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Speaking to the crowd during the Berlin Library Our Community (BLOC) party on Saturday, from left, are Worcester County commissioners Diana Purnell and Bud Church, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams and Councilmember Lisa Hall.

Berlin Library still looking for \$1.3M

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The wind whipped around the dozen or so vendors tables lined up just outside downtown Berlin, but rain never materialized Saturday afternoon when several hundred gathered at the site of the new \$4.5 million Worcester County Library.

For now, the space is hardly more than an open field next to the Waystead Inn on Harrison Avenue, but by next year work could begin on the new state-of-the-art facility, which would include enhanced meeting spaces, more computers and better access to the internet, as well as children and teen reading areas.

Whether or when shovels go into the ground, however, will largely depend on whether the state approves a \$1 million grant in its next fiscal year budget.

The Worcester County Library Foundation already received \$2 million from the county, \$430,000 of

which went to land acquisition, and \$1 million from the state.

The Humphries Foundation added a \$150,000 two-to-one matching grant, while the town of Berlin offered \$75,000 in matching grant money.

Saturday's event was designed to introduce the public to the plans for the new library, and to help launch a capital campaign to raise an additional \$300,000 for amenities.

Deputy Library Director Jennifer Ranck said that money would be used to outfit the library's meeting room to accommodate performances, develop an interactive early learning center and expand library circulation by 15 percent.

Several blueprints for the building, roughly three times larger than its predecessor at 11,000 square feet, were fastened to a table using hair clips, while volunteers handed out book-sized brochures of upcoming events.

Elsewhere, volunteers barbequed

chicken on a mammoth grill that pushed plumes of white smoke up into the swirling air, while the band WWIIunes shuffled through a throw-back set of Dixieland jazz.

Near the edge of the field, a small group of children lined up for pony rides and, because it is Berlin, a man dressed as the Mad Hatter from Alice in Wonderland fashioned balloon animals.

Mayor Gee Williams opened a brief ceremony next to the main stage, flanked by Worcester County Commissioners Bud Church and Diana Purnell, and Berlin Councilmember Lisa Hall.

He began by quoting Ecclesiastes – by way of The Byrds – saying, “There is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.”

“I know that living here in Berlin is as close to heaven as some of us ever expect to get, but if you discount that, all good things happen when they're meant to happen,” Williams said.

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Developer Rinnier to resubmit text amendment to BPC

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) What looked like a fairly straight forward text amendment on a town zoning ordinance erupted into debate on the growth of the town of Berlin during a public meeting on Monday.

Earlier this year, Rinnier Development Company's 700-plus-townhome complex on Seahawk Road received approval from the Berlin Planning Commission, with the condition that the commission and the Town Council had to approve an amendment expanding the current limits on dwelling units inside multi-family buildings.

While that number is current set at 12, the commission voted 4-2 to recommend Berlin update its zoning code to allow for “any number” of units at the discretion of the Planning Commission.

After nearly an hour of discussion, however, and under pressure from the mayor and council as well as a pair of residents, attorney Mark Cropper, representing the developer, withdrew his request for the amendment.

Upon opening a required public hearing on the matter, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams and Town Attorney David Gaskill initially called the amendment a “simple change.”

“What this text amendment does, it still holds firm to that ‘no more than 12’ dwelling units [restriction], but it does grant the planning commission the authority to allow more than 12 units if, in the opinion of the Planning Commission, it would be a good zoning practice, convenient public necessity [and] in favor of the public welfare,” Gaskill said.

Mitchell David, a resident of Berlin, was first to raise an objection, saying the change would allow for “an unlimited amount” of dwellings.

“I'm for the [Seahawk Road] development out there, I think it's a spot for it, [but] I think you're opening up some floodgates,” he said. “There is no end to this number. That's my concern.”

David noted that the Planning Commission is not voted into office, but rather appointed by the mayor.

“If we have a pro-growth mayor, we're going to have a pro-growth commission,” he said. “To say this is a text

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New \$4.5 million library would be three times larger

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"Today, after much anticipation, we've come together as a community to begin the fundraising that remains for Berlin residents, surrounding neighbors and guests to ensure that we not only have a new Berlin branch of the Worcester County Library, but that it is the best that we are able to build – not only for today, but for generations," he added.

The old library, a literal stone's throw away, was built in 1970, Williams said. Before that it was a single-room at the top of the stairs in Town Hall, in what is now his office.

Williams said private donors and community organizations would supply the final funds needed to finish the project through the capital campaign.

"Who are those private donors that we are talking about? Well, that's you, friends – your family, your coworkers and people anywhere who care about our future," he said. "The additional \$300,000 that we are all working together to raise from private sources, now that all levels of government have pitched in a few million, will ensure that the library is the best it can be both in terms of quality and unique features that everyone is asking for."

Williams said the library would also include a gallery space, a local history room, an outdoor garden and "an interactive learning area for pre-school-age children."

"Many of these features are simply not available in Berlin, and it's through the foresight of the Worcester County Library Foundation ... [which has] come up with a very exciting plan that will not only provide us with a great library, but a great community resource that we desperately need."

"Before we get the shovels out, let us today pledge our support and our commitment so we can raise the money soon to ... try to be shovel ready to not only build the best library that we possibly can, but to also pledge that we will gather together again first for a groundbreaking and also for a ribbon cutting that you, the citizens and friends of the town, will make possible together," Williams added.

If the second \$1 million grant from the state is approved, likely in March or April of next year, Ranck said shovels could go into the ground by fall 2016, with the project taking 13-14 months to complete.

To donate to the new library through the Worcester County Library Foundation mail checks to Worcester County Library Foundation, Inc., 307 North Washington Street, Snow Hill, Md., 21863.

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If all goes well, the new Berlin Library will begin construction at this site, on Harrison Avenue near the Waystead Inn, fall 2016. JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Event kicks off capital campaign

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) Mayor Gee Williams and other local officials on Saturday presided over the public unveiling of plans for the prospective new \$4.5 million, Berlin library on Harrison Avenue.

The event also helped launch a capital campaign, which hoped to raise \$300,000 for furnishings in the building through the Worcester County Library Foundation.

County Commissioner Bud Church followed Williams, saying the mayor had already covered "about 90 percent" of what he wanted to say.

"It was Worcester County's pleasure to give the [Worcester County] Library Foundation \$2 million to build a very, very worthwhile project in the Berlin Library," he said. "Nobody could be any more proud of something in their town than a library."

Church said he felt especially connected to the library after spending an extensive amount of time touring the town with Ron Casio, from the library

foundation, looking for an appropriate site for the new building.

"You picked out the best one," Church said. "Ron and the other folks that work at the foundation have done a terrific job and it's going to be a huge asset to the town of Berlin [and] it's going to be a huge asset to the Worcester County community."

He quipped that the new \$1 million would come, "from either the state, Ron Casio or the mayor."

Worcester County Commissioner Diana Purnell then said she would cover "the last one percent," adding, "Bud's going to write that check for a million – I know he is."

"For a 21st century community we always need that 21st century library," she said. "We are telling the community that we have Blue Ribbon schools, so we need this library, we need it because it all fits together."

Purnell said she was certain the community would help fulfill the foundation's capital campaign.

"One thing I know about the community of Berlin and Ocean City and

Pocomoke and Snow Hill – we come together," she said. "When it's something that's really needed, we get it done."

"It's our pleasure to stand as commissioners and say we've got your back. We're going to do what we can do," Purnell added.

Berlin Councilmember Lisa Hall, during her statements, said the Eastern Shore often "lacks in needs" over the western shore.

"With this county commissioners, the mayor and council of Berlin and the other mayor and councils, we're all fighting to bring these amenities to the Eastern Shore so that we can have what our children need," she said. "A lot of people can't afford Wi-Fi, don't have laptops [or] computers – that's what new libraries are about, giving everyone the tools that everyone needs."

Delegates Mary Beth Carozza (R-38C) and Charles Otto (R-38A) were also on hand and Carozza said it was essential for the community to show its support.

"I think a library, as a community

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Del. Carozza says community library ‘should be a priority’

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center, should be a priority,” she said. “We already have support from the county and the state, now we need to show the community financial support and support from private donors.

“We understand there will be there will be a request for another state grant in the next fiscal year,” Carozza continued. “Del. Otto and I can turn and say, ‘We’re well aware of the community support and private sector support,’ so we really need to highlight that involvement.”

Carozza added that she was particularly interested in the children’s section at the new library.

“As a young girl, I remember going to the library was an adventure,” she said. “You didn’t know what you were going to pick out and the building itself was always exciting. When I look at [the mock ups], I think it will excite children in a way that makes it fun for them to learn.”

Otto, meanwhile, called the library a “fine improvement.”

“I always had an interest in the libraries because I find that as a place

where people can help themselves,” he said. “It gives them the opportunity and the facilities to make life improvements.”

Worcester County Library Director Jennifer Ranck said she was thrilled for the chance to introduce the new library plans to the community.

“It just feels great to be here and show everybody where the library is going to be, how convenient it is to downtown,” she said. “We wish the weather was a little bit better, but we’re just so happy to see our supporters here today. This is just a great way to kick [the capital campaign] off.”

Along with soliciting donations, Ranck said the foundation is hoping to raise additional funds through a memorial brick sale.

“The state and the county have been very supportive, but we want to make this the best library that it can be for the community and have some extra things in there like an early learning space for children, a great meeting-room space upstairs, as well as some outdoor areas for people to meet, congregate, learn and have fun,” she said.

Text amendment debate triggers talk of town growth

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amendment ... they’re missing the boat on this.

“I think this needs to go back to the Planning Commission,” David added. “To me, I think this needs a little bit more thought. I think at least another meeting or hearing or something where ... this can be brought to a different light and not just considered a text amendment.”

He also asked if the town had pursued a Planned Urban Development (PUD) exception rather than seek to amend town code.

“PUD was on the table and even discussed, but due to concerns regarding density ... the desire of the planning commission as well as the mayor and council at the time was that this be restricted by or limited by the R-4 zoning classification,” Gaskill said.

Cropper admitted he and the developer were unaware of the public hearing until just 40 minutes before the meeting. As a result, Blair Rinnier, the lead on the project, could not make the meeting.

Still, he insisted the measure was simply a text amendment and said it was drafted, with Gaskill, to “give it integrity and some security for concerns of the mayor and council.”

“Those are the standards that the council is bound by for any other types of changes,” Cropper said. “The same standards and criteria were put in the text amendment.”

Cropper also argued that the “12 unit limitation hasn’t changed.”

“It’s only if the developer on a particular piece of property with a particular project can meet this criteria that the Planning Commission even has the authority of the ability to deviate from that 12-unit limitation.”

According to Cropper, in this instance, the exception to consolidate a certain amount of units in fewer buildings was sought “to create open space.”

“In the judgment of your Planning Commission they thought that was a good thing and that it would make for a better project,” he said. “I’d be the first to admit in many projects that will come before the Planning Commission exceeding the 12-unit limitation is likely not going to be a public necessity ... I think it’s going to be the rare circumstance.”

Cropper said the commission originally approved the final site plan six weeks ago, contingent on the amendment, and that Rinnier was approved for 778 units. The current height limitations, he added, would not be affected by the change in code.

If the text amendment is not eventually passed in some form, he said, the developer could still “build the same number of units.”

“You’re just going to have it in a lot more buildings,” he said. “This way you consolidate the number of units in a building, enhance the open space in the project and create a much better project. That’s the purpose of this text amendment, that’s the goal of this text amendment and that’s all

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Amendment likely coming back to BPC within 30 days

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we're trying to achieve."

Councilmember Lisa Hall, however, suggested the developer was "putting the cart before the horse."

"Why would I move forward with a project that was being planned around a text amendment that hasn't ... been approved?" she asked, comparing the project to the Gateway Grand in Ocean City.

"I just feel like the code was set for Berlin to try and keep the town quaint," Hall added. "I just feel like we're at a critical point now, we've done a lot of things for this town [and] we've got to protect it. We're kind of on the cusp of losing our small town charm if we don't protect our building codes and our architectural guidelines."

Another resident, Darlene Jameson, suggested the town needed to get "better input from the public," and said the hearing was not well advertised.

Councilmember Gulyas countered that, while he was a "staunch vote against" the project from the start, "the fact is it was publicized."

"It was in four newspapers," Williams said. "If we had to take a poll on every decision we made there would be absolutely nothing [happening] because most people would never get back with us."

Williams argued against setting too many restrictions.

"What we're trying to do is to find a happy medium," he said. "One philosophy is that we keep [Berlin] very exclusive and quite frankly [if that happens] all the people who have lived here for many generations will eventually have to be forced out. I will fight to my dying day to make sure that this remains a place that is affordable for the working class."

"This is not any longer a community that thought that it would never, ever exceed 4,000 people," Williams continued. "Now we're in a situation where we have young families lined up, wanting to move here, and there's no place for them to live."

Still, the mayor admitted he was concerned that the amendment had "no upper limit."

"I'm not comfortable with this without a cap," he said. "I do think that whatever that cap should be should go back to the Planning Commission."

Cropper conceded, saying he would consult with the developer. At the advice of Gaskill, he withdrew his request.

Speaking with the Gazette on Tuesday, Blair Rinnier said he planned to re-submit to the Planning Commission within the next 30 days.

"My understanding from the meeting is the Town Council was looking for a ceiling, so that's what we're going to come back and suggest," he said. "I get the message that they don't want something too big, and something that's going to work for, not just our project, but the future."

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(Oct. 1, 2015) Jordan Denton and Nicholas Bonser, who were given 90 days to pay restitution for their Jan. 25



Jordan Denton



Nicholas Bonser

spray-painting vandalism spree, now have more time to make financial amends.

According to court documents, District Court Judge Gerald Purnell has granted the two 18-year-old Berlin residents until the end of their two-year probation to pay make good on the court order.

Under the terms of their plea bargain, Denton and Nicholas Bonser, who were sentenced on June 19, had 90 days to pay \$8,843.06 in restitution, to complete 150 hours of community service each, and to write letters of apologies to the town of Berlin for spray-painting graffiti on cars and buildings.

Those 90 days expired Sept. 19.

Court documents did not mention if any restitution had been paid, community service had been completed or letters had been received. Town of Berlin officials also

reported that they hadn't seen an apology letter from either Bonser or Denton.

"Because the defendant has only been on probation for 90 days, she has been unable to complete all terms as of the date of filing," Denton's attorney, Amanda Nyman, wrote. The document was dated Sept. 23.

Bonser's attorney, C. Gregory Colburn, made a similar argument, offering that the number of hours and the amount of restitution were so large it would be impossible to complete.

Assistant State's Attorney William McDermott, the prosecutor in the case, said at the time of the decision that the 450 total hours of community service and the amount of restitution required within 90 days was virtually impossible, and that three-to-five years of supervised probation would likely be imposed on each defendant in addition to the court's original ruling.

"For all that has to be forthcoming in 90 days, I can tell you that it won't happen," he said in an earlier interview. "It's going to take years for them to do that."

"The two of them, at 18 years old, just walked out with 22 convictions," McDermott continued on the day of the trial. "It's pretty awful when you're that young to walk out with that many convictions and a \$9,000 tag and 450 hours of community service. What they did was awful [and] the price they're going to pay is pretty close to what happened."

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OPA mulls repair, replacement of two major bridges

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1 2015) To repair or not to repair the bridges in Ocean Pines.

That was the question during last Thursday’s board meeting, when General Manager Bob Thompson went over the association’s options on repairs and replacements.

Thompson’s roughly 30-minute presentation focused on a 2014 report by Gannett Fleming.

According to the report, the Ocean Parkway Bridge has a Bridge Safety Rating (BSR) of 47.2, which represents needing “immediate and priority repairs” totaling \$316,100. Total repairs were estimate at \$321,200.

The Clubhouse Drive Bridge has a 41.3 BSR, which indicates it also needs immediate and priority repairs. The cost in this instance would be \$332,350 for immediate repairs and \$333,150 for total repairs.

Thompson said work on both bridges is in the design phase, with the focus on the superstructure.

In the meantime, the association is exploring several replacement options. Timber, precast concrete or steel and precast concrete are being looked at, and state and federal funding options are being pursued.

State funds for bridge repairs are filtered through the counties, which then award funding based on need, Thompson said. He reported that county officials told him state funds were a more likely target, as federal funds had not been pursued in the region for more than 20 years.

During previous meetings, Thompson suggested outside funding for replacement would likely cover the majority of the cost, but not all of it.

At the suggestion of the county, Ocean Pines contacted design firm Davis, Bowen & Frieda, Inc., who drafted a repair estimate dated Sept. 15. According to DBF, necessary repairs would cost \$250,000 per bridge.

A schedule included in the estimate suggested repairs on the Ocean Parkway Bridge could be completed by February, while the Clubhouse Drive Bridge could be finished in April of next year.

According to the estimate, replacement of a Timber bridge would total \$642,000. Precast concrete or steel would cost \$640,000, while precast concrete was estimated at \$670,000.

Replacement, on the other hand, could take several years. A “best case estimate” suggested, with outside funding, surveys, permitting and construction, the Ocean Parkway Bridge could be finished by Aug. 2017, with the Clubhouse Drive Bridge taking an additional six months, finishing in February 2018.

If the association were to use capital funds to replace the bridge, the Ocean Parkway Bridge could be finished by May 2017, with the Clubhouse Drive

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Ocean Pines General Manager Bob Thompson shows slides of potential bridge replacement structures, including this one of a timber model, during a Board of Directors meeting last week.

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Repair for two Pines bridges estimated at \$250,000 each

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Bridge targeted for a Sept. 2017 completion date.

Currently, Ocean Pines has \$170,000 earmarked for its bridges.

Thompson said the association was pursuing a "parallel path," exploring repair and replacement options simultaneously, with the goal of bringing both BSR ratings over 50.

"The repair work will increase the BSR, but certainly not as much as a new bridge," he said. "Spending the amount of money to do the repair work is going to be expensive and all we're going to is buy time until replacement becomes the reality of what we need to do. We're trying to balance that right now."

Thompson said he has yet to receive a definitive answer how long a repaired bridge would last before needing replacement, and that the county report recommended repairs, but did not require them.

Also, because repairs would increase the BSR, the association would have to walk a proverbial tightrope. If the rating went over 50, Ocean Pines would not be available for state or federal funds.

"We're in a catch-22 here," Director Jack Collins said.

Director Dave Stevens worried about

the cost and safety concerns of shutting down either bridge.

"If those bridges are going to be closed for a day ... you have to have an alternate plan," he said. "All of the alternate plans that we've envisioned so far are pretty expensive. So when you're looking at the cost you'd better look at the total cost."

"That's what we're struggling with right now," Thompson said. "We're trying to get all the facts and all the pieces and all the solutions to make the best-informed solution we can."

Thompson said the intent was to pursue repairs on some level "because it needs to be done," adding that he believed repairs would, "bring us further than 2017."

If the board wanted to pursue replacement of the bridge, they would have to select the type of bridge and a replacement funding program.

"The next step for the board is I'm going to come back to you once we have everything figured out on the pros and cons with the types of structures and I'm going to ask for your guidance," he said. "From there we'll develop plans around whatever that structure is, and then we're going to submit through the county."

OP passes preliminary budget guidance, rollover mechanism

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) It was a bit of a jumble, but the Ocean Pines Board of Directors voted 6-1 last Thursday to instruct General Manager Bob Thompson to draft a rollover mechanism for budgeted, but unspent, capital items, as well as to create a deadline for input in a conceptual budget guidance document for fiscal year 2017.

The Budget and Finance Committee met with the board a week earlier to discuss its own recommendations, which included the rollover mechanism.

Between sessions, Director Tom Terry took several discussion points and drafted a three-part motion: to accept, "for discussion," an attached budget guidance document, to provide input and suggested changes by Sept. 28 and to approve concepts outlined in an attached capital management document.

Speaking from a cellphone during a public meeting on Sept. 24, Terry said the motion put several items "on the table" for discussion.

The larger debate focused on the rollover mechanism.

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Jacobs worries about 'automatic' budget carryover

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Director Cheryl Jacobs took exception to some of the language in the motion, worrying that it could be creating an "automatic" carryover.

"It's clear to me that any item that falls under the category of a capital item may very well be started in budget year, but not completed until another," she said. "I certainly understand that concept and approve [of it], however ... I have a problem with that being continued to be rolled over into the next budget. I think it should be removed and resubmitted."

Terry countered that his proposal would require the general manager to "apply" to the board before an item actually carried over.

"It doesn't automatically carry over," he said. "You would have to answer the question as to whether the work was ever actually going to be done, whether it was halfway done [and] where it is."

"It's not an automatic rollover," Terry added. "It's simply a procedure."

Terry said there is no current procedure for carrying funds from one year to the next. He added that his motion would address critics who accused the board of spending unbudgeted money, when the item was previously voted through by a previous board.

Director Dave Stevens questioned whether the mechanism was necessary for replacement projects, and said that, theoretically, unspent dollars create a surplus.

"In that case, there's a larger issue," he said. "Do we have to approve the project next year or not, or do we automatically grandfather it?"

"In the case of a replacement project, is the authorization you get to spend the money out the reserves - is that grandfathered into the next year?" Stevens continued. "I don't know that there's a resolution necessary to make that happen."

He also agreed with Jacobs that, if work on a project had not begun, it should be submitted for approval.

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STARS

Star Charities Founder/Director Anna Foulz and her group of volunteers held a fundraiser on Sept. 19 and raised nearly \$3,000 to benefit wounded soldiers in Maryland. The event was hosted by Ed Colbert, owner of Deer Run Golf Course in Berlin and included an evening of dinner by the Lazy River Saloon and entertainment by Johnny Cash impersonator David Stone. Pictured, in front, from left, are Sharon Sorrentino, Lily Tunis, Foulz and Rosalee Donaway, and in back, Colbert, Irmgard Heinecke, Peggy Rumberg, Stone, Sandy McAbee, Lee Tilghman, Barbara Peletier and Robin Beall.

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Board adopts Oct. 15 'guidance' deadline

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"Boards change and grandfathering something over when no money has actually been expended for that purpose, I don't see it as being necessary, or even wise," he said.

Terry argued that the motion was not philosophical, as some were arguing, but rather something that filled a procedural void.

"We do not have that process [for carrying funds over]," he said.

Stevens did not agree.

"We have a process," he said. "It's called the budget process."

Terry admitted the language in the

motion could have been amended for clarity.

"If [automatic carryover] is implied ... then that's not where we want to be," he said. "At the end the discussion is to conceptually [say] we think this issue needs to be addressed and ask the general manager to come back with the specifics and the mechanism by which this would be done."

"What I'm proposing here ... is the board vote to allow and instruct Bob to go write the procedure around what we just talked about and present it at the October meeting," Terry continued.

Assistant Treasurer Pete Gomsak weighed in, echoing Terry's comment that a rollover mechanism would help with public relations problems the board continuously runs into when voting to fund items previously approved during a prior-year budget.

He also said the mechanism could be used for something as simple as a purchase order for police cars not actually spent during the fiscal year when it was originally approved.

On the matter of budget guidance, the directors agreed to amend the original motion and extend the Sept. 28 deadline. Under a new motion,

which was never read aloud, comments to Terry would be due by Oct. 7, with a finished motion due Oct. 15, two weeks before the next regular meeting.

Board President Pat Renaud called a vote on the corrected motion, which apparently included the new deadlines.

"I don't know how [Executive Assistant] Michelle [Bennett] is going to get that motion down," Stevens said.

Jacobs was the lone "no" vote.

"I'm opposed only because of [rollover] part of the motion," she said.

OPA BRIEFS

By Josh Davis

Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Ocean Pines Board of Directors discussed the following items during a public meeting in the Community Center on Sept. 24.

Scout honored

The board formally recognized 16-

year-old Girl Scout Lauren Paulsen for her work at the Compassion Cove unit at Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She raised more than \$10,000 and helped build a pergola and patio in honor of her late grandmother.

Board President Pat Renaud noted that Paulsen earned the Scout's Gold Award for her efforts – its highest honor

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JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

OPA Board President Pat Renaud gives a commendation to former director Sharyn O'Hare during a public meeting last week.

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— and is the only Scout on the Eastern Shore to possess one.

Former director

The board also honored Sharyn O'Hare, a former director who did not seek reelection during the previous cycle.

"Sharyn served faithfully three years," Renaud said. "She not only served faithfully, but when she didn't agree with something she didn't sit idly by. She raised her hand and said, 'I disagree.' And very often she was right. We would have let things pass without her astute viewing of things."

O'Hare was presented with a certificate of appreciation.

"I want to thank all the board members ... [and] I wish the new members a lot of luck," she said. "Thank you to the community for all the support I got."

GM report

General Manager Bob Thompson's monthly GM reports returned to their trademark slide presentations, after being limited to brief overviews during previous board President Dave Stevens' tenure.

Included in the report, Thompson said the Manklin Meadows complex would be reviewed by the Planning Commission in October, and a request for proposals would follow.

Site work would likely begin in December,

with a target date for completion set for May 2016.

Thompson said the association earned several awards from local publications during recent months. Coastal Style recognized Ocean Pines as the Best Residential Community in Worcester County, and Metropolitan Magazine named the Clubs of Ocean Pines as the Best Wedding and Banquet Facility in the Berlin/Ocean City area.

Pool covers

The board unanimously approved a capital request to buy two pool covers. OPA had budgeted \$20,000 for the covers, but went slightly over budget at a total cost of approximately \$21,000.

Investment guidelines

In a unanimous vote, the board adopted resolution F-01, governing in-

vestment guidelines in Ocean Pines.

Director Jack Collins, who had presented the resolution during several prior meetings, called the measure a "housecleaning" item.

"This doesn't change our investment strategy," he said, adding that the resolution deleted a paragraph that required the association to seek the advice of a financial advisor before using what he called "excess funds."

"When we collect our dues early on in the fiscal year, we have a big rush of cash, and we're not able to react fast enough to put that cash in government guaranteed instruments ... so they sit in a money market fund at the depository bank," Collins said. "The depository bank ... has agreed to collateralize those deposits."

Renaud's debut

Thursday marked the first regular

meeting for Renaud as newly elected board president.

"I'm happy to be here," he said. "I'm happy to be serving you and the community. I hope that I can do a good job and do what I should do, and that is make sure that things move along and that things you want accomplished are accomplished."

Director correction

Cheryl Jacobs said a local newspaper erroneously reported that she is still working full time.

"That is not true, and I just wanted to state publically that the campaign promise that I made when I ran for this office was that I would not continue to work full time, because I wanted to have the appropriate amount of time available to devote to this very important position," she said.

Jacobs said she scaled back to working two days a week as of Sept. 1.

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BLOC PARTY



County commissioners Diana Purnell, left, and Bud Church, with Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, right, speak at the public unveiling of the new Berlin Library on Saturday.



Bill Campion, aka the Mad Hatter, blows up balloons for children during the Berlin Library unveiling event.



WW II lutes perform during the BLOC party in Berlin on Saturday.

BLOC PARTY
On Saturday, the Worcester County Library Foundation held a BLOC (Berlin Library Our Community) party at the site of the new county library branch on Harrison Avenue. The event introduced the public to plans for the library, as well as kicked off a capital campaign intended to raise \$300,000 for furnishings.



Tom Pfeifer sells Eastern Shore Kettle Corn during an awareness event at the site of the new Berlin Library.



Del. Mary Beth Carozza, left, and Berlin Library Branch Manager Alice Paterra examine plans for the new library.

BERLIN BRIEFS

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Berlin mayor and Town Council discussed the following items during a public meeting on Monday.

Floodplain ordinance

Ordinance No. 2015-07 received a first reading on Monday. The amendment would affect Chapter 102, Section 8.3 of the town code regarding violations and penalties relating to floodplain management.

Previously, violations and penalties were omitted from the code. With the amendment, the maximum penalty would be set for \$1,000 with imprisonment not to exceed six months.

A public hearing was scheduled for the next mayor and council meeting, on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

HVAC system

The council unanimously approved a measure to spend \$16,176 on a new HVAC system for the visitor's center on South Main Street.

Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood said the current system was inadequate.

Arctic Air beat out three other bidders for the system, which included removal of the old one.

Sidewalk closer

Water Resources Director Jane Kreiter said the town was "down to five" easements needed for new sidewalks on Branch Street. Three of those easements were related to a nearby church, according to Councilmember Dean Burrell.

Police day

Police Chief Arnold Downing thanked the public for its participation during Thank a Police Office Day, Sept. 19.

Officers received cards, cookies and other goodies from members of the community.

"It was very uplifting and very appreciated to get ahead and get those thank-yous," Downing said. "The guys came in and saw the cards on the wall ... it was something definitely to help morale."

Fiddler's reactions

Downing praised the turnout for last week's Fiddler's Convention and said he and Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells and Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Larnet St. Amant would discuss improvements for next year's event during the coming weeks.

Mayor Gee Williams also addressed the annual event.

"Friday night was one of the strongest nights that we've ever had, and Saturday the attendance was ... not the level that it's been in recent years."

Williams said he discussed the matter with Wells, as well as several business owners from south of Jefferson Street on Main Street, who complained that road closures and the placement of the state disrupted business.

He also noted that, for the first time, Ocean City moved its annual Sunfest event a week later, possibly effecting turnout.

Ruth Koontz, owner of Main Street Deli in Berlin, said she spoke with several other business people who experienced problems during the event.

Williams invited anyone who is interested to attend council meetings that include approval for events on the agenda.

"If we can come up with some answers to get people from one end of Main Street all the way down to the Visitor's Center, hallelujah," he said.

'Slacktivism'

Todd DeHart said a recent post by his wife on social media, which he dubbed "slacktivism," created a conversation about traffic in Berlin.

"It brought [two questions] up: one, should there be a traffic study for downtown Berlin – Main Street – so that it is shown to be a safe place for pedestrians, bikes, skateboards and vehicles, and then secondly ... a little bit of a confusion [over the traffic pattern] at the spot of Main Street,

West Street and Baker Street," he said.

DeHart said he hoped the town would consider "traffic-calming" measures at the three-way intersection.

Downing said the social media post triggered interest by police and state highway officials, who investigated the areas of concern.

"If you do have concerns you should go ahead and contact police as soon as possible," he said, adding that police had not received "one single complaint" directly.

"I will beg you, and I will beg any of you ... if you have an issue ... you have to call the people that fix the job," Downing said.



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Berlin announces details for annual Christmas parade

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The town of Berlin is more than a month into planning for its annual Christmas Parade and slots for participants are filling up quickly.

This 45th annual parade will carry the theme of “Toyland in Berlin” as it marches down Main Street Dec. 3 from 7-9 p.m.

Beginning at the corner of Powell-ton Avenue and Main Street, the pa-
rade will run south and conclude at the corner of South Main and Tripoli streets.

Categories in the parade are adult-
and student-sponsored floats, adult
and children’s marching and perform-
ing units, fire companies, commercial
units, vehicle clubs, motorcycles, an-
tique cars, school bands, ROTC
marching units and “crowned youth.”

Trophies will be awarded for first,
second and third place in each cate-
gory.

New this year will be the inclusion
of holiday characters during parade.

“We’ll have some new visitors,”
Administrative Assistant Sharon
Timmons said. “Rudolph, Frosty, the
Grinch and Olaf from ‘Frozen’ will be
here. We’ve talked them all into com-
ing.”



Eighty-five floats travel down Main Street in Berlin during last year's annual Christmas parade in Berlin.

Berlin Main Street, in cooperation
with the merchants of the town,
sponsors annual event. All costs of
conducting the parade are covered by
donations from Berlin area mer-
chants and entry fees.

Because of the increased costs of
staging the event, most categories are
being asked to pay an entry fee of
\$10. Commercial entries cost \$25.

The deadline for entry is Nov. 20,
and entries will be accepted on a first
come, first served basis. The parade
will be limited to 80 entries.

Other currently scheduled holiday
events include Berlin’s annual Tree
Lighting and Holiday Arts Night,
Nov. 27 from 5:30-9 p.m.

On the following day, the town will
start collecting letters to Santa. Every
child who sends a letter will receive a
letter in return from Saint Nick him-
self, along with a surprise.

Starting on Dec. 5, Mrs. Claus will
have story time events in the Visitor’s
Center from noon to 3 on Saturdays.

Horse and carriage rides will also
be offered, for a small fee, during the

month of December.

Shops in Berlin can also partici-
pate in the “Win the Window” contest
during the month, creating displays
of giveaways and inviting customers
to fill out entry forms for a chance to
win items.

The New Year’s Eve celebration in
Berlins will start at 10 p.m. on Dec.
31.

Timmons said it’s no small task
juggling all of the holiday events in
Berlin.

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Daily 11-3	Villas, OC Inlet Isle	3BR/4BR	Condo	From \$740,000	Condominium Realty
Daily 10-4	1111 Edgewater Ave	3BR/2.5BA	Condo	From \$595,000	Condominium Realty
Mon. - Sat. 10-5	Seaside Village, West Ocean City	3BR/2BA/3.5BA	Townhome	From \$277,690	Lennar Homes
Fri. Sat & Sun 10-5pm	Sunset Island, Ocean City	—	Condos, Towns & SF	From \$345,000	Terry Riley/Vantage Resort Realty
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Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	70th St. Bayside Broadmarsh	3BR/2.5BA	Townhomes	From \$305,960	Condominium Realty
Sun. 12-5 & Mon-Sat 10-5	11769 Maid at Arms Way	4BR/4.5BA	Single Family	From \$489,900	Evergreene Homes
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NAACP ‘Freedom’ banquet, Oct. 17

Volunteers needed for annual Berlin Christmas parade

Gathering will include guest speakers, awards; proceeds fund nonprofit operations

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Worcester County chapter of the NAACP will hold its annual Freedom Fund Banquet at Stephen Decatur Middle School in Berlin on Saturday, Oct. 17.

The event returns for the third time in four years after taking a break last year because of a scheduling conflict with the NAACP’s election of officers.

This year, for the first time, the banquet will double as an awards ceremony, honoring individuals, businesses and nonprofits.

The list of honorees includes Al “Hondo” Handy from Ocean City, World War II veterans William Briddell and Virgil Armstrong, Highway Safety Activist Patricia Dufendach and Pocomoke City Police Chief Kelvin Sewell.

The Sun Rise Church of Berlin and Atlantic Physical Therapy in Ocean Pines will also be recognized during the event.

“I wanted to honor people within the community, because the people in the community make a difference,” Ivory Smith, president of the local NAACP chapter said. “People like Hondo Handy, who is one of the citizens of the year... he’s been doing a lot for over 30 years within the community.

“Sun Rise Church has done a lot in the community and Patty Dufendach was very inspirational in getting (Route) 113 lighting done and crosswalks there. People like her need to be recognized,” Smith continued.

Smith said it was a no-brainer to honor the community’s WWII veterans, while in the case of Atlantic Physical Therapy, the business came to his attention after helping to rehabilitate the son of an NAACP member who was struck by a school bus on Flower Street.

“They also do a lot for Stephen De-

catur,” Smith said. “There’re doing a lot within the community and they’re doing a lot for our kids.”

Briddell, who served in the United States Army during the World War II, said he would likely accept the award and enjoy the evening, rather than speak too extensively about his service.

“It’s been so long now,” he said. “I was in quite a bit and I’m pretty old right now. But I did it. I was right with it, years back.”

U.S. House of Representatives Member Donna Edwards (Democrat, 4th District) is the guest speaker.

Smith said the theme of the evening is that the NAACP is a community organization that depends on its partners.

“We’re also about civil rights, but we’re a community organization and

we need all the help that we can get in the community,” he said. “Every month, I have a speaker of some sort that’s giving knowledge to the people, but they’ve got to come out and they’ve got to want it.

“I want people to come out and participate and be active in the community,” Smith continued. “Right now, I’m the youngest one [in the chapter] and the older folks are getting older and getting tired. We need the younger folks to step up.”

Tickets, which are limited, are \$35 each or \$15 for children under 12.

Proceeds go to the Freedom Fund, which fuels operations for the nonprofit.

For tickets or more information, call Smith at 443-944-6701, or search “Worcester County N.A.A.C.P.” on Facebook.

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“There’s a lot of work that goes into this,” she said. “I actually started planning a month ago, sending letters, getting a list together for participants and writing letters to businesses for donations. We’ve already received probably a dozen calls for new entries in the Christmas parade alone.

“It’s a lot of work and there’s a lot of volunteerism and we appreciate all the help we get,” Timmons continued. “If anybody wants to volunteer, give me a call. We’re more than happy to have them.”

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OP Chamber awards, installation, Oct. 15

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for its annual awards and installation banquet to be held from 6-9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 15 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club.



Ginger Fleming

This year, the chamber will honor Business of the Year Ayers Creek Adventures, Citizens of the Year Bob and Kelli Beck and Non-profit of the Year Diakonia Inc.

Executive Director Ginger Fleming said the banquet is an opportunity to gather the membership under one roof and to reflect on the past year.

Fleming said Ayers Creek will be recognized because the business gives back to the community through various charity events. "Paddle for a Purpose" has raised money for non-profits like Habitat for Humanity Worcester County, Maryland Coastal Bays Program, Lower Shore Trust, Women Supporting Women and Worcester County Youth and Family Counseling Services, she said.

Recently, Ayers Creek's "Pink Kayak Raffle" sold \$5 raffle tickets for a chance to win an Emotion's Custer 10 Kayak, with proceeds benefiting Women Supporting Women and Komen Maryland.

Opened in 2010, the business also rents kayaks, canoes and paddleboards, and offers tours, team-building exercises and youth programs.

This year's "Citizens of the Year"

own Denovo's Trattoria in Ocean Pines.

"Bob and Kelli play a vital role in the Ocean Pines Community as well as the surrounding areas," Fleming said. "They continue to give generously back to the community and have helped out several local charities, including Kiwanis Club, Worcester County Veterans Memorial, the Alzheimer's Association, Atlantic General Hospital and many more."

Diakonia, based in West Ocean City, is well known for supporting local families.

"Not only has Diakonia been providing shelter, food, clothing to the Lower Shore for more than 40 years, but they also provide many resources to individuals and families to help get them back on their feet and rebuild their lives with dignity and respect," Fleming said.

"The services that they offer are funded through support, whether it be individuals, local organizations or the United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore as well as local and state governments. Diakonia also has a strong staff and committed volunteers and depend on them to operate successfully," Fleming added.

Tickets for the banquet are \$55,

available at the chamber office on 11031 Cathell Road, and include a sit-down dinner. The chamber will also sell \$5 raffle tickets for a \$500 drawing during the event.

"I want our guests to take away from the banquet a sense of community," Fleming said. "It's a wonderful way for all our chamber members to meet, network, and celebrate one other's successes."

Up next, the chamber will host a business after hours at Brew's Up in Berlin from 5-7 p.m. on Nov. 12, and at the Skye Bar in Ocean City from 5-7 p.m. on Dec. 10.

Fleming said the chamber is also returning its popular Power Hour Breakfast events, which are held on the fourth Thursday of each month, and is working with Maryland Capital Enterprise Inc., the Women's Business Center and the Greater Ocean City Chamber of Commerce to host regular Strong Women In Business Luncheons on the fourth Thursday of each month.

On Oct. 29, the chamber will host Del. Mary Beth Carozza (R- 38C) at the Ocean Resorts Golf Club from noon to 1:15 p.m.

For more information, call 410-641-5306 or visit www.ocean-pineschamber.org.

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OPINION

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Please send all letters to editor, notices, calendar events and community announcements to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday.

Development needs limit

Few, if any, people would want to block the Rinnier Development Company’s 700-plus-townhome complex on Seahawk Road, as it would help maintain the economic balance and vitality that is necessary to Berlin’s success.

As Mayor Gee Williams observed this week, the town does not want to become so exclusive that only the upper middle class and beyond can live there.

That can happen, as has been demonstrated in other highly desirable towns on the Eastern Shore, as well as in Ocean City, where the cost of housing is one reason – there are others, of course – for its dwindling residential base in recent years.

Obviously, increasing exclusivity leads to increasing expense to a community’s remaining residents.

Still, amending the zoning code to permit the Planning Commission to decide how much is too much, as it pertains to the number of units per building in a housing development, is asking for trouble.

Common sense says that what Rinnier proposes to do is proper for that location, those circumstances and with the current assembly of elected officials and Planning Commission members. But a practical understanding of how things work also says that things and people change and that the shared vision of government and commercial interests today, might not be working quite as well at some point in the future.

That’s why allowing Rinnier to proceed with its current design is the right thing to do, except that it should be done without making future decisions on multi-family dwellings subject mostly to the judgment of individual members of a governing body. That approach works now, but it might not in the years ahead.

While there ought to be some flexibility in how regulations are applied, there also needs to be a limit on how much can be done so future projects and the officials who judge them know how far they can go.

Besides, as this project and the town’s embrace of it illustrate, if something comes along that suits the town’s needs as well as this one promises to do, the rules can always be changed.

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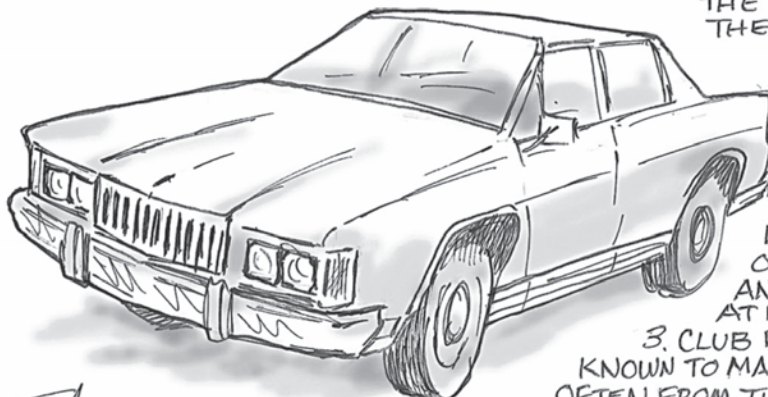
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BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Flu vaccine offered across county

AGH/Health System clinics often covered by insurance; CDC says shots best prevention

(Oct. 1, 2015) Frequent hand washing and avoiding close contact with those who are sick certainly helps, but according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the best way to prevent the flu is getting a flu vaccine each year.

As a service to the community’s health, Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is again providing community flu shot clinics. Individuals must be at least 13 years old to receive the vaccine at one of the clinics.

To avoid long lines, however, community members are encouraged to contact their doctor’s office to receive their vaccine. Flu vaccine is considered preventative care and is covered at 100 percent by most insurances.

Atlantic General Health System (AGHS) has its supply of flu vaccine; patients of AGHS physicians can call to schedule their flu shots or inquire about available walk-in times.

Community members can also receive flu shots at Townsend Medical Center on 10th Street in Ocean City, no appointment necessary.

This year the hospital and health system has scheduled clinics as follows:

Saturday, Oct. 3, 8 a.m. to noon

Community Health Fair – Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, Md.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Taylor Bank (Snow Hill Branch), 108 West Market St. Snow Hill, Md.

Thursday, Oct. 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pocomoke Fire Department, 1410 Market Street Pocomoke, Md.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, 9733 Healthway Dr. Berlin, Md. (Use Emergency Room Entrance)

Thursday, Oct. 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Holy Savior Catholic Church, 1705 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, Md.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, 9733 Healthway Dr. Berlin, Md. (Use Emergency Room Entrance)

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brandywine Senior Living at Fenwick Island, 21111 Arrington Dr. Selbyville, Del.

Influenza and complications resulting from the virus kill an estimated 20,000 people each year, according to the CDC. Although rates of influenza vaccinations have increased in recent years, health surveys indicate that less than half of the high-risk population receives a yearly vaccine.

Influenza, or flu, is a highly contagious virus spread by inhaling droplets from an infected individual’s cough or sneeze. Most symptoms emerge within 24 to 48 hours and are characterized by fever, chills, sore throat, cough and headache.

Just one infected person can unknowingly pass on the flu to family members and loved ones because the virus can be transmitted 24 hours before symptoms appear. CDC recommends that everyone 6 months of age and

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Annual Celtic Fest returns to Furnace Town this weekend

(Oct. 1, 2015) The 26th annual Chesapeake Celtic Festival will take place Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 3-4 at Furnace Town Living Heritage Village in Snow Hill.

Tucked away in the ancient and vast Pocomoke Forest, Furnace Town is sealed away from time. Like the legendary Brigadoon, the Living Heritage Village emerges from the mist when the Chesapeake Celtic Festival transforms it each fall.

“There is entertainment for all ages. There will be at least three to five activities going on at any one time,” said Festival founder and producer, Jeanne du Nord. “There will even be a Celtic wedding on Saturday with three Irish wolfhounds leading the procession.”

In addition, there will be a fairy artist, Rainborosa, who dances while she paints. The Lucky Leprechaun will sell raffle tickets – last year’s winner won \$1,885.50. Marshall Muskrat, wearing a kilt, will greet one and all.

There will be parades, bagpipes, mu-



Members of the music group Moch Pryderi are pictured in front of the historic iron furnace. They will perform during the 26th annual Chesapeake Celtic Festival this weekend at Furnace Town Living Heritage Village.

sical groups, dancing, comedy, storytelling, sheep herding by border collies, genealogy, clans, athletics, re-enactment groups, martial arts, craft demonstrations, cultural presentations, Flowers of the Forest Remembrance, Celtic wares, imported beers and historic ales, wine tasting, whiskey tasting, and Celtic and Chesapeake culinary delights.

The Chesapeake Celtic Festival has been dubbed “a beloved Eastern Shore tradition.” Come feel the magic. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 for guests 18 and younger and military.

Furnace Town is handicap accessible and there is plenty of free parking. Visit www.celticfest.net and celticfest@comcast.net for details.

WYFCS celebrating 40 years with banquet

By Josh Davis
Staff Writer

(Oct. 1, 2015) Forty years ago, Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services opened its doors with the goal of expanding mental health services on the Eastern Shore.

On Sunday, the Berlin-based nonprofit will hold its annual celebration with a look back at all the work during the previous year, as well as a glimpse at the previous four decades.

“[WYFCS] was started back in 1975 by community members who were concerned about mental health and resources here in Worcester County,” said CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Director Brigitte Southworth, who has been with the organization for 10 years. “It started with just mental health counseling, and they

worked a lot with juvenile delinquents and youth.”

Today the organization has expanded to include CASA, as well as the Berlin Youth Club, the Family Connections Program and SAGES and SABERS, helping at-risk adolescent girls and boys.

“It’s grown a tremendous amount,” Southworth said. “We have six strong programs, and last year we served more than 1,000 people.”

Southworth added that, despite its name, the nonprofit also serves senior citizens in the county.

“We don’t just work with children – we work with people of all ages,” Southworth said. “Along with ‘youth and family’ we offer services for our elderly, especially with the Family Connections program that works with a lot of individuals who are over 50.”

Programs of the nonprofit receives financial support from the town of Berlin, the town of Ocean City, the Worcester County Commissioners, and local, state and federal grants.

During the annual event Southworth said WYFCS would announce new board members, as well as review its latest operational numbers and unveil a new program.

“This year we’re also collaborating with Peninsula Regional Medical Center, who are opening up a beds for youth program for mental health,” she said. “They’re coming, just so we can show our support for each other.”

The program will be based in Salisbury.

Southworth noted that the majority or WYFCS programs exclusively serve

Worcester County, although mental health counseling often extends outside county lines, occasionally as far as Delaware and Virginia.

The annual celebration will run from 3-5 p.m. at the Francis Scott Key’s Shipwreck Cove at 12806 Ocean Gateway in West Ocean City. The event is free and open to the public, and light fare and a cash bar will be provided.

“We want to educate everyone about the wonderful things we’re doing here and how we’ve grown,” Southworth said. “All of our programs serve so many people in the area and we just want to get the word out and talk about the need for more mental health services here on the shore.”

For more information, or to donate to WYFCS, call 410-641-4598 or visit www.gowoyo.org.

Flu shots offered through Atlantic General

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older get a seasonal flu vaccine.

Those at an increased risk for influenza related complications:

- persons 65 years and older
- nursing home residents and other chronic care facilities
- adults and children with chronic disorders of the pulmonary or cardiovascular systems, including children with asthma
- people with metabolic diseases such as diabetes
- those with blood diseases like sickle cell anemia, or impaired immunity

The vaccine is usually given before

the flu season. Since flu viruses mutate often, vaccines should be repeated each year. The vaccine is

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Choptank Electric to host meeting in Pines, Oct. 1

(Oct. 1, 2015) Choptank Electric, a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, will be hosting an informational meeting on Thursday, Oct. 1, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. The meeting will give an overview of the Co-op's AMI meter deployment currently taking place throughout its distribution system territory, and provide an opportunity for questions and answers.

"As a trusted energy partner to our members, we want to be sure they receive factual and accurate information concerning Advanced Metering Infrastructure and the equipment used in this project," said Mike Wheatley, president and CEO of Choptank Electric. "We hope this meeting will help address some of the misconceptions about AMI and reassures our members of our commitment to providing them with safe, reliable and affordable electricity."

Choptank Electric encourages all members to familiarize themselves with information concerning their AMI meter deployment, fact sheets, videos and opt out materials which may be found on the website at www.choptank-electric.coop, Advanced Meter Information. If internet access is unavailable, members should contact the Member Service Center at 1-877-892-0001 and these materials will be mailed to them.



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DAR WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) recently welcomed new member Virginia Seward Stannard, center, during a luncheon meeting at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin. Chapter Regent Barbara Greene May, left, and Chaplain Ann Frey Fowler administered the oath of membership. Her Revolutionary War ancestor is John Sands of Maryland. DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education.

Free senior care seminar series

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department will offer a series of free seminars on care for seniors at the Ocean Pines Community Center.

Presented by Home Instead Senior Care, seminars will be held on Oct. 6 (chronic obstructive pul-

monary disease), Oct. 20 (arthritis) and Nov. 3 (diabetes), all from 10 a.m. to noon.

Although there is no charge to attend these seminars, which are open to the public, registration is required. Contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at

410-641-7052 or rec@oceanpines.org to register or for more information.

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Annual Family Fall Festival returns to Berlin school, Fri.

(Oct. 1, 2015) The annual Family Fall Festival returns to Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School in Berlin on Friday, Oct. 2 from 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Hosted by the Home School Association, this admission-free, family-friendly event on Racetrack Road features something for everyone.

There will be delicious hot food and delectable baked sale items, games, arts and crafts tables as well as face painting for children, cake walk, inflatable bounce houses, a giant double slide, hay rides, chil-

dren's ticketed auction and other family fun.

Games, rides and other activities require tickets. Cost is \$1 per ticket or \$20 for 30 tickets the day of the event. The festival also offers free parking.

To learn more about the festival, contact Colleen Rutzler at rutzler.macsomom@gmail.com or Nichole Behornar at n.bhornar@verizon.net.

Those interested in being a festival vendor, contact Heather Marinelli at heathermarinelli@comcast.net.

Pines GM Bob Thompson to host town hall meeting, Oct. 8

(Oct. 1, 2015) Ocean Pines Association General Manager Bob Thompson will hold a town hall meeting on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Thompson will use the meeting as an opportunity to address comments and questions posed by Ocean Pines residents and property owners, who are encouraged to participate and share feedback.

Questions may be submitted in ad-

vance via email to info@oceanpines.org.

Those unable to attend the meeting may view it live at OceanPines.org or on Mediacom channel 78. It also will be posted on the Ocean Pines website and will air on channel 78 afterward.

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



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TOP DESIGN

The Worcester County Art Council announced that Anna Hulslander, who attended this year's Summer Arts Camp for children, has been named winner of the T-shirt logo design contest. Her design was selected out of more than 20 entries submitted for the contest. It will be printed on T-shirts and worn by all campers who participate in 2016 Summer Arts Camp for children. Hulslander attended the opening reception at the Arts Council Gallery held on Sept. 11 where she was presented with an award certificate.



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SNAPSHOTS



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SDHS ROYALS

Stephen Decatur High School announced its 2015 Homecoming Court after a school-wide vote. The homecoming queen will be crowned during halftime of Decatur's football game against the North Carolina Bulldogs on Friday, Oct. 2. The king will be crowned earlier in the day during the pep rally. (Right) Senior boys' represented, in back row, from left, are Ben Jolley, Earnest Shockley and Will Rothermel and in front, Lane Dillon and Dryden Brous. Senior girls in the running for queen are Dayona Godwin, Katie Withers, Zohar Omer, Hailee Phillips and Alexandra Buchheim.



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DAR FALL FORUM

Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) from across the state recently gathered at the Milestone Restaurant in Easton for the Maryland State Society's Fall Forum. The annual luncheon was preceded by a State Chairmen's Market where members "shopped" displays by committee chairmen to learn about projects for the coming year. Attending from the General Levin Winder Chapter were Regent Barbara May, right, and Pat Arata. Arata also serves as state chairman of the Conservation committee. DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education.



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HOSPICE ADDRESSES KIWANIS

Representatives from Coastal Hospice recently addresses the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines -Ocean City. Pictured, from left, are Kiwanis Programs and Speakers Chair J. Graham Caldwell, Coastal Hospice President Alane Capen, Kiwanis Club President Carolyn Dryzga and Coastal Hospice Development Director Maureen McNeill during the traditional guest speaker's Kiwanis pen presentation.



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STAR VOLUNTEER

During the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County Awards dinner ceremony Sept. 17, Commissioner Jim Bunting presents a certificate recognizing Paul Mazzei of Star Charities as a Star Volunteer for assisting neighbors in the community and supporting numerous nonprofits in northern Worcester County.



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PARENTS WELCOME

Worcester Preparatory School staff and volunteers from the Parents' Association hosted a New Parent Coffee to welcome families to WPS on Sept. 3. Pictured, from left, are Loren and Willis Hobbs, Tim Hidell and Ashlee Reed Hidell, '00 and Gretchen Spraul.

CHARACTER KICKOFF
Stephen Decatur High School started off the school year with its fourth annual student-led Character Kickoff assembly, which seeks to inspire students with a variety of positive messages. The school-wide event, held on Sept. 18, allows students to share inspirational stories and messages through speeches, songs, videos and games. SDHS student leaders, in back row, are Becky Evans, Peyton Dunham, Christina Romano, Patrick Devenny and Gus Esham; in middle row, Alexandra Buchheim, Samantha Ewancio, Lexi McDonough, Reagan Dunham, Dayona Godwin, Wade Wilkins and Maury Izzett; and in front, Dryden Brous and Mik'ail Randall.

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HISC launches campaign aimed at Alzheimer's

(Oct. 1, 2015) The Home Instead Senior Care office serving Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties is launching a new campaign designed to make the community more Alzheimer's friendly.

Through the Alzheimer's Friendly Business program, the Home Instead Senior Care office will provide free training to local businesses to help equip employees with information and resources needed to welcome families who are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease.

In a recent survey of Alzheimer's caregivers conducted by Home Instead, Inc., 74 percent reported that they and their loved ones have become more isolated from the community as a result of the disease. Furthermore, 85 percent reported that they feel a reduced quality of life due to isolation.

"For many caregivers, the unpredictable nature of the disease can make going out in public with their loved one intimidating," said Corrie Boger, owner of the Home Instead Senior Care office serving Wicomico, Worcester, and Somerset counties. "Our research shows that family caregivers might be reluctant to frequent public places because of the behaviors that could be associated with the disease."

According to Alzheimer's Disease International, the number of people with dementia worldwide is expected to grow to a staggering 75.6 million by 2030 and 135.5 million in 2050.

"Given the statistics, most businesses that deal with the public will be serving people with Alzheimer's and their families," said Boger. "It's critical that local businesses start working now to build Alzheimer's friendly communities to better serve their customers with Alzheimer's and other dementias."

Local businesses can work directly with the local Home Instead Senior Care office to coordinate an in-person training. An interactive, online version of the training also is available at AlzheimersFriendlyBusiness.com. Once the training is successfully completed, businesses will receive a window cling with the Alzheimer's Friendly Business designation. The designation will be valid for two years.

For more information about the Home Instead Senior Care network's Alzheimer's Friendly Business program and to access additional resources, visit AlzheimersFriendlyBusiness.com or call 410-641-0901.



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Note: When this puzzle is completed, 12 squares will be filled with a certain keyboard symbol — which will have a different signification in the Across answers than it does in the Downs.

ACROSS

1 “I Am Not ____” (1975 show-business autobiography)

6 “Shoot, shoot, shoot”

12 Cassio’s jealous lover in “Othello”

18 Charge

20 Got up again

21 Comes to fruition

22 “Psst! Come hide with me!”

23 Come closer to catching

24 Takes out, as some beer bottles

25 First in a race?

26 Colt, e.g.

27 Ones doing a decent job in the Bible?

29 Magical phrase in an old tale

32 “Shoot!”

34 Takes apart

37 Drink at un café

38 Amt. often measured in ozs.

40 Drink at un café

41 Not as far from

43 LeBron James or Kevin Durant

46 One trillionth: Prefix

47 Welcome site?

48 When some tasks must be done

50 Schwarzenegger film catchphrase

52 Amazon’s industry

55 Person of the hour

57 Still

58 Comment after a betrayal

61 Pen

63 Go on foot

64 Link between two names

66 Large goblet

71 Where batters eventually make their way to plates?

74 Catchphrase for one of the Avengers

77 Gap in a manuscript

81 Like some storefronts

83 Farmer, in the spring

84 Repeated bird call?

86 Is unable to

89 Bygone record co.

90 Site of the “crown of palaces”

91 Multicar accidents

93 Travel over seas?

96 N.Y.C. museum, with “the”

97 Honeymooners’ site

98 GPS calculation

100 What the ruthless show

101 Author ____-René Lesage

103 What the ring in “The Lord of the Rings” is called

107 Nepalis live in them

109 Hebrew letter before samekh

110 75- and 80-Down, e.g.: Abbr.

112 Tote

113 Google browser

115 Steamy

118 Place

119 Wrinkle preventer, of sorts

120 Beezus’ sister, in children’s literature

121 Ones making an effort

122 Contraction with two apostrophes

123 Something matzo lacks

DOWN

1 ____ Lanka

2 “Let us spray,” e.g.

3 It works for workers, in brief

4 Money, in modern slang

5 Something that may have bad keys

6 Church keys?

7 Leader of a procession

8 ____ War, “The Charge of the Light Brigade” event

9 Swanson on “Parks and Recreation”

10 Ol’ red, white and blue’s land

11 Material sometimes sold ripped

12 Scourge

13 Recite

14 “What ____!” (cry after some spectacular goalie play)

15 What zero bars means on a cellphone

16 Tools for people picking pockets?

17 @@@

19 Paint type

21 Soda-can feature

28 Like a softball interview vis-à-vis a grilling

30 Guessed nos.

31 Assistant number cruncher

33 Art critic, stereotypically

34 Not seemly

35 More nifty

36 “Hakuna ____” (“The Lion King” song)

39 Rings on doors

42 Site of the U.S.’s only royal palace

44 Go on

45 Host

46 Course standard

49 Kettle’s accuser

51 Groups that never get started

53 “Lord, is ____?”

54 Wolfish

56 Teachers’ grp.

59 C equivalents

60 Royale carmaker of old

62 “Gross”

65 “So you admit it!”

67 Language in Southeast Asia

68 “Cross my heart and hope to die”

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- 69 One seeking the philosopher’s stone

70 How one person might resemble another

72 Revolutionary thinker?

73 Feeling the effects of a workout

75 L.A. institution

76 Bound

77 Wool source
- 78 Pasta variety

79 Conviction ... or what’s almost required for a conviction

80 The Wahoos of the A.C.C.

82 Romanian currency

85 ____ rate (tax amount per \$1,000)

87 iPod model

88 Kind of leg
- 92 Dictation takers

94 “Git!”

95 Be a gentleman to at the end of a date, say

97 Where many shots are taken

99 Shrewdness

102 “Things are bound to go my way soon”

104 Presidential perk until 1977
- 105 “That’s nothing”

106 Not reacting

108 Muscles worked by pull-ups, briefly

111 Greek portico

112 1940s prez

114 Genetic stuff

116 Stand-____

117 Monopoly token that replaced the iron in 2013

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CUISINE

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Forget myth; oysters are always in season

Oysters; one of the many bounties of the Chesapeake. Mysterious mollusks whose introduction to the human race was probably at the hands of a river otter banging one open on its chest. I don't know that this particular version of history is completely accurate, but I'm sure that however it happened, it was a



By Paul Suplee,
CEC PCIII

very long time ago. Either way, oysters are delicious almost anytime, anywhere, or at least that is exactly what oyster lovers such as myself are fond of saying. But, isn't there a catch, you might ask? Well there is, or at least that's what old-wives-tales would have you believe.

Have you ever heard the saying that you can't eat oysters during months that don't end in the letter "r"? While I have heard this since 1983, it didn't cross my mind for years how we were still selling oysters in Annapolis during the summer by the wheelbarrow-full and we're still doing it today. But, how can that be?

You see, red tide is an awful thing; that's the start to this entire oyster debacle. Red tide is a breakout of algae that the oysters, being filters, bring into their being. As such, the toxins that are either ingested or produced by the oyster become toxic to humans. That's certainly enough to scare anyone off.

But reality dictates that red tides poisoning can't possibly be so rampant so as to cut off supplies of oysters to good people like you and me. Rest assured, while there's always a slight risk of anything in our food chain, the food monitors, to include the USDA and FDA, have strict parameters on levels of red tide and when oysters are too infected to ship.

This is the reason that restaurants are required to keep shellfish tags for 90 days; if someone does get sick, agencies can track down the oyster bed, the date of harvest et al and compare it to databases to see if there was a viable threat. It's a very complex system that has worked well for decades.

In fact, it's hard to make your way through town in-season and not see them for sale on every corner. And that's just the way I like it.

Today in class, we talked about local cuisine, so it was a no-brainer to



include oysters. Barbecued oysters are some of my favorites and a student, Josh, made these to perfection. Luckily, I was able to find local oysters that were not too salty, as there is plenty of salt in the bacon.

All in all, there was nothing to correct about the dish, and as I was walking the students through shucking, I envisioned, as I always do, a sea otter banging the thing open with a rock. It's my happy place. The students should just be happy that I didn't make otter noises.

BBQ Oysters

Makes 2 dozen
24 Bayside oysters*
Rock salt, as needed
Enough BBQ Sauce to slather (recipe follows)

- 24 bacon pieces, 2" long
1. Preheat oven to 425F
2. Shuck oysters, reserving liquor for oyster stew or any other application that you might see fit
3. Remove meat from bottom shell so that it is easy for your guests to slide out.
4. If the bacon is thick-sliced, pre-bake it half way to give it a little head start

5. Spoon 1 tsp. of barbecue sauce on each oyster (or more or less per your tastes)

6. Top each oyster with a piece of bacon

7. Bake in the oven until the oysters are cooked through and the bacon has that nice, crispy look

8. Serve on plates of fresh rock salt. Sometimes, I will mix in some whole peppercorns to add some dimension to the plate. That is up to you, since it will only cost you more money

9. Serve with cocktail forks and enjoy

**I recommend less salty oysters here since the bacon will be salty enough. You certainly don't want an oyster that doesn't taste like anything, but you catch my gist.*

BBQ Sauce

Makes about 1 quart
2 c. Ketchup
1 c. Apple cider
1/4 c. Apple cider vinegar
1 Tbsp. Lea & Perrins Worcestershire
1 tsp. Garlic powder
1 tsp. onion powder
1 tsp. Coleman's Dry Mustard
6 Tbsp. Dark Brown sugar
1 tsp. Black pepper*

**While I typically type "Salt & Pepper to taste" in my recipes, here I only recommend pepper. There is plenty of salt in the Ketchup and in the bacon as well as the oyster. If you feel that you need to add some to this sauce, please make sure that you do so after the reduction and only then*

1. Combine all ingredients in a saucepan and bring to a high simmer. Don't let this come to a full boil as this can scorch the sauce on the bottom

2. Turn the heat down to low (but just high enough so that you still see steam rising from the surface) and allow to cook for about two hours, stirring every 15 minutes or so to ensure that nothing is baking on the bottom

3. When the sauce is complete, simply remove to cool and store in an airtight container for a long, stinkin' time! The FDA says that anything made in house (served to the general public) will last seven days, but we know better in cases such as these, don't we?

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

CALENDAR

BAYSIDE GAZETTE

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

THURS. Oct. 1

W.C.H.S. SHOP FOR A CAUSE — BomShell Boutique and The Green Doors, 12216 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, 5-9 p.m. Both stores will donate a percentage of sales to the Worcester County Humane Society. There will be refreshments and adoptable animals on site. The Green Doors will conduct demonstrations on how to reinvent furniture with chalk paint. Info: www.worcestercountyhumanesociety.org.

PLAY TIME — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Parents and children, ages infant to 5 years, explore educational toys in an interactive, free play program. Info: 410-208-4014.

SOLUTIONS FOR SENIOR CARE — Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2-3 p.m. Learn how to determine if your loved one needs some extra help at home. Get information on how to access community resources. Free workshop. RSVP: Home Instead, 410-641-0901.

ADVANCED METER INFORMATION PRESENTATION — Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, 6:30 p.m. Choptank Electric Cooperative will give an overview of the AMI meter deployment currently taking place throughout their distribution system territory. Info: www.choptankelectric.com or 1-877-892-0001.

BEACH SINGLES — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, Del., 4 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Dianne, 302-541-4642.

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

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

FRI. Oct. 2

FAMILY BONFIRE ON THE BEACH — Ocean City beach at 130th Street, 6-8 p.m. S'mores, hot cocoa, storytelling and live music. Take your beach chairs. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for youth. Families of 6 or more pay a flat rate of \$15. Pre-registration requested. Children 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Info: Lynda Brittingham, 410-520-5180.

36TH ANNUAL MID-ATLANTIC SURF FISH-

ING TOURNAMENT — Ocean City beach from 30th to 119th streets. Participants must be pre-registered, have a permit to drive on the beach and hold a valid Maryland Saltwater Fishing License. Info: <http://oceancitysurf anglersmd.com> or 410-251-2203.

STORY TIME 'APPLES AND PUMPKINS' — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. Info: 410-208-4014.

ANNUAL FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL — Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, 11242 Racetrack Road in Ocean Pines, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Featuring hot food, baked sale items, arts and crafts table, face painting, cake walk, inflatable bounce houses, a double slide, children's ticketed auction and other family fun. Admission is free; game, rides and other activities require tickets. Cost is \$1 per ticket or \$20 for 30 tickets. Info: Colleen Rutzler, rutzler.macsmom@gmail.com; or Nichole Behornar, n.behornar@verizon.net. Vendors: Heather Marinelli, heathermarinelli@comcast.net.

VOLT LOAN INFORMATIONAL SESSION — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. to noon. Business owners and entrepreneurs are invited to attend a Video Lottery Terminal (VOLT) small business loan information session. Session is free, but pre-registration is recommended: Merry Mears, 410-632-3112 or mmears@co.worcester.md.us.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT — Sea Colony Tennis Center, 39359 Racquet Lane, Bethany Beach, Del. Check-in at 8 a.m. Cost is \$60 and includes breakfast, lunch and play. Prizes, Chinese auction and 50/50 raffle. Lunch only costs \$25. Call Krista Burton at 302-539-4488. This is a Pink Ribbon Classic event.

MOOSE LODGE DANCE — Salisbury Moose Lodge, 833 Snow Hill Road, 8 p.m. to midnight. Featuring food, drinks 50/50 raffle and music by Days Gone By. Members and guests only. Info: Ronnie Price, 410-546-4633.

'EPSTEIN'S ZOOLOGICAL EXPOSITION' SHOW RECEPTION AND WINE TASTING — Bishop's Stock Fine Art, Craft and Wine, 202 W. Green St., Snow Hill, 5-8 p.m. Linda Epstein's work will be on display through October. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday. Info: 410-632-3555 or info@bishopsstock.com.

SAT. Oct. 3

36TH ANNUAL MID-ATLANTIC SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT — Ocean City beach from 30th to 119th streets. Participants must be pre-registered, have a permit to drive on the beach and hold a valid Maryland Saltwater

Fishing License. Info: <http://oceancity-surf anglersmd.com> or 410-251-2203.

5TH ANNUAL EASTERN SHORE BREAST HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVENT — Harrison's Harbor Watch, 806 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 9-11:30 a.m. Free educational program will shine a light on survivorship and caregiving along the breast cancer continuum of care and includes a healthy breakfast. Free and open to the public. Registration required: www.komenmd.org. Info: 410-938-8990.

OUTDOOR FLEA MARKET — Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, soups and baked goods. Table rental: 410-629-0926.

AN EVENING WITH DANIEL MARK EPSTEIN — Historic St. Martin's, 11413 Worcester Highway, Showell, 4-5 p.m. The talk is free and will feature the award-winning Author Daniel Mark Epstein's most recent biography "The Life and Times of Abraham Lincoln. Info: Sherrie.Beckstead@gmail.com or Info@historicstmartinschurch.org.

CHICKEN AND DUMPLING DINNER — St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$9. Baked good available. Info: Eloise Henry-Gordy, 443-235-3214. Sponsored by the church's 2015 Homecoming Committee.

6TH ANNUAL OCEAN PINES HEALTH FAIR — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. to noon. Many health screenings offered including Lab screening for cholesterol and glucose (requires a 12-hour fast), skin cancer checks, BP's bone destiny and carotid. Info: Dawn, 410-641-9268.

FLU SHOT CLINIC — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. to noon. Must be at least 13 years old to receive the vaccine at the clinic. Community members can also receive flu shots at Townsend Medical Center, 10th Street, Ocean City, no appointment necessary. Most insurances cover at 100 percent. Info: Atlantic General Hospital, 410-641-9FLU (9358).

26TH ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE CELTIC FESTIVAL — Furnace Town, 3816 Old Furnace Road, Snow Hill, 11 a.m. There will be parades, bagpipes, musical groups, dancing, comedy, storytelling, sheep herding by border collies, genealogy, clans, athletics, re-enactment groups, martial arts, craft demonstrations, cultural presentations. Ticket costs are: general, \$15; children ages 4-18, \$5; children 3 and younger, free; military (current and retired), \$5; Furnace Town & Nature Conservancy members (must show card), \$7; children, \$3. Info: www.celticfest.net or celticfest@comcast.net.

BERTINO TOWN MEETING — Ocean Pines li-

brary, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. Chip Bertino, Worcester County Commissioner for the Ocean Pines district, will provide information on issues and developments occurring within the district and the county. Beau Oglesby, Worcester County State's Attorney is the guest speaker. Info: cbertino@co.worcester.md.us or 443-783-3248.

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

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

SUN. Oct. 4

CRAB/CHICKEN FEAST — Church of the Holy Spirit, 100th Street and Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 2-6 p.m. Feast includes crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, cole slaw, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. Take your own mallets. Those who wish, may bring beer and wine. Tickets cost \$35 for adults and \$15 for kids 10 and younger. Tickets are available at the church. Info: church office, 410-723-1973 or Monica, 443-235-8942.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER — DeNovo's Trattoria, Ocean Pines. Seatings at 5 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dinner includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, rolls, butter and dessert. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 11 and younger. Dine in or carry out. Reservations: 410-208-1108. Sponsored by the Ocean City Power Squadron to support Safe Boating.

26TH ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE CELTIC FESTIVAL — Furnace Town, 3816 Old Furnace Road, Snow Hill, 10:30 a.m. Celtic Chapel Service begins at 11 a.m. There will be parades, bagpipes, musical groups, dancing, comedy, storytelling, sheep herding by border collies, genealogy, clans, athletics, re-enactment groups, martial arts, craft demonstrations, cultural presentations, Flowers of the Forest Remembrance, Celtic wares, imported beers and historic ales, wine tasting, whiskey tasting and Celtic and Chesapeake Culinary Delights. Ticket costs are: general, \$15; children ages 4-18, \$5; children 3 and younger, free; military (current and retired), \$5; Furnace Town & Nature Conservancy members (must show card), \$7; children, \$3. Info: www.celticfest.net or celticfest@comcast.net.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS #169 — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin,

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2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Group is a 12-step program for anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem. No initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. Free, monthly mask fitting clinic for patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

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

MON. Oct. 5

AARP MEETING — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Social time at 9:30 a.m., meeting starts at 10 a.m. Speaker will be Chief David Massey of Ocean Pines Police. Take a can of food for Sarah's Pantry. Info: Larry Walton, 443-831-1791 or lrwalto@yahoo.com.

BREWS FOR BOOBS — Burley Oak, 10016 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, 7-10 p.m. Burley will donate \$1 for each pink beer sold. Raffles and 50/50 as well. Info: yesim.k.karaman@gmail.com. This is a Pink Ribbon Classic event.

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:30-4 p.m. Group meets twice a month to discuss both classic and modern reading selections. Info: Diana Rosenfeld, 410-652-8639.

IPAD CHICKS - BEGINNERS — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. to noon. Explore the world of iPads while learning from each other. Register: Norma Kessler, 410-641-7017. Men welcome.

COMPARATIVE RELIGION — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Five-week series to examine the history and tenets of the world's major religions. Info: 410-208-4014.

LAP TIME — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Children, younger than 2 years, will be introduced to songs, games and finger plays. Info: 410-208-4014.

HYPERTENSION CLINICS — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month at Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., in Berlin, 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreens, 11310 Manklin Creek Rd., in Ocean Pines, 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information.

Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

CPAP MASK FITTING — Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. Free, monthly mask fitting clinic for patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, first Monday of each month, 6-7 p.m. All welcome. Info: Darlene Jameson, 410-629-6877 or the AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-641-9703.

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

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

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

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

TUES. Oct. 6

STORY TIME — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. Info: 410-641-0650.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK PROGRAM - THE WW TUNES — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2 p.m. Featuring the music of 1936, this program complements the themes of this year's OMOB selection, "The Boys In The Boat" by Daniel James Brown. Info: 410-524-1818.

TAI CHI — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 4 p.m. A six-week course to learn the ancient art of Tai Chi with instructor Kim Reed. Info: 410-208-4014.

9TH ANNUAL CARD PARTY — St. Andrew's Catholic Center, 14401 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, 10:30 a.m. Tickets cost \$22 and include a buffet lunch, desserts, beverages and door prizes. Proceeds benefit the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians' charities. Tables available for non-card players for lunch only. There will be a Chinese auction, baskets of cheer and other raffles. All welcome. Tickets: Maureen O'Brien, 443-614-5221 or 302-988-1498.

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

HEALTHY LIVING WITH DIABETES WORKSHOP — Snow Hill Senior Center, 4767 Snow Hill Road, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Free, six-week workshop designed to help those affected by diabetes better manage their disease. Pre-registration required: Dawn, 410-641-9268.

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

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

WED. Oct. 7

E-READERS AND THE LIBRARY — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 2 p.m. Take your library card and tablet or e-reader to start downloading immediately. Info: 410-641-0650.

YOUNG AND RESTLESS 'APPLES AND PUMPKINS' — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Science, art and fun with fall fruit. Dress to get messy. For 3 to 7 year old children. Info: 410-524-1818.

SMALL BUSINESS MEETING — Atlantic Hotel ballroom, 2 N. Main St., Berlin, 7:45-9:45 a.m. A presentation given by Casey Willson, Retail Industry and Sustainability Programs Manager at the Lead Center of the Maryland Small Business Development Center Network. Coffee and pastries served. Admission is free, donations appreciated. Info: 410-629-1722.

HYPERTENSION CLINICS — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Wednesday of every month at Rite Aid, 10119 Old Ocean City Blvd., in Berlin, 10 a.m. to noon and at Rite Aid, 11011 Manklin Creek Road in Ocean Pines, 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 7-8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. All welcome. Lou Brecht will be speaking on sleep apnea. Info: AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-641-9703.

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

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

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

MODEL TRAIN DISPLAYS — Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Clayton Crossing, 32422 Royal Blvd., Dagsboro, Del., Wednesdays, 5-8 p.m., year round. See five layouts. Info: Bill Ziegler, wjziegler1@verizon.net or 302-537-0964.

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

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

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



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**OCEAN PINES COMMUNITY CENTER
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD • 8AM-NOON**

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NOW PLAYING

BJ’S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-7575
www.bjsonthewater.com
Oct. 2: Full Circle, 9 p.m.
Oct. 3: It’s About Time, 9 p.m.
Oct. 7: Old School, 5 p.m.

BARN 34

3400 Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-289-5376
www.barn34oc.com
Oct. 3: TBA, 9 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain
Head Towers Condominium
Ocean City
443-664-2896
www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com
Oct. 8: Tailgate party w/ Simple
Truth, 5-9 p.m.

BRASS BALLS SALOON

Boardwalk, between 11th and 12th
streets
Ocean City
410-289-0069
Every Friday & Saturday: Karaoke
w/O’Andy, 9 p.m.

BUDDY’S CRABS & RIBS

Wicomico Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-289-0500
www.buddysoc.com
Oct. 2-3: TBA, 6 p.m.

CAPTAIN’S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave.
Ocean City
410-289-7192
www.captainstableoc.com
Every Friday, Saturday, Monday &
Thursday: Phil Perdue

CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road
Berlin
410-641-0600
www.oceandowns.com
Oct. 2: Everett Spells, 4:30-8:30
p.m.
Oct. 3: New Dawn Duo, 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.castleintheland.com
Oct. 2: Chris Diller, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 3: Over Time Band, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 4: Old School, 3-7 p.m.
Oct. 6: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, 4-
8 p.m.
Oct. 8: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama,
4-8 p.m.

THE COVE AT OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

1 Mumford’s Landing Road
Ocean Pines
410-641-7501
www.oceanpines.org
Oct. 3: Kevin Poole, 6-10 p.m.

DUNES MANOR

28th Street, Oceanfront
Ocean City
410-289-1100
www.dunesmanor.com
Every Friday-Sunday: Ms. Shirley or
Ellsworth on the piano, 7-11 p.m.
Every Wednesday and Thursday:
Ms. Shirley or Ellsworth on the
piano, 7-11 p.m.

FAGER’S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-5500
www.fagers.com
Oct. 2: DJ Hook, 9 p.m.; Hot Tub
Limo, 10 p.m.
Oct. 3: DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; The
Loop, 10 p.m.
Oct. 4: Everett Spells, brunch
Oct. 5: DJ Gregg, 5:30 p.m.; DJ
RobCee, 9:30 p.m.

GUIDOS BURRITOS

33rd Street and Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-524-3663
www.guidosburritos.com
Every Thursday: DJ Wax, 10 p.m. to
2 a.m.

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road
West Ocean City
410-213-1846
www.ocharborside.com
Oct. 2: DJ Bill T, 4 p.m.
Oct. 3: Simple Truth, 2-6 p.m.; DJ
Jeremy, 9 p.m.
Oct. 4: Opposite Directions, 2-6
p.m.; DJ Billy T, 7 p.m.
Oct. 5: Blake Haley, 4 p.m.; DJ Billy
T, 8 p.m.
Oct. 8: 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.co
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Oct. 2 Dave Hawkins, 6-10 p.m.;
DJ Mikey J, 10 p.m.
Oct. 3: Dave Sherman, 6-10 p.m.

HOOTERS

Rt. 50 & Keyser Point Road
West Ocean City
410-213-1841
www.hootersofoc.com
Oct. 2: Kaleb Brown, 8 p.m.
Oct. 3: Push, 3 p.m.

JOHNNY’S PIZZA & PUB

56th Street, bayside
Ocean City
410-524-7499
www.johnnyspizzapub.com
Oct. 2: TBA, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Oct. 3: Phobia Trio, 9 p.m. to 1
a.m.
Every Wednesday: Randy Lee
Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cow-
boys, 9 p.m.

KY WEST RESTAURANT & BAR

54th Street
Ocean City
443-664-2836
www.kywestoceancity.com
Every Saturday: DJ Rhoadie

M.R. DUCKS

Talbot Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-289-9125
www.mrducksbar.com
Oct. 2: DJ Batman, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 3: Three on the Tree, 4-9 p.m.

MACKY’S BAYSIDE BAR & GRILL

53rd Street and Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-723-5565
www.mackys.com
Oct. 2: DJ Teddy V, 10 p.m.
Oct. 3: DJ Vybe, 10 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
Oct. 2-3: Power Play, 9:30 p.m. to
2 a.m.

PURPLE MOOSE

Boardwalk, between Talbot and
Caroline streets
Ocean City
410-289-6953
www.purplemoosesaloon.com
Oct. 2: Bad with Names, 10 p.m.
Oct. 3: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Bad
with Names, 10 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay
Ocean City
410-524-4900
www.seacrets.com
Oct. 2: Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Sta-
tion 1201, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; The
Vigilantes, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Oct. 3: End of Season JamBEERee,
1-5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; Jah
Works, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Joe Bach-
man & the Tailgaters, 10 p.m. to 2
a.m.

SHENANIGAN’S

Fourth Street and the Boardwalk
in the Shoreham Hotel
410-289-7181
www.ocshenanigans.com
Oct. 2-3: Dublin, 9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside
Ocean City
410-723-6762
www.skyebaroc.com
Oct. 2: James Darley, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 3: Aaron Howell, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER’S BAR & GRILL

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

A photograph of a man with short dark hair and sunglasses, wearing a white short-sleeved polo shirt. He is smiling and playing a blue electric guitar. He is standing outdoors with a body of water and some greenery in the background.

EVERETT SPELLS
Casino at Ocean Downs: Friday, October 2;
4:30 p.m to 8:30 p.m.

Wor. County Humane Society Shop for a Cause, Thursday

(Oct. 1 2015) Join the Worcester County Humane Society Thursday, Oct. 1 from 5-9 p.m. at BomShell Boutique and The Green Doors for an evening of shopping.

Both stores, located at 12216 Ocean Gateway in West Ocean City, will donate a percentage of sales from the evening to the no-kill animal shelter. There will be refreshments and adoptable animals on site. In addition, The Green Doors will conduct demonstrations on how to reinvent furniture with chalk paint. Shoppers will be able to use the paint also.

"This is the perfect opportunity for a ladies' night out" said Tina Walas, event organizer and WCHS volunteer. "It will be a nice evening of shopping, food and socializing all while supporting a good cause and local businesses."

BomShell Boutique is a coastal chic boutique that offers trendy clothing, shoes and accessories with a personalized shopping experience. The Green Doors offers custom hand-

painted vintage furniture and home goods as well as jewelry and other handcrafted items.

The Worcester County Humane Society is also selling raffle tickets for three cash prizes—\$3,000, \$1,500 and \$500. Drawing for the raffle will be held Nov. 12 at Captain's Galley in West Ocean City. Tickets cost \$5 each or get five for \$20 with all proceeds benefiting the animals at the no kill shelter.

Tickets will be available during the Ladies' Night Out-Shop For A Cause event at BomShell Boutique and The Green Doors.

The Worcester County Humane Society is a private, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter located on Eagles Nest Road in Berlin. For more information on available pets or upcoming events, follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram or visit www.worcester-countyhumane.org.

Carozza announces constituent hours in Worcester, Wico.

(Oct. 1, 2015) Delegate Mary Beth Carozza will hold a series of constituent listening hours this fall throughout District 38C in Worcester and Wicomico counties.

As with her spring constituent hours, these forums are an opportunity for constituents to come out and share their views and concerns directly with Del. Carozza.

Carozza will hold a total of several constituent hours forums in communities across District 38C through early November.

"As I prepare for the next legislative session in January, I am making it a priority to hear directly from my constituents at home," Carozza said. "The best ideas on how to best represent the Shore and change Maryland for the better come from my conversations and visits with folks in our home community."

Constituent Hour Schedule

Saturday, Oct. 3, Kilbirnie, 3-6 p.m., Kilbirnie Park, Dundee Street, Salisbury

Thursday, Oct. 22, West Ocean City, 7-9 p.m., Ocean City Lions Club, 12534 Airport Road

Wednesday, Oct. 28, Ocean City, 7-9 p.m., Caine Woods, TBA

Thursday, Oct. 29, Newark, 7-9 p.m., Newark Fire Department, 8338 Newark Road

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