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Don Gill shares the Farmland Preservation Committee's report with the planning commission.

Committee offers specific strategies to preserve farmland and farmers

by Joan McBride

LANCASTER—"Virginia lags well behind our neighbors in actions taken to preserve farmland, and Lancaster County has done very little to preserve its rural heritage," stated commissioner Don Gill, quoting a written report to those assembled at the August 17 Lancaster planning commission meeting.

With all its members in attendance, Gill presented the recommendations of the recently appointed ad hoc Farmland Preservation Committee.

The report contains comprehensive analyses and statistics from the group's research into the policies, programs and problems of other Virginia localities and other states; ideas and suggestions from the farmer-members of the committee; and public input from two meetings held earlier in August.

The recommendations to the planning commission and board of supervisors for preserving farmland in the county were formatted in the style utilized by the county's comprehensive plan: two goals with five specific objectives for each.

The identified goals are to "Preserve farm and forest land to help Lancaster County retain its rural character" and to "Preserve the industry of farming to help Lancaster County retain its rural heritage."

Gill, who had selected committee members and then chaired the group, acknowledged the contributions of Craig Giese, Tony Reynolds, Ronnie Forrester and John Nickens. Lowell Starr was asked to serve but was unable to due to health reasons.

Gill also expressed appreciation for the assistance of Philip Reed, field director of the Northern Neck Land Conservancy; William Latane, Virginia Farm Bureau field director for the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula; and Dr. Robert Westbrook of Irvington for research assistance.

The report cites a "build-out" analysis by Lands End Planners which estimates a 30 percent decline in Lancaster County farmland from 1990 to 2005, down to just over 15,000 acres.

Currently Lancaster County has only 18 percent of its land area in farmland. Forest land is not included in this number.

With demand for rural property at record levels, an analysis by Lands End Planners shows a potential of 12,633 additional homes in the county outside the three incorporated towns.

Tax issues

The report draws a comparison between the cost in services for every tax dollar collected from farm and forest land versus the cost in services for residential land.

While farm and forest land cost from 15 to 19 cents in services, residential land costs from $1.25 to $2.56 in services.

Farm and forest land generate more in taxes than they receive in services, thereby subsidizing the "huge" deficits of residential land's costs to the county. As a result, they help "pay for the services used by the residential land that ironically is consuming much of the farms and forests," according to the report.

The committee would let the residential land instead pay for the extremely low cost of county services used by the farm and forest land, "since it provides the benefits craved by the residential side."

Because existing zoning regu-

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"The benefits of farmland are obvious. It provides food for people, feed for livestock, food and shelter for wildlife, a plant habitat that replenishes the air, watershed protection and filtering for groundwater recharge, not to mention the beautiful views of green, open space that have attracted so many of our new residents here to live."

—Farmland Preservation Committee Report

A soybean field stretches to an inlet near Towles Point on the Rappahannock River.

Lancaster supervisors and planners retreat to the future

by Joan McBride

KILMARNOCK—"Have you fellas sat down and talked about your vision for Lancaster County in the next 10 to 20 years?" asked Lancaster planning commission member Donald McCann. He started right off with the "$64,000 question" to the county board of supervisors during a planning retreat last Saturday at the Bank of Lancaster northside branch in Kilmarnock.

Evidently supervisor Jack Russell had; and he had statistics to prove it.

"The county is not a resource-based community but service-based," Russell said, with about 50 percent of the workers in the county in the service sector.

"If we get a quality education system, however, we will eventually get some manufacturing businesses here, since they can be anywhere," he said. That would mean jobs.

"As much as possible, keep commercial development off the main arteries."

—Pete Geilich District 3 Supervisor

He noted that population growth now is in the 55 [years of age] and above group, which is 42 percent of the population. He added that the big issue to look at is future trends, "not problems from the past."

The discussions went from there into specifics of where the growth in commercial development should occur.

"As much as possible, keep commercial development off the main arteries," advised supervisor Pete Geilich.

Planning commission chairman David Jones agreed. "If we don't have designated areas where we think things ought to go, we'll have things everywhere, like we do now."

Complex topics were considered in varying degrees of depth during the three-hour meeting. Subjects included a demand for public access to the Chesapeake Bay and its rivers and streams; drinking water and sewer issues; the highway corridor overlay district (HCOD) ordinance; farmland preservation, and the need for more recreation facilities in the county.

Public access to water

"I represent lots of inland people. We are more and more being locked out from the water," said supervisor Ernest Palin. "We two bodies should get together and come up with a workable plan. There are properties out there."

"If we don't have designated areas where we think things ought to go, we'll have things everywhere, like we do now."

—David Jones Planning Commission Chairman

"I'd like to see some bank fishing areas and some pier fishing areas. It's going to be some hard work. We're going to take some hits," he said.

Geilich said he thinks there are two issues: citizens want access to the rivers and bay but the Not in My Back Yard (NIMBY) thinking and high costs are obstacles.

Representatives from the two bodies noted that citizens from all levels on the economic scale had said they would be willing to pay more taxes for more services, but the NIMBY factor still has to be dealt with.

"We're just going to have to bite the bullet," supervisor Wally Beauchamp concluded.

Drinking water and sewer issues

Members of both bodies voiced great unanimity on water and sewer related subjects.

Commission member Robert Smart observed that the highest rate of population growth is in the Kilmarnock,

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Kilmarnock's boundary line adjustment now excludes most of Waverly Avenue

by Audrey Thomasson

KILMARNOCK—Waverly Avenue residents celebrated at Monday night's town hall meeting as council members excluded most of their community from proposed incorporation into town limits while voting in areas north and east of Harris Road and James B. Jones Memorial Highway.

"I really think they made a good policy judgment," said Warren Sellew, the Waverly Avenue neighborhood's leading advocate against the border line adjustment. "It wasn't a victory for us so much as it was the right thing to do."

Council's decision to drop the community was based in part on a meeting with the town's wastewater treatment engineers held prior to the council meeting. Engineers reported that due to recent technology upgrades to the town's wastewater treatment plant that meet Department of Environmental Quality standards, it most likely will not be necessary for the town to install an outfall line down Waverly Avenue to Indian Creek.

One of the reasons given by council for expanding town boundaries down Waverly Avenue was that if the town had to install an outfall line at a cost of $1.2 million, it made good economic sense to put in town water and sewer lines at the same time.

The wastewater treatment plant is west of Mac's Pond Road in the only section of Waverly Avenue that council included within the proposed boundary line adjustment.

Council member Carmen Kilduff cast the only dissenting vote. In a committee meeting with residents last week, she expressed her concern over deteriorating soil conditions, particularly in the neighborhood of Boat House Cove off Waverly Avenue.

"We had a number of meetings with residents and tried to be receptive to their concerns and needs."

—Dr. Curtis Smith Kilmarnock Mayor

According to Kilduff, as residents' septic systems reach a saturation point and the soil expires, there is little room for new drainfields because of the proximity of houses.

But residents were not swayed by council's offer of a free hookup to the town's utilities eight to 10 years in the future as an alternative to having to replace their systems with expensive above ground septic systems.

While the town offered additional incentives, including tax breaks for five years, residents continued to fight inclusion based on fears that the town would change their quiet neighborhood by developing the surrounding farmland and building

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Council and VDOT address road issues

by Audrey Thomasson

KILMARNOCK—Will the intersection of Irvington Road, Harris Road and James B. Jones Memorial Highway qualify for a signal light? That was one of many road issues addressed by Sean Trapani, the Virginia Department of Transportation's residency administrator, at last Monday's town council meeting.

In answer to Mayor Curtis Smith's statement that he heard VDOT had already ruled against a signal at the accident-prone intersection, Trapani said the department has not made a final ruling and is still gathering data on speed and pedestrian traffic as well as taking current accident records under consideration. He said a decision is expected within a week.

Trapani also reported that Wal-Mart's plans for a Kilmarnock store are currently held up at VDOT's district office pending engineering adjustments to the plan. He said a decision is expected soon.

Councilman Fletcher Brown IV asked how an entrance into Wal-Mart might affect residents of Hawthorne Farms behind G.C. Dawson Realty. Trapani said it is an issue that developers need to address.

Regarding the entries into CVS Pharmacy, Trapani said VDOT crews have placed directional devices in the center island on Route 3 and added an additional left turn arrow on Route 688 to eliminate confusion for drivers trying to enter the parking lot.

Problems along Main Street downtown were also discussed including confusing directional lines at Augusta Street, a parking spot in front of a fire hydrant on the first block of North Main Street and parked cars being blocked in on Waverly Avenue due to traffic waiting to turn onto Main Street from the narrow roadway. Trapani said his office will review the problem spots.

Upcoming

August

24 Thursday

Local Talent Night at the Richmond County Fair will feature Tia Robinson at 6:30 p.m., Destany Hotard at 7 p.m. and karaoke finalists in competition at 7:30 p.m.
Guitarist Robert Keyes will play at 7 p.m. at Cafe Mojo in Urbanna. 758-4141.
Bingo is played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.
The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.
Al-ANON meets at 8 p.m. at Palmer Hall in Kilmarnock.
Al-ANON meets at 7 p.m. at Riverside Warsaw Medical Arts building in Warsaw.
Mahjong will be played at 10:30 a.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Bring a sandwich. Drinks and dessert provided. Tables of three or more. $2 per person. 438-4152.
A Bald Eagle Quest will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 10 to 11 a.m. 462-5030.
Make a Hiking Stick will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at Belle Isle State Park.
The Parkinson's Support Group will visit the Kauffman Aquaculture Center in Topping. A bus will leave Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury near Irvington at 10:30 a.m. Call Rita DePew at 435-9553 to order lunch or reserve a seat on the bus.
The Richmond County Fair on Route 3 in Warsaw will open to the public at 6 p.m. Carnival, games, contests and nightly entertainment are featured. A Farmer for the Day program will be offered by 4-H kids ages 9 to 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 333-3420
No-Name Needlers will gather at 1 p.m. at The Art of Coffee in Montross. 493-0873.
The Democratic Committee for Northumberland County will meet at 7 p.m. at the Northumberland County Public Library in Heathville.

25 Friday

Sweet Justice will rock Ferebee's Restaurant in Tappahannock from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. 443-5715.
Joey and the Jammers will play on the deck at Smokin' Joe's Barbecue in Kilmarnock from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.
A Water-Worthy Instructional Canoe Trip, teaching various strokes and safety procedures, will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 3 p.m. $6.
Al Jones and Frank Necesary Bluegrass Band of Madison will be featured at the Richmond County Fair at 6 p.m. **Detour** will follow with classic rock oldies at 8:30 p.m.

25 Friday

The Richmond County Fair on Route 3 in Warsaw will open at 10 a.m. Carnival, games, contests and nightly entertainment are featured.
Homeward Bound 2 will be shown at the Irvington United Methodist Church family movie night. Bring a bagged meal for 6:30 p.m. dinner. The movie will begin at 7 p.m. in the educational building.
Bingo is played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.
The Square Pegs will hold a square dance at 7 p.m. at Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess. 580-4009.
Alice Hershiser plays the piano from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Blue Heron Pub and Grill in Kilmarnock.

26 Saturday

Steve Keith and The Gurleys will be the featured entertainment at the Steamboat Whistle Stop at North End Plantation in Deltaville from 5:30 to 9 p.m. $45 per person. The ticket includes a picnic basket dinner. The gala benefits the Steamboat Era Museum in Irvington. 438-6888.
Sweet Justice will rock The Boathouse Cafe at 21 Cross Street in Urbanna from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. 758-0080.
Jacksass Flats returns to Café Mojo in Urbanna. The bluegrass show will begin 10 p.m. 758-4141.
Alice Hershiser plays the piano from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Blue Heron Pub and Grill in Kilmarnock.
Country Music Night will be featured at the Richmond County Fair with **Nina Sharp** from 6 to 9 p.m. and **Wild Country Band** from 9:30 p.m. to midnight.
Idle Time Band, featuring country rock, will present a Bluemont Concert at the Colonial Beach Market Days. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. on the Town Green. $5.
Market Days will be held on the Colonial Beach Town Commons from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 224-0021.
Blazing Blades Training in proper use of knives, hatchets, axes and saws will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 3 p.m.
A Fish Fry will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess. $10. 435-2631.
A Benefit Shrimp Dinner for Sammy George will be held from 5 to 11 p.m. by the Upper Lancaster Volunteer Fire Department at the Lively Pavilion. $15 by advanced ticket purchased at Chesapeake Bank in Lively, Lively Drug Store, any ULVFD fireman, or 462-6291.

26 Saturday

A Depression Recovery Session opens with a free introductory session from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock. An eight-week program follows. Call 758-8110, for more information.
The Richmond County Fair on Route 3 in Warsaw will open at 9 a.m. Carnival, games, contests and nightly entertainment are featured.
The Local 400 United Food and Commercial Workers will hold its annual fish fry at 1 p.m. at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center near Lively.

27 Sunday

The Widowed Persons Service for Lancaster and Northumberland counties holds its lunch brunch at Great Fortune Restaurant in Kilmarnock immediately following church services.
A Morning Canoe Trip will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at Belle Isle State Park. $5.
A Bird Hike will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 4 p.m. $2.

28 Monday

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.
The First-Place Weight-Loss Class meets at 6:45 p.m. at the White Stone Church of the Nazarene at 57 Whisk Drive. 435-5701.
Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.
Duplicate Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Men, women and newcomers, are invited. No reservations needed. 435-2755.
Party Bridge is featured at 11:30 a.m. at the Northumberland Woman's Club in Lottsburg. Bring a sandwich. Side dishes, dessert and beverages provided. $5. For reservations, call 580-8205.
A Blood Drive will be held at Rappahannock Community College in Warsaw from noon to 4 p.m.
A Planning Reception for the Northern Neck Family YMCA's ninth annual Festival of the Trees will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at the facility on Harris Drive. All volunteers are welcome.

29 Tuesday

Al-ANON meets at 8 p.m. at Kilmarnock United Methodist Church.

29 Tuesday

The Kilmarnock & District Pipe Band rehearses at 7:15 p.m. at Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church in Weems. 462-7125.
Al-ANON meets at 8 p.m. at Kilmarnock United Methodist Church.
Chef David Coontz will give a free cooking demonstration of mediterranean cuisine at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury at 11 a.m.
The Virginia Marine Resources Commission will meet at 9:30 a.m. at 2600 Washington Avenue in Newport news.
Duplicate Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Men, women and newcomers, are invited. No reservations needed. 435-2755.

30 Wednesday

The Rotary Breakfast Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at Lee's Restaurant in Kilmarnock.
The Kiwanis Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Kilmarnock.
The Rotary Club for Kilmarnock, Irvington and White Stone meets at 12:30 p.m. at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury.
The Northern Neck Bay Tones meets at 2:30 p.m. at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Kilmarnock. 438-5127.
The RFM Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. at Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.
A Grief Support Group will meet at White Stone United Methodist Church at 4 p.m.

31 Thursday

Guitarist Robert Keyes will play at 7 p.m. at Cafe Mojo in Urbanna. 758-4141.
Bingo is played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.
The Board of Supervisors for Lancaster County will meet at 7 p.m. at the courthouse in Lancaster. A public hearing will be held on an application for a special exception authorizing Tynesha Davenport to place an individual manufactured home on a property off Nuttsville Road near Nuttsville.
The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.
Al-ANON meets at 8 p.m. at Palmer Hall in Kilmarnock.
Al-ANON meets at 7 p.m. at Riverside Warsaw Medical Arts building in Warsaw.

(Submit calendar items to Robert Mason Jr., editor.)

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Virginia Vignettes

Who was Powhatan?

When the English arrived in Virginia in 1607, Powhatan, whose informal name was Wahunsunacock, was the acknowledged paramount chief of more than 32 tribes, with more than 150 towns.

These tribes ranged from the Potomac River in the north to just south of the James River in the south, and from the fall line of the rivers in the west to the Atlantic Ocean.

Powhatan, who was probably in his 60s when he first met the English, had acquired leadership of these tribes through inheritance and coercion that was frequently reinforced with family or marriage ties. He held his position not only through military strength, but also through great personal and spiritual charisma, as well as a complex system of social rules not fully understood by the English.

The tribes under Powhatan's leadership paid tribute to his treasury in food and goods, which were then used for redistribution, trade, rewards and ceremonial display. In the early years of the English colony, Powhatan's first intent was to incorporate the English into his polity as another tribe.

Thwarted by the English, who had another agenda, he retired from leadership around 1616 and died in April 1618.

(By Deanna Beacham, Program Specialist, Virginia Council on Indians. Brought to you by Encyclopedia Virginia at the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities. Set to debut in 2007. Visit www.virginiavignettes.org)

Area Events

■ Blood drive

On Monday, August 28, Rappahannock Community College will sponsor an American Red Cross blood drive at the Warsaw Campus. Donations will be gratefully accepted from noon to 4 p.m. aboard the Bloodmobile bus parked in the large student parking lot, near the tennis courts. All donors will receive a free limited-edition T-shirt, and will be registered to win a Jeep Liberty.

■ Yard sale

The Bethel Emmanuel United Methodist Men will hold a yard sale September 9 from 7 a.m. to noon at its warehouse on Route 201 South near Lively. Furniture, appliances, tools, sporting goods, electronics, household items, exercise equipment, and hot dogs and soft drinks are available.

The United Methodist Women will also sell linens, books, pictures and baked goods. There will be free popcorn and balloons for the kids. The building will be open for additional sales September 13 from 3 to 6 p.m. For more information, call 462-5790 or 462-6103.

■ Waterfront concert

Steve Keith will be featured at an end-of-the-summer outdoor concert Friday, August 25, at the Urbanna Town Marina at Upton's Point. The free show will start at 7 p.m. Bring a picnic, and a chair or blanket. Dancing shoes are optional.

■ Quilters booth

The Reedville Fishermen's Museum Quilters are ready for the upcoming Antique Boat Show and Flea from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. September 9 at the museum. The quilters will staff a booth dubbed "Fabric by the Yard."

For sale will be boxes of several varieties of fabrics including upholstery, cottons, dress fabrics, jersey, canvas and quilting fabric. In addition, the quilters will sell cross stitch kits, needlepoint kits and knitting wools.

■ Movie night

Irvington United Methodist Church will host a family movie night Friday, August 25. Folks are urged to bring a bagged meal for dinner at 6:30 p.m.

The movie, "Homeward Bound 2," will begin at 7 p.m. in the educational building at Irvington United Methodist Church.

■ Dance lessons

The Stepping Stones Square Dance Club will offer free introductory dance lessons September 7, 14 and 21 at Freeshade Community Center on State Route 626 in Syringa. The lessons are from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Dance event coming Sept. 16

The Kilmarnock Museum's ninth annual benefit Dance Extravaganza Show will take place September 16 at the Lancaster Middle School Theater on School Street.

Headlining the 2006 show will be Ms. Virginia 2006 Senior America, Nancy Martin of Mechanicsville, and the Peanut City Cloggers from Suffolk. Also featured will be the Dancing Divas, Jeff and Gayle Stoneman, Bippidi-Boppidi-Boo selection from the "Believe" show, the winners of the Start Search Hanover show held last March in Montpelier and the Northern Neck Big Band.

The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets are now on sale for only $7.50. They will be $10 at the door. For tickets, call 435-2473 or 435-0874.

■ Music fesitval

The fourth annual Music Festival at Locusville Plantation will be held September 16 from 1 to 8 p.m. Organizers are planning an afternoon filled with a variety of music to celebrate another successful year's harvest of naturally grown farm fresh food.

Locusville Plantation is at 583 Slabtown Road in Ottoman. For more information, call 462-0002.

■ Depression recovery

A free introduction session on depression will be held at the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock on Saturday, August 26, from 3 to 5 p.m. This session will be followed by eight weekly sessions for those who register, beginning September 9.

A fee will be charged for materials. Call Sherwood Pangborn at 758-8110 for more information.

■ Gallery concert

On Saturday, September 2, at 6 p.m., Jumbo Lump Daddy and the Backfin Boys will be on the wagon stage on the side lawn of Yates House Gallery in Deltaville. The sponsors for the "Groovin' at the Gallery" summer concert series this year are Annapolis Yacht Sales South, EVB in Deltaville and Norview Marina.

Everyone is invited to bring chairs, food, drink and friends and enjoy this outdoor concert. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. and tickets are $5 for everyone over 12 years of age. Proceeds benefit the gallery.

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Excerpts

by Henry Lane Hull

BIDDEFORD POOL, MAINE—After our trip to Martha's Vineyard, we spent a day on Nantucket. The weather sign for the trip over listed water conditions as "rough." I asked what the other categories were, and learned that they were "calm," "choppy," and "very rough." The attendant then added that when it is very rough, normally the boats do not run. I then inquired what one does if the boat gets cancelled after one is already on the island and unable to find lodging. She replied, "sits up all night."

Happily, that was not our experience. We spent the day touring and walking, as well as doing some research in the wonderful Atheneum, a New England version of an archive and rare book depository combined with a modern library. The trip back listing said "choppy," but it was quite calm, and we did not have to "sit up all night."

We stopped in Quincy, Mass., on the way up to see the simple birthplaces of John Adams and John Quincy Adams, two modest saltboxes next to each other, about a mile from the greater house which they later occupied, and from the granite church where they and their wives are entombed. John Adams died on July 4, 1826, after having given land for the church, as well as the granite used in its construction. When work on it ended in 1828, his remains and those of Abigail were re-interred there.

The building is a magnificent example of neo-classical Greek Revival architecture. Now a Unitarian church, it has its original pews and other accoutrements and seems untouched from the day of its opening. The church recently spent $2 million on restoring the ceiling. The city of Quincy, once part of Braintree when John Adams was born, has enveloped the historic sites, particularly the birthplaces. The modesty of the Adams lifestyle still shines through, in vivid contrast to the opulence of that of Jefferson or Madison, whose homes we visited earlier this month.

After paying our homage to those New England Founding Fathers, we drove on to this time capsule of a peninsula and island between Biddeford Pool and Goose Rocks Beach. Here one can walk through undisturbed woods, climb rocks which buffet the sea, and track the lobstermen working their pots not unlike our watermen with their crab pots.

In the distance across the river lies Goose Rocks Beach, and below that on the coast are Cape Porpoise and Kennebunkport. At the northern entrance to the latter town, Walker's Point juts out into the Atlantic, the home of President and Mrs. Bush I. We had our annual lunch at Mabel's Lobster Claw restaurant, where the cuisine and the service remain exceptionally good and the prices are reasonable, indeed a bargain for what one receives.

We like to visit shops along U.S. 1, between Wells and Kennebunk, the inland city five miles from Kennebunkport, the favorite being MacDougall-Gionet Antiques, undoubtedly one of the best in New England. They have been there for over 45 years, always offering the best in a museum-like setting in a barn over 150 years old.

The architecture of Kennebunkport merited a lengthy article in The Magazine Antiques last year, and this year we had with us my good wife's aunt and uncle from New Orleans who were escaping potential hurricane weather. He is an architect, thus necessitating our stop at what to me is the most interesting of all Maine structures, namely, The Wedding Cake House. It began as a traditional Federal Period brick mansion, built about 1800, which someone 40 years later decided to "Gothicize." Wooden pointed arches, corner boards turrets and gargoyles have covered much of that brickwork, making its Gothic Revival history dominate over its austere Federal substructure.

Now, many lobster roll sandwiches later, we are setting off to return to the Old Dominion with many good memories and looking forward to a Virginia crabcake.

Letters to the Editor

Sharing the road

To The Editor:

On June 30th, Fourth of July Celebration Weekend, I was pulled over for speeding in Irvington, how convenient.

I can admit I was wrong for speeding and should have paid more attention to my speedometer while in transit. I was ticketed for my violation of the law and although troopers are cracking down on speeding drivers in the Irvington area, please read on. This may be a more serious issue.

Today, a co-worker and I were coming back to work from lunch doing the speed limit through Irvington when a child on a bike swerved into the on-coming traffic lane of our vehicle and swerved in and out of that lane while traffic was coming up behind him.

There have been several instances where children and teenagers as well young adults have been seen riding bikes, mopeds, golf carts and scooters with no helmets or protective gear in the streets of Irvington and not on the sidewalk like they should be, as reported by colleagues and others. They swerve in front of on-coming traffic, play in the road and do not acknowledge drivers or vehicles that have a legal right to be on the road.

I would like to know where the troopers are when these instances occur? When they observe this behavior, what is being done about it? Where are the parents who allow their kids to stroll through the streets during the day and especially during busy parts of the day (lunch and dinner hours) alone and unsupervised?

Personally, I just don't want to read about a child being struck by an oncoming vehicle that they didn't see or vice versa, and I certainly don't want this to go unnoticed.

Lisa Lockley
Urbanna

Drug companies may not want risk of stem cell research

To The Editor:

A letter appeared last week in response to mine about President Bush's veto of the stem cell research funding bill.

The writer's agenda was pretty obvious when she referred to embryonic research as destroying "pre-born baby flesh." Her zeal obviously did not allow her to look into the biologic facts more closely. Stem cells come from the inner mass of a blastocyst which is an early stage embryo—about four to five days old made up of 50 to 100 cells. It is not a baby, and as the president's press secretary recently affirmed, its use for research cannot be equated to murder.

She did raise a valid point in reminding us that research on embryonic stem cells is legal and hence the drug companies can pursue it. I hope she is right, but the pharmaceutical giants may not be interested. Stem cell therapy will most likely consist of some form of a transplant process, not a dosage form that can be mass marketed. And, like all new therapies, no one knows yet what side effects may be encountered and drug companies want no part of high risk situations.

All this is why federal funding in this field is needed to encourage U.S. medical research centers to do the fundamental research. Maybe some wealthy supporter will show up to help finance these efforts, but what a shame that our Congress, responding to the strong public support for this research, passed this funding bill and President Bush vetoed it to accommodate his core constituency, one of whom congratulated him on his "strong principled moral stand." Please explain, what is principled and moral about putting obstacles in the way of exploring a therapy that one day might relieve an enormous amount of suffering for mankind?

The writer's closing remark for me was that I am "lucky my mother didn't sell my pre-born soul for a fistful of dollars." In truth, I was lucky but not for an absurd reason like that, my good fortune was being a wanted child—a circumstance that should be every child's birthright and now, thanks to a woman's right to choose, is happening more often.

Frank Mann
Lancaster

Opportunities for veterans

To The Editor:

The Annual Picnic Dinner at Adams Post 86, American Legion is always memorable. The food and company at this year's event, August 19, was more than equal to expectations.

The chicken, salads, steamed corn, vegetables, and fruits were delicious, plentiful and expertly served. The traditional four flavors of homemade ice cream were, if possible, better than ever, and reminiscent of the early 1930s, when some of the veterans present, from World War II and Korea, were growing up.

Veterans who join the American Legion do not give up service to their country when discharged from the Armed Forces. They work, through the many legion programs, with children, adults, and other community groups and have made a difference in many lives. Legion programs aim to teach good citizenship, understanding of government processes, and a citizen's responsibilities, in cooperation with other school programs.

In the past, Post 86 has assisted the Boy Scouts, 4-H, and many community organizations with yearly grants. Veterans' families get involved with legion work through the legion auxiliary, so that there were many present who were not legion members, but a part of the group.

Billy Elswick, Doc Simmons and Soccer Percifal, three veterans who have worked hard for Post 86, cooked and served a fine meal, and they are grateful for the help they received from some other members, and their wives.

Post Vice Commander Dave Pitt and his wife, Jean, were present to welcome Department of Virginia Vice Commander Ike Kelly, and Mrs. Kelly, and 12th District Commander Don Kubik, and Mrs. Lelani Kubik, all of whom enjoyed the great meal and friendly company.

Lancaster veterans who want to serve their community as they served their country, should come to a meeting and join Post 86. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month, at 7 p.m. at the Legion Post, on Waverly Avenue. More information is available at Lester's Barber Shop.

Fred Ajootian
Ocran

Fast food blues

To The Editor:

Do you ever wonder why the fast-food restaurants that come to Kilmarnock don't seem to last? Let me tell you about a recent experience.

It was lunch time so I stopped to get a sandwich. The clerk took my order and when she returned my change there was no "thank you," but a "here you go." I guess training doesn't include saying "thank you" to the customers any more.

After standing there for almost 15 minutes waiting for my food, I finally asked the clerk what the hold-up was. The reply was that they were filtering the grease that they cook with. The clerk didn't know how much longer the wait would be. There was no mention of a wait when I placed my order. And why would you take cookers off line at what is probably one of the busiest times of the day?

I should have realized that something was wrong when I walked into the restaurant in the middle of the lunch hour and there was almost no one there.

At that point I asked that my money be refunded. The manager came over to the register and after another four or five minutes had gone by, finally figured out how to make a refund.

With poor training and what seems to be poor decision making by store personnel, is it any wonder that fast food restaurants come and go as often as they do?

Bob Norman
Lancaster

Medicare: Spanning the coverage gap

by Grace-Marie Turner

Several million seniors soon will begin hitting the dreaded doughnut hole in their new Medicare prescription drug coverage—a gap of up to $3,000 where their insurance stops.

There already are calls for Congress to fill the gap or to completely change the drug program to make it look more like the rest of Medicare. Changing the program now would be a mistake since polls show that seniors like the new plan.

The Kaiser Family Foundation reported that more than eight in 10 seniors who are enrolled are satisfied with the plan they picked; that their initial experiences have been positive; and three out of four would pick the same plan again.

But more and more seniors are going to start experiencing problems this fall if they have high drug costs. If they've picked a standard plan, their drug coverage will stop after they have $2,250 in drug bills. And it won't pick up again until their bills exceed $5,100.

The doughnut hole is indeed a problem. No insurance company would have designed a policy like this one—which was created by Congress—with its coverage gap and confusing trigger points. Seniors don't like surprises, and they really don't like learning that they must continue to pay insurance premiums when their drug coverage has stopped.

Yet drug plans have been very creative in using the flexibility the Medicare agency gave them to offer plans with coverage in the gap. And 72 percent of seniors are in these plans. Only a fraction of seniors—an estimated 3 to 3.5 million of them—are expected to fall into the doughnut hole this year, but they do need options.

Medicare Administrator Mark McClellan advises that seniors often can reduce their costs by switching to generic drugs and by taking advantage of assistance programs offered by many states and by drug manufacturers. When they hit the gap, beneficiaries also have access to drug discounts negotiated by their plans, and they can clearly see the prices they'll pay at www.medicare.gov.

A New York-based think tank, the Center for Medicine in the Public Interest, has a new website, www.partdoptimizer.com, that lets seniors find lower cost options to the drugs they are taking. So far, more than 850,000 people have used this tool and have saved an average of $900 on their medicines.

Further, lower-income people who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid have no gap in their benefit. They can sign up for a special program that takes care of their premium costs and offers seamless coverage. And they can enroll in a drug plan anytime, without penalty, starting with a visit to their Social Security office.

Most of the major drug companies are negotiating with the Medicare agency to get approval for private patient assistance plans to offer coverage to seniors who have hit the gap.

There are bizarre and counterproductive federal laws already on the books that could make the companies subject to anti-kickback and fraud and abuse laws if they give their drugs away to seniors who have hit the gap. Government lawyers say that this could be an unfair inducement for seniors to take their drugs.

Only in Washington.

In addition, at least 28 states also have pharmaceutical assistance programs that are compatible with Medicare. Seniors can find information at www.statehealthfacts.org. States have proposed several ways to use state funds to coordinate benefits including providing "wrap around" benefits to supplement Medicare Part D coverage.

Further, seniors can start searching now for other options to change plans during the open-season sign-up period, which starts November 15. The majority of the free-standing Medicare drug plans do offer coverage in the gap. In addition, seniors can choose the new Medicare Advantage plans that offer full-service health coverage, including prescription drugs and generally including gap coverage.

These are growing pains, not fatal flaws, for the new Medicare prescription drug program that impacts 42 million people. It's been nearly three years since the hot summer when the House and the Senate debated and then finally passed bills to create the new Medicare prescription drug benefit.

It's going to take time for seniors, companies, and the government to figure out a new system that involves choice and competition, and that calls on seniors to make informed choices to get the drugs and the plans that suit them best.

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Yesteryear in Lancaster

(A reprint from the August 24, 1906, issue of the Virginia Citizen).

Weems

Mrs. Thos. Bradshaw and daughter, Miss Norma, of Deals Island, Md., and Misses Elizabeth and Georgia Rowe, of Baltimore, arrived Wednesday to visit their relative, Mrs. Jno. M. Gannon, near here.

Gus Ashburn is having an addition built to his house.

Little Cora Bryant has been sick the past week and is still quite unwell.

Brown's Store

Johnny Hurst returned to Washington Tuesday after a two weeks' visit to friends here. Johnny, as usual, was wearing his best breeches and Sunday smiles.

Richard Moore is having lumber hauled and will rapidly finish the building of his house. Dick does not deny the fact that soon "there'll be something doing."

Capt. S. D. Bateman was the proud possessor of a birthday one day last week. He has safely reached the four score mark, hale and hearty and in the "pink of condition." With about a dozen of his young friends, the occasion was enjoyably celebrated that night with a keg of mellowed joy (on ice).

Baseball notes

Reedville team will play two games with Crisfield in the latter city this week - one Friday and one Saturday.

Saluda defeated Tappahannock in two clean cut games on the latter's diamond Monday. First game score was 9 to 3 and second 5 to 4.

(Transcribed by volunteers of the Genealogy and Research Center of the Mary Ball Washington Museum and Library).

Letters to the Editor

Planning for new YMCA facility

To The Editor:

Following very positive results from feasibility study interviews, work is under way to plan, find a location and raise funds for new YMCA facilities in Northumberland County.

Small gatherings of interested individuals are being scheduled to share information and to solicit recommendations for the new facilities. The planning committee is looking for a site near the new public school campus in Heathsville so that the YMCA will be easily accessible for after-school programs. The new facilities will also be more convenient for adult programs and for children and young adults on weekends, holidays and during summer vacation periods.

Many of your readers have had wonderful experiences with the YMCA in the areas where they grew up and while they were raising their families. We ask that these folks share these experiences with the planning committee by writing to Mike Harwood at P.O. Box 206, Wicomico Church, VA 22579 or sending an email to mikehar26@juno.com. He will use these letters to help with campaign publicity.

Mike Harwood
Publicity chairman
Northumberland Family YMCA

Town rates are overkill

To The Editor:

My recent water and sewer bill shows a predictable increase. My bill for $109.15 was just over the old minimum of 6,000 gallons by 90 gallons. One recent water bill was below the 6,000 gallons by a little over 100 gallons. That bill was for $40. I do agree that the rates had to be increased, but the minimum did not need to be dropped to 4,000 gallons. This usage is for two people living in a small home.

I certainly understand why the county residents do not want to be brought into Kilmarnock by the boundary line adjustment being proposed. We have a good water and sewer system in Kilmarnock that should be paying for itself, but this is overkill. This 129 percent increase is unnecessary and will hurt families that are on limited income.

Write letters and attend the council meetings to voice your opinion.

Robert E. Wille
Kilmarnock

Stop printing letters to editor

To The Editor:

I wish the paper would stop printing letters to the editor.

The several people who write close to every week expressing their strong political views, only divide the community. That we don't need.

Instead, print Jane Tims' uplifting stories on that page.

Marilyn Creager
Kilmarnock

Setting it straight

To The Editor:

A letter printed in last week's Rappahannock Record gave a tainted view of the participation in Steptoe's Walkabout by the businesses in the revitalized district of Kilmarnock.

The correspondent said, "Most of the stores on Main Street were closed. Our guess is that only about 20 percent of the stores participated. That would mean that 80 percent of the remaining vendors did not support this event and in our opinion the revitalized effort."

The facts are nothing like the perception of this visitor. The Steptoe's District goes from Main Street Pharmacy to the Planing Mill and includes adjacent sections of Irvington Road and Church Street.

However, the area of concentration for the Walkabout is the part with new sidewalks, even though the outlying businesses of The Thai Pot and Main Street Pharmacy are participants. Within the targeted area there are approximately 40 merchants and restaurants. Most of them have paid the small fee required to help finance promotional ads, decals and badges. A few merchants who signed on and paid the fee are unable to remain open until 7 p.m. because of prior commitments on Friday evenings. The other businesses that are not open are largely those that provide services such as insurance companies, hair salons and attorneys' offices. Several of these closed businesses also paid the fee in a show of support for the Walkabout event and their neighbors within the district.

The Rappahannock Art League committee and a few merchants who plan the event are very proud that we have the participation of 34 businesses. We would be delighted to include this season's few non-participants in future Walkabouts. Those stores that have remained open on the first Friday have offered special sales and handouts, music, art and cheerful welcomes to pedestrians.

In actuality, the percentages are a reverse of those quoted above. Participation is closer to 80 percent and non-participation in the Walkabout is only about 20 percent. We suspect that satisfaction with the revitalization effort runs around 99 percent.

Agnes Carter
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Virginia against loving–again

by Julian Bond

Virginia Forum

I always thought Virginia was for lovers, not against them.

That's why I am so thankful for the case *Loving v. Virginia*. A married couple—Richard Loving, a white man, and Mildred Jeter, a black woman–won a 1967 ruling from the United States Supreme Court that Virginia's miscegenation laws were unconstitutional. That case recognized marriage as one of the inviolable personal rights in Americans' pursuit of happiness, a right that would have been denied me and my wife if we had sought to marry before Loving became law.

"Civil rights" are positive legal prerogatives—the right to equal treatment before the law. These are rights shared by all—there is no one in the United States who does not, or should not, share in them.

Gay and lesbian rights are not "special rights" in any way. It isn't "special" to be free from discrimination. It is an ordinary, universal entitlement of citizenship. The right not to be discriminated against is a commonplace claim we all expect to enjoy under our laws and our founding document, the Constitution. That many struggled and even died to gain these rights makes them even more precious. But it does not make them special, and it does not reserve them only for some, or restrict them from others.

When others gain a civil right, my rights are not reduced in any way. "Civil Rights" are a win/win game—the more won by others, the stronger the army defending my rights becomes. My rights are not diluted by those my neighbor enjoys—he or she becomes my ally in defending the rights we share.

For some, comparing the African-American civil rights movement and the movement for gay and lesbian rights somehow diminishes the long black struggle for equality with all its suffering and sacrifices. People of color ought to be flattered, however, that our movement has provided so much inspiration for others, that it has been so widely imitated, and that our tactics, methods, heroines and heroes, even our songs, have been adopted by or served as models for others.

The NAACP opposes the federal marriage amendment, and we oppose efforts to write bigotry into Virginia's constitution, too. Sexual orientation parallels race—I was born black and had no choice. I couldn't and wouldn't change if I could. Like race, our sexuality isn't a preference–it is inborn, and the Constitution protects us all against discrimination based on immutable differences.

No parallel between movements for rights is exact. People of color carry the badge of who we are on our faces. But we are far from the only people suffering discrimination. Others too deserve the law's protections and civil rights.

Many gays and lesbians worked side by side with me in the '60s civil rights movement. Am I to now tell them "thanks" for risking life and limb to help win my rights—but allow their exclusion because of a condition of their birth? Having accepted and embraced them as partners in a common struggle, can I now turn my back on them and deny them rights they helped me win? Not a chance.

In 1965, those of us who worked in the civil rights movement were buoyed by a radio address given by Lyndon Johnson. His words still speak to us today. He said, "It is difficult to fight for freedom. But I also know how difficult it can be to bend long years of habit and custom to grant it. There is no room for injustice anywhere in the American mansion. But there is always room for understanding those who see the old ways crumbling. And to them today I say simply this: It must come. It is right that it should come. And when it has, you will find that a burden has been lifted from your shoulders too. It is not just a question of guilt, although there is that. It is that men cannot live with a lie and not be stained by it."

The lessons of the civil rights movement of yesterday, and the ongoing civil rights movement of today, is that sometimes the simplest of ordinary acts–taking a seat on a bus or a lunch counter, registering to vote, applying for a marriage license—can have extraordinary consequences. They can change the way we act and think. They can change our world.

The so-called "marriage amendment" to Virginia's Bill of Rights should be defeated. Let us maintain our determination to fight on until all our brothers and sisters enjoy the blessings of liberty and justice.

(Bond has been chairman of the NAACP since 1998. He also is a professor at the University of Virginia and American University).

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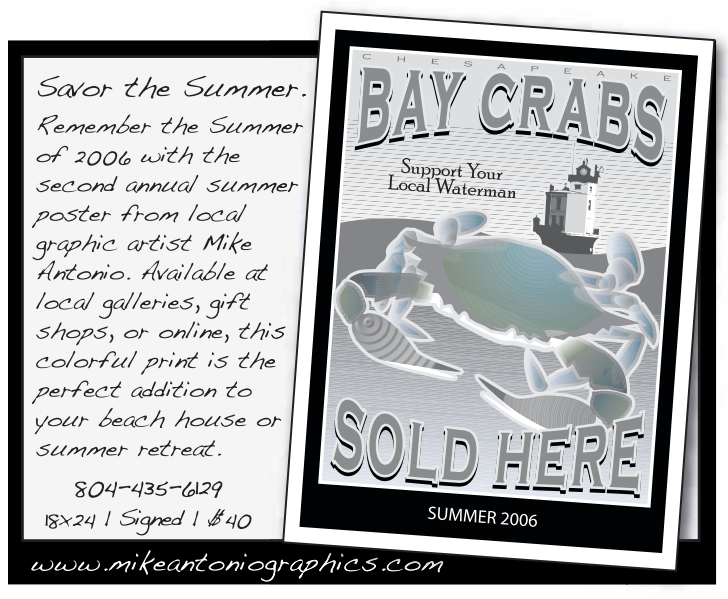

Lancaster Democrats to meet Monday

Lancaster County Democrats will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, August 28, at the Bank of Lancaster northside branch in Kilmarnock. Beverages and snacks will be served a half-hour before the meeting.

The speakers will be the co-directors of the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, Ruth Micklem and Kristi Van Audenhove. They will discuss the effect of Virginia's proposed marriage amendment which will be on the ballot in November. The overly broad wording of the amendment troubles many people because it may affect domestic violence situations and other contractual relationships besides marriage.

Also on the agenda will be plans for the second annual Democratic Labor Day Picnic September 4, from noon to 4 p.m. at 429 Irvington Road in Kilmarnock, the residence of Tom York. Barbecue and beverages are on the menu. Opinions will be exchanged.

Activities of Democratic candidates campaigning for office this November and what local Democrats can do to help them will also be discussed.

To participate in local Democratic activities, call Donna Thompson at 436-0605, or visit www.lancovadems.org.

Do you remember?

The old post card of downtown Kilmarnock (above) shows the Fairfax Theater in the 1930s. The old photo (below) shows the Fairfax Theater in the 1960s as well as the intersection of South Main and Irvington Road. (Courtesy of the Kilmarnock Museum)

Chickahominy Powwow slated September 23-24

Native Americans from throughout the country will join the Chickahominy Indian Tribe for its 55th annual Fall Festival and Powwow September 23 and 24 on the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Charles City County.

The grounds open at 10 a.m. September 23 with a grand entry at noon. On September 24, the hours will be 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., with a grand entry at 1 p.m.

The festival will feature Native American dancers, drummers, singers and crafters. The longest running traditional powwow in Virginia, the Chickahominy gathered in 1951 at Samaria Indian School, now home to Samaria Baptist Church. The powwow later moved to the tribal grounds.

The Chickahominy Indian Tribe was among those who witnessed the coming of the colonists in 1607.

Mrs. William Lehman Herring

Herring-Waller wedding held

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Ryland Waller of Arlington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Taylor Waller Jr. of Richmond and Irvington, to William Lehman Herring of Arlington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lehman Herring of Exeter, Ill., took place August 19, 2006, at Christ Church near Irvington. The Rev. Raymond Quigg Lawrence and Richard Blackburn Vinson officiated.

The bride was escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Armetta Gilmore Lelong of Richmond and the late Mr. Chaffraix André Lelong and Mrs. Leah Fleet Waller of Richmond and the late Mr. Raymond Taylor Waller.

The groom is the grandson of the Hon. and Mrs. Richard Evans Mann of Winchester, Ill., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wesley Herring, formerly of Winchester.

Catherine Fleet Golden of Richmond, cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lauren Jennifer Becton of Winston-Salem, N.C., Alexis Porter Boehmler of New York City, Rachel Elizabeth Herring of Boston, Laura Elizabeth McCandlish of Baltimore, Aileen O'Claire Waters of Washington, D.C., Anne Harford Ritter McCoy of Richmond, and Joy Ellen Gerdy Zogby of Charlottesville. Eleanor Gray Kuhn of Richmond, cousin of the bride, was the flower girl.

Mr. Herring was his son's best man. Groomsmen were Michael Adams Hass of Washington, D.C., James Lincoln Herring of Exeter, Ill., Raymond Taylor Waller III, and Marshall Lelong Waller, both of Richmond.

The organist was Claudia Worrell and Robert Spiers was the trumpeter. The wedding director was Beth Somers. The wedding cake was made by Carried Away Cuisine in Kilmarnock and the florists were Connie and Henry Jett of Connie's Florist.

Program attendants were Kendall Britten Mathews and John Lightfoot Stinson III, both of Richmond. The crucifer was Michael Evans Ross Tipton, cousin of the groom. Matthew Thomas Zogby was the reader.

The rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's parents at the Golden Eagle clubhouse. The reception was held at Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club.

Parties were given over the weekend in honor of the bride and groom. A bridesmaids' luncheon was given aboard the Last Resort on Friday by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Stephens, cousins of the bride. A Friday night dinner and dance was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Fryer, Mr. and Mrs. David Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. Behle Schaaf, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. John Stinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Jennings at Summer Duck in White Stone.

A brunch was held on Saturday at Leeward in Irvington by Miss Beverly Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Boyers, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fleet III, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fleet Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fleet, the Rev. and Mrs. Quigg Lawrence, Mrs. Jo Lee Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald Fleet Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crittenden, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanford and Mr. David Williams, all cousins of the bride.

A brunch and cruise was given on Sunday aboard the Miss Ann by Mrs. Leah Fleet Waller, the bride's grandmother, and Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Golden, aunt and uncle of the bride.

The bride graduated from Collegiate School and Davidson College and received a master's from the London School of Economics. She is employed by APCO Worldwide in Washington, D.C. The groom graduated from Culver Military Academy and Davidson College and is employed by Macro Sys Research and Technology in Washington, D.C.

After a honeymoon in Bermuda, the couple will reside in Arlington.

Mrs. George Gray Thouron III

Thouron-Hovland vows exchanged

Whitney Walker Hovland and George Gray Thouron III were united in marriage June 16, 2006, at Sacred Heart Church in Norfolk. The Rev. Daniel N. Klem was the celebrant. The marriage celebration was followed by dinner and dancing at Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William N. Hovland of Norfolk and Kilmarnock. She is the great-granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Walker and granddaughter of the late Louise Walker Barnes and H.J. "Chink" Barnes, formerly of Kilmarnock. The groom is the son of the late George Gray Thouron Jr. of Sea Island, Ga., and Mrs. C. Rich Diffenderffer of Montchanin, Del.

Amanda Louise Hovland was her sister's maid of honor. Also attending the bride were friends Ashley Austin George of Richmond, Jessica Louise Horne of Huntersville, N.C., Rebecca Brandt Rupard of La Plata, Md., and Tonya Norris Flickinger of Yorklyn, Del. Sisters of the groom, Kathryn Thouron Gilmore of San Raphael, Calif., Meredith Thouron Schow of Novato, Calif., and Shawn McCoy Grow of Kuala Lampur, Malaysia, also served as bridesmaids.

Karl Cole Flickinger served as best man. Groomsmen were Douglas Carpenter McCoy of Montchanin, Del., and William Kitchell McCoy of Hockessin, Del., brothers of the groom. Additional groomsmen were friends John Pinson Baum III of Milledgeville, Ga., Rory Dillon Conway of Hockessin, Genarro Anthony Romano of Harwick, Mass., and Jonathon Anthony Sun and Ryan Spencer Vine, both of Wilmington, Del.

Leigh Garvin Forrester, Elizabeth Dale Wimmer, and Amanda Anne McClennen were readers during the ceremony, and Julia Beth Forsmark and Mary Kathleen Puccinelli served as program attendants. The guest book attendant was Joanna Schultz Wood. Greeters were Charles Jennings Maresh, Edward Theodore Enright, Judson Hines Dalton and Thomas Leitch Lancaster IV.

Music was provided by Dr. James Gallatin. Meg Leeman served as cantor.

The bride, a graduate of Maury High School, met Gray, a graduate of The Salisbury School in Salisbury, Conn., while they were attending Randolph-Macon College. She has a master's in elementary studies and teaches at Sweetwater Episcopal Academy in Longwood, Fla., The groom has a degree from The Golf Academy of the South in Orlando, and is employed as an assistant golf pro at The Legacy Club in Lake Mary, Fla.

Rose-Shearin nuptials held

The marriage of Miss Lindsay Sommerville Shearin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pierce Shearin of Reedville, to Shawn Calvin Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Calvin Rose Jr. of White Stone, took place June 17, 2006, at Bethany United Methodist Church in Reedville. The Rev. Donna McEwan officiated.

The bride, escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Deihl and Mrs. Marjorie H. Shearin, all of Reedville, and the late Jesse B.P. Shearin Jr. The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Hutchinson of Irvington and Mrs. Elsie P. Rose of White Stone and the late Mr. Lacy C. Rose Sr.

Miss Lily Lin of Falls Church, friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Lisa Brocklebank of White Stone, sister of the groom, Miss Elizabeth Packett of Heathsville, cousin of the bride, Miss Kristen Knight of Charlottesville, friend of the bride, Miss Megan Zirkle of Yorktown, friend of the bride, and Mrs. Olivia Wright of Callao, aunt of the bride. The junior bridesmaids were Miss Hannah Walker and Miss Mary Kathryn Hall, both of Reedville and cousins of the bride. The flower girl was Miss Olivia Brocklebank of White Stone, niece of the groom.

Lacy Rose Jr., father of the groom, served as best man. The groomsmen were Tyler Shearin of Yorktown, brother of the bride, Charles Brocklebank of White Stone, brother-in-law of the groom, Mathew Harding of Kilmarnock, cousin of the groom, Mathew Smith of Reedville, friend of the groom, Thomas Somers of Kilmarnock, friend of the groom, and Bryce Packett of Reedville, cousin of the bride. The junior groomsman was Lane Brocklebank of White Stone, nephew of the groom. The ring bearer was Konnor Wright of Callao, cousin of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Calvin Rose

The ushers were Kyle Hall, Alex Hall, and Blake Walker, all of Reedville, cousins of the bride, and Taylor Barrett of Fredericksburg, cousin of the groom.

Mrs. Sylvia Dameron of Callao, aunt of the bride, was mistress of ceremonies. She was assisted by Mrs. Stephanie Crabbe of Richmond, cousin of the bride, Mrs. Kristy Hall, aunt of the bride, and Mrs. Angela Kelly, godmother of the bride, both of Reedville.

The photographer was Ms. Kelly Walker of Reedville, aunt of the bride. Miss Sarah Kelly and Miss Diane Kelly of Reedville, attended the guest book.

The church was decorated by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Katharyn Deihl.

The rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents, was held aboard The Chesapeake Breeze. The reception was held at Festival Halle in Reedville.

Following a honeymoon in Jamaica, the couple will reside in Burgess.

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Laura Tilghman, seated and holding great-grandchild Ebony, is the daughter of the late John and Julia Smith of Lancaster. She turned 93 this month.

Crowd gathers to celebrate with Mrs. Laura J. Tilghman

Laura J. Tilghman of Baltimore, Md., formerly of Lancaster, celebrated her 93rd birthday August 5 with five generations of family and friends at the home of her sister, Alice Rich, in Merry Point. Nearly 200 family members and friends participated in the celebration, which included singing and an expansive dinner menu.

The event was coordinated by Pastor Nancy Pinn and Mrs. Tilghman's two sisters, Alice Rich and Mahalia Henderson, all of Lancaster.

Among others attending were Mrs. Tilghman's brother, George Smith, and his family of Baltimore; the families of her two sisters; the families of her brothers, the late Lonnie Smith and the late Isaac Smith, from Lancaster, Tappahannock, the Hampton Roads area, Richmond, Petersburg and New York;the family of her son, the late Franklin L. Smith, of Baltimore; her grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Baltimore, and more relatives and friends. She received a call from her son, Elmer Tilghman of Texas, who could not be present.

The Wiggins Family, Mary Jones and a portion of Holy Tabernacle's choir sang to Mrs. Tilghman, and many brought food which was cooked to taste by Eli Smith, Steven Kelly and Lisa Conaway. The menu included fried fish, barbecue ribs, barbecue chicken, hot wings, pasta salad, potato salad, macaroni salad, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, string beans, cabbage, cheese cakes and a full sized birthday cake.

Mrs. Tilghman said she is grateful to all for their prayers, cards, flowers, gifts of any kind and "just their presence showed the love and togetherness that this 93-year-old woman always wanted to see."

Engagements

Amanda Marie Mowry and Lee Andrew Matthews

Mowry-Matthews

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Colby Jr. of Tappahannock announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Amanda Marie Mowry of Florence, S.C., to Lee Andrew Matthews of Florence, son of Mrs. Carol Howard of Bishopville, S.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Muncie Matthews of Florence.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elmer B. Hinman, formerly of Dutton. The prospective groom is the grandson of the late Mrs. Marjorie Kelley, Mrs. Lenora Kelley and the late Mr. Billy Kelley, all formerly of Hartsville, S.C., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Muncie Matthews Sr. of Lynchburg, S.C.

Miss Mowry is a graduate of Christchurch School. She has an associate's degree from Florence-Darlington Technical College. She has a bachelor's in business administration from Limestone College. She is employed at ADP Tax Credit Services in Florence.

Matthews graduated from Hartsville High School and completed a tour of duty in the Navy. He is employed at Talley Metals in McBee, S.C.

An October 21 wedding is planned.

Births

Anabel Chase Chambers

Bob and Betsy Chambers of Weems announce the birth of their first grandchild, Anabel Chase Chambers, born August 16, 2006, to Rick and Christina Chambers of Pasadena, Md.

Sharon Doggett's family gathers for her birthday celebration.

Birthday celebrated with health theme

For her birthday, family and friends gathered at the Coast Guard Base in Portsmouth to celebrate life with Sharon Doggett August 4.

Mrs. Doggett wanted to celebrate life with a health theme. She asked her guests to make donations to American Heart Association, American Diabetes Society, or American Cancer Society. To date, she has donated $2,045 as gifts from about 130 guests at the event to improve medical awareness, research and cures.

Dr. Venita-Newby Owens of Virginia Beach was the guest speaker who emphasized that wellness is more than being absent of diseases. Steven Alexander, gospel comedian, shared his best medicine – laughter. Guests continued with the health theme by participating in line dancing.

The Portside Building on the Coast Guard Base was decorated with purple chrysanthemums on each table and purple and white balloons with the name of one of Doggett's ancestors on each balloon.

A meal of baked chicken, fried fish, macaroni and cheese, collards, yams with apples, cornbread, rolls, and carrot cake was catered by Mr. Dennis' Café of Chesapeake.

Mrs. Doggett thanked her family and friends from the Northern Neck who attended or donated including K-shawn Adams, Robert Byrd, Sylvia Byrd, Levar Churchill, Clarence Doggett, Clintwood Doggett, Emyia Doggett, Helen Doggett, Lynasia Doggett, Mable Doggett, Marjorie Doggett, Marvin Doggett, Morris Doggett, Shanta Doggett, Frank Johnson, Patricia Johnson, Tyanthia Johnson, Elsie Jean Long, Rosalind Mitchell, Jamar Oliver, Kearsten Redmond, Mark Redmond II, Levi R. Thomas, Audrey Turner, and Sterling Turner.

Other guests included the Bank Street Memorial Baptist Church family from Norfolk, Aerobics Ministry from Norfolk, NASA Langley Toastmasters and the Tidewater Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen Inc.

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Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hatfield and daughter, Victoria, and friend, Faith, of Richmond were weekend guests of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Proctor.

Scott and Diana Conley and children, Jessica and Amber, of Richmond arrived on Tuesday to spend this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conley. Guests of the Conleys last week were grandchildren, Curtis and Lindsey Conley and Hunter Fowler, all of Richmond.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Ruth Dameron and Marvin Dameron were his son and daughter-in-law, James and Karen Dameron of Newport News.

Mr. Doulin Wilkins has returned to his home in Callao following back surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond.

Barry Anderson hosted 17 members of the Bluff Point Ecumenical Sunday Men's Breakfast Group at his home on Prentice Point Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blankenship enjoyed having their children, Miss Sara Blankenship of Morristown, N.J., and David Blankenship of Naperville, Ill., with them for several days over the weekend.

Mrs. Pat Thomas and Mrs. George McNeal spent this past weekend at the Virginia Beach home of Mrs. Thomas' son, Tim Thomas.

Weekend guests of Mrs. George Dixon were Brian and Dawn Conley and son, Joey, of Severn, Md. Louie and Keeny Conley and children, Colby and Hallé, of Germantown, Md., arrived on Monday for a visit with Mrs. Dixon.

Mrs. M. B. Lamberth spent last week with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lamberth in Midlothian.

Guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Jenith Peterson at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury are her son-in-law and daughter, Christian and Elaine Wolf of Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Jennifer Einhorn and children, Ben and Rachel Einhorn of Vooihees, N.J., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Philbrick in White Stone this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Smith have returned to their White Stone home after a Red Bird mission trip to Kentucky.

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Chesapeake Investment Group recently presented a donation to the Rappahannock Art League for the 45th annual Art Exhibit. From left are exhibit chairman Don Kennedy and Chesapeake Investment Group managing director Gregory Powell.

45th Annual Art Exhibit is slated

The Rappahannock Art League's 45th annual Art Exhibit will take place Wednesday, August 30, through Labor Day, September 4, at the Harold Porter Eubanks Art Center at Routes 608 and 200 in Kilmarnock.

The hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on August 30 and Labor Day and otherwise 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Jeffrey Allison of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond will be the judge. Viewers also pick their favorite.

Often called the "Labor Day Show," chairman Don Kennedy said that the exhibit has not always been held over the Labor Day weekend.

"The art league had exhibits from its first year in 1949. There was a break in the '50s and then the annual art exhibits resumed in 1962. They have been held in various places including the Kilmarnock firehouse, the Masonic building, church halls and the library," he said.

"This year's show will include two pieces by Gladys Bryant Ashburn of Irvington who has exhibited since 1949," continued Kennedy. "We feel that this show has become part of the fabric of our community. It is a real showcase for the tremendous artistic talent in the area."

Last year's Viewers' Choice Award winner was Dan McDermott of Lively, a nationally known sculptor, whose eight-and-half-foot-high bronze sculpture, "Dance of Life," won the award.

McDermott's large sculpture, "Youth," was commissioned by the city of Valencia, Spain, for its exposition. His "Joy of Dance" is on permanent display in Japan.

The RAL's Studio Gallery on Main Street in Kilmarnock will be open every day of the show.

Northern Neck Entertains releases season's schedule

The Northern Neck Entertains committee recently mailed booklets describing its 14th fall season of parties to benefit the Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury Foundation's Fellowship Fund.

The fund financially assists qualified candidates with residential fees and non-residents who attend RW-C's Adult Day Program

The parties include a candlelight dinner at "Cross Tides," the Crab Point home of Jean and Jack Hanky, September 16; and an afternoon of bridge at Glenda Decker's home on Tabbs Creek October 4, with Ann Burgess, Aleta Hoffman and Edna Earl Mizelle as co-hostesses.

The Tom Bonner Jazz Ensemble will entertain, and RW-C's Chef David Coontz will prepare an Italian feast at the Rappahannock River home of Page and John Hunt October 11. The party is sponsored by RW-C's corporate and foundation board members: Richard Baylor, Cameron Blandford, Chris Bresett, Tom Coye, Joseph Curry, Robert Davis, Tom Denegre, Scott Dillard, John Dorsey, Allyn Gemerek, Seale George, Bill Knull, Robert Krug, Ward LeHardy, Jan Mosher, John O'Shaugnessy, Greg Powell, Rebecca Smiley, Don Smith, Phyllis Smith, Kay Vose and Tony Waring.

On October 14, Karolina de Maciejowska-Driesler and Stephen Driesler will host a Cajun brunch at their home on Taylor's Creek.

Roadmaster Hank George will use a historic theme to direct the popular Road Rally October 15. Hosts are The Tartan Golf Course by Sandy and Herb Aman, Tom Bonner, Diane Caplan, Terri and B.H. Hubbard, Betty and David Jones, Florine Keatley, Frankie Polidoro, Mary and Ed Trotter, and Jane and Harry Wells.

Mary Kay Rotert, Nancy Collings, Molly Guyan and Connie Purrington will host an afternoon of mahjong at the Rotert home on Carter's Creek October 16.

A progressive dinner at three homes on Moran Creek will be hosted October 26 by Jinks and Linwood Holton, Linda and Charles Price, Carol and Tom Sennott, and JoAnn and Don Smith.

Bill and Loretta Warren have planned "loathsome libations" through "deadly desserts" for their Halloween party October 29, with costumes suggested.

Committee members and mates will host the annual oyster roast at the Rappahannock River Yacht Club November 2.

The season will conclude November 14 with high tea at The Inn at Levelfields, hosted by Ersel Buckley-Sharp, Seale George, Mary Hoerneman, Maria Laqueur and Jeanne Rosenwald.

Booklets are available at the front desk at RW-C and include the reservation form that must be received by September 5 to be included in the traditional lottery process. The lottery assures everyone equal opportunity to reserve an event.

Committee members are Eska Beckstoffer, Chris Bresett, Adele Crosett, Peggy Estes, Seale George, Terri Hubbard, Margaret Hudnall, Page Hunt, Ann Meekins, Elizabeth Miller, Carter Prillaman, Milena Van Sant, Jaira Walsh and Pat Willett. RW-C staff members Whiz Harris, vice president of development, and Linda Reeves, development assistant, provide support to the committee.

Call the development office for more information at 438-4013.

Whistle Stop event to feature music and country picnic

The Steamboat Era Museum in Irvington is planning a fun benefit, "Whistle Stop at North End Plantation," Friday, August 26, from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Suyes of North End Plantation in Deltaville have offered the use of their grounds and barn on the Rapphannock River. The Suyes bought the plantation, a 100-acre spread, adjacent to the Steamboat Wharf about seven years ago. They have renovated the main house and grounds, and updated the barn. It is decorated with vintage pieces giving it plenty of old-fashioned country ambience.

This historic site will be the background for this special event, featuring an evening of music with The Gurleys and Steve Keith and picnic baskets filled with a great country dinner, soft drinks and old-fashioned ice cream sundaes. Tickets are $45 per person. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

Tickets can be purchased at EVB in Deltaville and Hartfield, C & F Bank at Cook's Corner, BB&T in Urbanna and The Steamboat Era Museum in Irvington.

For more information, call the museum at 438-6888.

Boots and Barbecue returns to Sabine Hall

Members and friends of the Northern Neck Land Conservancy(NNLC) will gather September 10 from 5 to 7 p.m. for their third annual membership party.

Soon after the founding of the NNLC in 2004, the first Boots and Barbecue picnic was held on the lawns of the main house at Sabine Hall, home of Carter and Pris Welford. The following year, the Tayloe family at Mount Airy hosted the event at their historic plantation home. This year, Sabine Hall Farm is again the venue, but NNLC members will gather at Juggs Farm, located a mile and a half beyond the main house. The original twin crib building may have dated back, in part, to the 17th century. In 1999, it underwent extensive renovation and now boasts modern facilities, in addition to a charming verandah surrounding the home on three sides.

The program will include two new features. Guests will have the opportunity to take part in a silent auction, featuring a number of desirable prizes. These include a dove shoot for 20 hunters on the Sabine Hall property, sponsored by Carter Welford; two personal birdwatch outings with Sandy Spencer and Joe McCauley of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service; a trip for two on the skipjack Claud Somers out of Reedville Fishermen's Museum; and a VIP wine tasting at Ingleside Vineyards. The bidding will be open from 5 p.m. and the winners will be announced at the conclusion of the dinner.

In addition, a number of local conservation organizations will set up information booths in front of the barn, offering educational displays and the chance to talk with representatives. Participating groups include the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the Nature Conservancy, Farm Bureau, The Northern Neck Farm Museum, Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, Northumberland Association for Progressive Stewardship, and the Northern Neck Land Conservancy.

For an invitation, call 435-2814, or email to info@nnconserve.org.

Nina Sharp

Saturday is country night at the fair

The Richmond County Fair is in full tilt this week with lots of fun and entertainment. Saturday, August 26, is country music night.

The music will start at 6 p.m. with Nina Sharp. A West Virginia native, she sticks to her roots with songs from artists such as Hank Williams and Tammy Wynette, while bringing in the new artists such as Martina McBride, Trick Pony and her own songs.

The fun continues at 9:30 p.m. with Wild Country Band. They've become a tradition with the fair. This homegrown group knows just what their friends and neighbors want to hear.

Magician and juggler Jonathan Austin will be master of ceremonies for Saturday evening's entertainment.

"Buzzie the Clown" will be on hand for face painting from 2 to 5 p.m., and Austin will be strolling the grounds doing his magic and juggling between 3 and 6 p.m.

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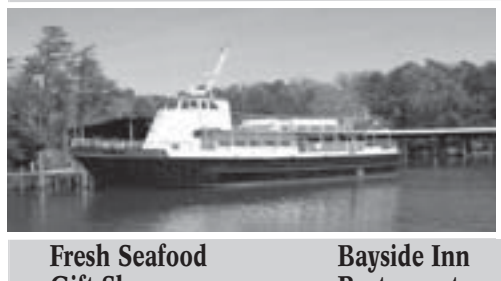

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Washington Birthplace to celebrate constitution

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Visitors will be given an opportunity to sign a replica of the document that delegates of the Constitution Convention, presided over by George Washington, signed in 1787.

Featured that day at 2 p.m. in the Visitor Center will be an important talk called "American Federalism: From the Founding to the 21st Century" by Dr. Tim Conlan, professor of government and politics at George Mason University in Fairfax.

George Washington presided over the Constitutional Convention and fought hard for its adoption by the 13 original states. It was this document that established federalism in the United States. No political theorist himself, George Washington served as a symbol of unity, Dr. Conlan will argue.

The federalism that George Washington helped establish, although modified through the ages, still is a vital factor in American political life.

George Washington treasured the Constitution. After becoming the first president of the United States, he refused to visit Rhode Island until that state's legislation voted to adopt the Constitution in 1790. George Mason's disapproval of the Constitution forever stained his friendship with Washington.

Dr. Tim Conlan is the author of the award-winning book, From New Federalism to Devolution: Twenty-five Years of Intergovernmental Reform. He teaches courses on public policy making, federalism and intergovernmental relations, and Congress and legislative politics. His current research deals with U.S. and comparative federalism, the politics of intergovernmental relations, and the politics of federal policy making.

"Anyone with an interest in how the establishment of federalism affects us today, should not miss this talk," said superintendent Vidal Martinez.

George Washington Birthplace National Monument is on Route 204, two miles off Route 3, 11 miles west of Montross. Admission to the talk is free. Admission to the Memorial Area is $4 per visitor 16 and older.

Additional information about George Washington Birthplace National Monument is available by phone at 224-1732, or www.nps.gov/gewa.

Bakers prepare for sale

The Church Council of Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess will host a Super Duper Bake Sale September 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a new twist—drop in as usual, or call ahead to order your favorite baked product at 580-6145, 453-5338, or 453-2453. The cut-off date for orders will be Wednesday, August 30. Orders may be picked up between 10 a.m. and noon September 2. The ladies and some of the men are getting out their best recipes for cakes, pies, cookies, bread, bagels and rolls. Tony Lucia (left) and Janie Atkinson are ready to fill orders.

Barn sale returns to Cople Parish

The 20th annual Cople Parish Barn Sale is set for September 9.

The "Barn Sale" will be held at Cople Parish House on Coles Point Road in Hague, behind the Newton Library. The doors open promptly at 9 a.m.

Sale items include linens, household goods, small appliances, jewelry and boutique items, furniture, sporting goods, tools, children's clothing and toys, books, craft supplies, holiday decor, sporting goods, yard and garden things and a nice assortment of new building materials.

Of special interest this year will be the designer clothing [illegible]en and women, [illegible]ing, hats, new high-fashion shoes, beautifully-tailored men's suits by Ralph Lauren and Alexander Julian in a variety of sizes, and some gorgeous women's fashions with "to die for" labels.

All of the items are donated by parishioners and friends of Cople Parish. Proceeds go to the parish women's organization (ECW) for donation to charitable causes.

Donations of household goods and clothing for this sale are welcome. All donated items should be clean and in good condition, and clothing items on hangers if possible. Please bring donations to the parish house September 5 through 7, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Cultural heritage event set at Westmoreland State Park

Celebrating Virginia and honoring its people, the 4th annual "Come Home to Westmoreland" festival, sponsored by the Westmoreland County Tourism Council, will be held on the waterfront at Westmoreland State Park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on September 16.

The day will begin with a Grand Entrance by the Rappahannock American Indian Dancers. Music throughout the day will be provided by The Chantey Singers of the Menhaden Boats, Kat Face Band, and the Colonial Beach Soggy Bottoms.

Activities will include include crab races, wine tasting, VA Search and Rescue Dog demonstrations, Bill the Magic Man, colonial children's games and face painting. Displays will include Ingleside Winery, Westmoreland Berry Farm, Stratford Hall Plantation, and George Washington Birthplace National Monument.

Stroll around the shaded park, and enjoy work from some of Virginia's finest artisans and crafters and great food. Rent a watercraft and paddle down the Potomac River, or take a walk along the sandy beach.

The park is off Route 3, six miles west of Montross. Entry fee (per vehicle charge ranging from $7 for 6 people to $10 for seven or more, $30 for buses) includes all festival activities and parking. Call 493-8821 for vendor information, or 224-7057 to volunteer.

Music Study club posts annual calendar

The Rappahannock Music Study Club (RMSC) will present a variety of programs for the 2006-07 year, beginning September 18, with Cynthy Johnson, harpist and Certified Therapeutic Harp Practitioner.

Olivia Cockrell, Wicomico Parish Church organist, will present the October 20 program.

The November meeting is a members only talent show. It is a bi-annual event known as the "Music Mish-Mash."

In December, club members will travel to Montross and St. James Episcopal Church. The Christmas portion of "The Messiah" will be presented by The Festival Choir.

On January 15, pianists Berthelle Denton, Martha Stonequist and Judy Umstead, RMSC members, will present "Three Centuries - Three Musicians."

The Lancaster High School Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Kenneth Flester, will perform February 12.

Mozart's music will be featured in March. Club member Betsy Fountain will play his music and review the book *Mozart's Women, His Family, His Friends, His Music*.

The April 16 program will give club members an opportunity to observe club member and pianist Babs McKelway give a demonstration of a piano lesson.

Hospice to offer series of learning workshops

Hospice Support Services of the Northern Neck is making plans to present "A Learning Series."

The first session in the series will be "The Five Wishes–a Cost Free, Legal Living Will." Learn how to prepare a legal living will.

The session will be offered at Rappahannock Community College in Warsaw September 14 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

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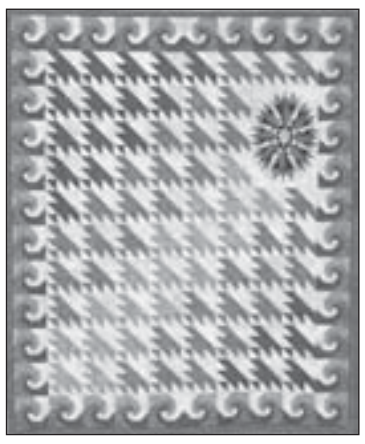
Quilt guild plans fall weekend gala

Auctioneer Manuel Haynie will preside over the sale of antique and new quilts October 21 at Festival Halle in Reedville. Mimosas and light refreshments will be offered prior to the auction. A silent auction will take place October 21 and 22 from noon to 5 p.m.

A quilt, Chesapeake Small Craft Warning, inspired by Anna Holland, was designed by Nancy Brannon, combining elements of the patterns, Lost Ships and Waves. Fabric was selected by Gail Griffith and Betty Finamore, and pieced by the Tavern Quilt Guild, and includes a Mariner's Compass, the guild logo. This quilt will be auctioned to benefit Rice's Hotel/Hughlett'sTavern (RHHT). Shades of blue form the waves. The back fabric is a nautical chart and completes the marine theme.

The guild has also completed a Yo-Yo quilt from a partly made quilt and fabric donated to the Tavern. It will be auctioned to benefit RHHT.

A gala ticket, including the quilt show, mimosas, live auction, silent auction, Hoffman Challenge Exhibit, and vendor area, will be $10 in advance and $15 at the door. Tickets to the Hoffman Challenge Exhibit alone will be sold separately for $5, and proceeds will be donated to RHHT. For tickets, call 443-3953. Information is also at www.rhhtfoundation.org/tavern_quilt_guild.htm.



Chesapeake Small Craft Warning

The public may enter quilts to be auctioned with 25 percent of the final auction price going to the guild. A reserve may be put on the quilt. The guild reserves the right to reject quilts it deems unsuitable for sale.

There is still room in all the quilt classes. Call 472-3498 to register.

11th annual Fall Festival planned for September 30

St. Frances de Sales Church, its Knights of Columbus Council and Ladies Auxiliary will hold their 11th annual Fall Festival September 30 at De Sales Hall at 151 Church Street in Kilmarnock.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., crafters of every description will display their wares on the grounds and inside the hall. A farmers' market featuring pumpkins, apples, jams and other fall produce will be filled to overflowing. The food stand will be ready with sausages, hamburgers, soda and all the fixings.

The Ladies Auxiliary will furnish home-baked goods. The Knights will begin their "Keep Christ in Christmas" program with the sale of Christmas cards and other religious goods.

Lancaster High School will furnish artists for painting pumpkins and children's faces. Hughlett's Tavern/Rice's Hotel will demonstrate its portable blacksmith forge. Some vintage farm equipment will be displayed by the Northern Neck Farm Museum. The Reedville Fishermen's Museum will display and sell chances on a hand-crafted boat.

Proceeds will be distributed to non-profit organizations in the community.

There are a few vendor spaces still available; call John Cali at 580-2888.

Chinese quilt to be auctioned

Nancy Koren (left) and Barbara Darden of Heathsville work on a Chinese quilt donated to the Tavern Quilt Guild. The quilt was made many years ago and includes appliqué, embroidery and piecing techniques with vibrant reds and three-dimensional needlework. The quilt will be auctioned with other antique and modern quilts October 21 at the fourth biennial Quilt Gala of the Northern Neck at Festival Halle in Reedville from 1 to 4 p.m. Mimosas and light refreshments will be served before the auction. Tickets are $10 in advance and $15 at the door; call 443-3953.

Lancashire Lines

by Amanda Carter

Lemon-lime and tropical punch are some flavors Lancashire residents enjoyed Monday for the Kool-Aid Social. Jim Conley hosted Bible study in the evening.

Residents had a great time doing Crossword Blast Tuesday. Alease George was the big winner in bingo.

Rev. Hall taught Wednesday morning Bible study. Later, residents enjoyed guitar playing and singing of favorite gospel hymns.

Marie Sivinski played the keyboard Thursday morning. Ruth Crowther and Earnestine Jett won the most bingo games.

The hymn sing was uplifting on Friday morning. The Rev. Blackstone played the piano and sang favorites such as "At the Cross." Residents had armchair travel to Hawaii where they enjoyed a movie and root beer floats.

Saturday morning Elizabeth Folger won the most bingo games.

Lebanon Baptist Church led the Sunday afternoon worship service.

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Michelle McCloud and Stormy Hancock, of Stormy's Bead Creations, display their crafts at a Fairfields Fall Festival.

Fairfields Fall Festival set for October 7 in Burgess

Fairfields United Methodist Church will hold its 11th annual Fairfields Fall Festival October 7 on Routes 360 and 644 in Burgess.

The festival is expecting many craft people, artists and collectors in a variety of specialties. Exhibit spaces are still available for a $25 fee. Crafts people, artists and collectors can call Margaret at 580-8613 for information and applications.

A full day of entertainment is planned for all ages. The "Free Kids Korner" will be back with hay rides and pumpkin painting. Other activities scheduled for the children include face and hair painting, a dinosaur dig and a fishing well. The Virginia State Police will fingerprint the children. New this year will be performing clowns and a magician.

For the guys, there will be a vintage car and tractor show. Anyone interested in displaying their cars or tractors can call Fred Paul at 580-9801 for information.

There will be musical entertainment throughout the day. Fairfields United Methodist Men will sell North Carolina-style pork barbecue sandwiches and in take-out containers. Baked goods by the Fairfields United Methodist women will include homemade cakes, cookies, brownies, pies, breads, jellies, jams, pickles, soups and chili.

Spreading the dance

Linwood Thomas, square dance caller and instructor for the Square Pegs Square Dance Club in Burgess, taught an introductory class last week in Williamsburg. Forty-eight Japanese exchange students and 20 William and Mary students attended. Square dancing is popular in Japan. The Square Pegs will start new classes October 1 at Fairfields United Methodist Church in Burgess.

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14U Rowdies win championship trophy in Pony Summer Sizzler III

A first-place finish in Hopewell during the Summer Sizzler is a great way to lead into the fall season, according to 14U Rowdies Coach Sheri Carneal.

Among tournament highlights, she noted outstanding pitching performances by Alex Clark and Megan Thompson who shut out two teams and allowed two other teams only 3 hits and one earned run.

Chelsea Davis started the day off right. The first pitch she received she placed over the fence for a one-run homer. Kori Oord's bat also heated up in the second game with a game-winning triple bringing in two runs to put the Rowdies on top.

In the championship game, Brooke Morris robbed opponents of a to-the-fence home run with an outstanding catch. At bat, she also ended the game with the game-winning double which brought in two RBIs to finish the game early by run rule.

Other Rowdies players with outstanding performances during the tournament included Alex Jones catching and third base; Oord third base and short; Kendal Tignor second base; Davis catching and short; Clark and Thompson pitching and first; Laura Yackel in center field; and Carlie Clark, Amy Jo Harris in left field. Injured player Kim Morris was in charge of morale and motivation, which she excelled at.

Youth with local connections is a member of Post 186 team competing in the World Series

by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

Jake Lowery of Midlothian is pretty calm about playing in the big show.

"I'm trying to treat this as just another tournament," said Jake, on the phone Monday night from his hotel in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where the Richmond-based Post 186 baseball team is playing in the 2006 American Legion World Series.

"It's a challenge here, but it's pretty cool," said Jake, the son of Northern Neck native Tim Lowery.

A 16-year-old rising junior at the new Cosby High School, Jake may be the youngest player on the Post 186 team but he's got a lot of experience playing under pressure.

A former catcher and outfielder for Midlothian High School, Jake played in the Group AAA state playoffs as a freshman.

"This is a little different than playing in the state tournament," he said. "Here, you're playing against more of a kind of all-star team. The caliber of play is probably better."

Post 186 won the Region 2 championship just over a week ago and instead of returning to Richmond, spent a few days in New York before heading to Iowa for the World Series.

Legion rules don't allow a team to return home after a regional tournament.

World Series play began last Friday. At press time, Post 186 was 3-1 and was one of only three teams remaining. Midlothian was set to play two games in the championship round on Tuesday.

There are some 5,000 American Legion baseball teams in the country. After state and regional tournaments, that number is reduced to the eight best teams in the nation.

Post 186 beat teams from Nevada, Massachusetts and South Carolina over the weekend to advance to the championship round. Its one series loss came to Indiana, 15-7. Jake actually turned in one of his best all-round tournament efforts in the loss, hitting two doubles, drawing two walks and throwing out two runners at second on steal attempts.

With a 32-2 record heading into the tournament, Post 186 may be poised to bring another World Series trophy to Midlothian. Some 21 years ago, the Post 186 team, then nicknamed The Mules, won the 1985 World Series.

Although this team doesn't have a mascot, it seems to have picked up a lucky charm — oddly enough, a skunk.

"In the state playoffs, a skunk came on the field and there was this skunk delay," said Tim.

At the regional tournament, he added, there must have been skunks around somewhere because of the strong scent. The animal sort of became a good luck charm for the team and at the World Series, a parent brought a stuffed skunk to the game.

Tim, the son of Mary Alice Lowery of Irvington and the late Aubrey Lowery, has made quite a baseball name for himself in the Richmond area. A 1976 graduate of Lancaster High School, Tim was the baseball coach for 19 years at Clover Hill, where he won the state Group AAA title in 1994. That team was ranked number 10 in the nation by USA Today.

He will be teaching health and physical education and coaching this year at the new Cosby High School in Richmond.

Watts relates overt and covert flight operations

The Northern Neck/Middle Peninsula Chapter of the Virginia Aeronautical Society met August 17 at The Beacon in Topping. Chapter member Roy Watts was the speaker. Watts was in the U.S. Army Air Force and he was part of a CIA operation flying overt and covert trips in the Far East.

He began the program by asking questions of the members. Had anyone flown PBYs, P-47s, B-24s, C-46s or DC-6s? Had anyone flown in the Far East? Quite a few of the chapter members had flown the aircraft, and a few served in the areas he mentioned.

He went on to describe many of his experiences, all flown under very difficult circumstances, and without normal navigational aids. On one night landing, he knew there should be a light for the runway, but the light seemed to move all the time. They had to make their landing, and the "moving light" was identified as a C-46, supplying the navigation light. There were no runway lights, and they had to use flash lights to land.

Another incident found them approaching a runway for a landing, and they saw a C-47 trying to take off with a flat tire. The pilot of the crippled aircraft made circles to gain take-off speed, and succeeded. Watts didn't tell if the airplane landed safely at its destination.

He spoke of the evacuation of people from Manchuria, taking people out and returning others. They completed many trips out and back, and finally realized that some of the people were flying back and forth.

One of the men in his group decided to remain in an area war lords had taken over, to keep a radio open. Before being captured, he broadcasted "Come get me, come get me now," but the rescue was unsuccessful. The radio operator was imprisoned for five years.

Flying a C-46, they encountered a severe dust storm over the Great Wall. Their vision was cut off from the ground and they did not know exactly where they were. After a slight clearing of dust, a passenger who was an old Chinese Air Force General, was so happy to identify his village in the haze. With that information, they safely completed their trip.

The crews flying these C-46s flew in excess of 14 hours a day, and up to 20 hours some days. On one trip, the crew boarded a C-46 all terribly tired. They took off and climbed to proper altitude, and the co-pilot suggested he take a nap. Watts did, and waking up later, found the sun in his eyes with co-pilot and navigator also sleeping. He made a 180 degree turn and completed the trip safely.

No contracts were made for any of the flights. The pilots were paid less than the carriers in the U.S. for flying these dangerous cargo missions. Watts told of the end of this era, and how unprofitable it was for these fearless flyers. These men flew not for fun, but to complete a dangerous job in a dangerous part of the world in old World War II cargo planes.

Members were reminded of the trip to the National Air and Space Museum Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center on September 14. Reservations, checks for $35 per person, and departure point should be sent by September 1, to Bob Schneider, 114 Club View Drive, Lancaster, VA 22503. His telephone number is 462-7763. Contact Gary Ellis at 435-2947, for more information. The trip will take the place of a luncheon meeting in September.

Wings and Wheels is scheduled for September 30 and members may contact Bert Jones at 580-8120 to help man the chapter display at the show. The next luncheon meeting will be held at the Pilot House or The Beacon October 19 at noon. Meetings are open to the public and anyone may join.

Rage is runner-up

The Northern Neck Rage 12U team was the runner-up in the End of Summer Bash held August 12-13 in Powhatan. From left are (front row) Bethany Pritchard, Casey Clarke, Nicole Crowther, Hannah Marks and Whitney Spence; (next row) Raquel Pierce, Elizabeth McCarthy, Megan Payne, Morgan Lewis, Amanda Brown and Caroline McClure.

Redskins tickets up for raffle

Tom Jones is flanked by March of Dimes team members as he purchases the first chance in a Redskins Tickets Raffle. From left are Olivia Hurd, Lisa Clegg, Michelle Crowther, Jones, Tricia Kellum, Doris Rogers, Meredith Smith and Robin Honnick. A chance to win two club-level tickets and VIP parking at Fedex Field for the December 3 Washington Redskins-Atlanta Falcons game can be purchased for $10 at Bank of Lancaster offices in the Northern Neck. Proceeds will benefit the March of Dimes. A drawing will be held September 27. One does not need to be present to win.

Feasting on seafood

Five of the nearly 100 people who enjoyed the annual crab and clam feast sponsored by the Northern Neck Wild Turkey Association at the Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club are, from left, Betsy Heller, Gary Kirksey, Norm Heller, Les Inskeep and Dr. Lee Williams.

Registration continues for Turkey Shoot Regatta

Skippers have been registering their boats for the October 6 through 8 Turkey Shoot Regatta.

Among recent entries, Helen Quinby of Hayes will sail her 1968 34-foot Islander, Avalon II, with an all-woman crew. The boat was designed by Bill McGlasson for Wayfarer Yachts in California.

Quinby, who's been racing her own boats for about 20 years, purchased Avalon II in 1995. A past research associate at Virginia Marine Institute, she chose her crew of between four and five graduate students from VIMS, and from other friends she met through sailing. This will be her 10th Turkey Shoot.

Quinby likes to race with women because she says it gives them "a chance to be aggressive without someone taking a line away from them."

Franz Baichl of Irvington will race one of the largest boats in the regatta, a 1926, 60-foot, 10-Meter design called Twilight. This boat, Hull Number 1 of 14, was built for the New York Yacht Club for day sailing and off-shore races. These boats were the forerunners of the 12-meter yachts used in the America's Cup races. Originally owned by a commodore of the New York Yacht Club, it has passed through several hands until Baichl acquired it in Charleston, S.C., about four years ago.

A third-generation boat builder, Baichl has invested considerable money and time to get it ready for

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Avalon II (above) will return with an all-woman crew.

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White Stone/Grey's Point Tides, Sun, & Moon – August/September, 2006

Fri	8/25	Sunrise	6:30	High	1:04	1.6′
		Moonrise	8:06	Low	7:33	0.2′
		Sunset	**7:45**	High	**1:21**	1.6′
		Moonset	**8:40**	Low	**7:47**	0.2′
Sat	8/26	Sunrise	6:31	High	1:37	1.6′
		Moonrise	9:03	Low	8:05	0.2′
		Sunset	**7:44**	High	**1:56**	1.6′
		Moonset	**9:01**	Low	**8:25**	0.2′
Sun	8/27	Sunrise	6:32	High	2:09	1.5′
		Moonrise	10:00	Low	8:36	0.2′
		Sunset	**7:42**	High	**2:30**	1.6′
		Moonset	**9:22**	Low	**9:03**	0.3′
Mon	8/28	Sunrise	6:32	High	2:42	1.5′
		Moonrise	10:59	Low	9:08	0.2′
		Sunset	**7:41**	High	**3:06**	1.6′
		Moonset	**9:45**	Low	**9:43**	0.3′
Tue	8/29	Sunrise	6:33	High	3:16	1.4′
		Moonrise	**12:00**	Low	9:42	0.3′
		Sunset	**7:39**	High	**3:44**	1.6′
		Moonset	**10:12**	Low	**10:27**	0.4′
Wed	8/30	Sunrise	6:34	High	3:55	1.3′
		Moonrise	**1:04**	Low	10:20	0.3′
		Sunset	**7:38**	High	**4:29**	1.6′
		Moonset	**10:45**	Low	**11:17**	0.4′
Thu	8/31	Sunrise	6:35	High	4:41	1.3′
		Moonrise	**2:08**	Low	11:06	0.4′
		Sunset	**7:36**	High	**5:21**	1.6′
1st Q. - **6:56**		Moonset	**11:25**			
Fri	9/1	Sunrise	6:36	Low	12:15	0.5′
		Moonrise	**3:13**	High	5:36	1.2′
		Sunset	**7:35**	Low	**12:02**	0.4′
				High	**6:23**	1.6′

Corrections	High	Low	Height
Piankatank River, Cherry Pt.	-1:42	-1:44	86%
Great Wicomico River Light	0:30	0:20	76%
Smith Point Light	1:01	0:44	86%

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Members of USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 33 aboard Miz Molly prepare to tow Serendipity. The towing exercise was part of a day of training for both boats.

Flotilla 33 trains on the water

Coast Guard Auxiliary 33 has been busy this summer with boating education courses, vessel safety checks and safety patrols.

Recently, 12 members and two boats of the Kilmarnock flotilla participated in a towing exercise on the Rappahannock River. The exercise was intended to upgrade seamanship and boat handling skills while practicing towing and man-overboard recovery procedures.

The boats involved were Miz Molly with Jim Wroth as coxswain and Ian Duncan, Jack Blaine, Rita Theisen, Brian McArdle and Paul Lassanske as crew. The second boat was Serendipity with Norm Heller as coxswain and Frans Kasteel, Roy Sheppard, Larry Uhlfelder, Mal Brown and Howard Montgomery as crew.

The towing exercise required that each boat tow the other astern and then transfer to an alongside tow.

"The stern tow is generally used in open water and where long distances have to be covered. The alongside tow is most often used in restricted water when precise maneuvering is required such as in a narrow channel or when bringing the towed boat into a dock," Heller explained.

"The towing exercise is not particularly difficult when the weather is calm, the light is good and there are no medical emergencies or damaged boats to deal with. But it is when those emergencies arise that the training pays off in time saved, injuries avoided and possibly lives saved." Heller said.

The boat crews practiced several man-overboard recoveries. The important steps included getting a life ring or flotation device into the water as soon as possible and marking the position electronically by pressing the "MOB" button on the GPS. An essential task is assigned to the crew member who first saw the person in the water. They must keep the victim in sight at all times and advise the coxswain of the person's position. Then it is up to the coxswain to quickly steer the boat alongside and make the recovery.

"We spend a lot of time training and practicing partly because we have fun doing it. But the primary reason is to be ready in case of a real emergency. We want to be ready to act professionally and skillfully when any of the boating public calls for our help or the Coast Guard asks us to respond to a situation," Wroth said.

The flotilla's public education effort, led by Bill Johnson, will offer the last two courses of the year, the Basic Coastal Navigation course starting September 14 and the Advanced Coastal Navigation course starting October 12. The courses teach skills necessary for safe navigation in inland waters. To enroll, contact Johnson at 435-2254, or billjac@crosslink.net.

Free vessel safety checks are still available. The flotilla has completed over 600 so far this year. The no obligation inspections ensure that the vessel has all the required safety equipment and that it is in good working order. To schedule a safety check, call Wroth at 435-0376.

To join the auxiliary, call Mike Sachen at 435-9202.

Capt. John Smith's barge nears launch

A replica of Capt. John Smith's barge Explorer will be launched September 23 at the Deltaville Boatyard at 2 p.m.

After launching, Explorer's rigging will be installed in time for the Godspeed's visit to Fishing Bay in Deltaville October 13 and 14. October 14 is also the third annual Holly Point Art and Seafood Festival at the Deltaville Maritime Museum from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Explorer's first outing will be to the Urbanna Oyster Festival, November 2 to 4. Next year, Explorer will sail up the James River with the Godspeed in April, participate in the 400th Jamestown anniversary celebration in May, and sail in a regatta on Fishing Bay next August in competition against other replicas constructed in Reedville and Chestertown, Md.

Capt. John Smith's barge

To tie the community to the 2007 celebrations at Jamestown of America's 400th anniversary, the Deltaville Community Association, in collaboration with the Deltaville Maritime Museum, decided to build a replica of John Smith's barge.

Launch visitors will be able to step aboard the craft and imagine the journey of exploration that brought 14 men to Stingray Point, July 17, 1608. The replica is based on Capt. Smith's accounts of a barge about 30 feet long with two masts. The project cost about $85,000.

Volunteers build trail at the refuge

Volunteers, members of the Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge Friends group, and staff of the Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge completed over a half-mile of scenic wooded trail at the Wilna Tract on August 4.

Over 246 tons of gravel were moved to create the tree-shaded trail.

"Volunteers donated over 445 hours of their time to clear and gravel this trail," said refuge manager Joe McCauley. "We are very lucky to have such a dedicated group of individuals helping to provide better opportunities for our visitors."

Winding through mixed hardwood forest along the banks of the Wilna Pond, the trail offers visitors excellent wildlife viewing opportunities. Covered with a fine compacted stone, the trail is fully accessible.

"Now that we have this section of trail complete, we are looking for help in giving it a memorable name," said McCauley. "Our Friends group is holding a contest to name the trail, which we plan to officially dedicate this fall."

Send trail name suggestions to The Rappahannock Wildlife Refuge Friends, P.O. Box 1565 Warsaw, Virginia 22572.

The winner will receive a free Friends t-shirt and hat.

The public is urged to come enjoy all the facilities at the Wilna Pond, which include accessible fishing (from a pier or by hand-launched, non-gasoline powered boat) and three nature trails. The hours of operation are sunrise to sunset daily.

Summer visitors will enjoy viewing songbirds, wildflowers, bald eagles, hawks, butterflies, dragonflies and many other wonders of nature.

The Wilna Tract entrance is off Route 640 (Sandy Lane). For directions, call 333-1470, or visit www.fws.gov/northeast/rappahannock.

The Friends group and refuge staff thanked the group of individuals who worked on the project including Matthew Magruder, Frank Graziano, Bill Swift, Mike Hershey, John Magruder, Ann Graziano, Carrie Carlin, Rosalind Wu, Josh Eddy, Jared Conour and Connie Grimm.

For more information about the Friends group, visit www.rwrfriends.org.

Pit Stop

Virginia Motor Speedway
August 19 results:
MACS USA 100 - Jeremy Miller, first; Bo Feathers, second; Ricky Elliott, third.
Late models – Jared Powell, first; Tom Cohick, second; Ronald Cusic, third.
Sportsmen – Donnie Owens, first; Walker Arthur, second; Roger Jamerson, third.
Modifieds – Page Harrison, first; Bret Hamilton, second; Eric Erwin, third.
August 26 upcoming races:
(VMS is on Route 17, eight miles north of Saluda. Pit gates open at 3 p.m..; spectator gates open at 4 p.m. Track activities begin at 6:15 p.m.)
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From left are Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club president Don Smith and Mid-America job superintendent Dale Dix.

Indian Creek golf course renovations are complete

Major work on the complete golf course renovation project at the Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club in Kilmarnock is now complete. The contractor, Mid-America Golf and Landscape Inc. of Lee's Summit, Mo., has only some minor tune-ups to complete before they will be heading back West.

The project that began late last September has produced a course 1,000 yards longer than the old course. It features six newly constructed ponds that are intended to capture run-off and eliminate standing water on the fairways after heavy rainfall, six rebuilt and 12 newly constructed greens, 49 bunkers, a re-built cart path and an expanded irrigation system.

All fairways have been sprigged with a hybrid Bermuda grass, all greens have been seeded with a bent grass and all bunkers are in-place filled with a carefully selected off-white sand.

Golfers at Indian Creek now eagerly await the grow-in of the grasses and are looking forward to playing the new course. Bermuda is a warm season grass and it will stop growing in late October or early November as the mean temperature falls below 60 degrees. It will resume growing in the late spring when the warmer temperatures return. On the other hand, the bent grass prefers the cool season and it will continue to grow throughout most of the winter.

Tom Clark of Ault, Clark & Associates Ltd. of Marshall designed the re-made course. Clark, a nationally known golf course architect, has laid out a challenging course with beautiful vistas that should appeal to players of all skills.

ICYCC hosted a luncheon for Mid-America and its own greens crew last Tuesday to thank them for the good work they have done.

From left, Jan Glover, Women of Grace president Barbara Wheeler and Vikki Marek look over plans for the annual bridge and mahjong luncheon.

Luncheon to offer bridge and mahjong

"Bridges and Walls," the annual benefit bridge and mahjong luncheon hosted by the Women of Grace Episcopal Church, will be held at 11:30 a.m. September 25 at Grace House in Kilmarnock.

Co-chairmen Vikki Marek and Jan Glover are planning a festive event with a lunch, hand-picked wait-staff, theme-decorated tables, competition and prize presentations. Local merchants will provide prizes for the overall winner and runner-up and door prizes for each table.

Proceeds from ticket sales are distributed to Women of Grace outreach programs.

Reservations are $17.50 per player and should be made for tables of four. To reserve a table, send players' names, choice of game, and a check for $70 payable to "Women of Grace" to Thomas Luichinger, 400 Kenmore Avenue, Kilmarnock, VA 22482. For details, call Marek at 438-6434, or Glover at 438-6868.

Club Golf

Holes-in-One

Bob Parker of 123 Quinton Oaks Lane in Callao on August 15 hit a hole-in-one at Quinton Oaks. He aced the 135-yard hole 17 using an 8 iron. The shot was witnessed by Kelly Sumner.

Quinton Oaks ladies

The Quinton Oaks Ladies' Golf Association on August 16 held a two-lady team, combined low net tournament. Flight A winners were first, Linda Dennis and Betty Lou Dunn; second, P.J. Kienast and Judy Wise; and third, Terri Sartori and Kay Miller. Flight B winners were first, Sara Goodwyn and Connie Drew; and second, Alice Rawlings and Marian Spurlin.

Dennis won low putts with 28 and Darlene Bean had a chip-in. Dennis had 3 birdies. Bean, Coodwym, Sartori, Kienast, Spurlin, Carol Reese and Joan Frie each had a birdie.

ICYCC 9-holers

The Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club 9-holers on August 17 played a low gross low net tournament. Low gross winners were first, Fan Sulik (54); second, Ginger Klapp (57); and third, Nancy Jarrell (58). Low net winners were first, Jan Litsinger (33); second, Sydney Reynolds (34); and third, Robin Perks (35).

ICYCC 18-holers

The Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club 18-holers on August 15 played a low net game. The winner was Rebecca Smiley with a net 73. Carol Johnson had a chip in.

ICYCC

Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club on August 20 played a mixed scramble. Winners were first, Forrest Henry, Randy Thompson, Stuart Whitehurst and Betty Fay Lewis (67); second, Dixon Foster, Jim Georgiadis, Overton Erwin and Donna Swinney (68); and third, Ned Crockett, C.T. Lewis, Bob Chambers and Virginia Henry (69).

ICYCC men

The Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club men on August 15 played a low gross low net tournament.

Low gross winners were first, Ned Crockett (86); second, Lewis Everett (88); and third, C.T. Lewis (88). Low net winners were first, Bob Chambers (66); second, George Urban (71); and third, Dick Schreyer (72).

The format August 8 was two best balls. Winners were first, Spence Webster, Jim Pancoast, Schreyer and Dick Baylor (123); second, Craig Callahan, Dick Rounds, Sonny James and Edward Zakaib (128); and third, Charles McGrath, Bill Marks, Everett and Ed Records (129).

Tartan club

Sunday Twilight winners at the Tartan Golf Club were first, Dick and Peggy Sevila; and second (tie), Charlie and Bobbie Armfield and Hal and Lynda Muller.

Monday Play Day mens' winners were first (tie), Herb Hammock and Les Cashwell; third (tie) Ron Hugate, Mike Osteen and M.P. White; and sixth (tie), Coy Best, Andy Sharpe, Dick Huffman and Mike Broderick. Womens' winners were low gross, Bobbie Armfield; low net Pat Kirby; and second net, Gus Bunting.

Bowling Results

Men's Bowling League

There will be a Men's Bowling League meeting at Evans Bowling Center in Kilmarnock Thursday, August 31, at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone who wants to bowl is urged to attend the meeting, or call 462-5122.

Bowling competition will begin September 7 at 7:45 p.m.

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Karate instructors picnic

American open-style karate instructors from four counties recently gathered at the mouth of the Potomac River for the annual Kyoshi on the Bay Beachfest. Instructors and students swam, fished, played badminton and picnicked. From left are Mel Stewart of Westmoreland County, Varian Beverly of Middlesex County, Velvet Bibbens of Westmoreland, Glenn Fallin of Northumberland County, Renshi Andrew Hudnall and Kyoshi Dan Wilson, both of Richmond County and R. J. Gillespie.

Donating to YCC project

The Friends of Belle Isle State Park recently presented a check to the Youth Conservation Corps to support the operations of a three-week program at the park. From left are park manager Tim Shrader, Belle Isle State Park Youth Conservation Corp lead supervisor Alina Zeleznova and Friends treasurer Frances Callaghan. The mission of YCC is to engage Virginia's youth in a structured program of important conservation and park projects on public lands while providing learning that fosters teamwork, self-esteem, social responsibility and respect for the environment.

Bridge Results

Seven-and-a-half tables of duplicate bridge were in play at the Woman's Club of Lancaster.

Winners north/south were first (tie), Ilva Doggett and Kay Williams and Judy Hagersrom and Norma Drinnon; third, Judy Peifer and Ginger Klapp.

Winners east/west were first, Margaret Livesay and Marilyn Reed; second, Helen Kinne and Joy Straughan; and third, Peggy Dent and Terry Taylor.

The next bridge for this group will be September 5 at 1 p.m.

Six tables of duplicate bridge were in play at the Woman's Club of White Stone August 17.

Winners north/south were first, Dianne Monroe and Ginger Klapp; and second, Al Jodrey and Terry Carter.

Winners east/west were first, Margaret Livesay and Mary Andrews; and second, Maurice and Eleanor Piller.

The next bridge for this group will be Monday, August 28, and Tuesday, August 29, at 1 p.m.

▼ *Registration continues . . . .*

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this and other races and plans to circumnavigate the globe in the future. Twilight displaces 28,000 pounds – 20,000 pounds of that is lead in the keel – and draws 8 feet. The boat is 43 feet at the waterline, but that increases to between 50 and 55 feet in a 15-degree heel.

He plans to have a crew of between 17 and 20, arriving from Cape May, N.J., Charleston, and San Francisco, as well as using some local sailors. The extra crew will be used in light air to sit on the leeward side, to increase the length of the boat at the waterline and optimize the boat's PHRF rating.

The regatta is open to boats of a design 25 years old or older, or boats made of wood. The minimum length for boats racing on the Rappahannock River is 18 feet. Singlehanders require approval by the race committee. Participating boats range from classic pre-World War II yachts to Catalinas, J24s and Flying Scots. Saturday's race is on a triangular course. Sunday's race is a pursuit race in which the boats with the highest ratings (slowest boats) start first. Boats are placed in classes based on either PHRF or a rating assigned by committee. Social activities are planned for both Friday and Saturday nights.

The winning skipper is asked to represent the "Turkey Shoot" in the National Hospice Regatta in Annapolis for the winners of local events.

Skippers can register their boats by calling Karen Knull at Yankee Point Marina at 462-7018, or by visiting www.yankeepointmarina.com.

Swim team practice to begin September 5

September 5 starts the 2006-07 season of adult team swimming at the Northern Neck Family YMCA in Kilmarnock.

New members are sought for the Striper Masters Swim Team. To participate, swimmers must be at least age 18, be able to continuously swim 50 yards, and have a fitness level which allows additional swimming with rest.

Practices are tailored to individual abilities and goals. Stroke technique improvement, as well as flexibility, strength, and endurance are emphasized in a supportive, enjoyable, team setting.

Coaching will be provided by Kathryn Gregory, a certified lifeguard, water safety instructor and Masters competitor for more than 20 years. Gregory has attended numerous coaching clinics through Virginia Local Masters Swim Committee.

"If you have been considering making a commitment to regular swimming, this is the perfect opportunity to do it; don't wait," said Gregory.

Hal White joined the Stripers last fall.

Practice times are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 8:15 a.m. and Saturdays from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Participants may attend as many, or as few, sessions as desired. Workout sheets are available for making up missed practices.

Swimmers should call the YMCA at 435-0223. More information is available at www.striperswim.com.

Sports Shorts

■ Micro Chip Clinic

Animals First will hold a Micro Chip Clinic September 2 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Irvington Farmers' Market. A micro chip that contains a personal, one-of-a-kind identification number is implanted under the skin of the animal. Shelters can scan for a chip and locate the owner of the animal.

It is an unalterable, court recognized and guaranteed method of positively identifying an animal, said Animals First President Debbie Barnes. Call Kathy Juron at 435-0799 to make an appointment. The fee will be $30.

■ Group ride

Northern Neck Cycling has planned a 28.8-mile group ride for Sunday, August 27, beginning at 7:30 a.m. at Lancaster High School.

The ride extends from the high school parking lot right on Mary Ball Road to Lancaster, right on Courthouse Road, left on White Chapel Road, right on Lara Road, straight on Ridge Road, left on Maon Road, left on Mary Ball Road, right on River Road, left on White Chapel Road through Lively, right on Courthouse Road, left on Mary Ball Road and left into the high school parking lot.

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Kilmarnock Garden Club president Jane Denton captured a blue ribbon for her "Creative Vision."

Kilmarnock Garden Club learns about Tablescapes

On August 15, Chesapeake Garden Club president Rebecca Elston presented a slide show program about "Tablescapes." Elston offered tips and advice on creating designs for decorating tables. Club members will use these valuable ideas when they participate in the Christmas on Cockrell's Creek event in December.

Plans are under way for a September 19 fund-raising event, "Brunch with Bob," at Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock at 11 a.m. Bob Henkel of Blackstone last conducted a floral design program for the Kilmarnock Garden Club in 2002. Tickets may be purchased for $25 from members of the club, or by calling 435-6877. Raffle prizes include a combination golf prize of 18 holes of golf for two at Keswick Hall in Charlottesville, Golden Eagle in Irvington, Quinton Oaks in Callao, and King Carter Golf Club in Irvington; also, a one-night stay at Virginia Crossings Resort in Glen Allen, an original painting by June Higgins, an original painting by Sara Soderlund and an original oil painting of a vase of flowers by Miriam McCarthy. Raffle tickets will be $5 each or five for $20.

Artistic designs "Creative Visions" captured the following prizes: Novice, Ruby Wilson, blue; Jennifer Saam, yellow; and Olga Speck, yellow. Advanced I, Jane Denton, blue. Advanced II, Genny Chase, blue; Jane Hughes, blue; and Peggy Wilson, red.

In horticulture: Ersel Buckley-Sharp, 2 blue, 1 yellow; Chase, 2 blue; Pat Clawson, 6 blue, 2 red; Denton, 1 blue, 3 red; Jane Hughes, 3 blue, 2 red; Saam, 4 blue, 1 yellow; Speck, 15 blue, 8 red, 3 yellow; and Peggy Wilson, 7 blue, 2 red.

Lions build a handicap ramp

From left, Lancaster County Lions Jim Schmidt and Dale Griggs, with the expert help of Paul Servis, constructed a 25-foot wheelchair-accessible ramp for Alice Rich on Buzzard Neck Road. Most of the material used was donated by fellow Lions Val Robinson and George Crenshaw, and the remaining cost was covered by the club. The Lions were asked to build and fund this project by Interfaith, a community-based organization headed by Joe Curry. Lions volunteer their service to make the community a better place to live. To join, contact Ed Kidwell, president, Lancaster County Lions Club at 435-0064.

Montross Moose support Cub Scouts

Governor Gary Champagne of the Montross Moose recently presented a $100 check to Cub Scout Eric Slater of the Hague Cub Scouts Troop. From left are Chris Caspar, Charles Clark, Champagne, Carlee Slater, Jackie Slater, Eric Slater, Randolph Jones, John Codispoti and Aubrey Trigger.

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a public dock where the Purdue grain tower stands.

"We had a number of meetings with residents and tried to be receptive to their concerns and needs," said Mayor Curtis Smith in explaining why council had readjusted the proposed boundary line to exclude most of the neighborhood.

After the council meeting, Smith expressed his concerns over the possible exhaustion of the area's water and sewer capacity over the next few years. "There may be a price to pay for their decision. I hope it never happens," he said.

Council reappointed the boundary line committee to work on finalization of the concessions to the neighborhoods proposed for incorporation into town limits.

In other business, council members endorsed Gov. Tim Kaine's resolution on enlarging the cap on menhaden catches, approved Main Street project change orders and the Waste Water Treatment Plant construction bid proposal. September 16 was proclaimed Kid's Day in Kilmarnock.

After a closed session, council announced the town would postpone the automatic rollover of contracts for the town manager and town attorney at the end of August and extend them for 60 days to allow council time to review the contracts.

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Irvington and White Stone triangle.

"When you look at whose land doesn't perc well, that's the same area," he noted.

Smart and the chairman of the board of supervisors, W.F. Jenkins Jr., both acknowledged the potential for water problems in the aquifer flowing south out of Maryland.

"We sooner or later are going to run into problems with our drinking water system," said Jenkins.

Citizen Lyn Neira of the SAIF Water Wells group expressed hope that the two bodies would do whatever they could "to bring a Ground Water Management Area into the Northern Neck."

Jenkins noted that Kilmarnock is growing to the north, and that development should spring from the incorporated towns, some of the old historic post office villages and historic centers.

"We can't maximize some of our villages until we have some kind of water and sewer," Jones argued.

Jenkins raised the issue of the necessity of reservoirs in the county as a back-up source for water if problems develop with the aquifer.

County planning administrator Jack Larson reminded the group that the comprehensive plan has already designated sites for potential reservoirs, but one had been eliminated. He said it is important to develop alternative sources of water "for high density areas like Kilmarnock."

The Beaverdam reservoir in Gloucester was held up several times as an example of both public access to the water and a drinking-water resource.

Highway corridor overlay

"Our county roads are as important as the waterfront in overall value and perceived quality of life," Jenkins told the group.

"Get the major part of the development in town," he said, reiterating the intent of the county's highway corridor overlay district (HCOD) ordinance for Routes 3, 354 and 200.

Major features of the HCOD concern property setbacks, tree and vegetation buffers, and signage.

Farmland preservation

Farmer and planning commission member Don Gill was asked to summarize the report his Farmland Preservation Committee had just presented to the planning commission two days before. The supervisors had just been handed the five-page mostly single-spaced document at the beginning of the meeting.

Gill emphasized the two broad goals and their detailed objectives which the committee had identified to "Preserve farm and forest land to help Lancaster County retain its rural character" and to "Preserve the industry of farming to help Lancaster County retain its rural heritage."

More recreation facilities

A far-ranging discussion about the need for more recreation facilities in the county elicited ideas those in the group had seen used successfully other places such as a rail trail (hiking and biking along abandoned railroad lines), bringing the Potomac Heritage Scenic Trail through Lancaster County, installing tennis courts, and partnering with the YMCA to develop more recreational facilities.

"All the ideas looked at cost money. Obviously the tax base isn't going to increase that much," warned Geilich.

He cautioned that [remodeling or replacing] the county courthouse must be done, and that will take "mega bucks."

Russell came very near to getting the last word in the morning's chat between the two bodies.

"One of the things we haven't touched on is affordable housing," he said.

He told of recently attending a self-help housing conference at which he learned of a program in which a family could "get a couple-hundred-thousand-dollar-house and it cost them $70,000 to $75,000 because they built it themselves."

Russell brought the discussion full circle to issues he mentioned at the beginning: a need for housing that can be afforded by service workers and the importance of planning for the future by considering the facts that are known today.

Correction

Last week's story on Kilmarnock's boundary line adjustment concessions for Waverly Avenue residents listed a five-year tax assessment of five percent. The tax concession should have read a five-year tax assessment of five cents per $100 of assessed value.

Children's Garden activities to continue

The Children's Garden at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden is a "learning landscape" where children enjoy the freedom to explore and discover the natural world through up-close and hands-on experiences.

Highlights include an international village, an adventure pathway, weird and contrasting plants, sand and water play areas, and the wheelchair-accessible Children's Wear Digest Kids Tree House.

All Children's Garden activities and events are included with regular garden admission. Check in at the Garden Cart, the information center of the Children's Garden, to learn about the day's suggested activities and upcoming events. On weekends through October, visit the Investigation Station, where interactive discovery exhibits that encourage observation provide visitors with interesting information on garden-related topics such as butterflies and hummingbirds, plant fibers and dyes, and seed dispersal.

Daily activities include Kid Quest. Geared toward children but also enjoyed by adults, Kid Quest provides families with clever clues to find their way to a hidden treasure in the garden. Kid Quest, available at the garden's admission desk, changes six times a year to reflect seasonal changes.

Kid Quest encourages children to identify plants and other garden features. Kids receive a collectable button when they turn their completed Kid Quest in to the admissions desk.

Weekend activities include Jammin' on the second Saturday of the month, through November. The Children's Garden rocks and rolls with the sounds of music provided by talent from the community. During Jammin,' children can listen, dance, clap, or play along on an instrument they have made with materials from the garden.

Good Green Fun is featured on the fourth Saturday of the month through October.

Good Green Fun features environmental education and advocacy groups from the community who engage families in demonstrations, crafts and nature activities. Programs build an awareness of environmental concerns in Central Virginia and help children find ways to make a positive difference at home, in their communities and in the world.

Sunday FunDays are held the fourth Sunday of the month through October. On Sunday FunDays, families can enjoy children's entertainment, gardening and activities in the new Children's Garden. Food is available for purchase.

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden is a non-profit garden with a mission focused on public education. The garden is at 1800 Lakeside Avenue in Richmond. To learn more, call 262-9887, or visit www.lewisginter.org.

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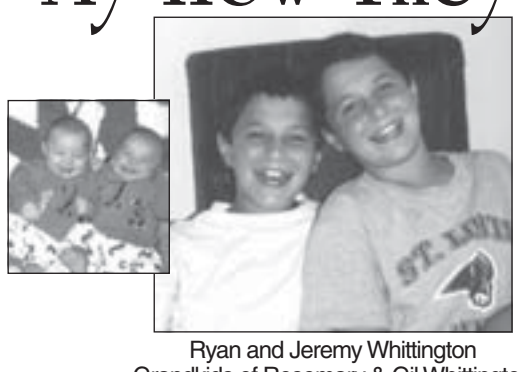

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lations do nothing to preserve large areas of open land which are usually either farmed or forested, the committee suggests the county create a Rural Conservation District where the density of dwelling units would decrease as the acreage increases—what is called sliding scale zoning—which would help to "avoid the creation of 'checkerboard' blocks of land that are too big to mow and too small to farm."

As an incentive for putting acreage into this district, the committee proposes that real estate taxes be eliminated in the proposed Rural Conservation District.

According to the committee's report, just 7.5 percent of Lancaster County's total tax revenue is shouldered by farm and forest land—$591,617—and the county already has non-taxable property owned by churches, schools, and government entities representing a tax value of $249,805, which the committee calls "would be" tax.

The report makes the case that forgiving the $591,617 in taxes from farm and forest land would be a good investment in helping retain the rural landscape of the county, especially since much of the land in question is owned by elderly natives living on fixed incomes who no longer farm themselves, and whose children have moved away for "greener pastures."

If these elderly owners have no real estate taxes on that land, they might be willing to keep it instead of selling it.

However, the report acknowledges that the Rural Conservation District it proposes wouldn't be incentive enough for those who think saving a little in tax dollars in no way compares to "the lure of mega dollars from developers."

Incentive programs

To compete with the big bucks scenario, the committee recommends that the county develop two other incentive programs—Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) and Transfer of Development Rights (TDR).

Under a PDR, a landowner voluntarily sells the right to develop a parcel to a public agency. A permanent conservation easement is placed on the land and recorded on the deed. The landowner retains all other rights to land, including farming, and the land can never be developed.

Some 19 states and six Virginia localities currently have such programs.

Virginia will give $1,000,000 in matching funds starting in 2007 to a locality having a PDR program to purchase conservation easements.

Under a TDR, a landowner transfers the right to develop a parcel to another parcel. This shifts development from agricultural areas to designated growth areas which may be close to areas which are already developed.

The report says a PDR is similar to a traditional conservation easement which can be entered into through an organization such as the Northern Neck Land Conservancy.

However, utilizing a PDR, the landowner realizes an immediate monetary benefit, while a traditional conservation easement "consists mainly of tax credits spread out over time."

Gov. Mark Warner set up the Farmland Preservation Task Force which identified PDR programs as the primary way to preserve farmland, according to the report.

By 2010, the state's goal is to have 30 additional localities with PDR programs and by 2020 it is aiming for 70 localities. The committee feels this indicates a "clear commitment" by the state to preserve farmland using the programs.

A TDR program differs from a PDR program in that the transactions in the former are between private landowners and developers, not the government; however, they are overseen by local government.

TDR programs permanently preserve open space, as do PDR programs, "because once the development rights are sold and transferred, they are gone for good."

Make farming profitable

The report says the best way to protect farmland is to "make the industry of agriculture more profitable," noting that current expenses have increased 10-fold while current market prices for farm products are "at or below levels of 35 years ago."

Citing information in the county's comprehensive plan, the report notes the county has suffered a 66 percent decline in farm jobs since 1990, with only about a dozen traditional grain farmers left in business.

Many of the children of today's aging farmers have left the area in search of more lucrative work, leaving few young people to take their place, according to the report.

The American Farmland Trust and the Virginia Farm Bureau estimate that 70 percent of Virginia's farm and forest land will change hands in the next 15 years. The writing on the barn wall says that many farmers will conclude it is more profitable to "sell the farm than farm the farm."

The committee observes that the bottom line—profits—must improve for farmers to stay in business.

To that end, it proposes eliminating the personal property tax on farm machinery, which is one-half of one percent of the county's $2,690,000 in personal property tax collections. Many counties across the state have already done so.

Other tax relief for farm and forest land would include extending the short enrollment period for the agriculture land-use tax rate, educating farmers in how to apply for it, and including forest land in the program.

The county does not currently utilize a state program which allows forest land of 20 acres or more to be taxed at its use value rather than market value, according to the report. However, the committee asserts that should change.

"A forest is a harvestable crop, provides green, open space and should be preserved as well as farmland," the committee states.

Another way to make farming more viable involves a need that small vegetable farms and alternative crop growers could fill. To that end, the committee recommends the creation of a countywide farmers' market where individual farmers could have stalls to sell their produce all week long, not just one morning a week in one town.

Another especially timely suggestion from the group is that Lancaster work with neighboring counties, as well as the state, in investigating regional opportunities like biodiesel or ethanol facilities to both provide another market for farmers' grains as well as to supply fuel for personal vehicles and farm machinery.

Establishing a priority

The report calls the protection and preservation of the grain elevator leased by Perdue on Waverly Avenue near Kilmarnock the most important consideration at the present time. With the town of Kilmarnock expressing interest in wanting to become a waterfront community and the financial difficulties of elevator-owner Southern States, farmers fear that the elevator could be lost, which the committee says would "slit the throat of traditional farming as we know it in Lancaster County and much of Northumberland County as well."

Concluding a somber report on a somber note, the committee implored the county "to do whatever necessary to protect and preserve the Perdue grain elevator."

The public in attendance, commission chair David Jones and vice-chair Donald McCann as well as other planning commission members, and county planning administrator Jack Larson offered high praise and appreciation for the committee's work.

Goals and Objectives

The Farmland Preservation Committee outlines the following goals and objectives for preserving farmland and the future of the industry in Lancaster County.

Goal #1: Preserve farm and forest land to help Lancaster County retain its rural character.

- Objective: When subdivision or development occurs on any parcel in any zone, encourage a conservation arrangement such as grouping or clustering the development into a compact area leaving as much undeveloped land as possible outside the developed area, thus retaining the maximum amount of farm or forest land and avoiding "checkerboard" blocks of land that are too big to mow and too small to farm.
- Objective: Create a Rural Conservation District with sliding scale density that decreases as acreage increases, including a maximum dwelling lot size, with uses limited to agricultural or forestal, including hunting.
- Objective: Encourage the use of permanent conservation easements with private organizations such as the Northern Neck Land Conservancy.
- Objective: Create a Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) program consistent with state guidelines to receive matching funds to purchase permanent easements on farm and forest land.
- Objective: Create a Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) program consistent with state guidelines to permanently steer development pressure away from farm and forest land and toward already developed areas.

Goal #2: Preserve the industry of farming to help Lancaster County retain its rural heritage.

- Objective: Eliminate the personal property tax on farm machinery consistent with other counties in the state.
- Objective: Provide additional educational materials and advertising to inform all residents of the land use taxation program, open its enrollment period year round with deadlines corresponding to year end, and make land-use taxation available to forest land as allowed by the state.
- Objective: Make Lancaster County "farm-friendly" by putting up tractor "Share the Road" signs in cooperation with VDOT.
- Objective: Create a countywide farmers' market to encourage small vegetable and alternative crop farms and cooperate with neighboring counties and the state to investigate regional opportunities such as biodiesel and ethanol plants.
- Objective: Protect and preserve the only local market for traditional grain crops, the Perdue grain elevator, on Waverly Avenue outside Kilmarnock.

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