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Committee of Historians Seeks Funding for Local History Room in New Regional Library



Photo above: Jenean Hall (left) and Fitz Godwin (right) are changing leadership in regional library capital project campaign.

Fitz Godwin, the new President of the Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation, passes the gavel to Jenean Hall of Onancock, Virginia. Hall is replacing Godwin as Chair of the Eastern Shore Room Committee which is charged by the Foundation to raise funds for the local history room in the new regional library. The Eastern Shore Public Library is renovating a grocery store in Parksley and adding an addition that will house a community room and new Eastern Shore local history room. The library's genealogy and local history collection attracts visitors from around the world to research their families and the rich history of the peninsula. The new facility will have the Brooks Miles Barnes Archive Room, named in honor of the retired librarian that started the collection, and a research reading room. The Eastern Shore Room Committee is seeking funding to support the construction of the rooms that meet the climate control and storage needs of this collection. The group of local historians is offering naming opportunities for the research reading room and its furnishings. For more information, call the ESPL Foundation's Fundraising Office at (757) 787-2500 or visit their website at www.shorelibrary.com.

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