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Multiple law enforcement agencies responded to 911 calls of a bank robbery in Ocean Pines at approximately 1:13 p.m. last Friday.

Masked BB&T bank robber nabbed

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) It only took a matter of hours for police to track down a suspect in the armed robbery of the BB&T Bank in Ocean Pines on Friday, as authorities arrested 52-year-old Jeff Varner Hare at his residence that evening.

According to police, a white male entered the bank on 11111 Racetrack Road at approximately 1:13 p.m. on Friday, flashed a handgun and demanded money from the tellers. A police report described the robber as “an older white male wearing a blue ski mask, white shirt, light blue col-

ored jeans and white sneakers.”

The report went on to say the man retrieved money from one of the tellers then took the purse, containing a set of car keys, of another teller. He then fled the scene in the teller’s car.

According to Md. State Police Sgt. Adam Howard, numerous 911 calls came into the State Police Berlin Barrack at 1:13 p.m., including an alarm company call referencing a robbery in progress.

Howard said state police troopers responded, along with Worcester County Sheriff’s Office, Ocean Pines Police Department and Natural Re-

sources Police Department, at approximately 1:14 p.m.

“Troopers identified the suspect was not on scene, secured the bank and all the witnesses and evidence there,” Howard said. “A description of the suspect was gathered [from a caller], and it was also relayed that the suspect had stolen one of the employee’s cars, which was a blue Kia.”

Pfc. Ted Buck with the Worcester County Sheriff’s Department said police could not release the exact number of people inside the bank during the incident, but said it was a “good number.”

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Pines directors reach accord on \$10.9M budget

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Compromise was the magic word as the Ocean Pines Board of Directors voted on Thursday, March 12 to approve a \$10.9 million operating budget for fiscal year 2016.

The budget included a little more than \$2.1 million in new capital expenditures and a basic annual assessment of \$921.

General Manager Bob Thompson delivered the first draft of the budget to the board on Jan. 8, followed by budget and finance committee meetings Jan. 12-14.

The board held a number of meetings in February to go over lingering issues such as ballooning payroll, uncertainties at the community golf course and philosophical differences on reserves.

By the time the seven directors walked into the boardroom of the administration building on March 12, however, board President Dave Stevens said a general agreement had been reached on the budget.

Stevens circulated a document titled “Plan B” outlining several changes over the original Thompson budget.

The board added \$175,000 in capital spending, including \$50,000 for a reserve study and additional money for pool covers, electronic signs, racquet sports improvements and yacht club sundries.

Money for the additions came from the “legacy fund,” formerly called the “five-year” plan. Under Plan B, the remaining \$923,760 of the \$1,098,760 reserve fund would be used to pay down the balance of the yacht club debt. Legacy funding

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State’s attorney still mulling vandal options

By Josh Davis
and Brian Gilliland
Staff Writers

(March 19, 2015) The Worcester County State’s Attorney’s office has yet to decide how it will proceed with regard to the two juveniles who were charged along with an adult in connection with the nighttime vandalism of more than 30 cars and three businesses in downtown Berlin on Jan. 25.

“We did not reach a decision,” As-

sistant State’s Attorney Billy McDermott said this week. McDermott, who is handling the case, said the possibility of trying the juveniles as adults would depend “on information we have not yet received.”

Ocean City resident Jordan Alexandria Denton, 18, and two unnamed Ocean Pines juveniles aged 16 and 17 were charged with 39 counts of malicious destruction with the damage total estimate at more than \$11,000 and one count of theft valued

at less than \$100.

Denton was scheduled for a hearing on Friday, March 13 but a new trial date is scheduled at the district courthouse in Snow Hill on June 19.

An investigation by the Berlin Police Department unearthed 36 separate victims, including the Town of Berlin, in the vandalism spree.

Along with the town, which had one vehicle, 10 electric meters and four trashcans damaged, three buildings and 33 additional cars were

spray painted during the incident that spanned a dozen streets: Ann Court, Ann Drive, Branch Street, Buttercup Court, Harrison Ave, Henry’s Mill, Littleworth Court, North Main Street, Pitts Street, Powell Circle, West Street and William Street.

Police said victim statements, citizen tips, interviews and reviews of surveillance cameras led law enforcement to the suspects. The investiga-

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Denton to face June 19 trial in Berlin vandalism

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tion lasted several weeks, partly because police had difficulty contacting all the victims and collecting damage assessments.

No motive for the crimes has been determined and police said no additional information regarding the juveniles would be released to the public.

The majority of the spray paint on vehicles was removed without permanent damage. Police said all of the affected buildings have been repainted, meters replaced and trashcans have been removed.

Hare being held on \$500K bond following robbery

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No guards were on duty at the time, according to Buck.

Once police secured the area, an alert went out about the stolen vehicle, which was found abandoned at



Jeff Varner Hare

around 1:27 p.m. behind the Food Lion on Manklin Creek Road, less than two mile from the bank.

At approximately 6:30 p.m. police conducted a reverse 911 call to all residents within a five-square-mile radius of the BB&T. That led to an anonymous tip. Members of the FBI, Worcester County Bureau of Investigations, the Worcester Criminal Enforcement Team, state police, and the Worcester County Sheriff's Office visited two homes in Ocean Pines, leading to Hare's arrest at his residence.

The report said police questioned Hare, who is described as 5 feet, 6 inches tall and weighing 200 pounds, on his whereabouts during the incident. A search warrant was authorized based on the interview, leading police to uncover evidence at the residence and inside Hare's vehicle that linked him to the robbery.

Police said an eyewitness report also put Hare near the scene just prior to the robbery.

Hare was charged with armed robbery, first-degree assault, felony use of a firearm in commission of a violent crime, theft \$1,000 to under \$10,000, motor vehicle theft, reckless endangerment and malicious destruction of property valued at more than \$5,000.

According to Howard, Hare is being held on \$500,000 bond at Worcester County Detention Center.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for April 8 at the District Court in Snow Hill.

Golf loss grows to \$100K in Pines budget compromise

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would continue to accumulate by earmarking \$130 in the annual assessments for that specific fund until the yacht club balance reaches zero.

The board would then group the future projects fund, roads fund and golf/drainage fund debt under the historical reserve, and move \$675,000 from the five-year capital reserve to the historical column.

Marina income increased by \$10,000, golf losses rose to \$50,000 and the trolley was eliminated, cutting \$5,000 from the budget. The plan also called for an impact review on cutting \$150,000 from payroll.

The board also quickly agreed during the meeting to alter the projected loss on golf to \$100,000.

"I think there are some board members who are not comfortable with [the projection] after the losses that we've had over the last five years," Stevens said. "They would prefer to err, have a mistake on that side, rather than have yet another fall that didn't meet the budget."

Stevens said he came to \$100,000 because it was "a round number." The original projection on golf was a \$14,000 loss.

"I just want to get in agreement to give ... a realistic number," Stevens said. "I think the best we can do with it, in round numbers, is \$100,000."

Stevens also said the board had an agreement on the operational budget under Plan B, but still had work to do on reserves.

"Plan B doesn't cover everything," he said. "I think the operations were covered. I think the reserves, and how we treat the reserves, are a different story."

Treasurer Jack Collins fought to flatten out the assessment, which projected a \$6 increase under Plan B.

"I don't think it is necessary to increase the dues, the assessment, to the members. Not one penny," he said. "We're going to have to learn to live within budget."

The board mulled cutting or altering the \$130 legacy fund, but found strong opposition from Parliamentarian Tom Terry, who argued to continue the collection, saying the board had a "personal commitment" to the membership to pay off the yacht club debt.

"The yacht club is paid for," Vice President Marty Clarke said. "We had a \$4.3 million referendum. We collected \$4.3 million. All you have to do is open [the budget book] go back to reserves and add across the line and guess what it comes up to? It comes up to \$4,391,314.

"We're not paying off the yacht club," Clarke continued. "We're paying off greens, unbudgeted. We're paying off other things, but we're not paying off the yacht club."

Terry argued that the money used to pay off the yacht club came from the historical reserve, which now

needed to be replaced.

"This is like the person who has money in a savings account and they go out to buy a new car and they say to themselves, 'I'm going to promise myself that I will put the money back when I've used the money out of the savings account.' That's exactly what we've done here," Terry said.

"The checks had to be written against something and it was written against the historical reserve to pay for the yacht club," Terry continued. "We said to the membership that their dues were not going to go up to pay for the yacht club because \$130 [from the five-year plan] was already baked into their dues, and then that money would be used to pay out the amount of the yacht club. That has not happened yet."

Once the yacht club debt is eliminated, Terry suggested the still under-construction capital improvement plan would dictate how much of the \$130 earmarked for the legacy fund would need to be collected.

"We shouldn't be arbitrarily deciding how much money we need," Terry said. "The reality is we have a process, a commitment to our membership where this \$130 is going to go, what it was going to be used for and if you want to change what we're doing and get rid of the column, quite frankly I don't care as long as we're collecting \$130 to do what we said to the membership we would do."

Collins accused Terry of trying "have it both ways."

"You created a negative number in one of these categories in order to utilize funds in the historic reserves to pay for a building," he said. "What this action is doing is it's eliminating those negative balances."

Thompson said former five-year plan was designed to provide transparency for major capital projects.

"The only reason it's there is for transparency," he said. "By merging them we're just eliminating that level of transparency ... that was the purpose."

"The most transparent thing you can do is come down and express that we have \$3,310,000 in our reserves," Collins said. "That's extremely transparent to me. That indicates that we have spent this money."

"The exact opposite is the case," Terry said. "If you start washing the debt of the yacht club through the depreciation of other assets because you put it all together and get rid of the \$130, which is key, you have in fact killed the transparency of how the yacht club was going to be paid for. You have now used the depreciation of other assets to pay it off.

"Like my analogy earlier, I had money in the bank, I bought a car and I said I was going to pay myself back," Terry continued. "That's exactly what is going on here."

The issue, Stevens said, is that re-

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Terry, Renaud ‘prevail’ on Pines budget deal

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serves continue to increase.

“The question is ... have we over-collected? Do we know what we’re going to do with it? And the answer is, I think, no,” he said.

Clarke, meanwhile, preferred to eliminate the legacy fund altogether.

“The last time we went down this road ... was finding out at the bar that [the board] made a \$1.4 million cash offer to buy another golf course,” Clarke said. “You put the money in the bank and somebody at this table will figure out a way to spend it.”

Stevens said he was looking for an “in between” measure, a balancing act between trimming part of the legacy fund and keeping enough money on hand for contingency purposes.

“I’m willing to concede part of the \$130,” Stevens said. “I think all we’re doing on this is just pushing the can. We have an opportunity right now to do something and I think we’re not doing it.

“Is it going to kill us? No, it’s not going to kill us. And we’re going to have to revisit it next year ... but I

can’t vote for it right now,” Stevens continued.

“This budget shows a balance at the end [of reserves] of \$4,477,231,” Clarke said. “That number is 50 percent higher than the last 10-year average. It is the second-highest reserve amount ever. I think we can afford to cut it a couple hundred thousand and nothing is going to happen.”

The board voted 4-3 to approve the altered Plan B, with a \$100,000 golf loss and the replacement reserves intact. Terry, Secretary Pat Renaud, Sharyn O’Hare and Bill Cordwell voted with the majority.

Following the meeting, Clarke expressed his frustration.

“I’m done,” he said. “I’m not running for reelection due to the fact that this board keeps spending money. We keep giving them money and they keep spending money.”

Terry and Renaud, on the other hand, took a victory lap.

“I think we, in this budget, raised the dues \$1 a month and maintained the commitment to the community that the yacht club would be paid for the way we said it would be,” Terry said. “We are paying for a reserve study, which will allow us to estab-

lish, hopefully once and for all, what the reserve amounts ought to be. I think it’s very important that we’re doing that.”

“My take away was that Tom and I prevailed,” Renaud said. “We worked this out. When everything was at a stalemate he and I got together and sat down. I said I had this idea – why do we have to keep the five-year plan the way it is? Why don’t we split it out and use it for other things? That’s when he said, ‘Well, let me work on it.’”

After crunching the numbers, Renaud said he and Terry came up with Plan B.

“We thought this was the best of both worlds,” he said. “I thought this was the best way to go and a compromise. We got rid of some things and knocked down some personal objections. We did a lot of good things. I thought it worked out well.”

Stevens agreed with much of what was passed, but worried openly that the board left several issues to address during next year’s budget talks.

“I think we made some progress, but that we’re still pushing the issues down the road,” he said. “However, next year is next year and they’re not going to go away.”

‘The question is ... have we over-collected? Do we know what we’re going to do with [reserves]? And the answer is, I think, no’
President Dave Stevens

OPA Pres. Stevens seeks to correct Cordwell comments

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) OPA Board President Dave Stevens this week responded to comments made by fellow director Bill Cordwell in the March 12 issue of the Bayside Gazette. His comments are as follows:

1. “The day before the vote, several members of the Board were given information that could have swayed the decision away from Landscapes”
- Fact. The vote to select Landscapes Unlimited was held on Friday, February 20th. The information was known by Bob Thompson and three Directors seven days later. It is hard to sway a decision seven days after it has been made.
2. “Some Board members were given information about serious allegations about this company, including poor business, legal and personnel practices and financial improprieties, but (board president) Dave Stevens didn’t think this should be brought up at the meeting and the rest of the Board didn’t find out about it until days later after the vote had been taken.
- Fact. No Director knew about the allegations until seven days after the vote was taken. The insinuation that I somehow refused to allow this in-

formation to be given to the Board, in order to influence the vote is false and defamatory. The allegations themselves were subsequently investigated and found to be groundless.

3. “That vote could have been delayed a few days while these allegations but it apparently wasn’t important enough as Stevens said, ‘the decision had already been made’.”
- Fact: Once again he refers to events that could not have happened and quotes something I did not say.
4. “Stevens doesn’t like the fact that Casper reports to the general manager and has a good relationship with him” “Landscapes has said they would report directly to Stevens and the Board instead of to the general manager.”
- Fact: This is completely untrue. Below is an excerpt from an e-mail to the entire Board from myself and Jack Collins, dated 2/26. It reports on a meeting held with Bob Thompson on the subject of transition.
- “The GM will no longer be the sole contact for golf management company. This will be a responsibility shared by the GM and the Board, with the former as the primary contact for issues pertaining to day-to-day operations.”

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Cordwell blasts board decision on golf management

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Prior to last Thursday's budget meeting in Ocean Pines, the Board of Directors met for a closed-door session to address personnel matters believed to have involved General Manager Bob Thompson.

Thompson questioned the board's diligence in selecting Landscapes Unlimited to replace the current golf management company during a meeting on Feb. 28, causing a stir within the board majority.

Before the board could close the session on Thursday, however, President Dave Stevens was required to ask for public comments. Director Bill Cordwell, a resident of Ocean Pines, stood up.

"We're going to talk a personnel matter, but I believe the personnel matter goes along with what I'm going to talk about anyway – the process of how we got to here," Cordwell said.

"I think this whole conversation needs to be out in public. There's been a lot of things done behind the scenes that I think were wrong. I just want to point some of them out because I'm sure I won't get a chance to do that [later]."

"First off, there was no recommendation from the committee for me to discuss on how we made our selection," Cordwell said. "In an email I got it said that a final recommendation to the board would be confirmed in January. That was from [Treasurer Jack] Collins. We never got that recommendation."

Cordwell said two out of the three members of the selection committee recommended keeping Billy Casper Golf as management.

Reaching for the board table, Cordwell grasped and held up a large binder with multicolored tabs, followed by a smaller packet of stapled papers.

"This is what we got in 2010," he said, gesturing towards the binder. "This is what I got this year to make my determination. I just don't know how we can say that we did a fair and diligent process."

"As far as Landscapes, how can I tell people we're going to pay these people more?" Cordwell continued. "We did no background checks on them, we have no research on them, we got no references from them."

Cordwell went on to say he believed "some board members knew about some improprieties the day before the vote."

"Now I come to find out that they knew about it a week before the vote, and I don't find out until several days after the vote, about possible improprieties with Landscapes Unlimited," he said. "That's just beyond me."

"That should have given to the board," Cordwell continued. "We didn't need to vote that day. That vote took five months to do. We didn't need to vote. We could have put it off for a couple of days, but that information was completely left out and I just think that's wrong. We should have been able to do that background before we did any vote

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Director raises questions before closed OPA session

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on that.

Cordwell said the membership, which was “completely left out ... completely disregarded” wanted the board to keep the current golf superintendent because “the course is in the best shape it’s been in for 30 years.”

“My preference last year ... I wanted to go back to self-management,” Cordwell said. “I don’t understand why we need to pay a company \$80,000 with the shape that the course is in now and with the rapport that we had gotten with the packagers. We were on a roll. I just don’t understand how we can justify doing that, especially to a company that we know nothing about it.

“What really scares me is [Landscapes] is talking about cutting our

maintenance budget \$200,000,” Cordwell added. “That’s just wrong.

According to Cordwell, during the Oct. 18 board meeting he “was assured by the president that I would have the option of self-management. I was never given that option, and then after the meeting you said, ‘Well, we never had time to consider that.’ We have five months to consider that.

“That’s like an hour process. I can have that done by 5 o’clock tonight and that’s if we meet until 4 o’clock,” Cordwell said. “If you want control, how much more control can you have over Ocean Pines employees?”

Following Cordwell’s comments the board voted 6-1 to go into closed session. No details of the meeting were made public at press time.

County sees red on 660-page \$189 million budget request

By **Brian Gilliland**
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Worcester County’s fiscal 2016 budget book would be soaked in red ink were the county commissioners to adopt the first draft of the spending package that agrees to every request.

The budget, containing the collected requests from almost every county department and municipality, is already 660 pages long without counting the Board of Education’s proposed budget or appeals for support from local non-profits, county staff said.

The budget request total of \$189.8 million exceed by \$22 million the county’s project \$167.4 million in revenue in the coming year at the current tax rate.

According to county Treasurer Phil Thompson, Worcester has \$17 million socked away in stabilization funds that can be used at the commissioners’ discretion, but that figure includes about \$6 million already earmarked to fund the current year’s budget.

Stabilization funds are the last to be spent, Thompson said, so once traditional sources of funding run out for the year, the stabilization will kick in and carry the county into the next fiscal year. How much that will end up being is anyone’s guess, Thompson said and may even require a reduction of the \$6 million budgeted last year.

It could also increase.

This leaves roughly \$11 million in the stabilization account, which is money put away by previous boards of county commissioners as they watched tax revenues decline following the collapse of the real estate market and the mortgage crisis of the last decade.

Worcester County is on a three-year cycle of assessments, with Ocean City accounting for 60 percent of the total assessed value of the county. Ocean City was reassessed this year, and property values dipped slightly.

Several officials said they had been told by multiple sources that this year was going to be the “bottom of the trough,” but that turned out to not be the case. Ocean City won’t be reassessed until 2019, and so Worcester County’s budgeting troubles could last until then.

Meanwhile, the Board of Education is the elephant in the room.

The board’s operating budget request is about \$82.7 million plus almost \$11 million in debt, or 55.8 percent of the county’s total estimated revenue, according to a report by County Administrator Harold Higgins submitted to the commissioners.

Their request is almost \$5 million greater than it was last year and includes a payroll increase of 4.2 percent or \$2.3 million, a bus contract increase of 4.2 percent or \$221,000 and a small increase to starting pay for teachers, according to Higgins’ report.

The county mirrored these increases for employees in its own budget request, Higgins said.

State law requires counties to fund schools at least equal to the previous year’s level, which is called “Maintenance of Effort.” It was passed in 2012 because seven counties, including neighboring Wicomico, slashed school budgets to make ends meet. If a particular county doesn’t comply with the state’s maintenance of effort guidelines, it loses state funding.

Thompson said this particular budget year is troubling because the county has been putting off other capital expenditures, such as road repairs and equipment purchases.

“There’s only so long you can put these things off,” he said.

The budget request for road maintenance increased by almost \$2 million, according to Higgins’ report, including \$1 million for blacktop,” Higgins said.

Some departments have seen decreases. See TAX Page 9



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Tax increase off table in budget talks...for now

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creases to their requests already. Fire Company grants, for example, are tied to the assessment formula and so have decreased by almost \$328,000. Recreation decreased about \$575,000 because that department's Project Open Space grant was completed. Debt Service decreased by almost \$1.8 million due to the retirement of debts and "refunding activity."

Higgins invoked the accounting mantra that shortfalls "must be reconciled, either with reductions in expenditures, additional revenues or a combination of the two," several times during his presentation.

Should the commissioners choose to zero out stabilization funds this year, it would cover the additional amounts requested by half, but paint a dire picture for next year's budget.

The other option would be to issue an ultimatum to all departments and other beneficiaries of the county budget to cut their budgets or else. The two words not spoken during the regular meeting were "tax increase."

Worcester County could generate about \$1.45 million per penny added to the tax rate, but to cover the total budget as proposed would require a 15-cent increase in the rate. That would amount to \$300 on a property assessed at \$200,000. Several members of the current board campaigned on being unwilling to institute tax increase.

The budgeting process begins in earnest when the commissioners meet with the Board of Education next Tuesday at 9 a.m. for a work session. The county will hold a public hearing on the budget at 7 p.m. on May 5 at Snow Hill Middle School.

OP Police Dept. releases 2014 crime statistics

(March 19, 2015) Ocean Pines Police recently released preliminary crime statistics for 2014.

Serious crime declined nearly 40 percent in 2014 compared to 2013.

A review of serious crime, known as Part 1 Offenses, revealed that in 2014 there were 106 Part 1 Offenses compared to 178 in 2013.

Police answered 12,402 service calls for 2014, which is a new record. Police also made 193 arrests and conducted 2,654 traffic stops, resulting in the issuance of 460 traffic citations.

Traffic accidents saw a 23 percent reduction as a result of increased enforcement.

"The statistics are very encouraging for crime reduction, and the efforts of our police department contribute to keeping Ocean Pines one of the safest, per capita, communities in the state of Maryland," Police Chief David C. Massey said.

Snow, ice no match for Berlin team

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Three major winter storms struck Berlin in quick succession this winter, hammering the region in a frozen blanket of snow and ice.

The town's water resources and public works teamed up in the snow-removal effort for the first time this year, and the results were startling. More often than not the streets were clear, the sidewalks shoveled, and parking lots, like area shops, were open for business.

Public Works Superintendent Wendell Purnell said the team-up led to an impressive "combination effort" from both departments.

"It's better for us because water resources takes care of east side and we take care of the west side," Purnell said. "It's a lot easier on all

of us."

Water Resources and Public Works Director Jane Kreiter said the agencies "wanted to make sure the parking lots were cleared off and the sidewalks are ready for people to park in them."

"It lets us do other things we haven't done in the past like clearing the snow off of Main Street so that businesses can open," Kreiter said. "Normally that's State Highway and we don't mess with that, but we've been going up there with shovels and making sure. It may be a snow event, but Berlin is not closed."

During the most recent storm, on March 5, crews battled the elements for nearly 30 hours.

"All together we were here on the job from 7 o'clock Thursday morning until 12 o'clock Friday," Purnell said.

Kreiter said the employees aver-

aged 25-30 hours during each event this winter, with crews on snow patrol riding in pairs in order to keep each other awake.

"They'll say, 'hey it looks like you need a break. Let's switch,'" Kreiter said. "It's always the buddy system. That's the only way to keep it safe."

The long shifts also means workers spend as much as two days apart from their families, something that can admittedly be difficult.

"It's tough," public works employee Ricky Dennis said. "Most of the time [your family] will call to check on you and make sure you're okay."

What's more, Kreiter said often times the effort does not end when workers get home.

"They're all here taking care of the town, shoveling driveways and side-

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Public works, water resources tackle town snow

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walks and driving plows, and then they have to go home and do it theirs too," she said.

The remainder of March appears to be free and clear of more winter storms, but the team is bracing themselves anyway, just in case.

"You can never predict March," Wendell said. "It's about gone, but it's always possible."

If the snow stays away the crews will focus on bulk clean up and park maintenance, and turn their eyes towards the onslaught of town events that begin in April of each year.

If not, they say, the work will still get done.

"We don't lose much ground on anything because most of the time we work at night," Purnell said.

Human Resources Director Jeff Fleetwood praised all of the town staff that helped during snow removal during a mayor and council meeting on March 9.

"Not once did I hear a complaint from an employee who was out, whether they were out in the cold pushing snow, whether they were out pulling somebody from a ditch, not once did I hear a complaint," he said. "My hat's off to the employees for that."



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Employees from public works and water resources team up in snow removal efforts in Berlin this year. Pictured, from left, are Meghan Pfaller, Sean Cooper, Jocelyn Aydelotte, Ryan Showell, Tony Sullivan, Ricky Dennis, Samuel Corbin, Jane Kreiter, Willy Mumford, Wendell Purnell, Bob Clark, Jamey Latchum, Billy Taylor and Keith Dukes. Not pictured: Marvin Smith, Dave Wheaton and James Lockwood.

Berlin ties bow on strategic plan

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) With civic engagement at a peak, Berlin officials met last week to finalize the details of a new three-year plan guiding town projects.

The Town Hall gathering held last Thursday also looked to put a bow on a series of recent public meetings collecting opinions from the community.

Members of the town staff met on the previous day to work on what facilitator Christine Becker called "disciplined thought." The final day was to focus on "disciplined action."

"The town, the citizens and residents are in sync on what's important," she said. "One of the things I found interesting was so many of the things that the community said they really wanted were already in progress."

Becker said the issue was, "in some cases people may not be as well-aware of what you're already doing."

"I think there's a strong message about, as we build the plan, thinking about how you build lots of communication components into that," she said, highlighting sidewalks as an example. "Sidewalks kept on coming up over and over again [and] that's already a priority for you."

Based on the public sessions, the town listed goals that included increasing parks and recreation facilities, building and maintaining infrastructure, promoting economic development, enhancing public safety and managing growth to preserve traditions.

Staffers then broke into small groups to discuss what Becker called, "not a to-do list, but simply guidelines."

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Williams: meetings confirm values of Berlin community

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A half-hour later the group went over the results.

Looking at parks and recreation, one group singled out the tentative purchase of the former Tyson plan as a goal. Actions towards that end included completing the appraisal as well as environmental and feasibility studies mandated by Tyson contract.

Looking at infrastructure, town staff was bullish on projects already under way and underscored the need instead to raise public awareness.

“Every single issue that was brought up is really being addressed in some way,” Water Resources and Public Utilities Director Jane Kreiter said.

Electric Utilities Director Tim Lawrence advocated the implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure [AMI], essentially a measuring system for water and electric. Lawrence said the move would help recover revenue lost due to incorrect reporting.

Director Ivy Wells summarized the economic development goal list as “having a really nice meal at the new restaurant that will be where the old Boomers location was.”

Wells hoped to research county incentives for new businesses and develop a one sheet “business briefer” for potential new businesses.

Addressing public safety needs, Police Chief Arnold Downing hoped to develop a funding plan for town EMS, complete the construction of a long desired second police station and use planning and annexation processes to do a better of anticipating new growth.

Mayor Gee Williams led the final group that, as it examined how to preserve tradition during a period of growth, looked to address parking needs, alternate means of transportation and communication issues.

Williams said the completion of the Tyson purchase would solve a number of needs, and hoped written agreements with school and churches could help alleviate parking problems temporarily.

The mayor also advocated adopting a set of architectural standards.

“Having a plan before we build what was needed [is] something that seems obvious, but it’s rarely done,” he said.

Becker said she would summarize steps the town staff can take and draft a framework for the council to adopt, and emphasized the importance of staying true to the data gathered during public meetings.

“The more you can emphasize how closely you adhere to what the community meetings told you, there’s a lot of good value in that,” she said. “You followed what came out of those meetings pretty vigorously.”

Town Administrator Laura Allen suggested creating a quarterly report on progress made on the strategic plan and Becker concurred.

“As you get lost in the business and pressure of your jobs, you want to make sure that that remains front and center, so those regular reports to the council are important,” she said.

“I think the most encouraging thing out of the whole process was the fact that ... in general terms the direction and values that we believed the community to have, they confirmed,” Williams said.

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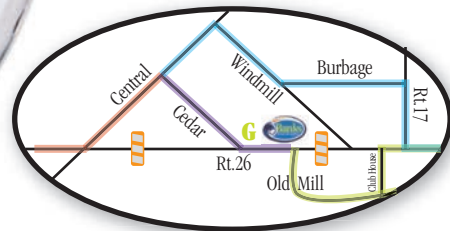
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Snow Hill resident gets four years in \$65,000 jewel heist

By Josh Davis

Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) A Snow Hill woman was found guilty stealing more than \$65,000 worth of jewelry and other items from her Ocean City employer, the Indian River Trading Co., following a trial last Friday in District Court in Snow Hill.

Christine Davis, 46, was a trusted employee, Indian River owner Jack Alexander testified.

"My wife and I have been in business for 41 years and we never had an experience of theft like this before, which was both mentally distressing and monetarily impactful," said Alexander, an Ocean Pines resident.

Alexander told the court that Davis had keys to the business, which she often used to open and close the shop while he and his wife were away.

"I'm just very disappointed," he said. "It made me rethink about how we trust other employees going forward. It's just been a really bad experience for us."

Prosecutor Steven Rakow said Davis stole "over \$65,000 worth of jewelry, rings, watches, pendants, chains and other gold and silver."

Rakow said although some of the stolen goods were recovered, \$48,187 in property was still missing.

Julie Guyer, lawyer for the defense, said Davis "found herself in a position where she couldn't make ends meet."

"Well, \$65,000 will make ends meet very well," Judge Thomas Groton said. "She [did] more than make ends meet."

According to Guyer, Davis had "significant medical issues" that hampered her ability to work, including a recent emergency surgery for ovarian cancer.

"With regards to that surgery, unfortunately she developed an infection," Guyer said. "She went back in for surgery on Feb. 24 and again she has a medical procedure that is scheduled for April 8 as a follow-up."

Guyer said her client now works three jobs and presented a check for \$850 in restitution money to the state's attorney.

The defense asked the court to consider reducing the sentence and "allowing Christine to get back to work so that

she can pay this restitution off," also asking the court give Davis "some time to heal" following the April procedure in case of incarceration.

Davis said she had two DWI's during a two-month span, and that the incidents "really put my life into perspective."

"I'm a grandmother with two beautiful grandchildren," she said. "There is no excuse for my actions."

"Theft is bad enough in and of itself, but this is a step up from that because it's theft from an employer," Groton said. "Mr. Alexander and his company had enough faith in you to place trust in you, and you repaid him for that trust by stealing. It's a more egregious event than theft itself."

"Your attorney indicated that you needed this money to make ends meet," Groton continued. "Well what ends did you need to meet with \$65,000?"

"All I can say, your honor, is that I cannot believe it was that much," Davis said.

Groton sentenced Davis to four years in Worcester County Jail with five years supervised probation. All but one year of jail time was suspended.

The judge also ordered \$47,327 in restitution to be paid within three and a half years of release, as well as drug and alcohol counseling.

Groton ordered the sentence to begin immediately, but said he would consider a release in case of future surgery.

"One you have completed your time and you are on supervised probation the most important condition ... is you make that restitution," Groton said. "If you don't, what you're looking at is going back to jail."

Following the trial, Alexander said a former employee tipped him off that Davis had stolen the jewelry.

Alexander said he was conflicted about the court's decision.

"I'd like to see her spend time in jail, but on the other hand if I'm going to be getting any money back, she needs to get out and go to work," he said. "That's the only way any restitution is going to be made."

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Carol Weber's jewelry was featured at the Worcester County Arts Council during Berlin's 2nd Friday art stroll.

Dollar General deal appears dead

Traffic blamed for Berlin planning commission snub; property owner objects

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Property owner Mike Hamad is crying foul after the Berlin Planning Commission derailed plans for a new Dollar General store last week.

The commission voted to deny final site plan approval of the store, which would have been located on Old Ocean City Boulevard near Healthway Drive in Berlin.

Hamad sold the parcel, contingent on site approval, to Dollar General.

In September, the issue of the store was raised during a mayor and council meeting when Planning Director Dave Engelhart said the town's board of zoning appeals granted a parking variance on the proposed 9,100-square foot site to allow for 41 parking spaces rather than the 49 spaces required by the town code for a site of that size.

A final decision on the site was delayed last month after the planning commission went into closed session to discuss the matter and opted to gather more information.

Two weeks later, after neighboring property owners, including represen-

tatives from Atlantic General Hospital and the owners of an adjoining 14-acre parcel on the corner of Old Ocean City Boulevard and Route 113 weighed in, the commission rejected the plan.

"The town knew from September that Dollar General wants to go there," Hamad said. "Did they send the surrounding properties any letters telling them what's going on? I know in Ocean City, because I've been here for 27 years, normally they ask if anyone has an objection much earlier."

Hamad also objected to the closed session.

"If they wanted to discuss something, they should have done it in front of everybody," he said. "They went into executive meeting and they came out and said they wanted to postpone [the vote] because they got a notice from the hospital and from [the owner of] that land that is behind us."

According to Hamad, the issue with the adjacent landowner, a Baltimore area resident, dates back several years. He previously had his attorney send a letter to the property owner asking for clarity about the matter of easements and rights of way coming out of the property.

"His attorney sent us a nasty letter back saying, 'I don't want to talk about it. We don't want to do nothing and if you do something we're going to sue you,'" Hamad said.

Meanwhile, Hamad said, "some councilwoman [in Berlin] spread the word around that she's the one who called the hospital."

"She called the hospital and bragged about it, 'Hey, I'm the one who called the hospital.' I think somebody's influencing [the planning commission]," he said. "Somebody is protecting somebody," he said. "Somebody doesn't want the Dollar General there."

Berlin Planning Director Dave Engelhart said the commission "did what they had to do" based on safety concerns.

Critics of the Dollar General plan said the store would have increased traffic in an already congested area, while proponents argued that the State Highway Administration had already given its approval.

The agency, Engelhart argued, rarely denies access.

"If they deny you access to a parcel then they have to buy it," he said.

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'Somebody is protecting somebody. Somebody doesn't want the Dollar General there'
Property owner Mike Hamad

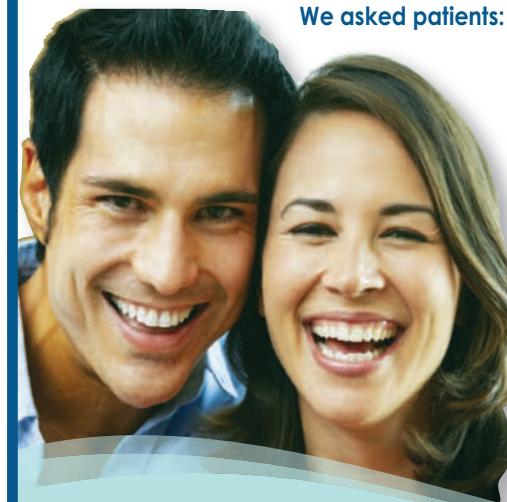


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Hamad vows to develop land in spite of commission

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“[Denying access] would make your parcel worthless, which they hardly ever do.”

Hamad countered that the town’s comprehensive plan calls for development of Route 346, and that “whether there’s traffic or not, that’s up to the state to give an entrance or not.”

“That’s a state road [and] these people went to the state and the state gave their okay,” he said.

Late into the meeting, Engelhart said the developer suggested a compromise could be worked with the owners of the adjoining parcel.

“That whole area could be one access point [off the highway],” Engelhart said. “That’s the way it should have been.

“At the last minute that’s what the developer was saying, ‘we’ll work on something like that,’ Engelhart continued. “Well, then what do you need an approval for until you have that in place? That’s really what it came down to. It was like a big, circular argument.”

The other issue, concerning right of way, was “for the lawyers to figure out,” Engelhart said.

Engelhart has 15 days from the decision to uphold or reverse the ruling of the commission. At press time no decision had been made public.

Hamad, meanwhile, vowed to develop the land and suggested that appearances influenced the commission’s decision.

“This land is going to be developed no matter what,” he said. “They can’t deny us that. I’m just frustrated with these people. The developer spent a lot of money doing all these studies since September.

“At the last hour, those guys were there to show them their design and were supposed to give their approval. At the last minute the hospital comes in and complains.

“The bottom line is they don’t want a Dollar Store,” Hamad said. “The way I see it they don’t want a Dollar Store because it brings low-income people and they don’t want it over there. Nobody wants to say it, but I’m going to say it. I think they just don’t want a Dollar Store. If I were to go and put a doctor’s office over there, I don’t think they would object.”



Lower Shore CASA will host the sixth annual Pirate Party to Help Sink Child Abuse at Sunset Grille on Friday, May 30. Pictured from last year’s fundraiser, from left, are WYFCS Executive Director Steven Taylor, Stephanie Gordy, CASA Director Brigitte Southworth, Ed Battisfore and Lisa Hall.

Pirate party to raise funds for Berlin nonprofit

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) Lower Shore CASA is looking for a few good pirates for the Berlin-based program’s biggest fundraiser of the year.

Part of Worcester Youth and Family Services Inc., CASA, or Court Appointed Special Advocate, recruits and trains volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children.

Maria Cusimano, CASA volunteer coordinator, said the programs tries to “make sure children don’t get lost in the court system.”

“There are laws in place now that restrict children from being in foster care for too long, with no end goal of adoption or reunification with their parents,” she said. “We want to make sure that the process stays on track in a timely manner and that children are not being placed somewhere that they could not potentially stay. This is difficult, because we also don’t want chil-

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Please send all letters to editor, notices, calendar events and community announcements to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday.

OP avoids potholes, uses art of compromise to pass FY16 budget

And that, as they say, is that, which is this case with the Ocean Pines Association budget.

After several weeks of quarreling over whether to increase or decrease assessments, which company should manage the golf course and whether General Manager Bob Thompson was out of line when he criticized the board for its golf course decision, it does appear that the dust has settled without anyone suffering permanent injury.

That's good, considering that the goal of everyone involved is to do what's best for the community. How each member of this group goes about achieving this objective might differ, both practically and philosophically, but that's where the art of compromise comes into play.

The budget approved by the OPA board reflects that and while it does leave unanswered questions, there will be plenty of time between now and next year's budget to address them.

To be sure, the road to approval of this year's financial package was full of potholes, but that is more or less normal in small communities where constituent concerns vary just as much as those of the people who represent them.

The important thing is to come up with a plan that everyone can live with, if only until the next go-round. That has been accomplished with some give and take from all involved.

As for the impassioned arguments that took place in the interim, it's important that they be written off as the product of strong beliefs as opposed to personal animosity.

After all, property owners didn't elect people to get along, but to represent their points of view. From what we can tell from the proceedings, that obligation was well met.

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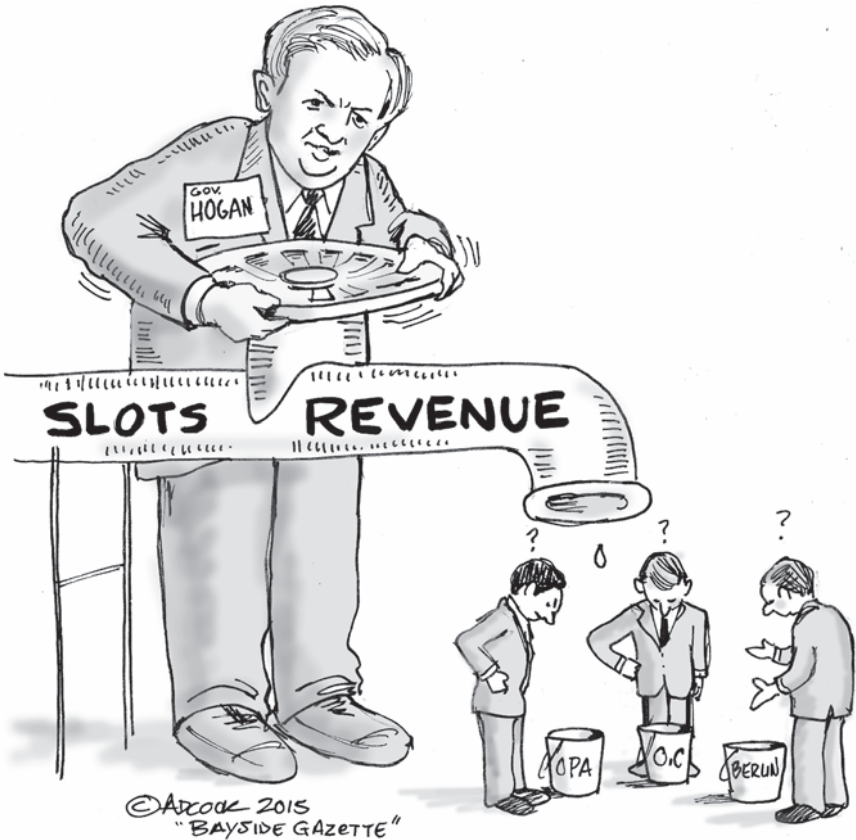
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LETTERS

A few suggestions for Landscapes

Editor,

To those among you who may be negotiating the contract with Landscape, I offer the following suggestion:

Try to set the end point of the agreement such that, in the event there will be a competition for the next contract, the marketing of the golf course is minimally affected by such competition. This year we may suffer lower bookings by potential customers (package groups, hotels, etc.) due to uncertainty regarding course management.

I do not know exactly when the prime booking times are for the spring and fall shoulder seasons, but the information can be readily acquired. It would be in our best interests to minimize the negative effects of perceived instability in course management.

Since there seems to be some question as to the quality of management experience that Landscape brings to the party, what consideration has been given to retaining the director of golf and course superintendent and managing the course ourselves? We opted not to continue down that

road in 2010, but current incumbents are more experienced and knowledgeable than those in place in 2010. Also, significant savings potential arises from elimination of the management fee.

Jim Beisler
Ocean Pines

Trafficking bill has a catch

Editor,

Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act, written by Sen. John Cornyn, (R-Tex.) had Democratic support as it went through the process of becoming law.

In this bill, fines paid by convicted traffickers would create a fund paying compensation to victims. This is wonderful news. Right? The plight of young women and girls being stolen away from homes and sold at auction for use in sex trade is abhorrent.

So now we'll have a way to get justice for these children whose lives are irreparably harmed. Wrong. There is a worm in the apple of this "clean" bill. The funding language has been made subject to the Hyde Amendment, which prohibits federal taxpayer funds for abortions.

Young girls, when rescued, are often pregnant

through the abuse and rape they suffered. Will they be allowed treatment under a bill with an anti-abortion clause?

Democrats who support this human-trafficking bill object to this provision. Now the confirmation of the next attorney general is being held up by Leader McConnell (R-Ky.) until Democratic senators cease objections to the anti-abortion portion of the bill.

It is ironic that the children who have been abducted, sold, raped and psychologically injured must suffer after being rescued because we are so pathologically divided and prefer ideology to compassion.

Barbara Doyle Schmid
Ocean Pines

Tea Party opposes SB 787

Editor,

To the members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee:

We find no legislation in recent memory to be as deeply disturbing as SB 787 (Enhanced Identification Documents). Although this bill stipulates that participation is "voluntary," any attentive observer of

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government will understand that such laws have a strong tendency to metastasize, eventually becoming compulsory. Furthermore, common sense dictates that the great expense of purchasing the technology necessary to the implementation of a biometric identification program simply cannot be supported by fees collected from the small number of individuals who would voluntarily participate. This strongly suggests that the initial voluntary status of SB 787 is an intentionally deceptive "bait and switch" tactic with the objective of making the program mandatory at some point in the future.

It is alarming enough that a supposedly free people are now being

subjected to constant government observation and monitoring through the use of "traffic" cameras, drones, license plate readers, cell phone tracking devices, email snooping, telephone eavesdropping, etc., all with the specious justification that such measures are necessary to security or public safety. The state and federal governments are increasingly demonstrating what can only be described as a criminal disregard for our most fundamental civil liberties. But for the government to be further empowered with the ability to track an individual's every movement by use of a biometric device embedded into a state issued identification document necessary for one to function in the modern world would con-

stitute an unforgivably egregious offense against the people of Maryland and the constitution you have been sworn to uphold. The entire concept is decidedly un-American, worthy only of tyrants. Is it any wonder that the overwhelming majority of Americans have come to distrust their government?

One must be shamefully naive to believe SB 787 is anything other than a malevolent attempt by government to broaden its capacity to monitor and control the people. Your decision as to whether to move this astonishingly repressive and Orwellian bill forward will clearly reveal whether you are a champion of freedom or an advocate of tyranny. Regardless, you would be well advised to remain

mindful that the "stupid voters" are no longer quite as oblivious as some would have you believe.

No measure of security will justify the loss of privacy and freedom that will result from the passage of SB 787. We, therefore, unequivocally demand that you kill this draconian legislation immediately and without delay.

*Worcester County Tea Party
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Nursing business makes move to West Ocean City

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(March 19, 2015) The Berlin Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony this month for Nurse Professionals Home Care LLC to celebrate the business' move to West Ocean City.

The company opened in February 2000 in Kent Island, then moved to Ocean City four years ago and then relocated to West Ocean City in February.

According to the company's website, Nurse Professionals Home Care provides support and services through companionship services or skilled nursing care to "improve lives and enable independent living at home."

Nurse Professionals Home Care President Anita Logsdon Battista said she started the company after seeing a need for "quality RN and allied health staffing."

"I have always been in the medical field," she said. "I was a medical sales manager for a medical equipment company upon graduation from college [and] went back to college for a third college degree in nursing and



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Berlin Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Nurse Professionals Home Care in West Ocean City, March 4. Pictured, from left, are JoAnn Stephens, CNA; RNs Theresa Shockley, Angela Cherrix and Rebecca Graham, President Anita Battista; Brad Miller, Tony Battista and Larry Sackadorf.

worked as a OR/PACU RN at a large Baltimore hospital."

Battista said the company expanded "out of the continued growth of the company and the need for more office space."

Nurse Professionals Home Care is the only company on the Eastern Shore licensed for both nursing and allied health staffing and home care.

Battista said the company focuses

on care on the Eastern Shore, although licensing allows Nurse Professionals Home Care to serve the entire state of Maryland.

"We provide hospital staffing for some hospitals in the Baltimore-Washington areas through the Maryland Hospital Association," Battista said. "The demand for home care is growing as more people are living longer and are more multi-symptom.

The concern in home care and in care for our aging population is how to pay for this care. In our initial RN Assessment meeting with a client, we cover what options may be available to help to pay for these services."

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SOUND OF MUSIC

Director Paulette DeRosa-Matrona and Worcester Preparatory School Upper School students presented Sound of Music Feb 27-28. The cast included, in row 1, from left, Victoria Middleton, Amy Lizas, Emmi Shockley, Cecily Sass, Isabel Dashiell, Emilee Dorey and Fiona Reid; row 2, Davis Taylor, Caroline Lewis, Isabel Osias, Devin Hammond, Jordan Kilgore, Nick Moondra, Chandler Dennis, Madeline Barton and Olivia Parker; row 3, Cameron DiPerna, Raphael DeJesus, Sambina Anthony, Carolyn Dorey, Zach Oltman, Jarad Godwin, Kathleen Emche, Biola Eniola, Cole Koester and Ethan Gaskill.



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ESSAY CHAMPS

Winners in the 2015 Berlin/Ocean City Optimist International Essay Competition were Worcester Preparatory School freshmen Annemarie Cherry, first place, and Brenner Maull, second place. The topic for this year's essay was "Optimism Should be a Priority."



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BRAIN LESSON

Working together as they learn about the parts of the brain during a dissection lesson are Worcester Prep sixth grade students, from left, Nick Rilling, Michael Clubb and Logan Derrickson.



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WPS CHESS COMPETITORS

Competing in the Milton, Del. Youth Chess Tournament, Feb. 28 are Worcester Prep students, in front from left, Jude Damouni, Frankie Carter, Ayush Batra, Daniel Chen and Chipper Becker, and in back, Hugh Thomas Cropper and Pranay Sanwal. The competition featured two categories, ages 10 & Under and ages 11-18. Batra took second place in the 10 & Under category. Sanwal finished first in the 11-18 division.



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BIRD WATCH

Claire Jahed snapped a picture of this turkey vulture standing on a birdhouse in the backyard of her Ocean Pines home, March 6. "We're going to need a bigger birdhouse," joked Mike Jahed. "Usually the birds hover high in the pine trees, but this was the first time we've seen them in the yard."



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GIRL SCOUTING WEEK

The Worcester County Commissioners present a proclamation recognizing March 8-14 as Girl Scouting Week and March 12 as Girl Scouts of the USA Day to Girl Scout Leader Anna Foulz. This year also marks the 103rd anniversary of the organization, which has endowed millions of girls and women with the courage, confidence and character needed to make the world a better place.

CASA fundraiser May 30 at Sunset

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dren changing placements over and over again.

"Studies across the nation show that children with a CASA volunteer remain in foster care less time than those children without a volunteer."

Volunteers remain in contact with children until they get a permanent home or age out at 21.

"It can be difficult at times to hear about some of the abuse or neglect that these children have gone through, but we have to be strong for the children to show them that they can get through the hard times," Cusimano said.

"The program is ultimately very rewarding, as we can help find these children permanent homes or assist in reunifying them with their parents. It is really a team effort between many different agencies and people in the community to help these children prosper."

Cusimano said the program worked with nearly 60 local children during the last year and enlisted 42 volunteers.

"Our goal is to be the one constant person in their life through this whole process," she said. "Some of the children we advocate for may change placements several times. Along with their placement changes, their foster parent, school, friends, therapist, social worker, etc. often changes. The whole process can be very traumatizing for children. Our local department of social services does a wonderful job, but many times the placement changes are out of their hands."

CASA volunteers are asked to make a commitment to their assigned children until permanency has been reached.

"When everything else in the child's life has changed and is up in the air, we want them to know that we are there for them and not going anywhere," Cusimano said. "Our volunteers try to form strong relationships with the children and strive to be a positive role model as well."

The sixth annual Pirate Party to Help Sink Child Abuse will be held at Sunset Grille on Friday, May 30 from 5-8 p.m.

Members of the community are invited to raise at least \$500 for CASA – or walk the dreaded plank.

"Many of our pirates do this by guest bartending, having their own fundraisers, and simply asking their friends and family members," Cusimano said. "I am actually going to partner with my mom this year and we will be pirates."

Cusimano said the program is also soliciting sponsors, for \$1,000, and seeking prize donations.

Entry is \$15 and includes free food and live music, with additional games, raffles and a happy hour until 7 p.m. Guests are encouraged to dress in pirate attire.

All proceeds benefit CASA.

"This is our agency's biggest fundraiser of the year," Cusimano said. "Since our grant [with the Administrative Office of the Courts] is a matching grant, every dollar raised is matched by the AOC."

For more information, call 410-641-4598 or visit www.gowoyo.org/court-appointed-special-advocate.

OP committee looks for candidates

(March 19, 2015) Ocean Pines Association's 2015 search committee will host an informative public meeting on Wednesday, March 25 at 6 p.m. at the Ocean Pines community center.

The meeting will be open to association members. Anyone interested in a position on the board is encouraged to attend.

The purpose of the meeting is to outline the function of the search committee, describe the qualifications of the candidates they search for, outline the responsibilities of OPA Board members, and receive input from attendees about finding

interested candidates.

The committee is seeking at least four candidates to run for the board of directors in the next election to fill two openings. To be eligible a candidate must be the owner of record of property in Ocean Pines as of Jan. 1 of this year, eligible to vote as of May 15 and have completed and submitted an application to the search committee or administration office no later than 5 p.m. on May 10.

An application form may be printed from the association's website, www.oceanpines.org, or obtained from a search committee member or from

the administration office at 239 Ocean Parkway. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday after April 25.

For more information contact any member of the search committee or the OPA office. Search committee members are Chairman Martin Baer 410-491-8350 and members Les Purcell 410-641-7309, Gary Miller 443-618-9972, Mickey Lobb 443-880-2064, Diane McGraw 410-208-2569, Grant Helvey 410-208-2765, Bill Lee 410-641-5896, Dennis Faber 410-600-0221 and Herb Roe 410-208-0422.

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Barbecue duck well worth extra effort

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I had some frozen ducks in my freezer so I figured I would go in a different direction than I normally do with them. I decided to barbecue them. Excited about the prospect of these little beauties, I rubbed them with a top-secret barbecue rub and let them set overnight, similar to what I would do with pork butt or brisket.

If you are using a farm-raised duckling, which I did here, you won't need much, since there is much more meat on a domesticated duck than a wild one. There is a stark difference in the quantity of meat on a domesticated bird.

The next day, it was time to make the barbecue, meaning that I slow-cooked the meat on indirect heat on the grill for about three or four hours, until it shredded beautifully and easily. The key to this is to go low and slow.

Like any other guy, I like a hot grill and flames up to the sky, but that serves no purpose here. The goal is to release the fat from the skin slowly and slow-roast the meat so that you are left with a smooth flavor and a tender and delicious product.

In the past, I have made pork, rabbit, beef, lamb and duck barbecue. They are all suitable meats to use and all lend their own character to the finished dish. Once you've tried them, you can pick and choose according to taste and event.

As for the sauce I used on these, I wanted to go with a Carolina style base with some traditional duck accoutrements, so orange and cran-

berry were the saving graces. Making the sauce with some Champagne vinegar and sugar to start, you end with a sweet-tart cacophony of tastes.

Once the duck is cooked and cooled enough to handle, carefully pick every ounce of meat from the bones. You don't want to waste any of this. The biggest downside to this dish is that you won't be able to make a stock from the carcass, since the smoke will more than likely overpower it. That truly makes me sad because roasted duck stock can be magnificent.

But once you are done with the barbecue, you'll understand why it was worth the effort. The sweet and savory perfection that finds its way on the buns will make you realize that you won't waste much at all. And served with sweet potato fries, you will be happy that you tried it out of duck and not our old standby pork.

BBQ Duck

makes 1 qt.
3 ea. wild ducks or 1 ea. domesticated duck
1/4 c. Your choice of barbecue blends or blackening

Cut the duck into smaller pieces, skin on and ensuring that all organs

have been removed. Rinse well.

Rub well with the spice blend and set in the refrigerator overnight or for at least six hours.

When ready to grill, heat the grill, leaving one side unlit (or having charcoal on one side only). Put a drip pan under the duck to catch juices and fat drippings.

When the grill has a temperature of around 190, place the duck on the cooler side over the drip pan, allowing it to cook low and slow without the fats igniting the grill in an inferno.

When the duck is cook to the point that it is shredding, remove and allow to cool. Let it rest until cool enough to handle.

Pick the meat cleanly off of the birds. It will shred right off of the bone.

Discard all bones, cartilage, etc. Toss the meat with some of the fat and juices to retain flavor.

Serve the barbecue duck on Hawaiian sweet rolls, brioche, or some other sweet bread with your vinegar-based BBQ sauce. Serve with sweet potato fries.

Orange Cranberry Relish

1 c. Good Champagne vinegar
1# cranberries

Juice of 2 oranges with zest
Water, as needed
Sugar, to taste

Combine vinegar, berries, juice, zest and water in a saucepan and cook until the berries are softened.

Sweeten as desired and cook to ensure the sweetener is well incorporated and the flavors have married well.

Sweet Potato Fries

per serving
1 ea. Sweet Potato
Peanut oil for frying
Salt, Cinnamon, & sugar blend

Cut the sweet potato into thin, long fries.

Heat your fryer to 350F and half-cook the fries.

Drain the fries on paper towels and set aside until ready to serve.

At the last moment, drop the fries in the fryer and cook until golden brown.

Sprinkle with salt, cinnamon and sugar to taste immediately.

— Paul G. Suplee is an Assistant Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. Find his ePortfolio at www.heartofakitchen.com.



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CALENDAR

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

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THURS. March 19

PRMC INSULIN PUMP CLUB MEETING — CQI-2 Conference Room in the Avery W. Hall on the Peninsula Regional campus, 100 E. Carroll St., Salisbury, 7-8 p.m. Featuring speakers from the UMES dietitian intern program on the topic of “Why? Same Amount of Carb, But Really Different Blood Sugars.” Free support program. Info: 410-543-7061.

PINE'EER CRAFT CLUB MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 9:45 a.m. Craft is greeting cards. Cost is \$3. RSVP: Janet, 410-641-6187.

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

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

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

HAM AND CABBAGE DINNER — St. Paul's by-the-Sea, in DeWees Hall, 302 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, 4:30-7 p.m. Menu includes ham, cabbage, carrots and boiled potatoes. No charge for dinner, but donations will be accepted. Info: 410-289-3453.

FRI. March 20

HOME, CONDO & OUTDOOR SHOW AND ART & CRAFT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, noon to 6 p.m. Hundreds of pros offering thousands of ideas ... decorating, remodeling, accessorizing, renovating, landscaping and building a home. Additional show highlights include show “specials” and bargains, the Art & Craft Fair, free drawings and door prizes. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors (55+) and students (14-22) and free to children 13 and younger and military, police and fire with ID. Info: Ocean Promotions, 410-213-8090 or events@oceanpromotions.info.

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.



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NEW OFFICE

The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Comcast Spotlight on March 4 to commemorate its new location in West Ocean City at 11934 Ocean Gateway, Suite 6. Pictured, from left, are Alison McCarty, BB&T Bank; Steven Taylor, Worcester Youth & Family Counseling; Sherrie Lassahn, Ocean Pines Chamber; Jennifer Antonelli, Comcast; Tricia Seitz and Patricia Ilczuk-Lavanceau, Comcast account executives; Deb Travers, Comcast sales manager; Susan Dalton (holding scissors), Comcast general manager; Ray Shanklin, Comcast production team; Jacki Johnson; Liz Kain-Bolen, Ocean Pines Chamber executive director; Rob Owens, Comcast production team; Gwen Cordner, Chamber past president; Sharon Shirk, Hilman Realty; Gloria Hudson, Steve Cohen, Heather Shaner, M&T Bank and Leigh Williams, Acquest Title Co.

WINE TASTING AND CHINESE AUCTION — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 4-7 p.m. Variety of wine samples, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, desserts, coffee, tea and soft drinks. Proceeds benefit the Kiwanis Scholarship Fund. Tickets cost \$20 and can be purchased from any Kiwanis member or by calling Ralph Chinn at 410-208-6719. Info: Mike Evans, 443-547-4865 or www.kiwanisofopoc.com.

ANNUAL ADULT EASTER EGG HUNT — Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, main station. Door open at 7 p.m., games begin at 8 p.m. Cash bar. Music by Days Gone By. Tickets cost \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Tickets: 443-365-1225.

WORCESTER COUNTY TEA PARTY MEETING — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., meeting begins at 7 p.m. Mike Bradley, morning host of the “Talk of Delmarva” on WGMD, will discuss Stories From Behind The Microphone. Free and open to the public. Info: WCTPPatriots@gmail.com, www.worcestercountyteaparty.com, www.facebook.com/WorcesterCountyTeaParty or 443-614-7214.

LONGABERGER & THIRTY ONE BINGO — Holy Savior Parish Hall, 1705 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City. Doors open at 6 p.m., bingo starts at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$20 for 20 games. Tickets: Kim, 410-213-9040. Sponsored by Chesapeake Martial Arts.

SAT. March 21

HOME, CONDO & OUTDOOR SHOW AND ART & CRAFT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Hundreds of pros offering thousands of ideas ... decorating, remodeling, accessorizing, renovating, landscaping and building a home. Additional show highlights include show “specials” and bargains, the Art & Craft Fair, free drawings and door prizes. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors (55+) and students (14-22) and free to children 13 and younger and military, police and fire with ID. Info: Ocean Promotions, 410-213-8090 or events@oceanpromotions.info.

SPAGHETTI DINNER — St. Peter's Lutheran Church Community Life Center, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 5-8 p.m. There will also be a Ticket Drop Auction, silent auction and raffle. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds benefit Camp Possibilities. Tickets: Katie, 410-251-4793; Corey, 410-251-0626; or Corey@spaghettiforpossibilities.org. List of auction items: www.SpaghettiForPossibilities.org. Gluten free pasta will be available.

ITALIAN FESTIVAL — St. Andrews Hall, 144th and Sinepuxent streets, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Ravioli and meatball platters, meatball and sausage subs, cannoli, minestrone soup, wine, soda, beer, Zep-poles (St. Joseph's Day Cake) and more.

Music provided by Baltimore's Mario Monaldi Band. Games for children and adults, Religious items, Italian clothing and cookbooks. Proceeds benefit St. Luke's Catholic Church and the Sons of Italy of Ocean City.

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

INDOOR YARD SALE — Elks Lodge, 13324 Worcester Highway, Bishopville, 7 a.m. to noon. Tables cost \$15 each or two for \$25. Breakfast sandwiches served. Table reservations: 443-235-2926.

'THE ROAD TO ASSATEAGUE PART 1: FAMOUS STORMS OF ASSATEAGUE' — Assateague Island Visitor Center, 11800 Marsh View Lane, Berlin. Coffee and refreshments at 9:30 a.m., program begins at 10 a.m. Christopher Seymour, retired National Park Service Ranger, will revisit three major storms of the last century and their impacts on the island. Info: www.AssateagueIslandAlliance.org or 410-629-6095.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST — Ocean City Municipal Airport, Terminal Building, 9 a.m. to noon, through April 25. Serving pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, etc., and coffee. Suggested donation is \$7. Pro-

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ceeds support the Huey Veteran’s Memorial Display. Info: Airport Ops, 410-213-2471 or Coleman Bunting, 410-726-7207.

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

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

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

SUN. March 22

HOME, CONDO & OUTDOOR SHOW AND ART & CRAFT SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Hundreds of pros offering thousands of ideas ... decorating, remodeling, accessorizing, renovating, landscaping and building a home. Additional show highlights include show “specials” and bargains, the Art & Craft Fair, free drawings and door prizes. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors (55+) and students (14-22) and free to children 13 and younger and military, police and fire with ID. Info: Ocean Promotions, 410-213-8090 or events@oceanpromotions.info.

BREAKFAST SPECIAL — Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke’s Church) in Ocean City, 8-11:30 a.m. Menu includes scrambled eggs, western omelet, bacon, sausage, home fries, chipped beef, toast, French toast, pancakes, blueberry pancakes, orange juice and coffee. Cost is \$9 for adults and \$4 for children 7 and younger. Info: 410-524-7994.

COMMUNITY HYMN SING — Atlantic United Methodist Church, 105 Fourth St., in Ocean City, 4 p.m. The church will continue its 100th Anniversary celebration with a Community Hymn Sing featuring choirs from several area Methodist churches. Enjoy the Bell Choir, clarinet and flute. A love offering will be received. A reception will follow the program. Everyone is welcome.

MSO 2015 SPRING CONCERT — Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Race-track Road, 3 p.m. Featuring the Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra. At intermission there will be a “meet and greet” for local music students and their teachers to chat with Lucasz Szyrner and



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GISMONDI HONORED

The Worcester County Commissioners presented a commendation to Beth Gismondi following 18 years of service to the community as a member of the Worcester County Board of Zoning Appeals on Feb. 19. The Commissioners recognized Gismondi for her willingness to assist others, her initiative to educate herself on various land use issues and her tenacity to understand the whole picture by conducting site visits, implementing regulations and listening to testimony, as part of her evaluation of an application prior to rendering a decision, and for being highly diligent and consistent to uphold the criteria set forth in the Zoning Ordinance when evaluating applications for special exceptions, variances and appeals.

Patrick Lill. Tickets cost \$38 for adults and free to those 18 and younger (reservations are required). Tickets: 410-289-3440, 888-846-8600 or www.midatlanticsymphony.org.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST — Ocean City Municipal Airport, Terminal Building, 9 a.m. to noon, through April 26. Serving pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, etc., and coffee. Suggested donation is \$7. Proceeds support the Huey Veteran’s Memorial Display. Info: Airport Ops, 410-213-2471 or Coleman Bunting, 410-726-7207.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS #169 — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Group is a 12-step program for anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem. No initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

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

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

MON. March 23

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

TUES. March 24

BUS TRIP TO HONOR WWII VETERANS — All WWII Veterans and their spouse or companion are invited on this bus trip to the WWII Memorial in Washington, D.C. Bus leaves American Legion, 23rd Street at 8 a.m. with second pick up at the Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road at 8:15 a.m. The trip is free. Sponsored by Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1091. RSVP: Nelson Kelly, 302-236-4171, nelsonkelly11@comcast.net; Jack Hyle, 410-390-2037, johnshyle@gmail.com; or Bill Wolf, 443-366-2994, oceanci-tyvva@gmail.com.

MARYLAND SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MEETING — Lions Club, Airport Road, West Ocean City. Doors open at 7 p.m., meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaking will be talking about the proposed oil and natural gas drilling off the Mid Atlantic coast. Open to the public.

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

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

WED. March 25

HOLT PAPER & CHEMICAL TRADE SHOW — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway. Info: 410-742-7577.

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

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

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB — Meets every Wednesday at Peaky’s Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, located in the Fenwick Inn, 13801 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Beginner and intermediate lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by dancing 6:30-9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the ’50s, ’60s and Carolina beach music. All are welcome. Info: 302-200-DANCE (3262).

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

BAYSIDE BEGINNINGS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

ONGOING EVENTS

GERANIUM SALE — Sponsored by the Democratic Women’s Club of Worcester County. Cost is \$6. Colors are red, white, pink, fuchsia and salmon. Orders must be placed by April 20 for early May delivery. Info: Harriet Batis, 302-988-1268.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY SEDER — Sponsored by the Sisterhood of Temple Bat Yam and held at Holiday Inn Ocean Front, 6600 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, April 4, 5:30 p.m. Reservations must be received by March 25: 410-641-4311.

PINE’ER CRAFT AND GIFT SHOP OPEN — Pine’er Craft and Gift Shop, White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. Shop will be open every Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and every Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featuring the latest creations by members of the Pine’er Craft Club.

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March 21: Over Time, 9 p.m.

March 25: Thin Ice, 5 p.m.

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Every Wednesday: Jam Session

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March 20: Coastal Storm w/Tor,

6-10 p.m.

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March 21: Tear the Roof Off, 4:30-

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9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

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410-250-1449

Every Friday: Bob Hughes,

6-10 p.m.

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60th Street and the bay

Ocean City

410-524-5500

March 20: DJ RobCee, 9 p.m.;

Naked Nation, 9:30 p.m.

March 21: DJ RobCee, 9 p.m.; The

Loop, 9:30 p.m.

March 22: Everett Spells, brunch

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33rd Street and Coastal Highway

Ocean City

410-524-3663

Every Thursday: DJ Wax

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road

West Ocean City

410-213-1846

March 20: Ladies Night w/DJ Bill T

March 21: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.;

DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m.

March 22: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.

March 26: Opposite Directions, 6-10 p.m.

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March 20: Dave Hawkins,

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March 21: Dave Sherman,

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March 25: Bobby Burns, 3-6 p.m.

March 26: Aaron Howell, 6-10 p.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Road

West Ocean City

410-213-1841

March 20: Dust n Bones, 8 p.m.

March 22: Going Coastal, 3 p.m.

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midnight

March 21: OH0, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel

101st Street and the ocean

Ocean City

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March 20-21: First Class,

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SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay

Ocean City

410-524-4900

March 20: The Benderz, 10 p.m.

March 21: Full Circle, 5 p.m.; Big

Bang Baby, 10 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

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Ocean Pines

410-641-7501

March 20: Kaleb Brown, 6-10 p.m.

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11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17

Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines

443-365-2576

March 20: Karaoke w/Donnie

Berkey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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