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The Burley Oak team celebrates after taking home the 2016 Berlin Bathtub Race trophy, Friday. Burley racers Joie Police and Kasey Jones won the deciding race, narrowly edging out the defending champs from Berlin Water Resources.

Burley Oak takes home top prize

More than 1.000 attend Berlin Bathtub Races last Friday night on Main Street

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor (July 21, 2016) After years of playing it safe, often sauntering across

the finish line in what amounted to a rolling barrel of beer, local brewery Burley Oak finally took home the coveted rubber duck trophy during the 2016 Berlin Bathtub Races last Friday.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said the 2016 race was among the best in the more than two-decade history of the event.

After all these years, I thought they were not only the most well attended, but also the best organized," he said. "The effort that went into and the enjoyment all were the best I can remember.

"I was really impressed with the work that the chamber and all the participants did in making it really special," Williams added. "It just seems to keep getting better and better as far as I can see."

The Berlin Chamber of Commerce hosted the races and raised more than \$600 in a 50/50 rubber duck raffle that was won by Michael John Schworn.

"I think this year's Bathtub Races were extremely successful," Chamber Administrative Assistant Morgan Coulson said. "We had no hiccups and everything lined up seamlessly - perfect weather, everyone was there on time and all the teams were really excited. And we had some new participants this year, which was great for getting more exposure for our chamber.'

Coulson said more than 1,000 people attended the event, many of whom coming from as far away as Pennsylvania.

"Our sponsors were really great, so we want to especially thank them for everything that they did, including Burley Oak, Church Mouse, Bathfitters, Uncle Jon's Soaps and the Bayside Gazette," she said.

In total, 15 tubs took part in the contest and Burley narrowly beat Berlin's Water Resources Department, the defending champions, during the final heat.

Burley's secret weapon this year was a second entry. Along with the traditional barrel cart, piloted by owner Bryan Brushmiller and brewer Justin Sherman, a second, more streamlined vessel proved to be the difference maker.

The winning craft was custom built by Loaded Gun Customs in Fenwick Island, Delaware and operated by Joie Polite and Kasey Jones. Sean Cooper and Ryan Showell controlled the runner-up Town of Berlin tub.

Brushmiller downplayed the victory.

"We are truly amazed we won, because we have been training for a shower race all month," he said.

'Jeffersonian' third **OPA debate saw 6** of 11 candidates

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) "I think Thomas Jefferson would be proud of this,' moderator Steve Habeger said at the conclusion of a candidates forum at the Ocean Pines Library on Saturday morning.

Jefferson, Habeger said, "sought a well-informed public. I think we're trying to do that," he said.

The forum was the third and possibly final gathering of candidates in the 2016 Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors election. The first, sponsored by Ocean Pines and held in the community center, took place in June. A second forum was held at the Parke community earlier this month.

Ocean Pines resident Steve Tuttle organized the most recent gathering, with six of the 11 candidates and about 75 members of the public attending.

Tuttle said four candidates had other obligations. Incumbent Jack Collins was visiting family in Baltimore, Budget and Finance Chairwoman Pat Supik and businessman George Simon had prior commitments, and former New York City Police Officer Steve Lind was volunteering at the Ocean Games fundraiser in Ocean City, which raised money for victims of traumatic brain injuries.

A fifth candidate, former Director Ray Unger, was scheduled to attend, but did not.

Carrying over on the theme of the Parke forum, Saturday's debate started with a question about Ocean Pines General Manager Bob Thompson. Habeger asked if the candidates would have supported his contract renewal, which was approved by a 6-1 vote earlier this year.

Five of the six candidates answered "no."

"We're all on the same page here," Tom Janasek said. "I would never support the contract.'

Instead, Parks suggested adopting a motion introduced by Director Tom See CANDIDATES Page 6

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Snow Hill passes vacant building ordinance

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Owners of buildings in Snow Hill town limits deemed vacant or blighted by a code official are now on a timeline to register or repair the properties before the possibility of fines enter the discussion.

Passed last week during its regular council meeting, the ordinance's purpose is to provide the town with the means to protect neighborhoods and businesses from poorly maintained buildings. The registration goes into effect on Aug. 1. At the discretion of the code officer, the new regulation only applies to buildings that have been vacant for more than 90 days. The determination of what is and is not well maintained is based on several provisions: the property must be habitually vacant, attract an inordinate amount of calls for service as measured by the police department, is a fire hazard, has unfinished construction or demolition or creates a reasonable interference with reasonable and lawful use of surrounding properties.

According the new rule, the prop-

erties of residents on extended vacations or those with alternate living arrangements — wintering in Florida for example — would be exempt. However, a verified emergency contact number for the property owner or responsible party must be on file with the town and the property must be maintained while the owners are away.

The town will produce and manage forms for registration, which require information such as property address and contact information of all owners. There is no fee for registration, and changes must be made to an existing registration within 30 days.

Failing that, properties determined by the town to be vacant or blighted can start issuing \$100 fines after 30 days. Appeals may be filed within 30 days of the initial report to the Housing Review Board. The code requires the appeal hearing to take place within 10 days from the application for appeal.

Whether properties are vacant and secured, vacant and unsecured or vacant and boarded, registration is required under the ordinance.





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VIGIL FOR OLIVER Protesters gather in front of Snow Hill court house last Thursday in support of Oliver the cat. The next day it was announced that the cat had been eu-

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Former police chief, officer indicted

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Former Pocomoke City Police Chief Kelvin Sewell and former Lt. Lynell Green have been indicted by a Maryland Grand Jury on charges of misconduct in office and conspiracy to commit misconduct in office, the Maryland State Prosecutor's office announced on Tuesday.

thanized because of potential exposure to rabies. See story Page 8.

Both Sewell and Green face charges stemming from the same incident in November 2014. According to the indictment, both are alleged to have "knowingly, willfully, and intentionally, under the color of his office, interfering with the legitimate investigation of a motor vehicle accident by subordinate police officers for the personal benefit of an acquaintance, Correctional Officer Captain Douglas E. Matthews...'

The pair is also accused of conspiring with each other in order to perpetrate the alleged misconduct.

There is no record of the accident within the Maryland Judiciary Case Search database, which provides public access to court records online. However, there are exceptions to what information is made publicly available.

The statue of limitations on these charges is two years from the date of the alleged incident.

These charges were not brought by local State's Attorney Beau Oglesby, but by the State Prosecutor Emmet Davitt. The office of the state prosecutor was established 40 years ago specifically to investigate election law violations, public ethics violations, bribery law violations, official misconduct as well as related perjury, extortion or obstruction of justice claims.

The prosecutor investigates these issues under his own initiative, or via request from the governor, attorney general, General Assembly, the state ethics commission, or a state's attornev

Oglesby is a named defendant in the ongoing lawsuit between Sewell, Green and former officer Franklin Savage and several individuals and governmental entities alleging racial discrimination within several agencies of Worcester County.

On Tuesday, the plaintiffs in that suit filed documents asking the court to reconsider a decision it made in late June with regards to official-capacity immunity, which protects certain public employees from prosecution during the execution of their duties.

The court had granted a motion to dismiss some charges against a few of the defendants, but the plaintiffs argue a different case, decided in the interim, has a direct affect on this one, and bears reconsideration in light of the new facts.

Berlin's Toy Town moving to vacant **Snow Hill building**

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Richard and Debbie Seaton, Snow Hill natives both, are the first takers of a program the town put forward late last year - renovate a building and, after fulfilling certain conditions, the town will turn over the structure to its occupants.

The Seatons own Toy Town, an antique and vintage toy shop in Berlin, and their lease is up in April. The Seatons said they don't intend to renew, but will move the operation from the 4,800-square- foot location in Berlin to the more than 6,800 square feet available at the corner of Market and Washington Streets in Snow Hill.

The building, vacant for nearly 30 years, according to several sources in town, could be subdivided into a number of storefronts, but the Seatons said they would use the whole thing to expand their shop.

'I've got more than enough stuff in storage to fill that space," Richard Seaton said. "It's a difference, but it's not that much.'

Seaton said he intends to keep the building open inside, rather than dividing it into stores as could easily be done with some new flooring.

However, the Seatons will have their hands full with a number of other improvements.

At last week's council meeting, the town voted to declare the building surplus, contingent on a memorandum of understanding between the town and the Seatons.

This MOU establishes the requirement and a timeline of 5 years before the Seatons formally acquire the property.

First, according to the MOU, the Seatons will need to renovate the electric, plumbing, hardwood flooring, cement, carpet, front door, carriage door, stairway, heating, wallboards, trim and moldings of the former Outten Theater.

Then they will need to repair the facade according to Historic District guidelines, and these renovations need to be verified by a code enforcement officer designated by the town.

In lieu of taxes, the Seatons agree to See VINTAGE Page 10





Berlin Briefs

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) The Berlin mayor and Council discussed the following items during their July 11 public meeting.

Purnell absent

Councilmember Troy Purnell was not present during the meeting, meaning Mayor Gee Williams would have to break a tie if the remaining four councilmembers deadlocked. Normally, the mayor does not vote.

He did so once during the meeting, voting to break a 2-2 tie in favor of approving a contract related to water and sewer installation at a new Dollar General store.

Habitat for Humanity

The council unanimously approved requests by Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County regarding a new housing and retail project on Jefferson Street. The mixed-use building will include bottom-floor storefronts that would be retained by Habitat. Apartments will be on the second floor.

The nonprofit asked to pay for required EDUs with a 10 percent down payment, with the remaining balance spread out over five years. That practice is common for new developments in Berlin. The total cost was about \$33,000.

Berlin will also absorb costs related to moving a utility pole near the new building, and the council approved a letter of support for the project drafted by Williams.

Contracts

While the Dollar General contract was narrowly approved, four others received unanimous votes.

A contract with Southern Corrosion related to a new water tower was amended to include a 250,000-gallon tank at an additional cost of \$16,376. The total contract is now worth \$32,265.

In another modification, the council approved an amendment to a stormwater contract with EA Engineering, Science and Technology Inc. that will add on-call support services for \$57,500.

The total of that contract is now \$325,000. EA provides assistance with stormwater management review, grant applications, FEMA floodplain analysis and general stormwater support services.

The council also approved a \$421,150 bid by A-Del Construction Co. Inc. for stormwater improvements for the Hudson Branch and Flower Street Offline Wetlands Project.

A \$2.5 million contract was awarded to Willow Construction LLC to build a new police station near the corner of Flower Street and Route 376.

Events

National Night Out, Aug. 2 from 4-7p.m., received unanimous approval. Police Chief Arnold Downing said between 1,500 and 3,000 people participated last year. This year's event will include pony, tractor and dune buggy rides.

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Also approved was a new event, a Berlin Crab Feast, Oct. 1 from 1-5 p.m. The event will be a fundraiser for Town of Berlin Christmas activities.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy wells said tickets would likely be \$25 or less and include all-you-can-eat crabs from Hooper's. Tickets would not include beer.

Excursion train

Wells also received permission to apply for a Department of Housing and Community Development grant for \$130,000 to pay for a train platform. She said it would be used for a proposed excursion train, likely running from Berlin to Snow Hill, and that the town would not be required to match funds.

Leash laws

Two public hearings related to leash laws opened and closed without significant comment. One resident raised a concern about feral cats.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said sections of the code were not clear, and this clarified the laws to require all dogs be on leashes unless they are on the owner's property.

Both amendments passed unanimously.

Department reports

Finance Director Natalie Saleh said the town likely will be able to resume accepting credit cards in the next two weeks.

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen said there would be a Zika Virus awareness Town Hall at the tri-county building in Salisbury from 5-7 p.m. on Aug. 1.

Information about the disease can be found on the county health department website, www.worcesterhealth.org. Bohlen noted that no cases had been contracted in the United States.

Wells said the Berlin Main Street website had been visited more than 93,000 times during the last fiscal year. The most-viewed page on the site was the events page.

She added that the town's first fireworks display was a success, and that a Facebook live stream of the event had been viewed nearly 40,000 times.

Police comments

Police Chief Arnold Downing thanked community members who had sent cards of support during "tough and troubling times." He said police were wearing mourning bands for those who lost their lives in Dallas, and that Berlin had been in contact with state police, and that efforts were being made to "watch ... and listen" to each other.

Purchase order

One purchase order, for \$12,700 for diesel fuel used by the Berlin Electric Utility, passed unanimously.



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Candidates differ on golf, general manager contracts

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Herrick that would have explored other options, including outsourcing the position.

"I think [Thompson] makes way too much money," Janasek said. "He's the highest-paid GM around."

By-Laws & Resolutions Chairman Doug Parks said "performance-based metrics" needed to be put into place regarding the general manager, and agreed that he would not have voted for the contract renewal.

"The idea of providing a level of leadership for the staff is consistent with what the membership needs not what the board wants - is one of the areas that we could have improvement," he said. "I don't know that the current GM is capable of doing it."

Slobodan Trendic called Thompson's contract "outrageous," and said the average community manager salary was about \$63,000 in the U.S., and that the top 10 percent had average salaries of \$123,000. Thompson has a base salary of \$165,000.

"The numbers speak for themselves. These are the things we need to correct," he said.

Larry Perrone also said he would not have voted for the contract - but for a different reason.

"I don't think a decision needed to be made at the time," he said. "I think it's unfair to the current board ... to renegotiate a contract when, as you can hear from all the candidates, there's a lot of issues that needed to be discussed. I think it should have been tabled until the new board is elected."

Only Comprehensive Planning Committee Chairman Frank Daly answered "yes."

"But only because the board failed to have proper plans and preparations in place to do otherwise," he said. "We need a compensation and benefit evaluation in place to make sure we pay this person correctly. We need performance measurements in place to make sure that they get paid based on performance ... and we need an interim person in place to be able to function this organization should we elect to terminate the GM.'

Asked if Ocean Pines should continue to operate a golf course, many suggested the current leadership was meddling with management company Landscapes Unlimited.

"We're micromanaging the new management company," Janasek said. "I think we need to let the management company work the way it's supposed to.'

Parks said golf was a "wonderful amenity" that the community needed to keep.

"LU has an opportunity to step and put together a sound business plan," he said. "I think that the board needs to give them an opportunity and mandate that they present that business plan in such a way that it shows that they're focused on the things going forward."

Perrone, however, had a different view of Landscapes.

"LU's position was that they had a plan that was proprietary that would bring the members back to this course. Quite honestly, that's a bunch of crap," he said. "That plan can not be so proprietary that they couldn't share it with the board, and quite honestly the board should have pushed for that.

'LU should have never been given this contract ... until they provided that written plan," he added. "We're the ones that are funding it, we're the ones that should have known ... what that plan was."

Brett Hill used the question to address a statement made by Daly, during the previous forum, that none of the candidates had the experience to run a community with police and public works. He added managing a golf course to that list.

"I'm kind of offended by that statement," he said. "Yes, I have never run a golf course or a police department or a public works department, but a good executive and good leader can run anything because they know how to ask for help, they know how to make people accountable and they know how to follow through.

"Maybe some of the candidates don't know how to do that – I believe I do," Hill added.

While the first two forums largely ran on prepared questions, the debate on Saturday asked members of the audience to fill out questions in real time. Habeger said several of those involved whether renovation or replacement is the right approach to take with the Ocean Pines Country Club.

Daly said the existing club was essentially unusable, but that he would prefer renovation unless the building was found to be structurally deficient.

Perrone said a 2011 study on the building could be updated for about \$5,000, and that the results of that would inform his decision.

"Anyone standing up here and telling you we need to refurbish ... I'm sorry, we need to have more information to make that decision," he said. "That's the type of thing that goes on with the board, that they're making decisions without knowing whether or not it's more cost-effective to repair or replace. Fiscal responsibly sometimes means spending a little bit more now so that five years from now we're not spending another \$5 million to do what needed to be done in the first place."

Trendic said his view of the club was simple.

"Imagine if Europe tore down every building that was more than 50 years old," he said. "I don't think we would want to go back again and look at Rome and other places."

Instead, he suggested the community learn a lesson from the recently replaced yacht club, which he said was rebuilt instead of performing

Pines homeowner Steve Tuttle hosts successful forum

"smart maintenance." Moreover, he recommended Ocean Pines address two issues at once by outsourcing golf and tying in the club.

"That's probably the best way to handle homeowner's money. Instead of collecting up front, really bring the pros in and let them run it the way it should be run," he said.

Another popular question, according to the moderator, was a perceived lack of civility during board meetings.

Janasek said the meetings were a pet peeve of his because weekday meetings were not easy to attend. He compared the tone of the meetings to a "sixth grade class."

He suggested the board bring back work sessions before holding public meetings.

"It's just unbelievable watching how they bicker back and forth," he said. "It's nothing you'd really want to see [and] you can't understand how anything gets done.'

Trendic said board members needed to remember, "Why they're there to begin with.'

"It's not about them – it's really about representing the community, representing the homeowners," he said. "If we keep that in mind and remind ourselves that it's not about us,



About 75 people attend a forum in the Ocean Pines Library on Saturday. Six of the 11 board of directors candidates attended the event, organized by Steve Tuttle. Pictured, speaking, is Larry Perrone.

I think the whole humanity aspect of civility and other things will be a lot easier to do.2

Daly insinuated conflicts where somewhat unavoidable.

"It's not whether you're going to fight ... It's how you fight," he said. "I might tell you that your idea is BS, but I respect you as a person. You're fighting over ideas that advance the will of you, the homeowner, not over personality issues of whether I like you."

During closing statements. Thompson again became the focus of several candidates.

Trendic said the general manager was the cause of most controversies in Ocean Pines. He drew a line between candidates who believed "all is well," and those who did not.

Within [the latter] group of candidates, the key difference is at which speed some of us will move to address these issues," he said. "As your new board member, I will move promptly to address the concerns related to the general manager's performance."

Perrone said the board should share some of the blame, and that he would not move to fire Thompson on day one, "because there's no plan in place to run on day two.'

He also addressed what he saw as a "lack of integrity" on the current board - and by some of the candidates.

"People will get up and say one thing, and then when they get on the board they do absolutely another thing," he said. "When you're considering who you're going to vote for I think you need take a look at and consider the integrity of the candidates who are in front of you. It's a very important issue for any election."



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Health department plans to eradicate feral feline colony

Three treated for exposure to deadly rabies virus; cats third most likely carriers

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(July 21, 2016) One rabid cat in West Ocean City, and the fate of other feral cats at the same location have generated hundreds of emails and even spurred a small protest by feline protection activists last Thursday at the government center in Snow Hill.

At Tuesday's Worcester County Commissioner meeting, however, Worcester County Health Officer Debbie Goeller said the department plans to remove and euthanize a colony of feral cats near the Ocean Village condominiums in West Ocean City.

The rabid cat reported to the department came from that colony.

Goeller said her department was contacted on June 11 by a veterinarian's office after a cat that appeared to be rabid was spotted by a family renting an Ocean Village unit.

'This cat needed to be euthanized and was sent to the state rabies laboratory for testing.

Four days later, the state confirmed that the cat was rabid, Goeller said, at which time her department posted rabies advisory notices in the complex.

"We also went door to door to determine if additional people or pets had been exposed to this rabid cat," she said. "That is our normal procedure.'

After seeing a picture of the rabid cat, several residents confirmed they had seen the cat in question in the area

"After those risk-exposure assessments were performed, it was determined that three individuals, two adults and a child, required post-exposure rabies treatment," she said. "This is not a small matter. It is a significant expense and a significant discomfort and a significant disruption to those individuals."

Based on this information, Goeller said the health department determined that all the cats living in the colony had been exposed to rabies.

Therefore the remaining cats needed to be removed from the community and humanely euthanized," she said. "Ocean Village property management was contacted and advised that the remaining cats on the property should be removed.'

According to Goeller, the management company cooperated and authorized Worcester County Animal Control to set traps to catch and remove the cats, which was done on June 16.

"No cats were able to be trapped until June 28," she said. "In large part they were unable to be trapped because someone was continuing to feed those cats."

Goeller said cats have ranked third in the state for testing positive for rabies over the last year - "second only to raccoons and bats and they are the highest among domestic animals."

Goeller said the releasing any animal that has been exposed to rabies could result in additional human and animal exposures.

Cats can incubate rabies up to a full six months," she said. "It's possible for a full six-month time period those cats can be incubating rabies and could begin shedding the virus at any time."

Numerous cat lovers asked whether a rabies test on the cat colony might be conducted.

"While a cat is incubating rabies, there is no test that will show whether the cat is incubating rabies or not," she said. "You can only test for rabies once the disease takes hold of the cat.

Commissioner Joe Mitrecic called the situation unfortunate and said he was not apprised of the June 11 situation until later.

"I didn't know about it until July 15 when the first 600 emails came to me," he said. "This board has to know about situations like this because we have to answer to the public. You all don't, we do."

In the meantime, Worcester County Animal Control personnel have received threats for their role in the colony cleanup.

"We have had people calling that threatened our lives, our homes, (saying) we're pieces of crap, we should die and our children aren't worthy of having parents like us," Sue Rantz, chief animal control officer, told the commissioners.

When a potentially rabid animal bites someone, quarantine procedures could be followed with the proper documentation and certification of ownership, Rantz said.

"No one could provide that information," she said. "We had four dif-ferent ladies calling saying that they were the owner of the cat," she said. "Without that certification, the cat is not allowed to leave the shelter without having an owner in Worcester County and certification through the health department."

Commissioner Chip Bertino asked why the county allows the feral cat colonies to exist.

"I believe we need to consider making some laws," Rantz replied.

Commissioner Bud Church asked what could be done to address the threats made to animal control and health department personnel.

'They (the callers and email writers) have every right to ask questions, but they don't have the right to threaten someone," he said. "I would like to see us follow through to make those people pay for what they've done.'

By Brian Gilliland

(July 21, 2016) As far as lower

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The white, green and yellow buildings are all slated to become part of Richard and Debbie Seaton's new "Toy Town," which will be moving from Berlin to Snow Hill early next year. If the Seatons meet the conditions of a five-year MOU with the town, they will be granted ownership of the building.

FRANK DALY Ocean Pines Board of Directors Candidate MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER



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Vintage, antique toys taking over old Outten Theater

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pay a flat \$100 per month rental fee during the MOU period. Mayor Charlie Dorman said the assessed tax bill for that structure is about \$800 per year.

The Seatons also agreed to operate the Toy Town business, pay all utilities and maintenance costs as well as rehabilitate the existing upstairs portion for five years.

On the town's side, the mayor and council agreed to repair the roof, cut the concrete for the plumbing work and provide town water and sewer as well as electric access to the back of the building, according to the MOU.

Should the Seatons fail to meet the conditions, town officials maintain but is not explicitly stated in the MOU, the property and any improvements will revert to the town.

"It's the old-style building, the unique look of it, that we fell in love with," Richard Seaton said. "We're going to bring a lot of people to town. A lot of our customer base is repeat business."

Not everyone was excited by the arrangement. At the council meeting, several citizens expressed concern about the way the deal had been handled, and the way information about the deal had been made public, which led to a heated exchange between critics including real estate agent and local business owner Gary Weber and Dorman. The two have publicly sparred before, and the argument ended when Weber and other citizens left the meeting early.

Both Dorman and Weber confirmed they have since hammered out their differences about the project.

The Seatons were not present at the meeting.

"I hope they prove me wrong but Berlin gets twice the rent and four or five times the business we do, and there's a reason for that," Weber said in an interview following the meeting. "It's technically four buildings — we could have four shops."

Weber expressed concern that the deal didn't go through any of the town's boards or committees before reaching the Town Council.

"It's part and parcel of how the town operates. I think they're good people, I just don't think they're using the resources they have," he said. "We need population before things take off."

Weber said he was working on bringing a children's theater into the building in question.

"We've had a lot of verbal talks with people, but the Seatons are the first ones to come forward with a clear cut, documented proposal," Michael Day, town economic development consultant, said.

Dorman maintains the town needs to start somewhere.

"This building has been more or less vacant for 30 years. Restaurants and breweries see all the money they would need to spend on the building and back away," Dorman said. "These people came forward with a good business plan."

Berlin police HQ to triple in size

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) In less than two years, the Berlin Police Department expects to move into a new \$2.5 million station that more than triples the size of its current building and brings many of its amenities up to current standards.

The Town Council on July 11 approved a bid by Willow Construction LLC to build the new station near the corner of Flower Street and Route 376.

The town used casino revenue to buy the property, and will continue to use those funds to finance design and construction costs.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said contractor Crosby & Associates worked on the design and assisted with the bid process. Five bidders responded to a request for proposals and were narrowed down to two, with the lowest bid winning.

"What this will do is this will get [police] a state-of-the-art facility that meets all the current requirements. Not that we're out of compliance, but they have workarounds that they have to engage in when they handle different situations that they won't have to work so hard at with this facility," she said.

According to Planning Director Dave Engelhart, the new police station will be about 7,100 square feet.

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He estimated the existing building was 2,000 square feet or smaller.

Engelhart said a preconstruction meeting was scheduled for Friday, and that the permit process could take about a month. The new station could be open in about 18 months.

He said Lt. Robert Fisher helped with some of the initial design work, and said he was impressed with how Crosby & Associates operated throughout the process.

For Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing, the new building has been a long time coming. While the current building has been "home" for decades, many of the facilities there have become inadequate because of their age and the department's growth.

"We are audited by the state every three to five years. When they look at facilities, they look at site and separation of prisoners and those sort of things, and because this building is so old, we've been grandfathered in," he said. "A lot of times, where we would have failed [inspection], they said your building is too old and there isn't anything you can do different, but because you have a new building in the planning process we'll go ahead and wait.

"The big thing is you can walk in the front door of this police agency and walk straight out the back door," Downing added. "You don't have a breakdown of an area where it's fully secure. Those are things that new, proper stations have."

Downing said he often has to turn away people who come in for fingerprinting, because it would expose them to someone who is in police custody.

"We have civilian employees, plus we have guests that are here. We should never have an area where the prisoners and the civilians or citizens actually have to meet or have space they both utilize regularly," he said.

Moreover, he said there are currently 14 police officers sharing four desks, not to mention drawers and other storages spaces.

"With any kind of business, it's more productive to have your own space and area to actually place your equipment," Downing said.

In extreme cases, Downing said officers have had to go home or to Atlantic General Hospital to clean off after an incident on duty. At the new station, police will have showers.

And while schools often design buildings to meet current standards, he said the new station would look further into the future.

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Modern features, upgraded security offered at station

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looking at a building that looks out 50-plus years in the sense that the space itself is already integrated. We'll have more space than we need, so when the agency grows, we'll naturally grow with it without breaking any walls out," he said.

Along with bringing the facilities up to date, Downing said the new building has already provided a huge morale boost for personnel.

"They finally see the light at the end of the tunnel in that we're getting something that is proper and that is modern," he said. "You don't feel safe in places that have doors that swing open, or where you take two steps and you're out the back



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The new Berlin Police station, near Assateague Road and Flower Street, will be more than three times the size of the current station on Main Street. The town council approved a \$2.5 million construction contract for the project last week, which is expected to take about 18 months.



door. Or, in the areas where you bring in prisoners and you open the back door, you see family members looking at you and having the ability to walk up to and beat on the back door.

"Now, we actually have a sally port [and] we actually have a fenced in area, so when we're talking about officer safety, the features themselves allow us to have a lot of those things. We have areas where people can sit down and talk and not be in a lobby. You'll be able walk right on inside the building in a larger, more inviting atmosphere," Downing added.

Downing is the only officer who was around when Atlantic General Hospital was built, and he remembers the excitement at seeing the physical walls go up as the building went from a two-dimensional design to an actual thing you could see and touch. He expects to see a similar level of interest as construction of the new station progresses.

"Once we had the [council] vote, everybody had a little spike in excitement, but now we're tempered again. All the way through the process we've been tempered, because we know that things change and you have to wait for the process to work itself out," he said. "But when we have the first dig, we're going to have another spike in excitement, and then when the first walls go up we'll have another one.

"In the near future, we're going to have those moments of excitement, of seeing it. If you look at the paper, it's totally different. It looks pretty, but when you actually have something you can touch and drive around it's so much more meaningful," Downing added.





Child missing for only few minutes in Snow Hill, Tues.

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Snow Hill Police responded to and resolved a situation on Tuesday involving a missing child in a matter of minutes, according to town officials.

An unidentified child was reported missing in the town that morning. A member of the Snow Hill Police Department responded to the scene, and after contacting the caregiver called in for assistance, including a tracking dog.

Before reinforcements arrived, however, the first responder had already located the child, who had wandered down the street, Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman confirmed.

The entire incident, from police response to the minor being identified and returned home took about 10 minutes, Dorman said.

Swim with Santa at Pines Aquatics' Christmas in July

(July 21, 2016) Santa will be cooling off in the pool at Ocean Pines Aquatics' Christmas in July Swim Party on Sunday, July 24 from 4-8 p.m. at the Swim & Racquet Club Pool, located at 10 Seabreeze Road in Ocean Pines.

This fun family event will include open swim time as well as a moon bounce, DJ and face painting. The snack bar will be open for food and beverage purchases, or guests may bring their own.

The cost per person is \$3 for Ocean Pines swim members, \$5 for Ocean Pines residents and \$7 for non-residents. Families of more than four may pay a flat rate of \$20.

For more information, contact the Ocean Pines Aquatics Department at 410-641-5255. Information about additional Ocean Pines aquatics programs, including an online version of the Ocean Pines Activity Guide, is available at OceanPines.org





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Worcester has more CAFOs, fewer problems

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Despite having nearly the same number of "Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations" as Wicomico, and far more than in Somerset, public outcry about these farms' impact on the environment and neighboring properties has been limited in Worcester County, and it's no accident.

CAFOs, as they are known, are essentially the same as other animal feeding operations, such as chicken houses, except they have more animals per square foot to reduce costs. The upside of these is cheaper chicken at the grocery store, while the downside includes possible negative effects on air quality, groundwater and property values, depending on how waste is handled, the size of the operation and its proximity to other properties.

That's where Worcester's zoning laws come in.

County zoning restricts farming operations to the zones specifically designated for that purpose, as well as the Enterprise zones (E1) and a "resource planning district" (RP) by special exception. The E-1 zone is expected to be eliminated during the next review of the comprehensive plan, which also will review all the farming zoning districts.

Mark Shaffer, director of communications for the Maryland Department of the Environment, said Worcester has 108 issued permits for CAFOs, while Wicomico has 111 and Somerset has 83.

Why there is less squawking about these factory feeding operations in Worcester is because "Our zoning code regulates any farm as an agricultural structure: feed lots, hog houses etc. they're not distinguished," said Ed Tudor, county director of development review and permitting, said.

In addition, special setbacks are required for poultry operations.

Within the two agricultural districts (A-1, A-2), placement of a chicken house requires no less than a five-acre piece of property. The front yard setback must be 35 feet, and both side and rear yard setbacks must be at least 20 feet. Going farther up the zoning hierarchy, even greater setbacks are required.

The E-1 district has increased side and rear yard setback requirements.



The setbacks have helped Worcester experience fewer problems than its neighbors, and now it is preparing to go farther.

The county has been working on a proposal to increase the regulations on CAFOs in the county, as officials consider a zoning amendment by offered by resident Harold Scrimgeour earlier this year.

Tudor said the proposed amendment radically changes how the county regulates poultry houses.

In order to review the proposed changes, Tudor presented the county's planning commission with a summary of the changes and the document was approved by Scrimgeour.

The new regulations, according to Tudor's summary, would first require five acres per proposed house for new or expanding operations, with an exception for replacement houses. Next, it would make a distinction between existing poultry houses and new construction, allowing replacement houses to adhere to the standards in place when the original building was built.

New or replacement houses can decrease required setbacks by 100 feet should the operator install a vegetative buffer, at a two-to-one ratio. Setbacks on new operations could also be based on the relative size of the poultry house, the smallest of which is 300 feet from the property line, or 500 feet from an existing residence in a non-participating property. For a participating property, the setbacks would be 50 feet from the line and 200 feet from an existing residential structure.

Also, non-participating properties would need 1,000 feet from tunnel exhaust fans and 200 feet from a public road to conform to the proposed requirements.

Tudor said the planning commission convened a work group to study the issue. It is being run by Brooks Clayville, a farmer (though not of chickens) and a former planning commissioner member. Also on this panel are farmer and former county commissioner Virgil Shockley and Alan Hudson, president of the Worcester County Farm Bureau.

"We need to be proactive before we become Wicomico or Somerset. I don't want this to be a fight, we should just be prepared," Hudson said.

The situation in Somerset and Wicomico became front page news earlier this year, when 13 "mega chicken houses" were proposed for property just outside of Salisbury, according to the Salisbury Independent. Neighboring property owners objected strenuously, while others contended that the county's agricultural industry needed to be preserved, rather than discouraged.

Shockley agrees the merits should be weighed.

"The key to the whole thing is zoning, and we basically closed the door on that a long, long time ago," he said. "The companies are looking at this as the last great building boom — the reason being the push for more regulations."

The idea is, Shockley explained, that organizations or individual farmers are attempting to make improvements to their operations ahead of any additions to the code.

"Companies are selling chicken like there's no tomorrow," Shockley said, and added that corn prices are low, and the recent heat wave may have affected pollination leading to lower yield here on the lower shore.

"We've got cheap corn, huge demand and 25 percent of the population of the United States within a 12-hour drive. Talk about a market," Shockley said. "Interest rates are fantastic. The cheaper the down payment, the more that's going to be built."

Tudor said it would likely take several months before a decision is reached on whether to pursue increased regulations on CAFOs in the county.



Pokémon Go boon for town exploration, downtown shops

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Ivy Wells has a message for Pokémon Go fans: come to Berlin.

The Economic and Community Development Director said the town is promoting itself as an epicenter for catching pocket monsters while playing the ubiquitous app.

Wells began a social media push over the weekend, as signs went up around town on Monday encouraging visitors to "catch them all."

"Everyone's talking about it and on Main Street and downtown and everywhere – even at Burley Oak – I see people walking around with their phones and hunting Pokémon," she said. "I just wanted to make sure that people knew Berlin is a hotspot – we're a great hunting ground."

Wells said reaction to the campaign has been slightly mixed on social media.

"Someone commented, 'don't encourage the idiots,' but it's all in good fun," she said. "It encourages people to get out and walk around, and there's nothing wrong with that. If it puts smiles on people's faces, what could be so wrong?"

Along with encouraging people to visit the shops downtown, she said the phenomenon has drawn people to Berlin parks, many of whom had never been there before. "A lot of people are going to Stephen Decatur Park and they never really knew the significance of the anchor there. Now they're all going, and maybe it was Pokémon that lured them there. But guess what – they learned something too," she said.

Wells is also promoting the town's part in the statewide Buy Local Challenge. Anyone who visits a shop, restaurant or farmer's market during the week of July 23-31 is encouraged to take a photo of a locally made or prepared product or agricultural item, then tag and upload it on the Berlin Buys Local Challenge Contest event on the Town of Berlin Facebook page.

Each photo counts as an entry for a drawing to win a basket of gift cards and locally made products.

"It's a statewide initiative, and I decided to do it Berlin-style," Wells said. "There are so many places downtown that offer things that are actually made here. There's clothing and jewelry and art, and I believe that we have more local food markets than a lot of other small towns do.

"The state is trying to promote farmer's markets, but I took it a step further and turned it into 'buying local' means anything made locally," Wells added.

The winner will be announced on the last day of the challenge.



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A wild Rattata appears on Berlin Main Street, near the Atlantic Hotel. The town is promoting itself as a hotspot for catching such pocket monsters in the wildly popular new Pokémon Go app.

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Gillis Gilkerson contracting and construction management firm, announced the groundbreaking for a new multi-purpose recreational building for Spence Baptist Church in Snow Hill. The 7,600-square-foot building will be built by the Gillis Gilkerson team on church property at 4824 Paw Paw Creek Road. Pictured, from left, are Jim Keitt, consultant for Gillis Gilkerson; Robert Shockley, Building Committee chairman; Church Deacon, Kenny Pusey; Mary Conner, oldest member; Emmett Taylor, youngest member; and Pastor Ken Elligson.



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Contest entries for county's best day-trip due Mon.

(July 21, 2016) Worcester County Tourism wants to know what guests consider to be the perfect day-trip to Worcester County.

Do visitors search for ponies at Assateague Island, shop in Berlin, explore the Old-Growth Forest of Snow Hill, go on a river cruise down the Pocomoke, or take in the beach, Boardwalk and entertainment in Ocean City?

Tell Worcester County Tourism by participating in the Beach and Beyond 'Best Summer Day-Trip Contest."

"We are looking for your perfect Worcester day trip," Worcester County Tourism Director Lisa Challenger said. "Anything goes, so get creative, wacky, frugal, decadent, fun. You've got the experience, and we want it."

The day-trip must take place entirely in Worcester County. The day-trip must be able to be completed in 12 hours or less. Tell us about the day-trip in 300 words or less.

Submissions are due by noon on Monday, July 25. One entry per person. Once clicking submit, no other changes can be made. On Tuesday, July 26, the top 12 submissions - chosen for their awesomeness, feasibility and uniqueness - will be published to be voted on by the public through midnight on Friday, July 29.

Three winners will be announced on Saturday, July 30. First place will receive a GoPro HERO Session. Second place will receive a Fitbit Charge HR Wireless Activity Wristband. Third place will receive a FujiFilm Instax Mini 8 with strap and batteries.

Worcester County employees and their families are not eligible to participate in the contest. To sign up, go to www.visitworcester.org. For more information, contact Worcester County Tourism at 410- 632-3110 or visit @beachandbeyond on Facebook and In-

Hansen fishing contest this Sat.

(July 21, 2016) The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will host the 20th annual Art Hansen Memorial Youth Fishing Contest on Saturday, July 23 at the South Gate Pond in Ocean Pines.

Registration is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and the contest will be from 9-10:30 a.m. Participants should bring their own fishing rod and reel. Bait is provided.

There are three age groups - 4-7, 8-11 and 12-16. A trophy will be awarded for the biggest fish in each age group. Participants in each age group will be given special awards for the three largest fish and for the most fish. Children younger than age 4 can fish but will not be eligible for a trophy.

All participants will receive a prize, compliments of the Ocean City/Berlin Optimist Club and the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association. For information, call Walt Boge at 410-208-2855



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Pocomoke Council shuffles \$11K for bulletproof vests

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) With the fiscal 2017 budget only weeks old, the Pocomoke City Mayor and Council have already decided to approve shuffling more than \$11,000 from the police department's vehicle request to instead fund improved body armor for officers.

Police Chief William Hardin explained to the council that the city's current vests were reaching the end of their usable life, and would expire in January 2017.

"The ones the officer chose is the Razor by Armor Express, it's about onethird of the weight of the existing equipment," Hardin said.

Another reason for this choice, Hardin explained, is that the rule of thumb with body armor is it needs to be able to stop a bullet from an officer's own sidearm.

Hardin said the new vests would stop a bullet from "pretty much any handgun," but wouldn't hold up to more powerful weapons.

The town budgeted \$2,660 for four new vests, City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot said, but Hardin wanted to increase the amount of vests to 13.

The town could make the purchase through a federal General Services Administration contract, which means the purchase could bypass the normal competitive bid process.

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deals between the Federal Government and businesses, nonprofits and educational institutions any government can use to purchase products.

According to its website, GSA contracts are "government-wide, indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity, multiple award contracts," which means any state or local government can use them to access a variety of items with no limits on delivery or quantity and are provided by multiple suppliers at the same price.

Nonetheless, Crofoot said he wanted to access "a different source" to check pricing and availability before formally accessing the GSA marketplace to purchase the new armor. He did not elaborate on the source, and said he would ensure the alternate equipment was not a downgrade from the requested items.

"We're holding off on a number of significant capital purchases," Crofoot said. "We're going to earmark \$11,000 from the vehicle purchase - we're not going to buy them anyway - to get the vests and related items.'

The related items are add-ons Hardin likened to equipment used by deployed soldiers overseas. He said the additional items would be useful in situations like drug raids.

Hardin said the PCPD was pursuing a USDA grant to help finance the vehicle purchase, and would submit an application in October.

Berlin church offers families chance to explore old 'Egypt'

(July 21, 2016) A summer family event called "Egypt" will be hosted at Bethany United Methodist Church, July 25-29.

Families will step back in time, exploring the life of Joseph. Children and adults will participate in Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamworkbuilding games, dig into Egyptian eats, visit Joseph in prison and then in his palace home, and collect Bible Memory Makers to remind them of God's Word.

In addition, everyone learns to look for evidence of God all around them through something called "God Sightings." Each day concludes at Celebration - a time of upbeat worship that gets everyone involved.

Children and adults will join nearly one million participants in Operation Kid-to-Kid — a project to help fund basic home repairs through the nonprofit association Group Cares.

Dinner is offered at 5:30 p.m. and activities will run from 6-8 p.m. each day. There is no cost to participate. Bethany Church is located at 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, in Berlin. For more information, call 443-614-3870.



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Commission OKs two construction projects in Berlin

New cancer center at AGH, updated library reviewed

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor (July 21, 2016) Two major new construction projects saw progress last week, as the Berlin Planning Commission approved site plans for a new Atlantic General Hospital Cancer Center and a new library.

The 18,000 square-foot cancer center will be built near the intersection of Route 113 and Old Ocean City Boulevard. A 38,000-square foot building could also go on that site in the future, although plans for that were not part of the discussion.

"AGH thinks there is a strong need for cancer care in the community," attorney Hugh Cropper said. He added that the single-story building was designed to "try to keep those folks from having to go up stairs or elevators."

Planning Director Dave Engelhart said a recent traffic study related to the center was still under review, but that the biggest impact would likely be experienced during employee shift changes.

Groundbreaking is scheduled for July 2017 with a completion date of March 2018.



The Berlin Planning Commission unanimously approved site plans for a new AGH cancer center, last week.

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As for the library, its approval generated only light discussion, as the commission got an extensive preview of the new Worcester County branch plans at a meeting in May.

Commission member Ron Casio, who is the president of the Worcester County Library board of trustees, recused himself during the meeting to speak on behalf of the project.

Casio said funding for the project has come from several sources. Worcester County initially budgeted \$2 million for the project, part of which was used to buy the land. The library received about \$1 million from the state during fiscal year 2016, \$700,000 during fiscal year 2017, and hopes to get another \$1 million during fiscal year 2018.

The Humphreys Foundation and the town of Berlin have also provided grants.

According to an information sheet provided by the Worcester County Library Foundation, the 11,500 square-foot building will go on Harrison Avenue, adjacent to the Waystead Inn, and include community meeting and performance spaces, an interactive learning area for children, and more public computers and space for laptops and wireless devices. Designed by architect Jeff Schoellkopf, the "high performance building" would consume less energy and be more cost-effective to operate and maintain than the current library.

Engelhart said the town had meetings with Casio and officials from Berlin electric and public works that had all been positive.

"They all seem to be happy with the placement of the building," he said. "And we're excited about some extra parking around ... department heads and the town in general are behind it all the way."

Casio said construction was expected to start in spring 2017.



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Election to delay comprehensive plan

Advisory committee almost finished new questionnaire, but undecided on delivery

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) While the Ocean Pines Association Comprehensive Planning Committee had hoped to present a major update to board of directors this month, it will likely have to wait until after the August election.

The advisory committee has almost completed work on a new 1,400-word, 39-question communitywide survey designed to gather data for a new comprehensive plan.

Members of the committee had planned to present a draft for board approval by as soon as the July 28 public meeting. During a July 14 committee meeting, however, Chairman Frank Daly said that was unlikely.

According to Daly, Board President Pat Renaud also told the committee "we should not expect this board to go into special session to review it."

"We want to be very careful because of what happened last time," Renaud said, referring to a spring meeting with the committee and the directors that, by all accounts, did not go well. "We want to be as prepared for every contingency as we can."

Previously, the committee had relied on Salisbury University Group BEACON and its director, Dr. Memo Diriker, to create and implement a survey. When Diriker did not attend a meeting with the committee and the board in March, other committee members in attendance did not seem prepared to speak on that subject.

Following that meeting, the committee regrouped, found new leadership in Daly and a new member in Ocean City Planning Director Bill Neville. The OPA also terminated its contract with Diriker.

"It's not that we're trying to avoid anything – we are just slowing down," committee member Gail Blazer said. "We were just rushing it too fast [in March] and we weren't doing a good job."

Daly, who is one of 11 people running for three seats on the board of directors, said the committee would likely finalize the survey during a July 28 committee meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the community center.

Results of the election will be announced during the annual meeting on Saturday, Aug. 13. Afterwards, the board will call an organizational meeting to elect new leadership. As a result, the committee would likely not be able to take its proposal to the board until at least September.

Currently, the survey includes 14 "chapters," including questions on "future growth considerations and restrictions," "capital planning," "reserves & assessments," "revenue generating amenities," and "governance."

During its eventual presentation to the board, the committee is expected to offer several options on how to conduct the survey, ranging from a free or low-cost online version, to mailing questionnaires to all homeowners in the Pines.



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There's no perfect time

The pursuit of a good idea is often delayed by the belief that waiting a little longer could result in something better, even when that something better has yet to be defined.

Many a solid project has languished or faded away because of that inaction, as decision makers wait hopefully for the perfect solution to manifest itself. That assumes, of course, that everyone would recognize an undisputed winner if it did materialize.

That's why Snow Hill town officials did the right thing when they agreed to a deal with Richard and Debbie Seaton that will bring their shop, Toy Town, to the empty building on the corner of Market and Washington Streets.

While some might contend that the Seatons are getting a sweetheart arrangement, the fact is they have committed to quite an undertaking, as they will be responsible for major — and expensive —renovations and upgrades to a structure that has been vacant for 30 years.

Besides, no matter what anyone says, no one gets anything from an empty building that, without the proper attention, would become a blight on the downtown.

Was a better idea just around the corner? No one can say with any certainty, which makes this a bird-in-the-hand situation and, accordingly, the right thing to do.

Nothing declares a lack of downtown prosperity like a vacant storefront, a circumstance that Berlin addressed in similar fashion some years ago, as officials went about piecing together a string of deals and incentives to put some vibrancy back into the local marketplace.

It worked there and that same approach is being applied now in Snow Hill. This isn't just about the Seatons or Toy Town, this is a first step to breathe new life into Snow Hill's commercial center and all that surrounds it.

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Letters

Pines needs new game to play

Editor.

To the people of Ocean Pines:

I have lived, worked and played in Ocean Pines for over 20 years.

We live in a beautiful, well-maintained and pros-

perous community.

There is a special game played in the Pines that is not admirable. It is called "Get Rid of the General Manager."

Since I have lived here we have had four general managers. I do not know why the first one left, but I do know the facts of the second and third. The second left because of dissention on the board. The third left because a few board members vowed to get rid of him, and they did.

Isn't it time we trash this game and start working together?

Barbara A. Kissel Ocean Pines

OP library hosts book sale

(July 21, 2016) In July of 2000, the Friends of Ocean Pines Library inaugurated what would become an annual event waited for by book lovers from Ocean City to Snow Hill, Ocean Pines to Pocomoke, Salisbury to Cambridge to Easton. The 2016 book sale will take place this weekend.

At that first sale, there was an advertised 10,000 books for sale. This year's book sale has well over 10,000 books, all of which have been donated by patrons of the library. The biggest single category is fiction and the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library volunteers have sorted the books alphabetically for ease of reference.

Nonfiction categories include gardening, sports, history, travel, biographies, nature, health, family, pets and science fiction. There are also many holiday-related craft books, and cookbooks covering every imaginable genre. Many of these books are donated in pristine condition and would make wonderful holiday gifts for the readers in any family.

There will be a children's corner with books for the youngest readers. In addition, there will be CDs, DVDs for adults and children, and audio books among the offerings. Finally, there will be a variety of coffee table books covering such topics as photography, architecture and world history.

The sale starts on Friday, July 22, from 6-8 p.m. for members only of the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library, but participants may join at the door for \$5 (individual membership) and \$10 (family membership).

On Saturday, July 23, hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and open to the public. On Monday, July 25, hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and also open to the public. Monday's sale has the added benefit of all books being sold at half price.

This 2016 sale is the single biggest source of income for the Friends. The funds are used to help the Ocean Pines library in many ways, including upgrades of the computer system and electronic equipment. The FOPL tends the garden outside the library and supports children and adult reading programs.

The library is located at 11107 Cathell Road, next to the Ocean Pines Post Office and across from the Sports Core Pool.

Town employees grateful to council for continuing effort

Councilmembers flattered by gesture and say success team effort, then enjoy cake

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) Dessert was had before dinner last Monday in Berlin Town Hall, as town staff members presented a cake to the mayor and council at the start of their public meeting.

Town of Berlin employees said it was a gesture of gratitude, and several workers expounded on the theme.

"The things that you've done for [town staff] is greatly appreciated. It may seem like small stuff to you, but I can tell you it's big stuff to these folks," Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood said. "We greatly appreciate what you've done."

"We appreciate everything you all do for us and everything you give us for doing our jobs correctly. All we can do is thank you a lot and hope you enjoy our cake," Wastewater Superintendent Jamey Latchum said.

Water Superintendent Marvin Smith, who has been with the town for more than 30 years, said, "this is the smoothest the town has ever run."

"The council, you always do great

things for us and we just want you to know we appreciate you all," he said. "Just keep doing what you're doing."

"Just keep doing what you're doing." Mayor Gee Williams said he and the council felt "privileged" by the good work done by town staff, and said the public has taken notice.

"We're so very fortunate," he said. "Regardless of what your jobs are, regardless of what you do, regardless of how long you've been with the town, I think each and every one of you do your very best to lead by example."

Councilmember Thom Gulyas said town staff made his job easy.

"You make me very proud of this town," he said.

"You all really do truly work together as a team ... It's just nice to see a large group of people work so well together and really care about the job and the residents," Councilmember Lisa Hall said. "People give a lot of compliments on our town staff, and that needs to be passed back to you."

Councilmember Elroy Brittingham said he regularly received calls that Berlin workers had promptly addressed complaints from the public. "I thank everybody for pitching to-

gether and really doing their jobs," he said. "It makes our job very easy."

Councilmember Dean Burrell said those in public service needed to keep perspective that their jobs were not Thank you Mouge & Council Mouge & Council Thomas of the the smalenger of the Jour

JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE Town of Berlin staff present a cake to the mayor and council during a public meeting in town hall on July 11.

about them, but rather who they represent.

"We represent the people, the citizens of Berlin, Maryland. And it is on their behalf, whatever we do," he said. "And I can sit here and say it is my opinion that the citizens of Berlin hold you – the staff, the workers, the ones that provide them the service – in the highest regard. It should not be you providing a cake for us – we should be providing a cake for you."

"Can we eat cake?" Hall asked.

Correction

In the July 7 edition story "Line upgrade options under review" Delmarva Power spokesman Matt Likovich was misidentified as Matt Likovitch, Jaclyn Cantler was misidentified as Jaclyn Canther, and the usage estimates were for kilowatt-hours, not kilowatts. We regret the oversights.

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Gilbert's Provisions announced extended hours this week. The newly opened cheese and charcuterie shop will be open seven days a week, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., through Labor Day.



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Berlin Little League

P.O. Box 514, Berlin, MD 21811

July 13, 2016

Dear Friends of Berlin Little League,

Another spring has come and gone, and with it another great season of Berlin Little League baseball. We have had over 500 children participate in our league this year; a marked increase from last year. Now that our regular season has wrapped up, our All Star season is in full swing. We are fielding 8 All Star teams of various ages this summer, all of whom will compete against the other District 8 and MD State teams in our region throughout the months of June and July.

These children have been voted onto these teams by their peers and their coaches to represent Berlin in District 8 regional play, with the intention of advancing up through the state. Along with this honor comes added expenses – uniforms, tournament fees, travel, etc.—which we are hoping to offset with All Star Sponsorships from local businesses in the Berlin/Ocean City area.

The 10/11 team took possession of the District 8 Title this past Monday, July 11th! They are heading up to Elkton, MD to compete for the 2016 Maryland State Championship. Please join us in wishing our players much success.

If you or your business would like to sponsor this team, please complete the information form below and return it with payment to:

Berlin Little League PO. Box 514 Berlin MD 21811 Please note 10/11 District Team in the memo (Tax ID 52-1174616).

I thank you in advance for your support of Berlin Little League's All Star teams.

Sincerely yours,

Nornie Bunting

Norman "Nornie" Bunting Jr. President of Berlin Little League (410) 251-0201 – cell

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Eric M. Snelsire Vice President of Operations (412) 977-3882 – cell

10/11 All Star Team Sponsorship Form

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Other Amount

Gilbert's Provisions in Berlin open daily through early Sept.

Labor Day first chance for break during first season

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(July 21, 2016) When Toby Gilbert opened Gilbert's Provisions in Berlin earlier this month, he expected to have at least one day a week off.

At least until Labor Day, that's not going to happen.

The Berlin native said business has been so good that he plans to stay open seven days a week, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., through the holiday.

"It's been busy every day, so why not stay open seven days a week while the season is here?" he said.

The shop, on 25 Commerce Street, suite B, carries charcuterie and cheeses, along with fermented goods, sea and truffle salts, and various small packaged food items.

Gilbert is also phasing in his own products, starting with homemade foie gras and chicken liver pâté, and including bacon and scrapple as of this week.

Fermented products such as quinoa salad and cucumber salad are going out for the first round of required lab validations soon, he added.

For more information, call 410-973-2334 or search Gilbert's Provisions on Facebook.



BERLIN BATHTUB RACES





JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The "Bathmen" lead the annual parade at the start of the 2016 Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday. Pictured, from left, are Kenny "Cupcake" Tomaselli, Bill Hoshal and Mike Wiley.



Lauren Sheenan and Chris Bradley pilot the Ocean 98 racer down Main Street during the Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE Tracy Stanley and Brian Robertson operate a shark-inspired D3 tub during Friday's Bathtub Races in Berlin.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE Todd DeHart interviews Bayside Gazette racers Mardi Davis and Evan Haas between heats of the Berlin Bathtub Races, last Friday.



Joie Police and Kasey Jones, from Burley Oak, edge out Eddie Moore and Jake Dess from Costa Ventosa winery during the Bathtub Races, Friday in Berlin.



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Gussie Sholtis and Tim Dozier, from the Sheppard Realty team, squeak out a narrow victory over Tracy Stanley and Brian Robertson from D3 during Friday's Bathtub Races in Berlin.

Cuisine

Bacon fry bread with fermented garlic

I hit the snooze button at 4:30 a.m. and it scratched me. I smacked it again 10 minutes later, hoping to get



just another moment of respite, when it hissed and pounced off of my chest. Mayhap I wasn't drumming the snooze button at all.

By Paul Suplee, CEC PCIII

There is nothing that will get you out of bed quicker

than an irritable mouser reminding you exactly who is in charge of the den, especially when your own wits are dimmed by a poor night's sleep. Today was a big day as it was time to go back to Baltimore for an important meeting, so I had to make sure not to fall back into slumber.

As my feline timekeeper is more reliable than my phone – the latter being a tool that mysteriously renders itself to vibrate every night at midnight so that I can't hear it – I was up and ready to go before the misses had a chance to turn the light on. Two points for the little bastard.

After a successful, but tiring roundtrip to Mob Town, Julie and I ended up back in the hood, with her settled in for a nice summer nap and me running kids around, stopping by to see Pino at Sello's (man, I love that place) and then stopping by Gilbert's Provisions to hold Toby up to his end of the deal. It was time to hold him to the fire.

Toby and I have known each other for a few years now, and if you don't know him or what he does, just know that he's pretty darned good with food, and he has the pedigree to prove it. His knowledge of and experience with uber-cool things such as pickling, fermenting, curing, pâtés, charcuterie, cheeses et al place him at the peak of the industry, which is brimming with the matter at present.

Having recently opened Gilbert's Provisions in downtown Berlin, Toby is sure to let me know when he has some interesting stuff brewing. When we worked the Atlantic General Hospital gala a month or so ago, he was bragging about his four-year old fermented garlic, and I made him assure me that he would make me something with it. As much as I love most things fermented (no room here to discuss fermented sea urchin; I'll save that for another day), I had never tried fermented garlic.

Since Mr. Gilbert happened to

have some on hand today, so it would be that the challenge was set.

After seeing his post yesterday about a fresh batch of Duroc bacon, I knew even more so that it was time to get some grub out of the guy. While he's not in the a la carte business yet (he's working on it, I believe) I talked him into making something simple to show off his fermented garlic, something that I've never messed with before but rest assured, it will be adorning our refrigerator soon enough.

What Toby came up with, in-between customers, was a bacon-fry bread with local heirloom green tomatoes, cucumbers and chives in a fermented garlic salsa. It was sublime, simple and hosted an array of complex flavors that made it hearty yet summer-fresh all in one bite. Sometimes the notability of dish is best found in its simplicity; if wellcared for ingredients are put together in a thoughtful manner, extraordinary things can happen.

But I know you might still be scratching your head on the fermented garlic. I've heard of things like sauerkraut, kimchi, kombucha and the likes, but fermented garlic was new to me. Apparently, it couldn't be easier to start yourself on the road of fermenting garlic and I will leave you to your devices (literally) to figure out which step is best for you. Of course, yours won't taste as good as Toby's for four years, so if you want that intensity, you may have to contact him to see if he's willing to part with some.

With flavor development similar to that of remouillage (Remi) over time, you will have the garlic of all garlics.

And with a belly full of probiotics from the fermented garlic, it's time to hit the rack. I just have to make sure that I remember to set my cat.

Toby's Bacon Fry Bread

four pieces

3 ounces Raw sourdough

3 slices Duroc Bacon

1 Heirloom green tomato 1/4 cucumber, seeded but skin is op-

tional

2 Tbsp. Fermented garlic in oil (Sourced at Gilbert's) splash Sherry vinegar (optional) Coarse salt and pepper

Minced chives, for garnish

Slowly heat bacon slices to release fat and raise the temperature so that you get that beautiful crisp on it

Remove to paper towel

Make sure bacon fat is on a medium heat so you don't burn the bread

Similar to Navajo fry bread, which I have written about in the past, simply flatten your dough ball and fry until crispy on one side, flip and finish cooking. You will have all of the flavor of that beautiful bacon, a crispy exterior, and a spongy-sour interior

Top the bread with slices of bacon Dice and combine cucumber, fermented garlic and sherry vinegar (if using) so that you have a salsa-like substance

Top your bread with this and garnish with chives

Cut into equal pieces and serve ... if there's any left after you carry it to the table

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



Snapshots



JESSE'S PADDLE Kim Klump, president of the Jesse Klump Memorial Scholarship Fund, left, is joined by State Sen. Jim Mathias and Leah Klump, fund vice president, to celebrate the eighth annual Jesse's Paddle.



Del. Mary Beth Carozza, left, is pictured with, from left, Leah Klump, Ron Pilling and Kim Klump during Carozza's first visit to Jesse's Paddle, held last Saturday in Snow Hill.



Gabe Resto and Gigi Pesaniello were the headline act during last Saturday's Jesse's Paddle in Snow Hill. The annual paddle raises money for scholarship funds, suicide awareness and prevention.



BRIAN GILLILAND/BAYSIDE GAZETTE A few hundred attendees raised thousands of dollars in support of the Jesse Klump Memorial Scholarship Fund during its annual event, Jesse's Paddle, last Saturday in Snow Hill.



THREE-PEAT

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The 9-10 Berlin All-Star tournament team won its third consecutive championship in Fruitland recently. The group scored 26 runs combined in the semifinal and championship games and held its opponents scoreless. Team members pictured in front, are Kolten Zender, Dane Olsen, Justin Udzielak, Ryder Swanson, Merrick Mumford and Jack Croll; second row, Alex Navarro, Collin "Bob" Bunting, Kam Harris, Reid Phillips, Briggs Pugner, Luke Braciszewski; and in back, Coaches Kory Harris, Rob Phillips and Eric Olsen. Jackson Cheung is not pictured.



ANNIVERSARY EXPANSION

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The Coastal Hospice Thrift Shop on Route 50 in Berlin celebrated its fifth anniversary and expansion into a new space with a ribbon cutting on June 2. To date, the Thrift Shop has contributed more than half a million dollars toward the capital campaign to build Coastal Hospice at the Ocean in Worcester County. Pictured, from left, are Ivy Wells, economic and community development director for the Town of Berlin; Alane Capen, president of Coastal Hospice; and David Trax, Thrift Shop manager.

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Ocean Pines Players present 'The Whole Shebang' comedy

(July 21, 2016) The Ocean Pines Players address life, the universe and everything in the acclaimed one-act comedy "The Whole Shebang," which is the main course in a full evening of theatrical fun and follies.

When reviewing the original production, a critic atVariety wrote, "Playwright Rich Orloff's charming, whimsical comedy about the creation of the universe delivers impish fun along with a provocative message." The Players have mined every bit of that fun in this production, which runs for two weekends only, July 22-24 and July 29-31, at the Life Center at St. Peter's Lutheran Church on 103rd Street in Ocean City.

The theatrical "appetizer" for each production will be a Reader's Theater performance of the short play "I'm Herbert," by Robert Anderson. As the name implies, in Reader's Theater the actors bring the story to life through a fully dramatized reading of the script, without any staging or elaborate props and costumes.

"I'm Herbert" – a heartfelt comedy about two crotchety old people who have been together a long time – lends itself perfectly to this treatment.

Next will come the "soup" course -a brief, interactive and completely unscripted examination of how the director accomplishes one key part of bringing a play from the page to the

stage – casting the actors.

Working with the actors from "The Whole Shebang," as well as any audience members who are game to play, director Jerry Gietka walks the audience through the process he uses to cast the show, which can include anything from individual monologs or reading random book passages aloud to group improv games.

Showtimes are Friday and Saturday, July 22-23 and 29-30. Doors open 6 p.m. Showtime is at 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 24 and 31, doors open at 3 p.m. with the show at 4 p.m.

Tickets cost \$15, payable at the door, and includes both plays and the audience interaction, live pre-show entertainment, free snacks, punch and wine before the show and coffee and dessert at intermission. Seating is limited so the Players advise making reservations, by phone at 410-208-6787 or by email at oceanpinesplayers@gmail.com.

The Ocean Pines Players is an all-volunteer local 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, whose mission includes enriching the local community through the performing arts. All profits from performances go directly back to the community through youth scholarships, historical and performing arts education, and the community outreach and support programs operated by its host venue, St. Peter's Lutheran Church.





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75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com July 22: Moovin & Groovin, 9 p.m. July 23: Chest Pains, 9 p.m. July 28: Bettenroo, 8 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com July 22: Jack Worthington, 8-11 p.m. July 23: Maddie Boh, 4-7 p.m.; 33 RPM, 8-11 p.m. 9 p.m. to midnight Every Tuesday: Charlie Z, 6-10 p.m. Every Wednesday: Open Mic, 9 p.m. to midnight Every Thursday: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m. **BUDDY'S CRABS & RIBS**

Wicomico Street and the bay Ocean City 410-289-0500 www.buddysoc.com July 22: Bad Since Breakfast, 6-9 p.m. July 24: Kelab Brown

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

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

CAROUSEL PATIO BAR AND GRILL

In the Carousel Hotel 118th Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-1000 www.carouselhotel.com Www.carouseInotel.com July 22: Lennon & the Leftovers, 2-6 p.m. July 23: Pearl, 2-6 p.m. July 24: Dave Sherman, 2-6 p.m. July 26: Kaleb Brown, 2-6 p.m. July 27: Tommy Edward, 2-6 p.m. July 28: DJ Jeremy, 7-10:30 p.m.

CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road Berlin 410-641-0600 www.oceandowns.com July 22: Tear The Roof Off, 5:30-9:30 p.m. July 23: Sol Knopf 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Everett Spells, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

COCONUTS BEACH BAR AND GRILL

In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-6846 www.castleinthesand.com www.castieintnesand.com July 22: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; John LaMere, 5-9 p.m. July 23: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, noon to 4 p.m.; Old School, 5-9 p.m. July 24: Cool Change, noon to 4 p.m.; Rick & Regina, 5-9 p.m. July 25: Nate Clendenen Solo, noon to 3 p.m.; Pob Williggen, Joe Smooth & Date July 25: Nate Clendenen Solo, noon to 3 p.m.; Bob Wilkinson, Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m. July 26: Paige Stevenson, noon to 2 p.m.; The Poole Brothers, 3-7 p.m. July 27: Chris Button & Joe Mama, noon to 4 p.m.; Girlz Rule, 5-9 p.m. July 28: Aaron Howell Duo, noon to 3 p.m.; Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m. COINS 28th Street and Coastal Highway

Ocean City 410-289-3100 www.coinspub.com July 23: Tor & Coastal Storm, 9 p.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com

July 22: Bob Hughes, 5-9 p.m.

DUNES MANOR

28th Street, Oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-1100 www.dunesmanor.com Every Friday, Saturday & Sunday: Shirley Toms, 7-11 p.m. Every Wednesday and Thursday: Elsworth Wheatley

FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-5500 410-524-5500 www.fagers.com July 22: Kevin Poole, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Hook, 9 p.m.; The Jump Off, 10 p.m. July 23: Danny Robertson, 2 p.m.; Ash-ley Mitchell Band, 5 p.m.; Groove, 9 p.m.; The Jump Off, 10 p.m. July 24: Everett Spells, 10 a.m. brunch; The ShamRogues, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Muve, 9:30 p.m.; Toxic Mouse, 9:30 p.m. July 25: DJ Wax, 5:30 p.m.; DJ RobCee, 9:30 p.m.; Scotts New Band, 10 p.m. July 26: Zion Reggae Band, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Hook, 9:30 p.m. DJ Hook, 9:30 p.m. July 27: DJ Greg, 5:30 p.m.; Bob Lougheed Elvis Tribute, 6 p.m.; DJ Hook, 9:30 p.m. July 28: Colossal Fossil Sauce, 5:30 p.m.; Sons of Pirates, 9 p.m.; DJ RobCee, 9:30 p.m.

GUIDOS BURRITOS

33rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-524-3663 www.guidosburritos.com Every Thursday: DJ Papi Roisterous

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com July 22: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. July 23: Simple Truth/Side Project, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. July 24: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 6:30 p.m. July 25: Blake Haley, 4 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 7 p.m.

July 26: Funk Shue, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 27: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m July 28: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HARPOON HANNA'S

Route 54 and the bay Fenwick Island, Del. 800-227-0525 302-539-3095 www.harpoonhannasrestaurant.com July 22: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m.; DJ Nuke'm, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 23: Dave Sherman, 5-10 p.m.; DJ Nuke'm, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 24: Kayla Kroh, 2-6 p.m.; Dave Hawkins, 6-10 p.m. July 25: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m.; Johnny Wilson, 10 p.m. July 26: Kevin Poole, 5-9 p.m.; Karaoke, 9 p.m. July 27: Dave Sherman, 5-9 p.m.;

Karaoke, 9 p.m. July 28: The Poole Brothers, 5-9 p.m.; Kevin McCove, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Road West Ocean City 410-213-1841 www.hootersofoc.com July 23: DJ BK, 7 p.m. July 24: Knucklebones, 3 p.m.

KY WEST RESTAURANT & BAR

54th Street Ocean City 443-664-2836 www.kywestoceancity.com July 22: Bill Dixon, 6:30-10:30 p.m. July 23: DJ Rhoadie, 5 p.m. M.R. DUCKS

Talbot Street and the bay Ocean City 410-289-9125 www.mrducksbar.com July 22: Jimmy Smooth & The Hit Time, 5-9 p.m. July 23: Laura Lee & Tripp Fabulous, 5-9 p.m. July 24: Element K, 4-8 p.m. July 27: DJ Batman, 5-9 p.m. July 28: Kentavius & Justin Duo, 5-9 p.m.

MACKY'S BAYSIDE BAR & GRILL

53rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-723-5565 www.mackys.com July 22: DJ Casper, 10 p.m. July 23: DJ Cowboy, 10 p.m. July 24: Steel Drummer Jimmy G, noon July 24: Steel Drummer Jimmy G, noon to 4 p.m. July 26: DJ Vybe, "Anything but Clothes Theme Night," 10 p.m. July 27: DJ Wax, 10 p.m. July 28: DJ Casper, 10 p.m.

MICKY FINS

12952 Inlet Isle Lane West Ocean City 410-213-9033 www.ocmickyfins.com July 22: Blake Haley, 7 p.m. July 23: Zion Reggae, 6 p.m. July 24: DJ BK, 5 p.m. July 25: Animal House, 5 p.m. July 28: Wes Davis, 6 p.m.

NICK'S HOUSE OF RIBS

145th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-250-1984 www.nickshouseofribs.com Every Friday, Saturday & Monday: Live Entertainment

OC FISH COMPANY

12817 Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-2525 July 22: The Haymans, 6 p.m. July 23: MP Steel, 4 p.m.; DJ Mike, 8 p.m. July 24: The Side Project, 2 p.m. July 25: Sean Loomis, 6 p.m. July 26: Murphy's Law, 6 p.m. July 27: Kaleb Brown, 1 p.m.; Mickey Justice, 6 p.m. July 28: Chris English, 6 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Www.clarionoc.com Every Wednesday-Sunday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 22-23: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 27-28: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Lenny's Beach Bar July 22-24: On The Edge, 4-9 p.m. July 25-31: Illuzion, 4-9 p.m.

PURPLE MOOSE

Boardwalk, between Talbot and Caroline streets Ocean City

410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com July 22-23: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Rem-edy, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 24: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Honey Ex-tractor, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 25: Honey Extractor, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

July 26-27: VJ Mazi, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 28: Bon Journey, tribut to Bon Jovi & Journey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

ROPEWALK

82nd Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-1009 www.ropewalkoc.com July 22: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; DJ Buddha, 10 p.m. July 23: Bob Brotto, noon to 8 p.m.; DJ Budda, 10 p.m. July 24: Bob Brotto, noon to 8 p.m.; DJ

Roisterous, 10 p.m. July 25: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m. July 26: Pat O'Brennan, 4-8 p.m. July 27: John LaMere, 4-8 p.m. July 28: John LaMere, 4-8 p.m.; DJ Buddha, 10:30 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com July 22: DJ Bobby 0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Nine Mile Roots, 9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; The Benderz, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Bob-by'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 23: DJ Cruz, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Jon Mauer Trio, 1-5 p.m.; The 19th Street Band, 5-9 p.m.; Jim Long Contests, 6-8 p.m.; Nine Mile Roots, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Big Bang Baby, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 24: Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim www.seacrets.com July 24: Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; to 1⁻a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Amish Outlaws, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 25: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; '80s Night w/Ru-bixKube, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 26: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; The Ethan Parker Band & Friends, 7-10 p.m.; Buddha Council, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Split Decision, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 27: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; Buddha Council, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; The Rockets, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. July 28: Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense July 28: Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Go Go Gadget, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SHENANIGAN'S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk in the Shoreham Hotel 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com July 22-23: James Gallagher & Off The Boat, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 24-25: Cutting Edge Dueling Pianos, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 27: Higher Education, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 28: Ray & Jen from the Dublin, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com July 22: The Stims, 4-8 p.m. July 23: Elwood Bishop Dou, 4-8 p.m. July 24: TB, 4-8 p.m.

SUNSET PARK

South Philadelphia Avenue Ocean City 410-250-0125 www.ococean.com/events July 28: Free Concert w/Tom Larson Blues Band, 7-9 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

1 Mumford's Landing Road Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanopines.org July 22: Tranzfusion, 6 p.m. July 23: Kayla Kroh, 6 p.m. July 24: Jack Worthington, 6 p.m. July 29: Full Circle, 6 p.m.

TOUCH OF ITALY

67th Street and Coastal Highway, in the Holiday Inn Oceanfront Ocean City 302-703-3090 July 26: Piano Bar w/Bryan Russo, 9 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 443-365-2576 www.whiskersbar.com July 22: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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LIVING WELL: CANCER THRIVING & SURVIVING

Atlantic Health Center, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. An evidence-based, once a week workshop for those in treatment for cancer, individuals in recovery and caregivers to attend together. Register: Gail Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

PINE'EER CRAFT CLUB MEETING

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. Refreshments at 9:45 a.m., business meeting at 10 a.m. Craft project is a flip flop wreath. Sharon Puser, 410-208-3032

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. 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

NAACP MONTHLY MEETING

Germantown School Community Heritage Center, 10223 Trappe Road, Berlin, MD, 6 p.m. Guest speakers include local police and a state official. All are welcome. 443-944-6701

BINGO

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

WORCESTER COUNTY WARRIORS AGAINST OPIATE ADDICTION MEETING

First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. For further information, contact Heidi at 302-381-0569.

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHT

Sunset Park, S. Division Street and the bay, Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Free concert by "Lauren Glick & the Moodswingers" (soul rock) while watching the sunset over the Isle of Wight Bay. 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, http://www.ococean.com

FRI., JUL. 22

ANNUAL BOOK SALE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 6 to 8 p.m. On Friday the sale is open to members of the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library only. Participants may join at the door for \$5 for individual membership or \$10 for family membership. There will be hundreds of books available, as well as, DVD's and CD's. All proceeds support the library. 410-208-4014

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

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

'THE WHOLE SHEBANG'

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Life Center, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 7 p.m. Doors open one hour before showtime. The Ocean Pine Players will present this whimsically hilarious one-act play about the origin of life by Rich Orloff, preceded by a staged reading of a short comedy play by Robert Anderson called "I'm Herbert." The \$15 ticket includes wine, punch, snacks and entertainment before the show and dessert, coffee and tea at intermission. 410-208-6787

FLIGHT OF THE FIREFLIES PAINT NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company Station 5, 10124 Keyser Point Road, West Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Family friendly paint night to benefit the firefighters, fire cadet program and scholarships. No experience necessary. Light refreshments, door prizes and raffles. Cost is \$45 and includes all supplies. Advance registration required. https://www.paintnite.com/events/1083527.html

MOVIE ON THE BEACH

Ocean City, Beach at 27th Street, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 p.m. Free movie on the beach for the entire family, featuring "Big Hero 6." Take a beach chair or blanket. Weather permitting. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

SAT., JUL. 23

FARMERS MARKET

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

20TH ANNUAL ART HANSEN MEMORIAL YOUTH FISHING CONTEST

Ocean Pines South Gate Pond, near the Sports Core Pool, 11144 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 8:30 a.m. Registration is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and the contest will be from 9-10:30 a.m. Youths should bring their own fishing rod and reel. Bait is provided. The three ages groups competing are: 4-7 years, 8-11 years and 12-16 years. A trophy awarded of the biggest fish in each group as well as other special awards. Children younger than 4 years can fish but are not eligible to compete. All participants will receive a prize. Walt Boge, 410-208-2855

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., Ocean City, MD, 8 to 11 a.m. A \$6 donation for all-youcan-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pancakes and two bacon slices. 410-524-8196 Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the public. There will be hundreds of books available, as well as, DVD's and CD's. All proceeds support the library. 410-208-4014

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SUN., JUL. 24

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 8 and younger. 410-524-7930

FRIED CHICKEN CARRYOUT

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Bishopville, MD, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Half chicken (4 pieces) costs \$8 and full chicken (8 pieces) costs \$14. Bake table available. Proceeds will be used to help pay for the new firetruck. Call for premade carryouts. 443-235-2926

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

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2ND ANNUAL GOSPEL DINNER CABARET

Germantown School Community Heritage Center, 10223 Trappe Road, Berlin, MD, 4 p.m. Back by popular demand, vocalists Chris Waters Sr., Chris Waters Jr., and Ashley Foreman. The \$20 ticket includes a meal. 410-641-0638

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

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

CHRISTMAS IN JULY SWIM PARTY

Ocean Pines Swim & Racquet Club Pool, 10 Seabreeze Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 4 to 8 p.m. Family event featuring a visit from Santa, open swim time, a moon bounce, DJ and face painting. The snack bar will be open for food and beverage purchases or guest may bring their own. Cost is \$4 for Ocean Pines swim members, \$5 for Ocean Pines residents, \$7 for non-residents or \$20 for a family of more than four. Ocean Pines Aquatics Department, 410-641-5255, http://www.oceanpines.org

GOSPEL CONCERT

St. Matthews By-The-Sea UMC, 1000 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, DE, 7 p.m. Featuring "Bill Day." Free and open to the public. A love offering will be taken for the artists. Info: Rita Williams, 302-436-1562 or St. Matthews Church office, 302-537-1402

SUNDAES IN THE PARK AND FIREWORKS

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. For a small fee, enjoy your own ice cream sundae creation. Free live entertainment by British Invasion ('60s & '70s British rock tribute) and entertainment for the kids. The evening concludes with a fireworks display at 9 p.m. Picnic baskets, chairs and blankets welcome. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

OC BEACH LIGHTS

N. Division Street and Beach, Ocean City, MD, 9:30 p.m. Lasers, lights, fireworks, music, special effect and more. Show times: 9:30 p.m., 10 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Free event. 800-626-2326, http://ocbeachlights.com

MON., JUL. 25

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Original Greene Turtle, 11601 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 to 11 a.m. Free photo with Santa, raffles, games and children's crafts and activities. Tickets cost \$10 for adults. Children 11 and younger are admitted free. Every dollar raised is a vote for the Original Greene Turtle for the Believe in Tomorrow prom court. http://BelieveInTomorrow.org

SAT PREP COURSE

Wor-Wic Community College, 32000 Campus Drive, Salisbury, MD, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The one-week course is being offered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Fulton-Owen Hall on the college campus. Two sessions are being offered one beginning July 25 and another beginning Aug. 1.

ANNUAL BOOK SALE

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JESUS AT THE BEACH MUSIC & MINISTRY FESTIVAL

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. Family-oriented Christian praise, music, drama and dance. Each day at the convention center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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and on the Beach at N. Division Street from 7-10 p.m. Free admission. Gary, info@jesusatthebeach.org, 410-289-1296, http://www.jesusatthebeach.org

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

FAMILY BIBLE SCHOOL

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, West Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 8 p.m. During 'Egypt: Joseph's Journey From Prison to Palace,' kids and adults participate in a memorable Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into Egyptian eats, visit Joseph in prison and then in his palace home and collect Bible Memory Makers. Each day concludes at Celebration — a time of upbeat worship. Dinner is offered at 5:30 p.m. and Egypt activities run from 6-8 p.m. This is a free event. Register: Megan,

mjcooke11@gmail.com, 443-614-3870, https://sites.google.com/site/bethanyinberlin/

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

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

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. Cave Quest is filled with unforgettable Biblelearning experiences kids will see, hear, touch and even taste. KidVid Cinema shares real stories of real kids who are shining God's light in everyday life. 410-641-1137, http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/berli nmd2016VBS/gpgs/register.aspx

BEACH FIREWORKS

On the Beach at N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 10 p.m. Free fireworks display every Monday and Tuesday from July 11 to Aug. 30. Fireworks will be visible along the boardwalk. 800-626-2326, http://www.ocbeachlights.com

TUE., JUL. 26

JESUS AT THE BEACH MUSIC & MINISTRY FESTIVAL

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal

Highway, Ocean City, MD, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. Family-oriented Christian praise, music, drama and dance. Each day at the convention center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on the Beach at N. Division Street from 7-10 p.m. Free admission. A baptism service is planned for Wednesday, following the meeting, at approximately 1 p.m., in the ocean near the convention center. Gary, info@jesusatthebeach.org, 410-289-1296, http://www.jesusatthebeach.org

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 4 p.m. The University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service is offering master gardeners to help with gardening questions. Take your bagged samples by to find solutions to your plant problems. 410-208-4014

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB NIGHT

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. Crabs and shrimp ordered between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays. Platters and other food available. Cash bar. Every Tuesday through Aug. 30. 410-524-7994

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TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Berlin group 331. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. jeanduck47@gmail.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Bayside Chapel, 38288 London Ave., Selbyville, DE, 6 to 8 p.m. The theme, "Submerged," is all about how we can "Dive Deeper into God's Word." Games, music, crafts and more. Register: 302-436-7585, http://www.baysidechapel.com

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Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. Cave Quest is filled with unforgettable Biblelearning experiences kids will see, hear, touch and even taste. KidVid Cinema shares real stories of real kids who are shining God's light in everyday life. 410-641-1137, http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/berli nmd2016VBS/gpgs/register.aspx

FAMILY BEACH OLYMPICS

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

BINGO

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

MARYLAND SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MEETING

Ocean City Lions Den, 12534 Airport Road, Ocean City, MD, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Featuring two guest speakers. Justin Heart will be speaking on a variety of fishing subjects and Kathy Phillips from the Assateague Coastal Trust will speak on a new cooperative program between recreational and commercial fishermen. Open to the public.

BEACH FIREWORKS

On the Beach at N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 10 p.m. Free fireworks display every Monday and Tuesday from July 11 to Aug. 30. Fireworks will be visible along the boardwalk. 800-626-2326, http://www.ocbeachlights.com

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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

JESUS AT THE BEACH MUSIC & MINISTRY FESTIVAL

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. Family-oriented Christian praise, music, drama and dance. Each day at the convention center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on the Beach at N. Division Street from 7-10 p.m. Free admission. A baptism service is planned for Wednesday, following the meeting, at approximately 1 p.m., in the ocean near the convention center. Gary, info@jesusatthebeach.org, 410-289-1296, http://www.jesusatthebeach.org

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina Beach music. Meets every Wednesday. All are welcome. dance@delmarvahanddancing.com, 302-200-3262, http://delmarvahanddancing.com

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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. kbates@taylorbank.com, 410-641-1700

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BINGO

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

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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

CANDLELIGHT LABYRINTH WALK

St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, De-Wees Hall,, 302 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. A replica of the 12th century original Labyrinth is available for walking with candlelight and sacred music anytime between 7-9 p.m., every Wednesday, through Sept. 28. Wheelchair accessible. Just off the Boardwalk at 3rd Street. Free parking behind the hall. Info: church office, 410-289-3453 or Penny, 443-880-7608

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 "Pan." Take a beach chair or blanket. In the event of inclement weather, the movie will be shown inside the hotel. Ocean City Recreation & Parks, 410-250-0125, http://www.oceancitymd.gov

ONGOING EVENTS

KIWANIS ANNUAL DUCK RACE

Tickets for the Kiwanis Club Annual Duck Race are now on sale. Win up to \$1,000. Cost is \$5 per duck entry or 3 duck entries for \$10. Race takes place on Aug. 26 at Frontier Town Lazy River. Winner do not have to be present to win. Proceeds benefit the club's youth programs. Call 301-788-1517, purchase at the Ocean Pines Farmers Market any Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the White Horse Park or from a member of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, Sundays, 8:30 a.m. Outdoor casual worship service on the church's front lawn. Take a lawn chair or blanket. In case of inclement weather, the service will be moved indoors. Rev. Connie, 410-641-5194, wesconnie55@gmail.com



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