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Newcomers H.T. Harrison & Sons, Inc. pull ahead of Costa Ventosa Winery and Brewery during the final race of the Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday. Travis Harrison and Brooke Chambers raced for the Harrison team and Jack Lord and Eddie Moore represented Costa. See story page 28.

Politically bloody Sunday in Pines

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Months of bad blood between several Ocean Pines Association Directors boiled over Sunday at a meeting that initially appeared to have just two, relatively benign agenda topics: a motion to hire a food and beverage consultant and a discussion on human re-

A vote on the former motion was defeated and not resolved during the meeting. Discussion of the latter topic included personal attacks and accusations that two directors were engaged in a conspiracy against interim General Manager and Director Brett Hill.

Director Slobodan Trendic said

the board talked about "certain issues related to personnel matters and the working environment within the association" during board meetings on June 19 and June 23.

He said what came out of those meetings was the decision to hire an onsite, local human resources consultant. Instead, Trendic said, Hill

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For some swimmers, an Oasis gone

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) When about 200 angry Ocean Pines homeowners stormed a special board meeting in April, the directors voted 5-2 to do away with a "Family Fun Night" that would allow people of ages into the Oasis

Formerly called the yacht club pool, the swimming facility had long been an "oasis" from children, as it functioned as the only

adults-only pool in Ocean Pines. Many were not happy with the temporary policy change and the board, at the time, voted to side with popular opinion.

Then, on Monday, the board announced in a press release that the Oasis pool would now be open to all ages, all the time. The vote was held during a closed session, following an open session on Sunday.

The text of the release See HOMEOWNERS Page 9



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Many swimmers at the Oasis pool in Ocean Pines were not happy when they learned, on Monday, the formerly adults-only swimming facility would now be open to all ages.

Berlin adopts new 'SNAP' program for special needs

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) The Berlin Police Department announced on Monday the implementation of a new Special Needs Alert Program, or SNAP.

According to a release, the program is designed to aid law enforcement officers in contacting and locating Berlin residents with special needs. The program is available for those who live, work or regularly frequent the town.

The release said the program would include those with Alzheimer's disease, autism, Down syndrome, dementia and those with impaired hearing and vision.

Police Chief Arnold Downing elaborated on the program at a Town Council meeting on Monday.

'Aaron Titerence, one of our young officers, came up with the idea," Downing said. "He said I really do think this is something that will be able to benefit the residents and the customers of the town of Berlin."

Downing said he contacted Jack Ferry, executive director of the Worcester County Developmental Center in Newark.

"The first thing he said [was] that is such a wonderful idea and this is something we've been trying to do in the county for a long period of time," Downing said.

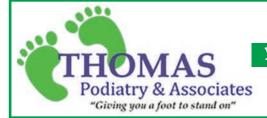
He said Ferry gave him a few suggestions, which were implemented.

"We really started feeling good about the possibility of initiating this program [with Ferry's endorsement]," Downing said.

Individuals or family members can sign up for the program on a volunteer basis. Downing said he hoped to involve group homes and organizations like Go Getters and Gull Creek by the end of the year. He said the goal was to sign up 25 people by the close of 2017.

We'll be able to get a photo and say what those special needs are, and we'll be able to put them inside of our [computer-aided dispatch] system," Downing said. "When that individual comes up in our system it will be flagged, so we'll know that if we go to this house this person is wheelchair bound, [or]

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Clarifying new Berlin event policy

For those planning for next year, window for approval runs from July 1 to Sept. 1

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Town Administrator Laura Allen said there were some questions as to how the recently approved Berlin event policy would work. She said the policy was geared specifically toward downtown events.

The process for scheduling events at town parks has not changed significantly, Allen said, despite a recent overhaul of the portion of town code that pertains to parks. Both measures were introduced at a Town Council meeting on June 26.

"There's a transition period we're going through right now where folks,

if they have events they want to do later this year, it's still the regular process," Allen said. "That application period, really, is for event planning for next year. We're starting to coordinate that and that's going to be the ongoing process for downtown events."

To schedule events for the remainder of the current calendar year, Allen said people can still fill out a form and speak with Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells with any questions.

"If they're interested in holding an event next year, the window of opportunity for them to apply for downtown is July 1 to Sept.1," Allen said.

The new policy states no more than one event per day will be held that requires town services.

"That's mainly to give our folks an

opportunity to have a day or a weekend off," Allen said. "The challenge we're having right now with events is frequently folks are working throughout the weekend, every weekend throughout the summer. That's not as attractive and is a quality of life issue for us

"Having the opportunity to look at all the events as a package and schedule them, I think, will work better for us," Allen added. "The more preplanning we can do, the easier it will be for everyone to be able to project their schedules."

Additionally, Allen said town merchants said during a recent meeting there were too many events overall. Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing also spoke in favor of quality over quantity during the June 26 Town Council meeting.





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U.S. Route 113 dualization starts pouring concrete

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(July 13, 2017) Compactors and pavers will be a regular sight for commuters on Route 113 between Snow Hill and Berlin, as construction crews begin laying base asphalt on portions of the highway.

Maryland State Highway Administration Spokesperson Bob Rager provided a status update last week on phase three of the \$86 million highway dualization project, which covers a 4.6-mile stretch of road between Massey Branch at the north end and Five Mile Branch

'We just started paving last week," he said. "The order of business for the rest of the summer is going to be paving, paving, paving."

The initial base asphalt paving was done last week between Massey Creek and Langmaid Road, Rager said.

'We paved last week right up to Langmaid Road," he said. "Now we'll work south of there and continue that throughout the summer all the way down to the railroad crossing by Basket Switch Road."

The process becomes more involved, Rager said, because two layers of base asphalt are required.

"They've got to go up and down that road twice and pave all of that," he said. "That's just going to have our base down. We're not going to have a final surface on it probably until the spring."

Rages said the road base, which handles the bulk of the weight from traffic, has different considerations than the top two inches of asphalt.

"Since the surface asphalt mix requires different temperatures than the base, we probably wouldn't do that in late fall or early winter," he said. "We would probably push it off until the

Considering the varying temperature requirements, Rager said the most prudent approach is to focus initially on applying base layers and addressing the top surface toward the end of the project.

"I'm assuming that's going to run well through the summer and into the fall," he said. "That puts us on schedule to get the final surface for everything by the spring."



ART STROLLERS

Berlin-based jewelry maker Kim Abplanalp engages with Judy Pecker, while her dog, Jasmine, an 11-year old Golden Lab, surveys the scene inside Bishop's Stock Fine Art, Craft & Wine on Green Street during the Snow Hill Arts on the River First Friday event last week.

Paddle for Jesse Klump

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(July 13, 2017) The Pocomoke River in Snow Hill will fill with scores of canoe, kayak and standup paddleboard enthusiasts supporting suicide prevention during the ninth annual Jesse's Paddle fundraiser on Saturday.

The gathering, which is organized by Friends of the Jesse Klump Memorial Fund, will take place at the Pocomoke River Canoe Company on



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During last year's Jesse's Paddle fundraiser, numerous kayak-riding participants enjoyed an idyllic time on the water after launching their boats from the dock outside the Pocomoke River Company, while simultaneously raising money to support ongoing educational efforts to combat suicide on the Eastern Shore.

River Street. Up to five-dozen watercraft will be launched into the river starting at 5 p.m., with registration

beginning at 4 p.m.

The fund was established in 2009 by Worcester resident Kim Klump after her son Jesse, a college bound Snow Hill High School senior, took his own life.

'On this day every year we remember fondly those we have lost to suicide with fun, food, auctions, prizes, and live music.'

> Kim Klump Mother of Jesse

In the immediate aftermath of her son's suicide, Klump created the Jesse Klump Memorial Scholarship and in 2011 began the Jesse Klump Suicide Awareness and Prevention

Although the annual fundraiser addresses a topic surrounded by sadness, in a recent press release Klump said Jesse's Paddle provides

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Crafts & Treasures event to debut in **Snow Hill this Sat.**

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(July 13, 2017) Sidewalk vendors will invade Snow Hill this Saturday for the first ever Crafts & Treasures event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Snow Hill Economic Development Consultant Michael Day said vendors would be provided space along Washington Avenue for free.

"This came out of the merchants' meeting a couple of weeks ago," he said. They just decided they wanted to do something else besides First Friday."

Toy Town owner Richard Seaton is a driving force behind the new venture. Since relocating his antique and vintage store from Berlin to Snow Hill in April, he has seen positive signs of life from his perch on the corner of Market and Washington streets.

"I've been having people walk uptown that didn't walk uptown in the last forever," he said. "We're starting to have people walk uptown and want to do things.

The endgame for Seaton is attracting more bodies to the streets and shops of Snow Hill.

"This is the first one, so we really don't know what the turnout's going to be, but we want to fill up the street," he said. "Hopefully, we can attract some people.'

Shooting for 20 vendors at the initial event, Seaton hopes to grow that number in the future.

'I don't care what people bring as long as they don't junk it up," he said. "I'm hoping it's a lot of different things to open it up to a lot of different people.

From his perspective, Day said the more the merrier.

"If we get more vendors we'll start putting them down Green Street as well," he said.

Contemplating the direction for the new event, Seaton said he hopes to incorporate flea market elements with a dash of farmer's market flavor.

'I think there's going to be some antique vendors," he said. "I invited a woman selling vegetables [and] I've got a toy vendor coming.'

Even locals with random items to See FOR Page 9

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Director Jacobs fights back against article 'full of lies'

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took the unilateral action of contracting law firm Lerch Early & Brewer to fill that position.

The firm was hired to represent Ocean Pines last September. Employment and Litigation Attorney Michael J. Neary was apparently filling the human resources role in Ocean Pines as of last week.

Trendic called for a vote on "exactly what the board agreed to do several weeks ago," hiring a local, onsite human resources consultant. He said the consultant could serve as a temporary bridge until a permanent general manager was hired.

Board Vice President Dave Stevens said Lerch Early & Brewer were hired, in part, because of their human resources expertise.

"Until another GM comes in, they are a very strong solution for us,' Hill said, adding that Ocean Pines bylaws gave him the authority to hire the firm. "The GM is the chief administrative officer that is responsible for employment. The board creates job descriptions, but the GM has the authority to hire and fire and is the ultimate point of command."

Board President Tom Herrick agreed and said he did not understand Trendic's motion.

The board is to create the position, outline what the position does, and it's up to the general manager a responsibility of the GM - to make that hire," he said.

Director Cheryl Jacobs said an article in a local monthly newspaper was related to the discussion. In the article, former director and current candidate Marty Clarke accuses Jacobs and Trendic of approaching Ocean Pines employees to undermine Hill

"Let's be honest and talk about why we are in this position right now," Jacobs said. "I'm not going to be quiet about this anymore because there is a write-up, full of lies, in the Progress that was delivered to my driveway today and I'm not going to put up with this any longer.

Jacobs said the reason the board agreed on the need for onsite human resources help was because employees had approached her with concerns about their environment.

She said the board was informed by email that Neary would act as a consultant after Hill, Herrick and Stevens met in private.

'Yes, in the past, these matters have been handled by the GM," Jacobs said. "You all, in past boards, never saw fit to take that responsibility and divide it out. But we are in a different situation now with our interim GM, who has created all kinds of chaos as it relates to employment and I am no longer doing to be silent about this and have my name defamed."

Jacobs continued, her voice trem-

bling as she spoke.

"At no time have I ever gone to any employee directly – employees keep coming to me," she said. "And why does that happen? Because they understand that I will keep their confidences.

"I have never breached anyone's confidence about the matters that have been brought to me," Jacobs continued. "[Those matters were] passed onto the HR person that we were told was our HR person - not that we ever agreed on that, voted on that, had any RFP about that.'

Herrick said he, too, had something to say on the subject.

"The more serious issue here is repeated efforts by certain directors one and two directors – that constantly go to employees with HR issues ... unilaterally, on your own, without any board knowledge whatsoever," he said.

"Bullshit," Jacobs said.

Herrick said two directors conducted an exit interview with a former Ocean Pines employee, presumably finance Director Mary Bosack, without consulting the other board members.

He added a separate and unsigned, undated complaint was supposedly given to Jacobs, who turned it over to an attorney.

"We still don't know what happened and how she got that complaint – if it is a complaint," Herrick said. "The board still doesn't know her involvement in that."

Herrick went on to say he got a phone call from a senior staffer who claimed Jacobs was "soliciting a complaint against one of the candidates running for [the] board.'

'And she says, contact me on a private phone, because she knows it's immoral, what she's doing," Herrick said. "This is a conspiracy to affect the election, and I have to tell you it's reprehensible what's going on ... Where do you get off being an HR consultant for Ocean Pines and taking it upon yourself to do this without any board knowledge what-

Jacobs fought back.

"The only thing I have ever done is keep the confidence of employees who felt uncomfortable going in any other direction," she said. "And because I'm an attorney and because they knew they knew that they could come to me in confidence and it would not be breached - that's what happened.

That's because of the situation we have found ourselves in, thanks to Mr. Hill," she continued. "And I am not going to be defamed by you, by Mr. Stauss, Mr. Hill or anybody else because I have done nothing other than try to be helpful to employees who find themselves in this predicament.

"I have not gone to anybody. I See GM Page 6





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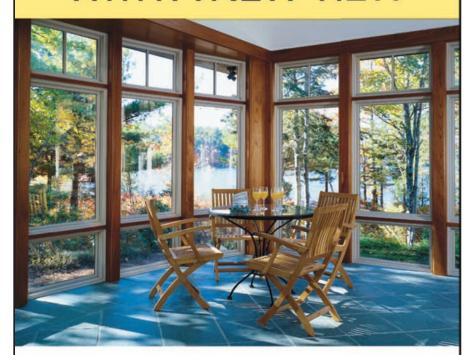
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GM Hill: It's been six months that you have been after me

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didn't go to Mary Bosack – Mary Bosack came to us," Jacobs said. "Mary Bosack came to us because she went to other directors and felt her complaints fell on deaf ears, so much to the point that she felt she had no recourse but to resign, so don't you dare accuse me of any wrong doing – I have done nothing wrong."

Herrick countered that he "did five specific actions to help Ms. Bosack"

"For you to say that I did absolutely nothing, that is a complete falsehood," Herrick said. "This thing that you think that you can just do HR complaints on your own and not even tell the board? That's wrong.

'I wouldn't be surprised if they ask us all to march out of the room, because the professionalism ... is very, very disappointing.'

> Ocean Pines Director Slobodan Trendic

I'm sorry. You have no right to do that."

Jacobs said she did not draft a complaint on behalf on an Ocean Pines employee.

Trendic said it was clear the board was in crisis.

"And the crisis was created by one single person's actions, and I think everybody knows who that person is," he said. "Now we are witnessing this today, which reflects negatively on every one of us sitting at this table. And I think the association has a right to question what is going on and who did they elect?

"I wouldn't be surprised if they ask us all to march out of the room, because the professionalism ... is very, very disappointing. Emotions have taken over. The personal attacks doesn't help anybody," he added.

Trendic said his motion was all about responding to employees' needs for onsite support.

"If I was working for this association, do you think I would want to pick up a phone and talk to a lawyer in Bethesda about an issue I had with the acting GM? No, I would not," he said. "My motion ... was designed to basically provide a fundamental assistance to a staff that has concerns as a result of Brett Hill's management style."

He said it was absurd that Lerch Early & Brewer would take over human resources, in part because the firm wrote the new Ocean Pines employee handbook, which ignored that alleged employee surveillance had been taking place.

Trendic went on to say the person who made allegations about Jacobs recently got a \$20,000 raise and was promoted "to a position that I'm being told he's totally unqualified for."

"We have chaos going on at the operational level that some of us have tried to put a stop to because it was in the best interest of the association," Trendic said. "We took a public beating ... nevertheless, we plowed through it and even today the reason I'm here is because people are asking me to be here and to stand by my beliefs."

Stevens agreed that chaos was going on, but said Hill did not cause it.

"Anyone who believes there aren't personal attacks, there were at least two in your speech against the general manager," Stevens said. "Your disagreements with the general manager have been open, and they have been carried to the employees."

What the board really decided on June 19, Stevens said, was the board would not approach employees – or the press.

"And yet you, Slobodan, are the first one to violate the agreement," Stevens said. "Let's settle down until we bring in a new general manager. And we want to bring in a new general manager where we all have happy faces. As I think Director Jacobs said, 'you mean we have to pretend?' And I said, yeah we do. As a matter of fact, it's a good thing to do.

"You asked the question, we all know that there is one person who has created this chaos. Well, I think I'd almost agree with that, except I don't think we agree on who it is, Slobodan. Many of us agree that it's you," Stevens continued. "You have consistently hammered at the general manager since I don't know when, with things that have no foundation."

When Trendic appeared to laugh, Hill appeared indignant.

"None of this is funny," Hill said.
"This affects the lives of 8,000 homeowners and 300 employees. And you're right, there is one person responsible, because it's been six months that you have been after me.

"I've held the high road on all this. I've come in everyday, unpaid, and done the job at the expense of my family and my career, for the betterment of Ocean Pines. And you have constantly been on an attack for me," Hill continued. "I don't know how in the hell any general manager is going to come in here and succeed if you're involved in anything related to Ocean Pines.

"This is not a funny matter – sitting in here with that smirk on your face and laughing about half the shit in this meeting today is absolute bullshit," Hill said. "This is ridiculous. I haven't been the one going to the paper every week. I've been sitting here, doing the best I can for this association while two people

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WCDC Executive Director Ferry in support of 'SNAP'

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this person has bipolar or some other mental illness, or he might have a trigger or a calming-type of device.

"We really feel [the program] has worked in a lot of other places and would definitely benefit this community," he added.

Councilman Thom Gulyas enthusiastically endorsed the idea. His wife, Belinda, is the principal of the Cedar Chapel Special School in Snow Hill.

"I spoke with my wife about this and her being in special needs and education for the last 22 years ... she just thought this was a brilliant idea," Gulyas said. "This is a hell of an idea."

Gulvas moved for the Town Council to endorse the program and said his company, ACE Printing & Mailing, would print SNAP forms free of charge.

The council support was unani-

Ferry, who was not present during the meeting, emailed a statement of support on Tuesday.

"SNAP is a great idea," Ferry wrote. "With this program, Berlin is safeguarding its citizens, the police and first responders. The more tools you can give to those providing for our health and safety, the more effectively they will be able to do their jobs. Knowing where people with disabilities live and how to approach someone with a specific disability will take away some of the uncertainty they experience with any call they receive.

Unfortunately, tragedies have occurred because officers did not know the individual had a disability. Families have had to deal with loss and officers have had to deal with remorse because the officers did not have the information that would have enabled them to properly handle the situation.

"I applaud Berlin for taking this forward-thinking step. The town has always reached out to those with special needs, and this program is just the latest example of the town's desire to be inclusive. WCDC stands ready to help Berlin any way we can.'

For more information on SNAP, contact the Berlin Police Department at 410-641-1333.



Director Trendic: Show the video

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constantly undermine everything that this association is about. It is absolutely disgusting.

The reason that we need to keep the HR at our law firm is to handle the board itself on top of the employees. And we do have very serious problems right now - and they're instigated by board members," Hill added.

Hill said a board member called an employee and offered to write a complaint to try and "unseat me and get me out of power, to try and turn the election.'

"This isn't about politics. This is about a business and this is about the money of 8,452 people here that pay dues every year," Hill said. "I cannot fathom how you think this is a laughing matter.

"I don't want to be here," he con-

tinued. "I accepted to do this for 30-60 days and this has dragged on way too long. And the fact that a board can't support me - I don't know how the hell we're going to get somebody to do a job here.

Trendic said he had a solution, invoking an allegedly scandalous videotaped conversation between Hill and Bosack.

"Let's put this to rest. It's very simple. Why don't you consent, along with Mary Bosack, to show the video of the two of you and what you said in that video. And that's going to put everything to rest, once and for all, so people will know exactly what transpired and why we're being faced with what we're being faced with," he said.

"All of these statements - this beautiful, passionate, desperate commitment. That all sounds great. I can make the same speech, but the

facts are the facts," Trendic said. Stevens said the board considered releasing the video, but there were "very good, solid legal reasons not to do it." He said he refused to watch the video because he believes it was obtained and distributed illegally.

"You go back to that video and the only thing that you're trying to do is trying to say, 'well, Brett did bad things.' But that has nothing to do with running the damn association,' Stevens said. "It has nothing to do with this motion on the table.

Trendic's motion was defeated 4-3, with Hill, Herrick, Stevens and Director Pat Supik voting against it.

Hill said Lerch Early & Brewer would continue in its human resources role and would be available as needed. He said staff was given the firm's phone number.









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Ninth annual Jesse's Paddle event in Snow Hill, Saturday

■ KLUMP MEMORIAL FUND continued an occasion to celebrate memories.

'On this day every year we remember fondly those we have lost to suicide with fun, food, auctions, prizes, and live music," she said. Every penny of the funds we raise is invested in suicide prevention education and scholarship."

Klump noted that in addition to food, drinks and a silent auction, live music is on tap from three young musical talents starting at 4:30 p.m.

Snow Hill favorite Nick Haglich will kick off the entertainment with his heartfelt acoustic renditions of classic rock songs. After that a pair of teenagers, songbird Gigi Pesaniello and guitarist Gabe Resto, will light up the stage.

Fund Manager Ron Pilling said last year's Jesse's Paddle, which raised approximately \$23,000, was a record-setting affair.

"Our goal is to top \$23,000 this year and right now were about halfway there," he said. "That's generally where we are a week before the Paddle.'

Each year, the Paddle fundraiser draws a large crowd all united by a common cause, Pilling said.

"This is an event where we have 200-250 people [and] we put 50 boats in the river," he said. "The food is free, the music is free - everything is free."

While the majority of the funds will support a Show Hill High School graduate next year, Pilling said the remainder goes to serve a vital func-

"The first \$15,000 that come from the Paddle is earmarked for a 2018 scholarship," he said. "Once we meet that goal ... every other penny goes towards our suicide prevention outreach and education program."

The mission to raise awareness is a year-round effort, Pilling said.

'Within two weeks of the Paddle we will have taught two youth suicide prevention workshops to student mentors of Snow Hill High School," he said. "Going back a week or two, we participated in an applied suicide intervention skills training workshop that was attended by adults.'

Pilling said earlier in the year the outreach efforts also included Safe Talk, a three-hour suicide prevention workshop, as well as attendance at numerous health fairs throughout Worcester County.

We taught SOS, Signs Of Suicide, which is a special curriculum,' he said. "We taught every eighth grade class in Worcester County schools in the month of May. It has been an extraordinarily busy year for us so far."

On top of that, Pilling said the group also conducted monthly suicide griever's workshops.

"That's as important a part of our

prevention work as anything else," he said. "People who have lost loved ones to suicide are up to four times more likely to make an attempt on their own lives as a result."

Pilling said the release of the Netflix series "13 Reasons Why" earlier this year, although sensationalistic, served some positive ends.

"It has put the risk of youth suicide, the stress that young people face today, it has put that on everyone's list," he said. "Awareness is part of the battle and '13 Reasons Why' has contributed to the awareness of the risk of suicide, which most people try not to think about.

Pilling admitted to serious misgivings when the series was initially released.

"When Netflix first brought it out there was no recognition of the existence of something typically called copycat suicide," he said. "There was no thought to the fact that a young person might see this and think, 'Oh, there's the solution to my problem."

He highlighted a number of criticisms leveled by health profession-

"The depiction of a rape scene [and] the depiction of the actual suicide is very graphic," he said. "[There was] no national hotline number, no resources given at all until at the very end of all 13 episodes."

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> Ron Pilling Fund Manager

Pilling is thankful that criticism encouraged the series producers to make several notable changes.

"About six weeks after the series first came out, they added 800-237-TALK, which is the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, to every sequence at the beginning and the end," he said.

Pilling sees an opportunity for parents willing to view the program with their children.

"Be aware of it and be open to talking to your kids about it," he said. "You'll learn a lot about youth suicide, but you'll also learn a lot of fresh stuff about your kids lives."

For more information on registration, and to reserve a canoe, kayaks or paddleboard, call 410-632-3971. Boats are provided at no charge, but all participants are required to bring a pledge. Pledge forms can be downloaded at www.jessespaddle.org.

Homeowners unhappy with OP pool

OASIS continued

read, "The Board of Directors of the Ocean Pines Association unanimously approved the following motion, introduced by Acting General Manager Brett Hill, after consultation with legal counsel in closed session, on Sunday, July 9:

"I move that, after reviewing concerns raised by residents and legal counsel about whether the prohibiting children from using the adults only Yacht Club pool complies with State and Federal law and Ocean Pines' tax exempt purposes, the prohibition on children using the Yacht Club pool is temporarily suspended to allow time for further review, effective immediately."

Hill elaborated on the announcement in a statement emailed to the Gazette on Monday.

"The pool has been restricted from those under the age of 18 for over 30 years," Hill wrote. "The decision was made after exhaustive research by our legal firm, Lerch, Early, and Brewer, who have extensive HOA experience. They searched for every reasonable alternative, but at this time, have been unable to find any.

"There was not a strong demand for change, but there has been significant dialogue regarding the legality of the operation, which prompted OPA attorney involvement. The decision agreed to yesterday was the recommendation of counsel, which was approved unanimously by the board.

"As far as a timeframe, the board took prompt action upon receiving the legal opinion, but is still exploring other avenues to accommodate a facility of similar operations if legally permissible in some manner for the association. There has been some initial resistance from regular users of the adult pool, however this was a matter of complying with the laws of the state of Maryland, and the Fair Housing Act, which supersede the authority of a Board."

A small group of homeowners apparently held a protest at the pool on Monday to oppose the policy change.

As of about 5 p.m. only a few dozen swimmers remained, but those who stayed did not have favorable opin-

"Everybody's pissed," LizAnne Inscore, a part-time resident and homeowner, said. "There's five pools in the neighborhood and four allow children. This is the only adult-only [pool] and it's nice to come and relax and have some peace and quiet and not have to worry about little ones."

Inscore said children can be heard playing in the Mumford's Landing Pool, which is roughly 100 yards away and is open to families.

"I have a hurt foot and I don't want to have to worry about kids jumping around or jumping in," she said.

"When we came in, there was one child here and [they] were screaming. It was just kind of a turnoff. We like to come here and relax.

We've raised our kids. We've been there, done that. It's just nice to have a place to ourselves," she added.

Her husband, John, said they bought their pool membership because of its status as an adults-only pool. He also noted the Oasis is the only pool in Ocean Pines that serves alcohol.

"I think they should put alcohol at the other four pools - then they won't want to come over here," he said.

Homeowner Don Tomb called the policy change "the stupidest thing I've ever heard."

"They're cutting their own throats, because, as a consequence, there's a lot of people who aren't going to join - I'm not going to join. If I want to go swim with kids, I'd go to any of those other pools," he said. "I like nice peace and quiet. There's plenty other places for kids to go to swim.

He added allowing children to swim in a pool that was formerly restricted to adults, and often used by the elderly, was a safety issue.

"I'm not sure where [the decision] is coming from," he said. "I don't understand why kids want to come to this pool anyway. They can't dive, they can't jump in. There's no deep end. It makes no sense to me.'

For now monthly, organizer hopes event will expand

■ CRAFTS AND TREASURES continued sell are welcome, Seaton said.

I want to open it up to the town, so anybody can bring their stuff, set up for free and try to sell something," he said.

Although the event could expand in the future, for now Crafts and Treasures will be held every third Friday, Day said.

They thought about doing it every week, but everybody seemed to think it [would] be better to do it once a month," he said. "We're starting out once a month on Washington Street for the visibility, because the streets got a lot of traffic on it."

While Snow Hill is working to advertise Crafts & Treasures, Day said given time the event could take on a life of its own.

"I think it will grow by word of mouth," he said. "[Seaton] really wants it to grow in the fall, into every Friday night and Saturday.'

Seaton said in addition his own clientele, the ever-growing merchant base in Snow Hill is having an obvious impact on business.

"Every day since I've been open I've had multiple people from other states," he said. "I can see it – there's a lot more people coming in town."

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Food and beverage problems, but no solution

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think it was [an] extremely

deceptive, terrible move. It's

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Joe Reynolds

Heated debate as Pines BOD votes down California consulting group, Synergy

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Several Ocean Pines Association Directors agreed on Sunday there were operational deficiencies that need to be addressed and quickly – across their food and beverage operations.

Exactly what should be done, however, was not decided upon during the meeting, despite several suggestions and multiple exchanges that, at times, became heated.

Discussion on a motion to hire a food and beverage consultant was preceded by a comment from resident Joe Reynolds, who called the board one of the least transparent in three decades.

He noted the agenda topic mentioned a request for proposals for the consultant, but said that request was never posted publically. Further, he suggested prior discussion on the topic was done during a closed meet-

"I think it's without question that the food and beverage services in Ocean Pines are a controversial subject to say the least," Reynolds said. "In my view, to approach that subject and request bids on someone from the outside who I assume we're going to pay ... with no input from the association members, not even telling association members that you were even thinking about it, first of all I think is a violation of the HOA Act."

Board President Tom Herrick said the discussion was held during an

open meeting that followed a closed meeting, on June

"In my mind that makes it even worse from a deceptive a lack of transparency and I see standpoint, Reynolds said. transparent in the last 30 years. "When the board goes into closed sesassociation

members are not going sit around for two, three, four, five hours, waiting for you to see if you happen to go back into open session.

"Maybe you were legal, but I think it was [an] extremely deceptive, terrible move. It's a lack of transparency and I see this board as one of the least transparent in the last 30 years," Reynolds continued. "Doing stuff like you've just described, I think it's bad for the community and I think it's bad for this board and this board's reputation. You need to give some thought to what you do before you go

taking these kinds of actions.

"[It's] very disappointing, especially from a board that was elected last year on the issue of transparency," Reynolds said.

During the bulk of the discussion on the consultant, interim General Manager Brett Hill introduced a motion to hire Synergy Restaurant Con-

> sultants from Beach, Newport California. He said the firm would do an operational review of food and beverage operations at Mumford's Landing, the Tern Grille, the beach club and the swim and racquet club.

Hill said a request for proposals went out to seven consulting firms on June 23. He said three responded.

Director Cheryl Jacobs said hiring a consultant from California was not what the board agreed to do on June

"This is recent information that just came to us. This is action that was taken unilaterally by the interim GM," she said. "The company that is being recommended is from the West Coast – why do we need to go to the West Coast and bring someone like that in?"

Jacobs said all of the directors had received emails about the poor performance of Ocean Pines food and beverage operations.

They need to be addressed. We were all in agreement that they needed to be addressed. This is not the route that we expected," she said.

She added that, although Hill said the hiring of a consultant group was within his powers as general manager, the board agreed during a previous meeting "that these kinds of actions would not be taken, going forward, until we had a new general manager in place."

Jacobs called on the board to bring back former beach club manager Lynda Huettner, who resigned from that position earlier this year.

"We had one venue that was profitable for Ocean Pines. We don't anymore. That's because she felt the need to leave the Ocean Pines' employment," Jacobs said.

"I am not in favor of what the interim general manager has proposed," she continued. "I'm not really sure, any longer, who is making the decisions about what's occurring. Are people taking direction from the GM, who has no experience in the food and beverage arena, or are people being allowed to make decisions on their own? That's an open question to me."

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No agreement reached for local consultant

'What the board asked for

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situation under control'

Ocean Pines Director

Slobodan Trendic

Hill said a board member instructed him to hire a local person as a consultant, but that person had previously applied to work in Ocean Pines and "was not deemed to meet the credentials."

"Having that individual as a consultant without any kind of comparison or evaluation to other options is not doing my job as the general manager," Hill said. "So, I responded by putting out a request to organizations that met the qualifications to fulfill the services requested of evaluating our operations, finding deficiencies and seeking areas of improvement.

"I did what I would do for any other purchase as the acting general manager in finding competitive options that provide the best value to the association," he added.

Director Slobodan Trendic said the notion that a director instructed him to hire a local consultant was "a fabrication of far-fetched truth." Trendic said he had emails that would back that up.

"What the board asked for and what was agreed is to take immediate actions to get the food and beverage situation under control," Trendic said. "I don't want to get calls from people complaining about the beach club, stating that they almost ran out of food a week ago and all the other craziness that's going on."

Trendic said he agreed with Jacobs that Huettner should be brought back, and said a local consultant was needed.

He added that several members of the community offered to help with the food and beverage operations, but were turned down by Hill.

"Now, we as a board are faced with

having to deal with this operational issue. Frankly, I'm really not happy because I don't want the board to be accused that we are getting involved in the operational matters. But it appears that, for the last couple of months, that was a

necessity," Trendic said. "Let's get the situation under control so we can have a decent summer season, with only a few weeks left."

Herrick read from meeting minutes from June 19, written by Trendic, which stated the board decided to bring in an industry consultant as soon as possible to assist management.

"That was a directive to the acting general manager," Herrick said. "You may not be happy with who he picked, but you directed him to do so and that's what he did. If you, as a board, decided that that's not enough ... then we can direct the [general manager] to find someone local."

Trendic countered that a request for proposals was not posted on the Ocean Pines website or published anywhere. He added that local companies were not contacted.

> Hill said he came up with the list of seven consulting firms based on a Google search, and said the timeline was too short to reach out to others.

A heated exchange followed.

"Our bylaws state open procurement procedures.

What's so strange about 'open' that needs to be explained?" Trendic said.

"Well, you told me to hire one individual. So how open is that, Slobodan?" Hill said.

"I will produce the email on this subject to the media after the meeting so they can determine whether that is true or not," Trendic said. "And I'll give them the rest of your

"And I'll give them the rest of your emails that show where you are directing President Herrick to tell me to hire an individual. If you want to play, let's play," Hill said. Jacobs said the board agreed on "a particular individual that had been suggested to provide assistance in the food and beverage arena."

"When the interim GM chose to discount that person as qualified, what should have occurred, in my opinion, is that he came back to the board and the board would have discussed this matter about what would be the appropriate next course of action to take," Jacobs said. "That's not getting into operational issues — that's called board oversight."

She said the entire discussion goes back to the board agreeing a quick fix was needed in order to turn around several failing food and beverage operations.

She said a local person was discussed, but a different direction was apparently taken. Still, she said the suggestion to bring back Huettner was a quick fix – at least for the beach club.

Herrick asked if the board could at least agree to direct Hill to hire a local consultant.

Several directors instead called for a vote on Hill's motion to hire Synergy Restaurant Consultants.

The vote was 5-2 against the motion, without only Hill and Vice President Dave Stevens voting in favor.

No further discussion on the topic was held.





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OP interviewed five GM candidates

No timetable for new hire, but current board believes will happen before election

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association interviewed five general manager candidates, men and women, during meetings last Thursday and Friday, but no offer was extended as of Sunday, according to Board President Tom Herrick. "We're going to hire somebody. That's as definitive as we can tell you," interim General Manager Brett Hill said on Sunday.

Hill would not comment on whether one of the five people interviewed would be hired.

"It's a two-way conversation," he said. "They have to accept as well."

Herrick, as of Sunday, said all five candidates were still in contention.

"We don't know what's going to happen," Herrick said. "It's still ongoing. When we actually have something to report, we will."

Both men said they expected a decision to be made before the results of the August election.

Hill, who has been in the interim role for nearly a year, joked that his timetable for the hire was "yesterday."

"And I said it in closed session and I'll say it in open, despite Slobodan's [Trendic] repeated requests, I have not applied for the job and that's not on the table," Hill said with a laugh.

Berlin's new public access channel

Not much fanfare, but lots of helpful information and events can be posted, free

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) The Town of Berlin recently upgraded its public access channel, although not so much to great fanfare.

"Nobody noticed," Town Administrator Laura Allen said. "But we talked about it at a council meeting and we're very excited about it, because it gives us a lot more capacity

- which we're exploring."

Allen said the town spent less than \$5,000 with the TelVue Corporation to upgrade the systems and improve delivery of public information and community events.

Submitting events and announcements to the channel can be done through a form on the Town of Berlin website by visiting www.berlinmd.gov/public-access-channel-request. Two weeks' notice is recommended for events.

"We have some policy rules of what goes up there, but with most local events there's really not an issue," Allen said. "If folks want local events that they want us to highlight, there's no charge."

Allen said the town has put a lot of its own notices on the channel.

"We put everything on it," she said. "Recently, we put in the fireworks event, the change in the schedule for the holiday for garbage and recycling pick up, and all of our notifications for 'Tweak Our Peak."

The Town of Berlin public access network can be viewed on channel 4 on most TVs, Allen said.



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Historic District Comm. wants more district

At least one member of Berlin board hopes to see borders greatly expanded

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Berlin Historic District Commission Vice Chairman Robert Poli wants to see the historic district expanded.

During the July 5 commission meeting, Poli said he would like the district to include the areas from North Main Street to Harrison Avenue, Powellton Avenue to William Street, William Street from Powellton Avenue back to Bay Street, all of Vine Street, Bay Street to Pitts Street and all of Pitts Street, Tripoli Street to Church Street, all of Church Street, Washington Street and Harrison Avenue, West Street to Buckingham Lane, and all of Buckingham Lane.

"Some day in the future, the 1960s will be considered historic as it represents changes in Berlin during its growth and development," Poli said. 'As it seems that Berlin's borders are expanding, the size of the historic district should expand proportionately, from the center on out. Otherwise, people aren't coming here for the history of this town anymore."

Poli warned that Berlin, if it did not protect its historic areas, would become an extension of Ocean City and West Ocean City.

T've seen this in towns up north where I grew up," he said. "The hometown that I was in with only a population of 4,000 when I was 6 years old now has over 50,000 [people] with 25 high rises at least.

"This is the way I foresee the future of this town if we don't keep strong with our guidelines of the historic district," Poli added.

Commission Chairwoman Carol Rose said she previously asked the town to expand the district and said there was not much of a chance all the streets Poli mentioned would ever be included.

"I think we all need to realize we're at that critical point about what are we going to do about these things," commission member Mary Moore

Moore, Rose and others were also concerned about renovations they said were not up to historic district

In particular, they said façade improvements at A Little Bit Sheepish and the former Berlin Shoe Box building, both on Main Street, were not done correctly.

'These two people didn't even put an application in, which they should've, and I think they're in violation," Poli said. "Both, if you pass by ... it doesn't look nice. It doesn't even look historic anymore. It looks like slapstick and I don't like it.'

Town Administrator Laura Allen said she would look into those situations and see if the commission or the town had any recourse.

"Both of these things really need to [be examined]," Moore said. "We're not doing our job well if we're not representing the town itself, the charm and all the things we love so much about it."

Moore also said Realtors who show homes and businesses in the historic district should let their clients know what the guidelines and expectations are.

"The idea is not scaring people away," Poli said. "If somebody comes in and they buy a house not knowing that's in the historic district, and then they can't afford certain windows because they have to be a certain standard, then they shouldn't have bought that house there."

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Rose will remain chairwoman through year

Longtime Historic District Commission head will stay on, in spite of reservations

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Longtime Historic District Chairwoman Carol Rose said last month she would not continue in that position.

Some plans, apparently, change. Rose was nominated for the chair by commission member Mary Moore in June, but declined and replied, "It is time for someone else to have a turn."

But since no one stepped then or after the organization vote was delayed a month, Rose said at the July 5 commission meeting that she would continue as the chairwoman for another six months.

The vote was unanimous and the other commission members insisted they needed her help and dedication.

Rose also serves on the board of directors for the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum, Diakonia, the Worcester County Library Foundation and the Worcester County Veteran's Memorial Foundation.

"You've done such a terrific job for us. I'd hate to see you leave. We'd love to see you stay and continue as our chair," Moore said. "You always go the extra mile. You're out there, looking everything over and bringing things to our attention.

"It's certainly a very personal decision, but I think all of us would feel a loss if you decided you didn't want to be the chair," Moore added.

"I echo that sentiment," commission member Betty Tustin said. "If you're feeling overwhelmed, then we need to step up to the plate ... I can personally make a commitment to try to be there and be more supportive than I have in the past."

The two other commission members, Laura Stearns and Robert Poli, also expressed their support.

"You grew up here in this town and I think that's important for us," Stearns said.

Rose, normally stoic during the

meetings, took off her glasses for a moment and appeared visibly touched.

"I really came with the idea that I was not going to do it," Rose said. "My husband will probably divorce me, but ... [she will continue] until the end of the year and everybody think about somebody else taking

the job. I'm serious about that."

The commission also unanimously approved Poli as vice chairman.

"For someone who has moved here and cares about Berlin ... your standards are very high and your eye is very sharp," Moore said. "I think you would be a wonderful vice chair.

One dirt biker apprehended and fined, one that got away

(July 13, 2017) Worcester County deputies were dispatched to the area of Public Landing Road and McCabes Corner Road in Snow Hill to investigate reports of dirt bikes riding up and down Public Landing Road.

Finding two individuals on dirt bikes on the roadway, the deputy attempted to stop the vehicles, but the operators fled.

One subject, later identified as Dantwyne Taylor, 33, of Salisbury, drove west toward Route 113 and turned south, riding on the paved shoulder of the northbound lanes before turning into a cornfield.

Searching the field, deputies located the dirt bike, but not the driver. He was later found walking along Route 113 near Brick Kiln Road.

Taylor was arrested and charged with fleeing and eluding, and was held on \$5,000 bond.

Deputies did not locate the other operator.



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Ballots for 2017 Ocean Pines BOD election sent out

(July 13, 2017) Ocean Pines Association (OPA) mailed election ballots to its members in good standing this week.

In accordance with the OPA bylaws, no member may vote if the member has failed to pay the annual charge, including any assessed interest levied by the association. There are four candidates to fill two open positions on the Board of Directors, Colette Horn, Nicole Schafer Crosariol, Doug Parks and Marty Clarke. Voters may select no more than two of the following candidates. Write-in candidates are not permitted.

One election ballot and a postagepaid return envelope will be mailed for each Ocean Pines property owned, regardless of the number of lot owners on the land record. Mailed ballots must be received at the post office by Thursday, Aug. 10. Ballots may be dropped off in the ballot box inside the Ocean Pines Police Station at the OPA Administration Building no later than 5 p.m. on Aug. 10. Votes will be counted on Aug. 11.

Election results will be announced during the Annual Meeting on Saturday, Aug. 12 at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center on 235 Ocean Parkway. The Elections Committee encourages members to meet and hear from the candidates before casting a ballot.

The Elections Committee invites members of the Association to attend the second candidates' forum, which is set for Saturday, July 22 at 10 a.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. Candidates running for the board of directors are invited to the forum to express their positions on Ocean Pines issues.

Residents are encouraged to submit questions, 75 words or less, by calling the Elections Committee hotline at 410-208-3989, or sending questions by email to Elections Committee Chairman Steve Tuttle at sltuttleo8@gmail.com. The deadline for submitting questions is Friday, July 21.

For any questions regarding the status of an owner account, call OPA Administration at 410-641-7717. The Elections Committee will monitor the hotline for questions and/or requests for replacement ballots.



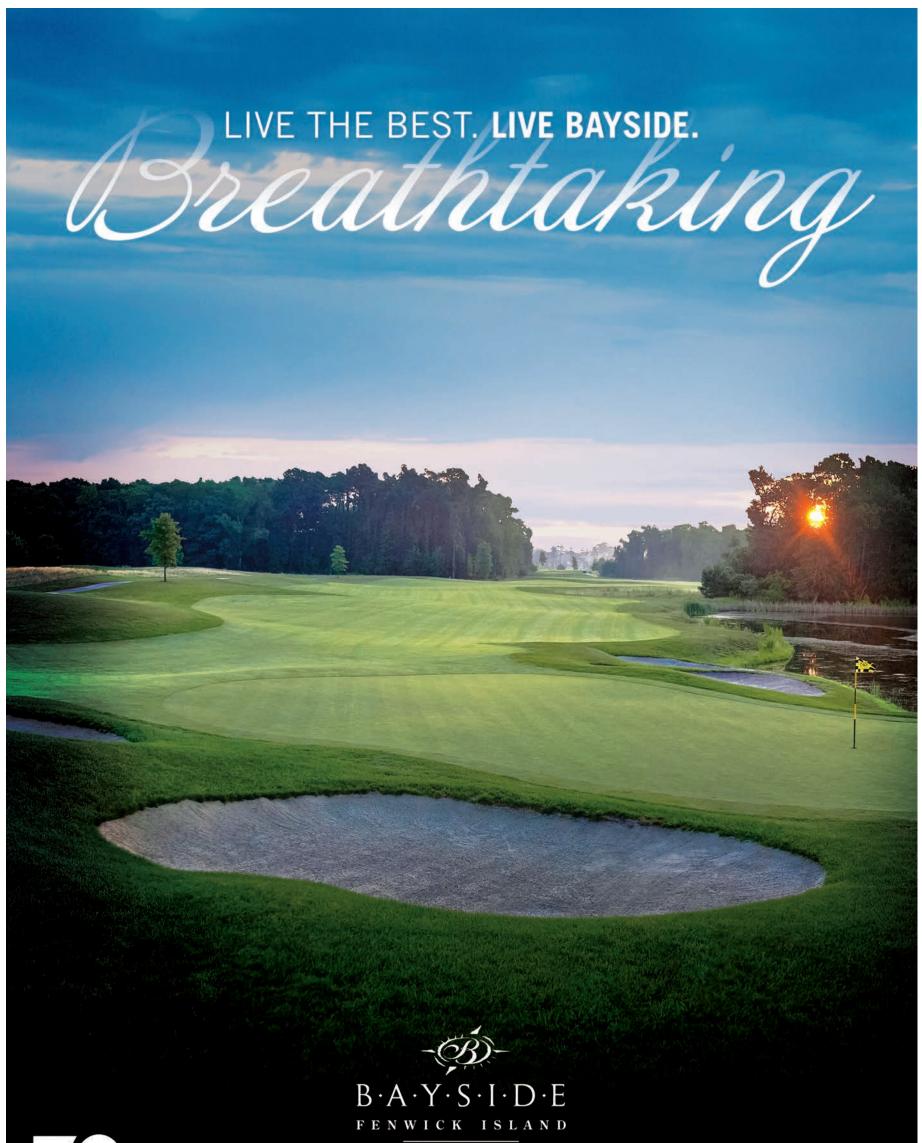
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Berlin Council Briefs

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) The Berlin Mayor and Council discussed the following items during a public meeting at Town Hall on Monday:

Special events

The council unanimously supported two events: the Heroes Never Forget 5K on Sept. 10 and National Night Out on Aug. 1.

Heroes Never Forget is a new event, sponsored by and benefiting the Berlin Fire Company. OC Tri-Running will help organize it.

National Night Out is an annual program organized locally by the Berlin Police Department. It will be held at Dr. William Henry Park from 4-7 p.m. and will include at least eight other local organizations and nonprofits, according to Police Chief Arnold Downing.

Code changes

Two ordinances related to town parks were adopted unanimously.

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen said the items were essentially bringing the code up to date. The changes clarified the role of the parks commission, gave the Town Council leeway on approving events that include alcohol in the parks, and allow bicycles inside the parks.

Berlin Parks Commission Chairman Mike Wiley said the commission reviewed and approved of the changes.

A first reading on the changes was held during the previous council meeting.

Field trip

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Downing said police and other volunteers were preparing to take their largest group of children yet from Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services programs to Jolly Roger this month. He said Robin Tomaselli from Baked Desserts will be making snacks and the Main Street Deli will be providing lunch at a reduced cost.

In August, Downing said police were planning a trip with Worcester Youth children to the Stratosphere trampoline park in Delmar.

Fireworks successful

Downing said police and other officials received only positive comments about the town fireworks display on July 3. He said First Baptist Church had more than 300 people watching there and others viewed the display from as far away as the Tractor Supply Co., Berlin Nursing & Rehabilitation Center and Berlin Intermediate School.

Townwide, viewership was estimated in the thousands.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said she asked for the fireworks to be "super high in the sky," which helped attract the larger crowd. She said a Facebook Live feed reached nearly 13,000 people.

Billboard

The council unanimously approved a requisition order for \$18,000 for one year of billboard rental, extending the lease of the town billboard near Fort Whaley on Route 50.

Berlin Briefs

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Berlin briefs:

Sidewalks repairs

Maryland State Highway officials began work Monday to improve the sidewalks on South Main Street, from Tripoli Street to the cemetery, according to Town Administrator Laura Allen.

She said most of the work would address ADA accessibility issues.

"The quality of the sidewalk, especially on the left-hand side, is particularly bad," Allen said. "[State Highway] are mindful of that and have indicated to us their commitment to make those sidewalks compliant."

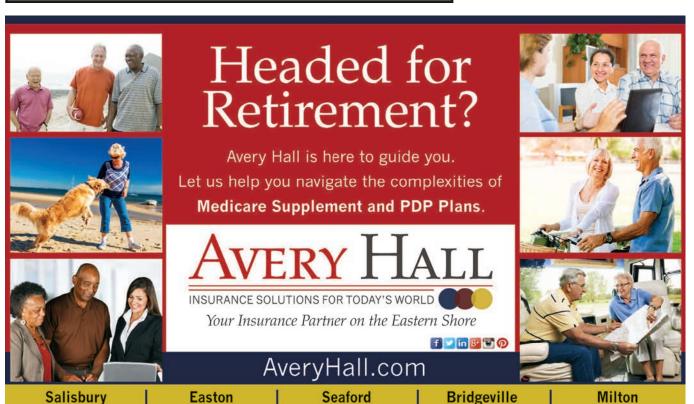
The improvements will cost the town nothing. Allen said work would probably last about 60 days and would not require significant road closures.

Decatur collaboration

Economic and Community Development Director ly Wells is working with students from Stephen Decatur High School on a summer art project.

The students will help paint picnic tables used for the Third Thursday concert series in exchange for service learning hours.

Stephen Decatur High School teacher Mary Berquist attended a Historic District Commission meeting last month to talk about a possible Continued on Page 20



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Berlin's Treasure Chest turns 40

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) Forty years ago last month, the Treasure Chest in downtown Berlin was sold to Bill Freeman. Today, his daughter, Terri Sexton, operates the mainstay on Main Street the oldest business in historic district.

The Treasure Chest dates back more than a century, when it was originally housed in the building that's now home to yarn shop A Little Bit Sheepish. It's now based in its own building on 20 North Main Street.

"The Treasure Chest itself has been doing business for over 125 years," Sexton said. "When my dad bought the business, June 1, 1977, they just had a month-to-month rental agreement [at the old location]. There wasn't a lease and this building came up for sale, so he went ahead and bought it and moved the business here."

Sexton was 16 at the time. Back then, she said, Treasure Chest carried giftware and costume jewelry, along with a small amount of what would be considered fine jewelry.

She assumes it had operated that way since the beginning, carrying mostly "knick-knacks." She said there was also a section in the old store for wedding registry items like crystal, fine china and sterling flatware.

About two years after her father bought the Treasure Chest, Sexton went off to college with the intention of becoming a photojournalist.

"My last year of college I decided, like a lot of people in this area, if you have a family business and you want to live in this area where you grew up, it was a good thing to do," she said. "So, after I graduated college I started working with my dad."

As they worked together, Sexton said, the Treasure Chest benefited from having a male and female perspective, as well as the viewpoints of two different generations.

As the business grew, so did the town. Sexton's father and Jim Barrett bought Renaissance Plaza and revitalized it, which kicked off a series of improvements throughout Berlin.

"That started the actual revitalization of downtown," Sexton said. "If you want to draw businesses to town and you want the town to thrive, it's got to look good. So, with them redoing Renaissance Plaza and making what could be done seem possible, that sort of sparked interest and the whole town started to come alive again."

Sexton worked closely with former Economic Development Director Michael Day when Berlin started its Main Street program about a decade ago.

"I worked more with the merchants, while he worked more with the government end of the Main Street," she said. "We came up with events and I chaired the committee meetings, and I was probably instrumental in having the meetings go around.

"The first year as a Main Street community, we had a certain amount of money to spend. We had a lot of work that first year getting all that done, and after that it was kind of maintaining things," Sexton added.

As business started to boom and more shops opened in downtown Berlin, especially those carrying gift items, the Treasure Chest started to focus more on fine jewelry.

"We kind of relinquished some of the better-selling gifts to some of the other businesses in the area," Sexton said. "We gave them our suggestions of our good sellers if they wanted to carry them, and then we became more of a full-on jewelry store.

"Today, we carry a full line of jewelry, sterling silver, gold, gemstones, diamonds — just a full gamut," she continued. "We also found a need for carrying nice jewelry boxes. We pretty much sustain what we transitioned into to this day."

Sexton said her biggest season is around the Christmas holiday.

"We have wonderful regular customers that have been customers through the years," she said. "They watched my children grow up - I watched their families grow.

"We get a nice boost of tourists in the summertime, but our mainstay are generally our loyal customers, year-



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Treasure Chest owner Terri Sexton stands outside of the downtown Berlin shop, which will celebrate 40 years in business under the guidance of her and her father, Bill Freeman, with a series of events this month.

round" Sexton added.

While Sexton was not quite ready to promise another 125-year run for the Treasure Chest, she said she planned to maintain its current place as an anchor of the town.

"I think it's working very well for us and you'll just see us keep moving along, full speed ahead," she said.

To mark the anniversary, the Treasure Chest will offer storewide discounts of 20-50 percent off, July 14-22.

A ribbon cutting and business after hours with the Berlin Chamber of Commerce will be held today, Thursday, from 5-8 p.m.

For more information, visit www.treasurechestjewelers.com or call 410-641-0333.

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'Coffee, Tea, Harmony,' July 15

(July 13, 2017) The Delmarva Chorus, a women's a capella group, will perform at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July, 15, at the Ocean Pines Community Center.

This year's theme is "Coffee, Tea and Harmony at Camp Delmarva. Tickets cost \$10.

The women have been singing together and sharing their gifts with Ocean Pines, Berlin, Ocean City and surrounding communities since the Chorus was founded in 2001.

Each year, there are many opportunities for the group to volunteer their voices and perform at numerous events and locations - these include, but are not limited to - tree lightings, places of worship, holiday, veteran and memorial events, as well as nursing homes and senior

While singing is the main focus, the Delmarva Chorus members and Director Carol Ludwig often lend their many talents and charitable giving when requested by groups like Worcester GOLD and others.

The Delmarva Chorus is a nonprofit organization. For tickets, contact Debbie Hile at 703-300-

Berlin Briefs

Continued from Page 18 partnership with the town. When the idea of painting downtown utility boxes fell through, an alternative project was found.

Members of the Historic District Commission said last week they were fully supportive of the town working with Decatur students.

William Street update

A notice to proceed with culvert work on William Street was issued last week to contractor Goody Hill Groundwork, Allen said. The culvert will be enlarged as part of a multiphase project to improve town stormwater systems.

The work is largely funded by a series of grants.

Baker Street update

Allen said the town recently received a concept outline from Davis, Bowen & Friedel Inc. for road repairs on Baker Street. The town will review the plan, then work with firm to develop a request for proposals. A contract will be selected and work should start after Labor Day.

The town budgeted \$120,000 for















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'Paws and Whiskers' held at Ocean Pines Farmers Mkt.

(July 13, 2017) The Ocean Pines Farmers Market's annual "Paws and Whiskers" fundraiser and adoption event on Saturday, July 15 will benefit the Worcester County Humane Society, a nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter serving all of Worcester County.

The Ocean Pines Farmers Market will host the outdoor pet adoption event and fundraiser from 8 a.m. to 1

The pet-friendly event, which will be held in conjunction with the weekly market, will offer a variety of activities for pets and their owners including demonstrations, clinics, pet services and giveaways. The first 75 pet-parents to arrive at the market will receive a free goody bag full of pet items and coupons donated by Precious Paws Animal Hospital, of Ocean

Demonstrations will include agility and dog dancing by the Salisbury Kennel Club and the Worcester County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit.

Several tote bags of products, including merchandise that has been donated by the all-natural dog supplement company, NuPro Canine, will be raffled off by the Worcester County Humane Society to raise money.

Other featured vendors and organizations include Charlie's Treats, Pet Wants Rehoboth Beach, Aunt Maggie's Pet Sitting, Pet Threadz and Town Cats of Ocean City.

The Ocean Pines Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. year-round in White Horse Park, located at 239 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines. It offers seasonal fresh produce, meat, eggs, seafood, wine, baked goods, kettle corn, gourmet food products, handcrafted items and live cooking demonstrations.

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









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Ocean Pines Golf Club renovations continue

First floor finished, second floor now to get additional meeting and banquet room

(July 13, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association recently made progress toward renovation to the second floor of the Ocean Pines Golf Club.

The second level will significantly improve the building's accessibility, upgrade its amenities and bring a number of other improvements to the building, which dates back to the early 1970s.

"We're hoping to hit a hole-in-one with construction work to the entrance and second floor of the facility, which are progressing well," Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer said. "The Ocean Pines Public Works Department is

working to complete phase two of the Golf Club project. Most of the interior construction work, within this phase, will take place on the second level, where banquet and wedding services are offered to residents and guests."

The second level is getting a floor-to-ceiling makeover. The reconfiguration project is adding a number of meeting rooms, a 60-seat board-room, a restored outside deck, a new deck addition, handicap accessible ramps and a large banquet/dining area.

The project presents the opportunity to improve the banquet experience at Ocean Pines Golf Club, while accommodating meetings for community organizations and committees. The Association's Food and Beverage Director Brian Townsend

will be able to offer the Ocean Pines Golf Club as a venue for smaller corporate and/or company parties as well as other special events, like budget-conscious weddings.

"Whether it's an exchange of vows or a company holiday party, we will soon be able to make special memories at our Golf Club, overlooking the gorgeous links," Townsend said.

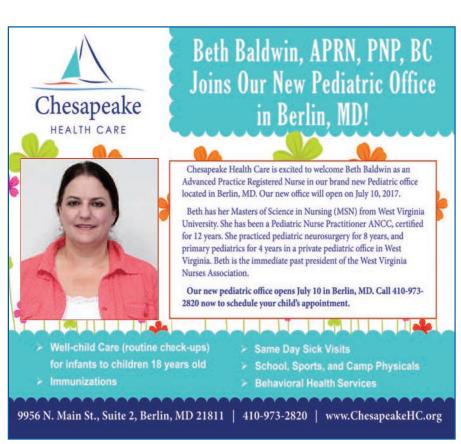
The building continues to get much-needed attention from the Board of Directors. The Ocean Pines Association (OPA) Board of Directors agreed during a 2016 board meeting to replace the roof of the clubhouse. The roof had a history of leaks because of improperly mounted heating, ventilation and air conditioning units, and required immediate work.

Construction on Ocean Pines Golf Club, originally named Seabright and later Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club, began in 1970. Robert Trent Jones Sr. was hired to design the course.

It officially opened on June 5, 1972, making it one of the earliest courses in the Ocean City area. Golfing greats Billy Casper, Dean Beman, Marty West and Bob Haley were the inaugural foursome and participated in a special celebrity match that day.

Today, Ocean Pines Golf Club, with its classic Robert Trent Jones design, challenges golfers just as it did in 1972. It is, as originally envisioned, open to the public year-round and offers annual memberships for those wishing to make it their home course.

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









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Uncertainty continues for Pocomoke barber

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(July 13, 2017) The owners of Fontaine's Barber Shop in Pocomoke City are feeling optimistic that property renovations begun in February 2016 may finally come to fruition.

Charles Fontaine Sr., who has operated scissors and clippers in Pocomoke since 1968, appeared at a City Council meeting last month to ask for help after general contractor T/A Exteriors of Westover apparently quit the job.

Pocomoke also has an interest in the project, because it provided matching funds through a Maryland Department of Housing Community Legacy Grant.

"It wasn't the city's fault, it was the contractor," Charles Fontaine said. "The problem is it was not done to our satisfaction."

When T/A Exteriors came on board in early 2016, Charles Fontaine said indications were the three-part project — updating the barber shop, a two-bedroom apartment an and adjacent 400 square feet of office space — would progress quickly.

"He started off right good," he said.

Things were seemingly on track until a month before the originally anticipated completion date of Sept. 20.

"Last August, he stopped showing

up," Charles Fontaine said.

Joe Miller, who operates T/A Exteriors, offered a different take on the situation

"The building is a couple hundred years old," he said. "He had let the building go for years."

Miller, who has worked in Pocomoke for the last decade on various projects, said he completed extensive repairs, some of which weren't included in the original contract.

"I wasn't trying to cheat or rip them off," he said. "I tried to make them happy."

The inability to communicate with the contractor, Charles Fontaine Jr. (Chuck) said, led the family business to get in touch with city officials.

"My dad and I notified the city manager, who gave him another deadline," he said.

The Fontaines said the contractor made a few brief appearances in May with prodding from then City Manager Ernie Crofoot.

"We'd go check behind him and he didn't do much work," Chuck Fontaine said.

Before his departure last August, however, Miller said the apartment and office space were completed.

From his perspective, Miller said the Fontaines had unrealistic expectations regarding the renovations.

"Nothing is going to look new," he

hies

Working conditions were another matter Miller raised, noting that despite stifling heat, he performed extensive repairs to the upstairs apartment, which he said had been long neglected and was not inhabitable.

"There was no air conditioning in the summer," he said. "The working conditions were terrible."

Losing hope the work would be completed to their satisfaction, Charles Fontaine made another appeal to the city during the June 19 Pocomoke Council meeting at which time Crofoot shared his own frustration.

"This schedule has not been met and I've bent over backwards," Crofoot said.

Assessing the present situation, Chuck Fontaine said while the apartment and office space are not fully completed, the main component of their business, the barbershop, hasn't even been touched.

"The barber shop was never done," he said. "I wanted him to do this last because I didn't think it would take this long."

Charles Fontaine also said much of the work would have to be redone, including what he viewed as a subpar paint job done inside the apartment.

"It wasn't prepped properly," he said. "If you don't prep, it's not going to look right."

For his part, Miller said, he was presented with challenging requests, including covering up high gloss black paint with white, a task that required four coats.

Although the father and son were not oblivious as the renovations neared completion, Chuck Fontaine said when inquiries were made the contractor was not willing to enter into a substantive discussion.

"We wouldn't even communicate with him," he said. "He'd get defensive and argumentative when questioned."

Miller counters that despite his best efforts, satisfying the clients seemed impossible.

"We just couldn't see eye to eye," he said. "I tried to make it happen, but I didn't see how I could continue."

At this point Charles Fontaine is still uncertain of the remaining cost to complete the renovations, but feels encouraged following a recent meeting with city officials, who pledged additional funds.

"We're going to get another contractor," he said.

As his business approaches its 50th anniversary next year, Charles Fontaine never tires of the surprised reaction from prior residents who pass by.

"People come in and say 'you're still here," he said.









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Opinion

Please send all letters and other editorial submissions to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday.

OPA fatigue contagious

Ocean Pines is exhausting. It's exhausting, as a news outlet, to cover, and this week the majority of the Board of Directors indicated it's exhausting to govern. Imagine how the homeowners and residents must feel.

At a Sunday public meeting during what was otherwise a picturesque and sunny beach day, interim General Manager Brett Hill, the board president and vice president essentially said two other directors were engaged in a conspiracy to undermine Hill.

Two other directors, countering that Hill was creating chaos among his employees, fought to install a local human resources consultant to deal with what they said were a multitude of complaints.

Those aforementioned men and women involved in the contentious debate, accounting for five of the seven people who govern Ocean Pines, sparred for nearly two hours and engaged in numerous personal attacks, but never came to a consensus on what should be done to correct the problems.

At one point, Director Slobodan Trendic called for the release of a video recording that is allegedly the smoking gun in the whole mess, although only a handful of people have apparently seen it.

Based on the comments of Board Vice President Dave Stevens, that excludes the majority of the board, who apparently refused to even watch it.

All of this is at the expense of the more than 8,000 homeowners of Ocean Pines, the most populous year-round community in the county, many of whom are asking what happened to their governance.

Nearly a year ago, last August, the election of two men and one woman proved to be a referendum on what many believed was an operationally opaque and failed board and general manager.

Now, anyone paying attention must be left wondering if the current situation is any better, and what can be done to put a stop to what seems like a perpetual cycle of bickering and instability.

In what is, otherwise, one of the nicest, safest and most enviable communities in the state, why can't Ocean Pines ever seem to correct what is and has been one of the most unstable and tumultuous systems of government?

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Letters

Oasis reversal is age discrimination

This is an open letter to the Board of Directors of Ocean Pines

Directors,

First, I thank you for the time and effort you give to this community. I am sure it is very frustrating at times.

I am addressing the current topic of the Yacht Club pool converting to an all-inclusive pool, which includes children. Since 1988 when laws changed regarding not discriminating against any groups using pools, our pool has operated very successfully.

Witness the hundreds of white-haired men and women getting a bit of exercise and socialization every weekend of the summer. Meanwhile, four other pools welcome children and people of all ages. The pools served us all very well.

When the Acting General Manager stepped into place, among the good things that he did, was some "tinkering" of family swim and child use of the Yacht Club pool. He made the changes without ever discussing and having it passed by the Board. They learned of it when it became published in OP literature. (There are several other questionable things).

So, what we have is the good with the bad in the ac-

tions of our AGM. This has all led to bringing in the laws established in 1988.

As of today, children will be allowed at the Yacht Club pool at 11a.m. and the lap lines will be removed! Why the removal of lap lines ... they are acceptable at the indoor pool and Swim and Racquet Club. Is that a "law" too?

I have a suggestion ... designate this pool as a "therapy pool," for it in reality it is very much a therapy pool ... as you see so many older people doing what they can in the water. They, we all need to have a place to exercise. You have discriminated very severely against the aging population in Ocean Pines. Where are we to go now where we have the safe space?

There are lawyers and then there are other lawyers who are able to work through a very real reverse discrimination. Lets get on board with keeping OP a happy place and using common sense to guide where the best use of this "Oasis" lies.

Blanche Deasy Ocean Pines

Impact of vote on HR consultant

Ocean Pines Association Director Slobodan Trendic sent the following letter to the Ocean Pines Board and the Bayside Gazette *on Monday*. Editor,

Yesterday you voted against my Motion to hire an independent local HR consultant. During our meeting on June 19th the Board unanimously agreed there is a clear and immediate need to have an independent local HR person present onsite to provide this long missing support to Association's employees and the management.

Here is the impact of your vote:

1. You voted against my recommendation to hire a human resources consultant with appropriate educational background and specialized skills. A consultant that would deal with employees' concerns and management issues in the workplace in a confidential, trained and professional manner by representing both parties objectively, employees and the Association.

Instead you supported Brett Hill's decision to "sole source" this new HR services to the Association's law firm. Furthermore you agreed with Brett Hill that such HR services will be provided to our employees by an attorney that usually handles litigation matters and labor disputes, etc.

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2. You voted against hiring a local consultant who was willing to provide these HR services at a very low hourly rate.

Instead you chose to support Brett Hill's decision which is much more expensive. Just run the calculations and compare law firm's quoted "hourly rate" to the independent consultant's "hourly hour" rate. The cost difference is huge. On top of that the Association will have to reimburse all travel related expenses.

3. You voted against hiring this independent consultant because he/she is also the member of this community. Let's remind ourselves this is the person who is professionally certified to handle these personnel issues in absolute confidentially and with highest ethical standards. But you do not have a problem that Brett Hill is a member of this community and in his acting GM capacity has absolute and full access to all Association's records including confidential personnel files. Has he signed a confidentially agreement that would protect the privacy of these individuals and their records?

4. At the Board's request our law firm interviewed two independent local consultants for this onsite HR support role. The entire Board was never provided with the outcome / results of these interviews. Then Brett Hill informs the Board of his decision to obtain HR services from the same law firm instead of hiring a local consultant.

In summary, I wish to thank Directors Cheryl Jacobs and Doug Parks for supporting my Motion. They both real-

ized the Association has an urgent need to prove a long missing onsite human resources support. They also agreed the best way to do this is to hire a local well qualified consultant instead of having a law firm from Bethesda, Maryland provide this HR support.

Slobodan Trendic Secretary of the Association Director of the OPA Board

Local businesses should support one another

Editor,

There has been a peaceful co-existence between restaurants and businesses in and near the Pines. Recently, Ocean Pines was fortunate enough to have a new business take over some old and empty real estate in the Manklin

Shopping Center. It filled many gaps needed by the community.

I guess I'm not cut from the right material to own a business, but I feel the local businesses should support each other. The idea of the local eateries being cutthroat to each other is not a good business practice in my personal opinion. Additions to current restaurants to compete directly with their neighbors leaves a bad taste in my mouth

Ocean Pines can be very welcoming to a "new thing" – other times, not so kind. Read the sidewalk signs and pay attention to who is advertising where and what. There are more things going on in Ocean Pines other than Ocean Pines Association news. Just my two cents.

> Vicki Magin Ocean Pines

Seventh annual WCHS raffle for cash prizes

(July 13, 2017) The Worcester County Humane Society is currently selling raffle tickets for six cash prizes (first – \$2,000, second – \$1,000 and third through sixth – \$500 each).

Drawing for the raffle will be held Nov. 11. Winner need not be present. Tickets cost \$5 each or get five tickets for \$20 with all proceeds benefiting the animals at the no-kill Berlin shelter. Those interested in purchasing raffle tickets can stop in at the shelter located at 12330 Eagles Nest Road between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The shelter is closed on Mondays.

Raffle tickets can also be purchased at the Worcester County Humane Society adoption and donation drop-off stand located at the front entrance of the Berlin Walmart from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the following days: July 16 and 29, Aug. 26 and 27 and several weekends in the fall.

Raffle tickets will also be sold at the Ocean Pines Farmers Market on July 15, Aug.19 and Sept. 16.

The shelter is also selling Ocean City coupon books for \$10. These books have 188 coupons for different restaurants and businesses in the area. Five dollars

from every book sold goes to the shelter.

Worcester County Humane Society is a private, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter that houses over 100 cats and 25 dogs. It depends on donations and fundraisers to help care for the many animals who call the shelter home until they are found by their forever family. Follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram for event updates and available pets.



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Daily, 11-5	West Harbor Village	New Construction	Townhomes	From \$270,000	Julie Stuart/Sales Manager
Friday, 10-1	501 Bayshore Dr., Ocean City	4BR/3BA	Single Family	\$739,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Res.
Sat-Mon, 11-4 pm	Heron Harbour, 120th St., Bayside	1BR/2/BR/3BR/4/BR+	Condo, Towns & SF	_	Nanette Pavier/Holiday Real Estate
Saturday, 10-1	12529 Whispering Woods Dr., West OC	3BR/2.5BA	Single Family	\$449,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Res.
Saturday, 10-12	3037 Snow Hill Rd., Snow Hill	4BR/2BA	Single Family	\$229,900	Terry Burrier/Hileman Real Estate
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H.T. Harrison & Sons Inc. owners. racers. friends and family hoist the 2017 **Berlin Bath**tub Races trophy after winning last Friday's event. JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE



'New blood' wins Bathtub Races

By Josh Davis

GAZETTE

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) H.T. Harrison & Sons Inc. took home the trophy at the 2017 Berlin Bathtub Races Friday night by besting Costa Ventosa Winery and Brewery by roughly the length of a rubber ducky during the final race.

"It feels great! We're going to Disney World," Racer Travis Harrison, 22, said afterward.

Harrison pushed the winning bathtub while his girlfriend, Brooke Chambers, drove.

It was an especially sweet victory for his mom, Capri Harrison, who said she asked her kids to participate in the races as a birthday present.

She and her husband bought a house in Berlin, last October.

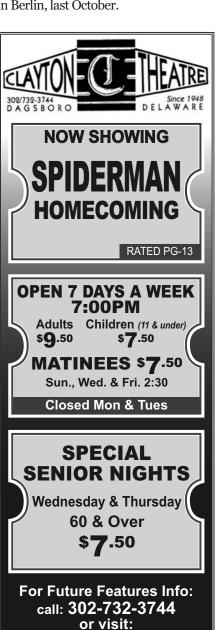
"We heard about all the wonderful events that Berlin offers," she said. "We just so enjoy being here. We come in on the weekends. We're hoping to retire here within a year. We're very excited. This is such a wonderful town and wonderful event and I'm thoroughly enjoying being a part of it."

Capri said she thought they stood a chance after practicing at home.

"They boys said, 'I think you have a winner here," she said. "Today's been a great birthday!"

The Berlin Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual event, which has run for more than two decades.

'I think it was absolutely amazing," Chamber Executive Director Larnet St. Amant said. "And I'm glad some new blood won."



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Community Briefs

Dean's List

Cassidy Larwood, of Ocean Pines, has earned a spot on the Dean's List for three consecutive years in the Burnett



Sciences, College of Medicine, at the University of Central Florida. She is majoring in biomedical studies. She will begin her senior year this fall.

School of Biomedical

Larwood is a 2014 graduate of Stephen

Decatur High School and the daughter of Robyn and Dave Baker, and John and Debbie Larwood.

Graduate

First Lt. Andrew Murrell graduated from A-10 Thunderbolt II (Warthog) fighter training on April 27 and is now a mission-

qualified pilot.



Andrew Murrell

During the last nine months at Davis-Monthan AFB in Tucson, Arizona, Lt. Murrell flew multiple sorties learning dog-fighting tactics, navigation, close-air support, air-to-air missile warfare, as well as the

bombing and strafing of ground targets.

This month, Lt. Murrell reported to Moody AFB in Valdosta, Georgia where he joined the 75th Fighter Squadron (Flying Tigers). He will likely be deployed overseas next year.

Lt. Murrell is a 2010 graduate of Stephen Decatur High School and a 2014 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. He is the son of Scott and Patti Murrell of Bishopville.

Borlaug Scholar

Craig Birckhead-Morton, a rising sophomore at Snow Hill High School, was named a Borlaug Scholar. He was selected as the Maryland World Food Prize delegate and will move on to the World



Craig Birckhead Morton

Food Prize Global Youth Institute in the fall.

Birckhead-Morton will attend the three-day conference held in Des Moines, Iowa with Ash-Streebig, lev teacher-mentor, in October 2017.

Birckhead-Morton is

a member of the Boy Scouts, Southern Eastern Shore Association of Student Councils (SESASC) and was selected for the Worcester County Youth Council.

He is a Ben Carson Scholarship Winner, has been on the Principal's List since elementary school and a Worcester County School System WeXL honoree.

He is a member of the SHHS track team, marching band, National Guard Youth Program and legal intern, the Adopt a Highway Team responsible for cleaning a 2-mile stretch of

Maryland highway four times a year, Appalachia Service Project and he participates in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Film runner-up

Worcester Prep senior Tate Shockley placed runner-up for his cinematography on the film "Dockyard Chief," in the sev-

enth annual Daniel A. Citron Gilman School Film Festival.



The film was written and directed by his older sister, Emmi, (WPS '15) who is a sophomore at Fordham University in New York.

Forty filmmakers

from 15 schools around Maryland submitted 56 films to the festival. Judges selected one winner and runner-up in five categories. Twenty-three films were shown at the festival, held March 31.

The Shockleys garnered their interest in film working with WPS Upper School technology teacher Nancy Raskauskas. Tate Shockley plans to attend UNCW in the fall to pursue a degree in Film Studies.



Country Western Night at Ocean **Downs, Thursday**

By Morgan Pilz

(July 13, 2017) Star Charities' 15th annual Country Western Night in the Casino at Ocean Downs' clubhouse restaurant will take place on Thursday, July 13, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The event will raise money for veterans and wounded soldiers while allowing donors to enjoy food, music and live horse racing.

"I've been organizing it because I believe in supporting soldiers any way we can," event Coordinator Anna Foultz said. "We can't do enough for our soldiers.'

The event will include door prizes such as decorated wine bottles. Each bottle was designed by a member of the Star Charities organization. A

'I've been organizing it because I believe evening. Guests in supporting soldiers any way we can.' Event

Coordinator Anna Foultz

buffet and horse racing will start at 7 p.m. There will be 10 horse races that who bet on a horse and win will get their picture taken with the horse and jockey.

Live entertainment will include can-can dancers from

Frontier Town, performances from singer Sharon Florentino, and DJ Deno as the emcee.

The buffet will feature chicken, salad, fish, macaroni and cheese, beverages and an assortment of dessert.

Participants are encouraged to western-themed costumes and/or outfits.

"We want to see you look like you came from Texas," Foultz said. "It's just fun."

Tickets cost \$26 per person and must be purchased in advance. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Proceeds will go directly toward charities benefiting soldiers.

"The money we get when they buy the ticket is for the veterans," Foultz said. "Every penny goes to veterans. We donate from our hearts because we want to do more for our community. If there is anybody suffering I try to give them money because that's what we do."

Those interested in participating in the event must be 18 or older.

"We hope to have a great turnout to show our support for our dear soldiers and show them how much they mean to us," Foultz said.

Star Charities is a nonprofit organization founded in 2007 by Foultz and her late husband, Carl, with 17 volunteer staff members.

"I live to help the people here," Foultz said. "That's my life."

To purchase a ticket or for more information, contact Foultz at 410-641-7667.



STAR CHARITIES DONATION

Star Charities volunteers join founder Anna Foultz, third from right, in presenting a check to Denise Eberspeaker from Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay at the Ocean Pines library on Friday. The Ocean Pines nonprofit raised more than \$2,211 during a fundraiser at the Sunset Grille last month. Star Charities thanks Sunset Grille owner Buddy Trala, who donated buffet food for the event.

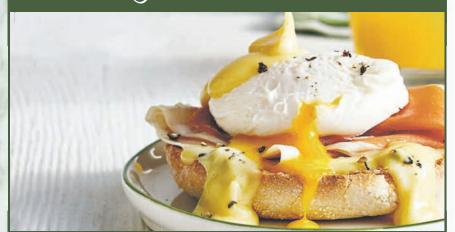


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Berlin Bathtub Races



"The Bathmen," from left, Bill Hoshal, Kenny "Cupcake" Tomaselli and Mike Wiley, lead off the annual Berlin Bathtub Races on Friday.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Gussie Shelties from Sheppard Realty, Inc. grins after racing in one of the early heats during the Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday.



IOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Bruder Hill owner Shelly Bruder offers a congratulatory high-five after being eliminated during the 2017 Bathtub Races, Friday.



Children participate in one of three hula-hoop contests during the Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday. Three winners in each contest earned free ice cream from Island Creamery.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Berlin Police Cpl. Merle Bragg keeps the peace — and on more than one occasion busts a move - during the 2017 Bathtub Races, Friday.



Travis Harrison and Brooke Chambers from H.T. Harrison & Sons, Inc. edge out Jack Lord and Eddie Moore from Costa Ventosa Winery and Brewery during the Berlin Bathtub races last Friday. The Harrison team would go on to earn first place in the annual races.

All Children's Chorus to join Berlin's 2nd Friday festivities

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 13, 2017) The All Children's Chorus of Annapolis will perform in front of the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin as part of the monthly 2nd Friday art stroll this week.

Worcester County Arts Council Executive Director Anna Mullis said the group is in the middle of a weeklong tour of the Eastern Shore, dubbed "Sand, Sun and Singing."

"They are visiting several towns, including Berlin," she said. "I believe 15-20 children will be performing in front of the Atlantic Hotel at around 6 p.m. [on Friday]. We are very excited for it."

The group will also perform at the Ocean Pines Farmer's Market at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Also on Friday, the arts council will host an opening reception from 5-8 p.m. for a new juried art exhibition. Work from the show is up now and will remain on display through the end of the month.

"We have 17 artists who submitted work for the juried show and the theme this month is 'Between Water and Sky," Mullis said. "We have a variety of work submitted by local and regional artists, including a couple of three-dimensional pieces."

She said painter and Washington,

D.C. native Kevin Fitzgerald would judge the show. An awards ceremony is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Friday.

day.

"The public is invited to come, if anybody would like to come and listen to the judge's comments and remarks and his perspective on the subject," Mullis said. "Everybody is welcome here."

Registration is open for the annual Paint Berlin plein air competition, Sept. 20-23. Mullis said more than 25 artists have already registered.

Berlin resident Kirk McBride will judge 2017 Paint Berlin and a "Wet Paint" sale and exhibition is planned for Saturday, Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The first-place award is \$1,000, second place is \$500, third place is \$250, and \$100 will be given to artists who earn honorable mention, artist's choice or legislator's choice awards.

Registration for Paint Berlin is \$40 and the deadline is Aug. 31. Artists must be 18 or old and registration is limited to 50 artists.

For more information or to register, visit the Worcester County Arts Council on 6 Jefferson Street, call 410-641-0809 or visit www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org online.



The All Children's Chorus of Annapolis perform at the historic William Paca House in downtown Annapolis on July 4. The group will perform in Berlin on Friday as part of the monthly 2nd Friday



Don Grafer's acrylic painting "Ocean Sunrise" is one of several award winners that will be on display during a 2nd Friday exhibition at the Worcester County Arts Council building on Jefferson Street in



2ND FRIDAY

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Makers' Market is Back!

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Baked Dessert Cafe (a) featuring local graphic artist Amanda Lockwood and an organic wine tasting

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Burley Oak featuring local artist and fisherman Dean Lo with live music by rock and dance band Jump Up starting at 9pm

Church Mouse accepting donations for Meals on Wheels

Downtown Video handpainted gourds

The Globe lol featuring local artist Alex Ottenstein

Gilded Oyster featuring art by Isabel Morris and cupcakes & wine

Nest featuring Ardath Hill, an impressionist painter from D.C.

Patrick Henry Fine Arts open art studio of Patrick Henry

Random Juxtaposition open studio featuring an exhibit on "Americana" with art for sale from youth and adult students

Stevenson UMC (a) crabcake dinner plus two sides

Victorian Charm featuring Joanne Guilfoil and her book "Flying Over Delmarva" with The Country Grass & Friends band

Wooden Octopus open show room @ 8 Jefferson Street

Worcester County Arts Council featuring "Between the Water and Sky" juried art competition with judge Kevin Fitzgerald.

Zenna Wellness featuring an open mic night with poet Ash'iz Tha Rebirth to celebrate the spoken word Page 32 Bayside Gazette July 13, 2017

Snapshots



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OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

Berlin Intermediate's Trista Harner, Ethan Justice, Brianna Swartz and Sadie Peters are recognized by Lou Taylor, superintendent of Worcester County Schools, for being overall outstanding students. Principal Tom Sites sent Taylor a small biography of each student and in return, he presented them with a handwritten note congratulating them on their accomplishments.



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TOP LAX PLAYER

Worcester Prep junior Tucker Brown was named a Kelly Award finalist for the "Best High School Lacrosse Player in Maryland." The 71st annual C. Markland Kelly Award Banquet, sponsored by the Maryland State Lacrosse Coaches Association was held at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium on June 4. Brown was one of 44 finalists selected from more than 150 Maryland high school teams in the state. Brown has been a key player in the Worcester Prep's soccer, basketball and lacrosse programs. This year, his teams swept all three ESIAC championship titles, as well as Brown being named ESIAC Player of the Year in both basketball and lacrosse. Brown is pictured with WPS Head Lacrosse Coach Kevin Gates.



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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

The annual Worcester Preparatory School Academic Convocation ceremony was held on May 24, where awards were given for academic achievement in all subject areas, in addition to perfect attendance, and service to the school. Receiving Academic Convocation award honors, from left, are Anchita Batra, Headmaster's Academic Award, Grades 9-11; Deborah Marini, Best All-Round Student, Grades 9-11; Hannah Perdue, Headmaster's Academic Award, Grades 6-8; and Sophia Ludt, Best All-Round Student, Grades 6-8. Best All-Round Student awards are selected by a written vote of faculty and staff.



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CADET MEDAL

The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) recently awarded the Silver DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal to Kaitlyn Custer at Stephen Decatur High School. National Defense Chair Barbara May presented the medal, which is awarded to a student for participation in a non-ROTC, military-affiliated cadet program funded by the school or privately. The DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education. For more information, visit www.dar.org.



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PROM ROYALTY

Stephen Decatur High School seniors Carl Echols and Meg McCready were crowned prom king and queen at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on 40th Street, May 13. More than 550 attended the carnival-themed event. It was followed by festivities at SDHS.



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MUSIC AND ARTS FEST

Worcester Prep family and friends enjoy an afternoon of music and art presented by Pre-Kindergarten through fifth graders who performed during the annual Spring Music & Art Festival on April 28. Lower School music teacher Alana Parker directed a cast of more than 200 students colorfully dressed for the theme, "Musical Mallards Hit the Road in 2017." In addition to singing, dancing and celebrating the fifth graders moving up to Middle School, student artwork was displayed, completed under the direction of Lower School art teacher Rebecca Tittermary. Fifth graders celebrate the end of the Spring Music & Art Festival and the beginning of their Middle School years.



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July 14: Dave Sherman, 8-11 p.m. July 15: Ricki & Lennon LaRicci, 8-11 p.m.

July 16: Walt Farovic & Chris Button, 6-9 p.m.

July 17: Just Jay, 6-9 p.m. July 18: Charlie Z, 6-9 p.m. July 19: Michael Smith, 6-9 p.m.;

Open Mic, 9-11 p.m.

July 20: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

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In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-6846

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July 14: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 5-9 p.m.

July 15: Rick & Regina, noon to 4 p.m.; The Swell Fellas, 5-9 p.m.

July 16: Rick & Lennon LaRicci, noon to 3 p.m.; Copper Sky, 4-8 p.m. July 17: Nate Clendenen, noon to 3

p.m.; Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m.

July 18: Jack & T, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Dirlz Rule, 3-7 p.m. July 19: Lauren Glick Duo, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8

p.m. July 20: Sean Loomis, noon to 3

p.m.; The Vigilantes Duo, 4-8 p.m.

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July 20: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m.

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410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com July 14: DJ Bobby'O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Gypsy Wisdom, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

July 15: Cruz-in de Bay, noon to 6 p.m.; DJ Tuff, noon to 2 a.m.; Nowhere Slow, 1-5 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 pm. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

July 16: DJ Bobby'O, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Davie, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 17: DJ Bobby'O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; BallyHoo, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Davie, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Rising Sun Reggae, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 18: DJ Bobby'O, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Rising Sun Reggae, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; My Hero Zero, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 19: DJ Bobby'O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle Duo, 5-9 p.m.; DJ

p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 20: DJ Bobby'0, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; 9 Mile Roots, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Go Go Gadget, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.

Mike T, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Zion Reg-

gae, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 10

p.m. to 2 a.m.; The Rockets, 10

SHENANIGAN'S IRISH PUB AND **GRILLE**

309 N. Atlantic Ave.

Ocean City 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com July 14-15: Dublin 5, 9 p.m. July 16-17: Dueling Pianos, 9 p.m. July 20: Marty McKernan, 9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside

Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com July 14: Aaron Howell, 4-8 p.m. July 15: Rick Artz, 4-8 p.m. July 16: Bryen O'Boyle formerly of

Mr. Greengenes, 4-8 p.m. July 20: Monkee Paw, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 www.whiskersbar.com July 14: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey

Pocomoke concert series to pick up again next week

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(July 13, 2017) Pocomoke's free concerts in Cypress Park series continues next Thursday, when Uprizing are scheduled to pump out their funky reggae rhythms, starting at 7 p.m.

Pocomoke Downtown Coordinator Karah Lacey said artists from today and yesterday, including Bob Marley and Jimi Hendrix, as well as Adele and Mary J. Blige, influenced the Eastern Shore-based musical powerhouse.

"It's their third summer playing in Cypress Park and it's always our most well-attended concert," she said. "It's a lot of fun, because people actually get up out of their seats and dance."

Lacey said Uprizing offers an array of musical styles that appeal to a wide age-base.

"They play R&B, hip hop, funk, blues and a little bit of everything," she said. "It's really interactive and people seem to enjoy themselves."

Although bleacher seating and refreshments are available, Lacey said many people bring their own supplies and come prepared to relax while socializing and soaking up the sounds.

"We encourage people to bring a lawn chair and pack a cooler if you like," she said. "We also have bleacher seating and refreshments will be available for purchase."

Lacey also noted that proceeds from food sales, including hot dogs, chips, soft drinks and desserts, would benefit the Samaritan Shelter on Fourth Street in Pocomoke.

Beginning in 1986, the Samaritan Shelter has touched the lives of thousands of individuals and families in crisis by providing emergency housing, offering housing resources, and free hot lunches, as well as operating a food bank.

Lacey said the music would run until about 8:30 p.m.

Pocomoke's final free summer concert of 2017 is scheduled for Aug. 17, when Front Page News brings its classic and modern rock sounds to Cypress Park.

For more information on events in Pocomoke visit www.downtown-pocomoke.com.

Junior Golf Tournament at Ocean Pines Golf Club, Wed.

(July 13, 2017) Ocean Pines Golf Club will host its annual Junior Golf Tournament for boys and girls ages 5-18 on Wednesday, July 19, beginning at noon.

The event is open to the public.

Players will be grouped according to age and/or ability. Male and female divisions will also be created if sufficient registrations are received. All skill levels are welcome.

Ages 5-8 will play three holes, ages 9-11 will play six holes, ages 12-13 will play nine holes and ages 14-18 will play 18 holes. Tournament participants will be required to walk, although push carts are allowed. Parents may follow along on

the course; a golf cart fee will apply for those parents wishing to ride.

The cost to participate is \$15 for three, six or nine holes and \$25 for 18 holes. The entry fee includes greens fees, snacks and prizes.

Registration may be completed online at OceanPinesGolf.org or in person at Ocean Pines Golf Club, located at 100 Clubhouse Drive in Ocean Pines. The deadline for registration is Friday, July 14.

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







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Answers to last week's puzzles

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FIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE

BY WILL NEDIGER / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

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- 1 Relieves
- 9 "You _ 15 Noted brand once owned by
- a utopian colony in Iowa
- 20 Theodore, for one
- 21 Display no talent for
- 22 Like boots
- 23 Deadliness
- 24 Make lots of people stop in their tracks?
- 26 Heartbeat
- 27 Bite stopper
- 29 When Juno Beach was attacked
- 30 Herb in absinthe
- 31 Be watchfully ever-present
- 34 Flub
- 36 Obtain through trickery
- 37 Roughly equal
- 39 "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," e.g.
- 40 Demanding
- 41 One of the singing Carpenters
- 42 Unnecessary extras that don't cost much?
- 44 One may be circular

- 49 Sharp
- 50 Lugosi of film fame

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- 51 Cry of Pontius Pilate
- 53 Company behind the Falcon 9 launch vehicle
- 56 Grad-student headaches
- 57 Ancient Greek vessel
- 59 Diamond stat
- 60 Mountain in the logo of Yerevan State University
- 61 Sweetheart, in slang
- 63 Brother who's a criminal?
- 67 Subject of the photo "Guerrillero Heroico"
- 68 Trembling, say
- 70 Friend of Huck 71 Hectic scramble
- 73 Cirrus clouds, e.g.
- 74 King of the Titans, in
- Greek legend 77 Movie starring Michael J. Fox as
- a lycanthrope 80 French-press
- alternative 81 Look ecstatic
- 82 Neighbors
- 84 How Bilbo
- Baggins traveled 85 Currency with notes in
- denominations of 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000
- 86 Annoy actors Keaton and Crabbe?
- 89 Clog clearer 90 On again
- 91 Green
- 92 Scotland's
- 93 Doomed

- 96 Soprano Fleming
- 97 Cold treat eaten with a spoon
- 98 Strapped, say
- relative
- 100 Boris Pasternak heroine
- 102 Org. that might come pounding at the door
- 105 Safety worry?
- 108 Home to some flying 25 Off the beaten path monkeys
- 111 Heals
- 112 "Am I the only one
- thinking this ...?
- 113 Hollywood resident, e.g
- 114 Said "C-O-L-O-U-R," e.g.
- 115 Kind of acting
- 116 Made fun of mercilessly

DOWN

- 1 Doesn't just sit there
- 2 Flat, e.g.
- 3 With 44-Down, halfdozen real estate agents?
- 4 Longtime news inits.
- 5 "Breaking Bad" channel
- 6 One escorting
- 8 Terrier named after a
- Scottish island 9 Real pal, for short
- 10 Bit of iewelry with a pendant
- a knot at the end 12 Not nebulous

- 13 Nebulous
- and cheese

- 32 Part of a concert impatiently sit

- 38 Stash hunter
 - means "his peace"
 - 40 Annotation on Santa's list
 - lump or two?'
 - 44 See 3-Down

 - 48 Not engaged
 - 52 LP players

 - 56 Like Mork 58 Put in a crypt

- 14 Downed
- 15 Climbs
- or string
- that many people
- 36 Name for a cat
- 37 Depression Era
- 39 Hebrew name that
- 42 About which you might ask, "One
- 43 Theme in "To Kill a
- 45 Name on
- the Saudi flag 46 Refuse
- 50 It has two cups
- law of Muhammad)

- sauce (macaroni
- ingredient) 17 Word after sing
- 18 Post on a banister
- 19 Perplex
- 28 Plain dwelling?
- through
- 33 Moving vehicle
- 35 Some infrastructure
- refugee

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- 114
 - 61 Like most Judd Apatow comedies 62 In flames
 - polyatomic 65 Ripe
 - 66 "Golden Boy playwright 69 Pokémon Go,
 - 74 Yogurtlike beverage
- 75 Whole lot
 - 76 "Gymnopédies" composer _ Chad
 - 79 James who wrote the best seller "A Million
 - 83 Cut at a slant
- 88 City on the Italian Riviera
- 89 Sign of a hit 90 What jets may
- do midair 92 Word often said to
- lack a rhyme 93 Contents of drives
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103 Paleontologist's find

- 104 Polo brand
- entrepreneurial 107 talks
 - feet wet
- 110 Stadium cry

- 47 Neighbor of Turkey 48 Did some farm work

- Islands

- 11 Attached with
- 54 Teaser
- 60 Aconcagua's range
- 64 One may be
- for one 72 Posh
- 78 Africa's _

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- Little Pieces" 81 City next to Gulfport
- 86 Selfish demand

87 Discover

96 Size again

- 106 Cook who's
- - 109 It might get your

Cuisine

Gin up this new twist on Moscow Mule

They say that misery loves company, and I have come to discern that no populace holds this truism closer to its heart than parents of young

children in Disneyworld in



By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

Certainly this is not the intent of the world's leading service-forward park, but my comment lies more in the sheer desperation that reads across the faces of the countless thousands of parents as they manage strollers, screaming children, diaper bags and water bottles onto the tram.

It lies in the fact that most parents of said kids simply want this vacation to be over so that they can go back and tell the neighbors how amazing the experience was. Of course, a few will brag about their week in Club 33, a myth in its own rite, but I digress.

I smile as I recognize the face of many a father, before whom I have traveled along this wearying path, as they imagine the peace and quiet of their workweek seven days later. It will be so much more relaxing then, they tell themselves.

When someone shouts "Who lost their binky?" or "Someone dropped their sippy cup." I chortle as I know that it certainly was not I. I have not been found in public or in good company with either of these in more than a few years, thank you very much.

As our children are older (the youngest is now 12), Disney is now not only less difficult than a month as a club chef in Ocean Pines, it is truly enjoyable. I am in Orlando for our national convention this week and it is being held on-campus. Part of the theme was to "bring the family," and considering the year that we have had, I decided that the kids could use some R&R as much as I can.

So far, we have spent some quality time in three of the parks, and the scenery has been good as has been the weight-loss regimen, as I believe that I have dropped at least six pounds since I've been here. Today, we were in the Hollywood Park, which shall forever be MGM Studios to me, but what can you do? So many employees are having a hard time with "Disney Springs," which is the renaissance of Downtown Disney, so I certainly can't feel too terrible about the misnomer.

After meeting the kids in the early afternoon, we went on a few rides, checked out the architecture and sets (we are nerds) and tried to find anywhere that we could all agree upon for dinner.

Weighing our options, we decided on the Lounge at the Brown Derby. It was outdoor seating and an extremely limited menu, but I may have persuaded the kids to eat there. I really wanted to.

Since the menu was so limited outside, my daughter ordered the Wagyu sliders, and it didn't even register that she disdains burgers. That's just the kind of dad that I am. My son ordered the sliders as well, foregoing the duck slider that should have accompanied it as did his sister. Duck? I don't think so.

I ordered the classic Brown Derby Cobb Salad (of course), a braised pork belly starter and a Gin-Gin Mule, the latter being a cocktail that I have never tried before. A playful rendition of the



Moscow Mule, this variation on a theme could possibly be my new summer beverage of choice at a beach outing or a barbecue.

I grew up in a gin house, with Tanqueray and Tonics being the drink of choice for decades; ergo I have a taste for juniper-laced spirits. With the bite of the ginger beer and the freshness of the lime and mint, this is such a winning combination that I seriously might explode.

As for the cobb salad and the burger, let me just tell you that my kids were converted on different levels this evening. My daughter now likes burgers. However, they must be Wagyu burgers – damn you, universe.

And both of my younger kids adored the salad, despite the fact that they can't walk around a piece of bleu cheese without at least a touch of the ole gag reflex. All in all, I would call it a successful evening. And after experiencing the overstimulation of the closing show, I now sit in the laundry room on a Disney resort, sweating profusely and drinking a large Gin-Gin Mule that I just made myself. You can only buy so many in the park before you're digging into your retirement account.

Gin-Gin Mule

Per drink
2 Mint leaves
1 1/2 ounces Hendrick's Gin
1 ounce Simple syrup
3 ounces Ginger beer or ale
Lime and mint for garnish

- 1. Place mint leaves in the bottom of a hi-ball glass, and add a splash of gin
- 2. Gently muddle the leaves, but do not smash them like you do for a mojito. I like to think of this drink as a much more demure cocktail, as it reflects the royalty of gin; at least, I hold it in regal regard
- 3. Add ice, remaining gin, simple syrup and ginger beer and gently shake
- 4. Pour into the glass and garnish with more mint and a wedge of lime. This drink will be a bit on the sweet side, so I prefer a more-than-fair amount of lime. Do so at your discretion

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Calendar

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

THU, JUL. 13

OC MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

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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

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

ANNUAL COUNTRY WESTERN NIGHT

Casino at Ocean Downs, 10218 Racetrack Road, Berlin, MD, 4:30 p.m. Featuring all-you-can-eat buffet, door prizes, programs and entertainment. Cost is \$26. Call for tickets. Supporting Our Wounded Soldiers in Maryland. Anna Foultz, 410-641-7667

BOOK SIGNING

Dazzle Gift Shop, Village of Fenwick Shoppes, 300 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, Del., 6 to 8 p.m. Book signing of "Vanishing Ocean City" by author Bunk Mann. 302-541-4438

CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 7 to 8 p.m. Held second Thursday of each month. Support and information for those affected by celiac disease. Betty Bellarin, 410-603-0210

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS

Sunset Park, 700 S. Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Free concert featuring "Transfusion" (rock). Admission to the park is free, while beverages, including beer, are available for purchase. It is recommended that attendees bring their own seating. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

FRI, JUL. 14

CRAB CAKE DINNER

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Includes crab cake sandwich with green beans and seasoned baked potato. Cost is \$10. Carryouts and bake table available.

RECRUITMENT DAY

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. SHORE UP!'s Head Start Program is accepting applications at locations in the seven counties where the program operates: Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester. Serving children ages 3-5 years. Offering services at no cost to qualifying families. Call 410-749-1142, Ext. 333 for the recruitment site nearest you.

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Ocean City Fishing Center, 12940 Inlet Isle Lane, Ocean City, MD, 4 to 8:30 p.m. See more than 100 boats weigh-in large tuna in hopes of winning more than \$500,000 in cash. Free to spectators. A \$900 entry fee for participants. Jennifer Blunt, ocfc@ocfishing.com, http://www.octunatournament.com

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. More than \$1,000 in prizes each week and Big Jackpot could pay \$1,000. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. 410-524-7994

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 "The Lego Batman Movie." Take a beach chair or blanket. Chris Clarke, 410-250-0125

SAT, JUL. 15

'PAWS AND WHISKERS' FUNDRAISER

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This pet-friendly event, which is held in conjunction with the weekly Ocean Pines Farmer's Market, will offer a variety of activities for pets and their owners including demonstrations, clinics, pet services and giveaways. The first 75 pet-parents to arrive will receive a free goody bag full of pet items and coupons donated by Precious Paws Animal Hospital. The event will benefit the Worcester County Humane Society. Denise Sawyer, dsawyer@oceanpines.org, 410-

641-7717, Ext. 3006

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

OCEAN GAMES/SWIM OC/BEACH FLIGHT FRISBEE

Ocean City Beach at Caroline Street, Atlantic Avenue and Caroline Street,
Ocean City, MD, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring three main competitions. "Swim
Ocean City," a WOWSA-sanctioned
ocean race, features 1-mile, 3-mile, and
9-mile swims and Ultimate Flight Frisbee (competitive beach frisbee tournament. Mission is to raise funds for the
Johns Hopkins Brain and Stroke Rehabilitation Program. Corey Davis,
corey197@gmail.com

WALK WITH A DOC

Ocean Pines War Memorial, South Gate Pond, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 to 10 a.m. Family and pet friendly event. There is a short presentation by a doctor on a current health topic followed by a walk around the pond. Ashley, agodwin@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9644

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1/2 BBQ CHICKEN & ROLL

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. Cost is \$8. Patrick Henry, 443-880-4746

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9TH ANNUAL JESSE'S PADDLE

Pocomoke River Canoe Company, 2 River St., Snow Hill, MD, 4 p.m. Registration begins at 4 p.m. and boats will hit the water by 5 p.m. There will be free boat rentals for those who raise more than \$30 to participate in 'Jesse's Poker Paddle.' Also featuring live music, prizes for top fundraisers and best poker hands, silent auction, food and beverages. Create a fundraising page by visiting

http://jessespaddle.donorpages.com/JessePaddle2017. For pledge forms and information, call 443-982-2716 or weremember@jessespaddle.org. Reserve canoes, kayaks or standup paddleboards by calling 410-632-3971.

OCEAN CITY DANCE

Ocean City Elks Lodge No. 2645 Banquet Hall, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Swing, Latin, disco, ballroom, salsa and country dancing to the music of DJ Mike T. Waltz lesson from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Open dancing from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Admission cost is \$14 and includes lesson. 443-474-0015, http://www.DancingAtTheBeach.com

'COFFEE, TEA & HARMONY AT CAMP DELMARVA' PERFORMANCE

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 p.m. Featuring The Delmarva Chorus, a women's A Capella Chorus; free homemade desserts and beverages; door prizes and 50/50 raffle. Donation is \$10.

SUN, JUL. 16

FRIED CHICKEN CARRYOUT

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Bishopville, MD, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$8 for half chicken (4 pieces) and \$14 for full chicken (8 pieces). Take table available. Call 443-235-2926 to arrange for premade carryouts. Proceeds go to the cost of the new firetruck.

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

OC CRUZERS CAR DISPLAY

Somerset Street Plaza, Atlantic Avenue and Somerset Street, Ocean City, MD, 2:30 to 6 p.m. OC Cruzers will display approximately 15 vehicles. Owners will be on hand to educate spectators about their older cars. Live music or DJ will be provided. 410-289-7739, http://www.ocdc.org

30TH ANNUAL OC TUNA TOURNAMENT

Ocean City Fishing Center, 12940 Inlet Isle Lane, Ocean City, MD, 4 to 7 p.m. See more than 100 boats weigh-in large tuna in hopes of winning more than \$500,000 in cash. Free to spectators. A \$900 entry fee for participants. Jennifer Blunt, ocfc@ocfishing.com, http://www.octunatournament.com

SUNDAES IN THE PARK

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Bring picnic baskets and beach chairs for ice cream sundaes and live entertainment by Uprizing. For a small fee, make your own ice

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cream sundae creation. Children's entertainment also presented. The night will end with a fireworks display at 9 p.m. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

MON, JUL. 17

CPAP MASK FITTING

Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, All Day Free, bimonthly mask fitting clinic for patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726

SUPERKIDS AT THE BEACH

Beach at Dagsboro Street, Fenwick Island, DE, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kids ages 4-12 years play games, sing songs and learn Bible verses in an amphitheater built of sand. Kids may attend one or all five days. Free and open to the public. Parking at St. Matthews By-The-Sea Methodist Church at Dagsboro and Highway One is free. Register the morning kids first attend. For information, contact the church office between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at 302-537-1402.

OC MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

Boardwalk Tram Station (just north of the museum), 813 S Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Free, family event offering different topics each day. Sandy, sandy@ocmuseum.org, 410-289-4991, http://www.ocmuseum.org

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

'MAKER FUN FACTORY' VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Buckingham Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Main St., Berlin, MD, 6:15 to 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: www.myvbs.org/berlinmdvbs2017/.

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 "Pete's Dragon." Take a beach chair or blanket. Chris Clarke, 410-250-0125

BEACH FIREWORKS

N. Division Street and beach, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 p.m. Free fireworks are visible along the Boardwalk. Held every Monday and Tuesday from July 10 through Sept. 4. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

TUE, JUL. 18

SUPERKIDS AT THE BEACH

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ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 9715 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients. It meets the third Tuesday of each month. Open to the community. Info: Heather Cormack, 410-641-4400, Ext. 6123 or Kenneth Lewis, 410-208-1701 or 410-430-4818

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

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

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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

OC BEACH DANCE PARTY

Caroline Street Stage, Atlantic Avenue and Caroline Street, Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Dance the evening away at "60's Night" with DJ Batman and Janglebachs. Bring beach chairs or blankets for an evening of interactive entertainment. Free event for all ages. 410-250-0125 or 800-626-2326

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WED, JUL. 19

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

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BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic Health Center Conference

Room, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 1 to 2 p.m. Women Supporting Women/AGH Support group for women and men who are battling breast cancer (current patients and survivors). Lunch is provided. RSVP: Women Supporting Women, 410-548-7880

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

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

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

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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 "Finding Dory." 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: www.myvbs.org/berlinmdvbs2017/.

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SUNDAY OUTDOOR INFORMAL WORSHIP SERVICE

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