



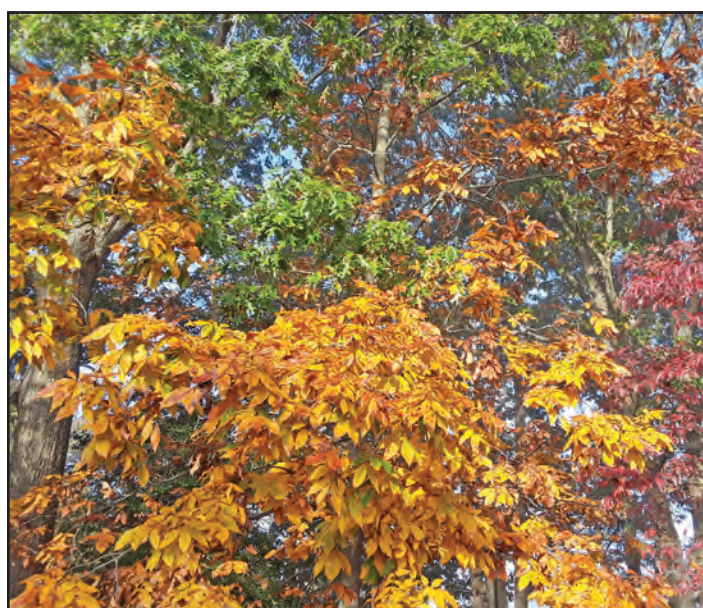
Impatiens in the yard of Judy and Milton Hudgins of Hayes.



John and Penny Dixon's Brittany Spaniel posing in front of the fall look-alike flag at their Gwynn's Island home.

Changing seasons

Are this year's blooms nearly over? We still have some beautiful days among the cold nights, foggy mornings, and occasional rain. Fall is here in all its colors. Readers, please send photos of your seasonal wonders to editor@gazettejournal.net.



Fall colors at Abingdon Elementary School, sent by Julie Shields of Hayes.



Lewis Hubbard's Camellia sasanqua "Hanna Jiman."



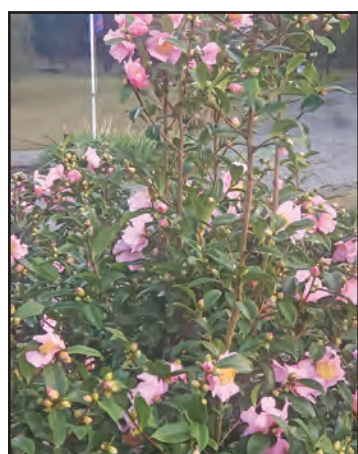
A volunteer at the home of Nancy and Bill Layng, North.



This beautiful arrangement was made from flowers in Mike Ivey's home garden at Gloucester Point.



This is one of the hanging baskets that beautified Main Street in Mathews in the summer. Main Street Committee chair Bette Dillehay said she hopes the committee can place the baskets again in 2021.



Camellias bloom in the yard of Patricia Olsen of Mathews.



Fall magnolia pods going to seed at Carter and Nancy Richardson's home at North.



Reblooming daylily at Port Haywood, raised by Louise Witherspoon.



A volunteer coleus at the home of Martha Thompson Hudgins of Gloucester.



Final blooms of 2020 at the home of Phyllis Robins in Gloucester.

WEDDING



Mr. and Mrs. Joshua David Sterling

Sterling-Watson

Stephanie Watson and Joshua David Sterling were married at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, on their 30-acre estate in Ivor.

The bride is the daughter of Irene Watson of Newport News.

The groom is the son of David and Judy Sterling of Gloucester.

The reception was held at the Ivor Municipal Building.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun and Cozumel, Mexico, the couple will make their home in Ivor.

BIRTH



Adelaide Mae Johnson

Hunter and Erin Johnson of Richmond, announce the birth of a daughter on Oct. 26, 2020. She has been named Adelaide Mae Johnson, and she weighed 9 lbs. 13.5 oz.

Grandparents are Duane and Carol Johnson of Simpsonville, South Carolina, and Warren and Becky Deal of Gloucester.

Fond memories of home cooking—in Brazil

BY BETTY WRENN DAY

Having lived in this country since she was age 28, Raquel Ott says although she "did not cook when I lived in Brazil," she has learned since being here. "I watched the Food Network for the longest time and a lot of cooking shows. I still watch several cooking channels. I learn a lot online." She has even researched and asked her mother about the foods she grew up with. "I am a realtor with Keller Williams and I call myself the Foodie Realtor."

Raquel recalls memories of family foods dating to the early 1980s. "It's on weekends, holidays and birthdays and especially at Grandmother Almerida's house in the country in south Brazil. She was bossy and fierce but she could cook, bake, slaugh-

ter pigs, sheep and chickens for all celebrations. She even made homemade dark beer and made the best chicken soup. It was a lot of good simple country cooking," Raquel remembers.

"She'd cook on a woodstove as some of my relatives still do. Most households have 6-burner stoves and use them all. My grandmother, Santa, I don't think really enjoyed cooking. But she could make a potato cake stuffed with ground beef, breaded and fried, and a potato stew in tomato sauce served on rice. There was rice with every meal and to this day, my mom still needs to have rice with every meal. Black beans are also a Brazilian staple. Meals were served with a simple salad on the same plate as the rest of the meal. Usually lentil soup is eaten on New Year's

Eve at midnight. Christmas and New Year's suppers are at midnight, not a minute later."

Churrasco and Carreteiro are traditional dishes from Raquel's hometown. "It's an all you can eat." Churrasco is basically a weekend cookout. Meat is roasted on a sword-like skewer over an open fire. Most houses have a built in "Churrasqueira" grill. "It's an all-day event. You eat until you nearly pass out." Everything is made from scratch, even the mayonnaise, and as always there is rice and a fresh green salad. Carreteiro is a one-pot rice dish made with leftover meat from the Churrasco celebration.

Raquel explains that "in Brazil, at least it was my family's experience, that we and our relatives would eat three

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Raquel Ott has a delicious food heritage.

GARDENING CORNER

FROM THE GLOUCESTER MASTER GARDENERS

BY SUSAN CAMP

Building a garden takes a lot of hard work, and I don't mean just the physical labor. Some people make gardening look easy, but a lot of forethought and planning must occur before the plants go into the ground.

In last week's column, I discussed some basic needs for developing a new garden bed or border. Garden location

and size, sun and shade, water source, soil pH and quality, and physical restrictions must be examined before actual planting can begin. I spend a lot of time researching articles in gardening books, magazines, and online, not to mention the publications of Cooperative Extension programs across the country. Over the years, I have discovered that articles from different sources offer varying lev-

els of gardening information from pretty color photos of perfect flower gardens to long dissertations that expound on art theory written by landscape architects. All sources have their place, of course; their value to us depends on what we are trying to achieve.

Most of us want to extend our living spaces to the outdoors to provide pleasure and relaxation in a colorful landscape. We all have different

images of how that landscape should look. Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) Publications 426-721 "The Value of Landscaping" and 426-202 "Planning the Flower Border" are good starting points if you are contemplating changes to your outdoor spaces. Plants improve air and water quality; help reduce erosion; decrease air temperature in summer; provide privacy, and muffle street noises along busy thoroughfares.

Flower garden design in today's world is open to the interpretation and desires of the gardener. You don't have to follow rigid rules, although there are a few helpful principles to keep in mind.

Define your space first by observing the movement of the sun at different times of the year. The number of hours in sun or shade each day will help you decide what to plant.

Draw an aerial view of your garden plan on graph paper. Don't worry about absolute accuracy, but try to develop a scale using the graph paper squares to represent a specific distance. Add walkways, fences, and other planned or existing hardscape features to the plan.

Begin to sketch in the plants you want in your garden.

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BRAZILIAN COOKING: Fond memories of the table at home

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maybe four meals per day. All meals were time-consuming and Mom would be in the kitchen basically all day. The day started with chimarrao (yerba mate), a hot herbal tea. It's served in a hollowed-out cup made from a gourd. With a metal straw everyone drinks from the same cup. You fill it up, drink, fill it up and pass it on to the next one." The tea drinking continued for the day and between meals; "Just sit around outside and drink tea." However, following the morning tea "as soon as the kitchen was cleared from breakfast it's time to start lunch."

Raquel was living in Florida in 1999 where she met her husband Arthur who is from Pittsburgh. They remained in Florida for several years before reaching Mathews in 2002 via Charles Town, West Virginia. They now reside in Gloucester in a home they purchased in 2014.

LENTIL SOUP

7 c. water
1 c. green or brown lentils (rinsed and stones and debris discarded)
2 bay leaves
2 whole cloves of garlic
½ Vidalia onion, chopped
4 Tbs. extra-virgin olive oil
3 links of Andouille sausage (We use Calabrian sausage, a spicy smoked Italian sausage), cut up in small bite-size pieces
1 large yellow onion, chopped
3 Roma tomatoes, peeled and chopped
2-3 small Yukon gold potatoes, cut into small chunks
2-3 cloves garlic, finely minced
2 Tbs. fresh parsley, coarsely chopped
2 chicken bouillon cubes
Sea salt to taste (or more chicken bouillon)
Cook the lentils in water with the bay leaves, garlic and onion until tender. In a separate pot, brown the sausage. Add in garlic, onion and diced fresh peeled Roma tomatoes to sausage. Cook for 5-8 minutes.

Add the bouillon cubes and the diced potatoes and cook until tender.

Once the lentils are cooked, add the sausage and veggies mixture to the lentils and simmer for 10-15 minutes. Add parsley and serve as is or over rice.



Maqueca

RAQUEL'S FISH MAQUECA (BRAZILIAN FISH STEW WITH COCONUT MILK)

1 lb. white fish and/or shrimp
3 cloves garlic, minced and divided
1 large Vidalia onion, diced
1 green bell pepper (I used 1 yellow and 1 orange)
4 Roma tomatoes (peeled and chopped)
1 Tbs. dendé oil (red palm oil)
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. pepper
½ c. coconut milk
1 lime, juiced (about 2 Tbs. juice)
½ c. chopped cilantro
Cooked white rice for serving
Cut the fish into large chunks, about 2 inches. Cut the pepper and onion into strips (I dice mine); dice the tomato. In a large pot, heat the oil over medium heat until warm. Add the onion and sauté for about 5 minutes or until softened. Add the peppers, tomato, garlic, salt and pepper and sauté until softened. Add coconut milk, lime juice and cover; bring to boil. Once boiling, stir in the seafood and cilantro. Simmer uncovered for 5-10 minutes or until cooked (shrimp will only take about 5 minutes, fish may take a little longer). Taste for salt and lime, adding more if needed. Serve

with white rice.

ITALIAN WEDDING SOUP Meatballs

1 small onion, grated
½ c. chopped fresh Italian parsley
1 large egg
1 tsp. minced garlic
1 tsp. salt
Freshly ground black pepper
½ tsp. red pepper flakes
1 slice fresh white bread, crust trimmed, bread torn into small pieces
½ c. grated Parmesan
1 lb. ground turkey

Soup

12 c. organic chicken stock
Lemon zest from ½ a lemon
1 pound curly endive, coarsely chopped (or escarole, spinach or other dark greens)
2 large eggs
2 Tbs. freshly grated Parmesan, plus extra for garnish
Parmigiano-Reggiano rinds, if you have them (Whole Foods sells them)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

To make the meatballs: Stir the first 8 ingredients in a large bowl to blend. Stir in the cheese and ground turkey. Using 1½ tsp. for each, shape the meat mixture into 1-inch-diameter meatballs. Place on a baking sheet and set aside.

To make the soup: Bring the stock to a boil in a large pot over medium-high heat. Add the meatballs, lemon zest and endive and simmer until the meatballs are cooked through and the endive is tender, about 8 minutes. Whisk the eggs and cheese in a medium bowl to blend. Stir the soup in a circular motion. Gradually drizzle the egg mixture into the moving broth, stirring gently with a fork to form thin stands of egg, about 1 minute. Season the soup to taste with salt and pepper.

AVIATION

2 oz. gin
¼ oz. fresh lemon juice
½ oz. maraschino liqueur (or crème de violette)
Maraschino cherry, for garnish



Aviation

Add all ingredients except garnish to cocktail shaker filled with ice. Shake vigorously until well chilled. Double-strain into a chilled glass. Garnish with maraschino cherry or pineapple chunk.

RAQUEL'S CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF HER MOM'S BLACK BEANS AND RICE

"Chances were you'd have rice and beans for either lunch or dinner." Beans were picked and cleaned. Her mom made the beans in her pressure cooker. To beans in the cooker add:

1 or 2 bay leaves
1 sliced onion
2 or 3 cloves garlic
Cook approximately 30 minutes. Check for doneness. Should be well cooked and soft.

Roux

Pork fat
Flour
Mix until blended and add to beans still simmering on the stove. Season with chicken bouillon. Add choice of meats, smoked sausage, pork ribs or leftover meat. Cook until the meat falls apart. The meat will turn black from the beans.

Rice

Rice used was similar to the rice you get from Latin markets or Latin food sections. Not long grain, not short grain, just your enriched white rice. Stickier than jasmine and basmati. Rice is rinsed until water runs clear and then drained. Sauté some garlic in oil (soybean oil) and add the rice. Sauté until it smells toasted and nutty but not browned. Add hot water, salt to taste and cook 20-25 minutes.

GARDEN PLANNING:

Get organized for 2021

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Keep in mind the eventual mature size of a shrub or small tree. That dainty dogwood that will look so pretty at the back of the border next spring may grow to 15 feet and shade the perennials that need full sun.

Curved beds are more pleasing to the eye than straight ones. If your beds are restricted to straight edges by walkways and other hardscape, soften the severity by planting a groundcover that will spill over onto the paths. Plan to edge your beds with brick, stone, or other materials to reduce the need for trimming and weeding.

Select a variety of plants to include perennials, grasses, and shrubs that provide three-season interest. Daffodils bloom in spring, but their foliage must be left until it turns brown, making the bed look messy. Summer blooming plants like daylilies, with their long, slender leaves, make good camouflage for dying daffodil foliage.

age. Mix the plants so that spring, early summer, and mid-to-late summer plants are distributed throughout the garden, rather than clumped together in separate areas.

Choose plants of different heights, with the tallest at the back of the bed and the shortest at the front, but don't just line them up like soldiers. Plant in odd-numbered drifts of 3 to 9 plants in a flowing "W" shape, and allow some taller plants to mingle with the medium-height species. Add a few annuals for color and texture.

Include shrubs like peonies for spring blooms and evergreens for a spot of green in winter. Hollies, boxwoods, and cherry laurel provide winter color in the garden. Red twig dogwood and winterberry offer a flash of red in an otherwise drab landscape.

A new garden plan offers endless possibilities and a pleasant way to spend the winter.

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munity. There is a box in the church to leave these items. The UMW is also doing a Reverse Advent Calendar of non-perishable items (for Social Services). Items (list available) need to be in by Dec. 13. The church is collecting shoeboxes for Mathews children; needed by Nov. 22.

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST

The sermon title of the Rev. John Choi, pastor of Central United Methodist Church, Mathews, at 9:15 a.m. Sunday will be "Having Confidence in God." Face coverings and social distancing is observed. The service will also be offered on the church's YouTube channel, which can be accessed through the church's home page at www.centralumcmathews.org.

CHURCH OF THE LIVING WORD

The sermon title of Dr. Gregory Woodard of Church of the Living Word, Hayes, at the 10 a.m. Sunday service will be "Seen and Unseen." The Gospel of Matthew will be the topic for the 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study via Zoom.

EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST

Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Bohannon, continues to hold a non-perishable food drive for Thanksgiving dinners for those in the community that may be in need of a little extra support. A bin is on the front porch of the church and there is also one inside the sanctuary. Gift cards to local grocery stores are also in great need to purchase perishable items.

The sermon title of Pastor Jennifer Mercer at the 11 a.m. Sunday service will be "Can We Trust God's Promises?" Face coverings and social distancing is observed. A short health form needs to be filled out prior to the service or at the door.

FIRST BAPTIST, MATHEWS

First Baptist Church, Mathews, continues to hold worship services online (Facebook and YouTube) or via conference call at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Pastor Jonathan Waldon continues the series, "Our House is Our Sanctuary." Sunday school is held at 9:45 a.m. via conference call.

An evening service is held at 3 p.m. via Facebook or YouTube. Services can be accessed by dialing (via conference call) 1-515-604-9594 using access code 547413#. Facebook access: First Baptist Church of Mathews VA (address: 9654 Buckley Hall Road, Mathews). YouTube access: FBC Mathews.

FIRST BAPTIST, ORDINARY

First Baptist Church, Ordinary, will have a virtual executive board meeting at 9 a.m. Saturday.

The virtual Facebook sermon title of Pastor Ward Warren on Sunday will be "We are God's Children."

Wednesday virtual Bible study will begin at 6:30 p.m. The call-in number is 1-605-313-5111 pin #122000.

GLOUCESTER POINT BAPTIST

Gloucester Point Baptist Church will hold its in-person Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. Face coverings will be required. The sermon title of Pastor Bud Goude will be "Forgotten Manners"; Jesus is talking to the host of the banquet who has a problem with spiritual pride, a release said.

GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

The sermon title of Dr. Douglas Nagel of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Gloucester, at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service will be "Mythconceptions: Separate but Unequal, Part Two." The topic will deal with the New Age Movement.

GROVES MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN

The sermon title of the Rev. Michael Condey of Groves Memorial Presbyterian Church, Glass, at 10 a.m. Sunday will be "Humble Prayer."

GWYNN'S ISLAND BAPTIST

Gwynn's Island Baptist Church will hold a drive-in service at 10 a.m. Sunday around the gazebo across from the church. Parking will begin at 9:30. The sermon topic of Dr. Ed Jordan, pastor, will be "When is Decreasing, Increasing?" Special music will be provided by Katherine Murphy. There will

also be a recorded piano-organ duet by Merle Guy and John Lee Callis. The church will once again be collecting non-perishable food items for Hands Across Mathews.

KINGSTON EPISCOPAL PARISH

Kingston Episcopal Parish, Mathews, will gather for an outdoor Holy Eucharist Rite I Sunday service at 9 a.m. on the grounds of Christ Church on Williams Wharf Road. Services will be held on its Facebook page as well as on YouTube. com, available after 6 p.m. Saturday. To receive an email copy of the bulletin, call the church office at 804-725-2175. To join Zoom Coffee Hour on Sundays at 11:30 a.m., call the office for the ID number and pass code. Discussions of scripture for each Sunday will be available the preceding Saturday on Facebook, offered by Wabington.

The Fall Bible Class, "Armchair Pilgrimage: Looking for God Everywhere," continues. The class is posted in an email and on Facebook at noon Tuesdays. The corresponding Zoom meeting will meet the following Monday at 3 p.m.

LIGHTHOUSE

The Men's Ministry of Lighthouse Church, Ordinary will host an "Auto Clinic" from 9-11 a.m. Saturday in the church parking lot. Come learn how to do basic check-up on your vehicle; this is a free event, a release said.

The Sunday 8 a.m. service is for at-risk individuals (face masks required), and the 10 a.m. service is family-friendly. An online service will also be available on Facebook.

MATHEWS BAPTIST

Mathews Baptist Church, Huggins, offers in-person services: contemporary at 9 a.m. (also online) and traditional at 11 a.m. (also on CD on request). The sermon title of Pastor Brian Kramer will be "Overwhelmed."

NEW POINT FRIENDS

The sermon title of the Rev. Thomas Bunting, pastor of New Point Friends Church, at its 11 a.m. Sunday service will be "Church—Hot or Cold."

NEWINGTON BAPTIST

The sermon title of Pastor Mike Gray of Newington Baptist Church, Gloucester, at 10:30 a.m. Sunday will be "Unprecedented: Commission of the Church." Worship will be in the main sanctuary with masks and social distancing. Children ages four through the fifth graders have the option of going to KidsWorship, a special time of learning, fun, snack, and worship during part of the adult worship service. Watch and chat with others on Newington's Facebook page as the Sunday service is streamed live at 10:30.

SHEPHERDSVILLE BAPTIST

The sermon title of the Rev. Douglas Riley of Shepherdsville Baptist Church, Gloucester, at 10:45 a.m. Sunday will be "The Audacity of Hope." Join the service for prayer, song and praise by calling 518-418-1016. Wednesday Bible study will begin at 7 p.m. (also by calling).

Thought for the week: "Be strong enough to stand alone, smart enough to know when you need help and brave enough to ask for it."

SINGLETON UNITED METHODIST

The sermon title of Pastor Calvin Griffin of Singleton United Methodist Church, Ware Neck, at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "Using our Talents." The service will be in-person and via Zoom. The service can also be viewed on YouTube anytime. Email Calvin.griffin@cox.net for the Zoom invite.

Monday Bible study, "The Wonder of Christmas," will be at 9:30 a.m. in-person and Zoom.

SPRING HILL BAPTIST

Spring Hill Baptist Church, Cobbs Creek, will continue the series from I Thessalonians 4:13-18, "the Rapture of the Church," at 11 a.m. Sunday. What does that mean? To whom does this apply? We will look to the scriptures for the answers to these and other important questions, a release said.

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VETERANS

On Veterans Day, we honor our veterans for the sacrifices they have made in the name of our freedom. We remember their losses; of time with growing families, and of health, both physical and mental. Veterans, many of whom still suffer the ill effects of their injuries, regularly offer volunteer support and inspiration for each other. Paul speaks about the body of believers "that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." (1 Corinthians 12:25-26) Our body of veterans share this connection as well. As we worship during this time of reflection, let us pray for our veterans and offer them and their families our support.

Daily Bible Reading

1 Chron. 13:1-14	1 Chron. 14:1-17	1 Chron. 15:1-24	1 Chron. 15:25 - 16:7	1 Chron. 16:8-43	1 Chron. 17:1-15	1 Chron. 17:16-27
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Michael McNeill records his performance of Bach's "Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier" (BWV 731) as part of the Wonder at Ware virtual concert series.

Ware Church virtual concert series to begin Friday

Ware Episcopal Church, Gloucester, has announced that it will continue its concert series this fall with a series of virtual concerts called "Wonder at Ware," which will begin this Friday at 7 p.m.

University, the organist and choir director at Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock' and the chapel organist at Christchurch School in Saluda.

ect," said the Rev. Scott Parnell, rector of Ware Church. "With a little creativity and imagination we can transform another streaming video into a spontaneous date night or a nice addition to dessert," said Parnell.

CHURCH SERVICES

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ST. MATTHEW UNITED METHODIST
St. Matthew United Methodist Church, Peary, will have an in-church worship service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. Everyone is asked to wear a face covering and social distance; a short health form needs to be filled out.

will be drive-up, simulcast and streamed via Facebook Live and Zoom.

THE FIRST UNITED BAPTIST
The sermon title of Pastor E. Randolph Graham of the First United Baptist Church, White Marsh, for the 10 a.m. Sunday service will be "God is Omnipresent ... Even ... During Difficult Times." The service

UNION BAPTIST
The sermon title of Pastor Jared Berry of Union Baptist Church, Achilles, at 11 a.m. Sunday will be "Built by God: The Authority of Christ and His Church."

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF THE RAPPAHANNOCK
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock, White Stone, will hold a 10 a.m. Sunday outdoor service

in the parking lot of UUF, weather permitting. Bring a chair, social distance, and wear a mask. Call 804-761-3991 if the weather is questionable.

WESTVILLE BAPTIST
The sermon title of the Rev. Bob Huff of Westville Baptist Church, Mathews, at the 11 a.m. Sunday service will be "God Knows Your Heart." Non-perishable food items are being collected for Hands Across Mathews. Wednesday Bible study, "Exodus 27," will be held at 3 p.m.

LIFELINES

BY DR. ED JORDAN

Take your troubles to the Lord

There are times in our lives when we have just had enough. We try to hang in there, but hanging just doesn't seem to be enough, especially when we have been hanging in there a really long time.

sent them out. In the Psalmist's time, those seeking to destroy their enemies shot arrows with burning material that would lodge into clothing, or wooden doors of a fortress to burn down the door, in the hope of gaining access to the interior of the person or fortress.

In Psalm 120 we find the deeply felt expressions of a frustrated God-follower. At his wits' end, he doesn't want to become like the deceitful people who continually oppose him. He is trying to live in truth and peace, but those around him continually prefer lies and making war.

The writer of this Psalm is a weary, wounded warrior. We don't know how long he has held out against the assault of his enemies, but he says he lives among liars and hatred. They are all around him. He continually seeks the good of others, but they only want to destroy him.

In His frustration, he prayed to the Lord, the Judge of the whole Earth, in Psalm 120 (NLT): "I took my troubles to the Lord; I cried out to Him, and He answered my prayer. Rescue me, O Lord, from liars, and from all deceitful people. O deceptive tongue, what will God do to you? How will He increase your punishment? You will be pierced with sharp arrows and burned with glowing coals. How I suffer in far-off Meshech. It pains me to live in distant Kedar. I am tired of living among people who hate peace. I search for peace; but when I speak of peace, they want war!"

What is important for each of us to understand is that God expects us to live in truth, speak the truth, and seek to live in peace. When others continue to bombard us with lies, we must double-down, and fill our lives with more and more truth. The truth is the only neutralizer of lies. Truth wins in the end, thus in Heaven liars are not permitted to enter (Revelation 21:12-15). Truth takes us into the presence of God. Lies prohibit entrance.

Have you ever felt like that? I am sure all of us have at some point in our lives. In a nutshell, the Psalmist is saying that he was tired of being attacked with lies when he was embracing truth and seeking to live peacefully. He was calling out for God to step in and take action, causing the arrows (words) of the liars to turn around and pierce the very liars who

lies of evil. He knew that the only way we could ever be free from the inhumanity of evil humans is to be forgiven of our own sins and evil, and then be filled with the Spirit of Truth (John 14:16-18). So today, right now, bring your troubles to God, asking Him to deal with them in the most effective way. Keep your focus on God, the truth of His word, and living in a way that pleases Him. Pray and believe Psalm 120:1 (NASB): "I took my troubles to the Lord; I cried out to Him, and He answered my prayer." Take your troubles to the Lord. He is the only one who can successfully change that which troubles you. Cry out to Him. Pour out your heart, your fears, your pain, to Him. He cares for you.

Then believe He will answer your prayers. He may not answer the way you want ... but don't add that as another trouble! God is wiser, stronger, and more powerful than us. Every time the trouble resurfaces, hand it to Him. Seek peace, but live truth.

P.S. If you are a believer in the Lord Jesus, keep your mind fixed on crossing the finish line. As our brothers' spiritual goes: "Soon-a will be done with the troubles of the world ... Goin' home to live with God. No more weeping and a-wailing, ... I'm going home to live with God."

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VARIETY

AVIATION WORD SEARCH

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FLAPS
FLIGHT
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JOYSTICK
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MANEUVER
PILOT
SPEED

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

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BRIDGE BITES

by Brian Gunnell

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♣6
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♥J986
♦875
♣95
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♣KQJT8

E-W Vulnerable
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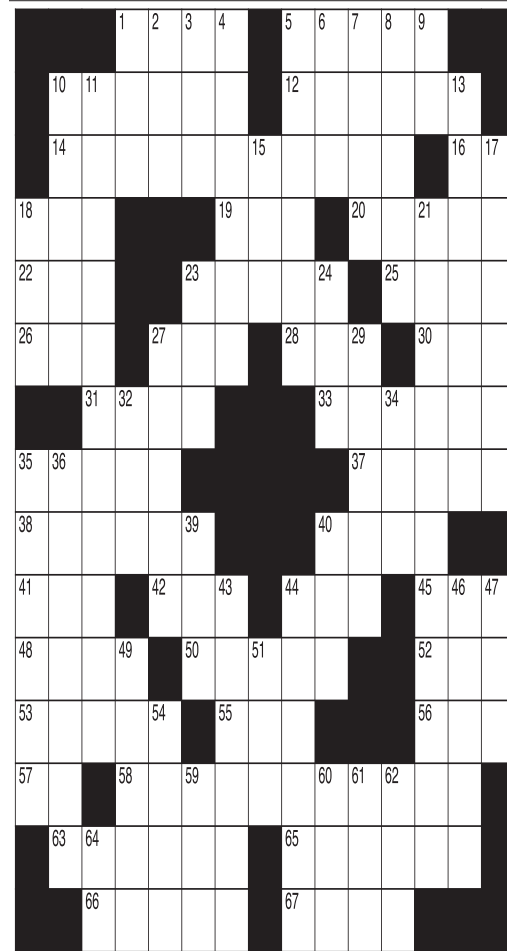
Some players don't approve of preemptive bids when holding a 4-card major, pointing out that it risks missing (in this case) a 4-4 Heart fit. Others will say that North's so-called Heart suit is pitifully weak, and surely that long, strong minor needs to be bid.

First things first

preempt got N-S to a dubious 3NT when 4♥ was indeed a superior contract. Against 3NT, the opening lead was a Spade to East's Ace, then a Spade to Declarer's Jack and West's Queen, followed by a third Spade. On the second and third Spades, Dummy pitched a Club and a Diamond (a Heart could not be spared as the 4th Heart is a potential entry). After winning the third Spade trick, how would you play the Diamond suit? Would you finesse against the Queen, or would you play for the drop? When the hand was played, our Declarer knew that with an 8-card fit, the Diamond finesse was the percentage play, so he successfully ran the Jack. That

Hearts were 4-1, so Dummy had no entry and the good Diamonds were stranded. Declarer goofed. He should have cashed two high Hearts first ... if that suit split 3-2 then he could take the Diamond finesse, the most likely way to bring in the suit ... but when Hearts were 4-1, the lack of Dummy entries meant that he must rely on the singleton or doubleton ♠Q to make his contract. That would have been 10 tricks, just like those who declared the superior 4♥ contract. Does this deal settle the debate about preempting with a 4-card major? Not at all, it merely tells us that rotten contracts sometimes make, especially when played correctly.

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

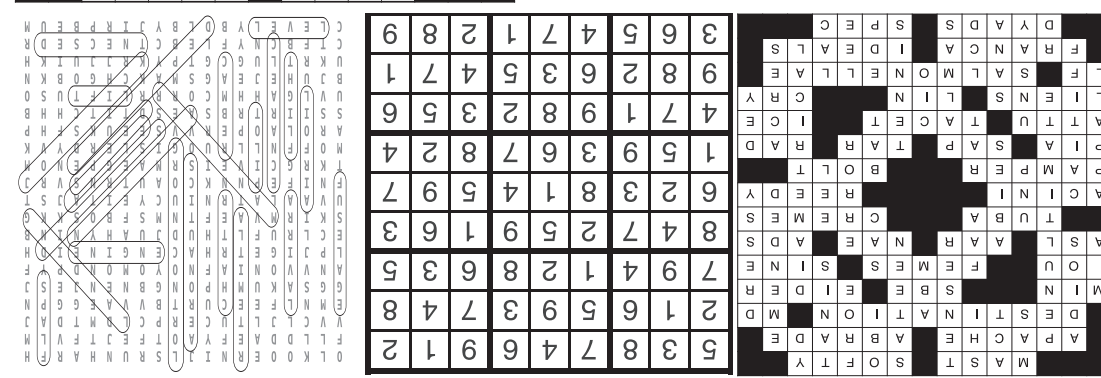
- 1. Upright post on a boat
- 5. Sentimental person
- 10. Native American tribe
- 12. Wear away
- 14. Where you're going
- 16. Doctor
- 18. Popular Chinese dialect
- 19. One point east of due south
- 20. Northern sea duck
- 22. Note
- 23. Wives (law)
- 25. Trigonometric function
- 26. A way to communicate (abbr.)
- 27. Swiss river
- 28. No (Scottish)
- 30. Commercials
- 31. Large instrument
- 33. Chantilly, de Menthe
- 35. Small, saclike cavities

CLUES DOWN

- 1. More (Spanish)
- 2. A subdivision of a play
- 3. Japanese title
- 4. More jittery
- 5. Fabric
- 6. Luke's mentor -Wan
- 7. Cleaving tool
- 8. Ancient city of Egypt
- 9. 36 inches
- 10. Farewell
- 11. Second to last
- 13. Improved by critical editing
- 15. Defensive weapon (abbr.)
- 17. Fancy attire
- 18. Farrow, actress
- 21. Completely opposed
- 23. Supervises flying
- 24. Pouch
- 27. True firs
- 29. Mistake

- 37. High and thin in tone
- 38. Treat extremely well
- 40. Famed track star Usain
- 41. Secure web connection (abbr.)
- 42. Rob of energy
- 44. Paving material
- 45. Cool!
- 48. Tip of Aleutian Islands
- 50. Indicates silence
- 52. Water in the solid state
- 53. Security interests
- 55. Popular hoopster Jeremy
- 56. Shed tears
- 57. Low frequency
- 58. Harmful bacterium
- 63. Common language: lingua
- 65. Standards of perfection
- 66. They consist of two parts
- 67. A detailed description of design

- 32. Computing platform (abbr.)
- 34. Snake-like fish
- 35. Greatly horrify
- 36. Despicable person
- 39. Tell on
- 40. Ballplayer's tool
- 43. Central Brazilian town
- 44. Court game
- 46. Land
- 47. "The Partridge Family" actress Susan
- 49. Retract a statement
- 51. Data executive
- 54. Capital of Yemen
- 59. Portable computer screen material
- 60. Electronic data processing
- 61. "Matt Houston" actor Horsley
- 62. Resinous substance
- 64. Rural delivery



DO YOU REMEMBER?



FILE PHOTO

Memory walk

The Alzheimer's Association held its annual Gloucester Memory Walk in 2008 at Botetourt Elementary School. The Benton Bunch was among the larger groups taking part, and included, from left, Lexi Manthey, Julie Benton, Kristi Benton, Kevin Manthey, Susan Manthey, Renee Benton, Jess Kersey and Kathy Hall.

Chesapeake Bay dead zone smaller than in recent years

Experts from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources report that the 2020 dead zone is the second smallest observed in the Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay since monitoring began in 1985, according to a release from the Chesapeake Bay Program.

In their 2020 Chesapeake Bay Dead Zone Report Card, researchers from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science at Gloucester Point also reported that throughout the entire bay this year's dead zone was smaller than most recorded in the past 35 years.

In June, researchers from the Chesapeake Bay Program, the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, University of Michigan and U.S. Geological Survey forecasted that the bay would see a slightly smaller than average dead zone this year, due to reduced spring rainfall and less nutrient-rich runoff flowing into the bay from the watershed.

According to the release, in the short-term experts believe that several factors, including more average river flows and unseasonably cool temperatures in May and September contributed to the smaller dead zone. Over the long term, the continued im-

plementation of nutrient and sediment reduction strategies put in place by the six states in the Chesapeake Bay watershed (Delaware, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia) and the District of Columbia are continuing to help decrease pollution in the bay and reduce the size of the dead zone.

hypoxic and anoxic regions—areas with little to no oxygen, respectively—are caused by excess nutrient pollution entering the bay. One way in which nutrients can enter the bay is through its tributaries in the watershed that drain into it. Higher river flows bring increased amounts of nutrient pollution into the bay. The previous two years have seen above-average river flows, with 2019 setting a record high. According to the U.S. Geological Survey, the current year (measured from Oct. 1, 2019—Sept. 30, 2020) has been normal, with flows entering the bay at an average of 77,665 cubic feet per second, which is slightly below the long-term average of 79,000 cubic feet per second.

Only one out of the eight monitoring cruises showed larger-than-average hypoxic conditions. This occurred in

late July as a result of below average winds and the hottest temperatures ever recorded in Maryland, causing hypoxia to increase considerably, resulting in a large dead zone. Strong winds from Hurricane Isaias in August helped to mix the waters of the bay, reducing the dead zone; hypoxia returned in September but quickly dissipated due to cooler temperatures and windy conditions. This year's dead zone started later and ended earlier than it has in the past several years. Additionally, no anoxic areas were noted in the main stem of the bay this year.

“Our analyses at VIMS are helping us better understand how and why the dead zone changes in size from year to year,” said Research Professor Dr. Marjy Friedrichs. “After we account for year-to-year differences in summer weather, the general trend we’re seeing is that hypoxia has been decreasing with time, as a result of reductions in the amount of nutrients flowing into the bay over the past several decades. The fact that we’re seeing decreased hypoxia despite significantly warmer summer temperatures is a testament to the fact that management actions to curb nutrient pollution are working.”

GLIMPSSES INTO THE PAST

Comings and goings in neighborhoods

110 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 10, 1910 from the Mathews Journal

In news from Blakes area we are sorry to report the illness of Mr. Dwight Godfrey. Mr. Harry Wilson, who has been sick for some time, we are glad to say has entirely recovered. Mr. Roland Bassett is visiting in Richmond and Norfolk, Portsmouth and vicinity this week.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Davis on the arrival of a fine baby girl last week.

Mrs. Eddie Garrett is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Minor, in Whites Neck.

Mr. Riley Atherton and Miss Lessie Green were married on last Thursday night. Quite a large crowd was in attendance.

100 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920 from the Gloucester Gazette

The following deeds have been recorded at the Clerk's Office since Nov. 1:

L. White Dunston, to Philip L. Clements, 13 acres, \$1,200; W.H. Hogg and others to Luther Hogg, 9¼ acres, \$150; Juliza Walton to J.F. Lamberth, 60 acres, \$1,300; Wm. Stokes and wife to Robert Stokes, 15½ acres, \$290; John L. Farinholt and wife to Andrew J. Williams, 14 acres, \$210.

On Thanksgiving Day, at 11 o'clock Hon. S.O. Bland will address the citizens of Mathews at the Winter Harbor site near Sarah P.O. On this day we will have the laying of the cornerstone for our new school building. At 1 o'clock, one of the finest county dinners will be served by the ladies of the league. Winter Harbor oysters a specialty. Should this be an inclement day, we will have the same program on Friday.—Winter Harbor Civic League

90 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 13, 1930 from the Gloucester Gazette

A most enjoyable afternoon was spent at the woman's club last Saturday, Nov. 8. In the Library were exhibited twenty-five or more reproductions of Italian paintings, and Mrs. Fleet Taliaferro in her usual charming manner gave an informal talk and read bits of the life and work of Leonardo Da Vinci. Mrs. A.A. Johnson was hostess for the afternoon.

The relatives of Mr. P.H. Respass of Grimstead, gave a surprise party on his 60th birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Respass, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Bensten, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hurst, Mr. Willard Respass, Mrs. Lucy Callis, Mrs. J.E. Sparrow, Misses Geraldine Carney, Sue and Ella Godsey. Refreshments were served. All reported a delightful time.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hudgins of Grimstead, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hudgins, of Crab Neck, Sunday.

Miss Eula Respass spent the weekend with friends in Newport News. Mrs. Elwood Callis motored to Richmond Saturday.

Miss Pearl Owens is still on the sick list.

80 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 14, 1940 from the Gazette-Journal

Mrs. Susan Lamberth, who was born in Gloucester County on Nov. 10, 1840, celebrated her one-hundredth birthday anniversary Sunday, with an at-home party. Mrs. Lamberth is the daughter of Captain and Mrs. Thomas R. Riley of Gloucester, and is at present living with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Terrell. She recalls having seen

President Lincoln and many other events of almost a century ago. She is the widow of Robert T. Lamberth, of Gloucester, the mother of eight living children.

In spite of her sight and hearing being impaired and the many years of her age, Mrs. Lamberth is very active and has a keen interest in the affairs of the nations, particularly those at war, and is interested in the affairs of her church.

50 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 12, 1970 from the Gazette-Journal

A proposal for redistricting Gloucester County into five magisterial districts will be presented before the Circuit Court of Gloucester at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

It is expected that county officials, representatives of organizations and a number of other interested citizens will be present for the meeting.

The plan could become effective Jan. 1, 1971, and would mean two additional members would be appointed to the board of supervisors and two to the school board.

70 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 9, 1950 from the Gazette-Journal

The Fine Arts Department of the Mathews County Woman's Club is holding an art exhibit in the Mathews Memorial Library. With the exception of one, these pictures were painted by persons now living in Mathews County and the subjects are figures, landscapes and still life.

Those exhibiting are: Mrs. Raymond Willis, Col. Willis, Mrs. Mary M. Carhart, Miss Carrie Smith, Miss Elizabeth Forrest, Miss Vivian Dempsey and Miss Mary Gilmore Phillips. These persons represent degrees of experience ranging from lifelong to those that began at Dr. Junkin's Art Colony at Pen Cap Point the summer of 1950. They also represent an age range from high school girls to adults.

40 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 13, 1980 from the Gazette-Journal

A large shark, which was either wounded or diseased, swam ashore Tuesday afternoon in the Ware River near Schley.

The shark came ashore near the residences of Mr. and Mrs. George Robins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Soles, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Diaz.

Officials from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science identified the fish as a basking shark. It measured 18'3", and was estimated to weigh more than a ton. The basking shark can grow to 40 feet, it feeds on plankton and is not considered to be a flesh-eater. It has no teeth.

30 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 15, 1990 from the Gazette-Journal

The number of free local telephone directory assistance calls a month will drop by more than half beginning Dec. 1, Jerry Grizzard, superintendent of customer services for Contel's Gloucester office, has announced.

Under the plan, each residential or business customer will get three free local directory assistance calls per month, Grizzard said, down from the current eight. The reasoning is that most users of directory assistance use such service only a few times per month, he said, and those who frequently utilize that service will now have to pay for the extra calls instead of all customers bearing the burden.

All extra calls above three will cost 29 cents each.

In other telephone service news, Grizzard said the Gloucester Contel office recently saw its last multi-party lines replaced by single-line service.

20 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 9, 2000 from the Gazette-Journal

With a pair of wins over Tidewater and York-Seafood to end the regular season, the Gloucester Red Midgets earned a spot in the Peninsula Youth Football League playoffs on Saturday at Poquoson Middle School. The Red Midgets (8-3) will

take on Yorktown (10-1). They are the only team from Gloucester to advance to the playoffs this year.

Leading tacklers from Gloucester were Daniel Motley (10 tackles, one fumble recovery), B.J. Brown (five tackles), Aaron Taliaferro (five tackles), Tevon Cook (three tackles), Robbie Williams (three tackles, one fumble recovery), and Robert Hayes, Donovan Hayes, Jorgie Seitz, Edward Elliott, Jonathan Dean and Andrew Anderson (two tackles each).

10 YEARS AGO Thursday, Nov. 11, 2010 from the Gazette-Journal

Megan Wilson Bost and Shelley Brown of Gloucester, members of the Virginia State Horse Judging Team, along with teammates Sarah Schobert and Taylor Walters, traveled with coaches Yvonne Miller and Cheryl Porr to Tulsa, Okla., representing Virginia 4-H in the Arabian Nationals Youth Horse Judging Contest on Oct. 26-31.

The Virginia team swept all three 4-J/FFA divisions, placing first in Halter, first in Performance and first in Reasons, as well as Top Overall Team.

Individually in Halter, Brown placed first, Schobert took third and Wilson Bost came in seventh. In Performance, Walters placed first, Wilson Bost placed third, Brown placed sixth and Schobert placed seventh.

In Oral Reasons, Brown placed second, Wilson Bost placed third, Schobert placed fifth and Walters came in sixth; Overall, Brown, Wilson Bost, Walters and Schobert ended up in second, third, fourth and fifth places, respectively.



Homes for Heroes advertisement featuring icons for firefighters, law enforcement, military, healthcare, and teachers, promoting services for local heroes.

LARRY L. LUCAS advertisement for Medicare and Social Security assistance, offering zero-cost help and senior health insurance options.

Mathews Insurance Agency, Inc. advertisement with the slogan "It's a bad policy not to have a good one."

WE BUY GOLD advertisement for Courthouse Pawn Shop, featuring a large selection of new and used firearms.



HHL reports cash dividend of \$1.14/share

Huntington Ingalls Industries announced last week that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$1.14 per share, an \$0.11 increase over the \$1.03 per share dividend paid in each of the prior four quarters.

The \$1.14 per share dividend will be payable on Dec. 11 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 27.

HHL also reported third-quarter 2020 revenues of \$2.3 billion, up 4.3 percent from

the third quarter of 2019. The increase was driven by growth at both HII's Newport News and Ingalls Shipbuilding divisions.

Huntington Ingalls Industries is America's largest military shipbuilding company and a provider of professional services to partners in government and industry.

Headquartered in Newport News, HII employs more than 42,000 people operating both domestically and internationally.

Brock joins Virginia Country team

Virginia Country Real Estate has added a new agent to its team.

Gloucester native Kelcey Brock was welcomed to the Hayes firm this week.

"Having been born and raised in Gloucester, the Middle Peninsula has always been my home," Brock said. "Naturally, my love for rural landscapes and local waterways grew from being surrounded by such beautiful scenery."

Prior to becoming a real estate agent, Brock worked as a dental assistant, serving the community and surrounding areas for 11 years. "One of my biggest joys is being able to meet, serve and grow with the people within my community," she said. "When not working, my favorite pastimes are spent with my husband and two Labrador Retrievers.



Kelcey Brock

Together, we enjoy spending time outdoors fishing, camping and kayaking."

Virginia Country Real Estate's office is located at 3765 George Washington Memorial Highway.

Eanes named Merchant Services Sales Executive of Chesapeake Payment Systems

Chesapeake Payment Systems, the payments processing division of Chesapeake Bank, has announced the addition of Sterling Eanes.

Eanes has been hired as a Merchant Services Sales Executive heading up sales for payment processing solutions for businesses. He comes to Chesapeake Payment Systems with over 15 years of sales experience in the payments industry working with Bank of America in their merchant services and sales divisions, and Capital One in their small business card division.

"As our new Merchant Services Sales Executive, Sterling is focused on growing our business client portfolio, providing best in class payment processing solutions that are customized to meet their individual needs," said Kate Root, senior vice president and managing director of CPS.

"It's all about staying local and helping the community. Therefore, Sterling is committed to forging long-term business relationships and becoming a trusted partner for many years to come."

A native of Urbanna, Sterling lives and works in Richmond. He, his wife, and two sons stay involved in his community through work with Feed More, the Richmond food bank. "With as many as one in five children not know-



Sterling Eanes

ing where their next meal is coming from, and COVID making the situation even worse, I feel a strong commitment to this organization," said Sterling.

Chesapeake Payment Systems is a full-service payments solutions company that offers secure, competitively priced merchant services for businesses. A division of Chesapeake Bank, they are one of 25 banks in the United States that does direct processing through Visa and MasterCard.

Chesapeake Payment Systems serves the Northern Neck, Middle Peninsula, Williamsburg, Richmond and surrounding markets.



The Mathews County Sheriff's Office received six new AEDs, thanks to a grant and \$5,900 in matching funds from Chesapeake Bank. Shown at the check presentation are, from left, Chesapeake Bank's Mathews branch manager Rachel Dye, MCSO Major John Williams, Stephen Ray of the Mathews County Volunteer Rescue Squad, and Chesapeake Bank's Mathews loan officer Jessica Dehoux.

Chesapeake Bank provides matching funds for AED purchase for Mathews first responders

Automated External Defibrillators are an essential piece of equipment in life-threatening events for first-line, emergency, medical staff and responders.

Over the past several years, the Mathews County Sheriff's Office has experienced equipment failures that have

reduced the number of AEDs devices available for patrol vehicles.

Thanks to the donations from Mathews County Triad, the sheriff's office was able to update three existing AEDs. They requested help from the Mathews Volunteer Rescue Squad to explore

options to acquire new and improved equipment for the patrol vehicles.

The MVRS took this request and applied for a grant with the Virginia Rescue Squad Assistance Fund to help with the purchases of new AEDs that would be compatible with their heart

monitoring equipment.

A 50/50 grant-funding request was approved to purchase six new AEDs at the total cost of \$11,812.50. Chesapeake Bank donated \$5,900 to update the sheriff's office with Life-Pak CR2 Defibrillators, Fully Automated AEDs.

Business open house Saturday in Mathews

An open house will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the Farmers and Fishermen's Building on Main Street, Mathews.

The Vintage Pearl, an artisan collective featuring home décor; Just Teasin',

a hair salon; Kellar's Tutoring Service, Melanie L. Miles CPA, and the Mathews office of the Gazette-Journal office will all be open, offering information and refreshments.

There will be a sidewalk sale of vintage Christmas items, and available of-

face space in the building will be open for prospective tenants to tour.

In addition, raffle tickets for the Helping the Homeless raffle of a wooden rocking horse will be available for purchase.

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