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## **Decatur students** help go on 'Long Walk to Water'

By Kara Hallissey

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) After being inspired by the novel, "A Long Walk to Water," by Linda Sue Park, seventh grade students at Stephen Decatur Middle School decided raising funds to help build clean water wells in South Sudan was the right thing to do.

From 7:45 a.m. until school came to a close on Monday, 320 teenagers walked in shifts carrying the flag of South Sudan, awareness signs and large jugs of water to bring awareness and show empathy for the struggles people face in South Sudan every day.

The kids cared after reading the book because they have huge hearts," Michelle Hammond, a seventh grade See STUDENTS Page 7

## **Directors think** little of ThinkBig after sales pitch

**By Josh Davis** 

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) Board members shot down an apparent attempted sales pitch from ThinkBig Networks during an Ocean Pines Association work session on Monday.

Director Doug Parks introduced the agenda topic "considerations for fiber optic in Ocean Pines," when Sales Director Judy Morgan from ThinkBig, a Brooklandville internet service provider, asked to comment.

She made it about halfway through her first sentence before several directors labeled it a sales pitch and asked her to stop.

"This is a working session of the board of directors," Board Vice President Dave Stevens said. "It's for the directors and for the members of the association.'

"Why I'm here is to provide information on viable options to provide services and choices for the community members," Morgan said.

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KARA HALLISSEY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

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## Wild multi-state, multi-car chase

By Katie Tabeling

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) A Dorchester County man is in critical condition in Christiana Hospital in Wilmington, Delaware after being shot by police following a break-in at a local Realtor's home and a subsequent car chase that ended in Ocean View, Delaware last Saturday.

Although the identity of the shooter has not been released pending an investigation, Ocean View Police and Worcester County Sheriffs shot at Troy Lee Short, 31, of Hurlock, Maryland after he tried to ram on-foot officers with the stolen Infiniti SUV.

Bethany Drew with Hileman Real Estate in Ocean Pines said that the black SUV was stolen from her driveway at her Bishopville area home. She said a man entered her house while she, her husband, Chris Squires, and guests were inside.

"We always keep the door locked, but a guest went out to his car to get something. He came back and went to play pool with my husband upstairs, and I guess he didn't lock the door," Drew said. "I can't even believe

Around 8:10 p.m. on March 18, a Worcester County Sheriff's deputy spotted Short driving a Chevrolet

truck erratically around Eighth Street in Ocean City. When the deputy attempted to stop the truck, Short fled, according to press releases.

"His driving behavior – failing to stay within the lines and maintain a speed - indicates that he was under the influence," Sheriff's Office spokesman Lt. Ed Schreier said.

Short drove to the Berlin area, where he crashed the truck near Friendship Road. Then he allegedly stole another vehicle and drove it to Route 90, where he abandoned it near Route 575.

At that point, a K-9 team was called in and directed police to

Worcester Highway, where they found the second stolen car. Short had stolen a third car at that time and drove it to St. Martin's Neck Road in Bishopville, where he abandoned it.

Another K-9 search led deputies to a nearby neighborhood, where Short allegedly broke into Drew's home at around 10 p.m.

"I went to the bathroom, and I heard him walking around my closet. I assumed it was our guest, because the footsteps were not my husband's," Drew said. "I said, 'I'm in here,' and they turned away and didn't say anything.'

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PHOTO COURTESY OCEAN VIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ocean View Police officer Nicholas Harrington's patrol car was totaled after it was rammed into by Troy Lee Short during a police chase last Saturday. Short had stolen the car used in the chase from an Ocean Pines Realtor.



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#### LUCKY DAY

In the spirit of the St. Patrick's holiday, Isabel Cockey, 9, left, and her sister, Guinevere, 7, proudly display rainbow clouds they crafted during the Luck of the Otters event at the Delmarva Discovery Center in Pocomoke last Friday.

## **Newcomers Meet and Greet, Wed.**

Debut Snow Hill event will introduce new residents to municipal reps, services

#### **By Greg Ellison**

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) Joe Kane, who purchased a pair of properties in Snow Hill last year, wants other new residents to discover the same sense of community that has brought him to embrace life on the river.

To that end Kane is organizing the first "Newcomers Meet and Greet" on March 29 at 5:30 p.m. at the Harvest Moon Tavern on Greene Street.

Kane said he got the idea for the event during a recent lunch at Harvest Moon, when he overheard a felpatron explain they purchased property in town, but lacked knowledge of local resources.

Curious to learn how many other

recent Snow Hill transplants existed, he enlisted the assistance of Gary Weber of Newport Bay Realty in West Ocean City, who found approximately 40 people had purchased homes during 2016.

'It's a good idea to get people involved in the community," Weber said. "It's kind of a welcome, but also an open house. It was Joe's idea because he's a new guy too."

Kane said the evening would provide an opportunity to meet and socialize with other new Snow Hill residents.

"Renters are also welcome," he

Representatives from the Snow Hill Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and Rotary Club will be on hand, along with officials with the police and fire departments, Kane

Presently in the midst of remodel-

ing his own properties, Kane recognized the value of connecting the town's latest homeowners with local contractors.

"There will also be local plumbers, electricians and other service providers seated at tables and available to help with projects," he said. "I'm not selling or promoting particular contractors.

Kane said the event would last until about 7 p.m., but no one would have to leave prior to Harvest Moon's 9 p.m. closing time.

'The event may help attendees get more involved with their new home town," he said.

For his part, Weber said he is fully supporting Kane's concept.

'I'm looking forward to it," he said. Kane asked anyone interested in attending to text him at 703-447-0669, so he can maintain a head count.

## **Snow Hill council** seat may change as deadline nears

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) Two seats on the Snow Hill Council are up for election this year, and at this point it appears at least one spot will change, although it remains to be seen if an actual election will be required.

The deadline to apply for either the central or western district open seats is March 31 at 4:30 p.m. Candidates must reside in the district and be at least 18 years of age.

From the Central District, Jenny Hall has applied for reelection, and as of press time she is running unop-

In the western district, incumbent Michael Pruitt has decided not to seek reelection based on a previous pledge.

"I've been asking for about a year if a person of color wants to run [and] I'll step aside and support them," he

After Pruitt reached out to Worcester County Commissioners Vice President Diana Purnell for assistance, a new candidate surfaced when LaToya Purnell threw her hat in the ring.

Since beginning his efforts to improve minority representation on the Snow Hill Council, Pruitt has repeatedly said he would serve as a resource for a potential future candidate, content to step aside, but remain involved as needed.

"I'm going to live up to my word and not run against her," he said. "Unless she gets cold feet."

With only one candidate for each open seat, it remains to be seen if anyone else applies, in which case an election in early May would be required. The victors would be sworn into office in early June, Pruitt said.

Any Snow Hill residents over the age of 18, from either the western or central districts, who would like to run for office can pick up an election application packet at Town Hall on Bank Street. All applications must be filed by the 4:30 p.m. deadline on March 31.

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## Man in critical condition after being shot during PD chase

■ CAR CHASE continued

When she left the bathroom, she saw her SUV back out of the driveway quickly. Drew noticed that her pocketbook was missing, and told Squires her car had been stolen. While Drew called 911, Squires got into his car and gave chase, but was stopped by the police presence at St. Martin's Neck Road.

Deputies saw Short drive away in the black SUV and unsuccessfully attempted to stop him as he fled to Delaware. A deputy remained in pursuit and was joined by an Ocean View Police officer as the car drove down Burbage Road, crossed over Windmill Drive and onto Pine Grove Lane, which is a dead-end road.

Police said Short stopped the car at the dead-end, then accelerated backwards into the front the Ocean View police patrol vehicle, pushing it off the road. The officer was inside the car at the time.

The SUV continued backing up at high speeds, almost striking the sheriff's vehicle and smashing into a mail-

Short then reportedly drove the SUV forward, entered an empty lot, turned around and drove toward the deputy and the Ocean View officer, who were out of their vehicles. The police yelled for Short to stop, according to press releases. Both officers fired multiple rounds at the SUV before Short came to a stop in a driveway on Pine Grove Lane.

Short was taken to Beebe Healthcare in Lewes, Delaware with one or more gunshot wounds and was later transferred to Christiana Hospital.

"He's not charged at this time." Ocean View Police Chief Ken McLaughlin said. "Given the situation at the hospital, there's no rush to do it. Hopefully, if the gentleman recovers, then we can move forward."

Schreier said that if Short recovers, the Worcester County Sherriff's office would file charges.

The Ocean View officer was also taken to Beebe Healthcare and treated for minor crash-related injuries. His patrol car was totaled.

"The crash was very horrific. There was catastrophic damage to its frontend," McLaughlin said.

The officer is on administrative leave, while Delaware State Police investigate the incident.

It took two hours before police told Drew what happened to her SUV, but she discovered enough information to figure out what happened.

I asked my son to put it on Facebook, and that it [her car] had vanity plates that read PO2team," she said, referencing the Power of Two Team group she works with through Hileman Real Estate. "Very quickly people said that it was one of the three cars stolen and used in a high-speed

While Drew's damaged SUV was towed away by police, she's grateful that it was only her car that was damaged.

"This guy must have been crazed. There were cops everywhere, so he must have been in the closet looking for a place to hide," she said. "God was watching."

#### Correction

An article in last week's edition of the Gazette incorrectly stated Ocean Pines Director Slobodan Trendic was the chairman of the elections committee. Steve Tuttle chairs that committee. We apologize for the discrepancv.



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## Dir. Parks: ThinkBig 'did not make a good impression'

■ THINKBIG continued

"In my opinion, ma'am, that information is not relevant at this point in time to this meeting," Stevens said.

Information packets from ThinkBig were handed out during the meeting. The final page asked Ocean Pines to "Provide an Easement for Construction to begin!!!"

ThinkBig and another company, FTS Fiber, made a similar sales pitch to install fiber optic cable lines during a public meeting in December. Interim General Manager and Director Brett Hill is the chief executive officer of FTS.

Parks, reached for comment on Tuesday, said it was a complete surprise to see ThinkBig representative at the meeting.

'Quite frankly, I was a little taken aback," Parks said.

He said representatives from ThinkBig previously reached out to him, as well as Board President Tom Herrick. Parks heads a technology work group in Ocean Pines.

During a phone conversation with the company, Parks said ThinkBig representatives asked to make a presentation and he advised against it.

"It's a work session. No decisions are going to happen. We're not requesting any information from vendors whether it's you or anybody else, so, quite frankly, showing up at the meeting, I'm advising you no ... I was pretty clear about that," he said.

'To see them show up, I'm looking at them going, 'OK," Parks continued. "If that's how you want to do business, you don't know me well enough. You're making an impression on me. If I'm going to be your customer, you'd better make a good impression on me. Quite frankly, them showing up yesterday did not make a good impression on me."

Parks said the appearance of Morgan from ThinkBig, along with representatives from FTS in the audience during the meeting, caught him off guard.

"It's out of left field. I'm scratching my head going, what the hell is going on here?" he said.

Parks said the intent of the agenda item was to convince board members to release a request for information on fiber optic vendors "from a number of different companies, just to see if this is even feasible."

"I suspect that they must have caught wind of it," he said. "They clearly knew it was a work session based on not only the emails, but the phone call I had with them. But my advice was very direct – do not show up. There's no reason for you to be there. I was literally scratching my head going 'why are these guys here?'

"If I can't trust you to take my advice and you just chose to ignore me? OK. We can do that. I've been doing business a very, very long time. And if you make an impression on me like that, as they say, first impressions stick pretty long," Parks continued. "I'm not annoved - I'm more intrigued. Why would you take that course of action if you're trying to woo a customer?"

Parks had a few theories.

"Maybe they're trying to get their foot in the door," he said. "Maybe they think, because Brett sits on the board, they don't have to do the same kind of work any other vendor does.

"At this point, I'm basically going to ignore them," he added.

Parks said he was still in the process of writing a request for information for fiber lines. That item will likely be on the agenda of the regular board meeting Saturday.

Specifically, he said it would look for vendors to connect so-called anchor institutions via high-speed lines.

'I'm not talking about residential right now. I specifically stated the anchor facilities. That's what we're looking at," he said. "I'm not interested, nor am I focused on residential. It's all about making sure the anchor facilities that run the business of Ocean Pines are connected in a reliable, consistent, high-speed manner so we can conduct our business operations.'

That falls under the purview of what FTS does - install the infrastructure. A company like ThinkBig would then lease or purchase the lines and sell access to residential customers.

Parks said there was an ethics inquiry into whether Hill's company could be a part of the bidding process.

"Someone asked the question and it was given to the attorney," Parks said. "The attorney said anybody can talk about anything. It's when a business transaction begins is where you have potential problems.

"It's the 800-pound gorilla in the room," he continued. "Even if it's perfect, there's still going to be some folks [who] assign some level of impropriety, conflict of interest, preferential treatment, call it what you want. We're not going to get around that.

"I have to take that into consideration, but, thank goodness, it's a board decision," Parks said.

Morgan and Hill did not return calls for comment as of press time, Tuesday.



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#### **FINALIST**

Worcester Preparatory School senior Ava Schwartz, of Salisbury, has been named a finalist in the 62nd annual National Merit Scholarship Program. As a finalist, she is eligible to receive a National Merit Scholarship which will be awarded in April.

## Students collect more than \$5,000 for Sudan charity

■ SUDAN continued

teacher at Stephen Decatur Middle School, said. "Mainly girls in the South Sudan walk eight hours a day to bring back dirty and disgusting water with waterborne diseases. These kids are great. They wanted to do something."

Charlotte Vit, 13, said it felt good to be participating in the walk and was surprised to learn residents in South Sudan fight over water.

"It feels good to be helping people who really need it," said Kiersen Thorne, 13. "We always take water for granted. Turn on our sink and water comes out. People over there can't get it and are dying because of it."

The symbolic charity walk took place in a field outside the school with seventh graders carrying signs including one explaining how our toilet water is safer and cleaner than the water most South Sudan residents consume daily.

In addition, the country is currently in a bitter ethnic war and famine emergency with five million people unsure of their next meal source. Of them, 100,000 are facing death.

"When they carry the jugs of water, we are teaching the kids empathy," Hammond said. "It is so motivating. If we raise the most money, we are hoping to earn a visit to our school from Salva Dut, one of the Lost Boys of Sudan."

Dut was displaced and orphaned along with thousands of other boys during the civil war in South Sudan, which took place from 1983 to 2005. His historic story is profiled in "A Long Walk to Water."

After relocating to the United States in 1996, Dut founded the non-profit organization, Water for South Sudan, in 2003, which provides access to fresh water and hygiene education in remote villages of his native land.

He is a dual citizen of America and South Sudan, but spends most of the year in Africa overseeing Water for South Sudan drilling operations.

To date, Dut has helped fund 282 fresh water wells in South Sudan, Hammond said.

"He visits the school who raises the most money and spends the whole day out here with the kids," Hammond said. "Last year, the winner raised \$6,000. I think we can raise more than that."

On March 13, a few teachers were guest bartenders at Burley Oak Brewing Company and garnered \$500 toward the cause.

In addition, seventh graders have given up their birthday money and encouraged their parents to partake in fundraisers of their own to raise money.

As of Monday afternoon, Stephen Decatur Middle School had raised close to \$5,000. It costs \$1,500 to sponsor a well.

To donate, contact Hammond at mmhammond@mail.worcester.k12.m d.us. The deadline to make a donation is March 27.

For more information on Dut and his cause, visit www.waterforsouthsudan.org.



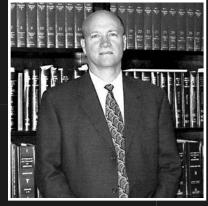




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## **Snow Hill establishing new short-term rental regulations**

Pair of ordinances received public readings during town council meeting, last Tues.

#### By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) Snow Hill, which is in the midst of establishing regulations for short-term rental units, held public readings of two related ordinances during a town council meeting last Tuesday.

The first ordinance, which took effect after being introduced as emergency legislation during a council work session on Jan. 31, establishes a temporary moratorium for approval of short-term lodging units within the town for a period of up to six months.

The second ordinance, which had its first reading last Tuesday, would amend the town code to add definitions and provisions for the registering short-term rental housing.

Jon Hill, Snow Hill code enforcement officer, provided background on the effort to assure short-term rentals are regulated for safety and tax purposes.

"The existing code did not allow for a short-term rental use within town limits," he said. "It did, however, have a definition in the zoning code that was adopted last year."

Despite the moratorium, Hill said the town's intent is not to shutter current short-term lodgings.

"Right now you can do what you're doing, but let's develop code that you have to adhere to, and we will regulate in a fashion that is both safe and something that would actually promote the use inside the town," he said.

Under the proposed ordinance short-term rental units would be defined as a primary residence of which a portion, or the entire structure, is occupied by persons other than the owner or immediate family members, with a monetary fee, or other compensation, exchanged for occupation.

"There are also different provisions for the operation of short-term rentals very similar to the code we've already developed for bed and breakfasts," he said. "There is a residency requirement for operating a second home or structure as short-term rental."

During a Snow Hill Planning Commission meeting in early February, Hill said the idea of permitting resident agents in lieu of the residency requirement was discussed. That language was not included in the ordinance, but could be added in the future, he said.

There are clear distinctions between short-term lodgings and bed and breakfast or boarding houses, including a limit of five unrelated persons renting rooms at any given time, Hill said. "When that's done you're not subject to fire protection code, and the fire marshal doesn't do an inspection," he said. "We thought it would be a good idea that there is some safety built into this. The town is being good stewards of this program by having this requirement.

"There are also requirements to notify neighbors within 400 feet by certified letter, letting people know that they are operating an Airbnb so we don't get calls and complaints," he continued. "We're going to know and the neighbors are going to know that this operation is taking place."

While short-term rental operators would be permitted to provide food for paying guests, they would be prohibited from selling food to the general public without involving the county health department.

"That would mean that the health department would have to inspect their food," he said.

Hill also said the proposed ordinance would require landlords to register to operate short-term lodgings and would include a \$60 annual rental permit.

Another said parking requirements were also a concern.

The ordinance specifics an owner-occupied primary residence offering short-term lodgings would be required to have two off-street paring spaces for the owner and one off-street parking space per room rented. Also, short-term rentals within the downtown shopping-district would be exempted from the off-street parking mandates.

Proper remittance of applicable Worcester County room taxes and potential state sales tax stipulations were also addressed as part of the proposed ordinance.

"There's a sales tax involved with anything that they might sell, if they have goods or anything contained within their home," Hill said.

If the short-term rental ordinance, which is scheduled for a second reading at the council meeting on April 11, is approved, Hill said the current moratorium could end relatively quickly.

"That will lift in 20 days after the second reading ... and the new rules will go into effect," he said. "There are things that we have to do in the right process to make these things work."

Councilman Michael Pruitt said the ordinance is a work in progress. He offered praise for the planning commission's effort thus far.

"I like what were doing," he said.
"We're not telling people they can't do
it, we're just saying you've got to have
a little parking regulations, a little
room tax and that's what I was after."

Mayor John Dorman echoed Pruitt's sentiments.

"We want people to come to town we just want to make sure that the people are safe," he said.

## Plenty of chatter from board, homeowners on new forum

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) What makes anything more "real" than any other thing? And what, exactly, is the purpose of any forum?

All of that and more were discussed during and Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors work session Monday, when Vice President Dave Stevens broached the subject of the Real Ocean Pines Forum, launched last week.

The forum was apparently discussed – and ultimately vetoed – about a year ago by the communications committee. Former General Manager Bob Thompson and former Marketing Director Teresa Travatello, it was insinuated, also had a hand in its inception at the time.

Stevens said he had a running debate with Board President Tom Herrick over the point of the forum. Herrick, he said, wanted to get factual information out to the public, while Stevens argued that, by definition, a forum was merely an exchange of opinions.

When interim General Manager Brett Hill said Denise Sawyer and Julie Malinowski, the current heads of the marketing department, were in charge of the forum, Stevens wondered who would fact-check their information.

Hill said the board members had all been given logins for the forum and could monitor it at any time. He said administration staff was constantly being overwhelmed by questions, one of the most popular of which was, apparently, just how the passes work at the beach club bathrooms.

"We have mechanisms for putting out those facts. We have public releases," Stevens said. "We have several different vehicles by which we put out what our membership costs and rules and options and so forth [are]. Those are all factual and it's pretty easy, editorially, to validate that they are factual.

"On the other hand, a short answer to a question from a member [on a forum] may or may not be," he continued. "People make mistakes. The press even makes mistakes."

Stevens said Ocean Pines should use existing means like the Ocean Pines webpage, quarterly report and its frequent series of official e-blasts. Members with specific questions can also email Ocean Pines Directors at any time.

"[Emails] are self-regulating," Stevens said. "We know what we're interested in. We know what we know. We know how we can help this person and we do it pretty well."

When Hill suggested Ocean Pines was already using social media like Facebook and Twitter to interact with membership, Stevens ceded that point.

"You are quite correct, Brett. And Facebook and Twitter are perfect examples of social media which is designed for interaction – not designed to put out factual information by an association – except the president of the United States," Stevens said.

Herrick again stated the forum was designed as one more way to release information.

The directors could answer questions from members, much like they currently do with emails. Unlike emails, the replies would be public, which could cut down the volume of the questions the directors receive.

"To me, it's a way of getting information out there. You're not bound to answer any question – you don't have to answer if you don't want to – but at least you have the opportunity to see what questions the membership are asking and what their concerns are, and maybe where we're at fault for not getting the information to them," Herrick said.

"To me, this is just promoting transparency and it's giving them real information [in] real time instead of waiting for what the newspaper may or may not report a week later," he continued.

During the budget hearings, for instance, Herrick said he spent five hours over two days answering homeowner questions about pickleball.

"I think it's an important tool. I think it's good for the community to be See BOTH Page 10



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## **Both forums 'real,' but only** one OPA forum 'original'

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able to get the information, and it's gonna help the board tremendously and save us a tremendous amount of time," Herrick said.

Two directors, Cheryl Jacobs and Slobodan Trendic, said the board was not notified the forum was being created until it went live.

Trendic said he was concerned there were no terms of service for the forum and said signing up the individual board members was equivalent to making a commitment on their behalf

"I'm very surprised that any director feels ... that they don't want to communicate with the membership that put us in office," Herrick said. Stevens bristled.

"If you keep saying things that aren't true about it, it's going to get personal," Stevens said. "You just said 'I'm very surprised that any board member would feel they don't want to communicate.' Did I get you right? Well, I'm a board member who objects to this and I feel very much I do want to communicate and I think I do it pretty well."

Steve Habeger, a homeowner and member of the elections committee, said he runs a similar forum related to the Parke community in Ocean Pines. Comments on that forum are not posted until he approves them, which he said causes the conversations to be both civil – and boring.

"I would suggest ya'll need to appreciate that, in my opinion, you have fundamentally alerted a hierarchal relationship ... to a peer relationship. Now, everybody's got an opinion," he said. "I don't think you've started to see how interesting that forum can be until somebody stirs up something.

"The OPA website is now hosting this forum where there's all these opinions - some of them we agree with, some of them we don't agree

with. How are you going to deal with that?" he continued.

While Habeger said disseminating factual information was a noble cause, "the people on the forum aren't necessarily interesting in doing that."

"Not everything is factual," he said. "I think you started down a slippery slope with good intentions. No good deed goes unpunished. It's gonna be interesting.

Joe Reynolds, who started the Ocean Pines Forum website in 2004, said the association was opening itself up to potential defamation lawsuits.

He cited a case against CompuServe in 1991, when the internet service provider was declared not liable for defamation because it did not moderate any of its content.

"They said you can only be a common carrier protected by the common carrier status if you do not edit, modify or change what people put up,' Reynolds said. "You cannot control what people post because the moment you say I'm going to edit and control it, you then take responsibility for what those people have posted."

He added a word of advice, based on his own experience.

"If you want to make it really interesting, get the general manager and all board members to get on there and argue with each other and you will have a winner," he said.

"If I could add, I think we need somebody on the board of directors who understands the English language," Reynolds continued. "The word 'real' applies to anything that exists. The realopforum.com is a real forum. Oceanpinesforum.com is a real forum. I think the proper description would've been the 'official' OPA [forum].

"Oceanpinesforum.com is the original – and the first – but, they're all real," Reynolds said.



## Berlin committee already closing in on town standards

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) Berlin's Naming Parks and Public Spaces Committee continued to work briskly toward a set of standards for the town at its meeting last Thursday, the second one to be one on the matter.

Members of the committee worked from naming criteria used by Baltimore and Bowie in Maryland, as well as Wake County in North Carolina and the state of Florida.

So far, the committee has preferred policies that omit the renaming of streets and municipal buildings, and those that give an edge to names of historical significance. Committee members have also favored public involvement in submitting names for consideration.

One of the things the committee has wrestled with is how to factor in major financial donors.

Bill Todd, who grew up in the area, said he was tired of seeing the same names pop up on buildings from Berlin to Ocean City.

"Everything is named after the same people – the same families are the only ones that are able to afford it. I'd hate to see that happen [in Berlin]," he said. "The 'coolest small town in America' should conduct themselves a little bit different than that."

Todd has been an advocate for naming a public park after former mailman James Tingle.

"He did a service to the town. He was beloved. That means something," he said. "It's not just about how much money you want to drop ... I like the plaque in the park, I like dedicating a bench, but I am adamantly against a complete financial contribution to get a name on something."

Councilman Dean Burrell took a slightly different tack.

"Living in the real world, we have to give some type of consideration for those folks that put the dollars up," he said. "I don't think we can say that should not be a consideration because it should be a consideration."

Some corporate or large family donations have led to public spaces being named in their honor, but not directly for them. Councilman Zack Tyndall noted that a donation by the Phillips family led to the naming of Stephen Decatur Park.

"Just because there are some that want their name on the side of the building, it doesn't mean that everybody's that way," Tyndall said.

Tyndall and Town Administrator Laura Allen will take suggestions from the committee and work with the documents they studied to create a draft set of standards. That will be emailed to the other members of the committee and discussed publically during the next meeting, April 13 at 5:30 p.m. at town hall.

The Berlin Town Council must approve the finalized recommendations of the committee.

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## Record number honored during Berlin ceremony

Almost two-dozen receive commendations from town

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) A ceremony at Berlin Town Hall Monday honored honored 22 town employees for their combined 255 years of service.

The awards are based on the time of service as of Dec. 31 each year. This year was the third event of its kind and saw a record number of employees recognized.

"Basically, it's an opportunity to recognize the dedication and the service that they genuinely provide as town employees," Mayor Gee Williams said.

Williams spoke to the staff about what it means to be "an outstanding public servant."

"It's not doing just the things that you are asked, but the things you do without being asked. It's not just doing the things that are required, but are necessary to do things right," he said. "We recognize these employees for all the things they do for which they are not compensated – not in the traditional term.

"All the councilmembers, myself and the town administrator are all very proud of all the things they do every day for which they do not seek recognition – that's why we decided to do this," Williams added.

Along with their traditional families, Williams said many of the town



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Mayor Gee Williams recognizes 22 town employees who have a combined 255 years of service to Berlin, Monday afternoon.

employees also feel they are a part of the greater family of Berlin.

"I think that's the way they think of their jobs – they're not just serving people, but they're serving the residents, the workers and the guests that come to our community," he said. "I just see a lot of pride in what they do and it's often a lot of little things – picking up trash when no one is looking, or checking on a leak when maybe nobody has reported it other than another town employee.

"It's a lot of little things, and, quite frankly, I think it's the little things that add up," Williams continued. "I'm pleased that we get the number of calls and emails and letters from the public of the good job

they're doing, but I think it's appropriate and the right thing to do for the mayor and council to also acknowledge their work."

Employees honored for five years of service were Berlin Police Department Detective Jessica Collins, Police Officer Brian Hirshman, Police Dispatcher Meredith Moore and Town Attorney David Gaskill.

Employees honored for 10 years of service were Berlin Police Department Detective Claude Holland and Police Dispatcher Jennifer Kosko, Permits Coordinator Carolyn Duffy, Mayor's Assistant JoAnn Unger, Waste Water and Public Works Superintendent Jamey Latchum, Fiscal Specialist Shirley White, Samuel Corbin of sanitation and Michelle

Townsend of customer service.

Also honored were Berlin Police Department Sgt. Michael O'Connor and Equipment Operator Billy Taylor, 15 years, and Berlin Police Department Officer Merle Bragg and Spray Site Operator Michael Campbell, 20 years.

Employees honored for 25 years of service were Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing, Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen, Public Works and Water Resources Director Jane Kreiter and Senior Labs Manager Noah David Evans.

Electric Meter Technician Barry Daniels was honored for 30 years of service, and Berlin Police Department Records Clerk Bernita Downing was recognized for 35 years.

## **Church Mouse keeps giving, Lori's Angels keep on walking**

Organizer of local MS event included in outreach offered by Berlin-area organization

#### By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) The Church Mouse of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church in Berlin continues to be active during the spring, donating to a half dozen other groups and nonprofits

That includes the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, foodforthe-poor.org, the Greater Berlin Minority Scholarship Committee, the Worcester County GOLD Easter basket program, the senior citizen scholarship at Berlin Area Ministries United and the Lori's Angels Walk MS team.

"The Church Mouse tries to search out for things that are going on locally," organizer Helen Wiley said of the outreach programs. "We like to find out what's happening in the lives of our citizens give them support to let them know that we're here for them."

Wiley also runs the Church Mouse

Thrift Shop on 101 North Main Street in Berlin and accepts donations of new and gently used clothing and other items.

"Once we get those products in, then we can take that profit and help local folks and various organizations within the town and beyond," she said.

Wiley was at the Berlin Visitor's Center on Friday to hand a check to Lori Heinz-Giampa of Lori's Angels. An active volunteer at the Berlin Visitor's Center, she was diagnosed with Multiple sclerosis in February 1994 and is planning the 2017 Walk MS event in Salisbury.

"I've gotten quite a bit of support," she said. "Last year, we had 32 participants and I'm hoping for even more this year."

Heinz-Giampa will hold a fundraiser for her team today, Thursday, from 4-7 p.m. at the Five Guys restaurant in the White Marlin Mall in West Ocean City.

Lori's Angels will participate in the Walk MS event in Salisbury on April 23 at the Salisbury Town Center. Reg-



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Helen Wiley from the Church Mouse, pictured, front left, presents a check to Lori Heinz-Giampa of Lori's Angels at the Berlin Visitor's Center on Friday. Also pictured, back row, from left, are Mike Wiley, Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells and Administrative Assistant Sharon Timmons.

istration opens at 8 a.m. and the event starts at 9 a.m.

As of Monday, the event has raised \$31,582.10. Lori's Angels is the second-leading team, having raised \$1,135.00.

For more information on the

event, visit www.walkms.org. Visit Lori's Angels on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Walkms.org.

For more information, or to donate to the Church Mouse, call 410-641-4385, email helenbuttercup@verizon.net or visit www.churchmousethriftshop.com.

## **Country club, admin, police** expansions on Pines table

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) Ocean Pines Association Interim General Manager Brett Hill presented six capital purchases for discussion during a public work session on Monday.

The two largest items, improvements at the golf and country club and administration building, were presented as a series of blueprints. Specific costs were not provided during the meeting, but the board budgeted \$417,000 for renovations at the country club, \$288,000 for renovations to the police station - which is inside the administration building – and an additional \$72,000 for office renovations.

Hill said public works would perform all of the work and that most of the costs associated would fall below the \$15,000 required to trigger a formal board vote.

The plan is to eliminate meeting space inside the administration building to facilitate expansion of the police station, and then establish new meeting space on the second floor the country club. Because of that, Hill said construction at the country club would start first.

The new layout at the country club would include a 60-seat permanent meeting room for the board of directors as well as several smaller meeting spaces and one large room for golf banquets.

Final plans, while discussed at length during previous meetings including during budget hearings earlier this year, were not presented to the public ahead of time. Board Vice President Dave Stevens said he objected to that and called for a public hearing on the mat-

"It's not just the money," Stevens said. "Considering the fact that we're making fairly substantial changes, I think some community feedback would be appropriate."

While he said the plans were done well, "nobody has seen [the plan] except us, this week.

Hill said the revised plans would be posted on the Ocean Pines website before the end of the day. A motion to accept the plans could be on the agenda for Saturday's regular meeting.

Three other capital items were vehicle purchases, although specific figures were only given for one of those items during the meeting. The board budgeted \$39,000 for a passenger van for recreation and parks. Hill provided three bids and said the staff recommendation was for the cheapest, at \$30,293 from Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc.

A work session packet available online included two bids for a police vehicle and three bids for a public works truck. The board budgeted \$34,000 for a police vehicle and \$30,000 for a public works truck. Hill said staff recommendations were also for the lowest bidders for those items.

The final item up for consideration was a portable stage for Mumford's Landing. The board budgeted \$18,000 for a pergola at that location, but some board members asked Hill to look into alternatives. The pergola was proposed as a bandstand and as a possible backdrop for weddings and other special events.

Board President Tom Herrick called photographs of the portables "ugly ... and over budget." Director Pat Supik agreed they were "quite unattractive."

Director Cheryl Jacobs, however, said she favored the portable stage because it could be removed when not in use and would not permanently obstruct the waterfront views at Mumfords.

Hill said he would offer a motion during the meeting on Saturday, although he did not specify whether it would be for the portable or permanent

## **Directors weigh in** on changes to two **OPA** resolutions

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) Changes to two OPA resolutions were discussed during a public work session Monday.

One is expected to move onto a first reading on Saturday, while the future of the other resolution remains unclear.

Director Slobodan Trendic proposed changes to M-o6, governing elections, that included different procedures for the way votes are counted and when they are announced. Those changes were based on recommendations from the elections committee and then given to an Ocean Pines attorney.

Like the attorney, some directors were concerned about announcing vote totals before they were validated in case there was a discrepancy in the results – or a tie.

A revised draft should be introduced during a board meeting, Saturday.

Interim General Manager Brett Hill also broached changing C-1, on general committee policy. Hill wanted references to the general manager removed from the language. He said there are discrepancies with that and other Ocean Pines governing documents that caused tension and sent mixed messages.

Several committee chairs present during the meeting objected and said there was not enough interaction with the general manager and other staff, and that had caused difficulty in obtaining good information.

Jenny Cropper Rines, chair of the communications committee, said not having access to staff had made that group less effective.

"I can say for certain we do not want to direct or advise the GM in any way ... but we would like to be informed so that we can actually serve our purpose, which is to advise the board of directors," she said. "Because we're so limited in the information that we receive, we aren't effective.'



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## **Culinary classes cook up opportunities for Wor. Youth**

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) Baked Dessert Café owner Robin Tomaselli is cooking up new activities with children from Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services programs in Berlin.

During the last year, Tomaselli has worked on culinary projects with dozens of children from the Berlin Youth Club and SABERS and SAGES programs, all of which are overseen by Amanda Chaffee.



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"SABERS" stands for strengthening adolescent boys with education and resources and "SAGES" is an acronym for strengthening adolescent girls with education and support.

Chaffee said the cooking classes started with children from the youth club, last summer. That program serves ages 6-11. The other two programs serve adolescents ages 12-15.

"A lot of them have moved over to SABERS and SAGES, so we've tried to integrate the same thing, but more in depth," Chaffee said.

Tomaselli also worked with many of the children in all three programs during a public mural project, last year.

"The whole premise behind it was to take kids that, thanks for Worcester Youth and Family, are exposed to a lot of things they wouldn't normally be exposed to," Tomaselli said. "My thing, after working with the kids on the mural project, was how awesome would it be to introduce healthy cooking to the mix? Most of them are atrisk kids that might not necessarily have access either at home or at school to healthy, nutritious meals."

The children learned how to make shepherd's pie last week in honor of St. Patrick's Day, as well as homemade ice cream and cupcakes made with black beans.

They tasted raw green beans – to mixed reviews – then learned how to sauté them with garlic, onions and olive oil.

There were no leftovers that day, according to Chaffee.

"Even our pickiest eater loved the black bean brownies. He still talks about it," she said. "This kid only eats chicken nuggets, pizza and Nutella sandwiches. For him to eat things like black bean brownies and kale smoothies – that's awesome."

"For these kids, some of them might not have people at home that are making their breakfast or an after-school snack," Tomaselli said. "If they know the kinds of things that they can make themselves ... they might be more likely to eat a little bit healthier. It exposes them to things they might not think of and it certainly encourages



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Robin Tomaselli from Baked Desert Café in Berlin teaches a cooking class with children from Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services programs.

them to try something new."

Tomaselli said there was also interest in hosting jobs fairs for the children. A trip to the Worcester Technical High School in Newark is planned for next month, when participants will tour the culinary facilities courtesy of chef/instructor Phil Cropper.

"Whether or not you want to be a chef when you grow up, if you have experience that can translate into work – even if it's just to work your way through college or find work until you can figure out exactly what you want to do," she said.

Jennifer Dawicki, owner of The Globe restaurant, had expressed an interest in working with some of the children after they volunteered together during the Artists Giving Back: Meals for the Hungry benefit dinner last November.

"We also want to show them how to interview," Chaffee said. "Filling out an application is not like texting your friends, and they need to know what to wear. Even though you're super cute at school, it might not be appropriate to wear [during an interview]."

Along with potential job skills, Chaffee said the Meals for the Hungry program fostered a sense of community service. Two additional events are being planned this year, including a Meals for the Hungry in Germantown in July, with participation from Worcester Youth programs.

During all of those activities, Tomaselli said the experience has been a hugely rewarding one for her.

"I always knew Worcester Youth

and Family provided a valuable service to our community, but until you actually see it in action, you have no idea how critical what they do is for the kids in the program. It's always really mind-blowing to me," she said.

Some of the children, at first, had been guarded, she said.

"As soon as you penetrate that shield, you see they're just like my kids – they're just like your kids. They yearn for the same things and as soon as they believe you have no ulterior motives at play they let down their guard," Tomaselli said. "Every single one of them are exceptional young people. They just need people in our community to step to the plate and extend themselves to make sure their lives can be the best they can be.

"As a business owner, for me to be successful it's critical for the entire community to be successful, and you can't expect that a community is going to be healthy if the children are suffering," she continued. "I hope the town budgets more money to Worcester Youth and Family. The kids are the future of the community and they need to feel like people care about them, and we need to teach them to be invested in our community."

Chaffee said the Worcester Youth programs are always looking for additional volunteers and donations, as well as participation from area businesses.

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## **Former Pines superintendent** story differs from directors

(March 23, 2017) Two weeks ago, the Gazette reported that Ocean Pines had made an offer to its former Golf Course Superintendent Rusty McLendon.

This week, however, McLendon said that didn't happen.

According to Board Vice President Dave Stevens, McLendon was made an offer, but did not immediately accept it. This occurred in the wake of Ocean Pines terminating an agreement with former golf management company Landscapes Unlimited.

McLendon was replaced by Andre Jordan, who had been with Ocean Pines public works and previously worked at the golf course.

'An offer was made [to McLendon]. It wasn't accepted. [Interim General Manager] Brett [Hill] moved quickly forward to make sure the transition was happening with Andre, who was given the offer and did accept immediately. That's where we are, going forward," Stevens said at the time.

In a letter to the *Gazette*, however, McLendon said no offer was made.

"I did not receive any offer from an authorized agent of the OPA to continue in my capacities as superintendent.

## **Artists invited to** enter juried show

(March 23, 2017) The Worcester County Arts Council invites all interested artists to participate in a juried art competition: "Artist's Choice" to be presented during the month of April at the WCAC Gallery in Berlin.

The show is open to all artists (18 years old and older), professional or amateur, with work in all media. Work must be original and completed within the last three years. Entries will be juried in for the inclusion in the competition by local artist Grover Cantwell.

Entries need to be delivered to the gallery Thursday, March 30 or Friday, March 31 between 11 a.m and 3 p.m. to be accepted. For info, call 410-641-0809 or email anna@worcestercountyartscouncil.org.



Therefore, it is difficult to accept or decline anything that was not offered," he said. "Had an offer been properly conveyed, I was prepared to accept it. Generally, in a professional setting, a written offer is expected at this level of management. In my 17 years as a superintendent, all my previous positions have been secured through a written agreement."

McLendon said he realized changes were coming when the board or directors set lower rates for the golf course without consulting Landscapes.

"Cheapening the rates will lead to less revenue, which will, in turn, lead to less available dollars to spend on the upkeep of the course; that is basic economics," McLendon said. "I would speculate that the [board's] decision to not officially make me an offer was solely a financial decision and not just an oversight on their part."

McLendon also added a note of thanks. "I do want to thank all the golfing members of Ocean Pines for their support during my tenure as 'keeper of the green.' The golf course is in better condition now than it was six years ago when I arrived. I like to leave things better than when I found them," he said. "My assembled team worked many long hours to improve the conditions in a tough growing environment while spending substantially less to do it. I want to thank them for all of their effort."

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## **Pines business** owners continue to raise awareness

By Kara Hallissey

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) In memory of their beloved daughter, Gina Barnes, Linda and Michael Dearing continue to raise awareness and funds during Colon Cancer Awareness Month.

The owners of Copy Central on Cathell Road in Ocean Pines are collecting donations for Gina's Comfort Fund at the store in March.

Barnes was 37 years old when she was diagnosed with colon cancer. She battled the disease for almost two years before passing in 2014, and her parents are determined to help save other families the pain they've had to endure from losing their daughter.

The fund not only raises money, but it brings awareness so people get checked," Linda Dearing said. "If we can help save one girl's life with awareness, it would be a wonderful thing.

Gina's Comfort Fund was created to alleviate stress and financial barriers for individuals and families. To help, food and gas cards, maid services, wigs and acupuncture treatments, which aid with the side effects of chemotherapy, have been provided to community members diagnosed with colon cancer.

In two years, more than \$5,000 was raised and 19 patients have received aid, Dearing said.

Barnes' mother and brother created Gina's Comfort Fund in March of 2015 to help with the stress and financial burdens on families after watching the astronomical cost of getting sick.

They had good jobs, health insurance and I couldn't imagine people who aren't half as well off as they were," Dearing said. "They were still struggling. I told Gina to not look at



KARA HALLISSEY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

In memory of their beloved daughter, Gina Barnes, Linda and Michael Dearing continue to raise awareness and funds during Colon Cancer Awareness Month at Copy Central in Ocean Pines.

the bills and focus on getting better. It is such a hardship on people and many families have responsibilities on top of the disease and treat-

A colonoscopy can help prevent colorectal cancer and the disease is highly treatable when found early. People with family history or notice changes in their body are urged to schedule a screening.

"Pay attention to changes in the bowel system," Dearing said. "If one person reads this article and realizes they are having problems such as rectal bleeding and schedules a colonoscopy, it is all worthwhile.'

When Barnes was ignoring colon cancer signs, she was juggling a husband, three children and a full-time job. She was physically active and officiated lacrosse games.

'She was so busy and passed off the signs," Dearing said. "She put herself on the back burner. This is

not an old person's disease. Make sure to get screenings. Our goal is to relieve stress and save someone's life. My daughter would love it."

Last July, an intruder broke into Copy Central and stole about \$750 from Gina's Comfort Fund. No one was ever arrested in the crime.

"The community rallied around us and we made three times more than what we originally collected," Dearing said. "A lot of good came from that one ugly person. DeNovo's [in Ocean Pines] even donated a portion [of profits] of every pizza sold to us in August.'

Community members and visitors can stop by Copy Central in Ocean Pines this month, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to drop off cash in the change jar or checks for Gina's Comfort Fund. All donations are tax deductible.

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## **Opinion**

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## **Argument for fiber thin**

A push coming from ThinkBig Networks is encouraging the community to pressure the Ocean Pines Board of Directors to make a quick decision to allow an easement for fiber optic cable to be run in the community.

Initially, the proposal looks like a no-brainer with no upfront cost to OPA to have the lines run, but there is much about this proposal that should make the board take pause.

The original proposal to grant an easement came from FTS, the company that wishes to lay the infrastructure. FTS is owned by board member and acting GM, Brett Hill. FTS will make its money by leasing those lines to end-use providers, such as ThinkBig Networks.

The proposal presented offered a several-year deal to provide free fiber optics to the OPA Police Department, which on the surface looks appealing. What is concerning is there was no information regarding future costs to the police department along with initial and on-going costs for service to other Ocean Pines facilities. Those costs could be substantially more than the current service provided by the Mediacom cable network.

The only costs given to-date were for households, which are approximately twice the cost of existing high-speed cable, with no evidence that those lines are not more than adequate for either household or OPA facility use.

A recent attempt by ThinkBig Networks to persuade the board to act quickly was shut down at this week's work session and the board was right to do so. There is no need to rush and there is much about this deal that needs to be considered, including ensuring there is a competitive bid process involving who, if anyone, will be granted an easement and what those terms would include.

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## **Letters**

## **Voucher proponent** misinformed

Editor,

The second part of Mr. Lind's letter to the editor of March 16th addresses HB 610, which concerns the proposed school voucher program. His claim that this bill will help the underprivileged be able to attend better private schools through the voucher program is misinformed.

With just a little bit of research, I was able to discover some very disturbing facts about voucher programs. Last year, in Maryland, the \$5 million voucher program (called BOOST) gave 78 percent of its vouchers to students already attending private schools and therefore did not serve the underprivileged. In Indiana, where a statewide voucher program exists to very mixed reviews, the Indianapolis Star reported that the majority of students, who received vouchers during the 2015-16 school year, had never actually attended public schools and again the voucher program did not serve the underprivileged.

The 2015 voucher program in Nevada as reported in The Atlantic on Feb 2, 2017 "found a vast majority of applicants were not from low-income areas, but the wealthiest neighborhoods ... in fact, applicants

came disproportionately from neighborhoods that already had access to the highest performing public schools."

To make the argument for HR610 worse, last month an article in the LA Times reported that math and reading scores declined for students who switched from public to private schools under voucher programs in Indiana, Ohio and Louisiana.

Do not be fooled, voucher programs do not benefit poor students and in fact will likely harm their education. Vouchers generally do not cover the full tuition of private and charter schools, so an underprivileged student's family would still have to come up with the funds to pay the balance. This is not very likely for most poor families.

Redirecting funds away from public schools to voucher programs will adversely impact public schools, which the vast majority of underprivileged students currently attend and will continue to attend.

You must look beyond the title of the bill, beyond the claims of the politicians, and see for yourself the results for those states, which have tried voucher programs, and you will find that these programs have not lived up to promises. Sometimes legislation is proposed to encourage some desired outcome with little evidence as to whether it may

achieve that goal.

There is a lot of evidence out there regarding school vouchers, which indicates that HR 610 will not help poor students who attend underperforming schools, but instead simply take money away from their public school education.

Regardless of party affiliations, we must make sure children can receive an excellent education in our public schools. Today without a voucher program, parents can choose to send their children to public schools, or private schools, or to home school.

This choice exists today, HR610 notwithstanding.

By the way, I am not affiliated with any educational union and I am a registered Republican. I am also a grandfather and I care about all the students in our country.

Joe Jankowski Berlin

## **Commending Pines directors**

Editor

The property owners in Ocean Pines voted for a new regime on the board of directors at the last election. They were tired of the way things were being done. That is the most important fact.

Mike Graves Ocean Pines

## **County approves Berlin Library construction**

#### By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) On the recommendation of the Berlin Brach Library team, composed of county department heads, library officials and construction crews, the county commissioners endorsed a contract for construction of a new facility to begin in June and open to the public in July 2018 with a price not to exceed \$6.25 million.

"I really appreciate the cooperation of the county commissioners and staff. We worked a long time to get to this point," Ron Cascio, president of the Worcester County Library Board of Trustees, said.

The price, arrived at through a competitive bid process on 33 different subcontractor projects, is 5.4 percent above budget.

Salisbury contractor Whiting Turner will act as construction manager on the project.

There are three main sources of funding for the new library: local, state and county. Locally, the library foundation raised \$425,000 in donations, which paid for the architectural services and the balance will contribute toward construction costs.

The state, via the department of ed-

ucation, awarded the project a grant in excess of \$1.78 million, plus the current state budget includes a \$50,000 line item for the project.

County Engineer Bill Bradshaw said the permitting process at both the town and state levels has begun.

The county ponied up \$2 million, including \$430,000 for acquisition of a 6.4-acre parcel of land on Harrison Avenue next to the Waystead Inn.

Early last week the Berlin mayor and City Council approved more than \$26,700 in waivers associated with the project. The town also provided \$75,000 in matching grant money, and the Humphries Foundation added a \$150,000 two-to-one matching grant.

During the bidding process, some changes to the facility were made.

According to Bradshaw's memo to the commissioners, more than \$39,000 was shaved from the project by selecting a different roofing material, installing abuse-resistant drywall in the multipurpose room, and integrating HVAC controls differently than the proposal.

Bradshaw said the changes would add to the building's durability and facilitate maintenance.

## Remediation of Berlin Falls to start Monday

(March 23, 2017) The first step in remediating Berlin Falls park starts on Monday with sampling of the ponds.

"We are excited to be at this stage in the development of this unique asset," Mayor Gee Williams said. "The ponds are a focal point of the property. This process will enable us to determine the best way to use them."

"We've partnered with volunteer scientists from the Thriving Earth Exchange to determine the types of bacteria present in the sediment," Town Administrator Laura Allen said. "In addition, we have a contract with EA Engineering, Science and Technology to perform a geotechnical analysis of the ponds to enable us to determine the best approach to remediation and how much it will cost."

Thriving Earth Exchange (TEX) is an organization that partners earth and space scientists with community leaders to use a combination of science and local knowledge to solve challenges related to natural hazards, natural resources and climate change.

Berlin reached out to TEX last year for assistance with the Park.

"We couldn't resist the opportunity

to get free, expert technical advice for our town," Allen said. "We've been working with Dr. Ellen Silbergeld, a professor of environmental health science at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Her research centers around environmental issues related to the poultry industry in Delmarva. Recently, Silbergeld reached out to Dr. Jennifer Nyland, assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Salisbury University, for assistance with the sampling process.

"EA will handle most of the sam-

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pling process, removing sediment from the ponds," Allen said. "Several samples will be extracted specifically for bacterial analysis using a method outlined by Silbergeld. Our wastewater treatment labs will be used for some of the testing as well."

"A solid plan and cost estimate for the remediation work will put us in a good position to compete for grant funding," Williams said. "The Thriving Earth Exchange is a significant partner in this effort. I want to thank the scientific community for having the foresight to put this program in place."





## More space, more toys, and more to play with

World of Toys expansion to new location coming along; soft opening likely in April

#### By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(March 23, 2017) World of Toys owner Olga Kozhevnikova is so eager to move into her store's new location across the street in Berlin that she's been making plans in her sleep.

been making plans in her sleep.
"I'm excited," she said. "I wake up and in my head I'm building walls and setting inventory. I've also been doing drawings. I think it's going to be amazing to put it all on the shelf and organize everything."

Last week she received the keys to the former Toy Town building on 115 North Main Street. Soon, she'll start the process of moving the stock from her cramped little store on 110 North Main Street into the much larger space of roughly 4,800 square feet.

She's ordered new shelving, hired an electrician and plans to change the lighting and improve the heating and air conditioning systems. The interior will receive a new coat of paint in her favorite color, green.

Kozhevnikova will keep the old store running through the April 15 Spring Celebration. She hopes to reopen before May.

"I want to keep this open for the Spring Celebration so the kids can come and choose the toys. We're probably going to lose a week because we have to move all of the shelving from here over there, with inventory," she said. "But everything looks good. We built tons of new orders."

She said the new location would allow her to offer a larger variety of items, as well as increase the space for her customers.

"Space was the biggest issue in here. When there was a busy day, it was hard to shop – it was hard to move around," she said.

The new location will also have more out-of-box items for kids to play with. She has already secured sets of magnetic building blocks from Magformers, a pirate treasure chest filled with items from Green Toys and a second train table from Hape Toys.

"One of my companies that I put in a big order with [last Wednesday] are giving me \$150 worth of dolls for the girls to play with in the store," Kozhevnikova said. "We're going to set up a play area for the kids.

"The kids come in and they're not interested in looking at the packaging – they want to play," she added.

One thing Kozhevnikova does not want to do is change the philosophy

of World of Toys. The stock, while increasing across the board, will still consist mostly of unique educational toys, puzzles, games, books, dolls and stuffed animals.

Kozhevnikova said she makes it a point not to stock mass-market items that are readily available in larger chain stores, like WalMart. Her "Thomas and Friends" wooden train sets, for instance, are exclusive to smaller shops.

"I think if you choose and pick the products for your store and go with good brands – you don't just look into what's popular this second, but just bring in a lot of classic toys that kids can play with and interact – I think that's the key," she said. "Even some mass market companies, like Mattel or Fisher Price, if we bring some products by them it's only a specialty toy store line – not mass market buys."

The other major thing she wants to maintain is the customer service. Because Kozhevnikova attends the toy fairs and places all the orders herself, she knows the ins and outs of virtually every item in the store.

"If someone is looking for my assistance, my help, my opinion, my suggestion, I will be available," she said. "The customer service is so important. In a lot of big shops, you don't get the customer service. You can't come in and ask, for instance, what do you recommend for a 2-year-old?"

On March 14, Kozhevnikova posted on Facebook that she had received the keys and included a photo of the "coming soon" banner she placed in the window of the new space.

"Over 3,000 people have seen my post and there's tons of 'likes,' tons of shares, tons of new 'likes' for my page. There were tons of very good comments and tons of support," she said. "People are very excited to see the new shop. I think the move will go very smooth for us."

Kozhevnikova is planning a soft opening in late April, followed by some kind of fanfare during a grand opening, likely in May. To stay up to date on the move and all the happenings at World of Toys, visit www.facebook.com/worldoftoyd2012 or call 410-641-0601.





## Lower Shore Land Trust make most of opportunities in S.H.

**By Greg Ellison** 

Staff Writer

(March 23, 2017) After the Lower Shore Land Trust (LSLT) lost its office space in Berlin last year, the nonprofit seized the opportunity to relocate to Snow Hill and expand its outreach.

Last week LSLT Executive Director Kate Patton testified on behalf of a bond bill sponsored by State Senator Jim Mathias (D-38) to help fund the Lower Eastern Shore Conservation and Heritage Center at their new space on River Street in Snow Hill. For 10 years LSLT was headquartered in an upstairs office in Berlin, but when that spot became unavailable a new vision emerged.

"The [LSLT] board saw this as [an] opportunity to have a standalone building very accessible to the public, and an opportunity to invest in Snow Hill," she said.

If Senate Bill 1053 is approved, LSLT will receive \$100,000 towards a \$260,000 building campaign begun last August.

LSLT is envisioning the project, which could take three years to complete, would provide an all-ages learning space with classes and exhibits about natural and cultural heritage in the region.

"We're doing what we can as we finance it," she said. "We hope to be a good partner and contribute to the positive growth of the town."

Since moving into their downtown Snow Hill location last July, Patton said LSLT's visibility has been heightened.

"We're already having people walk in our office on a regular basis wanting to find out more about us," she said.

In addition to its principal mission of preserving natural lands, LSLT also seeks to promote vibrant towns as centerpieces of rural communities. In the case of Snow Hill, Patton said her group is excited to partner with the town to further enhance its marketing efforts for waterway activities.

"They're positioning the town as the outdoor recreation gateway," she said. "It's a great resource and this riverfront with the two parks, Sturgis Park that's next door to our office, and Byrd Park a little bit further down, are just real

gems."

LSLT is hopeful their plans will enhance the drawing power of both parks and the town as a whole.

"We have some activities that we really want to accomplish to make this a first-rate destination," she said. "We envision [the area] around our office as being a demonstration garden for native landscaping and a place where people can come and learn about best practices for their backyard or for their farm."

Besides the altruistic aspects of clean water and rural landscapes, Patton said such environmental assets are beneficial for tourism and economic development.

"If this is going to be the outdoor recreation capital, the kinds of people that are coming here are going to appreciate the river," she said. "If we're not investing in our towns we're creating situations where we're contributing to the fragmentation of our rural lands."

While senate approval is still pending for the \$100,000 in state support, Patton said LSLT has already raised the lion's share of the \$160,000 for the building campaign.

"We've had phenomenal support from local foundations, plus significant investment from our board members and private donations," she said.

Leading the pack are the Mary E. Humphries Foundation at \$75,000 and the Richard Hazel Family Foundation at \$25,000, as well as \$25,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cropper IV.

For Patton, who joined LSLT in 2006 and previously operated the Globe Theater in Berlin for 17 years, partnering with Snow Hill feels like déjà vu.

"I'm excited because I was on the ground floor in Berlin during the early days of their revitalization and rebirth," she said. "I like the potential that's here because Snow Hill has a lot of attributes that make it unique and special."

After investing many years in Berlin, Patton is excited to be part of the Snow Hill community and is ready to bring her expertise to the revitalization process.

"It's having that vision that not everybody can see," she said. "To be able to look at some of the opportunities that are here right now ... for investment in the community, it's a pretty exciting time."







## Cuisine

## Leftover duck? Cook it low, cook it slow

This article originally appeared in a March 19, 2015 edition of the Bayside Gazette.



By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

A penny saved is a penny earned. Waste not, want not.

And waste in most kitchens, professional or residential, tends to be high. It's a high byproduct industry. Even at home, if we make a nice

sauce or relish for a special meal, we often rediscover it a few weeks later, reminiscent of your child's science fair project on molds and fungi.

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 slowcooked 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 accourrements, so orange and cranberry 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 quart

3 wild ducks or 1 domesticated duck 1/4 cup Your choice of barbecue blends or blackening

- 1. Cut the duck into smaller pieces, skin on and ensuring that all organs have been removed. Rinse well.
- 2. Rub well with the spice blend and set in the refrigerator overnight or for at least six hours.
- 3. 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.

- 4. 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.
- 5. When the duck is cooked to the point that it is shredding, remove and allow to cool.
- 6. Let it rest until cool enough to handle.
- 7. Pick the meat cleanly off of the birds. It will shred right off of the bone.
- 8. Discard all bones, cartilage, etc. 9. Toss the meat with some of the fat and juices to retain flavor.
- 10. 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 cup Good Champagne vinegar 1 pound cranberries Juice of 2 oranges with zest Water, as needed Sugar, to taste

- 1. Combine vinegar, berries, juice, zest and water in a saucepan and cook until the berries are softened.
- 2. Sweeten as desired and cook to ensure the sweetener is well incorporated and the flavors have married

#### **Sweet Potato Fries**

per serving

1 Sweet Potato

Peanut oil for frying

- Salt, Cinnamon, & sugar blend
  1. Cut the sweet potato into thin, long fries.
- 2. Heat your fryer to 350F and half-cook the fries.
- 3. Drain the fries on paper towels and set aside until ready to serve.
- 4. At the last moment, drop the fries in the fryer and cook until golden brown.
- 5. Sprinkle with salt, cinnamon and sugar to taste immediately.
  - Paul G. Suplee is an Associate Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. Find his ePortfolio at www.heartofakitchen.com.

#### **NOW PLAYING**

#### **BJ'S ON THE WATER**

75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com

March 24: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m. March 25: Chest Pain, 9 p.m. March 29: It's About Time, 5 p.m.

#### **BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH**

116th Street, behind Fountain Head **Towers Condominium** 

Ocean City 443-664-2896

www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com March 24: Dave Sherman, 7-10 p.m.

March 25: Baltimore Boyz, 7-11 p.m.

March 26: Button & Walt, 6-9 p.m. March 29: Open Mic, 8-11 p.m. March 30: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

#### **CAPTAIN'S TABLE**

15th St. & Baltimore Ave. Ocean City 410-289-7192 www.captainstableoc.com Every Friday & Saturday: Phil Perdue, 5:30 p.m.

#### **CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS**

10218 Racetrack Road Rerlin 410-641-0600

www.oceandowns.com March 25: Kevin Poole Duo, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Monkee Paw Duo, 9:30 p.m to 1:30 a.m.

#### **DUFFY'S TAVERN**

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com March 24: Bob Hughes, 5-9 p.m.

#### **FAGER'S ISLAND**

Loop, 9:30 p.m.

60th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-5500 www.fagers.com March 24: DJ Hook, 9 p.m.; Jumper, 9:30 p.m. March 25: DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; The

#### **HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL**

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com March 24: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. March 25: Side Project/Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. March 26: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 6:30 p.m. March 29: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy March 30: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

#### **HARVEST MOON TAVERN**

208 W. Green St. Snow Hill 410-632-9890 harvestmoontavern@gmail.com March 24: Ted Ellliott, 7-10 p.m.

#### **JOHNNY'S PIZZA & PUB**

56th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-524-7499 www.johnnyspizzapub.com March 24: Kings of Summer, 8 p.m. to midnight March 25: Jack & T, 8 p.m. to mid-March 29: Randy Lee Ashcraft

#### **MUMFORD'S LANDING OCEAN PINES**

1 Mumford's Landing Road Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org March 24: Tommy Edwards, 8 p.m. to midnight March 25: Randy Lee Ashcraft, 8 p.m. to midnight March 29: Karaoke, 7 p.m.

#### **OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB**

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City

410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com March 24-25: Power Play March 29: Bryan Clark, 6-9 p.m.

49th Street and the bay

#### **SEACRETS**

Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com March 24: DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Blue Label, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. March 25: DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Nowhere Slow, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; The Rockets, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. March 30: Opposite Directions, 5-8

p.m.

#### **SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE**

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com March 25: Aaron Howell, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 www.whiskersbar.com March 24: Karaoke w/Donnie





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#### **HARD - 12**

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

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#### **Answers to last** week's puzzles

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#### 111-ACROSS! BY GRANT THACKRAY / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

#### ACROSS

- 1 Poor-weather driving
- 7 Pale-faced
- 11 Texting format. for short
- 14 Indonesian island
- 18 Possible weapon
- in a bar fight 19 Resting place for
- a polar bear 20 "I totally
- crushed that!"
- 22 It's actually
- made of 55-Down
- 24 Companion
- of Jason 25 Wood that makes up
- the foundation of much of Venice
- 26 Clomped (on)
- 27 Basil who designed England's Coventry Cathedral
- 28 Level
- \_ All That" (1999
- rom-com) **30** Who 93-Down
- was all along 35 Product of Boston or Chicago
- 36 Part of a KFC order
- 37 Enthusiastic assent in Madrid
- 38 Cambodia's Lon
- 39 What flows in
- une rivière 40 The "E" of O.E.D.
- 42 Boat with a very fine net
- Online subscriptions: Today's puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles, (\$39.95 a year).

- 44 "Phooey!"
- 45 It turns out to be 99-Down
- 49 Beefcake's pride
- 50 Fresh
- 51 House call? 52 Up to this point
- 53 Bad luck, old-style
- 56 Joke, slangily
- 57 Metal band around a
- pencil eraser
- 61 Peeping aid
- 63 Fashion
- 66 It really is an 8-Down 107 Annual meal
- 69 Has pegged, say
- 70 Disappointment for a parking spot
- most times hosting the Academy Awards
- 74 Limit
- 75 Studio sign
- 76 Ga. neighbor
- 79 Indonesia's Islands
- 80 Nothing, in Latin
- 82 Having a spare tire, maybe
- 83 What 11-Down does, shockingly
- 88 Computer-controlled players, in gaming lingo
- 90 Relating to the sun
- 91 Tolkien's trilogy, for short
- 92 Cut
- 93 U.S. broadcaster overseas
- row
- 95 The end: Fr.
- **96** "Dies \_\_\_\_"

- 100 To whom the referring
- the whole time 103 Big name in headphones
- 104 Hindu god of destruction
- 105 Trims
- 106 Kids' character who says, "A day without a friend is like a pot without a single
  - inside'
  - 108 Learned inside and out

drop of honey left

- someone looking for 111 Warning for solvers
- of this puzzle 72 Record-holder for the 114 Source of one's
  - sense of balance
  - 116 Plant that's the
  - source of a caffeinefree tea
  - 117 One way to sit by
  - 118 Squeeze (out)
  - 119 Figure in statistics
  - 120 Altercation

#### DOWN

- 1 "Gangsta's Paradise" rapper
- 2 Tomboy
- 3 Subjects of some foodpackage warnings
- 4 Cake finisher  ${\bf 5}$  Extra in "The Sound of Music'
- 6 Make it clear how things are going 57 Swamp to go
- 7 Natural dos
- 8 See 66-Across
- 9 Ground breaker 10 Itch

- 11 See 83-Across 12 Muddles
- 14 "The Devil and Daniel Webster' author
- 15 Nabokov novel
- Angels"
- 17 TV "Cousin"

- 27 Not covering much
- 29 Picket, e.g.
- 31 Govt. cultural org.

- 37 Sound in the stacks
- protagonist
- 42 Lead-in to foam
- 44 "Tiny Bubbles"
- 46 Hill of R&B
- 48 Jamie of "M\*A\*S\*H"
- 49 Falls for 54 Brightest star
- 55 See 22-Across
- 59 Regulus's constellation

62 Slapstick prop

60 Draw back

- 13 Accept, as a package

- 16 Lucy of "Charlie's
- 18 Jrs. take them
- 21 Good person to ask for directions
- 23 Actor Kinnear
- 30 Pre-euro money
- until 1999
- 32 Big cheese
- 115 Many resting places 33 Suffix with Jacob 34 Throw on the floor?
  - 41 "Star Wars: The Force Awakens'

  - 43 Oh follower
  - singer
  - 45 See 100-Across
  - 47 Inquired about
  - in Aquila
  - 58 Kind of port
- 71 Rest 73 Penguin and others

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64 Puccini pieces

67 Moving aid

68 State quarters?

65 Stolen item in "Alice

in Wonderland'

or Wayne 78 Exclusive groups 80 Nothing but

77 Lead-in to Jon

- 81 Player of Nelson Mandela in 'Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom"
- 84 Interest for a limnologist 85 Some core
- classes: Abbr. 86 Treehouse

builder, maybe

- 87 Unattended 88 Exclusion
- 89 Big name in kitchen utensils

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- 90 Center of a roast
- 97 Cause a wedgie
- 98 Opposed

- 101 Bucko

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- 93 See 30-Across
- 95 Jester
- 99 See 45-Across
- 102 Major John Benedict Arnold's co-conspirator
- 103 Western capital

33

- 106 Koi's habitat 107 Baghdad's
- 108 Early millennium vear
- 109 Not to mention
- 110 Show with a "cold
- **112** For
- 113 Remote button
- open," for short 111 Excel command

## Calendar

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

### **THU, MAR. 23**

## 46TH NATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE ON 'WATER JUSTICE'

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The conference will provide guidance for churches and individuals who wish to help rectify the lack of access in some areas to safe, clean drinking water. Attend free and learn about global water issues from a faith perspective. Larry@stpetersoc.com

#### PLAY TIME

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. Children, infant to 5 years old, can make new friends and learn new skills while playing the educational toys. 410-632-3495

#### STORY TIME 'KANGAROOS'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-208-4014

#### **COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

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

#### **COFFEE & CANVAS**

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. Join professional artist Michael Carmean. Step by step instructions, supplies and coffee provided. Register: 410-957-0878.

#### **OCEAN PINES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. Officers from the Ocean Pines Police Department will discuss various safety issues in the community. 410-208-4014

#### WRITING FOR WELLNESS

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 2 p.m. Research has shown that writing about stressful experiences is therapeutic and promotes physical and emotional healing. No prior writing experience needed. 410-632-3495

#### **BEACH SINGLES**

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

#### TEEN ADVISORY MEETING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 4 to 5 p.m. Come and enjoy pizza while sharing your thoughts for future programs at the library. 410-208-4014

## REMODELING PARTY AND RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

Bank of Ocean City, Ocean Pines Branch, 11001 Nicholas Lane, Ocean Pines, MD, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The Remodeling Party is from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Hot and cold refreshments served. The Ribbon Cutting will be at 5 p.m. All Worcester County business people (employers and employees) are invited. Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce, 410-641-5306

#### **BINGO**

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

## **FRI, MAR. 24**

#### **AARP FREE TAX SERVICES**

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

## 46TH NATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE ON 'WATER JUSTICE'

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The conference will provide guidance for churches and individuals who wish to help rectify the lack of access in some areas to safe, clean drinking water. Attend free and learn about global water issues from a faith perspective. Larry@stpetersoc.com

#### **IPAD CHICKS - BEGINNERS**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Explore the world of iPads while learning from each other. Register: Norma Kessler, 410-641-7017. Men welcome.

#### **COFFEE & COLORING**

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. Enjoy a hot cup of coffee while creating a colorful masterpiece. All supplies and refreshments provided. 410-524-1818

### ELECTION 2016 REDUX: A LOOK BACK AND FORWARD

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 12 p.m. Three-part series presented by Dr. Samuel B. Hoff. Dr. Hoff is George Washington Distinguished Professor of History and Political Science and La Studies Director at Delaware State University. Part III: Begins by analyzing the transition period following Donald Trump's election victory. The Trump cabinet is dissected. Discuss White House performance over the first two months of Trumps presidency and predict future trends. 410-208-4014

#### **BULL & OYSTER ROAST**

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Bishopville, MD, 6 to 10 p.m. Raw and steamed oysters, oyster fritters, roast beef sandwiches, fried chicken, fried chicken livers and gizzards and the beer wagon. Cost is \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. Rifle raffle tickets for \$10 each. Call for advance tickets. 410-352-5757

#### THE MASON-DIXON LINE: STORIES BEHIND A GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY MARYLAND DAY PROGRAM

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 2 p.m. Explore the story of the Mason-Dixon Line, which runs through our land and our history, along with the perceptions that have developed about the boundary. 410-641-0650

#### **ART STUDIO 'PANEL PAINTING'**

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 3:30 p.m. Learn to draw, paint and create with professional artist Dale Rohl. For children 8 years and older. 410-957-0878

## **SAT, MAR. 25**

## RSVP DEADLINE FOR 2017 ANNUAL BENEFIT GALA

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, All Day Held April 8. Crudités and assorted cheeses on arrival, three course custom dinner and cash bar available during dinner and dancing. Also featuring David Garibaldi from America's Got Talent. Cost is \$15. Welcome reception at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., live show and program, 7 p.m. and live DJ and dancing, 9 p.m. RSVP by March 25 to 443-513-4124. Proceeds benefit the Shirley Grace Pregnancy Center. http://www.sgpcenter.com

#### **FARMERS MARKET**

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

#### INDOOR FLEA MARKET

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Baked goods and breakfast sandwiches also available. 410-629-0926

#### **AARP FREE TAX SERVICES**

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

#### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Ocean City Municipal Airport, Terminal Building, 12724 Airport Road, Berlin, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Serving pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, etc., and coffee. Suggested donation is \$7. An OCAA fundraiser to support the Huey Veteran's Memorial Display. Info: Airport Ops, 410-213-2471 or Coleman Bunting, 410-726-7207

#### **WALK WITH A DOC**

Veterans Memorial, South Gate Pond, Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. Meet at the Veterans Memorial at the South Gate Pond. While walking, community members will have the opportunity to have questions answered by local physicians from Atlantic General Hospital and Health System. Wear comfortable shoes. Angela Simmons CRNP, CBN, 410-641-9568,

http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/walk-withadoc

## 'GETTING STARTED' GENEALOGICAL WORKSHOP

Worcester Preparatory School's lecture room, 508 S. Main St., Berlin, MD, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. This is the first of a series of four genealogical workshops to be held March 25, April 1, 15 and 22. The first session covers the basics of conducting family history research and mining local historical sources. Participants will receive materials to use in their research. Cost is \$25 per session or \$95 for all four. Reservations are required. Theresa Bruner,

Info@Historicstmartinschurch.org, 410-251-2849

#### CRAFTY SATURDAY MAKE & TAKE 'BE CREATIVE'

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

## LSLT VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION AND TRAINING EVENT

Lower Shore Land Trust Office, 100 River St., Snow Hill, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn more about the Lower Shore Land Trust and how to get involved. Learn what it takes to be a land stewart and walk some of the properties that have been protected with conservation easements. Registration is required. keverson@lowershorelandtrust.org, 443-234-5587

#### **VETERANS BENEFITS SEMINAR**

American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All veterans should attend to find out what VA Benefits they are eligible for and how to file for Compensation for Service Connected injuries. Those who served in Vietnam should find out what Agent Orange exposure means to them. Bill Wolf, 410-213-5228 (press 6)

#### A BOOK AND A HUG DAY

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Share a book and a hug with one of the many stuffed animal friends in the children's area. 410-524-1818

#### BUILD IT

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 11 a.m. Fun, family friendly, built-it-yourself activities for all ages. 410-957-0878

#### **RIBBON CUTTING**

Serenity Day Spa, 11007 Manklin Creek Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony for Ocean Elements Salt Spa and Float Center Continued on Page 26

## **Calendar**

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### ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 12 p.m. All-you-can-eat fried chicken dinner plus two sides at a cost of \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 11 years and younger. Carry-outs available for \$9, which will include four pieces of chicken and two sides.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR OFFSHORE WIND PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Stephen Decatur Middle School Cafeteria, 9815 Seahawk Road, Berlin, MD, 12 p.m. The Maryland Public Service Commission is holding a public hearing on the applications for proposed offshore wind projects. Projects to be built between 10 and 30 miles off the coast of Maryland. The project applications, witness testimony, exhibits and other filings are available in the electronic docket file (Case No. 9431 at www.psc.state.md.us. The public may also submit written comments by April 7 to: David J. Collins, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Be sure to includes the case number with all com-

## **SUN, MAR. 26**

#### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Ocean City Municipal Airport, Terminal Building, 12724 Airport Road, Berlin, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Serving pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, etc., and coffee. Suggested donation is \$7. An OCAA fundraiser to support the Huey Veteran's Memorial Display. Info: Airport Ops, 410-213-2471 or Coleman Bunting, 410-726-7207

#### **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

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

### **MON, MAR. 27**

#### **AARP FREE TAX SERVICES**

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

#### **DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING**

Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 9:30 a.m. Coffee served at 9:30 a.m., meeting begins at 10 a.m. Linda Linzey will speak on significant women's issues.

#### **WRITING FOR WELLNESS**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Research has shown that writing about stressful experiences, like illness, may boost health & psychological well-being. Group uses exercises to stimulate the process for creative expression. No prior writing experience needed. 410-208-4014

#### **GEOBOARD IT!**

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

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

### CHARITY NIGHT FOR ASSATEAGUE ISLAND ALLIANCE

Burley Oak Brewery, 10016 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 6 to 9 p.m. Come out for a fresh Burley Oak brew or root beer to support AIA. More than \$1,500 in prizes and live music by Michelle and Kathy from Full Circle. Benefits Assateague Island National Seashore. http://assateagueislandalliance.org

#### **DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS**

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

### **TUE, MAR. 28**

#### **AARP FREE TAX SERVICES**

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

#### SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

### LIVING WELL: CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT

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

#### 'DIG THOSE DINOSAURS'

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10:30 a.m. Science, art and fun for children, 3 to 7 years old. 410-641-0650

#### **MUSIC & MOVEMENT**

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-957-0878

#### **WOMEN TALKING ABOUT WOMEN**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. The group



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#### **RING CEREMONY**

The annual Worcester Prep Junior Ring Ceremony took place in the Guerrieri Library on Feb. 6. It is tradition that seniors present the juniors with their rings along with a few insightful comments as to why the recipient is special to them. Senior Jamie Gittelman, left, presents junior Ankita Mohan with her new class ring.

meets each month for reading selections based on women, their accomplishments, attitudes, challenges, etc. This months book is "Tales of Female Nomad" by Ruth Gellman. Books are available in advance at the Ocean Pines branch. 410-208-4014

## WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTER OPEN HOUSE AND RIBBON CUTTING

Atlantic General Women's Health Center, 12308 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, MD, 4 to 6 p.m. The community is invited for tours and refreshments and to meet the providers. The ribbon cutting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. Ashley Godwin, agodwin@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-

#### **OCEAN PINES EVENING BOOK CLUB**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The book is "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston. Books are available in advance at the Ocean Pines branch. 410-208-4014

#### BINGO

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

## MARYLAND SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MEETING

Lion's Club, 12534 Airport Road, West Ocean City, MD, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. This months guest speaker is Dr. Steve Doctor Marine Biologist for DNR. Open to the public. The chapter is the voice for the recreational fishing community in the area.

### **WED, MAR. 29**

### THE ART OF FLYING: HOW AIRPLANES ARE FLOWN

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 3 to 5 p.m. A free course for those members of the public, especially retirees, PC Flight Simulator and R/C aircraft modelers, interested in knowing how airplanes are flown. Requires only a knowledge of 8th grade math and a simple scientific calculator. Will possibly have a PC Simulator available at the end of the course for individual sessions. Preregistration is required. Tom Oneto, avadvisorsedu@gmail.com, 410-641-6888

## KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. Meets every Wednesday. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. 410-641-7330, http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org

#### STORY TIME 'MONKEY BUSINESS'

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

#### **FAMILY NIGHT 'EAGLES'**

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4:30 p.m. Fun for the whole family. 410-641-0650

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Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina Beach music. A \$5 donation per person to benefit local Veterans. Elk members and their guests welcome.

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#### SNOW HILL BOOK OF THE MONTH

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 5:30 p.m. The book this month is "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston. The books are available in advance at the Snow Hill branch. 410-632-3495

### OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. cliffo917@aol.com, 410-641-1700









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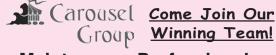
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