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The usual suspects enjoy a cup of coffee early Friday morning, Oct. 14, at the Berlin Coffee House. The shop is closing at the end of this year, and had been a traditional stop each day for many residents.

## Berlin Coffee House closing as owner decides to retire

Peggy Hagy opened shop in 2009 with assistance from Fagers and her son, Jason

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) After seven years of running what was, for many in Berlin, the coffee shop where “everybody knows your name,” 68-year-old Peggy Hagy is retiring at the end of this year.

When it opened in 2009, the Berlin Coffee House on 17 Jefferson Street filled a major void in a town that had yet to be properly caffeinated.

Hagy, who operated the shop with her son, Jason, aimed to remedy that. A Baltimore native, Hagy and her family moved to the area in the early 1980’s. At the time, she was working as a graphic arts direc-

tor.

Her road to becoming a respected barista and businesswoman was nontraditional, to say the least.

“When Gannett was buying up all the papers in town, I was working for The Independent and I thought, ‘this is getting nuts,’” she said. “So I quit. And I ended up working for Kate Patton when she had the Globe in 2000. I’d never done food service and it was a ton of fun – I totally enjoyed myself.”

She became the kitchen manager there, and her duties included ordering and making coffee.

“When she sold [the Globe] in ’05, I decided to retire,” Hagy said. “My husband had a car accident and was killed, and I thought I would just retire and stay home.”

Then, in 2008, “things fell apart” economically and Jason’s business began to suffer, Hagy said.



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Berlin Coffee House owner Peggy Hagy holds cup in her shop on the morning of Friday, Oct. 14.

“Jason and I needed to do something together, and people had been constantly saying, ‘You know what I miss about the Globe? I can’t just go

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## Facing lawsuit, OPA buys new golf cart fleet for \$319,936

Executive recruiting firm considered to fill vacancies

**By Greg Ellison**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 27, 2016) Funding for new golf carts and roof repairs at the Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club, as well as possibly retaining an executive recruiting firm to hire a general manager and financial controller were voted on at the Ocean Pines Association meeting on Saturday at the Ocean Pines Community Center.

The board voted 6-1, with Director Cheryl Jacobs dissenting, to spend more than \$300,000 to purchase a fleet of 2017 Yamaha golf carts.

Interim General Manager Brett Hill said the issue became especially relevant after Yamaha filed suit against the OPA several weeks ago based on a debt of more than \$100,000 incurred in May without board approval.

“On May 18, Pat Renaud signed a lease with Yamaha financial systems for 28 golf carts from another course,” he said. “I didn’t see anywhere an approval from the board for such a filing of debt.”

Hill presented the board with two options to remedy the situation.

“The board can approve to maintain this lease and keep the debt on their books,” he said. “We can pay Yamaha \$103,600 for these used carts and keep them, which would leave us with a mixed fleet.”

In lieu of that scenario, Hill said Yamaha would take back the 28 golf carts negotiated by Renaud if the entire fleet is replaced.

“Which would be 76 new carts going on to the fleet,” he said. “That was originally included in the budget but was removed for this year.”

The board mulled its options to either pay \$103,600 for the 28 electric golf carts Renaud leased or spend \$319,936 for 76 new gas-powered carts, contingent on trading in 55 electric carts currently in use.

Based on higher maintenance costs for electric golf carts, Hill recommended the purchase of new gas-powered carts. See RECRUITER Page 10



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# Tour highlights improved storefronts

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) Berlin helped kick off Community Development Week last Thursday, welcoming representatives from the Community Development Network of Maryland (CDNM) and touring several businesses that had recently used façade grants to improve their storefronts.

CDNM Executive Director Odette Ramos, speaking outside the Berlin Visitor's Center, described her group as "a statewide nonprofit organization with over 180 members ... that work in areas of affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization, small business development and family stability housing counseling."

Ramos joked that one of her tasks was to "stalk our delegates and senators in Annapolis" to ask for funding and support. The façade grants total about

\$6 million each year in Maryland and come through the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Berlin has received \$50,000 each year during the last few years.

Ramos said Community Development Week was created to "highlight the impact that various projects around the state have in Maryland." A statewide tour of such areas started in Baltimore, and would include southern Maryland, Hagerstown and Anne Arundel County.

Ivy Wells, a board member at CDNM and the economic and community development director in Berlin, said many businesses in Berlin had used façade grants, including Gilbert's Provisions, Jeffrey Auxer Designs and the Church Mouse Thrift Shop. The Berlin Visitor's Center also received a grant to make improvements to the front window.

The matching grants can be as little

as \$500 or as much as \$10,000, she said.

Worcester County Economic Development Director Merry Mears said she recently used Berlin as an example of exemplary development of small businesses during a Maryland Municipal League meeting.

"I talked a lot about what Berlin has done over the years to really focus on developing businesses, communicating with businesses, working with businesses hand in hand to revitalize Main Street, and to bring people to your community to benefit tourism, and just raising businesses up to be what they can be," she said.

Mears said Berlin had just renewed its enterprise zone designation, and that businesses in those areas could take advantage of certain tax incentives.

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### DECOYS ON DISPLAY

Snow Hill City Councilman Michael Pruitt is pictured with a display of decoys old and new at the Delmarva Discovery Center's first Delmarva Heritage Days event this past weekend. The halls of the center were lined with decoys, carvers and supplies, while the air was filled with stories, jokes and tales from the carving world.

## Vacant building registry working

Town passed ordinance in July requiring owners to register empty properties

By Brian Gilliland  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) The most recent evidence of the effectiveness of the vacant building ordinance the Town of Snow Hill passed in July, can be seen in the identification of at least 63 structures, some of which have been registered or are awaiting response from their owners, according to Town Manager Kelly Pruitt.

Letters were sent to the property owners in mid-July, Pruitt said, giving the recipients 30 days to register or provide the town with a plan for the property.

"We were happy to have 37 people

respond and were able to identify 15 properties as occupied or under construction, such as the downtown storefronts," Pruitt said. "There were 26 properties where we did not receive a response."

The process is underway to contact those remaining owners and give them final notice to comply with the new rule.

"Considering that this is a newly adopted ordinance, we have been trying to be patient with the process but will now take a stronger approach with enforcement," she said. "Unfortunately, if they do not respond to the second notice, we will have to proceed with assessing fines."

Properties determined by the town to be vacant or blighted can be cited and fined \$100 after 30 days. Appeals may be filed within 30 days of the initial report to the Housing Review Board. The

code requires the appeal hearing to take place within 10 days from the application for appeal.

Whether properties are vacant and secured, vacant and unsecured or vacant and boarded, registration is required under the ordinance.

"Part of the process is meeting with property owners after they submit their plan of action. We have met with two owners so far and are requesting meetings with two more for next week," Pruitt said.

Whether buildings can be deemed vacant is left up to the discretion of the town's code officer, and there are several provisions in the code defining how that determination is made.

Under the guidelines, a property must be habitually vacant for more than 90 days, attract an inordinate

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## United States to join case against city, county, state

Sewell, Green, Savage suit supported by Justice Dept.

By Brian Gilliland  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) The failure of state and local officials to attend a reconciliation meeting after the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission determined reasonable cause existed that those officials engaged in unlawful employment practices resulted in an amended complaint by the plaintiffs Kelvin Sewell, Lynell Green and Franklin Savage alleging Title VII violations, which ultimately attracted the attention of the Department of Justice.

Late last week, documents were made public that revealed the DOJ filed a motion to intervene in the case, since the consequences of the litigation could affect the rights of others not party to the case. A judge has not yet ruled on the motion.

Since the EEOC-requested meeting did not occur, according to court documents, lawyers for former police chief Kelvin Sewell, Lynell Green and Franklin Savage have since amended their initial complaint to include Title VII violations, which bars employers from discriminating against employees for many reasons, including ethnicity.

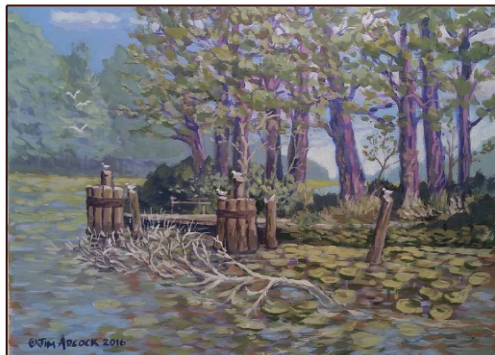
This amended complaint had the side effect of reviving the charges against State's Attorney Beau Oglesby, which had been dismissed by a judge on the grounds of prosecutorial immunity, pursuant to a Supreme Court ruling 40 years ago. In essence, the court found state prosecutors working within the scope of their duties to be absolutely immune from civil liability.

Oglesby has again filed papers requesting these charges be dismissed.

"Federal law protects against discrimination and retaliation in the workplace," Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Vanita Gupta, head of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, said in a release last week. "In police departments, that protection is vital not only for individual officials, but also for the communities they serve. The Justice Department is firmly committed to ensuring that our nation's

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# Grants making large impact on small Berlin businesses

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you one-on-one to take advantage of that next tax season," she said.

Rick Stack from Design Resources said façade grants could be used for everything from insulation and energy efficiency improvements to simple repairs and painting. Signs, windows, new roofs and improvements related to the American with Disabilities Act are also permitted.

"It's not an intimidating process," he said. "The application is actually online under the economic and community development section in the [CDNM] website ... we wish that maybe more and more businesses would take advantage of it, not only for the town, but for themselves also."

Del. Charles Otto spoke on the importance of preservation, and Del. Mary Beth Carozza said the grants were an example of how partnerships between government and the private sector "were supposed to work."

"I'm a delegate here, but ... I'm on the House Appropriations Committee," she said. "I wear that hat where I'm held accountable on how we are spending our taxpayer dollars, so ... I can look right here on the shore in Berlin, in Ocean City, and I can say this is how we've used the façade money."

"These aren't huge amounts of

money, but these projects, these grants, allow these types of improvements on our Main Streets, in our downtown, and it's a tremendous economic boost. It's also a boost for tourism as well," she added.

Toby Gilbert, owner of Gilbert's Provisions, said the grants helped him transform what was essentially a storage unit into a vibrant storefront.

"The inside was falling down ... we had to put a new roof on and a new ceiling," he said. "And apart from that we needed good doors, we needed awnings, we needed signage, we needed a lot of new paint."

"Without the façade grant, there would have been no way," he added. "It's a small thing that brightens up a part of neighborhood."

Jeffery Auxer used grant money to help build a second story on his building, while Helen Wiley said the Church Mouse added a screen door.

"Ivy had explained about the program, so I did everything you're supposed to do [and] got approval by the historical committee," she said. "It really benefits the store to keep it looking good with the town and keep that historical feel, and then we don't have to have the air conditioning on."

"It was very easy to do, and I'm very grateful," she added.

# Berlin schedules residential fall bulk trash pickup in Nov.

(Oct. 27, 2016) The Town of Berlin's residential fall bulk trash pickup is scheduled for Nov. 16 and 30.

The bulk pick up dates are based on residential garbage service.

"If your normal trash day is a Tuesday or a Wednesday, your bulk pick up day is Wednesday, Nov. 16th. If your normal trash day is a Thursday, your bulk pick up day will be Wednesday, Nov. 30," said Town Administrator Laura Allen.

Residents should follow the guidelines listed below:

DO: Include items such as furniture;

toilets and sinks; carpet; mattresses; tables and chairs; refrigerators; washer and dryers; small appliances; televisions; microwaves; and computer components.

Small items must be placed in a container at the curb, the total weight of the container cannot exceed 100 pounds.

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■ BERLIN COFFEE HOUSE continued  
in and have a cup of coffee.' People always feel obligated to buy a meal," Hagy said.

She called Patton, who gave her the idea to talk to John and Michelle Fager.

The Fagers had recently taken over operations at the Atlantic Hotel. Would they also take over the small, vacant building behind it?

"They said 'Sure, sounds great'. Start a coffee house. That's actually how it happened," Hagy said. "There really was a hole in town at the time – there was no place to get just coffee, or to get a good espresso."

Berlin Coffee House opened on April Fool's Day, 2009. Hagy said she took about 10 percent of what she learned from working at the Globe, and the rest came "by the seat of [her] pants."

"When we decided to open, I said the one thing we needed to do was find fresh, roasted coffee beans," Hagy said. "We went up and down the shore, Jason and I. We drove around all of March and we ended up in Lewes, Delaware."

There, they discovered Notting Hill Coffee at the Lewes Bakery, run by Amy Faulker.

"She's a genius when it comes to coffee beans," Hagy said. "She roasts right there, so we saw the fresh beans and every time we went up there she always had something new to tell us about. Jason would come with tons of questions every time he would go up and pick up beans, and she would show us more stuff on the espresso machine than even I knew. That was a biggie."

Seven years later, the shop still buys its flavored beans from Notting Hill.

"Nobody can match Amy," Hagy said. "That was really our beginning, and actually we won the first two awards from Maryland Life based on Amy's beans."

Berlin Coffee House also features local ice cream from Chesapeake Bay Farms in Berlin, which Hagy called a "godsend," as well as bagels from A Bagel And in Ocean Pines, which are picked up fresh each morning.

"That's my holy trinity," Hagy said. "We couldn't do without any of them."

She described the ambiance at the shop as "eclectic, but comfortable," usually low-lit with strings of Christmas lights hung in the rafters, overhead. The walls are adorned with some of Hagy's original watercolor paintings and colored pencil drawings, a handful of tables and chairs are scattered to the left of the front counter, and two large bookshelves fill out the modest space, one of which features items from other shops based in Maryland.

The coffee house just predates the

great Berlin "boom," when the formerly economically depressed town suddenly grabbed national attention as it was officially deemed "cool." Hagy remembers former Berlin Economic and Community Development Director Michael Day pitching the idea of entering a nationwide contest that would cast a spotlight on a single small town.

What made it all work, she said, was how well all the business owners worked together, going so far as to feed each other customers.

"Robin at Baked Desserts and Heather at Bungalow Love and Jen at the Globe – we had always helped each other," Hagy said. "Robin has a smaller area for seating and people would want an espresso, so you would get your desserts and come over here. I still send people over there."

"We all worked with each other – everybody did that – and I think that's what visitors to the town always saw, was the fact that we were so open to sharing our customers," Hagy said. "I think that's what did it – it had to come from the business owners. There's nothing that a local government could have done. The visitors had to like it in order to vote for it."

Some of that magic, Hagy said, had been lost.

"Things have changed since then," she said. "We were all so individual back then."

Jason offered a pair of theories.

"I think the main thing, in the beginning, was that all the businesses were run by the owners," Jason said. "When the customers came in, they actually met the owner of the shop, which gave them more of an intimate feeling. And every single store was so individual and different that you could spend the whole day finding new things."

"I think having shops come in and selling the same thing that a store down the street is selling really hurts the town," he added. "If you have three shops selling the same exact stuff – whether it's retail or food – you're not going to have the same cool, all-day adventure where you don't know what you're going to see in the next store. I think it's going to be very hard to get that back."

During her second retirement, Hagy said she would spend more time making art, perhaps do a little design work on a freelance basis, and volunteer around the town whenever she could. She has already offered her services at the new Berlin library, which could start construction next year.

"I told them, whatever you all do I want to be a part of it," she said. "Not as an employee, but I'd like to help with all the fundraisers and stuff. That's going to be really cool."

She said the decision to close the shop was partially based on frustra-

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# Owner offers ‘no regrets’ in closing of Berlin coffee shop

tion, partly on a down sales year, and partly because Jason was moving on to another business endeavor. What she'll miss the most, she said, are the people.

"We've had such wonderful people come in here, and I have sent coffee mugs around the world – Shanghai, Germany, Italy," Hagy said. "I sent bags of coffee and two coffee cups with this couple in Finland. They wanted her mother to have some, but she didn't have room in her suitcase, so I sent them."

"It's been grand. It's been an absolute surprise," she added. "I never dreamed that it was going to be as successful as it was. We won the Coastal Style award every single year except one, and that went to the Pemberton Coffee House, who are friends of ours."

"I have groups of people that come here every year," she said. "They come here first, they get their coffee, and then they go off to Assateague, Chincoteague, Ocean City or wherever, but they stop here first. And John's guests from the hotel – to see them standing outside my door at 6:15 in their pajamas waiting to get coffee – I'll miss that."

She also said she would miss the relationships she has built with many of the other business owners

in town, several of whom got their start in the coffee house, including Atlantic Retreat and Cupcakes in Bloom. Bungalow Love owner Heather Layton and Zenna Wellness Studio owner Chrissy Ehrhart are both former employees.

"When people found out we were closing, everybody came in here and it's just been an enormous response that I never expected. People came out of the woodwork," she said.

Hagy laughed when recalling some of the stranger things she's seen while running in the shop, from customers asking, "is your coffee any good?" to watching four-axle tractor trailers, given a bad route by their GPS systems, try and navigate the narrow confines of Jefferson Street.

"It's been a joy. I don't regret any of it really. And I've learned so much business-wise," she said.

"We feel like we're getting to leave on our own terms," Jason said. "We saw an opportunity and we thought it was the best judgment on our own to leave at this point – that's really what it was. And our patrons have been more than gracious."

The shop will stay open until Christmas, and Hagy said she planned to use the following week to move out.



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**BALLISTIC SHIELDS**  
On hand to accept a donation of three ballistic shields for use by the Pocomoke City PD, from left, are Pocomoke Police Lt. Brian Craven, Chief William Hardin, Mayor Bruce Morrison, Hardwire founder George Tunis, Pocomoke City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot and Delegate Mary Beth Carozza. “These are useful in any situation where guns may be involved,” Hardwire President Emily Tunis said. “We want to ensure our local police have the best equipment available.” The total value of the donation is about \$7,500 for the shields, Tunis said.

## Department of Justice seeks to intervene in Sewell lawsuit

■ UNITED STATES continued  
state and local law enforcement agencies comply with Title VII’s promise of a workplace free from racial discrimination and retaliation.”  
Through the case the plaintiffs, and now, potentially, the United States are seeking “all appropriate monetary relief” including back pay and pre-judgment interest to Sewell, Green and Savage, as well as compensatory damages.  
In addition, the plaintiffs are seeking to force the defendants to develop and implement policies, procedures and training to prevent similar circumstances from happening again.  
The basis of the complaint starts with Franklin Savage, who claims he was subjected to a hostile work environment by the Sheriff’s Office, and by extension, the state, while he was assigned to a joint task force. Savage complained about the environment and alleges he was subject to further retaliation by the Sheriff’s Office and Pocomoke City, up to and including his termination.  
Further, two people who supported his claims, Lynell Green and Kelvin Sewell, allege they faced retaliation themselves for supporting Savage. Green eventually resigned from the PCPD, and Sewell was fired by the city, sparking an outcry and protests.  
In July, Green and Sewell were indicted by a grand jury on charges of misconduct in office and conspiracy to commit misconduct in office. A jury trial is scheduled in December.  
Both Sewell and Green face charges stemming from the same incident in November 2014. According to the indictment, both are alleged to have “knowingly, willfully, and intentionally, under the color of his office, interfering with the legitimate investigation of a motor vehicle accident by subordinate police officers for the personal benefit of an acquaintance, Correctional Officer Captain Douglas E. Matthews...”  
The pair is also accused of conspiring with each other in order to perpetrate the alleged misconduct.  
There is no record of the accident within the Maryland Judiciary Case Search database, which provides public access to court records online. However, there are exceptions to what information is made publicly available.  
These charges were not brought directly by Oglesby, but by the State Prosecutor Emmet Davitt. The office of the State Prosecutor was established 40 years ago specifically to investigate election law violations, public ethics violations, bribery law violations, official misconduct as well as related perjury, extortion or obstruction of justice claims.  
The prosecutor investigates these issues under his own initiative, or via request from the governor, attorney general, General Assembly, the state ethics commission, or a State’s Attorney.

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amount of calls for service as measured by the police department, a fire hazard, have unfinished construction or demolition or creates a reasonable interference with reasonable and lawful use of surrounding properties.  
According to the rule, the properties of residents on extended vacations or those with alternate living arrangements — wintering in Florida for example — would be exempt. However, a verified emergency contact number for the property owner or responsible party must be on file with the town and the property must be maintained while the owners are away.  
The town produces and maintains the registrations documents, which are available at Town Hall.





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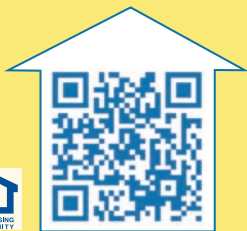
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# Recruiter could cost \$30K to replace GM

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ommended the higher priced alter-  
native.

“My recommendation is accept  
the offer to turn the carts back in  
and get out of that lease and execute  
a capital purchase of \$319,936 with  
Yamaha Financial for the purchase  
of 76 new carts,” he said. “That  
would stipulate the return of the  
carts under that lease and the trade  
in of our 55 existing electric carts.”

Director Dave Stevens said the  
matter needed to be addressed by  
the end of the month to avoid fur-  
ther legal action by Yamaha.

“We are under a lease situation  
which has never been brought to the  
attention of the board and was  
signed unilaterally by our past pres-  
ident,” he said. “How we ended up in  
this situation is totally beyond me.

It’s a bad situation and I think we  
need to get out of it.”

Director Slobodan Trendic said  
from his recent research gas-pow-  
ered carts are coming back into  
vogue.

“The gas carts  
maintain their  
value much better  
than the electric  
carts,” he said. “The  
electric carts — the  
largest component  
is the battery which  
lasts on average  
three to four years.  
We’re at the point  
now where were going through a  
second series of batteries.”

He also noted the perceived value  
in an electric fleet has been a lower  
decibel level on the greens.

“The electric carts are generally  
preferred because of the noise, and  
gas carts have in general been loud  
with more pollutants,” he said. “The  
fleet that’s proposed is a 2017 model  
from Yamaha and  
is the best state-of-  
the art-technology  
for noise levels. It’s  
at the same level as  
electric.”

Jacobs said  
there was a  
\$300,000 request  
for golf cart acqui-  
sition last year.

“The board as it  
was constituted at the time decided  
that wasn’t appropriate,” she said.  
“There were lots of discussions  
about the golf carts and where that  
fell in our list of priorities of what we

wanted to spend money on.”  
Hill also said the current lease  
arrangement does not include a pur-  
chase option, limiting the possibility  
to retaining the electric carts signed  
for by Renaud.

“We’re going to incur interest and  
we keep this debt filing against us,  
which is by our practice against the  
way we operate as an association,”  
he said.

In other business, the board  
unanimously approved budgeting  
funds to complete repairs to the  
Country Club roof but is still await-  
ing a third proposal for the project.

“Our facilities department is to  
remove the existing ... roof and re-  
place the rotten wood underneath,  
which we’re estimating is on two  
sections of the roof,” he said. “With  
the request today for the approval in  
the capital budget not to exceed the  
amount of \$93,250 contingent on  
three proposals.”

Hill said the project would be  
awarded to the lowest bidding con-  
tractor.

The board also discussed an un-  
budgeted operating expense to en-  
gage an executive recruiting firm to  
seek candidates for the general man-  
ager position and to find a replace-  
ment for former Controller Art  
Carmine.

Hill said recent developments  
have brightened the possibility of lo-  
cating a replacement for Carmine.

“Over the course of this week we  
received a large number of appli-  
cants and almost every one was  
somewhat relevant to the position,”  
he said.

Hill said third interviews are  
being scheduled with a handful of  
qualified candidates.

“At this point, I do not think we  
need to move forward with the out-  
source recruiting for the director of  
finance,” he said.

By comparison, the hunt for a  
new general manager is progressing  
more slowly based on the request for  
proposals the board recently issued  
to potential recruiting firms, Hill  
said.

“Right now we have two parties  
declining to bid on the RFP because  
they didn’t feel they had the relevant  
skill set to bring in the someone for  
the general manager role,” he said.  
“We need to go further into the re-  
sources for recruiting. I would say  
we are looking at a budget expense,  
out of the operating fund, it will be  
greater than \$15,000 and could be  
\$30,000 potentially for the execu-  
tive recruiter.”

The board voted unanimously to  
continue the RFP process and will  
examine future responses as they are  
received.

**‘I would say we are looking  
at a budget expense, out of  
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# Berlin swears in new and returning officials

Tyndall, Brittingham and Williams take oath during meeting, thank supporters

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) It was a night of department overviews and updates on projects but mostly it was a night to welcome Zachary Tyndall to the Town Council and to renew the oaths of Mayor Gee Williams and Councilman Elroy Brittingham.

In front of a full house at Town Hall this past Monday night, Williams was sworn in by Worcester Court Clerk Susan Braniecki, who then swore in both Tyndall and Brittingham.

After the ceremony, the three returned to the dais to elect a vice president of the council. Councilman Dean Burrell nominated Brittingham, the incumbent, who was elected by unanimous decision. The new and returning officials then delivered remarks.

Brittingham, who will mark 32 years on the council at the end of this new term, said he was happy to continue working with a mayor “who almost always shows up” — therefore downplaying his role as a stand-in for Williams if he is absent — to laughs all around.

He thanked the audience and town for their continued support, and promised to follow Williams’ lead during his new term as vice president.

“It’s a privilege and honor” to serve the property owners, visitors and friends of the Town of Berlin, Williams said, and he committed to keeping Berlin’s charm alive while avoiding the temptation to live in the past.

“Because we live in a small town, not a small world,” he said. “We’re all human and we all make mistakes, but you can never fix what you never do,” he said.

Williams said the town needed to progress, especially in the realm of technology, but would continue to do so in the most cost-effective manner possible.

He said his goal was not to make the town a cutting-edge technological marvel, but to keep pace with ongoing developments.

“The mayor and council will continue to do the right thing in the right way,” Williams said.

The council then heard various updates on its operations while

Williams provided thumbnail sketches of the ongoing efforts for the benefit of the unusually large crowd.

Finance director Natalie Saleh said new software should be running by Jan. 8, giving her department new options and increased functionality over the old system.

Tim Lawrence, electric utility director, said the generator damaged by flooding during the recent storms has been removed and sent for repair. The generator should be back in operation in about a month, he said, and operations shouldn’t be affected by its absence.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells reported she had “an abundance” of façade grant funding available and those interested are invited to apply. She also said the Christmas parade is now full with 80 entries, and Fin’s Ale House and Raw Bar is currently in the “soft opening” phase and invited residents to check it out.

The only action the council took was at the end of the night when it approved, in a motion by Tyndall as his first act as a councilman, the installation of professional-grade lights on the town’s tennis courts at a cost

of about \$92,000. The cost is set to increase by three percent at the end of the year, Lawrence said, and the equipment will be stored until the courts are refurbished.

Councilman Burrell said he recalled a similar discussion regarding some local basketball courts that ended up budgeted in the past but faltered due to a lack of community support. He asked that the council take another look at installing lights on those courts as well, to which the rest of the council assented.

**‘We live in a small town, not a small world. We’re all human and we all make mistakes, but you can never fix what you never do’**  
Mayor Gee Williams

## Lawsuit accuses DDC of missing \$178K payment

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have not done, we are not being good stewards of those funds. We are hopeful to settle this out of court,” Weisner said.

During the 2016 session, the state awarded the Delmarva Discovery Center an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for capital improvements.

ExPlus is seeking the amount of the invoice, plus interest, attorney’s fees and any other relief the judge sees fit to grant. Also, it is requesting the court establish a trust for the benefit of the plaintiff in the amount it may have been unjustly enriched via the work completed by the plaintiff.

“We owe ExPlus and want to pay them, and we have met with them and thought we could work it out,” Weisner said. However, in the complaint ExPlus’s lawyer, Bruce Mann, said the center has been unresponsive to requests for contact to this point.

No trial date has been set.



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
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# Pocomoke gets partial water, sewer maps from consultant

Too early to begin testing, but progress made toward solution for ongoing issues

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) While there are no models or tests that can be run on the Pocomoke City water and sewer systems that might determine the cause of foul-smelling and sediment-laden tap water, particularly in the Pocomoke Heights area, the data collection phase of the project is almost complete.

The mayor and City Council heard a report on the progress from Scott Getchell of Salisbury-based GMB architects/engineers, who are performing the mapping operation for the town.

One of the problems in determining the cause of the problem is that the town records were incomplete, and even when the data were complete, it was often spread out over multiple areas.

Earlier this year when the council approved a study to ferret out the cause of the water problems, the first step was to produce complete maps of the existing water and sewer systems.

The city's first complete water system map is finished, but the sewer map isn't.

City Manager/City Attorney Ernie Crofoot has said previously the sediment, though unidentified, isn't ferrous material.

Getchell said there were many issues in collecting all of the data, and operationally, all avenues to fill in the gaps have been exhausted.

"It's time we got scientific about it," he said.

The water map is undergoing conversion to a digital model, where scenarios and tests can be performed to see how the system operates under certain conditions.

The sewer map has not yet reached that point, as more data is collected from disparate sources.

Though hesitant to speculate on the cause of the contamination until all the data are collected and tests could be run, Getchell, under pressure from Mayor Bruce Morrison, did say the conditions, as they were described to him, hinted at a circulation problem within the system.

Getchell said the complete model should be ready by the end of the year.



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# OPA General Manager Briefs

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 27, 2016) Updates on numerous projects were reviewed by Ocean Pines Association interim General Manager Brett Hill at the board of directors meeting last Saturday.

## Yacht Club

Furniture on the first floor of the Ocean Pines Yacht Club has been rearranged, Hill said, allowing for the addition of seating space at the bar. Also more televisions have been installed at the second floor bar and first floor lounge area.

Hill also highlighted a new partnership aimed at upgrading entertainment options at the yacht club.

"We signed a contract with Buztime trivia and those devices are going to be installed hopefully next week," he said. "We'll be hosting trivia during all operating hours on the Buztime national network."

He said the new system also provides gaming options to help entertain youngsters and older children.

"The DJ that normally moderates the trivia night will still be there but it will be moved on to the Buzztime live system," he said.

He also noted with the revamped seating arrangement happy hour specials will be available throughout the facility and not exclusively at the bar

area. For example, a new offering for Monday Night Football, which includes a pitcher of beer and 10 wings for \$5, has been quite popular, Hill said.

## Positions added

Hill said the board has taken steps to address more than 200 open work orders sitting with public works by authorizing additional positions.

"Those jobs have been posted and we're looking to fill them as quickly as possible," he said.

After the board reviewed the capabilities of the current public works staff in multiple closed sessions, Hill said the decision was reached to hire four additional people for public works and one employee for the facilities department.

## Projects updates

The wooden roof covering the White Horse Park bathrooms is about to be upgraded with a new metal roof, which Hill said would be fabricated next week.

"We are still on task for that building to be completed by Dec. 1," he said. "It will be a nice change from the 40-year-old bathrooms we've been using outside in the middle of the parking lot."

Work to replace the sports field at

Huntington Park is on target Hill said.

"While we're late in the season for new grass to be growing for any sports for this year, we will have a nice field in place for the spring," he said.

Despite recent weather delays, Hill said a pickleball conversion project is still on track to wind up by the end of the month.

"The fence company is due in at the beginning of the week," he said. "Hopefully, we'll still have a little warm weather and we can play pickleball before it gets too cold this year."

Although there has been a two-week delay in starting repairs for the bridge at the golf course, Hill said work is still on target.

"They are about two weeks behind, but the actual work cycle, now that we're in the cycle, is on track," he said.

## Beach Club bathrooms

Since assuming his position as interim general manager, Hill said extensive time has been invested analyzing potential upgrades to the Beach Club bathrooms. He also reported this week an initial draft of the proposed scope of work was received and is being reviewed.

"We reviewed that scope with both

the federal, state and Ocean City guidelines for permits and we found there were some areas that needed more attention in the initial draft," he said. "We had some compliance issues that we felt we were a fine line whether or not we had to accept the ADA (American With Disabilities Act) compliance or we could stay in place, since we're really just doing more of a facelift remodel."

After looking closer at the options Hill recommended to "Err on the side of caution," by bringing the bathrooms into current ADA compliance.

The updated scope of work proposal should be completed this week with a request for proposal released in November, Hill said. The project is slated to begin in January and take about three months to complete, he added.

## Golf clubhouse

Cleanup issues continue to be addressed outside the golf clubhouse, Hill said.

"We're beginning further repairs to bring the clubhouse back together," he said. "The most noticeable repair going on right now, if you're in the building, is the third floor loft is being renovated."

Hill also noted clubhouse roof repairs are about to begin.



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# OPA about \$30K off budget YTD, \$12K in Sept.

Controller Carmine says variances not that bad, but yacht club remains problem

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) September was another good financial month, according to Ocean Pines Association Controller Art Carmine, who briefed the budget and finance committee on that month's financial report last Wednesday.

Overall, he said the association was about \$30,000 lower than budget, bringing the year-to-date variance to about \$12,000 off estimates.

"Variances have been relatively minor – \$12,000 in five months isn't bad," Carmine said. "No need to

panic at this point."

He highlighted revenues at several departments that had a more than \$5,000 variance from the budget, which included golf, off \$26,141, the beach club, off \$14,134, and the yacht club, which was \$36,720 lower than estimates.

In what has become something of a trend during recent committee meetings, the majority of the discussion focused on the yacht club, where Carmine said costs were down, but not enough to offset the dip in revenue.

Banquet bookings were notably slow, and Carmine said the abandoned food truck accounted for "probably about \$75,000" of the \$179,413 variance between year-to-date net operating and what was budgeted.

The reasons? "I guess there's a lot

of theories around," Carmine said. "We really need to talk to the manager and see what trends that he's seen over the year. Obviously, Friday and Saturday nights are popular – and Sunday brunch – but that's only three out of seven days."

Carmine said a large number of people in Ocean Pines that have disposable income traditionally go south for the winter, a circumstance that makes improving the club's offseason fortunes unlikely. During football season, the club is open Monday nights, closed Tuesday and Wednesday, and open again for portions of Thursday through Sunday.

He joked that several committees were looking into the problem and sending the board "emails, smoke signals" and dropping "fly-

ers from airplanes."

"The question gets to be do you want [the club] open for members that want to go or do you not?" Carmine said. "We've been struggling during the summer, which is alarming to me."

"If the summer's this bad this year, it's never been enough to offset the non-summer time, historically," committee member John O'Connor said. "It doesn't foretell anything very nice for the rest of the budgeted year."

Carmine said stiff competition from other restaurants in Ocean Pines – not to mention Ocean City – were obviously hurting the club.

"Therein lies part of the solution is – you've got to be more competitive," O'Connor said, adding that both quality and service were still concerns.

## OPA Budget and Finance Briefs

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) The Ocean Pines Association Budget and Finance Committee discussed the following items during a meeting in the administration building on Oct. 19:

### Budget review

Viola confirmed that the committee would meet publically to discuss the next fiscal year budget on Jan. 11 and Jan. 12 at 9 a.m. The location has yet to be determined. A third day is also possible, as last year the committee added a third half-day for additional discussion.

The committee will meet again on Dec. 7 at 9 a.m. in the administration building. No November meeting was scheduled.

### Budget recommendations

Board liaison Pat Supik said the directors discussed committee budget

guidance during a work session just two days earlier and, for the most part, were either already implementing or recommending all of the suggestions of the committee.

One item that "probably caused the most discussion," Supik said, was the notion of doing the budget in a "multiyear format." She said interim General Manager Brett Hill said creating a multiyear budget by January "may be totally, totally out of the question."

Another item that was apparently rejected, she said, was the notion to not reduce collections for reserve accounts.

Overall, Supik called the debate "a great discussion," adding, "I hope it continues."

### Marching orders

Committee Chairman John Viola said Board President Tom Herrick sent an email asking all committee members to abstain from contacting

the general manager or other OPA staff directly. Instead, in accordance with association bylaws, Herrick asked all committees to communicate through their respective liaisons.

"I don't believe it's anybody on this team [causing problems]," Viola said. "I don't think any of you would do that."

### Volunteer shortage

Committee member John O'Connor said the Ocean Pines Fire Department were short about 17 volunteers from what it normally carried. If that trend continues, he warned, the department might be forced to ask for more funding and hire additional staff to cover the shortage.

Could the county possibly help fund the EMS portion of the fire budget, O'Connor wondered.

"Getting county to pay sounds good when you say it, but it ain't gonna work," committee member Jim Beisler said.



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# Obituaries

**JEAN GRAY BRITTINGHAM**  
Newark/Ocean View

Jean Gray Brittingham, age 95, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016 at her home.

Born in Newark, Maryland, she was the daughter of the late Neal and Elva Brittingham.

She is survived by her nephews, Jim Sturgis, Samuel Sturgis and Bill Scott, and her beloved friend, Catharine "Kitty" McKee, of Ocean View, Delaware.

She was preceded in death by her bother, Rudolph "Rudy" Brittingham.

Ms. Brittingham was a 1938 graduate of Snow Hill High School and a graduate of the University of Delaware, Class of 1942. She had been a Home Economics teacher for 31 years at John M. Clayton High School in Dagsboro, Delaware.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016 at Bowen Cemetery in Newark, Maryland. Rev. Casey Lee officiated.

A donation in her memory may be made to: Bowen United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 87, Newark, Maryland 21841. Letters of condolence may be sent via: [www.burbagefuneralhome.com](http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com).

**ROBERT KENDALL WILKINS**  
Berlin

Robert Kendall Wilkins, age 74, died Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016 at his home in Libertytown near Berlin.

Born in Salisbury, he was the son of the late Alvin Wilkins and Gladys Wilkins.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Minnie Tubbs Wilkins.

He is also survived by his children, Robert Wilkins of Berlin, Barbara Black and her husband, John, of Lynchburg, Virginia, and Sandra Dougan and her husband, James, of Bishopville, Maryland; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also surviving is a half-brother, Edward Evans, of Whaleyville.

He was preceded in death by his half-brother, Richard Evans, in 2015.

He was a graduate of Stephen Decatur High School Class of 1958 where he had been active in the Future Farmers of America.

Mr. Wilkins had worked as an auto mechanic for many years. He was an Army veteran having served during the Korean War. He was a member of the Boggs-Disharoon American Legion Post #123 in Berlin, VFW and the Assateague Beach Buggy Association. He was a proud member of the Berlin Volunteer Fire Company for over 30 years.

He loved to surf fish, especially in Hatteras, North Carolina. He loved cutting his grass, even known to cut it two or three times a week, as well as tending to his garden.

A funeral service was held on Monday, Oct. 24, 2016 at Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin, Maryland.

Interment followed in Riverside Cemetery in Libertytown. Donations may be made to the Berlin Volunteer Fire Company at 214 N. Main Street, Berlin. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family at [www.burbagefuneralhome.com](http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com).

**MARY KATHRYN MERRITT**  
Berlin

Mary Kathryn Merritt, "Kitty," age 75, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, Oct. 21, 2016.

Born in Slab Fork, West Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Wesley and Ruth Cook Linthicum.

She is survived by her children, Tammy Delaney, Terri Westcott, Mark Delaney and Tracy Delaney.

She was an adored grandmother to four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also surviving are her brothers, Rondy and Preston Linthicum.

Kitty had been a care giver. Her kindness and generous spirit leaves a loving memory with her family and many dear friends. She will be greatly missed.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016 at Lighthouse Church of God. Friends may call one hour prior to the service. Pastors Theo Hobbs and Ron Soulsman will officiate.

A donation in her memory may be made to: Lighthouse Church of God, 11742 Sinepuxent Rd., Berlin, Maryland 21811, or Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, Maryland 21804.

Letters of condolence may be sent to: P.O. Box 52, Berlin, Maryland 21811. Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.



Mary Merritt



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**PASSING OF GAVEL**  
Every October the new Kiwanis year begins, and so, the gavel of the president of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City was passed from outgoing President Mark Joseph to incoming President Barbara Peletier. She had been the president in 2012- 2013 and decided to serve again. Joseph will now serve on the club's Board of Directors for 2016-2017.



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**OFFICERS GRADUATE**  
Wicomico and Worcester County jail and correctional officers who graduated in the 96th entrance-level class of the Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Academy operated by Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury, from left, are Andrew J. Meyer, Keith L. Mills Sr. and Craig O. Wilson from the Wicomico County Department of Corrections and James W. Burke of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office.

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## WELCOME BERLIN FIRE CO.

Worcester Preparatory School teacher Sasha Motsko and her second grade class thank Sparky the Fire Dog and the Berlin Fire Company for visiting the Lower School to teach about fire safety on Oct. 10. Pictured, from left, are Sophia Poffenberger, Anna Mumford, Jack Adkins, Beau Brittingham, Alyson Ray, Chase Burbage, Laney Hoch, Gray Bunting, Haven Harrison, Gavin Mann, Conan Geiger, Motsko and Jackson Curry-Crayton.



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## QUILT DONATION

Quilters by the Sea Volunteer Chairman, Robin Beall, left, donated nine patriotic quilts to Coastal Hospice. Michael Barnes, right, donated fabric. They are pictured with Holly Murray, who is nurse at Coastal Hospice.



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## NAACP MTG.

Tom Kane, emergency management planner for Worcester County, discusses "Preparedness, Respond and Recovery" during the September NAACP meeting. Kane is pictured with NAACP President Ivory Smith. NAACP meetings are the fourth Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. in Berlin. Call 443-944-6701 for information.



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## CUB PACK VISITS KIWANIS

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# Decatur Middle student honored by Johns Hopkins

## Outstanding test scores led to event invite for Forbes

(Oct. 27, 2016) Benjamin Forbes, a student from Berlin, was honored recently as one of the brightest middle school students in the world during an international awards ceremony sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (CTY).

The Center honored Forbes, a student at Stephen Decatur Middle School, for his exceptional performance on the SAT, ACT, or similar college-readiness assessment taken as part of the 2015-16 CTY Talent Search. CTY uses above-grade-level testing to identify advanced students from around the world and provide a clear picture of the students' true academic abilities.

This year, more than 27,000 students in second through eighth grades participated in CTY's Talent Search, representing all 50 states and more than 60 countries. Seventh and eighth graders from this group who scored high enough on their above-grade-level test were invited to attend CTY's Grand Ceremony on Oct. 16 on the Johns Hopkins University's main campus. Nearly 1,000 students and their families were invited to the ceremony this year.

"Students, your excellent test scores are what brought us here today, but this is a celebration of what is behind those scores: a love of learning, a strong work ethic, and a high value placed on taking risks and welcoming challenges," said Elaine Tuttle Hansen, executive director of CTY. "These are qualities that will provide you with many opportunities in the years ahead as you continue to grow as students and scholars."

At least 75 of the students honored during the ceremony achieved a perfect score on the reading or math section of their test. In addition, more than 400 Talent Search participants under age 13 achieved a score of 700 or higher on the math or verbal section of the SAT, and in turn, qualified for CTY's Julian C. Stanley Study of Exceptional Talent. Students honored during the 2016 Grand Ceremony also qualified for CTY's summer, online, and family programs, through which academically advanced students meet and form a community of engaged learners with other bright students from around the world.

Each year, there are more than 9,800 enrollments by bright pre-college students in CTY Summer Programs, held at 25 sites in the United States and Hong Kong on campuses ranging from Johns Hopkins and Princeton to Stanford and Berkeley. In addition, there are more than 14,500 enrollments in CTY Online Programs courses and more than 4,800 enrollments in Family Academic Programs each year.

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# Opinion

Please send all letters and other editorial submissions to [editor@baysidegazette.com](mailto:editor@baysidegazette.com) by 5 p.m. Monday.

## Getting out in front of it

No one would think that Pocomoke and Ocean Pines have much in common, separated as they are by a fair amount of distance, demographics and form of government.

But it turns out this week that these two otherwise disparate communities share one thing: they both have had to confront legal problems over unmet financial obligations.

In addition, both these debt situations resulted from mistakes or misunderstandings rather than malfeasance and both are dealing with them publicly and in a straightforward manner.

In Pocomoke’s instance, it isn’t the town, but the Delmarva Discovery Center that found itself in trouble over an unpaid bill from the contractor that put together one of its exhibits. At dispute is the amount being charged, and perhaps the terms of the contract, but not the fact that the center will have to make good somehow.

More interesting is that the center’s president, Stacey Weisner, made the story public in the interest of operational transparency. Getting out in front of the story like she did takes much of the sting out of the circumstances.

Similarly, the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors found itself obligated to an expensive golf cart lease authorized without the full board’s knowledge, apparently, by a previous board member. Rather than attempt to deal with the matter quietly, the directors discussed it publicly and agreed to a solution in an open session.

That’s the way it ought to be done, because it stops cold the biggest threat to good government once a story starts to leak out — the inevitably wrong public speculation about what really happened.

So yes, mistakes were made and will be corrected, end of story, and it’s because of the laudable fashion in which they were handled.

If every government or institution was as open and upfront about their predicaments as these two have been, the public might have a better appreciation of the demands they have to meet.



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## Owners, customers lament closing

### Berlin Coffee House mainstays explain allure of town shop

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) “It’s the ‘Cheers’ of coffee houses — everybody knows your name,” Mike Wiley said of the Berlin Coffee House on 17 Jefferson Street, which is closing at the end of this year.

Wiley, a prolific volunteer who helps run the Church Mouse Thrift Shop with his wife, Helen, said his favorite brew there is the “Wild Delaware” blend.

He was one of about a dozen patrons having coffee at the shop at 8 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 14.

“I’ve been coming here since [the shop] opened up,” Helen Wiley said. “I find it a great place to meet friends and talk about business or whatever, and have a cup a coffee. [Owners] Peg and Jason [Hagy] are so friendly.”  
Susan Bashore, a retired

Worcester County Board of Education worker, said she has also been coming to the shop “since the very beginning.” She even helped decorate it with Peggy.

“The best thing is the coffee — it’s just so good,” she said. “It’s roasted right here and it’s delicious. I love coming in the afternoon for ice cream and coffee.”

Jessica Hagy, Jason’s wife, said the shop opened just as “the family all really came together.”

“We became a family with Berlin,” she said. “It’s been a wonderful second home to us and we’ve loved every minute of it.”

“I’ll have nowhere to go in the mornings anymore,” Berlin resident Finn McCabe said, adding that he’s “never even walked into” another coffee shop in Berlin. “I have no desire to go to Dunkin Donuts every morning,” he said.

Berlin Councilman Thom Gulyas said it was “terrible” that the shop was closing.

“I think it’s horrible — where are we going to go in

the morning?” he said.

He joked that Mike and Helen Wiley could always open “Firehouse Coffee” at their residence on Buttercup Court.

“They’re going to put up their garage door and we’re all just going to meet there,” he said with a laugh. “But honestly, it’s a shame to see one of my friends retire. I understand why [they’re] doing it. Hopefully, we can find somewhere else to go and meet as a group and discuss the problems of Berlin and what’s going on. There’s going to be a lot of great people that are going to be displaced.”

“It’s a neat little place and it’s a shame that it’s closing,” he added.

As much as the customers are going to miss coming in, drinking coffee and socializing in the morning, the feeling from the ownership was mutual.

“I’m really going to miss everybody that comes here,” Jason Hagy, who opened the shop with his mother, Peggy, said.



# Events and activities for Halloween planned

Costume contests, games, trick-or-treating and parade for pets slated for weekend

**By Kara Hallissey**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 27, 2016) An abundance of Halloween activities are planned this weekend throughout the area.

## **Berlin:**

— Watch “The Rocky Horror Picture Show” and help raise money for the American Cancer Society at The Globe on Saturday, Oct. 29. Relay For Life team Memories in Motion will host the event from 8 p.m. to midnight. Win door prizes, bid on silent auction items, compete in a costume contest and Time Warp dance contest. Admission is free.

Cost to enter contests is \$5. Registration begins at 8 p.m. Contests and judging from 9-10 p.m. The movie will begin immediately after. Prop bags will be available for a \$5 donation. All proceeds benefit Relay For Life/American Cancer Society.

For information, call Christine Waggoner at 410-726-3220 or find the Facebook event page “Relay For Life Rocky Horror Halloween Party!”

— Children can trick-or-treat on Monday, Oct. 31 from 5-7 p.m. The Berlin Police Department will offer candy checking during those hours at



FILE PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Hundreds of costumed trick-or-treaters march down Washington Street in Berlin last year.

the Berlin Town Hall on William Street. For information, call 410-641-2770.

## **Ocean Pines:**

— The Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department will host its annual Halloween Fall Festival in White Horse Park on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 1-4 p.m.

Enjoy costume contests, carnival games, a haunted hayride, face painting and candy. Refreshments can be purchased and a number of attractions will be available for a small fee including, crafts such as sand art, hair wraps and pony rides.

Attendees have a chance to vote for the contestants in the “Pup of the Pines” dog and puppy photo contest. The winner of the contest will be the 2017 face of the Ocean Pines Dog Park and will receive a free dog park registration.

The winner will be announced during the Hometown Christmas Tree Lighting on Nov. 26.

Contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 for more information.

## **Snow Hill:**

— Children 12 and younger are invited to trick-or-treat while dressed up

in their favorite costumes at the Worcester County Recreation Center in Snow Hill on Friday, Oct. 28, from 6-8 p.m.

The “Track or Treat” will have games for the kids and they should bring a bag to collect goodies from local vendors. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

For information, contact Lea Cataggio at 410-632-2144 ext.2509 or email [lcattaggio@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:lcattaggio@co.worcester.md.us).

— Spend a spooky evening at Furnace Town Living Heritage Village in the haunted Pocomoke Forest on Saturday, Oct. 29.

Festivities kick off with author Mindie Burgoyne signing copies of her new book, “Haunted Lower Eastern Shore” from 4-6 p.m. followed by scary tales — including ghost stories about Furnace Town — told by local storytellers from 6-7:30 p.m.

In addition, the Wicomico County Paranormal Society and the Delmarva Spirit Hunters will participate in a ghost hunt from 8 p.m. until midnight through the Pocomoke Forest. This event is for guests 16 years and older. The cost is \$10 per ticket. For information, call 410-632-2032 or email [info@furnacetown.org](mailto:info@furnacetown.org).

## **Pocomoke:**

— Celebrate Pocoween today, Thursday, at the Delmarva Discovery Center and museum from 6-8 p.m.

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# Assortment of Halloween festivities on tap

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with crafts, candy, otters, creepy critters, costume contests with prizes and trick-or-treating around the museum.

Adults pay \$7 and children are \$3. Admission is free for members. Call 410-957-9933.

— The Mar-Va Theater in Pocomoke City will have its annual showing of the Rocky Horror Picture Show on Friday, Oct. 28, at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for the interactive movie and attendees must be 17 years or older. For information, call 410-957-4230.

— The seventh annual "Scare Away Breast Cancer" walk is scheduled for Saturday morning benefiting Women Supporting Women. Registration begins at 10 a.m., with the walk taking place at 11 a.m. at Midway Toyota at 1337 Ocean Gateway in Pocomoke City.

At noon, a companion "trunk or treat" event for children begins. Both are free to participate in.

In addition to the walk and trunk or treat, there will also be a contest with prizes for best costume, and best "pink" costume, as well as a silent auction. Vendors selling a variety of goods will also be on site. For information, call 443-614-6021.

— Children can trick-or-treat on Monday, Oct. 31 from 5-7:30 p.m. in Pocomoke. Call 410-957-0937.

## Ocean City:

— Ocean City Recreation and

Parks will host its annual "Halloween Spook-Out Party" on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 1-3 p.m. at Northside Park on 125th Street.

Activities include carnival games, arts and crafts, hayrides and costume contests. Complimentary snacks will be available, and prizes will be awarded for best costumes. Participants of all ages are welcome.

No pre-registration required. The entrance fee is one bag of individually wrapped candy per child.

For information, visit [www.oceancitymd.gov](http://www.oceancitymd.gov) or contact Ocean City Recreation and Parks at 410-250-0125.

— Children and their pets can check out the fourth annual Boardwalk Halloween Candywalk at the 67th Street Town Center on Saturday from 3:30-5 p.m.

Attendees are encouraged to dress their pets in costume and parade them around while collecting a treat from each merchant. The event will take place rain or shine. SweetFrog Premium Yogurt will feature its mascot, "Cookie," and every child has a chance to win a prize after spinning a wheel.

For information, call Patti Miller at 443-880-7795.

— Experience the thrills and chills of the Haunted Library at the Ocean City Library on 100th Street. The meeting room is transformed into a frightful labyrinth and anyone who

escapes receives a free book. It will take place Friday from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In addition, a children's Halloween party will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday where children in a costume can trick-or-treat throughout the library.

For more information, call 410-524-1818.

— Pokémon GO fans have a chance to capture their favorite creatures and find new items to inventory at 19 Pokestops and several Pokémon gym locations from First Street to the south end of the Boardwalk from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday.

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## West Ocean City:

— For the 29th year, children can enjoy trick-or-treating at the White Marlin Mall in West Ocean City on Monday, Oct. 31, from 4-6 p.m. Children must be in costume when they visit the merchants who are participating in the trick-or-treat promotion. Treats are available only to children 12 years and younger who are in costume. Visit [www.whitemarlinmall.com/events.asp](http://www.whitemarlinmall.com/events.asp) for participating merchants.

— Stop by Frontier Town on Satur-

day, Oct. 29, for its annual Spooks and Spirits weekend celebration beginning at 7 p.m. on Route 611 in West Ocean City.

There will be a candy corn guessing contest, scary movie, trick-or-treating, a site decorating contest and costume contests for adults, kids and pets.

In addition, check out the haunted trail through the Wicked Woods of FrontFEAR Town at the Western Theme Park where there will also be a Vampire Ball with food, music and activities.

The cost is \$5 per person and may not be suitable for little children.

Call 800-228-5590 for more information.

— Paws and Claws on Ocean Gateway in West Ocean City is hosting an annual pet parade on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 12-3 p.m.

Usually, about 100 dogs enter the costume contest, which costs \$1 for each division and proceeds will benefit the Worcester County Humane Society. Attendees can also vote for \$1. There will be prizes and games, demonstrations and vendors in attendance including the Sheriff's Department with canine dogs, K9 Heeling, the Delmarva Unleashed Fast Fetch qualifiers, Rosenfeld's food truck and Backshore Brewing Company.

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# Women Supporting Women walk in Pocomoke

Event set to take place this Saturday and also includes ‘trunk or treat’ for children

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Associate Editor

(Oct. 27, 2016) About seven years ago Josh Nordstrom of Midway Automotive Group was shopping around for a charity to support and to organize an event around in Pocomoke City.

## Stephen Decatur High students earn special distinctions

(Oct. 27, 2016) Twenty-nine Stephen Decatur High School Advanced Placement students earned special College Board distinctions following the 2015-2016 school year including one student who earned national recognition.

The College Board AP Program recognizes high school students who have demonstrated outstanding college-level achievement through AP courses and exams.

The four distinctions include: AP Scholar (granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams); AP Scholar with Honor (granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams); AP Scholar with Distinction (granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams); and National AP Scholar (granted to students who receive an average score of at least 4 on all AP exams taken and scores of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams).

AP Scholars: Scott Devenny, Rebecca Evans, Austin Hickey, Katherine Hofman, Victoria Kerkovich, Diane McCloskey, Zainab Mirza, Alexis Nguyen, Katelyn Norman, Zohar Omer, Jackson Pielstick, Erin Record, Patrick Reid, Summer Vinson and Catherine Winters.

AP Scholars with Honors: Caroline Hammond, Brett Kim, Peter Marx, Samantha Schachter, Peyton Townsend and Hannah Watsky.

AP Scholars with Distinction: Alea Aul, Hyunsoo Chun, Peyton Dunham, Reagan Dunham, Garrett Hickey, Maury Izzett, Megan Jameson and Gabriel Kim.

National AP Scholar: Reagan Dunham.

“We didn’t do stuff like that before I got here. I was at a business after hours when I met the Women Supporting Women team,” he said. “They were so dedicated and passionate, which really shone through during our conversation — things like this come through talking, I find.”

The icing on the cake was the charity is local, run by locals, and all the funds raised stay local.

Finally settling on a format, the seventh annual “Scare Away Breast Cancer” walk is scheduled for Saturday morning. Registration begins at 10 a.m., with the walk beginning at 11 a.m. at Midway Toyota at 1337 Ocean Gateway in Pocomoke City.

An hour later, at noon, a companion “trunk or treat” event for children will take place. Both the

walk and the trunk or treat should be finishing up by 3 p.m.

“I like knowing the money I help raise could, one day, go to help my family or friends,” he said. “It makes it a lot easier to help when asked if I could help, especially when you hear of other charities spending 80 or even 90 percent of the money raised on administrative fees. Every dime I help raise is local, and goes toward local efforts.”

Nordstrom, and the surrounding community have raised quite a few dimes. In the past six years, he said, these events have made more than \$60,000. For information, call 443-614-6021. Last year, the event raised a little more than \$13,300. This year’s goal is \$14,000.

“It’s growing every year. As I sit

down and total everything up every year, I realize it’s a great thing, and it gives the charity money to go out and do great things,” Nordstrom said. “After the event, my feet might hurt and people are exhausted but we all feel like we accomplished something.”

Nordstrom stressed that this isn’t just a Pocomoke City event.

“We get people from Salisbury, Snow Hill, Ocean City — the whole shore. The whole community comes together and the event gets bigger every year,” he said.

In addition to the walk and trunk or treat features, there will also be a costume contest with prizes for best costume, and best “pink” costume, as well as a silent auction.

Vendors selling a variety of goods will also be on site.

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# Coastal Hospice needs more bereavement support help

Volunteer grief counselors sought for friends, families, others after suffering loss

(Oct. 27, 2016) As part of the services it provides, Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care offers grief support and education to families, friends, care providers and others following the death of a loved one.

The hospice is seeking volunteers to assist in bereavement support throughout the four Lower Shore counties: Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester.

Bereavement support volunteers make calls to bereaved families, help with support and social groups, write notes, prepare mailings, enter data and help with other administrative tasks. They also support children's bereavement events including Camp Safe Harbor in the summer and Hope and Healing with Horses in the fall.

"Bereavement volunteers are vitally important to our provision of grief support and recovery," said Howard Travers, Bereavement Services manager for Coastal Hospice. "They provide an invaluable resource not only to our organization but especially to those who lack a solid sup-

port network in the wake of the death of someone they love."

Other volunteer opportunities are also available with Coastal Hospice, including patient care and Thrift Shop work.

Training will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Coastal Hospice Volunteer Offices, Philmore Commons, 224 Phillip Morris Dr., Suite 102, in Salisbury, on the northwest corner of U.S. Route 50 and Phillip Morris Dr.

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

Anyone interested in volunteering for Coastal Hospice bereavement support can call Volunteer Services at 410-742-8732 or email [volser-vices@coastalhospice.org](mailto:volser-vices@coastalhospice.org).

Founded in 1980, Coastal Hospice is a nonprofit health care organization that cares for individuals facing life-limiting conditions but who want to remain as active and engaged as possible.

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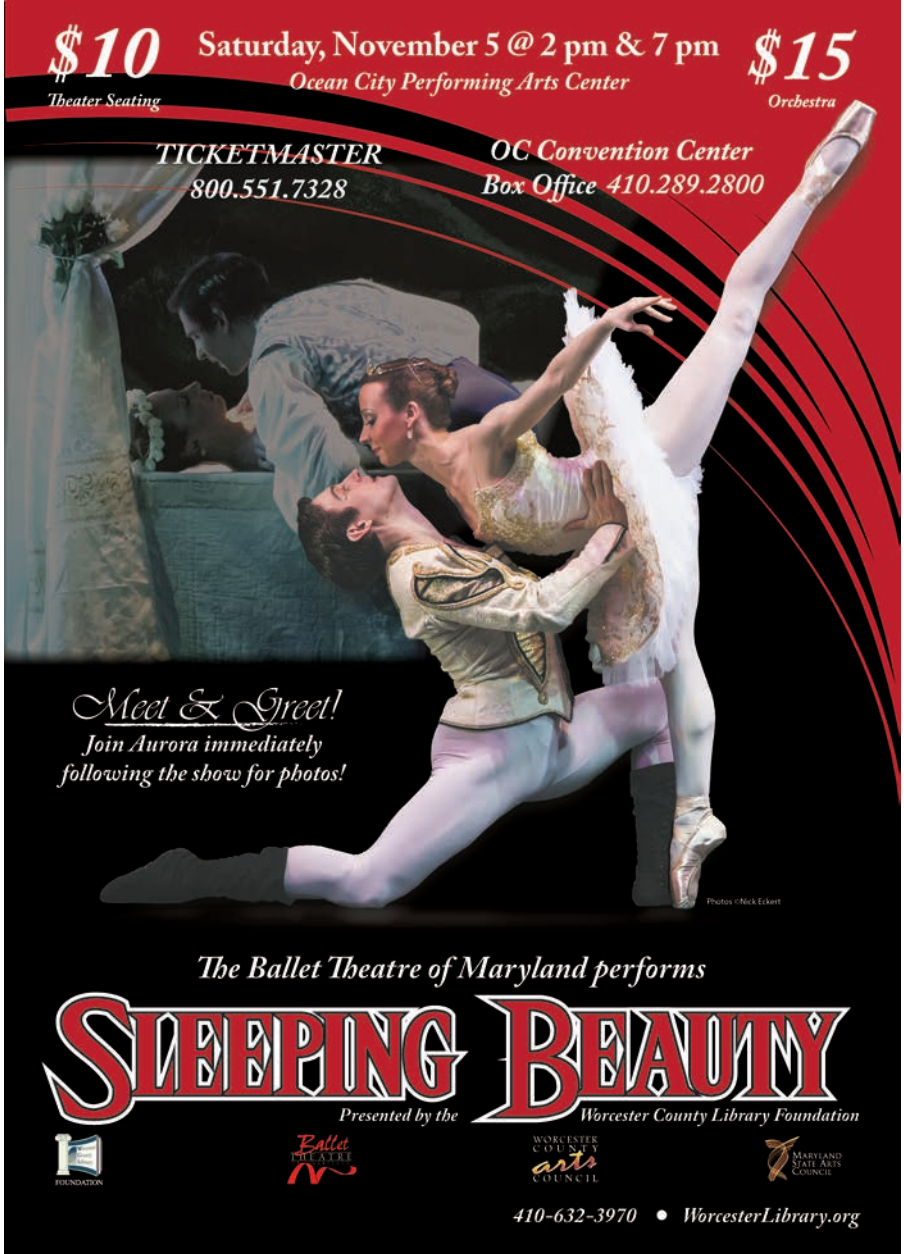


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## OVER/UNDER

BY ELLEN LEUSCHNER AND JEFF CHEN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>54</b> “Thinking ...”	<b>108</b> Print tint	<b>19</b> Mushroom variety
<b>1</b> Take on	<b>57</b> Over the 62-Across	<b>110</b> University of Washington logo	<b>20</b> Start of the fourth qtr.
<b>6</b> Some subjects in Scheherazade's stories	<b>59</b> Prestigious mil. award	<b>112</b> Under the 105-Across	<b>23</b> Early British actress Nell
<b>11</b> Humbled	<b>60</b> International observance in 20-Down, informally	<b>116</b> John Paul's successor	<b>25</b> Like quiche
<b>17</b> Playful leap	<b>62</b> Dreidel, e.g.	<b>118</b> Increasing in pitch	<b>28</b> In conflict
<b>18</b> Mother-of-pearl source	<b>63</b> Cataract	<b>119</b> “Me Talk Pretty One Day” humorist	<b>30</b> Title fictional character who “sprang from his Platonic conception of himself”
<b>20</b> Words preceding “We stand on guard for thee”	<b>64</b> Parisian sibling	<b>120</b> One who can pick his work?	<b>31</b> Clothier Bauer
<b>21</b> “Skyfall” singer	<b>65</b> Exerted	<b>121</b> Impersonate	<b>33</b> Fired bullets, informally
<b>22</b> Over the 27-Across	<b>67</b> Put on the back burner	<b>122</b> Places for studs	<b>35</b> ____ too happy
<b>24</b> In low spirits	<b>70</b> Verizon subsidiary	<b>123</b> ____ dish	<b>36</b> Blinker
<b>26</b> Guarantee that one will	<b>72</b> Old line in Russia	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>37</b> Abbr. on a company's sign
<b>27</b> Rise	<b>73</b> ____ Victory (tourist attraction in Portsmouth, England)	<b>1</b> Signature Obama legislation, for short	<b>39</b> Thin as ____
<b>28</b> Sighed line	<b>76</b> Under the 67-Across	<b>2</b> Gosh-darn	<b>40</b> Front and back, at a golf course
<b>29</b> Rev	<b>79</b> Single-masted pleasure craft	<b>3</b> Floor-length formalwear	<b>41</b> Silly billy
<b>30</b> Obsessed with fantasy role-playing games, say	<b>82</b> Keeps up	<b>4</b> House member from the Bay Area beginning in 1987	<b>46</b> Bull session
<b>32</b> “What have we here?!”	<b>83</b> Neck and neck	<b>5</b> Quite the hike	<b>49</b> “Thinking ...”
<b>34</b> Under the 29-Across	<b>85</b> Luminous	<b>6</b> Be plentiful	<b>50</b> Gerrylanders, say
<b>38</b> Certain swinger, informally	<b>86</b> Abbr. in many Québec city names	<b>7</b> Louis Armstrong vocal feature	<b>51</b> Big Apple paper, for short
<b>42</b> Spanish bear	<b>87</b> Potus No. 34	<b>8</b> High point of a European vacation?	<b>52</b> Situated
<b>43</b> Castor ____ (“Popeye” guy)	<b>88</b> Conditionals	<b>9</b> N.Y.C. div.	<b>53</b> Badly
<b>44</b> Balance-sheet abbr.	<b>89</b> Melodramatic response	<b>10</b> Cry annoyingly	<b>55</b> Informal acknowledgment of responsibility
<b>45</b> Friday, on old TV: Abbr.	<b>91</b> Reagan has one named for him	<b>11</b> Cause for a blessing	<b>56</b> Portland-to- Spokane dir.
<b>47</b> Olympics venue between London and Tokyo	<b>92</b> Competitor of Sapporo and Kirin	<b>12</b> Political columnist Matt	<b>58</b> “That was dumb of me”
<b>48</b> Many a Jazz fan	<b>94</b> Over the 104-Across	<b>13</b> Debate moderator's day job, typically	<b>61</b> “____ Flux” (Charlize Theron film)
<b>50</b> Preserver of bugs	<b>100</b> Commercial prefix with Pen	<b>14</b> H. H. Munro's pen name	<b>64</b> Debugger
<b>52</b> Caffè ____	<b>102</b> With 109-Down, cochlea's place	<b>15</b> Leon ____, Henry James biographer	<b>66</b> Man's name that's the reverse of 117-Down
<b>Online subscriptions:</b> Today's puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles, nytimes.com/crosswords (\$39.95 a year).	<b>103</b> [snort]	<b>16</b> Twain's “celebrated jumping frog”	
	<b>104</b> Sky light	<b>18</b> Crabgrass, e.g.	
	<b>105</b> Sculpture medium for Calder		

<b>67</b> Woodworking fasteners	<b>75</b> Target customer of Yelp	<b>90</b> “Um ... fancy meeting you here”	<b>106</b> Stick ____
<b>68</b> Clueless	<b>76</b> Mount of Greek myth	<b>93</b> [Look what I got away with!]	<b>107</b> Some P.O. plans
<b>69</b> Food preservative abbr.	<b>77</b> R.E.M.'s “The ____ Love”	<b>95</b> Small swigs	<b>109</b> See 102-Across
<b>71</b> Letters ending a business name	<b>78</b> Kind of branch	<b>96</b> Huffs	<b>110</b> Antidote
<b>72</b> Buy-one-get-one-free deal	<b>80</b> Sweets	<b>97</b> Coat for a dentist	<b>111</b> Bank-clock info
<b>73</b> Selfish sort	<b>81</b> Lynn in the Pro Football Hall of Fame	<b>98</b> What “i.e.” means	<b>113</b> Clean-energy grp.
<b>74</b> Villainous	<b>84</b> Application datum: Abbr.	<b>99</b> Charlotte ____, V.I.	<b>114</b> Ringing words?
	<b>89</b> Fashions	<b>101</b> British ____	<b>115</b> Catch
		<b>105</b> Female W.W. II enlistee	<b>117</b> Man's name that's the reverse of 66-Down



# Cuisine

## When weather turns cold, turn to soup

I paddled three times last week, once in an outrigger and twice on an ocean board. I left my house yesterday morning in a T-shirt, only to wish that I could work in shorts and flip-flops, it was so warm.

It was almost as though we were being spoiled by the weather gods as we walked with blissful ignorance into that misty night.

And then today happened. I walked outside and could see my breath in the chilly, 43-degree air that had our quaint little village beset in frigid misery. Despite all of that, our youngest is an 11-year-old, who walked out of the house in just a T-shirt, assuring me that it wasn't cold. He mocked me.

Remember those days? Being a kid in the pool or ocean in September so long that your lips were blue and your entire body shook in convulsions? "Nope," you would say to your parents as they told you that you were cold. "I'm fine" and you would stay in for another hour, barely able to move your joints as you stretched out for the grilled cheese and tomato soup that your mom had so thoughtfully prepared for you.

Nowadays, it only takes me a whiff of the cold autumn air to realize that my aging bones and joints are already creaking. And it is precisely at this moment that I begin to search out comforting foods that will appease said ails and nurse me back to my young self once again: Or least in my mind.

When I experience days such as these, my mind goes in many directions simultaneously. Warming spices? Yes, I could make something that would have cinnamon, allspice, mace, white pepper et al. Or perhaps soups?

Alas, the days of watermelon gazpacho are over and it's time to move on to more robust, rib-sticking potage such as butternut squash soup, clam chowder, cream of crab soup or one of my favorites, beef barley soup.

I couldn't have walked out on a better day to wish for comfort foods as, as mentioned before, it's flipping cold out there, and we are cooking foods from the Midwest today. The Midwest, home to quaint colloquialisms about men, sheep, beer and cheese. But more importantly, home

to fairly hearty foods. And can you blame them? Once the summer is over, it's time to stack wood for the winter!

I have cousins who live in Milwaukee, and as I flew up there in the winter last year, it struck me that it was much like Upstate New York; when we get a foot of snow down here, we're done for a week or so. They wouldn't get a school delay for a foot of snow. Up north, folks are much more hardened to the hardships of winter, and I plan on keeping it that way: them hardened and me not.

One of my students, Donald, made a nice batch of beef barley soup, and as I sit here typing away madly, I can smell (literally) and taste (figuratively) the soup as it is in its final stages.

A straightforward and simple soup, you would do well to enhance the flavors by making your own stocks with which to start. There is nothing quite like a fresh stock from roasted bones to make a soup 'pop' with a freshness that you simply cannot get by using a cheap bouillon or store-bought 'stock' (which is nothing more than bouillon with added water; those sneaky marketers).

You can also use sun-dried tomatoes as a substitute for tomato paste, as the concentrated flavors of the sundries will add a lovely dimension of flavor to your soup. By simply pureeing them with oil and/or stock, you will have the opportunity to bring even more flavors into this simple favorite.

And when the dust settles and the smoke clears, you are left with a bowl of nutrient-dense broth that will help you deal with the cold days ahead. They're coming. Oh, they're coming.

### Beef Barley Soup

*Makes about 3 quarts*

1/4 c. Sundried tomatoes  
3 Tbsp. Chicken stock, or as needed  
2 Tbsp. EV Oil  
8 oz. Lean sirloin, cut into small cubes  
1 ea. Medium carrot, peeled and diced  
3 stalks celery, lightly peeled and diced  
1/2 ea. Red onion, diced

4 ea. Garlic cloves, mashed and minced

2 c. Pearl Barley

2 stems fresh thyme, leaves only

2 qt. Roasted chicken or veal stock

2 ea. Bay leaves

Salt & Pepper to taste

Italian parsley, as needed for garnish

Puree the sundried tomatoes with the chicken stock in a strong blender under perfectly smooth. This is a nice substitute for tomato paste as sundried tomatoes have more of a pronounced flavor. Set aside until later

In a soup pot, heat the olive oil and cook the beef until it has a nice brown crust on at least one side

Add the carrot, celery and onion and cook for four minutes

Add the garlic and cook for an-

other two minutes

Add the barley and cook for five minutes, making sure to stir everything together

Add the time and chicken stock and stir

When it's at a full simmer, turn down a little bit and add the bay leaves

Cook until the barley and beef are both tender

Season to taste and serve with parsley as a garnish



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# NOW PLAYING

## BARN 34

3400 Coastal Highway  
Ocean City  
410-289-5376  
www.barn34oc.com  
Oct. 29: Rymac & AJ, 9 p.m.

## BIG EASY ON 60

5909 Coastal Highway  
Ocean City  
410-524-2305  
www.thebigeasyon60.com  
Oct. 28: Judy Sings the Blues, 7-11 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Pompous Pie, 7-11 p.m.

## BJ'S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-524-7575  
www.bjsonthewater.com  
Oct. 28: Teenage Rust & the Fabulous Restettes, 5 p.m.; Dust N Bones, 9 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Coastal Storm, 9 p.m.  
Nov. 2: Old School, 5 p.m.  
Nov. 3: Bettenroo, 8 p.m.

## BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium  
Ocean City  
443-664-2896  
www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com  
Oct. 28: Dave Sherman, 7-10 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys, 6-11 p.m.  
Oct. 30: Just Jay, 6-9 p.m.  
Nov. 2: Open Mic 7-11 p.m.  
Every Thursday: Dave Sherman & Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

## CAPTAIN'S TABLE

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

## CASINO AT OCEAN DOWNS

10218 Racetrack Road  
Berlin  
410-641-0600  
www.oceandowns.com  
Oct. 28: Sol Knopf, 5:30-9:30 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Everett Spells, 4:30-8:30 p.m.; Monkee Paw Duo, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

## DUFFY'S TAVERN

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

## FAGER'S ISLAND

60th Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-524-5500  
www.fagers.com  
Oct. 28: DJ Hook, 9 p.m.  
Oct. 29: DJ Groove, 9 p.m.; Hot D, 9:30 p.m.

## FROG BAR

806 S. Atlantic Ave. (Inlet Village)  
Ocean City  
410-289-FROG  
Oct. 29: Classic Rock w/Phil Maier

## HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road  
West Ocean City  
410-213-1846

www.ocharborside.com  
Oct. 28: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Simple Truth/Side Project, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m.  
Oct. 30: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 6:30 p.m.  
Oct. 31: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy  
Nov. 3: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

## HARPOON HANNA'S

Route 54 and the bay  
Fenwick Island, Del.  
800-227-0525  
302-539-3095  
www.harpoonhannasrestaurant.com  
Oct. 28: Dave Hawkins, 5-10 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Dave Sherman, 6-10 p.m.  
Nov. 3: Kevin Poole, 6-10 p.m.

## M.R. DUCKS

Talbot Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-289-9125  
www.mrducks.com  
Oct. 28: DJ Batman, 5 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Dr. Harmonica, 3 p.m.

## OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant  
In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel  
101st Street and the ocean  
Ocean City  
410-524-3535  
www.clarionoc.com  
Every Wednesday-Sunday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
Oct. 28-29: Elvisfest, 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. 29: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.

## SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay  
Ocean City  
410-524-4900  
www.secrets.com  
Oct. 28: DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Stellar Mojo, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.  
Oct. 29: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; Jon Maurer Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Bobby O, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Gypsy Wisdom, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

## SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside  
Ocean City  
410-723-6762  
www.skyebaroc.com  
Oct. 28: Elwood Bishop Trio, 4-8 p.m.  
Oct. 29: Test Kitchen, 4-8 p.m.

## TOUCH OF ITALY

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

## WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17  
Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines  
443-365-2576  
www.whiskersbar.com  
Oct. 28: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey - Halloween Party, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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# Election guidelines as big day approaches

(Oct. 27, 2016) For the 2016 presidential general election, voters can vote in person or by absentee ballot.

To vote in person, voters can vote before election day at a designated early voting center in their county of residence or on election day at the polling place for their residence.

Early voting centers will be open for voting from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. from Thursday, Oct. 27 through and including Thursday, Nov. 3. The best days to vote early to avoid delays are Saturday, Oct. 29 and Sunday, Oct. 30.

There is at least one early voting center in each county, and voters should vote at an early voting center in their county of residence. Addresses of all early voting centers are available at [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early\\_voting.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early_voting.html).

Voters who prefer to vote on election day can vote on Tuesday, Nov. 8. On election day, polling places will be open for voting from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. To avoid delays, voters should try to vote between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

During early voting, voters should vote at a designated early voting center in their county of residence. There is at least one early voting center in every county. Centers are located at accessible facilities with adequate parking and within a convenient driving distance for most voters in the county. Information about early vot-

ing centers and early voting in general is available at [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early\\_voting.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early_voting.html).

On election day, voters should vote at their assigned polling place. Voters can find their assigned polling place by looking at the voter notification card they received from their local board of elections or by clicking the Find your Polling Place link at [www.elections.maryland.gov](http://www.elections.maryland.gov).

Voters who have moved, but have not updated their address with their local board, should search for the polling place for their new address or contact their local board of elections. It is important for voters to vote in the polling place for their new address because only those contests for which voters are eligible to vote will be counted.

There is a new paper-based voting system in Maryland. Voters will now cast votes by marking and scanning paper ballots. Most voters will use pens to mark paper ballots by hand, but there will be an accessible device for voters who need help reading or marking a ballot.

All voters will insert their marked paper ballots into a scanner. Instructions will be available to help voters familiarize themselves with the ballot and how to vote. Voters may also ask an election judge to explain how to vote on the voting system, but a voter must vote alone, unless the voter is unable to do so because of disability, inability to write,

or inability to read the ballot.

For absentee and provisional voting, voters are issued a paper ballot. Absentee voters who choose to receive their ballot electronically, print their own paper ballot to mark by hand or use the online ballot marking tool to mark and print the ballot.

To mark a ballot by hand, voters fill in the ovals next to the candidates or ballot question responses for which they want to vote. At the local board of elections, the ballot is fed into a scanner that reads and tabulates the selections made by voters. All provisional ballots and absentee ballots are reviewed in a public meeting after the election and counted or rejected according to State law and regulation.

Voters may request to receive their absentee ballot by mail, electronically, or by fax. Visit [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html) to request an absentee ballot.

The deadline to request a mailed absentee ballot is Tuesday, Nov. 1. The deadline to request an electronic absentee ballot is Friday, Nov. 4. Voters who request an electronic absentee ballot will be notified by email that their ballot is ready for download, then instructed to enter unique identifying information before printing their ballot, voting instructions, and return envelope template.

If you miss the above deadlines, but still want to vote by absentee ballot, you or your agent must apply in person at

your local board of elections before 8 p.m. on election day. Visit [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html) for more information.

Voted absentee ballots may be delivered to your local board of elections by 8 p.m. on election day or mailed on or before election day and received by your local board by Friday, Nov. 18.

A provisional ballot is a safeguard to ensure that individuals who believe they are registered and eligible to vote are able to vote. Voters required to vote by provisional ballot will be asked to complete a provisional ballot application, and then issued a paper ballot.

It is important that voters complete the entire provisional ballot application because the information on the application is used to determine whether the provisional ballot will be counted.

A provisional ballot will only be counted after the local board of elections has reviewed the provisional ballot application and determined that the individual is in fact registered and eligible to vote the provisional ballot.

Additional information about provisional voting is available at [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/provisional\\_voting.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/provisional_voting.html).

Voters can visit [www.elections.maryland.gov/elections/2016/index.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/elections/2016/index.html) for more information or contact their local board of elections or the State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-VOTE (8683).



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# Calendar

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## THU, OCT. 27

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

**STROKE SUPPORT GROUP**  
Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 2 to 3 p.m. Providing physical and emotional support for survivors and caregivers to share personal experiences and challenges. Coping strategies also discussed. Dawn Denton, [ddenton@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:ddenton@atlanticgeneral.org), 410-641-9268

**2ND ANNUAL HAUNTED LIBRARY**  
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. This free event will feature a haunted maze in the upstairs meeting room. The first 50 or so escapees will be awarded with a free book. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

**BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES ROUNDTABLE TALK**  
Germantown School Community Heritage Center, 10223 Trappe Road, Berlin, mD, 6 p.m. District 5 candidates Tom Terry and Elena McDomas will be in attendance. Francis Gebhart from District 5 will also be there. Sara Thompson is not available. Bring questions and join the Worcester County NAACP for this roundtable talk. 443-944-6701

**POCOWEEN**  
Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 6 to 8 p.m. Trick or Treat around the museum, watch Mac and Tuck enjoy their first pumpkin at 7 p.m. and meet the slithery and slippery creatures. Come in costume to enter for a chance to win prizes. <http://www.DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org>

**WINE PAIRING DINNER**  
Casino at Ocean Downs, 10218 Racetrack Road, Berlin, MD, 6 p.m. Dinner will include four exclusive courses with select wine pairings, \$15 in free play per person, door prizes and a raffle. Tickets cost is \$75 per person and can be purchased by texting WINEJAG to 41444. Proceeds benefit services and programs provided by Atlantic General Hospital. Toni Keiser, 410-641-9678, <http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/Volunteer/Junior-Auxiliary-Group.aspx>

**BINGO**  
American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., games start at 6:30 p.m. Food and non-alcoholic drinks available at 5:15 p.m. Open to the public. 410-289-3166, <http://www.alpost166.org>

## FRI, OCT. 28

**7TH ANNUAL LOCAL'S APPRECIATION WEEK**  
Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S Atlantic Ave. Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m. The Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum is offering free admission and 10 percent off gift shop purchases to any visitor who considers themselves a “local” (anyone who loves Ocean City and considers it their home for a day, month, year)., <http://www.ocmuseum.org>

**FREE INTRODUCTORY PICKLEBALL CLINICS**  
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, Ocean Pines, MD, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Every Friday through Dec. 16. Free clinic for brand new players. Registration is required by calling 410-641-7052.

**2ND ANNUAL HAUNTED LIBRARY**  
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5 to 7 p.m. This free event will feature a haunted maze in the upstairs meeting room. The first 50 or so escapees will be awarded with a free book. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

**TRACK OR TREAT**  
Worcester County Recreation Center, 6030 Public Landing Road, Snow Hill, MD, 6 to 8 p.m. Local vendors will hand out goodies to kids and kid-friendly games will be offered. Children, ages 12 and younger, should come dressed in their Halloween costume and bring a bag to collect their goodies. There is no admission fee, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Lea Cataggio, [lcattaggio@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:lcattaggio@co.worcester.md.us), 410-632-2144, Ext. 2509, <http://www.Worcester-RecandParks.org>

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

## SAT, OCT. 29

**O.C.TOBERFEST SEASIDE 10 AND 5K**  
Inlet Parking Lot and Boardwalk, 405 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 7 a.m. All are welcome to come wearing their most outrageous costumes. The course utilizes Ocean City’s historic boardwalk and main artery through the center of town to 69th Street and back. All 10-miler finishers receive a medal. Register online or on site. Packet pick-up begins at 7 a.m. with the 10-mile run starting at 9 a.m. followed shortly after by the start of the 5K race at 9:15 a.m. Takes place rain or shine. <http://OCTrrunning.com>

**CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE**  
Ocean City Presbyterian Church, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: 410-289-9340.

**THE PARKE GARAGE SALE**  
The Parke at Ocean Pines, Central Parke West and Chatham Street, Ocean Pines, MD, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Parke of Ocean Pines is holding its community sale in the driveways of its residents. There are clothes, lamps, artwork, household items, electronics, furniture and more. Maps will

be available at the main entrance located at Central Parke West. Rain date is Nov. 5. Parke Clubhouse Staff, 410-208-4994

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

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

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**BERLIN BUTCHER SHOP GRAND OPENING**  
Berlin Butcher Shop, 101 Williams St., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. A ribbon cutting will be held at 10:30 a.m. Lots of specials offered.

**CHURCH LUNCHEON**  
Bowen United Methodist Church, 8421 Newark Road, Newark, MD, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oyster sandwiches (the oysters are not cut up), chicken salad, hot dogs, soups and baked goods.

**O.C.TOBERFEST BEACH MAZE**  
Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, Atlantic Avenue at N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Family fun

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**O.C.TOBERFEST THE GREAT PUMPKIN RACE**  
Ocean City Boardwalk at N. Division Street, Atlantic Avenue and N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 12 p.m. Build your own pumpkin race car and compete in this side-by-side down-hill race. Prizes awarded. Download complete event rules from OCocean.com or SpecialEventPro.com. Registration and team check-in begins at noon with racing commencing at 1 p.m. <http://specialeventpro.com/oc-toberfest>

**ANNUAL HALLOWEEN FALL FESTIVAL**  
White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 4 p.m. Costume contests, carnival games, face painting, pony rides, candy, a haunted hay ride, crafts, refreshments for sale and more. Admission and games are free; there will be a fee for some attractions. The event will also include a chance to vote for the contestants in the “Pup of the Pines” dog and puppy photo contest. Volunteers and candy donations are needed. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052

**O.C.TOBERFEST SHORE CRAFT BEER FEST**  
Sunset Park, South Division Street west of South Philadelphia Avenue, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The 2nd Annual Shore Craft Beer Fest will feature 15 Delmarva breweries, a well as two food trucks and live music by Alex and Shiloh. There will be a special VIP admission at 12:30 p.m. Costs are \$35 for General admission, \$45 for VIP tickets and \$10 for designated drivers. Rain date is Oct. 30. 800-626-2326, <http://www.ShoreCraft.com>

**BULL & OYSTER ROAST**  
American Legion, 2308 Philadelphia Ave, Ocean City, MD, 2 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$40 which includes pit beef, raw and fried oysters, sausage with peppers and onions, salads, beer and soda. Music by The Stims, plant and money wheels, 50/50 and door prizes. Sponsored by the Ocean City Ravens Roost #44. Benefits are used to assist local charities and causes. Tickets: Eric Waterman, 410-598-4597 or [eric\\_waterman@comcast.net](mailto:eric_waterman@comcast.net).

**O.C.TOBERFEST POKEMON-GO HUNT**  
Ocean City Boardwalk south end to First Street, 405 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 3 to 5 p.m. Ocean City’s boardwalk is a hotbed of activity for PokemonGO players with numerous Pokestops and several Pokemon Gym locations. Ocean City will “light up” the boardwalk for two hours by placing virtual lures at each Pokestop along the boardwalk from the south end to First Street. <http://www.ococean.com>



# Calendar

**GHOSTS OF FURNACE TOWN**  
Furnace Town Living Heritage Museum, 3816 Old Furnace Road, Snow Hill, MD, 4 p.m. to 12 a.m. The evening kicks off with a book signing by paranormal author, Mindie Burgoyne for her latest work, “Haunted Lower Eastern Shore” from 4-6 p.m. Ghosts stories featuring those known to haunt Furnace Town from 6-7:30 p.m. And from 8 p.m. to midnight, accompany the Wicomico County Paranormal Society and the Delmarva Spirit Hunters in a Ghost Hunt through the forests of Furnace Town, which date back to 1828. Cost is \$10 per ticket. Must be 16 years or older. 410-632-2032

**O.C.TOBERFEST LIVE CONCERT**  
Caroline Street Stage on the Ocean City Beach, 112 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 4:30 to 6 p.m. Featuring “The Janitors” with their tight blend of rhythm & blues, 60s soul, 70s funk, country, classic rock and current top 40 dance songs. Take your beach chairs and blankets for this free outdoor concert.

**O.C.TOBERFEST OC FRIGHT LIGHTS**  
Ocean City Beach from N. Division Street to the Amusement Pier, 3 Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Lasers and active imagery on a 60’ diameter sphere. Immediately following the laster show, the sky will come alive with fireworks all set to Halloween-themed music. Take beach chairs and blankets. Free event. Subject to weather and wind. <http://www.ococean.com>

**‘THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW’ ACS FUNDRAISING EVENT**  
The Globe, 12 Broad Street, Berlin, MD, 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Watch the movie, win door prizes, bid on silent auction items and order themed drinks. Compete in the Rocky Horror costume contest and Time Warp dance contest and win prizes. Admission is free. Cost to enter contests is \$5. Registration for contests begins at 8 p.m. Contests and judging will be held from 9-10 p.m. The movie will begin immediately after. Prop bags will be available for \$5 donation. All proceeds benefit Relay For Life/American Cancer Society. Christine Waggoner, 410-726-3220

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

**HALLOWEEN SPOOK-OUT PARTY**  
Northside Park Recreation Complex’s Community Room, 200 125th Street, Ocean City, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Featuring carnival games, arts & crafts, hayrides and snacks. Costume contests scheduled throughout the event. Price of admission is a bag of individually wrapped candy per child. Ocean City Recreation and Parks, 410-250-0125, <http://www.oceancitymd.gov>

**GEM’S TEA HONORS LOCAL WOMEN**  
Dunes Manor Hotel, 2800 Baltimore Ave, Ocean City, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. The Worcester County Commission for Women, in conjunction with the Friends of the Worcester County Commission for Women, will be honoring Vicki Nock of Berlin, Barbara Purnell of Berlin, Ann Coates of Snow Hill and Annette Wallace of Pocomoke. Cost is \$25. Reservations and info: Carol Rose, 410-430-7540.

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

## MON, OCT. 31

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White Marlin Mall, 12641 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, MD, 4 to 6 p.m. Children, age 12 and younger, and dressed in a costume can visit participating merchants for a small token of appreciation. <http://www.whitemarlinmall.com/events.asp>

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

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

## TUE, NOV. 1

**SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING**  
All Hallows Church Parish House, 109 W. Market Street, Snow Hill, MD, 7:30 a.m. Contact [agibb1@verizon.net](mailto:agibb1@verizon.net) or 410-546-1978 for more information.

**STORY TIME**  
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

**YOUNG & RESTLESS ‘MAGNET FUN!’**  
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 10:30 a.m. Hands on exploration for children ages 3-7 years. 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

**‘CAREGIVER CONNECTION’ FREE SEMINAR**  
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn communication strategies and how to ask for support, how to connect with other caregivers and how to prepare a plan of care. Community resources will also be covered. Hosted by Home Instead Senior Care. Advance registration is required. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052, <http://www.OceanPines.org>

**OCEAN CITY CANDIDATES NIGHT**  
American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5 p.m. There will be a meet and greet social hour from 5-6 p.m. At 6 p.m., each candidate will have 10 minutes to address the attendees. Followed by a question and answer session. Sarge Garlitz, 443-735-1952

**FAMILY NIGHT! ‘STORIES & SMORES’**  
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway,

Ocean City, MD, 5:30 p.m. Hear some good reads and enjoy a craft and snacks. For children 4 years and older with their caregivers. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

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Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Berlin group 331. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. [jean-duck47@gmail.com](mailto:jean-duck47@gmail.com)

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

## WED, NOV. 2

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

**HYPERTENSION CLINIC**  
Rite Aid, 10119 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Wednesday of every. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

**HYPERTENSION CLINIC**  
Rite Aid, 11011 Manklin Creek Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Wednesday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

**DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB**  
Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the ‘50s, ‘60s and Carolina Beach music. Meets every Wednesday. [dance@delmarvahanddancing.com](mailto:dance@delmarvahanddancing.com), 302-200-3262, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

**FREE FINANCIAL SEMINAR**  
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Learn how dementia can affect financial planning. William G. Ryan III and Daniel W. Rowles will explain why you should pay attention to the signs of dementia and how to create a successful plan. Registration is required. Ocean Pines Aquatics Department, 410-641-7052

**OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING**  
Captain’s Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. [cliff0917@aol.com](mailto:cliff0917@aol.com), 410-641-1700

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP**  
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 to 8 p.m. The group meets on the first Wednesday of each month. All welcome. AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-641-9703



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**Town of Ocean View**  
**FINANCE DIRECTOR**  
The Town of Ocean View, Delaware is looking for a qualified financial manager to serve as the Finance Director. The Finance Director reports to and provides assistance to the Town Manager in the administration of the Town's financial operations.  
Responsibilities include providing financial services to the Town in areas such as budget forecasting and preparation; financial reporting; audit management; oversight of the Town's revenue and expenditures; and administration of payroll, property taxes, water utility billing/collection, and municipal grants. The position requires an individual to perform highly responsible and critical accounting functions and requires extensive analytical, organizational, and communication skills.  
A bachelor's degree in accounting is preferred with at least 5 years of increasingly responsible accounting/financial or auditing experience. The Finance Director must be a strong, hands-on financial professional, with a high level of ethics and integrity; be able to make independent decisions; be able to exercise discretion, tact, courtesy, and patience with internal and external customers; and effectively and accurately complete analytical or interpretative financial projects. Strong interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills are a must. The position requires a high level of computer proficiency including experience with appropriate software including the Microsoft Office Suite and municipal financial software.  
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**Ms. Dianne L. Vogel, Town Manager**  
201 Central Avenue; Ocean View, DE 19970  
*Or, respond by email to: [townmgrtov@oceanviewde.com](mailto:townmgrtov@oceanviewde.com)*  
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