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Pines, Landscapes part ways; golf to be self managed

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association announced on Tuesday it had parted ways with golf management company Landscapes Unlimited and would self-manage the golf course.

The association ousted former golf manager company Billy Casper Golf in February 2015. Landscapes Unlimited, based in Nebraska, took over in May 2015.

The company's 36-month contract reportedly included management of the course as well as the clubhouse, Tern Grill, the cart facility and the maintenance building. The original agreement had Ocean Pines paying a base management fee of \$6,500 per month with an annual 3 percent increase.

The contract reportedly included an opt-out clause, beginning in fiscal year 2017, if budgetary projections were off by more than \$50,000.

According to a budget forecast prepared by interim General Manager Brett Hill on Jan. 9, golf revenues for fiscal 2017 were budgeted at \$1.257 million and forecast at \$1.159 million.

The release stated the transition of management back to Ocean Pines is effective as of March 1.

"According to both Landscapes President Tom Everett and Ocean Pines Association President Tom Herrick, the decision to terminate the management agreement was wholly amicable, as significant operational strides were clearly made during the last 22 months," the release stated.

"The new Board and interim general manager wanted to consolidate all operations under one roof," Everett is quoted as saying in the release.

"We always want to make sure we leave a facility in better shape than when we found it, and I can confidently say we have done so at Ocean Pines," Everett continued. "We certainly wanted to continue to develop the club environment — the people of Ocean Pines deserve nothing less. But neither did we want to stand in the association's way if they wanted to centralize operations. We wish them all the best."

Interim General Manager Brett Hill added Landscapes "really wanted to continue what they started, but understood

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GOODBYE, MR. TURNER

Shoe Box owner Jesse Turner, third from left, poses with members of his family and Berlin Mayor Gee Williams during a town council meeting on Monday night. Turner, who had owned the Shoe Box since 1988, worked in the industry for 68 years. He announced his retirement last month and received a citation from the town on Monday.

All parties negligent in 2013 fatal

No damages awarded to plaintiffs; county jury found teens, trooper both at fault

By Brian Gilliland and Josh Davis

Associate Editors

(March 2, 2017) A Worcester County Circuit Court jury took less than 45 minutes last Thursday to find all parties negligent in the fatal Nov. 8, 2013 accident on Route 113, where State Police Trooper Nicholas Hager ran into teenagers Tymeir Dennis and Tyheim Bowen with his unmarked patrol car.

No damages were awarded to the plaintiffs, who filed suit against the State of Maryland in September 2015.

Dennis, 16, did not survive the crash. According to the investigation report, he suffered massive injuries to his head, back and other areas of his body.

Bowen, 17 at the time of the incident, had a leg amputated because of his injuries. He suffered a broken leg, dislocated right knee, fractured pelvis, a cut on his lower right leg and abrasions on his right arm.

He was transferred to Peninsula Regional Medical Center on the night of the accident and later moved to Shock Trauma.

No criminal charges were filed against Hager, 21 at the time of the incident, and he returned to duty on Nov. 12, 2013 — four days after the crash. Hager had only been a trooper for one year at the time of the crash.

Just prior to the incident, Hager had cleared a traffic stop a mile and a half away at Hayes Landing Road and was traveling at approximately 57 mph, according to the state's speed analysis.

Dennis and Bowen, according to reports, were in the process of crossing the highway as Hager approached. Their exact location when struck was never proven conclusively.

The police investigation into the collision, however, found that the dark clothing worn by the teens, poor visibility and failure to yield the right-of-way to vehicles were to blame.

According to the report, Bowen was wearing blue jeans and a black jacket. Dennis wore a pair of green camouflage pants and a dark-colored shirt and jacket.

The jury, however, also found that

Hager could have done more to avoid the accident.

The weather conditions that night were good, with a clear sky. In addition, a state investigation found no indication of defects in the road or the traffic signal where the brothers began to cross the highway. The report also said the intersection was "dimly lit with two overhead lamps at opposite corners."

According to Hager's statement to investigators, he attempted to veer his vehicle away from an object that appeared in his view at the last second. The investigation and an eyewitness report concluded the young men were crossing the street while engaged in conversation with their mother, Tynise Bowen, who was in her minivan and stopped at the intersection where the accident occurred when they were struck.

In the aftermath, new warning signals and a crosswalk were installed on Route 113, alerting drivers that they were about to enter an "urban area" near the town's northern and southern border along the road. The speed limit was also reduced from 55 mph to 45 mph.



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MAJOR DONATION

Ocean Pines resident Anna Fultz, in front, third from right, and members of the Wounded Warriors coalition present a \$6,000 check to the Warrior Canine Connection nonprofit during a ceremony outside the Ocean Pines library on Friday.

Interoperability project deadline fast approaching

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) As the legislation that got the wheel turning on Project 25 — a radio interoperability requirement that would allow local, state, federal and other officials to talk to each other in an emergency — was signed by former Gov. Martin O'Malley, Snow Hill and Pocomoke can't argue they didn't see it coming.

What the municipalities can and must now do is worry about where the money for the project will come from, as a deadline of September 2017 looms as budget season begins.

Police and emergency radios are expensive — Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman said a single unit can run between \$3,000-\$4,000 — and the consoles used by dispatchers to communicate with the radios are even more expensive.

"The State of Maryland, State of Delaware, Commonwealth of Virginia and Worcester County are actively transitioning all state government radio system users to the Project 25 standard," a release provided by Dorman reads. "If the Town does not upgrade their radio infrastructure the Snow Hill Police Department will be unable to communicate with other agencies."

The county acts as dispatcher for the SHPD, the release continues, and for that service to continue the town must foot the bill for the upgrade.

The town applied for a grant for about \$39,000 to purchase the remaining equipment last year, but the funds were denied, Dorman said.

"We don't have to change," Dorman said, "but if there were some kind of disaster we couldn't talk to the state. It also didn't come with any money, and we're just a small town trying to make it work."

Dorman said Snow Hill only has so much money to spend.

The town has purchased radios in a piecemeal fashion until now. Dorman said the town has already spent about \$30,000, and is about halfway through the required radio inventory.

He estimated it would have taken \$70,000 to perform the upgrades all at once.

That's right in line with what Pocomoke City intends to spend this year, City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot confirmed.

Crofoot said he has a budget line for \$60,000 included in this year's draft for the radios, which has not yet gone before the city council. No funding source for the radios has been identified other than town finances at this time, he said.

The municipalities are scheduled to begin presenting their budget requests to the county at the County Commissioners next meeting on Tuesday, March 7.

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Hundreds gather in downtown Snow Hill on Sunday during the town's seventh annual Oyster Roast, hosted by the Snow Hill Area Chamber of Commerce.

Snow Hill starts ‘18 budget process

Pocomoke election voter registration ends next Tuesday

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor
(March 2, 2017) Though the official town budget is set to be voted on later this spring, Snow Hill has begun the process by preparing its request to be heard by the county commissioners next Tuesday by collecting wish lists from selected department heads.
Though the numbers are likely to change between now and final ratification, the proposals shed light on what each highlighted department is preparing to accomplish in the coming fiscal year.
The city council scheduled work sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday evening this week to hear the proposals. As not all of the proposals have been submitted at press time, the grand total of Snow Hill's fiscal 2018 requests won't be available until next week.
The administration, which includes town hall staff, the mayor and City Council as well as the planning and zoning department is requesting about \$315,000, \$11,900 and a touch over

\$13,000 next year, respectively.
The police department's largest new request is for \$34,000 for the Project 25 radio interoperability protocol, which requires the purchase of several new radios and a console to manage them. Chief Tom Davis also requested \$8,500 for new firearms: three rifles and six shotguns. The department currently has three shotguns, characterized by Davis as "antique" and not actively carried by officers.
The public works department is composed of the streets, parks, and train station departments and is requesting almost \$648,000, nearly \$89,000 and about \$6,000, respectively. Employee costs, street maintenance and utility costs are the major expenditures for the streets and parks departments, while the train station contains simple facility costs, like utilities and maintenance.
The water and sewer department is seeking about \$1.09 million. The water department's request is lower than last year, because of a reduction in costs of

some testing equipment. Employee expenses, maintenance and supplies make up the bulk of the sewer department's almost \$721,000 request.
The fire company is seeking an increase of its grant from \$105,000 last year to \$125,000 this year to help defray year-end costs, which totaled almost \$81,000 last year, according to its request. It is also seeking a pay differential for personnel that have more advanced certifications than the rank and file, as well as general salary bumps and cost of living increases. The company reimburses the town for salaries, and according to the request the board of directors have already approved the increased expenditures for salaries.
The final request is from the Julia Purnell Museum, which requested the same amount of support it did last year, according to director Dr. Cindy Byrd. The funds requested by the museum totals almost \$81,000, of which salaries and employee expenses make up the lion's share.

By Brian Gilliland
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(March 2, 2017) District 3 residents have until next Tuesday to register to vote in the April 4 contest between incumbent Dale Trotter or challenger Monna Van Ess for a seat on the city council — if they had been previously unregistered or allowed existing registrations to expire.
In Worcester County, registrations expire after a voter misses two consecutive elections for federal-level representatives: Congressional, Senatorial or Presidential. Otherwise, the registration remains intact and valid, according to the county Board of Elections.
According to Pocomoke City Clerk Carol Jacobs, voter registrations forms are available at the Pocomoke Library, the post office and the Motor Vehicle Administration in Salisbury.
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Pines budget approved; board weighs in on pluses, minuses

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors approved a \$13.5 million fiscal year budget for 2018 during a meeting, Saturday.

In the document, total projected revenues are \$11.8 million, equal to the amount of operating expenses and transfers. New capital from reserves was about \$1.7 million.

Two late changes to the budget were beach club parking passes and 30/60-round golf memberships.

The annual parking-pass fee increased from \$175 to \$200, with a choice of a family membership to the beach club pool or a \$120 swipe card for passes to all Ocean Pines pools included in the cost.

The new 30/60 membership, good for 30 18-hole rounds or 60 nine-hole rounds at the Ocean Pines Golf Course, will be treated as a limited membership allowing the individual who purchases it access to 20 percent golf pro shop discounts and preferred tee times. Guests of the individual cannot use the associated rounds. The fee for membership is \$1,290.

Board President Tom Herrick said work on the budget started in October, with interim General Manager Brett Hill, outgoing Controller Art Carmine and new Finance Director Mary Bosack leading the effort.

"The board held many meetings in the last two months and discussed all the issues, and although we had many disagreements ... I believe that we all understood the need to compromise for the benefit of the whole," Herrick said. "All issues and concerns were discussed and decided by a majority up and down vote."

Herrick said the budget kept the basic annual assessment flat at \$921, while "maintaining the high level of services, facilities and amenities for the entire association to enjoy."

A final vote on the budget passed 5-2. Directors Slobodan Trendic and Doug Parks voted against.

Some who did vote for the budget did so begrudgingly. Vice President Dave Stevens, for instance, called it highly speculative with significant areas of risk.

"I have considerable apprehension, particularly moving into an area of the unknown. We're going to hire, hopefully [in the next few] months, another general manager who is going to take this up," Stevens said.

Parks said rising labor costs "across the entire organization" concerned him.

"Apprehension? Yeah, maybe that is the right word," Parks said. "I just wonder what could significantly change in that investment of an increase of \$800,000 in our labor costs."

Trendic said the association was missing an opportunity to significantly lower assessments. He missed two recent budget discussions because of personal reasons.

"I believe this year we had an opportunity to reduce the annual dues and make a statement to the association members that we are looking at operations on a year-to-year basis and making the assessment dollar number justified based on [that number]," he said.

He said he objected to about \$650,000 in recovery reserve funds and what he called a huge spike in labor costs.

"When you add everything up, I believe that we could've and should've done a better job in producing a reduction in dues," he said. "That has not happened."

Director Pat Supik argued reducing assessments was not sensible because that money was needed to maintain Ocean Pines facilities.

"The police department, the fire department, parks and rec, public works, maintenance – that's where our money goes," she said. "I'm not sure where we're going to reduce those services for the community – I'm not sure that's reasonable."

Before being elected last year, Supik served as chair of the budget and finance committee for two years.

"What I heard loud and clear in my first budget [as a director] is that we have not been doing enough in some of the areas of service," she said. "Our public works and maintenance should be clearly stepped up a notch – or two or three, which I think is where a lot of the money for the staff is."



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OP beach club parking and golf rates two late additions

Narrow votes cleared just before Pines Board voted to approve FY18 budget

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) A pair of 4-3 votes on Saturday cleared the final two hurdles in passing the fiscal year 2018 budget for Ocean Pines.

Four directors, Brett Hill, Cheryl Jacobs, Pat Supik and Board President Tom Herrick, voted to approve a \$25 increase in the annual fee for beach club parking passes.

The fee is now \$200.

To make up for the increase, Hill, also the interim general manager, said the parking pass would come with either a family membership to the beach club pool or a \$120 swipe card good for passes at all pools. With membership, adult admission to pools is \$7 and youth admission is \$5.

Director Doug Parks argued the increase was not justified because not everyone would use the pool membership – or the swipe card. He said there was a percentage of the Ocean Pines constituency that used the beach club parking spaces, on 49th Street in Ocean City, merely for parking.

Parks, Slobodan Trendic and Vice President Dave Stevens pushed to uncouple the lot and the pools.

“Now ... there’s no other option but to carry that pool pass even though you may never use it,” Parks said. “I don’t see the value in that, going forward ... the increase and then forcing someone who doesn’t use the pool [is] somewhat incongruent. I have a tough time having to pay for something I don’t get value from.”

Part of the change in beach club parking rates was meant to discourage apparent cases of abuse.

Parking passes had come with four unassigned pool passes. During previous meetings, directors stated those ended up in the hands of rental agents and frequently popped up on websites like Craig’s List.

To combat that, the directors decided to do away with the unassigned passes and to charge separate rates for renters. But, some homeowners who allowed visiting family members to use the passes balked at the change.

Jacobs said the swipe card, introduced for the first time Saturday, was a good way to address public backlash.

“What I think we’ve come up with ... is some way of addressing what the community has said in the emails they’ve sent us,” she said. “It’s more flexibility to those people who had concerns about the four passes being taken away.”

Supik suggested there was added value to the passes anyway, because the association was extending the hours during the day – and the months during the year – the beach club would be open.

Hill added that uncoupled parking passes were \$100 a quarter century ago, in 1993. Applying a cost of living increase, he said, would increase that cost to about \$172.

“In this proposal, with a cost-of-living adjustment for a 25-year period, for the additional \$27 ... we’re now adding \$120 in value with pool swipes or the family membership to the pool,” Hill said.

The other stumbling block during the meeting was whether a newly proposed golf membership would be limited to individuals, or open to members and their guests. The directors previously agreed to the \$1290 price of a so-called “30/60 membership,” good for 30 18-hole rounds or 60 nine-hole rounds.

Unlike full memberships to the Ocean Pines Golf Course, the limited 30/60 memberships would not include unlimited play on the driving range. They would, however, entitle the member to advance tee times and 20 percent discounts on items at the golf pro shop.

Stevens said he believed the new offering would help stimulate overall growth in golf membership, but he believed in restricting the rounds only to the cardholder.

Hill disagreed, suggesting the cardholder should be able to share the rounds with family members and guests. He motioned to amend the proposal, but that never saw a vote.

Stevens, Trendic, Parks and Herrick voted to approve the limited membership.

The finalized budget then passed, 5-2.

Pines benefit dinner for local Girl Scouts set for March 13

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Anna Foults and friends will host a spaghetti dinner to benefit the local Girl Scouts on Monday, March 13 at DeNovo’s Trattoria in Ocean Pines, at 5 p.m.

Foults, 91, is recognized as the oldest Girl Scout in the U.S. and said the

event would support girls who cannot afford scouting activities.

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Flurry of project updates during Sat. OPA meeting

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Ocean Pines Interim General Manager Brett Hill provided updates to several ongoing – and completed – projects during a public meeting on Saturday.

Hill, during his monthly report to the board, said new heaters had been installed on the second floor at Mumford’s Landing, formerly known as the yacht club.

Security gates were put around two of the bar areas at Mumford’s, and the point of sale system is being updated and should be completed during the next two weeks.

He said the club had resumed normal offseason hours and was keeping to a regular series of events. That includes karaoke on Wednesday, trivia nights on Thursday, live entertainment in the ballroom on Friday, live entertainment in The Cove restaurant, downstairs, on Saturday and “family night” on Sunday.

At the golf and country club, Hill said first-floor renovations were on schedule to finish by mid-to-late March, including installation of new HVAC units and a major overhaul of the first floor.

He said upgrades at the beach club hit a snag when minor termite damage was discovered there. However, Hill said he was confident the work could be done without exceeding the original budget contingency approved by the board of directors. The opening target date there is Mother’s Day, May 14.

Conversions of the sports fields at Huntington Park and installation of new bathrooms at White Horse Park have finished, Hill said.

In playground news, demolition of the old structure at Manklin Meadows has finished and installation of a new playground should wrap by May.

The pirate-theme playground at Mumford’s Landing should be up and running this month. Hill said delivery and setup of the structure was scheduled for March 8. A fence will be installed on March 9, and the playground should be shipshape and open for use by March 10.

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District 3 only Pocomoke seat up for grabs this year

■ ELECTION continued
Completed forms must be delivered to the Worcester County Board of Elections' office on Belt Street in Snow Hill before Tuesday in order to be accepted for the upcoming election.
The venue for the election has also changed. Expecting a citywide contest for mayor, the town chose the Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Company's Community Center as the polling place, instead of the usual spot at the library.
No challenger to incumbent Bruce Morrison's third term as mayor emerged, so, in accordance with regulations adopted after last year's election, the town was able to cancel the mayoral race, leaving the question of

District 3 open. Write-in candidacies are no longer allowed unless declared during the filing period.
Also gone this year are mechanical voting machines. The town decided to require paper ballots only as part of the reforms adopted after last year's election.
An error in calculating the results, where fewer votes were tallied than voters counted at the doors, forced a new election in District 2 last year.
As only a few hundred voters are expected during city council races, the paper ballots are expected to be quicker, easier and less prone to malfunction. During the election and subsequent do-over, fewer than 200 votes were cast in each contest.

Bishop's Stock book signing Sat. features Deborah Newell

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor
(March 2, 2017) The lesson in Deborah Newell's book, "Memories in a Daughter's Heart," is that dealing with grief can take many forms. For Newell it came as writing a book about dealing with the loss of her mother.

Newell, a Snow Hill native now residing in Virginia Beach, lost her mother, Rachel Chapman, about 10 years ago. Chapman was a local Kindergarten teacher until she retired in 1984 or 1985.
Writing the book took about five years.
"When we discovered mom was having memory problems, I realized I needed to keep track of this stuff," she said. "Mom was very independent and didn't want anyone to know about her troubles."
Newell's father died when she was about 8 years old, she said. From there, Chapman, born in 1912 and raised during the Depression, got a job teaching Kindergarten and kept it for 25 years while raising Newell. Her independent spirit led to the concealment of her symptoms, which she tried to hide from both her sister and daughter, until they couldn't be hidden any longer.
Not knowing what to do with the emotions she was feeling and saddled with the responsibility of her mother's affairs, Newell turned on the computer each night and just started writing.
"I never kept a journal before. I began writing down the stories I knew. It's amazing what comes back to you," she said.
What emerged was a mixture of memoir and a self-help guidebook for children who have recently lost a parent.
Grief is strange, she said, because "others have felt the same — everyone's grief is different, but it's also kind of the same."
A big part of the book is how to deal

with it all — things like planning a funeral or cleaning out the basement.
"There are the things we all go through, like the first Thanksgiving without her, and I had a girlfriend ask me how I got through it all," she said. "I'm trying to help other daughters and sons."
The book's focus is on daughters and mothers, but Newell said men would be able to get something out of it as well.
"For me, at the time of my mother's passing, I only had one girlfriend who had lost her mother and I had to depend on her," Newell said. "I'm trying to be that for others. It's important to know there's life after grief, and we all have to go through it."
The book was published at the end of last year, but this is the first event to promote it, Newell said.
"I was hoping to do my first book signing in Snow Hill because she is known here," Newell said.
Ann Coates, owner of Bishop's Stock, was pleased to provide the venue.
"There is a generation who will fondly remember Newell's mother, Rachel Chapman, as a beloved teacher. It is to this same generation that Newell addresses her book since adult children now find themselves making emotional, mental, and practical preparation for those last years parents and children have together," Coates said in a release. "With her writing, the author hopes this practical and timely book will aid in being prepared for those years."
Newell is scheduled to appear for the book signing from 1-4 p.m. at Bishop's Stock at 202 W. Green Street. "Memories in Daughter's Heart" is also available in paperback online through Amazon and Easter Press. For more information contact Bishop's Stock at 410-632-3555 or info@bishopsstock.com.

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Marty Clarke vows to run again for Pines BOD

Former director angered by fiscal 2018 budget, passed during meeting held Feb. 25

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Former Ocean Pines Association Director Marty Clarke made his presence – and his intention to run again – known to the public last week in a scathing series of letters and comments.

It started with a letter sent to the current board and to local media, last Wednesday.

“Approximately three years ago I walked out of a budget meeting and swore, in spite of sure support, not to seek re-election. The budget moved forward and was [passed]. That budget didn’t hold a candle to the badly proposed 2017-2018 [budget],” Clarke wrote. “The current proposed budget is kowtowing to small special interest groups and failing to disclose significant finan-

cials known to only a few. There is talk about adding fees on our most successful amenity while granting money to amenities who barely pay their own way.

“Should the board of directors vote to past this terrible budget on Saturday I will run for election as a director,” Clarke continued.



Marty Clarke

He also spoke publicly during the board meeting last Saturday, just prior to a 5-2 vote to approve the budget.

Clarke said he objected to a proposed \$25 fee increase for parking passes at the beach club adding, “If it ain’t broke you don’t fix it.”

“If somebody’s stealing at my business and I’m making the kind of return that we’re making here, I’m going to just go home and have a cocktail,” Clarke said.

He said the fee hike, which was

part of the approved budget, was equivalent to price gouging.

“There’s no justification for it ... [the amenity is] paying 18 percent of our membership right now,” Clarke said. “It’s hocus pocus because it just makes no sense. If it works though, we ought to start charging for parking spaces at the yacht club. Maybe we can turn that around.”

Clarke said the budget included about \$600,000 in unappropriated money that was added to reserves. The funds, he said, should have been given back to homeowners in the form of lowered assessments.

He urged the directors not to pass the budget and said there was no pressure to do so.

“If you guys all walk out of here and whistle and talk and celebrate at the yacht club for the next 10 days, the budget ... stays the same next year without a vote. Personally, I think that’s the least embarrassing outcome for you right now,” he said.

During the meeting, Clarke also

said there was about \$400,000 of unreported profit being swept “underneath the carpet in the cash room.” He asked when that would be applied to the operating fund.

The most recent unaudited monthly financial report shows a negative year-to-date operating fund variance of \$289,605.

“We’re having a positive year right now – we just haven’t reported \$408,000,” Clarke said. “[It’s] the same thing we did a couple years ago with Bob Thompson ... ‘everything’s terrible, everything’s terrible, everything’s terrible — cha-ching! Here’s an extra 400 grand.’”

Reached by text message on Monday, Clarke said the current board was “very good,” but had little budget experience outside of Vice President Dave Stevens, who has publically said he would not run for reelection this year.

Asked whether or not he intended to run, Clarke replied, “all of the above.”

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Traffic stop leads to conviction

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Jeremy Douglas, 24, of Pocomoke City was found guilty of disorderly conduct on Tuesday after becoming irate with police after they conducted a traffic stop on his vehicle that yielded two written warnings and a K9 scan that ended up finding nothing.

On Jan. 27 at around 10 a.m. Deputy Michael Newcomb observed Douglas' vehicle parked improperly near Second Street and Railroad Avenue, forcing passing traffic to go around the vehicle.

Newcomb testified Douglas had been stopped for less than two minutes.

After the vehicle began moving again and traveled to the stop sign located at Second and Fourth Streets, Newcomb testified Douglas' vehicle

had overshot the painted line on the pavement, causing the front two wheels of the automobile to encroach on the intersection.

Newcomb said he then initiated a traffic stop based on these alleged infractions and pulled Douglas over at the intersection of Fourth and Oxford Streets.

After Newcomb exited his cruiser, but before he reached Douglas' vehicle — a distance he testified was about 25 feet — he heard Douglas loudly protesting the traffic stop.

Reaching the vehicle, Newcomb testified he noticed some items in the car that could have been drug paraphernalia and called in a K9 unit for backup.

He also then removed Douglas and a passenger from the vehicle, seated them on the curb and had the dog scan the car.

Douglas was issued written warnings for the infractions that led to the stop.

The K9 unit scanned the car and found nothing.

Douglas' mood did not improve. No testimony was offered as to how long Douglas was required to wait during the inspection.

According to Newcomb, it was Douglas' annoyance at the process — and not the two police cars, at least one with the lights engaged, searching a car with a dog along the side of the road on a Friday morning — that attracted the attention of area residents and one motorist.

Newcomb arrested Douglas for disorderly conduct.

Judge Milton Jews agreed with Newcomb's take on the situation and ordered Douglas to pay \$250 and court costs for the incident.

Temporary closure planned for Pines Sports Core Pool

(March 2, 2017) A temporary closure of the Sports Core Pool in Ocean Pines is set to start on Sunday, March 5 at 2 p.m., due to routine maintenance.

The Sports Core Pool is projected to resume normal hours of operation on Wednesday, March 8. The original scheduled closure for the pool was scheduled until March 9, but the extended closure is not necessary.

The facility offers a large, year-round heated indoor pool with a slide, stepped entry, spacious indoor and outdoor sun decks and loungers. The Sports Core Pool hosts fitness classes, swim lessons and special events for all ages, as well as birthday parties.

For more information, contact Denise Sawyer, director of marketing and public relations for the Ocean Pines Association, at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006 or dsawyer@oceanpines.org. Follow the Ocean Pines Association on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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Turner receives citation from Berlin Town Council

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) The Berlin Mayor and Council recognized longtime Berlin Shoe Box owner Jesse Turner during a public meeting on Monday.

Turner, who recently announced his retirement after almost seven decades in the industry, sat in the front row with his family, including his wife, Agnes, and two daughters.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams called Turner a “very respected and loved member of Main Street, Berlin.”

“I can’t remember when I didn’t know Jesse, and I think most of us who live in town can say the same,” Williams said. “One thing that’s been consistent, regardless of what the town’s been through ... Jesse has always been one of the most-consistent gentlemen we’ve ever had, and we thank you for that.”

Turner received a proclamation from the town. It stated he graduated from high school in 1949 and responded to a help-wanted ad for a

“shoe shine boy.”

“He continued to work hard, learning the trade, advancing and becoming an experienced shoe cobbler, where he continued working for the next 68 years,” Williams read.

Turner purchased the Berlin Shoe Box in 1988 and became the first African-American shoe repair business owner in the town. His customers included the late Johnny Cash and former Vice President Spiro Agnew.

According to Williams, the business also provided prescription orthopedic shoes for disadvantaged citizens at a low cost and often made repairs at no charge.

Turner had his picture taken with



Retiring Berlin Shoe Box owner Jesse Turner, left, is honored by Berlin Mayor Gee Williams during a town council meeting on Monday.

JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

the mayor and the framed citation, and with members of his family, before receiving a warm round of applause from audience in the council chamber.

Another ceremony honoring

Turner will be held at the Berlin Visitor’s Center on 14 South Main Street today, Thursday, at 5 p.m.

“I’ll still be around,” Turner said, drawing a laugh, before exiting the room.



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Berlin Briefs

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) The Berlin Mayor and Council discussed the following items during a meeting at town hall on Feb. 27.

Explore Berlin – maybe

The council granted contingent approval of a series of events to be held at Burley Oak Brewing Company on Old Ocean City Boulevard. The brewery asked to host a July 3 fireworks celebration for the second year, offering for the first time to pay the entire cost of the \$10,000 display, and to continue its multiday Explore Berlin Festival.

Explore Berlin would be held on three dates, April 22, May 13 and June 10, with a goal of attracting people from out of town to the brewery and to Berlin. Owner Bryan Brushmiller said he selected the dates to coincide with open spaces on Berlin’s busy event calendar.

During the meeting, there was some question as to whether Burley Oak needed permits for an apparent series of repairs at the brewery. Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood said a member of town staff believed there was unpermitted work being done.

However, Brushmiller said he could not delay the endorsement of the events

because approval from the county liquor board, this month, was contingent on approval from the Town of Berlin.

The council agreed to support the events contingent on the proper permits being obtained.

“We, as a board, have to back our department heads 100 percent,” Councilman Thom Gulyas said. “If there is an issue ... where a department head is giving us incorrect information, we, as a board, will address that as well. Whether that individual is here or not, we have to take them at their word as you take your employees at their word.

“We don’t want to push [the events] into a corner and say no,” Gulyas continued. “All we’re trying to say is, get that permit.”

AGH

Atlantic General Hospital President and CEO Michael Franklin made his regular presentation before the council on happenings at the hospital and its extended network of care facilities.

AGH presents an operational summary to the council each year. As part of a 2014 stormwater settlement, the town provides an annual minimum grant of \$10,000 to the nonprofit.

Franklin said AGH planned to invest \$36 million to expand health care services in the community over the next five years, focusing on cancer care, women’s health, modernization of its patient care areas and surgical facilities, and expansion

of the emergency services department and outpatient services.

“A lot of this is creating a hospital of the future for our community,” Franklin said, adding the John H. “Jack” Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center would break ground this summer, in Berlin.

The hospital employs almost 900 people and has an annual payroll of \$50 million.

Councilman Elroy Brittingham was an original member of the AGH board of directors.

“The hospital has come a long way since then,” he said. “I’m real proud about that.”

EDUs a-go-go

In separate votes, the council approved a motion to transfer one, unused equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) from the Worcester County Senior Center to the new Berlin Library on Harrison Avenue, and to free up eight unused EDUs that were previously allocated to the new Berlin Police Station, near Flower Street and Route 113.

The unused EDUs will go back on the market, according to Water Resources and Public Works Director Jane Kreiter.

Change order

The council voted unanimously to approve up to \$30,000 for a change order related to the new police station, currently being constructed. Alan Brock

from architecture firm Crosby & Associates said soil testing found on the construction site was too soft to be able to support the foundation of the building.

New soil will be brought onto the site and the old soil will be removed at a cost of \$35 per cubic yard, according to a proposal by engineering firm Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc.

Blessing of the Wheels

Gussie Sholtis of Sheppard Realty, Inc. was granted approval to host the first Blessing of the Wheels event in Berlin, honoring nonmotorized means of transportation at Stephen Decatur Park on April 22 from noon to 3 p.m.

Sholtis said events would include a “signs of spring” scavenger hunt, children’s crafts, a tree and bird-identification walking tour of the park, and a 0.10K race for seniors citizens with walkers.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams called the idea wonderful and said it had the potential to become an annual event in the town.

Big shovel

By unanimous vote, the council approved \$73,985 for the purchase of a mini excavator. Fleetwood said the town had been renting an excavator at a cost of about \$3,000 per month.

The price of the excavator will be shared between the stormwater, wastewater and water resources departments.

OPA Briefs

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors discussed the following items during a public meeting in the community center on Saturday.

Resolution postponed

Director Slobodan Trendic, at the start of the session, asked to postpone a first reading of an amendment to Resolution M-06. The resolution would have dealt with Ocean Pines elections procedures.

Trendic said the motion was withdrawn on the advice of legal counsel.

According to the text of the proposed motion, the revisions would have sought to improve the transparency of elections, clarify procedural instructions to the candidates and provide election results as soon as the ballots are counted.

Pest procurement

The board of directors unanimously approved \$19,000 for mosquito spray. The Maryland Department of Agriculture will perform that task through its Mosquito Control Program.

CPI violations

Four delinquent compliance, permit and inspection violations (CPI) were sent to the association’s attorney for action.

Three of those, for 59 Moonshell Drive, 3 Beach Court and 745 Ocean Parkway, were by unanimous vote. A

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Berlin façade grant prgm successful

Snow Hill resident charged with theft

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) A recent rush of small businesses in Berlin took advantage of façade grant money, drying up all funding the town received during the last several years.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said she would apply for more funding this year, and that business owners who wish to take advantage of the grants should start lining up now.

The program, funded through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), offers up to \$10,000 in matching grants, effectively allowing an exterior repair or replacement to be done at half the cost.

Wells inherited some funding, from 2013, when she took over the department just over two years ago. She also applied for, and was granted, \$50,000 in 2015.

Realizing the 2013 money was in danger of drying up and that it had to be spent in order to access the 2015 funds, she made a concerted effort to advertise the grants during the last few months.

Apparently, it paid off.

“Because of the big marketing and social media push that we did to get the façade grants publicized, the response was so great that [the 2015 money was also spent],” Wells said. “I had four, large \$10,000 grants get approved just in the last week.”

Those four were for new siding at Burley Oak Brewing Company, a deck and outdoor seating at Crush N Crab, and two large grants for Main Street Sweets, to rehab the front of the building.

No grant money was received in 2016 because the town held on to money from previous years. However, Wells said she planned to up the ante this year when applying for new funding.

The town had traditionally asked for \$50,000 each year it applied through DHCD, although Wells said there was no ceiling for the request. When she was the economic development director in Sykesville, for example, she once asked for and received \$100,000.

“This year, once the grant application process opens up again, I will be applying for more façade money,” Wells said. “I have a waiting list now of people who want to apply [including] the new owners of the Shoe Box building and the new business, Salvaged.”

“The program got so popular recently. So many people applied for it

and I couldn’t fulfill them all,” she continued. “The one positive side to all of this is because the 2015 money went by so quickly, I will ask for more money this session. You can’t get an answer if you don’t ask the question.”

The grant application process starts in August and towns are generally notified in December. Despite the wait, Wells urged business owners to start applying now.

“There’s a long process,” she said. “I have to review the application and they also have to go in front of the historic district commission, plus I have to send it to DHCD and then they also have to have the Maryland Historical Trust review it. That process takes about six-to-eight weeks.”

“They need to get their applications ready, get their quotes in line and get their pictures in line, because once I hit the ‘go’ button it’s first come, first served,” Wells added.

Wells can be reached at iwells@berlinmd.gov or by calling 410-629-1722.

(March 2, 2017) Mark Allan Widgeon, 53, is being charged with theft from the Showell Volunteer Fire Company stemming from a series of incidents that began almost a decade ago.

The Worcester County Bureau of Investigations began investigating a theft from the fire company in 2013.

Allegedly, Widgeon, presently of Snow Hill, used the fire company’s bank account to make multiple personal transactions. At the time of the thefts, Widgeon was a volunteer firefighter and held the position of fire company treasurer.

With the assistance of a forensic auditor, investigators learned that from 2009-2012, while Widgeon held the position of treasurer, he made multiple personal purchases totaling several thousands of dollars using the Showell Volunteer Fire Company’s bank accounts.

After a lengthy audit of all the bank accounts associated with the Showell Volunteer Fire Company, the Worcester County Bureau of Investigation, in conjunction with the Worcester County State’s Attorney’s Office, applied charges for felony theft scheme involving Widgeon. The district court commissioner issued an arrest warrant.

On Feb. 25 at about 8 a.m., Worcester County Sheriff’s Office Deputies took Widgeon into custody. Widgeon went before the Worcester County Circuit Court and was given a \$50,000 unsecured bond.

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vote on one property, 1 Beaconhill Road, passed 6-0 with Trendic abstaining.

Committee support

Director Cheryl Jacobs was officially appointed liaison to the 50th Anniversary Committee, which is planning a series of events to celebrate that occasion, next year.

In addition, the board voted unanimously to “publicly state and memorialize that the Ocean Pines Board of Directors hereby provides their full support to and endorsement of” the committee.

A similar motion was introduced during a meeting last month, but that vote was postponed and the language was reworded.

Late assessments

Because of a 6-1 vote, with only Trendic voting “no,” interest rates for late assessments will increase from 6 to 20 percent.

Trendic called the increased rate unusually high and said rates at

homeowner’s associations in Columbia and Montgomery Village – the two largest in the state – were 6 percent.

Credit card payments

Homeowners in Ocean Pines can now pay their annual assessments by credit card. However, if they do so they will pay a convenience fee, not to exceed 4 percent.

Interim General Manager Brett Hill said the change was done primarily for housekeeping purposes, as homeowners had already been able to charge amenity memberships.

The vote was 6-0, with Trendic abstaining.

Purchase to be explored

A late addition to the agenda, Hill brought up three potential property purchases “publically for transparency” that he said he was recently made aware of.

Hill said one property was on the north side of Ocean City and two were in Ocean Pines. He mentioned public works and storage as potential uses.

Appointments

Five committee appointments were approved by a unanimous vote. They were Jerome “Tres” Denk (recreation and parks, third term), Marie Gilmore (recreation and parks, third term), Skip Schlesinger (recreation and parks, second term), Jay Spata (environment and natural assets, second term) and Steve Cohen (comprehensive plan, third term).

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Opinion

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Addressing gulf on golf

Returning the Ocean Pines golf course to local control by ending the contract with Landscapes Unlimited was the right move for the Ocean Pines Board of Directors, who ascertained correctly that saving money in this instance is as good as making it.

Even though Landscapes did make improvements in the operation, the course looks to be close to \$100,000 off budget this year, thereby activating the \$50,000 opt-out trigger in the original contract.

Also per that agreement, which took effect in May 2015, the board was paying Landscapes close to \$80,000 a year to run the course. By lopping off that bill, the board has taken a big step toward making up some budgetary ground.

But even though this management change makes sense, it isn't going to solve all the golf club's problems, as some of them are tied to an industry that isn't growing as it once did.

As of 2016, the number of rounds played had been flat for five years, as Baby Boomers age out of the market and Millennials have been slow to embrace the sport.

The bright hope for golf now is its introduction to the youth market, which has its own obstacles, most notably the sport's associated expenses.

Bearing that in mind, the community should not expect miracles to arise out of the club's return to local management, as it will have to wrestle with issues that are industry-wide.



"Fake News! They said that scientists had discovered seven new planets and that one of them had 1,000 different craft beers. He's been building this rocket ever since."

Letters

Where was the coverage?

Editor,

I have been unable to find the (Tymeir Dennis fatal accident) story in any local print publications or their online versions.

I believe the (local television station) version omits multiple important facts.

The trooper, Hager, was only 21 years old at the time of the accident.

He was driving an unmarked car with no lights or siren active.

He is the son of a Maryland trooper.

The crash investigation was scheduled to take 90 days. It actually took over nine months.

The attorneys for each side have not been identified, and the judge has not been identified.

The duration of the trial and who gave testimony is not included in the report.

The size of the jury pool and the demographics of the selected jury have not been described.

The current status and assignments of trooper Hager have not been disclosed.

The trooper is white, and the victims were black.

The decision to not bring criminal charges against the trooper occurred roughly two years before the Black Lives Matter movement arose.

Either local reporters failed to cover this trial, or local editors made a deliberate decision to not publish the story. Which is it?

Meanwhile, we have a president who calls the mainstream media "fake news," and locks out the *Washington Post* from campaign events and the *New York Times* from White House news gaggles.

This is a sad, sad time for journalism.

Jeffrey R. Wadler
Ocean Pines

Contract termination apparently mutual

■ LANDSCAPES continued the association's predicament."

"Landscapes Unlimited has some of the best people in the industry and worked really hard to achieve the objectives that were laid out for them, but in the end we felt it best that we control our own destiny going forward," Herrick said in the release. "Resident play increased under Landscapes' leadership, but membership sales had not taken off like we had hoped. I

will give them credit, however: They laid the groundwork for the golf club to continue to improve the club atmosphere for Ocean Pines residents."

The release added, "It is anticipated the existing management team will remain in place going forward."

That will likely include longtime Golf Director John Malinowski and Golf Course Superintendent Rusty McLendon.

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Arts on the River First Friday returns March 3

Monthly event will feature art exhibits, live music and sales and specials in shops

By **Brian Gilliland**
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Snow Hill’s monthly Arts on the River, First Friday returns on March 3 as merchants and shop owners extend their hours and feature an evening of live music, special discounts and light refreshments, from 5-8 p.m.

Jay Fleming will appear at the Lower Shore Land Trust on 100 River Street to showcase his photographs of the Eastern Shore and sign copies of his recent book, “Working The Water.”

The Jim Adcock Studio on 10 East Green Street will display new work by the artist, along with live entertainment by local musician Nick Haglich.

Bishop Stock Fine Art, Craft and Wine on 202 West Green Street will feature serigrapher Erick Sahler. The gallery will also offer tastings of Sposato Family Vineyards wines.

Blue Dog Café on 300 North Washington Street will have live entertainment by WWIIunes and Todd Crosby.

Harvest Moon Tavern on 208 West Green Street will host music by Opposite Directions, starting at 7 p.m.

Those who stop in at Jerry’s Wood Craft 112 West Green Street

may enter to win the four-foot tall “Gerry the Giraffe” on display in the front window. No purchase is required and entrants do not need to be present to win. The drawing will be held on April 14.

The shop will also showcase a new line of Melissa and Doug toys, as well as feature custom-made planters, birdhouses and feeders.

The Nancy Ellen Thompson Studio & Gallery on 106 Bank Street will show original watercolors by the eponymous owner.

Miniature trains will run at the Pocomoke River Canoe Company on 2 River Street during First Friday hours, 5-8 p.m.

Sassy Girl Boutique on 114 West Green Street has spring accents and

candles, and will offer 50 percent off winter fashion accessories.

The Corner Shoppe on 100 West Green Street will feature an introduction to brewing special, with 15 percent off any Mortier Pilon fermentation kombucha jars and accessories, or 10 percent off any oil or vinegar, from 4-8 p.m.

First Fridays are sponsored by Arts on the River, Snow Hill’s Art & Entertainment District and the Town of Snow Hill. Funding is provided in part by the Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, organizations dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

Fleming photographs, book to be featured

Lower Shore Land Trust in Snow Hill will host author signing, coinciding art show

(March 2, 2017) The Lower Shore Land Trust announces that Jay Fleming, celebrated Annapolis-based photographer and author, will be on hand at the Lower Shore Land Trust office during Snow Hill’s First Friday,

March 3, from 5-8 p.m. Fleming will showcase a sampling of his Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore photographs, and will have signed copies of his new book, “Working The Water” available for purchase. He will also have prints (and associated stories) available from his recent trip to Cuba.

His flagship book, “Working the Water,” has received rave reviews,

with the first printing selling out in less than two months.

His book is summarized online at workingthewater.com as being, “a visual narrative of the lives of those individuals whose livelihood is directly dependent upon the Chesapeake Bay — America’s largest estuary. The book comprises photographs of seasoned watermen, scenic seascapes, weathered workboats and bay bounty — a true and complete depiction of

Chesapeake Bay life. Equal parts informative and aesthetically pleasing, Jay’s flagship book, ‘Working the Water,’ is relevant to the seafood enthusiast, the history buff, the biologist, photography fan, and Chesapeake Bay lover alike.”

For more information and to view Fleming’s photographs, visit jayflemingphotography.com. The Lower Shore Land Trust is located at 100 River Street in Snow Hill.

Community alert signals to sound Saturday in county

(March 2, 2017) Worcester County emergency alert signals will sound from area fire sirens on Saturday, March 4.

A steady alert tone will sound at 10 a.m. for approximately one minute. The signals are tested the first Satur-

day of each month. In the event of an actual emergency, the sirens would be used as additional means to warn the surrounding communities of imminent danger and the need to tune to either radio, television or the internet for information.



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Salvaged bringing vintage stylings to downtown Berlin

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(March 2, 2017) Lewes, Delaware furniture and design shop Salvaged is coming soon to downtown Berlin, opening a second location there.

Dubbed “House by Salvaged,” the shop is targeting an April opening at the former site of Sea La Vie, on Artisan’s Way.

“‘House by Salvaged’ came to light when four partners had the idea to expand,” Brynn Byerly said. “Two of the owners — Michelle [Hepting] and I — own Salvaged and were contacted by Berlin residents, Andrea and Corey [Canon], about the opportunity to open the business in Berlin.”

Byerly said the Lewes location carries “a wide variety of professionally hand-painted vintage and antique furniture along with décor and home accents.”

The customer base ranges from young adults furnishing their first college apartment to older residents looking to redecorate their beach houses, according to Byerly. She said the Berlin location would be “less coastal and more of a lifestyle store.”

“The new location in Berlin will offer a wonderful selection of tastefully painted antique furniture, while also mixing in new reclaimed/raw wood pieces and décor,” she said. “In addition, we are the only stockist of Chalk Paint decorative paint by Annie Sloan in Delaware, which makes it the perfect shop for fellow DIY-ers.”

Moving to Berlin was not something Byerly and her partners had been planning. She said the location happened to pop up, was seen by Andrea and Corey Canon, and forwarded to her.

“We couldn’t pass up the wonderful opportunity to join the ‘coolest small town in America,’” Byerly said. “They heard of the space becoming available and immediately reached out to us. Everything happened so quickly, as there was so much interest in the property and we worked hard to secure the location within days.”

She said the property only needed minimal work, and that inventory as already arriving and being stocked. April 1 is the target opening date.

“As soon as you enter the building it immediately reflects the vibe we are going for — reclaimed, rustic, natural and worn,” Byerly said. “We want ‘House’ to feel cozy, lived in, and make you feel at home upon entering.”

“We hope that bringing ‘House’ to Berlin really adds excitement to the community and gives the locals another one-of-a-kind shop to furnish their homes with,” she continued. “If everyone loves it as much as we think they will, hopefully word spreads and the business can continue to grow from day to day. We are hoping to get the community involved in our fun Chalk Paint workshops and give them another outlet to use their own creativity. Hopefully business only goes up from here.”



The new “House by Salvaged” shop is targeting an April opening at the former site of Sea La Vie, on Artisan’s Way in Berlin. The second location of a Lewes, Delaware-based business will feature antique and vintage furniture and accent pieces for the home.

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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MIXED FEELINGS
BY JOSH KNAPP / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

ACROSS

1 Word before “Ooh, didn’t mean to make you cry” in Queen’s “Bohemian Rhapsody”

5 Maxim

8 Brother with a cross

13 Unfaithful sorts

17 Roasting place

18 Land between hills, poetically

19 ____ Palmer (“Twin Peaks” victim)

20 Jacobin revolutionary who was stabbed in a bathtub

21 They’re pumped to compete in a race

23 Fashionable enough for a runway model?

25 Assault involving a hatchet?

27 Broadway’s Eugene ____ Theater

28 Throw in

29 ____ relief

30 Post-run feeling

31 1982 Dustin Hoffman film

32 Place for a sponge

34 Annoying sort

36 Bro

37 Little bit

38 Coffee brewing style

40 Some scans, for short

41 Lifesaving team

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57 Places

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64 Stories from bankruptcy court?

68 Be too broke to take the bus?

70 Country singer Black

71 Grammy category

73 Beast in rare “sightings”

74 Poet/musician ____ Scott-Heron

75 One who can’t learn new tricks, they say

77 ____-Lay

79 Doze

82 “The king really wants to be around people right now”?

87 Professor’s goal, one day

88 Marvel role for Chris Hemsworth

89 Yazidis, e.g.

92 Go in (for)

95 Actor Curry

96 Go all in

98 What many 100-Across do in the spring

100 See 98-Across

103 Certain earring

105 Trader ____

107 Baseball league for the Salt Lake Bees

108 “Yeah, let’s do it!”

109 Celebration after a coup?

112 Negative Nancy?

115 Words before a punch line

116 Muddies

117 2% alternative

118 Moving line on a tree trunk

119 Orange-and-white Pixar title character

120 Wild revelry

121 So, so awful, with “the”

122 Rapper with the most-viewed YouTube video of all time

123 P.M. after Churchill

DOWN

1 Weapon usually fired between a 45° and a 90° angle

2 Ducked

3 Go wherever

4 With 41-Down, first tennis player to win two Olympic singles gold medals

5 Potent sushi-bar cocktail

6 Dependent on chance

7 Against the jet stream

8 French region around Strasbourg

9 Tray of brownies, e.g.

10 Philosopher who said, “The people never give up their liberties but under some delusion”

11 Christian school in Okla.

12 Skin art, informally

13 Character resembling a hat

14 Drawer, say

15 Flower named for a Swedish botanist

16 All done up, as hair

18 Den mother

20 Like original Buddy Holly and the Crickets recordings

22 Turned

24 Detergent brand with a fabric in its name

26 Gets back on base

31 “And that’s it!”

33 Abbr. on a pay stub

35 God: It.

36 Thoughtful

39 So-ugly-it’s-cute pooch

41 See 4-Down

42 One-named singer once married to Xavier Cugat

43 Letter feature

45 Take back, in a way

46 CD or DVD follower

47 “____ is life”

48 “We’re on!”

49 Muslim official

50 I, personally

51 E-business

52 By voice

53 One side in a pool game

58 Subject of a tinfoil-hat theory

59 Peak physical condition

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67 Former tribe in western New York

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78 Sea creatures with remarkably high I.Q.s

80 Turn-____ (thrills)

81 Congo red and gentian violet

83 San ____, Argentina

84 Volt/ampere

85 High-waisted, shamelessly unfashionable garment

86 Chief concern

90 Way overcooked

91 4:00 p.m., maybe

92 Made a declaration

93 Set adrift

94 V.I.P.

96 Instrument for Louis Armstrong

97 Doctors' orders

99 National Aviation Hall of Fame city

101 Macho

102 NASA's ____ Research Center

103 Comedy

104 Crown insets

106 Letters on some lotion

110 It's a deal

111 Unbeatable

113 Net letters

114 “Well, look at that!”

Cuisine

One last beach walk, pizza pie, for Sadie

Oh, what a week it has been. We lost our beautiful dog, Sadie, and then spent a very long day at Georgetown University for appointments. Barely able to catch our breaths, it is back to the real world as we know it.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

Pets are amazing to have in our lives, and if you ever saw our pictures of Sadie, she was a

beautiful Golden Doodle who took the jet-black coloring of the American Standard Poodle. Every bit of her was wonderful, happy and joyful.

I remember one day, remarking on a dog's unconditional love, our youngest son, Ethan, asking me if I thought Sadie loved me or mom more. Just having seen a similar line of questioning online in a meme or some site, I quickly responded "Well, dude, if I lock both of them in the trunk of my car for an hour, which one would be happy to see me when I opened it back up?"

He nodded his head in understanding, and I reiterated that I would never do that to anyone, so he had nothing to worry about.

I think I've written about that dog 20 times in the past 10 years, once mastering the pen enough to successfully write a food article about a dog pooping in the front yard on a chilly afternoon as I sipped wine, waiting for her to "do" her business.

With the decision made this weekend, we waited until Monday to do the deed, as Sadie was very sick. She had quite a few episodes to which Golden Doodles are predisposed and she simply hadn't recovered. We took her to the beach, carrying her down to the water in a hammock so she could smell Assateague, her favorite place on earth.

On the bayside, she actually walked all the way to the water's edge. In her condition, and seeing that we were certainly not getting in, since the temperature was in the 30s, she gave us a look that said "OK, put me back in the car. It's too damned cold."

After getting her back home, we took a trip to Berlin to see the new stores opening up, buy a couple things from Gilbert's Provisions (the girls were looking in the "girl" stores, as my son says), and stopped by Una Bella Salute, next to the Globe.

A quaint little shop that sells vinegars and oils, it was not long until I was tasting many oils and aged bal-



samics. At the advice of the lady working (I never caught whether she was owner or employee), she recommended that I try the herbed Neapolitan balsamic vinegar on a pizza.

I've used vinegars in a number of recipes in the past, even writing about the passing fad of shrubs a year or two ago. Since we make home-

made pizza every week, Sunday suddenly became pizza night. With a quick trip to the supermarket we purchased our cheeses, sauce (I'll admit it: We are Don Pepino's junkies) and some crimini mushrooms, or baby portabellas.

Since pizza was Sadie's favorite food, it doubled as an enticing evening as we finished off her day

with the best grub we could think of. And now that I know this little trick of adding Balsamic to pizza, it will long be in my repertoire. Between the vinegar, fresh mozzarella and mushrooms, it justly was the best pizza I had ever eaten – and I have eaten a lot of pizza in my day.

It was a good way to say goodbye to an old friend, and now I guess I'll have to start writing about Oscar or Felix, the cats. But they're just not as funny. Not even close.

The Perfect Balsamic Pizza

Makes one 16" pizza

- 1 1-pound dough ball (plenty of recipes online)
- 1/4 c. Pizza sauce of your choice
- 4 ounces shredded Joe-sixpack mozzarella
- 3 ounces Italian-blend cheese
- 8 ounces sliced fresh mozzarella
- 1 Tbsp. Neapolitan Aged Balsamic
- 1 cup Crushed crimini mushrooms
- as needed, coarse sea salt

1. Preheat your oven to at least 500F (I go to 525, but only because my oven goes that high; most stop at 500)
2. Place a pizza stone (or two) in the oven to preheat for as long as possible, depending on the thickness (thicker takes longer)
3. Put enough flour on a clean counter so as to prevent the pizza from sticking to the surface as you roll it out
4. Roll with a rolling pin a few times to get it to around ten-inches, and then throw the dough until it is around 18-20 inches. Don't worry about it being bigger than you pizza peel, as it will shrink as you mold it
5. Now, in the old days, I would tell you to dock the dough, meaning to poke holes all around the center so it doesn't puff up when cooking, but these days I throw them thin enough that this doesn't happen too often. Besides, my kids love the puffs
6. Sprinkle some semolina and/or flour on the pizza peel, lay out the dough, and top with the pizza sauce
7. Top this with the grated cheeses and then the fresh mozzarella slices
8. Top with the balsamic vinegar and hand-crushed criminis and sprinkle with some sea salt
9. Shimmy the pizza onto the pizza stone and cook until done, about six minutes
10. Remove, cool and serve

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Calendar

THU, MAR. 2

PLAY TIME
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. Children, infant to 5 years old, can make new friends and learn new skills while playing with educational toys. 410-208-4014

STORY TIME “RAIN”
Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-632-3495

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. The group meets every Thursday. Free and open to anyone who has lost a loved one, not just Coastal Hospice families. 410-251-8163

POCOMOKE BOOK OF THE MONTH
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. The book of the month is “The Kitchen House” by Kathleen Grissom. Copies are available in advance at the Pocomoke Branch. 410-957-0878

BEACH SINGLES
Harpoon Hanna’s, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4 to 7 p.m. Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour. Arlene or Kate, 302-436-9577 or 410-524-0649

ANIMATION AFTER HOURS
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Educational showcase of rare, classic, groundbreaking and bizarre animation from every era around the world. Designed for an adult audience. 410-524-1818

BINGO
American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., games start at 6:30 p.m. Food and non-alcoholic drinks available at 5:15 p.m. Open to the public. 410-289-3166, <http://www.alpost166.org>

FRI, MAR. 3

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, All Day By appointment only. Call 410-957-0878.

FRIED CHICKEN/FRIED FISH SANDWICH SALE
St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. Cost is \$5 per sandwich. Sponsored by St. Paul United Methodist Church Men’s Ministry. Patrick Henry, 443-880-4746

GARDENING LAB ‘WINTER GARDENING’
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 3:30 p.m. Hands-

on projects for children 8 years and older. 410-957-0878

JAY FLEMING EXHIBIT
Lower Shore Land Trust office, 100 River St., Snow Hill, MD, 5 to 8 p.m. Jay Fleming, celebrated Annapolis-based photographer and author, will be on hand during Snow Hill’s March First Friday. Fleming will showcase a sampling of his Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore photographs and will have signed copies of his new book, “Working The Water.” <http://www.jayflemingphotography.com>

ST. PATRICK’S INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 5 p.m. U12 and U16 Boys and Girls. Featuring more than 170 teams competing over four weekends. Tournament play begins on Friday at 5 p.m. Kim Kinsey or Kim Allison, 410-250-0125

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

SAT, MAR. 4

ST. PATRICK’S INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, All Day U12 and U16 Boys and Girls. Featuring more than 170 teams competing over four weekends. Tournament play begins on Friday at 5 p.m. Kim Kinsey or Kim Allison, 410-250-0125

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

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES
Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to walk-ins.

CRAFTY SATURDAY MAKE & TAKE ‘BE CREATIVE’
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Use your imagination to create something wonderful with fun supplies provided by the library. Every Saturday in March. For all ages. 410-208-4014

WRITE IT! CREATIVE WRITING FORUM
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. Novice and established writers gather to share their fiction, non-fiction and creative writing proj-

ects. Program includes critique and appreciation, market leads and writing exercises. 410-641-0650

EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK
Daily Brew Coffeehouse, 213 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. Join supporters of the Women’s March movement to continue with action items for improving our community and our nation. All are welcome. RSVP: Christina Hulslander, 803-528-1309, ploverbug@msn.com.

OC AVIATION ADVISORS & EDUCATORS
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A “Layperson’s Introduction to Flying” fun, free course. Ideal for PC Flight Simulator and R/C controlled aircraft operators with no actual flight experience. Requires only 8th grade math, simple scientific calculator and interest in how airplanes are flown. Register: Tom Onto, 410-641-6888.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN BUFFET
Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church - Willards, 35639 Mount Hermon Road, Pittsville, MD, 11 a.m. Menu includes chicken, vegetables, beverages and desserts. Cost is \$13 for adults, \$6 for children and free to those 6 years and younger. Bake table and carryouts. Nelda Dennis, 443-614-9898

PULL’N, PEEL’N, PICK’N
Dagsboro Volunteer Fire Department, 28331 Clayton St., Dagsboro, DE, 5 to 11 p.m. Shrimp, pulled pork and beer. Auctions and live music by Bo Dickerson Band. Tickets cost \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. Benefit hosted by the Dagsboro Volunteer Fire Department and The Good Ole Boys. For tickets, call Josh, 302-245-7893; Bryan, 302-381-7329; or Melissa, 302-381-7220. Must be 21 years or older.

SUN, MAR. 5

ST. PATRICK’S INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, All Day U12 and U16 Boys and Girls. Featuring more than 170 teams competing over four weekends. Tournament play begins on Friday at 5 p.m. Kim Kinsey or Kim Allison, 410-250-0125

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 12 to 1 p.m. Group shares experience, strength and hope to help others. Open to the community and to AGH patients. Rob, 443-783-3529

QUARTER AUCTION
American Legion Post #166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. to

preview auction items. Featuring many donated items from local businesses along with some well known vendor items including Scentsy, Thirty-One and LulaRoe. There will be homemade desserts, 50/50 raffle, golden paddle, money board game and raffle baskets. The kitchen will be open for lite fare and cash bar. Advance tickets cost \$5 and include two paddles. Tickets at the door, if available, will be \$7. Proceeds benefit the Worcester County Humane Society. Participants must be 18 years or older. Mary Martinez, 410-382-2661, <http://www.worcestercountyhumanesociety.org>

NEW HOPE UMC HOMECOMING
New Hope United Methodist Church, 7338 New Hope Rd., Willards, MD, 2 p.m. Rev. Vicki Gordy-Smith will be the guest speaker/singer. Dinner will be served immediately following the service.

MON, MAR. 6

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

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to walk-ins.

BEGINNING COMPUTER INSTRUCTION
Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10 a.m. Participants learn basic computer skills, how to set up an email account and navigate the Internet. Register by calling 410-632-3495.

HYPERTENSION CLINIC
Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

HYPERTENSION CLINIC
Walgreens, 11310 Manklin Creek Rd., Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

THE DIGITAL LIBRARY AND YOU
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 2 p.m. Learn how to download books and magazines to your E-reader, audiobooks and music to your player and movies and TV. All free to download. Take your library card and device

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to get started. 410-641-0650

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Group meets twice a month to discuss both classic and modern reading selections recommended by the Great Books Foundation. Lisa Harrison, 410-632-3970

GEOBOARD IT!

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 3:30 p.m. STEAM activity for ages 12 years and older. 410-957-0878

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

AGH DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 6 to 7 p.m. Open to the public and meets the first Monday of each month. Speakers and education related to diabetes. AGH Diabetes Out-patient Education program, 410-641-9703

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. The group meets each Monday. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. 410-641-6876

TUE, MAR. 7

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES

MAC Center, 909 Progress Circle, Salisbury, MD, All Day By appointment only. Call 410-742-0505.

SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING

All Hallows Church Parish House, 109 W. Market Street, Snow Hill, MD, 7:30 a.m. Contact agibb1@verizon.net or 410-546-1978 for more information.

LIVING WELL: CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT

Pocomoke Senior Center, 400 Walnut St., Suite B, Pocomoke City, MD, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Free, six-week interactive program for anyone who has a chronic condition. Topics include better breathing; how to manage pain, stress and discouragement; improving communication with family and healthcare providers; eat and exercise for your health; and more. Dawn, 410-641-9268

‘DIG THOSE DINOSAURS’

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 10:30 a.m. Science, art and fun for children, ages 3 to 7 years. 410-957-0878

STORY TIME ‘BIRDS’

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old chil-



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

VIP OF THE GAME

In its ongoing efforts to recognize outstanding students and community members, the Stephen Decatur High School PBIS program (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports) is honoring VIPs of the Game this winter during home basketball games. Since 2006, SDHS has been recognizing the Decatur Way and the principles of pride, achievement, respect and responsibility through the PBIS initiative. SDHS Athletic Boosters President Kim Holloway, center, was recognized as a VIP of the Game on Jan. 26. Holloway has served for five years in this capacity and has dedicated countless hours to Decatur’s athletes and athletic programs through those years. She is pictured with PBIS committee member Amy Fenzel-Mergott and Principal Tom Zimmer.

dren. 410-641-0650

SDHS CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER

Chipotle, 12909 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, MD, 4 to 8 p.m. Tell the cashier you’re supporting the cause to make sure that 50 percent of the proceeds will be donated to the Stephen Decatur High School Beyond The Blue Show Choir.

FAMILY NIGHT! ‘CELTIC COLORING’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Stop by and enjoy Celtic coloring and some St. Patrick’s Day themed refreshments. For ages 3 years and older and their caregivers. 410-524-1818

BINGO

Pocomoke Elks Lodge 1624, 1944 Worcester Highway, Pocomoke City, MD, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., early bingo at 7 p.m. and regular games start at 7:30 p.m. Food and non-alcoholic drinks available. Open to the public. 410-957-3556

WED, MAR. 8

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. Meets every Wednesday. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m.

410-641-7330, <http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org>

FOREIGN POLICY KEY ISSUES: DISCUSSION GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Group meets bi-monthly, second and fourth Wednesdays, to discuss major foreign policy issues. Study guide is provided. Jim Young, 410-208-4014

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP: FROM BASICS TO RESEARCH

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn how to organize your records and cut down on paper clutter. Learn about digitizing documents and photos and organizing the files so you can easily search. Pre-registration is required. 410-208-4014

ONE-ON-ONE FAMILY HISTORY ASSISTANCE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 4 p.m. Explore your genealogy and ancestry. Appointments must be made in advance by calling Ashley Jones, 410-632-5622. Held the second Wednesday of each month.

OCEAN CITY BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 2 p.m. Book of the month is “The Heretic’s Daughter” by Kathleen Kent. Copies of books are

available in advance at the Ocean City branch. 410-524-1818

INFORMATIONAL SEMINAR ON TRIP TO IRELAND

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 3 to 6 p.m. A presentation outlining the itinerary and costs for a week-long trip to Ireland this summer. Booking may be done at the seminar or later if space remains. 410-208-4014

STORY TIME ‘LEPRECHAUNS’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-524-1818

TEEN TECH WEEK: DIGITAL ART

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4 p.m. Learn how to use GIMP to digitally alter photos. Take a flash drive with a photo, or use one provided. For those 12 to 18 years old. 410-641-0650

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the ‘50s, ‘60s and Carolina Beach music. A \$5 donation per person to benefit local Veterans. Elk members and their guests welcome. dance@delmarvahanddancing.com, 302-200-3262, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

Captain’s Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. cliff0917@aol.com, 410-641-1700

ONGOING EVENTS

BOOK A LIBRARIAN

One-on-one help with resumes, job applications, E-Reader or basic computer skills. Held throughout the month of March. Contact your closest Worcester County library branch to schedule an appointment. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

MAKE & TAKE ‘RUBBER DUCKIES’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, all through March. The Make and Take cart will feature supplies to decorate rubber duckies. Cart is located in the teen area. 410-524-1818

STAR CHARITIES MONTHLY MEETING

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

CHURCH FUNDRAISER

Taylorville United Methodist Church will be collecting gently worn shoes, of any kind until April 1. Money raised will be used to repair the church’s foundation. Drop off under the church pavilion at 12252 Adkins Road, Berlin or have them picked up by calling 410-208-1233 or 410-202-9341.

CALL
410-723-6397
BY MONDAY
5 P.M.



MARKETPLACE

CLASSIFIED

Classifieds now appear
in Ocean City Today &
the Bayside Gazette
each week and online at
oceancitytoday.net and
baysideoc.com.

HELP WANTED

Professor Hacker's LOST TREASURE GOLF

Customer Service/Cashier

Looking for friendly & outgoing people who want to have fun at their job! Must be able to work flexible schedule day or nights.

Call 410-250-5678 or
443-373-8249 and ask for
Arnetta.
Serious inquiries only.

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To Order Product
Call Christine
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email: snowhillavon@comcast.net

**To Become an
Avon Representative**
Sign Up at www.ChristinesBeautyShop.com



HELP WANTED

LOCAL CRAB BOAT

Berlin, Snow Hill area
Help Wanted
410-641-4709

FLAT GLASS TECH/INSTALLER

Mr. Go-Glass, in Ocean Pines, is looking for a Flat Glass Technician/Installer to assist with installation of window units, patio doors, screen porches, shower doors, and all types of glass products. Successful candidate will need to be detail oriented, skilled in making calculations, reading measurements, and using various handheld equipment. Competitive starting base pay commensurate with experience and excellent benefit package.

E-mail resume to
employment@go-glass.com

HELP WANTED

Restaurant Host/Hostess

Yr.-round. Will train someone with a friendly & positive attitude. Flexible hrs. a must including weekends & holidays.

Please apply in person:
32 Palm Restaurant
in the Hilton Suites
32nd St.
Ocean City, MD

P/T WAREHOUSE SUPPORT NEEDED IN W. OCEAN CITY (Seasonal)

Work in small warehouse- Must take inventory, move boxes (lift up to 50 lbs), keep business vans neat/stocked & interact with other staff. Need driver's license, min. age 21 with no points. 10-20 hours/week (flexible schedule). \$11/hr. Email resume to TDS at office@tdsbrochure.com. Deadline 03/12/17.

HELP WANTED

Chairside DENTAL ASS'T.

Experience Preferred
Ocean View, DE

Email Resume:
molarbiz@yahoo.com



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Production Crew
for our WOC kitchen facility
Starting at \$10.50/hr.
Apply online at:
www.delmarvadd.com

Carpentry - Skilled Helper

Must have the basic tools and transportation. Experience with Home Improvements a Plus. Pay to commensurate with ability. Call 8 am-5 pm
410-208-9159 or
410-726-1040

HELP WANTED

PGN Crabhouse
29th St. & Coastal Hwy.
Help Wanted. Waitstaff,
Kitchen Staff, Cooks.
Apply within after 11am.

Experienced Cleaners
needed for Part-time work in Ocean City, Bethany & Rehoboth. Must have vehicle and cell phone and pass background check. Please call 410-202-2887.

Concrete Construction

Hiring Rodmen and Form Carpenters. Delmarva Eastern Shore Work Area. Health, Dental & Vision Benefits. Please call 410-749-3300, M-F, 8-5 for more information.

HIRING!

Coral Reef Cafe/
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Holiday Inn & Suites
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- PM Hostess/
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