



Berlin shocked by passing of local icon, Jesse Turner

Former Shoe Box owner succumbed to cancer, Fri.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Former Berlin Shoe Box owner Jesse Turner passed away on Friday, following an apparent battle with cancer.

The Accomack, Virginia native operated the iconic shop in downtown Berlin for several decades. He worked in the industry – in the town – since the late 1940s.

His influence, however, was more than business owner and cobbler. People in the community fondly referred to him “The Mayor of German-town.”

Turner was honored by the Berlin Town Council and by members of the community at separate ceremonies following his retirement in February. He was born in 1930.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams reacted to the news on Mondays, saying, “Shock is an understatement.”

“I’m just so thankful that the mayor and council and the entire community got a chance to express and show our appreciation to Jesse and to let him know how much he meant to us,” Williams said. “I wish he had had a longer retirement, but he certainly had a wonderful life in all the classic terms.”

“He will be long, long remembered,” Williams added.

Family friend Gregory Purnell said he had lost “Masonic Brother,” and the entire community had lost a good friend.

“This community will always remember him as a true servant,” Purnell said. “Jesse was one of those once-in-a-lifetime figures. He strived for excellence, and sitting at his feet taught me much about being of service to our community in particular and mankind in general.”

“He will create a gap that will require more than any one man to fill,” Purnell added. “His life was synergistic – he was a man without peer.”

A service is scheduled for Saturday at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Salisbury. A viewing will be held there from 5-8 p.m. on Friday.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Former Berlin Shoe Box owner Jesse Turner passed away last week. Turner retired in February after running the iconic shop for decades. A viewing is planned for Friday in Salisbury, and a service is scheduled for Saturday.

Bay Club hearing postponed again; no date pending

Developer will meet with Berlin Mayor and Council

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) A Worcester County Board of Zoning Appeals hearing related to the Bay Club was postponed this week at the request of Berlin Mayor Gee Williams.

That’s according to attorney Hugh Cropper, who represents Bay Club ownership group the Carl M. Freeman Companies.

The hearing was scheduled for April 13, when the developer would have asked for a special zoning exception to transform the 437-acre property on Libertytown Road in Berlin into a 434-unit campground. The property is currently zoned A-2.

A similar hearing, which had been See CROPPER Page 6

Benefit to remember Julie Suplee

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Todd and Natalee DeHart of GCFL Productions will host a fundraiser for the Suplee family at Burley Oak Brewing Company in Berlin on Monday, April 17 from 6-10 p.m.

Julie Suplee lost her decade-long battle with kidney cancer last week. She is survived by her husband, Paul, and their children Tyler, Hanna, Gabby and Ethan.

Funds raised during the event will help defray medical expenses from Julie’s final rounds of treatment at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital, as well as pay for funeral expenses. Every dollar above the family’s actual expenses will be donated to KC Cure, a grassroots organization of patients, caregivers, doctors and medical researchers dedicated to curing kidney cancer.

“We have always actively supported the local fundraising efforts, but have never taken the roll in organizing one,” Todd DeHart said.

“This was an obvious chance for us to step up because our daughter is very close friends with both of Paul’s daughters, as well as our friendship with Paul and our shared love of food, music and good times.”

The DeHarts will serve as guest bartenders during the event, which will also include a Chinese auction of items donated by local businesses and artists. The String Beanz and Fun Sucker Band will provide live music.

For more information, search “Supporting the Suplee Family” on Facebook.

A YouCaring page was also es-

tablished to help the Suplee family. As of press time, Wednesday, 147 donors had given \$16,916 towards a \$20,000 goal. For more information, visit www.youcaring.com/thesuspleefamily-785141.



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Late entry joins fray in Snow Hill town council race

(April 6, 2017) A last-second entry will send voters in the western district of Snow Hill to the polls next month to pick a candidate to replace current representative Michael Pruitt, who has opted to step down from his position.

Sylvester Dale filed election paperwork on Friday. He will face off against LaToya Purnell during an election on May 2, according to Trish Goodsell, assistant to the town manager.

Registered voters ages 18 and older that live in the western district can vote at the Train Station on Belt Street from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Goodsell said.

She also noted the deadline for qualified voters to register at the Worcester County Board of Elections was March 31.

Current central district representative Jenny Hall is running unopposed and will return for another term.

Goodsell said the eastern district seat, currently occupied by Alison Cook, and Charlie Dorman's position as mayor would both come up for election, next year.

She asks all registered voters in the western district to turn out during the election on Tuesday, May 2.

"There are two candidates that want to serve for the western district, so we encourage voters to come out and let their voice be heard," she said.

Renovation done, time to reopen SH Toy Town antiques

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) The corner of Market and Washington streets in Snow Hill will come back to life this Friday when Toy Town, an antique and vintage toy shop, opens for business there for the first time.

Snow Hill natives Richard and Debbie Seaton have been renovating the long-vacant building since Sep-
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ON THE HUNT!

About 100 people attend an Easter egg hunt in Snow Hill's Sturgis Park on Saturday. Lucky children who found golden eggs earned special prizes.

Trotter wins second council term

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) Pocomoke City Councilman Dale Trotter will return for a second term following his election night victory over challenger Monna Van Ess on Tuesday.

Mayor Bruce Morrison, who was unopposed, will return for a third term.

The Pocomoke Board of Election Supervisors announced the final tally for the District 3 seat just after 7:30 p.m., with Trotter defeating Von Ess by an 86-67 margin. Elections officials said 141 ballots were cast on Tuesday, along with 13 absentee ballots, eight of which went to Trotter. One ballot in the pile was blank.

As the vote totals were announced, Trotter shook hands with Van Ess and received congratulations from councilwomen Diane Downing and

Esther Troast.

"I look forward to continuing working with the council and the mayor," he said. "It's been a long day and I look forward to the next three years."

In addition to his victory, Trotter was also pleased by the voter turnout.

"My first term we had 105 [votes], so we actually had more turnout today," he said.

Van Ess, who said she was sensing a victory, also thought the voter traffic was phenomenal.

"I think it was a big turnout," she said. "The weather played a lot in that ... it was such a nice day."

Despite her obvious disappointment, Van Ess said both sides ran strong campaigns.

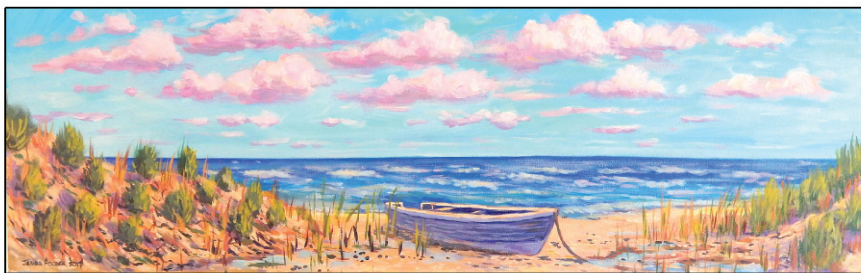
"I was expecting to win but there weren't any surprises other than
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Dale Trotter listens to the final election results after learning he will return for a second term on the Pocomoke City Council after his victory over challenger Monna Van Ess on Tuesday.

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Marty Clarke to run again; touts institutional knowledge

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Two years ago two-term former Director Marty Clarke vowed if Ocean Pines passed a controversial budget that he would not stand for reelection.

Earlier this year, he vowed if the board did pass a controversial budget he would run again.

Clarke, 69, is making good on that promise.

"I think we have a great board, but I don't think we have any institutional history or perspective of what we've done to get where we are. And I don't want to see us repeat it all again, which Ocean Pines is famous for," Clarke said. "If you take Dave Stevens out, I have more experience than the balance of them combined."

Stevens, a three-term director, has said he would not run again. Two directors, Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs, were elected to their first terms in 2015. Four others were either elected or appointed last fall.

The budget passed by that group in February, according to Clarke, was not a budget in the strictest terms.

"I know how to do a budget - I've got to spend A, B, C, D. They add up to X, divided by 8,452 [homeowners]. That's how you do a budget. That's not what they did," Clarke said.

Instead, he said the board worked to reverse-engineer the basic annual assessment, \$921, set during the previous fiscal year.

"I'm not making this up. I've got this face-to-face from the directors and the acting GM," Clarke said. "And when they were done they had over \$600,000 left over, just sitting there to make the \$921. So, rather than reduce assessments \$77 they just put it in reserves and claimed that they got rid of the legacy fund - yet they still funded three quarters of the legacy fund."

He said fears of a looming special assessment - one argument for not lowering the assessment - were unfounded because "Ocean Pines can't have a special assessment" based on its bylaws.

"You could have a huge increase in the budget - welcome to the real world. But that doesn't give them the right to

pile my money up in their 1 percent bank account," Clarke said.

Clarke also laughed at the notion that Ocean Pines' reserves were in danger.

"They're spending money right now like a broken fire hose spewing water - and they can't dent the reserves," he said. "As of the last controller's report we had \$6.5 million in cash."

People in Ocean Pines tend to have a love-hate relationship with Clarke.

His supporters swear by his straightforward approach and many, including interim General Manager Brett Hill, have quoted his facts and figures during public meetings. Clarke keeps binders full of old budgets, monthly financial reports and audited financial statements going back more than a decade.

As for the motivation of his detractors?

"I'm abrupt. Rude. Some people don't like it," Clarke said. "It is what it is. I'm not political - enough. I'm not putting my nose up anybody's [rear end], but I try to play nice in the sandbox."

"If they're voting for me, they know me, and they know enough to know I'm working for them and not for a special interest group," he continued. "A lot of times I get accused of doing the will of the nonresidents - well, that would put me in the majority. I'll take that. That's a happy burden to bear."

Clarke said he is running again to bring some institutional history to the board and because he feels a sense of fiduciary duty.

If he loses, he'll continue to serve as the chair of the bylaws and resolutions committee and continue to attend board meetings and advise anyone - anyone - who will listen on matters related to OPA financials.

If he wins, Clarke said he would double down on maintaining Ocean Pines facilities and work toward closing the yacht club from October to April.

"It's never made a dime in November, December, January, February, March, April - ever," Clarke said. "And if I get on the board, they're either going to start funding roads [depreciation] again, or the newspapers will have a lot to write about," Clarke said.



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Cropper confident campers would make good neighbors

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set for Dec. 8, was postponed for similar reasons, and Cropper presented some details of the project during a Town Council meeting on Dec. 12.

Now, he will apparently go before the council again before rescheduling with the county.

“Carl Freeman wants to be a friend and a good neighbor to the Town of Berlin, so we’ll make further presentations and present further details about our project to the town before [the hearing] is reset,” Cropper said on Monday. “I don’t know if that will be informally or formally.”

Cropper said he did not expect that to occur during the next regularly scheduled town council meeting, next Monday.

He defended the proposed redevelopment as an environmentally conscious, economic driver for the town.

“We think [a campground] would be very environmentally friendly,” Cropper said. “In other areas where they have 400-unit campgrounds, they fit them on 25 or 30 acres. There’s going to be contiguous tracks of hundreds of acres of open space. I doubt you’ll ever see it from the road.”

Transitioning from a 36-hole golf course to a campground, Cropper said, would likely produce the same amount of traffic. He said 25 percent of the campsites would be cabins and a small percentage would be primitive sites, with just enough space to set up a tent.

“It will not be all RV hookups,” he said. “You’ll probably have a little less than 300 RV campsites. At other campgrounds that I’ve represented you find many of those rent by the season, so people go there in the spring, set up their RV and leave it, and they come and go in their car.”

Cropper did not believe downtown Berlin would suddenly become flooded by RV traffic, as some critics have claimed.

“The cars would be what is driving around downtown, and I would think Berlin wants those because they will be people eating dinner and shopping — all the things that we want,” Crop-

per said.

With each reservation, he said, campers would be instructed to travel down Powellville Road and Libertytown Road.

“Between the fact that we’ll probably be 300 RV sites, between the fact that many of those will stay for the entire season, and between the fact that we’re going to bring them all in from the west, I just do not believe that you’re going to have a train of RVs clogging up downtown Berlin,” Cropper said. “From a traffic perspective, I think you’re going to see less traffic during the week coming out of that place because Carl Freeman wants to have nice amenities and keep people on the property.”

Under county law, those amenities could only be used by campers, Cropper said.

The county also requires campgrounds to be closed for five months out of each year, which Cropper said would make for an excellent customer for Town of Berlin water and sewer — if the property were to be annexed.

“And it will raise lots of taxes and will have virtually no impact on the public services,” Cropper said. “I don’t know why Berlin wouldn’t want them — these are fairly affluent folks. Some of their campers are nicer than my house.”

Williams, on Monday, said no hearing with the town was imminent.

“We just want to make sure they know what all of our concerns are,” he said. “We’ve stated them in a very general way, but we’d like to be more specific. That timeline is probably more in their court than ours.”

“I believe that we’ll get a full and fair listen from these folks about what the town’s concerns are, and then see where we go from there,” Williams continued. “We want to be very upfront in sharing our concerns with them — how do you estimate how long that will take? I don’t think we’re talking months and years.”

“I think it will be an evolutionary process — not a revolutionary one,” Williams said. “We certainly don’t want to drag anything out for anybody, but we don’t want any artificial deadlines either.”

OPA launches ‘PinesAlerts’ emergency notification texts

(April 6, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association is hoping to increase the public’s awareness of emergencies through the use of its new “PinesAlerts” notification system, which is being powered by the Delmarva Broadcasting Company.

“We were looking for an effective way to easily disseminate important information to the residents and guests of Ocean Pines,” Denise Sawyer, director of marketing and public relations, said.

The notifications will include alerts for road and traffic closures, power outages, severe weather, and other public-

safety events. The Ocean Pines Police Department will utilize the PinesAlerts text message-based system to warn residents of crime alerts.

To sign up, Ocean Pines residents and guests can text the word “PINES” to 88474. Signup is free.

Standard text message and data charges may apply. Subscribers will not be overloaded with text messages, the association said.

For more information, contact Sawyer at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006 or email dsawyer@oceanpines.org.

Ocean Pines seeks homeowners to run for board vacancies

(April 6, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association Election Committee is looking for residents to run in this year's board election.

The Ocean Pines Association (OPA) is governed by a seven-member board of directors elected by the lot owners who make up membership in the homeowners association. This year, two positions are up for election. The board determines operational and fiscal policy and assesses property owners at a rate set annually. These assessments provide the funds for the operation of the association.

"For anyone interested in public service, the Ocean Pines Board of Directors is the avenue in which you can make a difference," Denise Sawyer, director of Marketing and Public Relations for the Ocean Pines Association, said. "Property owners who are passionate about Ocean Pines and its progress are encouraged to run for election."

The board of directors is a policy-setting body of the Ocean Pines community. Board members do not receive monetary compensation for their service. They serve three-year terms and cannot seek reelection after serving two consecutive terms. A board member who misses three consecutive regular meetings is subject to removal for cause.

To be considered by the OPA, the application must be completed and returned to the OPA General Manager's office at the administration office at 239 Ocean Parkway to the attention of the search committee no later than 5 p.m. May 10 of the year of election.

A board candidate must be an owner of record on Jan. 1 of the year of the election and not have unpaid annual charges or vote suspended by the board as of May 15 of that year.

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

Nominate Berlin Parks to win \$20K

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) The Berlin Parks commission is asking for nominations in an online contest that could net it \$20,000.

The "Meet Me at the Park" initiative of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) will award 16 communities with resources "to improve local parks through projects that connect kids to nature, inspire kids and families to live healthier lifestyles, and increase kids' access to sports," according to literature on the official contest website.

Fifteen communities have already been chosen. Online nominations will determine the 16th.

Voting will continue throughout

the month. Each vote also counts as an entry to win a tablet "outfitted for the outdoors and exploring your park," according to the site.

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen, also the staff liaison to the Berlin Parks Commission, said she learned about the contest because the town has a membership to NRPA. This is the first time Berlin has entered the competition.

"Apparently it's a contest they've run for a while, but we've only been members for two years," she said. "We have some projects right now that [the prize money] could go toward. It could be used for planning of development for Berlin Falls."

Bohlen said money could also be used for items on the town's Program Open Space priority list, which includes installing prefabricated bathrooms at Stephen Decatur Park, expanding the tot lot at Decatur Park, installing lighting at the basketball courts at Dr. William Henry Park, and establishing John Howard Burbage Park on William Street.

The town is using social media to spread the word and Bohlen said a press release would likely go out this week.

She said the nomination process only takes a seconds.

"We're hopeful of our chances," Bohlen said.

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Expanded showroom, more showcases inside Toy Town

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tember. The shop was previously based in Berlin.

"It's been a lot of work," Richard Seaton said. "We've been here seven days a week and late at night for six months."

After leasing the space in Berlin, he said the opportunity to own his own building was too alluring to pass up.

"This building was basically given to us, but I had to do all the work inside of it," he said. "We got twice the building for half the money. It was a no-brainer coming here."

The expanded showroom space, compared to the 4,800 square foot location he operated in Berlin for the last five years, was an added incentive, he said.

"This downstairs we're using is 6,500 square feet right now [and] there's another 1,800 square-foot [space] upstairs I want to open up next year," he said.

In that past, Seaton said he lacked sufficient space to display his entire stock of vintage and antique items. Now, he can offer customers a wider array.

"There's like 70 showcases in here," he said. "I had plenty of stuff, so it's filled up in here."

The new space also provided the opportunity to reorganize his materials.

"There's like four different sections of the store," he said. "We have a country store section, we have a diner section, we have a train section and a transportation section."

Toy Town keeps its items categorized and only carries true vintage offerings, Seaton said.

In some instances, Seaton said

customers have expressed an aversion to frequenting antique shops carrying nonvintage pieces.

"[For] antique collectors and dealers across the East Coast, if they see that stuff they're not coming back," he said. "They can see that in their hometown."

After buying and selling collectables for more than a decade, Seaton said he took the venture full time about two years ago.

"I don't do any auctions. All my contacts are private collections," he said. "People have come in and met me and then they bring me back stuff."

Over the years, Seaton has also done the bidding for private individuals.

"I'm also a picker for a lot of collectors," he said. "I go out and find stuff for friends of mine."

Excited to now be operating in his hometown, Seaton, who graduated from Snow Hill High School in 1978, said he hopes his business encourages others to locate their own vintage shops in town.

"I welcome competition," he said. "I wouldn't care if there were 10 antique shops here in Snow Hill, because when people are traveling from Pennsylvania, New York [or] New Jersey, they don't want to go to one antique shop – they want to go to 10 of them in one town."

Regardless, Seaton said his marketing approach would remain unchanged.

"I try to go out for unique items," he said. "We do vintage signs, gas pumps, toy trains, you know, just stuff you don't see everyday."

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Morrison says this term as Pocomoke mayor likely last

■ ELECTION continued

that," she said. "I thought it was pretty fair."

Although she won't join the council as a member, Van Ess said she still plans to attend the council meetings.

"I plan to continue to visit the council meetings on a regular basis," she said. "I have promised to give the people a voice."

While Morrison said he takes it as a vote of confidence that his third term was unopposed, he may hang up the saddle after three more years.

"Most likely, this would be my last term," he said. "There are a few more things that I need to complete [in office] that I had on my list."

The three-term Pocomoke mayor and two-term city councilman hopes to pass the mantle to future leaders

with sharp ideas.

"After 15 years it's time for someone else," he said. "When I retire – when I finish – I'll be 67."

Although his decision isn't final, Morrison said he would never regret his time in public service.

"I did my time and I loved it," he said. "I've enjoyed every minute of it."

Correction

Last week's article, 'Pocomoke mourns Howser passing,' misquoted Mayor Bruce Morrison identifying Jacob Howser. We apologize for the discrepancy.

SHPD to hold opioid info meeting

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) The Snow Hill Police Department will host an informational meeting to help those impacted by the opioid epidemic on Monday, April 10 at the Old Firehouse on West Green Street from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Snow Hill Police Chief Tom Davis said the session is for anyone interested in learning the signs of opioid abuse.

"It's easy from the outside to notice things, but when it's your own family you may excuse things away," he said.

What makes matters more troubling is getting those in the midst of abusing drugs to own up to their behavior, Davis said.

"People who are addicted will

about 99 percent [willing to] deny it," he said.

The hour-long session will be split into two parts, with the first half reviewing steps to prevent opioid abuse and including presentations by the Worcester County Health Department and local rehab centers.

The last half hour will be lead by Worcester County State's Attorney Beau Oglesby.

Davis encouraged any community members interested in learning about opioid abuse indicators to attend the meeting.

"This is truly an epidemic nationwide, and it's not getting any better," he said.

Based on his experience in law enforcement, Davis said crime rates typically increase in areas that experience

high rates of drug abuse.

"It always increases crime because they need to get their fix," he said.

Davis said thievery generally begins with familiar sources, often at home. As the desperation slowly grows and abusers burn bridges with family and friends, Davis said the overwhelming desire for addictive substances drives many to look for other avenues.

"Unlocked cars and homes are targets," he said.

To avoid becoming a victim of theft, Davis stressed the importance of securing homes and vehicles.

He strongly encouraged the community to attend and learn about best practices to address the ongoing opioid crisis.

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CPI violations giving Pines directors, homeowners fits

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) A derelict property on 8 Willow Way in Ocean Pines has been causing headaches for several years – and possibly for more than a decade.

The Gazette first reported on a violation there, which was brought to the board's attention, in May 2014. At the time, then-Director Marty Clarke joked that a junk car left on the property was a poster child for compliance, permit and inspections (CPI) violations reforms introduced by former Director Pete Gomsack – in 2009.

Director Cheryl Jacobs made overhauling the CPI process a priority last year. That effort stalled, but dealing with violations continues to be a problem.

The situation on Willow Way, where homeowners have repeatedly lodged complaints, was a perfect example of what can go wrong under the current system, she said.

"These are the kind of people who are caught up in a situation where action was taken years ago, then the whole thing comes back full circle with junk vehicles. And in this case, it might even be the same vehicle where board action was taken to remove it in the past," she said.

The architectural review committee (ARC) was alerted of the current violation, and Jacobs said she asked the Ocean Pines' attorney if immediate action could be taken based on prior reports of a violation.

"This is one of the properties that was listed as a habitual problem [in 2014]. They've got unregistered vehicles sitting there – cars without tags – which never leave the property," she said. "There is a pending violation that's been heard by the ARC committee for these unregistered vehicles that's making its way to the board for action."

She also asked another Ocean Pines attorney to see if immediate legal action could be taken based on a prior complaint.

Jacobs said the homeowner reported the problem has persisted for 17 years.

"She started contacting me in September 2016 and as a director I've

taken action, and I have been working on trying to help her resolve this problem for that amount of time," Jacobs said.

Several directors and committee members worked to shorten the CPI violation process last year, as well as introduce a new category of violations for repeat offenders.

"Once a person was a repeat offender, you could forget all the intermediate steps and go right after them by sending a certified letter and sending it directly to an attorney for action," Jacobs said.

The board held a first reading for the amendment to Resolution M-01 in October of last year. Interim General Manager Brett Hill, however, said the issue was not with the existing rules, but with staff enforcing them.

"The rules that we already have take months, even if everything goes as it should go because we give property owners every opportunity to eliminate the violation," Jacobs said. "Most people just ignore the notices. Then you have to take the step of having [the violation] come to the board after multiple notices ... and then it goes to an attorney, and the attorney generally starts with a letter, hoping the homeowner will respond, and if they don't they take whatever court action is appropriate."

"Just following existing procedure can take six-to-seven months – or more," Jacobs added.

She said changes to M-01 were still on the table.

Until that happens, she vowed to continue working to alleviate the situation on Willow Way.

"This is such an egregious situation because it's been going on for so long," Jacobs said.

She added the homeowner who made the complaint was fearful for their safety and worried about potential retaliation for reporting the incident. Jacobs said Ocean Pines police have been notified.

Compliance, permit and inspection violations in Ocean Pines should be directed to Public Works and CPI Director Eddie Wells at 410-641-7425, or emailed to cpi@oceanpines.org.

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Pocomoke City liquor store auction goes for \$1.175M

By **Brian Gilliland**
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Five bidders submitted proposals to take over the operation of the Worcester County Shore Spirits liquor store in Pocomoke City, with the winning bid coming in at \$1.175 million, from Kalpesh Patel of Berlin.

Patel bid \$950,000 for the two suites that comprise the store at the Newtowne Plaza Condominiums including the furniture, fixtures and improvements. He also offered a 15 percent markup on the inventory already at the store, for an additional \$225,441.

Patel operated the Shop Kwik in Berlin from 1994 to 2011, and since then has opened the Kwik Liquor in Millsboro, Delaware.

"In return, Mr. Patel will receive the County Commissioners' approval and support to apply for a Class "A" Beer/Wine/Liquor license at this location," Kelly Shannahan, assistant county administrator, wrote in a memo to the commissioners.

The county granted Patel permission to apply for the license and to be heard at the May 17 Board of License Commissioners meeting.

"Should any of the above conditions not be met and the deal was to fall through, staff further requests approval to accept the second high bid from Vinod B. Patel for a total purchase price of \$801,000, and to purchase all of the inventory in the Pocomoke City store at the cost paid by the county (currently estimated at \$196,036) plus a mark-up of 14 percent, for a total purchase price of roughly \$1,024,481," Shannahan wrote.

Vinod Patel, also of Berlin, was the second-highest bidder for the property and store. He owned and operated the Friendship Exxon Food

Mart on Gray's Corner Road from August 1994 to December 2006, and the Shop Kwik in Berlin from April 2004 to January 2015.

The third highest bidder was TJ Patel of Snow Hill, who owns the Food Rite there, with a combined total bid of about \$775,640.

The bid prices are somewhat of a shock, since the former director of the department Bobby Cowger, who resigned in protest over how the county chose to implement its exit strategy of the wholesale liquor business about a year ago, said the store was worth about half as much as the bids.

Last year, Cowger said the store was listed as an asset worth \$585,000 but also carried a mortgage of about \$483,000 at the time of the interview. Neglecting the amount for inventory, only the top bidder's proposal exceeds these costs.

"There wasn't one of us that wasn't shocked at that bid," Worcester County Commissioner Bud Church said. "If we can keep the competition up, we could break even or even do a little better."

At the time the exit strategy was formally adopted in December 2015, then county attorney Sonny Bloxom estimated Worcester would end up losing between \$1 million to \$2 million. Cowger estimated it would end up being closer to \$4 million or \$5 million.

The commissioners also voted to open bidding to sublease the Worcester County Shore Spirits store on Route 50.

"We're asking based on a lease price of \$7,400 per month plus \$1,300 per month in common area fees," Shannahan said. Bids on the property are due on May 1 by 1 p.m.



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Police: Ocean Pines man chased family by knifepoint

(April 6, 2017) A 75-year-old Ocean Pines man was arrested after allegedly chasing several members of his family from his home by knifepoint on Sunday afternoon.

The Ocean Pines Police Department received a complaint of a domestic incident just after noon on April 2. A female complainant told police dispatch that she and her father, Alberto Dacanay, were involved in a verbal argument and that he had a knife.

Ocean Pines Police Chief David Massey and members of the Maryland State Police and the Worcester County Sheriff's Office responded. Upon arrival, police said the woman ran towards responding officers, crying and stating that Dacanay had chased her, her mother, her husband and her 3-year-old son out of the house with a knife.

While speaking with the family, officers reportedly watched as the exterior garage door opened. Police said the woman then frantically announced that her father was walking out of the garage and was still holding the knife.

Massey reported the suspect

standing within the garage holding a large, fixed-bladed knife in his right hand. Upon spotting the officers, police said Dacanay placed the knife behind his lower back and went back into the home and barricaded himself inside. Dacanay secured the exterior doors within the residence with several items of furniture, preventing anyone from entering.



Alberto Dacanay

Police said Dacanay then opened a window on the second story of the residence and began speaking with the officers. He refused to exit the residence and insisted his family leave the premises.

Fearing that Dacanay would present a threat to himself, officers reportedly made numerous attempts to have him exit the residence.

Police later reported making a safe entry into the residence and Dacanay was taken into custody without incident.

He was arrested and charged with first- and second-degree assault.

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Snow Hill Rotary Club set to honor educators, April 21

(April 6, 2017) Community members, educators and retired teachers are encouraged to join the Snow Hill Rotary Club in recognizing the five educators that have been selected as "Teacher of the Year" within the Snow Hill community: Julie Hickman of Snow Hill Elementary, Barbara Kohut of Snow Hill Middle, Master Sergeant William Meekins of Snow Hill High, Julia Hill of Worcester Technical High School and Karen Holland of Cedar Chapel School.

The dinner will be held on Friday, April 21 at 5:30 p.m. at the Snow Hill Lions Club. This event provides an opportunity for community members to meet and thank these exceptional pro-

fessionals who serve the community.

"The Rotary appreciates the extra efforts of these educators to provide a quality education to our youth and would like to thank them publicly," said Club President Ann Gibb.

Rotary Club members will also be raising funds during this event to continue their scholarship program which annually awards \$5,000 in scholarships to Snow Hill High School graduates. Sponsorships are being sought from local businesses and community members.

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Bylaws committee will lay off Pines election reforms

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Members of the Ocean Pines Association Bylaws and Resolutions Committee may not agree with a recent decision by the board of directors on proposed election reforms, but they are not willing to step on the toes of the committee that wrote the amendment.

By a 3-2 vote with two directors absent, the board rejected a first reading last month on an amendment to Resolution M-06 that would have allowed votes to be counted during an open meeting and announced immediately.

The elections committee composed the draft, with assistance from the bylaws committee.

During a bylaws meeting on Monday, committee member Jeff Knepper said he believed the only objection to the reforms was whether election results could be announced prior to the annual meeting, as has been the practice for decades.

"The rest of the work that the committee did, I didn't hear any objection from anyone on the board about. So I think it was a pretty good body of work," Knepper said. "I think the question that the board has to decide now is how strongly do they feel about this issue?"

"That's for the board to do - we, here, don't get to do anything," Knepper added.

Committee Chairman Marty Clarke agreed.

"I don't think we have any charge to change the elections committee's [amendment]," Clarke said, adding that he was baffled by the board vote to reject it.

Several candidates complained about Ocean Pines election rules last year, citing a lack of transparency. Brett Hill, now a director and the interim general manager, went as far as to lodge a complaint with the Maryland Attorney General.

Clarke said he was asked, at the time, by the board president to sit down with former elections committee Chairman Bill Wentworth.

"If I'd brought four terrycloth towels it wouldn't have been enough for all the crying that went on at lunch, because everyone was accusing him of this and that," Clarke said. "I just gave up, and then [the committee members] all quit rather than fix it."

The elections committee was reconstituted with new members last September, when work on reforms started in earnest.

"They [put in] countless hours in trying to solve the transparency problem" Clarke said. "This committee's got a lot of time in on this. The board rejected it. This is now

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Dir. Jacobs says she could tackle elections amendment

up to the board.”

Director Cheryl Jacobs, the liaison to the committee, disagreed.

“This committee has the ability to take an amendment of any bylaw ... back to the board with a recommendation. Now, you can choose not to do that, as a committee, and I’ll do it myself,” Jacobs said. “But I don’t agree that you don’t have the ability to do that as a committee.”

“Well, I’m not going to override another committee’s workload,” Clarke said.

Clarke moved for the committee to recommend the board accept the changes to M-06 as written by the elections committee. The motion did not receive a second.

Committee member Jim Trummel then shifted gears, stating he was concerned that Ocean Pines governing documents did not spell out a process for holding a recount in the case of a close election.

Rather than hold an open vote count, he said, the association might be better served by farming out the operation entirely.

“My personal feeling is we’re far better served by an independent agency ... that will witness the closed counting,” Trummel said. The agency could also handle or as-

sist with the announcement and certification of elected officials in Ocean Pines.

Trummel said he would make comments privately to the board of directors. No formal committee motion was proposed.

Also during the meeting, the committee agreed to wait on review of Resolution M-01, on compliance procedures, until a new general manager is hired. The committee will begin reviewing M-02, which deals with amenity policies, during May 1 meeting at 10 a.m.

The members consented to recommend the board remove all references to the general manager and Ocean Pines staff from committee resolutions C-1 through C-15, excepting resolutions related to the elections committee, search committee and architectural review committee.

By a unanimous vote, the committee recommended the board accept changes to Resolution M-09, related to the search committee, as introduced during a first reading last month. The changes would eliminate the appointment of a liaison to that committee. The board postponed a vote on the first reading.



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'Guiding Light' TV star to guide young actors

Michael O'Leary will bring his expertise to workshop at Berlin's Salt Water Media

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Going on auditions, according to actor Michael O'Leary, is a lot like the movie "La La Land." It's not uncommon to be in the middle of a scene when a casting director looks down at the phone, or seems more focused on what's for lunch than the performer on stage.

O'Leary, who played Rick Bauer on "Guiding Light" between 1983 and 2009, will host a workshop for young actors at Salt Water Media in Berlin later this month.

He shared a few words of advice ahead of his appearance, should you find yourself mired in a particularly awkward audition.

"As they're looking at their phone, you just say, unabashedly, 'do you want to take that phone call? It's OK. Go ahead and take the call,'" O'Leary said. "Let them take the phone call and when they're done say, 'let's start this from the top, shall we?' You take charge. You have every right to ask for that."

If a casting director is diving face-first into a chicken salad sandwich, O'Leary said, "you can go off script and say, 'man, that looks really good. I'm hungry too. That looks delicious!'" Then, without blinking, return to the exact sentence where you left off.

"I instill a sense of power and empowerment, so they walk in and they are prepared for anything that happens in that casting office," he said. "Often things happen that are just totally unexpected, and in some ways demeaning and demoralizing to actors. I prepare them so, no matter what happens, they're going to be prepared for it and it's not going to throw them off their game."

Distractions and interruptions are the nature of the beast, O'Leary said. The trick is to remain focused and, perhaps most importantly, try and make a unique impression.

"Most [casting directors] are going to be seeing people doing the same thing. Even if your choice is completely wrong, you want them to see something they're not going to see from 50 other actors," he said. "You want to be sort of eccentric and different and take chances. Even if it's wrong, they're going to remember you. In fact, they'll probably say, 'you know, that was really interesting, could you try it this way?'"

While acting talent is obviously important, O'Leary said patience and persistence are just as vital to young thespians.

"A lot of actors just give up and they become very despondent that things aren't happening right away. That, unfortunately, is the nature of the beast," he said. "I try to instill in them this idea of perseverance. I think perseverance trumps talent in many respects."

"Also, a lot of actors that leave college aren't prepared for the business aspect of being an actor," O'Leary continued. "They get the good training and everything, but they're not prepared for what the realities of being an actor are like. I try to prepare them to have a business plan that goes beyond just being an actor, but also branding yourself, and [find-



Michael O'Leary

ing] the kinds of jobs you can have – beyond being a waiter – that can give you the flexibility of going out for auditions.

"What my goal is, is to save [young actors] 10 years of their life running around in circles, doing the wrong thing," O'Leary said.

O'Leary is currently working on his award-winning comedy series "Steamboat," with Scott Bryce from "As the World Turns," shopping the

concept to streaming services like Hulu and Amazon Prime.

He also penned the play "Breathing Under Dirt," which is being directed by Larry Moss.

"We got an awesome response from the theater community in New York," O'Leary said. "I'm not at liberty to say what's going on, but it's pretty exciting."

The acting workshop is scheduled for Saturday, April 29 from 1-5 p.m. at Salt Water Media in Berlin, on 29 Broad Street, Suite 104. The cost is \$50 for students, community players and members of the Lower Shore Performing Arts Company, or \$70 for nonmember adults. A light lunch is included in the cost.

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Arts on the River First Friday returns, April 7

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) With warmer weather and a slew of special openings, the April Arts on the River First Friday in Snow Hill is shaping up to be a busy event.

Snow Hill Grant Administrator Ann Gibb said there are numerous highlights for patrons to look for-

ward to, starting at 5 p.m.

"The Purnell museum has a new event, the Lower Shore Land trust has something special, Toy Town is opening," she said. "It's a big deal. This is one not to miss."

Gibb said another new business, ReTag'd Upscale Resale at 108 Pearl Street, would hold a soft opening at 5 p.m. The store features new and gently worn clothes and home décor, along with handmade and locally crafted goods.

The Lower Shore Land Trust, on 100 River Street, will sponsor a meet and greet with artist Ellen Lawler from 5-8 p.m. to highlight her water-color paintings, which are inspired by regional nature and wildlife. Lawler, who recently retired from the biology department at Salisbury University, has spent extensive time in the field observing, photographing and sketching the natural beauty of the Lower Shore.

The Julia A. Purnell Museum will host an opening reception for a new exhibit honoring Dr. Robert C. LaMar, who served as Snow Hill's town doctor for 60 years. The community is invited to enjoy light refreshments and share memories of Dr. LaMar from 5-7 p.m.

Local art galleries will have special offerings, including the Jim Adcock Studio in the John Blair House on

106 East Green Street, which will have new paintings on display and entertainment by Charlie "The Uke of Earl" Flagiello.

Bishop's Stock Fine Art, Craft & Wine will host a showing of new work by Lynne Lockhart and Kirk McBride, along with a sampling of wines from Catalonia, Spain.

Green Pearl Contemporary Fine Art, on 114 Pearl Street, will feature a reception for artist Chris Harkai from 5-8 p.m. The "Sea Steading" exhibit will be on display through April 22.

There will also be a full slate of live music on the night's agenda.

The Blue Dog Café, on 300 North Washington Street, will feature WWIIunes.

The Daily Brew Coffeehouse, on 213 North Washington Street, will have a performance by area favorite Nick Haglich.

Harvest Moon Tavern, on 208 West Green Street, will have Sean Loomis playing from 7-10 p.m. Reservations are strongly suggested.

Visitors at Jerry's Wood Craft, on 112 West Green Street, can enter a drawing to win a four-foot tall "Gerry the Giraffe" from Melissa and Doug toys. No purchase is required for the drawing, which will be held on April 14. The winner is not required to be in attendance.

Just down the block, Olde Town Candy Co., on 102 West Green Street, will have loads of Easter candy on hand, along with hand-dipped ice cream from Chesapeake Bay Farms.

Additionally, Gibb said there would be a variety of street vendors selling arts and crafts, as well as cottage industry items.

"We're trying to build vendors and our group of people," she said.

To encourage participation, the town does not currently charge a fee for vendors, Gibb said.

"We just want them to set up a table and sell their wares," she said. "We want people to come to town and enjoy being in downtown Snow Hill."

Although Snow Hill holds Arts on the River First Friday every month but January, Gibb said Mother Nature typically impacts attendance figures.

"We're hoping for good weather, because it brings out more people," she said. "It starts to pick up steam in the spring."

The evening's events, sponsored by Arts on the River, Snow Hill's Art and Entertainment District and the Town of Snow Hill, generally wrap up by 8 p.m. The Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment provide additional funding.

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Obituaries

JULIE ANN SUPLEE

Bishopville

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Born in Baltimore, Julie graduated from Landsdowne High School and Mount St. Mary's College as an undergraduate with a dual-degree in Psychology and Art.

Her children were her life, and Julie left the workforce for 14 years to raise them before returning to her other passion, which was to help other's children in education.

Julie was also a founding member of Titanium Wrecks, NASA's Worcester County Robotics Team for kids in Worcester. With the help of her leadership and guidance, the team thrived with an impressive three-year success in FRC Robotics.

A beautifully-humored mother of four, she was an art therapist at the Howard T. Ennis School in Delaware, having later earned her Master's Degree in Art Psychotherapy from Drexel. Her work with children with special needs was one of the most rewarding parts of her life and her coworkers often spoke of the influence that Julie had on her students.

Over the years, people have said time and again that Julie smiled no matter where she was or what she was going through. Even her oncologist gave a

moving tribute when he noted, "despite all of her fighting and suffering I never heard her utter a single unkind word or angry thought. To the contrary, she faced her unfair lot with an inner strength and grace that was apparent to all involved in her care."

Julie's love of the beach is the reason that her family moved here in 1999. She was ready to hop onto Assateague at any moment with a carful of kids, dogs and cookout supplies. She was most content just sitting with her toes in the sand, watching the ponies and listening to her children talk about school, boys, girls and life in general from the eyes of teens and preteens.

She is survived by her husband, Paul; children, Tyler, Hannah, Gabbie and Ethan; mother, Pat Hesselbein; sisters, Dawn Jewell and Sharon Ferguson; brother-in-law, Ron Ferguson, and the cats and dogs that she adored so much (there are many).

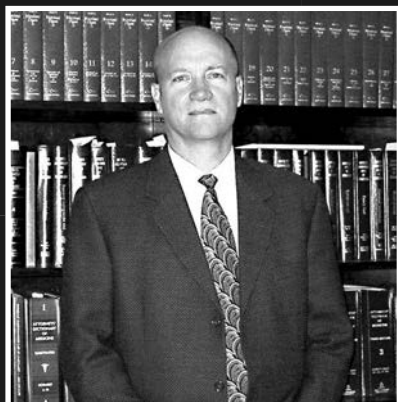
A memorial service and Celebration of Life will be held at Harrison's Harbor-watch in Ocean City on Sunday, April 9, 2017 from 1-5 p.m. All are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to KCCure, a foundation "dedicated to eliminating suffering and death due to kidney cancer." A sizable amount of their research funding goes toward Translocation RCC, which is a rare disease with little data. This was what Julie had. Their website can be found at KC-Cure.org.

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Berlin's 'Field of Dreams'

Youth interest in organized sports, especially baseball, has been fading so rapidly in recent years that even big league officials have taken notice.

This, at least, is according to articles in the Wall Street Journal, the Huffington Post, The Washington Post, Time, Forbes, The Atlantic and numerous other highly respected print and online journals.

They say it's the game's slow pace as compared to football, basketball and, of course, tech games that has caused today's kids to turn away from the traditional recreational pursuits of their parents and grandparents.

And yet, there's the Berlin Little League, which had more than 500 kids sign up for Little League baseball and softball this year. That's astonishing, considering the hand-wringing going on about the apparent inability of youth sports organizers elsewhere to keep young ballplayers rounding the bases.

Obviously, Berlin is doing something differently. Since there's no way to know how other areas are promoting the sport, we can only look at what Berlin does and hope other communities take note.

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Other jurisdictions might find the answer to their problems by looking at what makes Berlin Little League so successful. In the meantime, all we can say is let's go play some baseball. We're behind you all the way.



"I'd like to apply for an extension. I haven't finished everything on my bucket list"

Letters

Welcome back, journalism

Editor,

There are many "firsts" associated with the election and Presidency of Donald Trump – not all are positive – it's a mixed bag.

I believe the most positive is that he has single-handedly restored the art of journalism to its former glory. It is thrilling to see real journalism again. After eight long years of watching journalists act as Obama's cheerleaders and stenographers, it is refreshing to see that they have not forgotten how to

"speak truth to power" and "hold the government accountable."

I include in this approbation our own local daily newspaper. How informative to see President Trump's proposed budget picked apart almost daily on the front page. I don't seem to recall this much interest in President Obama's budgets (were there any? I don't think there were many budgets proposed or enacted during those eight long years. It seems we lurched from Continuing Resolution to Continuing Resolution, which surely contributed to the

doubling of our national debt – but I digress).

And the editorials! My personal favorite [in another publication] was "Yemen Raid Needs Answers" (March 30). It's funny, but I don't recall any editorials saying "Answers Needed for Benghazi Attack" or the "The Deaths of Seal Team Six Members Needs Answers." Maybe I just missed those?

Anyway, my congratulations to American journalists – you're back in the groove!

*Carol Frazier
Ocean Pines*

Pair of events set for Snow Hill LSLT

Art and gardening activities planned by group, April 7-8

(April 6, 2017) Back-to-back art and gardening events have been scheduled by the Lower Shore Land Trust for Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8.

From 5-8 p.m. Friday, area watercolor artist and retired biology professor,

Ellen Lawler, will be on hand at the Lower Shore Land Trust with a sampling of her bird and wildlife paintings. The public is invited to drop in, grab a glass of wine, and talk with Lawler about her artwork during Snow Hill's April First Friday.

On Saturday, from 10 a.m. to noon, Barbara Ellis, author of "Chesapeake Gardening and Landscaping," will offer tips on creating a

bay-friendly garden through increasing the variety of plants.

This program is for beginners and advanced gardeners alike. Limited seating is \$15 per person. RSVP by calling 443-234-5587 or email info@lowershorelandtrust.org

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Little League parade, season starts Saturday

More than 500 area youth sign up to play on Berlin baseball, softball teams

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(April 6, 2017) Hundreds of Berlin Little Leaguers will march down Main Street during a season-opening parade on Saturday that's been a tradition in the town for a decade.

Parade organizer Jocelyn Snelsire said more than 500 boys and girls signed up to play baseball and softball with Berlin Little League this year. She expects about 300 players, in uniform, to take part in the procession.

The parade is scheduled to start at 9 a.m. at the Berlin Fire Company,

with players traipsing south down Main Street and ending at the sports complex off Route 113, just beyond Main Street.

At 10 a.m., the children will gather on "C Field" to launch opening ceremonies for the season. That will include a service for the 10- and 11-year-old all-stars, who won a district championship and played in the state finals last year, and the 13- to 16-year-old all-stars, who won the state tournament.

Regular play starts at 11 a.m. on all six fields and will continue until 3 p.m. Snelsire said ballgames would run practically every day of the week, starting on Monday, April 10.

"I think the parade is a tradition that everybody looks forward to," she said. "I know a lot of people in town

come out on opening day and kind of line the street. I think the businesses look forward to it [because] it kind of kicks off the beginnings of the tourist season to come."

Those most excited for the parade, she said, are often the smallest children in the league. Rookie League players are 6-8 years old and Tee Ball players are 4-6 years old.

"I know the little kids get excited every year to have their uniforms and be ready to play. It's a big deal," she said. "This is my 10th year in the league and we've done it every year, except last year, when it rained. Hopefully, the weather cooperates and it's just a nice kickoff, getting ready for spring."

Snelsire said the league continues to push its capital fundraising cam-

paign for a new lighting system on one of the fields. Because the baseball and softball seasons cannot start earlier than April and extend longer than mid-June – because of weather restrictions and the start of playoffs, respectively – the league is looking into the addition of night games to accommodate a growing number of players.

"We're almost halfway to our goal of raising \$50,000, and then we were going to borrow the rest," she said. "That's going to be our focus once we get the season started."

To donate, contact Berlin Little League Vice President of Operations Eric Snelsire at 412-977-3882 or email e.snelsire@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.berlin-littleleague.org.

New Pocomoke teachers laud county strength

Educators say Wor. fosters growth and greets students with highest expectations

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) Four teachers, who are new to Worcester County, presented school system strengths com-

pared to their previous places of employment during the monthly school board meeting on March 21.

The teachers expressed how Worcester County fosters growth with high expectations and opportunities to do what is best for students.

In addition, administrative staff is always available and attentive to their

needs by offering positive and productive feedback, they said.

Graduate school obligations are supported and professional development begins before the school year starts. All teachers meet with mentors, which are fellow teachers, to discuss concerns, receive feedback and offer support.

As new teachers to the county,

they said they were impressed with the technology initiative and how professional development continues throughout the entire school year.

"As an art teacher, we sometimes feel like islands to the rest of the faculty," Craig Copas said. "I have never felt so much support, from the abundance of supplies to the culture of art hanging on the walls."

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We want to recognize and thank the individuals and local Maryland and Delaware merchants for their generosity in sponsoring our entertainment, providing donations for the silent auctions and basket raffles and placing ads in our program. We are thankful and appreciative to the following establishments, which are the backbone of our community. We take pleasure in acknowledging them, and we encourage your readers to support them:

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And a very special thanks to all of you who came and enjoyed the afternoon with us. We enjoyed doing all the preparation for the festival, and we hope you enjoyed yourself as much as we did. See you next March!

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Fun for all ages during Spring Festival, Sat.

Fourth annual Pocomoke event will include museum days, car and truck show

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) The Fourth annual Spring Festival in Pocomoke this Saturday has a little something for everybody.

The festival, which is hosted by the Downtown Pocomoke Association, will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is free to the public.

Karah Lacey, Pocomoke economic development coordinator, said Market Street between Front Street and Second Street would be blocked off for the occasion.

"[It's] one of the only events you can go to and bring your family for free," she said.

Although crowds will be concentrated on Market Street, Lacey said the fun is not limited to that locale.

"It's kind of like a big block party but throughout downtown," she said.

Bring the little ones out to make crafts, create sidewalk chalk art, and even grab a ride on a horse or pony. There will also be face-painting and temporary tattoos available to add to the festive spirit.

Lacey said local museums, such as the Delmarva Discovery Center and the Sturgis One Room School, will offer free admission during the festival. She said an adult must accompany children.

Children can also take part in the "Hooked on Fishing" program, which allows youngsters the opportunity to fish off the docks and try their hand at reeling in a fresh catch from the Pocomoke River. The program will take place from 1-3 p.m. Equipment and supplies are included.

Attendees of all ages can check out live music from Neal Hooks, Keily

Wolff and Pockets Full of Sand. There will also be live performances courtesy of the Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center, the Dance Loft, and Pocomoke Karate & Judo.

The Eastern Shore Cruisers Car Club will treat automotive enthusiasts to a car and truck show from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Downtown Pocomoke Farmers & Flea Market parking lot on Market Street. The cost to register a vehicle is \$10 for cruiser club members and \$15 for nonmembers. Registration will be held on Saturday morning with free dash plaques for the first 50 entries along with multiple show trophies.

Not to overlook four-legged family members, Salty Dog Grooming will host an onstage Puppy Parade at noon with awards for "Best in Show" without a costume, in addition to "Best Costume."

Despite the name, the Puppy Parade is open to canines of all ages at no cost. All participants will receive a \$10 coupon from Salty Dog Grooming. To pre-register for the parade, call Salty Dog at 410-957-6467. Day-of registration begins at 11 a.m.

Lacey said there is one other favorite event parents can experience with their children.

"One big thing we like to do is the Passport to Pocomoke game," she said.

To participate, children can pick up a passport at the Enchanted Florist. The game encourages little ones to travel to numerous businesses downtown where they acquire stamps in their passport. At each stop children get a treat and can turn in completed passports for a free movie ticket at the Mar-Va Theater on the day of their choice.

Lacey said the spring festival was partially inspired by the Pocomoke Pear Tree Festival, which faded out about 20 years ago.

"I remember going when I was a kid," she said. "We're trying to bring that tradition back, but in a new, current way."

She also noted that Mother Nature is being asked to cooperate.

"There is no rain date, so we are hoping for good weather," she said.

Although most activities are free, Lacey said there would be food and beverages available for purchase.

She encouraged festivalgoers to try out the wide variety of entertainment options.

"Just come see what Pocomoke has to offer," she said.

For more information, visit www.downtownpocomoke.com or the Pocomoke City Facebook page.



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THAT'S AMORE

Worcester Preparatory Upper School students, under the direction of Paulette DeRosa-Matrona and Music Director Christopher Buzby, performed the musical comedy, "The Addams Family," Feb. 24-25. Giving their final performance on the WPS stage are seniors Sambina Anthony and Davis Taylor, perfectly cast as "Morticia" and "Gomez."

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BLOOD DRIVE

Stephen Decatur High School seniors Jared Massey and Elijah Fordham were just two of over 90 blood donors who participated in the bi-annual Key Club blood drive on Feb. 24. Each year the school is in the running to be the top donation site on the lower Easter Shore for the Blood Bank of Delmarva. One pint of blood can save as many as three lives.



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JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The Atlantic General Hospital Junior Auxiliary Group (JAG) recently held its annual Little Black Dress event, at Restaurant Antipasti in Ocean City, which includes a purse auction to raise funds for the James G. and Nancy W. Barrett Scholarship Program. Pictured, from left, are Rebecca Taylor, outgoing president; Bridget Desaulniers, vice president; Jill Ferrante, president; Executive Committee members, Sandy Gillis, Jennifer Klepper, Patricia Ilczuk-Lavencau and Madalaine How; and scholarship recipients, Alexis Martinek, Nicole Cookingham and Allison Willey.



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GIVING BACK

ASC&D Serves was recently formed as the employee-led philanthropic arm of Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley. ASC&D Serves aims to give back to the community through agency efforts as well as individual employee initiatives. ASC&D Serves is also accepting nominations for a charity or cause to receive a monthly \$500 donation. January's recipient was the Stephen Decatur High School After Prom.



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READING DRIVE

Fifth grade students at Berlin Intermediate School created a reading fundraiser called "Read to Feed a Need." The students had sponsors who would donate money each time a reading goal was met. Over \$500 was raised and donated to Spirit Kitchen at Stevenson United Methodist Church in Berlin. Pictured are Debi Cook, Vicki Nock, Ashley Miller, Saylor Amos, Jonah Ridgely, Antonio Vasquez, Riley Wilson, Shane Parks, Hannah Campbell, Mia Lovitt, Savannah Young, Josh Blume, Sean O'Halloran, Waylan Hologood and Logan Plumley.



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D.A.R.E GRADUATES

Worcester Prep fifth graders recently participated in the D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program taught by Sgt. Matthew Crisafulli of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. For two weeks, Sgt. Crisafulli visited WPS to give a lesson a day in the classroom. The purpose of the D.A.R.E program is to teach children refusal skills to avoid the temptation of drug experimentation and the pressure of peers to engage in drug use. Fifth grade teachers Camille Jenkins and Alayne Shockley hosted a special program where the students received their D.A.R.E graduation certificates and T-shirts.

SDHS group thinks locally, act globally with mural project

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) Changing the world one mind at a time is the aim of a mural project being produced by the Foreign Language Club at Stephen Decatur High School.

French teacher Darlene McCann, who moderates the language club, said the "Art in Society" project traces back several years.

"I had a group of these kids in French, three years ago," she said.

One day after a lengthy discussion surrounding the cultural climate here and abroad, the students concluded they were "tired of people just not being nice."

"We got to this idea of acceptance and people being kinder," she said.

Solomon Efergen, one of nearly two-dozen Foreign Language Club members, said the original intent was to alter the atmosphere at their school.

"Then it went into if we can change the school why not change the world?" he said.

McCann said the club adopted the moniker, "Save the world" and began meeting to find ways to at least make a small impact locally.

"Last year, in the school building we did bulletin boards and a couple little things ... to try and spread the positive message," she said.

The idea of the mural project emerged after McCann saw television coverage of a project in Wynwood Walls in Miami, where street art has transformed an area of warehouses into a premier art district.

"They're taking graffiti and they're creating parks out of them," she said. "They have a circuit where people can go around and do this circuit of graffiti parks. It's beautiful stuff."

As the club thought about what that neighborhood had done, members developed the concept of creating a trio of murals promoting positive social themes.

"I'm trying to instill in these kids that doing nothing is the same thing as saying its ok and things are not ok," she said. "I'm trying to empower them because they're going to be graduating and its up to them, and their turn, to make things a little better."

As the club discussed the proposal with others last fall, it seemed well received, said foreign language club member Stella Cunningham.

"It's genuine and came about naturally," she said. "It came from a good place of togetherness."

The students began researching concepts and preparing preliminary sketches, while soliciting community support to finance the project.

McCann said the group completed its fund raising last Thursday, when the club filled in for the evening shift at the Decatur Diner.

"The kids worked it and (owners



GREG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The Foreign Language Club at Stephen Decatur High School is in the midst of producing a trio of large murals to promote social acceptance.

Bill and Matt Rados) were amazing," she said "They donated all proceeds."

Club member Patrick Reid said his cohorts' fundraising efforts came about quickly.

"We raised \$3,000 in a month and a half," he said.

Major support poured in from the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club, which kicked in \$1,000 for the effort, McCann said.

The students created a Go-FundMe page, worked a dinner shift at SiCuli's in Berlin, and received support from the Ocean City Art League and the Ocean City Lioness Club. In addition to numerous private donations, McCann said Home Depot donated paint supplies.

"People have been very receptive," she said. "They've been very kind."

With resources and sketches in hand, the students, primarily seniors, will work to flesh out their artistic visions before the end of this school year.

"We're going to put them on four-by-eight panels and we're going to put three panels together vertically," McCann said. "The Ocean City Art League wants us to put them on their chain link fence."

The first mural, "Symphony," has a background of the world map overlaid with a mosaic head playing a saxophone.

"Out of the saxophone horn, you have every symbol we could find that represents every culture, every religion and every person," she said.

McCann said the hope is everyone can find something they can identify with in the myriad of images emanating from the saxophone.

"In the orchestra, every instrument contributes to the symphony while retaining its own individuality," she said. "As a society, everyone should contribute to the harmony while retaining their own individuality."

The second mural, "Pay It Forward," has a tree in the center that is

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Poco Rotary recognizes character

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) Nine students from Pocomoke High School were honored by the Pocomoke Rotary Club during its 35th annual 4 Way Test Banquet last Monday.

Students were recognized for exhibiting character traits associated with the Rotary International's 4 Way Test, which poses the following questions: Is it the truth; Is it fair to all concerned; Will it build goodwill and better friendships; Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Pocomoke High School Principal Annette Wallace handed out the honors, and the evening featured guest speaker Worcester County Circuit Court Judge Brian Shockley.

The event was held at the Community Center at the Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Company. The Women's Auxiliary provided a chicken-and-dumpling dinner.

While the focus for educators is primarily academic, Wallace said the event carried particular importance because the Rotary also touched on another important concern.

"Equally as important to me as a principal is that our students leave us with a strong moral compass and a strong sense of character," she said. "To not only be academically prepared, but be prepared to be good citizens to one another and good stewards of our

school."

Through the school's partnership with the Pocomoke Rotary Club, Wallace said students who may not typically draw attention get much-deserved credit.

"It gives us the opportunity to recognize students who don't get recognized a whole lot," she said. "All of those students are involved in other things, but most of them sort of stand out by sort of not standing out. They're the kids who are always doing the right thing."

Wallace said her fellow educators nominate students who have demonstrated good judgment in line with the values imbued in the 4 Way Test.

"If you pick up the newspaper, the people who are doing the right thing, making good choices ... and telling the truth, that's not who always gets all the attention," she said.

Each year two students, male and female, from each class are honored. This year the roster included ninth graders Carrie Treat and Marvin Mason, 10th graders Cammie Mottley and Sawyer Jester, 11th graders Destinee Johnson and Khalyl Laws, and 12th graders D'Nasia Jones and Luke Speta.

Other speakers at the awards banquet included Willie Jackson, Pocomoke Rotary president, and Pocomoke Mayor Bruce Morrison, who declared it to be "4 Way Test Week."

The Raymond C. Dryden award was given to Pocomoke High School senior Brent Ennis. The Dryden honor, named after the now-deceased, long-time Rotarian, is given to an outstanding student who exhibits the traits embodied in the 4 Way Test.

During the school day, Ennis said he goes out of his way to greet his peers. He has also developed interpersonal skills from dealing with customers at his full-time job.

"I come to school and speak to everybody," he said. "If you treat somebody right, they'll treat you right."

Ennis said he is always willing to help anyone in need.

"When anybody needs a hand I'm surely willing to give it," he said.

Being honored by the rotary has given Ennis insight into how others view his interactions.

"It's always a big eye opener when you win an award like that," he said. "You realize that you're doing something right."

From her perspective, Wallace said while the award winners shared commonalities, they also represented a cross-section of interests.

"While they did all have a lot of extracurricular activities and things they were involved with, they all were very different," she said. "It was really good to get an eclectic mix of kids together that were involved in all different things."

She also noted her deep appreciation for the rotary's involvement at the high school.

"The idea of community involvement and giving back to your community through service organizations is kind of becoming lost in our society," she said. "We don't have a whole lot of people who are committed to those community organizations, so I really appreciate their continued support."

By familiarizing students with the Pocomoke Rotary Club, she hoped the youth of today would become the civic leaders of tomorrow.

"Sometimes the most challenging students get the most attention, just because you're trying to help them be better," she said. "These students are the ones who can get lost in the shuffle."

Student-created mural made to be mobile, inclusive

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being cradled by the Earth.

"Then a banner on the front of the planet that says, 'Pay it Forward,'" she said. "Around the tree you have puzzle pieces that are metaphorical for how people should work together and fit together."

The third mural, "Where Will the Children Play," was inspired by McCann's former student Ian Postley, and is a reference to the Cat Stevens song, "Where Do the Children Play."

"He's got a lot of urban graffiti in the background and then he's got kids and adults with single little flowers here and there," she said. "The idea is you need to have space for the kids because it's going (away)."

McCann said Postley, a 2015 Decatur graduate who studied at the Delaware College of Art and Design in Wilmington, is also overseeing the undertaking.

"He's also giving us some artistic advice," she said. "He just had a show at Ocean City Art League."

Club member Darrien Ross hopes the murals can give the community a fresh perspective.

"One of other goals of our project is to teach people that they shouldn't be proud to be passive and apathetic about what happens around them," she said. "They need to know that everybody is interconnected."

Once the murals are completed, in addition to being displayed at the Ocean City Art League, McCann said the works would be mobile.

"The intention ... is to have them travel in the community because we are really trying to put the message out there that people need to be kinder and more respectful towards each other," she said.

Although there's no way to calculate the mural project's impact, McCann said it's a step in the right direction.

"This is our grass roots version of starting to make the world better and we'll see where it grows from there," she said.

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Ocean City Komen Race for the Cure returns, Saturday

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2017) The sixth annual Susan G. Komen Foundation's Race for the Cure takes place Saturday, on the Ocean City Boardwalk, to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research.

"It's an opportunity to celebrate those who have survived breast cancer, honor those who are living with breast cancer and remember those we have lost to the disease," said Kim Schmulowitz, communications and marketing director of Komen Maryland.

The event supports breast cancer research by raising awareness and funds with a timed 5K, a 5K fun run or walk and a 1-mile family walk.

"Though it is called, Race for the Cure, only about 20 percent of participants run the event, while 80 percent walk," Schmulowitz said. "It is a fun and beautiful race route along Ocean City's iconic boardwalk."

Since the inaugural event in 2012, Ocean City cancer survivors, supporters and race participants have contributed more than \$1.3 million to the organization.

"Since one in eight women in the U.S. will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime, it's a disease that touches so many lives," Schmulowitz said. "Komen Maryland is working to better the lives of those facing breast cancer in the local community and funding national research into the cures for breast cancer."

The Race Village at the inlet parking lot opens at 7:30 a.m. for registration. Event sponsors will have booths set up, and coffee, doughnuts, water, granola bars, bananas and apples will be provided by Dunkin' Donuts, Seacrets and Applebee's.

In addition, Backshore Brewery, located on 10th Street and the Boardwalk, will offer participants 21 and older one complimentary beer ticket to redeem after the race inside the beer garden.

A Kids for the Cure tent will feature various outdoor activities including hula hoops and sidewalk chalk.

DJ Rupe and DJ Wax will be on hand to provide entertainment at the main and starting line stages, respectively.

Check out booths from Today's 101.9 radio station, Seacrets, Casino at Ocean Downs, Applebee's, Atlantic General Hospital, Peninsula Regional Medical Center, the OC Chamber of Commerce and Ayers Creek Adventures.

There will be a donation area in addition to a breast cancer survivor tent.

A pre-race warmup led by Cross Fit Ocean City kicks off festivities before the 5K begins at 9 a.m.

The race starts on the Boardwalk at the inlet and continues north to 15th Street, where participants will turn around and walk or run back.



About 1,900 people registered for the fifth annual Susan G. Komen Ocean City Race for the Cure last year, which included a 5K timed competitive run, 5K recreational run and walk and 1-mile fun walk. The 2017 event will take place this Saturday on the Ocean City Boardwalk.

There will be an awards ceremony for the top finishers at 10 a.m.

At 10:40 a.m., the survivor's Parade of Pink parade begins at the Survivor's Tent in the village. They will then gather for a group photo before a dance party breaks out with DJ Rupe at the main stage.

Last year, 1,867 people participated in the Ocean City race, which raised \$124,000 from registration, donations and cash sponsorships, Schmulowitz said.

"This event is so much more than a 5K," she said. "Komen is the world's largest breast cancer organization, funding more breast cancer research than any other nonprofit while providing help to those facing the disease. In the fall of 2016, Komen set a bold goal to reduce the current number of breast cancer deaths by 50 percent in the U.S. by 2026.

"Komen plans to reach this goal by funding even more research into the deadliest forms of breast cancer and by addressing health care inequities," she continued. "Access to care is especially an issue in rural populations like the Eastern Shore."

As of Monday morning, 1,157 participants and 107 teams had signed up, with a goal to generate at least \$175,000 this year.

"About half of the participants sign up in the last two weeks before the race," Schmulowitz said.

Bobby Hammond, a 2006 graduate of Stephen Decatur High School and owner of Atlantic Physical Therapy, will participate in his sixth race on Saturday. He came in first place three times and took second twice.

"A lot of people have been affected by breast cancer and the prevalence on the Eastern Shore is high," Hammond said. "Susan G. Komen urges people to go out and get check-ups and mammograms."

Dozens of therapists, staff members and patients from eight Atlantic Physical Therapy offices on the Eastern Shore have signed up to participate in the race, he said.

"Come out and support the Susan G. Komen Foundation," Hammond

said. "The organization does a lot of good for people in our community."

The Race for the Cure in Ocean City has evolved into a weekend-long event and even encompasses activities in Berlin this year.

Ropewalk on 82nd Street will have a pre-race celebration on Friday, from 5-8 p.m. with complimentary hot appetizers and happy hour drink specials.

After the race, a "Pink Party and Costume Contest" hosted by the Town of Berlin kicks off. Visitors will find pink discounts in shops in addition to food and drink specials at restaurants. Proceeds benefit Komen Maryland with pink beer from Burley Oak Brewing Company and Big Oyster Brewery. Check out live music at Fins Ale House and Raw Bar.

The costume contest will take place at 3 p.m. where participants are asked to dress in their best pink outfits. Prizes are sponsored by Beach and Beyond.

The adult winner will take home a pink Kitchenaide mixer, a pink-striped backpack and a free monogram from Victorian Charm.

The child with the best pink outfit will win a pink scooter and a Simply Southern pink backpack courtesy of Victorian Charm. A pink gorilla plush toy will be awarded to the best-dressed pet.

Seacrets on 49th Street will host a post-race celebration on Saturday, April 8, from 6-8 p.m. with complimentary appetizers, happy hour drink prices and deejay. A \$5 donation to the Susan G. Komen Foundation is suggested.

Walk-up registration for the sixth annual Ocean City Race for the Cure is Friday at the Princess Royale Hotel on 91st Street from 12-7 p.m. The cost to register in advance is \$35 for timed chip runners or \$30 for the fun run. Children ages 11 and under can participate in the family 1-mile walk for \$15.

Race day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday at the Race Village in the inlet parking lot. The cost to sign up the day of the race is \$40 for the fun run and \$20 for children to partic-

ipate. There is no registration the day of the race for the timed event.

Parking at the inlet will be limited to those with a handicap permit. Others can park for free at the Public Safety Building on 65th Street, at Northside Park on 125th Street or at the municipal lot at 100th Street and ride the Ocean City bus to the Race Village. The bus costs \$3 for an all-day pass.

Besides Ocean City, Komen Maryland will host a Race for the Cure event in Baltimore this year, which will take place on Sunday, Oct. 15, at McHenry Row. In addition, 128 races are planned in the United States and 14 international Race for the Cure events will be going on in 2017 to help eradicate breast cancer.

"Susan G. Komen's mission is to save lives by meeting the most critical needs in our communities and investing in breakthrough research to prevent and cure breast cancer," Schmulowitz said. "Seventy-five percent of the net funds we raise from all events and donations go to local breast health programs."

In 2017, Komen Maryland awarded thousands of dollars to Eastern Shore grant programs including the St. Agnes Hospital Foundation, the University of Maryland Medical System Foundation, Wicomico County Health Department, the Meritus Healthcare Foundation, the Northwest Hospital Center, Moveable Feast, Maintaining Active Citizens and Nueva Vida.

In addition, the remaining funds contributed to national research through Komen headquarters and address new early detection technologies, more effective treatments and the understanding of metastasis by treating and preventing recurrence, Schmulowitz said.

"Fundraising is an important component of the Race for the Cure," she said. "We depend on so much more than the race registration fee to meet our goals in funding local breast health programs and national research."

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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

PAINTING WITH WATERCOLOR

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. Artist Jan Coulborne will demonstrate the use of value, mediums and brush strokes that will result in a beautiful piece of art. All supplies are provided. This two-part class is held April 6 and 13. Register: at the Snow Hill library by calling 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

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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>

DAVID HARE'S 'RACING DEMON'

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 7 p.m. During this Lenten season, this presentation is intended to foster a deeper understanding of what both divides us and unites us as people of faith. Doors open at 7 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. show. Tickets cost \$25 at the door. All proceeds benefit the participating local churches and the Bethany Area Repertory Theater Scholarship Fund.

FRI, APR. 7

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES

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

OYSTER FRITTER SALE

American Legion Post 123, 10111 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, Md, 12:30 p.m. American Legion Post 123 SAL will sell oyster fritter sandwiches for \$9 each. Public welcome. boggsdisharoon.123@yahoo.com, 410-641-3760

OCEAN PINES BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. Book of the

month is "The Paris Architect" by Charles Belfoure. Books are available in advance at the library. 410-208-4014

FREE INTRODUCTORY PICKLEBALL CLINICS

Ocean Pines Community Center, gym, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Last chance for Spring Pickleball Clinics. Open to the public. Registration is required by calling or stopping by the front desk of the Community Center by the day before. While at the Community Center, register at the front desk for a free week of Ocean Pines Pickleball starting the day of the clinic. 410-641-7052

ART AND GARDENING EXTRAVAGANZA

Lower Shore Land Trust, 100 River St., Snow Hill, Md, 5 to 8 p.m. Lower Shore Land Trust will feature watercolor artist and retired biology professor Ellen Lawler. She will display her bird and wildlife paintings. Admission is free.

FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION

OC Center for the Arts, 502 94th Street, Ocean City, Md, 5 to 7 p.m. Meet the artists, enjoy hors d'oeuvres and see exhibits featuring local artists. Complimentary refreshments will be served and admission is free. 410-524-9433, <http://artleagueofocceancity.org>

FIRST FRIDAY RECEPTION

Bishop's Stock Fine Arts, Craft & Wine, 202 W. Green St., Snow Hill, MD, 5 to 8 p.m. Featuring "New Work by Lynne Lockhart and Kirk McBride," two of the region's most recognized artists. The show, of more than 40 paintings, will run through May 3. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. info@bishopsstock.com, 410-632-3555, <http://www.facebook.com/BishopsStock>

OPENING RECEPTION

Green Pearl Contemporary Fine Art, 114 Pearl St., Snow Hill, MD, 5 to 8 p.m. Green Pearl Contemporary Fine Art will present the first solo exhibition of paintings by artist Chris Harkai. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Friday 3-5 p.m. and Saturday 1-5 p.m. 614-395-6783

LET'S PAWTY! FUNDRAISER

Cork Bar, 3 Wicomico St., Ocean City, MD, 7 p.m. Featuring Chinese auction, silent auction, raffle/door prizes, food & beverages and bake sale. A donation at the door buys attendees raffle tickets for the Chinese auction. Proceeds benefit Lu's Labs Labrador Retriever Rescue. To donate items for the silent auction, contact Julie Long, 443-235-1604 or ocjulie2@yahoo.com.

MIDNIGHT FOREST PAINT NIGHT

Ocean City Volunteer Fire Co. Station 5, 10124 Keyser Point Rd., West Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Help raise funds for local firefighters, future firefighters and scholarship programs. Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Co. No experience necessary. Refreshments

available. Cost is \$45 per person which includes all supplies and instruction. Advance registration required. <https://www.paintnite.com/events/1162831>

3RD ANNUAL PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 7 p.m. Live contemporary Christian music and complimentary refreshments at "HeBrews" Cafe. A love offering for musical equipment will be accepted. 410-641-1137

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SAT, APR. 8

6TH KOMEN MD RACE FOR THE CURE

Inlet Lot and Boardwalk, S 2nd St, Ocean City, Md, 7 a.m. The event features a competitive and recreational 5K run/walk and a 1-mile family fun course to raise money for those who have been affected by breast cancer. Survivor, registration and donation tents open at 7:30 a.m. and run/walk starts at 9 a.m. Parade of Pink, survivor photo and survivor dance party begin at 10:40 a.m. Cost for adults is \$30, youths 11 and under are \$15. Timed runners add \$5. Lori Yates, info@komenmd.org, 410-938-8990, <http://komenmd.org>

INDOOR YARD SALE

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road Bishopville, MD 21813, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold an indoor yard sale. Doors open to the public 7 a.m. - 12 p.m. Tables are \$15 each or 2 for \$25. 443-235-2926

OCEAN CITY BULK PICK-UP

7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free bulk pick-up offers a way for residents to get rid of large items, such as furniture, appliances, carpet, building materials, etc. Place items curbside on Friday for pick-up on Saturday and Sunday. Ocean City Solid Waste Division, 410-524-0318

OCEAN CITY COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Northside Park Recreation Complex, 200 125th St, Ocean City, MD, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. Ocean City residents and property owners will sell their wares at the Northside Park parking lot. Vendor cost is \$15 for two parking spaces. Set-up starts at 6 a.m. Tables and chairs are not provided. Pre-registration is required. 410-250-0125, <http://oceancitymd.gov>

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

FREE HEALTH FAIR

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sleep disorder, foot care, oral care and pandemic of herion. There will be a question and answer time and refreshments. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. All are welcome. Sponsored by the Men's Ministry and Atlantic General Hospital. 410-641-0270

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

RESCUES ROCK THE RUNWAY FASHION SHOW

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City, Md, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pet Theadz will hold a pet expo and fashion show to benefit homeless pets of Worcester County. Expo includes vendors, seminars and the fashion show for all types of pets. Admission is \$5 or pet supplies for humane society. Bring your pet for shopping, free stuff and prizes. petthreadz@gmail.com, 443-955-0904

'GROW IT, EAT IT, PRESERVE IT' WORKSHOP

Worcester County Health Department, 6020 Public Landing Road, Snow Hill, MD, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. A two-part, hands-on experience that teaches youth safe preservation of food. Open to youth, ages 12 to 18 years. Sessions take place April 8 and 22. Cost is \$20 for 4-H members and \$30 for non-members. Advanced registration is required for both sessions: online at <http://tinyurl.com/worcester4Hcanning> or call the Worcester County Extension Office at 410-632-1972.

OCEAN PINES ANGLERS CLUB MEETING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9:30 a.m. Leading a discussion on boating safety will be Bob Cooke, the Public Education Officer for Coast Guard Auxiliary, Division 12 and Navigation Systems Officer for Flotilla 5. Included will be dealing with cold water in the spring and running an inlet. All welcome.

7TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY CLEAN UP

City Hall, 301 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. Check-in and registration will be held in the gazebo at City Hall on Third Street beginning at 10 a.m. A clean-up area will be assigned to participants at

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registration unless an area of preference is requested. Garbage bags, gloves and a commemorative T-shirt are provided to volunteer while supplies last. Pre-registration for teams and individuals can be done by emailing sandis@mdcoastalbays.org or by calling 410-213-2297, Ext. 106.

ART AND GARDENING EXTRAVAGANZA

Lower Shore Land Trust, 100 River St., Snow Hill, Md, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Barbara Ellis, author of Chesapeake Gardening and Landscaping, will share tips on creating a bay-friendly garden. RSVP requested. Cost is \$15 per person. info@lowershore-landtrust.org, 443-234-5587

EASTER EGG HUNT

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. Easter egg hunt and egg dyeing. Prizes will be awarded for finding the most eggs. Intended for children ages 2-8 years. 410-208-4014, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

BERLIN PINK PARTY & COSTUME CONTEST

Main Street, Berlin, Md, 1 to 5 p.m. The Town of Berlin will support Komen Maryland's Race for the Cure with decorations, discounts for race participants and those wearing pink, and costume/outfit competition. Prizes will be awarded for the best pink outfit in three categories: Adults, children and pets. 410-973-2051, http://berlinmainstreet.com

PARTY FOR THE ARTS

OC Center for the Arts, 502 94th Street, Ocean City, Md, 5 to 8 p.m. Support three arts organizations by enjoying live music and performances, tapas-style food, original art, cash bar, raffles, selfie station and art projects. Admission is \$45, \$25 for anyone under 25. 410-524-9433, http://artleagueofoceancity.org

MISS POCOMOKE PAGEANT

Pocomoke High School, 1817 Old Virginia Road, Pocomoke City, MD, 6 p.m. Benefiting local scholarships. Host by Junior Woman's Club of Pocomoke. Tickets in advance cost \$8 at Scher's Bridal and Enchanted Florist or \$10 at the door.

SUN, APR. 9

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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

21ST ANNUAL 2017 EWGA KICK OFF EVENT

Glen Riddle Golf Course, 11501 Maid at Arms Lane, Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. All women invited. Registration at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served in Ruth's Chris restaurant at 12:30 p.m. There will be an optional nine-hole scramble and a two-hour clinic for beginners. Both beginning at 2 p.m. Those signing up as a member at the event can take advantage of a \$20 discount off the annual Classic EWGA Membership fee and will be

entered into a drawing for a free membership. http://www.ewgaeasternshore.com

SOUTHERN GOSPEL CONCERT

First Baptist Church, 204 Fourth St., Pocomoke City, MD, 11 a.m. Featuring the award-winning Hyssongs. Dell, Susan and Richard Hyssong travel full-time sharing their energetic family ministry that combines vocal harmony, humor and brass instruments (trumpet and trombone). All are welcome. A free will offering will be accepted.

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

OCEAN CITY BRIDAL SHOW

Seacrets, 117 49th St., Ocean City, MD, 1 to 4 p.m. Event features wedding vendors, free appetizer and dessert samples, entertainment, dance demonstrations, bridal fashion expo and men's formal wear display. Vendors will give away services and gifts, including a Caribbean cruise. Admission is \$9 online or \$10 cash at the door. sean@rox-beach.com, 410-289-7699, http://rox-beach.com

SOUTHERN GOSPEL CONCERT

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 p.m. Featuring the award-winning Hyssongs. Dell, Susan and Richard Hyssong travel full-time sharing their family ministry that combines vocal harmony, humor and brass instruments (trumpet and trombone).

MON, APR. 10

AARP FREE TAX SERVICES

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

MEDICAL MONDAY

Ray Room, 124 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. A free educational session. This month Dr. Tracey Ruth from Healing Hands Chiropractic will talk about "How Sitting is the New Smoking." Learn the long term detriments of sitting, proper sitting technique and stretches to help combat the effects of sitting.

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, APR. 11

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.

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; Dawn, 410-641-9268

COFFEE HOUR

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 2 p.m. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month for refreshments and casual conversation on their favorite books and authors. 410-632-3495

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 2:15 p.m. The Worcester County Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting. Open to the public.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Gull Creek Senior Living, 1 Meadow St., Berlin, Md, 2:30 to 4 p.m. For individuals suffering from Parkinson's. Education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Mary Bohall, 410-641-3171, http://www.-DelmarvaParkinsonsAlliance.org

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 4 to 7 p.m. Learn how to research immigrant ancestors after 1820, family records in the "old country" and genetic genealogy. For beginning and intermediate level researchers. Take your laptop if you have one. Register: 410-632-3495

SPOKEN WORD WORKSHOP

Worcester County Arts Council Gallery, 6 Jefferson St., Berlin, Md 21811, 4 to 5 p.m. The Worcester County Arts Council will offer a Spoken Word Poetry 101 workshop. Instructor Ashley Coffee will introduce participants ages 10-15 to what spoken work poetry entails and provide tools to write and perform their own poems. Registration fee is \$20. 410-641-0809, http://worcester-countyartscouncil.org

DISCOVER YOUR WATERSHED KICK OFF

Maryland Coastal Bays Program's Back Yard, 8219 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD, 4 p.m. This event is potluck, so bring your favorite side or dessert. The main dish will be provided. RSVP: Amanda, amandap@mdcoastalbays.org, 410-213-2297, Ext. 103

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Berlin group No. 0331. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. jeanduck47@gmail.com

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Offers shared wisdom and problem solving for family members of

persons with mental illness. The group is free. Info: Carole Spurrier, 410-208-4003, carolespurrier@msn.com or Gail S. Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

BINGO

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

WED, APR. 12

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

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

FOREIGN POLICY DISCUSSION GROUP

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

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn about which websites are the best for fee and free. Take a laptop or computer. Pre-registration is required. 410-208-4014

BELLY DANCE DEMONSTRATION

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 p.m. Live Klezmer music by musicians, Frank Nanna and Carol Wolick as Rose McGregor performs American Belly Dancing. 410-208-4014

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

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

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

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

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Shuttle Driver:
Positions available Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day Monday. Part-Time or Full-Time hours available. Summer Position Only - Our Shuttles do not require CDL. However must have DOT physical with clean Driving Record. Evening Shifts 3pm-10:30pm - Must be available to work on the weekends.

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12806 Ocean Gateway
Ocean City, MD 21842 or email resume to info@fskfamily.com

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Groundsman/Laborer
Groundsman/Laborer. Busy Northern Worcester County tree service has immediate opening for a groundsman/laborer. Duties include working with climber/bucket operator, dragging and chipping brush, loading wood, job site cleanup, and driving company truck. Experience preferred. Successful candidate MUST have valid driver's license, be physically fit and able to handle heavy work, and able to pass DOT physical with drug screen. Salary commensurate with experience.
Email resume to pete@treemanllc.com or call Jeff at (443)493-3865

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Community Manager needed for condominium and homeowner associations in Sussex County. Must have community management experience including budgeting, community inspection and maintenance oversight, and association regulations and enforcement.
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Interested candidates may obtain a job description and application at Town Hall, 800 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, DE or by phone at (302) 539-3011 or on the Town Website at Fenwickisland.org.
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ONE OWNER, NAVIGATION, MOON ROOF, LEATHER, REMOTE START

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GREAT ON GAS, NEW TIMING BELT

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\$9,988 Stock# S2425

WITH EYE SIGHT

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GREAT ON GAS, LOW MILES AND FUN TO DRIVE!

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AUTOMATIC, AC, LOADED

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ONE OWNER, LEATHER, MOON ROOF, VERY CLEAN

2008 LINCOLN MKZ
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\$15,990 Stock# S2354

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\$15,990 Stock# S2431

ONLY 32K MILES

2013 NISSAN PATHFINDER PLATINUM EDITION
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2009 RAM 1500 QUAD CAB SLT 4X4
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ONLY 30K MILES

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LEATHER, LOADED, CLEAN

2014 CHEVY SILVERADO Z71 DBL CAB 4X4
\$30,400 Stock# S2504

BIG HORN PACKAGE, 18K MILES

2015 RAM 1500 CREW CAB 4X4
\$31,400 Stock# S2573

2014 TOYOTA TUNDRA CREW MAX SR5 4X4
\$33,400 Stock# S2566

ONLY 16K MILES

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