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The Worcester Preparatory School production of the musical, "Grease" was recently presented. The cast includes: row 1 from left, Lily Zechiel, Lauren Gosnear, Elena LaPlante, Lauren Meoli, Hayley Larsen, Laura Issel, Chandler Dennis and Victoria Middleton; row 2, Mattie Maull, Carolyn Dorey, Claire Dorey, Greg LaMotte, Nik Moondra, Josh Willey, Isabel Dashiell, Fiona Reid and Emmi Shockley; row 3, Sophia Tomaselli, Jarad Godwin, Cecily Sass, Razaak Eniola, Ariella Anthony, Jordan Kilgore, Devin Hammond, Mark Gee, Caroline Lewis and Daniel Rosa and row 4, Raphael De Jesus, Biola Eniola, Zach Oltman, Sambina Anthony, Lydia Pritchard, Davis Taylor, Megan Kuczma and Lorenzo De Jesus.

First comes 'coolest,' then comes party in Berlin

Town schedules March 29 as day to thank all who voted it to No. 1

BERLIN–Downtown Berlin will be the coolest place to be on Saturday, March 29 when the Town of Berlin will shut down Main Street from 1-6 p.m. for the sole purpose of celebrating its victory as America's Coolest Small Town.

"It's time to thank and recognize everyone who chose to "vote Berlin" during the contest," said Mayor Gee Williams. "If you love Berlin this celebration will be a full day of fun for all ages and friends, family members and of course all of our residents and visitors. We have a lot to be proud of and much to celebrate."

Berlin is known for its various events such as Spring Celebration, May Day Play Day and The Peach Festival and Fiddler's Convention to name a few, but this party is going to be like non-other, with food, fun, local artists, students from Worcester County public and private schools, give-a-ways, souvenirs, several top-40 bands and Berlin musician and merchant Steve Frene, who will perform his instant hit song, "Cool Berlin." The event begins at 1 p.m. with a parade on Main Street exclusively featuring Berlin youth from a variety of organizations.

Berlin beat out 14 other small towns in online voting since January. Nearly 138,000 votes were cast and Berlin received more that 28 percent of the total with 39,000 votes. Budget Travel Magazine, the sponsoring organization, characterized Berlin as the "runaway favorite." Budget Travel Magazine noted Berlin is good for beach lovers, hikers, bird watchers and history lovers alike.

For this special day of celebration additional free parking areas will be available, as there is no metered parking at any time in the Town of Berlin. Hoopers Crab House has agreed to transport event attendees with its shuttle bus to and from marked temporary satellite parking locations within the town.

As part of the coolest celebration, the Berlin Fire Company will host its *Continued on Page 7*

Geese and golf stir passions at Ocean Pines discussions

Crowded work session sometimes gets heated

By Sheila R. Cherry

Associate Editor

OCEAN PINES—When the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors met on March 5 for their monthly work session, two issues drew so much interest the standing room only crowd extended into the hallway. The issues involved the overwhelming costs of maintaining and improving the golf course and the overwhelming ground and water pollution from an overpopulation of non-migratory geese.

The discussion that drew the golfers to the meeting began when Director Marty Clarke presented a proposal that the OPA issue a request for proposals to lease the community's golf operations to an outside group, which he said he planned to offer at the March 19 regular meeting. The second worst thing that could happen would be to have our golf course closed," which he indicated was possibility because of a threatened referendum action that was being considered.

Clarke said the worst thing that could happen was for the OPA to continue to address the growing expense of maintaining the course by continuing to "kick the can down the road," he added. "If we had leased out the golf course four years ago for a dollar a year we would be over a million dollars ahead," he said.

Clarke said a local developer and a members' organization were preparing to circulate a petition to call for a referendum that could possibly lead to the golf course's closure and convert it into a park or open space for the use of the entire community. Clarke said he was trying to find a way to keep that from happening, by finding a professional golf company that could lease the golf course and take on the financial obligations to make the necessary capital investments needed to maintain and operate it successfully.

Clarke was referring to long-time Ocean Pines developer Marvin Steen, who is circulating flyers on behalf of *Continued on Page 10*



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Non-profit, county groups gearing up for second year

Summer will offer a continuation of efforts to unveil career ideas

By Sheila R. Cherry

Associate Editor

WORCESTER—This summer will bring with it a continuation of the effort to expose local students to programs that will allow them to become familiar with future career prospects in science, technology, engineering and mathematical (STEM) fields.

For the second year, The Red Doors Community Center on Third Street in Ocean City and the Worcester County Office of Economic Development will continue to sponsor two programs coordinated with businesses in Berlin, Pocomoke, West Ocean City and Ocean City, and the NASA's Wallops Flight Facility on Virginia's Eastern Shore.

The first program will consist of a free two-week "Reach for the Stars" camp in a yet-to-be-scheduled date in July for county students who are scheduled to enter grades 7-10 this fall. The second will be a paid six-week "STEP UP" internship program that will place high school and college students in STEM-related businesses throughout the county from June 23 through Aug. 1.

Last year was the first year these programs were fully sponsored by local entities, Fawn Fitzgerald Mete, director of The Red Doors Community Center, said. In previous years, the initiatives were co-sponsored by NASA and Worcester County and were geared specifically to aerospace engineering and NASA internships. "When NASA lost funding for the program, the Worcester Office of Economic Development utilized the matching funds already in the budget to create a new version tailored specifically to Worcester County students and businesses with a broader STEM focus," she said. Mete said, "We felt the program was

Mete said, "We felt the program was extremely successful last year. Parents, students, and employers completed surveys expressing very high satisfaction with the program." She added that nearly all of the employers invited their interns to continue as part-time employees during the school year. "This year, the program will serve an additional six interns and include more employers, while operating with the same budget," she said.

During the Reach for the Stars camp, students will participate in *Continued on Page 5*



'Reach for the Stars' camp for students in grades 7-10

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hands-on projects while learning fundamental skills that can complement STEM-related career paths from professionals in NASA engineering and information technology fields, according to an informational flyer for the program. Space is limited to 20 students, it said and a portion of the slots are reserved for students with disabilities and students from demographic groups that have been traditionally underrepresented in STEM career fields.

The program is designed to be fun as well as educational by combining recreational activities, like sports and field trips, with skill-building exercises, like computer programming and feedback from the businesses participating. "The intent of the RFTS camp is to pique student interest in local STEM career options while serving as a pipeline to the STEP UP internship program," said Mete, who also serves as the program director for the camp.

The Red Doors Community Center on 3rd Street in Ocean City, which is hosting the camp, will provide free transportation, lunch, and snacks. St. Paul's By the Sea was the location of the camp in 2013 and despite a fire in December, will be held there again in 2014, according to Mete. "In the years that there was NASA funding it was an overnight camp at UMES, but with the smaller budget it is now a day camp.

STEP UP is an acronym for Science Technology and Engineering Programs for Underrepresented Populations. "One of the goals of the program is to provide increased inclusion of students from demographic groups that are typically underrepresented in STEM careers such as females, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and individuals from low income families," Mete said.

The internships serve the participating STEM businesses by giving them the opportunity to mentor and network with the future workforce, with the objective of encouraging top students to build their career here after they complete their education, Mete said.

Last year, employers that participated in the STEP UP internship program included:

Atlantic General Hospital, in Berlin; Martin Physical Therapy in Snow Hill; Bel-Art, a United States-based science products manufacturer with a plant in Pocomoke; D3Corp, a web development and marketing firm in Ocean City; TR Group, an information tech-*Continued on Page 6*

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STEM-related businessess will offer paid internships

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nology and security consulting firm in West Ocean City; Maryland Coastal Bays Foundation, a non-profit ecological conservation organization in Ocean City; OceanCity.com, an online vacation guide in Ocean City; and Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County, a non-profit ecumenical Christian ministry that builds homes with and for people in need.

The program will offer opportunities in the health care, environmental science, information technology, engineering, and digital media production, fields. Worcester County residents who will be entering grades 11 or 12 or attending university majoring in a STEM field in the fall, and are at least 16 years old and eligible to work in the United States, can apply for internships by the March 31 submission deadline, according to a separate informational flver.

"STEP UP serves local STEM businesses by giving them the opportunity to mentor the future workforce, students by exposing them to STEM careers in their home county, and Worcester county's greater economy by creating connections between students and businesses with the objective of attracting our top students to build their career here after they complete their education," according to Mete.

STEP UP interns will receive additional professional development to enhance their overall workforce readiness on topics including communication, presentation, interview skills, time management, business etiquette, and social media/electronic communication, Mete said.

For more information on the Reach for the Stars STEM Camp, contact Program Manager Fawn Fitzgerald Mete by e-mail at fawn@ reddoors.org, or by telephone at 410-289-5576.

For more information on the STEP UP summer internship program, contact Program Manager Ryan Mete by e-mail at ryan@sinepuxentgroup.com, or by telephone at 443-629-6209.

Interested students can apply for the programs at their school's guidoffice ance or online at http://www.chooseworcester.org/STE

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OP Chamber to present Business Expo March 13

OCEAN PINES—The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce will present its 4th annual Chamber Business Expo on Thursday, March 13, from 4-7 p.m. on Route 50 in Berlin, across from Stephen Decatur High School.

All Worcester County business people, employers and employees, are invited to attend and display their services or goods. Last year, more than 40 exhibitors displayed their services and products with creative and interactive exhibits in a wide range of interest.

This is a networking opportunity for members of all area chambers and for businessmen and women to mingle with fellow business owners, learn about new businesses in town and talk to hundreds of potential customers.

This event is open to the public. All area business people, local chamber members and professionals are encouraged to attend.

Refreshment will be sponsored by Wawa, and there will be complimentary beer, wine and soda.

For more information and to register, contact the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce at 410-641-5306 or visit www.OceanPinesChamber.org.

Berlin to close off Main Street while celebrating 'cool'

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first "Cornhole Tournament" at the firehouse grounds on North Main Street. Beginning at 11:30 a.m. people of all ages can help to try and set a new "world record" by attempting the longest cornhole hand-thrown (bean bag) shot, ever. Attempts will be \$5 for three shots, officials will be on site and the contest and this promises to be a popular fundraiser for the Berlin Fire Company. Beer and other refreshments will also be available during the contest at the firehouse.

In downtown Berlin, non-glass open containers will be permitted from 1-6 p.m. in a clearly marked designated area. No beverages of any kind may be brought into the celebration area. The Berlin Chamber of Commerce will have a beer garden set up on Jefferson Street featuring craft brews from Berlin's Burley Oak Brewery. Also, "Berlin Coolest Small Town" apparel, and other memorabilia will also be available for purchase.

"Aside from the fact that this is a once in a lifetime event, Berlin's America's Coolest Party is sure to go down as one of the region's most enjoyable celebrations and be remembered as a town classic," Williams said. "Everyone is invited to join the celebration, after all it is our residents and guests who make Berlin so cool."



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Maryland casinos generate \$66 million February take

Revenues for month show almost 32 percent increase from last year

MARYLAND-The Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency recently announced February 2014 revenue numbers for the state's four casinos-Casino at Ocean Downs in Worcester County, Hollywood Casino Perryville in Cecil County, Maryland Live Casino in Anne Arundel County and Rocky Gap Casino Resort in Allegany County.

February's combined statewide revenue totaled \$66,014,094.

Casino at Ocean Downs generated \$3,511,556 in February, and its gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$156.77. Casino at Ocean Downs' February 2014 revenue increased by \$43,805, or 1.3 percent, from February 2013. The Casino at Ocean Downs operates 800 slot machines.

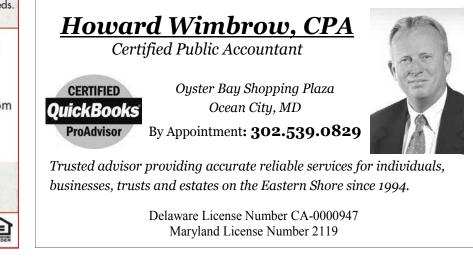
Hollywood Casino Perryville generated \$7,063,568 from both slot machines and table games in February. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$182.40 for slot machines, \$3,005.41 for banking table games and \$498.74 for non-banking table games. Hollywood Casino's February 2014 revenue increased by \$1,099,091, or 18.4 percent, from February 2013. Hollywood Casino Perryville operates 1,158 slot machines and 22 (12 banking and 10 non-banking) table games.

Maryland Live Casino generated \$52,329,054 from both slot machines and table games in February. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$280.97 for slot machines, \$4,605.38 for banking table games and \$1,516.72 for non-banking table games. Maryland Live Casino operates 4,322 slot machines and 177 (125 banking and 52 non-banking) table games. Maryland Live's February 2014 revenue increased by \$13,993,745, or 36.5 percent, from February 2013.

Rocky Gap Casino Resort generated \$3,109,916 from both slot machines and table games in February. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$170.58 for slot machines, \$1,240.61 for banking table games and \$497.91 for non-banking table games. Rocky Gap Casino Resort operates 558 slot machines and 14 table games (12 banking and 2 non-banking).

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BERLIN-The Worcester County Arts Council invites all interested artists to participate in a juried art show to be exhibited during the month of April at the WCAC Gallery, located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

Artwork must be delivered to the Arts Council's Gallery, March 24-28, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., to be accepted.

The selected theme is "Earth -Through the Artist's Eye," and entries should reflect artist's representation of nature, the environment, green health and lifestyle, recycling and sustainable practices. Artists are encouraged to use recycled materials including, but not limited to: wood, metal, stone, used glass, paper, fabric, pottery or plastic.

The exhibition is open to all artists, 18 years and older, professional or amateur with work in all media. All work must be original, completed within the last three years, and not previously shown at the arts council. Artwork will be juried in by Kate Patton, executive director of the Lower Shore Land Trust.

Monetary prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places during the Second Friday Arts Stroll reception on April 11 from 5-8 p.m.

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Topics of golf course expenditures and the proliferation of non-migrating wild geese draw a standing room only crowd that spill out into the hallway during an Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors work session on March 5.

PAPA GRAND

Geese, golf turn OP work session into heated debate

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the Coalition for Ocean Pines Equity (COPE), which is urging OPA management to consider either franchising or leasing the course. While Steen opted not to make a comment when asked on March 10, he did note that the flyer adequately conveyed his position.

Former board member Bill Wentworth noted the current contract with Billy Casper Golf was more of an employer/employee arrangement that created no incentive for the management company to actually make a profit. "They have no skin in the game," he said, echoing a point that Clarke had made earlier. Wentworth said a better option would be to reach an agreement where the management company received compensation based on a portion of the profits from the course's activities.

On the flyer the COPE members suggested that the board of directors and General Manager Bob Thompson should explore the franchise or a leasing option. "Perhaps an equitable arrangement with could be negotiated before the current contract is simply extended for another year," it said.

We believe it is unfair and unequitable (sic) to expect the entire OPA membership base to continue to subsidize golf operating losses or to finance expensive golf capital expenditures in the future," according to the flyer. While the COPE members held open the possibility that "Perhaps a committed group of Ocean Pines golfers would be willing to band together to 'save' this amenity for their use and enjoyment by leasing the golf course and Country Club from the OPA," the golfers would have to be willing to assume the operational and maintenance costs.

COPE proffered the proposal to convert the golf course into uses that could instead benefit and enjoyment of all property owners. "The paved cart path would become an amenity for joggers, walkers and bikers," it said. "The golf driving range could continue as an *Continued on Page 11*



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OPA discusses solutions to problems of geese overpopulation

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amenity paid for by bucket fees. The Country Club could be converted into meeting spaces, a police station, a fitness center, or game and card center."

According to COPE, "The OPA would be responsible for mowing the former fairways and roughs of the golf course, so it remains an asset that can be enjoyed by OPA members whose homes adjoin the newly established open space/parkland, and other property owners and residents."

The group said it has retained a lawyer who will be available to help draft a binding referendum question and should the board decide not to work with them to address their concerns, "We will feel compelled to petition the matter to referendum in accordance with the OPA bylaws."

A dispute arose on the board when Clarke seemed to question whether inquiries by third parties had been taken seriously, after OPA President Tom Terry said the parties inquired about the cost and financial commitments. Clarke said that one of the parties conveyed to him, they remained interested.

Terry, General Manager Bob Thompson and a majority of the board made the argument that after the financial investments to improve the course were made last year the OPA should give the golf course one year of solid operation to determine whether

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it could make money in its newly improve state. They also said that a referendum just as the spring play season was about to begin would send the wrong signal that the OPA was not commitment to its product.

Asked for his input Thompson said the OPA has made a long-term investment to improve the golf course and took a severe budgetary beating (\$1.6 million) to get the work done. He added, "We owe it to our membership to ride that out long enough to make sure that investment pays off."

At the end of the discussion on the course, with half of the crowd cleared out, the boardroom was still filled to capacity, with members who were concerned about how the OPA planned to address the issue of a large population of non-migratory geese that have taken up residence in the community.

Clarke spoke to address what he

called misinformation that was being circulated about the board's intention on how to handle geese and to acknowledge the effort the Environmental and Natural Assets Advisory Committee had made to resolve the matter in a humane and possibly nonlethal way.

Clarke said the activists were contending that the community's domestic geese were the targets of the OPA removal efforts. He tried to make it clear that the birds being targeted were non-migrating wild geese, mostly Canadian geese that were staying in the area due to well-meaning residents feeding them.

Clarke said the feeding activities were "corrupting" the birds by enticing them to break their migratory cycle and remain in the area, a practice which over time has led the second generation to take up residence in the area.

Terry, who had been on vacation over the past week, again tried to make it clear that no action targeting the geese was eminent and that if euthanasia was called for it would be a last resort. What Thompson and the board have been doing, he said, was looking for solutions to the problem that has been presented to us by an advisory committee that spent over two years putting it together.

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He also said that in their attempts to defend the geese one of the activists had stepped across a line civility by making threatening comments against the board, which he called "absolutely unacceptable." He said in contrast to returning home to both an overload of e-mails and answering machine messages, so far the board had only received two suggestions for possible alternate solutions.



Newport Homes' showroom opens

Builder Don Fiedler brings designer kitchen, bath business to Pines

By Sheila R. Cherry

Associate Editor

OCEAN PINES—After 24 years of building new homes, builder Don Fiedler, of Newport Homes, is expanding his tri-county business by opening a designer showroom in Ocean Pines under the name Newport Kitchen & Bath.

The retail space offers a full range of design-build services and products, along with a portfolio of referrals to local contractors, Fiedler said during a March 7 interview. He has been licensed in Maryland and Delaware since 1990, including Worcester and Wicomico, and Sussex counties, he said.

Fiedler said he decided to become a dealer of Fabuwood's American-crafted all-wood fixtures because he was impressed with the products. "I was looking around for a really good cabinet line," he said, "Everything was the same." The search led him to Fabuwood and after researching and examining the products and workmanship, "I decided to jump in with both feet," he said.

From the premium line, with its softclose cabinetry, to the value line, where the soft-close feature is an optional addon, the products are made from wood solids, not particleboard, he noted. The materials for the kitchen and vanity countertops range from laminate, soapstone, quartz, and granite, he said.

Plus the products are quick to get, according to Fiedler; obtainable usually within a two-week lead time.

The showroom is located at 11021 Nicholas Lane, Unit #2, overlooking the South Gate Pond and Racetrack Road. (Rt. 589). Inside it features various staged designs showcasing Fabuwood Cabinetry.

Decorating the showroom was a family affair, according to Fiedler. His wife Jocelyn helped stage the room setups of the different product lines. On one wall is a framed needlepoint that was created by Jocelyn's great-grandmother; on most others are panoramic photographs taken by his father-inlaw, David Orbock, of Baltimore-based studio Full Circle Photo.

Orbock is a world-travelling retired NASA physicist and the current president of the International Association of Panoramic Photographers. There was even a miniaturized child's kitchen, to provide a whimsical sampling of the



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Builder Don Fiedler, is expanding his Newport Homes contracting business with the designer showroom Newport Kitchen & Bath in Ocean Pines, featuring Fabuwood Cabinetry an American-crafted line of all-wood fixtures and specialty tops. The showroom is located at 11021 Nicholas Lane, Unit #2, next to Taylor's Restaurant.

cabinet lines along with a soapstone top. With the addition of his kitchen and bath retail showroom, the only one of its kind in Ocean Pines, Fiedler said he will continue to provide designing and building services.

Another item Fiedler seemed proud

to display was a photo of the Home of the Brave house. Fiedler is one of the founding partners of the Eastern Shore respite for combat veterans and their families, which is located in Berlin.

The hours of operation for Newport Kitchen and Bath are Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesdays, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sundays, by appointment. For more information, call 410-641-0654, or contact Fiedler by e-mail at NewportHomes91@gmail.com.

Diana Purnell files for County Commissioner



Diana Purnell

WORCESTER COUNTY — Democrat Diana Purnell of Berlin has filed to run for Worcester County Commissioner in District 2, which is being vacated by Commissioner James Purnell Jr., who is retiring from public office.

An inventor and entrepreneur, Purnell has been a Worcester County resident for 42 years, is a member of St. John Methodist Church and is married to local businessman, Gabriel Purnell. Together, they own Purnell Moving & Hauling and Purnell's Used Furniture Warehouse.

They also are the inventors of the "Deodor Rod," a patented green product that will remove odors using natural minerals.

Purnell said it is her concern for the community and its families that prompted her to enter the commissioner race and that her goal is to effect a positive change in the county from within the political arena. Among her priorities, she said, is to continue to promote the value of education.

As part of her philanthropic service

to the community, Purnell has served as executive director of B.R.A.V.E. (Berlin Reclaim Attitude and Value Enhancement) for 15 years. During her tenure with that organization, she helped develop several enrichment programs for children and teens, including summer camps, after-school programs and fall programs.

B.R.A.V.E also has partnered with the local church, Town of Berlin, Worcester County Health Department, the local business community, retired teachers, volunteers, the Board of Education and the Worcester County Commissioners

In addition to her leadership role with B.R.A.V.E., Purnell has worked with and supported the Worcester County Tourism Board, Worcester County Ethics Board, the Worcester County VOLT Gambling Revenue Initiative board, the NAACP, and the Germantown School Heritage Center.

She also served as president of the Worcester County Commission for Women.





Student art focus of Second Friday Art Stroll

Merchants to feature work of young artists all over business district

By Sheila R. Cherry

Associate Editor

BERLIN- March is Student Art Month and the Arts and Entertainment Committee and Main Street businesses will celebrate by displaying student art in all of the business district's merchant windows and featuring young artists and performers during the Second Friday Art Stroll on March 14.

The festivities will include live performances, featured artists, free interactive art projects, even restaurant specials.

Below are the events as reported by the Committee.

Atlantic Hotel: will host Lily Watsky from 4-6 p.m. and Kate Carpenter from 5:30-5:45 p.m.

Baked Dessert Café and Gallery: will offer free cookies and milk to students. The featured artists for March will be Stephen Decatur High School artist Ian Blumberg, who is also a finalist in the Stephen Decatur Park Mural contest. The work of Berlin Intermediate School artists Tie and Sienna Karn will be featured during Second Friday Art Stroll.

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Berlin Chamber of Commerce: will provide free kid crafts. Bungalow Love: will offer free

stamping craft projects. Bruder Hill: Monika Lilley's stu-

dents from 4-5 p.m., Perpetual Commotion from 5-5:45 p.m., Alyssa Schiffer from 5:46-6 p.m. For more information call 410-629-1260.

The Church Mouse Thrift Shop: all the proceeds from sales throughout the day on Second Friday will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Cupcakes in Bloom: students are cake.

of the Salisbury University Senior Art Show.

Seaside Dance Academy: will have an open house to open house in their studio at 16 S Main St Unit C. For more information call 410-629-0377 or contact them by e-mail at seasidedanceacademy@gmail.com.

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Sponsored by the Delmarva Irish-American Club, Ocean City's 32nd annual parade rolls down Coastal Highway last year. Participants traveled south on Coastal Highway to 45th Street, where an Irish festival — complete with traditional Irish food, such as corned beef, and drinks, including green beer, Guinness and Irish coffees — took place. Thousands of people lined Coastal Highway to watch the parade. The Chesapeake Caledonian Pipe & Drum band perform during the event.

Thousands expected for fun of St. Patrick's Day parade

By Clara Vaughn

Staff Writer/Ocean City Today

OCEAN CITY–Thousands donning green will meet in the streets Saturday for Ocean City's 33rd annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, the second largest in the state.

Sponsored by the Delmarva Irish-American Club, the annual and anticipated event starts at noon on 60th Street and travels south along Coastal Highway to 45th Street, where the judges stand and an Irish festival complete with green beer, corned beef and bagpipes will be under way.

The 2014 event tops last year's 120 entries, with 132 groups on foot and floats from across Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey and Washington, D.C.



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"It's the biggest, largest ever," Parade Coordinator Buck Mann said. "It's the kickoff to the social season."

Some favorite floats, like Seacrets' 98.1 FM, complete with a live band, and BJ's on the Water will be back while new bars, businesses and brew pubs from across town will make their début in Saturday's parade. There will be three sets of pipes and drums groups and marching bands from Stephen Decatur and Sussex Central high schools, Mann said.

"They go all out," he said of the entrants, who vie for judges' attention at the 45th Street bandstand.

Viewers can watch the parade from bleachers at the 45th Street center or from anywhere along Coastal Highway between 60th and 45th streets. The top marching band, commercial float, noncommercial float, motorized unit, best adult and youth marching unit, special committee award and best overall entry in the parade will take home trophies.

The Irish-American festival at 45th Street will be in full swing by the time the parade makes its way down Coastal Highway. The celebration kicks off at 11 a.m. and lasts until around 3 p.m. with Irish music, folk dancing, corned beef sandwiches, beer, coffee and desserts. After that, the party continues in restaurants and bars throughout Ocean City.

This year, Cathy Donovan with daughter Colleen Brown and stepdaughter Kyla Donovan-Porter will serve as the parade's grand marshals. Donovan has been an active member of the Irish-American Club for 35 years and her West Ocean City business New Wave has been giving back to the community for just as long.

The printing company produces the T-shirts on sale at the 45th Street party, Donovan said, and donates the proceeds to the Delmarva Irish-American Club to be used for local scholarships.

It will continue the tradition this year, with Donovan's son-in-law Matt Brown manning the booth.

The holiday in the resort was not always the extravaganza it is today, though. The inaugural parade featured just five or six walkers and the following year, it grew to include a Pontiac convertible and four waitresses from McGee's, the local Irish bar now known as Shenanigan's Irish Pub.

All of the proceeds from the parade and festival go to local high school scholarships and charities, such as Diakonia and Hospice, Mann said. Last year, the event raised more than \$35,000 – almost \$20,000 for scholarships, \$5,000 for area recreation departments and \$10,000 for a new Hospice building, Mann said.

The Delmarva Irish-American Club, founded in 1980, has awarded more than \$250,000 in scholarships to local students. The club now boasts more than 300 members and is open to anyone who is Irish, Irish at heart or who just appreciates all things Irish. For more information, visit www.delmarvairish.org.

MML push to restore share of funds legislative priority

By Sheila R. Cherry

Associate Editor

MARYLAND—A bill to restore the local share of Motor Fuel Tax and Highway User Revenue (SB 765/HB 1331) continues to be a legislative priority this year for the 157 cities and towns that comprise the Maryland Municipal League this year. The matter has been a consistent legislative priority for the organization, which had also designated it a high priority in 2013, an official said March 11, 2014.

Berlin Councilmember Lisa Hall, a member of the MML Legislative Committee, said during a March 11 interview the MML had been successfully in getting the HUR inserted back into Gov. Martin O'Malley's budget. Since the HUR was reduced, she said, it left local governments with the ongoing obligation of paying into the fund but having to find the money needed to pay for road maintenance in their jurisdictions elsewhere. "MML has been all over this because it is a lot of money," the communities had been left to find on their own, she said.

With the partial reinstatement of some of the HUR funding there would be money earmarked for road maintenance cost, although she noted it would not yet equal the previous amount.

The organization is also currently

tracking several bills in the General Assembly this legislative session based on whether they support, support with suggested amendments or oppose the proposals. According to their Web site, the 12 legislative proposals the MML is supporting includes: SB 56/HB 240, relating to solid waste management practices and recycling and landfill diversion; SB 338/HB 308, to establish a Statewide Interoperability Radio Control Board; SB 397/HB 1261, relating to posting legal notice requirements of political subdivisions on Web sites; SB 652/HB 929, relating to speed monitoring systems in motor vehicles; SB 913/HB 1369, relating to confidential information in financial disclosure statements submitted by elected local officials of municipal corporations; HB 11, relating to authorized uses of Bay Restoration funds; HB 25, relating to absentee voting in local elections; HB 510, to extend and modify the Sustainable Communities Tax Credit Program; HB 691/SB 605, relating to property tax credits for rehabilitating commercial structures; HB 729/SB 979, a proposed constitutional amendment to allow a local government to take privately owned street lighting equipment on payment to the owner of the net book value; and HB 937, relating to distribution of financial assistance for wastewater treatment facilities.





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Girl Scouts shipping cookies to military overseas

Group celebrates 11th 'Operation Taste of Home' anniversary

MARYLAND–In 2014, Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay celebrates the 11 anniversary of "Operation Taste of Home." Eleven years ago, the council was flooded with inquiries from the community and Girl Scout troops about how they could help make a difference for armed forces stationed overseas.

Community service is a hallmark of Girl Scouting, so in response, "Operation Taste of Home" was born. During the last nine years, the program has expanded to include organizations across the Delmarva Peninsula, including food banks and pantries, blood banks, cancer centers and youth programs – with a total of 350,752 boxes donated. In a letter sent to the Girl Scouts, Frank Reuter, Master Sergeant of the United States Army, expressed his gratitude for receiving donated boxes of Girl Scout cookies while stationed in Afghanistan: "Thank you very much for the cookies that were sent because of your efforts," he wrote to Girl Scouts across the Delmarva Peninsula. "Everybody here in Afghanistan always enjoys a taste of home. We are grateful for all of your hard work and dedication."

In 2013, 27,787 boxes of "Operation Taste of Home" cookies were purchased and donated to 12 military support organizations, including the USO at Dover Air Force base, Steel Magnolia Ministries, Operation We Care and the Military Support Affinity Group, as well as nearly 100 local charities across the Delmarva Peninsula.

Operation Taste of Home not only helps soldiers and local agencies, but it also supports local Girl Scout Troops by funding important programs for girls living in Delaware and the Eastern Shores of Maryland and Virginia. All of the proceeds from a local Council's cookie activities remains in the area where the cookies are sold. Each year, more than 9,000 Girl Scouts from the Delmarva Peninsula participate in the cookie program, selling more than one million boxes of cookies to the community.

Customers may buy cookies for \$4 per box and designate their purchase to "Operation Taste of Home.

This contribution is tax deductible. To donate cookies through "Operation Taste of Home," call the Cookie Hotline at 1-800-YUM-YUM-2, visit one of the many cookie booth sales across the peninsula in February and March, or send a check made payable to GSCB, with OTH on the memo line, to Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, 501 S. College Avenue, Newark, Del. 19713.



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Program reaches out to uninsured in local counties

MARYLAND–The Lower Shore Health Insurance Assistance Program has an ongoing outreach and education campaign to reach uninsured residents in Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties. The program held public and private outreach events in February to educate communities about Maryland's health insurance exchange and the local consumer assistance program.

Throughout March, staff will continue to provide outreach, education, and enrollment opportunities for the public at the following locations:

• Thursday, March 13: Ocean City Library, 4-6 p.m.

• Saturday, March 15: Salisbury Giant, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Saturday, March 15: Pocomoke YMCA Healthy Kids Day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Saturday, March 15: Pocomoke Library, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• Monday, March 17: Berlin Apple Discount Drugs, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Monday, March 17: Fruitland Apple Discount Drugs, noon to 8 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 18: Marion Pharmacy, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 19: Pocomoke Library, 5-7 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 19: Snow Hill Library, 5-7 p.m.



WINTER OLYMPICS

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Seaside Christian Academy fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students studied Ancient Greece the same time the winter Olympics were being held. In honor of Greece, where the first Olympics were held, the students held a "Greek Olympics" of their own. History students from Emily Neville's class hold their shields while taking a break from the events.

• Thursday, March 20: Ocean Pines Library, 4-6 p.m.

• Saturday, March 22: Ocean Pines Library, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• Monday, March 24: South Salisbury Walgreens, 8 a.m. to noon

• Monday, March 24: Mount Hermon Road Walgreens, 8 a.m. to noon

• Tuesday, March 25: McCready Foundation, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 26: UMES Health and Wellness Festival, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The public can stop by at these events to learn more about health plans and financial assistance available through Maryland Health Connection.

Staff has scheduled office hours Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at various organizations throughout Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties. Such locations include health departments, departments of social services, TLC Health Centers, PRMC, and libraries. Those interested should call 855-445-5540 to speak with a representative to find the closest location and to set up an appointment.

For more information, visit lower-shorehealth.org.



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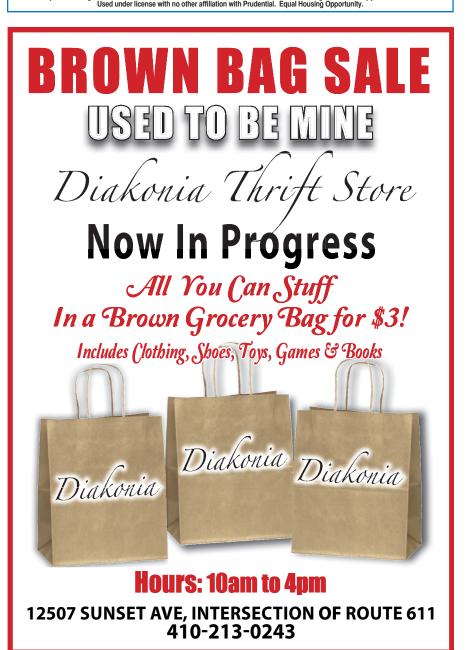
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United Way now accepting 2015 funding applications

MARYLAND-United Wav of the Lower Eastern Shore announced that the annual application process for local non-profit programs seeking funding for 2015 is now open.

Nonprofit organizations providing programs for Lower Shore residents which are in any of United Way's three impact areas of health, education or financial stability are encouraged to apply for funding no later than April 11. Applicants will need to meet the minimum guidelines including but not limited to: 1) Be a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization in Maryland; 2) Be in existence for at least one year with oversight by an independent volunteer Board of Directors; 3) Provide services in Worcester, Wicomico, Somerset or Dorchester counties.

A complete list of requirements, funding application and instructions are available online at www.unitedway4us.org.

All applications will be reviewed after the April 11 deadline and funding decisions will be communicated in July with payments to begin January 2015. For more information regarding United Way funding contact Pam Gregory, United Way community impact manager at 410-742-5143 pamela@unitedway4us.org.

As the largest non-governmental source of funding for 56 critical programs in Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset and Dorchester counties, United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore helps Eastern Shore residents achieve educational success, income stability and good health.

In 2013, United Way impacted local lives by providing more than \$1 million to community programs and helped over 70,000 individuals. To learn more about United Way visit www.unitedway4us.org or call 410-742-5143.

Wor-Wic scholarships given to area counties' non-profits

MARYLAND-The Community Foundation Nonprofit Scholarship Program is offered in partnership with Wor-Wic Community College's Continuing Education and Workforce Development Department and focuses specifically on the needs of nonprofit staff and volunteers. Scholarships provide opportunities to enhance organizational capacity through technical assistance and professional development.

Scholarships are awarded to tax exempt nonprofit organizations located in Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester Counties that benefit health and human services, education, arts and culture, community affairs, environmental conservation and historic preservation.

The Community Foundation has granted more than 400 scholarships to local nonprofits over the last 10 years. Scholarships covering tuition and fees are currently available for more than 15 select courses. All applications should be received by the Foundation at least 14 days prior to the start of classes.

For more information on the nonprofit scholarships, contact Erica Joseph, vice president, Community Investment at 410-742-9911 or visit the Foundation Web site at www.cfes.org.

Snow Hill Blues Jam brings Chappell to Old Firehouse

SNOW HILL-The Snow Hill Blues Jam will bring the "best of the blues" to Green Street in Snow Hill for its seventh year.

The opening act at the Old Firehouse on Saturday, March 15, will be Washington D.C. musician Dave Chappell.

For the last several years, Chappell has won the Washington Area Music Awards (WAMMIES) for Musician of the Year, Rock Instrumentalist of the Year and Roots Rock Instrumentalist of the Year.

He has performed with Rock and Roll Hall of Fame legends Jerry Lee Lewis, Sam Moore of Sam & Dave, Percy Sledge, Johnny Johnson, and guitar wizard Danny Gatton.

Chappell will perform as "Dave

Chappell and His So-Called Friends." The other performance of the evening brings back "Mr. B and the Snow Hill Blues Jam All-Stars," who first debuted at the 2007 Winter Blues Jam.

With vocals by Margot Resto, Mr. B brings everyone to the dance floor. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with barbecue, beer and wine available for sale.

There will also be a silent auction to raise funds for Snow Hill's Arts & Entertainment District's downtown summer and fall music program.

Will-call tickets are \$25 and are on sale at www.sharpworks.org. On March 7, tickets will be sold at Bishop's Stock during First Friday hours. Call 410-632-3555 or e-mail info@bishopsstock.com for more information.

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DPINION **BAYSIDE GAZETTE**

Cool long-term plans now needed for Berlin

At Monday's Berlin Council meeting, final plans for a March 29th celebration of the town's recent "America's Coolest Small Town" were approved.

A party is appropriate and well deserved. Many people put in time and effort to help Berlin run away with the Budget Travel Magazine-sponsored event.

We hope, though, that Berlin has begun to look at the long-term benefit of being the coolest small town.

Last year's winner was Lititz, Pa., a town in the Lancaster area. A person close to the effort to market Lititz told Bayside Gazette that some \$40,000 was infused into its business plan to help ride the momentum of cool as far as possible.

Lititz, the 2013 winner, is still marketing itself as America's coolest small town, because tourist rates remain high and its retail margins have been up over 25 percent. The momentum from last year's win has not ceased.

Berlin town officials have been correct in contacting Lititz to get an idea of what it will take to get as many tourists as possible to visit.

Lititz marketed itself to Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, basically looking at a three-hour driving range in its efforts.

For Berlin, that would mean Baltimore, Washington and also Philadelphia. But we want to urge town officials to figure out what ever that marketing budget is going to cost and then move forward with it. For Lititz, it was \$40,000. For Berlin, that number might be more or less.

But again we ask town officials to already begin working on what it's going to take. This is a rare window of opportunity. Berlin is certainly the envy of small towns near and far.

We can't wait for the party, for the celebration.

But what we really are looking forward to is the funding and actions to create a climate of cool while it's still hot to do so.

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Understanding Medicare's four parts

Lower premiums might not reveal plan's whole story

There's been a lot of news lately about Medicare, so this week I thought I'd go over its



Part A is intended to help counterbalance the expense of being admitted to a hospital. In addition to

Chip Gordy

covering inpatient hospital care it will, in some instances, cover follow-up nursing home, hospice and home care. The premiums that pay for this insurance were already paid as part of the Social Security taxes withheld from your paychecks during your working years.

Part B covers necessary medical care, such as physicians' services, and helps offset some expenses not covered by Part A, such as preventive care. As with Part A, it has an annual deductible and co-payment requirements. However, Part B is optional and monthly premiums must be paid throughout retirement to maintain coverage. While coverage is optional, there is a usually a penalty assessed for every year past 65 that a retiree does not enroll, unless they have been enrolled in an employer plan.

Part C has alternative plans to the original Medicare Plans A plus B. The providers that execute these plans for Medicare usually work more like HMO and PPO plans offered by employers: some allow only "in-network" care, while the others allow service through anyone who has agreed to the Medicare payment plan. To opt for this coverage, which has an additional premium, you usually need to be enrolled for Parts A and B. While a privately obtained "Medigap" policy is recommended for those insured under Parts A and B, Part C is intended to cover that need as well (excluding prescription drugs).

A few things to look for in a Part C plan are overall plan expenses, copays, the co-insurand the ance vearly deductibles as well. Appealing low premiums might not tell you the whole story about the value of a Medicare Advantage plan. Also look at the exclusivity of the plan network. Assuming the plan has one, does it include the hospitals you would choose and the physicians that now, or may later treat you?

Part D is also optional. It is only accessible for an additional premium, and this premium may increase with any delay in enrollment. For those who aren't already covered under a policy that offers at least as much coverage as Medicare Part D, the fees increase typically for each month that passes enrollment. Even if you do not have much in the way of prescription drug expenses, it may be more economical in the long run to enroll. Also, enrollment reopens every year so that seniors can reevaluate their drug plans and adjust for the year ahead. With multiple providers in each state, researching providers and comparing companies to anticipated needs is something to think about. If the drugs you want or need aren't listed, you're undoubtedly going to have to pay for them. Keep in mind that prescriptions drugs on this year's list may not be available next year.

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GUEST SPEAKER

Tracie Reaver, captioned telephone outreach coordinator for Maryland Relay, was the guest speaker at during the March 5 weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines– Ocean City. She is pictured with the club's Programs and Speakers Chair, J. Graham Caldwell and President-Elect, Carolyn Dryzga, right. Maryland Relay is a free public service that enables anyone to place phone calls to a person who is deaf, hard of hearing, speech disabled or DeafBlind and who uses specialized telephone equipment.

LETTERS

Board of Supervisors of Elections omitted

Editor,

First, thank you on your timely and informative pieces on the Town of Berlin's Election re-districting process (March 6 Bayside Gazette).

The redistricting process is one that all towns, counties and states undergo following the release of census date, and is vital in ensuing that election districts are fairly representative of the population.

However, both the article and your editorial failed to mention the participation of the Berlin Board of Supervisors of Elections. The Board oversees all aspects of town elections and was very much involved in the redistricting process. Both work sessions held in recent months regarding redistricting were joint sessions of the Mayor and Council and the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

The members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections, Tony Bowen, Milton Schul, Lou Creter and John Briddell (one position is currently vacant), are volunteers, giving freely of their time and effort to conduct Berlin's municipal elections and deserve credit for their hard work. Thank vol.

> Mary T. Bohlen Deputy Town Administrator

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75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 March 14: Full Circle, 9 p.m. March 15: Randy Lee Ashcraft & the Saltwater Cowboys, 9 p.m. March 19: 2 Guys & A Mama, 5-8 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave. Ocean City 410-289-7192 www.captainstableoc.com March 14-15: Phil Perdue

FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-5500 March 14: The ShamRogues, 6-10 p.m.; DJ Hook, 10 p.m.; Tranzfusion, 9:30 p.m. March 15: Opposite Directions, 2 p.m.; The Aaron Howell Band, 5 p.m.; DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; Animal House, 10 p.m. March 16: Jazz Brunch w/Everett Spells, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GALAXY 66

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 March 14: Philly George

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 March 14: Ladies Night w/DJ Billy T March 15: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. March 16: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m. March 17: DJ Jeremy March 20: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HARPOON HANNA'S

Route 54 and the bay Fenwick Island, Del. 800-227-0525 302-539-3095 Every Friday: Dave Hawkins, 6-10 p.m. Every Saturday: Dave Sherman, 6-10 p.m. Every Thursday: Aaron Howell, 6 p.m.

HIGH STAKES

Route 54 Fenwick Island, Del. 302-537-6971 March 14: Bobby Burns, 4 p.m.; DJ Zman, 9 p.m. March 15: Bobby Burns, 4 p.m.; Broad St., 9 p.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Rd. West Ocean City 410-213-1841 March 14: Zion Reggae, 8 p.m. to midnight March 15: Lauren Glick, 8 p.m. to midnight

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131st Street Ocean City

410-250-3100 March 14: Bob Hughes March 15: Howard on the Piano

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56th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-524-7499 March 14: Diesel Sour March 15: Eddie "The Lengend Of ... "

MARYLAND WINE BAR

103 N. Main St. Berlin 410-629-1022 March 14: Adam Bilenki

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 Every Friday and Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. March 14-15: Power Play

SCHOONER'S RESTAURANT

In the Princess Royale 91st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-7777 Every Friday and Saturday: Harry 0, 7-11 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 March 14: Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. March 15: DJ BK; The Jimi Milligan Band, 1-4 p.m.; The Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Jon Mauer Band, 5-9 p.m.; Freddie Long Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Kristen and The Noise, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. March 16: Raw Country w/The JJ

Rupp Band, 2-6 p.m. March 17: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m. March 20: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.

SHENANIGAN'S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk in the Shoreham Hotel 410-289-7181 March 15: Patrick McAllorum, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; James Gallagher & Off the Boat, 3 p.m. to close March 17: James Gallagher & Off the Boat, 11:30 a.m. to close; Ocean City Pipe Band

SISTERS

113 N. Main St. Berlin 443-513-4158 March 14: Alex Oatman (solo acoustic), 4-6 p.m.

SMITTY MCGEE'S

Route 54 West Fenwick Island, Del. 302-436-4716 March 14: Randy Lee Ashcraft & The Saltwater Cowboys, 8 p.m. March 15: DJ Wax, noon to 6 p.m.; DJ Har V & Bagpipers, 6-10 p.m. March 17: DJ Wax, 4-8 p.m.; Randy Lee Ashcraft, 8 p.m. to midnight; **Bagpipes** March 20: Randy Lee Ashcraft, 8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 443-365-2576 March 14: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey March 15: Landers & Heinz, 4-8 p.m.



Neil Diamond Tribute Show featuring Denny Diamond & the Family Jewels Saturday, March 22nd 2014 2pm

Denny Diamond has played in venues all over the US as a unique family act with his two sons. According to Diamond, fans can expect to hear all their favorite Neil Diamond hits in this 90 minute performance including "Song Sung Blue", "Cherry, Cherry", "Coming To America" and "Forever In Blue Jeans" to name just a few. Denny is accompanied throughout the performance on guitar, bass and drums by his two sons, Lucas and Spenser.



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CALENDAR BAYSIDE GAZETTE

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THURS. March 13

AARP MEETING — Ocean City Chapter 1917 will meet at the MAC Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City, 9:30 a.m. Claude Lewis, co-owner of Home Instead Senior Care, will speak on "Enhancing the Lives of Aging Adults and Their Families." Anyone age 50 and older is welcome. Info: 410-352-5748 or aarp1917.org.

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 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP – Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 7-8 p.m. Support and information for those affected by celiac disease. Info: Betty Bellarin, 410-603-0210.

WORCESTER COUNTY TEA PARTY MEETING – Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., meeting begins at 7 p.m. Michael Pertouka, co-founder of The Institute on the Constitution will discuss "The American View of Law and Government." Also, Candidates Introductions: Sheriff: Reggie Mason and George Truitt and 7th Dist. Commissioner: Joseph Mitrecic. Admission is free. Info: 443-614-7214.

FRI. March 14

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.

CORN BEEF, POTATOES AND CABBAGE

DINNER – Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, 4-7 p.m. Dinner includes corn beef, potatoes, cabbage, bread and drink. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 4-10 and free to children 3 and younger. Bake table and carry outs available. Info: 443-235-6761.

SAT. March 15

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE – Annual Ocean City parade travels along Coastal Highway from 60th Street to 44th Street, featuring marching units, floats and local celebrities. Begins at noon. Festival at 45th Street shopping area begins at 11 a.m. Info: Buck Mann, 410-289-6156 or www.delmarvairish.org.

HANDBELL FESTIVAL CONCERT — Handbell Musicians of America Area 3 will hold an annual festival concert at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 4:45 p.m. Guest conductor Deborah Rice will lead more than 575 handbell ringers. Info: Debbie Henning, 410-848-5482, debbiehen@gmail.com or areaiii.org.

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

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., bayside in Ocean City, 8-11 a.m. A \$5 donation for all-you-can-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pan-cakes and two bacon slices, includes coffee and juice. Bloody Marys cost \$3. Info: 410-524-8196.

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

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER – Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway in West Ocean City, 5-7 p.m. Menu includes corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 11 and younger. All are welcome. Info: 410-629-0926.

SUN. March 16

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

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

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS – Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Help for those struggling with a compulsive eating problem, whether it is weight gain, bulimia, anorexia, or those who are a parent of a child with one of these problems. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SUPPORT GROUP – Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, noon to 1 p.m. Fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope that they may help each other to recover from alcoholism. Open to the community. Info: Rob, 443-783-3529.

SHARING SUNDAY – South Fire Station, located on Ocean Parkway (South Gate), Ocean Pines, 1-3 p.m. The Democratic Women's Club will collect non-perishable food, toiletries and paper products. Supplies will be shared with a local food ministry. Info: 410-641-6552.

MON. March 17

CPAP MASK FITTING – Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, by appointment. For patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. Free service. Appointment: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

T.O.P.S. OF BERLIN MEETING – Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5-6:30 p.m. Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. The group meets weekly. Info: Edna Berkey,

410-251-2083.

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

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

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

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING -

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Coffee at 9:30 a.m. followed by 10 a.m. meeting. Michele Demanche, an assistant professor of art at UMES will discuss the importance of visual art in our world. All women welcome. Info: 814-322-2119.

TUES. March 18

THRIFT SHOP \$5 BAG SALE – Atlantic Continued on Page 25



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CUISINE **BAYSIDE GAZETTE**

Grilled prawn, grits and onion marmalade

Another trade show has come and gone. Susan Jones and her genius crew can now take a little breather, but as



does Santa, they must now get ready for next year. With their glasses raised, they can revel in the fact that it was a very sucshow cessful from our side of the table.

By Paul Suplee,

The winds of **CEC PCIII** change brought us new and interesting foods as well as

an amazing array of new microbreweries. Of course, the standards were to be found around the show floor; fried foods, convenience products, new and not-so-new space-age cleaners and more. Having been to more than a few of these, it gets hard to get overly excited about sitting in a booth for two days, regardless of the motivation of recruitment. I simply loathe sitting still for long periods of time. I'll be able to do plenty of that when I'm dead.

The selection of beers reminded me of the late 80s and early 90s when brew pubs were all the rage. The halcyon rebirth of micro brewing set the stage for the next wave which started about nine years ago across the nation. Saying 'shove it' to the beer establishment - the triumvirate of brewing powerhouses small brewers decided to take their craft to the streets and try their hand at professional brewing. The result has been obviously staggering as the sheer number of small brew houses has exploded in Maryland alone.

Walking past the Capital Seafood booth for two days, I could not help but be amazed at the size of the prawns they were displaying. I've known four



of the five salespeople on that team for going on 14 years and it was like a mini reunion. Sliding me a few prawns for me to play with, they were pleased to know that I would be showcasing them this week in the paper.

I called my buddy Tim to flesh out some ideas for an article since sometimes, let's face it, I come up emptyhanded. He gave me three great ideas and then I decided not to do any of them. I just needed a little prompting to get the brain working again.

Repetition is the mother of mastery and I know that I have written about grits before, but it still amazes me that so many people still will not try them. If it were not for grits, I don't think that I would have such a soft spot for lowcountry cooking. When made correctly, they are smooth, sublime, creamy and decadent. My uncle calls good grits "Georgia Ice Cream." I like the sound of that.

The secret to cooking the grits is in the time allotted to the task. The longer the better as long as the temperature is low enough to avoid scorching. Not a huge fan of grilled polenta (when you chill your grits and then grill the solidified mass) I stick to the creamy version.

When made correctly, the grits can carry a vast spectrum of flavors. Of course the corn will be there, but the aromas and flavor mesh well with cheeses such as bleu and cheddar. Paired with a great beer there is no saying what you can accomplish by committing this to memory as well as your arsenal

As I write my article I reminisce the many journeys to the south with my family, both grow-

ing up and as a grown-up. I think it might be time to go down there again. We have time and it means we won't be sitting still, either.

Grilled Prawn, Georgia Ice **Cream, Onion Marmalade**

serves 6

12 prawn, head-on Olive oil, as needed Salt and pepper to taste Georgia Ice Cream (recipe follows) Crispy bacon lardons Fried greens or arugula Onion marmalade, as needed Fresh herbs for garnish

Remove heads and peel prawn, placing any shell in a small amount of water with 1/4 lemon to make a simple shellfish stock.

Strain and set aside for grits.

Brush prawns with oil and season.

Grill until just barely done. If your grill is hot, they will continue to cook a little and if you overcook prawns they will toughen as do shrimp.

This is one of my easier dishes (assuming that you can find the prawns) as you now just plop some grits in a bowl, top with prawn utilizing head as garnish if you so desire, and garnish with onion marmalade (I've written about that in the past. It's very useful).

Splatter with lardons and fried greens.

Georgia Ice Cream

makes 4 1/2 cups 1 c. shellfish stock 1 c. chicken stock 1 c heavy cream 1 c. cornmeal or polenta 1/2 c. cheddar cheese, shredded

chives, as needed Salt and pepper to taste

Combine stocks, cream and grits and cook on high heat just until it thickens.

If too thick, add more stock. If too thin, add more cornmeal. Each brand of cornmeal and polenta is different so adjust as needed.

Since this is going to be on the stove for a long time, and I mean four to five hours, make sure it is on the thinner side to start.

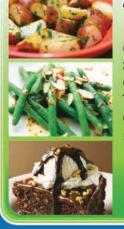
When you notice that the grains are becoming creamy, add cheese and continue to cook.

When almost done, add chives and season.

Keep warm so as to retain its creaminess until service.

– Paul G. Suplee is a certified executive chef and ProChef certified Level-3. He is a writer and culinary instructor. Find his ePortfolio at www.heartofakitchen.com.





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CALENDAR

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WORCESTER COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN MEETING - Ocean Pines Community Center, Marlin Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, 5-6:30 p.m. Open to the public and women of all ages are invited. Group seeks volunteers for short-term assignments such as grant writing, fundraising and event planning. Info: Donna Main, 410-632-5040.

STEPPING ON, FALL PREVENTION WORK-SHOP – Delaney Hall, St. Ann's Catholic Church, 691 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach, Del., 1-3 p.m. A well-researched falls prevention program. The group is free and meets weekly from Feb. 25 through April 8. Register: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

YOGA - James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, Rotunda, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, 5:30-6:45 p.m. All levels welcome. Cost is \$72 for eight sessions or \$10 drop-in fee for first time. Info: Georgette Rhoads, 410-641-9734 or grgiads@atlanticgeneral.org.

WED. March 19

THRIFT SHOP \$5 BAG SALE - Atlantic United Methodist Church Thrift Shop,



105 Fourth St., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Info: 410-289-7430.

AGH HYPERTENSION CLINIC - Walgreen's, Bethany Beach, Del., 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreen's, Selbyville, Del., 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital.

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

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING -Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and



healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: 302-436-3682.

SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP -Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 6 p.m. Open to anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide. Info: www.choosetolivemarvland.org or 410-629-0164.

ONGOING EVENTS

NEW YORK CITY DAY TRIP 'ON YOUR OWN' - The group will meet at the Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Race-

track Road, Saturday, March 22 at 6 a.m. Motorcoach to arrive in New York City near Time Square at approximately 10:15 a.m. Return trip leaves at 7 p.m. Cost is \$55 and includes bus driver tip. Sign up: Beverly Meadows, 443-235-1019 or lubbyday@yahoo.com. A portion of the price will benefit the Relay for Life Team of Little Lambs and Community Church.

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



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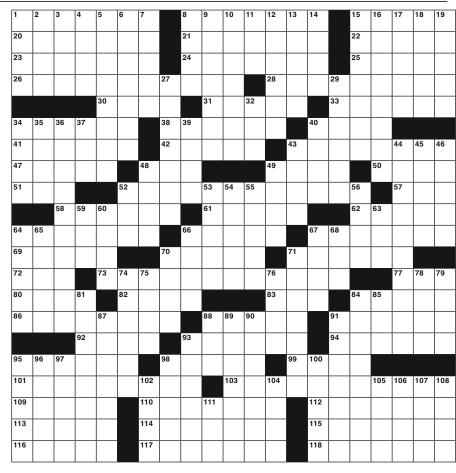
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- 29 "Hold your horses" 32 Boosted, as an ego
- 34 Heat alerts, for short?
- 35 Tiny indicator 36 Barely remembered
- seaman? "Listen up, Lucia!" 37
- **39** Hoosier capital, informally
- 40 Detective writer Earl Biggers
- 43 Some loaves
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- 46 Fagin's end
- 48 Pulled tight 49 Defib team
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- 54 Lens
- 55 Sen. McConnell "Downton Abbey" maid 56
- 59 Museum decoration
- 60 "Sherlock" channel, affectionately, with "the"
- 63 Bread box?
- 64 "De Monarchia" writer 65 He discusses
- divine providence in Job
- 66 Labyrinthine



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- 1 Hamlet" (Paul Rudnick play) **Balearic Islands**
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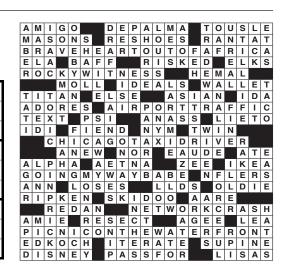
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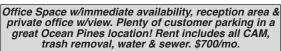
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