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The peach dumpling at Baked Dessert Café, the official dessert of the Town of Berlin, is one of the many delectable dishes expected to appear during the annual Berlin Peach Festival, Saturday, at the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum.

Eighth annual Peach Festival returns

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Back for an eighth year, the Berlin Peach Festival this Saturday will begin at 11 a.m. at the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum on Main Street at the north side of town.

A chance of rain is in the forecast, so if the event is a washout, the rain date will be Sunday, Aug. 6 at the same time.

"In the front yard, we'll have a lot of craft vendors, with an emphasis on handmade items," Susan Taylor, director of the museum, said. "Local nonprofits will be selling food, and we'll have kids' games – it's just a fun, family-friendly festival.'

The town will be running a free shuttle to the Taylor House Museum, because Main Street will be closed because of this and the Heritage Festival that also will be taking place Saturday at the other end of town.

The shuttle hub is at Berlin Intermediate School on Franklin Avenue.

Mayor Gee Williams will open the festival with help from Little Miss and Little Mister Berlin Peach 2015. The Boy Scouts from Troop 261 will present the colors. All afternoon, the public will be able to stroll among

the displays, demonstrations and sales tables. Peaches will be for sale from a variety of Mid-Atlantic grow-

Demonstrations include Linda Davis' baskets and quilted goods; Ocean Breeze Alpacas will present knitting, spinning and fiber arts, Wes Townsend's Back Street Apiary and master gardener Tiffany Nichols.

Stevenson United Methodist Church will sell crab cake sandwiches and peach cobbler in its booth. Also serving food will be Arcadia Questers, Baked Dessert Café and Gallery, Buckingham Presbyterian Church and the Worcester County Developmental Center.

Information booths will include the Harrison Family with informal talks about its nursery business in the early 20th century.

"Part of the family's farms, the Harrison Nursery, was here. The front part of their property is where Stephen Decatur High School is now. Different varieties of peach, like the Hale, were developed here on those 3,000 acres," Taylor said. "The nursery was here from 1884 to about 1962, when a blight struck and the family moved into the hospitality

business."

Children's activities will begin at 11:30 a.m. as children try their hands at making ice cream the old-fashioned way. In addition, youngsters can try juggling with Cascading Carlos, take old-time photo cutouts, have their faces painted and put on temporary peach tattoos. The day's entertainment will feature Mickey Justice, with a special performance by Perpetual Commotion children's violin/fiddle ensemble.

As in the past, Taylor said, there will be a pie-baking contest, three pie-eating contests and a container of peach pits to guess, with prizes for all the winners. In addition crowd members may purchase 50-50 raffle tickets from the Berlin Heritage Foundation.

All afternoon, the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum will be open for tours of the historic 1832 house, as well as of the upstairs exhibition "Images of the Past." In addition, the museum will have a sales and membership information booth.

For more information, contact Susan Taylor at 410-641-1019 or email at taylorhousemuseum@verizon.net.

Frustrating election cycle for members of Pines committee

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Beset by criticism from residents and candidates, members of the Ocean Pines Elections Committee gave voice to their frustrations last Wednesday, with Chairman Bill Wentworth going after OPA Director Tom Herrick for not standing up for the committee during an association board meeting in June.

Just before the start of the meeting, Wentworth confronted Herrick, who is the board's liaison to the committee. Wentworth was apparently angry that Herrick did not aid the committee when the board in June considered removing the words "in closed session" from Resolution M-06, which explains vote-counting procedures in Ocean Pines.

Herrick asked Wentworth to ex-

plain exactly what was bothering him. "Be quiet long enough for me to tell you," Wentworth

'Are you going to make this personal?' Tom Herrick

replied. "Are vou

going to make this personal?" Herrick said.

"I'm going to tell you what happened. Now, are you going to listen or aren't you going to listen?" Wentworth asked.

"I would love to listen, because I want to hear what's wrong," Herrick said.

Wentworth said Herrick had a responsibility to let members of the committee know that resolution was on the meeting agenda. Herrick, however, said he was not sent the agenda in advance.

"If that's an issue, then a meeting has to have been set up between the committee and the board of directors - an open meeting – to give the election committee an opportunity to explain exactly how the ballot counting occurs. That didn't happen," Wentworth said.

Herrick suggested Wentworth had the opportunity to do just that during See RENAUD Page 6

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Flower Street stormwater meeting set, Aug. 9

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Berlin officials are reassuring Flower Street residents they have not forgotten their stormwater management problems and have promised that improvements are coming soon.

Town staff and representatives from EA Engineering, Science and Technology Inc. will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 9 to provide specific updates on construction of a stormwater management system behind the Shore Up! building, and replacing the Flower Street culvert.

In press release last week, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said those projects were the "top stormwater priority" in the town, and that following the Maryland Department of the Environment's approval the projects, they were quickly put out to bid.

"We want to update the neighbors on the construction timelines so they know what to expect over the next several months," he said.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said bad weather and a busy construction market made it difficult to find a contractor.

Stormwater improvement work could last several months in the area, Allen said, adding that Public Works and Water Resources Director Jane Kreiter was hand-delivering flyers about the public meeting to residents who would be affected.

"Unfortunately, [the project is] going to mean some dust and disruption for the next several months until we get this all situated," Allen said. "We had hoped to time it so that we could do it in the summer when school was out, but it didn't work out that way because we weren't getting responses from contractors that we had hoped. So we've gone back out [to bid] several times.

"I don't have a firm start date yet, but we will at the meeting," she said.

Allen said part of the project would include "softening" the large L-shaped drainage ditch on Flower Street into an S-shape. The town also will talk about the upcoming Branch Street sidewalk project.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the multipurpose building at 130 Flower Street. For more information, contact the town at 410-641-2770.





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By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) One of southern Worcester's premier events — the Great Pocomoke Fair — begins today at 5 p.m. with new events as well as the return of some old favorites at the Pocomoke City Fairgrounds at 2003 Broad Street.

Admission is free.

"The biggest thing is the horse racing," Gloria Smith, organizer, said. "It's been a mainstay for years and years. It doesn't draw the largest crowd, but it has some of the most dedicated viewers."

Betting is not allowed on the harness racing events, although event winners will be rewarded for their efforts. Included in the harness racing events, which begin on Saturday at 12:30 p.m., will be at least one special race featuring child racers as "Stars of Tomorrow."

Later the same day is the Classic/Antique Tractor Pull, which is a scaled-back version of the event in June, featuring equipment manufactured before 1965.

"We're using a certified sled, like the previous event, but it's smaller that what we had before," she said.

Later on Saturday, there will be fireworks show put on by Fireworks Extravaganza. Smith said the show shouldn't last longer than a half hour, and is schedule to start at 10:15 p.m.

Friday's highlights are two new events, hobby horse races and drag racing. The hobby horses are indeed the children's toys and teams of two, a rider and a trainer naturally, compete against other teams as sort of a living board game. Trainers will direct their riders according to dice rolls, with the object of completing a course.

Drag racing will make use of the track, and will involve vehicles racing against the clock and each other to cover distance.

Smith said the drag racing was added in response to suggestions, and is run by Joe Waters, who also is in charge of September's Demolition See POCOMOKE Page 8



IN-SPIRE-ING VIEW

BRIAN GILLILAND/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Work continues on the tallest spire of the Makemie Memorial Presbyterian Church in Snow Hill. Widely regarded as one of the oldest churches in America, the building was started in 1887 and dedicated in 1890, but the congregation formed around 1683 in a log structure near the river.

Blessing of the Combines this Sat.

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) When the combines roll over the Pocomoke River drawbridge for the 18th time this Saturday one of the original organizers, Becky Payne, said, to her, it's going to feel like the first time.

Nineteen years ago, "there were four of us sitting around and we decided it would be nice to honor the farmers," she said. "But the question was — what would we do?"

The group presented the idea to Becky's father, Gus, who ran the Western Auto location downtown for more than 50 years. He thought it was a good idea, but suggested they check with the farmers.

Payne said she knew most if not all of the local farmers at the time, because they were so often in her father's store. Their response, at first, wasn't what the group expected.

"They asked if we'd totally lost our minds," she said. But the farmers, Payne said,

weren't wholly against the idea. "We let them choose the date, and

they selected the first Saturday in August, when they were between crops. What they didn't know is we were going to decorate the town," she said.

Payne and her compatriots cut about 100 corn stalks and used the state flower, the Black-eyed Susan, to dress up downtown.

"Last year we cut about 1,000 stalks, and we use sunflowers as well as the Black-eyed Susans," she said.

She remembers two of the farmers' reactions to seeing the people, and the decorations, as they came over the bridge into town.

"One said he had tears well up in his eyes, and another said all the hairs on his arms stood on end," she said. "To me, it's just an old-fashioned way of letting farmers know we appreciate them and recognize their importance to the local economy."

From there, the event just grew and grew.

This year's Blessing of the Combines event begins at 11 a.m. downtown, with the combines arriving not long after — they're scheduled to arrive at 11:15 — and ends when the combines leave town, around 3 p.m.

Speaking at the event will be Mayor Charlie Dorman, County Commissioners Ted Elder and Jim Bunting, as well as Charlie Hoober, of agricultural equipment company Hoober Inc., and Maryland Secretary See SNOW Page 8





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Pines directors approve new universal racquet sports date

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Racquet sports players in Ocean Pines now have a "universal signup" date, May 1 of each year, following a 4-3 vote by the board of directors last Thursday.

Director Jack Collins, at the request of the racquet sports advisory committee, proposed the board adopt the new date during a meeting last month, but that was tabled by a 4-1 vote.

Previously, registration for racquet sports membership was staggered throughout the year. Collins said that often caused confusion, as well as lapsed memberships.

Director Bill Cordwell argued that passing the motion would be a "slippery slope," because an advisory committee went "over the general manager" to bring a discussion to the board.

"I don't like that an advisory committee wants to go around the management that we have here and bring something to the board to get it done, because they didn't get the answer that they wanted [from management]," he said.

Director Dave Stevens argued that the committee was an advisory panel of the board – not one designed to report to the general manager.

"They brought it through their liaison who, appropriately, made a motion," Stevens said. "They didn't go around anyone."

General Manager Bob Thompson said his major issue with the change was that membership dates were routinely set when the administration does its budget deliberations.

"I don't think it would be appropriate to do so midway through the season – it should be something that should come up during the budget process and [be] considered in that process and presented as we do with everything else ...

that's when this should happen – not midway through the summer," he said.

He added that he had discussions with administration and was in the process of discussing the potential change with sales staff. Apparently, he had not spoken with members of the committee.

"I think if we're going to make a change, we ought to consider all of the areas where membership is impacted," he said, adding that the appropriate sales strategy would be to allow for the purchase a of membership when a person is willing to pay rather than setting a single, fixed date.

"If we're running business-like, take the money when the customer is willing to pay," he said. "We should consider those things.

"What I'm recommending is that we don't pass the motion to make a change now in the middle of the year until we've had time to vet the rest of it and then make it as part of the standard budget process when we can look at all the different memberships," Thompson added.

"You make a case, I'll give you that, but you're asking to delay any decision until the next budget cycle, which would be sometime ... in February 2017?" Collins asked.

"We're in mid-season and we're changing our rate structure," Thompson said. "That's just not a usual practice for us. So I'd recommend we stick to the usual practice. I'm open to consider switching to May 1 if it's the most reasonable solution.

"Parsing it for different individual groups without looking at the whole just seems odd to me, and we're also going outside the regular process when those changes typically occur. For those two reasons, I would wait and follow the normal process," he added.

A majority of the directors disagreed, and Vice President Cheryl Jacobs voted with Stevens, Collins and Director Tom Herrick to adopt the new universal date.





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the public board meeting, and said he was in favor of counting votes during open session because it was more transparent.

"I'm allowed to have that opinion just like you have your opinion. I respect your opinion, and I told you that after the meeting," Herrick said. "You know what, I don't make it personal because you have a different opinion than me ... that shouldn't affect our relationship, which you're allowing it to do."

Wentworth said the accusations were affecting the current election cycle, and that the issue should have been dealt with after the election. Officially, the board of directors tabled the issue, but several candidates have discussed showing up when votes are being counted.

"It's all geared up now. These people are nuts," Wentworth said. "It's become personal with me ... because of all the B.S. I've got to put up with, with all these goofballs.

"I hope they show up and try to do something, because half of them are going to get locked up," Wentworth added.

Committee member Judy Butler said that, as the appointed board secretary, Herrick needed to "support the current rules for this election committee.²

"Anything that is stated in those bylaws for the election is stated for the secretary also," she said. "Until this rule is changed - if it ever is changed, and I don't personally agree that it should be ... you need to support this election committee because we have to deal with this.

"It's not going to change before this election is over, and we have to face that, that morning that we count those votes," Butler added. "As the secretary of the board you should be saying to these candidates, this year this remains the rules. This is the way it is.'

Because of the controversy, Butler said the elections committee was being portrayed as "the bad guy."

"We are not the bad guy," she said. "We are owners and occupants of this Ocean Pines Association. We chose to help do this election. We are not the ones who made these rules, and we are the ones who have to take care of this.

"If in the end, we don't do our job, guess who gets blamed again? The elections committee," Butler continued. "We need to know that when we go in that room and count those votes that we have everybody's support, because we are going to try our best to never, ever allow an error.

"If nobody can stand up for us, then nobody is going to do this job in the future and you can just contract out the whole thing, which is maybe what should be done," Butler said. "Now, is that good, or would you rather have five members of this

community who care about this community enough to do this job, to be in this room and count those votes? It is very discouraging to think that this board doesn't support us."

If the rules had been changed by the board in June, Wentworth said, "There wouldn't have been any election."

'The election committee would have resigned," Butler added. "If the board does something you

don't like you're just going to walk away?" Herrick asked. "Yeah," Wentworth said. "Next

year, I don't give a hoot in a hail storm how it's going to happen. If I decide I'm going to resign at the end of this year [as chairman], this is just a small part of it. I'm tired of being micromanaged."

In addition to its apparent problem with the board of directors, the committee also is subject of a complaint filed with the Maryland Attorney General's Office that alleges the committee's closed-door vote counting process violates the Maryland Homeowners Association Act.

Candidate Brett Hill, who filed the complaint, said he was disappointed the board tabled the motion to change its rules.

"Everything in the law was manmade and then is subject to opin-ion," he said. "In my opinion, the closed session is not adhering to the laws of Maryland, and I disagree with the supposed reasoning of it being a personnel issue as to why they can go into a closed session to count ballots.

"Personnel are employees, and board members, in general, report to the homeowners. They are not an employee of any capacity - they're volunteers," Hill added.

Because the board tabled the issue, Hill said the next logical step was to file a complaint with the state.

"I will be at the vote count with my attorney, and I expect the vote count to be open," he said. "I would hope that the board and the elections committee would do what I feel is the right thing and just do not go into closed session. Leave it open and leave it transparent.

"If they want to postpone making changes to the resolution until after the election, that's fine, but at least for this election I would hope that they would concede this to transparency and push this through until there's a better long-term solution to the problem."

Reached for comment, Board President Pat Renaud said no changes in procedure were planned.

"Our position is that we're not changing our position," he said. "We would be willing to review it after the election, but not during the election."

Renaud said that was also the position of the elections committee.

"The majority of the board supports that," he said.

Heritage Festival also on tap for Saturday in Berlin

Town makes way for two big events this weekend, in downtown and at museum

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) The second fork of Berlin's two-pronged attack of events this weekend is the third annual Berlin Heritage Festival, held on the south end of town while the Peach Festival is set up on the north side.

To accommodate the vintage and classic vehicles on display during the festival. Main Street will be closed downtown, and the town will be running a shuttle service, centered on Berlin Intermediate School, at 305 Franklin Avenue. The shuttle is free, and parking is available at the school.

From the shuttle, both festivals are easily walked to, as the Peach Festival is set up at the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum, and the Heritage Festival is much more decentralized, with a number of features occurring concurrently and somewhat randomly throughout the town.

For example, and taking a page from Colonial Williamsburg, Berlin will play host to a number of street scenes depicting life in the small town during World War I, World War II and the events cutoff date, 1959.

The Ocean Pines Players will reenact the scenes, which were written and directed by the Players' board president Karen McClure.

Also in costume will be various vendors and local merchants and actors, according to event chair Pat Denar.

"We won an award from the Tri-County Council last year for bringing history to the streets," Denar said. "The festival is a vehicle to bring history. The town is only 5-6 blocks long, so it's intimate.'

History is Denar's passion.

"I was a history major, and this is right in line with things I like, but Berlin is unique in personality -- especially with Ocean City and Assateague so close by. I think this event is in keeping with that personality," she said.

The festival is intended to commemorate the incorporation of the town in 1868, when it was run by committee, Denar said. The first mayor was elected in 1885, she said.

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Pocomoke Fair 'puts spotlight on our agriculture industry'

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Tonight are the Little Miss and Junior Miss Pocomoke pageants.

All the while, the hallmarks of county fairs - livestock contests, cooking and baking exhibits and more - will be going on in the background.

"Fairs are part of our legacy," Sen. Jim Mathias said. "They're part of the personality of our towns. Agriculture, watermen – all of it is ours.

Mathias said he will be attending the fair, and is rumored to be a participant in the hobby horse races, along with Mayor Bruce Morrison.

Del. Charles Otto also said he would be attending.

"The fair gives the 4-H kids and youth programs the spotlight they deserve," he said. "It also puts the spotlight on our agricultural industry. It also brings some excitement to things."

Schedule of Events (Tentative)

Wednesday, Aug. 3

Entries received - booth setups only

- 5-9 p.m. Indoor Exhibits received* *Except Cakes and Pies - see Program Book
- 5-8 p.m. Rabbits, Poultry & Livestock Exhibits received, Gate 5

6 p.m. - Pageant Rehearsals -Grandstand Stage

Thursday, Aug. 4

Fair open - 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. 4-6:30 p.m. - All other Cake and Pie Exhibits received

5-10 p.m. - Indoor Exhibits inside Grand Stand open

6-7 p.m. - Poultry Judging, Livestock Barn

7:30 p.m. - Rabbit Judging, Live-

stock Barn

- 7 p.m. Little Miss Great Pocomoke Fair Pageant - Grandstand Stage
- 8 p.m. Jr. Miss Pageant Grandstand Stage

Friday, Aug. 5

- Fair open 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. 5-10 p.m. - Indoor Exhibits inside
- Grand Stand open 5-10 p.m. - Livestock Exhibits, Live-
- stock Barn open 5-6 p.m. - Hog Judging - Livestock
- Barn
- 6 p.m. Hobby Horse Races
- 6:30-7:30p.m. Dairy cow Judging -Livestock Barn
- 7:30-8:30 p.m. Beef cattle Judging - Livestock Barn
- 7 p.m. Drag Racing Infield Track

Saturday, Aug. 6

- Fair open 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. 10 a.m. - Sheep Judging, Livestock Barn
- 10:30 a.m. Pygmy Goat Judging, Livestock Barn
- 11 a.m. Dairy Goat Judging, Livestock Barn
- 12:30 p.m. Meat Goat Judging, Livestock Barn
- 12:30 p.m. Cake & Pie Auction (between races)
- 12:30-4 p.m. Harness Racing, Grandstand/Racetrack
- 1 p.m. Kids Activities
- 1:30 p.m. Greased Pig Contest
- 3:30 p.m. Registration for Tractor Pull begins
- 5 p.m. Antique/Classic Tractor Pull - Grandstand/Infield Track
- 10:15 p.m. Fireworks by Fireworks Extravaganza

Sunday, Aug. 7

8 a.m. to noon - Release of all exhibits

Snow Hill Mayor C. Dorman sees event as 'boon' to town

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of Housing and Community Development Kenneth Holt.

Rev. Andy Frick of the Whatcoat Methodist Church will deliver the actual blessing.

"It's a boon to the town and puts Snow Hill on the map for both farming and recreation. It's one of our biggest things, and I'm just tickled about it," Dorman said.

State Sen. Jim Mathias and Delegates Mary Beth Carozza and Charles Otto have all confirmed attendance.

"It showcases how vital agriculture is to us on the Eastern Shore. It's pride. It's generational - you see the grandfather driving and the kids following behind him," Mathias said. "There are throngs of people. Small towns, those are the life of the Eastern Shore. I really love it."

Otto sees the event as a learning opportunity.

'It's important to do some education on the expenses and productivity of the agricultural industry. It's a great opportunity to spotlight the town," Otto said. "I've always been impressed with the Blessing of the Combines and with the crowd that shows up."

Accompanying the combines are a host of vendors, food stands and activities for the entire family. More than a dozen planned activities, like a petting zoo, bounce house and pony rides, are free of charge for children.

In additional, local nonprofits will be hosting open houses in and around the event area, like the recently moved Lower Shore Land Trust and the University of Maryland Extension of Worcester County.

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Two arrested, one Tasered in **Pocomoke brawl, last Friday**

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Robert Robinson, 38, and Dashawn Riheem Ballard, 21, both of Pocomoke City were arrested Friday night near 10 p.m. in connection with a large brawl in the vicinity of 4th and Laurel Streets.

Ballard was charged with resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and failure to obey police, while Robinson was charged with three counts of seconddegree assault, disturbing the peace, failure to obey and resisting arrest. Both men were seen by a court commissioner and released on personal recognizance.

According to the police report, officers arrived on the scene to find a group of between 75-100 people had gathered. Police reported observing a fight in front of 405 Laurel Street and identified Robinson as one of the people involved in the altercation.

Police said they engaged Robinson and ordered him to leave the area, while the crowd had grown to more than 100 people.

Robinson, according to the police report, then took a fighting stance and attempted to take on at least three Pocomoke City police officers, a confrontation that ended with two shots from a Taser that struck Robinson in the lower back and upper leg.

As officers were controlling Robinson, according to the report, at least 40 people in the crowd confronted police, and the officers called the communications office and requested "as many additional police units as possible."

According to Pocomoke City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot, officers from the Maryland State Police, Department of Natural Resources Police, Snow Hill Police and the Worcester County Sherriff's Office arrived on the scene a short time later to help disperse the crowd.

As the crowd dissolved, Ballard was reportedly observed back at 405 Laurel Street after police ordered everyone to leave the area, and was confrontational when asked to leave the scene again.

Police report Ballard continued to argue with police and then began inciting the remnants of the crowd into another confrontation, for which he was placed under arrest.

Robinson was treated by Pocomoke EMS at the scene, yet refused transport to Peninsula Regional Medical Center at that time, but was later treated and released from Atlantic General Hospital for reports of chest pains.

Both are scheduled to make their first appearance in court on Sept. 6 in Snow Hill.





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Changes coming to Berlin Main St.

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) "Things are moving in a positive direction to fill some of the vacancies here," Berlin's Economic and Community Development director, Ivy Wells said last Friday.

Two stores on Main Street recently closed unexpectedly, and another shop will move to Snow Hill early next year.

"There are several people who want to occupy either Leaky Pete's or Cupcakes in Bloom," Wells said. "It's up to the property owner to decide who's going to be the tenant, but it's in the works. They won't be vacant for much longer."

Wells added that the owner of the former Cupcakes in Bloom shop on 120 North Main Street had applied for façade grants to improve the exterior of the building.

"The façade grant program is really catching on again," she said. "The owner of Victorian Charm just applied for one to repaint [the store], Lisa Hall is going to apply for one for the butcher shop, and Troy Purnell is going to apply for one for Main Street Sweets."

Hall's new butcher shop, on 101 Williams Street, has suffered minor setbacks, but could be open during early August. She had hoped to open in July. "They're coming to pour my concrete [this

JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

This building on Berlin's Main Street, under construction for most of the summer, will eventually become a new clothing store, Fathom, owned and operated by Devon Smith and Hunter Bostic. The sisters currently own and operate Sea La Vie in Berlin.

week]," Hall said. "I'm painting the walls [and] painting the floor, and then I'll be ready to set my equipment and pull an inspection. I'm shooting now for the second week of August [to open]."

She said the shop would initially carry beef, poultry, pork and specialty meats, including lamb. It will also carry homemade sausages and spice rubs.

Another space on Main Street, next to Rayne's Reef, has been a construction site all summer.

Eventually, that space will become a new clothing store, Fathom, owned by Hunter Smith and Devon Bostic. The sisters also own and operate Sea La Vie in Berlin.

"I think it was just a combination of things," Smith said of the delays. "As of now, we still don't have a set date – it's still in the air. Hopefully this fall it gets done at some point, but then I don't know if it would open because we close in January."





The former Cupcakes in Bloom location on Berlin Main Street has been vacant for several months. Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said several people were interested in the property, although no timeline was available.

Econ. Director Wells says shop spots will fill up quick

Smith said Sea La Vie closes in January and February and that Fathom would likely be closed in January.

While she is waiting for the new business to open, Smith said business at the other shop, on 11 Artisans Way downtown, is going well.

"It seems busier than last year," she said. "There are still a lot of people who are new and who haven't been here before, so that's really exciting."

Snow Hill natives Richard and Debbie Seaton recently announced they would move Toy Town to Snow Hill once their lease expires in April. Wells said that space would likely be filled "as soon as they leave."

"Oh, I'm working on that," she said, adding that it was possible another Main Street store could move into the 4,800 square-foot space, one of the largest in town. "That's a possibility. The good news is that I'm not worried that it's going to be vacant, because I have several people that are interested."

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Hall vows to leave town if not elected in Berlin mayor race

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Berlin mayoral candidate Councilwoman Lisa Hall went on a tirade last week during an unrelated interview and vowed to leave town if she doesn't win the election two months from now in October.

"I'm sick of it," she told a reporter during a break in a discussion about her new butcher shop on Williams Street. "If I don't become mayor, I'm selling my house, I'm moving outside of Berlin, I'm going to let all these wealthy residents promote my business on their dime and thank you very much, because I don't live here and I don't pay no taxes."

Hall went on to compare the Town Council to Donald Trump's accusations about Hillary Clinton.

"You talk about 'Crooked Hillary?" Well, we're all crooked, because I have to sit there and watch this s—t go on and can't say nothing," she said. She also suggested the town's recent

She also suggested the town's recent \$95,000 land purchase on Flower Street was politically motivated.

"Do you think if Gee [Williams] was running for mayor this fall that he would have done that \$100,000 deal with that developer?" she asked. "And why was Elroy [Brittingham] voting? He sold them some of that land. You

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Because of the record number of candidates in this year's Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors election, the elections committee is seeing an increase in requests for duplicate ballots.

"People are making mistakes and calling and saying, 'can I have another ballot?" committee member Judy Butler said during last Wednesday's committee meeting. "That's never happened before. There's multiple reasons why people want another ballot, but this time they're actually saying, 'I made a mistake, I need a new ballot.""

Butler said she is asking those voters to bring in the old ballot in, so it can be destroyed and a duplicate can be issued.

"The fact is, there's 11 candidates and it's easy to goof up," she said. "That's the one unusual thing I'm seeing this year."

guys gotta ask the right question. Elroy should have recused himself."

If Councilman Brittingham had recused himself the vote, 4-1, would not have changed.

Asked why the town's ethics commission did not look into the matter, Hall replied, "They don't look at s—t." On July 12, the committee began monitoring an elections hotline. Committee member Steve Smith said 10 calls came into the hotline during the first week, and 11 during the second week.

Elections committee see anomalies

"That doesn't mean we're going to give 21 duplicates back," Smith said. The hotline, 410-208-3989, will remain open through Aug. 11.

Butler speculated there would be roughly 7,500 eligible voters in Ocean Pines this year, out of the 8,452 homes. Those who do not pay assessments on time are not eligible to vote.

Chairman Bill Wentworth said there were 7,403 eligible voters last year and the elections committee processed 3,421 ballots. Thirty-seven ballots were counted manually and 31 were rejected. Of those, two were rejected because they were in "improper envelopes," two included multiple ballots in the envelope, five ballots were blank and 22 voted for more that the permitted number of candidates.

"That just frustrates me, in that they're watching me like a hawk here [in the shop]. Let me do something without a frickin' permit or something," she said. "It's like, why am I going to spend all my time and energy if everybody's running around doing whatever the hell they want?" Wentworth said 14 replacement ballots were received last year, and about 30 were issued.

Butler noted that the highest voter turnout was during the 2012 yacht club referendum, when more than 5,000 ballots were received.

"The average is about half – half the people eligible take the time to put a ballot in," Butler said. "We'll see what happens this year."

This year, ballots can be received in Ocean Pines until 5 p.m. on Aug. 11. The committee will count the ballots on Aug. 12, and announce the results at the annual meeting at 10 a.m. on Aug. 13, in the Ocean Pines community center at 235 Ocean Parkway.

Homeowners attending the meeting are required to sign in, and if a quorum of at least 100 members are not present, Wentworth said the board of directors could go into a special meeting "right there on the spot" in order to accept the election results.

Asked about the outburst this week, Hall said she wanted to retract her previous statements.

"You all aren't doing this to me," she said. "I didn't say that. I deny it."

Hall, who has to give up her Town Council seat win or lose, faces incumbent Gee Williams in the Oct.4 election.

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OPA GM Thompson nets \$8,600 merits bonus from board

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) General Manager Bob Thompson received an \$8,600 meritsbased bonus during a closed-door session last Thursday in Ocean Pines.

After about an hour of deliberation, the board emerged and announced the 4-3 vote to approve the bonus. By comparison, Thompson received a \$5,000 bonus last year and \$12,000 in 2014.

"We discussed it and we voted on it, and we came up with a number," OPA Board President Pat Renaud said on Thursday. "We didn't always agree with everything, but we did come up with something. He did get a good, sizeable bonus."

Renaud said the bonus was based on "nonfinancial goals."

"He had 10 goals to reach and we graded him on each one of them," he said. "I think it was fair process. We all came out pretty close together – the ones who voted."

He added that he believed Thompson performed slightly better during the most-recent fiscal period than during the one proceeding it, hence the slightly higher bonus.

"I think he did a better job," Renaud said. "I think we'll see it reflected on the financial side too, but I don't know that just yet."

Annual Pine'eer Arts and Crafts Festival this Sat.

(Aug. 4, 2016) Shop the unique handcrafted items of more than 100 artisans and crafters during the 39th annual Pine'eer Arts & Crafts Festival on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines.

The festival, hosted by the Pine'eer Craft Club, will feature vendors from Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and Pennsylvania selected for their fine craftsmanship and talents.

The event will also include a live concert by Saltwater Stringband from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and a bake sale. Food vendors will be selling refreshments.

The Ocean Pines Farmers Market will also be open for extended hours from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in conjunction with the festival. Farmers Market vendors will be selling seasonal fresh produce, meats, eggs, seafood and baked goods, among other items.

The Pine'eer Craft Club also operates The Gift Shop in White Horse Park. The shop features handcrafted items by club members and is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Teresa Travatello, director of Marketing and Public Relations for the Ocean Pines Association, at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006 ttravatello@oceanpines.org.





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(Aug. 4, 2016) The Ocean Pines Association discussed the following items during a public meeting in the community center on July 28.

Renaud out, Jacobs in

For the second straight meeting, Board President Pat Renaud did not attend and Vice President Chervl Jacobs filled in. In June, Renaud was attending the premier of "The Secret Life of Pets" in New York, which his son directed. This month, he had apparently taken ill.

Jacobs said Renaud had been hospitalized, but was "on the road to recovery."

Renaud participated in the meeting by telephone.

GM report

Under major amenities, General Manager Bob Thompson said the net returns in golf were about \$10,000 ahead of budgeted numbers for the month of June, although the course was still more than \$16,000 behind budget for the year.

Aquatics netted about \$8,000 less than what was budgeted.

At the yacht club, net returns were more than \$48,000 off budget, bringing the year-to-date totals to more than \$113,000 below estimates. Thompson blamed part of the poor performance on the lack of a food truck, for which a \$25,000 profit had been budgeted. Banquet numbers were also lower than expected, he said.

Ongoing projects include addressing a mysterious odor at the yacht club that contractor TE Smith is working to solve. Thompson said outside air returns on the north and east sides of the building had been closed, which seemed to solve the problem. Alternate returns are being examined.

Work on the sports core pool continues, and improvements to two major bridges are scheduled to start in August.

Bids for improvements to the beach club bathroom came in. Thompson said he would analyze those and report to the new board, after the August election.

In other bid news, Ocean Pines received several proposals related to pickle ball courts at the Manklin Meadows Racquet Sports Complex, although Thompson said those were incomplete. Three bids came in for painting the courts, but OPA only received one bid each for fencing and paving work. Thompson is pursuing other bidders.

The general manager also said about \$5,000 was being spent to update a previous study on the condition of the country club. At the request of Director Jack Collins, that will apparently include a report on the cart barn near the golf course.

CPI violations

The board unanimously voted to address a pair of compliance, permit and inspection (CPI) violations, at 47 Harbormist and 35 Burr Hill.

As per the vote, issues with screening on the porch of 47 Harbormist were found in continuing violation and will be sent to an attorney for action.

Similarly, Burr Hill also had issues with porch screening, as well as with debris. The property was found to be in continuing violation and will be sent to an attorney for action.

Director Tom Herrick made a motion that Thompson investigate and designate another property, at 3 Bramblewood Drive, as a "fast track violation."

Because the property was in the process of foreclosure, the board was limited in what it could do. The motion was amended to "make the property presentable" and passed unanimously.

Comp plan update

Comprehensive Planning Committee Chair Frank Daly provided a brief update on the comprehensive plan.

Daly said the the committee has worked on a survey to fill gaps in its data, and that 25 of the 40 questions Continued on Page 15



By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

Berlin announces new administrative assistant, Jensen

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Last week the Town of Berlin announced its newest hire, 27-year-old administrative assistant Kelsey Jensen.



A Calvert County native, Jensen moved to the area six years ago and worked as the assistant to the court administrator at the Circuit Court in Snow Hill for the last four vears.

Kelsey Jensen

Jensen said she learned about the job through the town's website, which she had been monitoring regularly.

"It's a great little town and I always kind of kept my eye open to see if anything opened up there, and finally something had," she said. "We go to a lot of the town events, from the Peach Festival to the Christmas tree lighting and the parades, so I'm pretty familiar with Berlin. I like all of the little shops, and I've definitely spent some time there.'

About a month ago, Jensen said she received confirmation that she got the job. Her first day will be Aug. 8.

Although she admitted she is nervous to start a new job, Jensen said she has already received a warm welcome from members of town staff.

"Everyone there has been very nice to work with, I think it will be a good opportunity for me," she said. "I'm looking forward it.

"I think the town itself has done really well, and they really seem to be moving with the times. They've obviously succeeded with the 'Coolest Small Town in America' [honor], and it sounds like they've got some great ideas with making the town a better place for everyone to live and to visit. They're very progressive, and I think that's a good thing," she added. Jensen lives in Ocean Pines with

her husband, John.

Her former boss, Court Administrator Michael Howard, said she would be "sorely missed" in Snow Hill.

'We are very happy for Kelsey getting her new job with the town of Berlin," he said. "Her work ethic and smiling face set an example for every employee at the circuit court.'

Berlin is getting a gem, and she is able to do anything - anything," Howard added. "The sky is the limit. Whatever she decides in her heart she wants to do, it's going to happen."

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on the survey were finished, with the final 15 likely being approved at a committee meeting that evening.

He said the committee would present a detailed report on its progress and would seek a vote to approve the survey in the near future.

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Annie Compton's work, pictured here, is one of three offerings at Bishop's Stock in downtown Snow Hill debuting this week for the monthly First Friday, which begins at 5 p.m. The other artists are Linda Epstein and Jane Rowe.

Painting partners team up for First Friday show in SH

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Linda Epstein, Annie Compton and Jane Rowe all lived in Drayden, Maryland — an unincorporated area in St. Mary's county — when they began painting together at least 20 years ago, and though Linda and Annie have moved since then, they still get together, mostly via text messages, to catch up and critique each others' work.

The three friends will have their first show together at Bishop's Stock for this month's First Friday, starting at 5 p.m. in downtown Snow Hill.

"If I'm having a problem or am close to done a painting, I text photos to see what everyone thinks," Epstein said.

While Rowe still lives in Drayden,



Snow Hill gallery attempts to spread 'diversity of creativity'

Compton now lives in Austin, Texas and Epstein lives in Pocomoke City and also owns the Bad Ponies Studio and Gallery in Chincoteague, Virginia.

"We started what we called "morning exercises." Epstein said. "Annie would get up, make coffee and paint for a couple of hours, I would get up, make coffee and paint, and Jane would get up, make tea and do the same. We didn't do it every morning, but it was our way of getting feedback."

When the trio split, the ritual remained the same despite increased distances.

"To some degree, we're all realist painters. Landscapes are an emphasis for me. Annie is more expressive, while Jane is more on the serious side," Epstein said.

Epstein's recent focus has been on the Pocomoke River, and the skies above it in particular.

"With the recent weather, I have been having some fun," she said.

The three painters have also participated in the annual Paint Snow Hill plein air event, which also is hosted by Bishop's Stock.

"We'll have been in business 13 years this November, and when we opened we'd decided to change exhibits monthly," Ann Coates, owner, said. "It was never a situation where we would do one thing and someone else would do another — First Fridays grew from everyone chiming in."

With the art scene in Snow Hill picking up, Coates said she will continue to focus on local artists and artists who have local roots.

"We want to make people aware of the diversity in creativity we have in this area," Coates said.

For example, the gallery hosts an abstract show each February despite a relatively small number of enthusiasts in the area for that kind of work, she said. But, Coates continued, the work remained important and necessary for art lovers in the area to see.

"It's more of an exchange," she said.

And one the town recognizes.

"Bishop's Stock has been an anchor for Snow Hill for many years. Ann Coates has been the town's arts advocate for just as many — even serving on the state's Public Art Committee," Michael Day, the town's economic development advisor, said. "Over many years, Ann has chaired numerous events promoting not only the Snow Hill Art and Entertainment District, but Snow Hill as a place to start a business, raise a family or just visit."





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Urban Nectar in Berlin has expanded to include a new bakery/record shop, Swell, as well as hosting a number of events, and an artisan's co-op on Sundays.



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Berlin's 'eclectic mix of everything' expands offerings

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Opened in October, Berlin's Urban Nectar continues to expand its offerings, from housing the new bakery/record store "Swell," to hosting a rotating series of events.

Currently, Urban Nectar runs a Paint Night on Tuesdays, along with a series of classes that range from cooking to soap making.

Bingo nights are in consideration, and other events have run the gamut from open mic music and poetry, to demonstrations on acupuncture.

The main part of the store sells mostly prepackaged food and local art and artisan items, while a large adjacent room sells furniture from Hunt and Lane, clothing from a boutique in Chincoteague, and a book nook carrying vintage paperbacks.

Owner Shanen Cute said a rotating cast of "about 105 local artists" also contributes items to the store on a consignment basis, while most of the antiques in the store come from her private collection.

"It's like an eclectic mix of everything," Cute said. "It's classes, a kitchen, food, coffee, music. Anything anybody wants to take a class in, I want an instructor here to teach something."

On Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. an "artisan's co-op" runs behind the store, covering a wide range of interests.

"There is always someone making jewelry outside, bottle-feeding baby goats, there's a wood spinner, a girl painting and I do produce and stuff too," Cute said.

For more information, visit Urban Nectar at 10019 Old Ocean City Boulevard, call 410-973-2038 or search "Urban Nectar" on Facebook.



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'Swell' new shop carries vinyl LPs and baked goods

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) When life handed Jen Ausmus and Josh Kay lemons, the couple didn't make lemonade. They opened a record store and bakery instead.

Ausmus and Kay previously owned and operated Wake and Bake, a bakery and café in nearby Delaware. But when a third-party partner pulled his financial backing earlier this year, it sent them scrambling to find a new location.

Enter Shanen Cute, owner of Urban Nectar in Berlin.

We had known Shanen and we knew she had some space available and was very interested in what we were doing," Ausmus said. "It kind of just clicked.

The new shop, now called "Swell," started taking up a sizeable corner of Urban Nectar last month.

Inside, a large, unfinished wooden cabinet holds six rows of vinyl LPs, ranging from A Tribe Called Quest to Fugazi to Radiohead, along with turntables and a smattering of 45s. On the top of the cabinet, a clear Plexiglas display case holds homemade snicker doodles, chocolate chip cookies and espresso shortbread. To the left, a



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTI Swell, a new bakery/record shop in Berlin, opened last month inside of Urban Nectar on Old Ocean City Boulevard. Along with vinyl LPs and 45s, the shop carriers homemade cookies and banana bread, coffee, and an expanding menu of lunch offerings.

large, industrial coffee maker brews Baltimore-based Zeke's coffee.

Ausmus said opening the shop has been a "slow progression."

"We slowly brought in a coffee bar and records, and we're trying to build on the food offerings and menu," Ausmus said. "[Cute] is doing pop-up chef nights, and we're trying to fill in the gaps with breakfast and lunch and our own pop-up nights."

Ausmus makes all of the baked goods from scratch inside the kitchen at Urban Nectar, including cookies and banana bread. She plans to add éclairs and cream puffs sometime soon, and said eventually she wants to use more local, organic ingredients as well as offer more lunch fare.

On Tuesdays, Ausmus also sells rotisserie chickens with rotating sides at Swell, while Kay runs a vinyl night across the street at Burley Oak Brewing Co.

So far, she said the shop's marketing has depended mostly on word of mouth.

"It's been slow, but that's what we want to be - more word of mouth,' Ausmus said. "We're not trying to blow anything up, we just want to provide things that we enjoy and be able to grow from that."

Weekday hours can vary, but for now the shop is open Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rotisserie chickens are available Tuesdays from 4-8 p.m.

After Labor Day, the shop will be open daily, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information, visit Swell at 10019 Old Ocean City Boulevard, inside Urban Nectar, or online at www.facebook.com/swellcoffeemusicvum.





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Don't blame messengers

Nothing rankles someone who is pledged to impartiality more than the suggestion that he or she is not.

It's no wonder then that Bill Wentworth and associates on the Ocean Pines Elections Committee have just about had it with this year's political carryings on and have declared that this might be the end of their service as election management volunteers.

No matter what anyone says, the demand for transparent ballot counting suggests that committee members are suspect in terms of honesty, integrity and impartiality. It's not just politics, in their minds anyway, it's a personal affront.

This is not to say that closed-door ballot counting is right or wrong, but it does explain why elections officials feel they are under siege and have reacted accordingly.

As it is, and as we have mentioned before, Maryland election law has specific rules regarding who may observe what during the process and when they may do it. More importantly, elections officials can have ejected from the room anyone whom they believe is attempting to influence or disrupt the process.

What that means, in more simple terms, is they can throw out just about anyone who expresses an opinion in front of others during any part of the election process.

The point of the law is to give elections officials all the authority they need to protect the legal purity of elections.

Although it's not impossible, it is doubtful that a roomful of people will be able to keep their thoughts to themselves. Just as nature abhors a vacuum, as Aristotle once observed, a silent room itches for chatter.

Therein lies the problem with public vote counting. But again, whether quiet observation can or can't be achieved, no one can blame Ocean Pines officials from feeling their honesty and sincerity is under attack.

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"That's the kind of Riding Mower I need back home"

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Unprofessional OPA

Editor,

I am increasingly alarmed at the quality of governance and the tone of the debate in this community. Ocean Pines provides the complete package: a comfortable, safe living environment in a reasonable climate, with a wide variety of opportunities to indulge whatever passion moves you. Yet, each year at this time the local press is filled with criticisms of the board, the GM, the yacht club, the golf course, ad nauseam.

Many candidates for the BOD propose single plank platforms, e.g., fire the GM, close the various amenities, reduce the annual assessments. Such proposals reflect a lack of understanding of the complexities facing those who wish to govern us. We enjoy a government with the lowest cost in the area, yet annually if the administration proposes new spending increases, the response is loud and critical. Do not assume that I believe that a rubber stamp is the solution. Not at all, but the cacophony of voices raised in protest drown out any reasoned debate and has a depressing effect on civil discourse.

Of particular concern is

the lack of qualified people who will seek election. The BOD needs people with legal, financial, operating and marketing backgrounds to help guide the administration. Advisory committees exist to provide some of this insight. Membership on these committees could serve as a stepping-stone to board membership, however too often the advice and counsel provided by these committees is not heeded, and thus too few members feel motivated to join the frav.

Reasonable, objective debate regarding amenity performance, planning for future needs and effectiveness of the management team would provide a welcome environment for voters to judge the qualifications of board candidates. Unfortunately, the atmosphere surrounding the election process, the behavior at board meetings and the acrimony evident in various press communications seem to prevent such an environment. I find these conditions unprofessional and unworthy of both you and us. Hopefully, future boards will devote some efforts to improving the situation.

Jim Beisler Ocean Pines

'Thank you' note

Editor,

The following local churches, St. Paul's Episcopal, Solid Rock ministries, Buckingham Presbyterian, Sonrise and Stevenson United Methodist Church, have just finished hosting their summer vacation bible school titled "Cave Quest; following Jesus the light of the world."

There were over 80 students in attendance and we are very thankful for the local families that allowed their children to attend this great event.

Parents – you are doing great things when you allow your families to learn and experience the greatness of our heavenly father and his son, Jesus. You are to be highly commended for making a real difference in our community.

This is so important for our families. We all need to learn more of how we all can follow Jesus and show our love to others around us. We can all make a difference in our communities by caring for others around us.

We spent five evenings sharing time together learning how to show kindness and compassion for others. Continued on Page 21

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Continued from Page 20 The message we learned was how much Jesus loves us and how Jesus gives us all hope, courage, direction

and love. One of the activities included the students watching and hearing about other young people who have made a difference in our world. This was so important - the students saw that no matter how small or young we may be, we are all able to make a difference by doing good things for others in our communities, schools and even other countries.

Our great sponsors that helped with this event were: ABC Printing; Apostle Construction; Adkins Company; Victorian Charm; Berlin American Legion Post #123 Ladies Auxiliary; Donald Carey Roofing; Maryland Coast Dispatch; Wiggles and Giggles Daycare; Ashton Welding; Coates, Coates, and Coates, PA; Williams, Moore, Shockley and Harrison.

Many thanks to these local businesses and please support these folks when you can.

Thanks to Berlin First Baptist for the awesome decorations. Thanks to all the volunteers who donated their time to help make this Berlin community event possible, you have all been a real blessing.

Blessings to all our local families and to all the students who attended vacation bible school. Please try to find a home church for your families to attend frequently.

In God's love, from the Berlin Area Ecumenical Ministry team.

Kathy Davis Stevenson United Methodist Church

Be mindful of history

Editor,

There are several variations to the frequently quoted lines by Martin Niemoller, a Protestant pastor and social activist in Germany during the time of the Nazis. One version is as follows:

"First they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the communists, and I did not speak out because I was not a communist. Then they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out because I was not a socialist. Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak for me."

These lines were written at a time when Adolf Hitler was firing up the residents of Germany with a slogan similar to "Make Germany Great Again." Sound familiar? When Donald Trump quotes Mussolini, revises a slogan from Hitler, threatens to deport 11 million Mexican immigrants, and ban the immigration of all Muslims, it's time to speak up before it's too late.

I strongly feel that what this can-

didate would like to say is "Make America White Again," but he knows he would lose lots of votes if he did. Let's not forget that Hitler was trying to create an Aryan race and consequently caused the death of six million Jews in the Holocaust. Logistically, it is impossible to deport 11 million people. The details of identifying, transporting, and housing that many people are staggering. How would mistakes be avoided? How would paperwork be managed? How would distinctions be made between Mexicans and other immigrants from Central America? What about separation of children from their parents? Would they be held in internment facilities, as over 100,000 Japanese were during WWII? At least 62 percent of these individuals were United States citizens.

Almost everyone has heard the expression "If you don't learn from history, you are bound to repeat it.' Donald Trump doesn't read and doesn't know or choose to remember history. Is this how Americans want billions of their tax dollars spent? Who would be next? Muslims? Blacks? Asians? People from the Middle East? What will you do when they come for you?

Within two weeks of deporting the Mexican immigrants, one shouldn't count on any fresh produce in the local grocery store. The cantaloupes would be rotting in the field. In the same amount of time meat products -chicken, beef, and pork – would disappear from supermarkets too.

Only a skeleton crew would be available to gut chickens and slaughter animals. People who are unemployed are not going to step up to do gross jobs like that. Landscaping crews can't even find enough local people to do their kind of work; where would the slaughterhouse workers come from?

Another scheme of Trump's is to build a huge wall between the United States and Mexico. In an interview by Kevin Sullivan and Mary Jordan with two former Mexican presidents, Vicente Fox and Felipe Calderon, in the Washington Post dated Feb. 26, 2016, Fox and Calderon make it clear that their country has no intention of paying for a wall built by Donald Trump.

Consider the immense cost of such a venture and the diplomatic repercussions. Is that really how we want our tax dollars to be spent, when there are many more constructive uses for it? If you've ever been to Big Bend in Texas, common sense would dictate the impossibility of a wall in that location. The same article states that, "the balance of trade between the U.S. and Mexico would also be interrupted by such a decision. The two nations do \$1.4 billion a day in bilat-Continued on Page 22



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eral trade. Twenty-six states have Mexico as their primary trading partner. Millions of jobs in the U.S. depend directly on trade with Mexico."

This action has the potential to cause another serious recession. Arturo Sakukhan, Mexico's ambassador to the United States from 2007-2013, also stated, "If the United States slaps tariffs on Mexico, then Mexico will slap tariffs on the United States."

Robert Frost said in one of his poems "Something there is that doesn't love a wall ... Before I built a wall, I'd ask what I was walling in and what I was walling out, And to whom I would give offense." We only have two geographical neighboring countries — Canada and Mexico. Do we really want to sever ties with one of them? Think of the consequences.

Political campaigns such as that of Donald Trump play on all of the insecurities, fears, and vulnerabilities of people who demand simple answers to complex issues. In regimes, there is usually a "strong man" who rallies the crowds into a frenzy. This is how fascism would come to America, in gradual concessions to a power-hungry ruler who makes false promises and instills fear and hatred. Be careful what you wish for.

This next election will decide what kind of country we want to be. Vote not to lose our democracy to a contradictory, vindictive, loose cannon and demagogue who does not consider the consequences of his comments or actions. Do not give Donald Trump an audience or your support! Speak out against his dangerous schemes.

Jean Fry Ocean Pines

New leadership needed

Editor,

I have lived in Ocean Pines for 22 years. In 1994, the association fee was around \$400 a year. Roads were paved, not patched.

Some of the things that concern me in Ocean Pines are:

-A referendum to build a community center on Route 589 at a proposed cost of \$3.9 million. The then-board voted to make and install "Yes" signs [promoting the referendum] all over Ocean Pines at a cost of \$25,000, with a 7-0 vote. The board knew the real cost [of the community center] would be over \$5 million.

That was why [when] it passed on the first referendum, a judge determined that a new referendum was needed due to the misleading cost in the first referendum, [and] that referendum lost by over 1000 votes. A new community center was eventually built at White Horse Park for a lot less than \$3.9 million.

-Ram-rodding of the cover on the

sports core pool at a cost just less than referendum threshold at that time of \$1 million. The diving board was also not re-installed due to the insurance being too expensive. The admission was also lower for children from 5-9, and aquatics made a profit every year before the cover was installed.

-A secret meeting and bid to purchase the now-defunct golf course on Beauchamp Road. Again, the bid was just below the requirement for a referendum.

-A secret meeting a 2014 elected director wanted to have with two newly elected directors in 2015 without a full board present. The 2015 directors declined. I think there should not be any secret meetings. Closed meetings, yes – they are needed to discuss things like personnel, etc. No secret meetings. It is deceitful and not trustworthy.

-The 2014 board that voted to give the general manager a \$35,000 a year raise and a \$12,000 bonus for amenities that lost money and a general manager [that] has, what I call, negative thinking.

I am not against the amenities in Ocean Pines – I am against them losing money every year.

I hope the three elected-directors in 2016 work for the property owners, not the general manager.

> Mike Graves Ocean Pines



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SHA to close lanes on Route 113

By Brian Gilliland Associate Editor

(Aug. 4, 2016) Four overnight closings of Route 113 near Newark will be necessary as work on the dual highway conversion continues, with the first closure scheduled for Tuesday. Aug. 9.

According to the State Highway Administration, detours will be in place overnight from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., and each job will involve the excavation and removal of old stormwater management pipes, as well as the installation of new pipe up to 72 inches in diameter.

Three installations will be just south of Langmaid Road, and the fourth installation will take place north of Basket Switch Road. Divers will use that street as well as Newark Road as bypasses.

The SHA measured the detours at about 1 mile each.

Electronic signs as well as detour notices have been in place along the affected area for about a week now.

Additional crossings like these will become necessary during the summer as dualization work continues, the release stated.

This work is part of SHA's multiphase project to widen all 37 miles of US 113 in Maryland to four lanes. The current third phase covers 3.75 miles from Five Mile Branch Road to Massey Branch, and is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2017.

The next part of the project, Phase 4, covers 4.3 miles from Public Landing Road to Five Mile Branch Road, and will complete the expansion. This phase is scheduled to start construction later this year, and was announced by Gov. Larry Hogan during his tour of the lower shore a few months ago.

"The dates for the other crossings are not yet available, as our crews will be evaluating how the first one goes. There are variable message signs up and we will change them accordingly," Charlie Gischlar, public information officer for the SHA, said.

Gischlar said the work on each project is not expected to exceed one night's worth of effort.

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Bank of Ocean City enjoys providing cutting edge Financial Literacy to the young adults in the community. Five years ago, Bank of Ocean City started offering the EverFi Financial Literacy product to Stephen Decatur High School at no cost to the school under the direction and leadership of teacher Kurt Marx. In the spring of 2016, Bank of Ocean City added the offering to Worcester Preparatory School under the direction and leadership of teacher Mike Grosso, left. Pictured are Worcester Prep students with BOC representative Earl Conley, right. The EverFi Financial Literacy program uses the latest in media technologies – video, animations, 3-D gaming and avatars – to bring complex financial concepts to life for today's digital generation.





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'Mental health incident' in OP leads to police, fire response

Suspect, age 21, taken into custody and transported to PRMC after 6-hour standoff

(Aug. 4, 2016) Ocean Pines Police received information that a 21-yearold Ocean Pines resident was making threats against himself and anyone coming into contact with him at his residence at Point Lookout Road, last Sunday.

Police received information that the suspect had weapons at the residence and previous mental health issues. Ocean Pines Police cordoned off the area and requested assistance from the Ocean City Police Quick Response Team and their hostage negotiation unit.

Ocean City units responded to the area of Point Lookout and, in coordination with Ocean Pines Police, hostage negotiators began conferring with the suspect.

After a period of negotiation, the suspect agreed to give himself safely up to police. Although weapons were found inside the residence, there were no injuries.

Also assisting in the incident were units from the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department and the Ocean City Fire Department.

The suspect was taken into custody and transported to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury for psychiatric evaluation. The entire incident lasted about six hours.

"In today's troubled times, police are often called to assist in volatile incidents that could be life threatening," Chief David Massey of the Ocean Pines Police Department said.

"The cooperation among all police and fire units on the scene of this mental health incident ensured that everyone went home safely."







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116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com Aug. 5: Dave Sherman, 8-11 p.m. Aug. 6: Jimmy Charles, 8 p.m. to mid-Aug. 6: Jimmy Charles, 8 p.m. to mid-night Aug. 7: Troy Hanna, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 8: Barry Lee, 9 p.m. Aug. 10: Walt Farozic, 6-9 p.m.; Open Mic, 9 p.m. to midnight Every Tuesday: Charlie Z, 6-10 p.m. Every Thursday: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

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www.oceandowns.com Aug. 5: Everett Spells, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 6: Sol Knopf, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Mon-kee Paw Trio, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

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In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-6846 www.castleinthesand.com Aug. 5: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; John LaMere, 5-9 p.m. Aug. 6: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, noon to 4 p.m.; Zion Reggae Band, 5-9 p.m. Aug. 7: Matt Tichon, noon to 3 p.m.; Homemade Hooch, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 8: Nate Clendenen Solo, noon to 3 p.m.; Bob Wilkinson, Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 9: Paige Stevenson, noon to 2 p.m.; The Poole Brothers 3-7 p.m. Aug. 10: Lauren Glick & Melissa Alessi, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 11: Kevin Poole solo, noon to 3 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 4-8 p.m. COINS 28th Street and Coastal Highway

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53rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-723-5565 www.mackys.com Aug. 5: DJ Casper, 10 p.m. Aug. 6: DJ Cowboy, 10 p.m. Aug. 7: Steel Drummer Jimmy G, noon to 4 p.m. Aug. 9: DJ Vybe, "Under the Sea" Theme Night, 10 p.m. Aug. 10: DJ Wax, 10 p.m. Aug. 11: DJ Casper, 10 p.m. **MICKY FINS**

12952 Inlet Isle Lane West Ocean City 410-213-9033 www.ocmickyfins.com Aug. 5: Poole Brothers, 6 p.m. Aug. 6: Lauren & Mike, 7 p.m. Aug. 8: Animal House, 5 p.m. Aug. 9-11: Microwave Dave, 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 Aug. 5: The Haymans, 6 p.m. Aug. 6: MP Steele, 6 p.m.; DJ Mike, 7 p.m. Aug. 7: Side Project, 2 p.m. Aug. 7: Side Project, 2 p.m. Aug. 8: Sean Loomis, 6 p.m. Aug. 9: Murphy's Law, 6 p.m. Aug. 10: Kaleb Brown, 1 p.m.; Mickey Justice, 6 p.m. Aug. 11: 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 Every Wednesday-Sunday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 5-6: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 10-11: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. **Lenny's Beach Bar** Aug. 5-7: On the Edge, 4-9 p.m. Aug. 8-14: Illuzion, 4-9 p.m.

PURPLE MOOSE

Boardwalk, between Talbot and Caroline streets Ocean City 410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com Aug. 5-6: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Slamm, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 7: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; The Lava Game, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 8: The Lava Game, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 9-10: VJ Mazi, 9 p.m. Aug. 11: Apple Scruffs, tribute to The Beatles, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. ROPEWALK

82nd Street and the bay Ocean Citv 410-524-1009 www.ropewalkoc.com Aug. 5: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; Irish Brigade, 10 p.m. Aug. 6: Bob Brotto, noon to 8 p.m.; Irish Brigade, 10 p.m.

Aug. 7: Bob Brotto, noon to 7 p.m. Aug. 8: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 9: Pat O'Brennan, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 10-11: John LaMere, 4-8 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com www.seacrets.com Aug. 5: Jim Long Band, 5 p.m.; Jah Works, 9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m.; Kristen & The Noise, 10 p.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m.; DJ Bobby-O, 10 p.m. Aug. 6: DJ Cruz, 10 a.m.; Kicking Sun-rise, 1 p.m.; Rew Smith, 5 p.m.; Jim Long Contests, 6 p.m.; Jah Works, 9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m.; Lost In Paris, 10 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 10 p.m.; DJ Bobby-O, 10 p.m. Aug. 7: DJ Bobby-O, 10 a.m.; Jim Long Band, 5 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m.; DJ Davie, 10 p.m. Aug. 8: Full Circle, 5 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m.; Steal The Sky, 10 p.m.; DJ Davie, 10 p.m. 10 p.m. Aug. 9: Opposite Directions, 5 p.m.; Ris-ing Sun Reggae, 9 p.m.; Split Decision, 10 p.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. Aug. 10: Full Circle Duo, 5 p.m.; Rising Sun Reggae, 9 p.m.; Collie Buddz (Sum-mer Concert Series National Act), 10 p.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. Aug. 11: Rew Smith, 5 p.m.; Anthem, 9 p.m.; The Rockets, 10 p.m.

SHENANIGAN'S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk in the Shoreham Hotel 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com Aug. 5-6: James Gallagher & Off The Boat, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 7-8: Cutting Edge Dueling Pianos, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 10: Joey Harkum of Pasadena, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Aug. 11: Ciarran Quinn, 9 p.m to 1 a.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com Aug. 5: The Stims, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 6: Sean Spiffy Styles, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 7: Rick & Lennon LaRicci, 4-8 p.m.

SUNSET PARK

South Philadelphia Avenue Ocean City 410-250-0125 www.ococean.com/events Aug. 11: Free Concert w/Full Circle, 7-9 p.m.

THE BIG EASY ON 60

5909 Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-524-2305 www.thebigeasyon60.com Aug. 5: Tear The Roof Off, 8-11 p.m. Aug. 6: Chris English, 8-11 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

1 Mumford's Landing Road Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org Aug. 5: Full Circle, 6 p.m. Aug. 6: Kayla Kroh, 6 p.m. Aug. 7: Jonathan Williams, 6 p.m.

TOUCH OF ITALY

67th Street and Coastal Highway, in the Holiday Inn Oceanfront Ocean City 302-703-3090 Aug. 9: 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 Aug. 5: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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Cuisine

For perfect sear, aim for just 'short of hell'

It was difficult to watch the videos of flooding in Ellicott City last week. My wife, Julie, worked at a hospital there for a couple years, so we drove down



By Paul Suplee,

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Main Street every weekday as I would drive her to work. The picturesque scenery was always a soft spot in the terrible rush hour traffic.

every 50 or 60 years or so, and that doesn't surprise me with the manner in which Main Street was designed; everything flows down into the valley. Given a massive storm such as the one last week, the devastating effect

can be seen the world over in our social mediafilled lives.

I think it was a day or two later that we had our storms down here, albeit nothing to the tune of Baltimore last week. Compounded with the sinkhole on Route 90, it was nigh impossible to make it onto the island and get home in one piece.

Yes, the storm made a mess of things, but I'm glad that it's mostly cosmetic and that we don't have the massive cleanup and damage control that Baltimore has to contend with at the moment. In our own back yard, it looks like a mini-monsoon rolled through, making me wish that I had a working leaf blower. Oh the trammels of first-world living

Throughout it all, somehow I can't believe the summer's almost over; White Marlin Open kicks off in a matter of days and most of us know what that means – hearty amounts of work with the end to the season just around the corner.

I always get a little frantic at this time of year. I know I shouldn't, but let's face it; it does get pretty boring down here in the winter. When my friends and family from the left side of Maryland tell me how jealous they are of us living at the beach, I remind them that we don't have short trips to fun things in January and February such as they have in the city. But then, we can typically avoid rush hour traffic down here. There's a trade-off for everything, I guess.

With the autumn season breathing down our neck, the yard is already looking very fall-like, with leaves being blown all around the yard by the storm. But no matter, that won't stop me from searing off some "camp steaks" in the back yard, although I do cheat these days.

I have an outdoor propane burner that will take my cast iron pan to just the right amount of heat (three degrees short of Hell) so that I can get a proper sear. Of course, you just have to be sure that vou recognize the difference between really hot butter and butter that has ignited. I will leave that to you, but rest assured, you must be careful.

So, while I do have some yard work to do to get things straightened out from our little storm, I also realize that the leaves will be falling soon and that it just may be a futile attempt. But, I want to enjoy summer just a little bit longer. I'm just not ready for the fall.

Camp Steaks

Serves six 6, 6-8 ounce filets or NY Strips



1/2 pound unsalted butter Coarse sea salt, as needed Steak seasoning, as needed

1 cup Four-Hour Demi Heaven Sauce (recipe follows)

1. Trim the steaks so that they are ready to go. Let them sit out at room temperature for at least 20-30 minutes before searing

2. Heat a good cast iron pan on a high flame and add the butter. It's best to do this outside unless you have a boss exhaust system. I can't tell you how many times I've smoked out my old house doing this indoors

3. There is a fine line between brown butter and that, which has ignited when you are on a high flame, so be very careful!

4. Melt the butter "Galloping Gourmet" style, which means until all of the water has dissipated and you are left with the oil and the butter solids. Allow these to turn brown and add the steaks

5. Cook the steaks for a few minutes until you have a nice crust on the first side

6. Carefully turn the steaks and cook until both sides have that beautiful, dark crust. Cook for three more minutes

7. Remove the pan from the heat and allow the steaks to rest for eight minutes in the brown butter/juice mixture that is now in the pan 8. Remove and slice to serve, topped with your demi

4-Hour Demi Heaven Sauce

Makes about 1 cup

- 1 cup Dried mushrooms (morels and porcini are great)
- 1 Hothouse tomato, halved
- 2 cups water
- 1 Shallot, minced
- 1 medium carrot, large dice
- 1-cup Demi (you should have some in your freezer)
- 1 cup Dry red wine

1. Place the mushrooms, tomato, water, shallot and carrot in a 1.5 quart saucepan

- 2. Bring to a simmer and cook for two hours
- 3. Add the demi and cook for another hour

4. Add the red wine and cook for the last hour, or until the sauce has reduced to an unctuous rib-

sticking glorious demi

5. Strain and keep warm to serve

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Flooding like that happens

Calendar

THU., AUG. 4

PEACH FESTIVAL

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bake table, books, bulk peaches, flea market, face painting, food, sodas, games, health fair, holiday items, ice cream and peaches, peach smoothies, silent auction, music and vendor tables. 410-524-7474, http://www.stpetersoc.com

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

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

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

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHT

Sunset Park, S. Division Street and the bay, Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Free concert by "British Invasion Experience" (British tribute band), 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., AUG. 5

SAFE SITTER COURSE

Avery W. Hall Educational Center at Peninsula Regional Medical Center, 100 E. Carroll Street Salisbury, MD, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This course provides young adults, ages 11-14 years, with the safety information and skills needed to be a Safe Sitter including basic life-saving techniques, safety precautions to prevent accidents, how to summons help and tips on basic child care. The registration fee is \$50. Partial scholarships are available based on need. 410-543-7781

FLEA MARKET

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact the church for additional information. 410-524-7474, http://www.stpetersoc.com

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

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 "Minions." Take a beach chair or blanket. Weather permitting. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

SAT., AUG. 6

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

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., Ocean City, MD, 8 to 11 a.m. A \$6 donation for all-you-can-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pancakes and two bacon slices. 410-524-8196

CAPTAIN'S COVE HEALTH AND SAFETY FAIR

Marina Club, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville, VA, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Free health screenings include cholesterol, LDL, HDL, triglycerides and blood glucose levels (all require 12 hour fast). Free carotid artery scans, nutrition counseling and blood pressure checks as well. Also featuring a variety of organizations and agencies. There will be a smoke house in the parking lot. Free handouts, giveaways and door prizes.

JOLLY ROGER DAY

Jolly Roger Amusement Park, 2901 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 in advance or \$30 if purchased Aug. 6. Tickets include full admission to Splash Mountain Waterpark and unlimited miniature golf (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and amusement rides at the 30th Street location only (2-6 p.m.) Proceeds benefit Atlantic General Hospital. Purchase tickets in person at the Atlantic General Hospital Cashier's Office or at Ocean Pines Primary Care; from mobile device, text JAG to 41444 or online at www.atlantic-

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Please send calendar items to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday. All community-related activities will be

day of the event until noon at Townsend Medical Center, 10th Street, Ocean City. Susan Curtis,

susanbcurtis@comcast.net, 443-235-2654

39TH ANNUAL PINE'EER ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Unique handcrafted items of more than 100 artisans and crafters. A live concert by Saltwater Stringboard from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a bake sale. Food vendors will be selling refreshments. The Ocean Pines Farmers Market will be open for extended hours from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Theresa Travatello, 215-888-7147, http://www.oceanpines.org

BLESSING OF THE COMBINES

Downtown Snow Hill, MD, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Combines and tractor parade, petting barnyard, children's games, free hayrides and pony rides, food, car show, Michael Christopher band and more. http://www.blessingofthecombines.org

WORCESTER COUNTY UME OPEN HOUSE

Worcester County UME Office, 305 Bank Street, Snow Hill, MD, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The University of Maryland Worcester County Extension will be hosting an open house as part of Snow Hill's Annual Blessing of the Combines event. They will be showcasing how MD Extension serves the community in farming, youth development, health and wellness, finance education and home gardening. There will be giveaways and activities for the kids. Light refreshments served. 410-632-1972

BBQ CHICKEN DAY

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 4 to 7 p.m. 1/2 Chicken and sides. Dine in or take out. Cash bar. 410-524-7994

OCEAN CITY DANCE

Ocean City Recreation and Parks Community Center, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Swing, ballroom, Latin, salsa, disco and country dancing to the music of DJ Mike T. Open to singles and couples. Rumba dance lessons from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Open dancing from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Admissions is \$14 and includes lesson. Mike Tasevoli, 443-474-0015,

http://www.DancingAtTheBeach.com

SUN., AUG. 7

OC CRUZERS CAR SHOW & MUSIC

Somerset Street Plaza, Somerset Street, Ocean City, MD, 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. OC Cruzers will display approximately 15 vehicles. The owners will be on hand to supervise and educate spectators about their older cars. Live music by Lovin Cup (rock) begins at 3 p.m. 410-289-7739, http://www.ocdc.org

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

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

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

GOSPEL CONCERT

St. Matthews By-The-Sea UMC, 1000 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, DE, 7 p.m. Featuring "The Hyssongs." 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 Front Page News (rock) 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., AUG. 8

43RD ANNUAL WHITE MARLIN OPEN

Harbour Island Marina, 419 14th St., Ocean City, MD, 4 to 9 p.m. More than 300 boats vie for more than \$2 million in prize money. Registration fees for participating boats. Spectators see weigh-ins free of charge at Harbor Island Marina, 14th Street, bayside. Jim Motsko, jmotsko289@aol.com, 410-289-9229, http://www.shitemarlinopen.com

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

MEDICAL MONDAYS

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main Street, Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Robin Rolfing, Lead Polysomnographer at Atlantic General Continued on Page 30 Hospital will be speaking on "Sleepless Summer Nights," what foods and activities contribute to poor sleep, what's new in sleep studies and treatments. Registration is requested but not required. Dawn, 410-641-9268, http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/calendar

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CLUB

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berin, MD, 6:30 p.m. Located at the corner of Snug Harbor Road and Route 611. 410-629-9986

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

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 7 to 8 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

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., AUG. 9

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

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2:30 to 4 p.m. For individuals suffering from Parkinson's. Ron and Mary Leidner, 410-208-3132, http://www.DelmarvaParkinsonsAlliance.org

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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 without preorder. Cash bar. Every Tuesday through Aug. 30. 410-524-7994

SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

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

HUDSON BRANCH PROJECT UPDATE

Multi-Purpose Building, 130 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 6 p.m. The Town of Berlin will be providing the schedule for the construction of a stormwater management system behind the Shore Up! building and the replacement of the Flower Street culvert. The town will also present information regarding the work it will be doing in conjunction with the culvert project on a portion of Hudson Branch that runs parallel to Showell Street. The meeting is open to everyone. 410-641-2770, info@berlinmd.gov

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Offers shared wisdom and problem solving for family members of persons with mental illness. The group is free. Info: Carole Spurrier, 410-208-4003, carolespurrier@msn.com or Gail S. Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

BINGO

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

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WED., AUG. 10

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

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

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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

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

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

CANDLELIGHT LABYRINTH WALK

St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, DeWees 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

CONCERT ON THE BEACH

Caroline Street Stage, On the Beach at Caroline Street, Ocean City, MD, 8 to 9:30 p.m. Free, live entertainment by Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark (blues/funk). Take a blanket or chair. 800-626-2326 or 410-250-0125

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 "Dolphin Tale 2." 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

JOLLY ROGER WRIST BANDS SOLD

Purchase a wrist band for \$25 for Jolly Roger to benefit St. Luke-St. Andrew Parish. On Aug. 14, enjoy unlimited Splash Mountain from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., unlimited amusement rides from 2-6 p.m. and one round of miniature golf at either course from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wrist bands are available at the Parish Office at 14401 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday; Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and after Masses (4 p.m. and 5 p.m.) on Saturday, Aug. 13 and Sunday Masses (8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.) on Aug. 14 at both St. Luke and St. Andrew. St. Luke Parish Office, 410-250-0300.

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 does 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

FREE SUMMER PROGRAMS

Boardwalk Tram Station, just north of the Life-Saving Station Museum at the south end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, July 5 through Aug. 27, 10-10:30 a.m. Programs are held daily with a different subject every day. Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org, www.ocmuseum.org

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Assateague Island National Seashore, Berlin, MD. Held Saturdays, June through September at 8 a.m. and Tuesdays, June through August at 8 a.m. Suitable for all levels including beginners and children, 8 and older. Take a beach towel and meet at the shade pavilion in the south end of North Beach parking lot of Assateague Island National Seashore. Yoga is free but park entrance fees are in effect. 443-614-3547, outreachAIA@gmail.com

AUMC THRIFT SHOP

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

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