



This is a camellia bush in the yard of Vicki Ambrose at Cobbs Creek, sent by Joanne Gayle.



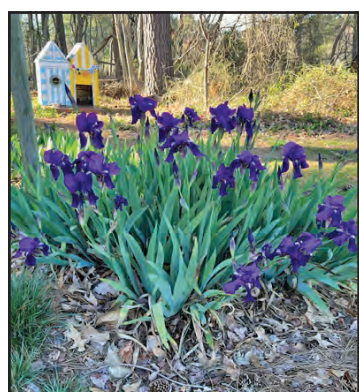
Leucojum aestivum, commonly called the summer snowflake, sent by Cheryl Battle of Bava.



Tulips and variegated ivy in a planter, sent by Mary Bourne of Bena.

Happy day!

With this issue the “flower page,” started when Covid-19 caused cancellation of the Gloucester Daffodil Festival, marks its fourth anniversary. Please send your photos to editor@gazette-journal.net. Thank you for the beauty.



James Eaton of Hallieford sends an iris photo.



Janet Gomez of Gloucester shares the photo of a camellia from her yard.



Double tulips from Bobby and Betty West on Horn Harbor, Port Haywood.



Linda Hodges of Mathews sends photos of her tulips in bloom.



Kim Andrews snapped this photo of daffodils in bloom at the Gazette-Journal, Gloucester.



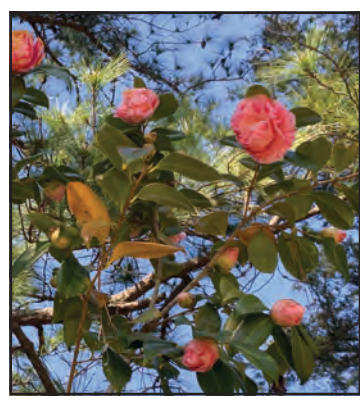
Tom Reed sends a photo of his flowering magnolia in Cherry Point, Gwynn.



“Starbright” daffodils from Nancy Jagger of Port Haywood.



One determined daffodil coming up through a crack in asphalt, in the driveway of Dottie and Corky Hogge.



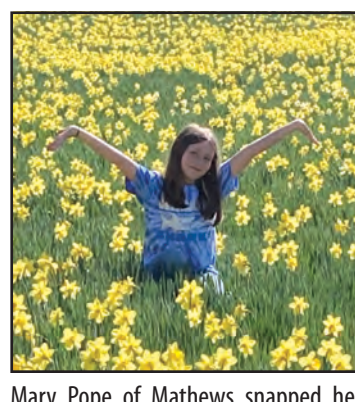
Judy Moughon of Mathews sends a photo of her camellia japonica Carter's Sunburst.



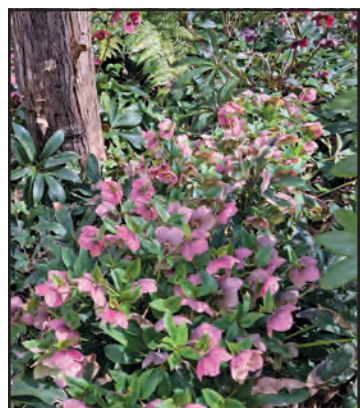
Yana Hare of Hayes sends flowers from her garden: hens and chicks, tulips, and double daffodils.



“Red Twister” camellias grown and sent by Maxine Hudgins of Port Haywood.



Mary Pope of Mathews snapped her granddaughter Oona Tomcany in a field of sunlight, at the Onemo home where the late Powell Hudgins grew daffodils.



Hellebores and Yoshino Cherry at Providence, Cobbs Creek, sent by Jim McKinnon.



Two camellia japonicas from Lewis Hubbard of Cardinal: “April Blush” and “Black Magic.”



Sunrise at Doctors Creek, New Point, sent by Audra Caras.



PHOTO BY SUSAN CROCKETT

Hawkwatch

The Middle Peninsula Bird Club joined members of the Coastal Virginia Wildlife Observatory on Thursday, March 21 (<https://vawildliferesearch.org>) for the annual College Creek Spring Hawkwatch on the shore of the James River across from Hog Island. The Hawkwatch is conducted by CVWO from March 1 to May 31. During Hawkwatch season at the Colonial Parkway site, observers typically see over 2,000 migrating raptors. On March 21, seven species of raptors were seen migrating north across the James River with a total of 153 raptors counted. Turkey vultures were the highest count at 137. Shown, standing from left, are Anne Wilber, Sherry Rollins, Jim Drummond, Ginny Miller, Tom Crockett, Nancy Barnhart (CVWO), Deborah Humphries (CVWO) is seated.



Shown are three of six bald eagles, adult and juvenile, that recently gathered on the Piankatank River shore line of Lee O. White. White says “I am a huge Auburn fan, and call our home Auburn Winds”—the boat’s name too—and “Auburn is known for our War Eagle! I think this was an omen for our basketball team!”

Virginia Birding Classic contest begins April 15

Registration is due Monday for the inaugural Virginia Birding Classic, a statewide birding competition where teams of birders search the state’s public lands for as many species as they can find in 24 hours.

A news release from the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources said teams of at least three or up to six people register online through Go-OutdoorsVirginia.com by April 1. Registration includes a swag bag and free access to available wildlife management areas, state forests, and natural area preserves on the day the team has chosen to go birding.

The contest runs April 15 through May 15. After counting birds on the selected day, results are reported online.

Registration proceeds benefit the Virginia Wildlife Grant Program, which awards annual grants to nonprofit programs focused on connecting youth with outdoors, a release said.

Ready for the market to resume

BY BETTY WRENN DAY

On the first Saturday in April the Mathews Farmers’ Market held on the court green will be in operation. Among the many treasured vendors awaiting a visit from you will be Same As It Never Was. Bob Gordon and Kathy Kanaday, owners, offer hand-crafted novelty items and Kathy’s homemade breads.

The breads are original and a culinary treat. Baking is Kathy’s favorite method of cooking.

Kathy says she didn’t learn cooking or sewing when she grew up. “When it became necessary I taught myself and soon learned how much I really love to cook. I had been missing a lot.”

It was sort of a hit-and-miss in the beginning, Kathy said, but she quickly got down to a practice she still uses today. “Everything I cook is fresh ingredients.” She even peels the potatoes for a mashed potato dinner.

“I like to create my own recipes. Will use a recipe for the first time making and then start adding or deleting for the next go-around. Recently I worked on combining what I thought would be a better rum cake than what I had tasted. By the time I had what I wanted it was entirely different than the original directions. It became my recipe. But I have good tasters—family and friends. I wonder if sometimes when they give the okay it’s because they don’t want to hurt my feelings.”

Kathy’s two sons are among the tasters. “They are both good cooks and can even sew. When they were younger, I told them that they may not have a woman to do these things for them later on in life, so learn now, and they



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Bob Gordon and Kathy Kanaday, owners of the Same As It Never Was booth, will be on hand when the Mathews Farmers’ Market opens April 6.

did.”

Thirteen years ago, Kathy and Bob left Michigan, due to the slump in the car industry, where they made Gloucester their home. This was coming home for Kathy as she is a native of Yorktown and “my family lived here.”

For the season opener with Bob assisting, Kathy will be featuring banana, banana Hawaiian, chocolate zucchini and zucchini breads. Come fall, apple and pumpkin breads will be added.

PORCUPINE MEATBALLS

½ to 1 lb. ground beef
1 box chicken Rice-A-Roni
Mix together and shape into walnut size meatballs. Fry until no longer pink. Drain well on paper towels. Drain grease. Add meatballs to 2 c. water or enough to cover meatballs. Simmer about 30 minutes or until rice cooks. Can add more water if needed.

SOUR CREAM CHICKEN

2 lb. chicken cut into bite-size pieces
1 envelope Knorr vegetable soup mix
16 oz. container sour cream
Cook chicken until no longer pink. Add 2 c. water and dry vegetable soup mix. Simmer until water evaporates and soup mix is paste like. Add sour cream and mix well. Serve over pasta of your choice.

CRANBERRY CHICKEN

2 lb. chicken cut into bite-size pieces
1 small bottle French salad dressing
1 envelope dry onion soup mix
1 can jellied cranberry sauce or whole berries
Mix together the salad dressing, onion soup mix and cranberry sauce. Add chicken and mix well. Pour mixture into a 9x13-inch baking pan. Bake covered at 350°F. for 1 hour.



Quilt donation

The Bay Quilters Quilt Guild recently donated 20 quilts to the Rural Infant Services Program. Pat Rawls, coordinator of the guild, said that the quilts are used by children from birth to three years of age during “tummy time,” when they learn and play while participating in the program. Shown with their quilts, from left, are guild members Emily Anderson, Sweetie Davis, Janet Gauthier, Carol Murdock, Kathy Shy, Cheryl Dale, Ava Lemon, Pat Rawls, and Lynne Dreelein. Receiving the quilts at Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board in Urbanna were (not pictured) Sandra Young of MPNN Early Intervention; Kim Marean, the RISP Local System Manager; and Emily Eanes, director of Youth and Family Services for the CSB. The Bay Quilters Quilt Guild meets the second Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the common room at Westville Christian Church on Main Street, Mathews. “We welcome all visitors interested in learning the art of quilting,” said Rawls.



Gov. Page talk

Phillip Page talked about Virginia’s 13th governor John Page and Rosewell at the March meeting of Augustine Warner Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which was held on March 9 at Abingdon Episcopal Church. Governor Page was born at the Rosewell Plantation; Gloucester’s Page Middle School is named after him. Phillip Page is a descendant of Gov. Page’s uncle, John Page of North End. Shown here at the talk are, from left, Anne Page, Phillip Page and Alison Johnston.



Master Naturalists

Several volunteers with Middle Peninsula Chapter of Virginia Master Naturalists were recently recognized for their service at the chapter’s spring equinox meeting. Those who received pins for the number of hours volunteered were: 1,000 hours: Mike Grose, Sherry Rollins and Kat Sharp; 500 hours: Deb Bartok-Newton, Carolyn Evans, Carol Hopper-Brill, Robin Mathews, Debbie Rollins and C.J. Sweet; 250 hours: Betsy Dern, Tomoko Hamada, Tara Hart, Kammie Lee, Sharon Walker and David Yeager. Shown celebrating the 1,000-hour milestone were, from left, MPNM president Luann Johnson, Rollins, Sharp, Grose and MPNM Better Impact chairperson Bill Blair.



The wall of photos; Richard Miles, Activities Director at Riverside Lifelong Health and Rehabilitation-Mathews. Below, more photos, from left, Tatterson’s Store (1949); Port Haywood around 1920; Tom’s Diner, c. 1960.



Photos of county’s past line the walls of Riverside Center

BY EMILY BOHANNON

Approximately 80 black-and-white framed pictures line the walls of the Riverside Lifelong Health and Rehabilitation-Mathews. These photos are all of various places in Mathews County. They tell a story of Mathews past. Miriam Callis was a resident at the nursing home and a Mathews native (now deceased), who wrote in her own handwriting a brief description of each photograph. Some of these photos are preserved there for posterity. Miles stated that residents of the home, particularly Mathews County residents, really appreciate seeing the pictures and the descriptions that indicate what is shown in each of them. Miles said visitors who come and are not familiar with Mathews often ask about the pictures and are interested to know that these are all places that are/were in the county. They are a tribute to Callis and many others.

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Holy Week services continue in Gloucester, Mathews

The Mathews County Christian Ministerial Association continues its Holy Week services at noon through Friday at Westville Christian Church, Main Street, Mathews.

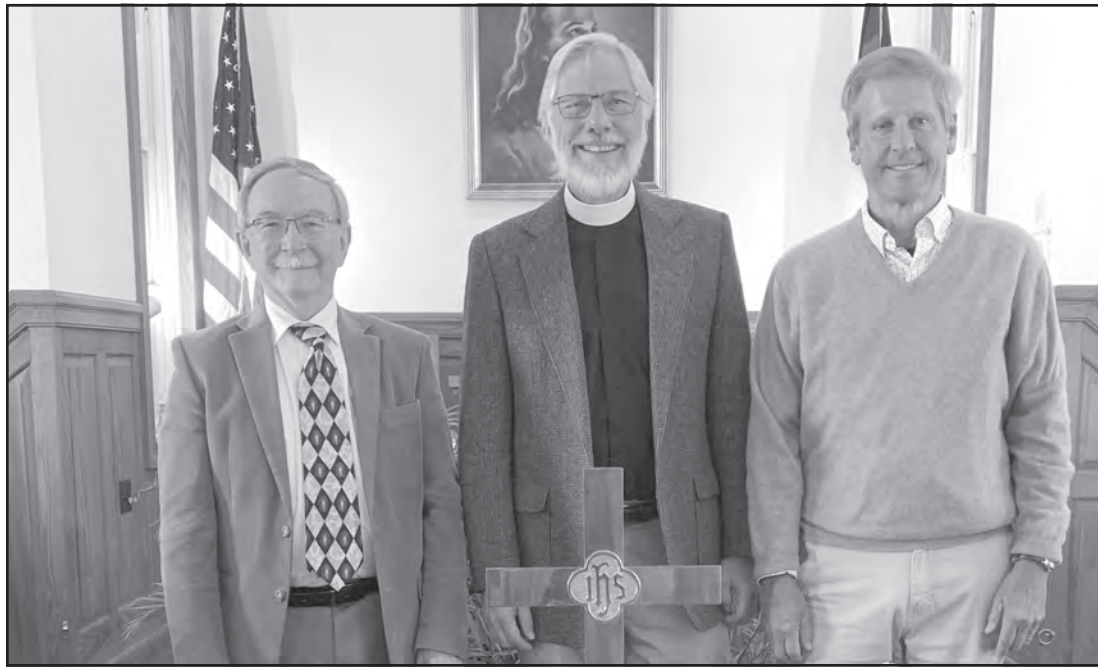
Speakers include: today, the Rev. Gary Barker of Kingston Episcopal Parish, and Friday, Pastor Marcus Stallworth of Mathews Chapel United Methodist Church.

Special artwork will be displayed by artists Gary Edmondson and Irene Sowell, which will be miniature versions of the Stations of the Cross.

In Gloucester

The Gloucester Union Relief Association of Missionary Baptist continues its Holy Week services at 7 p.m. through Friday at New Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Gloucester.

The Rev. Edgar Graham of the First United Baptist Church, White Marsh, spoke on Wednesday. The Rev. Willie Dickerson of Union Zion Baptist Church, Ware Neck, will speak at the communion service tonight. Pastors are to wear their robes, deacons



BILL LAYING FOR THE GAZETTE-JOURNAL

Participants in Monday's Holy Week service at Westville Christian Church, Mathews, included from left, the Rev. Timothy Dice, the Rev. Gary Barker, and the Rev. Coleman Tyler.

wear black and deacons wear white. They are asked to sit together, a release said. The Rev. Bradley Holmes of St. Paul Baptist Church, Gloucester, will speak on Friday.

The Rev. Ward Warren, pastor of First Baptist Church, Ordinary, and GURA Assistant Chaplain, is the Holy Week chairperson and the Rev. James Harris, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Gloucester, is a committee member.

Holy Week, Easter services announced

Services and other activities in churches this week include the following:

ABINGDON EPISCOPAL
Abingdon Episcopal Church, White Marsh, will hold a Maundy Thursday service, with a requiem Mass setting by Gabriel Fauré, at 6 o'clock tonight.

A Good Friday service begins at noon in the church. Stations of the Cross will be set up with prayers offered on the hour until 3 p.m.

On Easter, the Great Vigil will be at 6:30 a.m. An "Alleluia Dinner Theater" with talents from members of the church will be at 9 o'clock. The Celebratory Eucharist will be at 10:30, followed by an Easter egg hunt.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST

The Rev. John A. Jones of Hartswell Baptist Church, Ottoman, will preach at the 11 a.m. Sunday service in Antioch Baptist Church, Susan. It will also be livestreamed on Facebook at weareantioch1869. A "Resurrection" breakfast will be held at 9:30.

A Zoom prayer meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Dial 1-646-876-9923; meeting ID: 846 2185 3557; passcode: 311371.

APOSTLES LUTHERAN

Apostles Lutheran Church, Gloucester, will hold a Maundy Thursday communion service at 7 o'clock tonight.

A Good Friday worship service will be held at 7 p.m.

A Holy Saturday service of readings and meditation will be at noon and the "Resurrection of Our Lord" worship service will be at 10 a.m. Sunday. An Easter brunch will be served after the service.

BELLAMY UNITED METHODIST

Bellamy United Methodist Church, Gloucester, will hold a Maundy Thursday worship at 7 o'clock tonight.

The children's Easter egg hunt will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

An Easter sunrise service will be held at 6:45. Regular worship will be at 8:30 and 10:30. Lenten Bible study will meet at 9:20 and adult Bible study at 9:30.

Loaves and Bitches Food and Diaper Ministry will be held from 9-11 a.m. Tuesday and the Gloucester Women's Bible Study will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST

The Chancel Choir of Bethany United Methodist Church, Gloucester Point, will present the cantata, "Tenebrae (A Ser-

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March 31, 2024

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4073 Cedar Bush Rd, Hayes, VA

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welcome2gibc@gmail.com,
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Hudgins, VA, 804-725-3707
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Services: SUNDAY, In-person Worship, 9 AM Contemporary; 11 AM Traditional. Sunday School, 10:00 AM for all ages. The contemporary service is also available on the Mathews Baptist YouTube Channel and an audio copy of the traditional service upon request. For more information, call the church office. www.mathews baptist church.com

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7314 Main Street
Gloucester, Va. 23061
Sunday Mornings:
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Service 9:30-10:30a.m.
See our Facebook page

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Cobbs Creek, Va. 804-725-3500
Services: SUNDAY, 10 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship. THURSDAY, 6:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice.
1676 Buckley Hall Rd, Cobbs Creek, VA 23035

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

9254 Guinea Rd., Hayes, VA 23072
Located next to Achilles Elementary School
Church Office: 804-642-2332
Rev. Jared Berry, Pastor
E-mail: laura@unionbaptistchurch.net
www.unionbaptistchurch.net
Services: SUNDAY 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Church Service; WEDNESDAY: 6:30pm, Adult Bible Study and Prayer; UBC Kids Crew (k-5th grade); OUTWARD Youth (6th-12th grade) MON & THUR; Food Ministry, 9-10:30 a.m. SATURDAY; Kickball, 10-11:30 a.m. (k-5th grade)

ZION POPLARS BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Ronald W. Gayle Sr.
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Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am;
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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

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Sunday School 9:30 am

EPISCOPAL

Church Spotlight



ABINGDON EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Year Founded 1650; Present Church Constructed 1755
Worshippers have been drawn to this third church of Abingdon Parish for more than 250 years. The beauty and classic design of the church were known to George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Robert E. Lee, as well as scores of less well-known members of the community. Our vision is to grow together in spirituality, outreach, membership, and ministry to youth and the elderly, while maintaining our heritage.

ABINGDON EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All are Welcome!
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PO Box 82, White Marsh, VA 23183
804-693-3035
www.abingdonchurch.org
8:00 am Holy Eucharist
10:30 am Holy Eucharist: Livestreamed from Facebook and YouTube

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Mathews, Virginia / www.kpepiscopal.org
804-725-2175
Email: kingstonparish@verizon.net
The Very Rev. Gary J. Barker, Rector
Worship Services:
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I;
4:45 Church, 320 Williams Wharf Road
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II;
Kingston Chapel, 370 Main Street
Services live streamed: YouTube and Facebook
12:00 pm Wednesday: Holy Eucharist and Healing Service at Kingston Chapel

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The Rev. Scott Parnell, Rector
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P.O. Box 616, Gloucester, VA 23061
804.693.3821 | www.warechurch.org
Sunday Worship Schedule:
8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer with Eucharist
10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

INDEPENDENT

SALEM COMMUNITY

11408 Salem Church Rd, Glouc., VA 23061
Between Turks Ferry Rd and Hunny Pt Ln
(804) 693-3754 - umc.org
Sunday Worship 11:00 am

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7505 New Point Comfort Highway
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.

LUTHERAN

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The Reverend Jay Serafin, Pastor
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worship service Sundays 10:30
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kcoventan18@gmail.com

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Pastor R. Ashley Gibson
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9577 George Washington Memorial Hwy,
Box 105, Ark, VA 23003
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11:00 AM Sunday Worship Service
6:00 PM Sunday evening Bible Study
6:30 PM Wednesday evening prayer service

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Hayes, VA 23072
757-826-2020
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Worship Saturday 1:00pm Bible Study Wednesday 6:30pm
E-mail broansinchrist@gmail.com
www.broansinchristlife.com

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7028 Woodville Road, Hayes
804-684-9373
SUNDAY SERVICE: 11 am: Kingdom Preparation Teaching classes are held at 10 a.m.; Intercessory prayer is 6-7 p.m. every Wednesday. Bible study is 7 to 8 pm every Thursday at the church.

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6470 Main St., Gloucester, VA
Dr. Douglas Nagel, Pastor
693-2071, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. daily.
E-mail: becky@gracecovenant.us
To see activities go to website: gracecovenant.us
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Services: Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 am;
Sunday school for all ages 9:40 am
Adult Sunday School: Immediately following Worship

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Rev. Rebecca Rumburg, 725-3332
SUNDAY: Sunday School; 10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9:15 a.m.

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Website: www.singletonumc.org
email: church@singletonumc.org

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Father Johnny Mintosh Mensah
Sunday Mass 11 a.m.
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Holy Day Mass: 6:30 p.m.

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6262 Main Street - Gloucester, VA 23061
804-693-5939 - Father Gregory Kandt
Weekend Masses:
5 PM Saturday, 8 & 10:30 AM Sunday;
Holy Day Mass: 12:00 and 7:00 pm;
Faith Formation: K-8 at 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
9-12 at 6:00 to 8:00

Please call or e-mail Tina Nelson to be part of this directory: 804-693-3101 or tnelson@gazettejournal.net

A PARABLE

BY BRUCE WESTERDAHL

It's Spring again

After months of overcast skies and chilling winds, it is time to celebrate the season of rebirth and resurrection. From the darkness of the frozen ground, tiny, fragile and colorful winter aconites, crocuses and snowdrops silently and defiantly emerge and announce to anyone who passes by that Spring is here.

In case you didn't notice the flowers, Canada geese in the skies above, loudly and boldly proclaim the seasons are changing.

Jesus said: "Consider the lilies of the field. They neither spin nor weave; yet I tell you even Solomon in all his splendor was not attired like one of these."

There is no time of the year when Jesus's words are more meaningful. Spring is nature declaring the Glory of God and victory of life over death, hope over despair, light over darkness and joy over fear.

I invite you to celebrate the joys of Spring.

CHURCH SERVICES

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vice of Shadows," by Heather Sorenson, during the 7 o'clock Maundy Thursday service tonight. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

The sermon title of Pastor Paul Song at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday will be "Looking for the Living among the Dead." An Easter egg hunt will be held during the 11 o'clock Children's Church.

BETHEL CHURCH OF MATHEWS

The Women's Ministry and Missions of Bethel Church of Mathews, Onemo, met at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Valerie Bass was the speaker.

A Maundy Thursday service will be held at 6 p.m. at Salem. A light supper will be provided. The service will include worship, communion, and a time of reflection on Christ's life and sacrifice, a release said.

An Easter egg hunt, with crafts and refreshments will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday. Everyone is encouraged to bring a friend and their basket.

A community Easter sunrise service will be held at 6:45 at Bethel Beach. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held at the church. A breakfast will follow at the church. The sermon title of the Rev. Garry Livermon at 9:50 a.m. will be "He is Not There." Sunday school will follow at 11.

BEULAH CHURCH OF NEW POINT

Beulah Church of New Point will hold a Good Friday service at 7 p.m. Friday. Special music will be presented by the choir of St. Paul Comfort Church, Susan Ripley, Lynda Smith Greve, Brenda Moore and Nancy Layng. Communion will also be served.

The Rev. John Thorne of Mathews, will preach at the 11 a.m. Sunday service.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS UNITED CHURCH IN CHRIST

Brothers and Sisters United Church in Christ, Hayes, will have a special event at 3 p.m. Saturday. "66 by 66 books of the Bible," will be a birthday celebration for apostle Norris Davis.

CHURCH OF THE LIVING WORD

The sermon title of Dr. Gregory Woodard of Church of the Living Word, Hayes, at the 10 a.m. Easter service will be "You Can Make It."

The topic at the 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in-person Bible study will be "Hope."

EBENEZER BAPTIST

A Resurrection Sunday service will be held at 11 a.m. in Ebenezer Baptist Church, Cobbs Creek. The Combined Choir will sing and the Pastor Eric D. Robinson will preach.

FIRST BAPTIST, MATHEWS

First Baptist Church, Mathews, will hold a Good Friday service, "And He Came," at 7 p.m. Friday. Speakers will include Elder Velvet Boyd, the Rev. Julia Forrest and Evangelist Rose Mason.

An Easter service will begin at 11:15 a.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. David E. Penn.

FIRST BAPTIST, ORDINARY

First Baptist Church, Ordinary, will host an Easter sunrise service at 6 o'clock with The First United Baptist and First Morning Star Baptist churches. Breakfast will follow the service. The sermon title of the Rev. Ward Warren, pastor, at 10 o'clock will be "Easter: A Time of Decision."

Wednesday Bible study will begin at 1 p.m.

GLEANING BAPTIST

Gleaning Baptist Church, Gloucester, will host an Easter sunrise service at 6 o'clock.

Breakfast will follow the service. Resurrection service will be observed at 11 o'clock with Pastor Stevens Burrell bringing the message and the Praise Team providing the music under the direction of Deacon Alfred Harris.

GLOUCESTER POINT BAPTIST

Gloucester Point Baptist Church will hold an Easter sunrise service at 6:45 at Virginia Institute of Marine Science. A breakfast will follow the service. The sermon title of Pastor Dillon Evans at the 11 o'clock service will be "The Sign of Jonah."

GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Gloucester, will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 7 o'clock tonight.

On Good Friday, the sanctuary will be open from 6-8 p.m. for people to come and pray.

The annual Easter sunrise service with Newington Baptist Church will be held at 6:30 at the Fary Farm. The Rev. Dorothy Hood, interim pastor, will speak. Her sermon title at the 10:30 a.m. service will be "The Story Isn't Over."

GROVES MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN

The sermon title of the Rev. Michael Condrey of Groves Memorial Presbyterian Church, Hayes, at 10 a.m. Sunday will be "Best News Ever." An Easter potluck breakfast will start at 8:30 in the fellowship hall.

GWYNN'S ISLAND BAPTIST

Gwynn's Island Baptist Church will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. with the Lord's Supper observed.

An Easter sunrise service will be held at 6:45 at the end of North Bay Haven Road. Hunter Owens will have the special music. Breakfast will follow in the church. The sermon title of Dr. Ed Jordan, pastor, at the 10 o'clock service will be "Paradise ... Today?" Special music will be presented by Tyrone Hudgins, and Island Praise.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST

Immanuel Baptist Church, Saluda, will hold a Good Friday concert, featuring Marcus Dungee and The Beams of Heaven in Songs, at 7 p.m.

KINGSTON EPISCOPAL PARISH

Kingston Episcopal Parish, Mathews, will observe Maundy Thursday at 5:45 p.m. with a Seder Meal at Kingston Chapel in the parish house, followed at 7 o'clock by the Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Foot Washing.

On Good Friday, there will be two services: Good Friday Liturgy with Stations of the Cross at noon at Christ Church on Williams Wharf Road and at 7 p.m. at Kingston Chapel on Main Street.

Easter Festival Eucharist Rite I will be held at 8 a.m. at Christ Church and Rite II at 10:30 a.m. at Kingston Chapel, followed by an Easter egg hunt on the lawn.

Wednesday noon Eucharist/Healing service will resume.

MATHEWS BAPTIST

Mathews Baptist Church, Hudgins, will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the multipurpose building.

An Easter sunrise service will begin at 6:35. See the church's Facebook page or call the church office at 804-725-3707 for the location and directions. The sermon title at both the 9 and 11 a.m. worship services will be "The Empty Vault."

MORNING GLORY BAPTIST

Morning Glory Baptist Church, Gloucester, will hold

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an Easter sunrise service at 6 o'clock by joining Gleaning Baptist Church, Gloucester. Pastor Stevens Burrell will preach.

At 11 a.m. the church will join several Gloucester churches at New Mount Zion Baptist Church, Gloucester.

Weekly prayer call is at 8:45 a.m. Saturdays via conference call; dial-in 605-313-4440, access, 6913538#.

MOUNT ZION UNITED METHODIST

The sermon title of the Rev. Calvin Griffin of Mount Zion United Methodist Church, Gloucester, at the 9 a.m. Holy Thursday in-person service will be "Remember."

The regular Sunday service will be at 9 a.m.

NEW LIFE MINISTRY CHURCH OF GOD

New Life Ministry Church of God, Hayes, will offer free coffee to all, including military, police, fire and rescue, from 6-9 a.m. Monday through Friday, April 5.

NEW MOUNT ZION BAPTIST

New Mount Zion Baptist Church will host the 11 a.m. Easter service with Morning Glory Baptist, Bethel Baptist, Shepherdsville Baptist, St. Paul Baptist, and Rising Valley Baptist churches. Pastors and associate ministers will tell the Easter story in a tag-team style from the garden of Gethsemane to the Resurrection. Music will be provided by choir members from the various churches. Sunday school will begin at 9:30.

NEW POINT FRIENDS

The sermon title of Pastor Thomas Bunting of New Point Friends Church at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "He is Here."

NEWINGTON BAPTIST

Newington Baptist Church, Gloucester, will hold a Good Friday service at 6:30 p.m.

An Easter egg hunt will be held from 2-4 p.m. Saturday for children through grade 5.

The annual Easter sunrise service with Grace Presbyterian Church will be held at 6:30 at the Fary Farm followed by a potluck breakfast at 7:15 at Grace. The sermon title of Pastor Chris Grella at the 10:30 service will be "A New Perspective."

Wednesday night activities include COR3 Youth, KidzLife, and adult Bible study at 6:30.

OLIVE BRANCH GLOBAL METHODIST

Olive Branch Global Methodist Church, Gloucester, will hold an Easter egg hunt at 2 p.m. Saturday.

An Easter sunrise service will be held at 6:45 at Freepoint Landing. Breakfast will follow at the church. Easter worship will begin at 9:30.

April revival services have been rescheduled for June.

SALEM COMMUNITY

Salem Community Church, Gloucester, will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 7 o'clock tonight. It will include a live reenactment of the Last Supper.

An Easter egg hunt will be held from 3-4 p.m. Saturday.

An Easter sunrise service will be held at 6:30 in the Salem Community Pavilion. A breakfast will follow. Easter worship will begin at 11 o'clock.

SEVERN

Severn Church, Naxera, will hold an Easter sunrise service at 6:30 at Johns Point Landing in Naxera. The men of the church will serve breakfast at the church afterwards. The sermon title of Pastor Bill West at the regular 11 o'clock service will be "He has Risen," followed by communion. An Easter egg hunt for the children will be held during the service.

SHILOH BAPTIST

Shiloh Baptist Church, Yorktown, will have a Good Friday service at noon. Guest preacher will be the Rev. Rashad Cartwright.

SINGLETON UNITED METHODIST

Singleton United Methodist Church, Ware Neck, will be open on Holy Thursday to walk through the Stations of the Cross and receive Holy Communion from 1:30-3 p.m. The Rev. Calvin Griffin will speak on "Remember."

An Easter Sunrise service will be held at Soles Beach, 6194 Driftwood Lane, Ware Neck. The sermon title of Mr. Griffin at 11 a.m. will be "Celebrate." An Easter egg hunt will follow the service. The service will also be available on YouTube; for Zoom login information, email Calvin.griffin@cox.net.

Monday Bible study, "The Third Day," will be at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday night Bible study at 7 o'clock will study scriptures.

SPRING HILL BAPTIST

The choir of Spring Hill Baptist Church, Cobbs Creek, will present the Easter cantata, "The Way, the Truth, the Life," at 7 p.m. on Good Friday.

The service will also include communion.

The sermon title of Pastor Ross Davis at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "The Purpose of the Resurrection." The choir will perform the Easter section of the cantata.

UNION BAPTIST

Union Baptist Church, Hayes, will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 6 o'clock tonight.

Pastor Jared Berry will preach at the 11 a.m. Sunday service.

UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF THE RAPPAHANNOCK

Jeff Geis will speak on "Where the Mind is There is a Treasure—Christ Consciousness" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock, White Stone.

WESTVILLE BAPTIST

The Rev. Lytle Buckingham of Middlesex will preach at the 10:45 a.m. Easter service in Westville Baptist Church. The 9:45 Sunday school will study the book of Genesis. Monetary donations are being taken for the North American missions.

The film "The Chosen" will be viewed at the 3 p.m. Wednesday Bible study.

WESTVILLE CHRISTIAN

The sermon title of Pastor Tim Dice of Westville Christian Church, Mathews, at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "The Case for the Resurrection."

ZION HILL BAPTIST

Zion Hill Baptist Church, Gloucester, will have an in-person worship service at 11 a.m. Sunday. Pastor Eugene Comithier II will preach and the Youth Choir and Inspirational Voices will sing. There will be no Sunday school or Bible study.

ZION POPLARS BAPTIST

The sermon title of Pastor Ronald Gayle Sr. of Zion Poplars Baptist Church, Gloucester, at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "Our Hope for the Future." There will be congregational selections.

An Easter sunrise service will be held at 6 o'clock at Union Zion Baptist Church, Ware Neck. The sermon title of Mr. Gayle will be "Rock Around Jerusalem." A breakfast will follow the service.

VARIETY

LYME DISEASE WORD SEARCH

Word search grid containing letters for finding words related to Lyme disease.

WORDS

- List of words to be found in the word search: BITE, BLACK-LEGGED, BULLSEYE, DEER, DIAGNOSTIC, DOG, FEVER, HOST, ILLNESS, INFECTION, JOINTS, LYME DISEASE, NYMPH, PAIN, PARASITE, PATHOGEN, PREVENTION, RASH, RESPONSE, SPIROCHETE, SPREAD, STIFFNESS, SYMPTOMS, TICK.

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

Bridge Bites grid with numbers 1-9 indicating starting positions for a duplicate event.

BRIDGE BITES

by Brian Gunnell

- Bridge hand details: ♠93, ♥T98, ♦AK92, ♣7652, ♠Q4, ♥AQ7643, ♦7, ♣KQJT, etc.

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LIFELINES

BY DR. ED JORDAN

Who are you?

Our world is awash with nonsensical identity confusion. It doesn't need to be that way. When a Supreme Court judge can't define what a woman is, we are in a world of hurt.

So, who are you? This was the question asked of John the Baptist, as he began preaching in the desert areas around Jerusalem.

This concept is helpful to us as well. If you are confused about who or what you are, a good place to begin is by understanding who you are not.

Furthermore, I definitely am not God. I am a flawed human who makes mistakes, and rebels from time to time.

So, if you are confused about who or what you are, begin by understanding what you are not, and stop using your emotions in place of your brain to make life-changing decisions.

John the Baptist eliminated numerous things that he was not. Then He told them who he was. Once you know who you are, it won't matter what other people try to declare you to be.

John was a voice, shouting in the wilderness. He was an announcer, telling people to get their lives ready to meet God, embodied in Jesus the Messiah. John's identity was in who He was, what God sent Him to accomplish, and in being a witness to identify Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.

Like John, we too were created to be the person God created each of us to be. We are all similar, but all unique. We each have some special things that God wants us to contribute to the world, and we can only do that when we come to terms with who God is, who we are not, and who

we are. How we can impact eternity can only be discovered and accomplished by being in partnership with Eternal God. Only as we connect to God, do we have our eyes opened to who we are, and how God wants to communicate His life through us to impact others on behalf of God.

Some years ago, my wife and I were back in the United States on a missionary furlough, and I was invited to speak at the chapel service of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, my own alma mater. One of the professors introduced me as: "A voice shouting in the desert for people to prepare to meet God."

Who am I? I am a voice, a messenger that God uses to communicate the truth of God with people who need to know God, or know God better. So how about you? Who are you? What has God created you to be and do? God put you here for a particular reason. Discover Him, and you will discover who you were designed and called to be.

Who are you? Dr. Ed Jordan is pastor of Gwynn's Island Baptist Church, and can be reached at szent.edward@gmail.com.

CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-70 indicating starting positions for clues.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Island nation
7. Platforms
13. Project plan
14. French fishing port
16. South Dakota
17. Oakland's baseball team
19. Military policeman
20. Ornamental stone
22. Garland
23. Process that produces ammonia
25. Mousses
26. Music notation "dal _"

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Used as a weapon
2. Yukon Territory
3. Makes a map of
4. An established ceremony prescribed by a religion
5. Unilhexium
6. Merchant
7. Playing the field
8. Folk singer DiFranco
9. Something to scratch
10. Mexican agave
11. Equal to one quintillion bytes
12. Session
13. North American people
15. Ranches
18. Electroencephalograph
21. A type of compound
24. Avenue
26. High schoolers' test
27. A type of meal
30. Gradually disappeared

Completed crossword puzzle grid with letters filled in.

- 40. Gazes unpleasantly
41. In a way, traveled
43. Ukraine's capital
44. Appropriate
45. Dash
47. Twitch
48. Swiss river
51. Data file with computer animations
53. City in S. Korea
55. Particular region
56. They have eyes and noses
58. Tear
59. Large Madagascan lemur
60. Not out
61. Ornamental saddle covering
64. A driver's license is one
65. Latin term for charity
67. Rechristens
69. Objects from an earlier time
70. Hindu male religious teachers
32. Ancient Frankish law code
35. Popular pickup truck
37. Buzzing insect
38. Deal illegally
39. Lying in the same plane
42. Obstruct
43. Related
46. Challenge aggressively
47. Nocturnal hooded animals
49. Bird's nests
50. Forays
52. B. de Mille, filmmaker
54. Title of respect
55. One-time name of Vietnam
57. Self-immolation by fire ritual
59. Private school in New York
62. Political action committee
63. A way to fashion
66. Email reply
68. "The Great Lake State"

GLIMPSES INTO THE PAST

Springtime in Diggs, oyster supper, quilting party

115 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 25, 1909

from the Mathews Journal
Diggs correspondent reports: Springtime is here again we are glad to say, although we have had a very pleasant winter.

Mr. Elma Morgan gave a delightful oyster roast last Thursday to a few of his friends, and a jollier crowd you could scarcely find.

Mrs. Dollie Owens gave a quilting party at her home last Thursday, everyone present seemed to enjoy the day very much. After the busy fingers had put the last stitch in the lovely quilt we were called to the dining room where a good supper awaited us. The merry party was then entertained for an hour with music and singing by Mrs. Janie Diggs, they then returned to their homes thanking Mrs. Owens for such an enjoyable day. —Brown Eyes

110 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 26, 1914

from the Mathews Journal
On the afternoon of March 10 Mrs. John Jarvis gave a very pretty little birthday party for her son Kirkland, who was six years old on that day. There were jolly games, including the donkey, whose tail always gets pinned on his nose or ear. Refreshments were served in a darkened room, where pink and green candles decorated the birthday cake and shone brightly on faces still more bright, as the little ones stored away ice cream, cakes and candies.

100 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 27, 1924

from the Gloucester Gazette
The rejection by the State Highway Commission of bids on the short piece of concrete road planned for construction between Gloucester C.H. and Woods Cross Roads is taken to mean that possibly this project will be passed up for the present.

The General Assembly passed a bill under which the highway commission may take over the York River ferry and, while no action has been taken yet, it is believed that this will be done. If it is, it will mean that the road to the ferry will be improved instead of expending so much money between Gloucester C.H. and West Point.

from the Mathews Journal
The recent storm tore up lots of nets on our harbor, causing many of the fishermen to have to take nets ashore for repairs. Some lost stakes. Yet most of them have their nets overboard again and will soon be in shape. The catch of shad has been very small for this time of year.

90 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 29, 1934

from the Gloucester Gazette
A downpouring of rain Tuesday night torrential in its proportions filled roadside ditches, swelled streams to overflowing, and turned many country roads into impassable bogs.

The flood gates at Cow Creek mill dam were opened as wide as possible and state highway traffic men worked Wednesday to strengthen weak places in the dam. Water stood to a depth of three or four inches in many places on the Gloucester-Mathews highway. Lowlands through which swollen streams passed were flooded. Those who had just started planting peas and potatoes suffered considerable loss.

from the Mathews Journal
Prospects for the opening of the Mathews Memorial Library began to develop this week with the announcement that the Civil Works Administration would close its offices here in a few days. The Library Committee consented last fall to permit Civil Works and Emergency Relief to use the library building for their offices with the understanding that a heating plant and rest-room plumbing would be installed and other improvements made to the building. With the exception of furniture and some minor im-

provements all work agreed upon has been done.

80 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 30, 1944

from the Gazette-Journal
Gloucester County will receive for the year, \$4,159.92 from general ABC profits, and \$3,327.96 from the wine tax. Mathews will receive \$3,114.72 and \$2,491.78. One-fourth of these amounts will be received in October.

Governor Darden today announced that he plans to make available to the localities by October 1st, 1944, and at the end of each quarter thereafter, the first quarterly distribution of the additional revenues made available to the localities by the General Assembly from the first \$2,500,000 of ABC funds, while the first distribution of the proceeds from the wine tax, also to be distributed quarterly, will be received by them sometime in July 1944.

In a brief statement in which he assured the localities that they could count on quarterly distribution of these funds he said, "I am also most hopeful that these funds will be used to supplement the support now being given public education."

70 YEARS AGO
Thursday, April 1, 1954

from the Gazette-Journal
Governor Thomas B. Stanley, of Virginia, received a box of golden yellow daffodils from Gloucester County on Tuesday, March 23, as a gift from the Virginia Flower Growers Association. Pretty Miss Mary E. Dunn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Waverly Dunn of Gloucester, made the presentation of a box of King Alfreds, packed and prepared in the same manner as they are shipped to wholesale markets. S.A. Janney, of Gloucester, vice-president of the association, was present to represent the organization.

60 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 26, 1964

from the Gazette-Journal
The Gloucester High School track team, looking forward to one of its more difficult seasons, is in need of some new equipment. Most important is a fiberglass vaulting pole. This is necessary in order to keep pace with the new levels of competition that are made possible with the added flexibility of this new pole. However, the expense of this piece of equipment puts it outside the team's present budget.

Coach Dan Winters says the team urgently needs a fiberglass vaulting pole this year due to his expectations of a strong showing from senior vaulter Roger Field.

50 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 28, 1974

from the Gazette-Journal
Beginning next week, census takers will be making a door-to-door count of all children ages one year through 19 in Gloucester County.

According to Thomas M. Emory, assistant superintendent of Gloucester County Schools, the census is being made in conjunction with the triennial Virginia School Census required by state law.

Emory said that five census takers, one in each magisterial district, will be visiting every home, apartment and trailer in the county. An accurate count of every school child is essential, he noted, because the return of state sales tax to the county for the next three years will be based on the results of the census.

40 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 29, 1984

from the Gazette-Journal
A momentary outage in electrical power Wednesday, March 21, resulted in substantial appliance damage to homeowners between Shackelfords and Gloucester Court House.

When an unnamed individual dropped a tree near Rt. 17 just south of Ark, it fell over the power lines at approximately 11:42 a.m. said Billy Holland, operations manager for Virginia Electric Power

Company. A 34,500-volt line then came in contact with a 7,200-volt line, causing a power surge through the lower voltage line. Holland said the surge resulted in many home electrical appliances being damaged, some actually being destroyed.

30 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 31, 1994

from the Gazette-Journal
Spring cleaning means extra cash for local schools. Motivated through "Kids, Cans, Plus!," a school recycling contest, kids are searching kitchens and garages for aluminum. Local schools are recycling aluminum to pay for computers, playground equipment, landscaping and other projects at their schools.

20 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 25, 2004

from the Gazette-Journal
Abingdon Volunteer Fire and Rescue recently put a new rescue truck into service. The 2004 Pierce International truck replaces a 1984 vehicle that the squad will try to sell, according to Robert Parlett, a member of the board of directors.

The rescue truck cost \$180,000. Parlett said the squad received a \$62,000 grant from the state Department of Emergency Services and also used some county funds and donations to acquire the vehicle.

10 YEARS AGO
Thursday, March 27, 2014

from the Gazette-Journal
About 120 people, including many teachers, staff and other supporters of the county school division, came out Monday night to speak before the Gloucester Board of Supervisors on the county's proposed \$133 million FY 2015 budget during a public hearing at the Thomas Calhoun

Walker Education Center.

While only a handful of people thanked the board for not proposing to raise their taxes

next year, most of those who spoke Monday night encouraged the board to do whatever possible to improve the qual-

ity of education in Gloucester County Public Schools and improve the compensation for its employees.

DO YOU REMEMBER?



FILE PHOTO

Egg hunt

Children raced across Mathews Court Green on Friday, April 1, 1994, to find their fill of the 4,000 chocolate Easter egg candies that were scattered on the ground. The annual event was sponsored by the Mathews Parks and Recreation Department.

3 Best Years Trips planned

Gloucester Parks, Recreation and Tourism is offering three Best Years Trips in the coming weeks for those 55 and older.

On Sunday, April 21, Gloucester PRT is sponsoring a Best Years Trip to the Norfolk Scope Arena for a chance to watch the Virginia International Tattoo. The trip will leave Gloucester at noon and return around 6:30 p.m. Those taking the trip will have lunch at Scope on their own. The fee is \$75 and the deadline to sign up is April 14.

A trip to the Little Theater of Smithfield is planned for Sunday, May 5, to see "The Sound of Music." The group will leave at 12:30 p.m. and return around 7. The fee is \$45 and the deadline is April 14.

A third Best Years Trip is planned for Wednesday, June 12, to catch a matinee performance of "The Wizard of Oz" at the Riverside Center for the Performing Arts in Fredericksburg. That trip will depart at 9:30 a.m. and return around 6:45 p.m. The fee is \$130 and lunch is included.

The deadline is April 30. In addition, Gloucester PRT is sponsoring Bingo for ages 55 and over from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, April 24 at the Stewart Building. The fee is \$10 and the deadline to register is April 17. Winnings are prizes, no cash.

For more information on these and other activities, call PRT at 804-693-2355, email prt@gloucesterpa.info or stop by the office at 6382 Main Street. For online registration, visit https://gloucesterpa.info/civirec.

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CBRAR organization honors area's real estate professionals

The Chesapeake Bay & Rivers Association of Realtors honored its best and brightest at the organization's 2023 Honor Society Awards and General Membership Meeting, which was held on Thursday, March 21.

Realtors, agents, affiliates and other real estate professionals filled Mobjack Tavern in Hayes for the luncheon program, which was presided over by CBRAR 2024 president Kandy Fisk.

Awards were presented for Realtor of the Year, Rookie of the Year, Affiliate of the Year, the President's Distinguished Service Award, as well as the 2023 Honor Society members.

The awards program began with the presentation of the 2023 Honor Society, members who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and professionalism in the real estate industry.

This year's recipients were Theresa Ashberry, Lisa Atkins, Kandy Fisk, Shannon French, Kelly Guess, Joelle Harvey, Jeannie Hockaday, Nancy Jackson, Tina Lester, Debbie Martin, Laura Pierce, S. Jean Pierce, Margaret Ramsey, Candace Segalini, Joanna Sibley, Frank Wingfield and Charlene Winter.

From there, the first of several individual awards was presented, recognizing Cindy White with OVM/AnnieMac as the Affiliate of the Year. White has been a member of the CBRAR education committee since 2022; she has participated in panel discussions at breakfast meetings and education programs; she has sponsored food for several education sessions.

White is also very involved in community service. She participated in the 2023 canine companions' fundraiser committee in connection with Next Home Coast to Country; gives her time to the Salvation Army as a bell ringer at Christmas; sponsored

Gloucester baseball event, among many others, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

She started out in a bank-owned mortgage environment, and in 2022, she trained and acquired her individual Virginia Mortgage license.

The next award, Rookie of the Year, was given to Linda Collier. "As we all know, getting started in this business is not without its challenges," said Roseanne Bunting of the Awards Committee, who announced the winners. "In addition to doing it well, doing it right is equally important. This recipient has managed to do both successfully."

According to Bunting, Collier "is willing to go the extra mile to get a listing ready for the market. She went and helped a seller clean the house and move furniture to help with the market appeal. She has also been known to use her husband's tractor to clear a lot so other Realtors and buyers would have easy access to the property."

Collier volunteers at her children's school and is currently putting together an adult prom to help sponsor the junior prom at her son's high school. In addition to all her other activities, she managed to find time to attend the homes.com event at the library, attend the CBRAR breakfast club meeting and volunteered at the CBRAR Christmas blood drive.

The final award presented by Bunting was Realtor of the Year, which went to Frank Wingfield, whom she called "the embodiment of dedication and professionalism. This recipient has done and continues to do so much for our association, his church and the community."

Wingfield serves as deacon of his church, is a member of the choir, chairs the Benevolent Committee and leads the Sunday school class. He has



The Chesapeake Bay & Rivers Association of Realtors recognized its 2023 Honor Society recipients at last Thursday's luncheon. They are, from left, S. Jean Pierce, Kandy Fisk, Frank Wingfield, Margaret Ramsey, Rodney Hockaday (accepting for Jeanne Hockaday), Laura Pierce, Charlene Winter, Debbie Martin, Nancy Prince-Jackson, Kelly Guess, Lisa Atkins, Joanna Sibley, Tina Lester, Candace Segalini, and, not pictured, Theresa Ashberry, Joelle Harvey, Jeanne Hockaday and Shannon French.

been a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Gloucester, where he has held many leadership positions and is currently membership chair.

He participates in all the Rotary projects, and can be counted on lending a hand whenever needed, Bunting said. "As many of you might know, there are few people who have done more for the advancement of soccer in Gloucester than this Realtor. He is presently tasked with fundraising for the ongoing development of the 45-acre athletic park across from the high school. This is definitely not an easy task," she said.

During his membership in the association, Wingfield has served as CBRAR president, been a member of the board several times, served on numerous committees including Professional Standards, was a tremendous asset during the co-op formation and served as President of the Property Services Board. Last year, Wingfield attended the National Association of Realtors mid-year meeting in Washington, D.C., the NAR convention in California, the VAR convention in Richmond, and the VAR leadership conference.

He is a member of the Realtors Federal Political Coordinators committee for Rep. Rob Wittman (R-Montross). At CBRAR, he regularly attends meetings and educational events. He has been an Honor Society member every year since its inception.

"I have never known him to

say 'no' when asked to help and you can always count on him to be there when needed. With all that he does, I don't know where he finds the time to list and sell property but has always been a top producer," Bunting said.

While Bunting was finished with presenting awards, she also received one herself as Fisk presented her with the President's Distinguished Service Award.

Bunting, Fisk said, "has been a beacon of leadership, wisdom and unwavering commitment." She first became a member of the Gloucester

Mathews Board of Realtors in 1972, "marking the beginning of a legacy that would span decades later to what is now known as Chesapeake Bay and Rivers Association of Realtors," Fisk said.

Bunting was association president in 1981, 1982, 1995 and 2010 and vice president in 1993. "These years were not just titles or positions; they were a testament to their ability to guide, inspire, and propel our association forward," Fisk said. She received the Realtor of the Year award in 1981, 1995, 2000 and 2010. This

is the fourth time she received the President's Award, previously winning it in 1980, 1993 and 2000.

In her spare time, she was involved in the Gloucester Woman's Club, Ware Yacht Club, Shore Line Property Owners Association, and the advisory board for the Literacy Volunteers of America.

"Your unparalleled service, leadership and dedication to the real estate profession have not only enriched our association but have also elevated the standards of professionalism and integrity within our community," Fisk said.



Frank Wingfield takes the stage after being named the CBRAR Realtor of the Year, receiving congratulations from Roseanne Bunting.



Roseanne Bunting of the CBRAR Awards Committee, at left, presents S. Jean Pierce with her Honor Society plaque. Bunting also received the President's Distinguished Service Award.



Cindy White with OVM/AnnieMac, at left, is presented with the Affiliate of the Year award by S. Jean Pierce.

1st Advantage earns two awards for marketing achievements

1st Advantage was recently recognized with two Diamond Awards. These accolades were part of the annual competition organized by America's Credit Unions Marketing & Business Development Council, which featured 38 categories and received over 1,450 entries.

1st Advantage received recognition in two distinct categories: Annual Report and One-Time Event for its Pickleball Tournament, which

was organized to support the 1st Advantage Federal Credit Union Foundation.

1st Advantage is headquartered in Yorktown. Established in 1951 as Fort Eustis Federal Credit Union, 1st Advantage Federal Credit Union with assets of over \$950 million serves over 70,000 members and operates 14 branches in Southeastern Virginia and parts of North Carolina, including a branch in Gloucester.

Hurd's to hold yard sale Saturday

Hurd's, Inc., a hardware store in Deltaville, will have a yard sale on Saturday from 8 a.m. until noon, rain or shine.

View bargains on the tables out front. There will be garden products, household decorative items and tools. All marine products will be 12 percent off for one day only. Red Adirondack chairs will be available for \$10 each with a purchasing limit of four.

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