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Out on a morning walk with her father, 11-year-old Emma Johnson snapped a photo of the snow in Berlin on Tuesday, Feb. 17.

## Clarke looking to end 6-year run of 5-year plan in OP

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) Two weeks after OPA Board Vice President Marty Clarke walked out of a budget meeting in frustration, the two-term director says he is still mulling his options on returning.

Clarke suggested a number of changes to the fiscal year 2016 budget before the meeting, including reducing the projected assessment from \$934 to \$834.51.

Under operations, Clarke proposed a 35 percent reduction to the 7.7 percent payroll increase, cutting \$150,000 from the budget, then added \$50,000 for a reserve study and increased projected golf losses by \$50,000.

Clarke's proposal also increased performance at the marina by \$10,000, increased the police grant from the county slightly, to \$500,000, and eliminated the trolley, cutting \$5,000.

Adjustments to capital contributions included a tennis shortfall of \$45,000, adding \$20,000 for swimming pool covers, a new HVAC system at the country club for \$80,000, electronic signs for \$40,000 and a fire pit at the yacht club for \$20,000. He then deleted the line item for the new police building, saving \$500,000.

Finally, under reserve contributions, Clarke added \$314,068 for road depreciation and \$350,000 for golf drainage, then eliminated the five-year plan, cutting \$1,098,630 and reducing the assessment by nearly \$130 in one swoop.

"If the board passes a budget with the five-funding year plan in it or some other \$130 a person charge and calls it something else – if that passes I am not going to run for reelection, and I may or may not finish my term," Clarke said. "I haven't decided yet."

"I made a commitment to serve for three years and I don't want to break that, but I made no commitment to

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## Arctic blast blankets county in snow

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) The first major snowfall of the year hit Worcester County late Monday evening, blanketing the area with more than six inches of snow.

Freezing conditions continued throughout Tuesday, resulting in public school closings in the county and impassable roads.

Bill Sammler, warning coordination meteorologist for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said the reports he received suggested between six and eight inches fell in Berlin, Ocean Pines and Snow Hill.

Sunshine on Tuesday gradually helped improve traffic conditions, although Sammler cautioned that the risk of a second snow shower Wednesday evening, combined with an arctic front, could further complicate conditions.

"Temperatures Thursday and Friday may struggle to get out of the teens and temperatures Thursday night could easily be in the low single digits," Sammler said.

The snow will likely remain on the ground through the weekend.

"There's another weather system this weekend that there's some uncertainty about as to whether it's going to be a warmer system or another poten-

tial winter weather event," Sammler said. "The most recent information we have suggests that it's going to be a little bit warmer, in which case any precipitation will be rain, but that's only going to be a one-day shot and then it's going to get colder again."

"Depending upon the temperatures this weekend and how much, if any, rain we get will determine how long the snow stays on the ground," Sammler continued. "If we don't get much rain and it doesn't warm up over the weekend this could stay on the ground into next week."

Sammler said the next 10 days will likely feature below-average temper-

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## Black businesses once boomed in Berlin

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) Longtime Berlin resident Gregory Purnell believes now is the perfect time for a history lesson.

Last month the reigning "Coolest Small Town" began holding public meetings to map the future in broad strokes. Business was booming in the vibrant downtown, and good will was

at an all-time high.

Then, a newspaper ran a story about a racist post on social media by a local high school student and other incidents, unrelated as they were, followed.

"People were saying 'the media made this happen,'" Purnell said. "The media defined it as racial and all this, that and the other, but it's also talking about the little seed that's still there – that little ugliness that's still

amongst us. That's why it (the newspaper report) was made a pariah when it came out."

"Then you get a fight," Purnell continued. "Now the thoughts are back to the '50s and '60s, and every element of this is trying to suppress the racial element of this. Everybody is saying, 'No, it wasn't racial.' Nobody wants that tag. And so Berlin, then, must rid itself of that tag. Berlin

wants to clean up its image."

In total, four incidents, which again were unrelated, nevertheless occurred during a bizarre five-day span that ended exactly a week before the beginning of Black History Month.

"This happening on the cusp is the perfect storm," Purnell said. "Berlin has become a place that people in

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## Experts urge public caution as winter weather continues

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atures. He also said people should be mindful of wind-chill factors.

"If it's too cold and too windy, don't go outside if you don't have to," Sammler said.

In Ocean Pines, public works crews were out in full force, with six plows operating from 11 p.m. Monday evening well into Tuesday afternoon.

Dino McCurdy, a representative from Ocean Pines Public Works, expected crews to continue cleaning roads through the majority of the workweek.

Conditions were similar in Berlin, where Public Works Director Jane Kreiter said crews were working in shifts, starting at 7:30 p.m., using all four of the town's plows and both salt trucks, along with other heavy-duty vehicles.

"We've done every road at least once," Kreiter said on Tuesday morning. "We've salted and we're just going back through to try to widen some of the areas."

"Right now our biggest limiting factor is staffing," Kreiter continued. "We don't have the luxury of having

two shifts, so we do one shift, take a break, take a nap, and then get back out there and do it again. That's the tough part."

Kreiter said the town used the CodeRED notification system to warn motorists not to park near sidewalks Monday evening.

"Most people were considerate of that," she said. "It's been a long night, but I think we've got a pretty good handle on it."

Kreiter estimated seven and a half inches of snow fell in Berlin, and said the most difficult task Tuesday was figuring out what to do with the excess.

"We've pushed it off the major roadways, but we don't want to block any driveways," she said.

With the cold expected to continue into next week, Kreiter warned motorists to watch out for icy conditions, including the dreaded black ice.

"Like everybody else is saying, don't go out unless you absolutely have to," she said. "I think a lot of people heeded those warnings [Monday] and a lot of people are staying home, hunkering down and being smart today."

## Clarke looks to cut 'bogus' 5-year plan from OP budget

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serve another three years," Clarke continued. "I put more time in on this board budget than most and still do."

Clarke said the community has collected just shy of \$5 million during the six years of the five-year funding plan.

"Approximately \$500,000 of that has gone to deficit recovery, knocking down deficits that we generated before, which is a good thing," he said. "Then over \$4 million of the rest of it went to fund the new yacht club, where all the bills are paid. We owe less than a quarter million on the yacht club, maybe less than that."

The problem, Clarke said, is that the board spent nearly \$7 million during the same period, including \$900,000 on golf greens and \$850,000 for the new yacht club swimming pool and patio, both unbudgeted.

"That should have come out of historical reserves," Clarke said. "That's what historical reserves do – maintenance and replacement. They took it out of this new category that was invented and never approved."

Clarke argued that the resolution on reserve accounts, signed by Board President Dave Stevens on March 9, 2009, does not include the phrases "historical reserve" or "five-year plan."

"It's not in there," Clarke said. "This is a bogus and unapproved slush fund."

"[The resolution] been used by the minority in the past, and it says that you must fund depreciation," Clarke continued. "But they don't want to fund the road depreciation."

On Saturday, Clarke watched the Billy Casper Golf presentation at the country club, then retired to his home to watch the following two golf presentations on his television.

"Golfers must really be interested in this – 44 heads were in the room when I left," he said. "There were 50 if you include the six directors who were in the room."

Clarke said he had not decided which way he'll vote on the course during the board meeting Friday, but questioned why residents were not using the country club associated with the course.

"The second floor is abandoned. The heat is broken and they won't fix it," he said. "They took it out of the budget because they don't want to fix it. They want to tear it down and build another Taj Mahal, because it worked so well at the yacht club."

Clarke further expressed concerns over the yacht club, which has posted losses of \$96,000 during the last three months.

"Anybody with a fiduciary responsibility for other people's money, which we are – we are the stewards of other people's money – nobody with one ounce of good sense would have kept the yacht club open October, November, December," he said. "There's no reason for it."

"Without even doing the math, the vast majority of Ocean Pines is not using the club right now," Clarke continued. "The vast majority of Ocean Pines isn't even here."



# Purnell explores history of African-American business

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every state can say they might have been to. Berlin is growing. You've got a town that's emerging to be the best that it can ever be. All this has to be connected to Berlin's past.

"When people come, they're not just coming to one side of Berlin," Purnell continued. "That's not what we have to promote. We have to promote Berlin as a complete community. And so, therefore, in order for people to be a part of that community, things have to be brought out."

## Turn of the century

Today, in Berlin, more than 20 percent of residents share African-American ancestry. Walking down Main Street, or shopping in businesses throughout the town, that fact might not be immediately apparent.

This wasn't always the case.

"Entrepreneurs in the community goes all the way back to the Civil War," Purnell said. "By 1865 you were freed and a large part of the African-American community went into the Sinepuxent area and to the Berlin area. Some had transports, some walked, but they all wanted to get as far away as they could from where they had been, and so these communities were established, and all these towns were settled by these folks."

From the beginning, certain members of the African-American community excelled in business, and so they became businessmen and women.

"They went into business selling crops, selling products from hog kills, these types of things," Purnell said. "That enabled the 1900s African-Americans to have some things established in the community, and businesses started to pick up from there."

House restaurants became a popular endeavor, with residents selling platters and offering dining space in their living rooms. Charles Henry Sr. and Rachel and Elisha Smack set up shop on Flower Street, while Emma and George Coard, Lillie Parsons and "Mom" Lola and "Pop" Lester Rayne each operated home-based businesses on Branch Street.

The first African-American storefronts popped up in the 1920s and 1930s, with men like William "Pop Willie" Briddell, who owned a gas station and sold groceries, and James Purnell, who owned a dairy farm.

Women, meanwhile, like Winifred Purnell and Catherine Lewis, opened beauty salons.

"In every African-American community there's one thing that's always going to be popular, and that's the beauty salons," Purnell said. "Winifred and Catherine had beauty salons right across the street from each other in Berlin, right off of Branch Street."

Purnell said beauty salons worked while other businesses failed, "be-

cause there was a need for women to want to look good."

"Looking good makes you feel better about yourself," he said. "Men were the same way, and Mr. Riley Robbins was one of the beginning barbers that had a storefront, and that storefront was part of a restaurant, grocery store and kind of a beer hall building. It wasn't a great big building, mind you, but it was a building that housed all of that."

Charles Henry opened a grocery store on Flower Street. Others, such as Raymond White, Sheldon Dennis, Jack Dennis and John 'Happy Jack' Smack, opened taxi businesses in nearby Ocean City in the 1930s and 1940s.

Then, in the 1950s an old army barracks on Flower Street became a soda fountain and restaurant.

"The entire area was called 'Soda Fountain,'" Purnell said. "There was a poolroom next to it and there was a little dance hall and a little church and a funeral parlor."

"You never had to deal with the racial element back then because everybody knew what their place was," Purnell said. "Growing up in their confines, it was good because people needed to have gas, so the

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# Money flowed out of black community after integration

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people in the community bought gas. But this was just the African-American community. It wasn't all of Berlin."

## Integration

"After they built the highway, the only time you would see a white person in your community would be when the insurance man came by to collect every week," Purnell said. "Every Monday or every other Monday, he would come to collect."

Purnell said the integration into public schools was a major part of the sea change, but the integration of commerce also played a major role, albeit often one-sided.

"Berliners thought of Berlin as Berlin, not just their area, and so people started to build the town more, he said. "Everybody that had a few dollars started to go to town more. I could go uptown to buy gas, because it's maybe three cents cheaper than I could from Pop Willie, who I've been buying it from for years."

"Then people stopped dealing with the hog-killing people, because they could buy meats at the store," Purnell continued. "They just felt easier about it. Before [integration] you didn't go into any of those stores, but it was a natural thing that just kind of happened."

The downside of integration was that far more money flowed out of the black community than came back in.

"It started to wane in African-American businesses," Purnell said. "When the clientele started to change, that caused the African-American business owner to lose his control over those dollars that were coming to him in his community. He is no longer feasible. He no longer has that business, so the business has to close."

The businesses that did stay open were often self-contained, including beauty salons and barbershops.

"Most of that business was self-serving," Purnell said. "It was only for that community. White people aren't going to come to the black beauty salon, so those were still popular."

Despite the slumping business, a few windows of opportunity were opening, and the importance of education was stressed more than ever in the African-American community.

"The thing they talked about in school was not to work in a chicken factory and not to drive in a truck," Purnell said. "That was the thing. Your parents at home, every day, were telling you, 'Get that education. Get your lessons because you don't want to catch chicken.'"

"To get a high school diploma at



Helen Briddell Emerson, circa 1949, holds her newborn son, Anthony near the Sinclair gas station owned by husband William "Pop Willie" Briddell. The photo shows one of the first storefronts owned by an African American in Berlin.

that time was a symbol that you were worthy of hire, that you could go into the army," Purnell continued. "You could do all of these things. That diploma meant that you had accomplished something."

College education, on the other hand, seemed like a far-off dream to a majority of people in the African-American community.

"College was a thing for people who had money," Purnell said. "A few people in the black community sent their children to college, but it wasn't what happened to the largest percentage of the class. If it's 50 percent now it would have been five or 10 percent then."

## 1970s and 1980s

Slow, gradual change continued into the next several decades.

Jim Jarmon opened a trucking company and became one of the most successful businessmen in Berlin during the early 1970s.

The soda fountain remained open, and Howard "Pike" Bowen started a bus company.

"The beauty parlors and the barbershop suffered during that time, but still there was enough that they could keep going," Purnell said. "Rob


Brittingham had the fish market and the fish market building is still there. He used to sell fish out of his truck in the '50s and '60s, then he bought that building and set up a fish market there. He went from his truck to a storefront business."

Others, such as Charles Henry, sold real estate, leveraging property passed down by parents and grandparents to accumulate land holdings.

The taxi companies also continued to flourish.

"That is one that has always worked because the people in Berlin have always had fingers up," Purnell said. "Joe Purnell used to drive a cab for the community, then after integration he really expanded, and others like Exvelt Smith had clienteles on both sides of the track even before integration."

"Those types of businesses continued to grow, but restaurants particularly started to lose out because you could go somewhere else and get food cheaper," Purnell said. "People weren't going out to eat once a week like they used to do, and there was no need to have a restaurant in the community because you could go to McDonald's or to a fast food place."



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# Purnell calls economics ‘last part’ of equality

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Economic conditions in the African-American community continued to lag behind their white neighbors.

“Even though we had business, people still didn’t have cars and the types of things that really make communities go,” Purnell said. “Mothers didn’t take their children to soccer practices and things of that sort because you were too busy working. Everybody was working.”

**The 21st Century**  
“At the turn of this century there were so few African-American businesses that have been a carryover from that time, from 1900 to 2000,” Purnell said. “Every 10 or 20 years things changed, and those things from previous generations no longer existed.”

“When we start in 2001, Jessie Turner is a cobbler right in Berlin,” Purnell said. “He worked for Joe’s Shoes, one of those ancient stores, and now he owns the store and owns the building. Glendola Bowen has a beauty shop. She had been trying all

her life, and she was finally able to get a storefront, Finally Yours.”

Purnell said integration mixed the communities, but failed to change the economic situation significantly.

“We were able to get other jobs, but we weren’t all of the sudden becoming equal economically,” he said. “Socially we were supposed to be, but that didn’t have anything to do with economics.”

“When we had a segregated black community African-Americans owned buses and had their own routes,” Purnell continued. “When it became integrated, they closed those schools, so they still drove buses, but now you’ve got 10 or 12 African-American drivers out of 60 or 70 when it used to be 20 out of 40.”

The corner store, an essential part of any community, has only once been owned by an African-American, Wallace Purnell.

Some in the community have

flourished in Berlin, such as Patrick Henry, a noted artist who also works in real estate. Many others continue to flounder.

“Storefronts in Berlin have changed and the need for what is there is not Afrocentric,” he said. “If you have money, you can buy the business up here, but it’s not going to so much affect your community. African-American business has less effect on the community now than it did then.”

Today, Purnell estimated, less than one percent of businesses in Berlin are owned by African Americans.

“The African-American community must understand from whence it came,” Purnell said. “Somewhere there has become a disconnect in the community, where before there was so much pride and everything was so self-contained and everything was good. Even though we were in our own little bubble, there was unity, unity in culture, unity in business and unity in education.”

That’s not to say that Purnell believes integration itself eroded that sense of pride, or that the two must be mutually exclusive.

“You have to remember that the melting pot is not a soup pot, it’s a salad pot,” he said. “Everything in it is supposed to be distinct and a part of that mix that makes up the bowl. It ought to be able to be identified in there. You’re not just boiling it down to make a soup and everything is one color. The greatest salads have the greatest ingredients.”

History, pride, a sense of self worth, Purnell believes, are the real keys to taking the next step in reaching toward true equality.

“I want my younger people today to know how strong the African-American community was at one time,” Purnell said. “I think we’re doing a disservice to ourselves when so many of our young people have completely gone astray. They don’t have pride, not in Berlin or even in themselves that we would have the east side of Berlin be a scourge on the town.”

“What happened last month was an isolated situation in an otherwise progressive town,” Purnell continued. “Berlin’s east and west are mixing together politically, socially and with our families. Economics are the last part of that equation, and to reach that goal we’ve got to get our pride back. I want my community to know that, yes, we’re still proud of what we were, that it gives you a little bit of pride to say, ‘I am a Berliner.’”

**‘I want my younger people today to know how strong the African-American community was at one time’**  
Gregory Purnell

## Commissioner Bertino to host first town hall meeting

By Brian Gilliland  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) County Commissioner Chip Bertino, who represents Ocean Pines, will hold a town hall-style meeting at the Ocean Pines library Saturday, Feb. 21, beginning at 10 a.m.

“I don’t expect the meeting to go longer than an hour or hour and a half, but I do want people to see how Judy Boggs’ successor is handling things,” Bertino said.

Boggs did not run for another term on the county commissioners board, citing a desire to retire.

The meeting will comprise three sections: an information session, a presentation by Kelly Brinkley, Worcester County’s volunteer services coordinator and then the final,

traditional town hall question-and-answer session.

“I’m pulling together my notes,” Bertino said, “The hockey arena, this year’s budget and the situation at Pines Plaza might be of interest. Certainly Showell Elementary will come up.”

Bertino didn’t give guidelines on what he would or wouldn’t be able to answer, or if questions might be disallowed.

“The Liquor Control Board might come up, but I don’t know that I’ll have much to say on that at this point. I’ll try to answer the best I can and with the most information I can,” he said.







Bertino is the only member of the board to have announced any kind of constituents’ meeting at this point, just months after being sworn in.

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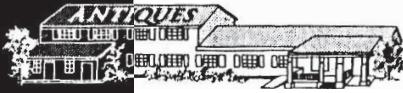
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# Groups make pitch to manage Pines course

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) Three potential management groups made their final pitches to the Ocean Pines Association membership during a four-hour public meeting held at the country club on Saturday, Feb. 14.

Current management Billy Casper Golf, the Lincoln, Neb. company, Landscapes Unlimited, and the Salisbury-based partnership Haley/Marshall each made approximately 45-minute presentations, followed by an additional question-and-answer session with the audience.

OPA Board Treasurer Jack Collins prefaced the meeting by discussing financial numbers over the course during the last six years.

According to Collins, the course lost \$200,000 in fiscal year 2009, followed by \$204,000 in 2010, \$317,000 in 2011, \$288,000 in 2012, \$536,000 in 2013 and \$237,000 in 2014.

"That's not an indictment of anybody," Collins said. "What it says is there's something that perhaps should be looked at. That's why a movement was created one way or another that threatened the well being of the golf course."

The persistent negative numbers, Collins said, triggered a movement by some last summer to convert the course into a public park.

Last week the board affirmed its in-

tention to keep the course open, which Collins underscored.

"We know that you're never going to be profitable as far as a golf course is concerned," he said. "But we, as a board, have a fiscal responsibility to you guys."

The board issued a request for proposals last year, looking for management groups interested in running the course. Collins said 10 parties expressed interest, and five submitted formal proposals.

The board, aided by a select committee, narrowed the list to three names.

"This is designed to benefit the Ocean Pines Association as a whole, the golfers in particular, and anybody who is interested in the well being of the OPA," Collins said.

Joel Gohlmann, senior vice president of operations, spoke on behalf of Casper, focusing on a positive financial trend during the last three years.

Gohlmann projected an \$88,282 loss in fiscal year 2015, showing more than \$1.4 million in revenue for the year and representing a \$200,000 improvement.

According to Gohlmann, the course also experienced a second-consecutive "year-over-year" growth of more than \$200,000.

"We feel those numbers are very realistic," Gohlmann said, adding the \$80,000 loss would be the best showing at the course in more than a decade.

Citing expected growth in package play and resident play during the next fiscal year, Gohlmann forecast a \$16,000 loss in 2016, although he admitted that number was "fairly aggressive" and needed "a little help from mother nature."

Mark Mattingly, vice business development for Landscapes Unlimited, promised to build a stronger relationship with the membership of the OBA.

With 16 public courses in the immediate area, Mattingly said he would focus instead on competing with the two private courses and addressing the drop in membership.

Mattingly said his three priorities in potentially managing the course were making a concerted effort to connect with the residents of Ocean Pines, engaging with the existing membership and introducing new programs that were consistent with the "lifestyle choices" of residents in Ocean Pines.

Bob Haley and Michael Marshall touted their roots in the area, as well as his Marshall's multi-billion dollar company and extensive experience in the hospitality industry.

"Ocean Pines gave me my start," Haley, a golf pro since 1972, said. "Ocean Pines has always been great to me. We're just very, very happy to be here."

Haley said the club was in good shape financially due to the lack of debt tied to loans, and stressed the importance of "getting the membership back."

According to Marshall, his company replaced Casper during a similar situation at the Green Hill Country Club in Quantico, helping the course turn a profit after years of poor financials.

Marshall suggested using his base of hotels "across the country" to feed traffic to the golf course, and said he would cover the "nuts and bolts" and food and beverage side of operations, while Haley specifically oversees golf.

Collins said the meeting went well. "I thought it was a template for other major issues that come before the board and Ocean Pines," he said. "When other outside vendors are involved in major issues, it might be at our advantage to hold a similar public forum."

"I think it was a healthy exercise,"

Collins continued. "I've gotten some very, very positive callbacks. They said the meeting went well and everybody had an opportunity to express themselves."

Board Parliamentarian Tom Terry, who headed a committee with Collins in selecting management candidates, was also upbeat following the meeting.

"I think we gave each of the companies a chance to show how they would approach the golf challenge in Ocean Pines," he said. "Some of them were very focused on membership growth only, while others were more of a mix of outside play and package play as well as continuing to grow the membership. I think they all had their differences and they all had their strengths."

"All-in-all, the meeting achieved what we wanted it to, which was giving these companies a chance to present to our members and to get questions directly from them," Terry continued. "There were some very good questions about how they would grow the membership and how they would market it. It was a very engaged, very long meeting."

Board President Dave Stevens said he was pleased despite the relatively low turnout.

"There were less people than I thought would be there, but I think the weather had something to do with that," he said. "I think the presenters did a good job and I think the questions were good. The crowd, or 95 percent of them, were courteous and asking questions rather than giving speeches of opinion."

Stevens said he would continue to seek public input and opinions throughout the week.

"It's not so much that opinions are going to sway my decision, but there's a lot of factors," he said. "You have to do due diligence, you have to go back and re-read everything, and then you have to say the best thing that you can. That's all we're paid to do — all those big bucks — is figure out what we think it best."

The board will hold a closed session on Friday, Feb. 20 at 8:30 a.m. to make a final decision on management of the course.

"I have no idea how it's going to turn out," Stevens said. "We'll see."



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# Co. Commissioners delay meeting

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) The area's first snowstorm of the winter forced the Worcester County Commissioners to delay its regular Tuesday meeting until this morning, which is after the Bayside Gazette's press time.

Before each meeting, certain documents, such as a tentative agenda and supporting paperwork, are made public, and while changes can and often do occur right up until the time of the meeting, the following issues are ones the commissioners intend to discuss.

The commissioners are expected to hear a projected revenue update covering fiscal 2015-2017.

Worcester County is divided into three assessment areas, each on the three-year assessment schedule. The western portion of the county is Area 1, the southern end is Area 2 and the Ocean City/Ocean Pines/Berlin section of Worcester is Area 3. Area 3 will be assessed for 2016, effective July 1, 2015.

Starting in fiscal 2010 with Area 3 reassessments at \$19.3 billion in tax base, fiscal 2011 counted \$18.13 billion in Area 1 and \$17.52 billion in Area 2. The cycle repeats, albeit with lower numbers in the next three-year term, according to the report. Fiscal 2013 dropped to \$15.78 billion in Area 3, \$15.06 billion in Area 1 in fiscal 2014 and \$14.86 billion in Area 2 for fiscal 2015.

The report quotes State Department of Assessment & Taxation estimates for fiscal 2016 and 2017 that continues the downward trend, reaching \$14.79 billion for Area 3 and \$15.06 billion for Area 1.

The general fund revenue is estimated to lose about \$100,000 from \$178 million to \$177.9 million, according to the report, which makes use of about \$7.2 million in budget stabilization funds this year and esti-

mates \$10.5 million for next, with none included on the graph for 2017 despite a smaller revenue figure of \$169.1 million.

Major revenues are expected to remain within \$150 million to \$160 million with the 2017 estimate looking about equal to the 2015 actual budget, with a dip for fiscal 2016.

Also, the Town of Berlin submitted a proposal for the annexation of about 90.5 acres on the east side of Seahawk Road and to the south of Route 50. Additional property included in earlier proposals to the north of this parcel slated for commercial development was not included with this proposal.

This parcel is to be developed as a residential area, currently zoned A-1 and will need to be rezoned to R-4 residential. The change in zoning, due in part to the proposed change in relative population density, allows the commissioners jurisdiction over the annexation, according to a memo to County Administrator Harold Higgins from Development Review and Permitting Director Ed Tudor.

The permitted density of an R-4 district, Tudor said, is one residential unit per 5,000 square feet of lot area, or about 9.7 units per acre to a total of about 744 possible units.

"It is my conclusion that the proposed R-4, Residence District zoning classification for the site to be annexed is not consistent with existing zoning in the area and permit uses which are substantially different than those in the county's zoning classification," Tudor said in the memo.

Tudor states the proposal is not consistent with the land uses recommended by the Worcester County Comprehensive plan nor the existing zoning and land use in the area but it is consistent with the Berlin Comprehensive plan and lies within a planned growth area. This, Tudor

said, gives the commissioners three options.

"First, they may concur with the town's proposed zoning classification upon annexation subject to the terms of the current annexation and development agreement. Second, they may concur with the town's proposed zoning classification upon annexation with additional or different requirements beyond those currently proposed in the annexation and development agreement. As the third alternative, they may chose to not concur with the town's proposed rezoning upon annexation, which would prohibit the town from allowing the development of the property as now proposed for a period of five years," Tudor said.

The mayor and council of Berlin submitted a resolution outlining the plan, which will be held up for public comment during the council's Feb. 23 meeting. An included traffic study showed minimal impact to the nearby roads with a fully populated 900-apartment development.

Also on this week's agenda is the proposed sports facility.

Hat Trick consultants, the entity pitching a 6,000-seat arena to be located within Worcester County with the hope of attracting a minor-league hockey franchise, has been invited to share their findings with the commissioners, who have since contacted the Maryland Stadium Authority to evaluate funding options for the facility.

The concern is the Maryland Stadium Authority will decide the arena competes with other projects funded by the MSA, the new Performing Arts Center is an example, and so may opt to not contribute to the arena.

The data provided to the commissioners appears identical to a previous report, so it seems Hat Trick consultants will be spending a good portion of their time answering direct questions form the board.

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# On What Grounds brings coffee, chocolate together

Couple opens joint shop inside Maryland Wine Bar on Main Street in Berlin

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) A couple for more than 14 years, Denise Tolson and Dana Gottloebe took their relationship to the next level when they opened On What Grounds earlier this year.

The shop, located inside Maryland Wine Bar at 103 North Main Street, was formerly an attorney's office.

"That's where we got the name," Tolson said. "We also liked the design of the legal scale that's our logo."

Wine Bar owner Deborah Everett, who first suggested the couple open the chocolate shop/café last summer, was a regular patron of Tolson's and her homemade, hand-dipped chocolates.

Gottloebe, meanwhile, owned and operated the Coffee Beanery inside the Centre at Salisbury Mall for 22 years.

"The mall is kind of dying and it was just time to go," he said. "Deborah's suggestion of opening a coffee and a chocolate shop made sense with both of our experiences."

The next step, Gottloebe said, was finding the right bean.

"As a franchisee at the Coffee Beanery, I used to always think that we had phenomenal beans, which they do, but then this company called Intelligentsia in Chicago sent me samples and it was like a whole 'nother level," Gottloebe said. "Their beans are just awesome. I did try some relatively local beans to try to keep it more local, but they just

couldn't compare."

Gottloebe said Intelligentsia is part of the so-called "third wave" of coffee, buying from Direct Trade certified growers and using a "pour-over" method.

"It's really fresh-brewed into an individual cup," he said. "It's a lot more handcrafted type of coffee, and it's really about spending the money to get really high-grade, high-quality beans."

On What Grounds uses several methods in its brewing, including pour-over, aeropress and traditional electronic drip, and offers flavored, iced, frozen and espresso coffees.

Along with chocolates, Tolson bakes muffins, scones and three kinds of bagels fresh each morning.

"The people that live in the apartments upstairs think it's horrible that we're here, because the smell just wafts into their apartment every morning," Tolson quipped.

The shop also sells breakfast sandwiches all day, along with "grab and go" lunch sandwiches.

"It's really been a fun experience," Tolson said. "This town is a great place to open a business and all the local merchants have been really great. Hopefully in the future we keep getting bigger and better, and maybe look into offering another locations."

On What Grounds is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

For more information call 410-629-1022 or visit [www.facebook.com/OnWhatGroundsBerlin](http://www.facebook.com/OnWhatGroundsBerlin).



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Denise Tolson and Dana Gottloebe opened the coffee house/chocolate shop, On What Grounds in Berlin earlier this month.



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On What Grounds in Berlin offers homemade, hand-dipped chocolates and freshly made baked goods, along with gourmet coffee.



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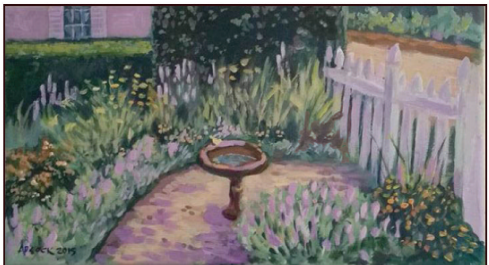
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# Berlin Chamber offering opportunities for volunteers

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) The Berlin Chamber of Commerce and Visitor's Center are kicking off a new campaign to encourage volunteers.

Prospective volunteers can sign up to work during specific times in the center, or during specific events in town.

"It's whole big volunteer push," Chamber Administrator Jim Volk said. "We have posters we're going to put up around town and we've developed an online form where people can sign up to volunteer just by visiting our website."

The chamber is seeking volunteers during Spring Celebration on April 4, Spring Cruisers on May 16, Jazz and Blues Fest on June 6, Bath Tub Races on July 17, Fiddler's Convention Sept. 18-20 and Fall Cruisers on Oct. 10.

Volk touted volunteering as "a great way for students to get their community service hours."

"With Spring Celebration coming up on April 4, for instance, we have needs because we are hopefully going to have costumed characters and we'll have different game booths for the kids. So that's something where somebody could volunteer for one event, it's one day, and it's not a commitment for a lifetime or an entire summer."

Plenty of opportunities also exist for retirees.

"There are lots of things for them to

do, especially at the Visitor's Center, where's it's not as strenuous activity," Volk said. "They would be getting training as far as the history of the town, the events and the businesses so they can make recommendations and give guidance, but then they can basically sit down inside the center."

"Generally, for the different events, we will match whatever their physical capabilities are with the different functions going on," Volk continued. "At each event there are things that would be suitable for everyone from high school age to a retiree."

The biggest areas of need, according to Volk, are the Fiddler's Convention and Jazz and Blues Bash, as well as the upcoming Spring Celebration

"Right now, the iron is in the fire, so we're real anxious for people to raise their hand, so to speak, for that particular event," Volk said.

Although the campaign officially begins in March, Volk said he has already received positive responses from the community.

"We have a great history of volunteerism in Berlin, and the benefits are many," he said. "You make new friends, you meet your neighbors, there are just so many positive aspects of volunteering."

For more information call 410-641-4775 or visit [www.berlinchamber.org/support-berlin-maryland/volunteer](http://www.berlinchamber.org/support-berlin-maryland/volunteer).

# Program celebrates 'eighth wonder' Assateague Island

(Feb. 19, 2015) Assateague Island Alliance, the friends group of Assateague Island National Seashore, is presenting "The Eighth Wonder of the World - Assateague," an informative program to celebrate the significance of Assateague Island National Seashore on Feb. 21, starting with coffee and refreshments at 10:30 a.m.

Presentations will begin at 11 a.m. and includes a "State of the Park" address with Deborah Darden, park superintendent. For the first time ever, AIA welcomes keynote speaker, Mark Hendricks, to illustrate the visual story of the unique importance of Assateague through his photography.

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The Assateague Island Alliance, a 501-c3 organization, is a Friends Group to benefit Assateague Island National Seashore. AIA financially supports educational, interpretive, scientific and recreational programs. All funds raised by AIA are for the direct benefit of Assateague Island National Seashore. Donations are tax-deductible.

For more information, call 443-614-3547 or email [outreachAIA@gmail.com](mailto:outreachAIA@gmail.com).

# Chamber hosts mystery dinner

(Feb. 19, 2015) "For The Love of Money," a murder mystery dinner and show, will be presented on Friday, Feb. 20 at the Woodlands of Ocean Pines.

It will be performed by Get a Clue Productions and sponsored by the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets cost \$40 and includes dinner

and the show. There will be prizes for the best detectives as the audience will become part of the murder investigation.

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.OceanPinesChamber.org](http://www.OceanPinesChamber.org) or at the Ocean Pines chamber office, 11031 Cathell Road Berlin, Md., or call 410-641-5306.

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# SNAPSHOTS



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## NATIONAL ACCREDITATION

The Worcester County Commissioners and health officials display a plaque announcing that the Worcester County Health Department has achieved national accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board. Pictured, in front from left, are health officials, QIS Director, Jennifer LaMade; Administration Director, Heather Barton; Health Officer, Debbie Goeller; Prevention Director, Marty Pusey and Commissioners Diana Purnell, Bud Church and Chip Bertino, and in back, Environmental Health Director, Ed Potetz; Consultant, Becky Shockley; Community Health Director, Debra Stevens; Deputy Health Officer, Dr. Andrea Mathias and Commissioners Joe Mitrecic, Jim Bunting and Ted Elder. The WCHD is one of the first two health departments in Maryland to earn accreditation.



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## RESEARCH PROJECT

The Dragon and Diamondback teams at Stephen Decatur Middle School recently completed an interdisciplinary research project on the history of slavery. After completing their research, students chose a variety of presentation formats for their report, including newspaper and video. Working on their video presentation and getting their sound finalized, from left, are Alex Bean, Ashton Fisher and Jonathan Santana. (Above, right) Cheyenne Franklin and Jonathan Brink show off their newspaper, The United Times.



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## GERM INVASION

Zane DeVito, a first grader at Showell Elementary School, finishes in second place at the Worcester County Science Fair with the project, "Germ Invasion."



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## SCIENCE OF BAKING

Each year second grade students at Worcester Preparatory School take part in a unit that features learning science, social studies, and mathematics through baking bread. The breads—white, cinnamon and cinnamon raisin—they make are sold at their annual bread sale. Slices of bread complete with a variety of toppings and juice are sold for 25 cents each. Proceeds from the sale are donated to Atlantic General Hospital. Some of the second grade bakers pictured with teacher Jenny Frostrom, in front from left, are Gavin Riddle, Angeline Todorov, Sydney Tingle, Maxine Ruggerio, Faith Travis, Danielle Carr, Emaan Ehtasham, Yasmina El Sabbagh, and in back, Paige Barnhart, Isabella Metz, Edward Martikyan, Ryan Mann, Carter Lehman, Sebastian Munro, Lydia Schwartz, Frank Miller and Jack Lynch. (Above, right) Ready to eat her slice of bread is kindergartner Mia Jaoude.



# SNAPSHOTS



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## ON A STROLL

Out and about during Berlin's 2nd Friday Art Stroll on Feb. 13 were Berlin Councilmember Lisa Hall, left, Pedestrian Safety Committee head Patricia Dufendach and Jon Caudle.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## ART COUPLE

Don Grafer, with his lovely wife Sue, welcome guests into his studio inside the Worcester County Arts Center in Berlin during 2nd Friday Art Stroll on Feb. 13.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## UKE PLAYS

The Uke of Earl Orchestra played inside the Berlin Visitor's Center during 2nd Friday on Feb. 13.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## COMICS FEATURED

The PLB comics crew were the featured artists during 2nd Friday at the Berlin Visitor's Center on Feb. 13. Pictured, from left, are Mathew Shockley, Kelly Perna, Josh Shockley and James Dufendach.



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## GUEST SPEAKERS

Erin Swanson, RN and Matt Terrull, a therapist from Amedisys Home Health Care, gave a informative talk to members of the Democratic Club of Worcester County during its monthly meeting, Feb. 12 at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Swanson assists patients through the process of healing wounds to setting up their medications. Terrull is a therapist and also makes home visits. Pictured with them are Club President, Tom Butler, left, and Vice President, Arlene Page.



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## YOUNG AUTHORS

Worcester Preparatory School winners in the 2014-2015 Young Authors Competition, from left, are Grace Baeurle, fifth grade; Sumira Sehgal, fifth grade; Meeta Agarwal, fourth grade and Annika Larsen, seventh grade.



# Go Organic converting operations to co-op

**By Josh Davis**  
Staff Writer

(Feb. 19, 2015) Go Organic grocery store in Berlin announced a major change this month, as the three-year-old shop began preparations to convert to a food cooperative.

Owner Beth Gourley began holding public meetings to address the conversion on Feb. 16.

"I had originally wanted to do a co-op when I first opened the store, but it just didn't work out that way," Gourley said. "In the three years we've been in business, the interest has grown and now we feel like there's a real demand. The interest is there now."

A co-op, Gourley said, is a food

distribution outlet owned and governed by investors and shareholders.

"It's basically just a group of people that get together and buy good quality food at an affordable price," Gourley said. "It's volunteer-owned and controlled by the people who use it. When you have a co-op, you're often able to get things accomplished at a greater rate and it can be much more efficient, because you have multiple people working toward the same goals."

The co-op will source food from local farms and distributors, and will focus on organic products.

"Organic is just safer food," Gourley said. "I've always been a big one for foods that aren't genetically mod-

ified, no chemicals, no artificial flavors or colors, and it's all sustainable."

Go Organic will essentially remain a retail store, Gourley said, but with a board of members voting on how operations are carried out.

Gourley said she was pleasantly surprised by the initial response to the changeover.

"We've gotten a lot of interest," she said. "I got a little nervous in the beginning, but the response has been great so far."

A one-time investment of \$100-\$300 enables people to "buy in" to the co-op, while others can buy shares into the system. The co-op is run like a business, meaning if the

idea is successful, investors will see a profit at the end of the year.

Gourley plans to conduct a feasibility study before beginning, and said fundraisers and public grants will likely help raise some initial capital.

"The four meetings that we have are going to help me find out who is interested and what their talents are, and to develop some task forces to accomplish what we need," Gourley said. "We do need participants and we encourage everybody to come out and learn more about what we're doing."

Go Organic will be closed until March 2.

Meetings will be held on Thursday, Feb. 19 from 6-7:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 22 from 2-3:30 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 28 from 10-11:30 a.m. at 13 Vine St in Berlin.

For more information call 443-513-4255 or email [goorganicberlin@outlook.com](mailto:goorganicberlin@outlook.com).

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## Black History Month celebrated at Berlin school

(Feb. 19, 2015) Germantown School will host events to celebrate Worcester County and Black History month in February.

The organization's mission statement is to give the community an opportunity to learn, inspire, explain and research the rich history and culture of the county and the local area. Germantown School is located at 10223 Trappe Road in Berlin.

•Friday, Feb. 20, 6:30 p.m. – Rev. David Briddell, a native son of Berlin and a retired minister and author, will speak on his recent publication about three local families in the area. He will discuss tracing our genealogy. Rev. Briddell will host a book signing as well. Also that evening, Martin Luther King will come alive when orator Gregory Purnell will deliver one of Dr. King's famous speeches.

•Friday, Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m. – "Looking Back: A Trip Down Memory Lane." Share in the celebration of the former teachers and students of the Flower Street, Germantown, and Sinepuxent Schools. Hear about their experiences and enjoy light refreshment, fun and fellowship.

Call Barbara Tingle Purnell at 410-641-0638 for further information on events.



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# PRMC offers breastfeeding, early care classes for moms

(Feb. 19, 2015) Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury will be offering breastfeeding, childbirth and newborn care classes.

A breastfeeding class is scheduled from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21 in the Hallowell Conference Center at PRMC.

Peninsula Regional educators will make presentations on the basics of breastfeeding, proper positioning of baby, how to avoid common problems and how to pump and store milk.

Mothers are invited to bring support members with them, as studies show that breastfeeding is more successful when mom has loving, knowledgeable support. Videos will also be shown to help demonstrate the proper techniques for successful nursing. The fee is \$30 for mom-to-be and her coach. Pre-registration is required.

PRMC is also offering a four-week prepared childbirth course on Tuesdays from 6-9 p.m. beginning on March 3.

This interactive course includes information about prenatal care, labor and delivery, postpartum care and infant safety. Class members will tour the medical center and hear about what to expect during labor and birth, different breathing techniques, relaxation skills and other comfort measures to use whether planning a medicated or non-medicated birth.

Classes should be taken during the sixth- to eighth-month of pregnancy.

The fee is \$75 for the mom-to-be and her coach. Pre-registration is required. Participants are asked to bring a blanket and two pillows to each class.

Parents who cannot attend the full course may take an online class via [www.peninsula.org](http://www.peninsula.org), with a two-hour in-person component that includes a tour of Peninsula Regional's Labor & Delivery and Mother-Baby units. The next e-learning add-on class will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21 from noon to 2 p.m. and costs \$30.

PRMC is presenting its newborn care class from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24 in the Hallowell Conference Center at PRMC.

This class for first-time parents will focus on survival skills for the first six weeks home with baby. Topics include diapering, bathing, sleeping and calming a fussy baby. Dad or another support person/coach is encouraged to attend with mom.

The class will provide participants an opportunity to obtain some hands-on experience. There is a \$30 participation fee that covers the mom-to-be and her coach. Pre-registration is required. Those attending a four-week prepared childbirth class, this information is also covered in that class.

For more information, call 410-543-7512, email [lavern.henry@peninsula.org](mailto:lavern.henry@peninsula.org) or visit the Classes and Events section of the Peninsula Regional Medical Center website at [www.peninsula.org](http://www.peninsula.org) for online registration.

# Wor. County institutes new application for nonprofits

(Feb. 19, 2015) Worcester County government has instituted an updated application to be used by nonprofit organizations that plan to apply for grant funds from the county for fiscal year 2016.

The new Nonprofit Grant Application, which is available as a Portable Document Format (PDF), can be accessed on the homepage of the county website at [www.co.worcester.md.us](http://www.co.worcester.md.us) under Top Links. The application requires nonprofits to provide greater detail regarding strategies for achieving their program goals and objectives, and how grant funds would be used to help those objectives.

Organization types eligible to apply for grant funds include those involved in health, human services, arts and culture, community affairs, environmental affairs or historic preservation.

Applications are due no later than Feb. 25. Applications received after this date will not be considered. For more information, contact Kim Moses, public information officer at 410-632-1194.

# Berlin Award celebrates 50th anniversary during banquet

(Feb. 19, 2015) The annual recognition for outstanding community service known as "The Berlin Award" will be celebrating its 50th anniversary banquet on Thursday, April 23, at the Berlin Fire Hall, located on North Main Street.

The banquet, sponsored by the Berlin Lions Club, begins with a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and a program at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 per person may be purchased by calling Russ Barrett at 410-641-4322.

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# OPINION

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## Public input could be key to harmony in Pines

As Ocean Pines looks to the future and, hopefully, tries to determine how much and on what they will need additional member funding for, board members should follow the recent example of the Town of Berlin.

Given the opportunity to make a landmark purchase of the old Tysons chicken plant and faced with a decision on how to best proceed with town needs and resident wants, the mayor and council decided to hire a facilitator and set up community meetings.

Providing residents, shop owners and others who are stakeholders in the town's future an opportunity to be heard and help prioritize where town monies should be focused was a smart idea.

As is the case in all communities, there are always varied opinions and only so many resources to cover everything put forth. Berlin has learned that being inclusive allows all members of the public to feel they are partners of the result, whether their individual ideas make the cut or not.

One of the obstacles continually faced by Ocean Pines is many in the community feel decisions are made by only a select few. Setting up community forums with a facilitator allows the board to not only get valuable input but also keeps things focused, without straying into personal diatribes of frustration by residents.

The board, like many governing bodies, is made up of those who truly wish to better their communities. However, in Ocean Pines, mistrust has developed as property owners see large investments in projects specifically tied to fall under the referendum radar time and again.

Following Berlin's example could help the board change that dynamic. The town has developed a formula for success that it would be wise for OPA to model.

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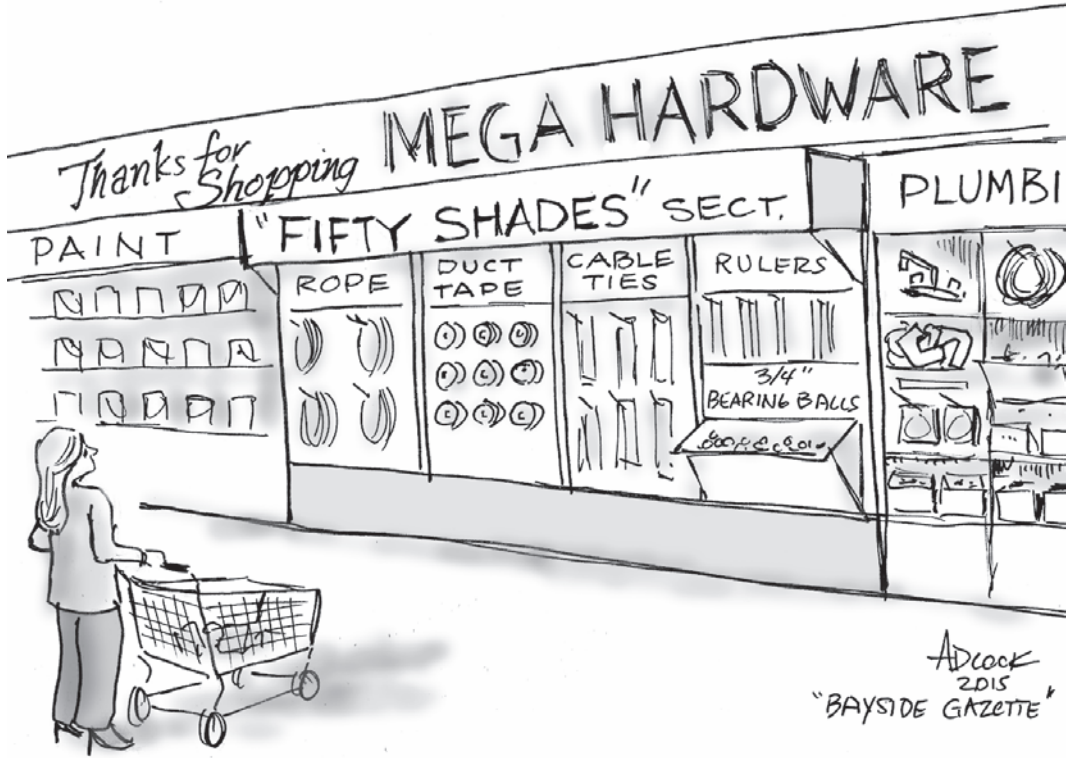
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## AGH accreditation could lead to early detection of heart disorders

**IAC grants Berlin hospital 3-year term in echocardiography**

(Feb. 19, 2015) Atlantic General Hospital has been granted a three-year term of accreditation in adult transthoracic echocardiography by the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC).

Early detection of life threatening heart disorders and other diseases is possible through the use of echocardiography procedures performed at hospitals, outpatient centers and physicians' offices. While these tests are helpful, many facets contribute to an accurate diagnosis based on echocardiography testing.

The skill of the echocardiography sonographer performing the examination, the type of equipment used, the background and knowledge of the interpreting physician and quality assurance measures are each critical to quality patient testing.

Accreditation by the IAC means that Atlantic General Hospital has undergone a thorough review of its operational and technical components by a panel of experts.

The IAC grants accreditation only to those facilities that are found to be providing quality patient care, in compliance with national standards through a comprehensive application process including detailed case study review.

IAC accreditation is a seal of approval that patients can rely on as an indication that the facility has been carefully critiqued on all aspects of its operations considered relevant by medical experts in the field of echocardiography.

When scheduled for an echocardiography procedure, patients should inquire as to the accreditation status of the facility where their examinations will be performed and can learn more by visiting [www.intersocietal.org/echo/main/patients.htm](http://www.intersocietal.org/echo/main/patients.htm).

Cardiovascular diseases are the No. 1 cause of death in the United States. On average, one American dies every 39 seconds of cardiovascular disease – disorders of the heart and blood vessels. The American Heart Association estimates that the direct and indirect cost for cardiovascular disease in the U.S. for 2010 was \$503.2 billion.

IAC accreditation is widely respected within the medical community, as illustrated by the support of the national medical societies related to echocardiography, which include physicians and sonographers. Echocardiography accreditation is required in some states and regions by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and by some private insurers.

Echocardiography accreditation is required in some states and regions by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and by a number of private insurers; accreditation is not required in Maryland.

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# Berlin Award touts ‘50 years of memories’

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The dinner will feature fried chicken and baked ham with anniversary cake as dessert.

The evening promises to be memorable as the program will include projected images and a live narrative that will feature “50 years of memories” of Berlin since the establishment of the Berlin Award in 1965.

Nominations are being sought for this special 50th anniversary banquet. An official nomination form is available on the Town of Berlin’s

website, [www.berlinmd.gov](http://www.berlinmd.gov). Nomination forms may also be picked up at Berlin Town Hall and on Main Street at either: PNC Bank, Taylor Bank the Berlin Chamber of Commerce office in the Town’s Welcome Center and both newspaper offices in Berlin.

Nominations must be received by March 16 to be considered for this year’s Berlin Award. Nomination forms should be mailed to: Berlin Award, Attn. Roxanne Williams, 1 South Main Street, Berlin, Md. 21811.

The public is invited to add to the evening’s presentation by sharing their favorite memories of Berlin during the past 50 years.

Mail favorite memory by US Postal Service mail to RoxAnne Williams, 1 South Main Street, Berlin by April 10.

The Berlin Award Committee is also asking the public to share favorite photos of Berlin since 1965 by mailing them or dropping them off to: Favorite Berlin Photos, Berlin Town Hall, 10 William Street, Berlin,

Md. 21811. All photos must be received by March 18 to be scanned for the Berlin Award Banquet presentation and may be picked-up at Town Hall after April 1.

The first Berlin Award recipient was Frederick Brueckmann and the most recent recipient was Doug Parks. The banquet committee encourages past award winners or members of deceased award winners to attend this special 50th anniversary banquet so as many past award winners are represented as possible.



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**TEENS FOR JEANS**

When Stephen Decatur High School senior Jennah Lupiwok chose the Aeropostale Teens for Jeans campaign as a Key Club service project, she had no idea that the school would respond so overwhelmingly. With an original goal of collecting around 300 pairs of gently worn jeans, Lupiwok and the SDHS Key Club far exceeding expectations, collecting more than 700 pairs.

“Right now, we are in the running to be the No. 1 school in the state,” said Key Club Advisor Mary Malone. The jeans will be given to the company Aeropostale, which then distributes them to shelters across the nation.

## Benefit concert in OP raises \$4,750 for Coastal Hospice

(Feb 19, 2015) A benefit concert for Coastal Hospice on Dec. 23 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club given by former American Idol contestant Jimmy Charles, raised \$4,750 for the non-profit organization.

Charles, who currently is a musician in Nashville, chose Coastal Hospice for the benefit because it was the organization that cared for his grandmother. The musician grew up in Ocean City and graduated from Towson University.

Several attendees at the concert shared their stories of how Coastal Hospice supported them during their time of need.

“It was healing. It was a time to give back,” Charles said. “We thank Coastal Hospice for all they do and all

the care they give.”

Many local businesses contributed to the silent auction, including Tony’s Pizza, Park Place Jewelers, A Perfect Face Day Spa, Mio Fratello Italian Steakhouse, Greene Turtle Restaurant, Ocean Pines Farmer’s Market, Avon, Blue Ox Bar and Grill, Backshore Brewing Company, Beach Music, Wockenfuss and Seacrets.

Founded in 1980, Coastal Hospice is a nonprofit health care organization on the Lower Shore of Maryland that cares for individuals facing life-limiting conditions.

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## THURS. Feb. 19

**PINE'EER CRAFT CLUB** — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Beginning at 9:45, refreshments, meeting and craft, followed by planning meeting. Guests welcome. Info: Sharon, 410-208-3032.

**WORCESTER COUNTY TEA PARTY MEETING** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., meeting begins at 7 p.m. Sheriff Reggie Mason and members of the Criminal Enforcement Team will talk about the heroin epidemic on the Eastern Shore. Free and open to the public. Info: WCTPPatriots@gmail.com, [www.worcestercountyteaparty.com](http://www.worcestercountyteaparty.com), [www.facebook.com/WorcesterCountyTeaParty](http://www.facebook.com/WorcesterCountyTeaParty) or 443-614-7214.

**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 Dianne, 302-541-4642.

**BINGO** — American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5 p.m., games start at 6:30 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

**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.

## FRI. Feb. 20

**OCEAN CITY FIBER FEST** — Grand Hotel, 2100 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Vendors who promote fibers (wool, fabric, wood, reed, etc.) gather to educate and promote the natural fiber industry. Along with shopping, there will be classes and make-n-takes. Admission costs \$3 per day or \$5 for the weekend. Door prizes daily. Info: Susan Childs, 443-235-2926 or [www.ocfiberfest.com](http://www.ocfiberfest.com).

**ST. PATRICK'S INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENTS** — Northside Park, 200 125th St. in Ocean City. Info: 410-250-0125.

**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.

**AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY EVENT** — Germantown School, 10223 Trappe Road, Berlin, 6:30 p.m. Rev. David Bridell, a retired minister and author, will speak on his publication about three local families. He will discuss tracing

our genealogy. Orator, Gregory Purnell, will deliver one of Dr. King's famous speeches. Light refreshments. All are welcome. Info: Barbara Purnell, 410-641-0638.

**WOMEN IN BUSINESS CONFERENCE 2015** — Hampton Inn, 121 Naylor Mill Road, Salisbury, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Featuring keynote speaker Mitzi Perdue. Topics include Business Start-Up & Management, Internet Marketing & Web Design, MBE Certifications and Small Business Law. Cost is \$40 and includes admission, lunch, snacks and networking. Info: Richele Purnell, [rpurnell@MarylandCapital.org](mailto:rpurnell@MarylandCapital.org) or 410-546-1900. Register online at [www.MarylandCapital.org](http://www.MarylandCapital.org).

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER** — The Woodlands of Ocean Pines, 1135 Ocean Parkway. "For The Love of Money" will be performed by Get a Club Productions. Tickets cost \$40 and include full, plated dinner and the show. Prizes for best detective. Tickets: [www.OceanPinesChamber.org](http://www.OceanPinesChamber.org), 410-641-5306 or stop in to the Ocean Pines Office, 11031 Cathell Road, Berlin.

**'CORK FOR A CAUSE' FUNDRAISER** — Brews Up, 9028 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 7-9 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 and include a wine tasting, wine making, two bottles of wine to take home with special event labels and a donation to The Cricket Center. Advance tickets only: [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com).

**BEACH LACROSSE FUNDRAISER** — Cork Bar & Grill, 3 Wicomico St., Ocean City, 7-11 p.m. Silent auction, food and drinks. Cost is \$20 and includes draft beer and appetizers. Must be 21 to attend. Info: [www.beachlax.org](http://www.beachlax.org) or [beachlacrosse@yahoo.com](mailto:beachlacrosse@yahoo.com).

**RELAY FOR LIFE QUARTER AUCTION** — Stephen Decatur High School, 9913 Seahawk Road, Berlin. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., auction starts at 6 p.m. Cost is admission plus one paddle for \$8, additional paddles are \$3 each. Admission plus four paddles is \$15. Benefiting Team Kappes Wellness Center and Back in Action Physical Therapy's fundraising for The American Cancer Society.

## SAT. Feb. 21

**OCEAN CITY FIBER FEST** — Grand Hotel, 2100 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Vendors who promote fibers (wool, fabric, wood, reed, etc.) gather to educate and promote the natural fiber industry. Along with shopping, there will be classes and make-n-takes. Admission costs \$3 per day or \$5 for the weekend. Door prizes daily. Info: Susan Childs, 443-235-2926 or [www.ocfiberfest.com](http://www.ocfiberfest.com).

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in Ocean City. Info: 410-250-0125.

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN DINER** — 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.

**TOWN MEETING** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino will provide information on issues and developments occurring within the district and the county. Info: 443-783-3248.

**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 corn, flowers, artisan breads, seafood, meats and more. New vendors welcome. Info: 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WAREHOUSE OPEN** — Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County Warehouse, 7033 Worcester Highway, Newark, 8 a.m. to noon. Currently accepting donations in the form of gently used furniture, appliances and building supplies. Info: 410-208-4440.

## SUN. Feb. 22

**OCEAN CITY FIBER FEST** — Grand Hotel, 2100 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors who promote fibers (wool, fabric, wood, reed, etc.) gather to educate and promote the natural fiber industry. Along with shopping, there will be classes and make-n-takes. Admission costs \$3 per day or \$5 for the weekend. Door prizes daily. Info: Susan Childs, 443-235-2926 or [www.ocfiberfest.com](http://www.ocfiberfest.com).

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**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.

**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.

**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. 23

**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.

**LIVING WELL WORKSHOP** — Northern Worcester Senior Center 10129 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Mondays, Jan. 5 through Feb. 23. Free, six-week workshop that teaches how to live a quality life with chronic disease. Chronic conditions include diabetes, arthritis, depression, asthma, bronchitis, pain, heart disease or any condition that hinders you. Pre-registration required by calling Laura Small, 410-629-6820.

**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. 24

**AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by the first class from 7-9 p.m. The course meets the requirements for those born after July 1, 1972. Those who successfully complete this course, may be eligible for six month free membership in the Ocean City Power Squadron. Nominal charge for course materials. Registration: 410-726-1509, 410-641-6535 or 410-641-8040. Info: [www.ocpower-squadron.org](http://www.ocpower-squadron.org).

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# CALENDAR

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. 25

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** — Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 7-8 p.m. The group gathers the fourth Wednesday of each month. Pre-registration is not necessary. Info: Pastoral Care Services, 410-641-9725 or gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org.

**SIMPLE SUPPER** — Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City, last Wednesday of each month, 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 11 and younger. Reservations: 410-524-7994.

**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 DANCE 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. Info: 302-200-DANCE (3262).

**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.

**BAYSIDE BEGINNINGS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING** — Ocean Pines Community 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

**PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW TRIP** — Motorcoach tour to the 186th PHS Philadelphia Flower Show, March 3. "Lights, Camera, BLOOM!" will feature thousands of plant and floral designs getting their inspiration from some of Disney's animated and live-action films. Tickets cost \$75 and include transportation and admission to the show. Info: Lea Cataggio, 410-632-2144, Ext. 109 or lcataggio@co.worcester.md.us.

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

**WORCESTER COUNTY PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, second Tuesday of each month, 2:15 p.m. Speakers, exercises and group discussions. Info: 410-208-3132


**DIABETES WORKSHOP** — Indian River Senior Center, 214 Irons Ave., Millsboro, Del., 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Held weekly from Feb. 13 to March 20. This free

workshop will cover healthy eating, ways to prevent low blood sugar/hypoglycemia, preventing or delaying complications, physical activity and exercise, reading nutrition labels, foot care and more. Pre-register: Laura Small, 410-629-6820. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital.

**HORSE & CARRIAGE RIDES** — Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., through April 26. Passengers board near Thrasher's at the Ocean City Inlet and travel around the pier and down the Boardwalk to Fourth Street and back. Carriage is heated. Cost is \$10 for adults and free for children 3 and younger. Info: Randy Davis, 443-783-1409.

**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.

**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.choosetolivemaryland.org.




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| Daily                     | Assateague Point, Berlin                       | 1BR/2BR/3BR          | Mobile            | From \$100,000       | Resort Homes/Tony Matrona                |
| Daily 10-5                | Gateway Grand – 48th Street                    | 3 & 4BR, 3BA         | Condo             | From \$904,900       | Condominium Realty                       |
| Daily 11-3                | Villas, OC Inlet Isle                          | 3BR/4BR              | Condo             | \$795,000            | Condominium Realty                       |
| Daily 10-4                | 1111 Edgewater Ave                             | 3BR/2.5BA            | Condo             | From \$595,000       | Condominium Realty                       |
| Mon-Sat 10-5<br>Sun. 12-5 | 70th St. Bayside Broadmarsh                    | 3BR/2.5BA            | Townhomes         | From \$304,900       | Condominium Realty                       |
| Mon-Sat 10-5<br>Sun. 12-5 | Seaside Village, West Ocean City               | 3BR/2BA/2 half baths | Townhome          | From \$289,900       | Condominium Realty                       |
| Friday thru Sunday        | Sunset Island                                  | -                    | Condos, TH, SF    | \$389K/\$509K/\$900K | Terry Riley/Vantage Resort               |
| Saturday 10-1             | 505 Edgewater Ave.- Ocean City                 | 4BR/3.5BA            | Townhome          | \$599,900            | Darryl Greer/Resort Real Estate          |
| Sat & Sun 11-4 p.m.       | Heron Harbour Sales Office, 120th St., Bayside | 1BR/2/BR/3BR/4/BR+   | Condo, Towns & SF | —                    | Nanette Pavier/Holiday Real Estate       |
| Sunday 12-5               | Seaside Village, West Ocean City               | 3BR/2.5BA            | Townhome          | From \$289,900       | Condominium Realty                       |
| Sunday 11-2               | 2 Pine Cone Way, Ocean Pines                   | 4BR/3BA              | Single Family     | \$625,000            | Mike & Terry Burrier/Hileman Real Estate |

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# CUISINE

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## Suplee has fond memories of manoes

Many times over, I am sure, my wife has questioned her sanity as to why she married me. During the first few years of dating, we would drive from Baltimore to Denton to visit my mother, and every time we would pass a certain store, I would audibly wonder as to whether they were selling



By Paul Suplee,  
CEC PCIII

manoes, or softshell clams. We probably made that trip 40 times, and I asked the same question at the same portion of every blasted trip. It drove her crazy, but she still said “yes,” so I guess that says something.

For me, manoes hold a special place in my heart because I have adored them ever since I was in the highchair. I would fight for them tooth and nail when an older sibling would mess with me and pretend to take them away.

As a child, I was often tormented by my older siblings, and there were a lot of them. Vicki and Christi were a good number of years older than me, as were Brian and Mary, although the latter was at least a part of my generation (I only wrote that in the off chance that any of my siblings actually read this). Then there were Andy, Fred and Danny.

To add to the list, we sponsored midshipmen at the academy for years, so our summer seafood feasts would number in the 20s or 30s with crabs, manoes, fresh corn and other area tidbits for which we yearned.

We would also frequent Cantler’s Riverside Inn, a shanty-style seafood joint outside of Annapolis that owns its boats, a great advantage when offering expensive shellfish by the boatload. A bucket of steamers and a couple of beers was all that one would need to enjoy the back creek view. Added to the ambience of country music in the background and all beers coming in cans-only, it made



for a good day.

When we moved to this area 16 years ago, I figured it would be easy to find manoes, but I was sadly mistaken. I was informed that these fine mollusks are rockfish bait and nothing more. But I pressed on in my quest for the perfect bivalve. So far, the only place I have been able to find them is Harris Teeter in Selbyville and even there they are sporadic, as they don’t last long. They are delicious. There’s just something about these shellfish that I absolutely adore.

Now if you decided to try some, which you should, I need to tell you that you can offer them up with melted whole butter, clarified butter or brown butter. Any of them are equally right in that you know what you want. If you want a flavorless oil,

choose clarified. If you would like the body of butter and the flavors of the milk solids and proteins that complete the package, then dip in melted whole butter (with salt, of course).

If, however, you were drawn (get it?) into the brown butter debate in one of my recent articles, then go for this final option. There is something about brown butter that goes wonderfully with lobster, clams, shrimp et al.

And now I must address the final piece of the puzzle – the seafood seasoning. You know how I feel about Old Bay, so I won’t go there. I respect the company and the product, especially considering its longevity, but I prefer JO Spice, another Baltimore favorite.

Recently, a coworker gave me a jar

of his Smith Island Seafood Spice that he will be pushing out to market soon. I was pleased that it was a happy medium between Old Bay and JO Spice and I like a good compromise, and this promised to be just that.

And as I finish my first bowl of steamers in a few years, I relish the thought of finding them again and reliving a little piece of my childhood that I hold so dear.

### Nap Town Steamers

Enough for me  
3# Fresh manoes  
1 c. white wine  
1 lemon, cut in wedges  
1 c. Drawn butter (See article)  
Seafood seasoning of your liking

Fill tub with salted water so that it is approximately the same salinity level as our local bays. Ensure that the water is cool, so maybe 75 degrees or so.

Place the clams in the water for at least two hours to help them purge some of the sand that will be in their system.

When you are confident that the clams are clean enough to eat, heat about 1 cup of water and the wine in a pan with a tight fitting lid.

Add the clams and steam until all of the clams are open and the meat is firm, and this will depend on the level of steam, etc. Today when I made them it took about 7 minutes. Monitor and experiment. The happy part is that you still get to eat the failed experiments after you fix them.

When done, remove to a bowl and strain liquid into another bowl for dipping.

Arrange some other bowls with lemon wedges, melted butter and seafood seasoning and serve.

To eat, peel skin off of the “snout” and dip the clam in the broth, butter and seasoning.

— Paul G. Suplee is an Assistant Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. Find his ePortfolio at [www.heartofakitchen.com](http://www.heartofakitchen.com).

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## Arts Council plans summer program in June for youth

(Feb. 19, 2015) The Worcester County Arts Council is planning the 21st annual Summer Arts Camp program for children entering grades 3-8.

At this time, the Council is looking for enthusiastic and creative teachers who are interested to instruct the art classes during the week of the program.

Arts Camp will be held at the Most Blessed Sacrament School located at 11242 Race Track Road in Berlin, June 22-26 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Teachers will be instructing three sessions of same workshop daily. Each workshop will last approximately 1.5 hours, with snack or lunch breaks in between.

Arts Camp will culminate with performances and exhibits of artwork created during the week of the program.

Interested applicants should submit a workshop proposal by Saturday, Feb. 28. Workshop proposal form is available on the Arts Council website, [www.worcestercountycouncil.org](http://www.worcestercountycouncil.org).

For additional information, contact Anna Mullis, executive director at 410-641-0809.

## OPA and Sam's Club continue offer

### Community partnership with retail giant benefits volunteer fire department

(Feb. 19, 2015) Sam's Club will continue to partner with the Ocean Pines Association through 2015 to bring a special membership offer to benefit area residents and the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department.

With the offer, applications for a new or renewed Sam's Savings or Sam's Business \$45 annual membership will receive a \$10 gift card. Sam's Plus members will earn a \$10

reward for every \$500 spent.

Additionally, Sam's Club will continue to donate \$5 for every application to the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department.

For renewing Sam's Club members, 12 months will be added to the current membership expiration date, regardless of when the membership was last renewed. A free second membership card for a household member is also included.

This offer, which is available to both new and renewing Sam's Club members, is not available for purchase online or at any Sam's Club location.

Sam's Club membership applications are available at the Ocean Pines Association administration building at 239 Ocean Parkway or online at [www.oceanpines.org](http://www.oceanpines.org). Applications must be returned to Ocean Pines Association, c/o Teresa Travatello, 239 Ocean Pkwy., Ocean Pines, Md. 21811, with a check made payable to Sam's Club. No credit card payments will be accepted for this offer.

For more information, contact Travatello, director of Marketing & Public Relations for the Ocean Pines Association, at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006.

## Craft Club donates \$5,200 to OPA

(Feb. 19, 2015) During the Dec. 18 installation of officers and holiday luncheon, Sharon Puser, president of the Ocean Pines Pine'eer Craft Club, presented checks totaling \$5,200 to organizations of the Ocean Pines Association.

The membership of the Pine'eer Craft Club supports the Ocean Pines community from profits derived from its 2014 activities.

The members voted to donate \$5,200 to the community to be

used as followed:

- Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department – \$1,500 to assist in the purchase of cadet turnout gear.
- Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks – \$1,500 to be used as follows: \$500 summer concerts, \$150 T-Ball Program, \$100 special events, \$200 PEP Program, \$200 Scholarship Fund, \$400 Camp OP and children's arts and crafts and \$50 for miscellaneous.
- Police Department – \$1,500 to

be used toward the purchase of an E-Tix printer.

- Neighborhood Watch – \$100 to be used to supplement their supplies.
- Public Works – \$400 appreciation gift for assistance throughout the year, but especially for help with the August Arts and Craft Festival, and the November Holiday Festival. This gift is to be used as desired, such as a breakfast or luncheon.
- Worcester County Veterans Memorial – \$200 to the foundation.

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# PUZZLES

SPLIT ENDS

BY ELLEN LEUSCHNER AND JEFF CHEN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

ACROSS

1 “Everyone who’s anyone is attending!”

8 Shoot for the moon

13 Much-anthologized Frank R. Stockton short story

20 Herald, as a new year

21 Mitchell heroine

22 One calling it quits

23 Is a rat

24 Chimes, e.g.

25 Short thing for a diva

26 Big \_\_\_\_\_

27 Rarely

29 Long John Silver, for one

31 Not standard: Abbr.

32 Word with coffee or water

34 Bird that’s also the name of an Irish river

35 Sped

36 Canon competitor

38 Cookies with a “Golden” variety

39 Slowing, in music: Abbr.

40 Audible pauses

41 Knot again

42 Miranda warning receiver, informally

43 Remote button with “+” and “-”

45 Govt. construction overseer

46 Founded, on city signs

Online subscriptions: Today’s puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles, nytimes.com/crosswords (\$39.95 a year).

47 Word before “I didn’t know that!”

49 Heavy metal band?

51 Some fraternity men

54 Proverbial matter of perspective

59 John who played Harold in the “Harold & Kumar” films

60 Question asked in classic 1970s ads

66 Jeopardized

67 Ask

69 Greek goddess of vengeance

70 Like Lake Mead or Lake Powell

71 Strunk and White topic

72 They’re of no concern to cougars

73 “M\*A\*S\*H” role

75 Cry from a damsel in distress

77 Part of I.M.F.: Abbr.

79 Stickup line

83 Just

86 Laughed harshly

88 Overstress

89 Foe of Mr. Fantastic in the comics

91 Reception vessel

92 Some samples

94 Figure skater Midori

95 “Now it makes sense!”

97 Mop & \_\_\_\_\_

98 Frontier sheriff’s badge

100 In the style of

102 Whistleblower’s target?

104 “Bye for now,” in textspeak

105 Rummage (through)

107 No longer hungry

109 D.C. club

110 Indian music

111 Langston Hughes poem

112 William \_\_\_\_\_, British general in the Revolutionary War

113 Assist, as an outlaw

114 Colored like ink in “Love’s Labour’s Lost”

115 Song by the Clash on Rolling Stone’s “500 Greatest Songs of All Time” list

119 Material for many a ski lodge

120 Part of an Adirondack chair

121 \_\_\_\_\_ Conference

122 Command to Fido

123 Before

124 Tech grad: Abbr.

125 Gets fixed

126 Parisian possessive

127 “Maid in Manhattan” star, informally

128 Rx signers

129 General \_\_\_\_\_ chicken

DOWN

1 Dot on a transit map

2 —

3 Cartoonist who wrote the caption “Well, if I called the wrong number, why did you answer the phone?”

4 Titter sound

5 Backspaces, say

6 Incense

7 Eve who wrote “The Vagina Monologues”

8 Mounted

9 —

10 Test \_\_\_\_\_

11 Beginning of an attorney’s ending

12 Like four of the eight planets

13 Subjects of apprenticeships

14 Superman, e.g.

15 —

16 Rough position?

17 Ones in the oil field?

18 Historic filer for bankruptcy in 2013

19 Was lovesick, say

28 Blather

30 \_\_\_\_\_ Exchange

33 Cut (off)

37 April second?

44 Center of activity

45 Physicist Ohm

47 Virgil, for Dante

48 Queen of mystery

50 Flightless bird

52 Org. with the motto “Not for self but for country”

53 Battle of the Alamo, e.g.

54 “For \_\_\_\_\_” (store sign around Father’s Day)

55 California’s Santa \_\_\_\_\_ River

56 I.C.U. worker

57 —

58 Most feeble

61 —

62 Map part

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63 “Life \_\_\_\_\_ Highway”

64 One given the velvet-rope treatment, for short

65 Sigmoid shape

67 Get in line

68 Kind of question

74 Kernel keepers

76 Prefix with -form

77 Crabby

78 Female with a beard

80 —

81 Stone who co-created “South Park”

82 Cousins of clarinets

84 Little houses on the prairie

85 Indie band whose name means, literally, “I have it”

86 Brace

87 Anaïs Nin and Franz Kafka, notably

89 Straight shooters?

90 Family members

93 Please, to a Puritan

96 Sommelier

99 Angles

100 Baseball family name

101 Pompom wielder’s cries

103 Sulking

106 Things found in a pyramid

108 Sacred symbol

116 \_\_\_\_\_ Library (Austin, Tex., attraction)

117 Atl. Coast state

118 —

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

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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Feb. 20: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m.  
Feb. 21: Rockfish, 9 p.m.  
Feb. 25: Old School, 5-8 p.m.

### BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head  
Towers Condominium  
Ocean City  
443-664-2896  
Feb. 21: Coastal Storm w/Tor,  
6-10 p.m.

### CAPTAIN'S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave.  
Ocean City  
410-289-7192  
www.captainstableoc.com  
Every Friday & Saturday: Phil Perdue

### CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road  
Berlin  
410-641-0600  
Feb. 21: Bad Since Breakfast, 4:30-  
8:30 p.m.; Everett Spells, 9:30 p.m.  
to 1:30 a.m.

### DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the  
Montego Bay Shopping Center  
410-250-1449  
Every Friday: Bob Hughes, 6-10 p.m.

### DUNES MANOR

28th Street, Oceanfront  
Ocean City  
410-289-1100  
Feb. 21: Ovation Dinner Theater per-  
forming Joey and Gina's Italian Com-  
edy Wedding, 6:30 p.m.

### FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-524-5500  
Feb. 20: Frankie Moran, DJ Hook  
Feb. 21: DJ Groove, Jumper  
Feb. 22: Everette Spells  
Feb. 23: Bob Loughheed - Elvis  
Tribute

### HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road  
West Ocean City  
410-213-1846  
Feb. 20: Ladies Night w/DJ Bill T  
Feb. 21: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ  
Jeremy, 9 p.m.  
Feb. 22: Opposite Directions,  
2-6 p.m.

### HARPOON HANNA'S

Route 54 and the bay  
Fenwick Island, Del.  
800-227-0525  
302-539-3095  
Feb. 20: Dave Hawkins, 6-10 p.m.  
Feb. 21: Dave Sherman, 6-10 p.m.  
Feb. 25: Bobby Burns, 3-6 p.m.  
Feb. 26: Aaron Howell, 6-10 p.m.

### HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Rd.  
West Ocean City  
410-213-1841  
Feb. 21: Ladies Night w/DJ BK,  
8 p.m.

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Ocean City  
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Every Wednesday: Randy Lee  
Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys  
Feb. 20: OH0, 8 p.m.  
Feb. 21: Allicat, 8 p.m.

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In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel  
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Ocean City  
410-524-3535  
Feb. 20-21: First Class, 9:30 p.m. to  
2 a.m.

### SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-524-4900  
Feb. 20: The Freddie Long Band,  
9 p.m.  
Feb. 21: Jon Maurer, 5 p.m.; Steal  
The Sky, 10 p.m.  
Feb. 26: Opposite Directions, 5 p.m.

### THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

1 Mumford's Landing Road  
Ocean Pines  
410-641-7501  
Feb. 20: Pat O'Brennan, 6-10 p.m.

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Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines  
443-365-2576  
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BY MONDAY

5 P.M.



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10100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842  
Phone: 410-524-3535 Fax: 410-723-9109  
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**Attn: Human Resources Dept.**  
**10100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842**  
**Phone: 410-524-3535 Fax: 410-723-9109**  
**EOE M/F/D/V**

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**Housekeeping Staff**  
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**Carousel Resort Hotel & Condominiums**  
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EOE

HELP WANTED

**Seasonal, FT Bartender Wanted** in mid-town OC. Must have minimum 2 years experience. Send resume to "Bartender," Box 838, Ocean City, MD 21843.  
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Ocean City, MD 21842

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