

Speed reductions, crosswalk signals planned for Rte. 113

Town safety committee, working with SHA, has secured improvements

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

BERLIN—The Pedestrian Safety Committee, working with State Highway Administration officials, has secured in record time commitments for new projects to improve safety along U.S. Route 113, between Old Ocean City Boulevard and Germantown Road, according to a presentation by Patricia Dufendach to the Mayor and Town Council on Feb. 10.

Dufendach, a committee member, served as spokesman for the group during a status report to the town council at the meeting. Mayor Gee Williams convened the committee in response to a Nov. 8 traffic accident at the dangerous intersection of Rt. 113 and Bay Street that killed one teenager and severely injured his brother.

While the tragedy was a frustrating blow to the nearby community, which had been calling for improved traffic and pedestrian safety measures for

years, the accident seemed to galvanize the two demographically different segments of the town that had been historically separated by a major highway into a unified alliance to ensure that changes were finally made.

Dufendach said committee members met with Donnie Drewer, District 1 engineer for the SHA and Dallas Baker, Jr., District 1 transportation engineer, and described the officials as helpful and cooperative. In a short amount of time the public officials and private citizens of the committee had made unprecedented accomplishments, the mayor commented.

The SHA has agreed to lower the speed limit to 45 miles per hour, from the area located one-half mile north of Old Ocean City Boulevard to the area located one-half mile south of German-town Road, according to Dufendach. While she noted the committee had requested the speed limit be dropped to 35 m.p.h., the 10 m.p.h. drop from the current 55 m.p.h. speed limit was nevertheless a welcomed change.

Hazard lights will be installed at each end of the area to alert drivers to the lowered speed zone and the fact that drivers

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FUN, LEARNING WITH SCIENCE

Camdyn Chute, a second grader at Seaside Christian Academy, received an "Outstanding" award for her project in the science fair.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! The competition is getting tight as other small towns vie for Budget Travel's coveted title of "America's Coolest Small Town 2014." The contest closes on Feb. 25. Votes can be cast once daily at www.coolberlin.org. Berlin is in the lead! Your vote is needed to help get the town over the final finish line.

Berlin going all out to tally votes needed to be 'coolest'

Town in lead over Cazenovia, N.Y. with deadline approaching

BERLIN—It's time to get down to business.

The Town of Berlin is just percentage points ahead of second place Cazenovia, N.Y. as it heads into the final days of Budget Travel Magazine's "America's Coolest Small Town of 2014" contest.

Voters can go to www.coolberlin.org to cast votes. Voters can cast one vote each day until the contest ends midnight Feb. 25. Voters must make sure that they aren't voting from the same IP

address as other voters. Only one vote per day from the same IP address is allowed. For example, if more than one vote comes from a company address, only one will be tallied.

The contest recognizes one town with a population of less than 10,000 residents. "They aren't just looking for any town," a town statement read. "They want a town that has a certain something that just can't be found anywhere else. That certain something captures the essence of Berlin, home to quirky events, namely the annual Bathtub Races, its close proximity to Ocean City and Assateague Island National Seashore, its historic beauty, its Hollywood appeal, as the location for

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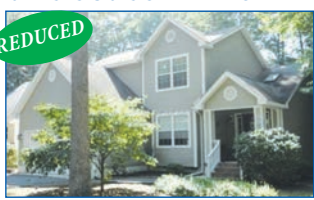


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Traffic improvements coming

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are entering a populated area within 18 months. An electronic message sign will be used in the interim, she said.

A crosswalk will be installed at Bay Street and Rt. 113—the site where the November accident occurred—by mid-to late-March, Dufendach said. In nine months, equipment will be added to allow pedestrians to initiate the signal, which will include an audible alarm and a visible countdown timer.

The committee focused on three core issues, according to Dufendach: improving visibility of pedestrians in the area, which was dimly lit due to a lack of adequate lighting; erecting signage to make motorists aware that Berlin Intermediate School was adjacent to the highway; and increasing safety conditions at the South Main Street and Germantown Road intersection used as a main access route for Worcester Preparatory School and Buckingham Elementary School.

The lack of lighting along the Berlin corridor was due to an expired Worcester County service contract, Dufendach reported. Due to the committee's efforts, when the new contract begins this spring repairs for the Berlin area will be at the top of the list, she said.

The only two requested items the SHA denied was a school zone notification sign on Rt. 113 near BIS, because the front of BIS is located on Franklin Avenue, not Rt. 113, and a traffic light at Germantown Road and South Main

Street, because a study conducted Dec. 18, showed the level of traffic at the intersection did not warrant one at this time.

However, Dufendach said the officials gave their commitment to continue to monitor the area for changes that might necessitate a reconsideration of the situation, such as additional commercial development or new traffic conditions.

Remarking on the speed and extensiveness of the upcoming changes for the intersection, Dufendach said, "This is just a big step for Berlin."

The Pedestrian Safety Committee included Berlin Councilmembers Dean Burrell and Lisa Hall, Berlin Town Administrator Laura Allen, Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing, and residents Sue Beaman, Roxie Dennis and Dufendach, Gabe Purnell and Neil Winn.

Mayor Williams commended the committee for its work and added that the physical improvements were but one of three components of the pedestrian safety initiative.

The other two components, as described by Dufendach would include pavement markings to reduce confusion for motorists making turns in the intersection and, because of the reduced speed limit, bicycle lane markings and signage that are required on roads with speed limits at or below 45 m.p.h.

Williams said the results were, "A great example of civic engagement" that could set a precedent for all sorts of things in the community.

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Passwords must be stronger to protect against identity thefts

By **Chip Gordy**
Contributing Writer

In light of recent events with some major retailers, here are some ways to help protect your identity from theft.



Identity thieves love passwords because they open doors to our personal information. If possible, use different passwords for all your accounts, and make those passwords strong with at least eight characters, including a mix of letters and numbers. Hide them safely, and keep them accessible. This may take some extra work, but fixing an identity theft problem is tougher.

Protect your Social Security number. Never carry your card with you, or any other card that may have your number

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Review your credit cards statements carefully. Make sure you recognize the merchants, locations and purchases listed before paying the bill. If you don't need or use department-store or bank-issued credit cards, consider closing the accounts.

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Runaway Bride and Tuck Everlasting, and of course its friendly residents.

But Cazenovia, though with about half as many residents, is a college town located not far from Syracuse. Based on recent numbers, it appears as if the town is going after this with the same commitment shown by Berlin.

The word about Berlin is getting around the state. Mayor Gee Williams told Bayside Gazette after Monday's council meeting that Gov. Martin O'Malley made mention of Berlin's "cool status" at a recent Maryland Mayors Conference. Williams was all smiles when he recounted how mayors from towns across the state wished him well in the contest.

"It made you feel good," he said. Michael Day, the town's Director of Economic and Community Development, said that at the end of the preliminary voting, Berlin was holding onto third place. But when the voting reopened in mid-January, the town took the lead.

Ribbon cutting for Atlantic Urology

BERLIN—Atlantic General Hospital and Health System will be holding an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony, Wednesday, Feb. 19, from 4:30-6 p.m., to celebrate the completion of the new offices of Atlantic Urology.

Urologist James P. Cherry, MD, who has been a member of the Atlantic General Hospital and Health System medical staff since last July, will move to the space inside the James G. Barrett Medical Office Building at 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., suite 206. The new center will allow for patient consultations as well as minimally-invasive surgical procedures.

Prior to his move to the Shore, Cherry served as the director of urology at DuBois Regional Medical Center in Pennsylvania. The board certified urologist provides surgical and non-surgical treatment for kidney stones, bladder and prostate cancers, enlarged prostate, urinary tract infections, erectile dysfunction, urinary incontinence and other urologic conditions.

The community is invited to attend the open house, to take tours and meet Dr. Cherry. Food and beverages will be provided. A formal ribbon cutting is scheduled for 5 p.m.

A win would bring "bragging rights and tons of publicity, which we've already gotten," said Day. "I think it's already a win for us."

Day added that Berlin and the contest are picking up speed from media on the western shore. "The governor has Tweeted about us."

"We're the only town in Maryland in this," he added. "We're hoping it's also reaching regionally into Delaware. It's only going to help everyone on the shore."

Day said that Mark Huey, the social media coordinator for the county's tourism department, has been working "around the clock" to reach out to every social media friend locally, statewide and to national friends who either grew up in the area, drop in once a year with their skateboards or act out movie scenes on the Boardwalk to ask them to help the word get out to vote Berlin."



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Public Works Director Michael Gibbons, left, is resigning on Feb. 28 to accept a position as Public Works Director for the Town of Fruitland. Mayor Gee Williams, right, says Gibbons was leaving his department “much more self-sufficient than it was before.”

Gibbons stepping down as Berlin Public Works director

Town council members commend him for service and leadership

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

BERLIN—During the Feb. 10 town council meeting, Mayor Gee Williams announced that Public Works Director Michael Gibbons would be leaving on Feb. 28 to accept a position as Public Works Director for the Town of Fruitland, prompting several council members to commend him for his service and leadership in the Town of Berlin.

Williams told Gibbons he was leaving his department “much more self-sufficient than it was before.” Councilmember Paula Lynch noted that Gibbons could be counted on for an attitude of focusing on how to resolve the given tasks presented to him. “You raised the bar,” she said.

According to a description provided by Town Administrator Laura Allen, Gibbons began his tenure in

Berlin in 2008, after working for a private home builder, and earned certifications as a playground safety inspector and a pesticide applicator while in the position.

Among his key accomplishments in Berlin, according to Allen, Gibbons:

initiated the use of an automated sanitation truck; worked closely with Grow Berlin Green to add a 30 yard container downtown to capture more recycling collections from businesses; supervised the installation of new Adults with Disabilities Act-compliant sidewalks on several roadways; started a compost area for organic debris, which helped the environment and saved the town money by eliminating landfill fees; developed a systematic approach for snow removal; converted the town’s pole barn from a one-bay to a two-bay shop, which allowed the town to save money by doing more mechanical work in-house; introduced cutting edge technologies for road paving, such as glass grid reinforcement with overlays and geotextile fabric with tar and chip applications, which will extend the life expectancy of town streets; and renovated several roads, including Maple, Washington, Harrison, Vine, Graham, Grice and Franklin.

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Zumba and Pickleball offered

OCEAN PINES—The Ocean Pines Recreation Department will be offering Zumba and Pickleball this winter and the Ocean City Power Squadron will present a new boating course at the Ocean Pines library.

Zumba
The Ocean Pines Recreation Department will present a Family/Friends Zumba class, designed for parents or friends with children ages 5 and up. This class is 45 minutes long and set to G-rated pop music. It will take place in the gymnasium at the Community Center located at 239 Ocean Parkway. Certified instructors from West Ocean City Fitness will be leading the group.

There are two different four-week sessions being offered:
Session 1 – Thursdays, Feb. 20 – March 13 from 5:15-6:00 p.m.

Session 2 –Thursdays, March 20-April 10 from 5:15-6:00 p.m.

The cost for this class varies depending on the number of members in each family. Call the Community Center at 410-641-7052 for registration and payment details. Early registration is recommended.

Pickleball
Ocean Pines is offering a Pickleball Clinic on Sundays from 2-3 p.m. This clinic is a family friendly beginner's course. All equipment is provided at no additional charge.

There are two sessions to choose from. The first clinic begins Feb. 2 and runs for

four weeks. The second clinic begins March 2 and also runs for four weeks.

This sport is a cross between ping pong, badminton and tennis. The cost is \$15 per session. These clinics are being taught by local Pickleball enthusiasts Frank Creamer and Julie Woulfe. Call the Ocean Pines Community Center to register and pay by phone. The Community Center is also open seven days a week for walk-in registration.

Safe boating course
The Ocean City Power Squadron will present the all new America's Boating Course at the Worcester County Library, Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, on Mondays beginning Feb. 24. Registration is at 6:30 p.m. followed by the first class at 7 p.m. This is an eight hour course, 7-9 p.m. each evening.

Anyone born after July 1, 1972 must satisfactorily complete a safe boating class to operate a recreational vessel or personal watercraft in Maryland. This course covers basic boat handling, navigation, federal and state regulations, rules of the road, aids to navigation, required equipment and much more.

Students successfully completing this course may be eligible for six months free membership in the Ocean City Power Squadron. The course is free. There is a nominal charge for course materials. Call 410-726-1509 or 302-253-0533 for advance registration information. Visit www.ocpowersquadron.org.

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Hudson presents Ocean Pines fiscal year budget reviews

Committee OPA needs strong data collection capabilities for all depts.

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

OCEAN PINES—In his last action as Chairman of the Ocean Pines Association Budget and Finance Advisory Committee Dennis Hudson presented the Board of Directors with the committee's annual fiscal year budget review and guidance during a Feb. 3 meeting. Primarily, the committee seemed to

focus on finding ways to give General Manager Bob Thompson and his staff the support needed to enhance the accuracy of development planning and project decision-making. For example, the committee said the OPA needed strong data collection capabilities across all departments and business lines, including the supporting hardware, software and personnel needed to make that happen.

The budget committee concurred with the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee's recommendation to contract with the Business Economic and Community Outreach Network, in the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business at

Salisbury University (BEACON).

The program's expertise would allow the OPA to create a tool to analyze the community's needs as an effective comprehensive 10-year plan is being developed, the committee advised. "We would like to see the 'rack & stack' backed up by solid need analysis with accurate cost estimates," budget committee members said.

The advisory committee suggested the board consider initiating a comprehensive plan that would help the association better measure its organizational and budget goals.

"This is difficult today due to poor reporting systems, manual calculations and disconnected systems that handicap management," according to one of the items listed in the budgetary guidance. They added, "This should be paramount in capital planning and be directed and managed by the BOD."

The committee provided a list of 15 specific operational or capital recommendations, starting with a suggestion discouraging any increase in the annual assessment. The board subsequently approved a \$5 assessment decrease in the \$914 annual base assessment.

Other recommendations offered by the Budget and Finance Advisory Committee included:

- finding a more effective way of marketing a proposed \$25 member's coupon for use at the new Yacht Club and questioning whether it needed to be funded by a \$10 increase in the assessment and

whether it was needed at all, given that incentives to use the new Yacht Club would likely be unnecessary when it first opens. Board members suggested the idea might be better received as a gift certificate instead;

- reviewing the Yacht Club's revenues.

The committee estimated given the newness of the facility and significant early banquet bookings, the Yacht Club should have a break-even budget with approximately \$98,000 in additional revenue, which should eliminate the need for \$5 of the assessment;

- reviewing the documentation used to support budgeted amenities' costs.

Hudson said the committee strongly questioned some of the proposed fee increases and that some of the estimates produced seemed overly optimistic, based on past performance;

- further studying the rationale for increasing membership fees for amenities with declining memberships or sales volume, such as marina services or the golf club;
- waiting for a review by an upcoming drainage taskforce before approving new personnel additions proposed for the Public Works Department.

The committee noted that the department's budget included \$35,000 in current overtime expenses while simultaneously requesting four new employees to handle drainage issues. The committee asked the board to consider whether it would be more cost efficient if the additional drainage work

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could be contracted out instead;

- staffing the previously-approved position for a human resources professional to help manage the OPA workforce, payroll and benefit structure;
- allowing the Golf Club to show that it can break even on its own, using the expertise and course upgrades that have been put in place and implemented from recommendations of management company Billy Casper Golf;
- charging a \$250 to \$1,000 entry fee during real estate closings for first-time home buyers purchasing in Ocean Pines so the revenue could be used for road improvements in lieu of decreasing casino dollars;
- asking the Worcester County Commissioners to help support OPA's parks and recreation programs through additional funds since those activities are not restricted to OPA residents and increasing fees for non-residents who use the OPA's activities, events, and amenities;
- splitting the costs of two major capital projects between budget years, by allocating the funds needed for planning and designing a proposed new \$500,000 police station, as well as proposed restrooms in White Horse Park in the 2014-2015 fiscal year, but delaying the actual construction of the two separate projects until the 2015-2016 fiscal year;
- eliminating or postponing a paving project for the Beach Club parking lot



PINE WOOD DERBY
Ocean Pines Cub Pack #480 held its annual Pine Wood Derby Jan. 12 in the Ocean Pines Community Center. The Pack is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City. Pictured, from left, are Cub Pack #480 Scout Master Ray Stever, Webelos Den Leader Matt McMillan and Boy Scout Tripp Ortega at the table where the cars already weighed in were kept prior to the race.

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until the issue of a possible drainage tax on impervious surfaces in Ocean City has been decided; and

- considering using consultants to review the processes and methods of setting reserve calculations and contributions to cover both replacement and inflation costs.

The committee also encouraged the board to develop a written policy statement that would define what constitutes new capital projects versus replacement spending. The designations would be internal to Ocean Pines and would not need to be dictated by accounting rules or regulations, it said.



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Maryland casinos generate \$66.2 million in Jan. revenue

Ocean Downs location brings in \$3,170,217, an increase from last year

(Feb. 14, 2014) The Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency announced January revenue numbers for the state's four casinos—Hollywood Casino Perryville in Cecil County, Casino at Ocean Downs in Worcester County, Maryland Live Casino in Anne Arundel County, and Rocky Gap Casino Resort in Allegany County.

January's combined statewide revenue totaled \$66,222,363.

Casino at Ocean Downs generated \$3,170,217 in January, and its gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$127.83. Casino at Ocean Downs' January 2014 revenue increased by \$241,298 or 8 percent, from January 2013. The Casino at Ocean Downs operates 800 slot machines.

Hollywood Casino Perryville generated \$6,309,491 from both slot machines and table games in January. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$148.02 for slot machines, \$2,332.58 for banking table games and \$413.05 for non-banking table games. Hollywood Casino's January

revenue increased by \$854,379 or 16 percent, from last January. It operates 1,158 slot machines and 22 (12 banking and 10 non-banking) table games.

Maryland Live Casino generated \$53,713,344 from both slot machines and table games in January. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$247.70 for slot machines, \$4,919.33 for banking table games and \$1,439.32 for non-banking table games. Maryland Live Casino operates 4,270 slot machines and 174 (122 banking and 52 non-banking) table games. Maryland Live's January 2014 revenue increased by \$17,769,588, or 49 percent, from last January.

Rocky Gap Casino Resort generated \$3,029,311 from both slot machines and table games in January. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$142.82 for slot machines, \$1,713.35 for banking table games and \$298.16 for non-banking table games. It operates 558 slot machines and 13 table games (10 banking and 3 non-banking).

In a year-to-year comparison—excluding Rocky Gap Casino Resort, which opened in May 2013 — January 2014 casino revenue increased from January 2013 by \$18,865,265 or 43 percent.

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Eric Fiori opens second location for his Bayside Jet Drive LLC company

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

BERLIN—Just off quiet Friendship Road, a short jump from the frenzied Route 90 corridor leading to Ocean City, Eric Fiori has opened the second location for his company Bayside Jet Drive, L.L.C., a dealership for personal watercraft and jet boats.

Some may remember what these toys for water-based adrenaline addicts started out as—basically more fun to watch than to ride, due to the fact that hitting water at top speed on them was like riding a sleigh on concrete. This new generation of personal watercraft comes loaded with an impressive array of comforts and technological upgrades that make them look more like the popular Transformers toys and movie characters than wave skippers.

Fiori, who on Feb. 11 was in the process of preparing for the Seaside Boat Show at the Ocean City Convention Center that begins Feb. 14, says his most frequent customers are in the 50 to 70-year-old age group, basically the same baby boomer retirees who make amped-up motorcycles so much fun to admire along the highway. The price ranges for the personal watercraft are from \$8,000 to \$17,000, and for jet boats the price range is from \$27,000 to \$60,000.

First, the technology and reliability of the latest versions of personal watercraft and jet boat equipment has come far beyond where the earlier vehicles began, he said. For example, according



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Eric Fiori has opened the second location for his company Bayside Jet Drive, L.L.C., a dealership for personal watercraft and jet boats at 10595 Worcester Highway in Berlin. He will be exhibiting his selections at the Seaside Boat Show that begins Feb. 14 at the Ocean City Convention Center. Additional information is available at the company Web site www.BaysideJetDrive.net.

to Fiori, the average life span of the watercraft is 15 years, with a warranty claim rate of less than 5 percent.

Second, the machines are absolutely beautiful. Fiori carries Yamaha Wave Runners and Kawasaki Jet Skis with cushioned seating capacities for up to three people, and full-sized Yamaha jet boats from 19 to 24 feet. He also sells EZ Loader and Load Rite trailers for easy transport to a body of water of your choosing, which he said was usually in, but not limited to, the bay.

Third, purchases include such personal touches as demonstrations and instructions, along with customized orders and home delivery.

The 36-year-old transplant from Pasadena, Md., who comes from a fam-

ily of entrepreneurs, said his dealerships are family-run operations. He has one brother, who has a land management company in Oregon.

Fiori said he has been operating his dealership for the past 14 years; the other location is at 106 52nd St. (Bayside) in Ocean City. He said he worked at marinas in the Ocean City area when he was still in high school.

His new location just made it under the wire before a new Worcester County comprehensive rezoning plan kicked in. He said the county's zoning restriction could make it a challenge for any future expansion of his business, because his dealership is considered heavy commercial, which would now limit him to the expensive Route 50 corridor. He called that area cost pro-

hibitive. Fortunately he purchased his business at 10595 Worcester Highway before the new zoning plan was implemented, so he was fortunate enough to be "grandfathered" in, so long as he does not try to expand.

In addition to the Seaside Boat Show, Fiori also showcases his products at the Bay Bridge Boat Show and the Maryland Boatbuilders & Dealers Expo in Cambridge, he said.

For information on Bayside Jet Drive products at the new dealership at 10595 Worcester Highway in Berlin, call 410-641-3040; or for the dealership at 106 52nd St. in Ocean City, call 410-723-9773. Additional information is available at the company Web site www.BaysideJetDrive.net.

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Berlin council members to meet on redistricting plan

State's plans would have two duly elected office holders lose their seats

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

BERLIN—The Berlin Town Council will meet on Feb. 19 to continue discussions on a proposed redistricting plan, Town Administrator Laura Allen announced during the Feb. 10 council meeting.

In December, the Berlin Town Council and Mayor Gee Williams agreed to take another and closer look at how a computerized modeling system incorporates new census data to define future election districts. Williams said the councilmembers had requested that Nasrin Rahman, manager of the Maryland Department of Planning's Redistricting and Reapportionment Office, meet with the council in person, to demonstrate how the modelling was conducted and to further explain the proposed changes.

Two of the first proposals created under the computerized system proposed plans that would result in unseating two duly elected officials, Councilmember Dean Burrell (District 4), and Town Council Vice President Elroy Brittingham (District 3).

The redistricting of Berlin's election district boundaries is in response to updated population data from the 2010 U.S. Census and is meant to keep the town's four election districts of equal size (1,124 residents), by ensuring that no district deviates by more than 5 percent of the 1,124 resident goal. Berlin has a population of 4,496 residents, according to the adjusted data. According to the town Web site, the next regular municipal election is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 13, for the council seats in Districts 1 and 4, and At-large.

State residents can save big as weekend is sales tax free

Delmarva Power urges customers to take full advantage of rebates

MARYLAND—Delmarva Power is encouraging its Maryland residential customers to take advantage of its Appliance Rebate Program during the state's tax-free weekend, Feb. 15-17. 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, room air conditioners, dehumidifiers, heat pumps and compact fluorescent light 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 Regional 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 4,500 rebates to Maryland customers in 2013 for the purchase of energy efficient appliances and has paid approximately 11,250 rebates since the program began in 2009. The value of the rebates ranges from \$25 to \$350. Rebate forms are available in stores and at www.delmarva.com/ApplianceRebates. Customers can expect to receive rebate checks within six to eight weeks from the time of Delmarva Power's receipt of their rebate applications.

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AGH, other facilities await soon-to-be gas conversions

Berlin Nursing, Rehab Center, Kelly Foods all in line for completions

By Nancy Powell
Staff Writer/Ocean City Today
BERLIN—Atlantic General Hospital, the Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Kelly Foods are awaiting completion of their conversions to natural gas.

The Barrett Medical Building has been converted to natural gas and those three are just waiting on a specialty order for conversion parts.

Stephen Decatur Middle School and Stephen Decatur High School have been converted to natural gas.

Sandpiper Energy's first conversions to natural gas took place last summer at the feed mill and asphalt plant along Route 113 in Showell.

Sandpiper's conversions will proceed along the northern part of Berlin and go in a circular fashion along the west side of town, Department of Environmental Programs Director Bob Mitchell told the Worcester County Commissioners last Tuesday. After completing about 75 percent of the conversions in Berlin, the company will begin upgrades in the northern

part of Ocean Pines and the commercial area around Walmart. That work would likely be later this year.

More areas might have been converted by now, but "the weather hasn't been the greatest," Mitchell said.

Sandpiper Energy was formed after Chesapeake Utilities acquired the operating assets of Eastern Shore Gas and its affiliate, Eastern Shore Propane Company last May. Sandpiper will provide propane and natural gas to Worcester County residences and businesses.

Last summer, Chesapeake Utilities estimated that Sandpiper Energy would save customers more than \$1 million.

All of Sandpiper's customers will have the same rate for energy use, whether they use propane or if they have converted to natural gas. In this way, the cost of converting the distribution system and converting individual customers is shared by all customers. Those customers will also share in the savings associated with the less expensive natural gas.

Converting the underground propane distribution system used by Eastern Shore Gas in the Berlin, Ocean Pines and West Ocean City area is expected to take four to six years.

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Funds available for entrepreneurs

By Nancy Powell
Staff Writer/Ocean City Today

WORCESTER COUNTY—Some Worcester County entrepreneurs may benefit from more than \$500,000 available in loans this year to create new jobs and support business expansion.

In 2013, Worcester County's share of VOLT (Video Lottery Terminal) funds for small, minority and women-owned businesses was \$500,000.

"We're looking to get more than that this year," Merry Mears, deputy director of the county's Economic Development Department, said.

"The casinos have been doing very well," said Bill Badger, director of the county's Economic Development Department.

The county's Economic Development Department partnered with the Anne Arundel Economic Development Corporation, one of three designated fund managers, in seeking the funds.

The request for proposals for the new cycle of funds is being negotiated and should be ready soon.

This year, she said, the county would not need to re-apply.

The loans, which are priced at or below current market interest rates, may be used for business acquisition, commercial real estate acquisition, building improvements, purchase of equipment, business start-up costs, working capital, and in some cases, re-financing of existing debt.

Owners of existing businesses, as well as qualified people who want to start a business, may apply for the loans, which start at \$25,000.

In 2013, four loans were approved for Worcester County businesses. The transaction for the first loan of 2014 was settled last week for an Ocean City business.

For information, contact Mears or Badger at 410-632-3112 or visit www.chooseworcester.org.

Natural gas options will be discussed

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Sandpiper will communicate with propane gas customers and new customers to inform them about the opportunity to switch from propane to natural gas.

It must also be determined which appliances can be converted from propane gas to natural gas.

Since last spring, members of the county staff have been working with Sandpiper Energy and the staff of Chesapeake Utilities to go over inspection and review procedures for the conversion process.

The county will require permits and inspections by its plumbing/gas inspectors on all upgrades, no matter how small they might be.

So far, the work has gone smoothly, Mitchell said.

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Members of the community are asked to nominate and vote for these “everyday heroes” between Jan. 15 and March 1, at SalutetoSeniorService.com. State winners will be determined by popular vote. A panel will then select a national Salute to Senior Service winner from among the state honorees.

Home Instead, Inc. will donate \$500 to each of the state winners’ designated and approved nonprofit organizations, and their personal stories will be shared online on the Salute to Senior Service Wall of Fame. In addition, \$5,000 will be donated to the national winner’s designated and approved nonprofit charity.

To complete and submit an online nomination form for a senior age 65 or older who volunteers at least 15 hours a month, and to view the contest’s official rules, visit SalutetoSeniorService.com. Completed nomination forms can alternatively be mailed to Salute to Senior Service, P.O. Box 285, Bellevue, Neb. 68005.

For more information about Salute to Senior Service or the Home Instead Senior Care network’s services, call the local Home Instead Senior Care at 410-641-0901.



HOOP SHOOT WINNERS

Worcester Prep girls ages 10-13 received trophies in the Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge Annual Hoop Shoot competitions. The winners from left, are, Waverly Choy, Carly Hoffman, Fiona Pando, Hanna Miller, Lily Baeurle and Natalie Foxwell. Missing from the photo is Rylie Carey.

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Children’s Dental Health Month

MARYLAND—February marks the celebration of Valentine’s Day and a month-long focus on children’s dental health.

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A healthy mouth is important for overall wellbeing. Poor oral health during childhood can cause problems with eating, speaking, and learning. Each year, more than 51 million school hours are missed due to dental problems. Tooth decay is five times more common than asthma in children.

Children’s Dental Health Month is celebrated nationally. For recognizing this month Maryland’s Office of Oral Health’s Web site provides games to test your dental knowledge. This website provides other links to additional dental educational materials including a request form to order bulk quantities of free oral health materials, assistance in obtaining children’s Medicaid dental health insurance (Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program), and information on how to find public dental services.

There are several tips for preventing

tooth decay in children:

- Schedule a child’s first dental visit when his or her first tooth appears, or by the first birthday.
- Provide children with healthy snacks such as fruits and vegetables and avoid sugary foods and drinks. Give them water to drink between meals. (Sip all day get decay.)
- Always apply a small amount of fluoride toothpaste and brush teeth twice a day.
- Children require brushing supervision until seven to eight years of age.
- Ask your dentist about the need for fluoride supplements.
- Check with your local health department or water board to have your water tested to determine the amount of fluoride in your water. If it is too low to prevent tooth decay, ask your dentist or physician about fluoride tablets or drops.
- Ask your dentist when dental sealants can be applied to your child’s permanent molars.
- Start flossing teeth when they touch.

For additional tips and resources visit the following Web sites.

www.healthyteethhealthykids.org/ – Maryland Dental Action Coalition

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Berlin's February Art Stroll doubles as adult prom night

Party for singles and couples 21 and older features 1980's theme

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

BERLIN—Want a second chance to reverse a prom nightmare? The Arts and Entertainment Committee may have just the right opportunity, by adding an adult prom as part of the features of the Second Friday Art Stroll on Feb. 14, from 7-10 p.m., at Zenna Wellness Studio.

For the second of the winter months the Berlin business community has again decided to consolidate its Second Friday events into one venue. First of all it's warmer that way; second it allows the businesses that want to take a break from the off-season festivities.

The 1980's inspired theme party is for singles and couples 21 and older, a perfect feature to add a unique touch to a Valentine's Day date night. Austin "A.Dubs" Widowson will DJ the town-sized event and attendees will be able to try their creativity with various arts and crafts projects. There will also be an opportunity to get prom photos

taken at the photo booth.

Don't forget the corsage. There will be an award for the best handmade accessory.

The event is free, but a \$5 donation is suggested. Food will be donated by the newly reopened Waterman's Seafood at 12505 Ocean Gateway in West Ocean City.

Around the corner, Baked Dessert Café and Gallery will be offering a delicious array of yummy goodies to satisfy the sweet tooth. The featured artists will be painter Diane Richmond and illustrator Greg Morehead. Light refreshments, including wine samples and hors d'oeuvres, will also be provided.

Like any good prom, there will be an after-party of course. On this occasion it will take place at Burley Oak Brewery and will feature the oil paintings and prints of Lindsay Richardson for February. The art stroll portion of the festivities begins at 6 p.m. Then at 9 p.m., Bad since Breakfast will perform a variety genres until midnight.

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Flap results in delay of vote on nomination for Joseph Gill

Mathias cites official's responsibility 'to act courteously' in office

By Sheila R. Cherry
Associate Editor

MARYLAND— A dust up between the Maryland Waterman's Association and Department of Natural Resources Acting Secretary Joseph Gill over a bill proposing changes to the rules governing the state's fishery management policy has apparently led to the withdrawal of the legislation and the delay of a vote on Gill's nomination for secretary of the agency.

According to a Feb. 6 statement by Delegate Michael McDermott, tempers flared between Gill and Robert

T. Brown, president of the Maryland Watermen's Association, outside the House Environmental Matters Committee on Jan. 29. The committee was considering SB 145/HB 145, a bill that proposed changing DNR's notification practices in a way that would officially allow the agency to continue to issue certain directives without legislative action.

A legislative analysis of the bill pointed out that current DNR plans and proposed conservation and management measures must be adopted by regulation and thus are subject to legislative review. McDermott said, in recent years, DNR officials have changed certain regulations by simply providing public notice, to avoid the need to bring these changes before the General Assembly or to the Administrative, Executive and Leg-

islative Review Committee when the legislature was not in session.

"The Attorney General recently told the DNR that they do not have the authority to bypass the legislative branch," McDermott said.

The proposed legislation would have officially codified the agency's authority to make policy changes — which would include opening or closing fishing seasons, modifying harvestable areas, or changing catch limits — by public notice in as short a time period as 48 hours, rather than by the longer regulation process.

Brown was at the hearing to testify that Eastern Shore watermen opposed the bill, which Gill was there to support. In a Jan. 31 letter to Committee Chairman Maggie McIntosh (D-43) Brown said Gill approached him as they were leaving the hearing and according to Brown said, "If this bill [{meaning HB 145}] does not pass, I will be so conservative and cut quotas and I will hurt you. Did you hear me! I will hurt you!" Brown asked McIntosh to take action against Gill for making the threat and cc'd the letter to Gill.

In an attempt to clarify his remarks made during the exchange, Gill responded to Brown on Jan. 31 in a letter stating, "What I was trying to convey in our conversation was what it would mean if the department lacked the authority to adjust seasons by public notice."

Gill offered to meet with Brown in an effort to build trust and improve the working relationship between the agency and the watermen. Of the proposed bill, Gill said, "I think you would agree that the authority we have had over the past decade has benefitted the watermen because, for example, it has allowed us to set the harvest based upon the most current data, and extend the fishery where quota has not been caught or in cases of bad weather." Gill contin-

ued, "The Attorney General has said that we have this authority, but if we did not, the Department would be forced to establish more conservative quota allocations which we could not adjust."

Gill apologized for what he described as a possible misperception and told Brown his remarks were meant to convey that a failure of the legislation would be harmful to watermen generally. "So my intention was to convey that possible result to you. At no point did I intend for the message to come across as personal to you or any other watermen."

Brown posted the letters on the Maryland Watermen's Association Web site, and reportedly the incident prompted several local government officials to express their concerns over the comments to the General Assembly leadership and Gov. Martin O'Malley and Lt. Gov. Anthony Brown.

The Senate version of the bill was withdrawn on Feb. 10. A motion by Sen. Richard Colburn (R-37) for a special order to delay the vote on Gill's nomination as secretary until Feb. 14 was approved on Feb. 1. "It now appears that the Senate Executive Nominations Committee (of which I am a member) may have another hearing on Mr. Gill's nomination on March 3rd," Colburn said in a statement.

Sen. Jim Mathias (D-38) said in a Feb. 5 statement that he shared Colburn's concern about Gill's alleged comments. "State officials, whether elected or appointed, have a responsibility to act courteously and to provide the best possible services to the people they serve, regardless of any philosophical or professional differences they may have," he said.

McDermott called the vote to delay consideration of Gill's nomination "a wise move as the nominee is now held in contempt by all of the watermen."

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Beverly V. Beckman Lauder

BERLIN – Beverly Virginia Beckman Lauder, age 87, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Jan. 27, 2014 in Berlin.

She was preceded in death by her husband of nearly 60 years, Calvin E. Lauder. Like her husband, she was born in Cumberland, Md. and lived there until they moved to Rochester, N.Y., where they spent more than 40 years. They moved to Annapolis in 1994 where they enjoyed living closer to their family. Beverly moved to the Woodlands in Ocean Pines, in 2010.

She was a homemaker, grandmother, great-grandmother, artist and Girl Scout leader. She worked as a library aide for the Rochester City School District. A lifelong painter, she worked in oils, acrylics and watercolors. She belonged to Art Guilds in Rochester and Annapolis where her works were displayed in numerous art shows. In recent years she taught art classes at the Woodlands.

She is survived by her daughters, Rebecca Goffredi and her husband, Louis, and Jane Deutsch and her husband, David. A loving grandmother, she is survived by five grandchildren; Joshua Deutsch, Lisa Goffredi and her husband, Jon, Zachary Deutsch and his wife, Ashley, Max Deutsch and his wife, (Misty, and Jacob Deutsch. She also had three great-grandchildren, Annabel Prinsky, Hunter King and Grady Deutsch. Beverly is survived by her brother Michael Beckman and his wife, Jean, of Brookfield Ohio, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at a later date with interment alongside her husband at Crownsville Veterans Cemetery in Crownsville, Md. In lieu of flowers contributions may be sent to Atlantic General Hospital, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, Md. 21811, or to the Arthritis Foundation, 1330 West Peach Tree Street, Suite 100, Atlanta, Ga., 30309. Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Expressions of condolence may be sent at www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

Anne C. Wolfsheimer

BERLIN–Anne Conroy Wolfsheimer, age 86, died Friday, Feb. 7, 2014 at Atlantic General Hospital.

Born in Norfolk, Va., she was the daughter of the late Eugene and Anna Grady Conroy. She was preceded in death by her husband, Col. Nelson Joseph Wolfsheimer, Sr. She is survived by her admiring children; Dr. Nelson Joseph Wolfsheimer, Jr. and his wife Brigitte of LaPlata, Md., Mary Wolfsheimer of Berlin, and Annemarie Wolfsheimer of Berlin. She was an adored grandmother to Marco and his wife Joey, Daniel, Molly, Michael, Sharlyna and Igor. Also surviving is a brother Eugene F. Conroy and his wife Patricia of California, and 10 nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Wolfsheimer graduated from Seton High School, and received her Associates Degree from Mount St. Agnes College in Baltimore. She had worked for Johns Hopkins University in the

Mathematics Department, and earlier as secretary to the president of Baltimore Federal Savings and Loan Association. She kept in touch with her co-workers throughout her life. She loved the military life which afforded her the chance to travel. She particularly cherished time spent in Ireland and London visiting relatives, absorbing culture and regaling in classic art and edifices. She was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians.

A mass of Christian burial was held Wednesday, Feb. 12, at St John Neumann Catholic Church Rev. Joseph M.P.R. Cocucci officiated. Interment will be held at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery. A donation may be made to: American Cancer Society, 1138 Parsons Rd. Salisbury, Md. 21801. Letters of condolence may be sent via www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

Annette Theresa Vollmer

WILLARDS – Annette Theresa Vollmer, age 74, died on Wednesday Feb. 5, 2014 at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin.



Annette Vollmer

Born in Englewood, N.J. on Nov. 17, 1939, she was the daughter of the late Frank and Amelia Morris.

Annette is survived by two children; daughter, Jean Marie Vollmer of Florida, and son, Thomas E. Vollmer, Sr. and his wife Carol of Salisbury; seven grandchildren, three great grandchildren, four brothers, four sisters, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by an infant son, William Vollmer, Jr. and grandson Gregory Stark.

A resident of Willards for 40 years,

she worked in retail sales in department stores and as a secretary for 20 years. She spent the last 20 years as a homemaker and wife to her surviving husband of 55 years, William (Bill) Vollmer. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, crafts and was an avid doll collector. She was a member of St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Church in Ocean Pines.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Monday, Feb. 10, 2014 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Ocean Pines. Interment was at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Dagsboro, Del.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1315 Mt. Hermon Road, Salisbury, Md. 21804 or to the American Lung Association, 211 East Lombard Street #260, Baltimore, Md. 21202. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at www.burbagefuneralhome.com.

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Please send calendar items to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday to make sure your events are printed. All community-related activities will be published at no charge.

THURS. Feb. 13

BEACH SINGLES — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Harpoon Hanna’s, Route 54 and the Bay, Fenwick Island, Del., 4 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Di-anne, 302-541-4642.

BINGO — American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

OC AARP 1917 GENERAL MEETING — MAC Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City, 9:30 a.m. The guest speaker will discuss “Financial Abuse of the Elderly.” Numerous travel opportunities for 2014 will be presented. All persons age 50 and older are welcome. Info: aarp1917.org or 410-352-5748.

OCEAN PINES GARDEN CLUB MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 10 a.m. Linda Doherty will give a presentation on organic gardening. New members welcome.

FRI. Feb. 14

30TH ANNUAL SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Featuring approximately 350 boats and more than 140 exhibitors, including 50 boat dealers. Admission costs \$10 per day or \$15 for weekend pass. Info: Charlie, cforman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboatshow.com.

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

CPR MARATHON PSA — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. There will be five different one-hour sessions taking place from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Sessions cover CPR basics, AED use and choking rescue techniques for adults, children and infants. Cost is \$5. This basic class does not offer CPR certification. Pre-registration required at the Ocean Pines Community Center or by calling 410-641-7052.

VALENTINE’S DAY SPAGHETTI DINNER — Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, 4-7 p.m. Spaghetti dinner with homemade sauce, sweet Italian sausage, garlic bread, garden salad and drinks. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4-10 and free to those 3 and younger. Bake sale table and carryouts available. Info: 443-235-6761.

SAT. Feb. 15

30TH ANNUAL SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Featuring approxi-

mately 350 boats and more than 140 exhibitors, including 50 boat dealers. Admission costs \$10 per day or \$15 for weekend pass. Info: Charlie, cforman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboatshow.com.

VALENTINE’S HORSE & CARRIAGE RIDES — Special Valentine’s Package includes horse & carriage round trip ride from Inlet to Fourth Street, a box of chocolates, a rose and a glass of bubbly. Cost is \$40 per couple. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reservations: Randy Davis, 443-783-1409.

AFTER SUPER BOWL SCRAMBLE — Eagle’s Landing Golf Course, 12367 Eagle’s Nest Road, West Ocean City. Tailgate party at 9 a.m., shotgun start at 10 a.m. Info: 410-213-7277.

INDOOR YARD SALE — Ocean City Volunteer Fire Station 5, Keyser Point Road, West Ocean City, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Table rentals cost \$10. Accepting gently used items for Ladies Auxiliary table. Sandwiches, bake goods and other refreshments offered. Also available Ladies Auxiliary Cook Books. Table rentals: Denise, 443-359-2014 or any Ladies Auxiliary member. Benefits LAOCFVC and OCFVC Cadet program.

INTERNATIONAL DINNER SERIES - CLASSIC ITALIAN — Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke’s Church) in Ocean City. Two seatings at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Chicken cacciatore (hunter-style), penne pasta, insalata di giardino (garden salad), grissino (bread sticks), Vaniglia e Cioccolato Budino Con Panna Montata e Biscotti (vanilla and chocolate pudding with whipped cream and cookies) and coffee. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$9 for children 11 and younger. Italian red wine offered at a special price of \$1.50 per glass. Cash bar. Reservations: 410-524-7994, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN DINNER — New Hope United Methodist Church, Willards, noon. Menu includes mashed potatoes, greens, string beans, macaroni and cheese, beets, biscuits, dessert and coffee. Cost is \$12 for adults. Carry-outs available. Info: 410-543-8244 or 443-235-0251.

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, includes coffee and juice. Bloody Marys cost \$3. Info: 410-524-8196.

FARMERS MARKET — White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines, 8 a.m. to noon. Produce, farm fresh eggs, organic goods, herbs, fresh cut flowers, soaps, jelly, homemade baked goods, honey and more available.

SUN. Feb. 16

30TH ANNUAL SEASIDE BOAT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway,

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring approximately 350 boats and more than 140 exhibitors, including 50 boat dealers. Admission costs \$10. Info: Charlie, cforman1@yahoo.com or www.ocboatshow.com.

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ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET FUNDRAISER — Berlin Fire Hall, 214 N. Main St., 7:30-11:30 am. Menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits, cereals, coffee, milk and juice. Cost is \$9 for adults, \$7 for carry-outs, \$5 for children ages 5-12 and children 4 and younger eat free.

AN AFTERNOON OF FELLOWSHIP — Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, 4 p.m. Guest speaker, worship, small groups and free dinner. Accepting donations of canned goods for the SUMC Spirit Kitchen. Must be 18 or older. Sponsored by SUMC Young Adults. Info: 410-641-1137.

SHARING SUNDAY — Ocean Pines South Fire Station, Ocean Parkway (South Gate), 1-3 p.m. The Democratic Women’s Club will collect non-perishable food, toiletries and paper products. Supplies will be shared with the local food ministry. Info: 410-641-8553.

MON. Feb. 17

PRMC INSULIN PUMP CLUB MEETING — CQI-2 conference room in the Avery W. Hall Educational Center on the Peninsula Regional campus, 100 East Carroll St., Salisbury, 7-8 p.m. The club is for anyone who wears a pump or is interested in using one. New technology, pump management techniques and lifestyle issues are presented. There are no fees to attend. Info: 410-543-7061.

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS MEETS WEEKLY — The Delmarva Chorus, Sweet Adeline’s, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, meets each Monday from 7-9 p.m., at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, White Horse Park. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. Info: 410-208-4171.

HAND DANCING — House of Welsh, 1106 Coastal Highway, Fenwick, Del. Free lessons from 6-7 p.m., open dancing 7-10 p.m. No cover charge. Info: DC Hand Dance Club, 302-541-0728.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN’S CLUB MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Coffee and conversation at 9:30 a.m., followed by meeting at 10 a.m. Clara Small PhD, a professor of history at Salisbury University, will discuss Black History. All women are welcome. Info: 814-322-2119.

WED. Feb. 19

SUICIDE GRIEVERS’ SUPPORT GROUP — Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin at 6 p.m., on the third Wednesday of each month. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-629-0164 or www.choosetolivemaryland.org.

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.

DELMARVA HAND DANCING CLUB — Meets every Wednesday at Peaky’s Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, located in the Fenwick Inn, 13801 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Beginner and intermediate lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by dancing 6:30-9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the ’50s, ’60s and Carolina beach music. All are welcome. Discounted food and drink prices. Info: 302-337-3638.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: 302-436-3682.

‘MEET THE CANDIDATES’ NIGHT — Blue Dog Cafe, 300 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, 6-9 p.m. Music by Billy Earl, with heavy hors d’oeuvres. Cost is \$25. Mail check to Arlene Page, 10830 Piney Island Drive, Bishopville, MD 21813. Sponsored by the Democratic Clubs. Info: 410-352-3749.

VISIT WITH AUTHOR BUCK MANN — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. The Ocean City Life Saving Museum Series will feature the book “Vanishing Ocean City.” The book will feature more than 300 photos of scenes from the early days of Ocean City up to current times. Interviews from 145 people sharing interesting experiences with storms, fires and daily life in Ocean City. Special sections touch on the Hurricane of ’33, the WWII years, the March Storm of ’62 and the Boardwalk of 50 years ago. Publication is set for the summer of 2014. Info: www.ocmuseum.org.

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Plans do not always come together; that is the way of it. Eventually things always seem to get done. Whether it's getting the kids off to school or trying to knock out schoolwork, there's always that one phone call. That one friendly stop in the supermarket where you end up talking to an old friend for half an hour.



By Paul Suplee, CEC PCIII

Then the deadlines creep up on you. Sensing that this was going to be a busy year, I have tried to stay organized and well managed, but then I end up reverting to the 'good lord, I need more time in my day' routine.

At the end of such a day, we need to sit down, take a breather, and enjoy a hearty and filling meal. With my myriad projects, the aforementioned hearty meal end up being a fast food meal, truly a disgraceful meal when compared with what could be had at home.

Luckily, I asked to be on the selection committee for the new club's management hiring team. As such, I get to sit in on the selection process, AKA tastings. The first tasting was by a chef whom I know from D.C. and I am flat-out stealing his flat iron steak offered up for the tasting.

It was the perfect end to an absolutely insane day. Between working, visiting Mom in the hospital, a chef's meeting and this, I felt like I was being pulled in every direction. Dinner brought it all back together for me. It was an intelligent dish and one that prefaced the final instruction of the meal: "it's 2 a.m., chef. What can you



cook for me?" After a plate of buffalo shrimp that far surpassed my rendition, everyone sat back and agreed that if this was the first, it will be interesting to see what happens in the latter tastings.

The plan came together after all. Now that this is done, I can get ready for the next thing on my docket. Bring it on plan disrupters. Bring it on.

Flat Iron Steak

Serves 4
4 6 oz. flat iron steaks
salt and pepper, as needed
clarified butter, as needed
2 c. bacon preserves (recipe follows)
1 # potato-parsnip puree (recipe follows)
1 # roasted brussel sprouts (recipe follows)

Trim flat iron so the majority of gristle has been removed.

You can marinate this steak for better flavor but you certainly do not need to. If you do decide to marinate it, just use a quick marinade and allow to sit, refrigerated, for at least two hours.

Season steak and set on a plate for about 20 minutes to allow it to come

up in temperature, a process we like to call slacking.

Heat a pan with until it is very hot but just below smoking (meaning that when butter is added it won't scorch and smoke).

Add clarified butter and add the steak. For a small pan, add one steak. If the pan is large, thick and can retain heat well, you can add more. You just need to ensure

that adding the steaks won't bring down the temperature of the pan too drastically.

Sear steaks for about four minutes or until they have a nice crust. In the meantime, spoon the sizzling butter on top of the steak.

Turn steaks over and repeat the process until the meat is at 135F for medium rare.

Remove and allow to rest for at least five minutes while ingredients are assembled.

Place the sprouts on a warmed plate, top with steak and bacon preserves, and serve with root vegetable puree.

Bacon Preserves

for 2 cups
1/2 # bacon
1/2 ea. medium white onion
Brown sugar, as needed
Good sherry vinegar, as needed

Lay out bacon on a sheet pan and bake at 350 until crispy.

Place bacon drippings in a frying pan and heat, adding the onion once the heat is at a medium range.

Cook for approximately one hour or

until the onions are well-caramelized and a touch past golden.

Chop bacon and set aside until the very end.

To the fat/onion mixture, add sugar and vinegar to taste, but when tasting it, be careful.

Once your flavors have melded add the chopped bacon and do one more seasoning to finish.

Keep warm until service.

Potato-Parsnip Puree

makes 1 pound
8 oz. russet potatoes, peeled and diced
4 oz. parsnips, peeled and diced
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1 c. heavy cream
1/4 c. chicken stock (optional)
Salt and pepper as needed

Combine everything except salt and pepper in a saucepan and bring to a simmer.

Cook until very tender but do not allow to scorch.

Once tender, puree with a stick blender until smooth.

Adjust seasoning and keep hot until service.

Brussel Sprouts

makes about 1 pound
1 # brussel sprouts, halved and cored
Olive oil, as needed
Salt and pepper, as needed

Bring a pan of water to a boil and add salt.

Add the sprouts and cook for a few minutes or until tender.

Pull out of the water and heat a sauté pan, adding oil when hot.

Sauté the sprouts until done and keep hot until service.

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1 Last name in Scotch

6 Stream

10 Bloke

14 Like blokes

18 Napoleon, e.g., twice

19 Steakhouse order

20 Test subject

22 *Grand-slam drama that stars Bacall’s man*

24 *Half an Xmas “Halls” chant*

25 1976 horror hit, with “The”

26 Point value of an A in Scrabble

27 Little to no

29 Heavily favored

30 All-inclusive

32 Beat poet Cassady and others

33 Captain Hook’s right hand

34 69-Across, e.g.

37 Scrams

38 *Astral saga that has a Darth part*

42 Cutting edge

43 Gulager of TV’s “The Virginian”

44 French Oscar

46 Bit of Google programming

47 Staple of a waiting room

48 Work on the roof, say

50 “Movin’ _____” (TV theme song)

52 One of die Planeten

53 Kitty, e.g.

54 Count

55 “_____ Anything” (“Oliver!” song)

56 “The Witches” writer

57 King Arthur of tennis

59 Kris _____ (music duo)

61 Like classical poetry

63 *Fab “backward-gram” à la “Sam, aha! Bahamas!”*

67 Burger topper

68 Segway inventor Dean _____

69 Apple product

70 Bird’s gullet

71 Chip on one’s shoulder, say

73 Kowtowers

75 Pilates targets

78 Take on

79 Poses

80 Stone figures?

81 Equal to the task

82 Objective

83 Louis Armstrong, to friends

85 Two-time U.S. Open champ

86 Houston’s old _____ Field

87 *Black cat that packs grass and chants “Jah”*

91 Prefix with -hedron

93 Best-selling novelist Susan

94 Great Basin natives

95 An op-ed has one

96 Air apparent?

97 Worships

100 “Common Sense” pamphleteer

101 Valedictorian’s pride, for short

102 Bygone Bombay bigwig

106 *Landmark vassal law act*

108 *Warm mask/cap amalgams*

111 Burning desire

112 Puts away

113 Friends, in Firenze

114 Big name in faucets

115 Depict

116 Swarm

117 Where Sharp Electronics is based

DOWN

1 Chrysler Building style, informally

2 Physical, e.g.

3 Smart-alecky

4 “M*A*S*H” star

5 One in a gray suit

6 Modernist Kafka

7 A bridge might have one

8 “The Lord of the Rings” villain

9 “Pop” goer

10 Online gaming guilds

11 Gatekeeper’s cry

12 Lawyers’ org.

13 Picasso’s designer daughter

14 Tilex target

15 Latin 101 verb

16 Score creator Schiffrin

17 Style

21 Subject of the documentary “An Unreasonable Man”

23 Spoils

24 Two-faced

28 Haphazard

31 Gift shop buy

32 Sign at an intersection

33 Apple product, perhaps

34 Recipe amt.

35 Skin soother

36 *Gala that saw “Black Swan,” “Avatar” and “Ab Fab” attract claps*

37 *Bar glass that’s half Bass, half dark malt*

38 *Lama’s art that can’t last*

39 “Shazam!”

40 Noted political maiden name

41 Designer McCartney

43 Comedian Margaret

45 “_____ hear”

48 Something woeful

49 Item of attire for 54-Across

51 Square meals that are round

52 Minneapolis suburb

54 Jackie of “Shanghai Noon”

58 Maine senator after Mitchell

60 Striped Girl Scout cookie

62 Knocks

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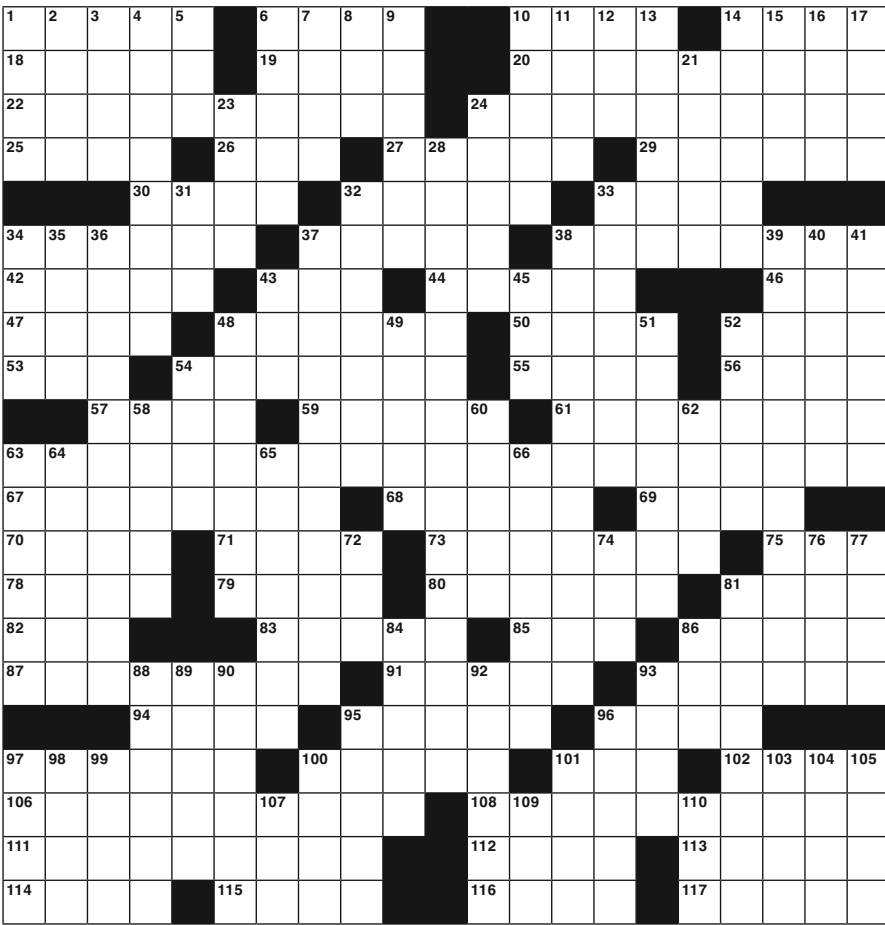
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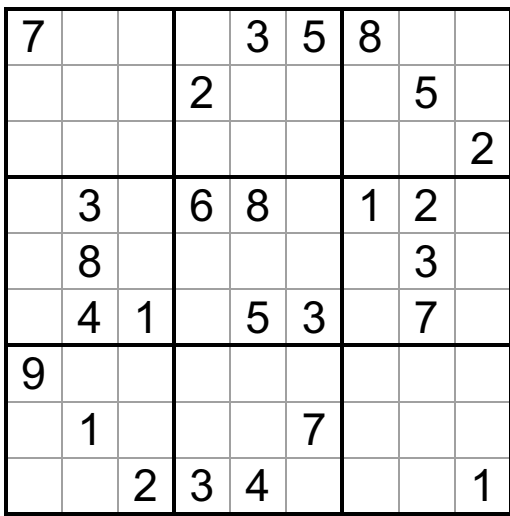
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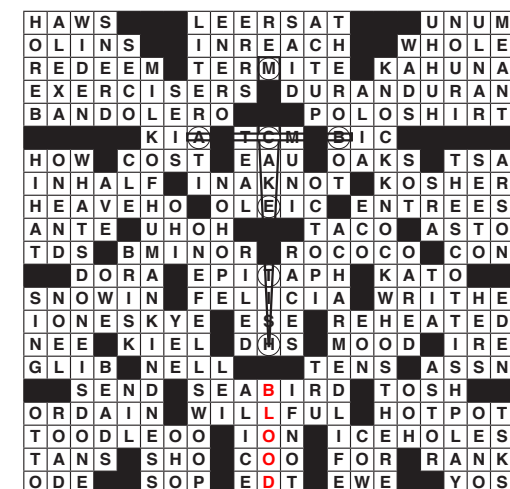
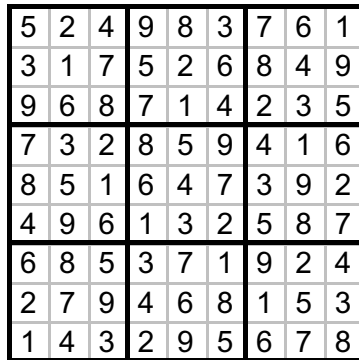
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HARD – 72

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