

# The Exchange Club Of Gloucester-Mathews

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**We have continued our partnership with GUEST, donating bi-weekly to supply them with the resources they need to help our homeless. The image below is sourced from their Facebook page.**

## **THEY PROVIDED**

**EXCHANGE CLUB OF  
GLOUCESTER MATHEWS**

**BRAND NEW  
AIR FRYER  
MICROWAVE**



On May 12<sup>th</sup>, we donated an air fryer to the facility. We also donated a microwave, which was gifted to a facility guest moving into a permanent home.

**We also continue our bi-weekly donations to GUEST. We donate food, water, hygiene products, and more.**

# FARMERS MARKET



Image Source: Gazette Journal

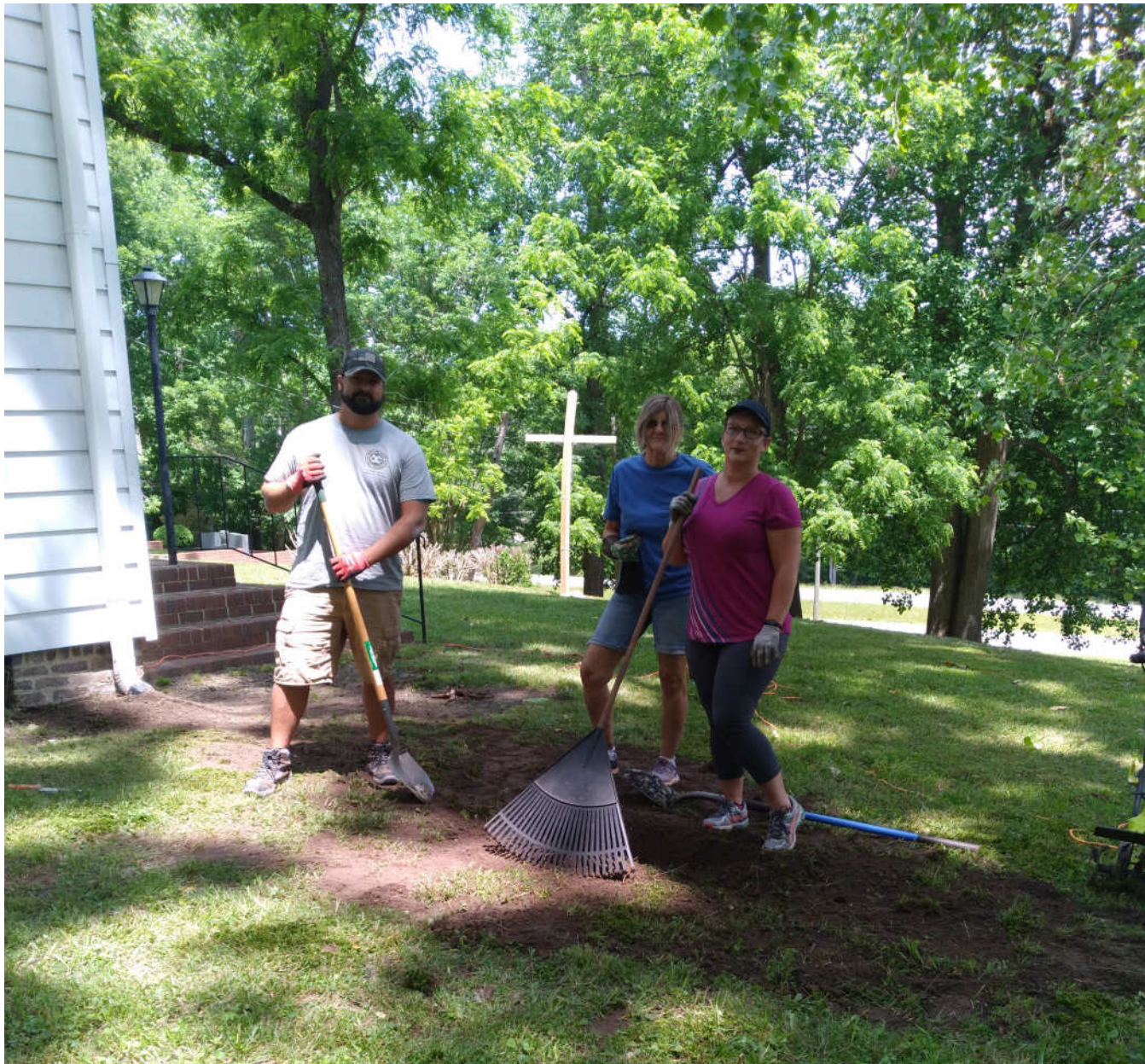
**On May 17th, the first annual Gloucester Farmers' Market was held at Ware Episcopal Church. We volunteered to help with the setup, and the event went perfectly. We look forward to next month!**



**Pictured: Club members Lynn Arway and Nancy Deptola setting up the vendor spaces for the Farmers' Market.**



**On May 24<sup>th</sup>, we volunteered to help maintain Mount Zion United Methodist Church. Our main goal was to install extended gutters, which was achieved by our wonderful members. Thank you to Steve Kreiger, Nancy Deptola, Melanie Hummel, and Nancy Dixon. The next page has a photo gallery of our work.**



# MT. ZION GALLERY



# MEMORIAL DAY



**On Memorial Day, we planted American flag gardens in front of Patriots Grill and Walmart Circle in remembrance of the brave men and women who have died fighting to preserve our freedom. Thank you to Patriots Grill and Walmart Circle for giving us this opportunity.**



# SUMMER BASKETS



With the Summer season shining, we've put together some summertime gift baskets, which will be distributed by Social Services of Gloucester and the YMCA in Mathews.

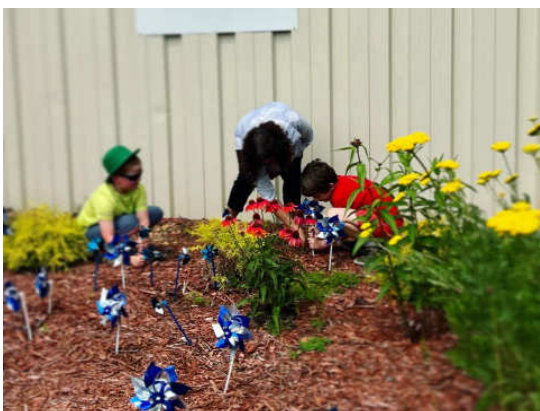
Pictured: Justin from the YMCA posing next to one of the summer gift baskets.  
Photo taken June 2<sup>nd</sup> .



# **BLUE PINWHEEL GARDEN**



**On June 7<sup>th</sup>, with the assistance of the children of the Mathews Boys & Girls Club, we planted a blue pinwheel garden outside their club. We also gave the children some of our summer gift baskets as thanks!**





# BBQ & Bags



On Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> at Gloucester Moose Lodge, we held the 1<sup>st</sup> annual BBQ & Bags event! We had a cook-off tournament, cornhole tournament, petting zoo, vendors, and children's games set up. There was something for everyone! The winner of the cook-off will be announced in the near future.

1st Annual

**BBQ & BAGS**  
COOK - OFF TOURNAMENT

PRESENTED BY THE EXCHANGE CLUB OF GLOUCESTER-MATHEWS

**SATURDAY  
JUNE  
24TH**

BBQ | CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT  
VENDORS | MUSIC | PETTING ZOO  
KIDS ACTIVITIES | & MORE  
12PM - 4PM

- FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS -

**GLOUCESTER MOOSE LODGE  
6565 MOOSE DRIVE**

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# BBQ & Bags GALLERY



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**The above pictures were taken the day before the event, while everyone was preparing. The below pictures were taken the day of the event. Thank you to everyone who came out and cooked!**



## **BBQ & Bags SPONSORS**



- **Toyota of Gloucester**
- **Langley Federal Credit Union Bank**
- **The Courthouse Restaurant**
- **Egg Heads Diner**
- **Hodges & Bryant**
- **Patriot's Grill**
- **Harris Lawn Maintenance**
- **The Silver Box**
- **Shelton Tree Service**
- **WeatherWax Allstate Insurance**
- **Precision Speciality Billing**
- **MCF Landworks**
- **Melanie Hummel (Local realtor for Liz Moore)**
- **TPMG**
- **The Changing Tide, Mind and Spirit**
- **WaterPro**

**Thank you to local businesses for sponsoring our first event. We received a total of \$4200 and \$250 in gift certificates.**

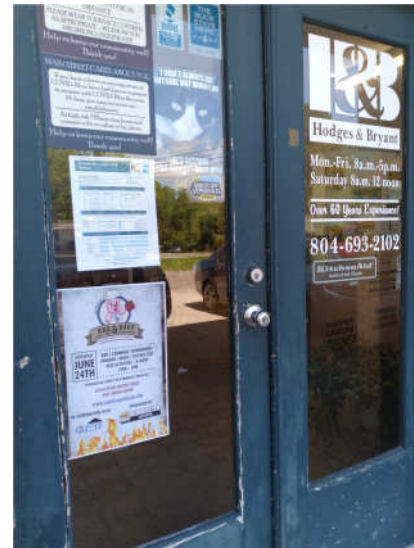
# **BBQ & Bags CONFIRMED VENDORS**



- **The Woodburning Warrior**
- **Michelle's Custom Creations**
- **Scents With Jeri (Scentsy)**
- **JCSimpsonCeramics**
- **Island Style Cleaning**
- **Gloucester CERT**
- **Gloucester Royals**
- **Fatbellies Smack Yo Moma BBQ Sauce**
- **Thirty One Gifts**
- **Shelton's Tree Service**
- **Middleway Farms**
- **Bentley's Creations**
- **Reel Beachy Handcrafted Creations**
- **Jelly's Jellies**
- **Coffey Makers Custom Gifts**
- **Shell Yeah**



**Pictured above: A flyer for the event at Patriots Grill**  
**Pictured below: A flyer for the event at Hodges & Bryant**



# **THANK YOU!**

# **MATHEWS YMCA FLAG GARDEN**



**On June 30<sup>th</sup>, in celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, we planted an American flag garden at the YMCA in Mathews. and we would like to thank the children of the Boys & Girls Club for their help!**





# Further Information



**We'd like to hear from YOU!**

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- Our first member yard sale on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, held at Singleton United Methodist Church, Wareneck, Virginia