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Berlin Fire Company units were among the first to respond to a broken gas main on William Street in Berlin, Saturday. Units from the Ocean Pines and Showell fire companies assisted. Ten people were evacuated from their homes for several hours. No injuries were reported.

No injuries in Berlin gas main break

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) A gas line break in Berlin caused about 10 people to be evacuated from their homes for several hours on Saturday. No injuries were reported.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said Monday crews were working on a scheduled repair of water lines. Fifty notices were mailed in advance to residents around Williams Street and Franklin Avenue.

Before doing that kind of work, the town will request that utility companies survey the area and mark where their lines are buried, Allen said.

"It was an unmarked gas line [that

was] struck relatively early in the morning," Allen said. "Nobody was injured, which is always huge on our mind, and the crew called the police department and fire company very quickly and got an immediate response.'

Berlin Fire Company posted on Facebook at about 9 a.m. Saturday that units from Berlin, Ocean Pines and Showell were part of the response.

"I got a phone call a little bit before 8 [a.m.] and went to the scene. We asked the residents of 10 homes to evacuate and they did," Allen said. "Some people just decided to go to the beach or get breakfast – others

decide to wait and see how the whole thing unfolded."

The town set up a tented area away from the gas leak and bought water, coffee and donuts for those who stayed.

Once we knew everybody was safe and uninjured, part of our concern was to make the folks who were asked to evacuate as comfortable as possible while they waited to be allowed back in their homes," Allen said.

Ashley Boucher, corporate communications generalist with Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, emailed a statement about the incident on Tuesday.

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By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) The new Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors is scheduled to meet for the first time tomorrow

(Friday) to select its president, vice president, secretary and treasurer for the year ahead.

It will be the first official meeting since the Aug. 12 annual meeting that saw the election of Doug Parks and Dr. Colette Horn.

Parks had served for one year as an appointed director and Horn, a psychologist, is a political newcomer in the Pines. Both will serve three-year terms and join directors Brett Hill, Tom Herrick, Chervl Jacobs, Pat Supik

Dr. Colette Horn

Doug Parks

and Slobodan Trendic. The Gazette contacted all seven directors to ask if they had any favorites for the officer roles.

"I have no desire to seek any of the officer positions and if nominated I will respectfully decline. I shared this with [a] few of my colleagues over the past months, Trendic said, adding he would "support and also welcome our lady colleagues in more prominent officer roles."

Trendic added that Parks would run the meeting as the acting board president.

Parks was named board vice president last month when Herrick resigned as president and Dave Stevens assumed that role. Stevens' term officially ended on Aug. 12.

Parks confirmed he was taking on the role of acting president and said he was considering accepting a permanent appointment.

"Speaking for myself, I would be remiss if I didn't note that I have been asked by board colleagues and OPA membership to consider a leadership position," he said. "I have had a number of discussions and am in the process of weighing the pros and cons of filling an officer position on the board if nominated."

No other board members responded as of press time.

The meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the Assateague Room of the community center on 235 Ocean Parkway.



By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) The numbers were bad in June, but they were even worse in July.

Ocean Pines Association released its July monthly financial report Tuesday, showing an overall variance of \$225,819 less than what was budgeted.

Revenues for the month missed the budget by \$114,102 and expenses were over budget by \$81,362. New capital was \$30,355 more than what was budgeted.

The June numbers were only slightly better, over budget overall by \$185,449.

By comparison, last July the variance was a positive \$51,972.

This year, to date, Ocean Pines is over budget by \$534,209. Revenues are down \$379,734, expenses are \$100,783 over budget and new capital is over by \$53,692.

At the same time last year, Ocean

Pines had a negative year-to-date variance of \$22,803.

Two major areas of concern, both of which are traditionally profitable in July, continue to perform poorly. The beach club was off budget by \$116,968 in July and the yacht club was off by \$52,202.

"General admin" was off \$58,777 in July and finance was off \$16,037.

To view the full report, visit www.oceanpines.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/July-Financials.pdf.





By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) Berlin Main Street lost one of its mainstays when Brady, an affable golden retriever that spent a good portion of his life greeting people on the sidewalk outside of Williams TV Repair, died last Tuesday.

His owner, Grant Williams, set up a slide show of photos of Brady on a TV in the store window with the caption, "Brady, 2/28/02 to 8/15/17."

The dog, known for his fluffy, mahogany coat and friendly demeanor, was bought from a breeder in Princess Anne.

"We were fortunate enough to get him not long after our first golden had passed and we enjoyed him for 15 and a half years and went on plenty of walks here through town," Williams said on Monday.

Brady first took to lying on the sidewalk outside the shop in 2003 and, for more than a decade, could be found there almost every weekday as his owner worked inside.

"People would come back year after year to make sure he was still around. For 13 or 14 years, he was a fixture out there on the sidewalk," Williams said. "People would say hello, and some of them were concerned there was no water in his bowl."

Williams, for the record, kept a water dish for Brady just inside the shop.

"He enjoyed attention and [the sidewalk] was just some place comfortable," Williams said. "People would always ask, 'How do you get him to stay on the sidewalk?' and 'why doesn't he go out in the road?' Well, dad's not out in the road and I taught him to stay in between the two light poles at the edges of our property.

"I think my wife, Linda, and I were fortunate enough to get a dog that was intelligent and was easy to train and listened well," he added.

Brady suffered from arthritis in several of his joints during the last few years of his life. For much of this year, because of his declining health, he often stayed at home.

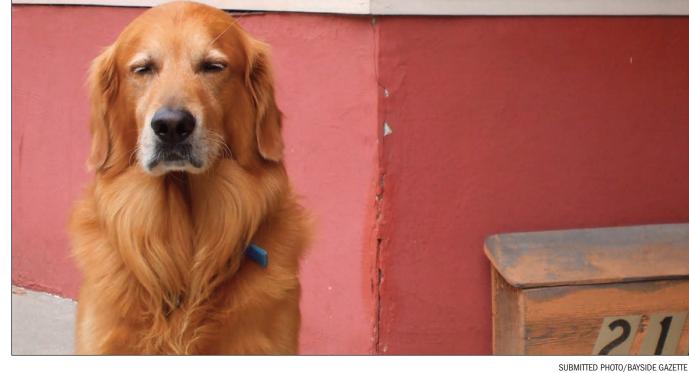
"Age just caught up with him and things started to shut down," Williams said. "He had a little bit of a heart problem and his kidneys and liver were failing. It was just time."

Williams said many people stopped in the store to express their condolences during the last week.

"They say they miss him," he said, with tears in his eyes. "A lot of folks in town remember him."

Between Brady and the previous dog, Willy, Williams and his wife have had a golden retriever in the house for the last quarter century.

Asked if they eventually planned to get another, Williams said, "probably so."



Brady, a mainstay of downtown Berlin who could often be found outside of Williams TV repair on Main Street, was put to rest last week. His owner, Grant Williams, placed a memorial slide show in the shop window to memorialize his beloved golden retriever.



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Boat Docking to splash down in Pocomoke, Sat.

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) The fifth annual Pocomoke Boat Docking Challenge promises to deliver an afternoon of high-speed, water-based competition this Saturday.

Mike Shannon, boat docking committee chairman, said the 15 participating captains would hold practice runs beginning at noon with competition kicking off at 1 p.m.

Gates open at 11 a.m. with the action occurring on the Pocomoke River behind Riverside Grill in downtown. Admission is \$10 for ages 13 and over. Children 4-12 cost \$5 and children 3 or under are free.

Shannon said the field is divided into three categories: small boats, (29-34 feet, 11 inches) medium (35-39 feet, 11 inches) and large boats (40 feet or more).

"These guys get up to a high rate of speed," he said. "I'll put it this way, they go in there faster than you can run."

Shannon said the water event traces its roots to a conversation with Mayor Bruce Morrison half a dozen years ago.

"The mayor and me are really good friends and are also in the (Pocomoke City Volunteer) Fire Department together," he said. "The mayor came to me ... [and said], 'I'd really like to come up with an event for the river.' I said, 'alright let me work on it and see what I can do.""

After consulting with some extended family members involved with boating, Shannon hatched a plan after becoming acquainted with an area group competing in boat docking competitions.

"They're called Chesapeake Cowboys and they go to different places and put on these shows," he said. "It is kind of a circuit."

After studying the river flow near Pocomoke, Shannon said the experts agreed the location would provide a daunting course.

"This would be the most challenging spot that we have because when you turn sideways in the river the See POCOMOKE Page 8



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Linda Redmond, longtime proprietor of Dance Loft on Main Street, receives a plaque in appreciation of decades teaching youths ballet and jazz techniques, while former student Brianna Sepelak offers a bouquet of flowers during the Pocomoke City Council meeting last Monday.

Excursion train gets back on track

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) Although as recently as December it appeared a proposed excursion train linking Snow Hill and Berlin might have fallen through the proverbial train tracks, hope was recently rekindled at a meeting with town, county and state officials last Wednesday during the Maryland Association of Counties Summer Conference at the Ocean City convention center.

In attendance were Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman and Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, as well as Maryland and Delaware Railroad Vice President/General Counsel Cathrin O'Donnell. Also on hand were Worcester County Commissioners Jim Bunting, Bud, Church, Diana Purnell and Chief Administrative Officer Harold Higgins.

Dorman said, although Gov. Larry Hogan did not attend, numerous members of his cabinet, along with two deputy chiefs of staff, were present.

Williams said developing the excursion train project is dependent upon reaching an agreement with Tyson Foods to ship product from its feed mill on Bay Street in Snow Hill to Frankford, Delaware by freight train.

"That's the prerequisite for the excursion train initiative to even be possible," he said. "The whole concept is moot without the freight service."

O'Donnell said the railroad, which has lacked freight partners on the 26.9 mile stretch of track south of the interchange in Frankford since 2012, would need to perform infrastructure repairs before reestablishing the shipping route.

"The railroad feels like were offering a wonderful opportunity to all involved parties," she said. "We are ready to do our part, but we can't do it alone."

Williams said the train projects, which have been discussed for several years, appear to be back on track.

"It was a pivotal meeting in this whole process," he said. "My experience has been that it started off with a head of steam, [but] over the last year and a half there was doubt from some corners if this was worth pursuing."

Repairing and upgrading the more than 26 miles of track is estimated to cost approximately \$4.5 million, Dorman said.

"We've got \$3 million that's guaran-See LEADERSHIP Page 8



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According to the statement, Sandpiper Energy, a subsidiary of Chesapeake Utilities, received a call at about 7:30 a.m. that a gas main was "hit by a third-party in the City of Berlin.'

"Arriving with construction equipment, the Sandpiper personnel assessed the situation and began standard, precautionary procedures to stop the gas flow and complete repairs," Boucher said. "As a precautionary measure, our team called for the evacuation of homes in the immediate area so the pipe could be repaired quickly and crews could work as safely as possible. Repairs were completed and residents were able to return to their homes by 10 a.m.

Sandpiper Energy would like to thank the Berlin Fire Company for their timely notification and partnership," she continued. "Sandpiper Energy places the highest priority on the safety and well-being of our customers, employees and community members. We take the necessary steps to ensure we continue to provide safe, reliable service for our customers.

Allen said repairs to the water lines would be rescheduled.

"We're just very grateful that no one was injured when the line was struck," she said. "All of our employees are doing fine and we're very appreciative of the quick response we got from Berlin Fire Company as well as our own police department."

In related news, a press release on Monday announced the William Street culvert project would start on Aug. 23. Mayor Gee Williams said work there would affect travel on William Street between Cedar and Powellton avenues for the next fourto-six weeks.

Allen said lane closures would run from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday through Friday, this week. Full road closures with detours are scheduled to start on Monday, Aug. 28.

"It's hard to tell exactly how many days the project will take to complete because of the nature of the work and our dependence on the weather,² Allen said. "We recognize the importance of the Labor Day weekend to our residents and guests. It is likely that William Street will be closed that weekend. We will have detour signs in place for our guests to follow so they can easily find our cool, historic downtown."

The culvert expansion is part of the second phase of town-wide stormwater improvements, funded largely by nearly \$2 million in state and federal grants.

Guards gone, Pines pool to close until Labor Day wknd.

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) The Swim and Racquet Club pool in Ocean Pines will be closed from Tuesday, Aug. 22 until Thursday, Aug. 31, and reopen during Labor Day weekend.

According to Aquatics Director Colby Phillips, the schedule change was necessary because several lifeguards who were scheduled to watch over the pool returned to school some earlier than expected.

The pool, on 10 Seabreeze Road, will reopen during the traditionally very busy Labor Day weekend, Saturday, Sept. 2 and Sunday, Sept. 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and remain open while the Sports Core Pool, on 11144 Cathell Road, will close from Sept. 5-10 for semiannual cleaning.

The Swim and Racquet Club pool will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4.

All other Ocean Pines pools will remain open and running on regular schedules.

Phillips joked that she and Aquatics Supervisor Kathleen Cook "begged enough guards to drive back from college" for the holiday weekend.

"The aquatics team strives to bring the community the safest, cleanest and best guest experiences we can when using our pools," Phillips said. "We understand this is disappointing to some and we are truly sorry for that.

"Please believe we have done and will continue to do everything in our power to try and open any additional days if our staffing numbers should change," she added. "Please look to our Facebook page or oceanpines.org for these updates. Thank you for your continued support of our aquatics program.⁵

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Pines anniversary committee mulls plates, concerts

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association 50th Anniversary Committee discussed plans for commemorative license plates and a major concert event during its meeting on Monday.

The license plates would use the 50th anniversary logo designed by Lisa Perez, according to Chairwoman Jennifer Cropper-Rines. She said the design is being submitted to the Motor Vehicle Administration for approval, which typically takes 45 days.

"I think it'll be nice," she said. "Particularly from my perspective, as a real estate agent, it would be very nice to have my community be on my plate. And for people who live here, I think it would be a really nice token."

Cropper-Rines said plans for the concert are in the early stages, but the idea is to hire a well-known, national act to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of the community, next year.

"We want somebody who would be a big draw. What we have to figure is parking and whether we have to go to a different location," she said, adding the Freeman Stage at Bayside and the Ocean City Performing Arts Center were mentioned as possibilities. "We want something bigger than a local band."

Ocean Pines Food and Beverage Manager Brian Townsend attended the meeting to answer questions about some of the planned events, including a winter ball and golf tournament. Marketing Coordinator Julie Malinowski and a representative from the Ocean Pines Pine'eer Craft Club were also present.

The committee also discussed plans for sponsorships, historical displays and a celebration during a Shorebirds game, and Carol Ludwig was tapped to chair the parade committee and Sharyn O'Hare was named winter ball chairwoman.

The next committee meeting is Sept. 18 at 10 a.m. in the administration building on 239 Ocean Parkway.

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Leadership in Snow Hill and Berlin explore partnership

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teed," he said. "We're looking for the next million and a half.'

If sufficient capital is secured, Dorman said railroad officials have estimated the tracks could be functional within a year.

O'Donnell said the Maryland Department of Transportation is providing \$2 million in grant funding, while her organization is pledging \$1 million.

"We are committed to do our part to make it a reality," she said.

In terms of next steps, Dorman said he would continue to partner with Williams and O'Donnell, as well as county and state officials to keep the project on point.

"We all left the meeting with a chore to do," he said.

Reaching an agreement with Tyson is the most immediate goal, Dorman said.

We can't do one without the other," he said. "What we're looking for is to run the train, both commercial freight and passenger, from Frankford all the way to Snow Hill."

In addition to negotiating with Tyson, Dorman said the enterprising mayors would also need to source an excursion train operator.

"Gee and I would have to hire, along with the railroad's permission, a person that would do the actual tourist train," he said. "They would come with their engine and ... it would be approved by both towns and the railroad."

Although up to a million in additional infrastructure costs would be required to provide passenger train service, O'Donnell said the excursion train would generate more than \$17 million annually and create more than 450 year-round jobs.

"We're committed to do our part to make it a reality," she said.

> 'If it's raining in Ocean City, get on the train and let's take a ride. In my perspective it would put Snow Hill on the map.' Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman

The project would link Berlin, Snow Hill and Ocean City, while providing a big boon for the county, Dorman said.

"If it's raining in Ocean City, get on the train and let's take a ride," he said. "In my perspective it would put Snow Hill on the map.'

Williams said last week's meeting provided renewed vigor for the long talked-about train projects.

"It was a good, honest, open conversation," he said. "Everyone came away saying this won't be easy, but is definitely worth the effort."

Pocomoke boat docking to coincide with 4th Friday fest

BOAT continued

currents [are] going one way or the other and it's going to make it hard for those guys to back up," he said. "It's the strongest [current] anywhere ... especially when it's going in or out.'

Initially the competition involved 20 boats, Shannon said.

"The first year I told the captains just bear with me this is all new to us, let's just do it and see what happens and where we are," he said. "It's really odd how it went together, but it worked."

Since that time, organizers have limited the field to 15 entries because of fiscal considerations.

"We do 15 [boats] overall because we're giving out \$400 travel money, multiply that out and you can figure it out," he said. "So by the time it's all said and done we're giving out like \$20,000 by the end of the show.'

With thousands in prize money at stake, Shannon said the event provides ample opportunities for competitors to strike gold.

"We dish out a lot of stuff," he said. "We give them a room for the night on Saturday."

After organizing the Boat Docking Challenge, and numerous other events in Pocomoke, Shannon is grateful for the community support.

"I appreciate everything that every sponsor does from all the events that I do, to other events in town that people operate," he said. "For a little town to do as much as we do ... to have people that back them the way they do ... it's a wonderful thing."

This year's event coincides with Pocomoke's 4th Friday Street Festival, which Shannon hopes will help lure participants in a day earlier.

"We do have some captains that do stay and make it a whole weekend thing," he said. "It's a one-day event, but we are working with [Pocomoke Downtown Coordinator] Kara Lacey for 4th Friday.'

With the clock winding down, Shannon said he is chomping at the bit awaiting this year's event.

"People have gotten behind the boat docking experience in town," he said. "If you watch our videos on Facebook ... these guys come in at a high rate of speed and believe me they can tear up some stuff."

Deadline to apply for 2018 Berlin events set for Sept. 1

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) The deadline to apply for 2018 events in downtown Berlin is just a week away.

Under the Town of Berlin policy adopted in June, events for the following year must be submitted between July 1 and Sept. 1. Only one event that requires town services may be scheduled per day.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said last week the town had not received as many applications as she had anticipated.

"We just want to make sure to let people know the process has changed and that we're happy to have them apply. We just need them to submit their application by the first of September so it can be reviewed," Allen said.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said 2018 events hosted by the town, Calvin B. Taylor House Museum, Berlin Arts and Entertainment Committee and Berlin Chamber of Commerce had already been secured. That includes the Bathtub Races, Peach Festival, Fiddler's Convention and Oktoberfest.

There is still space on the calendar, however, for additional events. The town does not limit the total number of events held each year, although it does cap the number of events that include the public sale and consumption of alcohol to six.

Free screenings for heart disease in Ocean Pines

(Aug. 24, 2017) Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of Americans, but screening and understanding of lifestyle and risk factors can help to reduce that number.

That's why Peninsula Regional Medical Center's Guerrieri Heart & Vascular Institute offers a free Heart Smart heart disease risk assessment for both men and women. The screenings will be held the mornings of Aug. 29 and 31 onboard the Wagner Wellness Van at the Delmarva Health Pavilion Ocean Pines, located outside the North Gate at 11101 Cathage Road. Appointments are required.

The comprehensive screenings include: cholesterol, HDL, triglycerides, fasting blood glucose; resting 12-lead EKG; body fat and body mass index; waist-to-hip ratio; blood pressure testing; pulse oximetry testing;10-year risk analysis; review of current medications; follow-up care plan; and exercise/nutrition recommendations.

People choosing to participate must not currently be under the care of a cardiologist or have a known history of heart disease. A 12-hour fast is required prior to the appointment. Call 410-543-7026 to schedule a free Heart Smart screening appointment.

"I just want to make sure that the word gets out so everyone has a chance to be able to submit their proposed event for 2018, if they want to have an event downtown," Wells said. "Sometimes someone is thinking about having an event and I just want to make sure that they know to come and see me before Sept. 1 so we can get the paperwork done."

Wells said she is always looking for new ideas.

"I'm always looking to help nonprofits out, so I encourage the nonprofits to apply if they're looking to hold an event downtown," she said. "Right now, it looks like we're going to have a pretty successful 2017, and we're looking forward to all the existing events [returning] and all the new ones for next year."

She added the policy only applies to events that require street closures or town services.

Forms can be submitted online through www.berlinmainstreet.com/ vendor-information or www.berlinmd. gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/ Special-Event-Form-0717.pdf.

Physical forms can be picked up at the Berlin Visitor's Center on 14 South Main Street and must be submitted there by 4 p.m. on Sept. 1.

For more information, contact Wells at iwells@berlinmd.gov or 410-629-1722.

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Page 10 Bayside Gazette August 24, 2017 Clubs welcomes Bohanan, Chairman Miller

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor (Aug. 24, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association Clubs Advisory Committee welcomed a new member, Larry Bohanan, and elected a new chairman, Gary Miller, at its meeting in the community center last Thursday.

Miller and Donna Hickey are at the end of their respective first terms on the committee and have reapplied, but have not yet been confirmed by the association board of directors.

Former committee Chairman Les Purcell was not at the meeting because his third term has ended. Miller said Purcell would also reapply to stay on the committee.

Miller, at the start of the meeting, asked the other committee members if they would like him to remain. He recently resigned from the aquatics committee because of the fallout from letters to the editor Miller had published in this paper, and because he is starting a working group to explore options for returning the Oasis pool to an adults-only facility, which he said would present a conflict.

The board, last month, considered removing Miller from both committees because of his letters, but that effort failed because of a deadlocked vote. Miller has been critical of interim General Manager Brett Hill.

"There has been a lot of publicity lately about me and comments I made about the board and the GM," Miller said. "I tried to make those in a way that did not reflect on either of the committees.

"I want to throw it out and make sure that everybody is comfortable with me staying on the committee," he added. "Brett Hill wanted me to get removed from the committees because of my comments in the paper about some of the dysfunction that's been going on. No hurt feelings if you decide otherwise, but I want to make sure that it's OK with everyone on the committee that I stay on."

The committee members enthusiastically agreed that Miller should stay.

stay. "I, for one, absolutely want you on the committee. One hundred percent," Hickey said. "You are, really, our voice," D. Gail lynch said. "You articulate very well and you present things to the board [on behalf of the committee]. You should stay. You should be chair."

Hickey nominated Miller to chair the committee. He was appointed by unanimous consent.

Also during the meeting, Bohanan spoke about his two decades of experience in the restaurant industry in Northern Baltimore. He owned and "I said I observed numerous things that can be corrected very easily, but it's apparent that your service people are not trained," he said. "He says, 'do me a favor and make an appointment ... I want to talk to you."

According to Bohanan, he waited about 20 minutes after the appointed time and Hill did not show up, although Food and Beverage Manager Brian Townsend eventually did.

"I told him what I observed and his

Bohanan said. "He's been in business. He's been successful with what he does, but when you go into the restaurant business, there's too many things that are different than running any other type of business."

"You've described exactly the frustration that we've all felt over and over and over again, and we're all hopeful that, with the new GM and the new board, that things might change," Miller said. "It does get frus-



Members of the Ocean Pines Association Clubs Committee welcome a new member and select longtime committee member Gary Miller as the new chairman during its meeting, last Thursday.

operated three restaurants, two catering companies and a deli, including the Hunt Valley Country Club in Phoenix, Maryland.

Bohanan said he approached former General Manager Bob Thompson "to no avail" to offer advice about the yacht club. More recently, he went to the club and waited two hours for his food to be served, he said.

When Hill was seated at a table nearby, Bohanan said he approached him and said, "You know, you've got some major problems here." response to me was, 'Well, Bo, I guess we just can't satisfy you.' And that was it," Bohanan said. "With that, I just decided I'm not going to be back to [the club]. And I haven't since."

While working for a management consulting company based in Chicago, Bohanan said he was told "you're going to run into a lot of people in business that have huge egos and they're not going to want to listen to what you have to say, despite the fact the business is failing."

"I just put [Hill] in that category,"

trating when you come up with ideas and you make suggestions and nobody wants to listen."

Despite all the difficulties at the yacht club, Bohanan said he is not in favor of closing it down entirely during the winter months.

"If you operate on a limited basis [during] the winter months and still have enough promotions to bring people in, they will support it," he said. "If you give these people quality food and good service, they will come. I'm convinced they will come."



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Sen. Cardin bullish on Berlin, Burley; rebukes president

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD) stopped by Burley Oak Brewing Company in Berlin last Thursday.

Berlin Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said the visit was part of Cardin's "Made in Maryland" tour, highlighting the diverse products being produced in the state.

"He talked about how good the beer was and how Bryan [Brushmiller] also farms his own ingredients," Wells said. Joining Wells and Brushmiller, the owner of Burley Oak, were Berlin Mayor Gee Williams and Councilman Zack Tvndall.

Cardin posted about the experience on Facebook, later that day.

"At Burley Oak Brewing Company in Berlin, Md., with founder Bryan Brushmiller talking about the critical investments in new equipment that propel small businesses forward. I am dedicated to helping Maryland companies craft more delicious successes like the ones on tap here," he said.

One day later, Cardin addressed the



The crowds at Burley Oak got to see and speak with U.S. Sen. Ben Cardin Thursday, Aug. 17, while the senator talked with the customers and received a tour of the brewery by owner Bryan Brushmiller. Pictured, from left, are Brushmiller, Ivy Wells, director of economic development for the Town of Berlin; Sen. Cardin; Berlin Mayor Gee Williams; and Zackery Tyndall, District 2 council member, Town of Berlin.

recent violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, and the subsequent response by President Donald Trump, in an official news release.

"The hatred and violence on display last week in Charlottesville have shaken many of us to our cores," he said. "It's difficult to describe the horror of watching white supremacists flood the streets with torches in hand. My heart breaks for the inexcusable and senseless loss of life.

"In the days since, Americans across the country have come together to grieve this tragedy and condemn bigotry unambiguously. Yet at a time when our country needed moral leadership, President Trump equivocated, claiming

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that there were 'very fine people' among the neo-Nazis, white supremacists and Klansmen whose actions led to the horrible violence in Charlottesville.

"It's a dark day when Americans cannot turn to their president for healing after tragedy. Instead, we must turn to each other for strength and compassion. We know that on this issue, there are not 'many sides.' The only response to white supremacy, racism, anti-Semitism and bigotry is to stand fearlessly against these ideologies.

"Our voices and our values are stronger than hatred. I truly believe that what is good and just in America will prevail, no matter who tries to tear our country apart.'

Williams said he received a call from Cardin on Sunday, telling him how much he enjoyed his visit to Berlin. He apparently stopped by Burley Café for breakfast that morning, on his way back to Washington, D.C.

"He could have gone to any of the many great restaurants in Ocean City, but he chose to come back here, Williams said. "That says a lot about our little town and how far we've come."

Maryland Lt. Gov. Boyd Rutherford also visited Berlin last week, touring the Electronic Transaction Systems offices and the downtown area on Friday, Williams said.



Pocomoke Council Briefs

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) The Pocomoke City Council discussed the following items during a public meeting at City Hall, last Monday.

New ambulance

Pocomoke EMS Director Mike Thornton received council approval to pursue the acquisition of a new ambulance.

Thornton said the cost would be about \$190,000, with all but \$10,000 financed for either five- or seven-year terms.

"[They] gave us several rates [with] five years at 3.37 percent for \$3,293 per month [and] seven years at 3.62 percent for \$2,453 per month," he said. "We can pay semi annually or annually also."

Councilman Dale Trotter inquired about the service time typical for ambulances.

Thornton said 10 years was typical and asked what financing option the mayor and council would prefer. Mayor Bruce Morrison said the city would present the options to Finance Director Janet Wilson to ascertain the most advantageous option.

Councilman George Tasker made a motion, which was subsequently approved, to allow Thornton to proceed.

"My motion is to go for it," he said. "Whichever Janet thinks is best, five or seven years."

Cypress Park

Housing and Zoning Coordinator Dan Brandewie received council approval to apply for grant funding through the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to perform upgrades and repairs at Cypress Park.

During fiscal year 2018, the DNR Community Parks and Playgrounds Program provided \$2.5 million for 23 projects statewide, according to its website.

"Three major components that staff will be recommending that we consider applying for ... is remodeling the restroom showers and the two restrooms," he said. "The second component would be to look at bank stabilization and erosion on the stream banks that is jeopardizing, I think, the tennis courts and walkway right now."

The other change Brandewie recommended was converting two of three tennis courts for pickleball play.

"Related to that would be to improve the lighting and the circuit breaker box," he said.

Although firm project costs have yet to be calculated, Brandewie said if approved the state funding should cover all expenses.

New K-9

Pocomoke Police Chief William Harden received council approval to replace the department's recently deceased K-9, Jet.

"Jet was a trained single-purpose animal, being a drug dog," he said. "We're proposing to have a dual-purpose animal." Harden explained a dual-purpose K-9 is trained for both narcotics detection and patrol services.

To trim costs, Harden said the department was able to source an expert police K-9 trainer, J.C. Richardson, CEO of Pittsville-based Delmarva K-9, who has 20 years of experience preparing canines for service tasks.

"We looked at a number of things and I think we kind of lucked out because we have Mr. Richardson in our area," he said. "So that negates the fact of us having to send an officer away for training [and] pay for housing for that officer."

Harden said the department already has the bulk of required equipment from its last K-9.

"We did have insurance on K-9 Jet and we also had a \$1,000 donation made to us some months ago from the [Pocomoke] Elks Club," he said.

Harden is anticipating the new canine will be ready for service in roughly three months.

Snow Hill Police Briefs One more cup

Ronald Brittingham, 61, of Snow Hill, was arrested on multiple charges, including trespassing, at the Daily Brew Coffeehouse in Snow Hill on Aug. 12.

Police reported making contact with Brittingham as about noon in response to complaints from the business proprietors.

Snow Hill Police, who were assisted by the Worcester County Sheriff's Office, had recently banned Brittingham from entering the business.

When police attempted to arrest Brittingham for trespassing, he reportedly resisted their advances by pushing an officer before attempting to flee.

Although police unsuccessfully deployed a Taser to detain Brittingham, he was quickly taken into custody without further incident. Additional charges include disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and failure to obey lawful order by police officer.

Loud music

Kia Blake, 32, of Girdletree, was arrested for disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and failure to obey a lawful after an altercation with police outside the Chicken Man convenience store on Aug. 14. At about 9:45 a.m. patrol officers noticed a silver Toyota idling with the keys in the ignition outside the business.

When officers entered the store to locate the driver, Blake allegedly exited and removed the keys from the Toyota.

When confronted about the vehicle, police said Blake became agitated and began screaming profanities, which attracted a number of bystanders. Police said Blake was asked to refrain from yelling obscenities, but refused to comply.

According to police, Blake initially resisted arrest attempts and it took multiple officers to subdue the woman, who continued voicing her opinion while being transported from the scene.

Police eventually located the actual driver of the vehicle, who was given a warning for leaving his car running unattended.

Elder abuse

Andrew Hall, 38, of Snow Hill, was arrested for second-degree assault after he allegedly assaulted an elderly man at a Church Street residence on Aug. 19.

Police said they were met at the scene by a 74-year-old male who suffered a head injury related to the alleged assault. He did not require medical attention.



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Local author Dava Guerin writes new book

'Vets and Pets' available now for pre-order online; will be in stores Sept. 5

By Morgan Pilz

Intern

(Aug. 24, 2017) Berlin author Dava Guerin's new book, "Vets and Pets: Wounded Warriors and the Animals That Help Them Heal," is available for pre-order online and will be in stores Sept. 5.

Co-authored by Kevin Ferris of Pennsylvania, Guerin's book depicts the stories of veterans and their support/service animals.

"We did research and we found, across the country, unbelievable programs and stories about different types of animals other than just service dogs," Guerin said. "Companion animals, adopted animals, horses, birds of prey, potbellied pigs, all of these animals are being used by wounded warriors, and they're really making a difference in their lives."

The 232-page,16-chapter book tells the stories of 15 veterans and their service/support animals. The 16th and final chapter provides professional advice on raising pets and support animals as suggested by professional animal trainers Andrea Arden, Patrick Bradley and Dr. Shawn Dunn.

A forward was written by former First Lady Barbara Bush, who is close friends with Guerin. Bush collaborated with Guerin on a book published in 2014 called "Unbreakable Bonds: The Mighty Moms and Wounded Warriors."

"I think the most beautiful thing is to watch these relationships and in the book what we do is tell the stories about what happens to the veteran...



their life story," Guerin said. "But we try to really make a fun book, and upbeat where it's not as sad because military care giving is tough.

"We got to a lot of the battle scenes and we do have that in this book to tell what happened and why they were injured," Guerin added. "But it's really just more about the love and sharing those stories of the love between that veteran and the animal that people will really, really like because you're going to get to know the pet so much... by the time you're done, you're gonna really just love some of these animals."

Guerin's book costs \$19.95 and will available in Walmart, Barnes and Nobles and other major stores. Pre-ordered copies can be purchased on Amazon for \$15.99.

"These people in our book are inspirational, and they've dedicated their lives to vets for pets," Guerin said. "You look at people like that, you see what's going on around the world today and you just say, 'You know what, there is hope.' We have so many brave, wonderful human beings in our nation's military...and the American people want to reach out and do things for these people they've never reached out to, but they've dedicated their lives to helping."

Guerin has co-authored two memoirs: "Keep Chopping Wood" with Mike Hardwick and "Presidents, Kings and Convicts" with former member of Congress Bob Clement (D-TN). She is also a Washington, D.C.– based communications consultant and writer and was the communications director for the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress in Washington, D.C.

She was president of Guerin Public Relations, Inc., a full-service communications firm for more than 20 years; was people editor of Local Living Magazine and Bucks Living Magazine; and worked in senior-level positions for Ketchum Public Relations and the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau.

For more information about Guerin or her books, visit www.davaguerin.com/.

Ocean Pines named one of America's 100 safest cities

Only Maryland community on SafeWise's 2017 list; comes in at number 90

(Aug. 24, 2017) SafeWise has ranked Ocean Pines as one of the safest cities in America. It is the only Maryland community to be named in the top 100 for 2017.

"We're very fortunate to have residents who are good neighbors, who keep an eye on their neighborhoods," Ocean Pines Police Chief David Massey said. "Support from the community and the Board of Directors help to ensure that all residents and guests are safe."

Ocean Pines is ranked 90th. Safe-Wise, a source for home security and safety advice, analyzed FBI crime statistics from all 50 states and researched each city's public safety, public health, and educational offerings to determine 2017's "100 Safest Cities in America."

"People want to live in a safe city and we continue to work hard to provide that security and safety here in Ocean Pines," Massey said.



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Star Charities' Founder Anna Foultz welcomes guests to the organization's 15th annual Country Western Night in the Casino at Ocean Downs' clubhouse, July 13. Pictured, from left, are Maddie Pettolina, Foultz, Sandra McAbee, Steve Stine, all of Ocean Pines, and Dino Fradelos of Selbyville.





Berlin screening series to try again after cancelations

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Aug. 24, 2017) Three Outdoor Movie Nights screenings that were rained out now have official makeup dates that will extend the series into October. The program was originally scheduled to run from June through August.

Under the revised schedule, the 1978 musical comedy "Grease," staring Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta, will show on Saturday, Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Stephen Decatur Park.

Cult classic and coming-of-age baseball flick, "The Sandlot," moves to Saturday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. in Dr. William Henry Park.

Oscar-winning time travel romp "Back to the Future," staring Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd, will screen on Saturday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. in Stephen Decatur Park.

This Saturday, "Runaway Bride," staring Julia Roberts and Richard Gere, will play on Jefferson Street in downtown Berlin, starting at 8:45 p.m.

Outdoor Movie Nights are cosponsored by the Berlin Parks Commission and the Berlin Arts and Entertainment Committee. Berlin Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen helps to organize the series.

"I just think that it's an enjoyable, free event for folks," Bohlen said. "This year it's been such a washout, literally, but we always get a lot of enthusiasm when we're picking the movies and last year we didn't have any hitches [with weather] and they all got a really good turnout.

"It's nice to have a family-oriented activity you can do on a Saturday evening, that doesn't cost you anything," she added.

"Runaway Bride" and "Tuck Everlasting," both of which filmed in Berlin, are regulars of the series and are traditionally well attended. Other movies are chosen by a Facebook poll.

"It's always going to be a favorite event, for people to see a movie that was actually filmed here," Bohlen said.

All Outdoor Movie Nights screenings are free and open to the public. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs and snacks. No glass bottles are permitted and an adult must accompany all children.

For more information on Outdoor Movie Night, visit www.artsinberlin.org.



Chesapeake Health Care new offices in Berlin

Patients will have access to medical records and wide range of services

By Kara Hallissey

Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) Pediatric care and mental health services for children are now available through Chesapeake Health Care on North Main Street in Berlin.

The new medical center offers yearly checkups, medical evaluations, sick visits, walk-ins, laboratory services, school or sports physicals and immunizations, and hearing and vision testing for infants to 18-year-olds.

"We want to provide primary care in the community, in a holistic way, that helps people to coordinate care for their child," Beth Baldwin, a certified registered nurse practitioner at Chesapeake Health Care's Berlin location, said. "What is good about going to the same primary care doctor [is] your child receives follow-up care and we keep all the records for school, camp or daycare [in the same place]."

Parents can access labs and immunization records on the user-friendly website, and also have the option to print them.

"All your child's records are in one location. We coordinate all paperwork and it makes it easy," Baldwin said.

Patients will be referred to specialists such as dermatologists and ear, nose and throat doctors, depending on their needs. Interpreters are also available.

"Generally, we will see patients through high school and help with the adult transition of care [records]," Baldwin said.

An attached pharmacy can deliver medications

to Berlin, while offering patients a more reasonable price on chronic prescriptions, or a convenient location to pick up allergy medicine for children, she said.

Transportation services are also available, based on patient needs. Chesapeake Health Care drivers can take families to Baltimore or Washington, D.C. for specialist appointments.

Kim Meilhammer, a mental health therapist at the Berlin office, helps children ages 4-18 work through personal problems such as anger management, depression, suicidal thoughts, stress, poor self-image, social skills, or bullying.

Mental health specialists from the center also visit area schools to offer services across Worcester County.

"We have relationships with schools and are good in our field," Meilhammer said. "Our experience [and] the qualities and specialties we have [make the services stand out]."

Another therapist, Kim Valentine, sees adult patients for mental health counseling. The Berlin location began offering these services just last month.

"You can receive postpartum [depression] help and bring your baby here for a checkup," Baldwin said. "Anything we can do to coordinate care is beneficial."

Chesapeake Health Care treats patients with or without insurance, offering a sliding-fee scale for the uninsured or under-insured, based on household income and family size. In addition, there are certified application counselors to help patients throughout the process.

Baldwin hopes more services are added to the Berlin offices, including adult medicine and OB/GYN.

"We hope to provide all care the community needs in Berlin," Baldwin said. "The original goal was to provide more services here. We hope to expand the services in the future."

There are 12 Chesapeake Health Care locations in Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester counties, including Pocomoke City, where adult medicine, pe-See PEDIATRIC Page 18



KARA HALLISSEY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Chesapeake Health Care employees, from left, Beth Baldwin, Maureen O'Connell, Crystal Loring, Kimberly Jackson and Ashley Cooper, pose for a picture at the new offices in Berlin last Tuesday morning.



Pediatric, mental health care at new Berlin office

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diatrics and mental health counseling services are available.

Appointments for mental health counseling can be made at Chesapeake Health Care on North Main Street in Berlin, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pediatric services are available Monday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

On Thursday, Aug. 24, the Town of Berlin and the Berlin Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Chesapeake Health Care's new offices in Berlin at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Gee Williams is scheduled to speak.

For more information or to schedule an appointment at the Chesapeake Health Care, call 410-973-2820 or visit www.chesapeakehc.org.

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Eighth annual Jeep Week underway

Events planned throughout Ocean City area and Berlin through Sunday, Aug. 27

By Kara Hallissey Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) The eighth annual Ocean City Jeep Week begins today, Thursday, with a wide range of activities including beach crawls, vendors, parties, monster truck rides and an obstacle course in Berlin.

The event brings thousands of Jeep owners and enthusiasts to the resort each year, with four days of activities, through Sunday, Aug. 27.

"This event grows every year and has been getting nationwide attention," said Brad Hoffman, creator of Live Wire Media, a host of the event. "It is one of the best motorized events we have in Ocean City without a stigma attached to it and it brings people to town on a weekend where it's generally not as crowded."

This morning, the first beach crawl of the weekend began at 7 a.m. on 29th Street, when 250 pre-registered Jeeps were expected to drive south along the coastline to the inlet. Spectators were encouraged to bring blankets and chairs for the beach parade of Jeeps, which launches from Jolly Roger Amusement Park on 30th Street and Coastal Highway.

"It is our sandy carpet ride of Ocean City Jeep Week and a great parade to start off your day," Hoffman said.

Jeep Week headquarters will have activities taking place at the Ocean City convention center on 40th Street all weekend. Highlights include monster truck rides, live entertainment, a display of vintage Jeeps, show specials, a kid's zone, free giveaways and an appearance by Kenny Hauk, creator of Hauk Designs and star of the History Channel television show, "Road Hauks." He will be at the event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Take a picture next to some of his wild designs that are featured on his new hit television show," Hoffman said. "He built a steam-powered Jeep and a Jeep that looks like a fighter jet."

Hauk's custom-designed, off-road parts will be for sale during Jeep Week.

"We have durable high-quality products and will be bringing a Bronco with a Coyote motor. It is on tracks for snow and sand," Hauk said.

In addition, attendees can check out a Viking-themed Peterbilt made from an old towing rig, which was featured on an episode of "Road Hauks."

"They master fabricate and build things out-of-the-box," Hoffman said.

Also at the convention center, Tom Bostic from "Junkyard Empire" will be showcasing one of the world's biggest Jeeps.

"These guys are our featured celebrities and are totally genius with tools and fiberglass," Hoffman said.

An indoor Jeep exhibit with vintage rides and at least 75 vendors, including Exotic Sound and Tint, Berlin Jeep, CC Customs, Jones Junction, JC Whitney, Kicker, Alpine and Steinjager, round out the attractions at the convention center.

"Jp Magazine and TEN, an offroad oriented nationwide media company, are sending a film crew to the event," Hoffman said. "Kicker is bringing a 90-foot interactive tractor trailer, which will be on display at the convention center. There will be sales and specials going on. Large giveaways where we will be raffling off bumpers, tires, rims and systems."

The Trick Trucks booth will have a free tire giveaway at the convention center all weekend long.

"We are loaded up for 4x4 enthusiasts with Jeep services, parts and off-road vehicles," Hoffman said. "With over 1,200 registered Jeep manufactures coming from all over the country, it's the ultimate Jeep vacation."

Berlin Jeep will have new models on display for attendees to test drive.

"You can test drive a new Jeep and see if it will be your next car," Hoffman said.

Other Thursday highlights include Jim's Jeep Show and Shine from noon to 3 p.m., which is presented by Jim's Marine. A number of Jeeps will be on display and competing for prizes.

In Berlin, the annual Jeep Jam kicks off at 9 a.m. at Berlin Falls Park on Old Ocean City Blvd. across from Burley Oak and behind CC Customs. There will be a large obstacle course that includes a mud pit, rock crawls, big and small boulders, telephone poles, log climbs and a "mild-to-wild" trial ride. Participants must be officially signed up for Jeep Week at the convention center to participate.

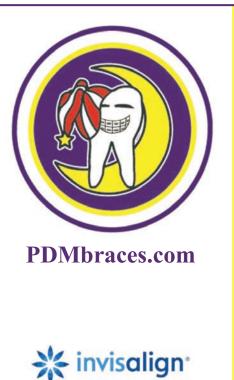
"The course has something for all skill levels and we have trained staff on-site to guide you on the course," Hoffman said.

Additionally, a free shuttle will take attendees from Jeep Jam to downtown Berlin on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Back in Ocean City, a welcome party will take place at Fish Tales on 22nd Street on Thursday night from 6:30-10 p.m. There will be free appetizers, drink specials, live music, raffles and Jeeps on display in Fish Tales' parking lot for registered participants.

Another beach crawl kicks off Friday's festivities at 7 a.m. on 29th Street, and the Jeep Jam will take place all day in Berlin from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. with Irie radio personality Big Al Reno commentating the action.

Starting at 10 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 25, Jeep owners and enthusiasts can See LIVE Page 19



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Live music, mud pit and more highlight Jeep Jam in Berlin

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check out Jeep Week headquarters at the 40th Street convention center, which is open until 5 p.m.

CC Customs Show & Shine takes place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. where vehicles are judged and receive awards in categories such as modifications, functionality and cleanliness.

Hoffman expects 300 Jeeps to participate in the contest, "from older and restored, to modified with lift kits and tires," he said.

Blind Wind will perform live outside of the convention center at 3 p.m.

On Friday night, there will be a family fun mixer and buffet dinner for registered participants at Hooper's Crab House at the Route 50 entrance to Ocean City, starting at 6 p.m. The event will feature live acoustic entertainment, raffle items and door prizes.

In addition, a Jeep beach bash will take place at the Clarion Hotel on 101st Street beginning at 6:30 p.m., with drink specials for registered participants on the oceanfront bar and deck. Half a dozen Jeeps will be on display at the party, which is hosted by Ocean City Jeep Club, Kicker and Under the Sun Inserts.

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The Jeep Jam takes place Friday and Saturday in Berlin on Old Ocean City Blvd. across from Burley Oak and behind CC Customs. There will be a large obstacle course which includes a mud pit, rock crawls, big and small boulders, telephone poles, log climbs and a mild-to-wild trial ride.



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Ludwig presented OP Sam Wilkinson Volunteer Award

(Aug. 24, 2017) Carol Ludwig has been honored with the Sam Wilkinson Volunteer Award, an award that was established by the Ocean Pines Association to recognize outstanding individuals who dedicate their time and talents to help others.

It also celebrates the inspiring efforts of volunteers who make important contributions to Ocean Pines.

"This year's volunteer of the year moved to Ocean Pines in 2000, and has become quite the helpful hand, not only to the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department but to our entire community," said Recreation and Parks Manager Debbie Donahue.

As this year's recipient, Ludwig was recognized and presented with her award during the Ocean Pines Association's annual meeting of the membership on Saturday, Aug. 12.

She has donated countless hours of her time to the Association as the Bonnet Parade commandress at many Easter celebrations and as the Haunted Hayride fortune teller at several Halloween celebrations. She now serves as the assistant chair and secretary for the Ocean Pines 50th Anniversary Committee.

In the community she volunteers as the director of the Delmarva Cho-



Carol Ludwig

rus and as team captain for Nancy's Angels in the Maryland/DC Chapter of ALS Walk. She received the ALS Walk Champion Award and Team Leadership Award for 2016.

In addition, she edits and submits a weekly article to local newspaper Ocean Pines Independent on behalf of volunteers in the area.

"This lady is a true asset to our Recreation and Parks Department," Donahue said. "I know I can call on her for many things and she will be right there to help. She is always willing to help me in any way possible and is one of the funniest most pleasant people I have had the pleasure to work with."





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OC Jeep Week, now in eighth year, still rolling on strong

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To close out Friday evening, Jeep Week participants can gather at the Greene Turtle on 116th Street, for a nightly power hour, with drink specials from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, the beach crawl begins at 7 a.m. Jeep Week headquarters is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and continued Jeep Jam action in Berlin starts at 9 a.m. and lasts until 8 p.m.

From 6-8 p.m. the Jeep Jam will feature, "King of the Pit," when organizers hand select some of their favorite Jeeps to go through the mud pit. Heavy metal stalwarts Forsaken will perform.

"It is a fun, spectator sport and people enjoy watching," Hoffman said. "For three days, some of the baddest Jeeps on the East Coast will see if they can make it through. For several years in a row no one did. There is a \$250 purse and bragging rights."

Stop by Ropewalk on 82nd Street next Saturday for a wrap-up party from 10 p.m. to midnight presented by Wicked Coastal and the Ocean City Jeep Club.

Jeep Week concludes on Sunday, Aug. 27 with a final beach crawl at 7 a.m., followed by a send-off gathering at Berlin Jeep on Old Ocean City Blvd. from 10 a.m. to noon.

From 4-7 p.m., a pool party will take place at the Tidelands Caribbean Hotel pool bar with live entertainment and drink specials.

Registered Jeep Week participants will receive free entry to Jeep Week HQ and the Jeep Jam. Unregistered spectators are welcome at both events. The cost is \$10 for a day pass, \$15 for a two-day pass or \$20 for a weekend pass, children 8-12 pay \$5.

Jeep Week began eight years ago when a group of local Jeep enthusiasts decided to put together a weekend event for Jeep owners in town.

"There are professionals and factory representatives who are there to help take your 4x4 or Jeep to the next level or in the right direction," Hoffman said. "I want to thank the Town of Berlin, the Town of Ocean City, my staff, family and the local Jeep clubs for their support."

Visit www.OCJeepweek.com for more information, a full list of events and to purchase tickets.

Jeep Week Schedule of Events: Thursday, Aug. 24

7-9:30 a.m. – Beach crawl, beach from 29th Street to the inlet

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – Jeep Jam, Old Ocean City Blvd. in Berlin across from Burley Oak and behind CC Customs

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Jeep Week headquarters open, Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 40th Street

6:30-10 p.m. — Welcome party at Fish Tales, 22nd Street

Friday, Aug. 25

7-9:30 a.m. – Beach crawl, beach from 29th Street to the inlet

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – Jeep Jam, Old Ocean City Blvd. in Berlin across from Burley Oak and behind CC Customs

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Jeep Week headquarters open, Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 40th Street

6-9 p.m. – Family Fun Mixer, Hooper's Crab House, Route 50

6:30 p.m. – Jeep Beach Party, Clarion Hotel, 101st Street

10 p.m. – Jeep Week After Party, Greene Turtle, 116th Street

Saturday, Aug. 26

7-9:30 a.m. – Beach crawl, beach from 29th Street to the inlet

10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. – Jeep Week headquarters open, Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 40th Street

10 a.m. to 8 p.m. – Jeep Jam, Old Ocean City Blvd. in Berlin across from Burley Oak and behind CC Customs

10 p.m. to 12 a.m. –Wrap-up party at Ropewalk, 82nd Street

Sunday, Aug. 27 7-9:30 a.m. – Beach crawl,

beach from 29th Street to the inlet

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Jeep Week sendoff, Berlin Jeep

4-7 p.m. – Jeep Week Pool Party, Tidelands Hotel Pool Bar, 5th Street





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Opinion

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Yacht club conundrum

The Ocean Pines Association financial report for the last month isn't good, as the numbers posted for the Beach Club and Yacht Club show a steep and continued decline from last year.

While the multitude of changes to the facilities and staff this year made for a financial mess, the reality is every new board comes in with a different plan and new changes that just don't work.

The Beach Club can easily be righted by simply going back to what has worked in the past. The larger is issue is what to do with the Mumford's Landing Yacht Club.

Judging from the many comments over the years about the inconsistency of the food, unreasonable prices and poor service, these things must improve if the club is to have even moderate success.

Assuming that can be accomplished, the directors' first order of business should be to decide if they should even be in the business of running a restaurant.

There has been talk over the years of leasing the facility to an experienced restauranteur. It's time for the board to face reality and seriously look at this option.

Regardless of assertions that promoting the Yacht Club to nonresidents will bring in new revenue, it remains that Ocean Pines is the base market and that's what the directors must work with as they decide what to do.

Many association members like the idea of the Yacht Club as a year-round benefit of living in Ocean Pines. How much are they willing to pay for that is a critical question and one that should be considered whether it is leased or self-operated.

While running the club as a seasonal business would save money, it would be at the expense of the club's value to members as an amenity and, subsequently, the support of the club's base market until there's no point in having the club at all.

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"I'm so excited. Dan called, from the Jewelry Store I think, and said he found a beautiful rock to give me!"

Letters

Anxieties of back to school

Editor,

Transitions are stressful for everyone. Single to married, renter to homeowner, employed to unemployed, working to retired (or any of those in reverse order).

But for young people, because they do not have the long-term perspective of adults, and because the areas in their brains that control impulsive behavior are not mature and integrated, periods of transition can be devastating, and too often result in depression, self-destructive behavior, and suicide.

As the new school year starts, families should understand that demonstrations of anxiety and stress could be warning signs of something very serious. Two school-related transitions are particularly stressful: middle school to high school, and high school to college.

When middle schoolers enter high school they're immediately out of their comfort zone. Thrust into a world of upperclassmen, football games, lockers, homerooms and accelerated expectations, one in four high school freshmen reported being dangerously stressed in a McGill University study. The most anxious students turned to self-destructive behaviors like drug and alcohol abuse, eating disorders, self-abuse like cutting, and worse. Some schools have addressed stress by offering mindfulness and yoga training and even bringing in therapy animals. But most freshmen struggling with the transition report needing more help than is available.

An article in *Atlantic* asked the question "What's the balance between preparing students for college and ensuring that they aren't killing themselves in the process?" Even students in elite high schools, where ideally college preparation is good, report anxiety attacks and debilitating depression.

College entrance exams, advanced placement classes, the highly competitive application process, fear of being away from home, and worries about funding a college degree (compounded by the knowledge of the limitations of one's financial future without a degree) left 49 percent of students "feeling a great deal of stress every day," according to Frontiers of Psychology magazine.

If you're a parent, or especially a grandparent, don't equate your experiences of decades ago with those of this generation. They are not remotely the same. Avoid telling young people, as your parents might have said to you, "Just get over it ... tomorrow is the first day of the rest of your life." What you can do is become attuned to changes that might indicate something serious behind the faces students are showing you:

•Changes in behavior, like isolation from friends and family, or losing interest in activities that once brought pleasure;

•Outbursts of anger and anxiety;

•Sleeplessness, or sleeping all the time, and changes in eating habits (refusal to eat or overeating);

•Expressions of worthlessness, hopelessness. "I'll never be smart enough to pass algebra ... My life is going nowhere ... Compared to everyone else, I'm a real loser."

What can you do when you're concerned about a young person's mental state?

• Be understanding, and listen well. Don't be afraid to ask, "How is the move to high school going? Are you making friends? How is it different from last year?"

• If the answers you get are concerning, seek help. The school's guidance office is a good place to start, but if you are not satisfied with the Continued on Page 23

Letters

Continued from Page 22 results, seek counseling elsewhere. A family doctor, pastor, or trusted teacher from middle school may have answers.

• High school freshman report that engaging in extracurricular activities helps to bridge the middle-to-high school gap, especially in making new friends and socializing. Encourage your student to choose an activity that will interest him or her, something in which they have demonstrated an aptitude in middle school.

• The move to college is fraught with other issues: homesickness, the roommate who stays up all night listening to loud music, financial pressure, even greater academic expectations. Keep in touch with students, but don't be a "helicopter" parent. Make it clear that you're just a phone call away if there is anything they need to discuss.

• Does an incoming college freshman have pre-existing mental conditions, like depression, ADHD, or anxiety (especially about grades)? Is there a history of self-destructive decisions and behavior? Make certain that the college counseling center knows about it.

Transitions can still be challenging, but being aware of the perils faced by today's students is more than half the battle of overcoming them.

The Jesse Klump Suicide

Awareness & Prevention Program

Ask what you can do for your Kiwanis Editor.

The Kiwanis Club of Ocean Pines – Ocean City is fast approaching the end of the program year 2016-2017.

All members played a role in our accomplishments for another successful year.

The new year begins Oct. 1, 2017 and runs through Sept. 30, 2018. The Kiwanis mission is "Serving the Children of the World." We are doing that and need to continue helping them in this next year.

I have been sending scholarship checks to the colleges for the 13 young people who we are assisting this year. The total awards will be \$13,000. You should read some of the letters of thanks from the kids or their parents. Your club is making a difference with these kids. We make a difference with younger kids as well.

This current year, the club has provided \$10,600 to youth activities in our area. This includes six clubs that we sponsor in local elementary, intermediate, and high schools, plus our new Aktion Club for kids at the Worcester County Development Center. We provide support to the 4Steps Therapeutic Program, Cedar Chapel School, Worcester GOLD Infants Pantry, [and] back to school supplies and their Christmas program for kids.

We sponsor a young girls' basketball team through Ocean City Parks and Recreation. We also contribute to OPA camp scholarships, the Cricket Center, United Way Imagination for Kids, a food drive, a coat drive, a toy drive, Life Crisis, and Ocean City "Play It Safe."

Perhaps more important than money, the club donated hundreds of volunteer hours to school art fairs, science fairs, and direct assistance to our sponsored school Kiwanis youth service clubs.

Your club has also played a supporting role in your community, contributing \$2,050 to community support organizations: the OPVFD, the OPA Concerts in the Park, OP Veterans Memorial, a coat drive, Achilles Maryland for the Disabled, and Diakonia, plus hundreds of volunteer hours towards nursing home bingo, companion dolls for patients, the blood drives, our house address signs, and others.

So, how does all of this get done? Through your volunteer hours and your hard work on our fundraisers. All of this is paid for by your work on pancake breakfasts, the Italian dinner, hot dog sales, the wine tasting event, the Duck Race and weekly donations through collection cans on the tables for Kiwanis Priority One.

Of course, it's not all hard work; there is the satisfaction of working to-

gether to get these results, the weekly meetings, and occasional social events.

So, here comes 2017-2018. The club and your community need you again. Not only you, but your friends and neighbors, to participate as members of your Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City.

We need our more recent members for their ideas and participation in our mission. We need our older members for what they are able to do, but more importantly their knowledge of our ongoing programs. Join with your Kiwanis team to continue these services for the 2017-2018 program year.

Marcus Page, Treasurer, Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City

Rights were denied during annual mtg. Editor,

I am writing this to inform the other members the way our rights were denied at the annual meeting of the association members.

I came to the meeting to amend the agenda, which under our Book of Resolutions B-03, I had every right to do. I waited until the proper time to request that the agenda be changed. I raised my hand after the presiding officer, Mr. Dave Stevens, asked to Continued on Page 24

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Continued from Page 23 adopt the agenda.

I raised my hand and proceeded to the mic. I identified who I was and where I live as required. I then began to ask that the agenda be amended to include a motion. I was told by Mr. Stevens that I was out of order and could not amend the agenda. At this time I disagreed with him, and then the parliamentarian, new OPA attorney Jeremy Tucker, agreed with Mr. Stevens.

According to Board Resolution B-03 regarding the annual meeting, "Points of Order," "The presiding officer's decision on a point of order shall be final unless overruled by a majority vote of the voting members present in person."

A vote should have been ordered

Community Briefs

Appointment

Worcester Prep senior Reid Scott Carey received his official appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Academy from Lt. Col. USMCR (Ret.) Steve Rakow at WPS on May 24.

A Dagsboro resident, Carey, is one of approximately 250 students chosen throughout the United States to attend this academy.

Carey is an outstanding scholar

by Mr. Stevens, which he did not do and continued to say I was out of order. It was the wrong decision.

It's left me no option but to go back to my seat. I was told by other members that I could bring up my motion in new business, but as the meeting went on they were rushing to get the election results. When new business came up, Mr. Stevens said "none" so fast I couldn't get up fast enough to try to make my motion.

What I find interesting is when the Resolution B-03, "Meetings of the Association," was adopted by the board of directors on Nov. 19, 2008, Mr. Stevens was the president of the board.

I sent a message to the Ocean Pines Forum and here are two responses from current board members:

"While we certainly cannot do anything to change what transpired at the meeting on Saturday, the takeaway is to ensure we do allow motions from the floor at the next and subsequent annual meetings." -Doug Parks

"Mr. Aronow, I offer you my sincere apology for the way your request to amend the agenda to include your motion was handled by Dave Stevens, the Presiding Officer of the members' annual meeting.

"The situation was further complicated by the opinion offered by the Association's legal counsel, who improperly and prematurely commented on the content of your motion.

"I wanted to intervene, but as a sit-

Division, where he served in a lead-

ting boardmember it would have been inappropriate of me to do so. I was hoping that the other homeowners present familiar with the rules came to your rescue.

"I hope a lesson learned for all, homeowners and Board members, [is] that annual meeting is the member's meeting. And that you, the homeowners, have a final say for everything that takes place on that day, including the agenda." -Slobodan Trendic

I would like to thank all concerned and mention to those who want to read Resolution B-03 to go to the OPA website and look up Book of Resolutions.

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Ted Aronow, Member, Ocean Pines Association

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ership role as Master at Arms. attends Mariners Bethel United Methodist Church in Ocean View and resides in Dagsboro, Delaware with his parents, Scott and Jennifer, and younger sister and WPS freshman, Rylie. Sandra Karsli

Karsli honored

Carey

Worcester Prep junior Sandra Karsli of Ocean City was selected by







athlete who has attended WPS since Pre-Kindergarten. He is a member of the WPS National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Art Honor Society, varsity golf team, varsity

lacrosse team and vice president of his senior class

He was a member of the US Naval Sea Cadets Corps - Annapolis

Bayside Gazette

Juggling lessons at 4th Friday in Pocomoke

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Aug. 24, 2017) Cascading Carlos the juggler will perform, and perhaps inspire, during the 4th Friday Street Festival in Pocomoke this week.

"I want to share something that makes me happy," he said. "I set up enough [materials] for 50-60 people to try juggling and see if you like it."

Cascading Carlos, also known as Carlos Mir, said he developed an interest in juggling at a young age from an unexpected source.

"I learned how to juggle when I was 10," he said. "I was at Circus World in Florida and was pulled out of audience."

Twenty years later, Mir is still tossing objects skyward and hopes to assist others boost their self-esteem by partaking of his beloved art form.

"Jugglers are kind and willing to share within that realm and life generally," he said. "You don't need a lot of money, just time to practice."

In addition to sharing techniques during his juggling workshops, Mir also provides historical context to the audience.

"The history of juggling traces back 2,000 years before Christ," he said. "It's been around as long as music."

Mir noted there are numerous health benefits derived from juggling, including improved self-esteem and hand-eye coordination.

"It helps in the prevention of dementia," he said. "Brain cells are growing as you juggle and practice."

On his website, www.cascadingcarlos.com, Mir shares data from a 2004 study conducted at the University of Regensburg in Germany and published in Nature, the international weekly journal of science. Researchers found subjects who learned to juggle stimulated actual brain growth.

Although professional juggling equipment can be costly, Mir said novices could practice for little, if any, cost by repurposing common household objects.

"Good clubs are \$50 a piece," he said. "Socks are good for practicing ... and readily available."

Despite decades of expertise, Mir said he never stops honing his craft.

"I'm still practicing," he said. "I'm never done."

Downtown Coordinator Karah Lacey said two blocks of Market Street between Front and Second streets would abound with a spattering of craftspeople and vendors offering wares, including original paintings, photography, jewelry, beauty products, home décor and fashion.

Lacey said this month's featured artist, Darren "That Spray Paint Guy" Linton, began his foray into airbrushing nearly five years ago, and since that time has increased the scale of his works.

"I find that with spray paint, if it doesn't turn out exactly like I planned, I can add more colors, textures, and still make something I'm proud of," Linton said.

Linton finds satisfaction in allowing patrons to witness his creative process.

"It starts out looking impossible and then as the details come to life, they can see what they pictured appear," he said.

The Pocomoke Community Garden, on the corner of Willow and Clark streets, will host a floral arrangements demonstration at 5 p.m.

Kay Thompson-Schutt, an accredited master judge with the National Garden Club, will offer expert instruction on how to combine common household items and flowers to produce eye-catching centerpieces.

There is no cost to participate but organizers ask interested parties to RSVP by Aug. 24 to Norma Howard at 410-726-0066. Lacey advises attendees bring along their appetites and sample the fare at Riverside Grill. Adult beverages, including beer and wine will be available, along with soft drinks. Also, the entire family can indulge their sweet tooth.

"Stop in XO Beanery & Bites [on 129 Market Street] for an iced coffee or sweet treat including Chesapeake Bay Farms ice cream," she said.

For those interested in expanding their knowledge base, Lacey said there would be free admission into local museums, including the Delmarva Discovery Center, the Sturgis One Room School and the Costen House Museum.

The Delmarva Discovery Center will host performances of "Rhythms of the Pocomoke," presented by the Pocomoke Indian Nation at 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Admission is free. Lacey said children should not miss the petting zoo, as well as sidewalk chalk, which will be available at the Sturgis One Room School. An adult must accompany children at all local museums.

"Games will be offered throughout the downtown area, including life size checkers and chess in the Downtown Community Garden," she said.

Live music will be performed by Triple Vision, which features Dave Strauss on lead guitar, Mike Hitch on bass and Jeff Fields on drums.

The festivities take place from 5-8 p.m. and as usual, two blocks of Market Street between Front Street and Second Street will be closed to traffic.

In the event of rain Lacey said 4th Friday would be cancelled and resume the following month.

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Snapshots



TWO HEADS ARE BETTER

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Worcester Prep seventh grade twins, Hugh Thomas and Myra Cropper of Ocean City, acted as headmasters of the school on June 1. Their parents purchased the "Headmaster for a Day" during the school's annual gala's fundraising auction in March. As headmaster, they allowed all students in Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade to wear casual clothing instead of their uniforms if they donated \$1 to their favorite charity, the Atlantic General Hospital Emergency Room. They met with school staff, visited classrooms, doubled recess time, treated teachers to donuts, arranged for a DJ to play music during lunch and invited all members of their class to play Capture the Flag and enjoy an ice cream sundae party. They are pictured with Headmaster Dr. Barry Tull.



GUEST SPEAKER

Jeremy Goetzinger, president of the nonprofit Achilles Maryland, was the guest speaker during the June 28 meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Achilles International was founded in 1983 by Dick Traum, the first amputee to run a marathon on a prosthetic leg. Its mission is to "enable people with disabilities to participate in mainstream athletics in order to promote personal achievement, enhance self-esteem and lower barriers to living a fulfilling life." Goetzinger is pictured with Kiwanis Club President Barbara Peletier.



ALL HANDS ON DOUGH

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Worcester Preparatory School offered a variety of children's summer camps in July. This year's camp themes included 3D Computers, Movies, Games Galore, DIY UPcycling, Crafts, Escape Room, STEAM ahead with LEGO Robotics, NASA Robotics, Cooking Around the World and Magic School Bus. Catherine Cullen, Sage Myers, Eliza Myers, Caitlin Shimko, Layla Jenkins, Angeline Todorov, Emily Patrowicz and Sydney Todorov knead the dough at The Atlantic Hotel during WPS Cooking Around the World Camp.



EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

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Worcester County Government employees recently presented \$18,896 to United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore as a result of employees contributing through their annual workplace campaign. Under the leadership of Campaign Coordinator Kelly Brinkley, departments raised dollars for local nonprofit programs, with the county's environmental programs having the greatest participation and largest increase over last year's campaign. Pictured, from left, are, Worcester County Government employees Brian Jack, Jenelle Gerthoffer, Cindy Serman, Eddie Lawson, Joy Birch of Environmental Programs and Brinkley.



SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

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The Ocean Pines Garden Club recently held its annual garden tour and luncheon. Megan Elizabeth Corcoran, center, was the recipient of the OPGC's \$1,500 scholarship award. Pictured are Corcoran's mother, Kathy, left, and Judy Baumgartner, chairperson of the scholarship committee.



EMERGENCY FOOD KITS

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BB&T employees on June 12 delivered over 100 emergency food kits and additional items to Worcester County GOLD, Inc. (GOLD, Giving Other Lives Dignity) to assist individuals in the community who are homeless or in critical need to. Pictured, from left, are David Becker, BB&T DRL Portfolio administrator; Sandy Sipes, GOLD executive director; Kathy Bohn, BB&T Ocean City Branch manager; and Greg Tawes, BB&T Market president of the Lower Eastern Shore. Bohn coordinated the BB&T charitable Lighthouse Project. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Worcester GOLD promotes dignity by providing financial aid to families in crisis, vulnerable adults and children in foster care. **Bayside Gazette**

Taylor Bank comes up big for new AGH Cancer Center

(Aug. 24, 2017) The Atlantic General Hospital Campaign for the Future recently received a donation of \$200,000 from Taylor Bank for upcoming projects including the new John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center.

Taylor Bank has been a steadfast supporter of Atlantic General Hospital and Health System since its inception. Since then the organization has donated \$194,500 to the hospital and health system through various campaigns including previous expansion campaigns, as well as the annual Anniversary Celebration and annual Golf Classics. The new \$200,000 donation is the largest single donation granted by Taylor Bank to any not-forprofit organization in the banks history.

"We're extremely grateful for the commitment shown to our not-for-profit community hospital and the generous support of local organizations like Taylor Bank," said Campaign for the Future Co-Chair Jack Burbage. "The way healthcare services are delivered is changing, but Atlantic General's commitment to state-ofthe-art medicine only grows stronger. We can help AGH meet the challenges of providing the very best healthcare services right here – close to home."

"We are delighted to assist Atlantic General Hospital and Health System in the Campaign for the Future fundraising," said Ray Thompson, Taylor Bank president and chief executive office. "We recognize the vital role Atlantic General Hospital plays in providing high quality healthcare and other services to our local area residents and we believe our donation demonstrates the bank's commitment and investment in our local communities."

The funds raised during the \$10 million Atlantic General Campaign for the Future will allow Atlantic General Hospital to complete \$35 million in capital projects.

Among them is construction of a new 18,000-square-foot full service cancer care center, completion of a women's health center in West Ocean City, reno-

vation of existing surgical facilities and expansion of emergency services within Atlantic General Hospital as well as improvements to inpatient care areas.

To date, the Foundation has already secured \$3 million of the \$10 million goal in pledges, commitments and grants.

The new 18,000-square-foot Regional Cancer Care Center, which is to be built on hospital-owned property at the corner of Route 113 and Old Ocean City Boulevard (Route 346) in Berlin, will provide one centrally-located, convenient facility for the care and treatment of individuals with cancer and blood disorders.

In addition to existing medical oncology and chemotherapy infusion services and integrative therapies, the new center will include radiation oncology; PET imaging; laboratory services; community education and support facilities; and telemedicine technology that will allow patients and their physicians to consult with other cancer care experts, preventing unnecessary travel for consultation and follow up care for patients who may require more intensive cancer care services.

Construction is due to begin in July 2017, with completion in early 2018.

Atlantic General Hospital has been providing quality health care to the residents of Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties in Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware since May 1993.

Built by the commitment and generosity of a dedicated community, the hospital's state-of-the-art facility in Berlin, combines old-fashioned personal attention with the latest in technology and services. It provides quality specialty care such as weight loss surgery, orthopedics, outpatient infusion and chemotherapy for individuals with cancer or blood/autoimmune disorders and a comprehensive women's diagnostic center.

Atlantic General Health System, its network of more than 40 primary care providers and specialists, care for residents and visitors throughout the region.



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Snapshots



courts at the Manklin Meadows Racquet Sports Complex. The challenge was designed to create a competitive playing situation using groups of equal

LADDER CHALLENGE The Ocean Pines Pickleball Club recently completed its Ladder Challenge, which was conducted every Wednesday in July at its eight new outdoor

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GOLDEN LION

Frances Cipriotti, president of the Sons of Italy Grand Lodge of Maryland, presents a lion statue to Vito Potenza, president of the Ocean City Lodge of the Sons of Italy. The occasion was the hosting of the 2017 convention of the Maryland Lodges of the Sons of Italy in Ocean City in early June. The Golden Lion is the symbol of the Order Sons of Italy in America.



abilities. Approximately 50 players participated during this four-week event.

NEW OFFICERS

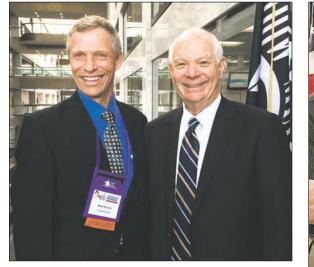
Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club recently introduced the 2017/2018 officers. Pictured, from left, are Margaret Mudron, president; Cliff Berg, immediate past president and treasurer; Walter Maizel, sergeant of arms; and Ed Welch, vice president and secretary. The Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meetings are 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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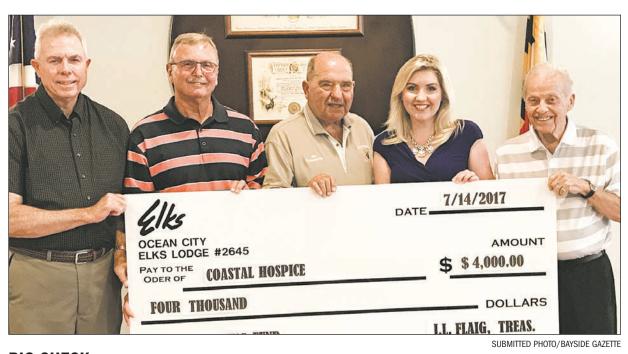
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One of the highlights of the weekly Wednesday 8 a.m. meetings of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City in the Ocean Pines Community Center is the guest speaker. On June 14, Steve Cohen, a Kiwanis member, entertained the group with Russian music by playing a domba. He is holding a balalaika. Pictures also is Club President Barbara Peletier.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

MD SENATORS Mark Massey, Compass Program coordinator with Coastal Hospice, left, attended the Hospice Action Network and the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization's annual Advocacy Days, July 17-18 in Washington, D.C. Massey personally met with senators Ben Cardin (pictured) and Chris Van Hollen of Maryland to discuss specific legislation related to hospice and rural healthcare.



BIG CHECK

Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 donated \$4,000 to Coastal Hospice for the purpose of adding additional rooms and medical support for its new facility in Worcester County. Pictured are members of the Charity Committee, Charlie Loane, Bruce Martinec, Jim Flaig, Heather Duma (Coastal Hospice) and Carroll Wagner.

Business Briefs

Promotions

Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley (ASC&D) announces several promotions



been promoted to the role of Life and Health team leader. Schmidt has been influential in streamlining processes within her department and has successfully trained many in the Life

and Health team. She

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has worked in the insurance industry since 2000. She enjoys spending time with her sons and going to the beach with family.

In addition, there are two recent promotions within the Executive Leadership Team



Cindy Hall has been promoted to vice president of sales. She has 24 years of experience in sales management in the commercial and hospitality industry. Hall focuses her time assisting the sales and sup-

Cindy Hall

port teams and to help simplify the insurance purchasing experience and develop stronger agency/client relationships.

Hall and her husband reside in Worcester County where she remains active volunteering and serving on a variety of committees including, Junior Achievement of Worcester County, Eastern Women's Golf Association and the Ocean City Chamber of Commerce. Her three boys grew up in Worcester County and she remained very active in the Worcester County School Systems while the boys attended school. Beth Bell has been



icant role in supporting the strategic direction of ASC&D agency as the executive leader for HR,

promoted to the posi-

tion of vice president of

operations, in addition

to her current role as

CFO. She holds a signif-

IT and Accounting.

She also directly supports the Personal Lines division of the agency. Bell is a senior certified professional with the Society for Human Resource Management. She is active in the local community, serving on the Worcester County board of Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore. She is a native of Ocean City and currently resides in Bishopville with her husband and four children.

Willards, Headquartered in Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley is an independent insurance agency specializing in employer benefits, business and personal insurances.

Bank award

Taylor Bank was recently recognized by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as a recipient of the Silver Level Healthiest Maryland Businesses Wellness at Work Award. The Healthiest Maryland Businesses Well-

ness at Work Awards recognizes employers for their exemplary accomplishments in worksite health promotion. Applications were reviewed and scored by the staff of Healthiest Maryland Businesses, Maryland's Worksite Wellness Program.

Taylor Bank launched its Fiscally Fit program in 2011 with a simple walking campaign that has now evolved into a holistic and strategized wellness program.

New position

Kerry Runkles

Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley (ASC&D) announces that Kerry Runkles

has been promoted to the role of personal lines manager.

Runkles has been instrumental in reviewing and updating procedures to make the insurance purchasing experience more

She has several years of experience in personal insurance in both servicing and new business roles.

places and spending time with her husband and two boys.

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F. Macuha Jr..

M.D.

Atlantic General Hospital and Health System announced that Faustino

> ing the medical staff to provide care for patients with diabetes, thyroid, adrenal and other hormone and metabolic disorders.

Center for Diabetes

the University of Maryland Shore Regional Health at Easton. He is dual-certified in endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism as well as internal medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Macuha completed his fellowship in

endocrinology at Stony Brook University Hospital in Stony Brook, New York and his residency at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City.

Prior to his position at University of Maryland Shore Regional Health at Easton, he was a hospitalist at Straub Clinic and Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii. He completed his medical degree at University of Santo Tomas in Manila, Philippines, and an internal medicine residency at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York. New York.

Macuha began seeing patients at the Atlantic General Primary Care and Endocrinology office in Ocean Pines on July 17. Appointments can be made by calling 410-208-9761.

Promotions

Bayside Gazette

Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley (ASC&D) announce internal promotions. Miesha Foreman has



been promoted to a client relations agent working within the Transportation Practice. Foreman is a licensed agent in Property & Casualty Insurance.

She enjoys singing at her church and in her band, and spending time with her family.

Lindsey Ward has



been promoted to the role of client relations agent in the Community Association Practice. Ward is a licensed agent in Property & Casualty Insurance and has a Bachelor's Degree from Salisbury Uni-

Debbie Long has

been promoted to pri-

vate client specialist.

Long is working closely

with client advisors to

versity. She loves cooking, the Beatles and video games.



bridge between Commercial and Personal lines accounts. Long has worked in the insurance industry for over

She enjoys camping, cookouts and spending time with her family at the beach.





streamline for clients.

She enjoys traveling, visiting new in Willards.

Macuha joins AGH

Macuha Jr., M.D., is join-

Macuha is medical director of the

and Endocrinology at



40 years.

NOW PLAYING

BJ'S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com Aug. 25: Full Circle, 9 p.m. Aug. 26: The Chest Pains, 9 p.m. Aug. 30: Lennon LaRicci, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 31: Bettenroo, 8 p.m.

BIG EASY ON 60

5909 Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-524-2305 www.thebigeasyon60.com Aug. 25: Walt Farovic Aug. 27: Bryan Russo, noon to 3 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com Aug. 25: Dave Sherman, 8-11 p.m. Aug. 26: Sandra Dean, 8-11 p.m. Aug. 27: Chris Button, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 28: Just Jay, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 29: Charlie Z, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 30: Michael Smith, 6-9 p.m.; Open Mic, 9-11 p.m. Aug. 31: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

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

CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road Berlin 410-641-0600 www.oceandowns.com Aug. 25: Sol Knopf, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 26: Everett Spells, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Aaron Howell Duo, 9:30 p.m to 1:30 a.m.

COCONUTS BEACH BAR AND GRILL

In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-6846 www.castleinthesand.com Aug. 25: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 5-9 p.m. Aug. 26: Joe Smooth and John Remy, noon to 4 p.m.; Zion Reggae Band, 5-9 p.m. Aug. 27: Shortcut Sunny, noon to 3 p.m.; Lauren Glick Band, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 28: Nate Clendenen, noon to 3 p.m.; Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 29: Full Circle Duo, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Jack & T, 3-7 p.m. Aug. 30: Heather Vidal, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8

p.m. Aug. 31: Sean Loomis, noon to 3 p.m.; The Lime Green Band, 4-8 p.m.

COINS

28th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-289-3100 www.coinspub.com Aug. 26: Tranzfusion, 9 p.m.

COWBOY COAST COUNTRY SALOON AND STEAKHOUSE

17th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-289-6331 www.cowboycoastoc.com Aug. 25: Sam Grow, doors open at 5 p.m.; DJ BK, 9 p.m. Aug. 26: DJ BK, 9 p.m. Aug. 30: Live Band Beat the Clock Karaoke, Kaotic, 8 p.m. to midnight; DJ Jerry B, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com Aug. 25: Bob Hughes, 5-9 p.m. Aug. 29: TBA, 8 p.m. to midnight

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com Aug. 25: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. Aug. 26: Side Project/Chris Button, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. Aug. 27: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m. Aug. 28: Blake Haley, 4-7 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 7 p.m. Aug. 29: Funk Shue, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 30: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 31: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

HARVEST MOON TAVERN

208 W. Green St. Snow Hill 410-632-9890 harvestmoontavern@gmail.com Aug. 25: Ted Elliott, 7-10 p.m. Aug. 26: Chris Miller, 7-10 p.m.

M.R. DUCKS

311 Talbot St. Ocean City 410-289-9125 www.mrducksbar.com Aug. 25: Kevin Poole, 5 p.m. Aug. 26: Bone Daddys, 5 p.m. Aug. 27: Bird Dog, 4 p.m. Aug. 30: Batman, 5 p.m. Aug. 31: Monkee Paw, 5 p.m.

MARINA DECK

306 Dorchester St. Ocean City 410-289-4411 www.marinadeckrestaurant.com Aug. 31: Karaoke w/J-Lo, 9-11 p.m.

MARYLAND WINE BAR

103 N. Main St. Berlin 410-603-6278 www.themdwinebar.com Aug. 25: Rich Johnson, 8-10 p.m.

MUMFORD'S LANDING OCEAN PINES

1 Mumford's Landing Road

Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org Aug. 25: On the Edge, 6 p.m.; Kaleb Brown, 8 p.m. Aug. 26: Full Circle, 6 p.m.; Randy Lee Ashcraft, 8 p.m. Aug. 29: Suzette Pritchett, 6 p.m.

OCEAN CITY FISH COMPANY

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12817 Harbor Drive West Ocean City 410-213-2525 www.ocfishcompany.com Aug. 25: DJ Wax, 5-8 p.m. Aug. 26: Mike Bennett, 3-6 p.m. Aug. 27: One Night Stand, 3-6 p.m. Aug. 31: Binje, 5-8 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Every Thursday-Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 25-26: Passion, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 30: Bryan Clark, 7-10 p.m. Aug. 31-Sept. 3: TFC, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Lenny's Deck Bar: Aug. 25-27: Power Play, 5-10 p.m Aug. 28-29: On The Edge, 5-10 p.m

Aug. 28-29: On The Edge, 5-10 p.m Aug. 30: On The Edge, 4-9 p.m Aug. 31-Sept. 4: On The Edge, 5-10 p.m

OCEAN PINES BEACH CLUB

49th Street Ocean City 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org Aug. 25: Kaleb Brown, 3-7 p.m. Aug. 26: First Class, 4-7 p.m. Aug. 27: First Class, 3-7 p.m. Aug. 31: First Class, 6-10 p.m.

PICKLES

706 Philadelphia Ave. Ocean City 410-289-4891 www.picklesoc.com Aug. 25: Beats By Jeremy, 10 p.m. Aug. 28: Karaoke w/Jeremy, 10 p.m. Aug. 29: International Beats By Dutch, 10 p.m. Aug. 31: Beats by Wax

PURPLE MOOSE SALOON

108 S. Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com Aug. 25-26: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Trip Wire, 10 p.m. Aug. 27: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Total Distraction, 10 p.m. Aug. 28: Total Distraction, 10 p.m. Aug. 29-30: VJ Mazi, 9 p.m. Aug. 31: Ozzmosis, 10 p.m.

ROPEWALK

82nd Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-1009 www.ropewalkoc.com Aug. 25: Colin Rowe, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 26: Opposite Directions, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 27: Marcella, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 28: Pat O'Brennan, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 29: Monkee Paw, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 30: Nate Clendenen, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 31: Pat O'Brennan, 4-8 p.m.

SAND SHARK POOL BAR

In the Quality Inn & Suites Beachfront 3301 Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-1234 www.qibeachfront.com Aug. 27: Keri Anthony

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com Aug. 25: DJ Bobby'0, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Under the Covers, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 26: Cruz-in de Bay, noon to 6 p.m.; DJ Tuff, noon to 2 a.m.; Nowhere Slow, 1-5 p.m.; Under the Covers, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; S.T.O.R.M., 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; My Hero Zero, 10 pm. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby'0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aug. 27: DJ Bobby'0, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Steal the Sky, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. Aug. 28: DJ Bobby'0, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; JJ Rupp Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 29: DJ Bobby'O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; Late Last Night, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 30: DJ Bobby'0, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle Duo, 5-9 p.m.; Rew Smith, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Aug. 31: DJ Bobby'O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Jah Works, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SHENANIGAN'S IRISH PUB AND GRILLE

309 N. Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com Aug. 25-26: Sly 45, 9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com Aug. 25: The Stims, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 26: Marcella Peters, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 27: Test Kitchen, 4-8 p.m. Aug. 31: Sean Spiffy Styles, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 www.whiskersbar.com Aug. 25: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey



Cuisine

Eat, drink and be merry; tomorrow you'll diet

Methinks I am in need of a salad. I have a general rule that I must eat my way through a town, especially



when it is known for certain foods. Of course, the town will dictate how many times the mission is to be carried out, as

By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

cuisine, some regions are easy. New England means chowder and lobster rolls, Delmarva means crab cakes, country ham and greens. The south means biscuits, sweet potato pie and chicken-fried steak.

Other regions aren't quite as clearcut, such as "Mid-Atlantic" or California as its own animal. Regardless, when I visited Napa Valley about 10 years ago, I still ate my way through the vale, amazed at the skill and craftsmanship of the many meals we ate over a 10-day period.

New Orleans was no different, although the "house" specialties were much more readily identifiable: gumbo, étoufée, jambalaya, beignets and Sazerac (OK, I know this isn't food, but it is an important part of the city's boundless history).

When it came to St. Louis, the specialty was much more concise: meat. Primarily beef in flavor, my friends and I spent five days with the "meat sweats," and in a way, I couldn't wait to come home to salads and smoothies. But when in St. Louis ...

Chicago has been no different than any other town I've visited over the years, and this is my third time walking the streets and absorbing the views, the smells (I love the fact that it does not smell like New York City) and of course, the food.

The last time we visited, I had some Chicago dogs and wrote about them. As I'm with the kids, and my un-American children do not like hot dogs, I am practically forced to forego them on this bout, but I may sneak one in before we scoot out. The sport peppers (I wrote about them in May) and other accouterments make the hot dog, and I will say that I was surprised to see ketchup on the tables. I always thought the big 'K' was taboo in this town, but who am I to question?

No, this time we are eating copious amounts of deep-dish pizza, and I finally know the secret of the pie. I was invited into the kitchen of one of the oldest deep-dish joints in town, and I



smiled as I realized the one fatal mistake that I was making. And I probably won't write about it out of deference to the owner. He was kind enough to bring me back, so we'll just leave it at that.

We've had deep dish Pizza at Lou Malnati's and Giordano's, and up next will be Gino's East. I'm pretty sure that I won't be able to fit into my jeans by Friday, but not to worry – that is why we have gym shorts.

But by the middle of the week, I needed a salad. Yes, I said it. I knew I needed something to combat what I was ingesting much to chagrin of the gluten shunners, and I figured that mozzarella sticks and garlic bread were hardly the answer.

Sometimes a salad does the body good, and this is quite frankly one of those times. But, we need to prepare for our next pie as we eat our way through Chicago. We are professionals, you know.

Spinach Salad, **Strawberries, Chevre** Serves 6

1 large plastic clamshell baby spinach

1 med. Red onion, julienne 3 ounces Chevre (goat cheese log) 12 Strawberries, hulled and sliced 1/2 cup Candied Walnuts (recipe follows)

1/2 cup Balsamic Vinaigrette (recipe follows)

1. Add all ingredients except for the vinaigrette in a bowl and gently toss

2. Add enough vinaigrette to coat the salad without making it sopping wet

3. Serve any remaining vinaigrette on the table for guests who may like a touch more

Candied Walnuts

Makes 1 cup

1 cup Walnut halves

3 Tbsp. Confectioner's sugar

a dash of cinnamon 1. Place the nuts in a bowl large enough to toss

2. Coat with sugar and cinnamon 3. Run your hand under running water and moisten the nuts only until the nuts are glazed

4. Place on a silicone mat on a sheet pan, or a sheet pan that you have sprayed

7. Bake at 375 until the nuts are toasty. They will not be crunchy at this point; they will have to cool down, so make sure you don't burn them trying to crisp them up!

6. Cool and serve

Balsamic Vinaigrette

makes about 1 cup

- 1 shallot, finely minced
- 1 Tbsp. honey
- 1/2 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1/2 tsp. Mayonnaise
- 3 Tbsp. Balsamic vinegar
- Salt and cracked black pepper, to taste
- 3/4 cup Grapeseed oil or other light but good oil

1. Place all the ingredients except for the oil in a bowl and whisk until thoroughly combined

2. While continuing to whisk, slowly drizzle in the oil. A great tip is to wet a kitchen towel, roll it up like you're about to snap someone on the rump like you did on swim team, and then wrap it snugly around the base of the bowl. This will keep the bowl from spinning around as you whisk

3. This dressing will hold for about two hours or so. Without the addition of xanthan gum or another binder, it will naturally break

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Calendar

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8TH ANNUAL OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK

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OC MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

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

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Bayside at Third Street, Chicago Avenue and Third Street, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tour the authentic wooden replica of a 17th Century Spanish Galleon during its visit from Sevilla, Spain. Admission costs are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children ages 5-12 and free to those 4 and younger. 410-250-0125, http://fundacionnaovictoria.org

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. The group meets every Thursday. Free and open to anyone who has lost a loved one, not just Coastal Hospice families. 410-251-8163

BEACH SINGLES

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

FREE PICKLEBALL CLINIC

Manklin Meadows Sports Complex, 11443 Manklin Creek Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 4 p.m. Free clinics for beginners conducted by Ocean Pines Pickleball Club members. Register: John Hanberry, Jhanberry@comcast.net, 703-598-6119.

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

Chesapeake Health Care, 9956 N. Main St., Suite 2, Berlin, MD, 4:30 p.m. Chesapeake Health Care offers patients with or without insurance, yearly checkups, medical evaluations, laboratory services, prenatal and postnatal care, mental health counseling, immunizations and physicals.

FREE CIRCUS

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COMMUNITY PARK MEETING

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. A follow-up parks planning meeting to discuss the amenities at Gorman Park and the planned placement for a grant-funded Pickleball amenity in the Caine Woods park system. Open to the public. Recreation and Parks Department, 410-250-0125

THE NEXT ICE AGE ICE SKATING SHOW

Carousel Hotel, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Free, familyfriendly event. Iona, 410-520-2259, http://carouselhotel.com/amenities/oceancity-md-hotel-live-ice-shows/

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS

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

100 NIGHTS OF LIGHTS

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ANNUAL KIWANIS DUCK RACE

Frontier Town's Lazy River, 8428 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD, 6 p.m. Win up to \$1,000. For a \$5 donation get one duck or 3 ducks for \$10. Call 410-973-1233 for chances or get them from any Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City member. Proceeds benefit the club's children's programs. Winners need not be present.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

Columbus Hall (behind St. Luke's Church). 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Held each Friday night. More than \$1,000 in prizes each week and Big Jackpot could pay \$1,000. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. 410-524-7994

SAT, AUG. 26

INDOOR YARD SALE

Church of the Holy Spirit, 10001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. Info: 410-723-1973.

FARMERS MARKET

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

8TH ANNUAL OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. OC Jeep Week Headquarter takes place at the convention center, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There you will find many vendors selling 4x4 and Jeep products, installs done onsite, entertainment and Jeep Show and Shines.

Meet Kenny from Hauk Designs and Road Hauks, and Tom Bostic from Junkyard Empire. Jeep Jam is the offroad park and takes place in Berlin behind CC Customs, 10013 Old Ocean City Blvd., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The course accommodates all skill levels and is available to OC Jeep Week participants. Open to the public to watch. Checkout King of Pit from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$10 and includes both venues. Brad Hoffman, brad@live-wire-media.com, 443-366-5944, http://www.ocjeepweek.com

OCBP PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING

Ocean City Boardwalk, Dorchester Street and boardwalk, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. No precertification requirements and experience in ocean rescue is not necessary to apply. Full day of testing including swimming 400m, running 300m, performing simulated swimming rescues and demonstrating the capacity to run fast in timed sprint races. Candidates are strongly encouraged to pre-register: www.ococean.com/ocbp. The Ocean City Beach Patrol required acceptable proof of age. Applicants must be 17 years or older by June 25, 2018. Those under age 18 at the testing, must be accompanied by a legal guardian. 410-289-7556, http://www.oceancitymd.gov/ocbp

OC MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

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

OC TALL SHIP TOURS

Bayside at Third Street, Chicago Avenue and Third Street, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tour the authentic wooden replica of a 17th Century Spanish Galleon during its visit from Sevilla, Spain. Admission costs are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children ages 5-12 and free to those 4 and younger. 410-250-0125, http://fundacionnaovictoria.org

1/2 BBQ CHICKEN & ROLL

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. Cost is \$8. Sponsored by the Men's Ministry. Patrick Henry, 443-880-4746

FREE CIRCUS

Jolly Roger Amusement Park, 2901 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5 p.m. Two performances each night at 5 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Circus Smile featuring The Wheel of Death with the Morales Family. 410-289-3477

THE NEXT ICE AGE ICE SKATING SHOW

Carousel Hotel, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Free, familyfriendly event. Iona, 410-520-2259, http://carouselhotel.com/amenities/oceancity-md-hotel-live-ice-shows/

ONE-WOMAN SHOW

Ocean City Center for the Arts, 502 94th Street, Ocean City, MD, 7 p.m. "I Am the Gentry," a one-woman show shedding light on gentrification. Comprised of humorous and poignant vignettes that chronicle one

100 NIGHTS OF LIGHTS

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SUN, AUG. 27

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Menu includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast, creamed chipped beef, biscuits, sausage, bacon and toast. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 8 and younger. Located behind St. Luke's Church. 410-524-7994

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BLUEGRASS, BREW & BBQ

Furnace Town Living Heritage Village, 3816 Old Furnace Road, Snow Hill, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. Doors open at at 4 p.m. Featuring musicians Dan Caton, Keagan Justice, Michey Justice, Todd Simmons and Todd Smith. Local craft brewers Third Wave Brewery and Fin City Brewing Company and barbeque. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$7 for children 15 and younger and can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com or by calling 410-632-2032. Sponsorships are still available. http://www.furnacetown.org

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SUNDAES IN THE PARK

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. Bring picnic baskets and beach chairs for ice cream sundaes and live entertainment by The British Invasion Experience. For a small fee, make your own ice cream sundae creation. Children's entertainment also presented. Fireworks display at 9 p.m. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

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MON, AUG. 28

LIVE AUDITIONS

Stephen Decatur High School auditorium, 9913 Seahawk Rd, Berlin, MD, 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. Audition categories for "The Launch-Faces of the Moon, A Celebration of the Performing Arts" include Solo Vocalist, Vocal Duet, Vocal Trio, Vocal Ensemble, Choir, Individual Instrumentalist, Instrumental Ensemble, Band, Solo Dance, Dance Ensemble, Dramatic Ready, Dramatic Scene and Performance Art. There are no age restrictions. Audition applications may be obtained by calling Patti Miller at 443-880-7795 or patti@peckmiller.com. The performance will take place Nov. 4 at the Ocean City Performing Arts Center.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH MUSEUM TOURS

Historic St. Martin's Church Museum, 11413 Old Worcester Highway, Showell, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Visit Historic St. Martin's Church Museum built in 1756, 20 years prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Guided Docent Tours every Monday through September. Complimentary parking and admission. 410-251-2849

FREE CIRCUS

Jolly Roger Amusement Park, 2901 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5 p.m. Two performances each night at 5 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Circus Smile featuring The Wheel of Death with the Morales Family. 410-289-3477

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

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Carousel Hotel, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Free, familyfriendly event. Iona, 410-520-2259, http://carouselhotel.com/amenities/oceancity-md-hotel-live-ice-shows/

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

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

100 NIGHTS OF LIGHTS

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BEACH FIREWORKS

Boardwalk at N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 p.m. Free fireworks are visible along the Boardwalk. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

TUE, AUG. 29

FREE HEART SCREENING

Delmarva Health Pavilion, 11101 Cathage Road, Ocean Pines, Md, All Day Takes place onboard the Wagner Wellness Van. Participants must not currently be under the care of a cardiologist or have a known history of heart disease. A 12-hour fast is required. Appointments are required: 410-543-7026.

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road 410-208-4014, 1 to 4 p.m. Free. Master Gardeners will be available to help with gardening questions. Put plant damage samples in a plastic bag and label with your name and phone number. 410-208-4014

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB NIGHT

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. Crabs and shrimp need to be ordered between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays. Platters and other food available without preorder. Cash bar. Located behind St. Luke's Church. 410-524-7994

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

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BINGO

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

CHAMBER MUSIC BY THE SEA

House Concert, Snow Hill, MD, 7 p.m. The chamber group will play a one-hour, intimate, up-close-and-personal-with-the-muscicians concert. Nibbles and sips will be offered, the music will be interspersed with chatting from the musicians. Proceeds benefit the Worcester County Education Foundation. For tickets, contact Melissa Reid, 443-365-0014 or Hope Palmer, 443-944-5780.

OC BEACH DANCE PARTY

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

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WED, AUG. 30

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

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

LIVE AUDITIONS

Worcester Tech High School multi-purpose room, 6290 Worcester Highway, Newark, MD, 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. Audition categories for "The Launch-Faces of the Moon" include Solo Vocalist, Vocal Duet, Vocal Trio, Vocal Ensemble, Choir, Individual Instrumentalist, Instrumental Ensemble, Band, Solo Dance, Dance Ensemble, Dramatic Ready, Dramatic Scene and Performance Art. There are no age restrictions. Audition applications may be obtained by calling Patti Miller at 443-880-7795 or patti@peckmiller.com. The performance will take place Nov. 4 at the Ocean City Performing Arts Center.

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

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

http://delmarvahanddancing.com

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. cliff0917@aol.com, 410-641-1700

CHAMBER MUSIC BY THE SEA

House Concert, South Point, MD, 7 p.m. The chamber group will play a one-hour, intimate, up-close-and-personal-with-the-muscicians concert. Nibbles and sips will be offered, the music will be interspersed with chatting from the musicians. Proceeds benefit the Worcester County Education Foundation. For tickets, contact Melissa Reid, 443-365-0014 or Hope Palmer, 443-944-5780.

MOVIE ON THE BEACH

Carousel Resort Hotel and Condominiums, 11700 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 p.m. Free movie on the beach, featuring "The Lego Batman Movie." Take a beach chair or blanket. In the event of inclement weather, the movie will be shown inside the hotel. Chris Clarke, 410-250-0125





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