



Cape Charles Gazette

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We hope that you will enjoy reading the Cape Charles Gazette which is the electronic newsletter published from time to time on behalf of the municipal government of the Town of Cape Charles. The Gazette provides a variety of information that we believe will be useful to the citizens and businesses of Cape Charles as well as those who plan to travel to Cape Charles or have any interest in our Town or the Town's government. The Gazette provides information on actions being undertaken or being considered by the Town government, upcoming activities in the Town, important public safety and security issues and emergency announcements.

We welcome your responses which may be sent to gazette@capecharles.org, by regular mail to 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or by calling (757) 331-3259.

We also encourage you to visit the Town's website at www.capecharles.org where you will find up-to-date information about the operation of the Town government.



EASTERN SHORE BIRDING & WILDLIFE FESTIVAL

23RD ANNUAL EASTERN SHORE BIRDING & WILDLIFE FESTIVAL OCTOBER 8 – 11, 2015

Come experience the peak of fall bird migration and the wonders of wildlife at the Eastern Shore Birding & Wildlife Festival headquartered in Cape Charles! The southern tip of the Delmarva Peninsula provides a natural "funnel" effect for migrating hawks, warblers and other songbirds.

Mr. Jeff Bouton of Leica Sport Optics is the 2015 Keynote Speaker. Join him at the Palace Theatre on Friday, October 9th, at 5:30 p.m. Admission to the Opening Ceremony and Keynote Talk is free and open to the public. There will be a reception prior to the Opening Ceremony at 4:00 p.m. at the Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Hall.

The weekend is packed with a variety of activities including field and boat trips. Visit the Eastern Shore Birding & Wildlife Festival website for a complete schedule of events.

VACANCIES ON TOWN BOARDS



The Town currently has vacancies on the Wetlands/Coastal Dunes Board, the Library Board, Board of Zoning Appeals and Building Code Board of Appeals. These boards, with the exception of the Library Board, meet on an as-needed basis. The Library Board meets monthly on the second Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.

If you live in the Town and are interested in serving on any of these boards, please complete the [Application for Boards and Commission](#) and return it to Town Clerk Libby Hume at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or email it to clerk@capecharles.org.

Once applications are collected, interviews will be scheduled with the Town Council to fill the vacancies.

PLEASE JOIN US ON MASON AVENUE
FOR



SATURDAY, OCTOBER, 31ST, 2015

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Special appearance by Pirate Petel!



Trick-or-Treating permitted throughout town until 8:00 PM

To reserve your parking space or for more information, please contact Recreation Coordinator Jen Lewis at reccoordinator@capecharles.org or 757-331-4785

MEET THE STAFF!



Please join us in welcoming Jodi Outland, the new accountant in the Finance Department. Jodi started with the town on September 21, 2015 and has jumped right in to assume her duties!

Jodi and her husband, Jim, have had ties to the Eastern Shore for many years. Jim's grandfather was a school principal in Northampton County in the early 1900s and their family has had a place in Accomack County where they enjoy boating, crabbing and relaxing with their three sons and extended family. They moved to Cape Charles as full time residents the end of August.

Jodi has held a number of positions in the accounting and human resources fields and has experience in benefit administration, staff development and office management. We are very excited to have her join our team.

Please stop by the Town Hall and introduce yourself and welcome her to the community!

A REMINDER FROM THE PLANNER: PERMIT AND APPROVAL EXPIRATION

Every Town-issued permit and approval will expire at some point in time. Will your project be completed by the expiration date?

Whether you are applying to the Town Council for a conditional use permit or to the Building Department for a plumbing upgrade, be aware that there is a limited time to complete projects approved by the Town. This information is found in the various Town codes, or by contacting the Building and Planning Departments. In some cases extensions are granted, so be aware of the time limitations and procedural requirements to obtain an extension.

If you know that your project will be delayed for any reason please contact the Town sooner rather than later. It is always the applicant's responsibility to meet the terms of all permits and approvals. If your permit and/or approval expires before your project is completed, you will have to start from the beginning by re-submitting all application materials and paying the application fee again. And it will cost you in lost time as well.

FROM THE TREASURER

The Town received the electronic real estate and personal property tax records from Northampton County which have converted for our financial software. Treasurer Deborah Pocock is currently in the process of reviewing the data and she is hopeful that the annual billing will be distributed by the end of October with a December 5, 2015 due date.



RECYCLING FACILITIES



Northampton County provides several **Recycling Facilities** that accept plastic, glass, newspaper, cardboard, aluminum and steel cans, waste oil and batteries. Large or bulky household items occasionally needing disposal by a resident will also be accepted and transported to a disposal site.

There are 5 locations throughout the County. The closest location to the Town is in Bayview at 22564 Bayview Circle.

The hours of operation are Monday – Saturday 7:30 AM – 6 PM; Sunday 1 PM – 6 PM.

More information can be located on the Northampton County website at www.co.northampton.va.us/departments/landfill.html.

WINTERIZING YOUR BOAT

Winter is approaching and boating season is coming to an end. With the fall in temperatures and threats of extreme weather, your boat can be put in harm's way both internally and externally, mechanically and physically. Taking the proper precautions and procedures will help prevent your boat from sustaining any damage, corrosion, or significant mechanical problems. Each part of your boat can be prepared for winter storage and maintained throughout the winter to ensure dependability come next spring.

Listed below are a number of steps you can take to winterize your boat and keep it maintained throughout the winter.

- Change engine oil, and transmission oil.
- Replace fuel filters, oil filters, and add oil stabilizer.
- Drain all water out of your engine and fill with antifreeze.
- Keep fuel tank 7/8 full and add fuel stabilizer to prevent condensation.
- Cut the fuel supply to the engine and run engine out of gasoline.
- Lubricate all grease points for tilt/trim, steering, control cables, etc.
- Remove spark plugs, use a fogging oil on the cylinders and replace the spark plugs.
- Seal all openings of the engine (intake, exhaust, etc.).
- Keep battery indoors and maintain a full charge once a month.
- Wash the boat and coat any unpainted parts with an anticorrosion spray.
- Touch up damaged paint.
- Keep boat covered.
- For boats stored in water keep a heater in your cabin and engine box to maintain temperature.



It is also important to set a regular care/maintenance schedule up to perform monthly. This schedule should include:

- Regular security and system checks
- Checking all hatches, windows, etc.
- Check all fenders, mooring lines, covers, power lines, etc.
- Run the Engine for an hour once a month
- Check Bilge Pumps and holding tank

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES AND THE VIRGINIA LANDMARKS REGISTER



The Town of Cape Charles is one of 33 communities registered as a Certified Local Government (CLG) in Virginia. The CLG designation, established in 1966 by the federal National Historic Preservation Act, means that these communities have taken particular measures to ensure that historic assets are preserved for future generations.

Cape Charles preserves these assets in a number of ways. Through the requirements of the Historic District Overlay Ordinance historic buildings are protected against destruction and encroachments that may damage these buildings. The Historic District Guidelines provide the recommended approach for all building renovation and new construction projects in the district and all such projects come to the Historic District Review Board for final approval.

Individual owners may apply to have their property nominated to the Virginia Landmarks Register and National Register of Historic Places. The

Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) just released the contact information, links to DHR resources, and deadline dates for 2016.

If you are interested, a good place to start is the DHR website (<http://www.dhr.virginia.gov/>). If you have any questions or require further information please contact Town Planner Larry DiRe at larry.dire@capecharles.org or call 757-331-2036.

Monday, October 19 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



At the
**Cape Charles
Civic Center**
500 Tazewell Ave. Cape Charles
Ph. 757-331-1300



Hailing from the Eastern Shore, Robert P. Arthur is known internationally as the finest poet/playwright ever to focus on the Chesapeake Bay. The author of twenty books and plays and a runner-up for Poet Laureate of Virginia in 2008 and 2010, he will read from his award-winning work, **Hymn to the Chesapeake**. Hymn became a poem/play with music and played throughout Virginia, Maryland, Washington, D.C., New York City, and St. Petersburg, Russia.

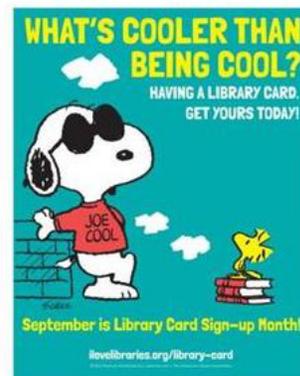
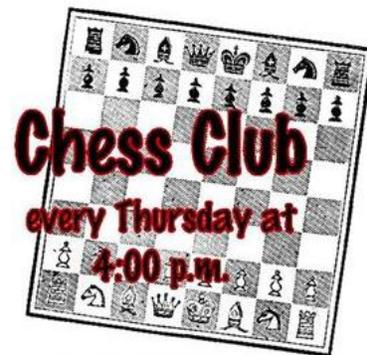
Light, cool refreshments will be served. The authors' books will be available for purchase and signing.

Frances Williams, aka Aphrodite Anagnost (given name), resident of Nassawadox, is a physician and horse trainer. Her first employer was her horse riding teacher; and her second, her parents, who entertained Vegas acts in their barn-turned-restaurant next to the once-famous Warwick Musical Theatre. She is currently the Director of Hospice and Palliative Care on the Eastern Shore. She is a semifinalist in the 2014 Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award Contest for her first novel, **MEMOIR OF A DEATH ANGEL**, for which she won a VCCA fellowship.



🍎 Cape Charles Memorial Library 🍎

| 2015 Fall Story Time | |
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| Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. | |
| Preschoolers meet upstairs. Toddlers & Babies meet downstairs. | |
| 8/27 | Back to School |
| 9/3 | No story time this week |
| 9/10 | Cats Meow |
| 9/17 | Snug as a Bug in a Book |
| 9/24 | Fall |
| 10/1 | On The Farm |
| 10/8 | Fly Away Birds |
| 10/15 | Dinosaurs |
| 10/22 | Things That Go, Go, Go |
| 10/29 | Halloween |
| 11/5 | Mice |
| 11/12 | Night |
| 11/19 | Thanksgiving |
| 11/26 | HOLIDAY - Library Closed thru 11/28 |
| 12/3 | Rabbits |
| 12/10 | Color |
| 12/17 | Winter |
| 12/24 | HOLIDAY - Library Closed thru 12/26 |





Town of Cape Charles Recreation Department 2015 Fall Programs

All programs will take place at the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave unless otherwise noted. For more information on these programs, please visit www.capecharles.org or call Jen Lewis at 757-331-4785.

Arts & Crafts

4:00 PM

Sept 23

Oct 14

Oct 28

Nov 4

Nov 18



Adult Book Club

5:30 PM

Sept 14 - Heart of Palm

Sept 28 - Heart of Palm

Oct 5 - The Invention of Wings

Oct 19 - The Invention of Wings

Nov 2 - The Girl on the Train

Nov 16 - The Girl on the Train

Trunk-or-Treat & Pirate Pete

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Mason Avenue

Followed by trick-or-treating
until

8:00 PM

Oct 31



Flatfooting

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Donations appreciated

Sept 8

Oct 13

Nov 10



Bingo

10:30 AM

50¢ per card

Sept 4

Sept 25

Oct 2

Oct 9

Oct 16

Oct 23

Oct 30

Nov 6

Nov 13

Nov 20

UPCOMING MEETINGS & NOTICES

- **Monday, October 12, 2015:**
Town Offices closed in observance of Columbus Day.
- Wednesday, October 14, 2015:
Library Board Meeting starting at 5:00 PM at the Cape Charles Memorial Library.
- Thursday, October 15, 2015:
Town Council Regular Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
- Tuesday, October 20, 2015:
Historic District Review Board Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, October 27, 2015:
Mayor's Office Hours, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Monday, November 3, 2015:
Planning Commission Public Hearing & Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Thursday, November 5, 2015:
Town Council Work Session starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center
- Tuesday, November 10, 2015:
Mayor's Office Hours, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- **Wednesday, November 11, 2015:**
Town Offices closed in observance of Veterans' Day.
- Thursday, November 12, 2015:
Town Council Work Session starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center (*tentative*)
- Tuesday, November 17, 2015:
Historic District Review Board Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Thursday, November 19, 2015:
Town Council Regular Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, November 24, 2015:
Mayor's Office Hours, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Civic Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN CAPE CHARLES

- 10/9/15 – 10/11/15: [Eastern Shore Birding & Wildlife Festival](#)
- 10/24/15: 23rd Annual Between the Waters Bike Tour, sponsored by the [Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore](#).
- 10/31/15: Trunk-or-Treat with Pirate Pete, 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Mason Avenue
- 10/31/15: Superhero Costume Contest, 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library
- 10/31/15: Trick-or-Treating throughout the town until 8:00 p.m.
- Save the Date:
 - 11/28/15: Cape Charles Historical Society Oyster Roast
 - 12/5/15: [20th Annual Historic Holiday Homes Tour](#), sponsored by the Northampton County Chamber of Commerce
 - 12/5/15: Santa Train
 - 12/5/15: Grand Illumination of Central Park
 - 12/11/15 – 12/12/15: Santa House, Cape Charles Christian School
 - 12/12/15: Tool Mania, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cape Charles Volunteer Fire House
 - 12/13/15: Cape Charles Bed & Breakfast Cookie Trail, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - 12/31/15: 2nd Annual Dropping of the Crab Pot.



For more information regarding events, please visit our website and take a look at the [Calendar!](#)

We welcome your feedback. Please send your comments to gazette@capecharles.org.

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