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Annexation widely panned by BPC, Berlin residents

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) A discussion on the potential annexation of a parcel of land at the corner of Route 346 and Route 50 consumed the entirety of a Berlin Planning Commission meeting last Wednesday, even that's all it was — a conversation that required no action.

During that roughly hour-long discussion, no one supported the notion of annexation, and Planning Director Dave Engelhart said the item should not have made it to the agenda.

"It looks like it's an 'action item,' like you have some issue to decide tonight," he said. "Where it should be is in our staff comments, planning commission comments and discussion. I wanted to make you aware of this, coming down the road."

Engelhart said there a legally advertised public hearing is required for the planning commission to make a recommendation to add the parcel to the growth area of the town's comprehensive plan, which is the first step in the lengthy annexation process.

A planning commission recommendation would then be forwarded to the county and the Maryland Department of Planning for review, which can take up to 60 days. After that period is up, a public hearing would be required during a mayor and council meeting, which would have to be advertised twice, Engelhart said.

That decision would be forwarded to the county state planning offices, and a public hearing would be held at the county to decide whether to amend the comprehensive plan.

"It was meant to be informational and I should not have made it an agenda item, because that infers you have an action to take," Engelhart said.

When the meeting agenda was released, Councilman Zack Tyndall took to social media to advertise an "AN-NEXATION ALERT." He said he would be there to state his opposition to annexation and urged others to join him. It worked, and many people came to what are usually sparsely attended meetings.

Engelhart said the parcel, owned by See BERLIN Page 6



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The Ocean Pines Board voted 5-2 to go into closed session on Monday night, but not without some notable objections. Pictured, from left, are resident Joe Reynolds, Director Doug Parks and Board Vice President Dave Stevens. Stevens noted the association sought the opinion of an attorney on the matter, which was news to some directors.

This time, closed session approved

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) The same members of the board of directors who voted not to go into a closed session in April, when director and interim General Manager Brett Hill was the topic of discussion, did the opposite Monday night by voting for a private meeting to discuss another director's conversations with association employees.

A press release sent the following morning did little to clear up the reason for the meeting.

The stated purpose, according to the agenda, was "board discussion related to management concerns and board member interaction with staff." It also cited the Maryland Homeowner's Association Act on matters pertaining to employees and personnel.

Board President Tom Herrick said the meeting would address "conversation with various employees and what they have said to other directors. "We want to discuss and explain to the entire board of directors what those conversations involved," he said.

Two directors, Slobodan Trendic and Cheryl Jacobs, rejected that premise and voted against going into closed session.

"If this motion is about interaction between a board member and staff ... I really don't see this being a reason for a closed session. I don't believe we're in compliance with the Maryland Homeowner's Association Act," Trendic said.

Trendic said he had an email from Hill, written last fall, in which Hill encouraged board members to interact with staff.

He also cited a board meeting on April 29, when Hill rejected a similar justification and the board voted 4-2 not to go into closed session. Hill, Herrick, Vice President Dave Stevens and Director Pat Supik voted against going into closed session at the time. Director Doug Parks was not present. "If there's an issue that's discussing me as the interim general manager, then let's discuss it right here," Hill said at the time. "There's no need to go to closed [session]."

This time, Trendic indicated several times that he was the subject of the meeting.

"If I'm the board member that discussion is going to focus on, then I certainly insist that it be done in the open session, just like what Mr. Hill insisted on a couple of months ago," Trendic said.

He added specific staff members did not need to be named.

"Why don't we just discuss Staff A, Staff B?" Trendic said. "Certainly, if I'm the board member, I'm totally in favor of full disclosure."

"Who the person is could be of significance," Board Vice President Dave Stevens said.

Herrick said the discussion was related to staff compensation, and the See PRESS Page 5



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Another OP Board candidate withdraws; now four remain

(June 22, 2017) Four candidates

remain in the hunt for two seats on the Ocean Pines Association Board of

Election Committee Chairman Steve Tuttle confirmed on Tuesday that a fifth candidate, Brenda Lynn Wascak, had dropped out.

Two others, Arie Klapholz and Paula Robertson Gray, resigned from the race earlier this month.

The remaining candidates participated in the first official forum Wednesday, after press time. The committee has the option to host a second forum, July 22 at 10 a.m., if

Tuttle added there were several recent errors related to Ocean Pines elections coverage. He said one involved the committee's misreading of architectural standards and compliance, permit and inspections guidelines, which caused candidates to be given incorrect information during the candidate draw on June 9.

That was reported on in this paper

Tuttle said the correct information is, candidates do not need to have their campaign signs approved by the Elections Committee, the candidates

do not need to submit a list of where their campaign signs are posted, and the candidates are allowed to distribute campaign literature at events and activities within Ocean Pines.

Another article, listing Nicole Schafer Crosariol as the winner of the candidate draw in a release sent by Ocean Pines, was also incorrect. Colette Horn won the draw.

The membership of the committee was reconstituted after the last election, when the previous group resigned, citing frustrating with the process. The current elections committee is responsible for sweeping changes to elections laws in Ocean Pines, including allowing the votecounting process to be done in an open forum.

Correction

An article in the June 15 issue of the Gazette incorrectly stated candidates for the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors would participate in a forum on July 21 at 7 p.m in the Assateague Room. The correct date was June 21. We apologize for the error.

Carey Road detour to begin June 23; to reopen June 30

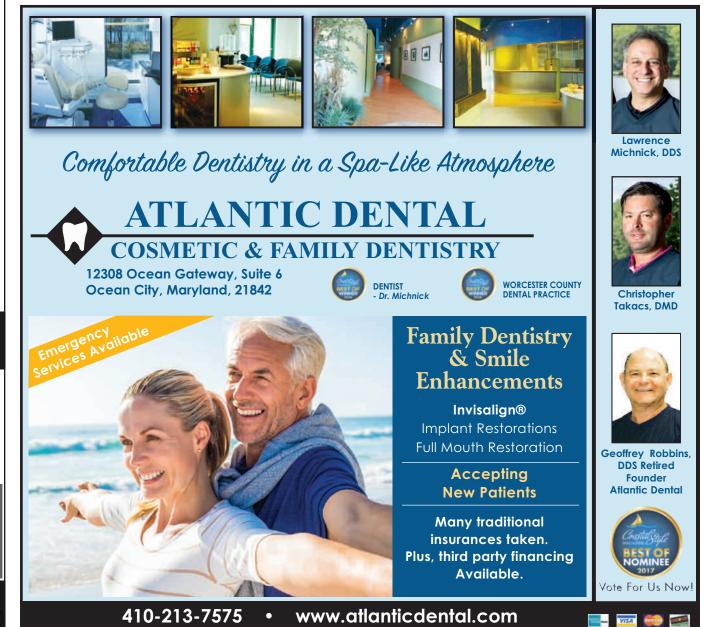
(June 22, 2017) The Public Works Roads Division will be closing Carey Road at its intersection with the Maryland and Delaware Railroad in Berlin beginning June 23, while the train track is being reconstructed.

Detours will be in place throughout the course of the project and are as follows:

• Carey Road to U.S. Rt. 50 is approximately 1.9 miles and three minutes, U.S. Rt. 113 to MD Rt. 346 is 1.8 miles and two minutes, and U.S. Rt. 50 to St. Martins Road is 0.9 mile and two minutes, and MD Rt. 346 to Carey Rd. is 0.15 mile and 30 seconds.

•Carey Road to MD Rt. 346 is 0.15 mile and 30 seconds, St. Martins Road to U.S. Rt. 50 is 0.9 mile and two minutes, MD Rt. 346 to U.S. Rt. 113 is 1.8 miles and two minutes, and U.S. Rt. 50 to Carey Road is 3.4 miles and four minutes.

The railroad project is expected to be complete and Carey Road once again open to the public by June 30. For more information regarding this road closure, contact Roads Superintendent Frank J. Adkins at fadkins@co.worcester.md.us.





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Purnell takes seat, replacing Pruitt on Snow Hill Council

Jenny Hall, Central District, also sworn in for two years

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) A changing of the guards occurred last week in Snow Hill with LaToya Purnell replacing Michael Pruitt as the Western District Town Council representative.

Purnell, along with Central District representative Jenny Hall, were sworn into office for two-year terms during the council meeting last Tuesday.

Appearing at his last council meeting in an official role, Pruitt accepted an accommodation for his service from Mayor Charlie Dorman and also referenced his time as a local educator.

"I can put it right next to the one that says 'Michael Pruitt, vice principal," he said.

Leading the opening prayer at the council meeting was Pastor Lyonell Purnell, Sr., from God's Leading Church Transformation Ministry in Berlin, who in addition to being La-Toya Purnell's father also has a longstanding connection to Pruitt.

"[Purnell, Sr.] was one of my first kids at Berlin Middle School," Pruitt said. "One of my first favorite kids."

After her official swearing in, La-Toya Purnell, acknowledging the room packed with supporters, said she is prepared to fill Pruitt's vacated seat.

She also heaped praise on Trish Goodsell, assistant to the town manager, for her assistance during the election process.

Purnell defeated fellow candidate Sylvester Dale by a final vote tally of 45-38 during the May 2 election. Dorman announced the ending numbers before swearing in Purnell.

The hard-fought, but amicable contest, saw both Purnell and Dale working diligently on community outreach by knocking on every door in thier district seeking support.

Dorman, who congratulated and shook hands with both Purnell and Hall, noted that the central district representative ran unopposed.



Newly-elected Snow Hill councilwoman LaToya Purnell shakes hands with Mayor Charlie Dorman, while returning councilwoman Jenny Hall looks on, after the pair were sworn into office during the council meeting last Tuesday.

Goat Island provides wet, sunny fun

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) Sunny skies and calm waters provided an idyllic experience for nearly 100 paddle board enthusiasts during the second annual "Return to Goat Island" Paddle Sports Festival and Race in Snow Hill on Saturday.

The all-level SUP (stand up paddleboard) race included a 17-mile elite competition, both solo and team, along with a three-mile recreational race. There was even a kid's race consisting of a single lap around the roughly two-acre Goat Island, which is in the Pocomoke River off the shores of Byrd Park.

The joint venture between the Town of Snow Hill and Walk on Water in Ocean City also featured foodstuffs and beverages, along with musical entertainment from the Lauren Glick Band.

Walk on Water co-owner Ron Gossard said the day of water-based activities helped expose the riverfront in Snow Hill to the nearly 200 people in attendance.

"This is pretty special for a lot of people compared to where they paddle at home," he said.

Thankful that Mother Nature delivered picture-perfect weather for a day of festivities along the water was Snow Hill Economic Development Director Michael Day.

"It's just a fabulous day here in Snow Hill," he said. "We're really tickled with everything."

Since partnering with Sandy Deeley, Walk on Water coowner, to launch Return to Goat Island last year, Day said organizers opted to condense the activities into one day for the second go-round.

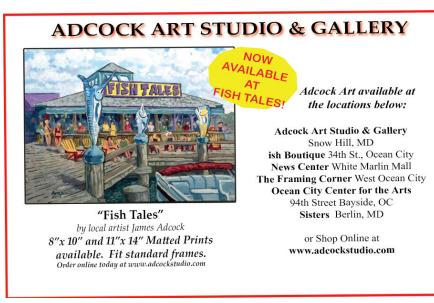
"The long distance race is also today, whereas last year it was on Sunday and we didn't have anything going on after the race," he said.

After emailing last year's participants for input, Gossard said minor tweaks, along with the tighter schedule, See RETURN Page 8



GREG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Takoda, a 1-year-old Boston terrier, monitors the front of the paddle board as Kris Ohler propels the pair forward and Jessica Ritchey prepares to pass on their right during the second annual Return to Goat Island event in Snow Hill last Saturday.



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Press release does little to clear up meeting uncertainty

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closed session was meant to "protect the privacy of those individuals and what they said in those discussions.' He said legal matters were involved and cited attorney-client privilege.

Stevens added that board members had sought the opinion of an attorney on the undisclosed situation, which was apparently news to some directors

"If you did, then you certainly didn't disclose it to the board," Trendic said. "Why did you not disclose it?"

"I don't think it's necessary," Stevens said, drawing laughter from the roughly dozen residents in attendance. "We are moving along and you're getting that information now. If you got it earlier, it wouldn't make any difference."

"Mr. Stevens, I believe the association deserves a little more transparency," Trendic said. "Certain things should've been taken care of two months ago [and] we probably would not be in the situation we are in today ... we would have avoided a lot of controversies, a lot of things that were said in the paper about camera surveillance and everything else. We need to stop this secrecy stuff if there is no legitimate legal reason for it.

"There is nothing wrong with discussing ... board of director interaction with staff, as long as we don't disclose the name of the staff," Trendic continued. "You said the same thing two months ago - how can you agree to a closed session when you don't know the specifics? How can I agree to closed session when I don't know the specifics?"

Herrick read from a 2012 decision made by former Ocean Pines Attorney Joe Moore, when Moore apparently ruled a closed session was necessary in a similar situation. He also cited Robert's Rules of Order, on disciplinary procedures, which also advocated a closed meeting.

"Are you saying there's going to be disciplinary action?" Jacobs asked.

We do not know that – we need to have a discussion," Herrick said.

Jacobs asked if Herrick had attempted to resolve the situation outside of a meeting, based on the section of Robert's Rules he read.

"This setting is a private setting of the entire board ..." Herrick said.

"That wasn't my question," Jacobs said. "My question is, based on what you just read, did you make any attempt to resolve this problem by some other means before taking it into closed session?"

On multiple occasions," Herrick said.

"And you have that documented?" Jacobs asked.

"Yes," Herrick said.

"In writing?" Jacobs asked.

"In exchange," Herrick said. "Many exchanges.

Director Doug Parks said he understood, conceptually, the desire to keep things in a public forum. In this instance, however, he was not comfortable with that because specific staff members would likely have to be named.

'Quite frankly, I think we'll have to at some point in order to get to the crux of the matter. That is a very important aspect of it," Parks said. "I'd hate to see someone's employment potentially be affected by accusations."

Hill, Herrick, Stevens, Supik and Parks voted to go into closed session.

On Tuesday, the association released the following statement, titled "Board of Directors Works Collectively to Bring Immediate Support to Key Areas.'

'The Board of Directors met in closed session on Monday, June 19 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building in Ocean Pines, to discuss issues in operations from management and personnel.

"Individual directors shared their observations in three key areas: Accounting, HR, and Food and Beverage. The Board worked collectively to bring immediate support in all three of these areas. While the Board supports transparency whenever possible, they appreciate the patience of the membership as they address issues and are allowed open dialogue in closed session to collaborate as a team for the betterment of the community when dealing with personnel issues.



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Berlin Planning Commission seeks meeting with county

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Ernie Gerardi under M&G Properties, wrapped around the Delmarva Power and Light substation on Old Ocean City Boulevard. It is in the county's growth area, but not the town's.

He said Gerardi sent a letter to the town, proposing adding it to the growth area "with an eye towards annexation." It would be contiguous by the Route 50 roadbed, which was previously annexed into the town, Engelhart said. He forwarded the letter to state and county planning offices.

"Mr. Gerardi sees it as a gateway into town," Engelhart said. "He'd like to see a small welcome center there ... but he also has certain commercial uses in mind." That includes a hotel or motel, and possibly a convenience store, Engelhart said.

Commission member Pete Cosby warned that, if the town did not regulate and monitor the county growth area, the county likely would do it for them.

"That's correct," Engelhart said.

"One of the factors that we're all considering ... and the public should be thinking about is, if you're not inclined to want to annex and grow the town, the county is going to do it for us. And then we're not going to have control over what is being done," Cosby said. "There are nuances here that we have to consider."

Another commission member, Newt Chandler, agreed.

"The county already has it in the growth area, so something is going to go into it," he said.

Cosby said Berlin would have to get aggressive about preserving its greenbelts if it did not want to "turn into another Reisterstown ... [or] Salisbury."

"There's not a whole lot we can do to stop it," he said.

Public comments were exclusively against the development.

Jim Meckley said he lived in a small town in upstate New York that annexed several areas under the assumption it would lower taxes.

"I sold my house there two years ago to move to Berlin because Vestal was no longer small town U.S.A.," he said. "It had gotten so big and so large and so out of hand, when I sold my house in Vestal alone there were 216 properties for sale. My taxes had more than doubled in 20 years. My water bills tripled."

Meckley said he loves the downtown area in Berlin, but is concerned with overgrowth.

"This is small town U.S.A. If you want the big expanse, you go to Ocean City," he said. "People come from Ocean City and Rehoboth and so forth to Berlin because of what it has ... and I would hate to see you lose that."

Mitchell David said the town already had "tons of infill lots" and the council was simply pushing costs down the line by adding new developments.

"That's what really frightens me," he said. "It's expansion, expansion, expansion."

Former Councilwoman Lisa Hall said the town built a new wastewater treatment plant under her watch that was designed to last for 50 years.

"The way we're going now, with all the annexation, the apartments, etc., we're going to run out of EDUs and we are going to have to increase the capacity of the wastewater plant. And that's on our dime," she said.

Tyndall said when he was campaigning, last year, he went door to door and overwhelming heard "an echo of what we're hearing this evening."

"People are tired of annexation or rapid growth cycle[s]," he said. "People want to take a breather – maybe not put a hold on growth completely, but at least take a deep breath and kind of enjoy what we have."

He said Berlin was already close to having to expand its wastewater capability and the last town audit showed "\$18 million in debt, just in the wastewater fund."

"That's a lot of debt," he said. "We have some questions that need to be answered before we start looking at things like this."

Cosby said he wanted the town to remain as it was.

"That doesn't mean we're dinosaurs – it means this town has something special going for it, and we're going to kill the goose that lays the golden egg if we lose these green areas and lose our identity. And, I fear the county approving projects and killing our identity for us," he said.

Engelhart compared the latest annexation proposal to the most recent one approved, for an Arby's and Royal Farms store on Route 50, across from Stephen Decatur High School.

When several commission members worried the matter was essentially out of their hands anyway, he reminded them the first step in the entire process, adding something to the growth area, belonged to the planning commission.

"The way the statute is written, the planning commission is responsible for any amendments, changes, map changes, to the comprehensive plan that's adopted," he said. "The first step is your responsibility – not the mayor and council's."

Commission member Ron Cascio did not agree.

"We are only an advisory body, and the mayor and the council can do just what they please," he said.

Cascio asked Engelhart to set up a meeting with the Worcester County Planning Commission and county staff.

"We've never had a discussion, we've never had a meeting with our colleagues at the planning commission at the county, and here it shows where we really need to communicate a lot better," he said. "They need to know what we feel."

One other agenda item, review and discussion of commercial architectural design standards and guidelines, was tabled until the next meeting.

Berlin councilman rallies against annexation

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) When the Berlin Planning Commission last Wednesday launched into an informal discussion of whether to annex a parcel of land on the corner of Route 346 and Route 50, members already knew that opposition to that move had begun to organize.

Before the session convened, Berlin Town Councilman Zack Tyndall posted a call to action on Facebook, asking residents to attend the meeting.

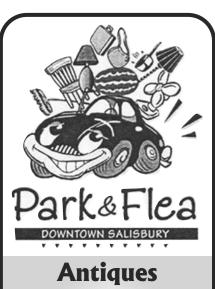
Tyndall said he opposed the annexation and would work against it.

"This is a pivotal point in Berlin's history," Tyndall wrote. "If we continue to annex property into town limits, we are all at risk of paying higher taxes and losing something that is irreplaceable; Berlin's charm."

He asked residents who could not attend to send him an email with "a short message stating why you are against annexation." He said he would read the emails into the record during the meeting.

The post was shared more than 20 times, received dozens of comments, and was largely responsible for the larger-than-usual turnout during the meeting. Several in attendance said they came because of the post.

Ultimately, no decision was made on the parcel and the members of the Berlin Planning Commission asked to



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On Monday, Tyndall outlined his position after being asked whether he thought a member of the council should involve himself in the deliberations of another town agency.

"As a council member, I try to remain aware of the work being done by our various boards and commissions. When I noticed that the Planning Commission was scheduled to discuss the proposed annexation of a parcel of property located on the corner of Route 346 and Route 50, I wanted to make sure that people were aware.

"Annexation is a very sensitive issue for a lot of people in Berlin. Throughout my campaign and time in office, I have had the opportunity to interact with many of our residents. Overwhelmingly, many of them explained to me that they are against the continued expansion of our town's borders. Some critiques state that this means that I am against growth. However, I am very much for growth but in the right areas.

"In my Facebook post, I mentioned a few points of consideration for our residents. The first thing I mentioned was that any property we decide to annex will not become a Town of Berlin Electric customer. This means the town could end up with a group of citizens who have a voice in how our electric plant is operated without any financial "skin in the game.

"The next thing I would like residents to consider is our wastewater treatment plant. Our plant is approaching a threshold where we will be mandated to begin planning for an upgrade. Both points of consideration come at a financial cost to our residents and I want everyone to seriously consider them. By putting the pause button on annexation, we can use our remaining wastewater capacity to grow within the towns current borders. This will help reduce costs and expand our electric customer base while creating sustainable revenue for the town.

"Lastly, I would like to thank everyone that took the time to respond to my Facebook post and express their concerns regarding annexation. I would also like to thank everyone that took the time to email me regarding annexation. Since the Planning Commission voted to remove agenda item number five from the agenda and since the planning director mentioned there would be a public hearing on this proposal, I decided to wait and read those posts and emails into the record during the public hearing."



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Pocomoke approves \$4.5M fiscal year 2018 budget

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) Without further discussion or public comment, the Pocomoke City Council approved the fiscal year 2018 budget on second reading during its meeting on Monday.

The balanced budget includes general fund revenues of \$4.8 million, with general fund expenses of \$4.5 million.

The general fund reflects a positive balance of \$257,245, with an additional surplus of \$11,544 in the ambulance account.

Those figures are offset with negative balances of \$192,303 for water and sewer, along with a six-month estimated loss of \$76,486 at Winter Quarters Golf Course.

The mayor and council held a budget first reading at its meeting on June 5, which followed a special budget work session on May 12.

During the May 12 meeting, based on a suggestion from Councilman Dale Trotter, it was decided to budget the Winter Quarters Golf Course for only the first half of fiscal year 2018 to ascertain if renewed marketing efforts are positively impacting the dour financial picture. The course is budgeted to lose approximately \$180,00 during the current fiscal year.

During the June 5 meeting, soonto-be former City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot noted that after six months the council would have to amend the budget if they wanted to keep the golf course operational.

Another proposal from the May 12 budget work session would increase the charge for bi-weekly trash service from \$10 to \$15, which should net the town an additional \$80,000.

Return to Goat Island event picks up steam in second yr.

'This is pretty special for a lot

of people compared to where

they paddle at home.'

Walk on Water co-owner

Ron Gossard

■ GOAT ISLAND continued were hit upon.

"This way hopefully a lot more people camp ... enjoy the festivities and get it all in one day," he said.

While numerous paddle board loving parents brought along children with a burgeoning interest in watersports, Kris Ohler, from Mechannicsville, co-piloted the recreational race with Takoda, her 1-year-old Boston terrier.

"This was his first race and he started shaking," she said. "He's not a water breed, but he had a good time."

In fact, Ohler said Takoda stayed on board for the bulk of the threemile cruise until some children shore side grabbed his attention.

"As soon as he heard the kids, he's friendly and he wants to go play," she said. "So he's pulling and he's splashing in the water because he's trying to get to the dock to play."

Participating in the kid's race were two newcomers to the sport, sisters Emerson, 8, and Riley Clarke, 6, of Severna Park.

"It was fun and a little bit scary," Emerson Clarke said.

Her sister, by contrast, despite also being a newcomer sounded less intimidated.

"I was happy and I was not scared," Riley Clarke said.

Another first-time racer, Zoey Vea, 6, of Annapolis, was grateful the children used 18-foot inflatable paddle boards, which were provided by Walk on Water. "I can't balance very good on a regular paddle board," she said.

Contemplating next year's gathering, Gossard said overlapping the long distance race with other festivities is likely the blueprint moving forward.

"The 17-miler obviously takes a long time, so there has to be some activities to fill the rest of the day," he said. "We try to divide it up so that everything's going on at the same time."

Assessing the assembled crowd, Gossard said Return to Goat Island

offers activities to interest all ages.

"A lot of adults are getting kids into racing," he said. "If they're diehard into racing and doing a 17-miler their kids do the three-miler,

so it's kid friendly."

After a second successful paddling event on the Pocomoke River, Gossard sees a new family tradition unfolding.

"A lot of these guys ... have campers so they come down, they bring their kids, and the whole family comes down," he said. "There are not many places that have a great spot like Byrd Park and camping right down the street."

Winning the 17-mile solo race was Charlie Johnson at 2:52:30 on a surf ski. The 17-mile team event top finishers were Elizabeth and Bruce Poacher at 2:45:27 on a surf ski double. Two-person team Chris Sperry and Jeff Cook wrapped up next at 3:15:52. Wayne Best won the threemile recreational race at 30:58 on a 14-foot SUP.

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New planning, housing and zoning chief in Pocomoke

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) Daniel Brandewie, who came on board as Pocomoke's director of Planning, Housing and Zon-

ing last week, is quickly feeling right at home. "I'm very comfort-

able working in a small town," he said. After spending the

Daniel Brandewie noticed similarities after beginning his

role in Pocomoke. "I think they're very similar in terms of some of their housing issues [and] in terms of housing conditions," he said.

Familiarity with small towns isn't a stretch for Brandewie who was raised in Fort Loramie, Ohio, which had a population of roughly 1,400 according to the 2010 U.S. Census.

Prior to his time in Cambridge, Brandewie spent more than two decades as Planning Director in Troy, Ohio, after earning a bachelors degree in urban panning from the University of Cincinnati.

Despite his wealth of professional experience, Brandewie intends to focus initially on listening and learning.

"I want to hear a lot of what the goals, issues and concerns are of our community leaders and our citizens," he said.

From his early inquiries, Brandewie has put his finger on one topic of vital importance in Pocomoke.

"Housing is what I hear is an issue of concern in terms of trying to improve our housing stock, housing options and affordability," he said.

Regardless of these challenges, Brandewie has already identified advantages in Pocomoke that are reminiscent of Cambridge.

"They both have waterfront property

and that's certainly an advantage that many communities don't have," he said. "They both have main highway corridors running through their towns."

Both towns contain extensive historic structures that provide architectural charm, Brandewie said.

"Historical preservation is a very important component," he said.

Brandewie, who has previous experience sourcing federal and state grant funding specifically for historical preservation efforts, is planning on delving into the topic to support similar efforts in Pocomoke.

"I want to focus on grants and grant research," he said.

Regardless of his ability to locate grant money, Brandewie said execution is often the greater challenge.

"Writing a grant application is the easy part," he said. "Implementing it is another story."

In some instances, qualifying for grant funds can be problematic, Brandewie said.

"A lot of times we're limited in small towns because of the matching grant requirements," he said. "That can be somewhat of a limitation."

Brandewie is currently digging in and discovering what funding may be in progress for Pocomoke.

"We have some ongoing grants that we need to get back on top of and see fully through," he said. "I think I'll be working in that area."

Another top priority for Brandewie involves laying down organic roots through planting seedlings.

"I'm a big fan of encouraging trees in our cities," he said. "It makes a huge difference in property values and the quality of life."

He also noted that improvements typically emanate from a central location.

"I'm a big believer in a healthy downtown," he said. "I think that's where it all starts."



Bayside Gazette

Stay safe: Berlin Police promoting crosswalk usage

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) Traffic accidents in downtown Berlin are rare and the police department is hoping to extend its sterling record with a new public awareness campaign for pedestrians.

Police Chief Arnold Downing said about two people each year trip and fall in town crosswalks, resulting in serious injuries.

"The town is unique in itself, but I think they're having concerns with more pedestrian traffic everywhere across the state," Downing said. "There's a lack of knowledge, not only by the drivers themselves, but also by the pedestrians."

Downing said many of the downtown streets do not meet Maryland State Highway regulations.

"That's because these were actually horse paths - it was never intended for cars," he said. "We don't have a little shoulder on each side [and] the streets themselves are a little bit smaller than regulation roads. Less space means less time to see [pedestrians].

He said it's the law to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks.

We want to push people toward the depressed crosswalks, which are a little bit safer than crossing at the higher sidewalks," Downing said. "Also, it's against the law to move diagonally across the street."

He said pedestrians should always look for posted crosswalks when trying to cross the street. If one is not available, go to the intersection itself.

"Drivers who are more attentive are looking for you in those positions," Downing said.

When walking with small children, hold their hands and keep them close at your side. Children can be difficult to see, especially in places like Berlin where parked cars line the streets.

"Little people can get lost behind the bigger vehicles and that's a concern," he said. "If they're in the crosswalk, drivers are looking for people in these locations.

Increased cellphone use has also created issues, Downing said.

"People lose a little bit of themselves while they're doing that, so we want a little bit of care," he said. "You'll actually see people looking at the Town of Berlin website while they're trying to find something [while crossing the street]."

Most town events throughout the summer include partial road closures downtown. That can mean less available space on the sidewalks. Sandwich board signs also take up walking space.

"If you're going to step out into the road because you can't use the sidewalk you have to be very careful, because [motorists] are not expecting that," Downing said.

He said the awareness campaign would essentially consist of police talking to people one-on-one.

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Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing crosses the street using one of many marked crosswalks downtown. Police are launching an awareness campaign for drivers and pedestrians, emphasizing safe crossing of streets.

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Snapshots



KENNEDY-KING DINNER

Local Democrats celebrate their annual Kennedy-King Dinner April 29 at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin with a "History Alive" performance by Mary Ann Jung, a Smithsonian scholar who portrays historic characters while in authentic costume. Pictured, from left, are Betsy Williams, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, Worcester County Democratic Central Committee President Josh Nordstrom, Mary and Bill Ochse, Jung, Worcester County Democratic Central Committee Treasurer Lanny Hickman, Maryland Sen. Jim Mathias, and Salisbury Town Council member Jim Ireton.



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CENTURY MARK

Brandywine Living at Fenwick hosted at party for resident Elsa Clarke, who turned 100 on June 2. State Representative Ronald E. Gray presents her with a special tribute from the Delaware House of Representatives.



AWARDS LUNCHEON

The Auxiliary of Atlantic General Hospital and Health System recently held its annual awards luncheon and presented president and CEO, Michael Franklin, FACHE, with a check in the amount of \$50,000 toward their \$300,000 pledge to the hospital's Campaign for the Future. Pictured, from left, are Margie DiNenna, Auxiliary corresponding secretary; Franklin; Kathleen Loetz, AGH Auxiliary president; Barbara Lischak, treasurer and Barbara Loffler, recording secretary. Janet Mengel, Auxiliary vice president and luncheon chair, is not pictured.



SWING INTO SPRING

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City on April 21 hosted "Swing Into Spring" Wine Tasting & Silent Auction in the Ocean Pines Community Center Assateague Room. Pictured are wine pourers, from left, Ron Graybill, J. Graham and Carol Caldwell.



PLATFORM TENNIS

Ocean Pines platform tennis players, from left, Tom Hershey, Dawn Gallick, Linda Horst and Dave Tanner, enjoy exercise, sun and fun on the courts recently.



TOP RESOURCE PARENT

The Worcester County Commissioners present a commendation on May 2 to Christine Queen for being named the 2017 Worcester County Resource Parent of the Year by Social Services for her willingness to serve foster children living in crisis in the community. The Commissioners commend Queen for her willingness to open her heart and home to foster children.

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Snow Hill revitalization grants being pursued

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) Supporting commercial and residential revitalization is the goal behind state grant funding being pursued by Snow Hill.

The council approved two grant applications with the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) at its meeting last Tuesday.

The first is though the DHCD's Community Legacy Commercial Building and Improvement Program. Town Manager Kelly Pruitt provided background on the efforts.

'The Town of Snow Hill recognizes the very significant need for reinvestment and revitalization of communities," she said.

If approved for inclusion in the program, Snow Hill could receive up to \$125,000 to support enhancing the commercial business community.

"The Mayor and Town Council shall offer financial assistance to commercial property owners for building improvements with the grant funding through this program," she said.

In total, DHCD will distribute approximately \$6 million for the Community Legacy Program statewide during fiscal year 2018.

The council also approved an application for financing through DHCD's Strategic Demolition Fund Program to assist with residential revitalization projects.

'The Mayor and Town Council shall purchase vacant and blighted properties to demolish structures and sell, or donate to the nonprofit organization such as Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County, with the grant fund-

ing through this program," Pruitt said. The town is asking for \$250,000 in grant funding. Overall, the Strategic Demolition Program will distribute approximately \$3.5 million statewide.

The program mandates an 80/20 matching fund requirement with local municipalities. The 20 percent match can be generated through federal or local governments, as well as other public or private sources, in addition to in-kind contributions, such as real property or labor.

'Pedestrian traffic is a concern Berlin'

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"Sometimes if you just go ahead and say it out loud, a lot of the people will respond," Downing said. "Pedestrian traffic is a concern in the town of Berlin. The town has over 50-plus vehicles and if we can go ahead and start with those and get it in their mindset to drive a little bit more defensively and let them know downtown Berlin has a lot of pedestrian traffic we have to be careful of, then that's a good start."

Use sidewalks and posted crosswalks whenever possible. If there is not a crosswalk, cross at the intersection in

an area where cars can clearly see you. Keep children close, and always look both ways before crossing a street.

If you're behind the wheel, stay alert and slow down when approaching crosswalks.

Downing said the town has had no serious accidents in some time and accidents are down overall in the state during the last decade. But, incidents statewide and in nearby Ocean City were up last year, he said.

"The law says you are supposed to stop for anyone in the crosswalk," Downing said. "We think it should be viewed as a four-way stop, where

everybody looks at each other and acknowledges you're there. If you're looking at the driver and they don't recognize you and you don't recognize them, be careful going across the street. And if you don't have time to get across the street all the way without the vehicle stopping, don't start."

He said the town intends to keep its record clean.

"Oh definitely," he said. "Zero is the whole state target. That's a very ambitious goal, but if you don't approach it that way you're going to have a lot of trouble.

He added the intersection of Route

50 near Stephen Decatur High School and the new Royal Farms and Arby's stores was another area of concern. Downing said the school and State Highway officials supported a safety crosswalk there. Funding, however, is an issue and discussions were ongoing, he said.

"The highway is where we've always had our serious accidents – we've had three fatalities," he said. "Whenever a certain intersection or certain area has more prevalent accidents, we come back and study it, share our data with State Highway, and decide if we need to change something."



Berlin moving forward with fire company study

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) The Town of Berlin is proceeding with plans to commission a study of the Berlin Fire Company's operations and how they relate to its financial needs, according to Town Administrator Laura Allen.

In the fiscal year 2018 budget, passed unanimously by the Town Council last week, the fire company received \$250,000 in unrestricted funds, plus \$150,000 contingent on the study.

Part of the \$150,000 will pay for the study, which is estimated to cost much less than that amount. After the study is finished, Berlin Fire Company will receive the balance of the money.

Allen said the report would consist of "every component of [the fire company's] operation," including staffing, equipment, facilities and training. "It's what does the community need, or what does [the fire company] need to best serve the community given the types of structures we have, the types of calls they're getting, and changes that they see as our population ages and more young families come in," Allen said.

"I'm not an expert in fire services, so we're looking for somebody who is and there are consulting firms who have done this kind of work."

The proposed Station Three, a building the fire company has reportedly collected \$1.2 million to build, would be a part of that analysis, Allen said.

"Do they need that station, who should be paying for that station, should that station be funded – all of that [would be in the study]," she said.

Allen said she believed a fire company meeting with the mayor and council last Monday went well.

"The council, I thought, did a good job of flushing out the issues and articulating them to the fire company. They're concerned, and I think it was helpful for that to have happened in a public forum," she said. "The fire company, I thought, did a very detailed job of explaining their budget and they came prepared to answer questions. I thought that was a good sign as well."

As for the study, Allen said the town has boilerplate requests for proposals documents it uses for professional services. She will write a scope of services to go with that.

"I already have a draft scope, but I don't want to put it out until we've had a conversation with the fire company about what they would like to include, if anything," Allen said. "What I heard from the mayor and council is they want to work collaboratively with the fire company. I've reached out to [Fire Company President] David Fitzgerald to see if there's a particular consultant that he wanted to include in the solicitation and any questions or topics that he wants. I'm giving him a couple of weeks to do that."

She said the town would advertise in local papers and through Demandstar, a service that about 400 government agencies use to solicit bids.

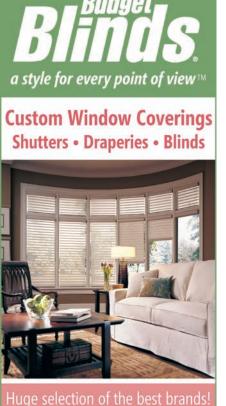
"We also might know a couple of companies that do this kind of work, so we usually direct mail or email the proposal to them as part of the process," Allen said. "There's no firm deadline yet. I think the best way to characterize it is, we're reaching out to the fire company to see what they'd like to include, and then we'll take it from there."

Fitzgerald did not respond to requests for additional comment.

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Eleven-year-old Joshua Ence, left, of Dundalk, battles with siblings, Logan, 11, and Elana Hickman, 8, of Horntown, Virginia, during the Dunkin' Donuts-eating competition at the annual Cypress Festival in Pocomoke last Saturday.

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JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE The Town of Berlin recently installed new play equipment behind the multipurpose building on Flower Street. Some older equipment, used by children in the Head Start program, had to be moved because of the installation of a large stormwater pond, nearby.

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Berlin helps out Head Start with play equipment

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) Children who attend Head Start programs on Flower Street in Berlin recently got a surprise in the form of new playground equipment, courtesy of the Town of Berlin.

While working to install a large stormwater pond, or offline wetland, behind the multipurpose building, workers had to move several pieces of playground equipment nearby.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said the area is county property, but the town had an easement to work there.

"In scoping out the area for the wetland, it became apparent that we were going to be encroaching on play equipment that the Head Start program had behind the multipurpose building," Allen said. "One structure – I really couldn't tell you what it was – they were perfectly fine with us taking it out and not doing anything to replace it."

Another small jungle gym also had to be moved, she said, and town workers inspected the remaining equipment and made recommendations for repairs.

"What happens with play equipment, is when you go to move it or pull it up, we get concerned about it losing its structural integrity and will it be more of a liability than an asset," Allen said. "Initially we were thinking we were just going to relocate the structure, but as we thought about it further we decided that was not the right move."

Allen said the town reached out to officials at Head Start in order to determine, roughly, the value of the play equipment so it could be replaced. About \$5,000 in stormwater funds was used to pay for the new structure and its installation.

Head Start Director Denise Allen said the playground is mainly used by 3 and 4-year-old children, to help build gross motor skills.

She said the entire playground is now more child-friendly and is handicapped-accessible. That and the installation of a safety fence around the pond "really enhanced our services for the children."

She estimated the old structure was 10-20 years old.

"It was awesome working with the town – a great partnership," she said. "They really wanted to focus on making sure that the children would be safe, and also just enhancing the equipment. It really is beautiful."

Children who attend Head Start also approved of the new equipment, she said.

"They think it's awesome. They love it – not only them, but also their parents," she said.

West Street road construction stops as asphalt settles

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) Construction on West Street in Berlin will take a break as things literally settle, then pick back up in a few weeks, according to Town Administrator Laura Allen.

Allen said the town hand-delivered letters to residents tfrom Broad Street to Abbey Lane last week, letting them know they hadn't been forgotten.

At first glance, she said, it will look like nothing is happening there.

"The project is still ongoing, but given the nature of the road, we're letting the paving work that we've done so far settle," Allen said. "There are some interesting mixtures of cement and asphalt under the road that we can see and there's some concern about how those two elements will perform once we do a final paving.³

She said measures were taken to ensure "a really high quality final product." These included getting quotes on laying a paving fabric to improve the structural integrity of the road.

That will require about a monthlong pause in work, Allen said, following by filling any remaining holes, leveling and grading the road, and in-



Construction on West Street in Berlin will pause for about a month while the new paving there settles. When roadwork starts again, some closures will be necessary.

stallation of the fabric, which creates a moisture barrier designed to extend the life of the roadway and reduce cracking.

A final paving would then be done over the fabric. Allen said the town was about a week or two into the waiting period.

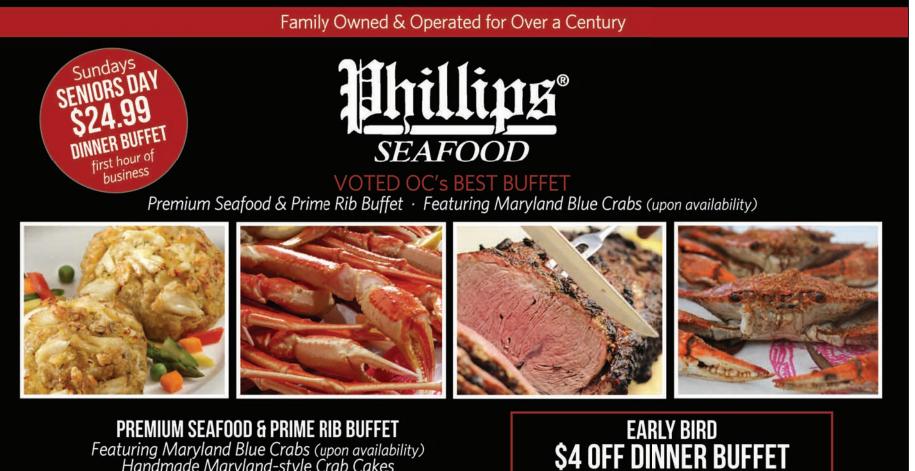
"Ultimately, we think it's really going to provide a nicer final product that's really going to last," she said. "I think it's a good investment for the long run in terms of the ability of that road to weather the traffic and the weather conditions."

The project started several months ago as a series of stormwater upgrades, but when workers opened up the road they found issues with utilities.

"It was a stormwater failure, so we're getting in and repairing it before it collapsed," Allen said. "In that process we found water and sewer connections that needed to be repaired and we also found some pipes in the road we weren't quite sure of, so we had to do some testing and monitoring.

"Unfortunately that's resulted in this kind of weird patching and to fill that in with the cement on the other side of the road, we think, is really going to result in a nice, final product," she continued. "You never know what you're going to find when you open the road."

When work starts again, Allen said additional road closures would occur, but she was unsure of the timeline. She hoped all the work on West Street would wrap by late summer.



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Denton granted extension despite no-show

Case delayed until July 21; will reconvene as her third probation violation charge

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) For the third time since her June 2015 conviction on 22 counts of malicious destruction of property in the Town of Berlin, Jordan Denton was scheduled to appear in District Court last Friday for a violation of probation hearing, but didn't show up.

Her lawyer, Anders Randrup, said despite several attempts to contact his client, he had not spoken with her before the hearing. Deputy State's Attorney Paul Haskell said he'd spoken with Denton's probation officer, Michelle Peeples, and was told she may be seeking treatment for a per-



sonal issue.

Randrup said he had no other details. Haskell told the court he wanted it to know what he knew.

Jordan Denton Judge Gerald Purnell

said the information, scant as it may have been, was sufficient to grant a delay until July 21.

According to court documents, Denton, 20, is accused of failing to pay all costs, fines and fees associated with the early 2015 spray-painting spree in Berlin, along with failure to totally abstain from drugs and alcohol and to submit to drug and alcohol testing.

Denton's last appearance in court was in January, where it was revealed she still owed about half of her share of the restitution and was given



until this month to finish paying off the debt. Denton's share totaled about \$4,400 at the time of her sentencing.

She'd also failed drug and alcohol screenings twice before, and also failed to submit to several required substance tests.

In January, she was sentenced to five days in jail.

At the last court proceeding, Judge Purnell said if he saw either Denton or her accomplice again they would serve the full 55 days remaining on their original sentences.

According to a Berlin Police De-

partment press release following the initial incident, the investigation revealed 36 separate victims, including the town, which had one vehicle, 10 electric meters and four trashcans damaged by Denton and two accomplices.

Three buildings and 33 additional cars were spray painted during the incident that spanned a dozen streets: Ann Court, Ann Drive, Branch Street, Buttercup Court, Harrison Ave, Henry's Mill, Littleworth Court, North Main Street, Pitts Street, Powell Circle, West Street and William Street.

Lisa Perez named winner of OPA anniversary logo contest

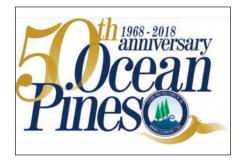
(June 22, 2017) The winner of the 50th anniversary logo contest is Lisa Perez, of Ocean Pines.

After receiving many creative entries, members of the 50th Anniversary Committee selected Perez's logo to best commemorate Ocean Pines' golden anniversary.

"The 50th Anniversary Committee would like to thank all of the artists who submitted logo entries," said 50th Anniversary Committee Chair Jennifer Cropper-Rines. "It was such a hard decision."

The finalized logo will be used on a wide range of applications during the marketing of the Ocean Pines 50th Anniversary, including but not limited to exterior signs, clothing, flags, banners and the association's website. The winning entry becomes exclusive property of the Ocean Pines Association for its unlimited use.

For submitting the winning design, Perez will receive a \$100 gift certificate to The Cove at Mumford's in Ocean Pines and some Ocean



Pines swag. She will also be featured at a number of the anniversary events in 2018.

"We really look forward to the celebration and working together for the next year to pull things together," said Cropper-Rines. "We would especially like to thank the logo contest winner Lisa Perez for her enthusiasm."

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.



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Town stormwater improvements continuing

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) The Town of Berlin is about halfway through four major stormwater projects being paid for by almost \$2 million in grants.

The off-land wetlands installation behind the multipurpose building on Flower Street finished last year, and a culvert replacement on Flower Street is nearly finished, according to Town Administrator Laura Allen.

"For all intents and purposes Flower Street is done," Allen said. "We just have a few, small punch-list items that we're dealing with, with the contractor."

Next, the town will expand the existing culvert and install an off-land wetland on William Street. A pre-bid meeting was held early last week, and the town signed an agreement on June 12 with Maryland State Highway related to the work.

When bids for William Street come in, Allen said the town would have a better grasp on how much grant money is remaining for stormwater projects on Graham, Grice and Nelson streets. She said some preliminary work was done there, based on rough estimates, by Public Works/Water Resources Director Jane Kreiter and Darl Kolar from EA Engineering, Science and Technology Inc.

As with an unrelated stormwater project on West Street, Allen said you never know what you're going to get when you open up a roadway.

"We've been going out and pretesting to see where things are, so we should be in better shape," she said. "Some of this is a learning process for us, so it's an evolution and we're getting better at it every dav."

Allen said the \$800,000 in Community Development Block Grant Program money was closed out in December. The stormwater work that continues is largely using funds from the Department of Natural Resources and Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), a state program created by FEMA.

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The latter grant was awarded during the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, Allen said.

"While we see it as a stormwater project, the MEMA folks see it as flooding mitigation," Allen said.

Baker Street repairs likely after Labor Day

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor (June 22, 2017) Design work for repairs on Baker Street in Berlin are due back soon from engineering firm Davis, Bowen & Friedel Inc., and construction could start during the next

few months. Town Administrator Laura Allen expects that "any day now" and said the firm would assist with the bidding process.

The Berlin Town Council in April approved the first phase of an estimated \$120,000 project to restore Baker Street, the last oyster shell road in the town. In a separate measure, the council voted to ban large trucks on the street.

If all goes well, Allen said construction could start by the end of the summer.

"I'm not sure we want to start any sooner because of the number of events and folks that we have coming to downtown," she said. "I understand the folks that live on Baker Street are very anxious to get their street repaired. I'm just thinking maybe with the folks that we've got coming into town, it might make more sense to start after Labor Day."

Allen said the town has patched some potholes on the adjacent Harrison Avenue, and water and sewer repairs near the railroad tracks there were planned.

Road closure signs currently on Harrison Avenue are related to the installation of water and sewer lines for the new Berlin Library. Allen said that work was estimated to last about a week.

The long-term plan for Harrison Avenue is to straighten out the road, Allen said.

"That been articulated as the ultimate goal and I think it makes a lot of sense," she said. "That intersection is kind of a challenge – if you're traveling on Harrison towards Broad [Street] and you want to make a right, I don't think it's ideal.

"There's some expense associated with purchasing property or right-ofway to be able to do a realignment there, but that is definitely on the long-range radar screen," she added.

The Adkins Company closed part of Harrison Avenue for about a year, but took down several barricades last month after turn-of-the-century documents were discovered that appeared show the town has a legal right-of-way claim to the entire

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Allen said she and Adkins Executive Vice President Richard Holland discussed the condition of the road, but town officials have not restarted negotiations to purchase the Adkins portion of Harrison Avenue since the barricade was removed.



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Berlin parks projects progressing

Henry Park bathrooms due soon; Decatur restrooms will likely wait until 2018

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(June 22, 2017) Dr. William Henry Park in Berlin is getting new bathrooms – soon – and plans are underway on several other notable parks projects, according to Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen.

Bohlen is the staff liaison to the Berlin Parks Commission and manages parks improvements for the town.

The Town Council agreed in February to pay \$119,885 to Green Flush Technologies for a prefabricated outdoor restroom at Henry Park. Bohlen said the majority of funding for the project, about \$96,000, would come from a Community Parks and Playgrounds grant overseen by the Department of Natural Resources, Program Open Space.

The total cost of the bathrooms, including hookups to town water, sewer and electric, was estimated at \$135,035.

Councilman Dean Burrell has been a proponent of installing permanent bathrooms at both parks since he took his preschool age granddaughter to Stephen Decatur Park and she had to use one of the portable toilets there, he said in February.

"It ruined her day, trying to use the Port-a-Potty," Burrell said at the time.

An error in the first round of bids delayed the project for several months, which could have affected the town receiving additional grant funding for a similar facility at Stephen Decatur Park. The town applied for about \$120,000 in Community Parks and Playgrounds funding, but did not receive it.

According to Bohlen, state officials said the grant was denied because Berlin has two open grants, one for the Henry Park bathrooms and another for tennis court upgrades at Stephen Decatur Park.

"They want us to get those done first, which is reasonable," she said. Bohlen said the town would reapply for that money in August. The grants are not awarded until April of the following year.

When the council approved the fiscal year 2018 budget on June 12, Burrell said he was disappointed the town did not budget for the permanent bathrooms, with or without grant funding.

"We have kids using Port-a-Potties [at Stephen Decatur Park] and that's a shame here in the Town of Berlin," he said.

If the grant is not approved next year, Bohlen said the council could simply allocate the funds for the project in the fiscal 2019 budget.

'Part of the reason we started looking at it was the issue of, with a new facility that at this time is being treated as a park, we needed to make sure that the current code applied.' Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen

"Henry Park should be well done by then, and with the tennis courts we'll know where we stand," she said. "Certainly, if we don't think we're on the radar for a grant when we're reviewing the budget at this time next year – in March or April when we start thinking about it – then we'll clarify with the council if they want to go ahead and pay for that outright."

"Fiscally it's disappointing, but if we can get a grant that's going to pay 90 percent of it, waiting a couple years makes sense," she added.

Bohlen said the Henry Park bathroom project was submitted to the state for permits, which she expected to go through any day now. When it does, a delivery date can be set up with the vendor.

She said the building comes prefabricated and Town of Berlin utility hookups would be in place before the delivery.

"Basically, it would just be a matter of setting them and hooking them up. It really should only take a few days," she said. Meanwhile, town engineers are working to bring down the price for the tennis court upgrades. Bohlen said a discrepancy was found in the amount of asphalt underneath the courts – in some places there were 10 inches, in others, just three.

"Whenever they built it, they put the asphalt in in such a way as to make it a level surface. What they were planning to do was go down three inches, take it all out and then re-asphalt and resurface it. To cut costs a little bit, they reduced that to an inch and a half," she said.

She said items like benches and new nets would be marked as optional when bids are released. If the town can purchase those items elsewhere for less, they would be excluded from the final contract.

Bohlen said the town could also apply for grant funding this year to install lights around the basketball courts at Henry Park.

The Berlin Parks Commission recently discussed an overhaul of town code related to the parks and a first reading was expected during a mayor and council meeting, last Monday. That was postponed because the agenda was already substantial, Bohlen said. She expects the changes to receive a first reading during the next Town Council meeting, June 26.

If that happens, a public hearing and a formal vote would be held on June 10. Bohlen said the overhaul was designed to give the council more flexibility in approving events held at Berlin Falls.

"Part of the reason we started looking at it was the issue of, with a new facility that at this time is being treated as a park, we needed to make sure that the current code applied," she said. "One of the issues really is alcohol. It's far more likely we would have events at Berlin Falls where alcohol is a factor."

Current code prohibits consumption of alcohol at all parks.

"What we're doing is relaxing that a little bit and giving the mayor and council the option of allowing it, if they so choose," she said. "As far as the rest of it goes, it was just a matter of, as long as we're making this change, let's review the whole thing and see if there's anything else."



By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) Among the numerous highlights at this week's 4th Friday Street Festival in Pocomoke will



Jean Mason

be featured artist of the month Jean Mason, a longtime educator who pursues creative expressions

in her spare time. lived "I've in Pocomoke for about 40 years," she said. "I met my husband and stayed.'

In her younger years, in addition to raising her own children, Mason kept busy instructing pupils at Holly Grove Christian School in Westover. Despite the hectic schedule, she always envisioned an artistic outlet.

"I often said as a young mom, when my kids are grown I'm going to learn to paint," she said.

Her creative juices began percolating after attending a watercolor class taught by Doris Glovier at the Delmarva Discovery Center in 2010.

"She did such a nice job explaining things and making it clear," Mason said. "She could see that I could do more and I was really surprised when she told me I would be able to do more.'

Over time, Mason became increasingly adept at watercolor paintings and more recently expanded her approach to include painting with acrylic on slate and wood.

"I started to find things that I could paint on that were not as involved as watercolor paintings," she said. "You have to charge more for them and they're hard to travel with, so I tried to come up with lower-cost offerings."

In addition to lowering her expenses related to framing, Mason said her creations on slate and wood plaques generally take less time to produce, averaging no more than five hours.

Since undertaking artistic pursuits, Mason has learned to appreciate her raw talent.

"I always knew that I could copy things really well, but I thought that was cheating," she said. "I learned to take those ideas, the things that I was seeing, and make a true composition ... and to add something to them."

In addition to naturalistic Easter Shore visions, Mason recently began incorporating Maryland sports teams in her work.

"I started to come up with some fun ideas about mixing the Oriole bird in with Seagulls, or mixing a Raven in with the Seagulls," she said.

While Mason's watercolor paintings average between \$70-\$150, she said her craft paintings are more budget-conscious and cost as little as \$20.

"I hope I'm finding a niche," she said.

Although intent on furthering her artistic output, Mason said there are only so many hours in a day.

'I'm still a really busy person [and] besides doing my art I still teach school," she said. "It is something I enjoy doing, so I stay busy with it in the evening time."

Moving forward, Mason hopes to continue exploring the potential for alternative canvases.

"I'm interested in trying metal or glass," she said. "There are so many things in the world one can paint and so many things one can paint on."

Karah Lacey, Pocomoke economic development coordinator, said the evening would also provide an opportunity for others to discover their artistic abilities. Salisbury-based Tickled Paint ARTworks will be conducting a Paint Night smack dab in the middle of Market Street. The cost is \$40 and includes paint supplies, light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments.

The streets will also come alive with a multitude of craftspeople and vendors offering wares, in addition to paintings, to include photography, jewelry, beauty products, home décor and fashion.

Lacey advises attendees bring along their appetite as burgers, hotdogs, fries and refreshments will be available for purchase. Adults can also procure a cold beer or glass of wine. Also the entire family can indulge their sweet tooth.

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Stop in XO Beanery & Bites (129 Market Street) for an iced coffee or sweet treat, including Chesapeake Bay Farms ice cream," Lacey said.

Johnny Mo will provide live music and Salisbury-based Feet of Fire Dance Academy will stage a special performance at 6 p.m.

For those interested in expanding their knowledge base, Lacey said there would be free admission into local museums, including the Delmarva Discovery Center, the Sturgis One Room School and the Costen House Museum.

Lacey said that children must be accompanied by an adult at local museums, while also noting the sidewalk chalk will be available at the Sturgis One Room School.

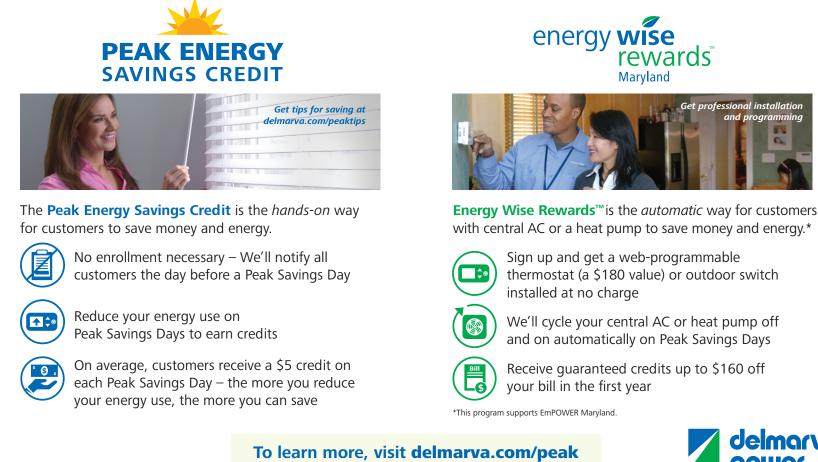
"Games will be offered throughout the downtown area, including life size checkers and chess in the Downtown Community Garden," she said.

The festivities take place from 5-8 p.m. and as usual, two blocks of Market Street between Front Street and Second Street will be closed to traffic.

In the event of rain, Lacey said 4th Friday would be cancelled and resume the following month.

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Opinion

Something smells fishy

The news release from the Ocean Pines Association said the board of directors "worked collectively" to solve an undisclosed problem and met in closed session "to collaborate as a team."

Neither of these statements, vetted as they must have been by the association leadership, is true.

As was demonstrated Monday night, when the directors voted 5-2 to go behind closed doors to discuss some secret situation, any teamwork or collaboration was the work of some directors to keep other directors in the dark.

How else can it be explained when one group of directors consulted an attorney about this unspecified circumstance without telling the others?

That's not a representative government, that's a clique, whose you-didn't-need-to-know response to that very question says, "we're in charge, and you're not."

This much is obvious, based on the comments in the public session: an employee or employees bypassed their immediate superior Brett Hill and expressed concerns to Director Slobodan Trendic.

These concerns were serious enough to scare some of the directors into seeking counsel from an attorney without advising the full board.

Clearly, something is wrong and association members should be demanding answers on what or who this group is trying to protect and at whose expense.

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Letters

Questions after Board meeting

Editor,

Yesterday evening [Monday] I attended a "special" meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ocean Pines Association. I did not know the agenda prior to the meeting and after checking the OP website today, I still do not know the substance of the agenda.

Comments in the brief open portion suggested the purpose of the meeting was to discuss, in closed session, interactions between OP employees and a director(s). Two directors present asked that the discussions be held in an open meeting. They were overruled and the Board went into closed session with the public dismissed from the room. Curiously, five of the board members, and perhaps all seven, seemed to know the purpose of the meeting.

The Board President, Tom Herrick, read from a slip of paper a citation proauthority viding and grounds for closing the meeting. It seems apparent he knew the reason for the meeting, as he should given that he likely called the meeting. Discussion from various Board members seemed to suggest a common understanding of what was happening during the meeting. Is it possible they met prior to the meeting to discuss and coordinate their thoughts?

Numerous regulatory agencies prohibit "informal" board meetings and universally define a board meeting as a gathering of a majority of the board members. Did four or more of the Ocean Pines Board of Directors gather to plan the meeting last night?

Across the country boards are encouraged to be open and minimize their closed sessions. I encourage the OP Board to work openly and collaboratively with the residents, the employees and each other to make this great community even better.

All the OP Board members are volunteers, including the Acting General Manager. Persons donate their time for a multitude of reasons, but an expectation of a reward is rarely a variable. They give and do not expect a return. Thank you Ocean Pines Board of Directors.

> Gerald L. Horn Ocean Pines

Rules should be followed

The following letter was sent to Steve Tuttle, chairman of the OPA Elections Committee, and the Bayside Gazette. Mr. Tuttle,

I was disappointed to read in last week's Bayside Gazette, that even though one of the board candidates was late submitting her information, specifically her bio and answers to questions, that information was still accepted.

I understand that the bylaws may not spell out what authority the committee has when a candidate misses a deadline, but the fact that there is a deadline should be enough.

Otherwise, what is the purpose of having a deadline at all? If all of the other candidates met the deadline, why should one person be exempt? What would have happened if Nicole Crosariol had submitted her application a day late? Would the committee have accepted that as well?

There should be consequences when the rules that are in place are not followed. At the very least, Nicole's answers and bio should be omitted from any literature and candidate information that OP sends out. Her name should be listed on the appropriate ballot and forum documents, but in place of the bio and answers to questions, it should be noted that the information requested was not submitted on time. That is the only fair way to

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Letters

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> Gary Miller Ocean Pines

Hats off to **Hats for Hospice** Editor,

Coastal Hospice sincerely thanks everyone who made this year's Hats for Hospice fundraising party a big success. The event raised more than \$19,000 to fund the patient charity care Coastal Hospice provides.

Every year, a dedicated committee of volunteers helps us organize this Preakness Day event. We would like to personally thank co-chairs Nancy Hall and Alan Merritt-Hyle, the Hats contest co-chair Kathleen Abercrombie, and committee members Diana Barber, Nancie Booth, Jenna Bowne, Hope Morgan and Gayle Widdowson.

Our 2017 sponsors also placed their bets with us! Thank you to our "Pacesetter" sponsors: Bank of Delmarva, Chesapeake AG Cargo LLC, and Jack and Marge Duer. To our "Thoroughbred" sponsors: Apple Discount Drugs, Avery Hall Insurance Agency, Cato Gas & Oil, William and Nancy Hall, and Amber Stevens. And to our "Furlong" sponsors: Deb-bie and Rodney Abbott, Bill and Maude Ahtes, Charles Brown Glass

Company, Gillis Gilkerson, Peninsula Regional Medical Center, Don and Donna Richardson, Vernon Powell Shoes, Gayle and Dirk Widdowson, and Yard Designs.

The many talented designers who took hats donated by Vernon Powell Shoes and created masterpieces also encouraged their friends to contribute. We tip our hats to them in thanks.

Our appreciation also goes out to our generous hosts, Hamilton Fox Farm in Salisbury. And to our celebrity bartenders: Nicole Lauren and Chris Weimer of WBOC, and Julian Sadur and Lisette Nunez of WMDT.

At the event, in gratitude for his commitment to hospice and palliative care, we honored former Maryland Delegate Norm Conway as our 2017 Charter Society Anchor Award Winner. Mr. Conway has garnered and cultivated financial support to benefit the organization and has shown qualities of exemplary leadership, integrity, compassion, and generosity of time and talents whenever we asked. Thank you and congratulations, Norm.

Thanks to this generous community, we can afford to deliver on our promise to put our patients' needs and goals first in all we do.

Alane K. Capen President, Coastal Hospice **Thanks for helping Town Cats**

Editor,

Town Cats would like to thank the community and local businesses for helping us with another successful Quarter Auction.

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Without the community supporting our mission, our volunteers could not do what they do.

Our next Quarter Auction will be held in October. Visit www.towncats.net for information.

> Robyn Baker Town Cats Fundraising Coordinator



POSTER WINNER

The Worcester County Commissioners, joined by Superintendent of Schools Lou Taylor, Snow Hill Middle School Principal Chris Welch and Coastal Association of Realtors Public Affairs Director Sarah Rayne, present on May 2 a commendation recognizing SHMS student Lindsay Birckhead-Morton for her poster "I Love Fair Housing," depicting community members coming together to celebrate fair housing, which was selected by CAR and Maryland Association of Realtors to be featured in the 2018 Fair Housing Calendar.

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Worcester County Fair back this weekend for earlier start

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) The Worcester County Fair opens to the public this Friday, a bit earlier than its traditional run in August.

Worcester County Fair Board member Cindy Morris explained that sweltering heat made last year's fair at Byrd Park in Snow Hill a bit taxing for livestock and attendees.

"It's always been the second weekend in August but last year it was like an 115-degree heat index," she said. "We struggled with it ... being so hot in August so we thought we would try moving it this year."

Morris is also a 4-H Program coordinator, which is organized in this area by the University of Maryland Extension, a statewide non-formalized education system included in the college of agricultural and natural resources.

"The Worcester County Fair is set up as a family event," she said. "We have exhibits for kids, as well as adults."

Lisa Murphy, 4-H STEM faculty extension, said agricultural competitors were slated to begin converging at Byrd Park on Wednesday evening.

"People will bring in the items that they've made, or they've grown, or pictures that they've taken," she said. "The next day will be the judging of the fair items."

The festivities open on Friday at 10:30 a.m. with a celebration of Safe Kids Day beginning at 11 a.m., Morris said.

EE FARMS



Children compete in a watermelon-eating contest during the 2016 Worcester County Fair at Byrd Park in Snow Hill. The 2017 event will take place this weekend.

"There are already over 25 vendors coming to that so there's a lot of different activities kids can go to and parents can learn about safety," she said.

Parents will also find ample opportunities to keep the little ones happily distracted on Saturday, Morris said.

"On Saturday we have a different children's game or activity every half hour," she said.

While many are lured to the fair for the traditional offerings, Morris said organizers always strive to add a new wrinkle.

"It's a challenge to come up with new and different things," she said.

To meet the challenge, Morris said there are several new attractions this year, beginning with the Little Miss and Miss Worcester County Farm Bureau competition at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Little Miss contestants must be between 5-7 years of age, while the Miss category is open to those between the ages of 16-19. To be eligible for entry participants must be the child of a Maryland farm Bureau member.

Another new entry for this year is a mobile science lab trailer operated by the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation (MAEF).

"The MAEF trailer is coming in and that's also new," Morris said. "That will be there all three days."

Murphy said the MAEF trailer travels throughout the state providing agricultural activities for youth and adults.

One of the more engaging additions to the fair is the Walk in the Bark, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life, which runs from 9 a.m. until noon on Sunday.

Kathy Decker, University of Maryland Extension of Worcester County administrative assistant, is hopeful the fundraiser will boost attendance at the fair while also supporting the American Cancer Society.

"It's an enhancer to try and bring more folks out," she said.

The entry fee is a cash or check donation to the American Cancer Society, with the amount to be determined by the individual, Decker said.

Among the numerous activities likely to enthrall canine lovers are: an agricultural-themed costume contest, along with competitions for best dressed dog, best tail wag, best dog

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In addition to a photo booth, Morris said DJ Brian K. Hall would donate his time to raise the decibel level for pooches and people.

"They're going to have music and hopefully have some doggie square dancing," she said.

Not to limit the competition to furry friends, Morris said the adult and youth talent show on Saturday at 6 p.m. is still accepting contestants.

"That's always a great thing to participate in or just come and check it out," she said. "We're going to take entries up to the day of it."

Although the Worcester County Fair is a long running tradition, Morris said each year organizers strive to improve the multi-day event.

"We tried some things that didn't work and we have traditional things that everybody comes to see every year," she said. "Hopefully the weather will participate and we'll have a wonderful time."

For more information, visit www.worcestercounty-fair.com.



FILE PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE The Worcester County Fair includes a petting zoo with goats, pigs and sheep, as well as displays of chickens and rabbits.



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Worcester County Fair Schedule

Friday, June 23

- 10:30 a.m. Fair opens 11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Worcester Celebrates Safe Kids Day
- 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Home Depot
- activities
- 12 p.m. Rabbit show 2 p.m. - Dairy Goat Show
- 2-4 p.m. Sand art
- 3 p.m. Poultry Show
- 5 p.m. Dairy Cow Show
- 6:30 p.m. Benefit & Cake Auction
- 8 p.m. Fair closes

Saturday, June 24

- 10 a.m. Fair opens
- 10:30 a.m. Country Costume Parade
- 11 a.m. Children's Limbo Contest
- 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. Classic Car & Truck show
- 11 a.m. Beef Show

- 11:30 a.m. Tug of War- Children vs Parent
- 11:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. Quilters 12 p.m. - Children's Chicken
- Scratch 12-1 p.m. - Music by County
- Cross Roads 12:30 p.m. - Children's Water-
- melon-Eating Contest
- 1 p.m. Meat Goat Show 1:30 p.m. - Children's Pedal Tractors
- 2 p.m. Children's Pie-Eating Contest
- 2-4 p.m. Sand Art
- 2:30 p.m. Breyer Horse Show 2:30 p.m. - Children's Egg Toss
- 2:30-5:30 p.m. Ride-In Motorcycle Show
- 3 p.m. Children's Hula Hoop Contest
- 3:30 p.m. Children's Extra Large Kool Pop-Eating Con-

test

- 4 p.m. Children's Sack Race
- 4:30 p.m. Children's Bubble Fun
- 5:30 p.m. Little Miss & Miss Worcester County Farm Bureau Competition
- 6 p.m. Swine Show
- 6 p.m. Adult & Youth Talent Show
- 8 p.m. Fair closes
 - Sunday, June 25
- 8 a.m. Horse Show Registration
- 9 a.m. Horse Show
- 9 a.m.-noon Walk in the Bark
- 10:30 a.m. Fair opens
- 11 a.m. Church Service by Bayside Community Church
- 1 p.m. Sheep Show
- 2-4 p.m. Sand Art
- 4 p.m. Awards Ceremony
- 4:30 p.m. Fair closes



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BAND AIDS Dr. Danielle Cumming, professor of guitar at Salisbury University, along with Martin Friese and Julian Walter-Nubberger, two artists in residence at SU, visited Berlin Intermediate School's sixth grade guitar students on May 4. They taught a lesson, corrected technique and performed for the class.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

'MARY POPPINS'

Worcester Prep Lower School celebrated National Children's Book Week on May 3 by hosting a "Book Character Day." To encourage a love of reading, teachers and students dressed as their favorite book characters for the day. Fourth grader Yasmina El Sabbagh became "Mary Poppins."



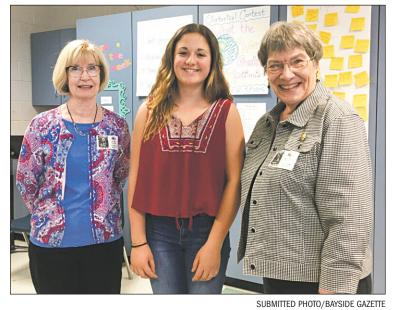
STAR STUDENTS

Stephen Decatur High School students Daletez Smith, left, and Michael Hardy, pose with Principal Tom Zimmer during the annual STAR (Students Thrive on Achievement and Recognition) recognition ceremony. Students earn STAR status by demonstrating significant academic improvement and the principles of the Decatur Way: pride, achievement, respect and responsibility. The Berlin-Ocean City Optimists sponsor the ceremony.



AUXILIARY AWARDS

The Auxiliary of Atlantic General Hospital and Health System recently held its annual awards luncheon and during the event Judy Baumgartner, Auxiliary teen volunteer coordinator, presented an award to two Stephen Decatur high school students, Sarah Bianca and Dana Kim, for their service to the hospital. Bianca volunteered 125 hours throughout the school year and plans to continue her service in the registration/information department throughout the summer months. Kim has provided the registration/information department with 158 hours of service and, too, will continue volunteering throughout the summer. Pictured, from left, are Joseph and DeAnna Bianca, with their daughter, Sarah; Ryan Cowder, assistant principal, Stephen Decatur High School; Kim with her father, Tae Kim; and Baumgartner.



POETRY AWARD

Stephen Decatur Middle School seventh grader Rachel Peretz, of Jamie Ridgely's Phoenix class, entered a poetry contest for the Worcester County Garden Club. From the local level, she progressed and won first place in the state for her grade. Her poem advanced to the seven-state district level contest. She is pictured with Garden Club President Glenda Clark and member Marylou Scott.



ECOLOGISTS

Select students from the Tiger Shark **Ecology Club at** Berlin Intermediate School joined forces with the Chesapeake **Bay Foundation on** May 4 to check on the local overall health and biodiversity of species living in the Miles River. The students sailed on the Stanley Norman, a skipjack made in Salisbury. Pictured are Gary Hardy, Anas Omar, Ezra Mormhgstan, Gavin Stearn, Nick Purnell, Nash Rogers and Jaden Holland enjoying the skipjack ride. SUBMITTED PHOTO/ BAYSIDE GAZETTE



The 14th annual East Coast Pullers Truck and Tractor Pull brings the noise to the Pocomoke Fairgrounds this Saturday evening.

Annual Truck and Tractor Pull this Saturday in Pocomoke

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(June 22, 2017) The Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds will be full of sound and fury during the 14th annual East Coast Pullers Truck and Tractor Pull this Saturday.

Lovers of smoke-belching vehicles can check out super and pro-stock diesel tractors, pro-stock diesel fourwheel drive trucks, two-wheel drive trucks and hot-farm tractors.

Gates will open at 4 p.m. and the cost is \$15 for adults, \$8 for youths and children 6 or younger are free.

Event organizer John Smith, who also severs as the fairgrounds president, said the entertainment begins at 6:30 p.m. and lasts at least four hours.

The East Coast Pullers manage the event, which is sanctioned by the Lucas Oil Pro Pulling League, Smith said.

Truck and tractor drivers' battle to see who can drag a 40,000-pound sled for the longest stretch, typically in the 280-320 foot range, Smith said.

Competitors in the mid-Atlantic region, who can earn points at more than a dozen events, are about a quarter of theway through the season, which kicked off on April 30 in Fishersville, Virginia and winds up in early October in Julian, North Carolina.

"The big check comes at the end of the season," he said.

Smith said in addition to Maryland, participants come from other nearby

states like Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York.

"People travel quite a bit of distance," he said. "You never know who's looking to hook where. You don't know until it happens."

For the past two years the Pocomoke event has featured hot farm tractors, which Smith said resonates with many spectators who hold an affinity for particular tractor brands.

"The hot-farm class has been growing very nicely," he said. "It looks more like a traditional farm tractor."

With approximately 40 pieces of equipment competing, Smith said the event typically draws a sizeable crowd.

"We get anywhere from 1,100 to 1,300 spectators," he said.

Food and drinks will be available including hotdogs, hamburgers and oyster subs, Smith said.

"The kitchen opens at 4 [p.m.] and the beer wagon opens at 6 [p.m.]," he said. "Tommy Mason will be selling barbecue and the (Pocomoke) Kiwanis Club is selling fries."

Despite the healthy sized crowd, Smith said the bleacher sections could hold approximately 1,200 people and there is also ample space to bring lawn chairs.

"Most of the spectators really enjoy it," he said. "We've got plenty of room." For more information, visit

www.thegreatpocomokefair.org or www.pocomoketractorpull.com.



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116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com June 23: Tommy Edwards, 7-11 p.m. June 24: Wes Davis, 8-11 p.m. June 25: Billy Carlin Band, 6-9 p.m. June 28: Walt Farovic, 6-9 p.m.; Open Mic, 9-11 p.m. June 29: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

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

CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road Berlin 410-641-0600 www.oceandowns.com June 23: Sol Knopf, 5:30-9:30 p.m. June 24: Sol Knopf, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Aaron Howell Duo, 9:30 p.m to 1:30 a.m.

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In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean Citv 410-289-6846 www.castleinthesand.com June 23: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; Joe Smooth & John Remy, 5-9 p.m. June 24: Kevin Poole, noon to 4 p.m.; Funk Shue, 5-9 p.m. June 25: Rick & Lennon LaRicci, noon to 3 p.m.; Lauren Glick, 4-8 p.m. June 26: Nate Clendenen, noon to 3 p.m.; Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m. June 27: Aaron Howell Duo, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Bettenroo, 3-7 p.m. June 28: Lauren Glick, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m. June 29: Kevin Poole Solo, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Diller, 4-8 p.m.

COINS

28th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-289-3100 www.coinspub.com June 23-24: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m. 17th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-289-6331 www.cowboycoastoc.com June 23: Jackie Lee, 9 p.m.; DJ BK, 9 p.m. June 24: DJ BK, 9 p.m. June 27: Line Dance, 5 p.m. June 28: Live Band Beat the Clock Karaoke, Dust N Bones, 8 p.m. to midnight; DJ Jerry B, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

June 29: Dutch Adam & DJ Bigler, 9 p.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com June 23: Bob Hughes, 5-9 p.m. June 27: TBA, 7-11 p.m.

GUIDOS BURRITOS

33rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-524-3663 www.guidosburritos.com Every Thursday: DJ Papi Roisterous, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com June 23: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. June 24: Side Project/Chris Button, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. June 25: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m. June 26: Blake Haley, 4-7 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 7 p.m. June 27: Funk Shue, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. June 28: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. June 29: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HARVEST MOON TAVERN

208 W. Green St. Snow Hill 410-632-9890 harvestmoontavern@gmail.com June 23: Ted Elliot, 7-10 p.m. June 24: Chris Miller, 7-10 p.m.

JOHNNY'S PIZZA & PUB

56th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-5600 www.johnnyspizzapub.com June 23: Dave Sherman, 8-11 p.m. June 24: Old School, 8-11 p.m. June 28: Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys

MARINA DECK

306 Dorchester St. Ocean City 410-289-4411 www.marinadeckrestaurant.com June 29: Karaoke w/J-Lo, 9-11 p.m.

MARYLAND WINE BAR

103 N. Main St. Berlin 410-603-6278 www.themdwinebar.com June 23: George Bilenki, 8-10 p.m.

M.R. DUCKS

311 Talbot St. Ocean City 410-289-9125 www.mrducksbar.com June 23: Johnny Bling, 6 p.m. June 24: The Racket, 5 p.m. June 25: Tranzfusion, 4 p.m. June 28: Batman, 5 p.m.

MUMFORD'S LANDING OCEAN PINES

1 Mumford's Landing Road Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org June 23: Kaleb Brown, 8 p.m. June 24: Triple Vision, 6 p.m. June 27: Bryan Clark, 6 p.m.

OCEAN CITY FISH COMPANY

12817 Harbor Drive West Ocean City 410-213-2525 www.ocfishcompany.com June 23: DJ Wax, 6-9 p.m. June 24: Beauty for Ashes, 6-9 p.m. June 25: Side Project, 2-5 p.m. June 29: Binje, 6-9 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Every Thursday-Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 .m. June 23-24: New Censation, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. June 28: Bryan Clark, 7-9:30 p.m. June 29-July 1: On The Edge, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Lenny's Deck Bar: June 23-25: Power Play, 4-9 p.m. June 26-July 2: On The Edge, 4-9 p.m.

OCEAN PINES BEACH CLUB

49th Street Ocean City 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org June 23: Kaleb Brown, 3-7 p.m. June 24: Smooth & Remy, 4-7 p.m. June 25: First Class, 3-7 p.m. June 29: First Class, 6-10 p.m.

PICKLES

706 Philadelphia Ave. Ocean City 410-289-4891 www.picklesoc.com June 23: Beats By Jeremy, 10 p.m. June 24: Hooplas, 10 p.m. June 26: Karaoke with Jeremy, 10 p.m. June 27: International Beats by Dutch, 10 p.m. June 29: Beats by Wax

PURPLE MOOSE SALOON

108 S. Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com June 23-24: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; The Lava Game, 10 p.m. June 25: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Slamm, 10 p.m. June 26: Slamm, 10 p.m. June 27-28: VJ Mazi, 9 p.m. June 29: BonJourney, 10 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com June 23: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; 9 Mile Roots, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; The Benderz, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'O, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. June 24: Cruz-in, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; DJ Tuff, noon to 2 a.m.; IV Stone, 1-5 p.m.; No Green Jelly Beenz, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 9 Mile Roots, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. June 25: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Davie, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. June 26: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 7 p.m.; DJ Davie, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. June 27: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 7 p.m.; Buddha Council, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Trevor Hall, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. (ticketed event); DJ Mike T, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Burnt Sienna, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. June 28: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle Duo, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Mike T, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Buddha Council, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; The Rockets, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. June 29: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Lost In Paris, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.

SHENANIGAN'S IRISH PUB AND GRILLE

309 N. Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com June 23-24: Ciernan Quinn, 9 p.m. June 25-26: Dueling Pianos, 9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com June 23: Marcella Peters, 4-8 p.m. June 24: The Stims June 25: Bryen OBoyle June 29: Kayla Kroh, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

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Cuisine

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As my playlist jumps from Locash to Lagwagon, I ponder the many strange and wonderful things that



happen in life. Who knows? Perhaps mv musical taste is a metaphor for the ambiguity and freneticism that penetrate our everyday existence. If you could only know what is in

By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

my record collection (yes, I'm

old enough to have one, albeit a fairly limited one due to my parents, but that's a story for another day), you might be a touch concerned, but I don't care. My brain likes to jump around a bit, and I for one like to go along for the ride.

Tonight was one for the books; the tiki bar is open, the fire pit is blazing and the pulled pork was on the money. There was nothing difficult about the latter, but I guess there is a bit of the fabled gestalt that lends itself to a simple dish. After all, with an evening of good friends and the kids of aforementioned friends splashing around in the pool and making s'mores, it's not hard to make anything taste that good.

It was an interesting start to the evening, as I realized that my son had unplugged the tiki bar refrigerator to use the drill press for a car project that he has been working on some time ago. Unfortunately, there was food in the fridge; a fair amount of food.

Apparently, that little grey plug never found its way back to the receptacle; an honest mistake that left me with what I could only categorize as a crime scene. It was reminiscent of a documentary of how they train forensic scientists to include the many scents and smells, and let me tell you, it was not pretty. I have seen some scary things in my life, but after this escapade, I'm fairly certain that I could make it through Gross Anatomy with my eyes closed, or at the very least with my nostrils wide open.

With the icebox scrubbed diligently and an arsenal of baking soda cups dispersed throughout, it was time to populate the box with sodas, water and beer and to get ready for the small gathering of what would be a lovely group of family and friends.

The evening progressed into a scintillating spelling bee that ended with me trying to trick some fairly intelligent kids. It ended in me spelling words and them trying to figure out



what in the name of Sam Hill I was talking about. And yes, I had them at s.c.i.n.t.i.l.l.a.t.i.n.g.

I got them on that one. I won't even begin to tell you what they thought that I was spelling, and they would deny it anyways.

In a moment of silence after the onslaught of literary challenges, I sat at the bonfire, suddenly relishing the fact that I had earlier noticed the square marshmallows at the grocery store. Of course, I thought to myself "What trickery is this?" How is it that these tasty and completely practical morsels never existed before now? Is it possible that they were around in the 50s and they're now simply ironically retro? I'm not sure on that one, but needless to say, they fit the whole S'more thing very effectively, and I was and still am quite impressed.

Eventually it was time to drive my daughter's friend home, and as my daughter needs time behind the wheel at night as she is working on her permit, I could sit back and truly admire my youngest daughter, dainty and fair in complexion, driving a big stinkin' truck. She is as comfortable behind the wheel of this vehicle as she is behind the wheel of her Vanagon or my Forester.

It brings me joy as I think of teaching her older brother and sister how to drive, remembering how I felt the same way; they were just babes a few years ago, and now they're driving these huge machines and soon will be on their own. It's a feeling that parents get when they realize that their kids won't be around much longer as they are now. Time stops for no man.

And all of a sudden, my music selection make a whole lot more sense.

Pulled Pork du jour

makes about 6 servings

- 3 pound chunk of pork butt
- 2 Tbsp. Soy sauce or Aminos
- 2 Tbsp. Coarse sea salt
- 1 Tbsp. Black pepper, cracked
- 1/2 cup White vinegar
- 3 Tbsp. Hank's Garlic hot sauce

Cut the pork butt into 4 pieces or smaller in case there's a bone in the middle

Toss in remaining ingredients, and forego any oil or fat since there should be plenty on the butt itself

Place in Dutch oven (cast iron ones are the best) if you didn't mix everything in it already, and place in an oven that I hope that you preheated to 350F

Cook for about 2 1/2 -3 hours or until the pork is just plain, stinkin', tender

Using two forks, shred the pork and strain the juices to toss into the finished product

**Personally, I use rubber gloves and a pitcher of ice water to cook my hands down to shred the pork. It takes too long with forks, and those silly meat-shredding claws will not be in my arsenal any time soon. Go for it if you want to use them, but I do not, personally

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COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT

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

LSLT BROWN BAG LUNCH

Lower Shore Land Trust Office, 100 River St., Snow Hill, MD, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Pack your lunch and catch up on the latest pollinator buzz. Mary Jeter, of the US Fish and Wildlife Service, will present a talk about issues facing pollinators, management practices and information about the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign. 443-234-5587, http://www.lowershorelandtrust.org

BEACH SINGLES

Clarion Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 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, http://www.beachsingles.org

FREE PICKLEBALL CLINIC

Manklin Meadows Sports Complex, 11443 Manklin Creek Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 4 p.m. Free clinics for beginners conducted by Ocean Pines Pickleball Club members. Register: John Hanberry, Jhanberry@comcast.net, 703-598-6119

FRI, JUN. 23

FISH DINNER

Bowen United Methodist Church, 8421 Newark Road, Newark, MD, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 and includes sea trout filet, macaroni and cheese, green beans, cornbread and dessert. Beverage included for those who eat-in.

FORGE FRIDAY

House of Mercy, 36674 Worcester Highway, Selbyville, DE, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The group meets every Friday. Each meeting includes a small meal, music, games and life lessons. FORGE is an ecumenical youth ministry helping to break the cycle of bad choices. All are welcome. Robert Shrieves, 443-366-2813, http://www.forgeyouth.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

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

SAT, JUN. 24

BEACH 5 SAND SOCCER Ocean City Beach from Dorchester Street to Third Street, Dorchester Street and Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, MD, All Day Family-focused soccer tournament on the beach. U8-U13 play all games on June 24. U14-Adult play all games on June 25., Angela, beach5sandsoccer@yahoo.com, 919-625-1708, http://www.beach5sandsoccer.com

ESA SUMMER SURF SERIES

Ocean City Beach at 46th Street, Ocean at 46th Street, Ocean City, MD, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Events provide amateur athletes with an avenue to international and Olympic competition., Jeff Phillips, 410-430-9149

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

ART'S ALIVE

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit 100 artists as they sell their works, lunch at the Artists' Café and enjoy live music while children enjoy free art activities. Takes place outdoors, rain or shine., 410-250-0125

COMMUNITY SHREDDING DAY

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sponsored by AARP. Bring a canned good or donation for the local food bank. Info: John Bloecher, Chapter 1917 or Larry Walton, Chapter 4507.

DISCOVERING THE GUITAR

DRAT Studios, 11022 Nicholas Lane, Unit 8, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 2 p.m. A free course for anyone interested in learning about the guitar., Bill Dickson, 410-598-7585

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FREE CHURCH PICNIC

Taylorville United Methodist Church, 11252 Adkins Road, Berlin, MD, 4 p.m. Picnic, gospel music by "Joyful Noise," games and fellowship. Bring a covered dish to share. Love offering taken for the gospel group.,

beachgirl2008@verizon.net, 757-710-8966

SUPER BINGO

Willards Lions Club, Main Street, Willards, MD, 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. Early bird games at 5:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Regular bingo starts at 7 p.m. Paying \$125 per game. Assorted foods and desserts for sale. 410-835-8678

SUN, JUN. 25

BEACH 5 SAND SOCCER

Ocean City Beach from Dorchester Street to Third Street, Dorchester Street and Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, MD, All Day Family-focused soccer tournament on the beach. U8-U13 play all games on June 24. U14-Adult play all games on June 25. Angela, beach5sandsoccer@yahoo.com, 919-625-1708, http://www.beach5sandsoccer.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Takes place the second and fourth Sunday of each month, mostly. Menu includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast, creamed chipped beef, biscuits, sausage, bacon and toast. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 8 and younger. Located behind St. Luke's Church. 410-524-7994

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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

NATIVE AMERICAN EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING

Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 13 S Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. Free admission for the grand opening of the "Native Americans: First Contact on Lower Delmarva" exhibit. There will be a live performance by Native American John Moore "Laughing Wolf," at 1 p.m. at the Inlet Park located just south of the museum. Christine@ocmuseum.org, 410-289-

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MON, JUN. 26

CARDIN PRESS CONFERENCE

Ocean City Boardwalk at N. Division Street, Atlantic Avenue and North Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 9:30 a.m. Join U.S. Senator Ben Cardin for a press conference on federal projects in Ocean City. RSVP: Kimberly Kratovil, Kimberly_Kratovil@cardin.senate.gov.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH MUSEUM TOURS

Historic St. Martin's Church Museum, 11413 Old Worcester Highway, Showell, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Visit Historic St. Martin's Church Museum built in 1756, 20 years prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Guided Docent Tours every Monday through September. Complimentary parking and admission. 410-251-2849

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

ESIMBA FUNDRAISER

Burley Oak Brewing Company, 10016 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 6 p.m. Featuring guest bartenders Jaime and Shelly Detzel, live music by Freak Flag Fly, 50/50 and Chinese auction. The Eastern Shore International Mountain Biking Association is always accepting new members and volunteers. Donations, half of the tips and 10 percent of the bar ring will benefit the local single track trail building.

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

FREE MOVIE ON THE BEACH

Ocean City Beach at 27th Street, 27th Street and Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 p.m. Movies for the entire family, held every Monday and Friday from June 26 to Aug 11, weather permitting. Featuring "Sing." Take a beach chair or blanket. Chris Clarke, 410-250-0125

TUE, JUN. 27

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.

OC BOAT RAMP RIBBON CUTTING/ GRAND OPENING

Ocean City's New Boat Ramp, 64th Street and the Bay, Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. Officials from Ocean City will join their partners from Maryland's Department of Natural Resources to celebrate the official opening.

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road 410-208-4014, 1 to 4 p.m. The clinic is free and held every Tuesday through September. Master Gardeners will be available to help with gardening questions. Put plant damage samples in a plastic bag and label with your name and phone number. 410-208-4014

Calendar

Continued from Page 33 SKATE BASH

Ocean Bowl Skate Park, St Louis Avenue and 3rd Street, Ocean City, MD, 2 to 7 p.m. Open to kids of all ages. Free day of skate, door prizes, DJ and food concessions for sale. Daniel Reed, 410-289-2695

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB NIGHT

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. Crabs and shrimp need to be ordered between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays. Platters and other for available without pre-order. Cash bar. Located behind St. Luke's Church. 410-524-7994

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and health lifestyle. It meets weekly. jeanduck47@gmail.com

FAMILY BEACH OLYMPICS

Ocean City Beach at 27th Street, Atlantic Avenue and 27th Street, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Events include sand castle contest, tug-of-war, relay races and more. All activities are free. Parents are asked to stay with their children. 410-250-0125

BINGO

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

MARYLAND SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING

Lion's Club, Airport Road, West Ocean City, MD, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Capt. Mark Sampson will be speaking about sharks that are found in our local waters. Methods to catch sharks, conservation and tagging. Visitors welcome.

WED, JUN. 28

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

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 7 to 8 p.m. The group gathers the fourth Wednesday of each month. Preregistration is not necessary. Pastoral Care Services, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m.

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

MOVIE ON THE BEACH

Carousel Resort Hotel and Condominiums, 11700 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 p.m. Free movie on the beach, featuring "Storks." Take a beach chair or blanket. In the event of inclement weather, the movie will be shown inside the hotel. Every Wednesday from June 7 to August 30. Chris Clarke, 410-250-0125

ONGOING EVENTS

'MAKER FUN FACTORY' VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Buckingham Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Main St., Berlin, July 17-21, 6:15-8:15 p.m. Five local churches come together for a week of bible lessons, games, music and snacks. Open to ages Pre-K (3) to 5th Grade. Sign up:

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SUNDAY OUTDOOR INFORMAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Beginning May 28 through September, Bethany United Methodist Church front lawn, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 8:30 a.m. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. Info: 410-641-2186, bethany21811@gmail.com

ONE-ON-ONE FAMILY HISTORY

ASSISTANCE

Learn how to trace your family history. Call Ashley Jones to make an appointment at 410-632-5622. Appointments are available from 1-4 p.m. on the following days: the second Wednesday of each month at the Ocean Pines branch; the second Tuesday of each month at the Ocean City branch; and on the third Monday of each month at the Pocomoke branch.

http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

'ACHIEVING SURGICAL WEIGHT LOSS SUCCESS' SEMINAR

Atlantic General Bariatric Center Conference Room, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Suite 207, Berlin. Weekly sessions are held at 1 p.m. on the first, third and fourth Monday of each month and the second Tuesday of each month. Free, 20-minute, informational seminar. Register: 410-641-9568.

STAR CHARITIES MONTHLY MEETING

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

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

RCIA is a process for individuals, adults and children 8 years and older, who are seeking Baptism. Also for those already baptized in another Christian tradition who want to come into the Catholic Church. Call Rita at 410-289-7038 or come to a session held on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Father Connell Parish Center, 1705 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD. All are welcome.

RAVENS ROOST 58 MEETS MONTHLY

28th St. Pit & Pub, 2706 Philadelphia Ave, Ocean City, MD, the first Tuesday of each month and for the Sunday NFL games to raise money for local families in need. Ravens Roost 58 is seeking new members and new officers. Dues are \$20 per year. Stop by the restaurant if interested.

AUMC THRIFT SHOP

Atlantic United Methodist Church, 105 Fourth St., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Open Monday through Saturday, year round. Located behind the church with a donation drop off room that is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 410-289-4458

WSW SUPPORT GROUP

OC Office, 12216 Ocean Gateway, Unit 1500, West Ocean City, 1 p.m., third Wednesday of each month. Info: Mary Henderson, 410-213-1177.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester High-

way, Berlin, every Friday, 7:30 p.m. A reform Jewish Synagogue. Info: 410-641-4311.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT & ADVOCACY GROUP

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, noon to 1:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Info: 410-524-7474.

WORCESTER COUNTY PARKINSON'S SUP-PORT GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, second Tuesday of each month, 2:30 p.m. Speakers, exercise, discussions and more. Info: 410-208-3132.

PINE'EER CRAFT AND GIFT SHOP OPEN

Pine'eer Craft and Gift Shop, White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. Shop will be open every Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and every Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featuring the latest creations by members of the Pine'eer Craft Club.

AARP

Ocean City AARP 1917 meets the second Thursday of each month (except July and August) at the Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City. Social begins at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10 a.m. Info: aarp1917.org.

NAACP MEETINGS

NAACP meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month. All are welcome. Info: 443-944-6701.

SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. Also held at the Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., the fourth Thursday of each month, 6 p.m. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-726-3090 or www.choosetolivemaryland.org.



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