern Neck for some 10,000 years when Capt. John Smith sailed up the Rappahannock River in 1608. The Powhatan Confederate was represented here by the Moraughtacunds and the Cuttatawomen tribes. A short 43 years later, Lancaster County was formed from neighboring Northumberland.

Families of notable influence in the social, political and economic climate of the colonies built magnificent "empires" here, and family names like Carter and Ball still are prevalent today.

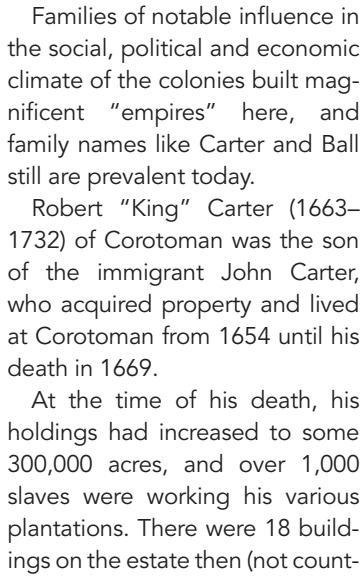
Robert "King" Carter (1663–1732) of Corotoman was the son of the immigrant John Carter, who acquired property and lived at Corotoman from 1654 until his death in 1669.

At the time of his death, his holdings had increased to some 300,000 acres, and over 1,000 slaves were working his various plantations. There were 18 buildings on the estate then (not counting the Mansion House he built, which burned three years prior to his death).

Married twice, he had 15 children. Among King Carter's descendants were eight governors of Virginia, three signers of the Declaration of Independence, two presidents, Robert E. Lee, and Supreme Court Justice Edward D. White.

Carter and his two wives are buried at Christ Church, the church he paid to have built a few miles from Corotoman.

The Balls, meanwhile, established themselves at Millenbeck, and at Epping Forest. Mary Ball, later to become the mother of George Washington, was born in 1708–09.



Red hatters from across the state will come to Kilmarnock June 3 for the second Red Hat Day celebration. Activities for club members will begin at 10 a.m. with a breakfast at Lancaster Middle School and continue throughout the day.

A courthouse was established in 1698 at Queenstown, a newly formed port town on the Corrotoman River. In 1742, the court was moved to Lancaster.

Government

County Administrator William H. Pennell Jr., 8311 Mary Ball Road, Lancaster. Phone 462-5129, FAX 462-0031. Hours: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays.

County tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.44; personal property, $1.52.

Kilmarnock Town Manager Lee Capps, 514 North Main Street, Kilmarnock. Phone 435-1552, FAX 435-1587. Hours: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays.

Town tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.14; personal property, $.16.

White Stone Town Manager Garey Conrad, 572 Chesapeake Drive, White Stone. Phone 435-3260. Hours: 9 a.m.–noon and 1–5 p.m. Monday–Wednesday.

Irvington Town Administrator Gil Unangst, 235 Steamboat Road, Irvington. Phone 438-6230; Fax: 438-6265. Hours: 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays.

Chamber of Commerce

Irvington Chamber of Commerce. 438-6230.

Kilmarnock Chamber of Commerce, 435-2273 or 435-1302, meets at 8 a.m. every first Tuesday in the town hall. The Kilmarnock Information Center is in the Kilmarnock Antique Mall, 144 School Street.

Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce. Located next to the Kilmarnock Town Hall on north Main Street. 435-6092.

Services

Trash Services Residential collections: Doggett Disposal Service, Mollusk, 462-5296, and Northern Neck Refuse, Lottsburg, 529-7854.

County refuse and recycling collection centers (open 7 a.m.–7 p.m. daily): Lancaster, Route 604, Regina Road; Kilmarnock-Weems, Route 200; Nuttsville, Route 723.

Day Care/Baby Sitting Services Kilmarnock YMCA, licensed day care offering full and part-time services. 435-0223.

Churches Call Rev. Richard Fichter Jr., 435-1285, for reference and directions to all denominations in Lancaster County.

Ferry Schedule The Merry Point Ferry, Route 604, crosses the Western Branch of the Corrotoman River 7 a.m.–7 p.m. Monday–Saturday, closed Sunday. No charge. Passenger vehicles only.

ABC Store Virginia ABC Package Store, Main Street, Kilmarnock, 10 a.m.–9 p.m. Monday–Saturday. 435-1845.

Veterinary Services Bayside Animal Hospital, Route 3 North, White Stone, 435-2896; Kilmarnock Animal Hospital, Lee Street, Kilmarnock, 435-6320.

Recreation

Public Beach Westland Beach at the terminus of Route 695 provides public access to the Chesapeake Bay.

Public Kayak Launch Off Route 695 on Windmill Point Creek. Accessible from the Westland Beach public parking area at the intersection of Windmill Point Road and Brightwaters Drive.

Public Kayak Launch Kayaks and canoes may be launched at Belle Isle State Park, Route 683, at the end of Route 354.

Hiking Trails Hickory Hollow Trail, 2 miles of marked trail, Route 604, Regina Road.

Boat Cruises Classic Cruising and Charters LLC, Irvington, offers morning and afternoon leisurely excursions. 438-1212.

Ball Fields Lancaster County Youth Park, Route 200, Kilmarnock, boys and girls diamond sports, game times and dates vary. 435-3423.

Public Recreation The Lower Northern Neck YMCA serves the public recreation function for Lancaster County. Various programming throughout the year. Public swimming pool located in Lively. 435-0223.

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Bethany United Methodist Church and the Reedville Fishermen's Museum recently announced that the Reedville Independence Day Celebration will be held Saturday, July 1, along Main Street.

This year's event promises to be even bigger and better than previous years by featuring a full day of activities, fun and food for the entire family.

The event will kick off with the Firecracker 5K Fun Run/Walk starting at 8 a.m. in front of the American Legion building on Main Street. Race day registration will begin at 7 a.m. at the start/finish line. Prizes will be awarded to the top men, women and children finishers.

Mid-day and afternoon events at the museum and church will include an Independence Day Parade, a kid's pie eating contest, face painting, musical entertainment and craft fair.

There also will be a plethora of food vendors offering all-American favorites like barbecue, hot dogs, ice cream and baked goods. The day of fun will wrap up with fireworks extravaganza over Cockrell's Creek beginning promptly at 9 p.m. at the end of Main Street. For more information, visit www.reedvilleindependenceday.com, or call 453-3282.

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The Tides Inn to host arts and antiques show

The third annual Arts and Antiques Show at The Tides Inn in Irvington will be held Memorial Day Weekend. The public is invited.

A "Meet the Artist" reception will be held May 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. The show will continue on May 27 and 28 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Art mediums will include sculpture, pottery, photography, jewelry, folk art, and paintings in acrylic, oil and watercolor. In addition, a local antique collector will offer appraisals, and others will lead antiquing discussions. Arts and antiques will be available for sale. For more information, call 438-4458.

The Tides Inn is at 480 King Carter Drive in Irvington.

Art classes planned at Yates Gallery

The following classes have been planned for this summer at Yates House Fine Art & Craft Gallery in Deltaville. Classes and workshops are suitable for various ages, and questions about the course can be directed to Blanche Scharf at 776-8505. Pre-registration for any of the offerings is required.

On Saturday, June 3, from 10 until 3 p.m., Elise Ritter of Urbanna, artist and exhibitor at Yates House, will teach the art of "Creative Collage. " All materials are provided but participants may bring items of particular interest with them to be used in their work. The fee is $55.

From Wednesday, June 28, through August 2 from 10 until noon, Barbara Shine will teach Writing Our Lives. This course is for persons new to creative writing who wish to capture their true-life or imagined stories and adventures on paper. The instructor fee is $95.

On Saturdays, July 8 and July 15, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., Tom Norris, noted local photographer, will teach a two-session course in "Basic Photo Shop." Students will learn to organize digital photos and fix and enhance them using photo shop software. There are no prerequisites and the fee for both sessions is $100.

Beginning on Thursday, July 13, and continuing until August 31 from 1 to 3 p.m., Mary Ann Carr, creative writer and dynamic personality, will teach an eight-week course using "The Artist's Way" by Julia Cameron. This book encourages individuals to see their creative abilities and use them through various exercises, examples and discussion. The cost is $85 for the course.

From Monday, July 17, through Friday, July 21, Caroline Long, Midlothian artist and exhibitor at Yates House, will teach two courses. The first, "Bookbinding," will be taught from 9 a.m. to noon and participants will make two books, one with a Japanese stab binding and second with a hard cover concertina method. Handmade papers will be used for these blank-paged books. The materials fee is $25 and the instructor fee is $100. The second class will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. and students will learn "Oil Stick and Oil Pastel" techniques. Work will be done "en plein air" on Stonehenge rag paper. The materials fee is $65 and the instructor fee is $125. These courses are suitable for ages 16 to adult.

On Saturday, July 22, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., folk artist Tom Blunt will teach a "Folk Art" workshop. Students will go away with at least three pieces of art. The materials fee is $30 and the instructor fee is $25. This workshop is suitable for children and adults and parents are invited to take this workshop with their children.

On Mondays, August 7 through 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sandy Todd, Urbanna artist, will teach the basics of "Tole Painting." Students will make a sampler of learned techniques on a wooden tray or surface of their choice. A sample of what will be learned is on display at Yates House Gallery. The cost for four sessions is $80 plus materials. A materials list is given at registration.

Anyone interested in registering for the classes may call Yates House Gallery at 776-8505.

Prime Tyme basketball camp to begin June 19

The Northumberland Family YMCA will hold Prime Tyme developmental basketball camp 2006 June 19 through 23.

Prime Tyme was established in 1991 to develop a reasonably priced, accessible and high quality basketball camp for youth ages 5 to 18 in the Northern Neck.

The basic program includes fundamental stations in the mornings, lunch, contests for trophies and games. Camp days will begin a 9:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. Early arrival service will begin at 8 a.m.

Girls ages 5 to 10 and boys ages 5 to 9 will meet at Northumberland Elementary School at Claraville. Boys ages 10 to 13, girls ages 11 to 18 and boys ages 13 to 18 will meet at Northumberland High School in Heathsville. Team experience is not required.

Tuition is $65 per youth prior to June 1 and $80 per youth after June 1. A $5 discount will apply to each additional immediate family member.

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All special interest, custom, classic and antique vehicles are welcome. A 50-50 drawing will be held at 6 p.m. There also will be door prizes.

The Cruise-In will be held every second Sunday through October, weather permitting.

This is a free non-judged family fun event. For more information, call Jack Ashburn at 435-6171, or Jim Francis at 436-1154.

Gwynn's Island Festival scheduled for June 23-24

The 58th annual Gwynn's Island Festival will begin with a chicken dinner on Friday, June 23. Take-out or sit-down meals will be served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Gwynn's Island Civic League Building, Old Ferry Road, Gwynn.

Festival logo tee-shirts and 50/50 raffle tickets will be available on Friday night and all day Saturday.

Festival Saturday, June 24, is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday's festivities begin at the Civic Center with a variety of music, arts and crafts, food vendors, children's games, golf putting contests and free blood pressure checks.

Other activities include an lawn mower races (2 p.m.) and Pet Parade (10 a.m.). The rescue squad, sheriff's department, fire department, Coast Guard with boat, Coast Guard Auxiliary and Gwynn's Island Museum will have educational displays.

The Gwynn's Island Museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge for the museum.

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History

Established in 1653 by the colonial government in Jamestown, Westmoreland County was named for a British shire. The county's most significant contributions to history include its fostering of more statesmen than any other county in the country, and for the Leedstown Resolutions.

Considered the forerunner of the Declaration of Independence, the Leedstown Resolutions were signed in February, 1766. It was the first organized resistance to English aggression on American liberties. Prepared by Richard Henry Lee, the document was signed by 115 patriots who bound themselves together "To Prevent The Execution of The Stamp Act."

Stratford Hall was the boyhood home of Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee, signers of the Declaration of Independence.

General Henry "Light-Horse Harry" Lee was a Revolutionary War hero in his 20's and served as one of General George Washington's most trusted officers. He is the father of Robert E. Lee.

General Robert E. Lee was born in 1807 at Stratford and soon after the family moved to Alexandria. Lee was a colonel in the U. S. Army when the Civil War broke out. Offered the command of the Union Army, Lee declined because he "could take no part in an invasion" of his homeland.

Most notable among the statesmen of Westmoreland, General George Washington, commander of the Continental Army, Revolutionary War hero and first President of the United States, was born at Popes Creek in 1732.

James Monroe, the nation's fifth president, was born in 1758 on a farm near Monroe Bay. Monroe served as president from 1817 to 1825.

Visitors take a break during a day of touring Westmoreland County's many historical sites to enjoy a "tailgate" picnic lunch at Stratford Hall.

Government

County Administrator Norm Risavi, 111 Polk Street, Montross. Phone 493-0130, Hours: 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays. <westmoreland-county.org>.

Tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.66; personal property, $2.50.

Colonial Beach, 18 North Irving Avenue, Colonial Beach. Phone 224-7181. Hours: 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays.

Tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.88; personal property, $3.20. <colonialbeachva.net>.

Montross Town Manager Brenda T. Reamy, 15869 Kings Highway, Montross. Phone 493-9623. Hours: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday–Friday except holidays.

Tax rate (per $100): Real estate, $.06; no personal property tax.

Chamber of Commerce

Westmoreland County Visitors Center in the county museum and library at 43 Court Square in Montross is open six days a week (closed Sunday). April 1–October 31 the center is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m. 493-8440.

Virginia's Potomac Gateway Welcome Center on Route 301 at the Potomac River Bridge. (540) 663-3205.

Colonial Beach Tourism, 224-0732.

Services

Solid Waste and Recycling Westmoreland County has three public waste collection sites which also offer recycling: on Route 622 in Montross, on Route 202 near Carmel Church and on Route 205 near Monroe Hall. The sites are open Monday–Sunday, 7 a.m.–7 p.m.

The Town of Montross and Colonial Beach also offer curbside trash pick up.

Day Care/Baby Sitting Fun Factory Inc., Montross. School age summer camp available. 493-9518.

Churches Montross Ministerial Association, 493-8285.

ABC Store Montross, 109 East End Plaza, open 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Monday–Saturday. 493-9800.

Recreation

Westmoreland Parks and Recreation Department provides recreation services to all county citizens and visitors. 493-8163. <westparkrec@netstar.com>.

A.T. Johnson Recreation Center 18849 Kings Highway, Montross. Aerobics and dance classes, cooking programs, basketball, gymnastics, volleyball, enclosed batting cage with pitching machine, regulation size soccer field and baseball field and small auditorium. Meeting room and patio are available for rental.

Castlewood Park on Castlewood Dr. Permit required for parties over 20 people.

Currioman Landing Public Boat Landing off Route 622. Owned and operated by Westmoreland County, this public boat ramp and pier near the Potomac River offers water access to all the county's citizens.

Boat Cruises

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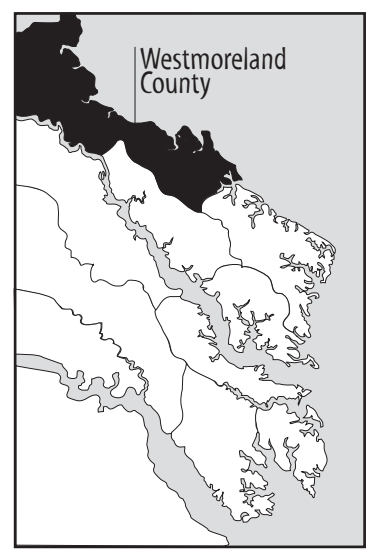

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