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A car, swerving to avoid another vehicle in the parking lot, veered up onto the steps of the Ocean Pines Library at about 11 a.m. on Saturday. No major injuries were reported during the incident.

CAR hosts Berlin candidate forum

Mayoral and town council hopefuls discuss issues of growth and preserving area

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Several dozen Berlin residents "met the candidates" last Wednesday during a political forum – likely the only one of this election cycle - presented by the Coastal Association of Realtors.

Moderator Joseph Wilson, from CAR, joined mayoral candidates District 2 Councilwoman Lisa Hall and incumbent Gee Williams, along with District 2 hopefuls Jack Orris and Zack Tyndall, during the roughly 90minute discussion.

All the candidates appeared to have similar views on growth, job creation and preserving the smalltown charm that has become synonymous with Berlin.

Everyone also agreed the town was headed in the right direction, although some were quicker than others to call for measures to keep the town as is.

Asked about Berlin's most-valuable asset, all four candidates concurred that the people and generally convivial atmosphere of the town was its best quality.

Tyndall, who grew up in the area, recalled a "desolate downtown" during his youth.

'I've seen a downtown where I'd walk up and get a milkshake at Rayne's Reef. That, pretty much, was the extent of my walk," he said.

Now, he said, the town was a thriving and vibrant place.

"I like that part of Berlin and I want to see that continue," he said.

While he wasn't born in Berlin, Orris said he was "smart enough to move here and invest [his] life here." He said the "Americana aspect" of the town was its best feature.

"Everyone's seen the movies that were filmed here," he said. "It's the charm that a lot of small towns in America have lost that Berlin has maintained to keep. And that's not easy to do. The council and mayor have done a good job doing that."

Williams, another native, said the spirit and attitude of the citizens of Berlin is our greatest asset." While that took several decades to foster, he said the town now operates on a 'common spirit of cooperation and collaboration that's always emphasized here over competition.'

"People are just moved by it. Whether you're a resident or one of our many guests, I believe the fact that you can experience this spirit, this attitude, makes all the difference," he said. "I walk into some small towns that are beautiful, but I don't feel anything ... that's not See HALL Page 6

Doug Parks joins OPA Board after appointment vote

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Doug Parks, who finished ninth in the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors election last month, now has a seat on the board, following his appointment last Friday to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of board member Pat Renaud in August.

Parks was nominated for the position by newly elected Director Slobodan Trendic and received four votes from the then six-member panel. The other nominee, Frank Daly, received two votes.

Director Cheryl Jacobs, who nominated Daly, gave a spirited defense of her selection, arguing that he was the next-highest vote getter during the election, finishing fourth with 1,028 votes. The top-three vote getters, Trendic, Brett Hill and Pat Supik, were seated on the board.

'Between he and Mr. Parks, he has twice as many votes by the members of the association," she said. "It's important that we recognize what the membership has said in their voting."

Parks received 576 votes.

"I think ignoring the will of the people and the votes that were cast is not the way to go in this case," Jacobs said. "I think Mr. Daly proved himself to be intelligent an independent thinker and somebody who would serve the membership well. Had Mr. Renaud chosen to relinquish his position as director the day before the votes were counted, there's no question Frank Daly would be the person sitting in [his] seat."

Trendic replied that Ocean Pines bylaws did not require the board to fill vacancies based on election results, and said Parks would bring a background in information technology to the board, "which is one of the things that the board has been lack-

"I think the board has a duty to the membership to elect a member of the association that brings the best skills and assets and will compliment the current board in the most-effective See PARKS Page 11



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Under the direction of Newark Fire Chief Steve Orth, Box 288 Training Company was asked to conduct a live fire training exercise for the Newark, Snow Hill, Girdletree and Powellville Volunteer Fire Companies, Monday. They conducted several NFPA 1403 compliant burns for interior fire fighters, and after completion, all hose lines and personnel were removed from the interior, and they let the structure burn. These type of burns are important to younger members of fire companies, as for some it's their first real exposure to this type of fire and fire load.

East Coast bikers to 'Ride to Sturgis'

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) In contrast to last week's mention of Snow Hill as one of Maryland's most peaceful towns, this week's "Ride to Sturgis" event has the potential to knock the county seat off that list, if only for a little while.

As the OC BikeFest, Delmarva Bike Week and Bikes to the Beach Fall Rally roar onto the shore, town economic development consultant Michael Day said adding a motorcycle event focusing on Snow Hill and the Pocomoke River was all part of the plan.

"The town needed more signature events to draw different kinds of people here," he said. "This is all based on my previous work in Berlin."

Sturgis Park, situated along the southern bank of the Pocomoke River and easily accessible from both Snow Hill Road (Route 12) and Business 113 (Market Street) is walking distance from downtown. The town is also a stop on the AARP Poker Run motorcycle event this weekend.

With a guaranteed quantity of riders at least passing by Snow Hill during the coming week, Day said the town didn't take a whole lot of convincing to put together an event to welcome the guests.

"There will be plenty of parking because the government offices will be closed — and especially so for motorcycles," Day said. "We want people to come, eat, drink and be merry."

For a while, at least. The event is limited to Saturday afternoon, between noon and 4 p.m.

Day said this was an opportunity to introduce the town to new visitors who may return to shop, rent a kayak or canoe or have a meal during a return visit.

"We're going to have food, clothing

and other types of vendors," Day said. "For example, we're going to have one guy just selling tools that bikers may need during their stay. We'll have pins, we'll have patches and we'll have model Amanda Lee beginning at noon."

Lee will be appearing with Fast Lane Biker Delmarva Magazine, where she has appeared on the cover. Nick Haglich will open the event onstage at 11 a.m., followed by headliners "Harley Vincent and the Panhead Pickers."

"We're hoping to draw about one percent of the estimated total crowd, which is about 1,000 people," Day said. "We're just starting out, but there's already been interest in doing it again next year."

Part of that, Day said is because of the format.

"People seem to like the idea of a four-hour event, not something that goes on for the entire weekend or for a week," he said.

Police investigate possible double murder, suicide

Body found on top of rifle, no gunshots heard during standoff in Pocomoke City

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) The remains of both Marvin Wilmer Purnell, 78, and his daughter, Karen Purnell, 53, were found in the family home on Groton Road in Pocomoke Monday after an apparent hour-long standoff with relative Marvin Desmond Purnell, 46, that ended with his suicide.

What started with a routine welfare check, initiated by a friend of Karen's who had not seen her in some time, ended in unusual circumstances and with the grisly discovery. The unidentified friend paid a visit to the home before contacting authorities, and while receiving no answer at the door, told police she noticed a "very strong disturbing odor" from the residence.

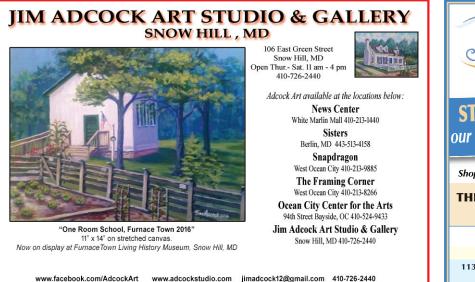
Upon arrival, deputies found the house secure from the outside, without signs of forced entry. As the deputies attempted to make contact with the occupants, police say they heard a male voice in the house.

"Deputies asked the male to open the door and the male failed to comply with commands to open the door," a Maryland State Police press release said.

Next, the deputies obtained a key to the house via undisclosed means, and entered the residence, according to the release. Upon entry, they encountered the decomposing remains of Marvin Wilmer Purnell and Karen Purnell in the kitchen, and saw a third body in the hallway opposite of the kitchen, later identified as Marvin Desmond Purnell, according to the release.

"After observing the three bodies, deputies exited the home for safety and to set up a perimeter," the release said.

They attempted to contact Purnell using a cell phone and loudspeaker, and were unsuccessful for about an hour, after which teargas was fired See AUTOPSY Page 8





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Route 113 to be detoured, Thursday night into Friday

Stormwater improvements again close roads; SHA list includes more fall projects

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) The next phase of the stormwater management project that has closed and caused detours on Route 113 during the past couple of months will proceed again tonight, forcing the road to be detoured overnight between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. Friday.

Another closing due next week should complete this set of crossings, Bob Rager, spokesman for the State Highway Administration, said.

The reason, Rager said, is that the infrastructure for stormwater management currently under the road is designed for a two-lane, not a fourlane, highway. The new fixtures should ensure effective drainage, Rager said.

This work will install two 60-inch drainage pipes under the highway.

"The big one comes next week — a 72-inch diameter pipe," Rager said. "This is a little farther south, so the detour will be Cedartown Road to Basket Switch Road.'

However, as many as six additional crossings need to be made as Route 113 is converted to a dual highway.

Gov. Larry Hogan announced earlier this year he expects the dualization phase of the Route 113 project to open to traffic by spring 2019, and Rager said construction on that project should be well under way by early next year.

Rager called the drainage pipe installation a "design-build project," which means design work and construction is done nearly simultaneously, making it hard to predict when lane or road closures are coming.

The final phase of the Route 113 project is to install an overpass at the junction of Route 113 and Snow Hill Road. No date has been given for the completion of this phase.

Also, the State Highway Administration has provided more details into some resurfacing projects within Worcester County while the roads are much less congested.

Work has begun on resurfacing Snow Hill Road from Nassawango Creek Road to the Wicomico County line, a distance of about 4.8 miles according to Charlie Gischlar of the SHA. The project is expected to finish in November, and daytime lane closures and flaggers are to be expected until the work is complete.

Work is also expected on the Route 90, from the split from Route 50 to Old Ocean City Road (MD 346), a distance of about a mile and a half. This work is expected to last until spring 2017.

Stephen Decatur Highway, from the Sinepuxent Bay Bridge to Assateague Road (MD 376) will begin seeing some nighttime lane closures and flaggers soon, Gischlar said. The 3.4-mile resurfacing operation is expected to be finished before winter.

In Berlin, work on Libertytown Road from west of Ironshire Station Road to west of Ann Drive – a distance of 5.6 miles - should be starting soon, and is expected to be finished in early spring.







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Hall: Berlin 'a special place' and 'we need to protect that'

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"We're sharing an attitude and an optimism," Williams added. "Believing in Berlin is ultimately what makes this a special place.'

Hall agreed and said there were few towns like Berlin, although she added its small-town charm needed to be preserved.

'It's a special place," she said. "We have the people that are welcoming all these new folks into Berlin and treating them like they were born and raised in Berlin ... we need to protect that.'

She said her son, who was raised in Berlin, has been looking for an affordable home there for more than a vear.

"He just can't afford to buy a house in Berlin in his price range, so he's just signed on a house in Ocean Pines and that breaks my heart," she said. "The folks that were born and raised in Berlin are now having a hard time finding a home in their price range."

As a solution, she suggested organizations such as CAR could work with the mayor and council to transform foreclosed properties.

There should be a way that we could think outside the box and try to get these homes occupied," she said.

Asked about his approach to annexation, Williams said it was a natural part of growth, although he cautioned it had to be "thoughtful."

He said he had experienced this when it took he and his wife "24 years to get annexed into Berlin" in a home they purchased about 40 years ago.

'I know what this town was like when it refused [annexation] and said it was basically against the religion ... people were not welcome. I was told that my wife, who lived in Ocean City, that I'd married a foreigner," he said.

Things have changed a lot and I don't think annexation helter-skelter is the answer," Williams said, adding, "What you do not grow through annexation you leave to total chance."

Hall again said the town needed to be protected from certain types of growth.

"A town like Berlin needs to grow from within and protect its borders," she said. "We need to finish the infill lots in Berlin, which is 300 new homes, before we start annexing in more property and creating more costs with developing ... infrastructure. Why don't we protect the size of our town [and] protect the smalltown charm?'

She added that the town should look into hiring a professional urban planner to assist the planning and zoning department.

Tyndall and Orris also favored growing within existing town limits rather than expanding through annexation.

'Annexation ... is natural progression," Tyndall said. "However, I also

feel that we have many underserved areas within our community and some infrastructure that we need to focus on before we start that improvement process."

Orris said he was not "anti-annexation," but added, "I'm focusing on what we have now.

"[Annexation] can be done overtime after we focus on what we already have," he said. "It's a fine line. I would be lying if I said I had the perfect plan to get people here into town, fill up these lots and everything is utopia. I don't have that plan right now. That's what I would definitely work on should I be elected to the council.'

Looking at job creation, Orris called Berlin a "grant-writing machine" and said the town was headed in the right direction in that department.

Tyndall called for an approach to creating new jobs that was in line with Gov. Larry Hogan's statewide efforts.

Maryland is open for business, so is Berlin," he said. "You can't overtax. If we create so many overhead costs for businesses then it's going to be difficult for them to succeed. We're almost setting them up for failure to begin with, so that's something we need to look at."

Hall said one of the biggest issues of the 21st century was how the country would bring back manufacturing jobs that had been lost to cheaper labor overseas.

"I was raised in a union household. My father had a union shirt factory in Salisbury. I was the kid that couldn't buy anything that wasn't made in America, because my dad would look at it when he came through the door," she said.

At the end of his career, Hall said her father's factory received materials already cut out by workers in Costa Rica, which were then brought back to be assembled in the U.S.

'To see my father, who has a diehard union, made-in-America man, go and have to have an interpreter running around with him in his plant ... that's a problem," she said. "It's a problem that's not going away.

She cited Pocomoke business Hardwire, which manufactures armor protection for people and vehicles, as the kind of operation Berlin needed to attract to the town.

"Not all of our children are going to college," she said. "There are the people that want to work and stay in the area, but where are they going to work?

She said the average family in Berlin makes about \$33,000 a year, according to the last census.

"How are they affording to live in Berlin, or live period?" she said. "Fifteen percent are living under poverty. I know more than half the children in Worcester County go to bed hungry every night.

Mayor Williams: 'race to the bottom is a bottomless pit'

"We all are going to have to work together, working with the governor, working with his office, working with the county officials, working with big business owners - those are the folks that are going to need to get together and work and see what we can bring into this area," Hall added.

Williams noted that Berlin was the only community on the Eastern Shore – and possibly in the state – that lowered property taxes during the last eight years.

"What we're trying to do is create a place that is a livable," he said. "I don't believe that traditional manufacturing jobs are going to be a significant part of Berlin's future. It's just not going to happen. There are places in this country ... that basically would give away everything for anything."

Instead, Williams said he wanted to see technology-based jobs brought to Berlin.

"I am confident that we are on the cusp of bringing some of those jobs here, because the people who like to do that work and who are qualified to do that work do not want to live in cities, certainly, and they don't want to live in the 'burbs anymore. The suburbs are the slums of the future,' he said.

"We don't want everybody, and quite frankly we need to be able to

reinvest in the people who are here who need the help," Williams continued. "Our attitude is not to become the cheapest place to live in the Eastern United States ... the race to the bottom is a bottomless pit."

Responding to an audience question about blighted properties, Hall said the existing code needed "more teeth," comparing the issue to a toddler whose mother wasn't paying attention.

"Oh, Mommy really means that. I'd better pay attention. That's how we've got to get to these blighted [properties]," she said.

Williams agreed with the "teeth analogy" when it came to current code.

"We can only have what you allow us," he said. "We want to be more aggressive, but we do not want to destroy what we're trying to save."

Another resident said he was concerned by the \$19.4 million fiscal year 2016 budget, which he said had increased by 42 percent since 2012.

According to Williams, the actual increase in spending was not as pronounced because about \$3 million was tied to one-time capital expenses – largely Berlin Falls park – and that the actual budget was closer to about \$15.5 million.

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Demolition derby comes to Pocomoke City on Saturday

Event will raise funds for annual town fair; organizers struggling with attendance

By Brian Gilliland Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Anyone seeking to vent his or her vehicular frustrations might find a safer and more economical remedy to destroying a personal car by watching others destroy theirs during the annual Pocomoke Demolition Derby.

The event is scheduled for this Saturday, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Pocomoke Fairgrounds off Broad Street.

Tickets are \$5 each for spectators aged 7 and older. Otherwise, entry is free.

The demolition derby is the start of fundraisers for the annual Great Pocomoke Fair, which will return next August. Organizers said more events to support the fair would be made public soon.

This year, the derby event will begin with a drag race – assuming enough eligible racers sign up.

"This is one of those things where we don't know who is going to show up," organizer Gloria Smith said. "Some of the guys participate in the demolition derby at the Delaware State Fair, and it just depends on whether or not they can get their cars fixed up in time." Past participants are sent a reminder, but from there it's all up in the air – which is actually an improvement over the former system, according to Smith.

Entries are accepted up until two hours before show time, and all participating vehicles must meet certain standards, such as glass removal and other modifications, before being allowed to participate.

A full listing of the rules can be found online at www.thegreatpocomokefair.org.

Smith said the derby was once part of the fair proper, and that the combination of hot weather and limited time to repair derby cars caused the event to suffer.

The Delaware State Fair is held annually at the end of July, so pushing Pocomoke's derby back until September has given the event more space to breathe and grow.

Another factor in participation is the relatively high price of scrap metal, which makes finding suitable vehicles more of a challenge.

Still, the derby is pushing on and will continue to try to attract new participants – and spectators – with giveaways and other added amenities.

"We're going to have drawings and giveaways during the intermission, and the [fairgrounds] will be selling our regular menu of food," Smith said.

Autopsy reveals gunshot to Purnell was self-inflicted

■ MURDER, SUICIDE continued into the home.

According to police, the tear gas canister set the home on fire, requiring a response from the Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Co. to extinguish the blaze. Authorities, including the Worcester County Fire Marshal, did not comment on the size of the fire.

After the fire was put out, investigators were able to remove Purnell's body, which was found lying on top of a rifle of unknown caliber, make or model. Examination of the body revealed a single gunshot wound to his neck. An autopsy conducted by the Maryland Medical Examiner concluded that the gunshot was self-inflicted.

Sgt. DaVaughn Parker of the Maryland State Police said he was on

the scene during the incident and said neither he, nor anyone he talked to, reported hearing a gunshot.

Parker said the preliminary autopsy report revealed Marvin Wilmer Purnell had sustained two gunshot wounds, one to the jaw and another in his cheek. Karen Purnell, he continued, had been shot in the back of the head, along with both stabbing and cutting wounds on her upper body.

Parker said the medical examiner has not been able to determine if Karen Purnell's wounds were sustained before or after her death.

The elder Marvin Purnell and Karen Purnell's deaths have been ruled homicides. No time of death has been determined for the Purnells.

State police are still awaiting the results of toxicology screens.



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Tyndall: make Berlin Falls safety 'one of the top priorities'

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"This year's budget is an anomaly," he said, adding that the town was not under any pressure to increase the tax rate.

Orris said developing the park, a former Tyson's Chicken plan, and potentially running a trolley from that site to the downtown shopping district would help generate new revenue.

Berlin Falls was also a popular option with Hall, who was an early proponent of its purchase. She supported building a skate park and having youth programs at the site, on Old Ocean City Boulevard.

"In the past eight years, this mayor and council has spent a lot of money bringing the town up to the 21st century, infrastructure wise," she said. "Now, the next four years I think we need to start giving amenities back to the residents of Berlin ... we've got the town in good shape, now let's listen to the residents."

Tyndall, meanwhile, suggested adding a new generator to the power plant, which he said could increase revenues there by 20-30 percent.

During closing remarks, Tyndall said he was concerned about the lagoons at Berlin Falls. A former paramedic, he noted that an 8-year-old boy drowned in a similar lagoon at North Side Park in Ocean City.

"I think we need to look at installing some form of a safety measure for the kids," he said. "I've seen kids die, and I don't want to see that at our park. That's something we need to focus on, and with the winter season coming it needs to be one of the top priorities."

Orris compared Berlin to a party where "everybody is trying to get in." That's not necessarily a bad thing, he said, but the guests don't get to make the rules.

Following that metaphor, he said developers needed to adhere to design standards set by the town.

"I still want to keep stressing that it's the people and the small-town See ORRIS Page 10





BERLIN FORUM

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District 2 Councilwoman Lisa Hall is joined by, from left, Mayor Gee Williams and Berlin Council hopefuls Zack Tyndall and Jack Orris during a Coastal Association of Realtors forum last week in Berlin.





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Orris: Berlin charm 'something ... we don't want to lose'

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charm that make Berlin what it is," he said. "Even though I wasn't lucky enough to be born here, I picked up on that right away and that's something I think everybody here can agree that we don't want to lose.'

Williams said serving as mayor for two terms has been "one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of my life.'

"I believe that I have the responsibility – not just an opportunity – to finish putting in place some of the key foundation blocks that have allowed our community to go from desperation to opportunity," he said. "I think we are on course to meet the challenges that are ahead of us - none of them are in any way an imminent threat to our way of life that we have worked so long to create.

"Some people want to make you believe that any growth is a threat to our quality of life, and that's just not so. It's how you grow, how you place your assets [and] what to do with what you have," he continued. "We have to prepare for the generations that follow, and in my case, I know I'm very concerned about making sure we do that in the best possible way, because my daughter, son-in-law and my grandchildren live here in Berlin."

Hall said she had "met a lot of people" during her eight years on the council, both in Berlin and traveling across the state.

"It's been very rewarding," she said. "I like the idea that municipal government is kind of nonpartisan -I don't know half the people, whether they're Democrats or Republicans [and] I don't care. We just work together on committees for a common cause.

"I would really like to protect Berlin, I'd like to work for the residents of Berlin, I'd like to see something done with the Tyson property," Hall continued. "I think there's opportunities there if we reach out to do industrial or other business-type things there. It doesn't have to be all of a park – it's 60-some acres."

She said the point of purchasing the property was to protect it from out-of-state developers, and that police and nonprofits would make for good partners in developing Berlin Falls.

"At least, we now can control what's being done there, and I'm sure if we look there's a lot of opportunities," she said.

Last Thursday, the day after the forum, CAR announced its endorsement of Williams and Tyndall.

The Berlin municipal election is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 4 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Districts 1 and 2 will vote at Buckingham Presbyterian Church on 20 South Main Street. Districts 3 and 4 will vote at the multipurpose building on 130 Flower Street.



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way possible," Trendic said. "I think Doug Parks has demonstrated all of those assets and values.

"It's not about the vote – I believe it's about the confidence of the board," he added. "I have absolute confidence that Doug Parks will provide exactly what this board needs."

Trendic added that Parks represented "the will of the people" because he aligned with the "reformist-minded candidates" – he and Hill – who finished first and second in the voting.

Jacobs noted that Hill had, in an interview in another newspaper during the election, said, "the board of directors, regardless of individual opinions, needs to be open to the feedback from the community."

"I would suggest that is the feedback from the community, as Daly being the next vote getter," Jacobs said.

She went on to invoke "group think" and the Bay of Pigs in the nomination of Parks.

"When you get a group of people who think in the same way all the time ... you eliminate the creativity and the individual opinions of other people who don't agree with that line of thinking," she said. "There's danger in doing that, from a psychological perspective based on this group-think phenomenon, [and] we



want to have individual thinkers who can weigh the facts for themselves and not just along go with what the majority would want. Address-

ing "the will of the people," Hill argued that the "people clearly spoke" when they voted for him, adding that he received 25 percent more votes than the next candidate.

"Mr. Parks and [Tom] Janasek were the two candidates that ran with me and during the election were the closest in line to my views, which was overwhelmingly the view of the population," he said. "I feel Mr. Parks has already demonstrated his dedication to the community in his service to the bylaws committee. Professionally, he brings a level of leadership to this board that we desperately need.

"If the will of the people was spoken through the vote for me, [then] Doug Parks, by qualifications, is the next person that should be there with me," he added.

Board President Tom Herrick said

he understood the logic in Jacobs' argument, but that the last election was "unique in that it stirred much interest in change," as partially evidenced by the record number of candidates involved.

"The fact that so many candidates expressed interest in that change diluted the votes among them," he said. "I really believe that the bylaws understand that each election is unique, and the bylaws do not mandate that we do pick the next-highest vote getter for that particular reason.

"I think we just have to understand what the will of the people was, what they actually voted for, where the majority of the votes went," he added. "Although it wasn't for a specific candidate, it was an actual mandate for change."

Trendic, Hill, Herrick and Dave Stevens voted for Parks. Jacobs and Supik voted for Daly.

Parks declined to be interviewed further, stating in an email last week, "My immediate focus is to get up to speed on current board issues and integrate myself with the team so we can work to move forward."

The board will meet again, during a special work session, on Monday, Sept. 19 at 9 a.m. in the boardroom of the administration building. The next regular board meeting is Saturday, Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. in the community center.





Berlin council vote adds haste to Flower St. repairs

More problems related to Cannery Village; latest rift because of entryway road

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Cannery Village continues to be a source of headaches for residents in Berlin.

Most recently, Councilman Elroy Brittingham brought up the Flower Street development during a mayor and council meeting Monday evening.

"I keep harping on this one. I don't want us to forget about it, because there is a problem there – that's Cannery Village," Brittingham said.

Cannery Village broke ground last May, but a number of delays caused construction to last well over a year, with some work still being done.

Recently, the town spent \$90,000 to help mend fences – literally and figuratively – with residents on Flower Street who said the development and its residents were encroaching on their properties. Now, Brittingham said the entrance to Cannery is playing havoc with roads in the area, including a portion of Flower Street that the town has had to patch several times because of potholes.

"They know it's an issue. We've pressed with them several times. This is one of several issues we have with them," Town Administrator Laura Allen said, adding that the development had not yet passed its final inspection.

Mayor Gee Williams said the town could use bond money that was set aside before construction started to make repairs. That includes a \$1.575 million public works performance bond and a \$255,576 stormwater performance bond.

"Let's hope it doesn't come to [that]," he said.

Others on the council urged immediate action.

"We need to make those repairs, because this has been going on for, really, a long time," Councilman Dean Burrell said. "It is still a terrible spot and it remains a terrible spot.



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Poor road conditions persist outside of Cannery Village on Flower Street in Berlin. On Monday, the Berlin Mayor and Council addressed the issue, hoping to spur some action from the developer, Osprey Properties.

"The fact still remains, when folks run over that spot, it is damaging their vehicle and it's not a good thing





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seasidedanceacademy@gmail.com seasidedanceacademy.net for our citizens to have to endure day after day after day," he continued. "We need to get it fixed as soon as possible, because there comes a time when something has been going on long enough – and this has been going on long enough."

Brittingham said he was trying to give the developer, Osprey Property Company, the benefit of the doubt.

"They've had the benefit of the doubt," Burrell said. "Fall and winter is getting ready to come – it's only going to get worse."

Town Attorney David Gaskill said the town would likely "have to put the insurance company on notice" before spending bond money.

"We can't go spend our money, fix it, and say send us a check," he said. "That's not the procedure."

Councilwoman Lisa Hall proposed a motion to have Allen talk to the developer as soon as possible to get a timeline on the road repairs.

"No – that's not what the motion should be," Burrell said, moving that the town "proceed with all haste in having that spot repaired by whatever means necessary," at the developer's expense.

That passed unanimously.

During a phone interview on Tuesday, Allen said the town had repeatedly asked Osprey to repair part of Flower Street near the entrance to Cannery.

"We have patched that several times in the year this project has been going on," Allen said. "We have asked them to patch, they have not. We have asked them to put a metal plate down, they have not."

As part of the eventual closeout of the project, Allen said the developer would be required to do a "final paving" of areas it affected during construction. If town standards are not met, a portion of the bond See BERLIN Page 13



Police Briefs

By Brian Gilliland Associate Editor Crash kills one

Police responded to a crash on

Sheephouse Road near Buck Harbor Road in Pocomoke City last Saturday at 11:30 p.m. and discovered a 2013 Toyota had left the road and struck a tree, trapping both the driver and passenger.

The driver, Timothy Gingrich, 18, of Greenbackville, Virginia was extricated and taken to Peninsula Regional Medical Center. Gingrich was later transferred to University of Md. Shock Trauma in stable condition. As of Tuesday, his condition was listed as "fair."

The passenger in the vehicle, Logan Moloy, 21, of Fruitland, Maryland was pronounced deceased on the scene, according to police. Moloy was taken to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Baltimore for an autopsy.

Both alcohol and the vehicle's speed were factors in the crash, police reported.

The investigation is being conducted by the Worcester County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Unit.

Pedestrian struck

Early Monday morning, state troopers responded to the intersection of Old Snow Hill Road and Carter Road for a vehicle collision involving a pedestrian.

According to police, Alphonso Ruffin, 35, of Pocomoke City, was operating a 2013 Gray Dodge Dart that allegedly struck pedestrian Curtis Broadwater Sr., 43, of Pocomoke City.

Broadwater, police said, was walking north along Old Snow Hill Road when he was struck. He was taken to Peninsula Regional Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries following the crash.

The investigation is continuing.

Failure to appear

A Worcester County Sheriff's Deputy was on patrol in the area of Dighton Avenue and Cypress Road in Snow Hill on Sept. 5 at approximately 6:47 p.m. when he encountered a man he recognized as Glenn Hamilton Harmon, 52.

According to the sheriff's office, the deputy knew Harmon had two active warrants in circuit court for failure to appear, and had previously tried to elude police trying arrest him.

Police said Harmon saw the deputy and attempted to flee, but was caught and arrested. Harmon was taken to the Worcester County Detention Center and held without bond for both warrants. An additional criminal summons was issued charging Harmon with obstruction of justice, failure to obey a lawful order, and resisting arrest.

Suspect located

A wanted subject, Warner Rivers, 26, of Berlin was located hiding in a bedroom of a residence on Hayes Landing Road, although the residents told police he was not there.

On Sept. 4 at approximately 7:55 p.m., a Worcester County Sheriff's Deputy went to the residence in an attempt to locate a person who had an active warrant in district court.

Upon arrival, the deputy was met by several individuals, and was advised numerous times that Rivers was not at the house.

The deputy continued his investigation and ultimately made contact with Rivers, who was hiding in a bedroom in the residence, according to police.

Rivers was placed under arrest. A search of Rivers revealed suspected heroin and cocaine, police reported. Rivers was charged with two counts of possession of a controlled dangerous substance, and is scheduled for trial in December.

Berlin administrator to have discussion with developer

Continued from Page 12 money could be used to make any necessary repairs, she said.

"As part of that, I'm telling them they need to do a good, clean cutout and repair of that location on Flower Street," she said. "We have had this conversation with them off and on during the project. They are aware of the problem.

"It's my opinion that Cannery Village contributed to the damage of that roadway, and they're obligated to repair it before they finalize their project and get their performance bond back," she added.

If that doesn't happen soon, Allen said the town would repair the road – again.

"If this drags on much longer, I repaired," she said.

would go out and patch again because I just don't think it's worth the heartache that people are feeling around the project," she said. "Patching it occasionally is not that expensive, and in the interest of community service and keeping people comfortable when they drive down the road, I'm willing to do it – if we have to – again.

"I don't think it's going to come to that," she added.

Allen said she planned to call Andrew Hanson, vice president of Osprey, on Tuesday. She also noted that Gaskill was reviewing the performance bonds.

"My expectation is that [Hanson] will move quickly to get the roadway repaired," she said.

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More national recognition for town of Berlin

Electric utility highlighted by AMP and USDA cites as example of rural progress

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Berlin continues to receive national recognition, this time from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Program and from American Municipal Power Inc. (AMP).

During his comments at Monday night's Town Council meeting, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams highlighted both instances.

Last month, Berlin received a fourpage spread in AMPlifier, a publication put out by AMP, that touted the town's sustainable practices and the reliability of its electric company.

Williams said AMP held its board of directors meeting in Berlin in June.

"The profile was just very gratifying, very positive," he said. "They gave a very concise, but very informative overview of the Berlin electric utility. They made note that Berlin's electric utility was recognized for its reliability as one of the most-reliable municipal electric utilities in the nation."

He said the average outage in Berlin was 17 minutes, and that the top 25 percent times in the nation were "usually up to an hour."

Williams credited the "leadership of the electric utility employees" for the well above-average numbers.

"I have seen a significant and very rewarding increase in morale and pride in that group over the last several years," he said. "I want to thank everyone on the council and all the citizens for really getting behind the electric utility [and] giving them encouragement. And I

think that they are extremely dedicated folks. We just wish them a very safe day, every day."

Williams said the article also reported the Maryland Public Service Commis-

sion was "thrown for a loop" when the town petitioned for a rate reduction.

"In their history, they'd never been asked for [a reduction]. But they granted it," he said.

The AMP profile also observed that Berlin once had one of the highest electric rates in the country. Now, it has one of the lowest in the area.

"I see a real difference [and] I get real, genuine compliments regularly about all of our departments, but particularly we get compliments about electric utility folks," Williams said. "It is extraordinarily rewarding and I'm glad to see they got this national recognition."

Councilwoman Lisa Hall specifically credited Electric Utilities Director Tim Lawrence with the turnaround.

"Honestly, I really believe that if the changes hadn't been done with the electric department in the past eight years ... under your leadership, I don't think we would have physi-

cally been capable of generating 22 times," she said, referring to the record number achieved by the electric department already this year.

The previous high was 13.

Because of those generations, Berlin should save about \$411,500 in capacity charges and \$124,000 in transition charges in 2017, according to information released by the town on Tuesday.

Williams said the town was also being recognized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture as an example of its Rural Development program.

He said the director of the Maryland-Delaware USDA program visited Berlin in August and had "a very cordial interrogation" with the mayor.

Traditionally, Williams said USDA

Rural Development was seen as "a place you go to get grants and loans."

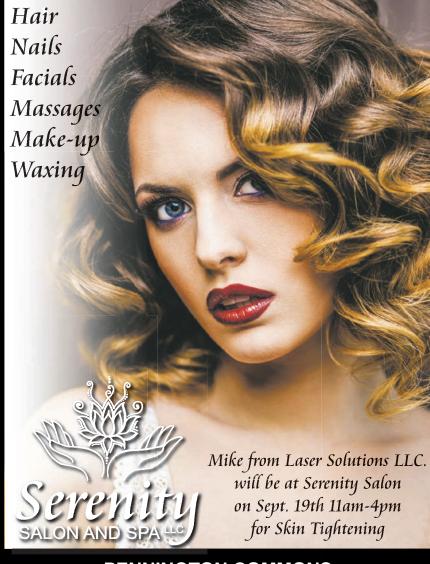
"What they're getting into, is they want to have more influence and help rural community have a game plan to know what works, what's working in other places," Williams said. "They asked questions in a very nice way for two-and-a-half hours and I did my best to answer them, and what came out of it was a memo or a summary that they put together, and it's called 'Attributes of a Successful and Thriving Rural Community."

"We are being recognized as a rural community that is succeeding on many fronts," Williams added. He said USDA officials asked for

He said USDA officials asked for permission to share the memo with "all their folks in Washington" and the other state directors across the country, using Berlin as a positive example of a rural community.

"I'm just fortunate enough to happen to be here at the time when they're taking this message to so many communities," Williams said. "Part of the revitalization of America's economy will be smaller cities and towns. [In] the 20th century they'd pretty much written us off, but now I think the entire country is starting to realize these are good places to live in.

"I want to thank everyone on the council and certainly the citizens for making that happen," he added.



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'I have seen a significant and very rewarding increase in morale and pride in that group over the last several years.'

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams

Pines committee nears finish line with online survey

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) A draft survey of the community is close to complete and four members of the Ocean Pines Association Comprehensive Planning Committee have tested its questionnaire using the online SurveyMonkey tool.

With that accomplished, it appears that the committee has recovered after having spent the better part of the year regrouping a falling out with a previous contractor hired to create, implement and analyze a similar study designed to gather data for a new comprehensive plan.

During a meeting on Sept. 8, the committee fined-tuned several survey questions based on recommendations from Facilities Manager Jerry Aveta.

Committee members also went over a sample of a presentation to the board of directors, but Aveta suggested they greatly streamline it.

He said he had recently tried to brief the current board in detail on the project and was "cut to the knees in two minutes."

"I'm beseeching you to communicate with the board very simply and very clearly," he said. "If you send this to the board like this they're going to have the same ... reaction I just had.

"A simple visual is more successful than complex and long," he added. "I can't stress that enough."



The Ocean Pines Association Comprehensive Planning Committee reviews a draft of an online survey during a meeting last week, which it hopes to present to the board of directors.

The committee members agreed, trimming several pages from a proposed PowerPoint. What remained was a short mission statement, a single, generalized page on comprehensive plans, committee recommendations related to the survey, and a sample of the questionaire.

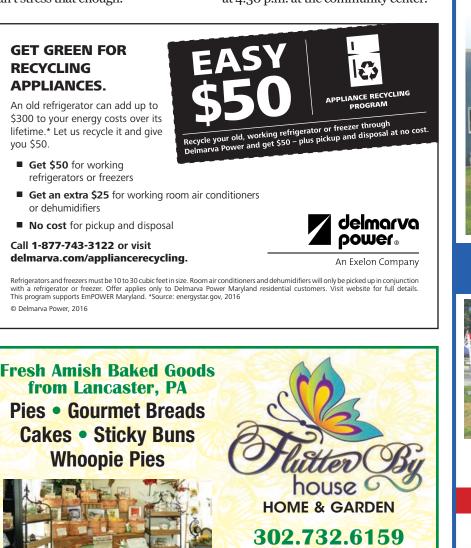
Daly had hoped to tell the board that the full presentation was ready, but he said this week the committee would meet one more time before that happens. That meeting is scheduled for Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at the community center.

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Ocean Pines posts general manager ad online

Association will apparently look into both outsourcing and filling position outright

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Looking to fill the general manager slot following the dismissal of Bob Thompson in late August, the Ocean Pines Association posted a want ad for the position on its website last week.

The job is described as a "full-time onsite management position," indicating that Ocean Pines would not pursue hiring a management company, as some candidates had suggested during the recent election and as Board President Tom Herrick theorized during a public meeting earlier this year.

In January, Herrick introduced a

motion to "investigate and provide information relative to the feasibility and value of employing a professional community management firm to provide executive management of our association."

That motion fell, 4-3.

"All I'm asking for is information at no cost to the association," Herrick said at the time. "Any information is a benefit to the board. Why any board member would want to turn a blind eye to information and just rubber stamp one of the options in the contract without exploring the other options – I don't understand that."

Asked last week if outsourcing the position was now off the table, Herrick said, "I believe that will be a discussion topic for our entire board of directors to consider during the 'working session' scheduled for Sept.

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19."

During that meeting, acting General Manager Brett Hill said the entire board reviewed the ad, and that the association had already received three responses.

However, he added that a request for information would likely be released during the following week, including exploring the use of an outside management company to hire a "placed general manager."

That "scared some of the staff members," he said.

"We're not talking about turning the whole organization over to some outside third party and walking away," Hill said. "We're talking about having a management company help us provide the best fit for a general manager in here and having a support mechanism for that manager, so that when there are industry-specific questions, they have a resource beyond our legal counsel to go to for industry support and backing, to help better run the organization.

"That's a structure that was not in place in the past and we're evaluating [that]," he added.

The ad described the position as "responsible for providing the overall supervision of a community association. This position is also responsible for managing the relationships with the Board of Directors and homeowners and oversees maintenance of the grounds, common areas and other property assets. The General Manager interacts with homeowners, vendors, the board and committees' members."

Minimum qualifications listed prior experience "in the management of a community or a town of similar size and scope," including five years "with increasing responsibility in community association management or a town similar in size and scope" and three years "as Assistant Manager or General Manager for a community or a town similar in size."

A bachelor's degree is required – master's preferred – along with "CMCA (Certified Manager of Community Associations) and/or other related industry designations."

Salary would be "commensurate upon education and/or relevant experience," medical, vacation and 401K benefits were offered, and the start date was listed as Jan. 1 or "sooner if mutually agreeable."

Ocean Pines also posted a request for proposals (RFP) for legal services, following a 5-2 board vote last month that effectively ended the association's long-time relationship with attorney Joe Moore.

That vote also required an RFP for an auditor, which Hill said would likely be released this week.

To apply for the general manager position, email resumes to mbennett@oceanpines.org, or visit www.oceanpines.org/administration/work-here to view the full ad.

To view the RFP for legal services, visit www.oceanpines.org/rfp/legal-services.



Allen has successful trip to Philippines and Indonesia

Berlin town administrator visit was part of U.S. State Dept. and ICCMA program

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) After spending several weeks overseas, Berlin Town Administrator Laura Allen back at it on Monday, sitting in her usual seat on the top right corner of the dais during a mayor and council meeting in Town Hall.

Of course, she brought slides to show off to the audience.

Allen had been visiting the Philippines and Malaysia as part of a U.S. State Department program with the International City/County Management Association. Earlier this year, that same joint program had sent two women, Crisanta Rodriguez and Zalikha Wan Zaharuddin, to Berlin.

"President Obama created [the program] to bring closer ties to the United States and emerging leaders in Southeast Asia," Allen said.

She spent the majority of her time in the Philippines, where she said she was warmly received. When Rodriguez and Zaharuddin came to Berlin, officials greeted the two women with a "welcome to Berlin" sign. Allen received a similar greeting overseas.

"We could tell we were going to be welcomed very well. We saw a sign outside of the village that [Rodriguez's] aunt is the mayor of," Allen said. "This was a sign that we were in for a very warm welcome and a wonderful time."

In the Philippines, Allen said she had several meetings with local government officials, met with U.S. officials in the region, and toured the Caramoan National Park, where Rodriguez has worked on a project that balances environmental stewardship and tourism.

Allen helped hand out food and supplies to children in the area, which she said was largely impoverished.

She also visited Bulusan Volcano Natural Park, which is run through a partnership of government agencies, nonprofits and a private operator. Similar to what the town hopes to do with Berlin Falls Park, a former Tyson's Chicken plant, Bulusan turned an undeveloped area into a large nature park.

"There were two things that I took from my visit to this particular park that I think we might look at replicating here," Allen said. "One is the floating building ... I love the idea of having some kind of a nature center



Berlin Town Administrator Laura Allen, left, is warmly received during a recent trip overseas.

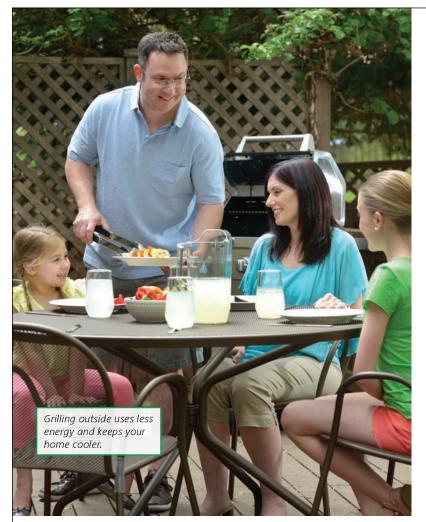
or meeting space that floats on our pond as a way of providing an opportunity for recreation or education programs to children."

The second was a "tree walk," where visits could climb into a canopy of trees and follow a path along, essentially, a long, rope bridge.

"It's kind of hard to see how high up we are, but you can tell by how nervous I look," Allen said. "This was something in particular [Rodriguez] thought that we might be able to do here in the canopy of trees that we have in our park."

Allen also spent several days in Malaysia, where she had a brief reunion with Zaharuddin.

"She wanted everybody to know she said 'hi," Allen said.



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OPA Briefs

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) The Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors discussed the following items during a special meeting in the administration building on Friday, Sept. 9.

Nonstory storm

Interim General Manager Brett Hill said tropical storm Hermine had been a "nonstory" in Ocean Pines, but that it provided a good exercise for the staff and the board to run through its emergency preparedness procedures.

He said he and Board President Tom Herrick went on a "rollercoaster" over the weekend, as forecasts swung sharply from a "minimal" storm to one that could require the evacuation of the community.

In the end, however, the storm did not have a major impact on the Pines.

"It kind of gave us a nice little fire drill there on being prepared for when an actual event does come," he said.

Yacht club odor

Hill said a mysterious odor emanating from the OPA yacht club for several months had likely been identified and eliminated. Apparently, a contractor had accidentally drilled a half-inch hole through the vent stack in the ladies' bathroom, causing sewer gas to leak into the building.

Initial smoke tests did not reveal

the hole.

Hill said about two feet of pipe was replaced in the vent stack, and issue seems to be resolved.

In other yacht club news, Hill said Labor Day Friday was about a 20-percent improvement over the previous year, although Saturday sales dropped off because of the storm.

He said the band was moved inside to the upstairs banquet room on Saturday and drew about 400 people.

The club will continue to book bands indoors during the fall, Hill said, and a new restaurant menu is due soon.

Golf updates

Hill said public works performed emergency repairs at the course during the recent tropical storm, and that the association was close to identifying an ongoing "water problems" there.

He said an engineering study of the country club was imminent.

Capital projects

The directors voted 7-0 to continue work on new bathrooms at White Horse Park. The board earmarked \$130,961, plus a 10-percent contingency. The previous board budgeted \$145,000 for the project.

A previous motion to spend about \$150,000 on improvements at the Manklin Meadows Racquet Sports Complex was rescinded by a 6-0 vote. One director, Cheryl Jacobs, abstained. Director Dave Stevens introduced a new motion, asking the general manager to seek estimates and provide a recommendation to the board before continuing playground improvements at the complex. That motion passed 7-0.

Previously, Ocean Pines public works had been given that job, which Hill said could have tied up several employees for months.

Stevens also moved to spend \$26,120, plus a 10-percent contingency to convert several tennis courts at Manklin for use as pickleball courts. That motion also passed unanimously.

In another 7-0 vote, the board agreed to spend \$29,300, plus a 10percent contingency, to convert the existing softball field at Huntington Park into a "multipurpose" field for soccer and lacrosse.

The board also unanimously voted to request bids to relocate and install a new playground at that park.

Swim and racquet update

Interim General Manager Brett Hill said he looked into complaints of construction materials left behind the swim and racquet club, which is being used as a staging ground for bulkhead repairs.

Fisher Marine had just completed its annual dredging, he said, adding that the project would be "100 complete" by this week and that all equipment there would be removed.

OP Aquatics to host second Super Sprint Triathalon, Saturday

(Sept. 15, 2016) Ocean Pines Aquatics' second Super Sprint Tri will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17 at 8 a.m. at the Swim & Racquet Club Pool, located at 10 Seabreeze Road in Ocean Pines.

This fun event will consist of a quartermile swim, a 6.2-mile bike ride and a 1.5mile run. Twelve three-member teams will be competing. Each team member will compete in all three events before tagging off to the next team member.

Each participant will receive a longsleeved "finisher" shirt, and food and drinks will be provided.

The cost is \$105 per team. A \$35 deposit is required to hold the team's spot with the balance due prior to the event day. Registered team members may also swim at a reduced rate of \$4 a visit through Sept. 16.

Teams should arrive at the pool at 7 a.m. the day of the event to register and check in.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the event. To volunteer, email cphillips@oceanpines.org.

For more information or to register, contact the Ocean Pines Aquatics Department at 410-641-5255.

Information regarding additional Ocean Pines aquatics programs, including an online version of the Ocean Pines Activity Guide, is available at Ocean-Pines.org.

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Berlin mayoral and council candidates file financials

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Disclosure forms turned in by all five in election are apparently straightforward

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Financial disclosures from all five candidates who filed to run in the 2016 Town of Berlin municipal election appeared relatively straightforward.

The Gazette requested and received those statements from the town last Wednesday.

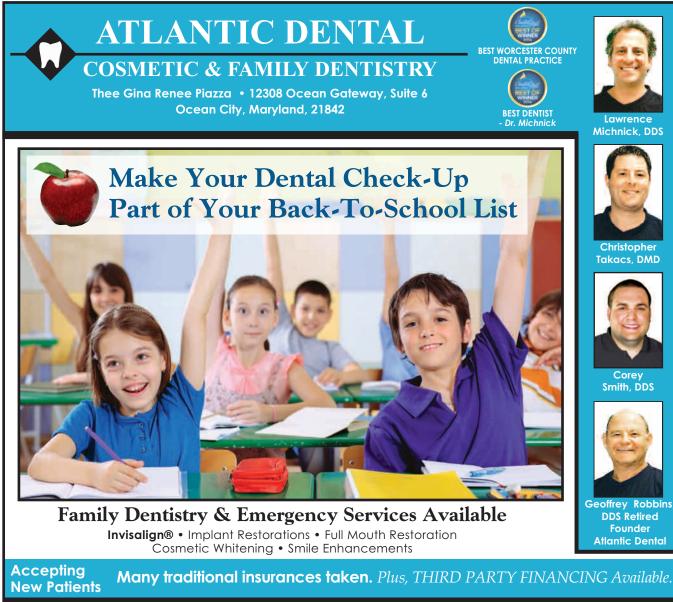
Town of Berlin financial disclosure statements include interests in real property held in or outside the town, interests in corporations, interests in a "non-corporate business entity," gifts related to town business, employment related to town business, debts related to town business, earned income related to a business entity, and immediately family members employed by the town.

The reporting period for incumbents was Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2015. For candidates, that period was Jan. 1 through the filing date.

Incumbent Mayor Gee Williams reported a residential home on Old Ocean City Boulevard, bought jointly with his wife, Betsy Williams, in Oct. 1974 and costing \$23,500. He reported his employer as the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore in Salisbury, and his wife's employer as the Board of Education of Worcester County in Newark.

District 2 Councilwoman Lisa Hall, who vacated her council seat to run for mayor, filed on June 17. She re-





'Thank A Police Officer Day' to be observed this Sat.

(Sept. 15, 2016) Saturday, Sept. 17 is "Thank A Police Officer Day," created in 2012 by the Whole Truth Proj-

Observed nationally, organizers want to inform residents of the date and to encourage a showing of support for law enforcement officers.

There is a public Facebook event for the Delmarva area offering information so that citizens may get involved and participate. Everyone is invited to join in acknowledging those who protect and serve local neighborhoods and towns.

Delmarva Supports Law Enforcement is a local effort. It supports community events, shares news from nearby departments, and encourages a positive view of the men and women who serve and protect.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/DelmarvaSupportsLawEnforcement or www.facebook.com/events/1188110131260986

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Berlin Briefs

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) The Berlin mayor and council discussed the following items during their public meeting at Town Hall on Sept. 12.

Snow business

The council unanimously approved spending an estimated \$15,000 on salt and other items related to upcoming storms. The motion was to send a supplemental letter of agreement to the Maryland State Highway Administration.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said the town would only be charged for what it uses, and Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood noted that a 0.2 percent overhead fee had increased costs slightly over the previous year.

Police station update

About \$50,000 in permit fees related to the new police station at the corner of Flower Street and Route 376 were waived. The motion was approved unanimously, without discussion.

Zika preparedness

The council unanimously approved an agreement with the Worcester County Health Department, allowing it to act "immediately" in case of a Zika virus outbreak in the area.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said

there was no immediate threat, adding that the resolution was only proposed "in an abundance of caution."

Project updates

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen said the town had added a new page to its website, giving residents regular updates of ongoing projects. Only one item is listed at this time: stormwater improvements behind the multipurpose building on Flower Street, but Bohlen said more items would be added soon.

То view the page, visit www.berlinmd.gov/maryland-government/town-projects.

Trucks touched

Electric Utilities Director Tim Lawrence noted a successful 'Touch a Truck Day" last Saturday.

Participants included Berlin Police, Berlin Fire Company and Perdue Farms. Additionally, the electric department presented a pole-setting demonstration and showed several of its larger vehicles.

SonRise Church provided free hotdogs, chips and drinks for attendees.

Police news

Police Chief Arnold Downing said the department had distributed about 100 backpacks filled with back-to-school items, and that it had more available if

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residents required them. Berlin Police also helped with a free haircut program before the start of the new school year.

With schools back in session, Downing urged motorists to be mindful of school buses and children throughout the town.

Downing said the department greatly appreciated the recent outpouring of public support. That included Berlin First Baptist Church's picnic for Berlin Police and the Berlin Fire Company over the weekend, along with services provided by SonRise on Sun-

"When a community stops and prays for you, it's really appreciated [and] it's very humbling," he said. "So, we say thank you to them."

Downing then quipped that police could use a few more prayers with the coming of Bike Week this weekend.

Purchase orders

Five requisitions were unanimously passed by the council. They were \$69,900 to Criswell Chevrolet for two Chevy Tahoes for the police department, \$118,941 to Electric Power Inc. for a replacement breaker, \$14,000 to Goody Hill Ground Work Inc. for water and sewer installation at the new Berlin police department, \$50,000 to Intercoastal Trading Inc. for chemicals and soda ash, and \$20,400 to Davis, Bowen & Friedel for project inspection and contract management related to stormwater improvements.

Pet Appreciation Week to include adoptions, prizes

(Sept. 15, 2016) Tractor Supply Co. store in Berlin will be celebrating Pet Appreciation Week on Saturday, Sept. 17, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring pet adoptions with community groups, samples, giveaways, drawings for gift cards, and other family-friendly activities.

In addition, deals on pet products, from food and treats to toys and crates, will be available until Sept. 18.

"Pet Appreciation Week is a time when our love for animals really shines,' James Bolden, manager of the Berlin Tractor Supply store, said. "It's an opportunity for us to celebrate the love of pets, find great homes for local adoptable animals, and showcase the community partners and rescues who care for these animals year-round."

In addition to supporting community groups in their work to find good homes for dogs and cats, Pet Appreciation Week, held Sept. 14-18, will help raise awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering pets and provide information on proper pet care and nutrition.

Saturday's event is open to the public - and all leashed, friendly pets - and will take place at Tractor Supply at 10452 Old Ocean City Blvd.

Contact the store at 410-641-0310 for pet adoption details and other planned activities. For more information, visit Facebook.com/TractorSupplyCo.



Registration \$100 per player Includes: continental breakfast, lunch, cart, tee gift,

range balls, 1 mulligan per player.

For more information contact Ocean City Golf Club 410-641-1779 American Cancer Society 410-749-1624 or dawnhodge@comcast.com

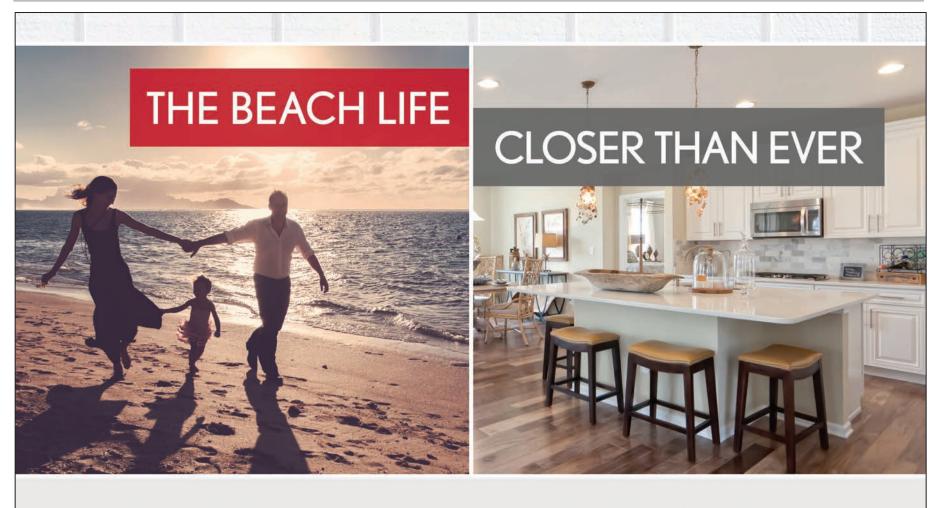
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Onus now on OPA board

The Ocean Pines Board of Directors gave itself something last week that most politicians would rather not have: full responsibility for delivering on its members' campaign promises.

By elevating Doug Parks to the board because his thinking matched their own, the four-member majority that voted him into office has an unbeatable caucus that should be able to implement all the changes its members called for before and during last month's election.

Previously, when certain operations didn't do well or decisions were delayed, former General Manager Bob Thompson or the usual divisiveness on the board could be blamed for the lack of progress.

Not anymore, as this board finally got exactly what some members have sought for years, which is the ability to pursue its own agenda however it sees fit.

In their defense of Parks, members asserted that even though he finished ninth in the 11-person race, he was the better choice than fourth-place finisher Frank Daly, because Park's calls for change echoed their own.

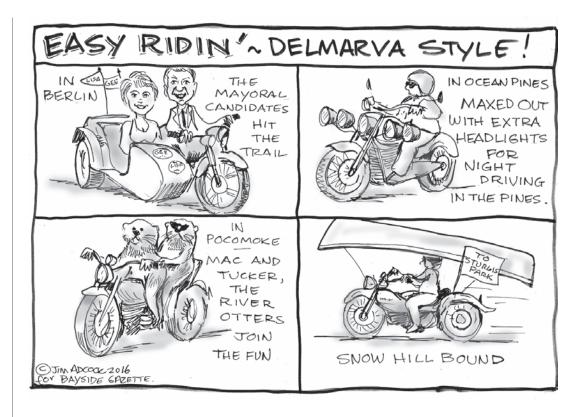
In that regard, it makes sense, but from a political standpoint they are putting themselves to the test, as property owners and residents will be able to see whether the new majority truly will seek change and, if it does, whether it will work.

After all, it is easier to argue against the status quo and contend there's a better way of doing things than it is to develop and institute the policies and practices that will produce the right results.

With nothing but token opposition at this point, the board has put itself on the spot and must deliver a more financially efficient and more smoothly functioning system of operations in a timely fashion.

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Letters

Second opinion on second Bay Bridge

Editor,

While it is admirable to hear the governor's concerns about traffic at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, an announcement focusing on a shiny new bridge lacks any real discussion about cost, impact on communities and the understanding that a sprawling flood of people, traffic and pavement can detract from rural Maryland.

There is a large and growing body of evidence and near consensus that our conventional approach of solving traffic congestion by increasing roadway capacity is ineffective over the long term. The most immediate example that comes to my mind is Route 1 in Delaware - an expensive, new north south highway in Delaware that was over capacity starting with the day it opened. Concurrent with the highway construction was massive amounts of sprawl housing in southern New Castle County, which immediately overwhelmed the new infrastructure.

We are long overdue for a more modern approach to transportation planning – one that emphasizes mass transit and other forwardthinking measures that make the most out of the infrastructure we have, and emphasizes land use decisions that decrease auto dependence and increase transportation choices.

What about expanded bus services with a stronger backbone service from Baltimore and Washington to Ocean City, stopping in key population centers and complementary service from rural areas to the backbone stops? Or public-private partnerships such as a highspeed ferry option? And should an eventual new bridge be built, what about revisiting passenger rail (which used to exist on the Shore)?

With declining gas tax revenues, changing living preferences for millennials and a warming planet caused in part by our poor transportation habits, the time is now for fresh thinking.

Fresh thinking on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge situation could also include ideas such as setting up telecommuting centers in our Eastern Shore small towns, and work policies such that state and federal employees could work from the Shore on peak traffic days or even more often, in turn saving fuel, pollution and traffic while also stimulating the vibrancy of our towns.

Implementing new tolling technologies and policies which do away with the toll booths, increasing rates during peak use periods and decreasing rates for high occupancy vehicles is yet another direction that could be explored for considerably less money.

These ideas and many others can be done now and for very little cost relative to a new Bay Bridge.

Spending \$5 million to study the environmental impacts of a new Bay Bridge feels like fiddling while Rome burns. Let's talk about the things we can do today to relieve congestion immediately, then think about what might be needed to manage cross-bay travel demand over the long term, and only thereafter consider whether a new bridge is worth its considerable financial and environmental cost.

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy is a regional nonprofit organization that has worked to advance strategic land conservation and sound land use planning on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Rob Etgen

Executive Director Eastern Shore Land Conservancy

Fundraiser for new Berlin Library, Fri.

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Take a trip back in time for a good cause this Friday at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin during the Worcester County Library Foundation's biggest fundraiser of the year.

The foundation is trying to close the gap in its fundraising goal for a new branch building in Berlin, according to public relations manager Lisa Outten Harrison.

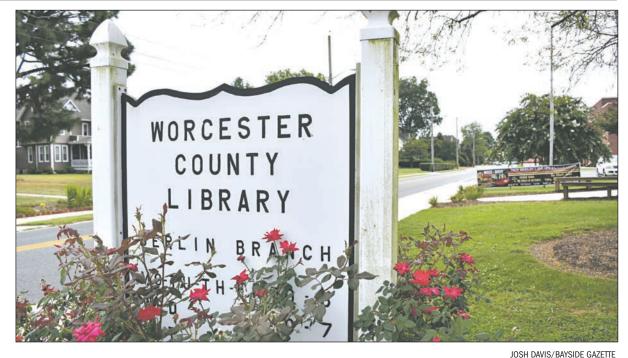
"We're having this major, major fundraiser — really the only public fundraiser for the new Berlin branch," Harrison said. "It's a Roaring '20s party at the Atlantic Hotel.

"We knew we wanted to have a fundraiser at the Atlantic Hotel right there in Berlin to get the community to support this, and we knew it was going to be a lawn party with some jazz music," she added. "As we got going, we thought, 'Well, shoot, let's theme this and make it even more fun.' People can dress up and just be very festive and build the enthusiasm."

Harrison said the foundation has been working hard on the silent auction portion of the evening, where it hopes to raise a portion of the \$83,000 still needed to match a \$100,000 grant from the Humphreys Foundation received in May. The foundation has until May 1 to do so.

"This will help us and we'll be continuing to accept donations, but as far as I know at this point this will be our big public fundraiser," she said.

Tickets are \$35 and include hors d'oeuvres. Frankie Nanna & The Dukes of Delmarva will perform golden age jazz music, and a cash bar will be available to guests.



The Worcester County Library Foundation will host a fundraiser for a new Berlin Library branch, Friday, Sept. 16 at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin. The theme of the event is a salute to the Roaring 20's.

"We want everybody to have a great time, support the library and the community, and, hopefully, get some great deals at our silent auction," Harrison said. "And, hopefully, this helps us to meet our goals to finish our fundraising campaign for the Berlin library."

While the foundation is closing in on its goals, Library Director Jennifer Rank cautioned that the library is still waiting on a \$1 million grant from the state. Until that happens, there is no way to establish a construction calendar for the 11,400square-foot building on Harrington Street.

"I would be hesitant to say that there is a target [date for construction]. Obviously the goal is to raise funds to make this the best library, and it might be beyond that figure," she said.

"We applied for another state grant, which we won't know if we get until next spring. We're still in the cost-estimating phase right now, so we're trying to figure out exactly how much things are going to cost," Rank added.

"We hope to break ground spring of 2017, but until all of our funding lines up, it's hard to start the project. We're still in this sort of wait and see mode."

The Roaring '20s fundraiser is scheduled to run from 7-9 p.m. at the Atlantic Hotel on 2 North Main Street in Berlin. For more information or tickets, call 410-632-3970 or visit www.worcesterlibrary.org/foundation.



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The Delmarva Discover Center's newest residents, Mac and Tuck, will be the highlight of this year's gala celebration held at the Pocomoke facility on Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$50 per person and will be available at the door.



Delmarva Discovery Center hosts gala, fundraiser, Saturday

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(Sept. 15, 2016) Celebrating the years' successes while keeping an eye on the future by raising money to increase accessibility and improve offerings for children are the goals of the Delmarva Discovery Center's annual gala on Saturday, beginning at 7 p.m.

Tickets cost \$50 per person, and will be available at the door, although advance ticket purchases are preferred. Tickets can be obtained in advance by calling the center at 410-957-9933 or visiting the website at www.delmarvadiscoverycenter.org, Stacey Weisner, president and CEO, said.

"I hope people come and see the excitement we're generating at the Delmarva Discovery Center," she said. "It's a fundraiser and a 'friendraiser' — it's to let people know what we're doing. For many people it might be the first time they visit us."

Last year was the first time the event was held on the DDC's grounds in Pocomoke.

The gala will feature food from Phillips Seafood, My Nature raw and vegan dishes and Somerset County vocational and technical students, Weisner said.

She said the food qualifies as "heavy appetizers," and desserts will also be available.

Each entry pass also comes with a premium drink ticket, with beer, wine and mixed drinks available. Attendees must be 21 years of age or older.

Weisner said business casual dress is appropriate for the event.

The gala will also feature a silent auction - a change from the previous, audible version, and entertainment by the Bone Daddy's.

"We have some lovely silver and diamond earrings from the Robinson's family of businesses, a stay in Ocean City, gift cards from several area businesses and golf packages," she said.

Proceeds from the event are going back into the facility, Weisner said.

"We're trying to make the Delmarva Discovery Center more universally accessible," she said. The DDC has added ramps to the building, including the new river otter exhibit, and is focusing on retooling an existing room into a children's area.

"The theme is birds — we want the kids to play like birds," she explained. "It's very hands-on, because we've found that those are the types of exhibits people really respond to here."

The proposed children's room will be located near the entrance but past the gift shop — where reptile and amphibian exhibits are now located. The animals, Weisner said, would be relocated within the facility to a separate area.

No schedule for the change has been announced.

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WCHS hosting cat adoption fee event through Sept. 30

(Sept. 15, 2016) With kitten season in full swing, Worcester County Humane Society is offering a lower adoption fee for cats of all ages at the shelter during the "Summer Feline Fling" event.

From now until Sept. 30, the cat adoption fees will be just \$30. In addition, the shelter is offering adoption of a second cat at no additional cost. The discounted adoption fee includes spay/neuter, immunizations, microchip, FELV/FIV testing and deworming. Adoptions are based on application approval.

"There is no better time than now to adopt from the shelter as it is currently filled to capacity with cats and kittens," said Jessica Summers, WCHS adoption coordinator. "We currently have over 150 cats of all ages at the shelter and more coming in almost daily. So far, we've already had over 50 kittens turned in and we still have a long way to go before kitten season is over."

The shelter also has a senior to senior program where any person over the age of 65 adopting a cat over the age of 8 will have their adoption fee waived.

Worcester County Humane Society urges all pet owners to spay/neuter their pets. The shelter currently does not have a low cost spay/neuter clinic but is working toward that.

There are several low cost clinics and organizations in the area that are willing to help: Worcester County Animal Control, 410-632-1340; Humane Society of Wicomico County, 410-749-7603; Snip Tuck, 410-943-4050; Delaware SPCA, 302-856-6361; and SNAP, Inc., 410-885-5783.

The Worcester County Humane Society is a private, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter located on Eagle's Nest Road just off Stephen Decatur Highway. The shelter is open 11a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday; and 11a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday. The shelter is closed on Mondays.

For more information on available pets or questions about adoption, visit the shelter website, www.worcestercountyhumanesociety.org, or call 410-213-0146. Follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram for event updates and available pets.





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JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE BIG TRUCK DAY Members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-05 hosted an information booth, with plenty of giveaways for children during Big Truck Day, Saturday at Veteran's Memorial Park in Ocean Pines.



Big Truck Day, Saturday at Veteran's Memorial Park in Ocean Pines, included hands-on demonstrations with fire department and large military vehicles.



TOUCH A TRUCK DAY

Jim Higgason from the Berlin Electric Utility shows off some of the department's testing equipment during Touch a Truck Day at Stephen Decatur Park, Saturday.



Electric Utility Director Tim Lawrence demonstrates safety procedures using scale models during Saturday's Touch a Truck Day in Berlin.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Pfc. Aaron Titerence, with Senior Police Officer Chris Bireley, introduce Berlin's newest K-9 officer, Cyrus, to a crowd of onlookers during Touch a Truck Day, Saturday in Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin.



A crowd takes to the shade during a sweltering, but well attended, Touch a Truck Day, Saturday at Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin. Berlin Police, the Berlin Fire Company, Perdue Farms and the Berlin Electric Utility all hosted demonstrations and showed off large vehicles.

Snapshots



NEW BRANCH

PHOTO COURTESY TED PAGE

Taylor Bank, in cooperation with Chambers of Commerce from Berlin, Ocean Pines and Ocean City, held a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Aug. 25 for the bank's newest branch, located at 11359 Samuel Bowen Blvd., Ocean Landing, across from Home Depot in Berlin. Taylor Bank has offices in Berlin, Ocean City, Pocomoke, Snow Hill and in Delaware. Helping with the ribbon cutting, from left, along the ribbon are Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, Worcester County Commissioner Diana Purnell, Berlin Councilmember Lisa Hall, Taylor Bank Board of Director Hale Harrison, Bank Manager Lori Simon, Executive Vice President Peggy Welsh, Worcester County Commissioner Bud Church, Maryland Del. Mary Beth Carozza, and Taylor Bank Design & Equipment Manager Herb Wilson. Taylor Bank President Ray Thompson is standing in back of, and between, Simon and Welsh.



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Gilbert's Provisions owner Toby Gilbert cuts the ribbon on his Berlin business, last Friday. The downtown shop sells cheeses, charcuterie, fermented products and other gourmet food items. **NEWBORN FOAL FOUND** Sue Flynn of Ocean Pines is pictured with her granddaughters, Ella, 5, and Ava, 3, of Lutherville, Maryland during their trip to Assateague Island recently, where they got to see a newborn foal.



SALUTE

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Brigadier General USA (Ret.) Robert A. Harleston gives the salute of honor to Coastal Hospice patient Evan Rossignol of Salisbury. Gen. Harleston on Aug. 25 also presented the patient with an American flag blanket and a certificate of honor as part of Coastal Hospice's "We Honor Veterans" program, an initiative of the National Hospice & Palliative Care Organization and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Rossignol was a captain in the Air Force from 1960-66, and previously worked as a pharmacist while in the Air Force and at PRMC, Nanticoke Hospital and local pharmacies.



PARENT WELCOME

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Worcester Preparatory School (WPS) Parents' Association hosted a New Parent Coffee to welcome families who are new to the school on Sept. 8. Pictured, from left, are Pam Haines, WPS Parents' Association President Marianne Buas and Erika Campbell.

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Coastal Hospice seeking volunteers on Lower Shore

Introduction course offered, along with state-required on-site and online training

(Sept. 15, 2016) Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care needs volunteers throughout the four Lower Shore counties it serves — Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester — and is offering an introduction course, as well as the training required by Maryland, in a combination of on-site and online programs.

Part of the required training will be on-site for one day on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Coastal Hospice Volunteer Offices, Philmore Commons, 224 Phillip Morris Dr., Suite 102, Salisbury.

For their convenience, volunteers can take the remainder of the training online on their own time and in their own homes. Arrangements can be made for those who don't have a computer at home.

Coastal Hospice matches volunteers with their areas of interest and within their schedules. Patient volunteers offer comfort and companionship to patients and their families, provide transportation and deliver supplies.

Other volunteers support the staff with office work, health fairs, fundraising events or by assisting at the Coastal Hospice Thrift Shop in Berlin. Volunteers who are veterans have opportunities to work directly with veteran patients as part of Coastal Hospice's We Honor Veterans program.

Anyone interested in volunteering for Coastal Hospice can take the first step by reviewing the information available online at CoastalHospice.org/ maryland-hospice-care-volunteer.

For a personal discussion with Sally Rankin, the Coastal Hospice volunteer manager, about volunteer opportunities, call her at 410-742-8732. To register for training, call or email volservices@coastalhospice.org.

Founded in 1980, Coastal Hospice is a nonprofit health care organization that cares for individuals facing life-limiting conditions but who want to remain as active and engaged as possible. Coastal Hospice cares for patients in their home, nursing home, assisted living facility or at Coastal Hospice at the Lake.

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75th Street and the bay Ocean Citv 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com Sept. 16: Dust N Bones, 9 p.m. Sept. 17: Over Time, 9 p.m. Sept. 21: Sir Rod, 5 p.m. Sept. 22: Bettenroo, 8 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head **Towers Condominium** Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com Sept. 16: Rusty Foulk, 8-11 p.m. Sept. 17: Dave Sherman, 5-8 p.m.; Rusty Foulke, 8-11 p.m. Sept. 18: Just Jay, 4-7 p.m. Sept. 19: Barry Lee, 9 p.m. to midnight Sept. 21: Walt Farozic, 6-9 p.m.; Open Mic, 9 p.m. to midnight Every Thursday: 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 Sept. 16: Everett Spells, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Sept. 17: Sol Knopf, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 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 Sept. 17: Rick & Regina, noon to 4 p.m.; Poole & The Gang, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 18: Coastal Patrol, noon to 3 p.m.; Old School, 4-8 p.m. Sept. 19: Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth Duo, 4-8 p.m. Sept. 20: The Poole Brothers, 4-8 p.m. Sept. 21: Chris Button and Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m. Sept. 22: Kevin Poole and Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.

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SALOON AND STEAKHOUSE

17th Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-289-6331 www.cowboycoastoc.com Sept. 16: Crisbie, 8 p.m.; The Grand Central, 8 p.m. Sept. 17: Sam Grow, 10 p.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com Every Friday: Bob Hughes, 5-9 p.m.

FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-5500 www.fagers.com Sept. 16: The Stims, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Hook, 9:30 p.m.; Musician Impossible, 9:30 p.m. Sept. 17: Opposite Directions, 5:30 p.m.; DJ Groove, 9:30 p.m.; Animal House, 10 p.m. Sept. 18: Everett Spells, 10 a.m. brunch Sept. 19: DJ Greg, 5:30 p.m.; DJ RobCee, 9:30 p.m.; Royal Jelly, 10 p.m.

Sept. 22: Bryan Clark, 9 p.m.

GUIDOS BURRITOS

First Street and Boardwalk Ocean City 410-289-1729 www.guidosburritos.com Sept. 18: DJ Papi Roisterous, 9 p.m.

33rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean Citv 410-524-3663 Sept. 22: DJ Papi Roisterous, 9 p.m.

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com Sept. 16: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. Sept. 17: Simple Truth/Side Project, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. Sept. 18: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 6:30 p.m. Sept. 19: Blake Haley, 4 p.m.; DJ Billy T. 7 p.m. Sept. 20: Funk Shue, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sept. 21: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sept. 22: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. **HARPOON HANNA'S**

Route 54 and the bay Fenwick Island, Del. 800-227-0525 302-539-3095 www.harpoonhannasrestaurant.com Sept. 16: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m. Sept. 17: Dave Sherman, 5-10 p.m.; Mallory & Maria, 9 p.m. Sept. 18: Kevin Poole, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 19: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m. Sept. 20: Kevin Poole, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 21: Dave Sherman, 5-9 p.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Road West Ocean City 410-213-1841 www.hootersofoc.com Sept. 16: Loud Love, 8 p.m. Sept. 17: Scrapple, 8 p.m.

M.R. DUCKS

Talbot Street and the bay Ocean City 410-289-9125 www.mrducks.com Sept. 16: Dr. Harmonica, 4 p.m. Sept. 17: Johnny Bling, 4 p.m. Sept. 18: Naked Nation, 4 p.m.

MACKY'S BAYSIDE BAR & GRILL

53rd Street and Coastal Highway Ocean City 410-723-5565 www.mackys.com Sept. 16: DJ Casper, 10 p.m. Sept. 17: DJ Cowboy, 10 p.m.

NICK'S HOUSE OF RIBS

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

OC FISH COMPANY

12817 Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-2525 Sept. 16: The Haymans, 6 p.m. Sept. 18: Side Project, 2 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Every Wednesday-Sunday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sept. 16-17: On The Edge, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

PURPLE MOOSE

Boardwalk, between Talbot and Caroline streets Ocean City 410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com Sept 16-17: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Surreal, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sept. 18: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; The Lava Game, 10 p.m. Sept. 19: The Lava Game, 10 p.m.

ROPEWALK

82nd Street and the bay Ocean City

410-524-1009

www.ropewalkoc.com Sept. 16: Steel Drums, 4-8 p.m.; DJ Buddha, 10 p.m. Sept. 17: Island Fusion, noon to 4 p.m.; Rob Fahey, 4-8 p.m.; DJ Buddha, 10 p.m. Sept. 18: Island Fusion, 2-6 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com Sept. 16: Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Nowhere Slow, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Live Wire, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sept. 17: Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Element K, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Bobby 0, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Big Bang Baby, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. Sept. 18: Captain Jack, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 22: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.

SHENANIGAN'S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk in the Shoreham Hotel 410-289-7181 www.ocshenanigans.com Sept. 16-17: James Gallagher & Off the Boat, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Sept. 21: Ray Wroten, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com Sept. 16: Elwood Bishop, 4-8 p.m. Sept. 17: Aaron Howell, 4-8 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT **CLUB**

1 Mumford's Landing Road **Ocean Pines** 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org Sept. 16: Poole Brothers, 6 p.m. Sept. 17: Jack Worthington, 6 p.m.

TOUCH OF ITALY

67th Street and Coastal Highway, in the Holiday Inn Oceanfront Ocean City 302-703-3090 Sept. 20: Piano Bar w/Bryan Russo, 9 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 443-365-2576 www.whiskersbar.com Sept. 16: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sept. 17: TBA

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Cuisine

Whole lobster, while pricey, has many uses

Lobster, sweet lobster. To me, eating a freshly dispatched one takes me back in my memories to a rocky bank in Massachusetts with the smell of



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seaweed and ocean permeating my senses.

At the same time, I fly back to Kauai where I was snorkeling at Tunnels Beach a year and a half ago. On one especially fruitful trip over a chunky part of the second reef, I noticed the tiniest of "wiggles" in my periphery. Doing a 180, I swam back over the crevice to stare face to face with a huge reef lobster. I floated there, wonder-

ing if I should reach into the hole and grab it, since it was easily three to four pounds. However, common sense reeled me back in as I knew how powerful lobsters can be in the wild (and downright ornery). In hindsight I'm still glad that I was able to keep my bravado in check. I swam back to shore empty-handed, but the next time we go I will buy a lobster snare. Alas, I simply had to go without.

Reality dictates that we don't eat too much lobster in our home base, as it is a pricey dish (more on that in a second), but today in one of our classes, a student named Derek made lobster rolls while we were studying New England. They were fantastic and as I walked around the class and noticed some leftover bacon, I quickly threw some in the oven to cook and have ready to make a little dish so high in fat and cholesterol so as to make it nigh perfect.

The mighty lobster is a wonderful and magnificent creature of the sea and it has such delicious meat from which to build simple, yet decadent dishes. With its sweet and succulent meat, lobster has long been a popular item with diners, and when people understand that you don't need to over-adulterate it while cooking, we end with a flavorful dish that tastes first and foremost of lobster. It's an amazing thought, I know, but when it comes to cooking, so many of us are prone to overdo the seasoning.

When discussing lobster with my students, though, it is imperative that we discuss price. After all, lobster can be downright expensive, especially when considering the yield, which is the amount of actual, edible meat that is typically pulled from a whole live lobster. Considering that you can take the total weight and divide by four (yes, 25 percent yield is correct ... staggering but correct) to get your yield, it doesn't take a mathematician to at least assume that it's going to be exorbitant.

But with a little practice, you will find that you can use the shells for bisque, or roast them and make an amazing lobster butter for enriching seafood soups. All of a sudden you have utilized the whole beast for something more than a cute little arterial-blocking snack, and the hefty price tag won't seem as drastic.

For the recipe I'm sharing with you below, I use "Potlatch Seafood Seasoning," which is a Williams-Sonoma product. It is worth investing in, as it will do two things. First, it will give you another choice besides JO and Old Bay (the former that I love and the latter that I could go a lifetime never tasting again). Second, it will offer your foods a sweetness and complexity that you can't get out of our two



local blends.

Either way, playing with fresh lobster can be a challenge for some cooks, but it's something that I love to do. And eating it at the end isn't a bad thing at all, either. Oh, sweet lobster.

Lobster-Bacon Sliders

Makes 16 sliders

- 2 pounds lobster meat or 8 pounds fresh lobster 1/4 cup finely diced celery
- 3 Tbsp. finely minced red onion
- 1 Tbsp. Potlatch Seafood Seasoning*
- 2 tsp. Lemon juice
- zest of 1 lemon
- Mayonnaise, as needed
- Chopped fresh tarragon, to taste
- 16 pieces of crispy cooked bacon
- 16 King's Hawaiian Savory Butter Rolls

1. If you bought lobster meat, simply chop into bite-sized pieces and gently squeeze to remove some water. This prevents the salad from becoming too watery

2. Make a court bouillon (poaching liquid) by adding lemons, thyme sprigs, white wine, black pepper and onions

3. If you bought fresh lobsters, place a pot of

water on the stove large enough for all of the lobsters (otherwise just work in batches)

4. While you're waiting for the water to boil, dispatch the lobsters by plunging a knife through the carapace midway between the front of the tail and the eyes

5. The lobsters will still move because of nerves, so let them be for a few minutes

6. Before plunging lobsters into the pot, carefully remove rubber bands with a pair of tongs

7. Poach the lobsters for about 8-12 minutes. Times will vary according to the amount of water in the pot, which of course varies with the size of the pot. Thermal mass is a wonderful thing

8. Remove the lobsters and place in an ice bath to shock

9. Pick the lobsters, removing the vein from the tail and making sure to get the knuckle meat

10. Combine chilled lobster meat and the remaining ingredients in the list, adjusting for flavor

11. On your King's Hawaiian bread, simply pile some lobster salad and a piece of bacon and go for it!

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 Find his ePortfolio at www.heartofakitchen.com.

Calendar

THU, SEP. 15

OC BIKEFEST

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Bringing national entertainment and bands, stunt shows, bike builders, vendors, food and beverages to the Boardwalk, Ocean City convention center and the Inlet. Event passes cost \$50 for adults and \$15 for children 6-15 years of age. Children 5 and younger are admitted free. Event passes include all entertainment and concerts, exhibitors, free use of the Ocean City bus system and \$5 off cover charge at Seacrets, throughout the four-day event. A one-day pass costs \$30 for adults ages 16 and older. chase@ocbikefest.com, 262-642-7158, http://www.ocbikefest.com

CHRONIC PAIN SELF-MANAGEMENT WORK-SHOP

Pocomoke Senior Center, 400 Walnut St., Suite B, Pocomoke City, MD, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Interactive, six-week program. Topics include pain management techniques, medication management, communication with healthcare providers and others, action planning and many more. Free and open to the community. Register: Nancy, 410-957-0391 or Dawn, ddenton@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9268

PINE'EER CRAFT CLUB MEETING

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. Refreshments served at 9:45 a.m. Craft to follow the 10 a.m. meeting. Guests welcome.

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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

BEACH SINGLES

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

FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 6 to 7 p.m. Compass Investment Advisors will discuss how to protect and grow assets despite volatility in the markets. The seminar is free. Advance registration is required. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052

BINGO

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

FRI, SEP. 16

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POW-MIA RECOGNITION DAY CEREMONY

American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 1 p.m. Sponsored by the American Legion Synepuxent Post 166 and the Vietnam Veterans of America Ocean City Chapter 1091. Open to the public and all Veterans, active Military and their families are especially welcome. A light fare will follow. Nelson Kelly, 410-213-5228 and press 1

STAR CHARITIES V.I.P. SOCIAL

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 4 to 7:30 p.m. Food by Carrabba's Italian Grill. Live entertainment by Sharon Sorrentino and Paul Mazzei and music by DJ Rupper. Dancing until 7:30 p.m., door prizes and a 50/50. The social benefits Maryland Wounded Soldiers. B.Y.O.B. Tickets cost \$20 and can be purchased by calling Barbara Peletier, 443-896-4914 or Anna Foultz, 410-641-7667

FISH FRY

Bowen United Methodist Church, 8421 Newark Road, Newark, MD, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The platters are \$10 and include salt water trout, macaroni and cheese, green beans, corn bread, beverage and dessert. Proceeds benefit the belfry fund. 410-632-1134

GLO-GOLF TOURNAMENT

Eagle's Landing Golf Course, 12367 Eagles Nest Road, Berlin, MD, 5:45 p.m. Twilight Party starts at 5:45 p.m. Shotgun start is at 6:45 p.m. Two-player, 9-hole scramble. Cost is \$50. Gross and net prizes. Four club max (no drivers). Walking only. Call to sign up. 410-213-7277

FULL MOON YOGA

Assateague Island National Seashore, Berlin, MD, 7:30 p.m. Suitable for all levels including beginners and children, 8 and older. Take a beach towel and meet at the shade pavilion in the south end of North Beach parking lot of Assateague Island National Seashore. Yoga is free but park entrance fees are in effect. outreachAIA@gmail.com, 443-614-3547

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'THANK A POLICE OFFICER DAY'

All Day There is a public Facebook event for the Delmarva area offering information so that citizens may get involved and participate in "Thank A Police Officer Day."

PET APPRECIATION WEEK'S MAIN EVENT

Tractor Supply Co., 10452 Old Ocean City Blvd #2, Berlin, MD, All Day The event will include pet adoptions with community groups, samples, giveaways, drawings for gift cards and other family friendly activities. Also, deals on pet products will be featured from Sept. 14-18. Several activities include Animal Training, Pet Adoption and Pet Care 101. Those Clever Canines will be on hand from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Open to the public and all leashed, friendly pets. 410-641-0310, http://www.TractorSupply.com

HERITAGE DAY IN SHARPTOWN

Sharptown on the Nanticoke, Sharptown, MD, 7 a.m. The town-wide yard sale begins at 7 a.m. The annual parade begins at 10 a.m. All day activities include Historical Museum and Town Hall exhibits open, games, crafts, food and more. Free admission. 410-726-9118 or 410-883-2718

2ND SUPER SPRINT TRI

Swim & Racquet Club Pool, 10 Seabreeze Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. The event consist of a quarter-mile swim, a 6.2-mile bike ride and a 1.5-mile run. Twelve threemember teams will be competing. Participants will receive a long-sleeved "finisher" shirt. Food and drinks available. The cost is \$105 per team. Teams should arrive at the pool at 7 a.m. to register and check-in. Ocean Pines Aquatics Department, 410-641-5255, http://www.OceanPines.org

FARMERS MARKET

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

AIRPORT DRIVE-IN BREAKFAST

Ocean City Airport, Terminal Building, 12724 Airport Rd, Berlin, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Coffee, eggs, bacon, sausage, scrapple and potatoes. Suggested donation is \$7. All donations directed to the Huey Veterans Memorial Display and Park. Coleman Bunting, 410-726-7207

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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

OC BIKEFEST

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

> Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Bringing national entertainment and bands, stunt shows, bike builders, vendors, food and beverages to the Boardwalk, Ocean City convention center and the Inlet. Event passes cost \$50 for adults and \$15 for children 6-15 years of age. Children 5 and younger are admitted free. Event passes include all entertainment and concerts, exhibitors, free use of the Ocean City bus system and \$5 off cover charge at Seacrets, throughout the four-day event. A one-day pass costs \$30 for adults ages 16 and older. chase@ocbikefest.com, 262-642-7158, http://www.ocbikefest.com

CHICKEN BBQ

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. Half BBQ chicken and roll for \$8. Sponsored by the Men's Ministry. Patrick Henry, 443-880-4746

OP BOAT CLUB END OF SUMMER LUAU

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 3 p.m. Roast pig BBQ, potato salad, baked beans, cole slaw and rolls. Soft drinks, iced tea and water. B.Y.O.B. Bring appetizer or dessert to share for 8. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$14. R.S.V.P. by Sept. 8. Stuart Glassman, 814-322-2120

DISCOVERY CENTER GALA

Delmarva Discovery Center, 2 Market Street, Pocomoke City, MD, 7 to 10 p.m. Exclusive access to the museum after dark, where there will be a special River Otter enrichment at 8:30 p.m. Tickets include heavy hors d'oeuvres, one premium drink ticket, dessert and an evening of live entertainment including an up close look at all the center's new exhibits. Loud and silent auctions. Tickets cost \$50, must be 21 and over to attend. Proceeds benefit the Discovery Center. To purchase tickets, contact 410-957-9933, http://www.DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org

SUN, SEP. 18

15TH ANNUAL PADDLE FOR A CURE

Coastal Kayak, 36840 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, DE, All Day Paddle for a Cure will launch in the late afternoon from the Ocean City commercial Harbor. Professional guides will take participants through the harbor to Continued on Page 34



OCEAN PINES COMMUNITY CENTER SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST • 8AM-NOON FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS

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the north end of Assateague Island. A donation of \$30 per person is requested. Reservations are required. Must be 13 years of age and older. Benefiting Delaware's Cancer Support Community. info@coastalkayak.com, 302-539-7999, http://coastalkayak.com

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BELLS ACROSS AMERICA

11 a.m. The General Levin Winder DAR Chapter is celebrating Constitution Week by inviting all venues with a bell to ring their bells at 11 a.m. Venues include all churches, fire houses, city governments and even individuals. http://www.dar.org

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 12 to 1 p.m. Group shares experience, strength and hope to help others. Open to the community and to AGH patients. Rob, 443-783-3529

AUDITIONS FOR A CHRISTMAS CAROL

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 18 3rd St, Pocomoke City, MD, 1 p.m. All roles are open. Cast needs include approximately 40 performers including adults and children of all ages. Cast will include a small singing ensemble of carolers to include men, women and select children. Auditions are cold readings from script; English accent required. matyler@hotmail.com, 443-858-3805

HALL TO HOST MEET AND GREET

Berlin Butcher Shop, 101 Williams St., Berlin, MD, 2 to 5 p.m. Lisa Hall, candidate for Berlin Mayor, will talk with voters about their ideas for Berlin.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

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

GOSPEL CONCERT

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

MON, SEP. 19

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

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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

'5 WAYS TO PROTECT OUR KIDS ONLINE' FREE LECTURE

The Red Doors Community Center at St. Paul's by-the Sea, 302 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. The presentation is designed for parents, teachers, youth leaders, coaches and clergy to protect children from predators, bullying and preserve their online identity that will stay with them forever. Each participant will leave with a thumb drive of the presentation, with links and information that can be used at any time. RSVPs are helpful but pre-registration is not required. Fawn Mete, office@reddoors.org, 410-289-5576

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DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

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

TUE, SEP. 20

SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

AUMC THRIFT SHOP SEMI-ANNUAL \$5 BAG SALE

Atlantic United Methodist Church Thrift Shop, 105 Fourth St., Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. After the sale, the store will be closed on Sept. 21 and 22. Grand reopening on Friday, Sept. 23. 410-289-4458

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 9715 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients. It meets the third Tuesday of each month. Open to the community. Info: Heather Cormack, 410-641-4400, Ext. 6123 or Kenneth Lewis, 410-208-1701 or 410-430-4818

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 166 MONTHLY MEETING

American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., followed by the meeting at 7 p.m. Current members and those interested in becoming a member are encouraged to attend.

PAINT FUNDRAISER FOR COASTAL HOSPICE

Embers Restaurant, 2305 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. Participants will paint "Tranquil Sands" with the help of Tickled Paint instructor Gabby. Tickets cost \$45, with a portion of the proceeds going to the campaign to build Coastal Hospice at the Ocean at The Point in Ocean Pines. Light refreshments provided. Sponsored by the Coastal Association of Realtors. Register at 410-713-2013, http://www.tickled-paint.com

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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

WED, SEP. 21

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

HYPERTENSION CLINIC

Walgreens, 32979 Coastal Highway, Bethany Beach, DE, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

STEPPING ON FALLS PREVENTION WORK-SHOP

Snow Hill Senior Center, 4767 Snow Hill Road, Snow Hill, MD, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. A seven-week workshop to help people at risk for falls, to live a safer, more confident life. An interactive workshop with exercises led by a physical therapist. Also, visits from professionals such as eye care, pharmacist and community safety expert. Free, but registration is required. Dawn, 410-641-9268

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic Health Center Conference Room, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 1 to 2 p.m. Women Supporting Women/AGH Support group for women and men who are battling breast cancer (current patients and survivors). Lunch is provided. RSVP: Women Supporting Women, 410-548-7880

FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 3 p.m. Compass Investment Advisors will discuss how to protect and grow assets despite volatility in the markets. The seminar is free. Advance registration is required. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052

RETIRED NURSES OF OCEAN PINES PRESEN-TATION

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 3 p.m. A presentation by Peninsula Regional Medical Center's Nancy Creighton, Executive Directory Managed Care & ACO, Cindy Lunsford COO and Chris Hall VP of Strategy & Business.

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

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

ANNUAL 'BLUES ON THE BAY'

Macky's Bayside Bar & Grill, 5311 Coastal Highgway, Ocean City, MD, 6 to 9 p.m. Singer and saxophonist Everett Spells will provide the musical entertainment, and tickets include an open bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Tickets cost \$75 and benefit the campaign to build Coastal Hospice at the Ocean. Reservations: http://www.Coastal-Hospice.org/Blues, 410-742-8732

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

BINGO

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

CANDLELIGHT LABYRINTH WALK

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

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gine, **1998 Bayliner Capri.** \$4,495. See it at Racetrack 1998 Bayliner Capri.

AUCTIONS

The contents of mini stor-

age units will be sold at

public auction. Units to be

auctioned; B13-B19-B24-

B26-B82-B97-L9-O3-O13-023-045-065-093-094-

097-0106-0133-0143

O29-O115-O164-S26-S48-S56-S182-S185-S314-

S315-S502-S517-S614-

S621. Units are being sold

due to non-payment of rent. Common items in units are,

household items, furniture,

tools, fishing equipment,

paintings, antique and vin-

tage items

Date: SATURDAY,

Storage (Rt. 50)

Storage (Rt. 611)

FURNITURE

JUMPIN' JACK FLASH

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September 24, 2016 Time: 9AM

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Auctioneer: Tom Janasek

Marine. (610-389-9703)

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DAY/TIME	ADDRESS	BR/BA	STYLE	PRICE	AGENCY/AGENT
Daily	Assateague Point, Berlin	1BR/2BR/3BR	Mobile	From \$100,000	Tony Matrona/Resort Homes
Daily 10-5	Gateway Grand – 48th Street	3 & 4BR, 3BA	Condo	Inquire	Fritschle Group/Condominium Realty
Daily 11-5	West Harbor Village	3BR/2.5BA	Townhomes	From \$270,000	Dan Demeria/Harbor Homes
Sat-Mon 11-4 pm	Heron Harbour, 120th St., Bayside	1BR/2/BR/3BR/4/BR+	Condo, Towns & SF	_	Nanette Pavier/Holiday Real Estate
Sun 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	11769 Maid at Arms Way	4BR/4.5BA	Single Family	From \$489,900	Evergreene Homes
Fri, Sat & Sun 10-5pm	Sunset Island, Ocean City	-	Condos, Towns & SF	From \$369,000	Terry Riley/Vantage Resort Realty
Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 1	10-5 Seaside Village, West Ocean City	3BR/2 Full & 2 Half BA	Townhome	From \$324,990	Lennar Homes
Saturday 10-12	11 Skipper Ct, Ocean Pines	4BR/2BA	Single Family	\$269,900	Taryn Walterhoefer/Shamrock Realty
Saturday 11-2	201 Powell Circle, Berlin	4BR/2.5BA	Single Family	\$399,000	Cam Bunting/Bunting Realty
Saturday 1-3	14 Windjammer Rd, Ocean Pines	3BR/2BA	Single Family	\$369,900	Edie Brennan/Shamrock Realty

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