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Freshman Sophie Brennan of the Worcester Prep Lady Mallards evades an opponent during Friday's basketball game against the Gunston Herons. The Mallards outlasted the Herons 25-16. See Story Page 16.

Trouble may be rising for **Neon Moon**

Berlin could move to have the dilapidated building demolished

By Tony Russo Staff Writer

BERLIN — Nearly six years after the building was slated to be turned into a La Hacianda and almost three since that restaurant gave up on the project, eventually moving to Ocean Pines, the issue of the former Neon Moon building has begun to come to a head.

For the second time in six-months a resident came to the Berlin Mayor and Council meeting to complain about the building's condition. Last fall, a petitioner asked that the overgrowth around the dilapidated building be trimmed back for both traffic safety and neighborhood aesthetic reasons. This week, another came to flat out ask the Council to have the building demolished.

When Bill Herbst, who owns both the Ocean City and the Ocean Pines La Hacienda but is no longer involved in the project, was attempting to open a restaurant on the property, he ran into resistance getting the site plan approved by the Town. At issue was the Town's comprehensive plan provision that banned parking in front of the building.

Herbst requested a variance that would have granted him parking in front of the proposed building. The Town's site plan review guidelines in the zoning code stipulate that parking be behind the building whenever practical.

Although the Town did begin negotiations to see about rectifying the parking



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Berlin Council gets an earful over an eyesore

demolished,"

— Gee Williams

Current owner faces daily fines of \$1,200 over citation neglect

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issue — there was at one point a plan that would have allowed limited parking in front of the building — the Maryland State Highway Administration stepped in with some concerns of their own.

According to the SHA, the proposed building's relationship to the power lines and some line of

sight issues made the plan for the building's placement, in their view, unacceptable.

The corner prop-

erty is structured in such a way that it's already difficult to see southbound traffic when crossing Main Street eastbound. Eventually Herbst walked away from the project in frustration.

Over the ensuing years the ownership has been responsive to Town requests for abatement of nuisances. But as time passes, the need for more intensive maintenance continues to pile up and the building has become something of an eyesore at one of the Town's major gateways.

The gateway argument was one of many made by Susan Moore, the latest petitioner, when she addressed the Mayor and Council this week.

I think it's a very bed introductory building to see," she said.

Moreover, new, tougher rules for nuisance abatement have been passed in the last year, making it more difficult and more expensive to let a building fall into total and utter disrepair for extended periods of time.

Included in the new rules is the ability for the Town to fine negligent property

owners \$200 per day "Ultimately, we could have it per infraction until the nuisance is

> According Town Planning and Zoning Supervisor

Chuck Ward, the Neon Moon building was cited last month for six separate violations, each carrying a \$100 fine. Should the violations remain unaddressed the Town may begin the \$200 per day fines. The letter addressing that possibility went to the owner, Scott Steel,

Should the fines go unpaid and the work remain undone, the Town could then take Steel to District Court.

Only after the court has rendered a decision can the Town move to have the



TONY RUSSO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The long-abandoned Neon Moon building has caused repeated complaints from neighbors and concerned citizens. Berlin is turning up the pressure on the building's owners to begin to rehabilitate or demolish the structure.

building demolished.

"Ultimately, we could have it demolished," Mayor Gee Williams said. "The clock started ticking last week."

He added that it hopefully won't come to that.

Berlin Director of Community and Economic Development Michael Day, said there has been recurring interest in the building by people hoping to open business in Berlin. Although there haven't been any takers, Day was hopeful that someone could reach an agreement

to purchase the property which would likely solve the problem for everyone involved.

With the recent move by Twisters to take over part of the Tyson property on Old Ocean City Road and the continued success of Burley Oak Brewery farther on down the block, it is likely that the area may be experience a resurgence of interest for would-be entrepreneurs.

Steel declined comment on the ramifications of the fines or the progress of the building's sale.





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Council loath to support Chamber event request

"I can't imagine [slots rev-

enues] changing dramatically."

— Gee Williams

Slots revenue exceeded budget expectations for 2011 calendar year

By Tony Russo Staff Writer

BERLIN — Although it nearly failed for lack of a motion, the Chamber of Commerce successfully persuaded the Town Council to approve their petition to have a beer and wine tent at this year's Jazz and Blues Bash.

Late last year, the town passed legislation that would allow the suspension

of their open container laws on a case by cases basis with the Council's approval. The rules were put in place to bring the

law prohibiting public drinking into sync with reality.

During major events it was common for people to leave the premises of some local bars carrying alcohol but enforcing the rule with so many people on hand became, in the eyes of the Council, an unneeded distraction for the police.

The test event for the open container law's temporary suspension was to be New Year's Eve, which came and went without incident despite attendance approaching 3,000 people.

Berlin Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Olive Mawyer told the Council that the Chamber would likely petition for a suspension for five events in the coming year — the Berlin Jazz and Blues Bash, Mayday Playday, the Berlin Fiddlers Convention and Rocktoberfest/Octoberfest weekend. It was a plan endorsed by Mayor Gee Williams.

"As long as we can keep the kind of record we have, we can keep on doing it," he said.

Mawyer agreed, adding that the Chamber continues to learn from each event which is why the organization quotient continues to rise and the number of missteps continues to dissipate.

For example, although it is likely that the Town will suspend the open container laws on New Year's Eve this year, the Chamber will not seek to sell alcohol

"New Year's Eve, it might be too much for us," Mawyer said.

Since the number of bars and restaurants in town that stays open can sufficiently serve the crowds, and the Chamber requires volunteers to make its events run smoothly, the Chamber decided it would be best off leaving alcohol service that night to the professionals.

When Williams asked if there was a motion to approve the suspension, however, the members of the Council sat in silence, unwilling to put their names to the support of the Jazz and Blues Bash, including Councilwoman Lisa Hall, who chairs the event.

As Williams prepared to kill the request for lack of a motion, Councilwoman Paula Lynch spoke up, saying that she would make it. The measure went on to pass unanimously.

Lynch said she had questions about the Worcester County Board of Liquor Control and the state's rules governing the purchase of alcohol. She asked Berlin Director of Community and Economic Development Michael Day to arrange a presentation better explaining the Town's responsibilities as they relate to alcohol sales.

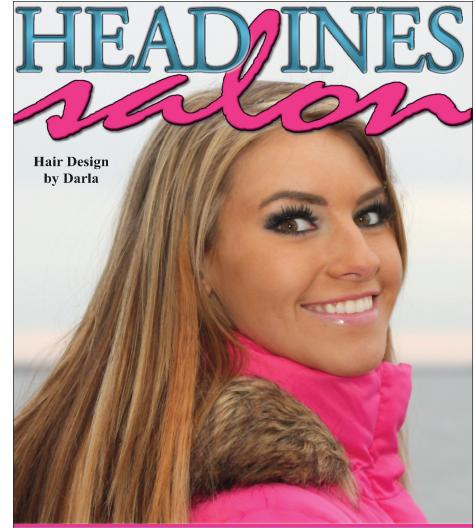
Day said he would arrange either a presentation or at least an informal in-

formation session for the Council.

In other news, the Town's income budget for expected slots revenue was just under the ac-

tual amount it received as part of the local impact grant. In the 2011 calendar year the Town, which budgeted a total of \$200,000, received nearly \$223,000.

The money is earmarked to fund the purchase of land for a new police station and community center at the corner of Bay Street and Route 113. At Lynch's request, the Council will firm up that commitment and possibly begin paying the debt at their next meeting.





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-\$46

OPERATIONS

\$510

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\$395

CAPITAL \$8

Tennis: \$1 Marinas: -\$14 Beach Parking: -\$40 Golf: \$6 Aquatics: \$6 Beach Club: \$-11 Yacht Club: \$6

TOTAL: -\$46

\$74

\$188

\$61

\$131

\$56

Admin: \$74 Public Works: \$188 Fire Department: \$61 Police: \$131 Park and Rec: \$56

Total: \$510

This year's Ocean Pines budget contains funding to continue 5-year funding plan, which includes a \$30 assessment increase. There will be no additional operational assessment increase.

Potential employee salary increases are limited to a 3 percent aggregate increase across the board based on merit alone and quaranteed to no employee.

The budget also includes continued funding of the golf drainage plan.

\$873 TOTAL BASIC ASSESSMENT

Thompson defends golf course repair decision

GM encourages OPA membership to study budget, petition Board

By Tony RussoStaff Writer

OCEAN PINES — For the first time in years the annual General Manager's budget report to the membership came week's in advance of the board of directors' final vote on it. While one of the attendees complained that the presentation took place too far in advance of the final vote, for the most part members were happy with the additional time.

During the question and answer period about the budget, General Manager Bob Thompson fielded enough questions about the process for repairing the golf course and Yacht and Country Clubs that he made a pointed defense of the projects, outlining what he saw as their necessity.

Thompson turned the assertion that the golf club was being intentionally repaired at below-referendum increments on its head by reminding attendees that there is an all around new approach to dealing with maintenance generally:

"We need to start looking at and managing our facilities better," he said.

To that end, the plan for the golf course is to balance the amount of work that needs to be done to repair it with the amount of money the board and the administration feel they can afford to spend on the project each year.

Thompson said he wasn't in possession of a final and total cost for the golf course rehabilitation project, but that whatever the amount was it would require years of partial funding.

Earlier this month the board of directors approved a measure aimed at having

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all the greens replaced by spring 2013.

Thompson said the original plan was to have them completed at the end of 2012, having nine holes completed in the pre-season spring and nine in the post-season fall. The plan was revised in the interest of protecting potential revenues in the event that another mild fall extends the golf season as it did this year.

The reason the greens were selected as the first aspect to undergo repair and replacement is, Thompson said, because however the rest of the course plays, the greens are the most important aspect of the course to most golfers. By replacing and repairing the greens first the OPA can increase and retain the number of outside play rounds.

By regularly doing what can be afforded, rather than trying to take the course offline completely and do a full renovation, Thompson said that the course will be able to increase revenues while not taking too big a bite out of the members' assessments all at once.

That same attitude, he said, will be applied across the board beginning with the addition of a facilities engineer and continuing through with the eventual rehabilitation of the Yacht and Country Clubs.

A significant part of the justification for investing in new facilities at the Yacht and County Club was the board's insistence Thompson present them with a business plan for how the facilities would run.

In response to other questions from those present at the meeting, Thompson clarified that although the business plans were an important part of the new facilities plan, they were and are necessary whether or not the facilities are replaced.

This year food sales up and banquet sales down at the Yacht Club but more concerning was the fact that costs for both personnel and food were up. Reigning in operational overages is a significant part of the business plan.

"They need to improve whether we have a new building or not," he said.

Last year, some line employees had as many as 30 hours of overtime in a week, *Continued on Page 5*

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OPA may add staff to improve revenues, operations

New positions in HR, **Facilities Maintenance** and Aquatics mulled

By Tony Russo Staff Writer

OCEAN PINES - OPA General Manager Bob Thompson presented the board of directors and the membership with his plan to increase revenue and better improve association operations with the addition of three new positions for the fiscal 2012/2013 budget.

The positions: a facilities engineer, a human resources manager, and an aquatics instructor will be funded by a shift of other position expenses and will not require additional funding by the membership.

The facilities manager position will be funded in part by the decision not to replace Kerry Nelson, the Public Works Director who resigned earlier this year.

Thompson praised Nelson's former assistant, who was elevated to chief, but said the new position would require a different skill set than has been required of public works personnel.

The facilities engineer will take over

the jobs formerly completed by the members of public works department in their spare time. Thomspon said it wasn't a criticism of the job that has been done by public works over the years, but rather the admission that putting one professional in charge of maintaining the facilities is necessary for all the departments to get their jobs done efficiently.

As the case continues for replacing the Yacht and Country Clubs, part of the concern has been how poorly the buildings have been maintained over the

Many of the maintenance problems have arisen from the prohibitive cost of legitimate fixes being reduced by temporary or in-house fixes that were less expensive.

By establishing a position that requires facilities maintenance skills, the OPA management will be better able to maintain the facilities correctly.

The proposed human resources director was a budget item Thompson proposed last year but the position was cut in favor of a subscription service to handle HR questions. Thompson said he and the staff found the service to be in-

Although part of the subscription included live help, the hold times were so long they actually had a negative affect on productivity. The Internet-based portion of the service provided plenty of data but little in the way of interpreta-

Moreover, Thompson argued, the problem with the subscription service was most plainly revealed as the staff attempted to write job descriptions.

Understanding the process and the operational needs and challenges from an in-house perspective is necessary if the OPA is to provide a comprehensive personnel management system.

The proposed aquatics director is to be a revenue-driving position aimed at both improving the Sports Core Pool's bottom line and its image. For the past several years, the OPA has acted as middle man to swim instructors who, for a small fee, can hold lessons at the pool.

By adding an aquatics director who can act as an instructor as well, Thompson said the OPA will be able to increase the department's revenue while providing better service to participants.

Other proposed personnel changes include increasing the number of seasonal staff members with an aim toward getting better control over costs, especially at the Yacht Club.

When talking about operational cost overruns there, Thompson pointed to the fact that last season some employees

were collecting 20-30 hours in overtime weekly.

He pointed to this as a primary reason for the cost overruns that dug so deeply into what was actually a pretty good year for Yacht Club restaurant rev-

Since, unlike last year, the OPA has no Golf club employees — Billy Casper Golf is now responsible for all costs at the golf course and Tern Grille — and will not at this time be adding a food and beverage director, the OPA can add these positions with no operational cost changes for the coming fiscal year.

In addition to appealing for the new positions, Thompson is asking the board of directors for options to bestow raises where he feels they are warranted. While he is asking for an aggregate of 3 percent, Thompson was clear that it was not a call for across-the-board raises.

Instead, he wants the discretion to offer merit raises where appropriate, proportionate to an employees salary and the higher standards to which he expects to hold them in the coming year. This means some employees may get as much as a 5 percent raise while others may get no raise at all.

The board will vote on the final budget at the 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21 meeting in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Country Club. The next OPA board of directors budget meeting will be 3 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 8.

Staying on top of costs at the OPA Yacht Club

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yet Thompson said he observed many employees standing around doing nothing much of the time. This, he added, was not a line employee but rather a management failing; one he said he will put an end to.

While the food quality at the Yacht Club has improved, it did so with rocketing food costs, which often means there is a problem with waste. Tackling that will, Thompson said, bring costs into line but there is no silver bullet for the community perception that the Yacht Club is no longer a quality dining alternative.

years, and years, and years of poor quality," he said. "Unfortunately you don't change the culture or the feeling of the community right away."

The board will make their final vote on the budget at their next meeting, slated for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21 in the Assateague Rooom of

as the process continues. He also said he was available to answer budget questions.

'What we have to overcome is

the Ocean Pines Community Center. Thomson encourages all members to visit www.oceanpines.org to download a copy of the budget presentation and reach out to the directors with comments and suggestions



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Pictured are new member Carolyn Dryzga, Kiwanis Club Membership Chair Pat Winkelmayer as she performs the ceremony, new member Jackie Todd and Kiwanian Peg Morton who sponsored both.

Kiwanis welcome Dryzga and Todd into their fold

OCEAN PINES — It was a great day for the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City as it welcomed two new members Carolyn Dryzga, and Jackie Todd. The new additions to the Kiwanis fold were sponsored by Kiwanian Peg Morton. The Kiwanis mission of "Serving the Children of the World" plus the other community service projects were a fit for both women.

Carolyn Dryzga comes from a strong military family. Her father retired after 30 years in the Army as a Lt. Colonel having served in WW II, Korea, and Vietnam. Dryzga married a West Point graduate who became a USMC officer and Vietnam veteran. Now divorced, they still share a longstanding friendship as the parents of two children, both graduates from Penn State.

Dryzga's daughter is a stay-at-home mother raising two children. Her son is a Lt. Colonel in the Marine Corps who will be assuming command of his own squadron HLMA267 of over 500 Marines in San Diego in May. She's now retired in Ocean Pines having been a administrative and marketing manager for over 20 years with an international

on the Piano

human resource firm. She and Jackie Todd, her best friend for over 40 years have a small home-craft business together. Dryzga also loves gardening, tennis and volunteering with organizations that support children, fund breast cancer research and support our veterans.

Todd is a native Pennsylvanian who lived in California where she had a daughter Lisa. Lisa lives in Bucks County with her husband Mike. Dryzga moved back to the East Coast as a single parent living in Bucks County and held high level management jobs with an international oil company and then as an Administrative Director for several multinational law firms. She retired to Ocean Pines where her brother John lives. She actively supports Believe in Tomorrow/Children's House By the Sea in Ocean City, breast cancer projects, supporting our troops, and serves on the Board of the Ocean Pines Players theatrical company. She and Dryzga share many interests as well as the small business they have together and now as members of Kiwanis. For information about Kiwanis and how to join, call 410-641-5036.



Triple-digit crude oil prices could soon send prices to \$4 per gallon

TOWSON — Three weeks into the new year gas prices stabilized somewhat, yet remain at historic highs for the month of January. Despite U.S. demand for gasoline hovering at a multi-year low, high crude oil prices and reports of impending refinery shutdowns have fueled a 10-cent increase in the national gas price average since January 1.

The national average for regular grade gasoline dropped a penny this week to \$3.38 per gallon Friday. Prices are 17 cents above month ago prices and 26 cents above year ago prices, yet remain 73 cents below the all-time record high of \$4.11 set three and a half years ago.

Crude oil moved back into triple-digit territory this week, supported by Nigerian production issues and ongoing Middle East tensions over Iranian sanctions and the Straight of Hormuz, with Iran threatening neighbors of consequences if they raise oil output to replace Iranian oil

In addition, positive economic news out of China, the world's second largest economy, showed an 8.9 percent growth in the fourth quarter also supported crude's upward movement.

Yet, by week's end it was news out of China showing manufacturing declined for a third month and a continued debt crisis in Greece that sent crude below the \$100 mark. Given multiple geopolitical issues in flux, crude oil prices could remain volatile for the next few weeks. However, analysts believe such volatility Continued on Page 8

Fire Marshal Bernard presents 2011 Maryland fatality report

More lives were saved as the incidents of fatal fires rose for last year

PIKESVILLE — Maryland State Fire Marshal William E. Barnard has announced a preliminary report revealing 67 Marylanders died in 56 fatal fires during 2011.

Those fire deaths represent a 6 percent decrease as compared to the 71 fire deaths occurring in 50 fatal fires in 2010. The number of fatal fires in 2011 represents a 12 percent increase as compared to 2010.

The majority of the victims in fatal fires (44), involved victims age 45 and older. As in years past, more victims in this age group succumb to the effects of fire than those less than 45 years of age.

Seventy-nine percent of all fire deaths

in Maryland in 2011 occurred in residential structures. Fifty- seven percent of those deaths occurred between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when the highest numbers of Marylanders are most vulnerable – while they are sleeping. This is the time when most of us depend on life saving devices such as; working smoke alarms and residential fire sprinklers to provide the extra time needed to escape the ingredients of fire.

"Every Marylander needs to exercise personal responsibility to protect themselves and their families by ensuring they have working smoke alarms in their homes," according to the State Fire Marshal

"If you are building a new home, please consider installing residential fire sprinklers. When used in combination; fire sprinklers, working smoke alarms and fire escape plans provide assistance in helping to protect citizens from the perils of an uncontrolled fire."

Statewide fire death data is available at the OSFM website – www.firemarshal.state.md.us The OSFM also has a Facebook page under – "Office of the Maryland State Fire Marshal", it maintains providing valuable fire and life safety tips offered throughout the year.

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SATURDAYS : Patrick McAllorum on the Guitar



Museum volunteer Marcie Wiggins discovered the Museum Society had many more sands that were not on exhibit in its collection and reorganized "Sands of the World" exhibit at the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum during her holiday break.

Local student spends her break on lots of beaches

Museum Society recently announced its improved "Sands of the World" exhibit at the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum thanks to the efforts of local resident Marcie Wiggins.

Wiggins was employed at the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum during the summer. She is a full-time student at the University of Maryland. While working at the museum, Wiggins expressed an interest in updating the Sands of the World exhibit. She discovered that the Museum Society had many more sands that were not on exhibit in its collection and some of the samples were redundant. After her summer employment she volunteered to reorganize the sands and include some sand that had not previously been on display during her holiday break. She also researched sand so that she was able to add interpretive information to the exhibit.

"I have an interest in museums and history, and I hope to pursue a career in art conservation by currently studying chemistry and art history at the University of Maryland," Wiggins said. "As a result, I felt it was necessary to spend my time updating the map, ensuring the largest variety of sand was on display, and adding an educational element."

The new Sands of the World exhibit includes 25 new samples, new interpretive panels and an updated map. It is also organized geographically.

The Sands of the World has been one of our most popular exhibits and Marcie's work has added a new level of educational value and enjoyment for our audience," said Diane Knuckles, Museum Assistant Curator. "We are delighted that Marcie took the time and interest to make this exhibit even more

The Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum is located on the southern end of the Boardwalk adjacent to the Inlet parking lot and is open on weekends during winter from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call the museum at 410-289-4991.

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Fuel costs continue to rise while demand falls

"Record-high gas prices for

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all-time record high prices"

Ragina C. Averella

Commuters as well as tourism could be hit hard as gasoline climbs

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and upward movement will not last, reinforcing this year could be quite similar to 2011 in the sense that crude oil (and in turn gasoline) prices were front-end loaded. Crude oil settled at \$98.33 Friday, a one-month low.

In its weekly report, the Energy Information Administration (EIA) showed the nation's crude oil supplies fell 3.4 million barrels to 331.2 million barrels, contrary to analysts' expectations of a 2.8 million barrel build. Gasoline supplies rose by 3.7 million

barrels to 227.5 million barrels, in line with analysts' expectations of a 2.6 million barrel build. Gasoline demand was dismal, dropping to under 8 million barrels per day (bpd), almost 1 million bpd

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less than the same week last year and the lowest level since 2001. Gasoline demand was off to a sluggish start in 2011 and is even worse to start 2012, as the four-week gasoline demand average is over 6 percent behind the same time last year. Supporting lackluster demand expectations for early 2012, the Federal Highway Administration (FHA) reported October 2011 vehicle miles traveled to be down 6 billion, or 2.3 percent

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"Record-high gas prices for January have left motorists wondering just how high prices will go this year and when (rather than if) prices will shatter all-time record high prices," said Ragina Averella, Manager of Public and Government Af-

fairs for AAA Mid-Atlantic. "The current tension in the Middle East and escalating crude oil prices have led analysts to believe it is only a matter of time - as early as perhaps April - when gas prices reach the \$4.00 to \$4.25 per gallon range, setting a new all-time record high."

Analysts' projections indicate consumers could pay record high prices within the next few months. Fred Rozell, retail pricing director at Oil Price Information Service (OPIS), expects the national average for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline to reach \$4.00 to \$4.25 per gallon when the market peaks, sometime between April and early May, before retreating later in the year.

Millions announced for conservation easements

USDA program will fund land preservation projects in Maryland

ANNAPOLIS — Private landowners interested in protecting their farmland or wetland with this year's funding are encouraged to get their applications in

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Maryland has set Feb. 10 as the deadline for 2012 first round funding consideration for the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program and Wetland Reserve Program.

The Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program (FRPP) is a voluntary easement program that helps farmers and ranchers keep their land in agricultural production.

The program provides matching funds to state or local governments and nongovernmental organizations with existing farmland protection programs to purchase conservation easements. These permanent easements protect agricultural land, and important farmland soils, by prohibiting conversion to non-agricultural uses.

The Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) provides an opportunity for landowners to receive financial assistance to protect, restore and enhance wetlands on their property.

WRP helps to reduce flooding, improve water quality by filtering sediment and chemicals, recharge groundwater and more. In addition, these wetlands provide food and shelter for migratory birds and other wetland dependent

WRP offers landowners a combination of permanent or 30-year easements, in addition to 10-year restoration agreements, in exchange for retiring and restoring drained woodland and marginal land from agriculture. In 2012, landowners may receive up to \$8,170 per acre for permanent easements. For 30-year easements, applicants can receive 75 percent of the permanent easement value.

For FRPP and WRP, USDA pays all costs associated with recording the easement in the local land records office. Landowners voluntarily limit future use of the land, yet retain private ownership.

While NRCS accepts easement program applications throughout the year, the agency plans to make 2012 funding decisions from the pool of applications received by Feb. 10 first. Subsequent ranking periods will occur until all funds are exhausted.

Unfunded eligible applicants will remain on file until additional funding becomes available.

To participate in WRP, private landowners may submit applications directly to NRCS. For FRPP, state and local governments or nongovernmental organizations should submit applications directly to the NRCS State Office.

Interested landowners are encouraged to contact their local USDA Service Center for more information. Service Center locations and more information on the programs can be found at www.md.nrcs.usda.gov.

NRCS's natural resources conservation programs help people reduce soil erosion, enhance water supplies, improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat, and reduce damages caused by floods and other natural disasters. Public benefits include enhanced natural resources that help sustain agricultural productivity and environmental quality while supporting continued economic development, recreation, and scenic



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Annual arts advocacy rally planned for February 8

'The most important arts advocacy event of the year in Maryland'

BERLIN — Worcester County Arts Council Director Anna Mullis this week enjoined art interested members of the public to participate in Maryland Arts Day, Wednesday, Feb. 8 in Annapolis.

"Maryland Arts Day is the most important arts advocacy event of the year in Maryland, bringing the many, varied voices of the artistic community together in support of state funding for the arts and the Maryland State Arts Council," Mullis said. "In addition, Maryland Arts Day acts as the only state-wide annual meeting for the Maryland arts community and its supporters, and as such presents a unique networking opportunity and a platform to discuss issues specific to the arts."

The event is sponsored by Maryland Citizens for the Arts (MCA).

Over 400 arts advocates and leaders from across the state will converge on the state capital to meet with legislators to emphasize the importance of public support of the arts and the critical role the arts play in an economically and culturally vibrant Maryland, according to Douglas Mann, Chair of MCA.

The day-long session will begin with greetings and remarks from Maryland lawmakers including Senate President Thomas V. Mike Miller, Speaker of the House Michael Busch and Department of Business and Economic Development Secretary Christian Johansson.

For this year, the Lead Sponsor for Maryland Arts Day is Susquehanna Bank. Additional support is provided by the Maryland State Arts Council and the Community Arts Alliance of Maryland.

MCA will present the "Sue Hess Maryland Arts Advocate of the Year Award" at Maryland Arts Day. The award is presented to an individual whose advocacy efforts have significantly increased support for and public recognition of the arts in Maryland.

The 2012 recipient is Toby Orenstein, Founder and Artistic Director of the Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts in Howard County. Orenstein was inducted in to the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame and in 2005 she was honored for Outstanding Service to Educational Theatre by the Maryland Theatre Association.

For more than 50 years, Orenstein has served the arts community of Maryland with a particular emphasis on using theatre to better the lives of children. As an arts educator and advocate, Toby was inspired by her early experiences in the Harlem, N.Y. schools.

Selected by Eleanor Roosevelt as one of 12 teachers to participate in the "All Day Neighborhood School Project" she worked to motivate and stimulate disaffected and under privileged youth to learn in a different way, through the arts. Toby was practicing "arts integration"

long before the phrase was coined.

"Toby's work with CCTA is all volunteer, and her passion and commitment to the arts in Maryland truly shine through this labor of love and in everything she touches," said Christopher West, MCA Trustee and Chair of the Sue Hess Award Committee.

The day's keynote speaker is Bashi Rose. Rose is a Maryland theatre artist and filmmaker.

He is also co-founder of Nommo Theatre/Film. His works have been produced in Baltimore, Washington, D.C., and New York City.

He has conducted drama workshops in Hagerstown prison and several prisons in Jessup under the auspices of The Friend Of A Friend Mentoring Program founded by Marshall "Eddie" Conway and Dominique Stevenson.

In 2007 Bashi partnered with his wife,

Sharayna Christmas-Rose (founder of Muse 360) to form a youth arts program, Dancing Many Drums (DMD), where Baltimore youth have the opportunity to learn about themselves and the African Diaspora using dance, theater, music and visual arts. To further their study they have traveled to Harlem's Schomburg Center for Black Research and Culture, Jamaica, Costa Rica, and Puerto Rico.

Performing at Maryland Arts Day will be Piedmont blues singer and guitarist Warner Williams and his musical partner and harmonica player Jay Summerour.

Recently recognized as a 2011 NEA National Heritage Fellow, Warner Williams is a Takoma Park native who has been making music for more than 60 years. In retirement, Williams still brings the Piedmont blues to schools, blues clubs, and folk festivals.

Williams and Summerour began play-

ing together during the early 1990s, sometimes calling themselves "Little Bit of Blues." They have been featured in concerts, on television and radio, and at festivals across the country, including appearances on the National Public Radio series Folk Masters, at the National and Lowell folk festivals and on the National Mall during the American Roots Fourth of July celebration.

There will also be briefings on the state budget, communication training, and advocacy strategies, according to MCA Director John Schratwieser.

"Participants will have the chance to meet with their representatives and convey their own message about the economic, cultural, educational and social impacts of the arts in their districts and across Maryland," he said. Details about the event can be found at www.mdarts.org.



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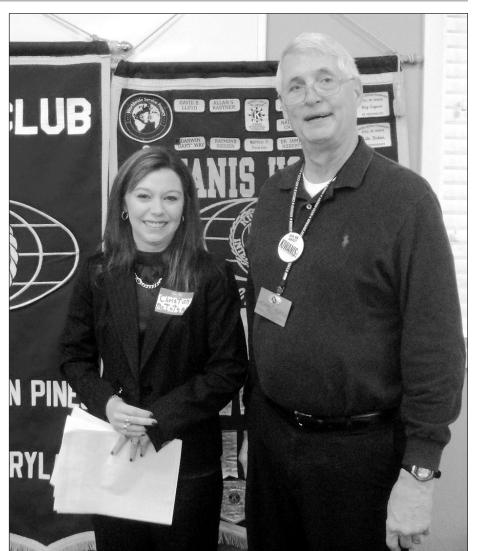
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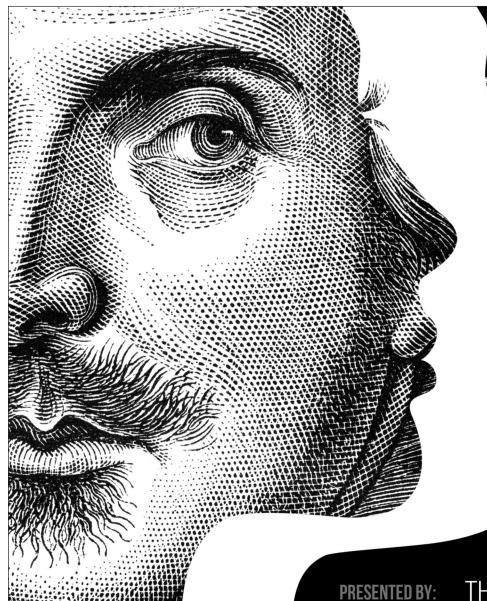
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Commissioners explain booze SNAFU

County misunderstood distributor rules that banned recent purchase

SNOW HILL — An apparent permitting oversight on the part of Worcester County Government has garnered a great deal of state attention in recent months, and county staff has worked in close cooperation with officials representing the Comptroller of Maryland, Maryland Attorney General and the State of Alabama to rectify the situation.

On October 31, the Worcester County Department of Liquor Control (DLC) purchased \$175,000 worth of liquor from the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC), at a savings of \$55,840 as compared to Maryland Beverage Journal wholesaler pricing.

Almost immediately, the Maryland Comptroller's Office informed the County that the purchase was not legal, since the Alabama ABC did not have a permit to sell alcohol in Maryland. The County was advised it could not sell the alcohol and suggested that it may be best to send the load back to Alabama until the proper permit was issued.

The County complied with this request by moving the alcohol to a bonded warehouse in Delaware and immediately began working with officials from the Comptroller's Office and the Maryland Attorney General's Office to assist the Alabama ABC with acquiring the requested permit. The Alabama ABC officially submitted their Non-resident Dealer permit application to the Comptroller's Office in mid-November 2011.

While they expected the permit would be issued promptly and the ship-

ment from the Alabama ABC could be accepted, a letter from Comptroller Peter Franchot clearly advised otherwise

Worcester County Commission President James C. "Bud"

Church said that "while we certainly had no intention of breaking the law, we have every intention of providing the best possible liquor pricing for the more than 200 local bars, restaurants and retail stores who purchase alcoholic beverages from the county. That remains our steadfast commitment since we assumed liquor control operations last

Starting July 1, following passage of Senate Bill 906, oversight for the sale and distribution of liquor in the county was transferred from the autonomous Liquor Control Board to Worcester County Government under the auspices of the Worcester DLC. Our primary goals on assuming this new responsibility were to preserve local jobs, continue providing adequate service to small businesses in Worcester County, and to protect and preserve revenues to the County and incorporated towns.

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mitted by state law to sell to other wholesalers, like Worcester County, at substantially lower markups than retail

Worcester officials said they will continue to work with the Maryland Comptroller and Attorney General's Offices to assist the Alabama ABC to secure the required permit to enable Worcester County DLC to procure more reasonably priced alcoholic beverages in furtherance of our commitment to the business-owners and citizens of Worcester County.

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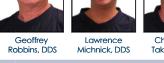
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Patricia Fischer relaxes in front of the new location for Town Center II on Pitts Street. The former North Main Street shop holds its grand opening Thursday, Feb. 2.

Fischer takes business elsewhere

Berlin's Town Center Antiques moves into new Pitts Street digs

By Tony Russo Staff Writer

BERLIN — Patricia Fischer was doing double duty, manning the Town Center Antiques counter and flipping through the store's financials. Midmorning is typically a quiet time in the Main Street shop and the owner was taking advantage of the lull to catch up on some paperwork and talk about the company's newest destination — the building formerly used as a Donaway Furniture storage facility.

During the week between Christmas and New Year, Fischer arranged to have the entire setup of Town Center II taken down at its former North Main Street local and re-erected in the Pitts Street building. It was a formidable task, completed without incident, but worth it not only to Fischer and the Town Center II vendors but to the Downtown and the local economy generally.

Incentive is the centerpiece of the story and the main catalyst of Fischer's decision to relocate after 12 years on North Main Street and it begins with an opportunity fulfilled.

Town of Berlin Economic Development Director Michael Day shopped a state funding program, he'd been made aware of all around town. There were grants available for converting warehouse space into retail and office space. It provided the chance for businesses with the will and resources to get a little of the risk removed from expanding in a down economy.

Representatives of the Donaway Fur-

niture company approached Fischer last November and proposed the move. They brought along a little incentive of their own

Since the floor plan was open they offered Fischer the opportunity for input into how the restoration would commence and what the best floor plan for it would be. In the former Town Center II, each vendor space was separated by what Fischer called chicken flooring. For those unfamiliar, it looks like snow fencing made from wood — a line of long thin bars about three feet high placed vertically and held together at two points.

The trick in the design was to have enough open space to accommodate the more than 85 vendors without making the place cramped.

The goal was accomplished, with Fischer's input, by leaving intact the high *Continued on Page 13*

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SALISBURY — RE/MAX Premier Properties recently welcomed agent Joel Maher to their team. Maher is a multi-



Joel Maher

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Maher prides himself in devoting the utmost individual attention to all of his clients, and developing custom solutions to meet every client's needs.

He is also a Certified Short Sale Specialist who remains active in the community, serving in a variety of local organizations.

Ribbon Cutting

BERLIN — Town Center Antiques and the Berlin Chamber of Commerce are celebrating the grand opening of Town Center Antiques 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2 at their new location, 11 Pitts Street.

Town Center Antiques is a family owned business. It was started by Patricia and Don Fisher in 1997. The Fishers initially opened Town Center Antiques at 1 N orth Main Street with only 20 dealers. They quickly tripled in size and by the end of 1997 acquired the entire building which was previously occupied by Style Guide. In November 2000, Town Center Antiques expanded to a 2nd location at 113 N. Main Street.

When the property came available at 11 Pitts Street, Patricia immediately fell in love with the 110 year old building and felt that it was more conducive to the antique business. Patricia and her son Bill Outten, continue to manage the business with over 100 antique dealers.

Members of the community who are interested in touring the new location and learning more about Town Center Antiques are invited. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Patricia Fischer of Town Center Antiques at (410) 629-1895.



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Make a list to manage but not overschedule life



By Chip Gordy MBA, CRPC

Getting organized and staying that way can help you get things done quicker, feel more satisfied, and clear your mind for more creative thought.

Here are some ideas:

Create the system that's right for

It comes down to the tools you want to use (or already use) in your daily routine. Are you online a lot? If so, there are many digital calendars and tools available for you to use. If you less concerned with the digital world, you can use a paper-based system just as well

Create only 3 lists:

"Must Do Now," "Follow Up" and
"Later." Then, put all of your to dos on
your 3 new lists as seen below. Once you
get comfortable with this system, create
a Must Do Now template and save it.
This way when you need to create more
lists, you can just print more copies.
Your Must Do Now List is the new
home for all of the current things you
need to get done. For myself, I like to
separate out my most important 3 for
today, the calls I need to make, and the

Your "Follow Up" list should contain all of the things you are waiting for others to do, including the things that you've delegated. Make sure to list who is responsible for the task at the beginning of

rest of my list that I didn't get finished

from yesterday.

the item for easy checking later. Your "Later" list is a place to store all the ideas and things or actions that you just can't get to right now. This may also be a good place to put "big picture" items that may be out of reach for the time being. In other words, it's a place to actively "remember" new ideas and thoughts.

Set aside some time to review your lists:

Just like with email, your lists are something that need attention. Even taking just a few minutes at the start and finish of each day will help you concentrate on what you need to do, and make sure you are keeping your lists current.

Create simple ways to keep your lists up-to-date:

Your lists aren't helpful if the things you need to do are not in them. Find ways to make sure you keep them updated. Finally, don't let your system control your life. Always do the most important things first; list or no list.

We all have many things to do, and you can easily let your lists run your life at work. Don't let that happen. This structure is strictly where you keep all of your prioritized things to do.

Choosing what to do and how you want to respond to what you need to do, will take time, deliberation, prioritizing, and instinct

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ceilings and leaving many of the walls stripped to the bare brick, both the up and downstairs of the building maintain a rustic, yet clean and organized feel.

The upstairs is accessed by the original staircase — only the treads needed to be replaced during the renovation — and the second level gives an insight into the building's original use and the vast changes that have occurred since it opened to house the American Sales company 110 years ago.

American Sales was something of a mix between a hardware and department store, carrying, in addition to tools, everything from appliances to toys. The elevator wheel — a huge gear that remains mounted on the rear wall — is testimony to the building's former use. The ample front windows retain their original stained glass and give the room superior light throughout the day and affecting a significant and noticeable change from Town Center II's former location.

Although the move was hectic, the vendors are satisfied with the new space. Moreover, the change will benefit the Downtown in an even more significant way by providing a link between

the Main Street and William Street shops.

Town Center II has long been a formidable North Main Street draw. As people find its new location, the expectation is more will be drawn to explore Berlin's depth as well as its with.

Part of the reason for this anticipation is that the popular original Town Center Antiques store's back door opens onto Pitts Street. While it will be retained for egress only Fischer said that the alternate and additional flow onto the side street will be in everyone's best interest.

"Some vendors were worried that their customers would be able to find them," she said. "But they have."

By heavily promoting the transition between the two stores, Town Center II could be the very piece of the puzzle the off-Main Street section of the business district has been missing.

The promotional push begins next Thursday, Feb. 2 with the Town Center II's ribbon cutting. The event, scheduled to run from 2-4 p.m. will be the stores coming out party. People are encouraged to come out and explore the restored historic building and reacquaint themselves with the antiquing experience.



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SNOW HILL — The following are the results of the high school team indoor track meet that was held Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Worcester County Recreation Center.

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Girls 55M High Hurdles

Hall (ST)	9.1
Donna Davis (CH)	9.4
Amanda Hurst (CH)	9.5
Jessica Galuardi (SD)	9.6
Lacie Geisel (NC)	9.8
S. Nicholson (KI)	9.8
Isabella Iampieri (SD)	9.8
Emma Darling (QA)	10.0
K. Alduino (QA)	10.1
Becky Ireland (NC)	10.2
C. Leromain (NC)	10.4
Briana Lofland (MD)	10.5
Tiffany Selby (WA)	10.5
Ha. Johnston (QA)	10.7
Tie Nickerson (CR)	10.8
Kethde Deravines (MD)	10.9
Sydney Larkin (PS)	11.1
Jordan Price (SH)	11.3
J. Bolainez (ES)	11.3
Emily Kolarik (SD)	11.6
Kai Johnson (MA)	11.8
Ilaya Thomas (PS)	11.9
Sarah Ha (PS)	12.0
Courtney Dayton (MA)	12.3
Elsa Brumbaugh (KI)	13.0

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Dave EEM High Hurdles

Boys 55W High Hurdles				
Greg Petersen (SD)	8.0			
A. Thompkins (CR)	8.4			
Spenser Cardenas (SD)	8.6			
Greg Schoepf (SH)	8.7			
Tyler Coppinger (SD)	8.8			
William Hamilton (KI)	9.0			
Davae Williams (NH)	9.0			
Daniel Thiesse (QA)	9.1			
Raekwon Sample (PS)	9.3			
Seth Danjoint (CR)	9.5			
Nestor Burmudez (CH)	9.6			
Cleon deal (PS)	9.7			
Seun Osunkoya (CR)	9.9			
Marcus Laucht (KI)	10.2			
Terrence Callaghan (KI)	10.3			
Benson-Reid (MD)	10.3			
William Knox (WA)	10.4			
Ty Power (NC) 10.7				
Joey Monfort (WI)	11.3			
Anthony Booz (ES)	11.5			
Donique Hughes (MD)	11.6			
A.J. McKenzie (WI)	11.9			
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Jacob Keller (WI)	12.4		Garrett Ross (JMB)	42.3		Greg Petersen (SD)
Girls High Jump			T.K. Saez (CH)	42.5		William Berry (CR)
Whitney Anderson (CR)	4'8	10	Ronald Randazzo (KI)	42.6		Ryan Thomas (MD
Claudia Damico(NC)	4'8	8	Nestor Burmudez (CH)	42.8		Kane Cunningham
Annie Brown (SD)	4'8	6	Nick Forbush (CF) Tevin Cartwright (MD)	43.1 43.5		4
Mariko Daisey (CH)	4'4	4	Danny Kotzar (CH)	44.5		Andrew Thompkins
A. Saunders (SD)	4'4	2 1	Cody Pusey (SH)	44.9		Kevin Stanford (PS)
Juli Kyristis (CH) Kylie Curtis (CF)	4'4 4'2	1	Taviss Johnson (NH)	45.2		Jonathan Hatcher
Megan Hart (CH)	4'2		T.J. Jones (WI)	45.4		Chris Walston (NC)
Kadija Doughty (CH)	4'2		Billy Benton (QA)	45.6		Ryan Taylor (MA
Erica Hitch (PS)	4'0		Jeremy Redlich (MD)	45.7		Lucas Duker (SD)
Summer Okoye (ST)	4'0		Brandon Perez (MD)	46.6		Nick Long (CF)
Kaitlyn Payne (MD)	4'0		Phillip (JMB)	47.0		Jallen Gbdema (QA)
Lexi Doughty (MD)	4'0		M. Robertson (QA)	47.3		0' L D.L V. II
			Anthony Booz (ES)	48.1		Girls Pole Vault
Girls 300M			Ikec Bailey (NH) Ben Whiteley (NC)	49.6 51.5		Kayla Albertalle (CH)
T. Hankerson (PS)	42.7	10	Ashan Upshur (NH)	52.5		Michaella Estrada (CR
Layla Fowler (SD)	44.2	8	Austin Hall (NC)		Lane	Melissa Aucoin (CH)
Cassidy Bosley (KI)	44.5	6	Kyle Kelly (SD)		Lane	Bryana Shields (KI) Savana Beckey (MD)
Tyra Weatherly (CH)	44.9	4				Alexis Kent (PS)
Alexis Groce (MD)	45.0	2	Boys Long Jump			THERIS Reint (10)
Natasha Schulties (NC)	46.3	1	B. Cartwright (MD)	21'5	10	Boys 1600M
T. Thompson (JMB)	46.5		Ryan Thomas (MD)	20'10	8	_
Kelsey Larger (JMB)	46.6		Zach White (PS)	19'2.5	6	Terrell Oliver (CR) Timmy Travitz (PS)
Claudia Damico (NC)	47.0		Spenser Cardenas (SD)	17'8	4	Nikolai Rhodes (KI)
Skyelar Ingram (QA)	47.7		Kevin Stanford (PS)	17'4.75	2	Harmon (ST)
Sydney Larkin (PS)	48.1		Montell Jews (JMB)	17'3.5	1	Ryan Clocker (KI)
Showell (ST)	48.1		Jamel Showell (SD)	17'2.5 17'1.25		Sean Hastings (CR)
Delaney Andrews(SH)	49.6		Teric Henry (SF) Robert Garvey (CR)	17 1.23		A. MacElrevey (CH)
Lydia Rosa (PS) Whitley Hatton (CR)	49.9 49.9		B. Chambers (JMB)	16'6.5		Mike Doughty (MD)
Ariel Richardson (SGT)	50.0		Jarren Gbdema (QA)	16'3.5		Amir Conley (CH)
Amanda (ST)	50.8		Alex Shockley (SH)	15'9.5		Neb Talley (JMB)
Shelby Haggarty (QA)	51.4		Nick Kellaher (WI)	15'8		
Bethany Pyle (KI)	51.8		Kevin Johnson (MD)	14'9.5		18
Valerie Abbott (KI)	51.8		Kemonte Hargis (PS)	14'5.5		
Erinn Rahim (ES)	51.9		Jeff Faber (WA)	12'6		Hallinge
Taylor Dumpson (WI)	53.6		Phillip Taylor (JMB)	12'3		Simple
Laura James (SD)	53.8		Parker Bollman (QA)	11'7.5		am Mhas
Jordan Klebe (SD)	54.8		Wyatt Hall (MA)	10'10		410.213.2868 • www.S
Maddie Smith (CH)	55.1 55.4					+10.213.2000 • www.5
Jaclyn Stewart (NC) Kayla Isaacs (SH)	55.4 55.5		Girls 1600M			
Kylie Curtis (CF)	57.2		Shanel Dickens (CH)	05:28.0	10	
Jade Lilly (MD)	57.9		Maddy Masucci (KI)	05:33.7	8	
Harley Rickards (MD)	58.1		Killmon (ST)	05:37.4	6	
Caitlyn Cody (SH)	59.7		C. FauntLeRoy (SD)	05:46.3		
McIvor-Smalley (SF)	59.8		Victoria Wilson (NC)	05:59.6		TUESDA
Ashlyn Heath (CF)	60.5		Morgan Joseph (ST)	06:01.9	L	
			Natasha Taylor (ST) Olivia Eagle (JMB)	06:02.3 06:07.6		Large 18" Che
Boys 300M			Tara Swopt (MA)	06:08.5		Pizza \$8.9
Will Berry (CR)	37.2	10	Hannah Vebele (MD)	06:10.0		Buy 1 Entr
Alex Schulties (NC)	37.9	8	Rachel Sturm(NC)	06:13.4		get ½ OF
James Mapp (SD)	38.6	6	Becky Early(MA)	06:14.0		Second Ent
Yusef Harris (PS)	38.7	4	Marci Green (CR)	06:24.8		
Raekwon Sample (PS)	39.2	2	Azaria Panni (PS)	06:30.0		THIIDCD
Kane Cunningham (KI)	39.3	1	Olivia Skeen (WI)	06:39.6		THURSD
Josh Freeman (QA)	39.4		Brighton Reyes (CR)	06:40.4		Homemad
Kenyon Turner (PS) Nick Price (CR)	39.4 39.6		Kriana Pagan (SGT)	06:41.2		Raviolis
Carey Collins(SF)	39.7		Megan Cross (QA)	06:43.4		& Side Sal
Melvin Morris(WI)	40.3		Alexandra Tushup (SD)	06:47.3		Choice of Lobster, Cra
Mark Caple(ES)	40.4		Hannah Booth (NC) Sarah Wood (ES)	06:56.3 06:57.3		Spinach & Chee
Khalil Watts (SGT)	40.5		Mia Fabres-Parker (MD)			
Tayevon Mills (SD)	40.5		Ashlyn Heath (CF)	07:09.5		SUNDA
Raymond Perry (WI)	40.5		Carly Dittrich (PS)	07:09.8		Lasagna \$9
Seun Osunkoya (CR)	41.3		Samantha Wilson (QA)	07:21.7		
Montell Jews (JMB)		5	Mina Griffioen (ES)	07:27.0		includes Salad & B
Matt Williams (SGT)	41.6		A. Grant (SGT)	07:50.9		
Nick Parreco (KI)	42.0		Elizabeth Dorton (CR)	DNF		OPEN T
Eddie Alston (SGT)	42.0					

Boys High Ju	mp				B. Stevenosky (CR)	05:10.5
Greg Petersen	(SD)	5'10	1	0	A. Eshelman (MD)	05:13.9
William Berry	(CR)	5'8	8		J. Valazuez (CH)	05:18.2
Ryan Thomas	(MD)	5'8	6		Michael Raines (KI)	05:21.5
Kane Cunningh	, ,	(KI)	5'6		Ben Rakowski (SD)	05:25.1
4		()			David Hignutt (ST)	05:27.6
Andrew Thomp	kins	(CR)	5'6		Tim Jordan (NC)	05:31.9
2		` /			Ian McCkee (NC)	05:33.0
Kevin Stanford	(PS)	5'4	1		Adam Prag (JMB)	05:35.7
Jonathan Hatche	, ,	(NC)	5'4		Drew Schall (NC)	05:36.3
Chris Walston	(NC)	5'0			S. Singh (ST)	05:36.9
Ryan Taylor	(MA)	5'0			Till Schmeing (WA)	05:38.0
Lucas Duker	(SD)	5'0			Zack Radziewicz (ES)	05:40.1
Nick Long	(CF)	5'0			Alec Hudson (MA)	05:41.5
Jallen Gbdema	(QA)	5 '		0	Brandon Munce (MD)	05:41.5
					Ryan McMillan (SH)	05:44.5
Girls Pole Va	ult				Connor McMichen(SH)	05:44.7
Kayla Albertalle	(CH)	8'0		10	Tristan Peeples (SD)	05:46.4
Michaella Estrac	da (CR)	7'6		8	Justin Le(ES)	05:46.6
Melissa Aucoin	(CH)	7'0		6	Domonick Corbin(WA)	05:52.5
Bryana Shields	(KI)	6'6		4	Shane Ramsey (SH)	05:59.9
Savana Beckey (MD)	6'6	1	.5	Josh Banks (WI)	06:06.3
Alexis Kent (PS))	6'6	1	.5	Jacob Keller (WI)	06:07.5
					Shayne Ray (MA)	06:08.0
Boys 1600M	l				Hunter Elliott (NH)	06:17.3
Terrell Oliver (C		04:37.0		10	Michael Gates (QA)	06:25.1
Timmy Travitz (04:37.8	•	8	Levi Marine (JMB)	06:33.9
Nikolai Rhodes		04:45.5		6	Tyler Tibbits (CF)	06:46.7
Harmon (ST)	(111)	04:59.8		4	Pablo Rojas (WI)	06:59.5
Ryan Clocker (K	(1)	05:00.1		2		
Sean Hastings (05:00.5		1	Girls Shotput	
A. MacElrevey (05:01.1		•	Ameerah Lewis (SD)	32'6
Mike Doughty (05:01.1			Ameeran Lewis (SD)	320

05:01.8

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Kadijah Doughty (CH) 38'1.5

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Lady Mallards outlast Gunston Herons 25-16

Worcester Prep team puts game out of reach with ten minutes left

By Casey Knerr Staff Writer

BERLIN — Friday's Varsity girls' basketball game at Worcester Preparatory School saw an intense competition between the WPS Mallards and the Gunston Herons. The Lady Mallards emerged victorious with a score of 25-16, further demonstrating the athleticism and talent of the young team.

The game began with a clear Worcester advantage, as freshman Sophie Brennan carried the ball to her opponents' side. Sophomore Lilly DiNardo shot and missed, allowing Gunston to regain the ball. After a Gunston foul, however, Brennan was able to score the first basket

Junior Molly Marshall quickly earned another two points, but, after a back-andforth between the two teams, the Lady Herons scored as well. A Gunston foul shot immediately afterward brought the score to a close 4-3.

After more Gunston attempts to score, Brennan carried the ball the opposite side of the court. Although the Herons tried several times to steal the ball, the Mallards consistently kept their opponent at a distance. A few attempts at a basket were made by DiNardo and sophomore Frankie Willing, but the score stood for the remainder of the first period.

Only seconds into the second period, two successful foul shots by Marshall increased the Worcester lead. Junior Meredith Smith scored as well soon after; however, the ball soon began to rapidly change hands as a number of failed shots

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SDHS TRACK RESULTS

Continued from Page 15			Julian Brown (MD)	31'4.5
Ameerah Lewis (SD)	30'5.5	8	Alex Johnstone (CR)	31'6
Tianna Evans (CH)	30'1.5	6	Avrick Styles (JMB)	30'10
Hannah McBride (QA)	29'6	4	Steve Won (MD)	30'6
Mary Batten (ST)	28'10	2	Donell Dix (WI)	30'4
Shadiya Lowery (MD)	27'6.5	1	Darien Neely (KI)	30'0
Jasine Williams (MD)	27'4.5		George Mister (WA)	28'9.5
Paige Knussman (ES)	27'3		Peter Awad (CR)	28'7
Antoni'a Green (SD)	26'10.5		Zach Schall (NC)	27'11
Carly Pepper (ES)	26'7		Nathan Filewicz (MA)	26'9.5
Aliesha Allen (CH)	23'8.5		Colby Hunt (PS)	26'6.5
Summer Moore (KI)	22'4		Brandon Morns (CR)	26'1
Katie Discroud (QA)	22'2		Isaiah Morris (SD)	25'8.5
Tonya Beckett (WA)	21'10		Jonas Moellman (WI)	25'3
Emily Joyner (SH)	20'9		Hamza Chowdery (SH)	24'2
Jessica Engh (ES)	20'9		Josh Barton (CR)	24'2
Melissa Anderson (QA)	20'8.5		Nick Maguire (MA)	23'11
Merijah Jackson (SD)	20'8		Ben Whiteley (NC)	23'4
Abby Conolly (NC)	20'6.5		Nate Sterling (CR)	23'4
C.Bridenstine (KI)	20'3		James Settle (QA)	23'3.5
Maura Skeen (WI)	19'9.5		Trevon Veney (WA)	22'3
A. Bickerton (NC)	19'0.5		Jeff Fabeer (WA)	21'6.5
Danesha Riss (MD)	18'8.5		Antiane Knapp (CH)	21'2.5
Casey Saulsbury (QA)	18'7			
Sara Savage (MA)	17'0		Girls 3200M	

15'10

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Rachel Dixon (NC)

Doys Shothat	
Ralph Vanveen (QA)	47'0
Mitch Simpson (PS)	43'0.5
Tyheam Purnell (SD)	39'0
Dom Briscoe (CH)	37'11
Rhett Malone (ST)	36'11
Jack Draper (QA)	35'11
Caleb Depass (CR)	35'5
John Adams (SH)	35'0.5
Jesi Simpson (PS)	34'5.5
Tiki Saez (CH)	33'10
D. Robbins (WI)	33'10
Elorm Aahianadge (CR)	33'6
John Adkins (SH)	32'7
Shaemus O'Brien (QA)	32'4

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	Wharton (ST)	12:15.3	
	Maddy Masucci (KI)	12:47.3	
	Lauren Buckman(SD)	13:01.2	
0	Hunter Titus (KI)	13:02.9	
8	Olivia Eagle (JMB)	13:04.0	
6	Victoria Wilson (NC)	13:14.3	
4	Anastasia Priest (SD)	13:24.6	
2	Becky Early (MA)	13:29.8	
1	Karly Jones (CR)	13:44.8	
	Tienaira Nickerson (CR)	14:09.9	
	Savannah Becker (MD)	14:17.2	
	Kai Johnson (MA)	14:24.1	
	Azaria Panni (PS)	14:53.1	
	Emma Trugman (CH)	15:03.7	
	Sarah Hood (ES)	15:06.6	
	Mary Farwell (ES)	16:02.8	



CASEY KNERR/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Sophomore Lilly DiNardo prepares to pass the ball during Friday's match against the Gunston Herons. Worcester won 25-16.

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were made by both teams. Finally the Lady Herons broke the stalemate with a score and a foul shot. Neither team was able to score again in that period, and the half ended with a score of 8-6.

Early into the second half, Gunston tied the game. Marshall reclaimed the Worcester lead with a shot of her own, but the Lady Herons quickly gained four more points to earn their first lead of the game. However, Brennan and freshman Molly Soule scored two baskets in rapid succession to end Gunston's advantage.

Marshall, Brennan, DiNardo, Sophomore Frankie Willing, Freshman Cecily Sass, and several Gunston players attempted shots late into the third period and early into the fourth period, but no points were earned for quite some time. Finally, Willing stole the ball from Gun-

ston and passed to Brennan, who increased the score to 16-12.

This seemed to ignite the Worcester players, and within only a few minutes 9 more points were scored. Four of these were scored by Brennan, two by Di-Nardo, and the final three by Sass in an impressive last second shot. Although Gunston was able to earn four more points, the Lady Mallards finished the game with an impressive lead.

Coach Page Rogers is pleased with the girls' progress this year. "We put together a lot of the little things we've been working on," she said.

The team employed good defensive and offensive strategies and kept high spirits throughout the game.

In all, the girls "missed some layups but... went to the basket hard," demonstrating their hard work and determination.

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Town Council should be leaders, not followers

What should have been a simple issue at this week's Mayor and Council meeting nearly resulted in a serious blow to the Berlin Chamber of Commerce's attempt to continue growing five of their major annual events. After Chamber Executive Director asked to Council to suspend the open container rules for the Berlin Jazz and Blues Bash no member of the Council was willing to move to approve the measure.

As Mayor Gee Williams was about to kill the proposal, which would have been a serious blow to not only that event but to those to follow as well, Councilwoman Paula Lynch relented and made the motion. What followed was among the most baffling votes in recent memory as the measure passed unanimously. This was the first time in recent memory that an apparently failed motion was resurrected at the last moment only to pass without dissent.

While it is possible that there was some confusion among the Council, the members of which might have been expecting Lisa Hall, who chairs the Jazz and Blues Bash to step up, the reticence to be the first to speak was palpable. It was also inexcusable.

The wildly successful and incident-free New Year's Eve was to be the litmus test for the new open container law. Lynch, who was a lukewarm supporter of the open container law, should be commended for letting reason prevail. But the incident calls other members' leadership abilities into question.

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"There are Green jobs in Ocean City! I'm going to be waiting tables at Shenanigans this Summer."

HAPPY HOUR: Inexpert analysis

By Tony Russo

As media professionals, my co-host Todd DeHart and I are kind of expected to have a working knowledge of a little bit of everything. In deference to that expectation we pretend that we do, even to ourselves.

In order to get grip on the flow of the conversation you'll have to tune in to the Todcast — instructions are available in the closing paragraph — but from NASCAR we moved to a rather informed discussion about the inevitable demise of cable.

It's too easy to slam the horror that is the reality show, as well as the horror of their continued popularity and prevalence. But what is interesting is the likelihood that within my lifetime — absent a disease or lightning strike

— we will have ala carte tele-

Reality television is ubiquitous because it is really cheap. But in an ala carte model, how much would you pay each week to keep up with the Kardashians or to laugh along with the Two-and-a-Half men laugh track.

It's kind of an exciting time in that way. Just as with real estate, we're in an entertainment buyer's market and that bodes well for people willing to pay for quality. As a few examples, we spoke about the relative success of the Kevin Smith movie Red State, the home run comedian Louis C.K. hit when he sold and produced his last stand up feature and Public Television's near invulnerability as their Downton Abbey series gains more and wider attention.

SOPA and PIPA were floated ostensibly because of piracy that costs the movie industry money. What really costs the movie and television industry money is the fact that people don't want to pay for consistently substandard products. Billions of dollars or not, Transformers is going to come home to roost. Really, it already has.

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No more waste, please

Dear Editor:

In recent years we have replaced the Yacht Club roof, installed new siding, a new elevator, a Java Bay Café with new furniture and fixtures, refurbished the kitchen and installed new equipment, relocated and installed a new bar, refurbished the bathrooms, partially repaired the piling and decking, installed a new bathroom for the pool, a new pool pump room, a Bocce Court and did a great deal of renovation outside around the bar and sitting areas. There may be more but that is all that I can recall.

My estimate is we spent around \$1.5 million. Now we are being asked to flush it down the toilet and build a new \$3.1 million Yacht Club on the gamble that if we build it "they will come".

There are multitudes of catering choices on the bay and on the ocean that are attractive and well priced. We have 13 restaurants just outside the south gate which are more convenient to many association members then is the Yacht Club. We have had a series of General Managers and Restaurant Managers that didn't have that much competition, and they could not run a successful food and beverage amenity.

Figures reported on the Yacht Club by our General Manager indicate that we are increasing traffic. But despite that we are still losing money. In some cases the increase in cost to facilitate an increase in traffic has resulted in additional losses. You can't make up losses with volume.

I don't know how many of you remember, it is almost a decade ago, a plan

was presented to our members to build a new Community Center that was so extravagant it was nick named the "Taj Ma Hal". It was soundly defeated in a referendum. The shame of it is that so much money was wasted on the plans and on a referendum that was certain to be defeated. Now, what has been presented to us is another Taj Mahal, which to say the least is just as extravagant, especially in the current economic environment. It is extravagant because we are unable to compete with the surrounding restaurants and it is extravagant because it will continue to be a financial disaster if we continue on the same course, doing business as usual.

I was born and raised in Brooklyn and I have a bridge to sell to anyone that thinks the Yacht Club rebuild, as presented, will be a success.

If we really want a true amenity that will not be a financial burden and consequently deflate our property values we should renovate our existing Yacht Club and lease it to a professional management group or an experienced Restaurateur. An alternative is to build a seasonal one story building with only food and beverage services on about the scale of the Beach Club. That would be more feasible financially and less of a challenge for our own management.

I am hopeful that the Board will put an end to this nonsense before it progresses any further. If not I hopeful all of you will join in soundly defeating the Taj Ma Hal referendum.

Norman Katz Ocean Pines

OBITUARIES

Elaine L. Bunting

OCEAN CITY — Elaine Lucille Bunting, age 63, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, Jan. 15. Born in Salis-



Elaine L. Bunting

bury, she was the beloved daughter of the late William T. Bunting and Evelyn H. Bunting. She is survived by her brother Charles L. Bunting of Ocean City.

B u n t i n g worked as a school librarian

for the Hartford County School District. Upon retiring, she pursued her passion for reading and writing and was a published author of a series of children's books. She was founding member of the Ladies Tea Society, and enjoyed the friendships it offered. Bunting was a devout Christian who touched the lives of many through the years and was a true friend to all, and eternal optimist who always had a smile on her face. She will be missed by many.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Jan. 29, at Emory United Methodist Church 911 Cherry Hill Rd, Street, MD.

A donation in her memory may be made to: Emory United Methodist Church, 911 Cherry Hill Rd., Street, MD 21154, or to: Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company, Station #5, P.O. Box 27, 1409 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD

Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

Elizabeth S. Hemmick

OCEAN PINES — Elizabeth S. Hemmick died peacefully in her sleep on Monday, Jan. 16, at the Berlin Nursing Home. Born in Spartanburg, S.C. she was the daughter of the late John Y. Southall and Mary Walker Southall.

Hemmick had worked for many years as a medical secretary.

Being a lady of southern heritage, with a kind and loving soul, she played classical piano and sang with the Pinetones Chorus along with her husband for many years. She was a true music lover.

She is survived by her husband Thomas Hemmick; two sons, Douglas L. Hemmick and Thomas K. Hemmick and his wife Lucinda; a brother, John Y. Southall, Jr.; and one grandson, Nicholas Hemmick. Interment will be private.

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Winter is here and the cooks at the Atlantic United Methodist Church have planned winter soup lunches to keep you warm.

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Gold Medal winners

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The Stephen Decatur High School yearbook has just been named a Gold Medalist by Columbia University. Each year Columbia University offers extensive critiques for high school publications from across the United States and recognizes excellence with either gold, silver, or bronze distinctions. This is the first gold distinction since Yearbook teacher Maureen Brittingham has assumed the program. She is pictured here with yearbook editors Kelly Colbert, Joe Dimaio, Megan Miller, and colleague Jeff Phillips.

LIFE BRIEFS

Arts scholarships

BERLIN — Worcester County Arts Council's Student Scholarship award program is under way. The Arts Council is offering \$1,000.00 each art scholarships to graduating seniors who are Worcester County residents interested in pursuing academic careers in the arts.

Scholarships are also available to college art majors wishing to continue their education in the arts. This is a merit scholarship and award decisions are based on evaluation of talent, dedication and potential, not financial need. The winners will be awarded at their respective high school's senior awards ceremonies.

Applications must be received by March 15 at the Worcester County Arts Council, 6 Jefferson Street. Applicants are judged on their visual, dramatic, creative writing or musical presentations in the form of DVD and

Applications are available at the Worcester County high schools through the guidance offices and are also available at the Arts Council's ofand on their www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org. Call 410-641-0809 for more information.

Humphreys grant OCEAN CITY — The Ocean City

Museum Society is pleased to announce that it was recently awarded \$5,000 from the Humphreys Foundation. This grant was used to help pay a portion of the expenses incurred from the printing of "Ocean City, Maryland: A Pictorial History" by George and Suzanne Hurley.

The book is now in its fourth reprint and chronicles Ocean City history with many rare photographs. It is available exclusively in the museum gift shop and online at www.ocmuseum.org at the gift shop tab.

Mary Humphreys, a local Berlin woman, established the Humphreys Foundation prior to her death and specified that funds be used for the good of the community. Humphreys had a distinguished career as a professor emerita of biology at Mary Baldwin College prior to moving back to Berlin.

Birding trip

SALISBURY — The Tri-County Bird Club will go on a field trip to Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge and southern Dorchester County in search of waterfowl, eagles, and other wintering birds on Saturday, Jan. 28. Participants should meet in the parking lot of the Ward Museum at the corner of Beaglin Park Drive and South Schumaker Drive in Salisbury at 7:30 a.m. Bring lunch, snacks, drinks, and Continued on Page 25

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LIFE BRIEFS

Continued from Page 24 binoculars. Dress warmly in layers. For information, please call 410-422-0428.

Suddenly Single

OCEAN PINES -- The Women's Commission of Worcester County will sponsor "Living Life to the Fullest: Redefining Yourself" 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 at the Ocean Pines Community Center.

This seminar is being sponsored by Suddenly Single which was formed to assist women who are widowed, divorced or separated in moving forward to achieve social, educational, and economic equality while maintaining health and well-being. Three topics will be presented: Time for You- Nutrition Counseling, Fit and Fabulous, and Redefining Yourself with Personal Goals.

The speakers are Licensed Dietician Linda Yarnall-Gibbs, Mimi Dean, the Chronic Disease Prevention Coordinator of the Worcester County Health Department, and Certified Professional Coach Jami Vlachos, respectively.

A continental breakfast will be served. Please RSVP at 410-208-1272 or f.daly@mchsi.com. For more information, call 410-641-8299 or 410-251-2886.

Garden scholarship

OCEAN PINES — Each year, the Ocean Pines Garden Club (OPGC) sponsors one or more scholarships to qualified graduating seniors of Stephen Decatur High School. The purpose is to stimulate interest in gardening, horticulture and agricultural enrichment programs, as well as environmental studies. It also encourages the conservation and protection of our environment. With this purpose in mind, the OPGC will grant two \$1,000 scholarships in 2012.

Applicants for an OPGC scholarship must (1) be full time residents of Ocean Pines or (2) be a child or grandchild of a non-Ocean Pines resident, who is an active member of the Ocean Pines Garden Club and (3) agree to follow the purpose as stated above and plan to attend an accredited institution of higher learning. Applications must be submitted to a Senior Guidance Counselor at Stephen Decatur High School by April 13, 2012. For more information, please call Sunny Lee at 410-641-5895.

Beautiful People

SNOW HILL — Worcester County residents are asked to nominate individuals for the 2012 Maryland's Most Beautiful (MMB) People Volunteer Awards. Nominees should reside in and represent the volunteer spirit of Worcester County. The deadline to submit nomination forms is Feb. 24 and a recognition ceremony for all volunteers nominated will he held at a later date

Nomination forms are available at all five Worcester County libraries or by contacting Worcester County Volunteer Services Manager Cyndy Howell at 410-632-5656 chowell@co.worcester.md.us. The annual MMB program has been integrated

into the annual Governor's Volunteer

Service Awards recognition program.

OBITUARIES

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Eleanor Pearson Kelly

OCEAN CITY — Eleanor Pearson Kelly, age 85, died Sunday, Jan. 22 at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin. Born



Eleanor Pearson Kelly

in Collingswood, N.J. she was the daughter of the late Henry and Clara Whittaker She Pearson. was preceded in death by her husband "Bill" William Edward Kelly in 1992.

She is survived by her daughters, Kathleen E. Kelly of Salisbury and Sandra Kelly Pietroski and her husband Joseph of Ocean City; five grandchildren, William F. Kelly, Jeff D. Messick, Victoria Kelly, Alec Fried and Fiona Pietroski; two great grandchildren, Orion Kelly and Olivia Robles. She was

preceded in death by a daughter, Sheri

K. Parks in 1994.

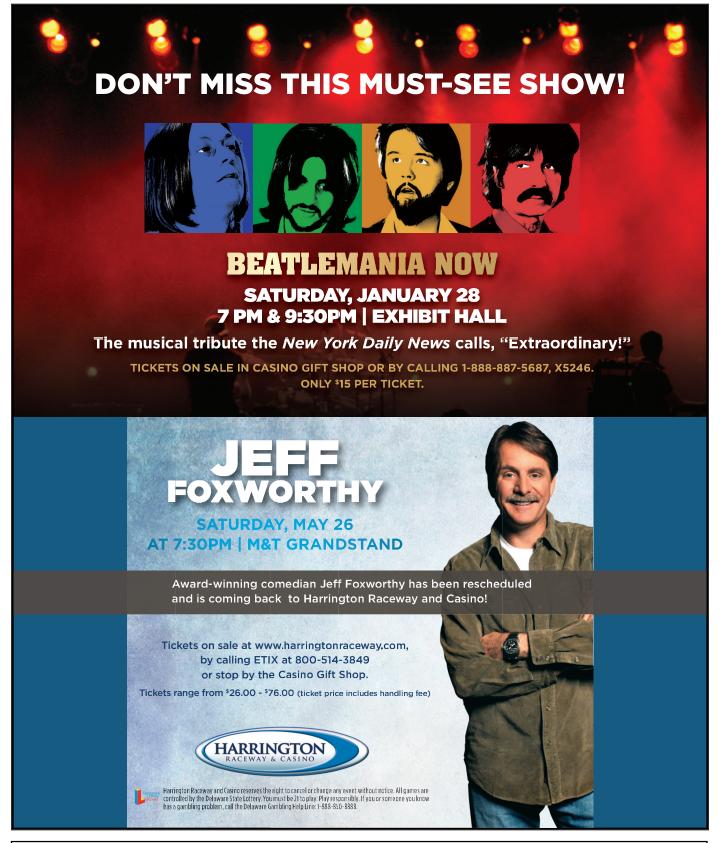
Kelly was a graduate of Western Maryland College. She had been a teacher at Stephen Decatur High School. Along with her husband she had owned and operated the Weathervane, Windjammer and Kittywake Motels in Ocean City.

She was a member and Past Presi-

dent of the Hotel Motel Restaurant Association, member of the Atlantic General Hospital Auxiliary, Eastern Star, bowling enthusiast, active in the "Play It Safe" Program and member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ocean City.

A funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27 at the First Presbyterian Church in Ocean City. Rev. Alex Ayers will officiate.

Friends may call one hour prior to the service in church and also 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Berlin. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.



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ON-GOING EVENTS

TAX HELP

AARP is once again offering free tax preparation for this year's tax season starting Feb. 2. Reservations required. Mondays

9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Worcester County Library, Ocean Pines Branch. Call 410-213-1608 for an

appointment.

Thursdays

St. Peter's Lutheran Church 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 410-213-1608 for an appointment.

Saturdays

Community Church at Ocean Pines 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 410-213-1608 for an appointment.

CRAFT SHOP

Saturdays & Sundays.

Pineer Craft and Gift shop open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. White Horse Park, Ocean Pines. Handcrafted items created by the members.

NETWORKING

Every Thursday. The Early Birds, 7:30 a.m. TC Diner, West Ocean City. Free. Reservations required, 410-600-5320.

BUILDING MATERIALS SALE

Every first and third Saturday. Habitat for Humanity, 310 E. Market St., Snow Hill. 8 a.m. to noon. Building materials, appliances, doors, windows, cabinets, vanities, fixtures, furniture and more. Selection and prices vary depending on inventory. Proceeds fund the Flower Street, Berlin house construction.

STORY TIME AT THE ZOO

Every Tuesday

Salisbury Zoo, for children 3-5 years old. 10-11 a.m. Story and craft project. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 410-546-3440 for more information.

STORY TIME

Tuesdays - Berlin Wednesdays - Ocean City Thursdays - Ocean Pines Library, 10:30 a.m. Stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. A different theme each week. For ages 2-5.

KIWANIS CLUB

Every Wednesday Meeting 7:45 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Hall, except for 3rd Wednesday which meets at The Woodlands in Ocean Pines Meeting 5:30 p.m. dinner at 6 p.m. For more info: 410-641-7330.

DELMARVA CHORUS

Every Monday

The Delmarva Chorus under the direction of Carol Ludwig meets 7-9 p.m.at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Women interested in learning and singing in a barbershop format are welcome. For more information call 410-208-4171.

BINGO

Fridays - Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City. Doors open 5 p.m. Games begin 6:30 p.m. 410-524-7994.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturdays

VFW Post 8296, 104 66th St., Ocean City. 9 a.m. to noon. \$5 per person.

BEACH SINGLES

Thursdays

45 plus Happy Hour, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Clarion Hotel, 10100 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City. For more information, 302-436-9577.

BERLIN FARMERS' MARKET

On the corner of West Street and Main Street in Downtown Berlin Wednesdays 2-6 p.m. and Fridays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Fresh produce, eggs, garden plants, fresh cut flowers, seafood, meat and breads.

TACO NIGHT THURSDAYS

At VFW Post 8296 on 66th Street to benefit Veterans. Three tacos and a Corona plus dessert \$8 per person.

BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus #9053 every 2nd & 4th Sunday 9 a.m. - noon \$8.00 - under 12 half price 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City Rear St. Luke's Church Info 410-524-7994.

SWEET ADELINES

The Delmarva Sweet Adelines Chorus, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, meets 7-9 p.m.each Monday evening at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Women interested in singing in a barbershop format with good fellowship are welcome to come visit with us. For information call: 410-208-4171.

SI BOC MEETING

Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at the Woodlands in South Ocean Pines 6 p.m. dinner social time meeting begins 6:30 p.m. for more information please contact Marty Cropper, President 410-213-1592.

AARP MEETINGS

Beginning in January, the Ocean City AARP Chapter 1917 will meet at the Elks Lodge, 138th and Sinexpuent (one block off Coastal Hwy)9:30 a.m. on the second Thurs of the month – Jan. – June, Oct. and Nov.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Republican Women of Worcester County monthly general meeting and luncheon 10:30 a.m. at the Marinna Deck. The Speaker will be Richard Douglas, an Iraq veteran, former American diplomat, and a small business owner, who is running for U.S. Senate against Benjamin Cardin. Deadline for reservations is Friday, Jan. 20. Contact Bev Bigler 410-208-6018 or cwcandlewood@mchsi.com for more info.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB

The Worcester County Democratic Club will meet 7 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. After a brief mixer, a short discussion of current political issues will be held. Highlight of this meeting will be a presentation of the 2010 Oscar nominated documentary, *Gasland*, which focuses on communities in the United States affected by natural gas drilling and, specifically, a stimulation method known as hydraulic fracturing. All Democrats, and interesested Independents are welcome to attend this free presentation.

SDHS FUNDRAISER

Stephan Decatur High School will be holding a fund raiser in support of new band uniforms 6-10 p.m. at Planet Maze. \$15 for unlimited lazer tag. Play lazer tag with the band teachers. Call 443-735-9750 to get tickets.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Spaghetti Dinner with bread, salad drink and dessert 4-7 p.m. at Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD Cost \$8 for adults, \$5 ages 6-12, under 5 free. Eat in or carryout.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

KEY WEST PARTY

To benefit the VFW on 66th Street. \$15 per person 2-7 p.m. Ernest Hemingway Lookalike Contest. Call 302-236-4171.

FLEA MARKET

The Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Indoor Flea Market 8 a.m.-noon in the Community Center. The fee for a vendor space is \$15 for Ocean Pines residents and \$20 for non-residents. For a table or for more information, please call (410) 641-7052.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #9053 at St. Andrews Church Center, 144th Street and Sinepuxent, Ocean City. Admission: \$5; Pasta dinner, served beginning at 5 p.m. is \$5. Races begin at 6:30 p.m. for reservations, call K of C Council: 410-524-7994.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

T.O.P.S.

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1 Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy life-style. They meet weekly. For more information contact Edna Berkey, 410-629-1006.

QIGONG LESSONS

Takes place 4-5 p.m. at the James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, Berlin Qigong has been practiced in China for over 2,500 years. It is the art and science of using breathing techniques, meditation, and both gentle and dynamic movements. The first class is free. Fee is \$10/class thereafter. For more information, contact Ric Timbol at 301-602-9419.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

YOGA

Takes place 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, Rotunda

All levels welcome. Contact Georgette Rhoads at 410-641-9734 or grhoads@atlanticgeneral.org with any questions. Cost: \$72 for 8 sessions, or \$10 drop-in fee for first time.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

QUILTERS BY THE SEA

Quilters by the Sea Guild meets at 12:30 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center to make quilts for local charities. All are welcome. Call 410-641-8898 for more information.

HYPERTENSION CLINIC

10 a.m.-noon at Rite Aid, Berlin. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

BREAKFAST

Grace Parker All You Can Eat Breakfast 7 a.m.-1p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 13th Street and Philadelphia Avenue, Ocean city. Eggs any style, pancakes, buckwheat pancakes, bacon, Milton sausage, country ham, homemade biscuits, hash brown potatoes, grits, coffee, tea \$8 and \$6 carry out. Milk, sodas, orange juice available. For more information call 410-289-9340

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1-3p.m. at Rite Aid, Ocean Pines. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

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DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Ocean Pines Diabetes Support Group 7-8 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Library. For more information contact Ellen Lurz at 443-814-5450 or elurz52@mchsi.com

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

DIABETES CLINIC

8:30-11:30 a.m. at the Atlantic Heath Center. Is cost keeping you from taking care of your diabetes? If so, there is help. Must be a resident of or employed in Worcester or Somerset County and be at least 18 years of age. This service is not intended to substitute for your physician's recommendations or treatment but will include: blood testing, blood pressure screening, diabetes risk assessment, educational information including nutrition guidelines, glucometer and test strips for those who qualify, and a medication voucher (some restrictions apply). Funded by Health Resources Services and Administration (HRSA) through Somerset County Health Department. By appointment only. Call 410-641-9703 for more information.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

TOWN HALL MEETING

The Ocean Pines Association will hold a meeting 10 a.m. at the Community Center to discuss plans to renovate the Ocean Pines Yacht Club and Country Club.

COLLEGE FUNDING FORUM

High school students and their parents can get free help completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online by attending "You Can Afford College" from 9 to 11 a.m. at Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury. Admission information and campus tours will also be available. Bring completed 2011 IRS 1040 tax forms, W-2 forms and any other 2011 financial information. For more information, call (410) 334-2905.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

HYPERTENSION CLINIC

10 a.m.-noon at Apple Drugs, Berlin. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

AARP

The next AARP Chapter 4507 meeting will be held at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 9:30am. The meeting starts at 10 am. sharp. This month Guest Speaker will be Marie Okronley

from the Arbor at Ocean Pines-Adult Wellness Center. Bring a friend. Please, also bring canned goods, this month for Sarah's Pantry. Meetings are held the first Monday of the Month. For info contact Larry Walton at lrwalto@yahoo.com or call 443-831-

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DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

St. Paul's Diabetes Support Group meets 6-7 p.m. at St. Paul's Methodist Church. For more information contact Darby Schaub 410-641-9703.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

PROSTATE CANCER MEETING

Oncologist Dr. M. Jain addresses the controversy of PSA testing 7 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Library. For more info call 410-208-6296.

NAMI

Offers a casual approach to share the challenges, successes and setbacks of coping with any diagnosis (depression, ADHD. PTSD, Anxiety, Panic Attacks, etc.) and their symptoms. Meets 7-8 p.m. Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1. For more information call 443-523-2153 or NAMIMDLS@gmail.com

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP

Meets 7-8 p.m. at Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 3 Support and information for those affected by celiac disease. For more information, contact Betty Bellarin at 410-603-0210.

TALMUD CLASS

Temple Bat Yam is offering a Talmud class noon-1:30 p.m. Thursdays. This class is open to all. The discussions will include Jewish law, ethics, philosophy, customs and history. Please call 410-641-4311 for more information.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Each 2nd Friday, 6 p.m. Sponsored by Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 North Main Street, Berlin. This month's movie is Dolphin Tale (PG) a family friendly drama. Bring a covered dish to share in the fellowship hall. The movie will be shown in the Sanctuary following the meal.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

KIWANIS BREAKFAST

At the Ocean Pines Community Center from 8-11 a.m. Pancakes, sausages, fruit cup, orange juice, coffee and tea (milk for the kids) Tickets: Adults \$5, Children 12 and under \$3, and Children under 5 are free. Can be pre-purchased or at the door. Carryouts also available. Info/tickets 410-208-6719.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

The Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County (DWC) will be meeting 9:30 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center Coffee. Kay Hickman, President of the Worcester County Board of Elections, will be the speaker. Her topic is voting procedures. All women are welcome. Please call DWC President Dell Purrell at 410-641-6683 for more information.

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LAPBAND

LAPBAND Seminar 5-6 p.m. at Berlin Main Place Complex, 9956 North Main Street. Receive information about the benefits of the LAPBAND procedure. Those wishing to attend must pre-register to guarantee a seat by calling 410-641-3960.

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SNAP SHOTS



Seaside Boat Show

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The Optimist committee for the Seaside Boat Show members Mel Jones, Charles Smith, Jim Flaig, Joe Hammen, Charlie Dorman, Doug Juckett, Steve Acton, and Lew Frey took a break for a picture at a recent meeting. Over 150 vendors and 50 boat dealers will have booths at the show February 17-19 at the OC Convention Center.



A recent outreach that Seaside Christian Academy helped was the Living Legacy Foundation, which connects families of organ donors and organ recipients. Two students from Seaside Christian made bookmarks and sold them to the other students raising almost \$100 to benefit the Living Legacy Foundation. Monumental Life Insurance matched those funds; giving their own check of \$100. Pictured are Kailei and Maggie Cossell with their mom, Lois, along with Shannon Keller from Monumental Life Insurance and JoAnna Evans, principal of Seaside Christian Academy.



Pink money

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John Granite, executive committee member for the American Legion Synepuxent Post 166 in Ocean City, presents a \$1,000 donation from the post to Rota Knott, Worcester County coordinator for Women Supporting Women, the local breast cancer awareness and support organization.



Comin acha

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Mrs. Mears' Kindergarten class at Showell Elementary School created their own models of 3D shapes. Pictured from left to right are Kole Kohut, Finn Ramnarain, and Delaney McDaniel.



Kiwanis Magid

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Magician Rich Bloch performed an astonishing blindfolded feat of magic at the Woodlands in Ocean Pines at the monthly dinner meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City.



Resolute students

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Cindy Leitgeb's second grade students at Ocean City Elementary School are hard at work writing their 2012 New Year's resolutions and educational goals for the remaining part of the school year. Pictured are Gavin Vent, Gracie Williams, James Thompson, Hanna Zajdel, Bahar Yucel, and Shawn Rosemond.

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT



Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys @ Smitty McGee's

BJ's on the Water 75th St. Bayside 410-524-7575

FRIDAY – Mood Swingers, 9pm. SATURDAY – Chest Pains, 9pm.

Clarion Resort 10100 Coastal Hwy. Ocean City 410-524-3535

FRIDAY & SATURDAY - Power Play

Cottage Café

Route 1, Bethany Beach, DE 302-539-8710

FRIDAY – DJ Bump, 5-8:30pm.

DeNovo's

South Gate - Ocean Pines

TUESDAY-THURSDAY & SATURDAY – Al Prescott

Fager's Island 60th St. & the bay, Ocean City

FRIDAY – DJ Hook, 9pm. SATURDAY – DJ Rob Cee, 8pm., The Loop, 10pm.

Green Turtle – OC 11601 Coastal Hwy. 410-723-2120

FRIDAY – DJ Wax, 10pm. SATURDAY – DJ Wood, 10pm. MONDAY – Big Sexy Bingo, 7pm. TUESDAY – Team Trivia w/ DJ Jeremy, 6pm.

Green Turtle – WOC 9616 Stephen Decatur Hwy. West Ocean City 410-213-1500

FRIDAY – DJ Soulfinger, 5-9pm., DJ Skip Dixxon, 9pm.

Harborside Bar & Grill 12841 S. Harbor Rd.

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THURSDAY – Opposite Directions, 9pm-1am.

FRIDAY – DJ Billy T, 9pm.-1am. SATURDAY – Simple Truth...and friends, 2-6pm., DJ Jeremy, 10pm.-2am.

SUNDAY – Opposite Directions, 2-6pm., DJ Biggler, 9pm.-1am.

Harpoon Hannas 142nd Street Bayside 800-227-0525

FRIDAY – Dave Hawkins, 7pm.

SATURDAY – Dave Sherman, 7pm. TUESDAY – Team Trivia, 7pm.

House of Welsh 1106 Coastal Hwy., Fenwick

FRIDAY - DJ Norn, 3-6pm.; Tony Vega, 6-10pm.

SATURDAY - Tony Vega, 6-10pm. MONDAY - DCHDC w/ music by DJ Norm, 6-9pm.

WEDNESDAY - Bob Hughes, 6-10pm.

Seacrets49th & the Bay, Ocean City 410-524-4900

FRIDAY – Rich Whiskey, 9pm. SATURDAY – Captain Jack, 5pm., Garden State Radio, 10pm.

Smitty McGee's Rt 54

West Fenwick Island, DE 302-436-4716

FRIDAY - Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys, 8pm. SATURDAY - New Year's Eve party w/Randy Lee Ashcraft & The Saltwater Cowboys.

TUESDAY – Team Trivia, 6:30pm.

Steer Inn Tavern Rt 589

FRIDAY – Joe Smooth & John Remy Duo

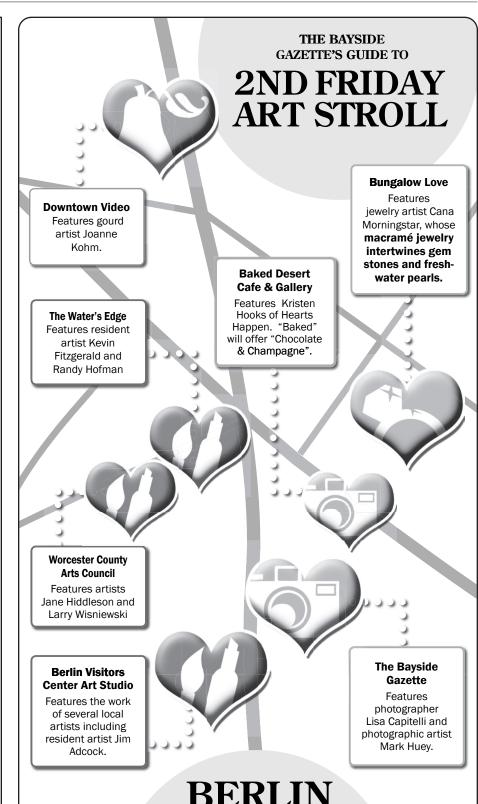
SATURDAY – Bond & Bentley WEDNESDAY – Karaoke with Hey Mick, 8pm.

Yacht Club Ocean Pines

FRIDAY – Tommy Edward, 6pm. SATURDAY – Randy Lee Ashcraft Duo, 6pm..



Tommy Edward @ Yacht Club



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SNOW WHITE'S EMPLOYMENT AGENCY By Adam Fromm / Edited by Will Shortz

Across

- 1 Colo. ___, Colo.
- 4 1040 preparer, for
- 7 Heartbeat
- 13 Plied with spirits
- 18 Shakespeare
- 20 National
- Forensic League skill
- 22 Rare violin
- 23 Royal house until the early 20th century
- 24 Bad occupation for Sleepy?
- 26 One
- 27 Head of ancient Sparta?
- 28 Hardest to ship, sav
- 29 Bad occupation for Happy?
- 31 Bit of wear for a fop
- 32 Hero who debuted in Weird Tales magazine in 1932
- 33 M.A. hopeful's ordeal
- 34 Like Oscar Wilde's humor
- 37 Ruler in a robe
- 41 Touch while running
- 42 Home of two M.L.B. teams
- 44 Villains in "Stagecoach"
- 48 Last ___

For any three answers, call from a touch-tone phone: 1-900-285-5656, \$1.49 each minute; or, with a credit card, 1-800-814-5554.

- 50 Ones running away with the game?
- 54 Mrs. Robinson's daughter
- 55 Having hands. maybe
- 57 Bad occupation for Sneezy?
- 59 More than a quarter of the earth's crust, by mass
- 61 Longtime Yankee nickname
- 62 Spot for a flame
- 63 Bad occupation for Grumpy?
- 69 2000 musical with the song "Fortune Favors the Brave"
- 70 Diplomatic, say
- 71 Some juices
- 73 Bad occupation for Dopey? 79 Grippers
- 80 Spanish dish
- 81 Classic figure in a top hat
- 83 It needs to be fed frequently
- 84 Best in the market
- 86 Last word of "Finnegans Wake"
- ___ Canals
- 89 Gives a darn?
- 90 Bridge maker's deg.
- 91 Biblical mount
- 93 Singer John
- 95 Common tattoo spot
- 98 Bad occupation for Doc?
- 105 Hippocampus hippocampus,

Auto & Marine

- 108 Mishmashes
- 109 Employee of the say
- 110 Bad occupation for Bashful?
- 112 Waldorf salad
- ingredients 113 Sports anchor Rich
- 114 Attacked ground units, in a way
- 115 Honchos
- 116 Lands in a puddle, maybe
- 117 Accent
- 118 ___-Magnon
- 119 ___-la-la

Down

- 1 Kerri ___, U.S. gymnastics star at the 1996 Olympics
- 2 45 player
- 3 Pay up
- 4 Cave _
- 5 One going to market
- 6 Daily or weekly:
- 7 "Friends" role
- 8 (0,0), on a graph 9 Eruption sight
- 10 "___ Frome"
- 11 A picky person may pick one
- 12 Trailer
- attachment 13 Bananas
- 14 "Somebody shot me!"
- 15 Questionnaire blank
- 16 Airport postings, for short
- 17 Force

- 19 Subject of dozens of Degas paintings
- 21 Vertigo symptom
- 25 Group with the 1995 #1 hit "Waterfalls"
- 27 Honor like a troubadour
- 30 Bar that shrinks
- 33 Miss
- 34 Like four U.S. presidents
- 35 Mathematician Descartes
- 36 River to the North Sea
- 37 Chapters in
- history 38 Half note
- 39 Novelist Calvino 40 Like lanterns at
- evening
- 42 Log
- 43 Big bother
- 45 Degree of interest? 46 "Voilà!"
- 47 Fire
- 49 Convivial
 - 51 Jai __
 - 52 Funeral song in Scotland
 - 53 Cuts 56 Become a
 - sensation
 - 58 Finally edible
 - 60 Zip
 - 64 Duo with the 2003 hit "All the Things She Said"
 - 65 Levi's alternative 66 Actors MacLachlan and
 - Chandler 67 Serve up some ham?
- 68 Extend, in a way 72 Georgia and Moldova, once:
- Abbr. 73 Like two peas in
- 74 Hail
- 75 Is allowed (to)
- 76 Overhead transports
- 77 Tolkien's tree creatures
- 78 Some Jamaicans
- 82 "Switched-On Bach" instrument 85 Snares
- 88 Not a great hand for raising
- 92 Surgical inserts
- 93 Aristocracies 94 Big name in
- insurance 95 [Give me the
- worm! Give me the worm!]
- 96 Hallmark of the Philadelphia sound 97 Sounds of hesitation
- 98 Relating to the palm of the hand
- 99 Apple software bundle that includes GarageBand
- 100 Volunteer's cry 101 "Shoot!"
- 102 Disgruntled worker's parting
- 103 External 104 "The Gondoliers'

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- 105 Ballet bit
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- Paul Gauguin 112 Fighters' org.

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MEDIUM - 51

Fill in the blank spaces in the grid so that every vertical column, every horizontal row and every 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, without repeating any. There is really only one so-

lution to each puzzle.

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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CIJISINE BAYSIDE

Wabbit season is over duck season begins

So many things are happening this week. It is finals week, so everyone is on edge to begin with. It is duck season, so



By Paul Suplee, CEC PCIII

some of those edgy people are regularly firing weaponry in close proximity of our Ocean Pines estate (hopefully aiming for the waterfowl) and the winter looks as though it is quickly turning into spring.

As I try to motivate my students for their finals, one

of which will be in the typical modern-day bubble format (multiple choice), I realize that they are about as excited as I am at this juncture.

I love written tests, and I have never been averse to writing. Bubble tests, on the other hand, are my arch nemesis. It was with great effort that I fared well on the LSAT before starting at Maryland Law all of those years ago; another story for a different time, but I will admit that I didn't finish the degree and decided to move to the beach instead. Hindsight, they say, is 20-20.

Starting at Washington College after finishing my four years in the Marines, I took Philosophy 101 and graded well; after all it was a heavy reading-writing class.

After transferring to Loyola, I opted for literature and history classes, and felt that philosophy would also be a safe study for someone with my type of brain.

I immediately took Classical Philosophy only to learn that every blasted test was a multiple-choice bubble test.

Not only were they bubble tests, but they were from an antiquated mimeograph machine, and I was not alone when I smelled the papers as our Prof handed them out (No, this has nothing to do with my smell issue from last week. Every student smelled it).

It was a strange experience as I had not seen mimeograph paper since middle school and the kids in my class certainly would never have remembered it. Our professor was old school, and he let us know it.

With the blue-inked smelly paper at our fingers it was time for me to get most of the answers wrong, but not without long discourses written in the columns and on the back of the tests in which I would rationalize why at least two of the four answers could be acceptable.

I never received anything higher than a 62 on any exam and they were the only grades for the semester. When I received my final grade it was a high B. Appar-



ently my long-winded approach had paid off.

And I never want to take another bubble test again.

Reality tells me otherwise, as I must endure the blasted things every time I take an online course or any of the various certification exams. Bubble tests are here to stay.

So, as I work my way through finals week, I was given a pair of mallards by Miss Tammy, one of my coworkers, and after a thorough cleaning, we prepared a duck confit.

Served with some hash brown potatoes and a fried egg, this could make a fabulous appetizer or a hearty breakfast, albeit one that very well may exceed the points on your diet plan.

All I know is that it has quelled my desire for duck, fattened me up a little bit, and maybe even inspired me to uncover the mimeograph machine that is still hidden behind the Pepsi machine in Loyola's faculty lounge.

Then I could really offer some seriously old-school, odiferous testing to my students

Duck Confit

Modify recipe based on the amount of duck Duck legs or full body of fresh duck Fat of your choice to cover*

Fresh rosemary (1" sprig per 8 ounces of duck)

1 sage leaf per 8 oz. of duck 1 garlic clove per 8 oz. S&P as needed Bacon bits and their reserved fat

1 egg for frying Toast points

Hash browns (fried potatoes)

Put everything but the fat(s) in a pan large enough to hold everything

Add the fats until they cover the ingredients

Heat on a medium flame and keep the heat at around 180F. You can also cook in a slow oven for hours on end until it is done

When you notice that the skin has rendered its fat (or that the duck will easily shred if using a low-fat wild duck), remove and allow to cool in the oil until you can handle it safely

Strain the oil and reserve for service if

desired

Pick the duck, ensuring to remove any bones or other junk that might not be too palatable

When you are ready for service, simply pan fry the confit in your rendered bacon and/or duck fat until crispy on the outside

Serve with a sunny-side-up egg, bacon bits and hash browns

Allow yourself this unctuous fuel in preparation of the next day's hunt

*The preferred fat is rendered duck fat, but it can be uber-pricey. I have had success with EV Olive oil, freshly rendered lard and suet and clarified butter. Also note that if you are using a farm-raised duck, there will be a much higher fat content in the skin due to the feeding process. With this tidbit of information, adjust the amount of extra fat you use accordingly. With wild duck, especially if you are not in the habit of plucking the rascally things, the extra fat will be necessary.

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