

Deltas advance to championship weekend

by Stephen Blue

Coming off an end-of-season slide, the Deltaville Deltas found the right time to get back to their winning ways.

Deltaville won 2 of 3 games last weekend in the double-elimination Southern Virginia Baseball League tournament, and advanced as one of 3 remaining teams to the final weekend of play.

Playing as the 4th seed in the 6-team tournament, Deltaville defeated the 5th-seeded Peninsula Cardinals 11-6 on Friday night behind a strong pitching performance by Jonathon Somers.

On Saturday the Deltas were again paced by strong pitching, defeating the top seeded York Cannons, 3-1.

Deltaville then lost to the 2nd seed Gloucester Astros on Sunday, 8-0.

Because the tournament is double-elimination, the Deltas still have a shot at the league title this weekend. On Saturday the Deltas will again play the Cardinals at 7 p.m. at Warhill Park in Williamsburg. The winner of that game will take on unbeaten Gloucester on Sunday at 4 p.m., and must beat the Astros twice to take the title.

Gloucester is not in unfamiliar territory. The Astros are the defending league champions and have won more SVABL titles (3) than any other team.

Follow updates from the tournament online at the Deltas website, www.DeltavilleDeltas.com.

Deltas 11, Cardinals 6
Jonathon Somers pitched a

complete game 6-hitter, and Luke Saunders blasted a monster grand slam as the Deltas defeated the Peninsula Cardinals 11-6 on a rain-soaked Friday night in Williamsburg.

Both teams were plagued by defensive errors, and the game came down to who could minimize the damage done when mistakes were made.

Deltaville took an early 1-0 lead when Jimmy Denny scored on a Brett Crawford single in the 1st inning. However, the Cardinals plated 2 runs in the 2nd and another in the 3rd to take a 3-1 lead, all on unearned runs.

In the bottom of the 3rd Deltaville took advantage of costly Cardinal mistakes. Following 2 walks and an error Luke Saunders blasted a towering grand slam that just curled inside the left field foul pole. Dustin Felvus drew a walk and was knocked in on a double by Drew Eads, and Deltaville retook the lead, 8-3.

The Cardinals scored twice in the 5th inning on an errant throw to cut the lead to 8-5 and picked up their only earned run of the game in the 7th inning on a pair of hits to close within 2 runs.

Deltaville responded with their final 3 runs in the bottom of the 8th to secure the lead.

Somers was fantastic on the mound allowing just 6 hits and 1 earned run. He struck out 11 while walking 4 in his second complete game of the year.

Deltas 3, Cannons 1

A strong pitching performance by Mike Newton, and pair of hits from both Jimmy Denny and Brett Crawford were



Jonathon Somers struck out 11 and allowed 1 earned run on 6 hits in a complete game win over the Cardinals. (Photo by Stephen Blue)

enough for the Deltas to defeat the top-seeded York Cannons 3-1 in a Saturday night thriller in Newport News.

Deltaville struck first in the top of the 1st inning when Denny led off the game with a single to right field. Denny

then stole 2nd base, and scored on a Crawford single.

The Deltas scratched out 2 more runs in the 5th inning.

Neal Hogge drew a leadoff walk and advanced to second base on a bunt. Denny singled to move Hogge to third base, and Dave Cunningham lifted a fly ball to center field to score Hogge. Crawford then lined his second hit of the game to left to score Denny again, giving Deltaville a 3-0 lead.

Newton's pitching performance was impressive. The right-hander pitched a complete game allowing just 6 hits and an 8th inning run when he worked out of a bases-loaded jam to preserve the lead. In picking up his 4th win of the season, Newton struck out 3 and walked 3.

Astros 8, Deltas 0

Playing their third game in as many days the Deltas struggled to find their bats on Sunday night and, unfortunately for Deltaville, the Gloucester Astros found theirs. Gloucester collected 9 hits, including a pair of Nate Mitchell home runs, as they defeated the Deltas, 8-0.

The Deltas offense could not seem to string together any sort of a rally, despite 7 hits. Luke Saunders and Chris King each doubled and singled, and Dustin Felvus had a pair of singles. Jimmy Denny also had a single.

Jay Moore started on the mound for the Deltas, allowing 7 runs on 7 hits over 4 1/3 innings while striking out 3. In relief Saunders allowed 1 run in 2 innings of work, striking out 3. Ryan Wiggins pitched 2/3 of an inning, striking out 2; and Terry Emerson pitched a hitless 8th inning, striking out 1.



Warwick proudly displays its championship banner after shutting out Danville 10-0 in the championship game of the Junior Little League State Tournament at the Middlesex Sports Complex Wednesday afternoon. The state tournament was hosted by the Middlesex Little League and District 15. (Photo by Tom Hardin)

Warwick cruises to Little League title

by Tom Hardin

District 7 Champion Warwick completed its domination of the Junior Little League State Tournament at the Middlesex Sports Complex on July 29 with a 10-0 win over District 2 Champion Danville in the championship game.

With the state title, Warwick qualifies for the Southern Regional at Cartersville, Georgia, August 8-12.

The pitching-rich Warwick team compiled a 6-0 record

in the state tournament and outscored its opponents by a combined score of 65-12.

Earlier in the day on July 29, Warwick smashed District 4 Champion Alexandria 13-1 in one semifinal, and Danville downed District 8 Champion Green Run 12-6 in the other semifinal.

In the 10-0 championship win over Danville, Garrett Chrismon led Warwick with 2 doubles at the plate while also pitching a 7-hit shutout in a game that was called after five innings due to

the 10-run mercy rule.

John Woodard had a home run, single and two walks to lead the Warwick offense in the title game. Cole Shackelford added a home run for Warwick, and Matt Westbrook and Ramon Degnan had 2 singles apiece.

Joey Mulero and Joey Tothorow led Danville with 2 singles apiece.

District 15 champion Essex gave Warwick its toughest game in the tournament, losing 5-2 in the quarterfinals.

Mariners to host VBL championship Sunday

by Gary Williams

The Middle Peninsula Mariners (14-2, 16-2) will host the Virginia Baseball League (VBL) championship game Sunday, August 9, at 4:30 p.m.

On Saturday, August 8, at 10 a.m., Middle Peninsula will take on the Tappahannock Tigers at Essex High School in first-round playoff action.

Due to rainouts last weekend, the entire first round of the double-elimination tournament will be held at Essex High School in Tappahannock on Saturday.

Tickets to Sunday's games at Deltaville Ballpark will be \$5 for adults; kids 12 and under are admitted free.

For updated playoff scores, news and stats, visit www.teamz.com/middlepeninsulam Mariners.

The Mariners won the regular season title of the VBL and are seeded number one in the tournament. The Mariners are the defending VBL champions.

Virginia Baseball League Playoff Schedule
Saturday, August 8, at Essex High School

Game 1—10 a.m. (#4) Tigers vs. (#1) Mariners

Game 2—12:30 p.m. (#3) Braves vs. (#2) Tides

Game 3—4 p.m. Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2

Game 4—6:30 p.m. Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2

Sunday, August 9, at Deltaville Ballpark

Game 5—1:30 p.m. Winner Game 4 vs. Loser Game 3

Game 6—4:30 p.m. Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 5

Game 7—8 p.m. Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 5 (if necessary)



Mariners pitcher Matt Tiller looks to stay unbeaten in playoffs. He is 6-0 on the season with an ERA of 1.40.

Virginia Motor Speedway to host MACS Series Saturday

The wait is finally over for one of Virginia Motor Speedway's most anticipated events of 2009. The 30th Annual Topless USA 100 presented by the U.S. Army returns to the 1/2-mile dirt oval at Jamaica in Middlesex County this Saturday, August 8, and will once again be sanctioned by the Mid-Atlantic Championship Series (MACS).

The 30th edition of the USA 100 will pay a cool \$12,000

to win and \$1,000 to start the final 50-lap segment. After the success and popularity of last year's event, the roofs will once again come off and the USA 100 will again be "topless."

Track prep and facility preparations have already begun in anticipation of a stellar field of competitors. Drivers from up and down the East Coast will be making their way to the speedway for one of the area's top paying events of the year.

The purse for Ernie Shelton's Topless USA 100 final 50-lap segment is as follows: 1. \$12,000; 2. \$6,000; 3. \$3,000; 4. \$2,500; 5. \$2,000; 6. \$1,750; 7. \$1,500; 8. \$1,250; 9. \$1,200; 10. \$1,150; 11. \$1,100; 12. \$1,075; 13. \$1,050; 14. \$1,025; 15. \$1,020; 16. \$1,015; 17. \$1,010; 18. \$1,005; 19-26. \$1,000. All drivers who do not transfer to the A Main from the

twin-25's will receive \$200.

The format will again feature the AlturMATs Time Trails presented by JNJ Motorsports Media, from which a pair of 25-lap qualifiers will be developed. The first is the Sunoco Race Fuels Odd 25-lap Qualifier presented by Bazell Oil; while the second is the Keizer Aluminum Wheels Even 25-lap Qualifier presented by Big Shot Performance. From each of those events the top 12 drivers will advance straight up into the feature program.

Spectator gates open at 4 p.m. On-track action begins at 6 p.m. with hot laps.

Bill Sawyer's Virginia Motor Speedway is a 1/2-mile, dirt oval located on Route 17, eight miles north of Saluda. Call (804) 758-1VMS or visit www.vamotorspeedway.com for more information.

Soccer Academy begins Monday at Sports Complex

The Middlesex Soccer Academy is the 2009 Urbanna Oyster Festival Queen Competition community service project of Libbie Randolph.

The academy will be held August 10-14 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. each day on the soccer fields of the Middlesex Sports Complex behind St. Clare

Walker Middle School, Locust Hill.

Pages 6-12 are invited to come out and join a fun, skill-enhancing soccer clinic. Skills include dribbling, passing, shooting, defending and goal keeping and will be taught by local soccer players and coaches.

Participants also will receive a T-shirt and skills booklet.

The cost will be \$20 per child, and all proceeds will benefit the Guardian Program at the Middlesex YMCA.

"There are limited slots, so sign up quickly so you don't miss this opportunity!" said Randolph. "Strap on your

cleats and come ready to kick it up with the 2009 Middlesex Soccer Academy!"

For further information and to register, contact Randolph at (804) 815-9904.



Football campers

Twelve Christchurch School football players (above) attended the University of Maryland Terrapins Football Technique Camp in June. Preseason practice for the Seahorses begins August 24.

YMCA soccer signup begins

The Middlesex YMCA youth soccer program has started registration. The soccer season will begin on September 1 and continue throughout the month of October for youth ages 3-18. There will be

weekly practices and games each Saturday.

The cost of the program is \$30 for members and \$50 for program participants. Contact the YMCA at (804) 776-8846 for additional information.

golf results

The results of the Piankatank River Ladies Golf Association low net tournament on July 30 are as follows:

- 1st Flight—1st, Mary Francisco (70); 2nd, Kim Harris (70); 3rd, Karen Gorin (74).
- 2nd Flight—1st, Ann Padgett (69); 2nd, Ann Stanley (73); 3rd, Bonnie Norton (74).
- 3rd Flight—1st, Marny Richardson (66); 2nd, Robin Curtis (73); 3rd, Judy Castleman (73).

The results of the 18-hole Deer Run Woman's Golf Association play (T&F holes-gross) on August 3 are as follows:

- 1st Flight—1st, Joan Sova; 2nd, Betty Carneal; 3rd, Joann Combs.
- 2nd Flight—1st, Sachiko Dulaney; 2nd, June James; 3rd, Sheila Lia.
- 3rd Flight—1st, Betty Sever; 2nd, Margaret Marshall; 3rd, Ruth Wallace.

fishing news

by Capt. Percy Blackburn

Spanish mackerel are still providing lots of activity in the middle Bay. Windmill Bar, Fleets Bay, and the P1/P2 buoys at the mouth of the Piankatank River are just a few of the spots where these favorites can be caught.

Troll Clark spoons (gold or silver/pink) or Drone spoons behind #1 planers. Look for fish on top of the water feeding on minnows, or fish near drop-offs. Many of the fish that are hooked are not landed. To land more fish, let the line out 50-75 feet in order to retrieve hooked fish over a shorter distance in the boat's wake. Hopefully, these fish will be around into early September.

Puppy drum are providing lots of light tackle action in the creeks and rivers. Captain Ed Lawrence (804-693-5673) on the charter boat "Speckulator" has had good catches fishing in 2 to 4 feet of water around grass beds and structure on the Corrotoman River. Try casting 1/4-oz. jig heads (red) tipped with Gulp Swimming Mulletts (pearl white), or floating a piece of peeler crab on a #2 snelled hook.

Flounder fishing in the Rappahannock River continues to be very productive at the Pickle Factory, Mosquito Point, Towles Point and Buoy #8 just above Urbanna Creek. Try slow trolling or drifting Gillie rigs tipped with Gulp Jerk Shads or jugging 1 to 2 oz. Honey Hole lures tipped with the same Gulp baits.

Anglers fishing out of Fish On Bait and Tackle in Deltaville indicate chartreuse pepper neon and nuclear chicken are yielding the best results.

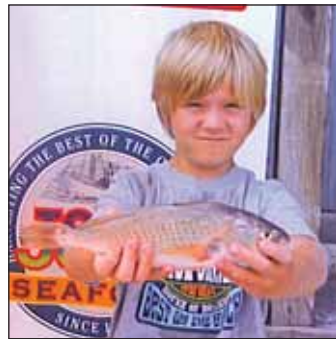
Fishing for flounder at the Cell/Buoy #42 area has been inconsistent. There are days when the fishing is very good, and other days when the fish can be very difficult to find.

Spot are being caught in



Citation speck

Ray Newsome of Cobbs Creek displays the citation speckled trout (26", 5 lbs., 5 oz.) caught August 1 on a live bunker near Gwynn's Island. (Photo courtesy of Queen's Creek Outfitters)



Top fish

Jackson Norton (above) is the latest winner in the 15 years and under age group in the J&W Seafood Weekly Fishing Contest. He caught a croaker weighing 0.79 lb.

good numbers at The Spike, Butler's Hole and Buoy #5 at the mouth of the Piankatank River. Bloodworms are providing the best results. The larger spot should be showing up in the next few weeks.

Captain Tim Haley (804-776-6740) on the charter boat "RobAnnJay" has had an outstanding week fishing off Gwynn's Island. He has filled his coolers with #1 and #2 spot mixed with mullet. Gray trout have arrived, but most are below the 12' minimum size.



Forty-one pets adopted

The Gloucester-Mathews Humane Society (GMHS) held a grand opening ceremony last Saturday for its new 15,000-square-foot facility, which also serves Middlesex, King and Queen, and Essex counties as well as Northern Neck communities. At the event, 41 pets were adopted, which was almost 25 percent of the shelter population. Above, cats vie for attention from a Gloucester girl, whose grandmother adopted a kitten on Saturday. In the background is the shelter's gift shop. (Photo by Tom Chillemi)

Rage schedules tryout

The Northern Neck Rage, the girls fast pitch softball organization of the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula, will conduct tryouts at Richmond County Little League in Warsaw on Saturday, August 15, at 9:30 a.m.

The Northern Neck Rage is entering its 10th year of play.

The Rage will be fielding teams for 12U, 14U, 16U and 18U for the 2009-10 season. There will be at least 12 openings for the new 12U team. The other teams are in need of some key position players, including pitchers and catchers. This is an excellent time to try out for the

Rage. The Rage teams come together from more than nine counties to satisfy their desire for higher competition, elevate their game, make new friends, and have fun. "The competitive softball that our young ladies play takes the game to a higher level, with more than 20 Rage alumni moving on to play college ball," said a team spokesperson.

Potential players should pre-register before attending a tryout by emailing info@northernneckrage.com or calling (804) 333-9399.

Johnson places third in 8K run

Amanda Johnson, 25, of Church View placed third in her women's age group (25-29) in the Yorktown Independence Day 8K run.

The field had 470 runners, with 439 completing the course in the 90-minute time limit. According to the Peninsula Track Club, the 8K field was the largest on the Peninsula in years, along with being fast and competitive.

Johnson's time was 38:49.

Deltaville Pool to open for lap swimming

The Deltaville Pool will open from 10 to 11 a.m., Monday through Friday, from Monday, August 10, through September 4 for lap swimming.

The cost for non-members will be \$5 per visit.

Contact the pool at 776-9049 or Dianne McNamee at (804) 240-3288 for more information.

Fish farming workshop set

Cooperative Extension at Virginia State University, in cooperation with the Virginia Aquaculture Association, will hold a workshop to teach farm pond owners and fish farmers with farm ponds how to build cages for growing rainbow trout during the winter for fun or profit.

Free and open to the public, the workshop will be held on Thursday, September 10, from 1 to 5 p.m. at VSU's Cooperative Extension Pavilion on River Road in Ettrick.

Participants will build cages during the workshop. Workshop topics will include deciding which species of fish to raise, determining where to locate cages, feeding and marketing, and cage design.

Interested participants are requested to register by September 1. To register or for more information, call Dr. Louis Landesman, VSU aqua-

culture management agent, at (804) 524-6962 or llandesman@vsu.edu; or Dr. David Crosby, VSU fish health specialist, at (804) 524-5620 or derosby@vsu.edu.

Anyone needing special services or accommodations in order to participate should call in advance to discuss arrangements.

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Rodgers graduates

Rachel Beth Rodgers of Urbanna graduated from Radford University at the end of the spring semester. Rodgers, daughter of Ray and Kathy Rodgers, earned a bachelor of science degree in deaf/hard of hearing.

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Weekly Tides

Windmill Point - Sunrise & Moon - August, 2009

Day	Time	High	Low	Sunrise	Moonset
Fri 8/7	High	12:23	1:4'	Sunrise	6:14
	Low	6:55	0:2'	Sunset	8:07
	High	12:39	1:3'	Moonset	7:42
Sat 8/8	High	12:57	1:3'	Sunrise	6:15
	Low	7:28	0:2'	Sunset	8:06
	High	1:14	1:3'	Moonset	8:41
Sun 8/9	High	1:31	1:3'	Sunrise	6:16
	Low	8:01	0:2'	Sunset	8:05
	High	1:49	1:3'	Moonset	9:40
Mon 8/10	High	2:06	1:3'	Sunrise	6:17
	Low	8:35	0:2'	Sunset	8:04
	High	2:27	1:3'	Moonset	10:41
Tue 8/11	High	2:43	1:2'	Sunrise	6:18
	Low	9:11	0:2'	Sunset	8:02
	High	3:08	1:4'	Moonset	11:44
Wed 8/12	High	3:26	1:2'	Sunrise	6:19
	Low	9:53	0:2'	Sunset	8:01
	High	3:56	1:4'	Moonset	12:50
Thu 8/13	High	4:16	1:1'	Sunrise	6:19
	Low	10:42	0:2'	Sunset	8:00
	High	4:52	1:4'	Moonset	1:58
Fri 8/14	High	5:14	1:1'	Sunrise	6:20
	Low	11:40	0:2'	Sunset	7:59
	High	5:56	1:4'	Moonset	3:06

Corrections

Location	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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Land is being cleared for the new science center at Christchurch School.

Construction of new science center under way at CCS

The Christchurch School campus is a whirl of summer activity with construction of the Lewis B. Puller Jr. '63 Science Marine and Environmental Science Center now under way.

Designed by BCWH Architects of Richmond, the completed center will feature a full atrium view of the Rappahannock River; fully-equipped laboratories for the biology, physics, chemistry, environmental and science programs; automated water quality and weather monitoring equipment for real-time data; aquarium and aquaculture tanks; and resources and equipment to allow students and faculty to develop and pursue research interests.

KBS Builders of Richmond is constructing the center. Because it will be LEED certified, all possible materials from

excavation of the site are being recycled and tracked. Anticipated completion is May 2010.

"This new building is about the future of our great school," said headmaster Jeb Byers. "It is a reflection of the deep love of our alumni, families and friends for Christchurch School. The fact that we are now in construction is proof positive of the commitment of the Christchurch School family to 'Great Journeys Begin at the River.' Great Journeys is a bold, comprehensive approach to teaching and learning that is designed to prepare students for 21st century lives—lives of purpose, of meaning, of lifelong learning. The Lewis B. Puller Jr. '63 Marine and Environmental Science Center also recognizes a favorite son of Middlesex and a distinguished alumnus of our school. We are very proud to be taking this step forward."

MES begins registration of new students

Middlesex Elementary School is currently registering new students for the upcoming 2009-10 school year. To register a child for school, a parent or guardian will need to bring the following information to the school office:

- Original birth certificate (photocopies will not be accepted).
- Proof of residency.
- Commonwealth of Virginia school entrance medical examination (in-state transfer students will not need to provide).
- Immunization records (transfer student may not need to provide).

Also, the Title 1 pre-kindergarten program is now setting up screening dates for children who will be 4 years of age by September 30. To schedule an appointment for pre-kindergarten screening or if you have further questions regarding registration, call the school office at 758-2496. The office is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All new student registrations will need to be completed before September 2 in order for students to begin school on September 8.

Trailer appliances are needed

by Cathy Newcomb
Hands Across Middlesex
There are several old trailers in the county that will soon be removed. In some cases, these trailers have salvageable parts and appliances. Many of our repair jobs involve trailers, so Hands desperately needs appliances and appliance-related parts from discarded trailers.

Trailer appliance sizes and parts are not standard and are valuable in our efforts to help our recipients who live in trailers. Please call our office (776-8535) if you have any of these salvageable items to give away.

The next Hands Across Middlesex meeting will be held at Grafton Baptist Church on August 16, at 3:30 p.m.



Cydney L. Fisher

Fisher honored for leadership

Cydney L. Fisher of Church View has been recognized by the United States Achievement Academy as "a student of excellent minority leadership."

This is a prestigious honor. The academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Fisher, a rising senior at Middlesex High School, was nominated by a teacher. She will appear in the academy's yearbook, which is published nationally.

Miss Fisher is the daughter of Cynthia Reede-Fisher of Church View and Darrell Fisher of Memphis, Tenn. She is the granddaughter of the late Soney and Mildred Reede of Church View and Betty Fisher of Philadelphia, Pa.

Bake sale is Saturday at Big John's

Cydney Fisher, a 2009 Urbanna Oyster Festival Queen contestant, will hold a bake sale on Saturday, August 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Big John's Convenience Store at Church View.

The bake sale is part of Fisher's community service project and all proceeds will benefit Middle Peninsula Prevention Services.

"I feel there is a desperate need to get information to the community about alcohol, tobacco and drugs," said Fisher.

On Sunday, August 9, starting at 11 a.m., Fisher will be at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Church View working with youth on a "Prevention Day."

For more information, call Fisher at 804-384-7554 or email her at paycig@yahoo.com.

EVB promotes Karen Bristow

Joe Shearin, president and CEO of EVB, has announced the promotion of Karen Bristow to branch manager for the Kilmarnock office.

Bristow began her banking career in May 1993 as a teller at the Urbanna office. She then moved into the CSR position and, based on her performance, was given the opportunity to become a loan processor for EVB's three Middlesex branches. She was promoted to assistant branch manager in October 2003 at the Gloucester Court House office. Bristow moved to the Glens office as assistant branch manager in 2005 when the branch opened.

In 2008 she graduated from the VBA School of Bank Management at the University of Virginia.

"Bristow brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in all areas of retail branch banking to the Kilmarnock team," said Shearin.

Bristow and her husband Michael live in Remlik with their son, J.T.

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Obituaries

Christine S. Bristow

Christine S. Bristow, 86, of Topping, widow of John W. Bristow, died Tuesday, August 4, 2009.

She was a member of Harmony Grove Baptist Church. She has been a Richmond Times-Dispatch paper carrier since 1960.

She was predeceased by two sons, Mason Darnell and Jason Bristow and is survived by two sons, Wilbert B. Darnell and Robert E. Darnell and his wife Christine, all of Topping; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, August 6, at Bristow-Faulkner Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Saluda. Interment will be in Harmony Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Topping.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 98, Deltaville, VA 23043.

JoNell K.C. Thatcher

JoNell Kelly Creekmur Thatcher passed away July 29, 2009. She was born in Richmond on August 26, 1938.

Survivors include her son, Nelms Creekmur (Renata) of Atlanta, Ga.; granddaughters, Anna Lee and Nadia; brothers, James Kelly (Sharon) of Hiwassee, and Patrick Kelly (Judy) of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.; and five nieces and nephews and their children.

A cheerleader at Thomas Jefferson High School, Mrs. Thatcher then graduated from Johnston Willis Hospital as an R.N. and from the Medical College of Virginia as a family nurse practitioner.

She and her late husband, Dick Thatcher, were avid sailors and charter members of Urbanna Creek Yacht Club. She operated Kerry Girl, a clothing store in Urbanna.

She was president of the Clay Network of Northeast Florida

and a competitive tennis player who was affectionately known as the "lob queen." An original member of Christ Church Cares Ministries, she served as a Shepherd and a Stephen Minister. She also served as an usher and a member of the Cursillo Community. One of her proudest achievements was recently receiving her 13-year chip for sobriety.

Services were held Saturday at Christ Episcopal Church at Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Linda's Legacy Foundation, P.O. Box 2431, Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida 32004-2431.

Kendall W. Paul

Kendall Wilson Paul, 84, of Hartfield, formerly of Richmond, died Monday, August 3, 2009.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane; his daughter, Janice Moody and her husband Sam; his son, Bradford Paul and his wife Diane; step-daughters, Shannon and Stephanie Stocks; sister, Katherine Paul Myers and her husband Frank; and sister-in-law, Cathryn Grey Paul.

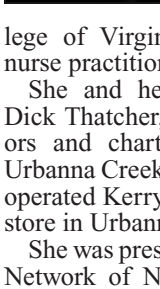
He was predeceased by his brothers, Grady Paul and Clarence Paul, and his wife, Ann West Paul.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, including the invasion of Okinawa and the occupation of Japan.

He was a graduate of T.C. Williams Law School at the University of Richmond. He was a partner in several law firms in Richmond, concluding his practice as a sole practitioner. He was a substitute judge in the General District Court of the City of Richmond.

Friends and family will gather at Mr. Paul's home in Hartfield on Saturday, August 8, from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Sweet Georgia

Georgia Crittenden (above), daughter of Katie and Tyler Crittenden, enjoys running through her father's sunflower field at Merryvale Farm in Deltaville. Katie Crittenden, a Navy nurse, will deploy to Germany next week. (Photo by Leslie Krom)

maritime museum

by Nature Girl and Kaptain Krunch
This Saturday is the Jackson Creek Kayak Tour & Picnic. If you don't have your own kayak, call Jackie Willis of Lazy Days Adventures. She will have a limited number of kayaks for rent. Call her at 776-9853 to reserve one for only \$15. Afterwards enjoy Bistro Burgers and Bill's Dogs, but please bring a side dish to share. If you are coming, please call the museum (776-7200) for a head count. It's a great time, plus you are out there in nature getting exercise!
And now to Krunch . . . or is he out of town?
Our local boatnut, Kaptain Krunch, went missing this past weekend. We found him at Clayton, N.Y., where he filed the following report:
Swell, swell, swell. The people are swell, the museum is swell, and the boats—swell plus.
It's a long drive to the Canadian border on the St. Lawrence River, but luckily I went with my advertising buddy, Matt Smith (Smith-Gifford), who made the miles short.
I first heard the wayback machine starting up in Pennsylv-

vania as we passed through my old college stomping grounds. First of all, the museum is extensive and very impressive. Apparently they have angels in profusion because everything is beautifully displayed and perfectly kept.
And the boats! This was the 45th annual boat show so there were more boats than usual. Some boats, such as the giant "Garwood, Pardon Me" (great name), donated by our pal Jim Lewis and valued at over a million dollars, are on permanent display.
Alan Jackson came in his older '83 Burger (It's okay, I didn't know who he [country singer] was either) and auctioned off a few boats for charity.
This is motorboat country—the Thousand Islands of New York and Canada. Everyone has a boat, lives on the river, and really uses their boats every day, sort of like Tidewater, Va. Except, of course, when the river freezes solid and the locals eat cat food. But, while the weather is fine, the sparkling freshwater is covered with all manner of craft. Clayton, N.Y., is as close as I'll ever get to woody boat heaven.

middlesex county sheriff's report

Middlesex Sheriff Guy Abbott thanks all the volunteer fire and rescue squad members who provide such an invaluable service to the residents and visitors in Middlesex County. Without compensation, the ever-vigilant volunteers of Middlesex County donate their time, skills and personal resources to answer calls for assistance—both emergency and non-emergency—24/7/365.
Between July 6 and August 2, volunteers from the four fire departments and two rescue squads answered a combined total of 137 calls for service (the volunteer fire departments in Middlesex responded on 24 calls, and the two volunteer rescue squads responded to 113 calls).
The Middlesex Sheriff's Office communications center documented a total of 1,212 calls for service in that time frame. Deputies served 78 warrants and criminal summonses on 40 individuals. Some of those arrests made and incidents reported are listed below.
On July 6, Megan Victoria Caseday, 23, of White Stone was arrested by the Hampton Police Department on outstanding criminal warrants on file in Middlesex for the March 30 home invasion that occurred at a residence in the 300 block of Syringa Road in Topping. Caseday was booked into the Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center (MPRSC) in Saluda on three felony and three misdemeanor charges of assault and battery, breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony, abduction and kidnapping, unlawful injury to phone lines, destruction of property, and threats to bomb or damage a struc-

ture. Caseday is the fourth suspect charged with the late March home invasion.
On July 10, Joshua Parks Webb, 22, of Deltaville, was served on a failure to appear show cause summons. Webb failed to appear in court in Middlesex on July 6 after being arrested at his home on January 15, 2009 for possession of drugs and being in possession of a firearm while in possession of drugs. Webb was also served with six summonses on July 24, charging him with failure to purchase dog licenses and failure to have his animals inoculated for rabies.
On July 13, a 49-year-old Jamaica man had his DUI suspended sentence revoked by court order for failure to comply with the terms set by the court.
On July 8, Michael Edward Williams, formerly of Warsaw, was arrested by the Middlesex Sheriff's Office while in the Middlesex Courthouse. Williams, 25, was scheduled to be in court to answer to charges of driving on a forfeited license and possession of a controlled substance. A subsequent warrant was taken out against Williams two days after his June 6 arrest at a Church View convenience store parking lot for second offense of driving on a forfeited license.
On July 8, Joshua Shane Allen Jones, 18, of Deltaville was arrested and charged with grand larceny and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The two charges resulted from a theft report that came in to the Middlesex Sheriff's Office over the July 4th holiday weekend. A vehicle owner on North End Road in Deltaville reported that his vehicle had been broken into and numerous items were taken. Investigator C.B. Sibley conducted the investigation of theft.
On July 10 just before 11 p.m., Deputy G.R. Longest was dispatched to meet with some unhappy campers at a local campground. Longest obtained statements from several adult and juvenile guests who complained that a man staying at a nearby campsite had been lighting M-80 type firecrackers and throwing them onto the paved roadway as golf carts with people on them passed by. Longest obtained four misdemeanor warrants charging the accused man, a 26-year-old law enforcement officer from North Carolina, with assault and battery.
Lt. J. H. Ellis was on routine patrol heading east on Route 33 in Wake just after 2 a.m. on July 11 when a slow-moving vehicle heading west on Route 33 near Wilton Cottage came into Ellis' field of vision. As the vehicle got closer, Ellis released the hold button on his radar, which indicated the vehicle was traveling under 30 miles per hour. As the approaching vehicle got closer, Ellis realized the vehicle was actually traveling west in the eastbound lane, heading directly toward his patrol car. Ellis pulled his vehicle onto the grassy shoulder of the highway near Horse Point Road just as the vehicle passed. Ellis stopped the vehicle after it turned onto Mill Creek Road in Wake. The driver was taken into custody for suspicion of driving under the influence and was transported to Mathews Sheriff's Office to have an intoxilyzer test administered. The driver, a 71-year-old Wake man, was charged with DUI and refusal.
Just before 2 a.m. on July 13, a 911 call was made to the Sheriff's Office reporting that an intoxicated man had armed himself with a knife in a home on Dirt Bridge Lane in Topping and was threatening household members. Deputy V.A. "Trey" Blake arrived within moments and took the man into custody. The 46-year-old Topping man was charged with assault and battering a family member, and an emergency protective order was issued by a regional magistrate as well. Within eight hours of the man being served with his copy of the protective order listing no contact with the petitioner by direct or indirect means, the man was arrested again just after 11:30 a.m. that same morning for violating the terms of the protective order by calling household members from the jail in Saluda.
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Vergara started his business with a loan from the Middle Peninsula Business Development Partnership (MPBDP).
For more information, contact Vergara at 757-235-9696.
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Brandon Vergara, owner of V Company Home Renovations.
Planning District Commission with support from the USDA Rural Business Enterprise Program.
For more information on how the MPBDP can help start or expand a small business, call 758-4917 or visit www.mpbdp.org www.mpbdp.org.

Back-to-school sales tax holiday begins Friday

Virginia's back-to-school sales tax holiday begins Friday, August 7, and continues through Sunday, August 9. During this three-day period, many school supplies costing \$20 or less each, and clothing items and footwear costing \$100 or less each, will be exempt from Virginia's 5% sales tax. Lists of exempt items, are available at www.tax.virginia.gov.

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Donations totaling \$30,000 were recently made to the Middlesex County Volunteer Rescue Squad of Deltaville. Above, squad treasurer Barbara Shore (center) accepts a \$20,000 check from ladies auxiliary treasurer Virginia Ashford (left), and a \$10,000 check raised through weekly bingo games from Ruth Benson (right). (Photo by Tom Chillemi)

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