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Pines corporate charter being revised by OPA

By Nathan Brunet Staff Writer

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OCEAN PINES – A rewrite of the Ocean Pines Association's corporate charter is being reviewed by association officials before being adopted by the OPA Board of Directors.

"We have drafted a series of questions for [OPA] attorney Joe Moore about clarifications we want to make," said Jim Trummel, chairman of the By-laws and Resolutions Advisory Committee.

Trummel said there would be no significant changes to the charter, a legal document that states the major components of the association. Continued on Page 3

Berlin zoning code changing for future plan

By Nathan Brunet Staff Writer

BERLIN – Berlin's zoning code is about to see some changes to bring it in line with the 2010 comprehensive plan and to clear up language to reflect current usage.

"The zoning code is in a constant stage of revision. Sometimes it's best to address it as a whole [rather] than little pieces at a time," said Chuck Ward, planning and zoning director of Berlin.

The comprehensive plan is a projection of the town's goals in the next 20 years and the 2010 version Continued on Page 3



PINES GETS NEW TECH 8

Town, Fire Co. at loggerheads over harassment claim

By Nathan Brunet and Stewart Dobson

BERLIN - Months of quiet volleying between the Berlin Volunteer Fire Company and the Town of Berlin over allegations of harassment in the workplace turned into a major public row Tuesday, when town officials an-

nounced they were cutting all funding for the organization.

The official statement released by Mayor Gee Williams with the council's backing said their decision to withdraw the town's financial support — \$560,000 this fiscal year — is because of the company's refusal to abide by town government's personnel policies that would otherwise cover the paid emergency medical services employees.

Over the past six months, the Mayor and Council have done all that we can within our legal and moral authority to protect the rights of the paid EMS personnel who have been working as leased employees under the terms of an agreement enacted Jan. 1, 2009," Williams wrote.

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"The Fire Company has been unsuccessful in its attempts to prevent some volunteer members from harassing Berlin's paid EMS employees in the workplace that the Town firmly believes is both unacceptable and illegal."

The 2009 agreement allowed the fire company's EMS employees to be-Continued on Page 6





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emphasizes the desire to draw more residents to the business districts without the use of a motorized vehicle.

Ward said most of the existing code complies with the town's plan, but some notable changes have occurred.

Encouraging cottage housing developments in the town is one the plan's aims, as it seeks to make way for new developments that would be designed as several single-family homes priced economically to reflect the financial struggles of much of the population.

"It allows people the opportunity to downsize and live in a town where there are plenty of services available," Ward said.

Based on what Ward has read, there is a demand for such developments in other towns, and he offered assurances that Berlin would not be overrun with cottages and look like a home for collage dormitories.

"If these cottages were scattered around, you could compliment the scale of big Victorian homes," Ward said.

Ward said a change of code is needed for these developments because the current code only allows a certain number of household units to be placed on a lot. This new code would allow more units per lot.

This is just one of Ward's plans to move Berlin forward according to its comprehensive plan, but he will not reveal any more ideas until next month's Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

Other minor, but significant code changes include the clarification of home occupations and churches.

Under the current code, all religious structures are called churches regardless of the religion of those who use the building.

"You have to be specific and you can't alienate anymore," said Ward.

Language will be added for homes that operate as a business, so specific businesses that could disrupt the



neighborhood would not be allowed to operate from homes.

Once the planning commission agrees that the new draft language is acceptable, we will have public hearings," Ward said. Two public hearings for the new code will happen in one month but no specific date has been given.

Michael Day, director of economic and community development for Berlin, said he's all for anything that would drive up business.

"I haven't been able to look at the specifics of Chuck [Ward's] plan, but I think we're due for a comprehensive rezoning, so I'm hoping it works out well."

Ocean Pines to rewrite out-of-date document

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Although run similar to a government, the OPA is a corporation and must have a corporate charter to operate.

A complete draft has already been written by the committee, and clears up a large number of errors, inconsistencies and outdated information.

"Other than a couple of minor amendments, there has not been a significant change in the charter since 1982," Trummel said. "You should be reviewing on a basis of more than every 30 years."

Some examples include articles that can be shortened by several pages and the naming of the 1982 board of directors

Other provisions reference outdated state laws, but now simply instruct the reader to view the up-to-date code.

Trummel expects to hear Moore's recommendations before the committee's meeting next month. Once Moore has reviewed the document, it must be voted upon by the OPA Board of Directors before it is adopted.

Board member Dave Stevens, who acts as the committee's advisor, has been following the process closely.

"I would hope we have something complete before the year's end," Stevens said.



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Police: Clerk at Lids outlet fabricated tale of theft

By Nancy Powell

Staff Writer/Ocean City Today

WEST OCEAN CITY — The clerk at a West Ocean City store who claimed he was beaten and tied up during a robbery was charged Friday with felony theft and other crimes in connection with the incident. His 29-year-old wife was also arrested.

On Aug. 3, deputies of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office went to Lids, a hat store at 12741 Ocean City, in response to an alarm. On arrival, they saw the clerk, Kevin Jamal Purnell of Berlin, on the floor. The doors to the business were locked.

Deputies entered and Purnell told them he had just been robbed at gunpoint. The deputies then contacted the Worcester County Bureau of Investigation.

When the WCBI detectives interviewed Purnell, he told them that he was taking out the trash when a lightskinned black man with dreadlocks, dressed in black, placed a gun at his back and ordered him to return to the store. Inside, Purnell said, the robber forced him to lock the door and then beat Purnell repeatedly. After he was incapacitated, Purnell said, the intruder stole numerous hats from the store before leaving.

Detectives viewed surveillance video from inside the store and that video did not match Purnell's story. Detectives could see that the robber was a lightskinned black woman, not a man.

The detectives learned that Roslyn Purnell, the clerk's wife, matched the description of the person who committed the robbery. During interviews with both Kevin and Roslyn Purnell, they found additional inconsistencies in their stories. Based on the information, they determined both were involved in the theft of hats and had staged the robbery.

Both Roslyn Purnell and Kevin Purnell were charged with theft, conspiracy to commit theft, theft of less than \$1,000, conspiracy to commit theft of less than \$1,000 and obstructing and hindering a police officer. Kevin Purnell was also charged with making a false statement to a police officer.



POLICE BEAT

By Nancy Powell Staff Writer/Ocean City Today

Pedestrian hit

A 21-year-old Irish man was struck by a taxi Aug. 20 as he tried to cross Philadelphia Avenue near 19th Street.

The man, who was crossing the street with a group of friends at about 12:50 a.m., was not in the area of a marked crosswalk when he was struck.

Ocean City police said the taxi driver tried to brake but did not have time to come to a complete stop and struck the man.

Paramedics treated the victim, who had several injuries, before he was flown by helicopter to Peninsula Regional Medical Center. He was in stable condition Monday.

Police said this was the 32nd pedestrian collision investigated by the Ocean City Police Department this year. In 14 of those incidents, alcohol was a factor on the part of the pedestrian and in two cases, alcohol was a factor on the part of the driver.

Drug distribution

During an investigation into the distribution of marijuana on Aug. 18, members of the Ocean City Police Department and the Worcester County Criminal Enforcement Team were attempting to arrest two men on the porch of a Sixth Street residence when the suspects began to struggle and to fight with police.

In addition, several other occupants of the residence left the unit and began to interfere with the arresting officers.

Police called for assistance and then initiated a search of the residence, turning up more marijuana in the unit where friends of the suspects were staying.

Charged with distribution of a controlled dangerous substance were two 20-year-old New York men, Andrew James McAllister of Garnerville and Thomas Patrick Brannigan Jr. of Garnerville. Two other 20-year-old New York men, Thomas William Mullen of Pearl River and Michael Anthony Sadori of North Rockland were charged with conspiracy to distribute a controlled dangerous substance and resisting arrest.

Gun replica

A 21-year-old Newark, Del., man, Teshawn Keith Robertson, was changed Aug. 10, with having a gun replica.

An Ocean City police officer on Bike Patrol in the inlet lot smelled the odor of marijuana coming from a truck. The driver exited the truck and the police officer found what appeared to be a pistol under the driver's seat. It turned out to be a replica capable of firing five projectiles. Robertson, the driver, said he owned the gun replica.

Concealed weapons

Ocean City police charged a 23-yearold Upper Marlboro man with two counts of having a concealed deadly weapon after finding a knife and a sword in his car.

A policeman stopped the Pontiac Firebird TransAm that Ryan Landsdale Peed was driving on Newport Bay Drive because the vehicle's brake light was out.

As Peed looked for his registration card, the police officer saw the handle of a knife wedged between the center console and the passenger seat. After Peed exited the car, the officer found a samurai sword in a black case wedged between the driver's door and the driver's seat.

Drug crop

A 32-year-old Bishopville man was charged Aug. 10 with manufacturing marijuana after detectives found 67 marijuana plants growing in a wooded area next to his residents.

The marijuana plants ranged from 1 foot to 8 feet tall.

A search of the house of the grower, Jason Vermillion, resulted in the discovery of 38 grams of marijuana, numerous items of paraphernalia and multiple firearms.

Vermillion was also charged with possession of marijuana, possession with the intent to distribute marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

The investigation was conducted by the Worcester County Criminal Enforcement Team.





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Berlin Fire Company loses all funding given from town

Fire Co. workers cite harassment, town ceases funds

come "leased" employees of the town, thus making them eligible for government health and retirement benefits.

But with that agreement, Williams said, the town had to assume control and authority over those employees to satisfy state requirements.

Consequently, when an employee in February went to Town Administrator Tony Carson with a complaint about harassment, town officials investigated the allegations, found them to be credible and demanded that they cease.

In addition, a March 13 memorandum from the town to the fire company called for disciplinary action against certain paid personnel, and said the incidents the town had verified violated the federal Civil Rights Act.

Town officials also urged the fire company to hire a supervisor, who would report to Carson, to counsel its members on discriminatory acts and to attend a course on workplace discrimination.

Although the town has no control over volunteer workers, officials suggested that any discriminatory actions by volunteers also stop to avoid any possible lawsuits directed toward the company.

"We gave them a straightforward heads up that they need to take responsibility for their actions," Williams said.

But the fire company did not accept the memorandum until May, when the town informed the company it would not be allowed to request money in the upcoming budget unless it did.

A series of exchanges followed between the company and town officials. Williams said the company made some changes to its command structure, but the town also continued to receive complaints about harassment.

But just last Thursday, the fire company had a notice delivered to Town Hall declaring that it was taking back full control of the paid employees.

"Effective immediately, the Berlin Fire Company will assume full control,

"The Fire Company has been unsuccessful in its attempts to prevent some volunteer members from harassing Berlin's paid EMS employees in the workplace that the Town firmly believes is both unacceptable and illegal."

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Effective immediately, the Berlin Fire Company (Company) will assume full control, direction and supervision over all emergency medical services (EMS) personnel. The Company has been increasingly concerned about its ability to respond to emergencies. The Town of Berlin (Town) has attempted to enlarge its scope of direction and control over *personnel* matters in accordance with the Town's personnel policies and manual, to *operational* matters relating to fire and emergency medical services. The Town has no authority, or expertise, to do so. The Company's attempts to work with the Town have been unsuccessful.

To highlight but a few of the issues the Company has been facing, incidents relating to emergency responses, scheduling, and staffing are needlessly arising. Personnel are, or claim to be, confused as to whom they should receive direction, even during emergency responses. The "confusion" has resulted in duties not being performed or performance of duties in an unprofessional manner. There has been an increase in the number of complaints, some unfounded, by Personnel against one another and against Company volunteers, as well as volunteers against Personnel. There has been a marked decrease in the level of volunteer participation when an emergency situation arises.

All of these issues have detracted from the Company's primary mission: to serve and protect the public. This immediate change is in the best interest of public safety for the residents and visitors of the area that is served by the Company.

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These documents exemplify the months-long battle between Berlin officials and the Berlin Fire Company concerning harassment in the workplace. Once the fire company resumed control of its operations., Berlin decided to no longer fun the company's services.

direction and supervision over all emergency medical services (EMS) personnel," the notice read. "The Company has been increasingly concerned about its ability to respond to emergencies. The Town of Berlin (Town) has attempted to enlarge its scope of direction and control over personnel matters In accordance with the Town's personnel policies and manual, to operational matters relating to fire and emergency medical services. The Company's attempts to work with the Town have been unsuccessful."

The company goes on to argue that its decision to reassert its authority over all personnel matters is because of operational problems arising resulting from confusion over who is in charge of whom and what.

That declaration by the company, Williams said, left the council with no option but to break with the fire company and demand that the \$150,000 already spent on payroll from June through August be repaid.

For the company's part, its attorney Joseph Moore said the company does not acknowledge that the town's asser-

tions are accurate. "The town has

refused to provide us with either the alleged complaint, any reports of their investigation, or even a statement other than a general statement as to what the allegations were," he said. He added that the loss of the town's financial support, which constitutes roughly 29 percent of the company's budget,

does not mean the company is in trouble.

"We're not broke," he said. "We are going to continue to do everything in our power to maintain public safety for the town."

Carson, however, countered that town officials did advise the fire company of all the circumstances "to make sure they were well aware of what was happening."



In the meantime, the company will continue to operate, albeit with a severely diminished budget.

Seniors scams not common, but information is important

BERLIN — A program to inform seniors of scams and how to protect themselves from such crimes has been initiated by a local senior care business.

The Protect Seniors from Fraud program was started recently by Claude Lewis, co-owner of the Berlin location of national care company, Home Instead Senior Care.

"We recognized that on a national basis seniors are targeted with all different kinds of scams," said Lewis, who shares ownership of the Old Ocean City Boulevard business with his wife, Leslie.

A 20-page kit that "spells out senior fraud from A to Z," according to Lewis, has been put together by the senior care business and is available at no charge to the public.

Beginning with a notice that identifies the physical and emotional impact of crime on the elderly, the kit explains how senior scams can be financially devastating. Further, the kit says these scams can affect people who have not been targeted, because they are fearful that they might be victimized and act accordingly.

Along with a copy of the kit available at the business, an electronic version can be found at http://protectseniorsfromfraud.com. The online kit is supplemented with many pages of information such as an instructional video series and personal testimonials from seniors who have been scammed.

Specific scams on the rise that seniors should be aware of involve identity theft and exploitation by criminals posing as a relative or businessperson as well as those purporting to concern Medicare and Medicaid,

There has not been an influx of senior scams that led Lewis to start the program, but he said those at Home Instead Senior Care have felt the need to identify the problem and put as much information as possible out to the pub-

"This is our opportunity to give back to the community," he said.

Lt. Greg Schoeph of the Ocean Pines Police Department, which watches over a little more than 4,000 residents at least 65-years-old according to the 2010 United States Census - the community's largest demographic - said senior scams are not an overwhelming problem, but there are people who fall prey of scams every once in a while.

"If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is," he said.

Hard copies of the kit will be available through the end of September, but copies would be made upon request once the program has completed.





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Pre-concussion screenings at Pines therapy center

By Nathan Brunet

Staff Writer

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BERLIN — Free balance screenings to test for concussion symptoms for children planning to participate in fall sports programs are available at Atlantic Physical Therapy off Cathell Road.

Since last week, about 100 young athletes from local schools have come in to the gym and physical therapy center to take part in the Biodex Concussion Management Program that can be used to test if an athlete is suffering a concussion.

"Researchers are finding people with concussions are having problems with their balance," said Charles Curran, physical therapist at Atlantic Physical Therapy.

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"It's like a high-tech Wii," said Curran. A screen displays a dart board-like interface that has a bull's-eye in the center.

Once with eyes opened and once with eyes closed, the person stands on a solid surface that tilts based on how weight is being distributed. A dot represents where the weight is centered, and the goal is to stay as close to the center of the bull's-eye as possible.

The process is then repeated on a foam surface that makes it harder to stay balanced.

While the initial test does not reveal concussion symptoms, subsequent tests can be performed after the athlete suffers a concussion and the statistics are put on a graph to compare to previous results. If the person shows a greater difficulty of balancing than before, it likely means he or she is still experiencing concussion symptoms.

"Before, we were looking at balance subjectively; now we can literally see it," said Curran.

According to Curran, Atlantic Physical Therapy is the only place on the Eastern Shore that utilizes this technology.

Concussions have come to the forefront of heath discussions in recent years after many retired National Football League players began to demand that the league recognize the post-career affects of repeated head injuries.

Former Baltimore Colts great John Mackie, who suffered from dementia related to multiple concussions during his playing days, was often cited as an example of what sometimes happens to re-





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"Years ago, if you got a concussion, you could just go right back in the game," Curran said.

Now, especially with children, experts emphasize that athletes take a long break from contact after having a concussion. Curran said it is easier to receive more concussions once the first one has occurred and that two concussions in a short period of time could result in longterm negative affects.

Some effects of receiving a concussion include a lack of cognitive ability and headaches, with the possibility of depression in the long-term.

Two former NFL players have died within the past two years from self-inflicted gunshot wounds to the chest, intentionally preserving the brain to be studied by neurologists. One of the men, former safety Dave Duerson, was confirmed to have suffered from a disease linked to concussions.

Each child is encouraged to take the initial test before any contact is made while participating in the sport, but the physical therapy center will accept free screenings throughout the year as long as a call is made ahead of time.

The balance device can be used to identify many other health issues, such as strokes, joint replacements and neurological disabilities.

Physical therapist David Bennett, who has been administering the children's concussion tests with Curran, said the device is meant to be used to help people of all ages.

"There is even a cool game for young children to play that helps them develop their balance," said Bennett.

To schedule an appointment for the Biodex Concussion Management Program, call Atlantic Physical Therapy at 410-208-3630.

Route 50 bridge tests August 29

OCEAN CITY — The State Highway Administration will be performing routine maintenance work on the Route 50 (Harry W. Kelley Memorial) Bridge over the Sinepuxent Bay in Ocean City on Wednesday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting. Crews will open the bridge periodically for test openings that should last no longer than those needed for an average vessel's passage.

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TAKOMA PARK, Md. – Patricia Morris Peloquin, 75, retired dental hygienist and homemaker, died peacefully in her sleep, surrounded by her three daughters, on Monday, Aug. 6, 2012, in Takoma Park, Md.

For years, she had carried a quote in her wallet stating that one should end life's journey loudly proclaiming "Wow! What a Ride!" - a sentiment seemingly at odds with her life as an organized, responsible and caring professional woman, mother, wife and neighbor. The quote reminded her to enjoy life and have fun. She loved her family and friends, loved the Maryland shore and her garden, music and dancing, and she frequently reminded her daughters to stop and smell the roses.

She also said that, when she was young, single and broke, the best way to have fun was to cook a chicken for her young, single, broke friends.

Born Patricia Irene Morris in Salisbury, to Oscar Lee Morris Jr. (editor of the Salisbury Times) and the late Alyce Irene Martino, she earned money mowing lawns and doing yard work in her neighborhood. She studied tap and ballroom dance, and as a teenager, sang and danced professionally in the Eastern Shore and in Baltimore. She was head majorette and secretary of the math club at Wicomico High, taught

dance in Salisbury, and entered beauty pageants.

She earned her certificate in dental hygiene from the University of Pennsylvania in 1956, and in the same year was chosen Cherry Blossom Princess for the state of Maryland. She practiced dental hygiene in Salisbury, in the offices of her uncle Albert Morris. Later, she worked in Baltimore, then in the Washington, D.C. area. From 1962-1963, she was president of the Maryland Dental Hygienist Association. In 1963, she married Robert Alfred Peloguin, and retired from dental hygiene to raise her family. She always felt it was important that someone be home when the children came home from school, and that the family dine together nightly at 6 p.m., with very few exceptions. Because her own mother passed away shortly before her wedding, she was especially appreciative of her mother-in-law, Gilbertha Peloquin.

Mrs. Peloquin was a founder of, and wrote the newsletter for, a neighborhood association in Upper Marlboro, Md., and helped organize a yearly Spring Fling for the Old Bay Trail community off White House Road. She was a founding member of the Largo Civic Association. She was a fierce advocate for her children's education, always active in parent-teacher associations, and frequently was a volunteer in the schools. She also enjoyed taking up a series of hobbies, from painting to ceramics to cake decorating to knitting. She sewed several special outfits for her daughters, and, in the early '70s, several brightly colored mod outfits for herself. She made sure to teach her daughters the basics of sewing; she felt all children should at least learn to fix a button or a hem

During the short time she lived near San Diego, Calif., she enjoyed beach volleyball and learning to haggle in Tijuana, Mexico. She always enjoyed gardens and gardening, from her parents' back yard, to her large vegetable garden and rose garden in her first house, to the Ocean City plantings with the wellplaced thorn bushes to prevent the "tourists" from walking through the tomatoes. She favored a lush, dynamic garden design that was once described by a small visitor as a "beautiful jungle." She was always interested in the weather forecast, and discussing the latest theories of healthy diet. Because her parents died in their 50s, she was amazed she stayed so healthy so long.

Everyone who knew her remarked on the strength and courage she showed as she nursed her husband through ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis or Lou Gherig's disease) for five years while also taking on his portion of the household chores. As her role of caregiver became physically Continued on Page 12







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Participants in this year's Paint Berlin put down their brushes long enough to snap a photo on the steps of the Atlantic Hotel in historic downtown Berlin.

Fresh artwork at 'Paint Berlin'

BERLIN — The third annual Paint Berlin, plein air event organized and hosted by the Worcester County Arts Council, was again a success. Participating artists painted within the boundaries of downtown historic Berlin and surrounding areas.

Artwork completed during the event was judged by Salisbury University professor of Fine Art and artist himself, Gary Brotman. All artwork created during the plein air event was displayed at the" Wet Paint" exhibit held on Sunday, Aug. 12 at the Atlantic Hotel.

Monetary awards were presented to the following artists: first place went to

Barbara Hager for her watercolor painting of "Burbage's Side Yard,"Brigitte Bowden placed second for the "Atlantic on Main" oil on linen and Sandra Esham won third place for "Caught in the rain," an oil painting.

Visitors to the exhibit were invited to vote for their favorite painting. Last year's winner, Christy Jones, was honored again with "People's Choice" award for her oil painting, "August".

The Paint Berlin exhibit will be on display at the Worcester County Arts Council's Gallery until the end of August. All artwork on the exhibit is available for sale.





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more demanding, she boasted about how strong her new daily workout had made her. After her husband passed away, Mrs. Peloquin took up walking 10,000 steps a day in the neighborhood to keep in shape.

One of her great joys in life was the time she spent with her family and friends in Ocean City. She chatted on the beach or on her front porch, walked for miles on the beach, served happy hour snacks to her family and friends, and arranged occasional outings to a local restaurant to watch the sunset over Assawoman Bay accompanied by the 1812 overture. She was unafraid to address rowdy young renters who were breaking Ocean City noise ordinances, to give them a chance to behave themselves before she called the cops. And she just as frequently asked the ice cream truck driver to turn down the loud music that disrupted the peace for half an hour at a time. Mrs. Peloquin was frugal, but always offered her time generously to her family and friends. She frequently helped friends trouble-shoot and repair a household problem, offered to help remove spots from carpets, and spent time with shut-ins. She frequently discovered that some parts were not strictly necessary to get small appliances working again.

Mrs. Peloquin bequeathed to her children the conviction that problems can be solved if you put your mind to it, and "keep plugging away" at it. Because she always seemed to succeed at any task she decided to set her mind to, her daughters are still amazed that she did not succeed in overcoming the lung cancer that was diagnosed in March 2012, and which took her so shortly afterwards. She is survived by her three daughters, Dr. Renee Peloquin Mattie, Michelle Peloquin Riess and Dr. Angela Peloquin Moss; her brother,

Oscar Lee (Monk) Morris III; and six grandchildren. Her husband, Robert A.

Peloguin, died in 2003. Two of her brothers, William Mack Morris and Jerry

Martino Morris, predeceased her.

A celebration of life will be held from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Sept. 6, followed by a service at noon at Georga P. Kalas Funeral Home, 6160 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill, Md. Interment will be at 2 p.m. at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 11331 Amherst Ave., Silver Spring, Md. 20902.

Gilda DeMarco

BERLIN - Gilda DeMarco, 100, died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2012, at Berlin Nursing Home. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Frank Guagliardi and Maria Giuseppe Guagliardi. She was preceded in death by her husband, Augustus DeMarco, in 1969.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Guy DeMarco, Marie DeMarco and Doreen DeMarco; great-grandchildren, Nicholas DeMarco and Gianna DeMarco; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sons, Gaetan DeMarco in 2006 and Gerard DeMarco in 2009.

Cremation followed her death. Interment will be held at a future date in Moravian Cemetery in Staton Island, N.Y. Arrangements are being handled by the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

Robert Lawrence Trachy Sr.

OCEAN PINES — Robert Lawrence Trachy Sr., 83, died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2012, at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin. Born in Franklin, N.H., he was

Trachy

He is survived

Robert Lawrence

"Larry" Trachy Jr.

sons,



Robert Lawrence Trachv Sr.

and his wife, Diane, of Mechanicsville, Va., and

Thomas George Trachy and his wife, Chrystallo, of Newark, Del.; his daughters, Nanette Meith and her husband, Michael, of Snow Hill, Tammy Wallace and her husband, Lester, of Clifton, Va., and Jeanne Mills and her husband, Allan of Ocean Pines; 11 grandchildren; a brother, Richard Trachy and his wife, Jeannette, of Rochester, Minn.; sisterin-law, Elizabeth Trachy of Tuscon, Ariz.; sisters, Doris Bouty of San Francisco and Yvette Toupin of Austin, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving is his beloved companion, Andree Bertrand of Montreal, Canada. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Bryan Wallace and by his brothers, Roger Trachy and Edward Trachy.

Mr. Trachy was a United States Army veteran. He had been a defense communications specialist working for the government. He was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Ocean Pines Kiwanis, Anglers Club, the Elks Lodge in Riverdale and the American Legion in Greenbelt, Md.

A Mass of Christian burial was offered Monday, Aug. 20, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Ocean Pines. Interment followed in Sunset Memorial Park in Berlin. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 100 W. 10th St., Suite 1002, Wilmington, Del. 19801.





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FINANCIAL ADVICE

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Think of situation before long-term investemt decision

When you think about making an investment for long-term financial security, many times you think of insur-



ance. But what type will be most beneficial to your unique situation?

There are many differences between an annuity and a life insurance contract. Originally, an annuity contract was

created to pro-

By Chip Gordy MBA, CRPC

vide the annuitant a predictable income stream for life; or if the person lived "too long" and may possibly outlive their money.

On the other hand, life insurance was created to give a beneficiary or beneficiaries a lump sum when the insured passed away; or if that person died "too young" and may not be able to provide for the beneficiary.

Which is a better form of investment? Do both of these offer insurance at the death of the insured? Which promises more security and protection? First and foremost, it's tough to say which of the two is better because both have advantages and disadvantages, so it depends on the situation. Let's take a closer look at the two:

What is an annuity? In short, it is a contract between an investor and an insurance company. The investor buys an annuity and in return, the insurance company promises to pay back the value of the annuity, in future, in several installments or a lump sum payment depending on the contract. The annuitant can even set it up to receive a steady income until death. Therefore, annuities offer a safe and steady source of investment turned into income.

Some other important features of annuities are their tax deferred status, *Continued on Page 14*

Side shops contribute to Berlin's charm

Numerous retail shops just a step off Main Street

By Nathan Brunet *Staff Writer*

BERLIN -- While many are attracted to visit the multitude of shops on Berlin's Main Street, plenty of highly regarded retail shops exist off the main road and many don't even require a great number of footsteps to reach.

Serving fresh coffee, tea, baked goods and ice cream, among other things, is the focus of Jason Hagy and his mother Peggy, owners of Berlin Coffee House on Jefferson Street.

"The Globe used to be a coffee house. Then it was sold and we realized that it was a huge market that had been eliminated. It was either us or somebody else who was going to open up a new place," said Hagy, who owned a landscaping company before going into business with his mom.

When the business opened in 2009, its operators have been adamant to keep products sold as local as possible.

Teas are served that were blended in Cambridge, Md. and the coffee is roasted in Lewis, Del, which is just a bit out of



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The Berlin Coffee House, situated on Jefferson Street, serves coffee, baked foods and more.

town, but the ice cream served at the coffee house comes from Chesapeake Bay Farms in Berlin.

Food items other than the baked goods that are made in-house include hot and cold sandwiches, such as a bean cheeseburger topped with guacamole.

The Hagy family has built a successful business and is currently considering new services and products, but nothing is set as of yet.

Barely even a block away from the coffee house is John McDonald's shop, John's Premium Cigars on Broad Street. "We have a wide variety of cigars from

around the world," McDonald said. More than 100 different types of cigars

are available at the store and come from notable tobacco growing countries such as Nicaragua and Honduras.

Customers are allowed to stay in the shop and enjoy their just-purchased cigar in a lounge filled with recliners, tables and flat screen televisions.

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Mother and daughter team of Jennifer Davis and Kathy Walsh, owners of Bustle, have organized their second town-wide bridal event in the hopes of bringing more weddings to the area.

'Say I Do' bridal expo in Berlin

By Nathan Brunet

Staff Writer

BERLIN — With the traditional summer season coming to a close, the owners of Bustle, a new bridal boutique shop on South Main Street, continue their attempt to make Berlin a year-round wedding destination with the "Say I Do" bridal expo this Wednesday.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., a section of Main Street next to the Atlantic Hotel will be blocked off while about 25 vendors from the area offer their weddingoriented goods and services.

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Numerous local vendors at Berlin bridal gathering

"These type of events

help put us on the map"

JENNIFER DAVIS

Co-Owner, Bustle

Event for grooms at Waystead Inn

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"These type of events help put us on the map," said Jennifer Davis, who coowns Bustle with her mom Kathy Walsh. Sponsored by Main Street Berlin,

many vendors will be from the downtown Berlin area. Three fashion shows will also take place throughout the day, split into separate themes: vintage, trousseau and bridal.

The vintage fashion

show begins at 11 a.m. and will be simply for fun, while displaying decades-old outfits previously worn by local women.

Both the trousseau fashion show, which starts at 1 p.m. and incorporates clothing from Bruder Hill to wear for a honeymoon, and bridal fashion show starting at 3 p.m. will show off designs that can be purchased at the expo.

For the grooms-to-be, a separate event will be held at the Waystead Inn on Harrison Avenue.



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"It's going to be a guy's afternoon for those who don't want to hang around fashion all day," said Eric Swick, innkeeper and chef at the inn.

As many as 25 men can register for the 11 a.m.-1 p.m. outing that will serve hours d'oeuvres made by Swick, cigars from John's Premium Cigars and beer from Burley Oak Brewery. To register for the Waystead Inn event, call Swick at 443-856-4755.

> Vendor registration to participate in Say I Do officially ended Saturday, but any business wishing to take part in the expo can still call Bustle at 443-513-4248. Registration costs \$125 and includes a table and

sign for advertising.

This is the second townwide event Bustle has organized to build on its goal to make the town a popular wedding destination.

In conjunction with June's 2nd Friday Art Stroll, Bustle held the Berlin Bridal Stroll as a celebration of its grand opening. Visitors to the event went to several businesses in downtown Berlin to win a wedding gift basket worth more than \$1,000.



NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Next to popular restaurant, The Globe, is John's Premium Cigars owned by John McDonald. Both Broad Street locations show what Berlin has to offer just off the Main Street drag.

Quality retail shops in Berlin don't stop after Main Street

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ated in the room that allows a customer to purchase space to store his or her cigars in a safe atmosphere. These lockers also give a 10 percent discount to whoever purchases a spot.

Once that cigar is finished, it's not hard to walk over to Bruder Hill on Commerce Street and shop for women's clothing, jewelry, and many other accessories.

Owned by Shelly Bruder, the shop sells elegant and vibrant designs.

After all that time on one side of the street, it's time to cross Main Street and relax and have some desert at Baked Dessert Cafe on Bay Street.

Co-owners and sisters Robin Tomaselli and Shelly Eppard moved their three-year-old bakery to Bay Street this year and have been busier than ever.

Both bake the all-natural foods, as no artificial flavorings are added in their drinks or breads.

"It's important to us and makes a big Continued on Page 15

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their rate of return, and the security of the investment (based on the financial strength of the insurance company).

What is a life insurance contract? It's intended to meet the needs of survivors or beneficiaries when the insured dies. From the life insurance contract, the beneficiaries receive a sum of money that hopefully will exceed the value of the premiums the paid, as well as being tax-free. The beneficiaries receive this benefit if that person insured dies during the contract period.

So, the main difference between an annuity and the life insurance contract therefore mainly lies in the difference in benefit and the timing.

While an annuity contract is intended to support the investor's future income requirements, the life insurance meets the need of the beneficiaries (although in some cases, the beneficiary may receive a death-benefit from the annuity).

Although the annuity usually pays back the total value of the investment made plus the possible gains earned, the life insurance investment returns an amount that could possibly be multiple times larger than the premiums paid.

Both types of insurance can be advantageous with useful features they offer. The annuity is popular because of the cash stream it offers, and the life insurance contract may make sense because of the potential lump sum payment at death.

As always, please make sure that you seek professional investment and tax advice before you decide to purchase insurance.

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Retail stores off Main St. sell wide variety of goods

"It's important to us

and makes a big

difference in taste"

ROBIN TOMASELLI

Co-Owner, Baked Dessert Cafe

Pitts Street.

Continued from Page 14 difference in taste," Tomaselli said.

Some of the fresh-baked foods served are cupcakes brownies, pies and bread.

Going along with the theme of staying natural, multiple beer and wines are categorized based on how environmentally friendly they are.

While business is booming, the two plan to release an all-

natural cake mix to sell at their store and other areas around town.

Easily seen from the window of Baked Desserts Cafe, are multiple stores on William Street that liven up the aesthetic

liven up the aesthetics of the town with colorful and unique exteriors.

Neighbors Bungalow Love, owned by Heather Layton, and Coconut Trading Company, owned by Leslie Carson, sells trade gifts such as handcrafted jewelry, antiques, art and furniture.

Next door, Mark Showell of Mark Showell Interiors offers numerous items for home furnishings.

Flowers from Krissy Wheaten, owner of Rainbow Florist, can also be purchased on Williams Street. Turning the corner onto adjacent Pitts Street reveals a grouping of Berlin mainstays.

Dennison's Trackside Hobbies, owned by Walt Dennison, has everything a model train hobbyist can ask for.

Couple Michael and Vera Spalt opened Flashback Fashion Gallery to bring clothing and accessories of the 1960s and 1970s back in style.

With a location already on North Main Street, owner Patricia Fischer expanded Town Center Antiques, which sells a variety of antiques and collectables, to a second location on

Another quality antique store, Stuart's Antiques, is located on the same road and is owned by Toni Stuart.

While many of Berlin's businesses that are slightly off Main Street have been named, there would never be enough time to mention all of the special services offered by Berlin's local retail stores.

For more information on any of Berlin's shops, whether they are on Main Street or not, visit www.berlinchamber.org.



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Dew Tour athletes take time to view local artwork

Punk Rock Fish Studio in Berlin gives taste of area

By Nathan Brunet

Staff Writer

BERLIN — While the past weekend's Dew Tour in Ocean City allowed residents to watch their favorite worldclass athletes compete in person, it also gave those same athletes an opportunity to meld with the local life.

On Saturday, Matt Dove, a local retired professional skateboarder and

artist, held an art show and reception at his newly relocated gallery, Punk Rock Fish Studio in Berlin that brought visits from many of the athletes who competed in the Dew Tour.

Among those

who stopped in to visit, eat and drink with residents were skateboarders Steve Caballero and Christian Hosoi.

"There's a lot of people from out of town that have never eaten a blue crab

"It's not about selling the art, but making people think"

MATTHEW DOVE

Owner, Punk Rock Fish Studio

wanted to embrace the Eastern Shore lifestyle," Dove said of the decision to stock his reception with local fare.

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"I have known a lot of these athletes for 20 years," he said. "It's awesome because they are people I never thought I



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The alternative art of former professional skateboarder and local artist Matt Dove was featured in his art studio in Berlin, where many Dew Tour athletes visited last week.

> just would meet when I was young." em- Although food from Waterman's

Seafood Company and beer from both Burley Oak Brewing Company and Evolution Craft Brewing Company was a hit with the approximately 200 people who attended, the main attraction was the studio's art. Dove refers to it as alternative art requiring a person to take a moment and analyze the concept of the piece.

"It's not about selling the art, but making people think," he said.

Unlike common art pieces that are made with paints and oils, this alternative art is part of a younger artist movement that utilizes unconventional items such as salvaged materials to create art the general public would not hang up on their walls.

Combining Dove's alternative art and the Dew Tour is not a stretch, as the art gallery operator said the two subjects, "just go together" and that the majority of skateboarders are artistically inclined.

"We're independent thinkers," Dove said. "As an artist, you have to break boundaries and express yourself through your artwork."

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams may be outside of Dove's target demographic, but he still had many positive things to say about his experience at the art show.

"It was a great mixture of people from around the country," he said.

The mayor added that the studio, which opened in Berlin three months ago, is a sign of Berlin's expansion in more ways than one.

"There was a time when a lot of space in downtown Berlin was used for



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Pierre-Luc Gagnon was among the many professional athletes to visit Berlin.

Professional athletes join locals to talk art, life, more

storage," he said. "It's nice to continue viously on Route 611, in hopes that it to see that change."

Punk Rock Fish Studio will also benefit from the town's ongoing project that will extend sidewalks down Broad Street from Main Street. Construction is expected to finish in a few weeks.

Dove is now fine-tuning all parts of his newly located gallery that was prewill be a sanctuary for young and edgy local artists.

"We want to keep it creative with the emphasis of new and alternative art." said Dove

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EDITORIAL

Leadership capabilities called into question after dispute

This week, after months of discussion, the Berlin Fire Company chose to call the town's bluff rather than to take measures to address serious violations of harassment laws by a few of its members.

Town officials, to their credit, did not flinch. Acting quickly and decisively to terminate their agreement with the BFC, they let it be known that they have both a moral and fiscal responsibility to their employees and the town's residents, who pay the hills

Evidentially the BFC has no such leadership, taking their frat house antics to the level of a street brawl. On Aug. 13 the company issued a letter to the Town, stating that BFC would immediately take over management of all personnel, effectively placing oversight in the hands of those who have allowed the behavior to continue, thus putting in motion the town's decision to cease BFC funding.

The BFC wishes to attach itself to an age-old mantra of their decision being in the best interest of public safety, which is becoming a wearisome excuse to not do the right thing. Recent national scandals should have made them learn a lesson or two, and that continued cover-up of harassment in any form by revered organizations will no longer be tolerated.

It's now time for the members of the BFC to also act quickly and decisively by dismissing both those involved in the harassment, along with the leadership that continues to condone their actions.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fire siren blaring late at night

Editor,

My family and I have been living on Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines for two years now. There is one thing that has gotten on my last nerve! Someone with the fire and rescue squad loves to hear that siren blare non-stop. I have been outside my house and not a car or person in sight, and all you hear is that siren from the time it leaves the southside department. It's been 9:30 at night or 10 at night and that siren come blaring. I can understand if there are cars in the way, or hitting it once or twice here or there, but not non-stop when no one is in sight. It has to be one or two people because it's not every time it goes by.

I understand they are on the way to help others, but does everyone need hear it?

Debbie Hickman Ocean Pines

Berlin official shares view of fire dispute

Editor,

It is with deep regret that I even have to comment on this matter. Having been a long-

time member of the Berlin Fire Company Auxiliary, serving as president and vice president and subsequently resigning, the past six months have not been easy for me. This situation has caused issues with my son as well as friends in the Berlin Fire Company.

Initially, the BFC asked the mayor and council if there was a way that the paid EMS staff could participate in state retirement benefits as well as town medical insurance. The town, historically, has always been very accommodating to the BFC and after inquiring with the state of Maryland and IRS, an agreement was drafted and presented to the BFC. This agreement was per the state of Maryland and IRS guidelines and was the only way benefits could be extended to the paid EMS staff. The EMS paid staff had to become "leased employees" of the town of Berlin. The town supervision was administrative only and the BFC provided operations supervision. At no time has the mayor and council interfered, supervised or tried to take control of the operations of the BFC.

As an elected representative for the town of Berlin, my first duty and obligation is to ensure that the residents and ratepayers not be exposed to any financial risk from what I believe are violations of federal and state law. Furthermore, it has come to my attention that less than 50 percent of municipalities in Maryland provide any funding to their local volunteer fire companies. There are only six other municipalities in the state that contribute more money to their fire companies: Annapolis, Cambridge, Cumberland, Hagerstown, Ocean City and Salisbury.

It is unfortunate and I am heartbroken over actions of a few BFC volunteers and paid EMS employees. I am confident though, that when all the facts are presented, the mayor and council will have the support of the residents and ratepayers in this decision.

Lisa Hall

Berlin Town Council

Proud to be a **Kiwanian**

Editor,

Kiwanis is just one of the many service organizations of our community doing the fine work and fundraising to support the community. Membership is the lifeblood of any club, but it has been dwindling in recent years. However, somehow

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the work, on which the community relies, gets done. It may be more difficult with fewer members, but then it is most rewarding to know we all make a difference. It must and will continue.

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City has contributed significantly to "Serving the Children of our Community" for its fiscal year, October 2011 to September 2012. Beginning with the annual \$1,200 Priority One contribution to Worcester G.O.L.D.'s Baby Pantry and ending with our \$23,500 in scholarships to high school seniors heading off to college, the club has served our children well. Support for the local schools and the Kiwanis youth service clubs within the schools amounted to \$6,400. Additionally, the club contributed another \$1,000 to communitybased youth programs - the Ocean Pines Cub Scouts, Ocean Pines Children's Theater and the McGuffey Bookworm program.

Perhaps more important than money, the club donated hundreds of volunteer hours to school art and science fairs; its direct assistance to the school Kiwanis youth service clubs — Key Club at Stephen Decatur High School, K-Kids at Buckingham Elementary and the Builders Club at Berlin Intermediate; and the sponsored Cub Scouts. The club has also played a supporting role in the community, contributing \$3,000 to community support organizations — the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department, the Ocean Pines Association's Concerts in the Park, Worcester County Interfaith Caregivers, Diakonia, Worcester G.O.L.D. Holiday Families, Coastal Hospice, and the Appalachian Service Project — plus hundreds of volunteer hours toward nursing home bingo, companion dolls for patients, the blood drives, the senior chores program, and the OPA approved official house address signs and other endeavors.

So, how does all of this get done? Simple, through volunteer hours and dedication to hard work on fundraisers. All of the fundraising depends on the hard work during the three annual pancake breakfasts, the annual Italian and German dinners, numerous hot dog sales at Ocean Pines events, Boardwalk raffles, the Duck Race and weekly donations at meetings to Priority One. Of course, it's not all hard work; there is the satisfaction of working together to get these results, plus the evening dinner meetings in the winter, the weekly morning meetings, and the occasional outings like the magic show in Millville and the Shorebirds ball game.

So, here comes 2012-2013. The club and community need Kiwanis to do it again. It takes the membership and family, friends and neighbors to support the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City. Join with the Kiwanis team and consider becoming a Kiwanian to continue these services for the 2012-2013 program year. Thank you to all for the continuing support.

Dave Landis and Mark Page Public Relations co-chairmen Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City

Breast cancer benefit held at Hooters Aug. 29

Kickoff breakfast prepares people for October run

WEST OCEAN CITY — On Wednesday, Aug. 29, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer organizers will hold a kickoff breakfast from 8-9 a.m. at Hooters Restaurant on Route 50 in West Ocean City.

The breakfast will feature highlights from last year's inaugural "Making Strides" event and will offer teams the opportunity to pick up registration packets for this year's walk. Guests should RSVP for the breakfast by calling Chris Butler at 410-726-4370 or stridesoceancity@gmail.com.

The second annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk will be held Saturday, Oct. 20, at the inlet in Ocean City. The 5K run and walk will take place along the Boardwalk. Registration will start at 7:30 a.m. and the walk will kick off at 9 a.m. with a group warm-up. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.

"The main focus of Making

Strides Against Breast Cancer is to bring awareness to the community about breast cancer and for people of all ages to come together to work to eliminate the disease," said Beverly Furst, chairwoman and organizer of the local event. Furst has assembled a team of like-minded women in the community who all share her passion for defeating the disease.

Anyone who has been affected by cancer is encouraged to join in the walk as an individual or to become part of a team. For more information or to register, visit www.stridesoceancity.org; contact Laura Martin at the American Cancer Society at 410-749-1624 or laura.martin@cancer.org; or plan to attend the kickoff breakfast.

The Ocean City Making Strides For Breast Cancer 5K Run/Walk is part of the Pink Ribbon Classic series of events, which was started in 1996 by Nancy Dofflemyer as a golf tournament to benefit the American Cancer Society. The Classic grew to include a tennis tournament and card party and later added additional events such as the walk. This will be the 16th year for the Pink Ribbon Classic.

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SNAPSHOTS



ANGLERS GET HOOKED ON BRAIN TEASERS

NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Members of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association and Ocean Pines Anglers Club solve brain teasers at the clubs' shared picnic held Saturday at White Horse Park. Pictured are club members, from left, Gail Walukonis, Antonio Russo, Lucy and Walt Boge, Judy Vardy, John McFalls and Bill Walukonis.



SALTWATER SPORTFISHING PICNIC PRIZES

NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Picnic-goers of the combined Maryland Sportsfishing Association and Ocean Pines Angler Club picnic at White Horse Park on Saturday look over the prize table where contest winners could select their choice of fishing-oriented items.



FAMILY BONDING SOARS AT OCEAN PINES KITE DAY NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE Rob and Kyley Kaplan test out their cusom-crafted kite at the innogural Ocean Pines Kite Day Saturday at South Gate Pond.



OCEAN PINES KITE DAY CRAFTS NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE After flying some kites around South Gate Pond Sunday during Ocean Pines Kite Day, from left, Emilia, Kellie, Elizabeth, Katie, Leann and Sandro take a break at the arts and crafts section.



OCEAN PINES LETS THE DOGS OUT NATHAN BRUNET/BAYSIDE GAZETTE OPA General Manager Bob Thompson cuts the ribbon during the Ocean Pines Dog Park opening day celebration at Manklin Meadows last Wednesday.



LOCAL ARTIST FEATURED

PHOTO COURTESY MARK HUEY PHOTOGRAPHY

Area painter and sculptor, Randy Hofman, was featured sandsculpting front and center, among sponsor and vendor booths this past weekend, as part of the Dew Tour Experience.

Bus trip to DC Book Festival

OCEAN PINES — The Friends of the Ocean Pines Library will sponsor a bus to the National Book Festival in Washington, D.C., on Saturday, Sept. 22. The bus will leave the Ocean Pines library at 7 a.m. and will return around 8:30 p.m. There will be a short rest stop in Easton in the morning, and a stop for fast food near Annapolis on the return trip.

The National Book Festival is held each year in September on the mall in Washington. Well-known and renowned writers speak about every 45 minutes about their writing, their lives and their latest books. There are many large tents on the mall, with each one having a topic such as fiction, history and biography, mystery, children's literature and poetry. Participants plot out a plan and go from tent to tent, depending upon which authors they want to hear.

The cost for the trip is \$35 per person. Checks should be made payable to Friends of the Ocean Pines Library and sent to Mary Stevens, 122 Central Parke East, Ocean Pines, Md. 21811. The deadline for reservations is Saturday, Sept. 8.

For more information, call 410-641-7946.



Free Basic Computer Sessions for, but not limited to, senior citizens and those seeking computer skills for job opportunities are being offered by Coastal Sanctuary Church Education & Empowerment Center, 10550 Friendship Road, Unit A, Berlin.

Three one-and-a-half-hour class sessions will be held for 12 consecutive weeks beginning Sept. 11.

Class times will be noon, 2 p.m. and

4 p.m. Training will include Introduction to Computer Basics, Windows Operating System, Microsoft Word, the Internet, Computer Graphics and how to make computer generated graphics for T-shirt press

Registration is required. Call to register (leave name and contact phone number.) for either of the class session time slots at 410-208-1582. Limited space available, so register early.



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ONGOING EVENTS

SOUARE DANCING

Wednesdays

Ocean Pines Community Center, 7:15-9:15 p.m. All are welcome. Also lessons for beginning dancers will be starting in mid sept. Two first nighters are planned for Sept. 12th and 19th. The first nighters are free of charge and give interested people a taste of what square dancing is all about. For more info call 410-208-6777.

SHEPHERD'S NOOK THRIFT SHOP

Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays Shepherd's Nook Thrift Shop open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Community Church, Rt. 589, Racetrack Road, Ocean Pines. Acccepting donations of gently worn clothes and small househould items.

PINE'EER CRAFT & GIFT SHOP

Saturdays and Sundays Pineeer Craft and Gift shop open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. White Horse Park, Ocean Pines. Handcrafted items created by members.

EARLY BIRDS

Every Thursday

The Early Birds, 7:30 a.m. TC Diner, West Ocean City. Free. Reservations required, 410-600-5320.

BUILDING MATERIALS SALE

Every first & third Saturday Habitat for Humanity, 310 E. Market St., Snow Hill, 8 a.m. to noon. Building materials, appliances, doors, windows, cabinets, vanities, fixtures, furniture and more. Selection and prices vary depending on inventory. Proceeds fund the Flower Street, Berlin house construction.

STORYTIME

Tuesdays: Berlin library Wednesdays: OC library Thursdays: OP library 10:30 a.m. Stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. A different theme each week. For ages 2-5.

KIWANIS CLUB

Wednesdavs

Meeting 7:45 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Hall, except for third Wednesday which meets at The Woodlands in Ocean Pines. Meting at 5:30 p.m., dinner at

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6 p.m. For more info: 410-641-7330.

DELMARVA CHORUS Mondays

The Delmarva Chorus under the direction of Carol Ludwig meets 7-9 p.m.at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Women interested in learning and singing in a barbershop format are welcome. For more information call 410-208-4171.

SALTWATER SPORTFISHERS

Atlantic Coast Chapter of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association meets on the fourth Tuesday of the every month except for July, August and December at the Ocean City Lions Club, Airport Road, West Ocean City, 7:30 p.m.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

Democratic Women of Worcester County meets 9:30 a.m. for coffee followed by a meeting at 10 a.m., the third Monday of the month at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Guests and new members welcome.

SHRINE CLUB

The Ocean City Shrine Club holds regular monthly dinner meeting the last Friday of every month except June and December at the Elks Hall, second floor, at 137th Street and Sinepuxent Drive. Information: Bud, 410-208-6951.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturdays

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, includes coffee and juice. Bloody Marys cost \$3. Info: 410-524-8196.

SANCTIONED BRIDGE

Mondays: noon

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. Weekly open duplicate Bridge games. Ocean Pines Community Center. Cost is \$5, special games \$6. 1 p.m. on the third Sunday of every month is Swiss Teams. Partners guaranteed. Info: Felicia Daly, 410-208-1272, Pat Kanz, 410-641-8071.

BINGO

Fridays Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. Info: 410-524-7994.

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BEACH SINGLES Thursdays

Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Clarion Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway in Ocean City, 4-7 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or www.beachsingles.org.

BERLIN FARMERS' MARKET

Wednesdays, 2-6 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. On the corner of West and Main streets. Fresh produce, eggs, garden plants, fresh cut flowers, seafood, meat and breads.

TACO NIGHT

Thursdays VFW Post 8296, 66th Street, Ocean City. Benefits veterans. Three tacos and a Corona plus dessert, \$8 per person.

BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus #9053, every second and fourth Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon \$8 per person, half price for 12 and younger. 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, rear St. Luke's Church. Info: 410-524-7994.

SI BOC

Group meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Woodlands in South Ocean Pines 6 p.m. dinner social time meeting begins 6:30 p.m. Info: President Marty Cropper, 410-213-1592.

LIFE AFTER LOSS

Non-denominational support group will meet 11 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at The Community Church at Ocean Pines, room 38 in the Thomas McKelvey Family Life Center. Info: 410-641-5433.

AARP

Ocean City AARP Chapter 1917 meets at the Elks Lodge, 138th Street and Sinexpuent Avenue, 9:30 a.m., on the second Thursday of the month (January, June, October and November).

SWEET ADELINES

Mondays The Delmarva Sweet Adeline Chorus, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, 7-9 p.m., at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, White Horse Park. Women interested in learning and singing in a barbershop format are welcome. Info: 410-208-4171.

SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

Meets the third Wednesday of every month 6 p.m. at the Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin (adjacent to Atlantic General Hospital). Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Hosted by a survivor and a licensed social worker. Free of charge. Info: 410-629-0164 or www.jessespaddle.org

WEEKLY SALE

Fridays Stevenson United Methodist Church

Thrift Shop, 5 Stevenson Lane, Berlin, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

OCEAN PINES PLANT CLINIC Tuesdays

Ocean Pines library, lobby, 11107 Cathell Road, every Tuesday, 1-4 p.m., May 1 through Sept. 25. Got plant problems or bugs? Take bagged samples by and let the expert Master Gardeners find solutions to your questions. Info: Penny McGrath, 410-641-5570 or plantladyop@aol.com

THURSDAY, AUG. 23

SUNSET PARTY NIGHTS Sunset Park at South Division Street,

bayside, Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Admission to the park is free, while beverages, including beer, are available for purchase. Entertainment provided by Rob Fahey and the Pieces (rock). Take own seating. Info: 800-626-2326, 410-250-0125 or http://oceancitymd.gov/Recreation_and_Parks/specialevents.html.

MOVIES ON THE BEACH

Princess Royale, beach at 91st Street, 8:30 p.m., weather permitting. Take a blanket and enjoy a free, general audience movie featuring "The Adventures of Tintin." Info: 410-250-0125 or www.ococean.com.

OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK

Headquarters: 14th Street and Boardwalk, Aug. 23-26. Info: www.oceancityjeepweek.com or Larry Sackadorf, sack@oceancityjeepweek.com.

BINGO

American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Õpen to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

FRIDAY, AUG. 24

OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK Presented by Commander Hotel, 14th Street and the Boardwalk, through Aug. 26. Schedule of events: www.oceancityjeepweek.com. Info: Larry Sackadorf, sack@oceancityjeepweek.com.

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KIWANIS DUCK RACE

Frontier Town pool, 8430 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 6 p.m. Chances cost \$5 per duck entry. First prize is \$1,000, second \$300 and third \$200, plus more non-cash prizes. Picnic before the race at 5 p.m. for \$8.50 per person. Info: 410-208-0479. Proceeds benefit scholarship program.

UPTOWN BEACH BASH: PADDLEBOARD REGATTA

BJ's on the Water, 75th Street, Ocean City. Team races, free lessons and clinics for beginners. Decorate a paddleboard for a chance to win prizes for the most creative. Pre-registration available for Saturday's Guinness Book of World Records Bikini Parade. Proceeds benefit local charities: Diakonia, Relay for Life and Surfrider Foundation. Register: www.uptownbeachbash.com; Facebook at the official page Ocean City, MD Uptown Beach Bash; or Brad Hoffman, braddhoffman@yahoo.com.

'FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS' PERFORMANCE

Wor-Wic Community College, Guerrieri Hall, 32000 Campus Drive, Salisbury, 8 p.m. In this comedy five bridesmaids come to realize, among other things, that they, despite their differences, have more in common with each other than any of them do with the bride. The show includes adult themes not appropriate for those under 16. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased in the college book store, 410-334-2802 or at Avery Hall Insurance, 410-742-5111. Proceeds benefit Relay for Life.

SATURDAY, AUG. 25

OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK

Presented by Commander Hotel, 14th Street and the Boardwalk, through Aug. 26. Schedule of events: www.oceancityjeepweek.com. Info: Larry Sackadorf, sack@oceancityjeepweek.com.

ROCK AND ROLL FOR ALZHEIMER'S

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 7-11 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Listen to four hours of '50s/'60s Rock n' Roll music and dance for a worthy cause. Entertainment provided by National Recording Artist Daryl Davis; Bobby Berger and his Going Back Band; and a Buddy Holly tribute show. Ticket donations of \$49 includes burgers, dogs, beach fries, salads, desserts, munchies, beer and non-alcohol beverages. There will be three cash bars, two food stations, silent auction, gaming wheels, classic

cars, 50/50 drawing and Old Thyme Photo Booth. Attire is business casual or sock hop fashion. Tickets available at the Convention Center Box Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Info: www.rocknrollcharities.com; johnlwood2@aol.com, 410-733-6653; billkelly419@hotmail.com, 302-381-7110; and rkb9277@yahoo.com, 410-591-0058. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

OC SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Northside Park, 200 125th St., in Ocean City. Facility usage: Ball fields 1, 2 and 3. Info: 410-250-0125.

UPTOWN BEACH BASH: GUIN-NESS BOOK OF WORLD **RECORDS BIKINI PARADE**

Princess Royale, 9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, noon. All moms, daughters, teens, sisters, aunts, friends and family invited to partake in this free event. First 451 registered females will receive a free beach bag. Parade begins at 3 p.m. on the beach in front of the Princess Royale on 94th Street and proceeds to Carousel Resort on 118th Street. Until 6 p.m., the Carousel Resort will host an after-party celebration. Following the after party, The Blue Ox on 126th Street will host a luau, 7 p.m. to close, featuring live music, food and drink specials, awards and a closing ceremony. Register: www.uptownbeachbash.com; Facebook at the official page Ocean City, MD Uptown Beach Bash; or Brad Hoffman, braddhoffman@yahoo.com.

OCEAN PINES BOAT CLUB CRAB FEAST

Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 3 p.m. Members and their guests. Reservations: the Marchesiellos, 410-208-6933.

KEENWICK SOUND FAIR, **CRAFT SALE**

Keenwick Sound clubhouse, West Fenwick, Del. (just off Route 54, across from Food Lion), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Crafters, raffle, yard sale tables, plants, books, bake sale, children's games and face painting. Free blood pressure screenings. Fire truck, ambulance and simulated house fire. Serving crabcakes, pork barbecue, hot dogs, sodas and other refreshments. Rain date is Aug. 26. Info: 302-436-1760.

INDOOR YARDSALE FUNDRAISER

Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company Headquarters, second floor, 15th Street, Ocean City, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine. Table rentals cost \$10. Also accepting gently used items for Ladies Auxiliary table. Hot dogs, baked goods and other refreshments offered. Benefits OCFVC ladies auxiliary and

OCFVC cadet program. Table rentals: Denise, 443-359-2014. Ladies Auxiliary Cook Books available.

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, includes coffee and juice. Bloody Marys cost \$3. Info: 410-524-8196.

GUIDED DOCENT TOURS

Historic St. Martin's, 11413 Old Worcester Highway, Showell, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Open to the public. No charge for admission. Info: 410-430-2142.

FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS' PERFORMANCE

Wor-Wic Community College, Guerrieri Hall, 32000 Campus Drive, Salisbury, 8 p.m. In this comedy five bridesmaids come to realize, among other things, that they, despite their differences, have more in common with each other than any of them do with the bride. The show includes adult themes not appropriate for those under 16. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased in the college book store, 410-334-2802 or at Avery Hall Insurance, 410-742-5111. Proceeds benefit Relay for Life.

SUNDAY, AUG. 26

SUNDAES IN THE PARK

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Free concert by Mary Lou and the Untouchables (classic rock). Children's entertainment featuring Maryland DNR Scales & Tales. Create your own ice cream for a small fee. Take a chair or blanket. Info: 800-626-2326 or

http://town.oceancity.mmd.us/sep.html.

OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK

Presented by Commander Hotel, 14th Street and the Boardwalk, through Aug. 26. Schedule of events: www.oceancityjeepweek.com. Info: Larry Sackadorf, sack@oceancityjeepweek.com.

OC SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Northside Park, 200 125th St., in Ocean City. Facility usage: Ball fields 1, 2 and 3. Info: 410-250-0125.

RED CROSS DAY AT JOLLY ROGER

Jolly Roger Amusement Park, Ocean City. Tickets cost \$27.50 and may be purchased by contacting John Culp at John.Culp@redcross.org or 410-749-5331. Tickets include unlimited use of Splash Mountain and unlimited golf (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), unlimited amusement rides (2-6 p.m., some restrictions apply), an activity area with water basketball and volleyball, two food stands, two ice

cream gazebos, a sun deck with lounge chairs, and full bath and locker room facilities. A \$60 value. Proceeds benefit the American Red Cross.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City, 9 a.m. to noon. With coffee and juice. Cost is \$8 for adults, children 11 years and younger eat at half price. Info: 410-524-7994.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, 8 a.m. to noon. Menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits with sausage gravy, orange Juice and coffee. Cost is \$6. Also a bake sale beginning at 9 a.m. Benefits the Stephen Ministry Team. Info: Larry Walton, 443-831-1791.

UPTOWN BEACH BASH: LOCAL PALOOZA

Northside Park, 200 125th St., in Ocean City, noon to 9 p.m. "Ocean Art" show with some of the areas top artists showing their ocean, beach, surf and skate art, as well as entertainment by 10 of Ocean City's top bands, including Electric Company, Aaron Howell, Full Circle, Brian Russo, Monkee Paw, Blake Haley, Hot Sauce Sandwich and Mary Lou and the Untouchables. The Monster Energy BMX team will also perform. Take a chair or blanket. Event is free. Proceeds benefit local charities: Diakonia, Relay for Life and Surfrider Foundation. Register: www.uptownbeachbash.com; Facebook at the official page Ocean City, MD Uptown Beach Bash; or Brad Hoffman, braddhoffman@yahoo.com.

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin. Guest speaker is Ragghi Calentine, cochair of Committee on Native American Ministries for the Peninsula-Delaware Conference of the United Methodist Church. Also, Tom and Donna Clark will be performing steel drum music. Info: 410-641-2186.

ANNUAL PICNIC

Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, noon to 3 p.m., rain or shine. Inside and outside seating. Info: 410-641-4311 or www.Temple-BatYam-OC.org.

MONDAY, AUG. 27

HAND DANCING House of Welsh, 1106 Coastal Highway, Fenwick, Del. Free lessons from 6-7



Continued from Page 27 p.m., open dancing 7-10 p.m. No cover charge. Info: DC Hand Dance Club, 302-541-0728.

TUESDAY, AUG. 28

CRAB NIGHT

Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) every Tuesday, 5-7 p.m. Steamed crabs, steamed shrimp, corn on the cob, homemade crab soup, fried flounder, broiled or fried crab cakes, fried oyster, fried shrimp, French fries, deviled egg with crab meat and hot dogs. Cash bar. Preorders taken 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, 410-524-7994.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29

MOVIES ON THE BEACH

Carousel Resort Hotel and Condominiums, 118th Street and oceanfront in Ocean City, 8:30 p.m. Take a blanket and enjoy a free, general audience movie featuring "Zoo Keeper." Info: www.ococean.com/events.

CONCERT ON THE BEACH

Ocean City beach at North Division Street, 8 p.m. Featuring Front Page News (classic rock). Take a blanket or chair. Info: 800-626-2326.

DELMARVA HAND DANCING CLUB

Meets every Wednesday at Skyline Bar & Grille at The Fenwick Inn, 138th Street and Coastal Highway in Ocean City. Beginner and intermediate lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by dancing until 9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina beach music. All are welcome. Discounted food and drink prices. Info: www.delmarvahanddancing.com,

info@delmarvahanddancing.com or 302-934-7951.

SIMPLE SUPPER

Held the last Wednesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City, 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 11 and younger. Reservations: 410-524-7994.

BINGO

Every Wednesday at Ocean City Elks Lodge 2645, 138th Street across from Fenwick Inn. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start 6:30 p.m. A \$1,000 jackpot available, food, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. No one under 18 years allowed in the hall during bingo. Info: 410-250-2645.

MAKES STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER TEAM'S **KICKOFF BREAKFAST**

Hooters Restaurant, 12513 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, 8-9 a.m. Breakfast will offer teams an opportunity to pick up registration packets for this year's event. RSVP: Chris Butler, 410-726-4370 or

stridesoceancity@gmail.com.

THURSDAY, AUG. 30

SUNSET PARTY NIGHTS

Sunset Park at South Division Street, bayside, Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Admission to the park is free; beverages, including beer, are available for purchase.

Entertainment provided by Poole and the Gang (acoustic guitar). Take own seating. Info: 800-626-2326, 410-250-0125 or http://oceancitymd.gov/Recreation_and_Parks/specialevents.html.

MOVIES ON THE BEACH

Princess Royale, beach at 91st Street, 8:30 p.m., weather permitting. Take a blanket and enjoy a free, general audience movie featuring "Hugo." Info: 410-250-0125 or http://ococean.com.

BEACH SINGLES

Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Clarion Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway in Ocean City, 4-7 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or www.beachsingles.org.

BINGO

American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

Md. public schools officially open next week

Schools in session before September second year in row

BALTIMORE — Maryland public schools begin opening next week, as more than one million students prepare to start the 2012-2013 school year.

All Maryland school systems will be in session before September for the second consecutive year. The first to open were Prince George's County Public Schools, which welcomed students Aug. 20. The SEED School of Maryland, the statewide public residential school, was also scheduled to start that day.

Worcester County Public Schools, like most Maryland counties, will open Monday, Aug. 27. By the time all the state's schools have opened their doors, more than 850,000 students in kindergarten through 12th grade will fill classrooms and another 250,000 children will be involved in some form of prekindergarten, Head Start or licensed childcare program.

The county's private schools - Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School near Ocean Pines, Seaside Christian Academy in West Ocean City and Worcester Preparatory School in Berlin — will open Aug. 27, Sept. 4 and Sept. 5, respectively.

Maryland's highly regarded public school system, ranked first in the nation for the fourth consecutive year by the leading education newspaper, is continuing to move forward under the direction of new state superintendent Lillian M. Lowery. The state's system is entering the third year of its \$250 million Race to the Top program, which is remaking Maryland classrooms by strengthening educational standards, building a new technology infrastructure, improving teacher and principal preparation and evaluation and providing support to low-performing schools.

Our state is committed to supporting innovative education programs for all schools, making absolutely certain there are improved classrooms in every neighborhood," Lowery said. "We are working to strengthen instruction and boost rigor for our students. Maryland schools are looking forward to another safe, productive, and exciting year."

Enrollment in Maryland public schools has been on a steady rise for the past three years. After reaching a high point of 869,113 students in 2004, enrollment fell to 843,861 by 2009. Since then it has rebounded, reaching 854,086 students last school year, the state's highest enrollment level since 2007.

In Worcester County, where there are five elementary schools, one intermediate school, three middle schools,

one special school, three high schools and one career and technology high school, the public school population is 6,693 students.

The state's student population also has experienced major changes over the past decade. Maryland has been a majority-minority state for several years. White students represent 42 percent of the student population, followed by African-American students, who make up nearly 35 percent of the student population. Both the white and African-American student populations have been in decline in recent years. Hispanic students represent 12 percent of the student body, while Asian students account for nearly 6 percent. Both percentages are on the rise. Also increasing is the percentage of students identifying themselves as two or more races. This accounts for nearly 4 percent of Maryland students.

In Worcester County, 71 percent of the student population is white, while 22.84 percent of the students are African-American. The remaining 3.78, 1.81 and .57 percent of students are His-Asian and Americanpanic, Indian/Alaskan, respectively.

Also increasing in the state's schools is the percentage of students coming from circumstances of poverty. Last year, 43 percent of Maryland students were eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Ten years earlier, that tally stood

at 29.7 percent, nearly a 50 percent increase over the decade.

In Worcester, 39 percent students live in households at or below poverty and are eligible for free and reducedprice meals. The state average is 38 percent.

For more information about Worcester County Public Schools, visit www.worcesterk12.com.

Registration for fall classes at Wor-Wic begins

SALISBURY - The student services office at Wor-Wic Community College is offering extended hours for fall credit registration, now through Sept. 4. Admissions, registration and financial aid services are available Monday and

Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information or a credit class schedule, visit www.worwic.edu or call 410-334-2800.



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MEDIUM - 81

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.

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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I don't know what's wrong with me. I recall random movie quotes or lines from books and plays at the strangest of times; almost all of the time. I guess that makes my life a touch strange.



touch strange. Maybe I see the relevance of such quotation while I regurgitate, always seeming to find such aforementioned quotes to be a propos; whether they are or not is often subject to review and opinion.

By Paul Suplee, CEC PCIII

Shakespeare is oft heard from my mouth and inked

from my pen. I am no scholar but the Shakespearean Literature courses I endured in college still remain among my favorites.

At other times I might be reminiscing Emerson or Bukowski (as diametrically opposed as lamb chops and vegans) recalled from previous readings.

Now, for no particular reason, I find myself remembering Steven Spielberg's Amazing Stories, a short series from the 1980's.

In one shockingly poignant albeit inane short entitled Hell Toupee, the antagonist is a rather annoying murderous hairpiece. Our faithful protagonist is an ultra-nerdy lawyer who at one point of an uber-frenetic caffeinated panic attack speaks off-topic, spouting with great fortitude "I will not rest until I find a less embarrassing name for the penal system."

I cannot tell you how formative this simple phrase has been throughout my life. I have used it as retorts in important arguments and debates. It has found its way into more than one college paper, and I even used it in a breakup; one of the funnier uses I might add.

It has served as an ice breaker, and I even used it as a pickup line. In fact, it's how I met my wife.

Again, the previous statement is subject to review.

Given my druthers, I would forget such irritating cranial activity but that is never going to happen. It is just one more thing that makes me, me.

And being me can be a tough thing for a wonderful woman such as my wife to handle. But she does an amazing job. When it comes to the family budget, she's the genius. For a serious answer to an important question, the smarter among you would consult Julie and avoid all contact with yours truly.

And when all is said and done, it becomes my duty to cook her something delicious, nutritious and fun to ease the pain of having to explain the things I write.



Salmon and Hummus on Lavash Crackers

3 oz. salmon per person (recipe follows)

Greens and light dressing, as needed Lavash Crackers (recipe follows) Hummus (lavash crackers)

Capers as garnish

1. Once your mise en place is set, this is a simple salad/appetizer to assemble (you may decide on your own whether it's a salad or an appetizer)

2. Place 3 ounces of hummus on the plate

3. Top with two lavash crackers

4. Top with a small greens salad tossed in a dressing of your choice

5. Top with the grilled salmon and garnish with capers

Hummus

- 1 can Chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 2 cloves fresh garlic
- 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire Sauce
- 2 Tbsp. Tahini (Sesame Paste)
- Dash Srirachi hot sauce

Juice of 1/2 fresh lemon, more if preferred

Extra Virgin Olive Oil as needed

Salt & Black pepper as needed Italian Parsley, chopped, as needed optional - Roasted Red Pepper Strips

1. Place the chickpeas, garlic, Worcestershire, Tahini, Srirachi, and lemon juice in a food processor and process, scraping the bowl every now and then

2. When the mixture is well chopped add the oil in a steady stream while processor is on full blast

3. Make sure that you do not add to much oil. You want this to resemble a quasi-peanut butter consistency

4. Taste and adjust to your preference and add any particulates that you wish; these could include roasted red peppers, capers, fresh herbs et al

Grilled Salmon

3 oz. Salmon per serving to make 1 cup of marinade: 1/2 c. EV Olive Oil Cracked black pepper Kosher salt Smoked paprika Red pepper flakes Fresh lemon juice Lemon zest (use a Microplane) Cumin Coriander

1. I would be remiss if I did not inform you that you need to vary the amounts of spices and flavorings to your own taste. For most marinades, just think 3 parts oil to 1 part acid. Then, just go from there

2. Combine the ingredients and toss the salmon and allow to rest for at least thirty minutes

3. Heat a grill and grill the salmon until it is crisp on the first side. It will be almost cooked through as you turn it so you can just cook it for thirty seconds and be on your way

4. Serve warm or chilled, whichever you prefer

5. Plate the hummus and top with lavash (flatbread) crackers or tortillas grilled into crackers (recipe follows)

Flatbread Crackers

Lavash (enough to make 2 crackers per serving)

Marinade from salmon

1. Lightly brush the lavash crackers with some of the marinade

2. Grill until starting to crisp on the first side

3. Turn and continue to cook until the moisture is almost gone. These are great when there is just the slightest touch of chewiness in the center!

4. Allow to cool and serve as desired

Paul Suplee is Assistant Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. He lives in Ocean Pines with his wife and four children, and sidelines as a mercenary chef, food writer and photographer.



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