



Glendola Bowen Whaley, joined by, from left, Upshure Coard, Jr., John Dale Smack, Jr. and James Purnell, Jr. each drove school buses in the Berlin area for more than a decade. Combined, the four drove local children to and from school each day for more than 150 years.

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'Robocall' threats resume at Berlin, Snow Hill schools

By Brian Gilliland
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) Stephen Decatur High, Stephen Decatur Middle and Snow Hill High schools were disrupted Tuesday afternoon after computer-generated phone calls making bomb threats resumed for the first time since late January.

In a prepared statement, Superintendent Dr. Jerry Wilson said students had not been evacuated, as they had previously, but "secured in place."

"It is important to note that any threat received is individually evaluated to ensure our schools respond in the safest, most effective manner under the circumstances," Wilson wrote.

All three schools were cleared by law enforcement investigators about an hour later, according to time codes on school social media posts.

In January, an increasing number of robocall threats culminated in a districtwide evacuation of all schools and the board of education office in Newark. The call warned of explosives placed in each school and the administration offices. Schools were closed early that day.

In an apparent separate instance, a single threat made by an individual caller against Stephen Decatur High School resulted in the arrest of a juvenile. The minor has been charged with arson/threat and disturbing school activities or personnel and was remanded to the Lower Eastern Shore Children's Center in Salisbury.

State's attorney Beau Oglesby said his office had not yet formed an opinion on whether or not to charge the juvenile as an adult, and the decision ultimately rests with the juvenile court.

"We are waiting on answers to questions centered on the services provided at the juvenile level and comparing that to what is offered at the adult level, and taking into account juvenile service's opinion," Oglesby said.

A decision is expected within 30 days, he said.

Berlin bus drivers: unsung heroes

For more than 150 years, three men and one woman drove children to school

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) For more than five decades each, Upshure Coard Jr. and John Dale Smack Jr. drove school buses in the Berlin area.

James Purnell Jr., a former county commissioner, has driven for four decades and Glendola Bowen Whaley has driven since 1997.

Combined, those three men and one woman steered Worcester County school children back and forth to school for more than a century and a half. All this time, none have ever been in an accident on the job, and none have ever seen a child in his or her care get seriously hurt.

For many years, the bus driver demographic was exclusively made up of black men, starting with Charlie Hudson in the 1940s. Charles Henry, Charlie Forman and Upshure Coard Sr. were also among the first wave of driv-

ers. Like postmen, they often drove through rain, sleet and snow, down the rough rural back roads of Worcester County, on the way to school each day.

Coard, 83, remembers the days when buses drove through snowstorms with chains wrapped around the tires. Once, the snow was so bad that a farmer had to come and pull him out of a drift. That was, of course, only after he had safely taken the last child home.

He started driving in 1957, taking the business over from his father. His first route was near 5 Mile Branch Road, in an area surrounded by farmland, picking up African-American children.

"All there was, was farms and tomato factories and fields of corn," he said.

Between shifts he did odd jobs, including working at a bowling alley, where he reset the pins by hand between frames. He also worked at the Stowaway Hotel in Ocean City for 25 years.

When schools started to integrate in the 1960s, he said there were few issues that carried over onto his school bus.

"People got along better then than they do now," he said. "I don't know

what happened, but something set things back. I think the economy's got a lot to do with race relations, because now people fight for jobs."

Smack, 82, signed a contract in 1961 and began driving the following year in Whaleyville. When he started, many of the streets were unpaved, and the houses on his route were old and often in need of repair, he said.

"The population was less and the school system has changed. The routes have changed. The school has changed. To me, the children haven't changed that much," Smack said.

Like Coard, Smack often had other jobs between driving. He worked as a painter, and, for 28 years, worked at Layton's in Ocean City.

During his 52 years on the job, Smack said he often saw generations within the same family climbing into the seats behind him.

"I'm lucky to have known a lot of these parents through the years, as I have, because they would say, 'when you start riding his bus, you will know what to do,'" he said. "If you have a

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For 52 years, Smack worked behind wheel without sick day

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For more than five decades, he did not miss a single day of work.

“The years that I drove the bus, I did not have a day of sickness,” Smack said. “That sticks with me every day. God is good.”

Purnell, 78, and Whaley, 69, both still operate buses in Worcester County.

“Most of my life I spent behind a steering wheel,” Purnell said.

In 1974, he took a route over for his cousin, near Germantown. Today, he drives Bus 13 to Stephen Decatur High School.

Like Upshure, he remembers a more rural Worcester County.

“Back then you didn’t have the heavy populated areas that you have now,” he said. “The population was probably about half of this size. [The county] is not nearly as rural now as people perceive it to be.”

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Glendola Bowen Whaley, left, has driven a school bus in the Berlin area since 1997. Today, she operates Bus 8 to Showell Elementary School. James Purnell, Jr., right, began in 1974, and currently operates Bus 13 to Stephen Decatur High School.

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For 50 years, John Dale Smack, Jr. drove a school bus in Worcester County. During that time, Smack said he never took a sick day.



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Upshure Coard, Jr. is a second-generation bus driver. He took over for his father in the 1950s. Coard drove a bus in the Berlin area for more than five decades.

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He said parents were also more supportive of drivers when he started. He blames that shift in support on a changing culture.

"Back then, we didn't have babies raising babies. That's the problem now," he said. "You got a child in school and you look at the mother who is probably about 19, 20. Plus, she's out there working, trying to make a living, because you've got a lot of single mothers. A lot of kids out there now raise themselves.

"Looking back, you could go tell a parent your kid did such and such — you'd better not go do that now," he said.

Whaley is the baby of group, both in age and in tenure. She started driving a bus in 1997, taking children from the Route 707 area to Ocean City Elementary School.

Before driving, she worked at Berlin Middle School, as "support personnel." Her two sisters, Ruby Baker and Queen Satchel, and her brother, Theophilus Bowen Jr., were also bus drivers.

Now, she drives Bus 8 to Showell Elementary School. It's an experience that has been overwhelmingly positive, she said.

"My kids are not that bad, plus I have good parents," she said. "I don't really have to write up referrals. I take care of the situation myself. When I get finished and back my bus up in the yard, I have a satisfied mind."

Bus drivers in the Worcester County make \$20.86 an hour, plus an additional \$1.479 per mile. Maintenance and upkeep can claim 30-40 percent of that, and new buses can

Purnell: to be successful, you've got to love the kids

cost well into six figures.

It took decades of work to get to that point, however, starting with an association of African-American bus drivers that formed in Berlin.

Purnell said he made \$775 a month when he started driving. In the 1950s, Coard remembers making \$400 a month.

"We thought \$400 at that time was good," he said.

Eventually, the meetings drew drivers not just from Berlin, but also from across the county.

"It brought the black drivers from Pocomoke and Snow Hill, and they all came together," Purnell said. "That lasted way beyond integration, then all the sudden – out of the blue – came the Worcester County Bus Association.

"We all joined in and were able to keep functioning, and the next thing you know we were all members of the state association," Purnell continued. "But it was through that first association and working with the county – that's how we arrived at what we're getting today. If it had not been for the association, I don't know where we'd be."

Those early meetings also led to drivers receiving fair pay for after-hours trips, from sporting events to nearby towns, to week-long field trips across state lines.

"The biggest part of my mileage is done on the highway, going to New York and staying the whole week, going 'round to Morgantown, West Virginia and staying the whole week. I carried boy's basketball to Memphis, Tennessee and stayed the whole week," Purnell said. "Now, I get paid for it. My room is paid. My food and lodging and everything is taken care of. We've come a long ways – a very long ways."

All four say they share more than just the bond of being black bus drivers from the Berlin area. In the broader picture, they are four people who enjoyed their jobs and genuinely loved the children they served.

"There's an old saying that I found out years ago is true: in order for a bus driver to be successful and enjoy your job, you've got to love the kids," Purnell said. "If you don't love kids,

you don't need to get behind that steering wheel."

Purnell said he plans to continue driving for at least the next two years. After that, he'll have a decision to make. His current bus will need to be replaced, based on state regulations, and a similar model would cost him \$157,000.

"I don't think I'm going to do that," he said. "That may partly answer that question."

Asked how long she hopes to continue driving, Whaley said, "I'm not tired yet."

"You let me know when you are, and I'll come back," Smack said with a laugh.

After nearly 20 years on the road, Whaley said she is more than a bus driver. She also considers herself a counselor – and a friend – to the children.

"I love my children, and they love me. And I know they do because they tell you," she said. "I get respect from them – and their parents also – and I enjoy my job."

"The best thing, to me is, when I still see those kids and they say, 'I remember you. You drove my bus,'" Coard said. "It makes you feel good that you've done something right."

Berlin native Gregory Purnell, who helped bring all four drivers together for this article, said he still has fond memories of his own bus drivers, who he called "unsung heroes" of the community.

"Your bus driver is almost like a part of your family," he said. "When I was going to school, I knew every bus and who drove every bus and almost knew every route, because you had an affinity for those bus drivers. They were part of your every day. Five days a week, you were with that bus driver twice a day."

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After debate, payroll increase stays in Pines '17 budget draft

Eligibility for raises would be based on merit; funding equal to 2.6 percent hike

By Josh Davis
 Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) Ocean Pines employees will likely be eligible for merit raises this year, following a lively debate on the subject during a public meeting last Friday.

While discussing the next fiscal-year budget, Vice President Cheryl Jacobs suggested that the current economic climate might make such raises dubious.

Director Tom Terry said he would “personally not support” removing all money for salary increases from the budget draft, and said he was certain Jacobs shared his view. Not so fast, she said.

“You shouldn’t put words into my mouth,” she said. “I had a concern, from the beginning of this process, about giving raises in [these] economic times.”

“I understand that we need to allocate funds to keep our employees, and I understand that by putting this money there it doesn’t mean anybody gets a dime of it, but nobody can get anything unless the money is allocated,” Jacobs continued. “I had

a concern about trying to keep the salaries at a level where they are currently, to just be fiscally responsible.”

Jacobs suggested salaries be frozen. As an alternative, Director Dave Stevens said the 2.6 percent across-the-board funding level in the latest budget draft could be reduced to, say, one percent.

“One percent isn’t going to be across the board, but it is going to be able to be distributed to high performers,” he said.

“That’s an alternative – make it less than three percent – or the alternative is, people could always come back and we could change the budget,” Jacobs said. “If there is a person who is deemed to require a merit increase ... we have the ability to do that later.”

Stevens countered that General Manager Bob Thompson should have the flexibility to offer raises, in exceptional cases. Thompson agreed.

“This is an interesting discussion toward the end of the budget process,” he said. “I adamantly disagree with removing the [funding].”

Thompson pointed to several salary studies, saying the roughly three percent increase was not only appropriate, but also “probably a low number.” He also reminded the board that three percent was the number suggested by the directors in their budget guidance earlier this year, and added that raises would not be uniform, but would be based on the performance of each employee.

“There are people that may get zero or one percent in a given year, because their performance hasn’t been to the level we expect them to be,” he said.

Director Jack Collins said the last three budgets have included funding for across-the-board salary increases of 7.1 percent, 3.96 percent and 3.3 percent, respectively.

“I think, as an association, we’ve been very generous over that three-year period of time. I’m going to have to come down on Cheryl’s side,” he said. “We may be entering into some difficult, challenging times.”

Collins said the budget draft had \$296,000 in payroll increases, including \$124,000 for base salaries in fiscal year 2017 and an additional \$38,000 for overtime.

“You can’t count overtime,” Thompson said. “Either that, or when the roads need to be plowed we don’t have to bring them in because I have to pay them overtime, or when a police officer has to go down to court, I can’t have them work later in the week on their regular duty, because I have to pay them overtime.”

He went on to say Collins and others were assuming Ocean Pines employees were overpaid, which, he

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said, was not the case.

"You believe that our people aren't paid enough to begin with – that's separate from whether or not the economy says we ought to act different," Jacobs said.

"Fair enough, but take home pay is take home pay for an employee," Thompson said. "Cost of goods increases, so if we hold the line on our salaries their dollar amount that they get paid actually purchases fewer items – it purchases less, so it is, in effect, a decrease in their take-home salary."

Thompson said the 2.6 percent increase was essentially a "cost-of-living" adjustment, and that the price of virtually everything outside of gasoline was going up.

"I absolutely believe what we're putting forth isn't only reasonable, it's the low-end reasonable," he said. "You're telling me a gallon of milk, a loaf of bread, a box of Pampers – none of those things have increased in the last few years in cost?"

The other side of the argument, Stevens said, was that salary increases for the 81 full-time Ocean Pines workers would negatively affect the 8,452 homeowners in the community.

"Given the economy, I think Cheryl is right to consider a reduction," Stevens said, adding that he was concerned with the continuous rise in payroll.

"When you do these systematic increases year over year over year, and you're always raising the base of salaries over that period of time ... you get the creeping salary issue," he said. "What we're talking about is slowing that curve."

"I can't hold more strongly on any item in this budget than to pay our people," Thompson said. "I think the message that we're sending ... is just a miserable message to send our people right now."

Looking for a compromise, Terry asked for a consensus to keep the current payroll increase in place, with the caveat that a human resources study be performed before the next budget cycle.

Stevens and Collins appeared to disagree, but Jacobs acquiesced, leading to an unofficial 4-2 vote. Director Tom Herrick was not present during the meeting.

The directors will meet again to discuss the budget on Friday, Feb. 19 at 9 a.m. in the community center. The final budget vote is slated for Feb. 25.

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Health Pavilion traffic issue brings crowd to OPA meeting

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) The issue of traffic created by the new Delmarva Health Pavilion in Ocean Pines has been simmering since the facility opened last October.

That simmer came to a boil Friday morning, as developer Palmer Gillis and officials with the Maryland State Highway Administration met with the public to talk about potential solutions.

After circulating a blueprint showing a new road connecting the pavilion to Ocean Parkway, Gillis told the audience in the Assateague Room in the Ocean Pines Community Center that he was looking for suggestions.

Currently, traffic can make right turns only in and out of the center, meaning illegal U-turns and other potentially problematic traffic occurrences are becoming prevalent. The situation is expected to get worse, as Gillis intends to build four additional medical buildings in the complex, giving it an eventual 90,000 square feet of office space.

Director Dave Stevens said the problem dates back at least six years, when development of the property was first discussed, and that giving access to Ocean Parkway was not a reasonable solution.

The other members of the board uniformly agreed.

"I find it really curious that you would have purchased this property, knowing what you were going to put there, without having dealt with this issue right up front," Board Vice President Cheryl Jacobs said. "The fact that you went forward, knowing that the board six years ago said no – I find that remarkable."

Jacobs also chastised Gillis for cutting down dozens of trees on the property, essentially eliminating a natural noise and light burrier that protected nearby residents.

Gillis said he could show evidence that the right in, right out model would support the full build of the facility, and that the alternate plan was an attempt to "be responsive to ... residents."

"I'm going to take wild guess here and say there isn't one person in this audience here who represents these people that you say want a different access, but, rather, these are all people who say, 'don't take my land to put this road in,'" Jacobs said, drawing her second applause line of the meeting.

Gillis said other developers had eyed the property for years and wanted to build everything from apartment complexes to supermarkets in the space, all

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PRMC rep admits concerns over new Pines development

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of which would have been much less desirable than medical offices for nearby residents
SHA District Engineer Donnie Drewer confirmed that “oodles” of other people had looked at the property, and said state highway was required by law to give Gillis access, because the area connected to a state road.

He added that Gillis could put up a second building on the complex before he was required to conduct another traffic study.

“If he puts in five buildings and all the traffic that’s going out that one entrance causes that intersection to fail completely, then we can’t give him permission unless he mitigates that,” Drewer said, adding that he did not know what that mitigation might be.

“Whatever it is, he has to do at his expense – not at state highway expense,” he said.

Drewer said allowing left turns into or out of the property was “pushing the problem down the street,” because Route 589 will eventually be dualized – although he could not say when that might happen.

“The priority list for Worcester County for the last 10 years at least has been finish U.S. Route 113. And I’m



Developer Palmer Gillis addresses the Ocean Pines Association Board – and its membership – on Friday during a public forum on traffic issues surrounding the new Delmarva Health Pavilion.

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proud to say that we have finally funded the last phase of 113 just this past year,” he said. “The next step is for the elected officials to decide what’s next on the list.”

In Worcester County, that list could include dualizing Route 90, building a new bridge on Route 50 going into Ocean City, or expanding Route 589 to a dual highway.

“If you just take those three projects and add the total cost together ... you might even say [it would cost] a billion dollars,” Drewer said.

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is the tenant of the \$6 million, 20,000-square-foot first building in the medical complex, which consolidated family practices in Berlin and Ocean Pines. The building also includes a pharmacy and cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation facility.

PRMC Vice President Steven Leonard called the addition a “wonderful success,” but admitted he had heard concerns about traffic.

“We’ve told Mr. Gillis pretty clearly that before we continue to invest ... it really is important for us to figure out some sort of solution. Otherwise we’re

in somewhat of an awkward position,” he said.

Leonard said there would be a pause in PRMC involvement until the problem is addressed.

“It’s sad. We don’t want that, but at the same time I think that serves everyone probably better than trying to cram stuff in there without a solution,” he said.

“Just because PRMC is taking a pause, doesn’t mean that I’m taking a pause,” Gillis said. “There are other users that could go on that property.”

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lasted nearly two hours, often became heated.

Mike Sparks, who lives directly behind the property, said the proposed access to Ocean Parkway had nothing to do with Ocean Pines residents.

"This has to do with giving traffic patterns for people that are outside the community," he said, adding that the development hurt the overall feel of the community.

Tom List said the road would create a traffic nightmare for residents. Deena Lewis said the noise increased dramatically after the buffer of trees came down, and that the alteration was both a privacy and a security issue.

Robert Stewart said Gillis was guilty of having "a lack of transparency," while another resident went as far as labeling Gillis as a bully.

Debbie List said she doubted Gillis' sincerity.

"I'm pretty good at reading body language after 30 years [as an] elementary school teacher she said. "I can see through your smiles, I can see through your posturing."

Gillis said he took that statement personally, but acknowledged that he was in business to make a profit.

"I am a builder," he said. "I'm not going to sit with real estate holding it when I can't use it. This is not a threat - I'm just reporting the information. If

I can't build what I do - medical offices - then I will ask somebody to look at another use.

"As far as transparency, I'm absolutely transparent and honest. I build and develop medical offices. Period," Gillis continued. "As far as taking my sincerity to the table today, I can sit here and say I am in this to make a profit.

"I believe I have a great plan for this piece of property that will be an amenity to this community - and you'll use it. What I'm here to explore today, with all sincerity, is options and ideas, which include a traffic light for this property, a south-bound left-hand turn lane into this property, widening the bridge to this property, widening the road at Ocean Parkway for this property [and] annexation for this property.

"The only way I know to solve problems is to put the issues on the table - those are the issues that I can come up with. And I'm asking this community, without being insulted, to help me with that solution. And I would appreciate that you respect of my sincerity, because I will tell you right now that if I can't develop medical offices I will sell it to someone else. That's plain and simple."

Jacobs intervened, suggesting a traffic light in front of the facility, onto See OPA Page 12

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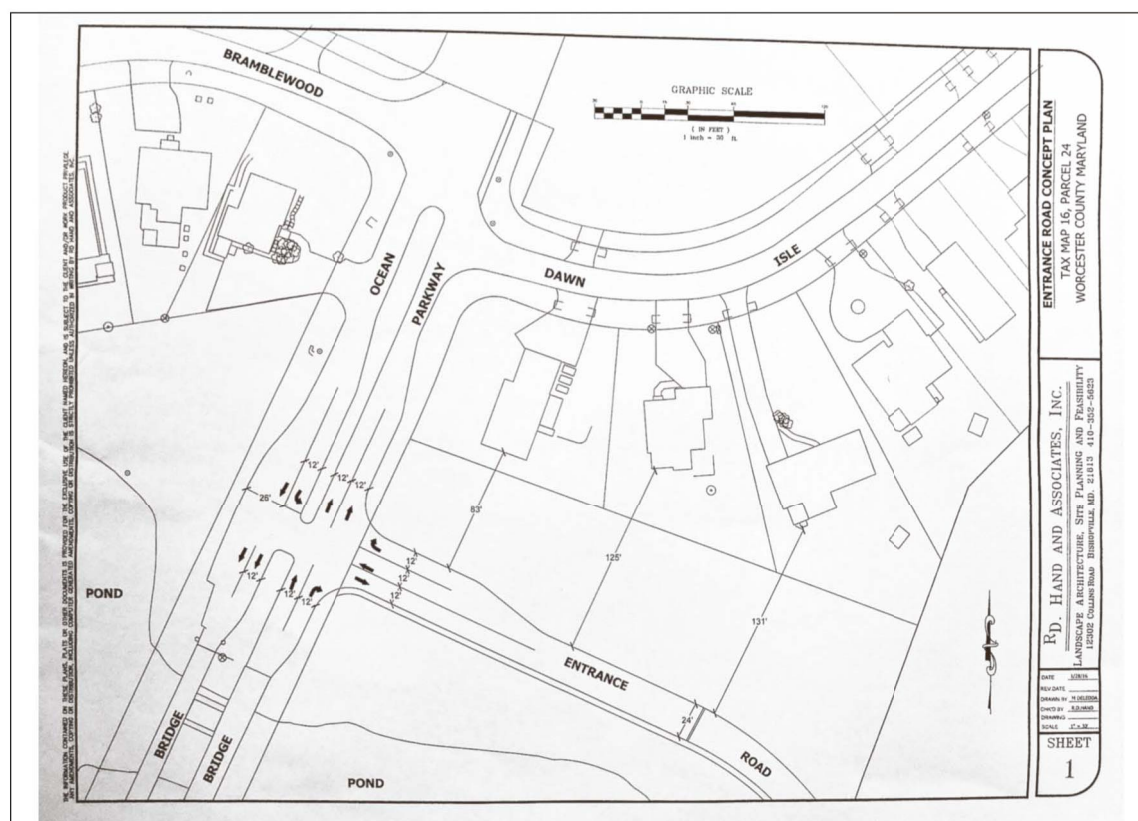


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A traffic proposal, presented by Developer Palmer Gillis to the Ocean Pines Association, shows an access road from the Delmarva Health Pavilion, onto Ocean Parkway.
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OPA committee will look for solutions to calm DHP concerns

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Route 589, or a left-hand turn lane was likely the "simplest solution to the whole problem."

SHA Assistant District Engineer Dallas Baker said that would require a traffic study – but that neither option was off the table.

At the end of the three-hour meeting, Director Tom Terry asked that the board form a committee to discuss the issue.

"I think there are solutions here that are very simple," he said. "I think we need to come together with a solution that's much less dramatic than trying to build a road, and I think those answers are there."

OPA President Pat Renaud said the board would appoint a citizen task force and asked anyone interested to send an email to either him, or General Manager Bob Thompson.

"We want this problem to be solved – obviously," he said. "We don't want to let [the discussion] go and let it drift for another six years."

"I think, for now, we've had a good vetting of people. Some people were emotional, and some people were very logical in their thought process, which was good. And I think we can come up with a solution that will satisfy all of us – or most of us, anyway."

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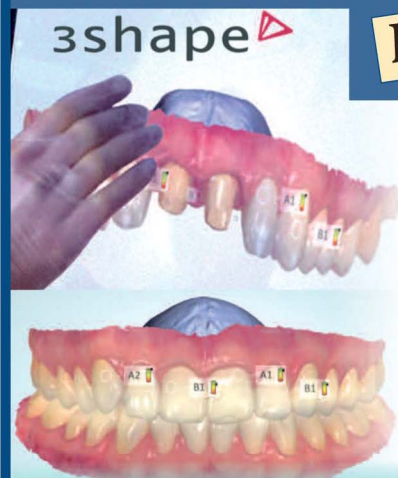
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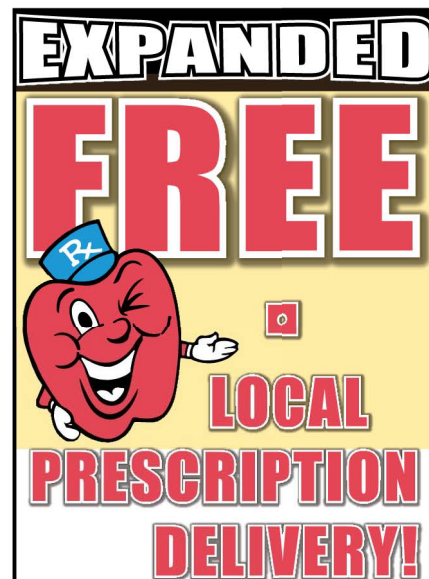
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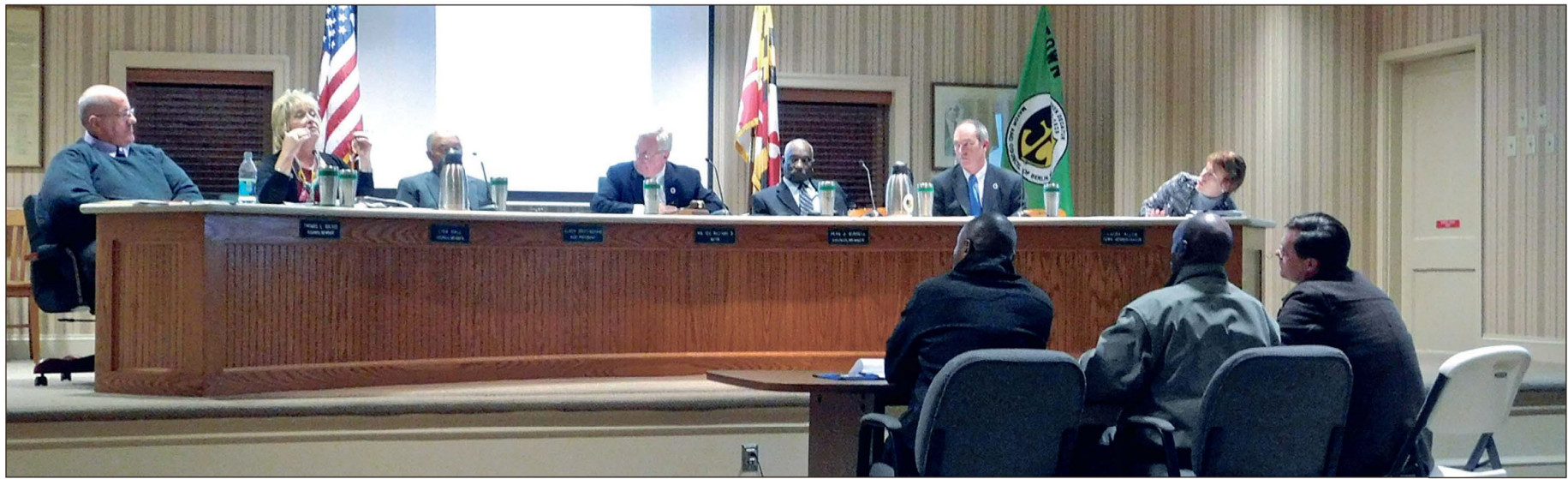
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Flower Street residents D.J. Lockwood, left, and Barry Jarmon lobby the Berlin Mayor and Council for a fence around the new Cannery Village Complex. Developer Andrew Hanson, right, said a full-length fence around the property could cost \$100,000.

Some Flower Street residents wary of Cannery

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) Berlin's new affordable housing complex Cannery Village has already had its share of setbacks, as move-in dates have been pushed back multiple times and by several months. Now, it looks like the development could have a problem with its neighbors on Flower Street.

The first item for discussion during Monday's Town Council meeting in Berlin was a request for fence around the development. Residents Barry Jarmon and D.J. Lockwood addressed the council. Lockwood said his property was particularly close to Cannery – he estimated 25 feet – and that he had security concerns. With 44 homes coming

to the development, he said he expected more than 200 people, including nearly 100 children, all close to his back porch. During a recent open house at Cannery, he said several personal items had been upset on a paved basketball court in his yard. "To expect new residents to respect our properties – who we don't even

know – we don't want to have to take that risk," he said. "This is affecting homes that ... have been there 50 years or so," Lockwood continued. "I'm just saying, do what's right." The residents created a petition to put up a fence around the area of Cannery Village that borders existing homes on Flower Street. Berlin Councilmember Elroy Brittingham said he signed that petition.

Brittingham said he owned property there, and that he had longstanding concerns that schoolchildren from Cannery Village would cut through yards and open spaces. "That's the biggest concern – trying to get some privacy between the two properties," he said. Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said the town had spoken to the Worcester County Board of Education, who agreed to put an additional bus stop at Cannery Village. He said the lack of a barrier was still an issue, but hoped for a compromise with the developer. "I've lived here longer than you've been alive," he told Lockwood. "All I'm saying is, there are ways we can mitigate things."

The town had already facilitated one meeting with residents to try to address the issue, and Williams said Berlin had no legal authority after the planning commission approved Cannery last year. "Planning and zoning, their job is to deal with all of this stuff. By law, all kinds of precedents can require the developer to create whatever barriers the neighborhood feels are necessary. That opportunity was missed," he said. "Now we've got to figure out what we can do when we have no legal authority." Councilmember Troy Purnell, a local developer, said he generally puts fences up around new properties, at his expense. He asked if anyone had tried to contact the developer, Osprey Property Company. As it turned out, company principal Andrew Hanson was in the room.

Hanson said he had reviewed the petition and spoke with several homeowners on Flower Street. "I understand the concerns they've expressed. I'm afraid some of them are ill conceived. I'm afraid you, Mr.



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Fence petition floated; council urges compromise

Mayor, are among those,” Hanson said. “Right off the bat, you said the residents of Cannery Village may not respect their neighbors. I truly hope that’s not that the case. We have worked hard to create a very unique community here,” Hanson continued. “Everyone I’ve spoken to is very excited, and I think once they get to know their neighbors, I hope that there will not be issues.”

Hanson said he spoke with Jarmon as far back as 2013 and agreed to put “vegetative screening” around the property, which had been installed.

He said the request in the petition was for a 2,500-foot-long fence, which could cost \$100,000.

“I’m trying not to get emotional,” Hanson said. “It’s sort of like, we’ve got these new renters who are moving in and we’re ... trying to create a barrier to keep them out.

“That’s unfortunate,” he continued. “These folks – they are going to be working in the town, are going to be shopping in the town, sending their kids to the town schools, and I really would not like to welcome them to Cannery Village with a six-foot, white, ugly privacy fence.”

Councilmember Lisa Hall said she sympathized with the residents and had a similar personal experience.

“I think this goes back on planning and zoning,” she said. “When they start

granting variances, they need to look at the big picture and what the impact is going to be on existing homes.”

As a compromise, Hanson said a smaller permanent barrier, roughly 250 feet and finished by a vegetative fence, was possible.

“We want to be good neighbors,” he said. “I’m happy to sit down and listen and talk about some possibilities.”

“I’d rather us try to find a solution upfront, because the farther this goes, the harder it will probably be to get done,” Williams said. “You guys can lead by example ... let’s find ways to help each other. It’s actually easier in the long run than the other way.”

After the meeting, Lockwood said he was not comfortable with the outcome.

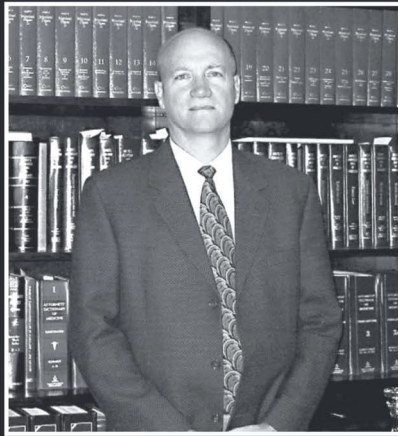
“We all understand that our town is developing, but it shouldn’t be at the expense of current residents,” he said. To believe that new renters won’t cut through [exiting properties] is absurd.”

Lockwood noted that other developers, including Purnell, put fencing around their properties as a courtesy to nearby residents. He also said he felt Williams was playing politics, and that a vegetative barrier “sounds good, but it takes 10 years for them to become effective.”

“At least the wheels are in motion,” Lockwood said. “Hopefully, we can get a resolution.”

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BERLIN PARKS COMMISSION BRIEFS

By Josh Davis

Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) The Berlin Parks Commission discussed the following items during a public meeting at Town Hall on Feb. 2.

Summer Movie Nights

For the second straight month, the commission talked about the upcoming Summer Movie Nights series, which it will host with the Berlin Arts and Entertainment District committee.

A request for proposals for vendors will be issued this month, and the group compiled a list of films it will show in 2016.

"Runaway Bride" and "Tuck Everlasting" will bookend the six planned screenings, and the public will be allowed to vote on the remaining four films. The commission also considered letting nonprofit groups sell refreshments during the events.

A special event request will likely be brought to the Berlin Mayor and Council in March.

Clean-Up Day

The committee planned for two related parks events, Clean-Up Day on April 16 and Take Pride in Berlin Week, April 16-23.

Town Administrator Laura Allen suggested cleanup day focus on "tidying up" the former Tyson's Chicken plant, which the town recently purchased and plans to turn into a public park and recreation complex. Allen said the goal was to have the property available for "passive use" by the end of spring.

Others on the commission said there was a need for trees and shrubs in Berlin, and suggested the emphasis be on planting. The "Edible Forest" project, a collaboration between Stephen Decatur High School and As-

sateague Coastal Trust, could be tied into the events. Students are working to grow edible plants at Stephen Decatur Park, and could begin planting in April.

Just Walk

After a successful fall event, the commission began planning a spring follow-up to Just Walk, set for May 7. Previously, it had been an annual event.

Set in Stephen Decatur Park, Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen said she was working on a longer route. A health fair component, popular during the fall event, will also return, with the Worcester County Health Department and Atlantic General Hospital being likely partners.

The commission also suggested offering several prizes during Just Walk, including a Fit Bit.

Youth club

Last month, the Berlin Youth Club took 17 local children on a field trip to the Delmarva Discovery Center in Pocomoke. Organizer Amanda Chaffee said the kids especially enjoyed a presentation about the various kinds of animal droppings.

"That really fired them up," she said. "We have a ton of boys."

The children also went to Subway while in Pocomoke, and the store donated sodas and chips to the club.

On Jan. 15, the Berlin Youth Club held a movie night, with 13 children attending to watch "The Sandlot." Next, on Feb. 27, the club will visit Wallops Island.

Chaffee noted that the recent "Taco Wars," hosted by Guido's Burritos in Ocean City, benefited the club. The town of Berlin also supports the youth group, which is part of Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services.

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BERLIN BRIEFS

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) The Berlin Mayor and Council discussed the following items during a public meeting at town hall on Feb. 9.

Co-op agreement

The council unanimously approved a resolution to establish a cooperative agreement with The Nature Conservancy. The organization was granted access to 196 acres of land in Berlin along the Pocomoke River watershed, which it hopes to improve.

Mike Dryden said the Conservancy's work would enhance water quality, create a wildlife habitat and reduce flooding.

Town Administrator Laura Allen reported that she contacted the Maryland Department of the Environment, which had no issues with the project.

Rezoning

Planning Director Dave Engelhart said two rezoning requests would come before the planning commission on Feb. 10, after press time.

The town hopes to build a new police station at 109 Decatur Street. Engelhart said that parcel is currently zoned as a B-2 shopping district, and would need to be changed to R-1 residential.

A property at 15 Gay Street wants to build two ground-level retail spaces there, with two apartments on the second floor – a common structure in downtown Berlin.

Engelhart said several adjacent property owners had asked for a similar zoning change, from B-2 shopping district to R-1 residential, which would presumably raise property values. He called the change a perfect example of 21st century rezoning for mixed use.

Burley festivals

The council endorsed four events to be held on the Burley Oak Brewing Company property on Old Ocean City Boulevard. Owner Bryan Brushmiller said the endorsements were necessary to get approval from the liquor board in order to hold the events in Burley's parking lot.

Four "Explore Berlin Festivals" will be held April 23, June 11 and Sept. 17. The brewery will also hold an event in conjunction with town fireworks on July 3.

Carol Rose from the Berlin Heritage Foundation said her group had planned a separate event during one of the "Explore" festivals, which Mayor Gee Williams said would not be an issue.

More events

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells asked for and received approval for 27 events planned for 2016, including the Jazz and Blues Bash, Bathtub Races, Peach Festival and Fiddler's Convention.

One popular event that will not return, Wells said, are the High Heel Races. She said nonprofit host Women Supporting Women had changed executive directors and were not interesting in continuing the annual fundraiser.

Wells said she would seek another nonprofit group to fill the vacancy, on June 3.

Commissioner Bertino to hold town meeting, Feb. 27

(Feb. 11, 2016) Chip Bertino, Worcester County Commissioner for the Ocean Pines district, will hold a town meeting on Saturday, Feb. 27 at the Ocean Pines library. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m.

Bertino will provide information on issues and developments occurring within the district and the county.

Worcester County State's Attorney Beau Oglesby will be the guest speaker, and County Attorney Maureen Howarth will also be introduced. Bertino will be joined by Commissioner President Jim Bunting during the question and answer part of the program.

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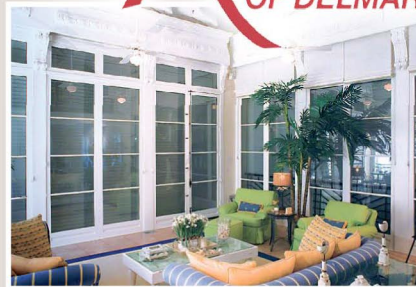
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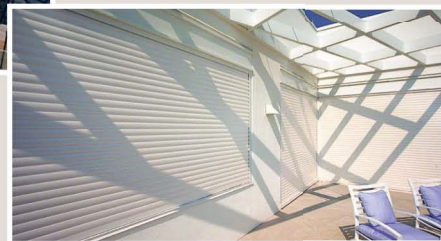


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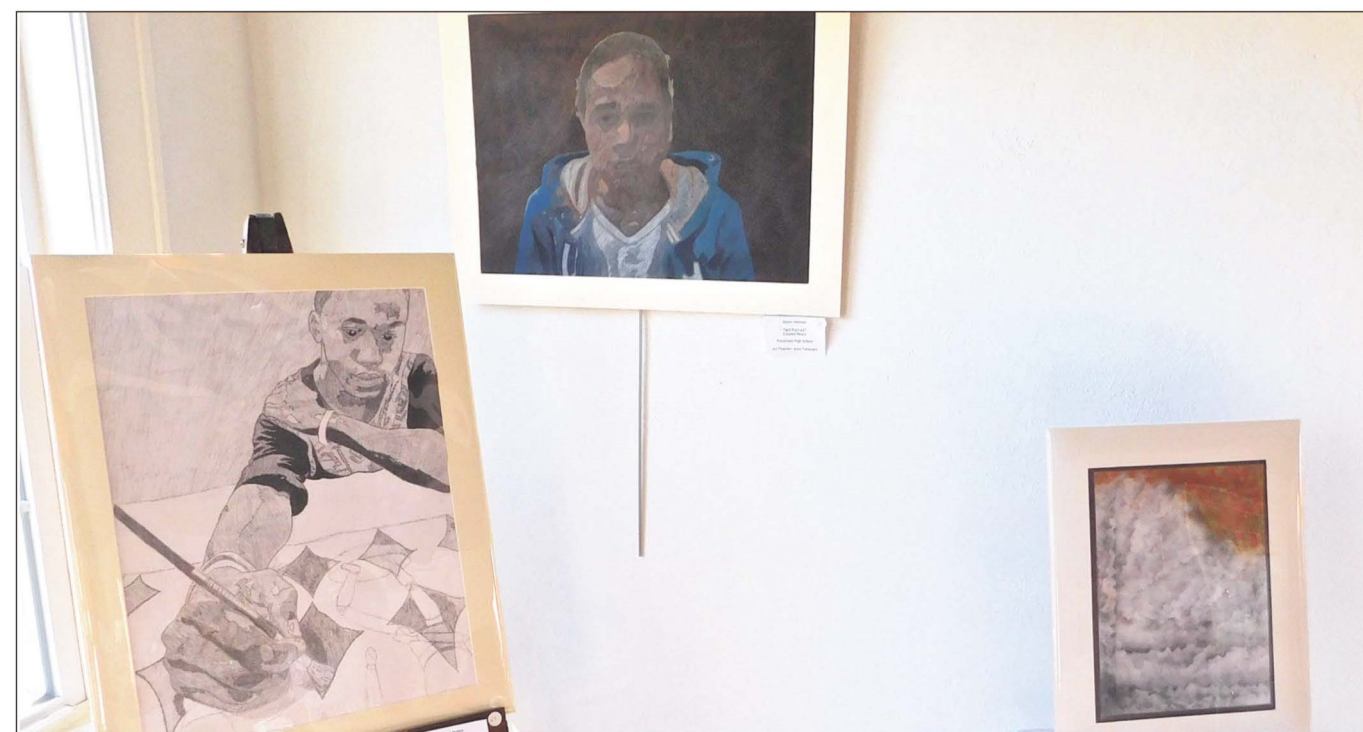
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The 10th annual High School Art Competition and Exhibit features nearly 40 drawings and paintings produced by local school students. Sponsored by Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club, the exhibition will run through the month of February at the Worcester County Arts Council in Berlin.

During 2nd Friday, WCAC to present student art show

Berlin/OC Optimist Club to award \$1,400 in prizes

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) Instead of the normal 2nd Friday fare in Berlin, the action on Feb. 12 will center on a youth art exhibition at the Worcester County Arts Council.

Presented by the Berlin/Ocean City Optimist Club, the 10th annual High School Art Competition and Exhibit went up earlier this month and will remain on display throughout February.

The show features works created by students from the four high schools in the county. Previously, the exhibition was held in Ocean City for one weekend each year.

"For the first time, it's going to be shown here at the arts council for the whole month," WCAC Executive Director Anna Mullis said. "We thought that would allow for more exposure for the students' work."

"I am especially proud, because I am a member of the Optimist Club and it was a privilege to for me to take over the committee of the art contest and coordinate it this year," she said. "They have a long history of supporting youth programs in the county, and this is one of the programs they offer specifically for high school students."

Snow Hill, Pocomoke, Stephen Decatur high schools and Worcester Preparatory School were each invited to submit up to 10 paintings or drawings created by students. Local artists Kate Cashman and Karen Letonoff will judge the show, and the Optimist Club will award \$1,400 in cash prizes.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place in painting and drawing during the opening reception on Friday, at 6 p.m.

A people's choice award will also be announced during the opening reception. Voting for that closed on Feb. 10.

For students, the show offers an entire month of exposure, which can be difficult to come by, Mullis said.

"The whole month will really allow the public to stop by and see what the students create," she said. "I would really like the public to be grateful for wonderful art community that we have, and for the art teachers that inspire these students."

"I am very impressed with the creativity of the students, and I think it's going to be a fantastic show," Mullis added. "The quality of work is just wonderful, and it's really encouraging to see how much work they put into the art."

The exhibit will be on display through Feb. 29 at the WCAC gallery on 6 Jefferson Street. Hours are Monday-Friday, and some Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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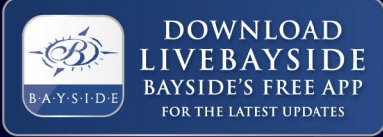


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Traffic could jam future

Palmer Gillis, of Gillis Gilkerson, the builder and developer of the Delmarva Health Pavilion in Ocean Pines, has a point. Although he refrained from saying it bluntly when he met with residents last Friday to discuss his project's traffic flow problems, that facility is there to stay, like it or not.

That won't be the end of it either, as more will happen on that parcel over time, whether his company does it or it's some future owner who figures out a way to get a better return on the investment.

How the pavilion got there, whether Gillis Gilkerson should have purchased the property in the first place and what anyone said or didn't say two or three years ago going into the project is irrelevant. That's history and the issue now is how to address the future in a way that's at least tolerable for everyone involved.

There's no reason to doubt Gillis when he said if the project's ingress and egress issues can't be resolved, he would sell the whole package to someone who might have other ideas about how to use it. He is, after all, in business to make a profit.

Considering what could be permitted under the parcel's commercial zoning designation – service stations, restaurants and retail space among other things – having a nice campus with healthcare offices is the best possible fit.

Maybe, as was proposed Friday, the installation of another traffic signal on the highway will provide quick relief, but chances are commercial growth and the development of the surrounding area will lead to a time when that won't be enough.

Additional traffic studies will be required before the property can be fully developed and those could limit the project's potential.

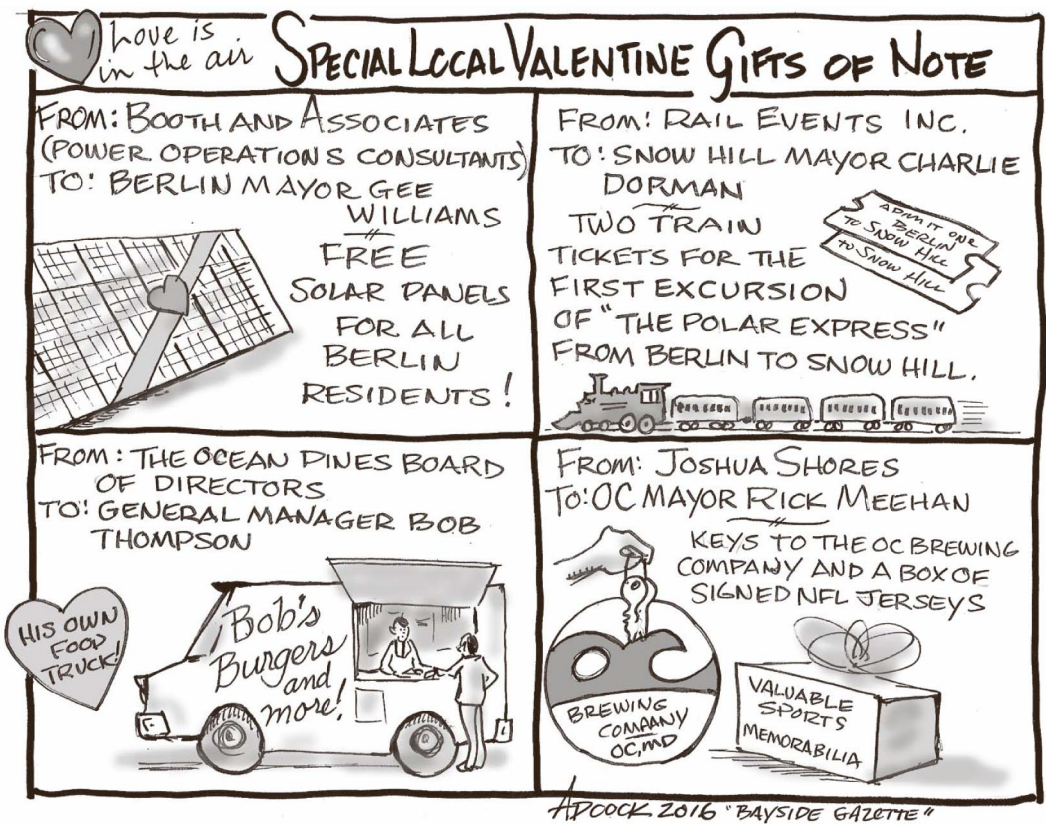
Still, it would behoove the community, the task force that will consider the traffic configuration options and Gillis Gilkerson to address the immediate situation, but also to think about what the issues might be 10 years from now.

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LETTERS

Give to local United Way

Editor,

It is a great honor to serve as board president for United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore. In this role, I continue to witness the selfless generosity among individuals and organizations in our community who support United Way's mission to improve the lives of the most vulnerable on the Shore. What we achieve together is nothing short of amazing.

Our United Way currently touches the lives of one in three people. It is the largest non-governmental source of funding for 62 critical programs in the four Lower Eastern Shore Counties in Maryland. Last year, your United Way impacted 76,000 local people, giving them the tools they need to build a better life and hope for a brighter, more secure future.

When you give, you can count on the responsible stewardship of your contribution to help the most people, in the most impactful way possible. Did you know that 100 percent of each contribution stays local?

The local United Way Community Impact Committee spends over 800 volunteer hours each year vetting the programs in which you invest. From youth and elderly issues to transportation and health care, these volunteers scrutinize

agency budgets and programs to ensure all contributions will have the greatest impact.

Currently, we are in the final stages of this year's campaign, and I encourage all readers to consider helping by making a contribution. I also encourage all local businesses to consider a workplace campaign to allow employees to donate through payroll deduction.

When you give to your local United Way, you are building a healthier community; you are helping troubled teens uncover their full potential; you are easing the burdens of individuals struggling with life's unexpected challenges. I strongly urge those in our community to join our "United Way Family" and experience firsthand what it means to "Live United."

For more information, or to make a tax-deductible donation, visit www.unitedway4us.org.

*Cathie Thomas
Board President, United Way
of the Lower Eastern Shore*

Birding Weekend successful

Editor,

Birds have economic value and this was on display again [last month] with the enormous success of the first ever Winter Delmarva Birding Weekend. We would like to thank all of the local businesses, chambers and conser-

vation groups for their tremendous support.

It certainly paid off with visitors from all over the U.S. descending on Worcester and Sussex counties to watch birds. While most of us know the inherent value of wild things, it's important to remember the billions of dollars spent in the country every year from both bird watching and wildfowl hunting. The modicum of investment we put into protecting land and water pays huge economic dividends.

Thanks especially to our sponsors, Southern Delaware Tourism, the Atlantic Sands Hotel and Conference Center, Worcester County Tourism, the Howard Johnson's Oceanfront Plaza Hotel, Days Inn Ocean City, the Boardwalk Hotel Group, Fager's Light-house, the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays, the Delmarva Almanac, Town of Snow Hill, the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin, Hodges Taylor Art Consultancy, Somerset County Tourism, The Avenue Inn, and the Breakers Hotel and Suites.

We'll see you in three months for the spring Delmarva Birding Weekend April 21-24.

*Dave Wilson Jr.
Wilson is the former director of the Maryland Coastal Bays Program and the current co-owner of Conservation Community Consulting.*



Guests attending the annual OC Seaside Boat Show at the 40th Street convention center check out the boats on display. The 2016 event will feature more than 350 boats, 50 dealers and approximately 150 vendors, Friday through Sunday.

Seaside Boat Show returns to OC

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(Feb. 11, 2016) The 33rd annual Optimist Seaside Boat Show returns to the resort with more than 350 boats, 50 dealers and approximately 150 vendors featured Friday through Sunday, Feb. 12-14, at the Ocean City convention center on 40th Street.

Admission cost is \$10 for a day pass or \$15 for the entire weekend. Children admission is \$1.

Many dealers and exhibitors will offer special show prices on new and popular models. Visitors can browse a selection of sport cruisers, sport fishing, performance and “super boats.” Financing and insurance is available for interested buyers.

One of the most popular boat shows on the East Coast grows every year, drawing thousands of water and boating enthusiasts to the resort with 12,000 people expected to attend throughout the Presidents Day week-

end.

Exhibitors will be offering marine state-of-the-art electronics, trailers, canvas tops, motors, jewelry, dock builders, boat lifts, art, fishing gear, paddleboards and other water sports-related gear.

“North Bay Marina has donated the door prize for over 28 years,” said Charles Smith, the show’s publicity chair. “Each attendee has a chance to win a pontoon boat with motor. We feel their contribution has really made a difference.”

Scott and Mary McCurdy, owners of North Bay Marina, have participated in the boat show since its inception.

“The show has been good to us and we try to be community involved and active,” Scott McCurdy said.

There will be more than 20 boats on display from the Selbyville, Del. business including four pontoon boat lines, hurricane deck boats and Sea-

Pro offshore fishing boats.

“It’s the only boat show, I am aware of, that operates for a charitable endeavor,” McCurdy said. “All the money this show generates goes to local charities including college scholarships and supporting local programs.”

The Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club sponsors the event and is a local affiliate of Optimist International. The Ocean City-Berlin chapter has 122 members and is recognized as one of the top clubs in the volunteer organization.

The Ocean City Seaside Boat Show is one of the Optimist Club’s major fundraisers for its children’s programs and all of the funds raised are used for youth activities and community service in Worcester County.

“It is the boat show that works for kids,” Smith said.

In the past, the show has sup-
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More than 350 boats on display at weekend show

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ported Diakonia shelter in West Ocean City, boy scouts, oratorical contests, WEXL banquet, Junior Achievement, Youth ID, Worcester County art contests, reading programs in schools, drama program at Stephen Decatur High School, essay contests and scholarships at the three county high schools. It has raised funds for sports and recreation in Ocean City, Berlin, Selbyville, Snow Hill and in other areas, Smith said.

Over the years, the club has given hundreds in scholarships, totaling more than \$1.6 million to Worcester County students, he said.

“Boat shows are dying, yet the Ocean City Boat Show has a waiting list,” said Randy Warden, owner of Ocean City Boat Lifts in Bishopville. “I’ve been to 50-plus boat shows all over the country and this is the best one I go to anywhere.”

Attendees will have the opportunity to browse Golden Boat Lifts, floating Jet Ski lifts and a full line of dock accessories.

Ocean City Boat Lifts has been attending the show for more than 15 years and Warden praises the hands-on aspect of perusing a huge selection of boating supplies.

“They have diversified products.



Attendees browse hundreds of boats at the 40th Street convention center during the annual OC Seaside Boat Show. This year's event begins Friday and runs through Sunday.

There is something for everyone,” Warden said. “There is jewelry, clothing, fishing supplies and anything you can think of in the boating world. There are some great deals if you look around.”

Brian Tinkler, general manager of Sunset Marina in West Ocean City, echoed Warden by emphasizing how the show has an abundance of products for anyone interested in boating or fishing.

“It is one of the first shows of the 2016 season featuring new products and it is a great family event,” Tinkler said.

Sunset Marina has participated in the Ocean City boat show for at least 15 years and attendees can rent boat slips for dry storage on a seasonal basis this weekend. In addition, it will be promoting a weekend tackle sale at Atlantic Tackle in West Ocean City and boat lift sales for larger boats at the Ocean City Fishing Center.


“If you are looking for a boat to use in our area, there is no other show that works for our unique boating conditions,” McCurdy said. “The show specializes in outdoor engines and boats that run in extremely shal-

low waters.”

The Seaside Boat Show runs from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday.

For a chance to win a boat, include name, address and phone number on the tear-off section of the admission ticket and put it in the raffle container.

Visit www.ocboatshow.com for a list of exhibitors. Check out www.ocberlinoptimist.org for more information about the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club.



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Daily 10-5	Gateway Grand – 48th Street	3 & 4BR, 3BA	Condo	Inquire	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Daily 11-3	Villas, OC Inlet Isle	3BR/4BR	Condo	From \$740,000	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Sat-Mon 11-4 pm	Heron Harbour Sales Office, 120th St., Bayside	1BR/2/BR/3BR/4/BR+	Condo, Towns & SF	—	Nanette Pavier/Holiday Real Estate
Saturday 11-3pm	Summer House, 120th St., Bayside	3BR/3BA	Condo	\$350,000	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Sat & Sun 10-5pm	Sunset Island, Ocean City	—	Condos, Towns & SF	From \$342,500	Terry Riley/Vantage Resort Realty
Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	70th St. Bayside Broadmarsh	3BR/2 Full & 2 Half BA	Townhomes	From \$299,900	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	11769 Maid at Arms Way	4BR/4.5BA	Single Family	From \$489,900	Evergreene Homes
Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	Seaside Village, West Ocean City	3BR/2 Full & 2 Half BA	Townhome	From \$294,371	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Saturday 11am-1pm	1207 Edgewater Ave. #4 Mariners Retreat	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$389,900	Lauren Bunting/Bunting Realty
Saturday 11am-3pm	4 Harlan Trace Ocean Pines	3BR/4BA	Single Family	\$629,900	Edie Brennan/Shamrock Realty
Saturday 11am-3pm	10 Dog Leg Ct. Ocean Pines	3BR/2.5BA	Single Family	\$305,900	Edie Brennan/Shamrock Realty
Saturday 12-2pm	202 32nd St., Jamaica Day Break I #101	Efficiency/1BA	Condo	\$93,500	Matt Bogdan/Century 21 Horizon Realty
Saturday 1- 5 pm	141 Coastal Hwy. Outrigger #208	1BR / 2BA	Condo	\$169,999	Linda Barron / Shamrock Realty Group
Saturday 2-4pm	4711 Coastal Hwy. #238 Wight Bay	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$179,900	Lauren Bunting/Bunting Realty
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Sunday 12-2pm	10115 Godspeed Dr. Oyster Harbor- WOC	4BR/3.5BA	Single Family	\$459,900	Lauren Bunting/Bunting Realty
Sunday 1-5 pm	4603 Coastal Hwy. Sunset Beach #307	3BR/2.5BA	Condo	\$389,900	Linda Barron / Shamrock Realty Group

Maryland touts tax-free weekend for Energy Star

(Feb. 11, 2016) Comptroller Peter Franchot reminds Marylanders to take advantage of Shop Maryland Energy, a tax-free weekend on select Energy Star appliances, Saturday, Feb. 13 through Monday, Feb. 15.

The annual tax-free weekend, now in its seventh year, allows consumers to make qualifying purchases without paying the state's 6 percent sales tax.

"Shop Maryland Energy weekend is good for consumers, good for small businesses and good for the environment," Franchot said. "It allows consumers who buy Energy Star qualified appliances to not only save money on the initial purchase, but to conserve energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce future energy expenses."

During the Shop Maryland Energy event, air conditioners, washers and dryers, furnaces, heat pumps, standard-size refrigerators, compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL), dehumidifiers and programmable thermostats that have been designated as meeting or exceeding the applicable Energy Star efficiency requirements developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy will be tax-free.

The Energy Star, a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency program, was established in 1992 to reduce levels of greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful pollutants caused by the inefficient use of energy. The Energy Star label assists consumers in identifying energy-efficient products that offer savings on energy bills without sacrificing performance, features of comfort.

"Consumers have an excellent opportunity, for a limited period of time, to receive a tax break for purchasing Energy Star appliances," said Cailey Locklair Tolle, president of the Maryland Retailers Association. "These appliances not only are energy efficient, potentially saving the consumer the cost of the product over time, but help to protect the environment as well. This annual program is a win-win for everyone; consumers support retailers in their communities, energy efficiency saves consumers money at home and energy efficient technologies result in reduced air pollution."

A list of Energy Star items may be found at www.energystar.gov. For more information, visit the Comptroller of Maryland's web site, www.marylandtaxes.com, e-mail shopmaryland@comp.state.md.us, or call 410-260-7980 in Central Maryland, or toll-free, 1-800-MD-TAXES.

DP offers rebate on appliances

(Feb. 11, 2016) Delmarva Power is encouraging its Maryland residential customers to take advantage of its Appliance Rebate Program during the state's tax-free weekend, Feb.13-15.

During this period, customers will not have to pay the state's 6 percent sales tax when they purchase select Energy Star certified products such as standard size refrigerators, clothes washers and dryers, heat pumps and compact fluorescent light and LED bulbs.

"This is a great opportunity for customers to combine Delmarva Power's rebates with the Shop Maryland Energy tax savings this weekend, and also take advantage of various retailers' Presidents' Day

sales," said John Allen, Delmarva Power region vice president. "Delmarva Power is proud to offer rebates on energy efficient appliances to help our customers save energy in their homes."

Delmarva Power paid more than 900 rebates to Maryland customers in 2015 for the purchase of energy efficient appliances and has paid approximately 15,600 rebates since the program began in 2009. The value of the rebates ranges from \$50 to \$500.

Rebate forms are available in stores and at www.delmarva.com/ApplianceRebates. Forms can be submitted either online or by mail. Customers can expect to receive rebate checks

within six to eight weeks from the time of Delmarva Power's receipt of their rebate applications.

The Appliance Rebate Program is part of Delmarva Power's portfolio of energy efficiency programs that are designed to support the EmPOWER Maryland initiative to reduce energy consumption in the state.

Find additional information and updates about Delmarva Power's energy efficiency programs by visiting www.delmarva.com, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/delmarvapower, on Twitter at www.twitter.com/delmarvaconnect or by calling 1-866-353-5799. A mobile app is available at www.delmarva.com/mobileapp.





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HONORING ANNA

Bill Reddish, community liaison for Representative Andy Harris, presents a proclamation to Anna Fultz, for ongoing service to the community during the Republican Women of Worcester County's January meeting held at the Captain's Table on 15th Street in Ocean City.



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RIBBON CUTTING

Dynamic Physical Therapy, which opened Nov. 9 in the Ocean Creek Plaza on Route 50 in West Ocean City, celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Jan. 21 at the facility. Pictured, from left, are Dynamic Physical Therapy Front Desk Coordinator, Jennifer Givens; Greater Ocean City Chamber of Commerce president, Brett Wolf; Facility Director, Rob Ossman, PTA; Physical Therapist, Arvin Del Castillo and Melanie Pursel, Greater Ocean City Chamber of Commerce executive director.



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GLICK AWARD

The Atlantic General Hospital Foundation was recently the recipient of a \$15,000 gift from the Hal Glick Distinguished Service Award Gala for its commitment to serving the community and its visitors. Pictured, from left, are Jeff Thaler, co-chairman of Hal Glick/Temple Bat Yam Committee; Michael Franklin, AGH president and CEO; Warren Rosenfeld, co-chairman of Hal Glick/Temple Bat Yam Committee and Toni Keiser, vice president of Public Relations. The Glick Award started in 2010 with the recognition of Hal Glick, the pioneering Ocean City Realtor.



PHOTO COURTESY OCEAN PINES ASSOCIATION

GIVING BACK

BJ's Wholesale Club, in partnership with the Ocean Pines Association, donated \$540 to the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines as a part of its fall 2015 membership offer. BJ's donated \$5 of each membership fee paid as a part of the promotion to the foundation in addition to offering special benefits for new and renewing members. Marie Gilmore, president of the Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation, was presented a check by Ocean Pines Association Department of Marketing and Public Relations representative Julie Malinowski on Jan. 19.

NEW MEMBERS

Four new members were inducted into the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City on Jan. 13. Pictured, from left, are President Mark Joseph; Irene and Frank Daly; their sponsor, Tom Southwell; Membership Chair, Mike Morton; sponsor, Jackie Todd for Ted and Rhoda Aronow, right.

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KEY CLUB BLOOD DRIVE

Stephen Decatur High School teacher Kurt Marx and senior Luke Warrington were two of the more than 70 people who gave blood during the annual Key Club Blood Drive on Dec. 14. The Key Club has been participating with the Blood Bank of Delmarva for more than two decades.



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CAR AWARDED

The Coastal Association of Realtors (CAR) was awarded the United State Marine Corps Reserve Commander's Award for its outstanding support of the 2015 Marine Toys For Tots Program. CAR collected more than 100 toys during its 2015 holiday party. Pictured, from left, are CAR Education Coordinator Marie McFarland, Mary Burgess, Rosie Beauclair, Jim Volk, Committee Chair Pam Wadler, CAR Board Member Bernie Flax, Kathy Lowing and CAR Membership Coordinator Tiffany Taylor.



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CFES GRANT

A \$1,000 grant was awarded by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore to the University of Maryland Extension Office -Worcester County to support University of Maryland Extension's "Farming: Pencil to Plow Program." Pictured, from left, are Karen Redderson, UME executive director; Jessica Flores, UME Agriculture Faculty Extension assistant and Heather Mahler, CFES program director. The Pencil to Plow program is a nationally recognized workshop for beginning farmers conducted by the National Association of County Agriculture Agents. It is designed for aspiring small farmers and those producers interested in diversifying their farming operations.



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HOLIDAY SPIRIT

Santa and his wife, a.k.a. Al and Carol Kastner, made many stops to local schools and other venues, distributing candy canes and holiday spirit during the Christmas season. One particular event was the annual Christmas party for the employees and friends of the Carousel hotel on 118th Street in Ocean City. Carousel Group Michael James presented a \$200 check, which Santa asked be made out to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City. Kastner, right, presents the check to Kiwanis Club President Mark Joseph during the organization's Jan. 6 meeting.



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OP GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS

The Ocean Pines Garden Club held a candle-lighting ceremony to install its 2016 officers on Jan. 14, at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. New officers, from left, are Meg Herrick, president; Mary Wentworth, co-vice president (not shown is Co-Vice President Margaret Yates); Linda Baker, recording secretary; Anita Roberts, corresponding secretary and Barbara Ferger, treasurer.



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ALLEN SPEAKS TO KIWANIS

Berlin Town Administrator Laura Allen, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City, speaks to the group on Jan. 6 in the Ocean Pines Community Center. She is pictured with Kiwanis Club's Speakers and Programs Chair J. Graham Caldwell, left, and President Mark Joseph, who is also her husband.

Taylor Bank announces officer promotions

(Feb. 11, 2016) Raymond M. Thompson, president and CEO of Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company in Berlin, has announced the following recent promotions:



R. Robinson

Raymond Robinson has been promoted to vice president. Robinson has been with the bank for more than 13 years. During his career, Robinson has primarily worked in the Ocean City market as a branch manager.

In 2014, he was promoted to assistant vice president and trans-

ferred to the bank's 20th Street location. He currently directs the operations and management of the 20th Street branch and serves as the bank's security officer.



Lee Chisholm

Lee Chisholm has been promoted to assistant vice president. Chisholm has been with the bank for 10 years. During his career, he has attended the bank's internal management training program, graduated from the Maryland Banker's School and managed the bank's Snow Hill branch.

In 2013, Chisholm was promoted to a Loan and Business Development officer where he currently serves the Southern Worcester County and Eastern Shore Virginia areas.



Cory Walsh

Cory Walsh has been promoted to assistant vice president. Walsh has been with the bank for four years. He joined Taylor Bank as the bank's Loan and Business Development officer for the Southeastern Delaware region. Walsh supports the bank's business development in Ocean View and

surrounding areas.

Clifton "Ray" Daisey has been promoted to assistant vice president. Daisey has been with the bank for six years. He currently oversees the operations and management of the bank's Pocomoke branch.



"Ray" Daisey

Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, founded in 1890 in Berlin, offers a wide range of loan, deposit, and ancillary banking services through 10 offices located in Worcester county and lower Sussex County, Del.

Swim activities scheduled at Sports Core Pool

(Feb. 11, 2016) Children and their families can escape the winter weather with two activities offered by Ocean Pines Aquatics at the heated indoor Sports Core Pool, located at 11143 Cathell Road in Ocean Pines.

On Friday, Feb. 12, area residents can enjoy a Valentine's Family Night

Out from 6-8 p.m. The pool will be open for swimming and Valentine's Day crafts will be provided. Pizza and desserts will also be for sale.

Attendees may bring their own beverages, although glass containers are not allowed. The cost is \$2 per person for Ocean Pines swim mem-

bers, \$4 for Ocean Pines residents and \$6 for nonresidents.

Then on Monday, Feb. 15, children can enjoy a day off from school while playing in the pool and learning about water safety during the "Splash into Fun & Games" one-day program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Offered for ages 5-10, the program will include a 30-minute swim lesson, a 30-minute water safety lesson, games, crafts, the use of the pool's

popular mermaid and shark tails, free swim time and a pizza lunch. The cost to participate is \$55 for Ocean Pines swim members and \$65 for nonmembers. Pre-registration is required.

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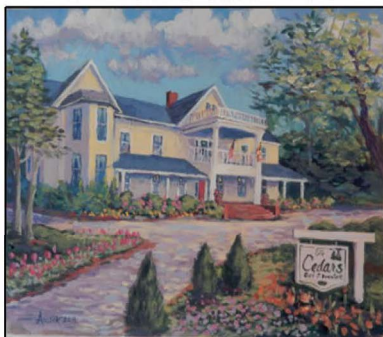
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Worcester Co. inspires travel on new TV series

(Feb. 11, 2016) Scenic Worcester County will be featured on “Travels with Darley” on PBS stations nationwide Sunday, Feb. 14 at 9 a.m. on MPT2 and Channel 268 on Comcast.

During the 30-minute segment, TV host Darley Newman will take a family road trip through Ocean City and Assateague Island, as well as historic Berlin, Chesapeake Bay Farms in Pocomoke City and St. Michaels. View a preview of the upcoming segment online at <http://travelswith-darley.com/tv-show/pbs-tv-preview>.

“In Maryland, we enjoyed activities and places that multiple generations can enjoy together, including young children,” Newman said. “We did everything from glassblowing in Berlin with Jeffrey Auxer to visiting the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels to viewing wild horses on Assateague Island. The trip was particularly special for me, as my best friend Ellen Schmidt of ‘Baby Meets City’ fame came along with her two daughters, Millie and Vivian, ages 3 and 5. That we could all enjoy the vacation and filming together created memories we’ll always cherish.”

The Worcester County episode will broadcast five times per year during the next two years on 432 PBS stations to an audience of more than 46 million viewers. Full episodes will be available online through Hulu, iTunes, as well as the Worcester County Tourism (WCT) website and Facebook page at Beach and Beyond.

“The series includes eight episodes filmed around the globe, and Worcester County was chosen as one of those sights because of the relationship our tourism partners built with Budget Travel through the America’s Coolest Small Town contest,” WCT Director

Lisa Challenger said. “It was thrilling to be able to spend four days showcasing our county to this incredible group of professionals who plan to share their favorite experience from their visit with a national audience.”

The episodes will also appear on international networks in more than 83 countries, as well as on hotel networks, restaurant chains and big box retail stores including Wal-Mart and Albertsons, where “Travels with Darley” is distributed.

The Harrison Group provided accommodations for the cast and crew of “Travel’s with Darley.” The show will air on public broadcast television on 400-plus PBS stations, with reruns to play over the next two years, thereby increasing exposure.

“Travels with Darley” airs weekly on Sundays at 9 a.m. DCN Creative is the production company behind the Emmy®-winning “EQUITREKKING” travel series “Travels with Darley” on public television. The series has a wide appeal for travel enthusiasts, but is not the traditional travelogue. Viewers will be introduced to places, cultural attractions and back-roads in a new, more personal way, including destinations throughout Maryland’s Eastern Shore.

Newman travels with local residents and guides to inspiring, adventurous, and yes – even quirky, locations as they reveal the authenticity and appeal of their home area. These on-camera local counterparts are the true stars of each episode.

The first season dives deep to explore each location, giving viewers the chance to experience the unique charms of Belgium, the Guadeloupe Islands, Arkansas, Kentucky, South Carolina, Maryland and Michigan.

Maryland is featured in two episodes, including the “Maryland’s Eastern Shore” episode and “Road Trip: Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina.”

In addition to those adventures in the “Maryland’s Eastern Shore” episode, Newman and the group visit Dolle’s Candyland along the Ocean City Boardwalk, ride the carousel at Trimmer’s Amusement Park, visit Berlin and Burley Oak Brewery, take a ranger-led walk on Assateague Island, eat ice cream at Chesapeake Bay Farms and try crabs by the water at The Crab Claw in St. Michaels.

Newman also makes the trip to Tilghman Island to meet Capt. Wade Murphy, Jr., a third generation waterman, and see his historic skipjack the Rebecca T. Ruark.

In the “Road Trip” episode, Newman bikes the Cross Island Trail in Queen Anne’s County, including a lunch stop at Bridges Restaurant on Kent Narrows. She then has an epic fishing trip with Maverick Charters.

‘Two of Hearts’ adoption campaign to run at WCHS

(Feb. 11, 2016) Valentine’s Day is coming up and Worcester County Humane Society has many furry valentines looking for their forever matches.

To promote cat adoptions during the month of February, the no-kill shelter will be holding its “Two of Hearts” campaign.

During the entire month of February, any two cats who arrived at the shelter together will have a reduced adoption fee of \$100 for the pair. All cats will be spayed/neutered, up to date on vaccinations and microchipped.

One pair of cats that are part of the “Two of Hearts” campaign are Lenny and Boston. The pair, who are sisters, came to the shelter in June. They are 9 months old, very sweet, and love cuddling each other. They also get along very well with other cats.

The shelter just wrapped up a successful cat adoption campaign, “12 Strays of Christmas,” where, with the help of wonderful sponsors, eight of the 12 strays chosen for the campaign found their forever families.

“Our shelter consistently houses over 100 cats,” said Jessica Summers, adoption coordinator. “During the summer of 2015 over 100 kittens were brought to the shelter to be cared for until forever families could be found for them.

Many of them are still waiting for families, not to mention, all of the adult cats who have been waiting for over a year to be adopted. With kitten season right around the corner, we need to be creative and encourage people to help by adopting more than one cat at a time.”

The Worcester County Humane Society is a private, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter located on Eagle’s Nest Road in Berlin. The public can visit adoptable animals at the shelter from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Mondays. Follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram.

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84 “____ Flux” (Charlize Theron film)

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86 Result of the Queen of Scat’s backup group messing up?

89 Childish

91 Subj. of David Foster Wallace’s “The Pale King”

92 Small talk

93 1945 battle site, for short

94 Jardin ____ Plantes (Paris botanical garden)

95 Brashness, informally

97 Hollywood’s locale: Abbr.

99 Gold medalist

101 Jewel-heist outcome?

106 It’s not busy

107 Bypasses

108 Major in astronomy?

112 New Jersey’s state tree

113 Question harshly after not allowing to practice?

118 Nevada tribe

119 Past the cutoff age

120 Neighborhood guide

121 Pair for a pairs competition

122 Sandwich spec

123 Pet-guinea-pig food, typically

18 Poet who originated the phrase “no country for old men”

20 Longtime senator Thurmond

23 “You can’t make me do it!”

28 Nursery locale

30 Name on a Kazakh map

31 Rum-soaked cakes

32 “Er ... um ...”

33 Lowly worker

34 Tight group

35 Popular typeface

36 Legendary Washington hostess

42 Olive ____

43 Schnozzola

45 Kind of nerve

46 Perturb

47 Event that’s taking off?

49 Remain undecided

50 Maidenhair and others

51 Feature usually near readers’ letters

52 Quick “however”

57 Together, musically

59 DirecTV requirement

61 Rubberneck

64 “Delphine” author Madame de ____

65 News flash

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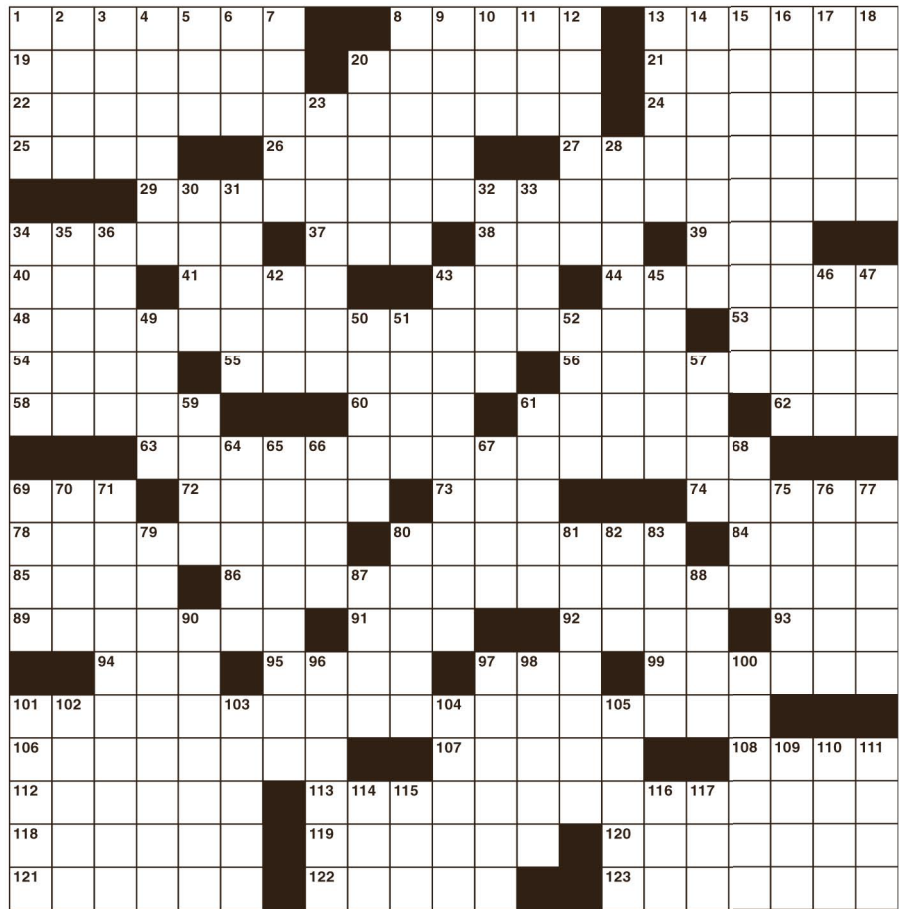
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70 Language that gave us “khaki”

71 Hybrid art technique



75 Receive an acceptance letter

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88 Ending with idiom or axiom

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97 Like about half of all deliveries?

98 Scottish landowner

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102 Vertically, to a sailor

103 Cousins of levees

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CUISINE

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Grass-fed hamburger, served ‘super-rad’

In sharing a few drinks in Milwaukee this weekend among family and new friends, a bike messenger from Chicago (a friend of my c o u s i n) summed it up the best when he lifted up his pint and said “a d u l t i n g sucks.” This was verily the sentiment in the room as we were celebrating the life of my



By Paul Suplee,
CEC PCIII

cousin Taj, a soul gone way too young. Taj was gregarious, spontaneous and exuberant in his love for glam rock, a lifestyle that he lived from the 80’s until the very end. With his pink hair, broad smile and bear hugs, there was just something about the guy that you couldn’t help but to love. He never pretended to be anything that he wasn’t, but as we all know, we don’t get to pick and choose when our loved ones move on, and this was certainly no exception.

At the wake, the priest gave his opening remarks and then my cousin Debbie read a passage. After that, people came to the podium to speak their mind, and that is indeed when the party began. I can honestly say that Taj’s send-off is to date the most memorable celebration of life that I’ve attended, and I’ve been to my fair share.

Once the dirty jokes and shots of Bombay gin started flowing, even the priest couldn’t resist and shared a scandalous anecdote about a nun in a cab. I couldn’t make this stuff up. The room went from somber and sobbing to laughter, and the realization that he was still there guiding us through his last show, replete with his cousin Danny calling him a “sellout.” Yes, Taj, you managed to bring down the house once again with the help of those who loved you the most, and I can’t tell you how grateful I am that I was able to get to Milwaukee for the celebration.

After we said our farewells, it was time to regenerate as we had just spent five hours at the home. As much as the celebration was the crux of our evening, it didn’t take much in the way of observation to realize that people were slowing down to a screeching halt and in need of sustenance.

The English pub in which we ate our late dinner had the ubiquitous dark wood finishings and fireplace, and of course a fairly admirable selection of beers, but I only had one as I



was done. I was happy enough to finish off the evening with a Coke and a burger, the latter being a local Wisconsin grass-fed burger with (you guessed it) Wisconsin cheddar and homemade pickles and apple slaw.

I won’t pick on the cook too much, but I had to add salt to the burger, a sinful act that I rarely if ever resort to. But after that small pick-me-up, the burger was delicious. Served with an apple slaw, the sweet and sour juxtaposition of the burger, slaw and pickles made it balance out in the end. It was just what I needed to settle down before my four-hour slumber. It’s was an early flight.

As we ended up the evening, I couldn’t help but wish and hope that we can take a road trip to Milwaukee to see that branch of the family, simply to visit. It never ceases to amaze me how our family comes together at these times, and I am always grateful that I come from such a large gaggle. The stories that we share as we sit in a circle or around a table fill our hearts and give us hope, lest we forget those who have gone before us.

Grass-fed Burger, Wisconsin Cheddar, Apple Slaw

For two burgers
2 8-ounce grass-fed burger patties

Pauly’s Super-Rad Burger Seasoning (recipe follows)

2 Brioche buns
Butter, as needed for toasting
Fresh Bread & Butter pickles
Apple slaw, as needed (recipe follows)
condiments, to taste

1. Season burger patties liberally and then grill or sear the burgers to the temperature of your preference

2. Smear the buns with the butter and toast until they are golden and crispy on the inside, while still soft and chewy elsewhere

3. Build your sandwich, placing the B&B pickles and slaw right on the burger. The saltiness and spice of the burger will be well contrasted by the sweet apple slaw and B&B pickles. It’s the Wisconsin yin/yang of beefy grub

Pauly’s Super-Rad Burger Seasoning

1 Tbsp. Blackening seasoning (Yes, I’m cheating)
1 tsp. Granulated garlic
1 tsp. onion powder
1 tsp. Dried thyme

1. Combine all ingredients in a cup by shaking or in a bowl by whisking to ensure that all of the ingredients are evenly dispersed

2. Store in an airtight container until ready to use

Apple Slaw

Makes about 1 quart

2 cups Shredded green cabbage
2 Granny smith apples, fine julienne
Red cabbage, to taste
Shredded carrot, to taste
3/4 cup Cole Slaw Dressing (recipe follows)

1. Combine all ingredients, adding the dressing until the slaw has a consistency and flavor that is compatible with your tastes

2. Keep refrigerated until ready to serve

Cole Slaw Dressing

1/2 cup Real mayonnaise
3 Tbsp. Confectioner’s sugar
1 Tbsp. Red wine vinegar
1 tsp. Celery seed
a squirt of yellow mustard
Salt and Pepper to taste

1. Combine all ingredients with a whisk until congealed and homogeneous

2. Adjust seasoning and keep refrigerated until ready to use

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MEGHAN REBECCA HANLE

Berlin

Meghan Rebecca Hanle, of Berlin, Md., born June 14, 1983, passed away due to heart failure on Jan. 24, 2016 at the age of 32 at PRMC in Salisbury.



Meghan Hanle

She is loved by and survived by her daughter, Madison Knox; parents, Gayle and John Hanle; step-father, John Harrison and boyfriend, Eric Knox.

She was an extremely kind and loving person that so enjoyed family, friends, the beach, saving pets, as well as interacting in social media and many other things.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 at Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Pastor Rich Burkhard presided.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the American Heart Association, 4217 Park Place Court, Glen Allen, Va. 23060-9979. Expressions of condolence may be sent to the family at www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

VINCENT ANDREW GOLCZYNSKI, JR.

Ocean Pines

Vincent Andrew Golczynski, Jr., "Vince," age 63, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 2016 at his home.



V. Golczynski Jr.

Born in Baltimore, he was the son of the late Vincent Andrew Golczynski, Sr. and Juanita Rush Golczynski.

He is survived by his wife of over 40 years, Darlene Mae Parks Golczynski, and a son, Michael Alan Golczynski and his wife, Tiffany, of Ocean Pines. There are two grandchildren, Dustin and Hailey Golczynski. Also surviving is a brother, Joseph Golczynski and his wife, Christine, of Baltimore, and two nephews, Joe and Andrew Golczynski.

Mr. Golczynski had worked for many years with Fuch's Corporation as a fork lift operator and laborer.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016 at Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Interment was private for the family. Cremation will follow.

Letters of condolence may be sent via: www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

DENNIS EUGENE ALLRED

Ocean Pines

Dennis Eugene Allred, age 65, died Monday, Feb. 8, 2016 at Coastal Hospice at the Lake.



Dennis Allred

Born in Baltimore, he was the son of the late Jerry Allred and Dorothy Lewandowski Allred.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Christine Jakubowski Allred, and daughters, Angela Allred of Glen Burnie, Md., and Carla Staubs and her husband, Dirk, of Ocean Pines. There are five grandchildren, Alec Kirby, Gavin Staubs, Lily Staubs, Dominic Allred and Kamron Hebron. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Jerry Allred.

Mr. Allred was a computer programmer working for the Department of Defense, NSA, at Ft. Meade. Dennis was a United States Marine veteran having served in Vietnam. He was a member of the Synepuxent American Legion Post 166 in Ocean City and was a Ravens fan.

A celebration of his life will be held at the home of his daughter on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016. Friends are welcome to stop by between 2 and 7 p.m. An inurnment service at the Crownsville, Md. Veteran's Cemetery will be announced at the celebration of life on Saturday.

A donation in his memory may be made to: Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kan. 66675.

Letters of condolence may be sent via: www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

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Feb. 13: The Oyster Garden w/ music by Pressing Strings, 12 p.m.; DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; Scotts New Band, 10 p.m.
Feb. 14: Everett Spells, 10 a.m.
Feb. 15: Bryan Clark, 5:30 p.m.

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Feb. 13: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m.
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Feb. 18: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m.

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302-539-3095
www.harpoonhannasrestaurant.com
Feb. 12: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m.
Feb. 13: Dave Sherman, 5-10 p.m.
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Feb. 18: Full Circle Trio, 5-9 p.m.

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THURS. Feb. 11

TRAINING ON NEW VOTING MACHINES — American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 6 p.m. Open to the public and everyone is asked to use the 24th Street entrance of the Main Hall.

YOUNG & RESTLESS ‘CRAZY SCIENCE LAB’ — Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30 a.m. Fun and educational science experiments for 3 to 7 year old children. Info: www.worcester-library.org or 410-632-34958.

STORY TIME — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-208-4014.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX_AIDE TCE MD — Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road and at the Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 4 through April 14. No appointments taken. First come, first served using a number system.

FARMERS’ MARKET — Urban Nectar, 10019 Old Ocean City Boulevard, Berlin, 3-6 p.m. Featuring local in season produce, gluten free and gluten full baked products, eggs, honey, kettle korn, natural pet treats, soaps and more. Info: 410-713-8803.

BEACH SINGLES — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Harpoon Hanna’s, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, Del., 4 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Dianne, 302-541-4642.

CHAIR AEROBICS — St. Peter’s Lutheran Church Community Life Center, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 1-2 p.m. Free will offering appreciated. Sponsored by St. Peter’s Senior Adult Ministry. Info: 410-524-7474.

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 11 a.m. Free and open to anyone who has lost a loved one, not just Coastal Hospice families. Info: 410-251-8163.

LOOK GOOD FEEL BETTER — Regional Cancer Care Center, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Suite 208, Berlin, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A program for those going through cancer treatment. Led by a beauty professional and designed to help patients deal with skin, hair and physical changes related to cancer treatments. Register: Paige, 410-629-6888.

FRI. Feb. 12

SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Featuring more than

350 boats, electronics, dock builders, boat lifts, crafts, canvas, archery display, fishing rods, fishing tackle, paddle boards, artists and food vendors. Proceeds go to area youth. Info: Charlie, cdorman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboat-show.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO — Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway (behind St. Luke’s Church), Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. Info: 410-524-7994.

STORY TIME — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-208-4014.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX_AIDE TCE MD — Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Fridays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 5 through April 15. Appointments: 410-957-0391.

SAT. Feb. 13

SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Featuring more than 350 boats, electronics, dock builders, boat lifts, crafts, canvas, archery display, fishing rods, fishing tackle, paddle boards, artists and food vendors. Proceeds go to area youth. Info: Charlie, cdorman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboat-show.com.

KIWANIS WINTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8-11 a.m. Includes pancakes, sausage, fruit cup, orange juice, coffee or tea. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids under 12, and free for kids under 5. Carryout available. Info: 410-208-6719.

VALENTINE’S DINNER DANCE — CHEER Community Center, 20520 Sand Hill Rd., Georgetown, Del., 5-9 p.m. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple. Proceeds benefit CHEER’s Nutrition Program. Info: Bill West, 302-236-9955.

VALENTINE’S HORSE & CARRIAGE RIDES — Ocean City Boardwalk Inlet to Fourth Street and back, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$40 and includes a box of chocolates, a rose and a glass of bubbly for the ride. Reservations: Randy Davis, 443-783-1409.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX_AIDE TCE MD — Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road and at the Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 6 through April 9. No appointments taken. First come, first served using a number system.

“LOVE OF MUSIC” CLASS — Ocean City Center of the Arts, 502 94th Street, 1-3 p.m. Children of all ages will engage in

group song writing, improvisation and other fun ways to use music. The cost is \$5 for Art League of Ocean City members and \$6 for non-members. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Info: 410-524-9433.

MODEL TRAIN DISPLAYS — Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Clayton Crossing, 32422 Royal Blvd., Dagsboro, Del., Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., year round. See five layouts. Info: Bill Ziegler, wjziegler1@verizon.net or 302-537-0964.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST — VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., bayside in Ocean City, 8-11 a.m. A \$5 donation for all-you-can-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pancakes and two bacon slices. Info: 410-524-8196.

FARMERS MARKET — White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Locally grown vegetables and fruits, eggs, honey, kettle korn, flowers, artisan breads, seafood, meats and more. New vendors welcome. Info: 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006.

SUN. Feb. 14

SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring more than 350 boats, electronics, dock builders, boat lifts, crafts, canvas, archery display, fishing rods, fishing tackle, paddle boards, artists and food vendors. Proceeds go to area youth. Info: Charlie, cdorman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboat-show.com.

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FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY — New Bethel United Methodist Church, 10203 Germantown Rd., Berlin, 3:30 p.m. Guest pastor will be Minister Frank W. Gibbs II of New Dimensions in Salisbury. Fellowship will follow service. Info: 410-641-2058.

VALENTINE STEAK DINNER — American Legion Post #166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 4-8 p.m. Includes salad, steak, baked potato, vegetable and dessert. Cash bar available. Tickets are \$20 at the door. Info: 410-289-3166.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS #169 — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Group is a 12-step program for anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem. No initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is

\$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, noon to 1 p.m. Group shares experience, strength and hope to help others. Open to the community and to AGH patients. Info: Rob, 443-783-3529.

SUNDAY NIGHT SERENITY AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING — Woodlands in Ocean Pines, Independent Living Apartment Building, 1135 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 7:30 p.m.

MON. Feb. 15

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN’S CLUB MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 10 a.m. Coffee and conversation at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Alexander Stoner, assistant professor of sociology at Salisbury University will speak about climate change. Info: 814-322-2119.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CLUB — Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, West Ocean City, 5:30 p.m. Club is for adults 50 and over and includes games, activities and prayer. Info: 410-629-9986.

CPAP MASK FITTING — Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. Free, monthly mask fitting clinic for patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING — Berlin group No. 169, Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5-6:30 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: Edna Berkey, 410-251-2083.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX_AIDE TCE MD — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Mondays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 1 through April 11. No appointments taken. First come, first served using a number system.

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS MEETS WEEKLY — The Delmarva Chorus, Sweet Adeline’s, meets each Monday from 7-9 p.m., at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. Info: 410-641-6876.

TUES. Feb. 16

SAFE BOATING CLASSES — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 6:30 p.m. The Ocean City Power Squadron will present America’s Boating Course 7-9

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p.m. for four evenings. Anyone born after July 1, 1972 must complete a safe boating class to operate a recreational vessel or PWC. The course is free. Nominal charge for materials. Info: 410-726-1509 or 410-641-6535.

MARYLAND COASTAL BAYS PROGRAM CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING — The Globe Theatre, 12 Broad Street, Berlin, 5:30 p.m. Capt. Monty Hawkins will be the guest speaker. Lite fare provided. Info: Jen Rafter, jrafter@md-coastalbays.org or 410-213-2297 ext. 109.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 166 MEETING — American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7 p.m. Current members and those interested in becoming members are encouraged to attend.

GENEALOGY GROUP — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Topic will be organizing genealogy research files. Everyone welcome.

PLAY TIME — Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., 10:30-11:30 a.m. Old fashioned play for infant to 5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-957-0878.

LAPTIME — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and finger plays for children 2 and younger. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-208-4014.

STORY TIME — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-641-0650.

DENTAL HEALTH MONTH STORY TIME 'YOUR TEETH' — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-641-0650.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP — Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Berlin, 11 a.m. to noon. Support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients. It meets the third Tuesday of each month. Open to the community. Info: Heather Cormack, 410-641-4400, Ext. 6123 or Kenneth Lewis, 410-208-1701 or 410-430-4818.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX_AIDE TCE MD — MAC Center Salisbury, 909 Progress Circle, Suite 100, Salisbury, Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 2 through April 12. Appointments: 410-742-8569.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING - Berlin group 331, Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5:30-7 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: jeanduck47@gmail.com.

ON YOUR OWN, BUT NOT ALONE - WOC Fitness, 12319 Ocean Gateway, West

Ocean City, 5 p.m. Weight loss support group with discussions about nutrition, exercise, health and weight loss. Cost is \$5 per meeting. Info: dillon128@aol.com.

WED. Feb. 17

A CENTURY OF ASSATEAGUE MEMORIES — Assateague Island National Seashore Environmental Education Center, 7206 National Seashore Lane, Berlin, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Share memories of Assateague with old photos, documents, newspaper clippings or home movies. Oral history interviews will also be conducted. Info: Joe Laque, 410-629-6607 or joseph_laque@nps.gov.

FREE LUNCH AND LENTEN SERVICE — St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City. Lunch is served at 12 p.m. and service is at 1 p.m. every Wednesday through March 16. Info: 410-524-7474.

PLAY TIME — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Old fashioned play for infant to 5 year old children. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-524-1818.

BRIDE & GROOM'S NIGHT OUT — CHEER Community Center, 20520 Sand Hill Rd., Georgetown, Del., 5:30-8 p.m. Honoring the bride to be, her groom, friends and family. Admission is \$6 and includes entertainment, food, vendors, fashion show, door prizes and raffles. Cash bar available. Info: Judy, 302-854-9500.

HYPERTENSION CLINICS — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place at Walgreens, 32979 Coastal Highway, Bethany Beach, Del., 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreens, 37088 W. Fenwick Boulevard, Selbyville, Del., 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

MODEL TRAIN DISPLAYS — Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Clayton Crossing, 32422 Royal Blvd., Dagsboro, Del., Wednesdays, 5-8 p.m., year round. See five layouts. Info: Bill Ziegler, wjziegler1@verizon.net or 302-537-0964.

BINGO — Every Wednesday at Ocean City Elks Lodge 2645, 138th Street and Sinepuxent Avenue, rear of the Fenwick Inn. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start 6:30 p.m. Food is available. Open to the public. No one allowed in the hall under 18 years of age during bingo. Info: 410-250-2645.

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY — Meets every Wednesday at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. Info: 410-641-7330 or www.kiwanisofopoc.org.

BAYSIDE BEGINNINGS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING — Ocean Pines Com-

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munity Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 7:30 p.m.

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING — Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, 6 p.m. Info: 410-641-1700 or kbates@taylorbank.com.

ON YOUR OWN, BUT NOT ALONE - WOC Fitness, 12319 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, noon. Weight loss support group with discussions about nutrition, exercise, health and weight loss. Cost is \$5 per meeting. Info: dillon128@aol.com.

ONGOING EVENTS

MAKE AND TAKE CRAFTS — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, all through February. The craft cart contains supplies to make Valentine cards and bookmarks. For teens. Info: www.worcesterlibrary.org or 410-524-1818.

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB — The group dances to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina Beach music doing the jitterbug, swing, cha-cha, etc. Dances are held in the Fenwick Island and Ocean City areas. For the group's schedule, call 302-200-3262 (DANCE). Sign up for the group's newsletter at www.delmarvahanddancing.com/membership.php.

WSW SUPPORT GROUP — OC Office, 12216 Ocean Gateway, Unit 1500, West Ocean City, 1 p.m., third Wednesday of each month. Info: Mary Henderson, 410-213-1177.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES — Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, every Friday, 7:30 p.m. A reform Jewish Synagogue. Info: 410-641-4311.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT & ADVOCACY GROUP — St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, noon to 1:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Info: 410-524-7474.

WORCESTER COUNTY PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, second Tuesday of each month, 2:30 p.m. Speakers, exercise, discussions and more. Info: 410-208-3132.

STAR CHARITIES MEETING — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m., on the first Friday of each month. Meeting of volunteers. Info: Anna Foultz, 410-641-7667.

PINE'EER CRAFT AND GIFT SHOP OPEN — Pine'er Craft and Gift Shop, White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean

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AARP — Ocean City AARP 1917 meets the second Thursday of each month (except July and August) at the Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City. Social begins at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10 a.m. Info: aarp1917.org.

NAACP MEETINGS — NAACP meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month. All are welcome. Info: 443-944-6701.

SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP — Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. Also held at the Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., the fourth Thursday of each month, 6 p.m. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-726-3090 or www.choosetolive-maryland.org.

COMPUTER AND E-READER INSTRUCTION — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway. Staff offers individual computer or E-Reader instruction by appointment: 410-524-1818.

AUMC THRIFT SHOP — Atlantic United Methodist Church, 105 Fourth St., in Ocean City. Now open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Info: 410-289-4458.

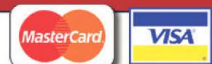
POSITIVE OUTLOOK THRIFT SHOP — Positive Outlook Thrift Shop, 12637 Ocean Gateway, Trlr 2, West Ocean City, Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Located next to Seaside Christian Academy behind White Marlin Mall. Info: 410-251-6971. Sponsored by OC Baptist Church.

THE SHEPHERD'S NOOK THRIFT SHOP — Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road. Open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Accepting donations of gently worn clothes and small household items.

DIAKONIA THRIFT SHOP — Used to be Mine, Route 611 and Sunset Avenue, Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Newly expanded and redecorated. Furniture, clothing, toys and linens. Info: 410-213-0243.

OCVFC LADIES AUXILIARY — The group meets monthly on the first Monday at 7 p.m. at the West Ocean City Fire Station, second floor, Keyser Point Road. New members welcome. Info: Denise, 443-359-2014 or any Ladies Auxiliary member.

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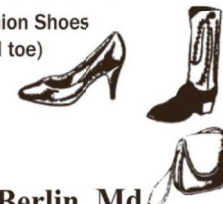
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