## **This Month We**

# Celebrate Our High School Graduates!

- ◆ April Cross, Bruton High School; daughter of Tim and Cathy Cross; will attend George Mason University
- ◆ Jessie Wigley, Walsingham Academy; daughter of Steve Wigley & Terri Drake; granddaughter of Ed Wigley; will attend College of Charleston
- ◆ Jasmine Rustchak, Norfolk Christian Schools; granddaughter of Ed & Cathey Sadowski; will attend JMU
- ★ Katie Brown, Briarwood High School; daughter of Patrick Brown; granddaughter of Bob & Shirley Jodon; will attend West Virginia University
- ◆ Joshua Jones, Northwestern High School; grandson of Alice Jones; will attend University of North Carolina at Greensboro

#### **Additional College Graduates**

- ◆ Caitlin Coleman, Virginia Tech, Masters in Public Health, daughter of Peyton & Bev Coleman
- ◆ Carter Griggs, Hampden-Sydney College, son of Steve Griggs & Dawn Griggs, grandson of Sue Griggs
- → Ryan Quesenberry, Thomas Nelson Community College
- ◆ Louise Suen, College of William & Mary

### Congratulations

...to Debbie & John Wailes on the arrival of their first grandchild, Mason William Wailes, on May 10.

# Sympathy

- ...to the family of John Bond who passed away on May 6.
- ...to the family of AI (Butch) Owens, brother of Fran Mylum and Fred Owens, who passed away on May 1.

### Thank You

- Many thanks for the cards, calls, flowers and expressions of sympathy when my Dad passed away. Your thoughtfulness brought comfort during a sad time.
  - Natalie Lee, Church Secretary
- Fran and Frank Mylum would like to thank their church family for the cards and expressions of sympathy on the passing of her brother, Al Owens.

DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR THE JULY SPIRE IS JUNE 15

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# Notes from Nancy

◆ May Luncheon: The Treble Makers from Warhill High School, directed by our own Elaine Johnson, provided entertainment for the Forever Young luncheon on May 16. Thank you for sharing with us; we really enjoyed the program! Thanks also to Women for Missions for providing the strawberry shortcake and gingerbread dessert.





- ♦ Wednesday Walkers: In anticipation of increasingly hotter days, our last day of walking will be Wednesday, May 30.
- ◆ Summer Activities: We will be adding senior adult activities to the calendar for the summer months. If there is an activity you are interested in, please let me know. Location for the activities will be in and around the Williamsburg area. I invite your ideas and suggestions of places to visit and activities that would be interesting for our group.
- ♦ Monday, June 4: Visit to Yorktown and lunch at Carrot Tree Restaurant (Details coming soon!)
- ♦ Wednesday, June 13: Forever Young Luncheon (please note change of date). Special plans are in the works! Watch for details!

# Gifts and Memorials

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In memory of Ben Bailey: Virginia Warren In memory of Bea Foster: Virginia Warren

In memory of Bobbie Johnson: Virginia Warren; Jamestown

Heritage Republican Women

In memory of Martha Whyte: Virginia Warren

- In memory of Bea Foster: Charles & Jan Puffenberger
  In memory of Bobbie Johnson: Charles & Jan Puffenberger
  In memory of Martha Whyte: Charles & Jan Puffenberger
- DIRECTED TO THE CREATION OF THE RICHMOND ROAD ENTRY GARDEN AND FLOWER PROJECT

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Cole; Mr. & Mrs. Art Rodgers; Mr. & Mrs. Ed Briggs; Mary Lee Leary; Cathy Short; Esther Batchelder; Dr. & Mrs. Jim Johnson; Ronald Ervi; George Britton, Jr.; Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mylum; Mr. & Mrs. Larry Neal; Dr. & Mrs. Glenn Plott; Susie Dorsey; Mr. & Mrs. Tony Parrott; Mr. & Mrs. Bill White; Peggy Charlier (in memory of Elmer Charlier); Dr. & Mrs. Earl McLane; Mr. & Mrs. Jim Whitney; Edwina M. Smith (friend of Pete Freeman); anonymous Mr. & Mrs. George Sampson; Mr. & Mrs. Art Rodgers; Mr. & Mrs. John Moore; Mr. & Mrs. Bob Kidd; Mr. & Mrs. Steve Simmons; George & Barbara Hudgins (in memory of their parents and Capt. Thomas Hood); Mr. & Mrs. Yancey McGann; Charles & Jan Puffenberger (in celebration of their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary)

# Welcome!

We welcome Christy Lewis of Toano as our new bookkeeper/office assistant. Her extensive experience in accounting, proficiency in a variety of accounting software packages, and winsome demeanor are welcome additions to the office team. She will serve under the direct supervision of the Pastor and the church treasurer.



It was Sunday. After the regular excitement of the morning, a couple of hospital visits, and an extra-long walk with the dogs, I finally deposited myself on the couch in the den. The girls had a movie on, an effective, but, by that point, unnecessary sedative, and I went immediately to the land of dreams. When I awoke it was to laughter – and the source of amusement was me! They described the general sensation of a freight train rolling through the den – read here, I was snoring – a fact I attempted to dispute, but was outvoted.



This obvious and embarrassing flaw is only one of my many faults and, this season in which we remember Father's day, I'd rather write anything but get personal. However, at least this

once, I need to confess that being a Dad is tough, humbling and, at points, humiliating, because it exposes so much. While I know fathers are charged with being teachers, it has often been through my gracious daughters that the Lord has taught <u>me</u>. While I know fathers are charged with providing boundaries and expectations, I have become acutely aware of <u>my</u> need to grow in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. While I know fathers are charged with serving as examples, the truth is. I've often failed.

As a papa-still-in-progress, to other fathers-in-the-making, let me add that I've learned I need to:

- Listen to my children much more than talk.
- With and without words, let them know I love them.
- · Give them my time and be certain to show up when it matters to them.
- Admit when I'm wrong and, when I'm right, be patient, understanding and forgiving.
- · Bless them a thousand times for all they do right, for every one criticism I might be tempted to offer.
- · Watch for the beautiful thing God is doing in and through their lives and observe it out loud and in their hearing.
- · Avoid coercing them to do what I want them to do or believe what I want them to believe. It must be real.
- Most of all, make sure they know I love their Mother.

Jesus called God "Father." Come and learn with me from the best.

So, see you where the church gathers. JIM

# June Calendar of Church Events

## Men's Fellowship Breakfast will NOT meet again until October.

June 3 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Fellowship, noon; Food Collection for FISH
June 6, 13, 20, 27 Women's Bible Study, 9 am
June 6 Get Acquainted with WBC, 5 pm; 1st Wednesday Fellowship Dinner, 6 pm
June 6, 13, 20, 27 Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
June 8 Personnel Committee, 10 am
June 10 Boy Scout Sunday, 11 am
June 12 Finance Council, 1 pm
June 13 Senior Adult Luncheon, 11:30 am
June 13, 20, 27 Prayer Meeting, 6:30 pm
June 17 Food Collection for Gym Bag Project
June 19 Leadership Council, 7 pm
June 21 "From His Hands" Meal Preparation (Missions)

## The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

will be held on June 6 @ 6 pm, hosted by Bob Groves' Breakfast Boyz!

Be sure to RSVP.

### June Birthdays

1 Gent Cofer; 2 Mae Royall; 3 Carol Stallings; 6 Jack Reitz, Dean Vorpagel; 7 Ed Briggs; 8 Anne Bailey, Kelsey Barbour, Jay Barbour; 9 Ron Weismiller, Leah West, Andy Goldstein; 11 Mary Connor; 12 Jordyn Wright (child); 13 Judy Bristow; 15 Glenn Plott; 18 Anne Nottingham; 20 Larry Neal; 21 Jean Cogle, Franz Kitenko, Caitlin Coleman; 24 Stan Giddings, Connie White; 26 Lynn Vorpagel; 27 Virginia Nance, Karen Beale

### Summer Activities for Children and Youth

Coming Soon! Watch your mail for a schedule of summer activities for children and youth.

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