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Cheryl Jacobs, with her husband, Harry, and their 11-year-old son, Aiden, breathe a sigh of relief after learning of her election victory in Ocean Pines, following the 90-minute annual meeting on Saturday.



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Tom Herrick, this year's leading vote-getter, greets members of the audience following the annual meeting in Ocean Pines on Saturday.

Herrick, Jacobs elected to OPA board

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) While Ocean Pines leadership provided an update on projects affecting the short and long-term safety and financial stability of the community, most of the 112 property owners who attended the annual meeting on Saturday came for the election results, as Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs were elected to three-year terms on the OPA Board of Directors.

Herrick received 1,669 votes to finish first in the pool of seven candidates, while Jacobs finished second with 1,480 votes.

"I feel great," Herrick, a retired police officer, said after the results were announced at the end of the 90-minute meeting. "I tried my best. I hoped my platform resonated with the people and I think it did."

Jacobs, an assistant state's attorney in Baltimore City, sat in the front row with her husband, Harry, and their 11-year-old son Aiden during the meeting.

"I'm overwhelmed," she said. "I'm so appreciative of the help I got and I'm going to work so hard to make this an even better community than it is already."

Slobodan Trendic finished third with 1,195 votes followed by former board member Terri Mohr (873), Carol Ludwig (651), and former board members Bill Zawacki (620) and Ray Unger (219).

Next on the board's agenda will be an organizational meeting during the next two weeks when the seven-member board elects its officers.

Earlier in the meeting, Frank Creamer was honored with the Sam Wilkinson Volunteer Award, named after an 8-year-old Ocean Pines boy who lost his life following an accident at North Side Park in Ocean City.

Stevens said the award was established to honor the memory of Sam and the Wilkinson family, as well as to, "recognize other outstanding individuals who dedicate their time and talents to help others."

Creamer grew up in Montgomery

County and bought a "weekend getaway" house in Ocean Pines in 1999, moving permanently to the area in 2005, according to Stevens.

He became involved in tennis, platform tennis and Ping-Pong, eventually cofounding the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club. Creamer is also a member of the Racquet Sports Advisory Committee.

"Frank became a very popular volunteer," Stevens said. "He began teaching pickleball clinics and giving free lessons to help build up the growing racquet presence in Ocean Pines."

Stevens said Creamer also volunteered as a costume contest judge at the fall Halloween festival, helped with "Hometown Christmas," and volunteered to help hide "hundreds of Easter eggs" at the Spring Festival.

"Some have never been found," Stevens said, adding, "Frank said helping is just his way of giving back to this great community, which has given him and his wife a wonderful place to live and lots of great friends."

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Tyson plant passes environmental test, moves to feasibility

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) For more than a year Berlin and its citizens have dreamed of turning the former Tyson's Chicken plant on Old Ocean City Boulevard into something of a town centerpiece as a multi-use, indoor/outdoor recreation hub.

Those plans continued to move forward this week, as the Berlin council voted unanimously to pay planning and design firm EDSA \$34,500 for a feasibility study on Monday.

The Town Council approved a contract of sale on the facility with Berlin Properties North LLC on Dec. 22 of last year for \$2.75 million. The contract included a six-month study period.

After passing appraisal and environmental studies earlier this year, the feasibility report is the last hurdle before the town moves to finalize the purchase.

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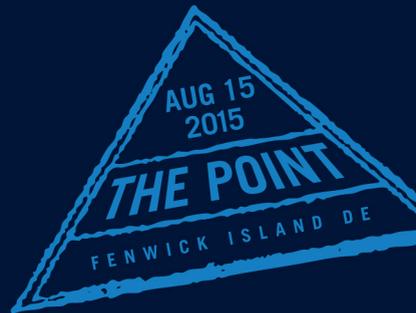
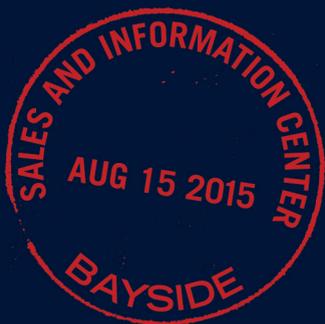
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Mayor says latest study on fmr. Tyson plant 'very positive'

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In a letter to Town Administrator Laura Allen dated Aug. 7, Jim Hulbert from EA Engineering, Science, and Technology Inc. said the firm investigated the property for environmental activities since the 1990s.

Hulbert said the last regulatory actions on the property were done in 2005, when the facility entered into the Maryland Department of the Environment's Voluntary Cleanup Program and received a "No further Action Required" determination.

EA performed soil and groundwater tests in order to "revise the use designation to include Recreational Use," and determined that "identifiable environmental risks associated with site soils do not represent a significant barrier to the types of recreational use currently being considered," citing hiking, biking, bird watching and a skate park.

"It is anticipated that the impacts that are present can be managed in place or through integrating into the site development features such as capping beneath hardscape surfaces," Hulbert said.

One portion of the property that remained a concern was the lagoon.

"In the event that recreation use is introduced to the lagoon water area, that



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On Monday, Berlin Council approved \$34,500 for a feasibility study on the former Tyson's Chicken plant on Old Ocean City Road. The study is likely the final hurdle before the town formally purchases the property for \$2.75 million with the intention of building a multi-use recreational complex.

area would require additional action and monitoring to ensure levels of identified pathogens remain below the MDE Recreational Use criteria," Hulbert said.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said the report was what the town needed to proceed.

"It was very positive and probably well beyond any of our expectations," he said.

According to Williams, EDSA has worked for clients ranging from the Walt Disney Company to nearby municipalities, including Towson and Rockville.

He said the feasibility study would likely be completed within six weeks.

"I'm not an expert, but I would say there probably [were] more ideas than what 60 acres can do," Williams said. "There are so many possibilities ... the next step after the feasibility study will be the actual process of the town going to the bond market.

"Like anything in life you can have what you want – you just can't have it all at once," Williams added. "There are many great ideas, and I think we're making the right decision in bringing

some really top-notch experts to help us decide [what] the best options and multiple uses for this property for the benefit of our residents and our guests."

At-Large Councilmember Thom Gulyas praised the latest Tyson action, while District 2 Councilmember Lisa Hall underscored the importance of the environmental study.

"That was probably the most critical part of the decision-making process," Williams said, adding that a "show and tell" update on the property would likely occur in the fall.

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Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs pose for a photo after learning of their election to the seven-member board of directors in Ocean Pines during the annual meeting on Saturday.

Moore says 'judicial precedent' set in Ocean Pines officer case

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In other business, attorney Joe Moore reviewed the association's year from a legal perspective.

While Moore said it was largely uneventful, one case did have some significance.

During the last fiscal year, Moore's office filed nine cases in Worcester County Circuit Court on behalf of the OPA seeking enforcement of the declaration of restrictions for the Architectural Review Committee guidelines.

"In all of those cases, injunctions were either issued or the case was settled by virtue of compliance by the respective property owners," Moore said.

One matter went to court in Dorchester County regarding a departed Ocean Pines police officer.

Pines, Moore said, are required to serve for three years following the completion of certification, paid for by the association. If an officer leaves before serving for three years, a penalty covering the cost of training is levied.

"In one instance ... a police officer remained in the employ of Ocean Pines for only a 10-month period, after which time he accepted employment with the sheriff's department in Dorchester County," Moore said.

Moore said the officer, through his attorney, "declined to comply with the requirement of the employment contract" with Ocean Pines, adding that a judge later ruled in favor of Ocean Pines "in the full amount owed."

"The significance of this action is that Ocean Pines Association now has a judicial precedent for the enforce-

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OPA General Manager Bob Thompson updates the membership on several projects done during the last fiscal year, as well as those coming in the next year, during Saturday's annual meeting.

Pines operating fund up \$1.5M, reserves grow \$1M

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 ment of its employment contract with its police officers," Moore said.

Chris Hall provided a brief auditor's report, saying the association once again received an "unmodified" grade, the highest possible assurance provided by his firm, Trice, Geary and Myers LLC.

"The association still remains in a healthy position," Hall said, adding that the OPA, as of April 30, had \$8.4 million in cash, up \$1 million over last year.

The overall operating fund balance increased \$1.5 million, while reserved reserves were up \$1 million, Hall said.

Stevens provided a president's report highlighting, "a few of the things that preoccupied the board – and the press – during the past year."

He reiterated that General Manager Bob Thompson was asked to restart negotiations with Sandpiper Energy on a new contract and a conversation from propane to natural gas, but also underscored, "at no time ... did this board – or the board that preceded us – walk away from the table or refuse to continue the discussion."

On the change in golf management, Stevens said the board appointed a work group to consider all

possibilities after continued financial losses and declining membership forced the issue to the forefront.

Three companies, including then acting management Billy Casper Golf, bid to manage the course. Stevens said while Casper focused on outside play – and particularly package play – another company, Landscapes Unlimited, offered a different approach.

"They said that a community the size of Ocean Pines should be able to support its own golf course," he said. "[Landscape] were focusing on bringing back, not just the members of the course, but the members of the association that live or vacation here in Ocean Pines."

That argument, Stevens said, led to the board's selection of Landscapes.

Stevens briefly touched on the new yacht club, saying growing pains were expected, and praising Thompson on management changes that provided "encouraging" results so far in 2015.

A hike in assessment fees that stemmed from this year's budget debate, Stevens said, was tied to a need for improved emergency services in Ocean Pines.

"The net impact ... is that the fire department will be able to make multiple, simultaneous calls," he said.

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Stevens, Thompson tout Ocean Pines efforts

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“Basically, it makes Ocean Pines a safer place to live.”

Stevens also touched on the so-called “three-legged stool” of the financial reserves study, comprehensive plan and capital improvement plan.

The board recently approved a \$31,800 contract with Design Management Associates to study its financial reserve needs, while earlier in the year \$16,500 was earmarked for a comprehensive study overseen by Salisbury University group BEACON.

A committee of Ocean Pines residents, led by Facilities Manager Jerry Aveeta and Ted Maroney, is creating the capital improvement plan.

Stevens called the reserve study a

“necessary precursor the to capital improvement plan,” but said it was not sufficient on its own.

“The need to replace infrastructure won’t go away by pretending it isn’t there,” Stevens added.

In the year ahead, Stevens said the board would focus on maintenance and infrastructure needs, singling out bridges, along with roads, drainage and information technology as top priorities.

Stevens said the board would, “focus on our needs first – what’s required – while looking to see how we can make things better at the same time.”

Finally, Thompson presented a general manager’s report.

Improvements in aquatics included base repairs to the Mumford’s Landing Pool and the Swim and Racquet Club Pool, Thompson said, adding that the new snack bar addition at the Swim and Racquet Club has already exceeded budget estimates for the year.

The White Horse Park Boat Ramp was upgraded, along with the fuel pumps at the yacht club marina.

Upcoming projects include the new Manklin Meadows Complex that would include several new courts for tennis and pickleball, and improvements to the Sports Core Pool, all due next year.

Thompson said the association was recognized by several groups as one of

the safest communities in the state, with a 40 percent reduction in major crimes.

“They’re keeping us safe, folks,” Thompson, adding that Ocean Pines Police responded to more than 12,000 calls for service during the last fiscal year. “Those safety reports in keeping us as safe as we are actually adds to [the] value of each of our homes.

Thompson said the Maryland Parks and Recreation Association recognized Ocean Pines’ parks department with awards for best website, best social media site and best photo, ironically of a goose swimming in one of the community ponds.

“For those to be recognized like that is a pretty big deal,” he said.

McManus, Lampieri to display work in Pines

(Aug. 13, 2015) Two artists will display their work at the Ocean Pines library this month.

The Artist Spotlight Exhibit features photographer John McManus. His pieces are in the two computer rooms to the right of the common areas of the library.

McManus has been photographing the rivers, bays harbors and wildlife of Pennsylvania and Ocean City for

nearly three decades. He visits Ocean City often where he has a condo.

McManus has been a professional photographer for more than 20 years. As a graduate of the Art Institute, he constantly strives for excellence in all the images he creates. In recent years, with the advances in digital technology, he has developed a technique which blends the richness of color photography with the soft

beauty of oils and water colors.

His show will run through the end of August.

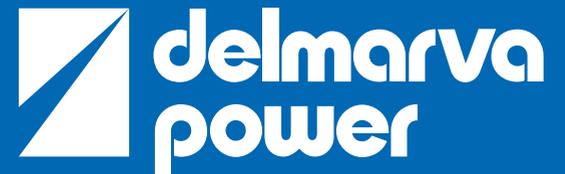
Screen painting artist John Lampieri’s exhibit is in the main common areas of the library. Lampieri, who resides in Bishopville, paints screens in the Baltimore Folk Art Tradition. He remembers, and is inspired by, the memory of these functional screens growing up as a

child in Baltimore.

He uses the techniques of the original masters and creates hand-painted screens for windows, doors, porches, and also as wall art. He is well known in art circles and successfully teaches this traditional folk art technique to all ages.

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New purchasing policy brings Berlin up to date with county

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) Berlin updated its decades-old purchasing policy on Monday, as the council voted to adopt a resolution that will, among other things, provide new rules on purchases of less than \$10,000 made by employees.

Under the new resolution, purchase orders will be issued prior to any purchase unless it falls under administrative payroll and health care fees, debt-related transactions, utility services, oil and gasoline purchases, telephone and internet services, annual fire inspections, employee reimbursements, landfill charges, planning and building inspections or park fee refunds.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said one of the major differences is the increase in the employee purchasing threshold from \$1,000 to \$10,000, something that's in line with Ocean City, Princess Anne and Worcester County.

Allen said that portion of the policy was at least 28 years old, while Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said some of the other policies had been in place since the 1960s.

Purchases of \$5,000 or less require approval by a department director, between \$5,000.01 and

\$10,000 by the town administrator and more than \$10,000 by the town council.

Additionally, town credit card allowances were expanded to include superintendents and the administrative assistant at town hall (limited to \$1,500), as well as previously allowed positions of town administrator and department heads (limited to \$5,000).

"It also would enable staff to use the credit card for lower value purchases, mainly in an effort to save some money on the check processing cost that the town is currently incurring as part of its payment process," Allen said.

Purchases between \$1,000 and \$5,000 require bid quotes attached to purchase orders and informal bids from at least three sources on purchases \$5,000.01 to \$10,000. Formal sealed bids are used for "major purchases" of more than \$10,000, and staff are required to advertise contracts.

The new policy also includes stipulations encouraging environmental, social and fiscal responsibility when making purchases. Employees are asked to consider factors such as waste generation and greenhouse gas emissions, for example, as well as

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Purchasing policy includes 'green,' local considerations

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thee use of local businesses and "life cycle cost assessment."

Steve Farr, development director at Assateague Coastal Trust, said portions of the new policy stemmed from his work with Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood on an application for a Sustainable Maryland designation.

"One of the actions, as they call them, that they recommend a municipality to consider is to adopt a green purchasing policy, which is essentially to build into your purchasing process a consideration of greener alternative products," he said.

Farr said the policy does not force the town to buy "green" products.

"Sometimes those products are more expensive, sometimes they're the same price, sometimes they're less expensive," he said. "[The policy] is really couched in terms of when-ever practical, which could be either financially or logistically or practically.

"I think it's the right thing to do, and it's not binding the town to buy more expensive products," Farr added.

The new policy, which passed unanimously, will become effective 50 days after the meeting.

Ocean Pines 4th annual Kite Day at Memorial Park, Sat.

(Aug. 13, 2015) The public is invited to enjoy an assortment of free activities including kite-making and displays during the fourth annual Ocean Pines Kite Day on Saturday, Aug. 15 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park in Ocean Pines.

Children and adults will be able to build kites and then test out their

creations. Local kite enthusiasts will be displaying their own huge kites while a deejay plays music. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

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Cohen defends Comp. Planning Committee

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) After a number of concerns were brought up during the last regular OPA Board of Directors meeting, Comprehensive Plan Committee Chair Steve Cohen is speaking out about the direction of the committee's \$16,500 study with Salisbury University group BEACON.

During the July 30 meeting, Director Pat Renaud, the liaison to the committee, said he had not received an update on the study, which was approved by the board in March.

In addition, Director Tom Terry said the committee had not provided meeting minutes since 2013.

Cohen said that turnover and turmoil within the committee, including frequent changes at the chair position, made it difficult to produce minutes from meetings. He said the addition of Facilities Manager Jerry Aveeta and Dr. Memo Diriker, director of BEACON, have stabilized the committee.

"What happened in the past is in the past, so for the last two meetings we had minutes," Cohen, a retired attorney and currently a real estate agent with Hileman Real Estate, said. "We finally have a plan."

Cohen said the committee's comprehensive study would "decide what the future of Ocean Pines is going to look like." Aveeta will then work on a capital improvement plan based on the comprehensive study and that will fold in with the \$31,800 financial reserves study the board approved last month.

The three reports are commonly referred to as the "three-legged stool."

On the comprehensive plan front, Cohen said the committee came up with a list of 90 names that they sent to Diriker, who is conducting phone interviews with each person about their vision of the future of Ocean

Pines.

Some have complained about the composition of the list, which includes five current board members, as well as retiring directors Marty Clarke and Sharyn O'Hare, as well as a large number of Ocean Pines employees and others who do not own property in the community.

"There is some consternation that only property owners could be stakeholders, and our argument is that stakeholders could be real estate agents, bankers, plumbers," Cohen said. "Anybody who deals with Ocean Pines to me is a stakeholder, not just an owner."

Cohen said the list contained, "anybody that we could think of."

"We weren't aiming for any particular people," he said. "Jerry gave us all the employees. We got the board of directors – anybody that we knew that we could get a telephone number or an email."

Cohen added that the administrative office declined to give the committee a full list of property owners.

The committee will discuss the results of the phone interviews during a meeting on Friday at 8 a.m. in the Administrative Building's conference room. Next, the committee will set up a pair of closed forums with a group drawn from the original list of 90 names.

"The reason they're closed is because we want people to tell us the truth," Cohen said. "It's like going to a doctor. If you've got the press or anybody there, they might not open up."

The first forum, tentatively set for next week, would include what Cohen called "movers and shakers."

"Whether it's politicians, whether it's employees – somebody who is there all the time," he said, adding between six and a dozen people would make up that panel.

A second group, he said, would

consist of "the average person on the street."

"We haven't figured out how we're going to do that yet – that's what we're going to talk about Friday," Cohen said.

Finally, a "results" meeting is tentatively set for late August/early September.

"The whole idea is to get planning for Ocean Pines, because it seems to us if you yell loud enough you get what you want, but how does it affect the entire neighborhood?" Cohen said.

As an example, Cohen cited the new Manklin Meadows complex.

"Do we need it? Is it a priority? Is the population there? Those are the types of questions we're asking," he said. "Once we get those questions, Jerry will decide what the priorities are."

What BEACON brings to the table, according to Cohen, is a wealth of computer data on population trends.

"He has census information, he has information from credit card purchases – they won't tell you who bought diapers, but they will tell you how many diapers were bought in Ocean Pines," he said. "And he'll tell us what that means."

"If it wasn't for Dr. Diriker, I don't know if we could've gotten this done," Cohen added. "We just don't have the data and the facilities."

A final report is due before the board by Oct. 31. Cohen said the board would then have the option to pursue what he called "phase two" of the study.

"The idea is to get the board reviewing this every year," he said.

"This is not etched in stone – it's pro-

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Committee plans to present results to OPA board in Oct.

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gressive.”

Previously, Cohen said, studies like those included in the “three-legged stool” were conducted independently.

“They were done and forgotten,” he said. “You want every year to say, ‘this is where we are.’ We may have a five-year plan for the beach club, but something else may happen. We only have a limited amount of money.”

Cohen believes the work the committee does will help keep Ocean Pines competitive.

“Our neighbor is getting old and

they’re building a lot of new seaside neighborhoods,” he said. “We need to be able to compete with those seaside neighborhoods.”

He also said drafting a comprehensive plan in a homeowner’s association means something different than it does in a municipality.

“When Salisbury or Berlin talks about a comprehensive plan, they talk about growth,” he said. “We don’t have any growth.”

Cohen said the committee would likely hold monthly meetings following the Oct. 31 deadline, usually on the last Friday of each month.

Wounded soldiers benefit set for Sept. 19 at Deer Run

Star Charities hosts ‘Dinner with Johnny Cash,’ Frontier Town to provide event food

By Josh Davis

Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) Tickets are selling fast for Star Charities’ annual wounded soldiers benefit, to be held at the Deer Run Golf Club in Berlin, Saturday, Sept. 19 at 5 p.m.

This year’s event features a special “Dinner with Johnny Cash” theme, with standup comedy, music by David Stone and food by Frontier Town’s Lazy River Saloon.

Deer Run CEO Ed Colbert will be the host of the event. Tickets are \$25 and a cash bar will be provided.

Anna Foultz, founder of Star Charities, said proceeds would be added to the nonprofit’s January Beef and Beer fundraiser, which benefits wounded veterans in the state.

“That covers a lot of territory and we work real hard on both events,” she said. “The soldiers are very important

to us.” Foultz added that a third fundraiser for the Worcester County Veteran’s Memorial was in the works, likely in the fall.

Only 100 seats are available for the September fundraiser.

“We’ve already sold quite a few tickets, but we need to sell more,” Foultz said.

Foultz became interested in veteran’s affairs because of her late husband, who started a “Gifts for Our Soldiers” benefit overseas more than 10 years ago.

“He was Secret Service and we didn’t know about it until he died,” she said. “I found all that out. He was overseas in China, Burma, India and all that, and he was really worried about the servicemen not getting the care they should. We still do [Gifts for Our Soldiers] in October, collecting any kind of donations for the whole month, and the National Guard comes and picks it all up.”

“It’s a big job without his help, but we manage it,” Foultz added. “We’re going to do the best we can until we can’t do it anymore. My heart goes out to the soldiers 100 percent.”

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call Foultz at 410-641-7667.



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Ocean Pines sees red, looks on bright side after '15 audit

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) The good news coming out of the Ocean Pines Association annual audit is that the bad news is not that bad. Even though the association finished its fiscal year a little less than \$153,000 in the red, that's not far from breakeven and even then, the community's amenities came out on the plus side of the ledger, according to a July 24 audit conducted by the Salisbury firm Trice Geary & Myers LLC.

General Manager Bob Thompson and board of directors member Tom Terry touted a number of positives in the report and pointed to some uncontrollable circumstances that affected the community's finances.

"The biggest number that stands out to me is the fact that we finished in the red this year, but the primary reason for that had nothing to do with our amenities," Thompson said. "We had to take more write-offs this year than in previous years because of the foreclosures that occur. If a house gets foreclosed on, we lose that opportunity for collection on that bad debt account, and there were more of those that occurred this year.

"It's not unlike what's happening nationally," Thompson continued. "Banks started leveling off and they started accelerating on the foreclosures because properties are starting to move again. We took more of a hit on those losses."

Thompson said the association would still attempt to recoup some of the return on investment using a collection agency.

Terry also sought to dispel the notion that amenities, such as the yacht club and golf course, were the major drains on the community.

"I think the majority of the folks out there would probably believe that we came in in the red because of those darned amenities, and the reality is it wasn't those darned amenities at all," he said.

According to the audit numbers, Terry said, golf, aquatics, tennis, platform tennis, pickleball, marinas, beach club, beach club parking and the yacht club came out roughly \$177,000 in the positive column.

"The cost per month for everyone to have a yacht club is \$1.79. That's it," Terry said. "At the end of the year, you've spent less than \$2 a month out of the dues you've already paid to augment a yacht club. But the amenities ended up in the black, which means that was already covered."

Critics, meanwhile, have argued that those numbers were before depreciation costs were added, a notion that Terry balked at.

"The reality is we're not a for-profit company, and our depreciation is done for a whole different reason than some people might think," he said. "Our depreciation doesn't get

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Thompson, Terry defend financial policies

treated the way a for-profit company treats depreciation.”

Thompson said Ocean Pines uses depreciation for replacement of major capital items, comparing it to “old passbook savings accounts.”

“What you would do is just start saving money for the future replacement of an item,” he said. “That what our grandparents used to do, because that’s all banks offered, passbook savings accounts.”

“Using the way we deal with depreciation, it’s just like putting a little bit of money, each month, into the savings accounts so that when it’s time to buy that new item, there’s money there to do it. That’s where people get confused here versus other financing strategies such as borrowing from a bank.”

Thompson said if Ocean Pines had financed the yacht club rather than using set aside depreciation dollars and the five-year funding tool, the community would have spent \$600,000 more in interest over a four-year period, or more than \$5 million over a 30-year period.

“The way we did it, where we’re putting money away, we pretty much paid for it what it cost to build it, without interest” he said.

While Terry said depreciation is clearly something that affects the annual assessment, over time the funds set aside in that column could save the community potentially millions of dollars.

“It’s a pay as you go approach,” he said. “While you live here you are paying your portion of the depreciation of an asset. You’re not paying for it twice – you’re paying your usage of it. And that money, because it was available, we saved at least \$600,000 in interest.”

Terry used another analogy. “It’s like we’ve bought a car and now we’re paying ourselves back,” he said. “That money came out of the depreciation. But when you’re evaluating the performance of the amenity,

you take dollars in, expense out, where did we end up?

“Those who to treat that depreciation as a negative, as in that’s lost money, well if the money ends up over here in a savings account, how it that an expense?” Terry added.

That approach, along with the legacy, or five-year funding tool that adds roughly \$130 annual to assessments, also has a steadying effect on assessments over time, according to Terry and Thompson.

“If you keep that model going, so that when the big ticket items arrive, you can self-fund these things,” Terry said. “Long term, that absolutely stabilizes the assessment.”



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BERLIN BRIEFS

By Josh Davis

Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) The Berlin mayor and council discussed or took action on the following topics at their public meeting at Town Hall on Monday:

Event approvals

The council approved the annual Berlin Fall Cruisers, sponsored by the Berlin Chamber of Commerce, for Oct. 10, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., as well as an expanded October Fest on Oct. 17 from noon to 6 p.m.

Octoberfest will include a sidewalk sale as well as children's activities, a beer garden by Burley Oak Brewing Co., and the inaugural Born to Be Wild Hobby Horse Steeple Chase Race.

Ivory Smith, president of the Worcester County chapter of the NAACP also briefed the council on several upcoming events.

On Aug. 27, the NAACP and Coastal Hospice and Palliative Care will hold a meeting at Ambassador for Christ International Ministry in Berlin at 7 p.m.

NAACP will host a Sickle Cell awareness walk on Sept. 19 at Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin from noon to 3 p.m.

Registration is free, a deejay will play music and participants will be eligible for giveaways.

The group will hold its Annual Freedom Fund Banquet on Oct. 17 at Stephen Decatur Middle School. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. NAACP will honor Al "Hondo" Handy, Atlantic Physical Therapy, Sun Rise Church of Berlin, WWII veteran William Briddell, activist Patricia Dufendach and former Pocomoke Police Chief Kelvin Sewell. For more information, contact Smith at 443-944-6701 or email ivos4@aol.com.

Park restrooms

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen is working on a grant application that would help pay for permanent restrooms at both William Henry Park and Stephen Decatur Park.

Bohlen said the restrooms would have running water and sewer services and an estimated a cost of \$300,000. Public works and wastewater will assist with the application, due Aug. 19.

If approved, construction would likely be completed in 2017.

Monument coming

The Public Works department has purchased and will install a monument to Dr. William Henry at Henry Park within the next two weeks.

National Night Out

Police Chief Arnold Downing praised community partnerships during the annual Berlin division of National Night Out.

Downing said the fire marshal, sheriff's office and state police provided assistance and demonstrations, as well as nonprofits BRAVE, Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services and the Berlin Community Association.

Berlin Area Ministries provided food, Burbage Funeral provided tents, and town staff offered additional assistance.

"The only reason we ever have successful events is because of successful groups coming together," Downing said. "It goes a long way."

Planning approvals

Planning and zoning recently provided final approval of signs for new Royal Farms and Arby's stores. The committee

also reviewed final site plans for both stores on Wednesday, after press time. Also on that agenda was approval of a site plan for the Ocean's East apartment complex, on Stephen Decatur Road.

Planning Director Dave Engelhart said a text amendment for the complex would require a public hearing and council approval, likely in September. Current code restricts multifamily dwellings (apartments) to be 12 units wide at their maximum.

Contest

Berlin is holding a contest to come up with a new slogan for the national "Beat the Peak" initiative. Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said her office will give a \$25 Main Street gift card to the winner who comes up with a new slogan localizing the initiative to Berlin.

Gallery opening

New Berlin gallery Art in the Fields will hold a ribbon cutting on Friday, Aug. 28 at a time to be determined. The gallery's first exhibition will feature original work by Andy Warhol.

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Cannery Village application day set for Saturday

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) Application day is Saturday at Cannery Village, where more than 40 new townhouses will be offered for rent in Berlin.

The affordable housing complex on Flower Street broke ground earlier this year and recently set up an office in the Berlin Visitor's Center.

Osprey Property Company Vice President Andrew Hanson, who is overseeing the project, said response has been strong.

"We had a huge response in the first couple of hours," he said. "Probably 25 or more people came within hours of opening. Even before we opened the leasing office and put a sign up, we probably had over 200 folks express an interest and we're really excited about the process."

Hanson said the applicants have been diverse.

"We're seeing whole bunch of different folks with different backgrounds, working in different sectors, different ages and different family sizes," he said. "Some folks are already residing in the area, some folks are commuting from other parts further outside of Worcester County, but work in either Berlin or Ocean City, and they're excited to be



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Construction at Cannery Village in Berlin continued this week. The first homes should be finished and available by October.

able to get closer to work."

One of the more unusual aspects of Cannery is the rent-to-own program, which allows residents to turn their monthly payments in mortgage payments after 15 years of leasing.

"Obviously, the prospect of having a four-bedroom, two-bath home that has a private entrance, private parking, driveway spaces and the potential to not only pay an affordable rent is attractive, but the fact that they're going to earn credits the longer they rent is exciting," Hanson said. "If somebody moves in on day one, they'll have a significant equity when it comes time for them to buy."

Two-bedroom, one-bathroom townhomes start at \$431 and top out at \$900, based on income and the number of people living in the space. Four-bedroom, two-bathroom units start at \$545 and top out at \$1050.

Applicants must bring original copies of their social security cards, birth certificates and identification along with any current pension or annuity statements, current social security award letters, six consecutive pay stubs or workman's comp information, current alimony or child support information, the last six months of bank statements, checking or saving information and certifi-

cates of deposit, stocks, bonds, 401k, IRA, whole or life insurance information, and home settlement papers or mortgage/home tax information.

Each applicant must also bring a certified check or money order for \$30 for each adult per household.

"My advice is that everyone download, from the website, the application package, review it and have everything prepared," Hanson said. "It's pretty detailed - it's almost like getting a mortgage - but the more complete the package than the easier the process will be, and the better chance they'll have."

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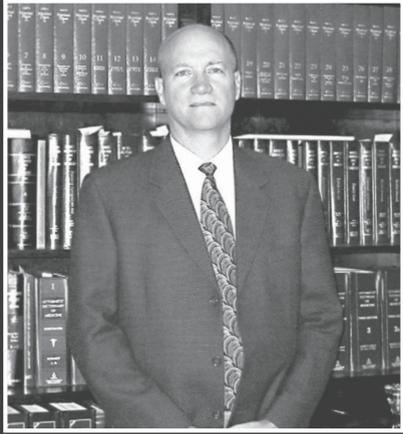
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Hanson expects first Cannery Village homes ready in October

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"I think because of the amount of interest ... we'll be seeing the approval really be based on the prospective tenant's diligence in getting the paperwork together and back in to us," Hanson said. "At the end of the day, the 44 most-qualified, ready folks to sign the lease will be the ones that get to move forward. Hopefully, we have lots of good candidates, and those who are most interested in not only leasing but going on to participate in the lease-to-purchase program rise to the top."

Hanson said poor weather pushed back construction three-to-four weeks and that the first units would be available beginning in October. More homes would likely become available each week after that, with the total build completed by January.

Application day runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Upstairs Meeting Room at Berlin Town Hall on 10 Williams Street. For more information, or to download an application, visit www.canneryvillagemd.com or call 443-513-4386.

Calvin B. Taylor bank eyes expansion in north Berlin

(Aug. 13, 2015) Raymond M. Thompson, president and CEO of Calvin B. Taylor Bankshares, Inc. and Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, has announced that the bank has made application with the Maryland Division of Financial Regulation, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to establish a new branch location in the Ocean Landing Shopping Complex, north side of Samuel Bowen Blvd. in Berlin.

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'Float for the Coast' coming Aug. 14

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) Assateague Coastal Trust is partnering with local environmental groups to promote and support clean water with a "Float for the Coast" rally, beginning at Fish Tales on 22nd Street, bayside, Friday, Aug. 14.

The event celebrates water quality protections put into place to keep Maryland's Coastal Bays clean in addition to educating and raising awareness on current threats to fragile, coastal waters in the area.

"On a local level, this is an important time for our coast with the threat of offshore drilling looming in the mid-Atlantic," said Steve Farr, developmental director for Assateague Coastal Trust. "Float for the Coast is an opportunity for locals to join oth-

ers up and down the East Coast in saying they don't want oil rigs off Ocean City and Assateague's coast, as well as show support for other waterways facing a number of other threats across the state."

There has been an outpouring of opposition from Florida to Maine concerning a pending federal proposal that would allow offshore oil drilling and gas exploration in the mid- and south-Atlantic regions, he added.

Festivities will kick off at the Bahia Marina on 22nd Street starting at 10:30 a.m. followed by a rally on the Isle of Wight Bay beginning at noon.

The public is encouraged to join in the Float for free by bringing along a watercraft to the launch site in support of clean water and in opposition of the proposal.

Assateague Coastal Trust will have a limited number of loaner kayaks available for people who want to participate.

Kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, canoes and other watercrafts will convene on the water adjacent to the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on 40th Street at noon where the Maryland Association of Counties will be holding its annual summer meeting.

"This Float for the Coast provides participants the opportunity to show their support for waterways across Maryland, including our Coastal Bays and Atlantic coast," Farr said.

The hour-long rally will feature several speakers including David Helvarg and Margo Pellegrino with Blue Frontier Campaign, a marine conser-

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Balanced board ahead

Congratulations to Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs, who were elected to the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors on Saturday. The voters themselves also deserve recognition for making a pair of excellent choices.

The addition of two people who ran as independent thinkers should bring balance to the board and do well by the community, especially considering that Herrick addressed the need to represent the "unique diversity of our community" while Jacobs ran as a "fresh face" and non-aligned candidate.

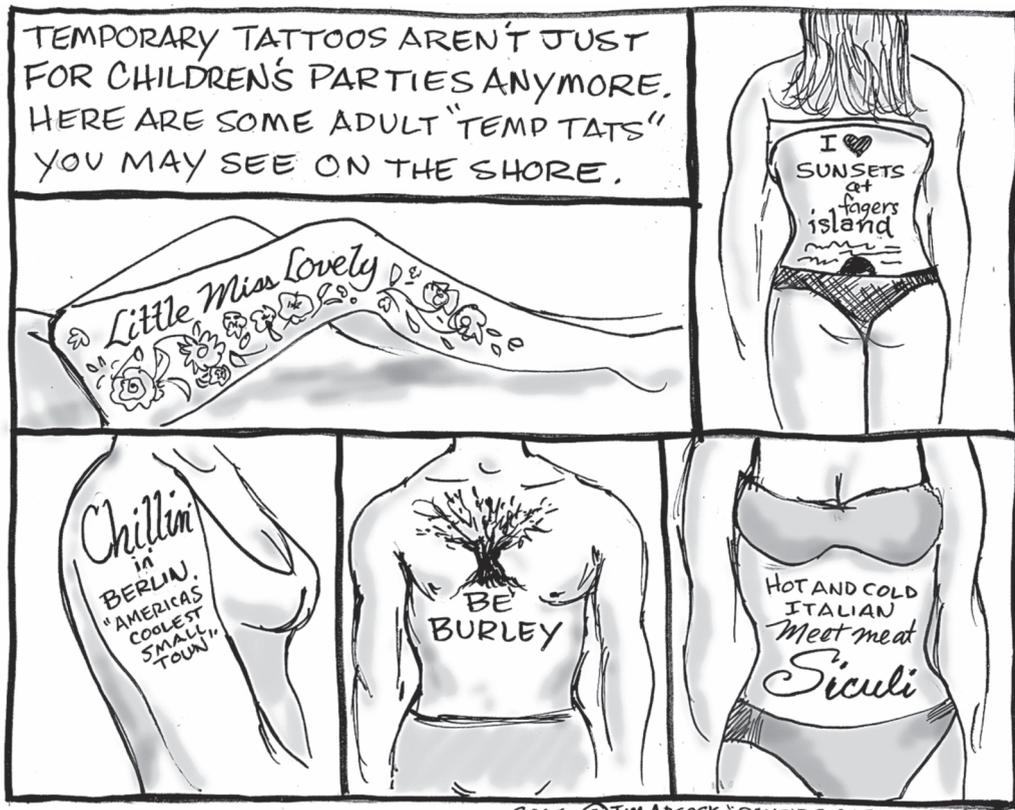
Judging from what both have said along the campaign trail this summer, both understand how the system is supposed to work.

Considering that Herrick is retired from the New York State Police and that Jacobs, following a stint in big business, was an assistant prosecutor in Baltimore City for many years, both know how structured working environments should function and that clear communications are critical.

Of interest, of course, will be how the new board shakes out in terms of its leadership positions in the next two weeks. No matter how that turns out, however, it should not be taken as an indication of anyone's support of a particular side over another.

No one can know what kind of board will emerge once Herrick and Jacobs get settled in, but their styles and approaches during the campaign suggest that this will be a less volatile body than its predecessor and less inclined to sway one way or the other based on personalities.

Again, it appears at the outset that voters have done themselves and the community a favor by putting these well-qualified individuals in office. Only time will tell how this will work out in the long run, but it does appear to be a promising start to a board that should be more pragmatic than it is dogmatic.



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Coastal Association honors eight Realtors

(Aug. 13, 2015) Eight local real estate professionals were honored during the Coastal Association of Realtors (CAR) 2015 annual awards ceremony on July 29 at the Ocean City Marlin Club.

Eddie Brennan, a Realtor for RE/MAX Crossroads in Ocean Pines, received this year's Lifetime Achievement Award for her extensive work in the local real estate industry, as well as numerous civic and charitable contributions.

A Realtor for more than 35 years, Brennan has been very active in her local real estate association. She is also very active with the Women's Council of Realtors and regularly attends national and Maryland Associations of Realtor conferences and committee meetings.

Brennan is a champion of community outreach and service, most notably as a very active member of the board of directors for the Ocean Pines Players Community Theater Group.

She has been a breast cancer survivor for nine years and supports the American Cancer Society in many local events.

Vicki Harmon, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker in Ocean City, was recognized as CAR's Realtor of the Year for being a driven leader who has given an enormous amount of her time to the success of CAR, while also thriving in the local real estate industry and volunteering for various local charitable efforts. Harmon has been a realtor member for nine years, currently serving as the president of the CAR Board of Directors.

Marlene Ott, a Realtor with RE/MAX Crossroads in Ocean City, won this year's Super Nova Award, which recognizes a long-time Realtor who is still very successful and active in the association. Ott has been a Realtor for more than 35 years and boasts an extensive list of accolades, including induction into the RE/MAX Crossroads Hall of Fame in 1991 and being named Metropolitan Magazine's Realtor of the Year in 2007, among others.

She is civically engaged, serving on the Worcester County Planning Commission for more than five years.

Rhonda Evans' lengthy civic activity resume earned her this year's Community Service Award. A Realtor for ERA Martin & Associates in Salisbury, Evans regularly volunteers for numerous local organizations, and her passion for helping the local aging community led her to found the Eastern Shore chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Mike Ciorrocco, Mid-Atlantic Division Manager with Universal Mortgage & Finance, is CAR's 2015 Affiliate of the Year. An advocate for the association, Ciorrocco has been instrumental in the implementation of CAR's monthly Business Card Exchange program, which allows Realtor and affiliate members to network at an after-hours event while raising money for a local charity.

Brandon Johnson, a Realtor with ERA Martin & Associates in Salisbury, received this year's Rising Star Award. An association member for about two years, Johnson has served on various CAR committees, including Government Affairs, RPAC, and MLS Strategic Planning, among others. In addition to his work as a Realtor, Johnson also serves as ERA Martin's Information Technology professional. He is also very active in the community outreach efforts of his firm, regularly participating in projects like the Walk to End Alzheimer's, preparation of care packages for troops overseas, and collection of Christmas gifts for less fortunate families, among others.

Also honored during the awards ceremony were Paul Faulstich of Century 21 New Horizon and Dean Richardson of Richardson Enterprises for achieving Emeritus Status, meaning they have been continuous members of the association for 40 years.

For more information about CAR, visit www.coastalrealtors.org.

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Farr hopes OC rally helps draw support for local waterways

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vation activist organization with a network of lobbyists nationwide.

Executive Director Helvarg is an award-winning journalist who is editor of the Ocean and Coastal Conservation Guide, produced more than 40 broadcast documentaries for PBS and the Discovery Channel and is a renowned climate activist, said Coastkeeper Kathy Phillips.

Pellegrino is a well-known clean water activist who recently finished a 2,000-mile paddling expedition to Chicago, she added.

"This event will be coinciding with the Maryland Association of Counties annual summer conference in Ocean City," Farr said. "Our rally will hopefully inspire some of the local leaders inside to join us in protecting Maryland's waterways and show just how much we citizens care about the health of Maryland's environment."

When the rally concludes around 1 p.m., participants will head back to the Bahia Marina at Fish Tales on 22nd Street for happy hour courtesy of Sweetwater Brewing.

"I'm sure is going to be the largest gathering of clean water advocates this watershed has ever seen," Phillips said.

For more information about Float for the Coast, call 410-629-1538, or email staff@actforbays.org.



Potter Robbie Johnson puts the finishing touches on a new ceramic creation. Johnson is the featured artist at j.j. Fish Studio & Fine Crafts Gallery in Berlin during this month's 2nd Friday art stroll.

j.j. Fish to feature Salisbury potter during 2nd Friday

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) For Salisbury resident Robbie Johnson, pottery turned from a casual interest into a growing business he now operates with his wife, Sarah.

Johnson is the featured artist at j.j. Fish Studio/Gallery on 14 North Main Street during the 2nd Friday art stroll in Berlin tomorrow night.

While he was always interested drawing, painting and music, Johnson said it was through his wife that he developed a passion for ceramics. Sarah was taking a class at Salisbury University when she brought home a bag of clay for a coil-pot assignment.

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Berlin to crown Little Mister, Miss Peach this Friday

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) There are moments, as a parent, you will always look back on fondly, with pride, and maybe with a stray, single tear in your eye. First steps, first words, graduation and that time your son or daughter became Little Miss or Mister Berlin Peach.

For parents with such inclinations – or children with such effusive, bubbling personalities – the 2015 Little Miss Berlin Peach and Little Mister Berlin Peach Pageant will coincide with the town’s 2nd Friday art stroll tomorrow at 6 p.m. on the front porch of the Atlantic Hotel.

Berlin Main Street will present the event, and David Miller will emcee.

Administrative Assistant Sharon Timmons advised contestants to, “dress in your Sunday best and be cute.”

Contestants will be judged on poise, personality and stage presence with each category scored on a scale from one to five points by a panel of judges.

Winners will participate in several town events, including the 2015 Berlin Christmas parade and 2016 Berlin Peach Festival. First runners-up will be named in event Little Miss or Mister Berlin Peach is unable to fulfill their



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Last year’s Mister Berlin Peach, Hunter Dysart, Miss Peach, Hailey Lewis, center, and runner-up, Jillian Dysart, pose during the 2014 Berlin Peach Pageant on the steps of the Atlantic Hotel.

obligations of their respective titles.

“It’s a cool way for children to become part of Berlin,” Timmons said. “They’ll participate in the Christmas parade, and then they’ll open the Peach Festival for next year. I just think it’s a cute way to involve the kids in being a part of the town.”

Last year Hailey Lewis, 5, was

crowned Little Miss Berlin Peach and Hunter Dysart, 5, was crowned Little Mister Peach.

The deadline for entry to the 6th annual Peach Pageant is 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 14. Contestants must be ages 4-7 and reside in Worcester County, and can register at the Atlantic Hotel. An adult must accompany all contestants.

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SNAPSHOTS



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

CUT ABOVE

Atlantic Physical Therapy owner Robert Hammond, center, and his son Bobby, pictured to his left, celebrate the opening of the latest branch, in the Teal Marsh Center in West Ocean City, with a ribbon cutting recently.



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RETIREES RECOGNIZED

The Worcester County Commissioners extended their thanks and wished recent retirees a long and healthy retirement during a years of service ceremony at the Government Center in Snow Hill, July 21. Those who attended the ceremony, in front, from left, are Lowell Eby and Allan Messick; second row, Betty Connor, John Pruitt and Gerald Carmean; third row, Jerome McCleary, Carolyn Adkins, Diane Baudrau, David Dixon and Timothy Tull; and in back, Commissioners Diana Purnell, Chip Bertino, Ted Elder, Bud Church, Joe Mitrecic, Jim Bunting and Merrill Lockfaw.



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CRUISIN' OC

During Ocean City's Cruisers Weekend in May, Tanger Outlets in West Ocean City held a Cruisin' Car Show. The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City manned the 50/50 table and sold chances to the crowd. The two Kiwanians who spent the day manning the 50/50 table are pictured with Tanger Outlets of West Ocean City general manager during the check presentation on July 27. Pictured, from left, are Kiwanian Jackie Todd, Club President Carolyn Dryzga and Tanger Outlet General Manager Alane T. Emerson with the donation of \$1,030.



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SCHOLARSHIP

Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club President Arián Kinney, right, and Treasurer Margaret Mudron, left, presents a scholarship check in the amount of \$1,000 each to Brittany Wangel and Jackson Mumford of Stephen Decatur High School. The Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meetings are held Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 15th Street and the Boardwalk.



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DIAKONIA DONATION

The proceeds from a 50/50 raffle held during the Coastal Association of Realtors (CAR) July Business Card Exchange were donated recently to Diakonia. Pictured, from left, are Alison McCarty of BB&T, Anna O'Neill of Diakonia, Christine Wagner of Mid Atlantic Settlement Services, Pam Wadler of the CAR Events Committee, and Susan Lloyd of Mid Atlantic Settlement Services. Diakonia operates two facilities in West Ocean City where it provides emergency and transitional housing, emergency foods, and counseling and assistance for its guests. It's mission is to build a foundation for those in crisis or who are homeless while maintaining their dignity and respect, providing hope and assistance, and helping them change the direction of their lives, one step at a time.

Ceramics family affair for Salisbury's Amused Studios

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"I watched as she started rolling out long snake-like coils of clay and was excited to play with it myself," Johnson said. "I tried it and fell in love with the feeling that I could create almost anything I could imagine. I was hooked after that."

Johnson admitted it took time to develop his talent.

"I was saving a lot on birthday and Christmas gifts," he said with a laugh. "I started reading books, looking at articles on the Internet, watching any videos I could find on making pottery and researching any artist whose pots blew my mind."

He soon found work as the head technician at the ceramics and sculpture lab at Salisbury University, giving him an opportunity to sit in on lectures and use the facility outside of class.

"Working directly with the teachers helped me improve my skills," he said. "The need to answer any questions a student would have when the teachers were gone drove all those skills and that knowledge into my being."

Experimentation was also a key component of Johnson's development as an artist.

"I'll read or hear about a technique, imagine how I could apply it in my work and try it," he said. "Then I store the information in what I call my 'tool box.' I consider what works, what fails, what could I change or how can I get a similar effect. Most importantly, what are my limits and how can I break free of them?"

"Every piece of art I make is the culmination of knowledge from every piece I made before it," Johnson added. "A lot of people ask, 'how long does it take to make that?' To me the answer is my entire life."

Today Johnson and his wife operate Amused Studios from their home in Salisbury, making functional and decorative pottery, including mugs, jars, platters, bottles, wall sconces and ceramic hand drums.

"Working with Sarah is great," he said. "We really push each other to continue to make new work."

"Having another person to help organize the whole effort is very helpful," he added. "It would be very difficult to get the amount of work produced that we need to make without her. I can start mugs one day then she can come back and finish them or vice versa. She is also great at glazing and making new glaze recipes for our work."

Johnson said he enjoys making objects, "that excite me and hopefully make people stop and take a few moments to wonder about it."

"I love to make forms that have been altered, pushed, squeezed, or carved to make each unique and have a bit of character," he said.

Mugs, in particular, have been a hot item for Amused Studios. Their work can be found in breweries, coffee shops and art galleries throughout the Eastern Shore, including Burley Oak Brewing Company, j.j. Fish, and the Worcester County Arts Council in Berlin.

"I love hearing about how people have their favorite mugs and drink out of them every day," Johnson said. "I'm glad I can bring happiness to people through a piece of artwork everyday."

The couple will also show work in the upcoming Clay Guild of the Eastern Shore Member's Exhibition at the Art Institute & Gallery in Salisbury, running Aug. 12 through Oct. 9.

"There are limitless aspects of ceramics that I can explore," Johnson said. "I want to keep learning as much as I can. The sky is the limit and I don't know what the future holds, but I'm looking forward to finding out."

Berlin's 2nd Friday festivities will feature more than a dozen different art displays in shops throughout the downtown area, along with sales and specials in area restaurants from 5-8 p.m.

For more information, visit www.amusedstudios.org or search "Berlin MD Arts & Entertainment" on Facebook.



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Pa. family looking for lost dog 'Rizzo' in Ocean Pines area

By Josh Davis
 Staff Writer

(Aug. 13, 2015) A lost dog was circling the Ocean Pines area this week after slipping out of its owner's leash.

The dog was described as a "skittish" female German Shepherd, Rizzo, approximately 60 pounds and belonging to vacationing Reading, Pa. resident Adam Wawrzyniak. If you have seen the dog call Wawrzyniak at 717-681-4646, or call Worcester County Animal Control at 410-632-1340.

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CUISINE

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Chef envisions perfect day for breadfruit

I sat on my board off of Poi'pu in Kauai County, soaking it all in while waiting for a set to come in. This was my first time to the South Shore and in fact our first time to this island and so far it has not disappointed. Typical to Kauai was the tropical sunshine to the east and a torrential down-pour to the west; a mere six feet away from me. The rain lasted about two minutes as it usually does and then a rainbow surfaced on the ocean from end to end, an inspirational sight.



By Paul Suplee,
CEC PCIII

At this point I was wearing a long-sleeve rash guard since I, as a tow-head in the tropics, have had enough sun for the year. I don't necessarily tan, you see; I go from pink to coral, but I ramble.

Wildlife thrived on the reef, with the water clear enough to see the Reef Triggerfish, Butterflyfish, barracuda, needlefish et al, and as I dove under the waves it resembled nothing of Asateague, as much as I love our little pony-filled hamlet.

To top it all off – to make this the most magical of experiences – was the smell of Hawaiian BBQ wafting off the shore, a smell that has become near and dear to my heart. I know I may anger a few gods by saying this, but Hawaiian BBQ sauce is akin to a thin teriyaki as we know it in the states, and it is hands-down my favorite sauce. Grilled to a crispy exterior and a tender and juicy interior, meats cooked in this style are succulent and beyond measure.

The smell of the BBQ stuck with me as we drove to Salt Pond, a spot on the southwest corner of the island that has to be the saltiest stretch of ocean on the planet. After spending an hour in the water, the sun baked us to a crisp and one could practically crack the salt off of their skin. It was like the world's largest Epsom bath, and it was good for the soul.

Making our way back to the north end of the island, it was time to relax at the pool. We've already snorkeled, surfed, hiked, renewed our vows (the real reason that we're here) and run amok, but it was time to cook dinner. As luck would have it, the grounds keeping staff was pruning ripe breadfruit from the tree right outside our window. Never having cooked it be-



fore, I asked Ali, the manager, if he could spare one. He laughed and agreed, giving me some basic pointers on cooking it. And man was it good.

Breadfruit is a very high-starch fruit (not sweet) that grows on massive trees, and if I had to compare it to anything, I would say it's a cross between a potato and a cassava in flavor. It behaves like taro when overcooked, getting a bit slimy, but since I cooked it just to tender, it behaved closer to a starchy potato.

I have to toot my own horn here, because I've never even held a breadfruit before, but the salad that I made with it was awesome. Paired with soy and ginger-soaked fried tofu, Hawaiian BBQ Chicken, homemade fried rice, and Shiitakes and Pak Choy, there wasn't much not to like. And did I mention that the kids ate everything? That was bizarre in our household of chicken nugget and mac and cheese aficionados.

As we get ready to zipline from mountain top-to-bottom, I'm reminded that our little vacation is coming to an end and it won't be long before we're back in the grind. I have

to take a deep breath and get ready for the upcoming school year; who knew that teaching could be as taxing as running kitchens?

Alas, I'll quell inner thoughts of work until I'm on the plane; until I'm in the land of no Hawaiian BBQ. And then I'll have to figure out how to get back here once again.

Breadfruit Salad

Makes about 2 quarts
1 medium breadfruit
Hawaiian sea salt, as needed
1.5 cups mayonnaise
1 head garlic
1 Red bell pepper
1 cup Marinated mushrooms
1/2 cup EV Olive oil

Convince the groundskeepers to cut you down a breadfruit

Some sources say to twist the stem off, invert the breadfruit and allow the latex to seep out overnight. But Ali told me this was not necessary as long as the breadfruit is quickly peeled and the entire core is removed
Cut top and bottom off
Peel breadfruit as you would a can-

taloupe by working your large knife in a curved motion, taking off just the skin, assuring that you don't lose too much flesh

Cut out core, which contains most of the latex

Cut fruit into chunks that are a suitable size for salad; think potato salad

Boil in salted water until easily pierced with a fork. If you let it go too long, mash it up, and use it as poi-like goo

Otherwise drain chunks and allow to steam dry

Roast garlic, pepper and mushrooms in olive oil until tender

When cooled, mince and throw in the salad

Add mayonnaise and toss well. For extra flavor, you can add shredded carrots and scallions, the latter being found on many things in the Pacific Rim

Serve as you would potato salad

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

NOW PLAYING

BJ'S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-7575
Aug. 14: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m.
Aug. 15: Monkee Paw, 9 p.m.

BARN 34

3400 Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-289-5376
Aug. 14: Mike Chester, 9 p.m. to midnight
Aug. 15: Colossal Fossil Sauce, 9 p.m. to midnight

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium
Ocean City
443-664-2896
Aug. 14: Dave Sherman, 7-11 p.m.
Aug. 15: The Loons, 7-11 p.m.
Aug. 16: Just Jay, 4-7 p.m.
Aug. 19: Luvio/Karaoke, 7-11 p.m.
Every Thursday: Brant Quick, 7-11 p.m.

BUDDY'S CRABS & RIBS

Wicomico Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-289-0500
Aug. 15: Bad Since Breakfast, 5:30 p.m.
Aug. 16: Kaleb Brown, 1-6 p.m.
Aug. 17: Crab Races & Kaleb Brown, 6 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave.
Ocean City
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CAROUSEL PATIO BAR AND GRILL

In the Carousel Hotel
118th Street and the ocean
Ocean City
410-524-1000
Aug. 14: Lennon LaRicci & the Leftovers, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 15: Tim Landers & John Heinz, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 16: Dave Sherman, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 17: Tim Landers, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 18: Kaleb Brown, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 19: Tommy Edwards, 2-6 p.m.
Aug. 20: DJ Jeremy, 7-11 p.m.

CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road
Berlin
410-641-0600
Aug. 14: Sol Knopf, 4:30-8:30 p.m.
Aug. 15: New Dawn Duo, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Everett Spells, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

COCONUTS BEACH BAR AND GRILL

In the Castle in the Sand Hotel
37th Street oceanfront
Ocean City
410-289-6846
Aug. 14: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.;

John LaMere, 5-9 p.m.
Aug. 15: John Remy & Joe Smooth, noon to 4 p.m.; American Band, 5-9 p.m.
Aug. 16: Dog & Butterfly, noon to 3 p.m.; Lauren Glick & the Mood Swingers, 4-8 p.m.
Aug. 17: Nate Clendenen, noon to 3 p.m.; Bob Wilkenson & Joe Smooth, 4-8 p.m.
Aug. 18: Monkee Paw, 3-7 p.m.
Aug. 19: Heather Vidal, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.
Aug. 20: The Poole Brothers, noon to 3 p.m.; Funk Shue, 4-8 p.m.

COINS

28th Street and Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-289-3100
Aug. 15: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

1 Mumford's Landing Road
Ocean Pines
410-641-7501
Aug. 14: Full Circle, 6-10 p.m.
Aug. 15: Too Much Stuff, 6-10 p.m.
Aug. 16: Tom Larsen, 5-9 p.m.

COWBOY COAST COUNTRY SALOON AND STEAKHOUSE

17th Street and Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-289-6331
Aug. 14: Sam Grow, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 15: DJ Billy Gale, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 16: Euro Rodeo Night w/DJ Janella Abidar, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 19: Aaron Lewis, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 20: DJ Bigler, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center
410-250-1449
Aug. 14: Bob Hughes, 5-8 p.m.; DJ Decibull, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Aug. 15: The Bullets, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

DUNES MANOR

28th Street, Oceanfront
Ocean City
410-289-1100
Aug. 14: Ms. Shirley or Ellsworth on the piano, 7-11 p.m.
Aug. 15: Bill Dickson, 2-6 p.m.; Ms. Shirley or Ellsworth on the piano, 7-11 p.m.
Aug. 16: Randy Jamz, 2-5 p.m.; Ms. Shirley or Ellsworth on the piano, 7-11 p.m.
Aug. 19-20: Ms. Shirley or Ellsworth on the piano, 7-11 p.m.

FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-5500
Aug. 14: Kevin Poole, 5 p.m.; DJ Hook, 9 p.m.; Scott's New Band, 10 p.m.

Aug. 15: Sean Holloran, 2 p.m.; Relicoustic, 5 p.m.; DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; Scott's New Band, 10 p.m.
Aug. 16: Everett Spells, brunch; Sean Holloran, 2 p.m.; Colossal Fossil Sauce, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Muve, 9:30 p.m.; Robert Eric's Tribute to Piano Man, 9:30 p.m.
Aug. 17: The Klassix, 5:30 p.m.; DJ RobCee, 9:30 p.m.; The Piranhas, 10 p.m.
Aug. 18: DJ Hook, 9 p.m.; Jim Boggia, 9 p.m.
Aug. 19: DJ Greg, 5:30 p.m.; Bob Loughheed - Elvis Tribute, 6 p.m.; DJ RobCee, 9:30 p.m.
Aug. 20: Nate Clendenen, 5:30 p.m.; Darcy Dawn & Company, 9:30 p.m.; DJ Groove, 9:30 p.m.

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road
West Ocean City
410-213-1846
Aug. 14: DJ Bill T, 4 p.m.
Aug. 15: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m.
Aug. 16: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 7 p.m.
Aug. 17: Blake Haley, 4 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 8 p.m.
Aug. 18: Funk Shue, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Aug. 19: Nate Clendenen, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Aug. 20: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Road
West Ocean City
410-213-1841
Aug. 14: Dust n Bones, 8 p.m.
Aug. 15-16: First Class, 3 p.m.

JOHNNY'S PIZZA & PUB

56th Street, bayside
Ocean City
410-524-7499
Aug. 14: Tear the Roof Off, 10 p.m.
Aug. 15: Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys, 10 p.m.
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Aug. 14-15: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 20-22: First Class, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Lenny's Beach Bar
Aug. 14-16: On the Edge, 5-10 p.m.
Aug. 17-23: Power Play, 5-10 p.m.

PHILLIPS SEAFOOD HOUSE

141st Street
Ocean City
410-250-1689
Aug. 20: Monkee Paw, 6-9 p.m.

ROPEWALK

82nd Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-1009
Aug. 14: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; Rob Fahey & the Pieces, 10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 15-16: TBA, noon to 4 p.m.; Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; Dueling Pianos, 10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 17: John LaMere, 4-8 p.m.; Dueling Pianos, 10:30 to 2 a.m.
Aug. 18: Pat O'Brennan, 4-8 p.m.; Dueling Pianos, 10:30 to 2 a.m.
Aug. 19: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 20: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; Donegal Express, 10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SECRETS

49th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-4900
Aug. 14: Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Kristen & the Noise, 10 p.m.
Aug. 15: The Vigilantes, 1-5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Captain Jack, 6-10 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m.
Aug. 16: Power Play w/Jim Long, 5-9 p.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 17: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; The Rockets, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 18: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; No Green Jelly Beans, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 19: The JJ Rupp Trio, 5-9 p.m.; The Wild Ones, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Aug. 20: Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Anthem, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Go Go Gadjet, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SHENANIGAN'S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk in the Shoreham Hotel
410-289-7181
Aug. 14-15: Marty McKernan, 9:30 p.m.
Aug. 16-17: Cutting Edge Dueling Pianos, 9:30 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside
Ocean City
410-723-6762
Aug. 14: Spiffy Sean Styles, 4-8 p.m.
Aug. 15: Kayla Brown, 4-8 p.m.
Aug. 19: Darcy Dawn & Company, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17
Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines
443-365-2576
Aug. 14: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

CALENDAR

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

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

THURS. Aug. 13

CAPT. STEVE HARMAN'S POOR GIRLS OPEN — Bahia Marina, 21st Street, Ocean City. A ladies-only billfish release tournament benefiting breast cancer research. Also, added entry levels for wahoo, tuna and dolphin. More than 100 boats entering. Weigh-ins held from 4-7:30 p.m. There will be silent auctions, 50/50 tickets, T-shirts and other fun events. Info: www.bahiamarina.com or 410-289-7438.

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS — Sunset Park, S. Division Street, bayside, Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Free concert by Poole and the Gang (variety). Beverages, including beer, available for purchase. It is recommended to take your own seating. Info: 800-626-2326.

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 11 a.m. Free and open to anyone who has lost a loved one. Info: 410-251-8163.

CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP — Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 7-8 p.m. Support and information for those affected by Celiac Disease. Info: Betty Bellarin, 410-603-0210.

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Thursdays through Aug. 27. Topic is All About Sharks. Learn the secrets of these often feared fish. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

BEACH SINGLES — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 4-7 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649.

BINGO — American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5 p.m., games start at 6:30 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

CHAIR AEROBICS — St. Peter's Lutheran Church Community Life Center, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 1-2 p.m. Free will offering appreciated. Sponsored by St. Peter's Senior Adult Ministry. Info: 410-524-7474.

FRI. Aug. 14

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BERLIN'S LITTLE MISS & MISTER PEACH PAGEANT — Atlantic Hotel, Berlin, 6 p.m. Info: Lisa Hall, 443-614-6135 or the Berlin Visitor Center, 410-973-2051.

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

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Fridays through Aug. 28. Topic is An Island Tail: The Case of the Wild Horses. Unlock mysteries surrounding Assateague's most popular residents — the wild horses. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

SAT. Aug. 15

CAPT. STEVE HARMAN'S POOR GIRLS OPEN — Bahia Marina, 21st Street, Ocean City. A ladies-only billfish release tournament benefiting breast cancer research. Also, added entry levels for wahoo, tuna and dolphin. More than 100 boats entering. Weigh-ins held from 4-7:30 p.m. There will be silent auctions, 50/50 tickets, T-shirts and other fun events. Info: www.bahiamarina.com or 410-289-7438.

OC BEACH ULTIMATE CLASSIC FRISBEE TOURNAMENT — Ocean City beach at Somerset Street, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Projecting 30-40 teams in two divisions: Elite and Open. There will be a Saturday night showcase game at 6 p.m. Info: Alex Jacoski, alex.jacoski@gmail.com.

'THE CAT DAYS OF SUMMER' — Walmart, 11416 Ocean Gateway, Berlin, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be cats available for adoption, baked goods for purchase and raffle tickets. Adoption fees are \$75 and include spay/neuter, immunizations, microchip and fecal exam. Free to any person over the age of 65 can adopt a cat over the age of 8. Info: www.worcester-countyhumanesociety.org or 410-213-0146.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BBQ CHICKEN DINNER SPECIAL — Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway (behind St. Luke's Church), Ocean City, noon to 7 p.m. Cost is \$10 for platter including 1/2 barbecue chicken, cole slaw, corn on the cob and watermelon. Eat-in or take out. Info: 410-524-7994.

21ST ANNUAL KEENWICK SOUND FAIR & CRAFT SALE — Keenwick Sound Clubhouse, 37547 River Run Road, Selbyville, Del., 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. More than 75 crafters, yard sale, plants, books, bake sale, face painting, raffle and free blood pressure screenings. Refreshments also for sale. Rain date is Aug. 16. Info: Marie, 215-880-8448.

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Saturdays through Aug. 29. Topic is Aquarium Feeding. Watch and learn about local marine critters as they have their morning meal. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST — VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., bayside in Ocean City, 8-11 a.m. A \$5 donation for all-you-can-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pancakes and two bacon slices. Info: 410-524-8196.

FARMERS MARKET — White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 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. Info: 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006.

SUN. Aug. 16

OC BEACH ULTIMATE CLASSIC FRISBEE TOURNAMENT — Ocean City beach at Somerset Street, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Projecting 30-40 teams in two divisions: Elite and Open. There will be a Saturday night showcase game at 6 p.m. Info: Alex Jacoski, alex.jacoski@gmail.com.

SUNDAES IN THE PARK AND FIREWORKS — Northside Park, 200 125th St. in Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. For a small fee, create your own ice cream sundaes. Entertainment by Bob Loughheed's Elvis. Children's entertainment also presented. Fireworks at 9 p.m. Take picnic baskets and chairs. Info: 800-626-2326 or <http://town.oceancity.md.us/sep.html>.

OC BEACH LIGHTS — Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, 9:30 p.m., 10 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. A five-story tall inflatable sphere featuring a visual laser, lighting, special effects, video and audio production. Each 8-minute show also features fireworks effects. Free event. Info: 800-626-2326 or www.ocbeachlights.com.

GOSPEL CONCERT — St. Matthews By-The-Sea United Methodist Church, 1000 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, Del., 7 p.m. Featuring "Jack Anderson and Friend." Free-will offering will be taken for the singers. Info: Rita Williams, 302-436-1562.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, noon to 1 p.m. Group shares experience, strength and hope to help others. Open to the community and to AGH patients. Info: Rob, 443-783-3529.

BURTON & ENGEL PERFORMANCE — Wicomico Presbyterian Church, 129 Broad Street, Salisbury, 3 p.m. A variety of music featuring Burton & Engel Reflections and New Beginnings.

SHARING SUNDAY — South Fire Station, located on Ocean Parkway (South Gate), Ocean Pines, 1-3 p.m. The Democratic Women's Club will collect non-perishable food, toiletries and paper products. Supplies will be shared with a local food ministry. Info: 410-641-8553.

3RD ANNUAL CAR SHOW AND PARADE — The parade will start at White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines and proceed down Ocean Parkway to the Car Show at Veterans Memorial Park located on the corner of Cathell and Race-track roads. Event held 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food and business vendors, radio remote from the Wave and a free children's bicycle parade. Car Show begins at 11 a.m. with trophies awarded at 1 p.m. Registration: www.Ocean-PinesChamber.org, 410-641-5306 or stop by the office at 11031 Cathell Road, Berlin.

OUTDOOR CASUAL WORSHIP SERVICE — Front lawn of Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 8:30 a.m., Sundays, through Sept. 27. Take a lawn chair or blanket. Held indoors during inclement weather. Info: 410-641-2186 or Bethany21811@gmail.com.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS #169 — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Group is a 12-step program for anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem. No initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

SUNDAY NIGHT SERENITY AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING — Woodlands in Ocean Pines, Independent Living Apartment Building, 1135 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 7:30 p.m.

MON. Aug. 17

BEACH FIREWORKS — Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, 10 p.m. Show is approximately 8 minutes in length and is visible along the boardwalk. Info: 800-626-2326 or <http://www.ocbeachlights.com>.

BARIATRIC SURGERY INFORMATION NIGHT — Atlantic General Hospital,

CALENDAR

Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Atlantic General Bariatric Center provides pre- and post-surgery consultations, nutrition education and support group meetings. Register: 410-629-6470.

HEALTHY LIVING WITH HYPERTENSION — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free, interactive program that teaches people with high blood pressure how to better manage their condition. Pre-registration required: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

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

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CLUB — Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, Mondays, 6:30-8 p.m. Those 50 and older are welcome to enjoy games, activities, prayer, socialization and friendships. Light refreshments served. Info: Bethany21811@gmail.com or 410-641-2186.

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Mondays through Aug. 24. Topic is O.C.B.C. Ocean City Before Condominiums takes you back to a time when Ocean City was a quiet fishing village. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

HISTORIC MUSEUM OPEN — Historic St. Martin's Church Museum, 11413 Worcester Highway, Showell, Mondays, 1-4 p.m., June through September. Info: 410-251-2849.

DELMARVA SWEET ADELIN CHORUS MEETS WEEKLY — The Delmarva Chorus, Sweet Adeline's, meets each Monday from 7-9 p.m., at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. Info: 410-641-6876.

TUES. Aug. 18

BEACH FIREWORKS — Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, 10 p.m. Show is approximately 8 minutes in length and is visible along the boardwalk. Info: 800-626-2326 or <http://www.ocbeachlights.com>.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB NIGHT — Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway (behind St. Luke's Church), Ocean City, every Tuesday, 5-7 p.m. Steamed crabs and shrimp, crab cakes, crab soup, corn on the cob, hot dogs, pizza, French fries and onion rings. Reserve crabs and shrimp: 410-524-7994, Mondays and

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP — Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Berlin, 11 a.m. to noon. Support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients. It meets the third Tuesday of each month. Open to the community. Info: Heather Cormack, 410-641-4400, Ext. 6123 or Kenneth Lewis, 410-208-1701 or 410-430-4818.

DAR VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION — At 11 a.m., the General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will place a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial marker located outside the Worcester County courthouse to mark the 50th anniversary of the launch of Operation Starlite by U.S. Marines. The public is invited. Vietnam War veterans that plan to attend are asked to send their name and branch of service to GLW2048@verizon.net no later than Aug. 17 to be honored with a certificate. Info: Pat Arata, 410-632-3417.

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Tuesdays through Aug. 25. Topic is Beach Safety. Learn how to be safe in the surf and spell your name using semaphore. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

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

ON YOUR OWN, BUT NOT ALONE - WOC Fitness, 12319 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, 5 p.m. Weight loss support group with discussions about nutrition, exercise, health and weight loss. Cost is \$5 per meeting. Info: dillon128@aol.com.

WED. Aug. 19

CONCERT ON THE BEACH — Caroline Street stage, Ocean City, 8-9:30 p.m. Featuring Rising Sun Reggae. Take a blanket or chair. Info: 800-626-2326.

MOVIE ON THE BEACH — Carousel Resort Hotel and Condominiums, 118th Street and oceanfront in Ocean City, 8:30 p.m. Free movie on the beach featuring "Frozen." Take a beach chair or blanket. Info: 800-626-2326.

HYPERTENSION CLINICS — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place at Walgreens, Bethany Beach, Del., 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreens, Selbyville, Del., 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP —

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

Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 6 p.m. The group meets on the third Wednesday of each month and is open to anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide. Info: www.choosetoliveinmaryland.org or 410-629-0164.

FREE FAMILY PROGRAMS — Ocean City Life Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Avenue, located at the extreme southern end of the Ocean City Boardwalk, 10 a.m., Wednesdays through Aug. 26. Topic is Knot Tying. Become an expert at nautical knots from a bowline to how to properly secure a cleat with help from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Info: Sandy, 410-289-4991, sandy@ocmuseum.org or www.ocmuseum.org.

O.C. BOARDWALK LABYRINTH OPEN — St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, inside DeWees Hall, 302 N. Baltimore Ave., 7-9 p.m., every Wednesday, Aug. 5-Sept. 23. Replica of the 12th century original is available for walking with candlelight and sacred music. Wheelchair accessible. Free parking available beside the hall. Info: 410-289-3453 or 443-880-7608.

BINGO — Every Wednesday at Ocean City Elks Lodge 2645, 138th Street and Sinepuxent Avenue, rear of the Fenwick Inn. Doors open at 5:30 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. Info: 410-250-2645.

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB — Meets every Wednesday at Peaky's Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, located in the Fenwick Inn, 13801 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Beginner and intermediate lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by dancing 6:30-9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina beach music. All are welcome. Info: 302-200-DANCE (3262).

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY — Meets every Wednesday at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. Info: 410-641-7330.

BAYSIDE BEGINNINGS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 7:30 p.m.

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING — Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, 6 p.m. Info: 410-641-1700 or kbates@taylorbank.com.

ON YOUR OWN, BUT NOT ALONE - WOC Fitness, 12319 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, noon. Weight loss support

group with discussions about nutrition, exercise, health and weight loss. Cost is \$5 per meeting. Info: dillon128@aol.com.

ONGOING EVENTS

PLEIN AIR EXHIBIT — Ocean City Center for the Arts, Galleria, 502 94th Street, Aug. 8-30. Featuring works from the Plein Air Event. Info: <http://www.artleagueofoceancity.org>.

PATRICK HENRY ART EXHIBIT — Ocean City Center for the Arts, 502 94th Street, during the month of August. Patrick Henry will be exhibiting 25 new paintings in his one-man show entitled "Moments: In Color, Texture, Light and Geometry." Featuring scenes of Charleston, San Francisco, New York City, Chicago and Washington, D.C. as well as Ocean City, Deale Island and southern Maryland. An exhibition catalog offered for \$10. Info: 410-524-9433 or www.artleagueofoceancity.org.

OCEAN CITY HOTEL WEEK — Many Ocean City properties will be offering special discounts and free night stays to encourage vacationers to visit, Aug. 30-Sept. 10, some exclusions apply. For a list of participants and offers, go to <http://www.oceancityhotelweek.com>. Info: Ocean City Hotel-Motel-Restaurant Association: 410-289-6733 or inquire@ocvisitor.com.

BUS TRIPS — On Aug. 18, tour NASA's Wallops Flight Facility. Cost is \$35. All trips are open to the public. Register: Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052. Info: www.OceanPines.org.

ADULT ESL CLASSES — First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 9-11 a.m., every Wednesday, May 20-Aug. 26. Program includes Conversation with Americans, Learn English in ESL books and Learn English in Bible study. Info: Jeff Howard, 410-957-0817, Jeffrey_howard@yahoo.com; or Grace Howard, 443-397-5916, grace-howard0326@gmail.com.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES — Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, every Friday, 7:30 p.m. A reform Jewish Synagogue. Info: 410-641-4311.

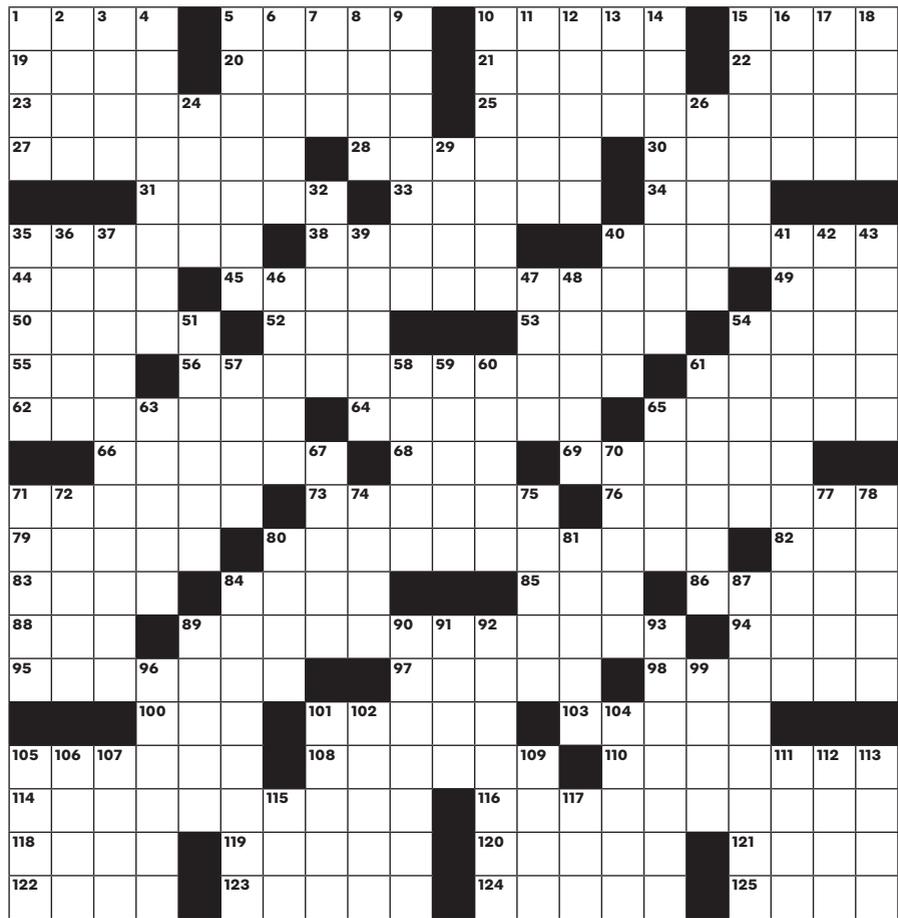
NOVEL TO BENEFIT OCEAN CITY MUSEUM SOCIETY — "Big Blow," the third novel in Preston Pairo's Ocean City Mystery series is raising funds for the Ocean City Museum Society. Available exclusively as an eBook from Amazon.com for \$3, for every copy sold through Labor Day, the publisher will donate \$1 to the museum.

PUZZLES

HELP WANTED

BY MELANIE MILLER / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Debate, with "out"
 - 5 How some TV series are sold
 - 10 Use a witching rod
 - 15 Travel with Sinbad, say
 - 19 "Come ___ me, all ye that labor ..."
 - 20 Port of Puerto Rico
 - 21 Tony-winning Andrew Lloyd Webber musical
 - 22 Children's TV character who refers to himself in the third person
 - 23 *Need rural real estate investor to ...*
 - 25 *Need retail marketer to ...*
 - 27 Where to begin
 - 28 Peaceful
 - 30 Kind of oil
 - 31 Projector unit
 - 33 Characters in "The Hobbit"
 - 34 Militant grp. in a 1994 peace agreement
 - 35 Chrome alternative
 - 38 Newspaper section, for short
 - 40 See 44-Across
 - 44 What a 40-Across produces in the summer
 - 45 *Need cocktail waitress to ...*
- DOWN**
- 19 Photocopier option: Abbr.
 - 50 Constellation between Perseus and Pisces
 - 52 Starting or ending point for a commuter: Abbr.
 - 53 Luxury rental
 - 54 Polo of "Meet the Parents"
 - 55 Bit of sauce
 - 56 *Need bakery assistant to ...*
 - 61 Track runner
 - 62 "Get lost!"
 - 64 Vicious
 - 65 Biblical mount that can be seen from three countries
 - 66 Stockpiles
 - 68 Be that as it may
 - 69 Acting monarch
 - 71 What a chair might provide
 - 73 Sudden twist
 - 76 Entered uninvited
 - 79 Maguire of "The Great Gatsby"
 - 80 *Need cruise ship band to ...*
 - 82 Prefix with -graph
 - 83 Take orders, say
 - 84 Complain, complain, complain
 - 85 ___ Aviv
 - 86 Something rolling in the dough?
 - 88 Letters of interest
 - 89 *Need orchestra conductor to ...*
 - 94 ___ gear
 - 95 Chianti, e.g.
 - 97 Stage of the Tour de France
 - 98 Onetime "Be all you can be" sloganer
 - 100 Onetime
 - 101 Benjamin of "Law & Order"
 - 103 Diamond protectors
 - 105 Crude house
 - 108 Go over again
 - 110 They can leave scars
 - 114 *Need blackjack dealer to ...*
 - 116 *Need magician to ...*
 - 118 Member of the 3,000-hit club, informally
 - 119 P. C. Wren's "Beau ___"
 - 120 Classical Greek theater
 - 121 Like certain educational publishing
 - 122 Musical pitch?
 - 123 Board
 - 124 Homage with humor
 - 125 Flow slowly
 - 9 Mark off?
 - 10 One side in football
 - 11 Like ones welcomed to the fold?
 - 12 Foxiness
 - 13 The Rams, on scoreboards
 - 14 Erodes
 - 15 It takes two to do this
 - 16 Bit of marine life
 - 17 Man of Allah
 - 18 Less than a full run
 - 24 The "xx" of xx:yy
 - 26 ___ welcome
 - 29 First name on the Supreme Court
 - 32 "Warrior" actor Nick
 - 35 Lowercase
 - 36 Cliffside home
 - 37 *Need stunt pilot to ...*
 - 39 Calf cries
 - 40 Body opening?
 - 41 *Need control tower operator to ...*
 - 42 Parts of Roman homes
 - 43 Part of a forensic database
 - 46 Pumped
 - 47 Coal-mining waste
 - 48 One who walks on the wild side?
 - 51 "Easy there"
 - 54 Part of L.G.B.T., informally
 - 57 Magical start?
 - 58 Actress Salma of "Grown Ups"
 - 59 Wedding or concert, e.g.
 - 60 Overhear
 - 61 Accord



- 63 Pioneer in Impressionism
- 65 Indian tourist mecca
- 67 Promised
- 70 Source of a gut reaction?
- 71 Like feudal states, often
- 72 Freak out
- 74 Tkt. stub, e.g.
- 75 Highly emotional, in dated lingo
- 77 ___ salts
- 78 Jingle, e.g.
- 80 Campaign
- 81 Under attack
- 84 Easter treat
- 87 Marks taken off?
- 89 Muck
- 90 Listen
- 91 Suffix with cigar
- 92 Bull run target
- 93 It's up in the air
- 96 Is unsatisfactory
- 99 Lovers' row
- 101 Port in western France
- 102 Page opposite verso
- 104 D'Artagnan mentor
- 105 Deep-bodied herring
- 106 Fill a position
- 107 Half of a two-volume encyclopedia, say
- 109 Dullard
- 111 ___ marker
- 112 Feel pity (for)
- 113 Leave undone
- 115 When doubled, a Ramone
- 117 Social



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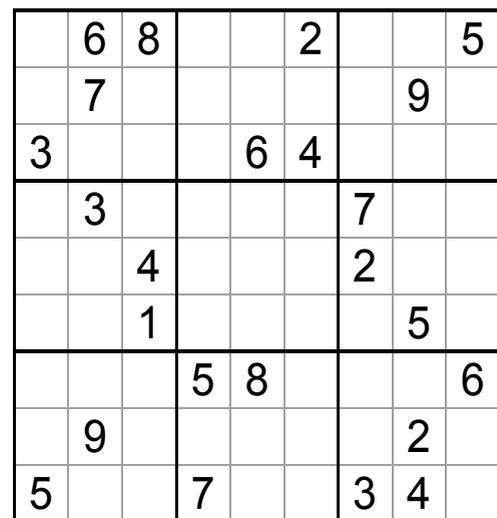
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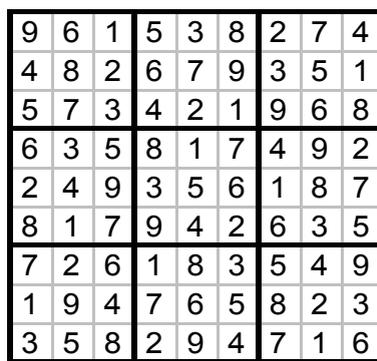
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HARD - 95

Fill in the blank spaces in the grid so that every vertical column, every horizontal row and every 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, without repeating any. There is really only one solution to each puzzle.



Answers to last week's puzzles



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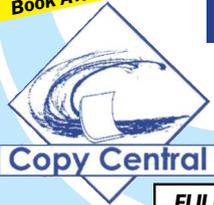
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