

## Red Devils open season on shaky ground

by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

The varsity Red Devils are still looking for that elusive first win.

At 0-6, Lancaster's baseball team just came off two losses in the Rappahannock General Hospital Tournament in Deltaville last week, falling to host Middlesex, 5-2, in the first round and 22-4 to Mathews in the consolation game.

The Northern Neck District's Washington & Lee won the tournament, beating the Chargers, 9-2, in the championship. The Eagles defeated Mathews, 10-1, in the first-round game.

Lancaster will begin district play Tuesday, April 10, at Rappahannock.

Coaches Welby Saunders and Scotty George and assistant Ashley Wilmore return only three starters from last year's state semifinal team. Seniors Joel Hudnall in left field and Sammy Somers at third base and junior catcher Kedrick Lee all got starts last season.

"We're going to really rely on Sammy, Joel and Kedrick to lead," said Saunders. "They are going to have to step up to the challenge. We expect a lot from them."

Unfortunately, the Red Devils lost three pitchers and will rely on some new talent on the mound.

Junior Colton Hayden returns after a year off to get most of Lancaster's starts. He is joined on the pitching staff by seniors John Buzzell and Dalton Moore, junior William Abbott and sophomore Josh Moore. Hayden and Moore will also play first base along with freshman Jordan Hodges.

Also playing in the infield will be Abbott and J. Moore at short and freshman Daniel Thomas at second. Somers and Buzzell will play third at various times.

K. Lee will likely start behind home plate and get relief from junior Bradley Hudson.

Seniors Will Perkins and Carrington Veney will play right and center fields, respectively, and Hudnall will start in left field.

Also playing in the outfield will be senior Tyler Burgess and sophomore Demetrick Lee.

Against Middlesex last Thursday, Burgess and Hodges had an RBI each. Burgess hit a double to drive in Josh Moore in the second inning and Hodges hit a grounder to knock in Hayden, who had led off the fourth inning with a double.

Hayden and Moore both went 2-for-3 with a run and Burgess was 1-for-3 with an RBI to lead Lancaster's batters.

Middlesex rallied for four runs in the third on three walks and an error.

Against Mathews in the consolation, Hudnall went 2-for-2 with three runs and Hodges was 2-for-3 with a double. Hayden was 1-for-1 with a sacrifice for an RBI.

### Junior varsity

Coach Dave Cunningham and his JV Devils are sporting a 4-1 record after holding off a late-game comeback by West Point last Tuesday for a 6-5 win.

Lancaster led 6-0 and gave up five runs in the top of the seventh on walks and errors.

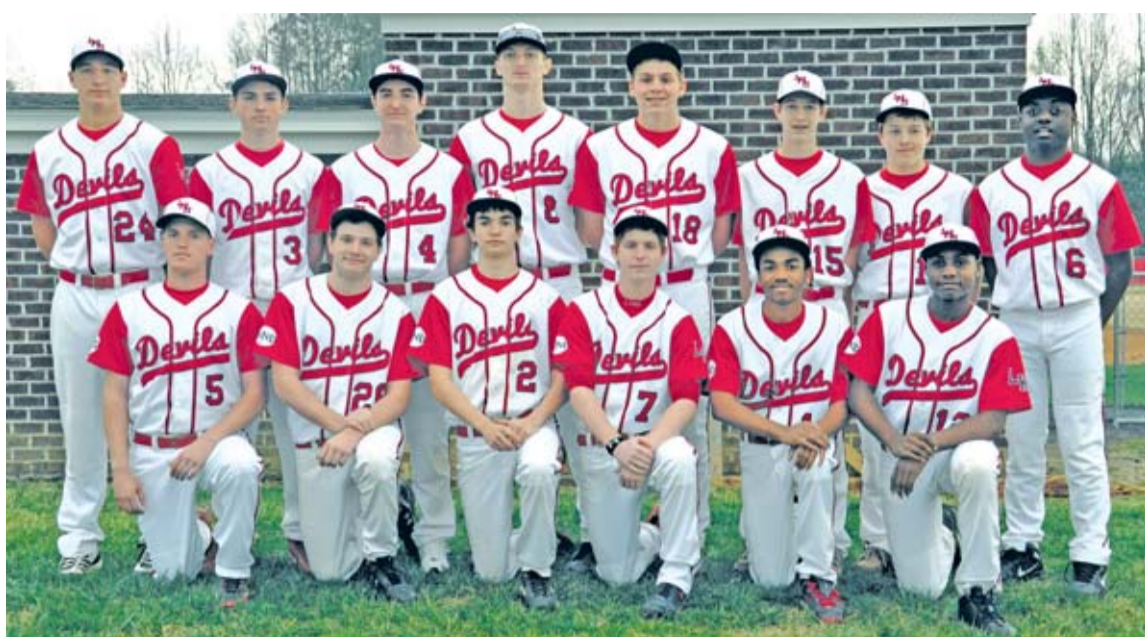
Taylor Woolard got the win, pitching a one-hitter through six and a third innings. Woolard walked six and struck out 15. Brandon Self closed.

At the plate, Self and Jay Bryant went 2-for-4 each with a run scored apiece and Grant Long was 1-for-1 with a triple and run scored. Long also drew a walk and was hit by a pitch to reach base all three of his trips to the plate.

Kyle Thomas went 1-for-3 with two RBIs and a run scored and Jonathan Seal was 1-for-3 with an RBI.

"We've got a good core of players and my job as a JV coach is to help the ones that have played before get better and teach skills to the ones that are raw," said Cunningham.

Cunningham's pitching staff includes Wollard, Self, Thomas, Long, Bryant and Mathew Abbott.



From left, members of the Lancaster High varsity baseball team are (front row) Joel Hudnall, William Abbott, Will Perkins, Bradley Hudson, Carrington Veney and Kedrick Lee; (next row) Sam Somers, John Buzzell, Josh Moore, Dalton Moore, Colton Hayden, Jordan Hodges, Daniel Thomas and Demetrick Lee. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi



From left, members of the Lancaster High junior varsity baseball team are (front row) Drew Smith, Brandon Self, Jay Bryant, Caleb Gordon, Kyle Thomas, Trevon Henderson, Spencer Hook and assistant coach Ty Laws; (next row) coach Dave Cunningham, Tim McDaniels, Dalton Howard, Jonathan Seal, Noah Hook, Jameson Robertson, Grant Long, Taylor Woolard, Matthew Abbott and assistant coach Damien Crissey. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

When not pitching, Self will play shortstop, Woolard will be in the outfield, Thomas will catch or play third, Long will be at first and Abbott will be in the outfield. Bryant is a utility player.

Also playing in the infield will be Jamerson Robertson, Jonathan Seal, Spencer Hook, Caleb Gordon and Drew Smith.

Playing in the outfield will be Dalton Howard, Tim McDaniels, Trevon Henderson and Noah Hook.

LHS BASEBALL SCHEDULE	
March 29-30	at Middlesex Tournament
April 10	at Rappahannock
April 17	at Essex
April 19	Colonial Beach
April 20	at Mathews
April 24	at Washington & Lee
April 27	Northumberland
May 1	Rappahannock
May 3	Essex
May 8	at Colonial Beach
May 10	Washington & Lee
May 15	at Northumberland



Lancaster's Grant Long is safe on the slide at home during last Tuesday's JV game against West Point. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

## SCOREBOARD

### Varsity baseball

Middlesex Tournament  
Championship  
Washington & Lee 9, Middlesex 2  
Consolation game  
Mathews 22, Lancaster 4  
First round  
Middlesex 5, Lancaster 2  
Washington & Lee 10, Mathews 1  
In other games,  
West Point 12, Lancaster 2

### JV baseball

Lancaster 6, West Point 5

### Varsity softball

Rappahannock General Hospital  
Tournament  
Championship  
Mathews 14, Middlesex 0  
Consolation game  
Lancaster 18, Washington & Lee 0  
First round  
Mathews 6, Lancaster 0  
Middlesex def. Washington & Lee  
In other games,  
Lancaster 4, West Point 2

### JV softball

Lancaster 7, West Point 3

### Varsity girls soccer

Christchurch 6, Lancaster 0

### Varsity boys soccer

Washington & Lee 4, Northumberland 0

### Upcoming games

#### Varsity boys baseball

(Lancaster's home games are played at Dreamfields near Kilmarnock)

April 10:  
Lancaster at Rappahannock

#### Varsity girls softball

April 10:  
Lancaster at Rappahannock

#### JV baseball/softball

April 10:  
Rappahannock at Lancaster

#### Track

April 11:  
Lancaster and King William at Northumberland

## Lady Devils place second in RGH Tournament

by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

Brooke Hudnall threw a one-hitter as Lancaster shut out Washington & Lee, 18-0, last Friday in the consolation game of the Rappahannock General Hospital Softball Tournament at Middlesex High School.

Mathews won the tournament with a 14-1 victory over host Middlesex in the championship game.

Hudnall had five strikeouts and gave up only one hit in the consolation.

Lancaster is 3-2 overall and will begin Northern Neck District play Tuesday, April 10, at Rappahannock.

In the first-round game, Mathews rallied for four runs in the seventh inning to beat Lancaster, 6-0.

Hudnall pitched seven innings with 11 strikeouts for the Lady Red Devils. She gave up six hits and walked two.

At bat, July Traylor and Chelsea Montgomery were 1-for-3 and Britany Ashburn was 1-for-2.

In other games last week, Hudnall struck out 14 batters in a seven-inning win over West Point. She gave up four hits and walked three as Lancaster got by the Pointers, 4-2.

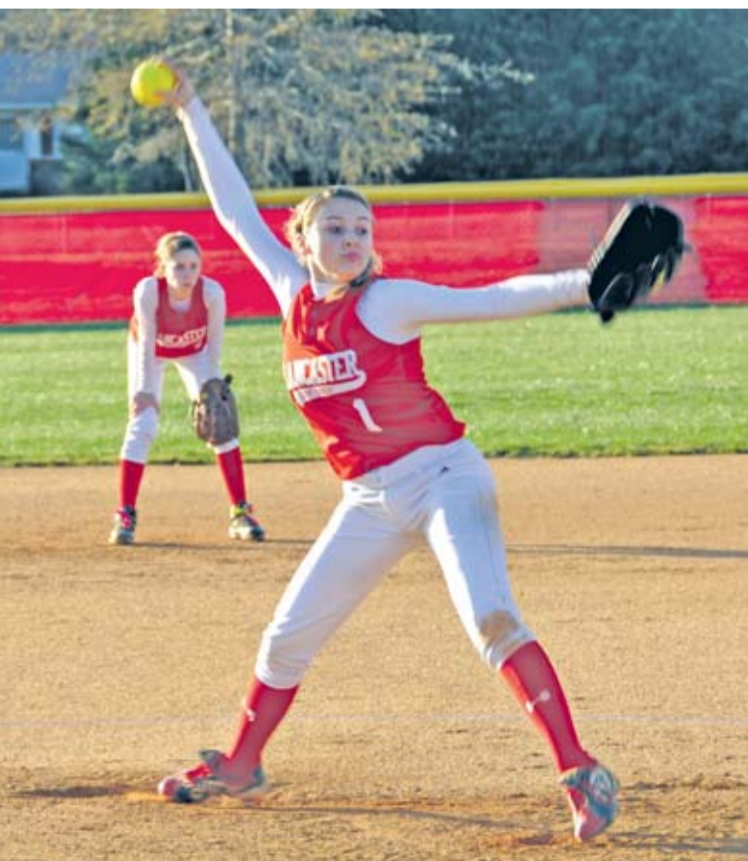
At the plate, Ammoni Roane went 2-for-4 with three stolen bases including one for a run. Amber Cutting was 2-for-3 with a double and July Traylor batted 2-for-3.

In JV games, Britany Jones pitched a full game with six strikeouts to lead Lancaster past West Point, 7-3, last Tuesday.

The JV Lady Devils improved to 3-1 overall with the win.

Jones and Mikayla Meadows had two hits and two RBIs each to lead Lancaster's offense.

Caroline Merryman, Kelli Tignor and Brook Reed added one hit each for the Lady Devils.



Lancaster's Britany Jones pitched a full game for a JV win over West Point. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi



Mikayla Meadows stretches to field a throw to second as a West Point runner steals during a JV game last Tuesday. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi



From left, William Abbott watches as Jayden Chapman fields a grounder and throws to first. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi.

### Teens lead spring training



Riley Molineaux takes a practice swing. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi



From left, Paige Pittman demonstrates how to field a ground ball for a group of young softball players. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

The Red Devil Spring Training clinic was held Saturday at Dreamfields. Sponsored by Wells Fargo Advisors, Bank of Lancaster and Chesapeake Bank, the clinic was taught by members of the Lancaster High School baseball and softball teams and offered skills training to Little League players in hitting, throwing, fielding and running. About 60 boys and girls participated.



From left are Wilson Evans and the Shamrock Classic Duck Pin Bowling Tournament first-place winners Adam Crockett, Paul Boshier, Tad Pittman and Bill Davenport.

### Shamrock Classic raises money for kids

The Kiwanis Club Satellite held its Shamrock Classic Duck Pin Bowling Tournament at Evans Bowling Center in Kilmarnock on March 17, reported Whitney Lang. "The Kiwanis Club Satellite would like to thank Evans Bowling Center, Rose's, all sponsors for their contributions and all players for participating to help raise

money for The Kids Foundation and future projects at the Kilmarnock Playground," said Lang. The Kiwanis Club Satellite is a group of young adults volunteering their time to benefit the children of the community and is an extension of the Northern Neck Kiwanis Club.

### Fitness club to meet weekly

The Rappahannock Church of Christ will launch Fit for Christ at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 7. The Fit Club group exercise class will meet weekly at 9 a.m. Wednesdays, beginning April 11.

"Come heal your body, mind and soul while enjoying group exercise to gospel music, fellowship, and sharing of health tips and recipes," said Independent Beachbody® Coach Kari Garell.

The Fit Club is open to the public at no cost. It will be held at the church at 9514 Richmond Road in Warsaw. Bring a towel and water. For further details, contact Kari Garell at garellk@aol.com, or 493-1316.

## SPORTS SHORTS

#### ■ Croaker contest

The Tappahannock Rotary's ninth annual Croaker Fishing Tournament will be held May 19. Largest croaker pays \$1,500, second place pays \$1,000, third place pays \$500 and youth award pays \$300.

Entry fee is \$125 per boat by May 1, or \$150. Weigh in at June Parker's Marina. Fish also will be picked up at Garrett's Marina and delivered to June Parker's. For rules and entry forms, visit bigcroaker.com, or call 366-4286.

#### ■ Win a Whaler

Chesapeake Academy is conducting a raffle to win a 2012 Boston Whaler 130 Super Sport (13') runabout powered by a 40hp Mercury 4-stroke outboard. The boat and motor come with a galvanized trailer. Tickets are \$20 each. Purchase 10 tickets and get an additional ticket free.

A drawing will be held May 5 at the annual Chesapeake Academy Auction. To purchase tickets, call Chesapeake Academy at 438-5575.

#### ■ Steak & Burger

Coach Shaka Smart, who took the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) men's basketball team to the Final Four last year, will speak at the Steak & Burger Dinner at the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck on April 11. The event will begin at 6 p.m. Coach Smart will speak about 6:30 p.m.

Corporate sponsors and community leaders dine on burgers while 50 Boys & Girls Club members are treated to steaks. Tickets are \$100 per person, \$150 for two tickets and \$500 for a table of six. A silent auction also will be held. To become a sponsor, contact executive director Larry Long at 435-9696, or llong@bgcnn.com.

#### ■ Free screenings

Rappahannock General Hospital (RGH) and the Northern Neck Family YMCA will offer free blood pressure screenings from 9 to 11 a.m. April 23 at the YMCA in Kilmarnock.

The screening will be open to the public. A registered nurse from RGH will perform the screenings, provide information and answer questions.

#### ■ Fishing derby

Smith Point Sea Rescue's 29th annual Reedville Fishing Derby will be held from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 12. Registration check-in and a captain's meeting will be held May 11 at Buzzard's Point Marina, tournament headquarters. The format has changed to a one-day, rockfish tournament.

Weigh stations will be at Buzzard's Point Marina, Smith Point Marina, Norview Marina and on the Coan River. The entry fee is \$225 per boat. First-place pays \$10,000. Prizes total \$30,000. For entry forms and rules, visit Smith-PointSeaRescue.com, or call Capt. Russ Bertino at 410-458-9258.

#### ■ Boat show

The Middle Bay Boat Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 5 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 6 at Norview Marina in Deltaville. Inwater demonstrations will be available.

More than 30 exhibitors will participate including boat dealers, electronics dealers, canvas makers, boat lift vendors, aluminum fabricators, marine supply vendors and fishing tackle vendors.

#### ■ Benefit match

The Northumberland Lady Indians home soccer match at 5:30 p.m. April 18 will be played in recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Related T-shirts may be pre-ordered for \$10. T-shirts may be purchased from any team member, or call the Social Services Department at 580-3477.

Fans who wear their T-shirts to the soccer match will receive half-off admission. Bikers Against Child Abuse will visit the soccer match as well.

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Windmill Point – Sunrise & Moon - April, 2012

<b>Fri. 4/6</b>	Low 5:34-0.2' High 11:20 1.4' Low 5:45-0.2' High 11:44 1.6'	Sunrise 6:42 Sunset 7:33 Moonset 6:14 Moonrise 7:48	<b>Tue. 4/10</b>	High 2:19 1.6' Low 9:02-0.2' High 2:43 1.3' Low 9:08 -0.1'	Sunrise 6:36 Sunset 7:36 Moonset 9:24
<b>Sat. 4/7</b>	Low 6:25-0.3' High 12:10 1.4' Low 5:45-0.2'	Sunrise 6:41 Sunset 7:33 Moonset 6:53 Moonrise 9:02	<b>Wed. 4/11</b>	High 3:16 1.5' Low 9:58 0.0' High 3:40 1.2' Low 10:07 0.0'	Sunrise 6:35 Sunset 7:37 Moonrise 12:26 Moonset 10:25
<b>Sun. 4/8</b>	High 12:35 1.7' Low 7:16-0.3' High 12:59 1.4' Low 7:23-0.3'	Sunrise 6:39 Sunset 7:35 Moonset 7:37 Moonrise 10:15	<b>Thu. 4/12</b>	High 4:16 1.4' Low 10:57 0.1' High 4:41 1.2' Low 11:10 0.2'	Sunrise 6:34 Sunset 7:38 Moonrise 1:20 Moonset 11:30
<b>Mon. 4/9</b>	High 1:26 1.7' Low 8:08-0.2' High 1:50 1.4' Low 8:14-0.2'	Sunrise 6:38 Sunset 7:35 Moonset 8:28 Moonrise 11:24	<b>Fri. 4/13</b>	High 5:20 1.3' Low 11:58 0.2' High 5:47 1.2'	Sunrise 6:32 Sunset 7:39 Moonrise 2:06 Moonset 12:34

**Corrections**

	High	Low	Height
Piankatank River, Cherry Pt.	-1:42	-1:44	86%
Great Wicomico River Light	0:30	0:20	75%
Smith Point Light	1:01	0:44	86%

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### Rage 14U wins tournament

The Northern Neck Rage 14U fastpitch team on March 31 went undefeated to win the Softball Nation Spring Open in Richmond over the Southern Maryland Shockers. The Gold champs went 4-0 in the event, following up on a Silver Division Championship at the Tidewater Opener on March 17 and 18 in Virginia Beach. From left are (front row) Shelby King, Lexy Newsome, Landon Schefflien, Hunter Thomas, Hannah Gross, Kirsten Beatley and Bailey Kujawski; (next row) Terrie Suthard, Alexis Packet, Rachel Douglas, Taylor South, Makenzie Hall, Lexi Hanks, Kayla Fones; (next row) Thomas Suthard, Kenny Beatley and Kyle Schefflien. Emily Sorey also is a member of the team.



### Meet the Seahorses girls soccer team

From left, members of the Christchurch School girls soccer team for the 2012 season are (front row) Brook Davis, Anna Moore, Hailey Sundeen and Rachel Jayne; (next row) Emily Moore, Joanna Spotswood, captain Ivy Perkins, Anna Shaw, Morgan Leigh and captain Emily Allen; (next row) Kedron Walsh, captain Carter Clark, Tori Forrest, Caroline Loftiss, Lilah Beebe, Jess Haley, Kelly Nelson and Amanda Eldridge

### CLUB GOLF

#### Hole-in-one

Su Schmalz on March 21 sank a hole-in-one on the 12th hole at Quinton Oaks.

#### Golden Eagle

Golden Eagle Golf Club play day winners for March 26 were first, Rob Grace; second, Allen Robins; and third, Warren Hayden.

#### ICYCC

Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club mixed scramble winners for April 1 were first, Mark Toia, Jim Wiley, Linda Price and Glenda Sharpe; second, Coy Best, Mike Byrne and Suzanne Haaland; and third, Andy Sharpe, Pete Epps, Janet Blunt and Tim Fitzpatrick.

#### ICYCC men

The Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club men's opening day winners were first, Mark Toia, Les Kilduff, Ed Zakaib and Bill Berger; second, Jack Blunt, Andy Sharp, Gordon Haaland and Dick Bayer; and third, Harold Guy, Jay Wallin, Pete Southmayd and Dick Rounds.

Men's midweek winners for March 28 were first, Craig



Mixed scramble winners from left are Jim Wiley, Linda Price, Glenda Sharpe and Mark Toia.

Callahan, Ed Zakaib, Pete Southmayd and Andy Kauders; and second, John Hope, Jim Reid, Spence Webster, and Bill Vose.

Friday Knights winners for April 1 were first, Macon Edwards, Gene Mapes and Ed Bunch; and second, Jack Johnson, Gib Carson, Wayne Mullins and Gerry Stephenson.

#### King Carter

The King Carter Golf Club men's play day winners for March 19 were first, Carrol Craig; second, Klaus Schaschek; and third, Tom Melton.

Winners for March 21 were first, (tie) Craig and Dick Sevila; and third, (tie) Arthur

Abbott and Melton.

Winners for March 26 were first, (tie) Abbott and Roger Nickerson; and third, Ron Hugate.

Winners for March 28 were first, Tony Sica; second, John Howard; and third, Melton.

#### Quinton Oaks men

The Quinton Oaks Senior Men's League first flight winners for March 20 were first, Bobby Albrite; second, Cabot Caskie; and third, Terry Bruesser.

Second flight winners were first, Dave Fine; and second (tie) Marion Dongieux and Norman Hammer.

First flight winners for March 27 were first, Stan Rembisz; and second, (tie) Dale Henderson and Phil Gates.

Second flight winners were first, (tie) Gerard Belanger, Ray Jones and Ray Herron.

### BOWLING RESULTS

#### Ladies League

Davis Auto won three games from Tri-Star, moving into a tie with them for first place. Marie Piccard rolled a 342 set on games of 116, 113 and 113. Sandra Evans rolled a 327 set on games of 111 and 120. Vicki White had games of 112 and 105, and Vivian Callaway had a 102 game.

For Tri-Star, Shona Pacheco bowled a 111 game. Theresa Davis had a 108 game.

The Corner Restaurant won three games from R. P. Waller. Donna Thomas led The Corner with the week's highest set—a 373, on games of 127, 133 and 113. Mary Savalina bowled a 351 set on games of 109, 105 and

137, the week's highest score. Debi Berry rolled a 313 set on games of 105 and 110. Joan Bowles had a 307 set on games of 105 and 104.

For R. P. Waller, Marsha Nash bowled a 321 set on games of 107 and 126. Ola Rae Nash had a 109 game.

D & L Doc n' Divas took two games from Yeatman's Forklift. Terry Stillman bowled a 327 set on games of 102 and 128. Darlene Benson had a 106 game. Linda Lake and Beverly Benson each rolled a 100 game.

For Yeatman's, Val Crosbie bowled games of 104 and 109. Alma George had a 105 game. Mary York bowled a 100 game.

### Walk-Run into Spring

by Patricia Monge-Meberg, MD

For week 4 of training for the Northern Neck Montessori School's Kilmarnock 5K, add another 5 minutes to your total time, so that you are exercising 25 minutes.

The goal this week is to run for a solid 10 minutes and then run with breaks for walking as needed for a total of 25 minutes. For walkers, substitute "faster walk" when it says run with slower walking in between. Work out three days with a day of rest in

between each. Begin and end each work out with stretching of arms, legs, sides and neck for 2-5 minutes.

The race will begin at 8 a.m. April 21 at the school on DMV Drive in Kilmarnock. It will be followed by a Kid's Fun Run at 9 a.m. and awards at 9:30 a.m. Childwatch is available during the 5K for those participants registered by April 13.

Register at kilmarnock5k.com, or pick up a form at the

school, Bay Internists, Carousel Physical Therapy, Papaefthimiou & Short Family Dentistry, RW-C Fitness Center, the Sports Centre, Virginia Women's Center, or the YMCA.

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## Birders to hike Belle Isle park

On Monday, April 9, the Northern Neck Audubon Society will conduct a bird walk at Belle Isle State Park. Frank Schaff will lead the walk.

The park features seven miles of Rappahannock riverfront, diverse tidal and non-tidal wetlands, lowland marshes, tidal coves and upland forests, said publicity chairman Maggie Gerds. With the unseasonal warm weather, there may be sightings of early migratory birds. Among possible sightings are

double crested cormorants, pie-billed grebes, bald eagles, osprey, great blue herons, belted king fishers, Eastern blue birds, red-winged blackbirds, herring and ring-billed gulls, Forster's terns, song sparrows, swamp sparrows and warblers.

Carpoolers will leave Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock at 7:15 a.m. Those driving directly to the park should arrive at 7:45 a.m. and meet at the horse trailer parking lot on the right beyond the camp store.

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Third-grade students raise a cheer for all of the teachers.

## Primary school holds faculty egg hunt

Lancaster Primary School held an Easter egg hunt for teachers and staff last Thursday.

Participating teachers and staff all ran at the whistle in search of candy, eggs, post-it notes and sharpies as well as a golden egg and silver egg.

Third-grade teacher Anna Kellum found the golden egg and first-grade teacher Lisa Hudnall found the silver egg.

The students cheered for their teachers and everyone had a blast, reported art teacher Meghan Bowis.



From left, Lisa Hudnall displays the silver egg and Anna Kellum displays the golden egg.



From left are Chesapeake Bank Kilmarnock office manager Cathy Snowden, Owen Holt, Destiny Howard, Tensley Clowser, La'Terron Jones and Lively branch manager Penny Gilbert.

## Bank hosts high school seniors

March 20 was Bank Day in Virginia and high school seniors spent a day in banks across the Commonwealth, shadowing a banker in their daily duties.

The purpose of this experience is for the students to learn about banking, financial services and the vital role banks play in their communities.

Chesapeake Bank hosted Destiny Howard, Tensley Clowser and La'Terron Jones from Lancaster High School and Owen Holt from Christchurch School.

They spent a day at the bank's Kilmarnock office and its operations center, learning about good credit practices, consumer and small-business lending, deposits, how to market a bank, support functions, bank investments and how all these activities

affect the community.

"This was a great opportunity to give our students some insight into the banking world," said president and chief executive officer Jeff Szyperski, "We are glad to be able to host these students and teach them about the impact our community banks have on the communities they serve."

The Virginia Bankers Association has established a scholarship opportunity for the students participating in Bank Day. Students are required to write an essay on the topic, "How Banking Benefits My Community." Seven scholarships will be awarded on the basis of these essays. The amounts are \$1,000 for each regional winner and \$2,000 for the statewide winner, chosen from the regional winners.



From left are (front row) Marissa Coates, William Gill, Zach Bullis, Joel Spiers and Joey Rudolph; (next row) Abby Nelson, Alex Nelson, Mary Haydon, Mary Frere, Haley Pease, Vilesa Waller, Wyatt McCranie and Marisa Logan; (next row) Tyler Martin, Zach Benton, Quincy Waddy, Kayleigh Webster, Nadia Moss, Nancy McClain, Tensley Clowser, Hannah Richardson and Kate Nelson; (next row) Laura Stickler, Robert West, Kristen Shipman, Dylan Rose, John Richardson, Moira Hull, William Chapman and Nick Nonnemacker

## Lancaster sends 30 students to Area Band

Some 175 student musicians from 22 middle and high school bands in the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula recently performed in the annual Area Band concert.

They were among more than 300 musicians who had auditioned for the groups in February, said Lancaster band director Kenny Flester.

The Lancaster bands had 30 members make the

honor bands, said Flester. They traveled to New Kent High School, where they rehearsed new music for a day-and-a-half.

The junior high band was under the direction of Linda Gammon from Rachel Carson Middle School in Fairfax, and the senior high band was led by Allen Hall, director at Glen Allen High School. They first looked at the music at 10 a.m. March 23

and the concert was at 2 p.m. the next day.

"I'm very proud that Lancaster County was so well represented," said high school director Robbie Spiers. "Thirty students, that's over 17% of the bands. We have some very talented musicians here in Lancaster."

"It's a great way to meet new people," said LHS trombone player Nick Nonnemacker.

## Wittman announces art contest

Rep. Rob Wittman recently announced the 2012 First District Congressional Art Competition.

All high school students living in the First District are eligible to enter. The deadline is April 27.

"Virginia's First District is full of many creative and talented youth, and I encourage students to submit their original artwork to my office for the opportunity of being honored in the U.S. Capitol for a year," said Wittman. "This competition is a great opportunity for aspiring artists across the First District to practice their skills and showcase their work. I am excited to see

all of the impressive entries from our students."

Each spring, a high school arts competition is sponsored by the Congressional Institute and by each representative. The winning entry from each participating district will be displayed one year in the U.S. Capitol. All entries submitted must be original in concept, design and execution.

Entries should be directed to one of Wittman's district offices in Fredericksburg, Tappahannock or Yorktown.

Address details are available at [wittman.house.gov](http://wittman.house.gov). Full guidelines and student release forms are available at [house.gov](http://house.gov).

## SCHOOL REPORT

### Grants

St. Mary's Whitechapel Episcopal Church educational grant program is accepting applications for the year 2012. Applicants, or their family, must be residents of Lancaster County, or the child or grandchild of a St. Mary's Whitechapel parishioner. All applications and other requested documentation must be received by April 10.

Requests for applications should be sent to St. Mary's Whitechapel Episcopal Church, 5940 White Chapel Road, Lancaster, VA 22503. Requests also may be made at 462-5908 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, or email to [smw-clora@aol.com](mailto:smw-clora@aol.com).

### Travel writing

The family of the late Morgan E. Norris established the fund to honor the memory of Dr. Norris, a Lancaster County native who graduated from HU in 1908 and returned to Kilmarnock to practice medicine in 1917.

### Travel writing

Author and international educator Gail Kenna will teach "The Craft of Travel Writing," a Rappahannock

Institute for Lifelong Learning course, from 1 to 3 p.m. April 18 and 25 and May 2 at the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock.

Advance registration is required with a tuition payment of \$35. To register, contact Sharon Drotleff at the Rappahannock Community College Educational Foundation office, 333-6707, 877-722-3679, or [sdrotleff@rappahannock.edu](mailto:sdrotleff@rappahannock.edu).

## College foundation offers online giving

The Rappahannock Community College Educational Foundation (RCC/EFI) on April 2 launched a webpage for online giving to the Opportunity 2012 annual giving campaign.

"As more and more people use their computers for all types of financial transactions, we felt it was time to offer foundation donors the convenience of contributing to RCC/EFI online, especially as we enter the final month of our 'Opportunity 2012!' annual giving campaign," said Clough. "So far \$36,500 has been raised toward our goal of \$50,000."

Due to the record number of RCC students applying for next year's scholarships, it is particularly important for the foundation to meet its goal by April 30, the closing date of the "Opportunity 2012!" campaign. "We strongly urge people to use the new online giving process at [rappahannock.edu/givenow](http://rappahannock.edu/givenow)," said Clough. "Or just send a check, if they still prefer to do so." The RCC/EFI mailing address is P.O. Box 923, Warsaw, VA 22572.



Dean of advancement Victor Clough is the first to use [rappahannock.edu/givenow](http://rappahannock.edu/givenow) to make a contribution to the Opportunity 2012 campaign.

### Deadline extended

The Rappahannock Music Study Club scholarship application deadline has been extended. The club will offer a \$1,000 scholarship to high school seniors, including home-schoolers, who are planning to continue the study of music in college this fall.

An audition session will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 28 at Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury near Irvington. Application forms are available from guidance departments, or from the club, 435-2189.

### Archaeology course

Archaeologists David Brown and Thane Harpole will teach "Archaeology and Early Virginia Landscapes," a Rappahannock Institute for Lifelong Learning course 1 to 3 p.m., April 17, and May 1 and 8, at Powhatan's 1607 capital at Werowocomoco, Lewis Burwell II's 1694 manor house and plantation, and the early 18th-century ruin of Rosewell.

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### HU scholarship

Hampton University recently announced a scholarship for the graduating senior with the highest GPA applying from Lancaster and Northumberland high schools for the 2012-13 academic year. Interested students should contact the school counselor.



## Chorale donates piano to LPS

The Chesapeake Chorale recently donated a Yamaha digital electronic piano to the Lancaster Primary School. The purchase was possible through concert ticket sales. Concert proceeds support public school music programs in five local counties. From left are chorale board member Don Gilmore, Lancaster Primary School music teacher Stephanie Phillips and custodian Larry Cox.

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# NES announces its 'A' Honor Roll

Northumberland Elementary School recently announced its "A" Honor Roll for the third nine weeks of the 2011-12 academic session.

Third-graders named to the Honor Roll are Ansley Booth, Bailey Gough, Arianna Hudson, Kendra Jett, Rian Mozingo, Nathaniel Poplin, Emily Rice and Elle Williams

Fourth-graders named to the Honor Roll are Rachel Arroyo-Silva, Rebecca

Baker, Nicholas Balder-son, Taylor Basye, Bernadette Blackwell, Austin Evans, Anna Jett, Harry Lee, Kelsey Moss, Chloey O'Bier, Sarah Saunders, Sims Setser and Alice Sisson

Fifth-graders named to the honor roll are Cole Basye, Nicholas Basye, Shelby Bates, Jeffrey Brooks, Brazjae Brown, Madison Clarke, Izaak Hagy, Annsley Pugh, Zoie Sadler and Tahli Wiggins.

# Area Wildlife refuge to hire four youth for CCC program

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge will host a Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) program on the refuge this summer.

YCC is a summer employment program for young men and women who work, earn and learn together doing outdoor conservation projects, said program coordinator Rebekah Martin. YCC members complete meaningful projects that require hard work and cooperation.

The program is open to ages 15-18 who are citizens or legal residents of the U.S. Enrollees are expected to be available for the entire eight-week program from mid-June to mid-August.

A strong interest in outdoor work and natural resources is recommended. Projects may include building and improving trails, removing invasive plants, and contributing to wildlife management programs. Enrollees also participate in educational activities.

To register, visit [fws.gov/northeast/rappahannock/](http://fws.gov/northeast/rappahannock/), or call Martin at 333-1470.

# NMS lists 'A' honors

Northumberland Middle School recently announced its third quarter "A" Honor Roll for the 2011-12 academic session.

Sixth-graders on the honor roll are Hannah Allison, Khadijah Bea, Katherine Bruneault, Cynthia Davis, Kyndal Dawson, Rain Eguiguren, Broheim Jackson, Makenzie Kent, Abigail Kiss, Hannah Mitchell, Haley Newsome, Zoe Nonnemacker, Chase Reynolds, Lauren Suchan, Lucinda Wigfield and Morgan Wilson.

Seventh-graders on the honor roll are Mya Bundy, Grayson Hughes, Jillian Jett, Emily MacLeod, Alexis Newsome, Jada Noel and Connor Woolard.

Eighth-graders on the honor roll are Allison Burgess, Mary Hall, Stephen Parker, Macy Swift, Derrick Thompson and Micaela Wilson.

# New Friendship announces four academic scholarships

New Friendship Baptist Church of Burgess recently established a scholarship fund to benefit students of Northumberland High School.

The scholarships will honor academic achievement, said pastor John Minter. The church hopes to make four scholarships available to worthy students. Funds will be raised through a ham and oyster dinner April 21.

"New Friendship Church wants to make a difference in our community," said Minter. "The students and staff at NHS need to know they have our support. In light of recent events that have demoralized the school, these scholarships let the school know we care. New Friendship's motto is To Love God... Love Others... and Prove It. These scholarships are a way



## Brain Bowl winners

The winners of the fifth-grade Brain Bowl for March 16 were MELK. Members from left are Madison Davis, Latney Hodges, Kaelie McGrath and Emma McManus.



Winners for March 23 were The Know It Alls. Members from left are Kendahl Surber, Stephani Castro, Brooke Hayden and Remya Redmond. The next Brain Bowl will be held at 1:45 p.m. April 13 in the auditorium. The public is invited.

# Chesapeake names its high achievers

Chesapeake Academy recently recognized its Head of School List for the third marking period.

Fourth-graders on the list are Colete Haynie and Lily Reih.

Fifth-graders on the list are Walker Antonio, Mears Pollard, Schuyler Price, Eliza Carr Schmidt and Millie Tompkins.

Sixth-graders on the list are Erin McClain, Avery Shivers, Francesca Wilson and Wells Young.

Eighth-graders on the list are Taz Carrington, Grace Gaenzle and Emmaline Keese.

# Northumberland is home to champion storyteller McKinley

Joshua McKinley of Northumberland High School recently won the storytelling championship in Group A State forensics competition.

On Saturday, March 24, the state forensics tournament was held in Harrisonburg. Students represented A, AA and AAA schools, reported NHS faculty sponsor Patty Dawson. More than 300 students participated, representing 120 schools.

In addition to McKinley, NHS was represented by Lizzie Hall in serious dramatic interpretation and Alexandra Pitman and Laura Mangano in serious duo interpretation, said Dawson.

Pitman and Mangano



Joshua McKinley.

placed in the top six and competed in the final round, she said. They placed sixth overall.

McKinley placed in the top six and competed in the final round to place first overall, said Dawson

## Animals For Adoption

The Animal Welfare League has many animals for adoption to good loving homes. The dogs, cats, puppies and kittens change rapidly, in lieu of listing them, interested persons may call the league at 435-0822 or Joyce at 462-0091 to be advised as to what is available at that time. Visits to local animal shelters also are encouraged.



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**How can you give?** Make an equipment donation or sponsor a child for the spring season. Contribute at any Chesapeake Bank Northern Neck branch now through April, and we will match donations up to \$1,500.

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From left are (front row) Jackie Alachnowicz, Caroline Loftiss, Alex Craven, Brook Davis and Richard Kronick; (next row) Steve Kasold, Betsy Rhoads, Lorraine Kasold, Allie Palmore, Sugar Kronick and Zack Erwin; (next row) Starke Jett, Karl Mehler, David Koenig, Matt Bowman, Graham Andreae, James Sterling and David Treakle.

## Christchurch students visit China

A group of 18 Christchurch School students recently took the trip of a lifetime when they traveled to China with Christchurch School Chinese instructor Richard Kronick and English teacher Steve Kasold.

The students, most of whom study the Chinese language with Kronick, traveled throughout Beijing, Shanghai, Nanjing and Pingyao, said school spokesperson Jennifer Homer.

They climbed the Great Wall and visited

Tian'anmen Square, The Forbidden City, and a 1,600-year-old Buddhist Temple, she said. They took a cruise through the center of Shanghai, rode the bullet train and took an overnight train through the countryside. They also attended a tea ceremony, a Kung Fu show, an acrobat show, explored outdoor markets and sampled native food.

Prior to teaching at Christchurch, Kronick and his wife, Sugar, lived in China for more than four years.

## Area students named to Virginia Tech Dean's List

Area students named to the Dean's List at Virginia Tech for the fall 2011 semester include:

- Courtney R. Carter of Lancaster, a senior majoring in human nutrition, food and exercise in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.
- Emma S. Hand of Lancaster, a junior majoring in accounting and information systems in the Pamplin College of Business.
- Jordan A. Mangum of White Stone, a sophomore majoring in finance in the

Pamplin College of Business.

- Cassandra E. Quick of White Stone, a junior majoring in general engineering in the College of Engineering.
- Mary F. Kelly of Reedville, a junior majoring in psychology in the College of Science.
- Hillary D. May of Reedville, a senior majoring in English in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences.
- William T. Peyton of Warsaw, a sophomore majoring in geography

in the College of Natural Resources and Environment.

- Benjamin A. Shryock of Hague, a junior majoring in wildlife science in the College of Natural Resources and Environment.
- Annah M. Latane of Montross, a senior majoring in applied economic management in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.
- George A. Perry of Montross, a junior majoring in finance in the Pamplin College of Business.

## SCHOOL REPORT

### ■ NHS scholarships

The Women of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Callao recently announced scholarships of \$750 and \$500 for graduating Northumberland High School seniors. They will be awarded based on an original essay describing how the Christian faith has affected the student's life and goals, academic and extracurricular achievements and financial need.

Completed application packages are due by April 27. Scholarship application forms, directions and guidelines are available from guidance counselor Dr. Brian Zobel.

### ■ Conservation camps

The Northern Neck Soil and Water Conservation District (NNSWCD) recently announced two summer camp scholarship opportunities for teens interested in natural resources and the environment.

Scholarships may be available for students to attend the Youth Conservation Camp (YCC) July 8 through 14 at Virginia Tech and the Holiday Lake Forestry Camp June 18 through 23 at the Holiday Lake 4-H Education Center. For applications and deadlines, contact Faye Andrashko at 333-3525, or faye.andrashko@nnsxcd.org.

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From left are Sarah Pittman, Belinda Abbott and Karen Burke. Photo by Audrey Thomasson

## Burke's sales team attends spring show

Sarah Pittman, Belinda Abbott and Karen Burke of Burke's Jewelers in Kilmarnock recently attended the Spring 2012 Pandora Release and Roadshow in Richmond.

The event highlighted all the new beads, charms, earrings, bracelets and rings for spring and summer, said Burke.

Pandora is the number one selling jewelry line in America and is available at Burke's, she said. Burke's offers an array of designer lines, and always enjoys learning about product knowledge.

Abbott and Burke invited the community to come preview the new lines that will be available in mid April.

## Middlesex Extension agent shares agribusiness award

Dr. Scott Greiner, associate professor of Extension in animal science and Extension project leader in the Department of Animal and Poultry Sciences at Virginia Tech, and David Moore, Virginia Cooperative Extension agent of agriculture and natural resources in Middlesex County, have both been awarded the Virginia Agribusiness Council's 2012 Extension Service Award.

Council board of directors member Dr. Dan Brann of Christiansburg presented the awards during the recent Virginia Cooperative Extension Conference in Blacksburg.

Greiner has been working with beef and sheep producers and Extension agents in Virginia since 1998, when he joined the faculty at Virginia Tech. He has developed many statewide educational programs that help producers implement the latest research and technology to increase herd production and the farm economy, said Brann.

He is also very involved in youth programs like the State Youth Market Lamb Project and volunteers as a 4H leader, said Brann.

"Dr. Greiner represents the type of specialist that the industry needs more of, those who are committed to working with producers to identify problems and provide solutions through research, extension and outreach," said Brann.

Moore has been an Extension agent in Middlesex County since 1992, and throughout his career has been a great spokesperson for the agriculture and grain industry. He hosts many farm tours in Gloucester, Mathews, and Middlesex counties, and



David Moore

provides a valuable source of information for Virginia grain producers through his replicated research plots, said Brann.

In 2010, he conducted a Field Survey of Conservation Tillage Usage for grain producers in the peninsula which produced facts that have been utilized by the industry to address environmental concerns, said Brann. He was also one of three agents selected to travel to South Africa to learn about agronomic diseases and practices that can be shared with producers in Virginia.

"David has been a leader in research and crop production improvement. He is always willing to go the extra mile and has truly been an asset to agriculture in Virginia," said Brann.

The Virginia Agribusiness Council represents agricultural and forestry producers, suppliers, marketers, processors and commodity associations in the Commonwealth with a unified voice through its government affairs activities. The council has a combined membership over 40,000. For more information on the Virginia Agribusiness Council, visit va-agribusiness.org.

## Farm Bureau favors strong, fiscally sound farm policy

National farm policy must strike a balance between the need for a strong, effective safety net to protect farmers and ranchers against catastrophic revenue losses and fiscal soundness for the nation, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF).

"The new farm bill must be a fiscally responsible package that meets spending reduction targets and assures taxpayers that America's farmers are making wise use of tax dollars," said AFBF President Bob Stallman, who testified March 14 at a Senate Agriculture Committee hearing on risk management and commodities in the 2012 Farm Bill.

Stallman said the next farm bill should feature "a strong crop insurance program, continuation of the current marketing loan provisions and a catastrophic revenue loss program.

"The challenge we all face is how to draft a farm bill that provides a strong, consistently viable safety net that protects farmers against crippling revenue declines, whether caused by falling markets or Mother Nature, while at the same time remaining cognizant of budget deficit challenges and changing public sentiment," he continued.

"While ours is a 'deep loss' program and would not provide producers with payments as often as other proposals contemplated, it would provide more coverage in times of catastrophic losses when assistance is most critical," he said.

AFBF also places high priority on ensuring the new farm bill benefits all agricultural commodity sectors in a balanced, coordinated manner, said Stallman. He urged coverage for five fruits and vegetables—apples, tomatoes, grapes, potatoes and sweet corn—in new national farm policy.

## Retirement community official issues reminder on healthcare decisions

April 16 has been declared "National Healthcare Decisions Day" for 2012. The National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHDD) Initiative is a collaborative effort of national, state and community organizations committed to ensuring that all adults with decision-making capacity in the U.S. have the information and opportunity to communicate and document their healthcare decisions.

It is important for people to be aware of the benefits of providing advanced care directives, said Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury (RW-C) director of social services Alice Coates.

"These are legal documents that let you convey your decisions about medical care before you need it to family, friends and health care professionals," said Coates. "This often avoids confusion at what can be a very stressful time for everyone."

Advance directives also are helpful when people become incapacitated, because they indicate who

can make decisions when one is not able to do so themselves, she said.

In conjunction with National Healthcare Decisions Day, RW-C recommends all its residents, staff and families develop advance directives and keep them current, she added.

"We think it is important for everyone in our community to consider these issues," Coates said.

She also noted Virginia has developed an internet-based Advance Health Care Directive Registry.

"Virginians can store documents they would like family and health care providers to have if they are unable to express their wishes regarding medical care," said Coates. "By providing contact information, including PIN and password, you can give your health care providers or family members read-only access to copies of important documents via the Internet."

The website is VirginiaRegistry.org, or contact Coates at 438-4000.



## Seafood market re-opens

From left, Tyrell Chinn and owner Gus Shelton display some of the fresh seafood at Bluewater Seafood & Deli in the Chesapeake Commons Shopping Center in Kilmarnock. The business was open for four years before the former owners retired last fall. Shelton reopened the shop, which sells fresh seafood and prepared salads, on March 15. Bluewater is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi

## Bill's scope reaches beyond farms

The details of the 2012 farm bill are being ironed out in Congress now, as much of the current law in the 2008 farm bill expires in 2012.

While the farm bill includes commodity program support, most of the funds from the bill are allocated to nutrition and food assistance programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, which replaced food stamps.

Historically, the farm bill is renewed every five years and governs federal farm and food policy. The 2008 Farm Bill contains 15 titles covering support for commodity crops, horticulture and livestock, conservation, nutrition, trade and food aid, agricultural research, farm credit, rural development, energy, forestry and other related programs.

In 2010, the Congressional Budget Office estimated annual expenditures of \$6.4 billion for commodity programs and \$63 billion for SNAP and other nutrition programs over the five-year life of the current farm bill.

Only 1% of the 2008 bill covers disaster assistance; 8% covers crop insurance; and less than 4% covers rural development, research, forestry, energy, horticulture/organic and livestock programs.

"Obviously a very large percentage of the farm bill funds nutrition programs when compared to

expenditures on commodity title programs," said Spencer Neale, Virginia Farm Bureau Federation senior assistant director of commodity marketing. "In fact, well less than 1% of the overall federal budget goes into supporting agriculture, and in a time when less than 2 million farmers are providing food and fiber to more than 300 million people, it seems one could argue that is a worthy expenditure of federal dollars."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is in charge of all of those programs, and that is why they are all covered by the farm bill, said Neale. "While we all understand the critical nature of food assistance programs, the production sector that supplies food for these programs is just as critical when debating new farm bill spending allocations, not only for the commodity title, but other agriculture-related provisions as well, such as conservation and rural development."

Agriculture, he noted, is subject to weather extremes and market volatility "probably more than any other industry, so something needs to be in place—whether it is direct payments or increased crop insurance—to help ensure that there's a consistent food supply in the United States and worldwide."

The first farm bill was

adopted during the Great Depression and was implemented to ensure a stable and reliable food production system, largely in response to the Dust Bowl.

While many farmers do not directly participate in or receive funding assistance from farm bill-related programs, the stability and predictability that five-year farm bills offer to the overall agriculture sector is critical, said Neale.

Many in Congress have historically defended farm support programs as a means to ensure that the U.S. has continued access to abundant and affordable domestically produced food.

"If you want to look at it that way, food production is a national security issue," said Neale. "Whatever happens in the next farm bill, I think we'll see that it is very different from those of past years."

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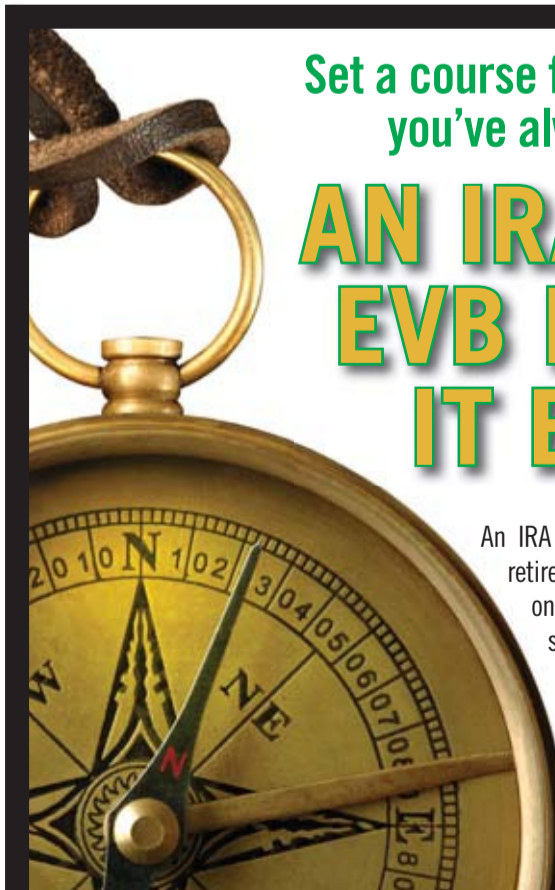
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Water lilies by Lela Edwards

## Window art adds stroke of spring along Main Street in Kilmarnock

Once Rappahannock Art League window designer Mary Ellis decided on the bright color theme for the Studio Gallery's April windows, she immediately thought of artists Lella Lee Edwards and Linda Holland.

Edwards, the RAL's first managing director, won top honors at a recent abstract show and in her long career as an artist, she has painted subjects ranging from tobacco barns to bouquets.

Of the floral paintings selected for the window, Edwards who lives and paints in Lancaster says, "I've always liked flow-

ers, working with, arranging and painting them."

Fellow RAL member Linda Holland of Richmond is equally enthusiastic about the appeal of the happy hues that say spring is here.

She made painting a reality later in her life and has always been drawn to art and specifically, to colorful works, said Holland. The tropical subjects selected for her window, splashed with vibrant coloring, reflect the joy of seeing spring gardens in bloom.

The Studio Gallery is at 19 North Main Street in Kilmarnock.



A tropical scene by Linda Howard

## Tax & Business Hot Tips

Submitted by Lois A. Gorman, CPA

### IRS gives tax refund tips

If you're due an income tax refund, there are a few things the IRS would like you to know.

You can receive your refund by paper check, direct deposit, or U.S. Series I Savings Bonds (in multiples of \$50).

If you elect the direct deposit option, you can use Form 8888 (Allocation of Refund) to allocate your refund to as many as three separate accounts. You can use the same form to buy U.S. Savings Bonds.

Due to technology improvements, the IRS expects to issue over 90% of its refunds within 21 days.

There are three ways to inquire about your current year refund. You'll need your social security number, filing status, and the exact amount of the refund shown on your return. The refund date provided will be an estimate and not a guarantee.

You can go to [irs.gov](http://irs.gov) and click the "Where's my refund?" link; use the free IRS2Go smartphone application, available at the Apple App Store or the Android Marketplace; or call the IRS Refund Hotline at 1-800-829-1954.

Your refund could be delayed for several reasons, including errors on the return, a balance due on a related account, or postal delays.

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The IRS will help you obtain a replacement check for a refund that is lost or stolen. You can contact them at 1-800-829-1040, [irs.gov](http://irs.gov).

Lois A. Gorman is secretary/treasurer of Chesapeake Accounting Group, PC in Burgess.

## BUSINESS BRIEF

### Shop moves

The St. Stephen's Anglican Church Thrift Shop recently moved into the big blue building at 2816 Northumberland Highway. The shop offers fashionable women's, men's and children's clothes and shoes, plus linens, kitchen items, dishes and glassware, books and other decorative accessories for the home.

Store hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All shop proceeds benefit the church's women's ministry.

### Open hospital

Rappahannock General Hospital in Kilmarnock will celebrate 35 years of caring for the community with an open house from 4 to 6 p.m. April 19. Guided tours of the facility, free screenings and refreshments will be available.

### Job workshop

Upcoming Virginia Employment Commission workshops include Basic Computer Skills at 3 p.m. April 5; How to Manage Stress at 2 p.m. April 10; Managing Stress During Your Job Search at 2 p.m. April 11; and Health Careers at 3 p.m. April 12.

The workshops will be held at the VEC Workforce Center at 14243 Historyland Highway in Warsaw.

### Home parade

The Lancaster by the Bay Chamber of Commerce seeks participants for its "By the Bay Parade of Homes" May 18 and 19. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 18 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 19.

Advance tickets are \$20 per person through May 16 at [lancasterva.com/events](http://lancasterva.com/events). Tickets must be picked up at Good Luck Cellars. After May 16, tickets will be \$25 per person and will only be sold at the parade headquarters, Good Luck Cellars, 1025 Good Luck Road near Kilmarnock. Builders and vendors may contact 435-6092, or [info@lancasterva.com](mailto:info@lancasterva.com).

### Taxes

Volunteers will provide free income tax preparation services at the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays through the regular tax-filing season. The last day volunteers will be available for free tax services is April 14.

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