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# Golf management shakeup still shaking out

In February, it was confirmed that the board was in fact making a change. Three potential management companies, including Casper and

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Landscapes Unlimited officially took over management of the Ocean Pines Association golf course on May 1. Pictured, from left, are directors Tom Terry and Dave Stevens, Worcester County Commissioners President Jim Bunting, directors Sharyn O'Hare, Pat Renaud, and Jack Collins, Landscapes Vice President of Finance Bryce Juedes, Landscapes Regional Manager Scott Nissley and Landscapes Vice President of Business Development Mark Mattingly.

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# YIR 2015

## Ocean Pines gave up ghost on Casper, spirited in LU, in '15

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Landscapes, made pitches on Feb. 14 in Ocean Pines, and a week later, on Feb. 20, the board voted 4-3 to select Landscapes.

"I think Landscapes offered a clear difference in direction from what Casper was pursuing," Stevens said following a closed meeting. "They believe that they can build the revenues by keeping a stronger balance of members to outside playing. Casper believes, after their experience here, that you can't."

O'Hare, speaking for the minority, said she was disappointed by the outcome of the vote.

"I think decisions were made before they walked into the room," she said. "Nobody's opinions were changed during the discussion. I'm extremely disturbed about this decision and I think the bottom line is they just felt they needed a change and I absolutely see no logic in that."

On May 1, Landscapes officially took control of the course, as well as the attached clubhouse and the Tern Grille restaurant. In a peculiar, parallel move, Casper's entire Ocean Pines team, including PGA Director of Golf John Malinowski and Golf Course Superintendent Rusty McLendon, made the transition to Landscapes along with the course itself.

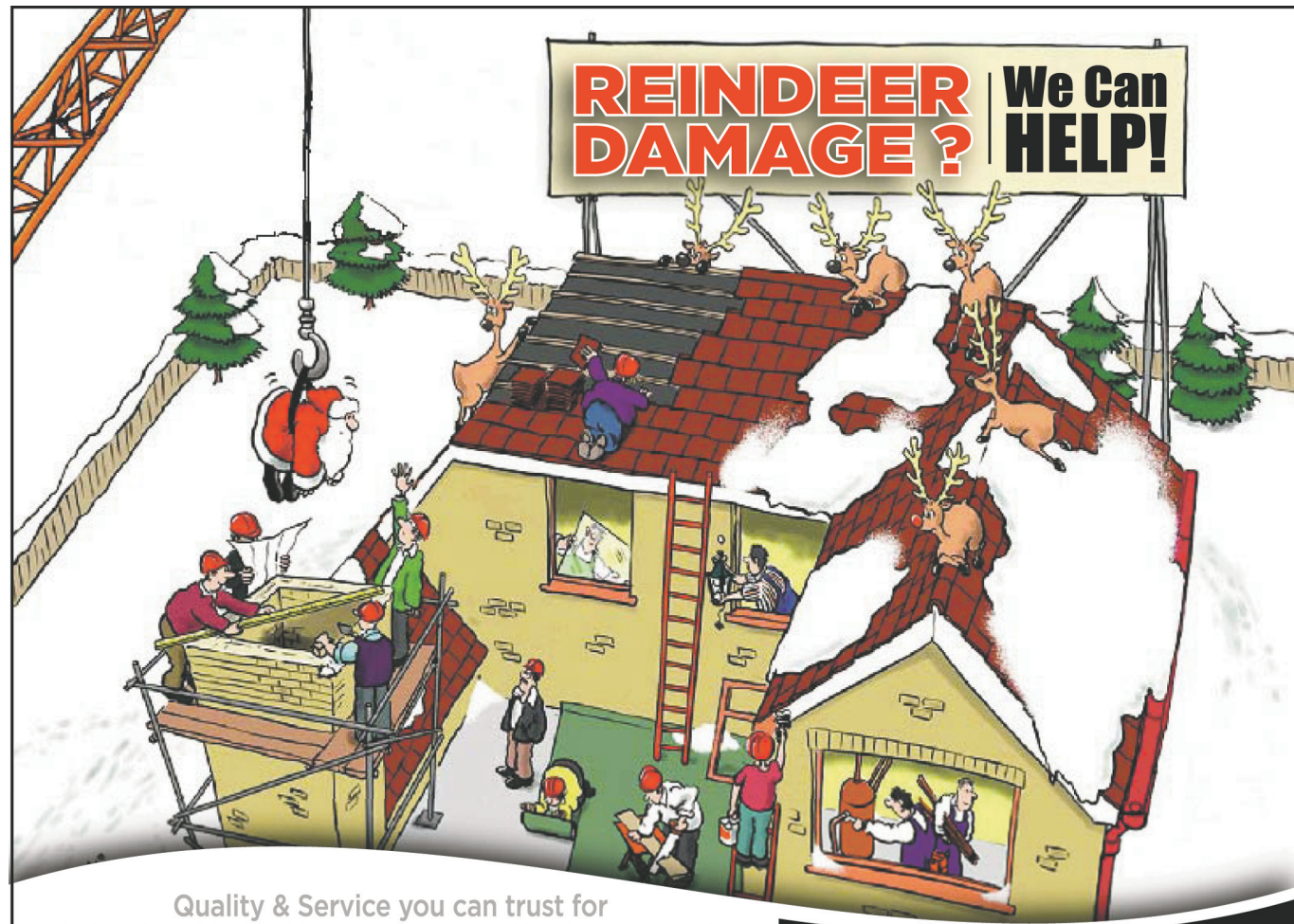
Director Jack Collins, part of the board selection committee, praised the new management company during the transition.

"I've got to tell you, [Landscapes] has been extremely cooperative and very, very motivated to make this transition smooth and well organized, as well as making a promise that this course is going to be one of their top priorities within their organization," Collins said. "That's exactly what we wanted to hear as a board."

While Casper focused the majority of its attention on outside play, Landscapes said the focus of its regime would be the membership of Ocean Pines residents, which had dwindled to less than 200.

Little was heard about the performance of the course, outside of brief monthly updates during board meetings, until October, when Stevens and Collins, two men who voted in favor of Landscapes, openly complained about its lack of transparency.

Stevens, during the Oct. 29 regular board meeting, said he had not seen a draft of the Nebraska-based company's business plan, which, according to its contract, was due by Oct. 15. He also questioned new Board President Pat Renaud's judgment in selecting three board liaisons to golf, apparently without the considering of all of the directors.



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## Pines directors want golf process to open up

Those representatives were Renaud, Bill Cordwell and Tom Terry. Of the three, only Renaud voted to select Landscapes over Casper.

The volume went up to 11 during a November board meeting, when several directors erupted into a series of shouting matches that lasted nearly an hour. Once again, golf was at the center of the disagreement, with several directors citing the lack of information by Landscapes and objecting to Renaud's appointments.

"The question is, does the president have credential appointment power with respect to the management agreement with Landscapes Unlimited to do so on his own?" Director Tom Herrick said. "I think we should have a discussion about that."

Cordwell leapt to defend the appointments and went on to say others on the board were questioning his integrity. He acknowledged that he had opposed replacing former management company Billy Casper Golf earlier this year, but said he now supported Landscapes.

"They're our management company now and we're going to help them succeed," he said. "There's just so much hypocrisy going on with this whole thing, and, yes, this whole golf thing has been contentious and it didn't need to be."

Collins openly chuckled during Cordwell's comments, igniting a wave of indignation.

"Can I help you, Mr. Collins?" Cordwell asked. "Because you're part of this ... not one time did you bother to ask me what I thought about this whole process. You didn't want me there."

Stevens said he brought his own liaison appointments to the board, and hammered Renaud for not following protocol.

Cordwell and Terry, however, disagreed with that analysis.

"You did not bring anything to the board for our discussion," Cordwell said. "It was never brought to the board and voted on. Absolutely not."

Stevens bristled.

"Listen harder," he said. "I said the appointments were brought to the board and I asked if, without objection, the board approved to this. If I did it wrong, I did it wrong, but that doesn't mean you do it wrong twice," he added.

Stevens went on to say the lack of information from Landscapes was starting to mirror the situation with the previous golf management company, which ultimately led to its replacement. Eventually, Renaud stepped in and suggested the board vote on his appointments, resulting in a 4-3 confirmation.

Stevens then motioned for a special meeting with Landscapes and the entire board, which passed 5-2.

Three weeks later, the association released a painstaking seven page, 2,333-word account of a meeting between the three appointed directors and Landscapes. According to the report, the course had 116 members as of September, a decline of several dozen since Landscapes took over. In a business plan discussed during the meeting, the company revealed it hoped to add 10 new members during the next fiscal year.

Operations of the clubhouse were also a matter of discussion, as the

company said it was concerned that "mold may be causing unhealthy working conditions in the clubhouse." Landscapes said several employees had become sick while working there.

Renaud said he was pleased with the meeting overall and attributed the drop in membership to an ongoing, trending decline. He added that the representatives convinced Landscapes to modify its membership growth goals to 32 new members.

"I'm feeling pretty positive about where we're going," Renaud said.

Collins, however, said he was surprised by the tone of the document.

"It looked like an adversarial meeting to me," he said. "It appeared as though there was a lot of dissatisfaction with the overall report. Not being in the room, I don't know what the tone and tenor was, but it seems as though the [three] reps were not pleased."

He said he read the first draft of

Landscapes' business plan, calling it "quite detailed and researched."

"I'd never seen anything like that before, being on the board, so I was impressed by the detail," he said. "Could it be tweaked? Yeah, it could be. That's why I was hoping there would be an opportunity for everyone on the board to have some input."

As for the possibility of the open meeting approved by the board in November, Collins expressed doubt.

"I would like to see the process open up and I would like to see there be a dialogue between all the board members and I think it should be televised," he said. "I think it should be open to the public and I think the public should be aware of what's going on."

"I don't know if that's going to happen or not," he added. "I have no idea."

On the issue of mold in the clubhouse, the Gazette published a story on Dec. 17 suggesting the association was aware of the problem as far back as 2011, when an outside evaluation recommended mold remediation at a price tag of just over \$4,000.

It was unclear if the community ever took the suggested steps.

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# YEAR IN REVIEW 2015

## Growth in 'coolest' town undeniable

**By Josh Davis**  
Staff Writer

(Dec. 31, 2015) Last year, a majority of the headlines in Berlin centered on its "Coolest Small Town" designation, to the point where the Gazette considered a temporary moratorium on the dreaded "c-word."

Growth in the small town has been undeniable, however, and that trend continued throughout 2015, when change came in both small and large doses.

Several new businesses opened doors in and around Main Street, considered the hotbed of commerce in Berlin, including new restaurants at the north (Leaky Pete's) and south (Crush 'n Crab) ends. In between, a new fine arts gallery, Art in the Fields, opened with an exhibition featuring legendary pop artist Andy Warhol.

On the outskirts of town, Rinnier Development Company introduced plans for Oceans East, a major new housing complex with potentially 700-plus units on Seahawk Road, near Stephen Decatur High School.

Berlin annexed the property in March, although a text amendment battle over just how wide each building of the complex could be continued into November, when a 3-1 vote de-

cided to set the magic number at 36 units – at maximum – with future discretion given to the town's planning commission.

The town had no problem with moving an Arby's on Ocean Gateway across the street, literally paving the way for a new Royal Farms in its place.

A Dollar General store on Old Ocean City Road near Healthway Drive was not as lucky, ping-ponging back and forth between the planning commission, town council and the county's circuit court, until the developer, Oxford Chase, eventually settled on another property, near the corner of Flower Street and Assateague Road.

Cannery Village, a 44-unit affordable housing complex developed by Osprey Property Company, located on Flower Street, broke ground in June, and the first renters were approved to move in as of November.

The Berlin Chamber of Commerce grew too, doubling its staff as it named Ocean Pines resident Larnet St. Amant as its new executive director in May and Salisbury native Morgan Coulson as the new administrative assistant during the following month.

In June, Mayor Gee William teased yet another possible new development, when he told the Gazette he was

approached by Hugh Cropper, an attorney representing the Carl M. Freeman Foundation, who floated the idea of annexing the Bay Club on Liberty Town Road into Berlin limits with the goal of building 300 luxury homes on the site.





"It's the beginning of the beginning of the discussion," Williams said at the time, adding the project would involve converting the two golf courses into "an upscale housing development for high-income individuals."

The developer would pay for needed infrastructure and "ongoing water and sewer costs," Williams said.

Even the former Tyson's Chicken plant, on Old Ocean City Boulevard, was eyed for redevelopment, as the town purchased the property for an estimated \$2.5 million and conducted several studies to gauge feasibility and environmental risks and benefits for the 68-acre property.

In September, the town met with design firm EDSA during a pair of feasibility sessions at town hall, when renderings showed dozens of possibilities for the property, ranging from low-cost hiking trails, to an indoor/outdoor swimming facility, to a state-of-the-art amphitheater.

For residents, Williams said the




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Wells: 2016 will be year of train, ‘Berlin Falls’

town wanted to provide low-cost or free services at the site, while trying to generate revenue through tourism to offset the purchase of the property, as well as its maintenance.

He added that the former plant, now tentatively being called “Berlin Falls,” would be developed in phases over a period of many years.

“No one is expecting, including the mayor and council, everything to be done all at one time,” he said. “Basically, their objective is coming up with a multiple-phase plan that will get as much initial use as is physically feasible and financially feasible, so we can put the property to work for the citizens of Berlin and our guests.”

Williams said the design of the new facility – or facilities – would, “look like it belongs in Berlin,” and that all involved hoped to transform the former industrial property, “from a blight to a treasure.”

“It’s not going to be something that looks like it belongs in Miami Beach, or some area that has a totally different culture,” he said. “It will be compatible with the heritage of the community. That doesn’t mean it can’t be innovative, but it’s not going to be out of place.”

In October, several hundred people gathered in an open field near the Waystead Inn on Harrison Avenue, as the Worcester County Library Foundation unveiled plans for a new \$4.5 million branch of the Worcester County Library.

Work on the project could begin next year – if funding is secured – on what would be an 11,000 square-foot facility, three times larger than the town’s current library. The foundation hopes to raise \$300,000 to furnish the new building.

The county also got into the act, spending thousands to study an excursion train potentially located in Berlin and acting as a major tourist attraction for the entire region.

In October, Stone Consulting Vice President Randall Gustafson told the county commissioners that its phase two of a \$20,000 feasibility study found that an excursion train could generate \$1.9 million in ticket sales revenue during its first year, versus about \$1.7 in operating costs.

He projected more than 72,000 people riding the train annually, along with \$17.6 million in total revenue to the area, creating more than 470 full-time jobs.

The town also moved the finish several major stormwater improvements

this year, using just under \$2 million in grant money to tackle problem areas near the Hudson Branch on Flower Street.

Phase two of improvements would target Williams Street, then move to Cedar, Pine, Franklin, Maple, Grice and Nelson streets during the final phase.

Consultant Darl Kolar, from EA Engineering, Science and Technology Inc., said an additional \$1 million in funding was being sought through the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Development program, and the Flower Street improvements should be completed by July 2016.

Berlin Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells, who took over late last year, said 2016 would be the year of the excursion train in Berlin, as well as the year that the former Tyson’s Chicken plant becomes redeveloped into a star attraction of the town.

Of the long-discussed excursion train, Wells said she, Town Administrator Laura Allen and Worcester County Economic Development Director Merry Mears would fly to North Carolina on Dec. 28, and spend three days touring the facilities of the Great Smoky Mountain Railroad Company.

Williams spoke about the remarkable turnaround in Berlin, which essentially occurred over several generations, during a Gazette interview in November.

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Berlin looking for right balance in development

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“When I used to talk about growth years ago people just laughed,” he said. Williams remembers a time during the 1970s, when he was covering town politics for what was then the Eastern Shore Times, the paper in Berlin at the time. “In the old days, the meetings would go on until past midnight and very little would get decided. You talk about the ultimate frustration,” he said. “Maybe, along with what I honestly believe is caring for the town, I have a few psychological scars from those days. I don’t ever want to see that happen again.”

He said the town would hold planning sessions in January 2016 to formulate a formal, long-term plan for growth in Berlin. The town previously held four strategic planning in the early part of 2015. Williams said the upcoming meetings, led by consulting firm Environmental Resources Management, would be more focused. “The strategic planning sessions were an open slate. We were looking for ideas,” he said. “Here we have a situation where there’ll be, literally, a series of workshops, each with a scene.” Williams said the subjects, while not finalized, would likely include

areas such as land use, design and architecture, impact on transportation and economic growth. “We need to have a community conversation that then evolves into an overall plan,” Williams said. “It’s got to be a thoughtful process – it can’t just be someone stands up and has passionate feelings about something and that’s it. That’s not what planning is about. I want informed opinions and thoughtful suggestions.” What Berlin does not want to do, Williams said, is to become another Salisbury. “I’ve heard at least one councilperson say we’re going to be a community of

20,000 people,” Williams said. “No. We’re not after trying to be another large community. But to say we’re going to allow just another a few hundred people in and then we’re closing that gate and building the wall, that’s not planning. That’s burying your head in the sand.” “Just because other communities that are within our sight have not done this does not mean we can’t,” Williams added. “There are real answers, but it takes an informed public that thinks beyond the next year or two – or next five years – to make all of that happen. I have absolute confidence in the people of our community that we’ll find that right balance.”

Pines election brought in two new directors

**By Josh Davis**  
Staff Writer  
(Dec. 31, 2015) Seven candidates ran for two vacant seats on the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors this year with, typical to the community, no shortage of fireworks and controversy. The first seat opened up in April, when the Gazette reported that 67-

year-old Sharyn O’Hare would not seek a second term. At least partially responsible for her decision, she said, was an increasingly confrontational board of directors. “Everything changed after [the 2014] election,” she said, adding that it was difficult to watch fellow female director Terri Mohr lose her re-election bid. “[Women are] not an in-your-face type,” she said. “I think women tend to solve problems. We don’t have to man up and beat on our chest. We don’t do that. The anger expressed by a couple board members is unacceptable. When I ran, I honestly felt it was an honor and a privilege to run for the board. I really did, and I still do. What I don’t understand is the

animosity of current board members.” O’Hare said she hoped to focus her life after politics on the more positive aspects of the community, including the Worcester County Veteran’s Memorial. Two months prior, in February, board member Marty Clarke walked out of a budget meeting in frustration



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## Trendic DUI added odd wrinkle to '15 OPA directors race

and hinted he would also not run for re-election.

Clarke suggested a number of changes to the fiscal year 2016 budget before the meeting, including eliminating the so-called "five-year" plan.

"If the board passes a budget with the five-funding-year plan in it or some other \$130 a person charge and calls it something else – if that passes I am not going to run for reelection, and I may or may not finish my term," Clarke said at the time.

In a May 7 issue of the Gazette, Clarke, also 67, confirmed he would indeed not run again.

"I gave my word to the new, so-called 'majority' if they voted for the budget, I'm not running for re-election, and I wanted to run for re-election," Clarke said.

The two-time director did not, however, rule out the possibility of running again in the future, and encouraged other association members to run, regardless of whether they live in the community full time.

The seven new candidates – three former directors, one former candidate and three new faces – were an-



The new Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors pose following the organizational meeting in August, when new officers were elected. Pictured, from left, are President Pat Renaud, Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, former President Dave Stevens, Jack Collins, Treasurer Tom Terry, Secretary Tom Herrick and Bill Cordwell.

nounced on May 11. They included former directors Ray Unger, Terri Mohr and Bill Zawacki, as well as Slobodan Trendic, who also ran the previous year, but dropped out early, citing personal issues.

Former police officer Thomas Herrick, Delmarva Chorus director Carol Ludwig and attorney Cheryl Jacobs had not previously sought office in the community.

On July 11, Mohr won the candidate draw, meaning her name would be placed first on the ballots and she would speak first during forums.

Things then took a strange turn when Trendic was charged with numerous traffic offenses stemming from an incident that occurred on June 20 in Ocean Pines.

Trendic was allegedly driving while intoxicated. Other charges included leaving the scene of a property damage accident, negligent driving, and violation of a license restriction related to corrective lenses.

At the time, Trendic told the Gazette he had hired a lawyer, who advised him not to speak about the case, and said he had no intention of dropping out of the board race.

"I will let people judge for themselves, and when the truth comes out they can make their own decision," he said. "I'm entrusting the legal system."

Four days later, Trendic participated with the other six candidates in

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a political forum at the community center.

The Gazette published an additional story on the incident after obtaining the police report. The crash apparently took place at 82 Windjammer Road at the home of Lanny and Kay Hickman. Allegedly, \$11,000 in damage was done to Hickman's vehicle, a Ford SUV.

Pfc. James Minton authored the report, and said a trail of leaking fluid from Trendic's vehicle led him from the site of the crash to Trendic's home. Minton added that he "smelled a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from [Trendic's] breath and person."

In a phone interview, Trendic blamed the incident on high blood pressure and Crohn's disease. He remained in the race.

On July 30 the community got one final look at O'Hare and Clarke as board members, and their perpetually-adverse relationship did not disappoint. Less than five minutes into the meeting, O'Hare asked Clarke to clarify his comments during a June 25 board meeting in which she was absent.

According to the minutes, Clarke, addressing a CPI violation on Tail of the Fox Drive, said, "Sharyn must have forgotten it's illegal to offer a house for sale without a written listing."

"Marty, did you in fact make that statement?" O'Hare asked.

"Yeah," he said.

O'Hare, obviously not amused, said General Manager Bob Thompson "made it very clear" the property was not for sale.

"You are accusing me of doing something illegal," she said. "This is my professional career, Marty."

"I stand by the statement," Clarke said.

"You are wrong," O'Hare said.

"Okay, sue me," Clarke said.

Two hours later, at the conclusion of the meeting, O'Hare thanked the board, general manager and the staff for what she called, "a very interesting three years."

"I'm glad to have the opportunity," she said.

Prompted by several board members to mark the occasion of his own retirement, Clarke simply said "ditto."

On Aug. 8, Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs were announced as the top vote-getters, and both were elected to three-year terms on the OPA Board of Directors. Herrick received 1,669 votes to finish first in the pool of seven candidates, while Jacobs finished second with 1,480 votes.

"I feel great," Herrick said after the results were announced during the association's annual meeting. "I tried my best. I hoped my platform resonated with the people and I think it did."

Jacobs said she was "overwhelmed."

"I'm so appreciative of the help I got and I'm going to work so hard to make this an even better community than it is already," she said.

Trendic finished third with 1,195 votes, followed by Mohr (873), Ludwig (651), Zawacki (620) and Unger (219).

On Aug. 17, Jacobs was elected the new vice president of the board, and Herrick was named secretary.

Pat Renaud won the presidency in a 4-3 vote, although the decision was not without its share of controversy.

Dave Stevens accused Renaud and other directors of potentially violating community bylaws, by attempting to hold a meeting to discuss the election of officers without inviting the entire board. The meeting fell through, but the intention was still vigorously questioned.

"I feel anything I did was within the bylaws as I understood them," Renaud said. "I'm looking forward to a good, positive year when we're all going to try to work together, and I will work very hard to try to make sure that happens."

During a special meeting to elect new officers, attorney Joe Moore advised the directors that the meeting would not have violated bylaws because two of the new board members had not been officially sworn in. On the following day, Moore backtracked in a memo sent to the directors and said he regretted any controversy caused by his prior advice.

"It is appropriate, in my judgment, for me to express my regret to the board members collectively, for my inadvertent responsibility in causing the controversy which, was unfortunate and one for which I will accept responsibility," he wrote.

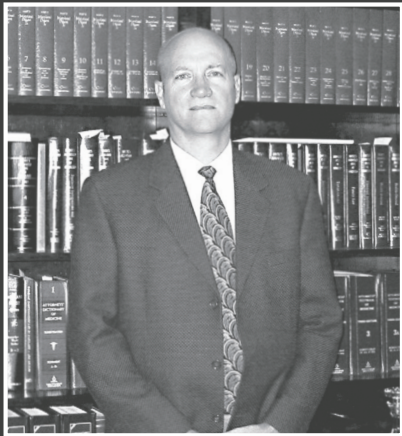
On Sept. 3, the Gazette reported that Trendic was found guilty of DWI during a trial at the Worcester County District Court in Snow Hill, held on Aug. 26.

The court merged two charges – driving while impaired by alcohol and negligent driving of a vehicle in a careless and imprudent manner endangering property, life and person – and ordered Trendic to pay a \$400 fine and court costs.

Hickman hinted that an additional lawsuit was "certainly possible," although no further action has been filed to date.

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FILE PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE  
Following a legal battle that lasted more than two years, a U.S. District Court judge signed a settlement order in the \$8 million lawsuit filed by former firefighter Zackery Tyndall against the Berlin Fire Company on Oct. 7.

## Lawsuit settled; ‘old wounds’ remain

**By Josh Davis**  
Staff Writer

(Dec. 31, 2015) The two-year-old, \$8 million lawsuit filed by Zackery Tyndall against the Berlin Fire Company was settled this year, although the relationship between the town and the BFC remains on unsteady ground.

In March, the Gazette reported that a major new housing development had reopened old wounds. The town

and county both gave preliminary support to the project, located on Sea-hawk Road and being developed by Rinnier Properties, but the fire company wrote a letter to the county commissioners criticizing the town for not consulting them on the matter.

“Our concern is the continued development within the town and no planning for the fire company’s future,” Fire Company President David

Fitzgerald said. “Anybody with any bit of common sense would understand that those people are going to get sick, people are going to fall down, they’re going to need an ambulance, the fire alarms are going to go off – either by accident or by a real fire – and we’re going to be busier.”

Fitzgerald said several fire company facilities and vehicles were in

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Williams: ‘ironic’ town had trouble with BFC

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disrepair, notably Station Three near the annexation site.

“You can stand inside the building and look outside through the holes in the wall,” Fitzgerald said. “We never know what we’re getting from the town anymore, and at some point we’re going to run out of resources.”

Fitzgerald said he had no idea what caused the rift between the town and the fire company, and lamented that it was not invited to participate in Town Council meetings.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, however, said he found it ironic that the only organization the town consistently seems to have trouble with is its fire department.

“The Town of Berlin works extremely well and has an outstanding reputation for working with partners, not only governmental partners at the county, state and federal level, we have an outstanding relationship with nonprofits that serve our community,

with both the public education system and the preparatory school, and with the faith-based organizations,” he said. “That doesn’t mean that we never have a disagreement, but it means we work very closely and we get a lot done together.

“It seems to be a contrarian relationship with the working relationship we have with every other organization, regardless of what kind it is,” Williams continued.

Williams said the problems with the fire company were “self-inflicted.”

“I believe there are some serious organizational and leadership problems,” he said. “That’s their privilege to do that, but it’s not going to get anything accomplished.”

He also singled out Fitzgerald.

“Obviously there is a problem in leadership,” he said. “I kept telling the council, ‘they’re going to do the right thing, they’re going to do the right thing, they’re going to do the right thing.’ And instead all I feel like is, at

least under Mr. Fitzgerald’s leadership, they keep stabbing us in the back.”

News from the trial itself was scarce until, in July, U.S. District Court Judge Ellen Lipton Hollander issued a memorandum opinion denying a motion for partial summary judgment entered by the Berlin Fire Company, the defendant of a case originally filed by Tyndall, a former BFC employee, in Aug. 2013.

Fitzgerald was named in the suit, along with volunteer fireman Byron Trimble and company employees Derek Simpson and Norris Philip Donohue Sr.

Filed under the Civil Rights Act, the complaint alleged a “deliberate and conscious effort” by the defendants to harass and intimidate Tyndall and “drive him from the Department because of the individual Defendant’s perception of his sexual orientation.”

According to court documents, Tyndall maintained he was not homosexual and that his coworkers used verbal slurs and threats of violence to intimidate him.

The complaint went on to allege that Tyndall was assigned to “demeaning” tasks, including cleaning latrines and picking up trash in order to humiliate him “in an attempt to make him quit.” Those actions, according to the complaint, led to “severe anxiety and depression.”

In 2012, the town of Berlin conducted an internal investigation that led to Donohue’s dismissal. According to the complaint, however, Trimble and Simpson continued their harassment and recruited “other members of the Department” to engage in similar activities.

Tyndall had requested \$2 million in compensatory damages and \$6 million in punitive damages in the original filing.

In Hollander’s 63-page opinion, the judge noted that an evaluation by a clinical psychologist included in the memorandum concluded that Tyndall “developed a Major Depressive Disorder ... experienced through his affiliation with the fire company.”

In the judge’s summary Hollander wrote, “Tyndall has produced evidence that Trimble and Simpson – men almost twice his age, and in supervisory positions – subjected him to a prolonged, continuous barrage of derogatory remarks, to which Tyndall repeatedly objected.” Lipton added that the alleged conduct “occurred in two workplaces ... and spanned multiple years.”

She added, “To be sure, Tyndall may not succeed in his claim. But, it is not the province of the court to make factual findings or to resolve factual disputes.”

Hollander signed a settlement order for the suit in October, and the case appeared to be drawing to a close, but an unspecified dispute caused it to drag on for another month.

Finally, in November the Gazette reported that the case had been resolved.

Details of the settlement were not disclosed, but according to the order the action was dismissed and each party was ordered to pay “its own costs unless otherwise agreed.” The order added that if details of the settlement were not fulfilled within 30 days the case could be reopened, leading to the motion to reopen.

Speaking during a phone interview in November, attorney James L. Otway, representing Tyndall, said he could not discuss the final details of the settlement, but offered, “The case has been resolved to our satisfaction.”

“There was an issue from the pleadings that has been resolved,” Otway said. “The case, if it’s not closed, should closed any day now.”

Otway said he did not anticipate any further actions in the case.

Also in November, Williams told the Gazette he hoped the conclusion of the case would give the fire company “an opportunity to evaluate all that has happened.”

“I hope they took a good, fair look at how did this happen, what happened and how will they come back

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Ocean City resident Jordan Denton, 18, and Berlin resident Nick Bonser, 18, faced charges in June for their connection to the Jan. 25 vandalism in Berlin.

## Tyndall's \$8M civil rights suit revealed layers of instability

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and become a part of 21st century Berlin," he said. "The community is moving forward, the community is positive, the community wants them to be successful, but the community also has values that are important to our quality of life."

Williams said the situation with Tyndall "created a wound" between the town and the fire company, but that "the wound is beginning to heal."

"I hope, quite frankly, that it heals quickly, but it's more important that it heals thoughtfully so that the entire community ends up in a better place," Williams said. "The community's values were certainly validated through this process."

"I'd like to just see it get caught up to the times we're living in," Williams continued. "I would love to see the Berlin Fire Company not just as fire-fighters – not just as personnel – that's not the issue. If they wish to be supported by the citizens of Berlin then I think they need to embrace the values of our community, which are not bad. In fact, they're a great example for any small American town."

## Vandalism spree rocks small town

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Dec. 31, 2015) Nearly a full year after a nighttime vandalism spree stunned residents in Berlin, many of the victims are still waiting for meaningful restitution.

More than 30 cars, three businesses and several items belonging to the town were defaced during the Jan. 26 incident, when instances of graffiti ranged from spray-painted door handles, to

vulgar images and coarse, racist language, to diagonal lines running across the entirety of vehicles.

Vandals also tagged alleys, the backs of several stores and town electric meters in and around the downtown area.


Reports of damaged vehicles began at approximately 10 p.m., according to the Berlin Police Department. Additional calls later led police to discover more damaged vehicles off Broad Street.


Two town officials, District 2 Coun-

cilmember Lisa Hall and Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells, were affected by the incident, along with Worcester County Tourism Director Lisa Challenger and Worcester County Department of Environmental Programs Director Bob Mitchell.

At the time, Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing commented, "We have cars that are totaled."


Several stores near the apex were  
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## Cars 'totaled' and buildings tagged; teens sentenced

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closed on the following morning, while others, who opened, soldiered on in shock.

"I was surprised," Iris Phillips, a receptionist at the Dentist's Office on Pitts Street, said. "I haven't seen anything like that before here. This is such a nice little town."

Immediately following the incident, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams called on the perpetrators to turn themselves and attempt to make amends.

"In an ideal world, those people would just turn themselves in and say they're sorry, and then maybe we could get them involved with community service work because there is so much to do," he said. "There's an infinite number of things that young people can do to help the community instead of participating in these pointless acts of vandalism."

In February, two juveniles and one adult, 18-year-old Ocean City resident Jordan Alexandria Denton, were charged with 39 counts of malicious destruction with the damage total estimate at more than \$11,000, and one count of theft valued at less than \$100.

The theft charge was connected with



At least 30 cars and three businesses were hit by a late-night vandalism spree in downtown Berlin on Sunday evening, Jan. 25.

the spray paint itself, taken from a nearby Wal-Mart shortly before the incident occurred.

One of the juveniles, Nick Bonser, was eventually charged as an adult, along with Denton. He was 17 at the time of the incident, but turned 18 mere weeks after the spree.

A Berlin Police Department press release said the investigation revealed 36 separate victims, including the Town of Berlin, which had one vehicle, 10 electric meters and four trash cans damaged.

Three buildings and 33 additional cars were spray painted during the incident that spanned a dozen streets. Police said

victim statements, citizen tips, interviews and reviews of surveillance cameras led law enforcement to the suspects.

Downing added he was "quite certain we have everybody" involved in the incident.

On June 19, at Worcester County  
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## Many victims still waiting for payment; letter never received

District Court in Snow Hill, Bonser and Denton both pleaded guilty to 22 counts of malicious destruction of property. They were ordered to pay \$8,843.06 in restitution in total, complete 150 hours of community service each, and write letters of apology to the town of Berlin.

The third defendant in the case pleaded guilty to all 40 charges levied during a separate hearing in juvenile court, and was also required to pay restitution, serve 150 hours of community service and write a letter to the town.

Assistant State's Attorney William McDermott took the lead during the trial.

"Investigations led [Berlin] Detective [Jason] Burnett to Wal-Mart, located in Berlin, where he was able to obtain video surveillance depicting all three suspects ... entering the Wal-Mart prior to the acts of vandalism, all participants, smiling as they entered, picking up several cans of spray paint, all matching the types of spray paint used in the vandalisms, and exiting the store without attempting to pay for them," McDermott said.

Denton and Bonser, McDermott said, gave oral and written confessions to acts of vandalism including town property, Renaissance Plaza, Evergreen Masonic Lodge and Town Center Antiques in Berlin, and vehicles belonging to several Berlin residents, the Wicomico County State's Attorney's Office and Nestle Dryer's Ice Cream.

Judge Gerald V. Purnell accepted the pleas of both defendants and found both guilty.

"I'm going to sentence them to what the state has asked and what you've agreed to," he said. "It seems to be fair and balanced to both sides."

McDermott met with several of the victims following the hearing, telling them the 450 total hours of community service and the amount of restitution required within 90 days was virtually impossible, and that three-to-five years of supervised probation would likely be imposed on each defendant in addition to the court's original ruling.

"For all that has to be forthcoming in 90 days, I can tell you that it won't happen," he said. "It's going to take years for them to do that. The two of them, at 18 years old, just walked out with 22 convictions. It's pretty awful when you're that young to walk out with that many convictions and a \$9,000 tag and 450 hours of community service. What they did was awful [and] the price they're going to pay is pretty close to what happened."

McDermott said he previously told several of the victims that the likelihood of incarceration was low based on the ages and prior records of the defendants.

"I wasn't expecting them to go out in handcuffs, but I'll tell you now that if they violate their probation, i.e., they don't pay their money or they don't do their community service, we're going to be here,"



Assistant State's Attorney William McDermott met with several of the victims of the Jan. 25 Berlin vandalism incident in Berlin during a hearing in Snow Hill in June.

he said. "I will be a dog with a bone ... We will be here for violations of probations, and I will be asking for jail time."

After 90 days had passed, Bonser and Denton both received extensions to delay restitution until the end of a two-year probation period.

Mark A. Vernarelli, director of community engagement with the Maryland Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services, told the Gazette in December that both had paid at least some

restitution and performed some community service. He added that each had written a letter of apology to the town, although Berlin Town Administrator Laura Allen and a number of other town officials said they had not seen one.

Information about the third defendant in the trial, a juvenile, was not available, and Vernarelli said he could not disclose the exact amount of money paid or service hours completed.

"Our parole and probation agent is

working with them to make sure their court-ordered conditions are satisfied," he said, adding that both Bonser and Denton were under supervision until 2017.

As of early December, Challenger said she had also not seen a letter and had received just \$27 in restitution from Bonser and Denton.

Mitchell said he had not received any restitution, while another resident, who asked not to be named, claimed to have received two checks for \$1.22 each.

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# Berlin's NYE bash will 'crank it up a notch' on Main St.

By Josh Davis  
Staff Writer

(Dec. 31, 2015) Berlin will ring in the New Year on Main Street with a celebration including music, food trucks, trivia contests and giveaways on Thursday, Dec. 31.

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said the town would "crank it up a notch this year" during the event. Local businesses will donate items for prizes, and Wells promised an improved lights show.

Dave Miller, who will host the event with DJ Big Al Reno, said he hopes to bring a "Dick Clark" atmosphere to the sixth annual bash.

"Dick Clark was kind of an icon on New Year's Eve," he said. "Now all the kids know Ryan Seacrest, so maybe we'll be sort of a Dick Clark meets Ryan Seacrest – the future meets the present."

A veteran host of several events in Berlin, this is Miller's first year as New Year's Eve emcee.

"We're going to have two mics – one on the stage and one working the crowd remotely to talk about some resolutions and some of the great things people have experienced in 2015," Miller said. "We want to get a little back and forth with the audience to keep it



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Berlin will literally drop the ball on New Year's Eve during a celebration on Main Street.

fun and keep the crowd engaged."

The celebration starts at 9 p.m. and runs until 1 a.m.

Food options abound, as Main Street Deli will stay open late, Rosenfeld's Jewish Delicatessen and Crush 'n Crab will operate food trucks, and Eastern Shore Kettle Corn will sell snacks.

Additionally, the Atlantic Hotel will provide an outdoor bar.

Portions of downtown Berlin will be

closed, from Main and West streets to Main and Jefferson streets, starting at 5 p.m.

Parking is available at town hall, St. Paul's Church, the post office and the Main Street parking lots near Leaky Pete's and Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services. Residents are encouraged to walk.

Wells said she expected between 3,000-5,000 people, "depending on the weather."

"It's just a chance to be able to come downtown and see all your friends and neighbors, and to ring in the new year in America's 'coolest' small town," she said.

"We'll have fun with it," Miller said. "Obviously there will be some comedic banter, but ultimately I think the event should be something that conveys the gratitude that we all have for our beautiful town, and for our families and friends."



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# Yard waste will not be accepted at Berlin Transfer

Site will close temporarily; Last drop-off day Dec. 31

(Dec. 31, 2015) Yard waste will not be accepted at the Berlin Homeowner Convenience Center (HOCC) beginning Jan. 1, through completion of a project to cap and close the rubblefill located at the site.

Dec. 31 will be the last day homeowners are permitted to drop off yard waste at the Berlin HOCC. Starting Jan. 1, homeowners should take yard waste to the Central Landfill in Newark for disposal.

“We hope to be able to build up the area and resume accepting yard waste at the Berlin HOCC at some point in the future,” Worcester County Public Works Director John Tustin said. “However, we won’t know for sure whether this will be a possibility until the project is complete.”

Cleanup of the Berlin rubblefill is anticipated to last three months, with the cap and closure project to begin in spring 2016. The project, funded through general obligation bonds totaling \$3.4 million, is expected to take approximately nine months to complete, once the project is approved by the Maryland Department of the Environment.

The Public Works Solid Waste Division operates three HOCCs, which are located in Berlin, Pocomoke and Snow Hill. Homeowners who purchase annual permits may dispose of household trash and recyclable goods at the HOCCs.

Yard waste from homeowners will continue to be accepted at the Pocomoke HOCC. Yard waste from commercial entities is not accepted at the HOCCs and should be taken to the Central Landfill.

HOCCs are closed on Wednesdays and the following holidays: New Year’s Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

In addition to the HOCCs, the county operates the Worcester County Central Landfill and Recycling Center in Newark, as well as recycling drop off centers.

Visit [www.co.worcester.md.us](http://www.co.worcester.md.us) and click on “Public Works Recycling” for a complete list of recycling drop off centers in the county.

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## All things considered, good year ahead in '16

Any number of predictions might be made and myriad past issues explored as we enter the new year and consider what lies ahead, as well as what went right or wrong in 2015. That, however, would be a pointless exercise.

In the grand scheme of things, our accomplishments outweighed our difficulties, which were insignificant as compared to those experienced elsewhere.

We did not, in the coastal area, suffer any calamities or face any great struggles. By and large, we went about our business, did the best we could, disagreed or concurred, and continued to proceed in a relatively peaceful fashion.

If we're guilty of anything, it would be getting caught up in the moment and attaching too much importance to matters that would hardly alter the course of our existence.

On the flip side, our communities continued the area's long tradition of unparalleled generosity, donating hundreds of thousands of dollars to charity and community improvement efforts.

In addition, most of our businesses did well in the past year as the economy continued its gradual climb back to normalcy, and more new shops, services and enterprises emerged unscathed from that critical first year of operations.

In all, the good far outweighed the bad over the past 12 months, and there is no reason to think that won't be the case in the year ahead.

All in all, we have it pretty good here – good schools, good surroundings, a good economy and a good outlook – a circumstance that makes the matter of New Year forecasting a matter of looking for upsets in the local equilibrium or trying to find trouble where little exists.

Consequently, our prediction for 2016 involves no guesswork. We'll go through the year just as we have all the others and come out as we always do, which is much better off than most people.

So relax, keep things in perspective and put a happy new year on your agenda.

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"I should have seen this coming"

## AGH offering 'at home' sleep studies

Patients can follow normal routine and learn about disorders

(Dec. 31, 2015) The Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center at Atlantic General Hospital now offers sleep studies that can be conducted in the comfort of a patient's home.

During a traditional sleep study, an overnight stay in a hospital or sleep center is required. Upon arrival, a sleep technician attaches sensors to the torso and head that monitor brain waves, heart-beat and breathing.

The results captured over the next eight hours of sleep help physicians determine if a patient has sleep apnea, restless leg syndrome and a variety of other sleep disorders.

The testing can be very revealing, but isn't always the most convenient or comfortable experience for patients trying to sleep normally in an unfamiliar environment.

With a home sleep study, patients are in their own surroundings and can follow their usual routines, which will result in falling asleep faster and yield truer results. Unusual sleep hours can be accommodated as well.

For those who work night shift or have a lifestyle that results in an unusual bedtime, it can be difficult to fall asleep for a typical 11 p.m. sleep study.

The tech can even pre-program the machine to turn on and off at a certain time if the patient has an usual bedtime.

Convenience is just one of the benefits of a home sleep study. If a patient has an unusually restless night that may yield inconclusive results, there is an opportunity to monitor a second night's sleep. The goal is the make the experience as simple and easy as possible for the patient.

"We provide education before testing to make sure our patients know how to set up

the equipment. A sleep tech actually sits down with the patients when they come in to pick it up," said Maria Phillips, director of Imaging. Other providers of home sleep studies send the equipment through the mail with a set of instructions.

There are four basic components to the setup, which takes about 10 minutes at home: a belt around the waist, a belt around the chest, a pulse and oxygen reader that clips to the finger, and a sensor that is placed beneath the nose.

The studies are covered by most insurance companies and Medicare. Diagnosis is the same as a traditional sleep study. The results are read by a pulmonologists certified in sleep medicine and shared with a patient's doctor.

For more information, visit [www.atlanticgeneral.org/Our-Services/Sleep-Disorders-Diagnostic-Center.aspx](http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/Our-Services/Sleep-Disorders-Diagnostic-Center.aspx).

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# Ring in new year with 22nd annual OC Penguin Swim

By Kara Hallissey  
Staff Writer

(Dec. 31, 2015) Hundreds of people will plunge into the ocean off 91st Street during the 22nd annual Penguin Swim on New Year's Day, an event to benefit Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin.

"This event supports your local, not-for-profit hospital," AGH Event Coordinator Alli Justice said. "It's a bucket list kind-of-thing. We've grown the event exponentially and have added even more fun for the entire family."

There will be carnival games, girls dressed as mermaids, a costume contest, live entertainment by Harry O, a trick pony, ice art and games.

"Erik Cantine is back again on Jan. 1 and plans to craft not one, but a few, ice art displays for us to enjoy at the event," Justice said.

In 2015, about 850 people plunged into the surf for the swim and raised more than \$79,000 for the hospital (after expenses).

There were 17 teams confirmed as of Dec. 18, but many people sign up late and register on New Year's Day, Justice said.

"We are hopeful that more will join us, especially with New Year's Day falling on a Friday this year," she said. "It's a big beach so there is no cap to how many people can participate. The more the merrier, for sure."

Besides knowing that it's all for a good cause, swimmers will have other incentives. Participants who raise \$25 will receive a T-shirt, baseball hat or penguin lunch box. Swimmers who collect \$50 can choose from pint glasses, a novelty hat or fleece mitten scarf.

Those reaching \$100 will take home a duffel bag, long sleeve shirt or drink tumbler. Swimmers who donate \$150 will have the option of a fleece blanket, sweatshirt or robe. A windbreaker jacket will be given to participants reaching \$250, and anyone raising \$500 or more will be able to choose one prize from each level, Justice said.

The top three donors from each category, which includes individuals and adults, teams, businesses, community groups and 18 and under, will be awarded trophies and prizes. There will be a best costume contest and special recognition will be given to the oldest and youngest penguins.

For the third year, participants who will be out of town on New Year's Day can engage in a "virtual swim." These penguins still raise money and register online, but must take a photo of their dip wherever they are and post it to social media sites. The photos will be shared during the event through a live feed. To show out-of-town photos on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, use the hashtag #OCPenguinSwim.



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Penguin Swim participants race in and out of the 41-degree ocean near 91st Street on New Year's Day last year. Approximately 850 people participated in the 21st annual event and raised about \$79,000 for Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin.

Registration and check-in for the 2015 Penguin Swim starts at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 1, at the Princess Royale Hotel on 91st Street, with the swim taking place at 1 p.m.

It costs \$25 per swimmer and each person will receive a 2016 Penguin Swim T-shirt.

An award ceremony will follow the swim inside the Princess Royale atrium and there will be carnival games including frog hop, hoop shoot, football toss and ice corn hole. In addition, winners can pull a prize from a melting prize tree, Justice

said.

To sign up for the 2015 Penguin Swim or to make a donation, visit [aghpenguinswim.org](http://aghpenguinswim.org). The event can be found on Facebook at [facebook.com/penguinswim](https://www.facebook.com/penguinswim) or call the hospital foundation office with questions at 410-641-9671.

Organizers are always looking for sponsors and checks can be made out to the AGH Foundation and mailed to: 9733 Healthway Drive Berlin, Md. 21811.

For more information on event sponsorship opportunities, call 410-

641-9671 or email [ajustice@atlantic-general.org](mailto:ajustice@atlantic-general.org).

Proceeds from the event support strategic plans started by Atlantic General Hospital and back its mission to improve individual and community health.

The hospital has been providing health care to residents of Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties in Maryland as well as Sussex County, Del., since May 1993. Since its inception, the Penguin Swim has raised more than \$800,000 for the hospital.



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# YEAR IN REVIEW



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## ‘TYSON’ TRANSFORMS

One of several renderings for the former Tyson's Chicken plant, created by design firm EDSA, was shown to Town of Berlin staff in September. This particular mockup includes a large amphitheater, indoor swimming facility, train hub and wildlife habitat. "When I look at these plans ... I was so excited [by] the potential of what can be there," Berlin Councilmember Elroy Brittingham said at the time.

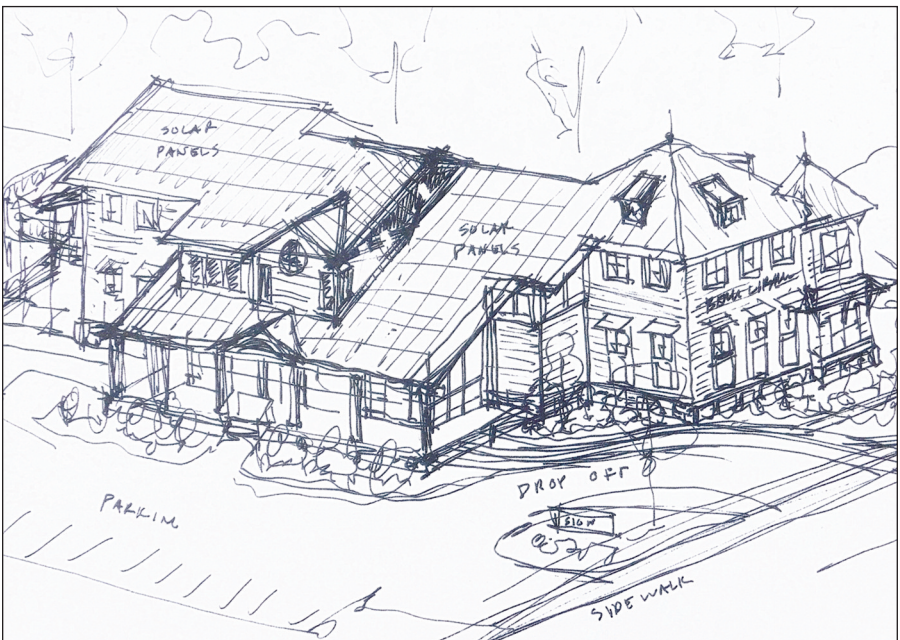


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## NEW LIBRARY PLANS

On display during the BLOC event in Berlin on October, the Worcester County Library Foundation unveiled plans for the new building.



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## SWORN IN

Tom Herrick and Cheryl Jacobs pose for a photo after learning of their election to the seven-member board of directors in Ocean Pines during the Annual Meeting in August.



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## CANDIDATES FACE OFF

The 2015 candidates for Ocean Pines Board of Directors pose for a photo prior to a June 24 forum at the community center. Pictured, from left, are Terri Mohr, Cheryl Jacobs, Ray Unger, Thomas Herrick, Bill Zawacki, Carol Ludwig and Slobodan Trendic.



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## ENTER LU

Landscapes Unlimited Regional Manager Scott Nissley, Vice President of Finance Bryce Juedes and Vice President of Business Development Mark Mattingly pose near the course after taking over as its management company in May.



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## DIRECTORS CLASH

Director Bill Cordwell, center, speaks during an unusually contentious golf management discussion in the Assateague Room in November. Cordwell suggested other directors were questioning his integrity. Director Cheryl Jacobs and General Manager Bob Thompson look on.



# CUISINE

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## Bone marrow crucial part of serious BBQ

A couple of years ago I spent almost a week in Kansas City, where I lived in a perpetual state of the “meat sweats.” Between Oklahoma Joe’s BBQ, Anton’s Taproom & Steakhouse and Town-Topic burgers (where they cook the fries and burgers in lard), we spent enough time in meat joints to find ourselves on a perpetual quest for better meat than the day before.



By Paul Suplee,  
CEC PCIII

At Anton’s, I was lucky enough to have bone marrow for the first time in years. After braised pork belly and two-inch thick rib eyes the night before, an order of bone marrow at the bar with a glass of Prosecco was in order. There is something so special about roasted marrow bones, and admittedly, there are always a few stares as the bones arise from the kitchen and are sat in front of you.

And so it was as my wife and I ate at Char, the yacht club’s monthly steakhouse concept spearheaded by Chef Tim Ulrich, a friend of mine with whom I have eaten my fair share of steaks. When Tim was the exec sous at Belle Haven Country Club in Virginia, I would go up to work on weekends for my friend, the executive chef at the property. We would regularly break down mountains of steaks, and as such would frequent a kitchen table with scraps and joyous tidbits.

Opening the menu, I was thrilled to see roasted marrow bones, one of my all-time favorites, and certainly not something that I’m accustomed to seeing down here. I cleared it with my wife first, since I knew that it might bother her to watch me, and she gave me her blessing. It was game on.

The bones came out with the parsley salad and capers that typically accompany this fine morsel, along with pickled shallots and crustini. As they passed a table of guests next to us, we heard comments such as “Is that really good?” and “That looks like something that I give to my dog.”

A woman leaned over to me and said something to the effect that I probably wouldn’t have ordered them if I heard what they were going to say. I assured them that I would order them regardless and, whether a result of our short conversation or not, the table ordered three plates for them-



selves. As far as I could tell, they were enjoyed.

Roasted marrow has an unctuous, rich and fatty flavor, and goes great when smeared on toast points and topped with pickled shallots, a crisp parsley salad with tons of acid and capers. Sprinkling a touch of coarse, high-quality salt only adds to the euphoric experience.

Typically I will get a crisp white wine or bubbly such as Prosecco, but this is where the wine pairing battle rages; with some sommeliers insisting that a Beaujolais or Burgundy would fit the bill, but I lean towards something with high acid and fruit to cut through the fat.

I couldn’t be happier with the dish, and if you’ve never had it but you like things such as foie gras or beef fat, then you can’t go wrong.

I can’t wait to go back to Char next month; the marrow bones had better be on the menu. It’s not exactly like I will find them anywhere else, and while few places have rivaled Kansas City for the meat, now I know at least once a month I can pretend I’m back in Beef Heaven.

### Marrow Bones

Enough for 2 people

4 9-inch marrow bone halves  
Salt & Pepper, as needed  
1 cup Parsley Salad (Recipe follows)  
1/2 cup Pickled Shallots (Recipe follows)  
Good, coarse sea salt, as needed  
1/2 loaf French bread  
2-3 Tbsp. Capers

1. Preheat your oven to 450 if conventional or 425 if convection. Make sure that the oven is fully heated before you cook the bones. Also, make sure that everything else is ready to serve, since you don’t want all of the fats to drain out of the marrow bones

2. Place the bones on a sheet pan and season with the salt and pepper

3. Roast for about 15 minutes or until the marrow has cooked, but it is not draining fluidly from the dish

4. Arrange the plate, making sure that you have the pickled shallots and parsley salad, with their acidity and fresh flavors to counter the uber-fat-tiness of the marrow

5. Serve immediately with your sides and toast points, and make sure that you have small spoons with which to scoop out the marrow

### Parsley Salad

Makes about 1 cup  
3/4 cup Italian parsley leaves

2 ea. Fresh garlic cloves  
1 Tbsp. Sherry vinegar  
juice of 1/2 fresh lemon  
Zest of 1/2 lemon  
Salt & Pepper as needed

1. Chop the parsley and finely mince the garlic, and then combine all of the ingredients

2. Adjust the flavors to your preference, but make sure that it is fresh and crisp. This is necessary to cut through the fat of the marrow

### Pickled Shallots

Makes about 1/2 cup  
1/2 cup Shaved fresh shallots  
1/2 cup Champagne vinegar  
sugar, as needed

1. Combine ingredients and bring to a low boil

2. Immediately remove from the heat and transfer to a container and refrigerate

3. Allow to chill and rest at least a day. They will hold for at least two weeks, so make them and use them in various preparations

— Paul G. Suplee is an Assistant Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. Find his ePortfolio at [www.heartofakitchen.com](http://www.heartofakitchen.com).



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**HARD – 75**

Fill in the blank spaces in the grid so that every vertical column, every horizontal row and every 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, without repeating any. There is really only one solution to each puzzle.

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## Answers to last week's puzzles

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# SNAPSHOTS



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## KIWANIS START NEW YEAR

Every year on Oct. 1, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City starts its new year and the new regime begins leading the organization. Pictured, from left, are Secretary Pat Winkelmayer, Treasurer Mark Page, Board Member Charlie Warner, Assistant Secretary B.J. Baker, Assistant Treasurer Mike Morton, incoming President Mark Joseph, Adviser to the President Ralph Chinn, outgoing President Carolyn Dryzga (who automatically becomes a member of the board), Vice President Tom Southwell and Board Members Jackie Todd, Jim Spicknall and Dick Jacobs.

## PILGRIM HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Buckingham Elementary students in Danielle DiMichele's third grade class recently studied the history of life in the 1600's. They discovered the hardships the Pilgrims had to face during their journey to America and the different ways they made a living for themselves. Students used clay, moss, hay, Popsicle sticks and other items that represented "natural resources" to build their own Pilgrim houses. Pictured are Brandon Fitzgerald, Cameron Boston and Dalontae Henry.

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## DWC DONATION

The Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County recently donated 30 lap blankets to Coastal Hospice to warm the patients in their care. Pictured are Eileen Larson and Ann Augustine of the Democratic Women's Club, and Elaine Bean, community relations manager at Coastal Hospice.



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## NATIONAL 'SONS' AWARD

Sons of Italy members from Lodge #2474 in Ocean City attend the Son's of Italy Columbus Day Gala at the Valley Mansion in Hunt Valley, where they saw their president receive the National American Award for the Outstanding Member of Sons of Italy on Oct. 31. Pictured, from left, are Armando Graziosi, past president of SOI and his wife, Barbara, SOI Vice President Vito Potenza and his wife, Donna, SOI Treasurer Joan DeMarco, SOI Social Chair Mary Ellen Arena and her husband, Bob Arena.



## MBS SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Bela Gulyas, right, presents a donation of \$10,000 to Mark Record, principal of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School in Ocean Pines, in continuance of his philanthropy to benefit the school's scholarship fund. This bequest is given in memory of his wife, Patricia A. Gulyas, who passed away in 2014. It is the second of five equal donations that will be made to the school. Last year's gift to the scholarship fund benefitted 12 families whose children attend MBS. A parishioner of St. John Neumann Catholic Church and graduate of Trinity Catholic School in Ellicott City, Patricia Gulyas believed in high quality, versatile Catholic education for children and was a strong supporter of this cause.

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11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17  
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Jan. 1: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey,  
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The flyer features a pink header bar at the top. Below it, the title "Longaberger Basket & Gift Card Bingo" is written in a large, dark blue, cursive-style font. A light blue star is positioned above the first word, and a small red star is above the second word. To the right of the title, there is a grey rectangular box. Below the title, the text "All bingo baskets are filled with goodies!" is centered, flanked by a red star on the left and a grey star on the right. The main body of the flyer is divided into two vertical sections. The left section has a green background and contains the following text: "SAVE THIS DATE" in bold black letters, followed by "January 8, 2016" in a larger, bold black font. Below this, it lists "10 Longaberger Basket and 10 Gift Card Bingo Games" and "1 Special Basket and 1 Special Gift Card Bingo Game". At the bottom of this section, it says "50/50" and "Food and Fun!!!" in bold black letters. A large grey star is located to the left of the "50/50" text. The right section has a pink background and contains the following text: "Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department" in bold black letters. Below this, a white rounded rectangle contains the ticket prices: "\$20.00 in advance" and "\$25.00 at the door". Further down, it states "Admission includes 20 games & entry in the drawing for a door prize!!!" and "Extra bingo packet available for \$5.00". The date "Friday, January 8, 2016" is listed, followed by "Doors Open at 5:30 pm" and "Early Birds at 6:00pm". At the bottom, it provides contact information: "For Info Call: 443-235-2926 or 410-352-3101". A small red star is visible above the department name.

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## THURS. Dec. 31

**NEW YEAR’S EVE FIREWORKS** — Northside Park, 200 125th St. in Ocean City, midnight. Fireworks accompanied by live entertainment, hot chocolate and an opportunity to ride through the Winterfest of Lights. The Winterfest Express hours will be extended to midnight. Info: 410-250-0125.

## FRI. Jan. 1

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL’S ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE** — Performing Arts Center, Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 1-3 p.m. Joining the community event will be exhibits from various town departments including the Ocean City Police, Fire, Emergency Services and Beach Patrol, as well as partnering community agencies and organizations. Mayor Meehan and City Council members will be on hand to greet visitors. Also, musical performances. Info: Jessica Waters, 410-289-8967.

**PENGUIN SWIM** — Princess Royale, 9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Celebrate New Year’s Day by “getting wet for a good cause.” An annual dip into the chilly Atlantic Ocean to benefit Atlantic General Hospital. Registration and check-in begin at 11:30 a.m. with a 1 p.m. swim. Pre-registration and advance check-in from 2-4 p.m. on New Year’s Eve. Enjoy carnival games and other exciting fanfare in the hotel’s atrium. Special recognition for Best Costume and Oldest and Youngest Penguins, plus first, second and third place trophies awarded for top fundraising individuals and teams. Info: [www.aghpenguin-swim.org](http://www.aghpenguin-swim.org) or [penguinswim@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:penguinswim@atlanticgeneral.org).

## SAT. Jan. 2

**WRITE IT! CREATIVE WRITING FORUM** — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 10 a.m. Novice and experienced writers gather to share their writing projects. Info: 410-641-0650.

**FAMILY GAME DAY** — Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., 10 a.m. to noon. Classic family fun board games ... giant sized. For all ages. Info: 410-957-0878.

**MODEL TRAIN DISPLAYS** — Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Clayton Crossing, 32422 Royal Blvd., Dagsboro, Del., Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., year round. See five layouts. Info: Bill Ziegler,

[wjziegler1@verizon.net](mailto:wjziegler1@verizon.net) or 302-537-0964.

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

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

## SUN. Jan. 3

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, noon to 1 p.m. Group shares experience, strength and hope to help others. Open to the community and to AGH patients. Info: Rob, 443-783-3529.

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS #169** — Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Group is a 12-step program for anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem. No initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Info: Bett, 410-202-9078.

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

## MON. Jan. 4

**AARP MEETING** — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Social time at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10 a.m. Speaker will be Kim Richardson from Home Instead Senior Care. Take a can of food for Sarah’s Pantry. Info: Larry Walton, 443-831-1791 or [lrwalto@yahoo.com](mailto:lrwalto@yahoo.com).

**HYPERTENSION CLINICS** — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month at Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., in Berlin, 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreens, 11310 Manklin Creek Rd., in Ocean Pines, 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

**TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING** — Berlin group No. 169, Atlantic General

Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5-6:30 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: Edna Berkey, 410-251-2083.

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP** — St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, first Monday of each month, 6-7 p.m. Speakers and education related to Diabetes. Open to the public. Info: AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-641-9703.

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

**GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP** — Atlantic General Hospital is offering this free workshop on Mondays from Jan. 4 through Feb. 8 from 2:30-4 p.m. Facilitated by experienced Pastoral and Supportive Care Services leaders. Register: Gail Mansell, 410-641-9725.

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

**GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:30-4 p.m. The group meets twice a month to discuss both classic and modern reading selections. Info: Lisa Outten Harrison, 410-632-3970.

**SOCIAL 1 1/2** — Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, Mondays, 6:30-8 p.m. Christian social club for those 50 and older are welcome to enjoy games, activities, bike rides, prayer and friendship. Info: 410-641-2136 or [Bethany21811@gmail.com](mailto:Bethany21811@gmail.com).

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

## TUES. Jan. 5

**HYPERTENSION CLINICS** — Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place at Rite Aid, 38169 Dupont Blvd., Selbyville, Del., 10 a.m. to noon and at Walgreens, 34960 Atlantic Ave. #2, Clarksville, Del., 1-3 p.m. Free blood pressure screening and health informa-

tion. Info: Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268.

**STORY TIME ‘PETS’** — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. Info: [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org) or 410-641-0650.

**YOUNG & RESTLESS ‘SPACE TRAVEL’** — Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., 10:30 a.m. Create rockets, hovercrafts and space rovers. For 3 to 7 year old children. Info: [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org) or 410-957-0878.

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

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

## WED. Jan. 6

**GRACE PARKER ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST** — First Presbyterian Church, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7 a.m. to noon. Eggs any style, pancakes, buckwheat pancakes, sausage, country ham, homemade biscuits, hash brown potatoes, grits, coffee and tea. Cost is \$8 to eat in and \$6 to carry out. Milk, soda and orange juice available. Info: 410-289-9340.

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

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 7-8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Speaker and education related to Diabetes. All welcome. Info: AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-641-9703.

**YOUNG & RESTLESS ‘SPACE TRAVEL’** — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Create rockets, hovercrafts and space rovers. For 3 to 7 year old children. Info: [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org) or 410-524-1818.

**MIX IT UP!** — Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., 2 p.m. Have fun producing today’s creative looks with mixed media. Wear an old shirt or apron. Supplies provided. Register: 410-957-0878.



# CALENDAR

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## ONGOING EVENTS

**WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS** — More than one million holiday lights throughout Ocean City, Nov. 19 through Jan 3, 2016. The heated Winterfest Village Pavilion at Northside Park, 200 125th St., features hot chocolate, the Yukon Cornelius gift shop, photos with Santa and the Winterfest Express. Tour the hundreds of animated, lighted displays. Cost is \$5 for adults, children 12 and younger ride free. Hours are Sunday through Thursday, 5:30-9:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 5:30-10:30 p.m. Info: 800-626-2326, 410-250-0125 or www.ococean.com.



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## BOARD ADDITIONS

In early October, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City held a luncheon to install the new officers for the 2015 -2016 year. At that time all offices except the president-elect had been filled. Then there were some changes as one of the new board members moved and a past president decided to run for the open office of president-elect. By-laws required an election for which there was one candidate for president-elect and three candidates for an open board member slot. Barbara Peletier (unopposed) and Roy Foreman, also a past president, won the election. Pictured, from left, are President Mark Joseph, Foreman, Peletier and Ralph Chinn, adviser to the president.

**DIGITAL DROP IN** — Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., during January. Get help with your new e-reader or tablet. Drop in anytime, any day or schedule an individual tutorial: 410-641-0650.

**MAKE AND TAKE CRAFTS** — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, all through January. The Craft Cart contains supplies to make: picture frames, jewelry and other artwork. Make what you like and take what you make. For teens. Info: 410-524-1818.

**WSW SUPPORT GROUP** — OC Office, 12216 Ocean Gateway, Unit 1500, West Ocean City, 1 p.m., third Wednesday of each month. Info: Mary Henderson, 410-213-1177.

**FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES** — Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, every Friday, 7:30 p.m. A reform Jewish Synagogue. Info: 410-641-4311.

**SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP** — Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. Also held at the Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., the fourth Thursday of each month, 6 p.m. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-726-3090 or www.choosetolivemaryland.org.

**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT & ADVOCACY GROUP** — St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, noon to 1:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Info: 410-524-7474.

**WORCESTER COUNTY PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, second Tuesday of each month, 2:30 p.m. Speakers, exercise, discussions and more. Info: 410-208-3132.

**STAR CHARITIES MEETING** — Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m., on the first Friday of each month. Meeting of volunteers. Info: Anna Fultz, 410-641-7667.

**PINE'EER CRAFT AND GIFT SHOP OPEN** — Pine'eer Craft and Gift Shop, White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. Shop will be open every Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and every Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featuring the latest creations by members of the Pine'eer Craft Club.

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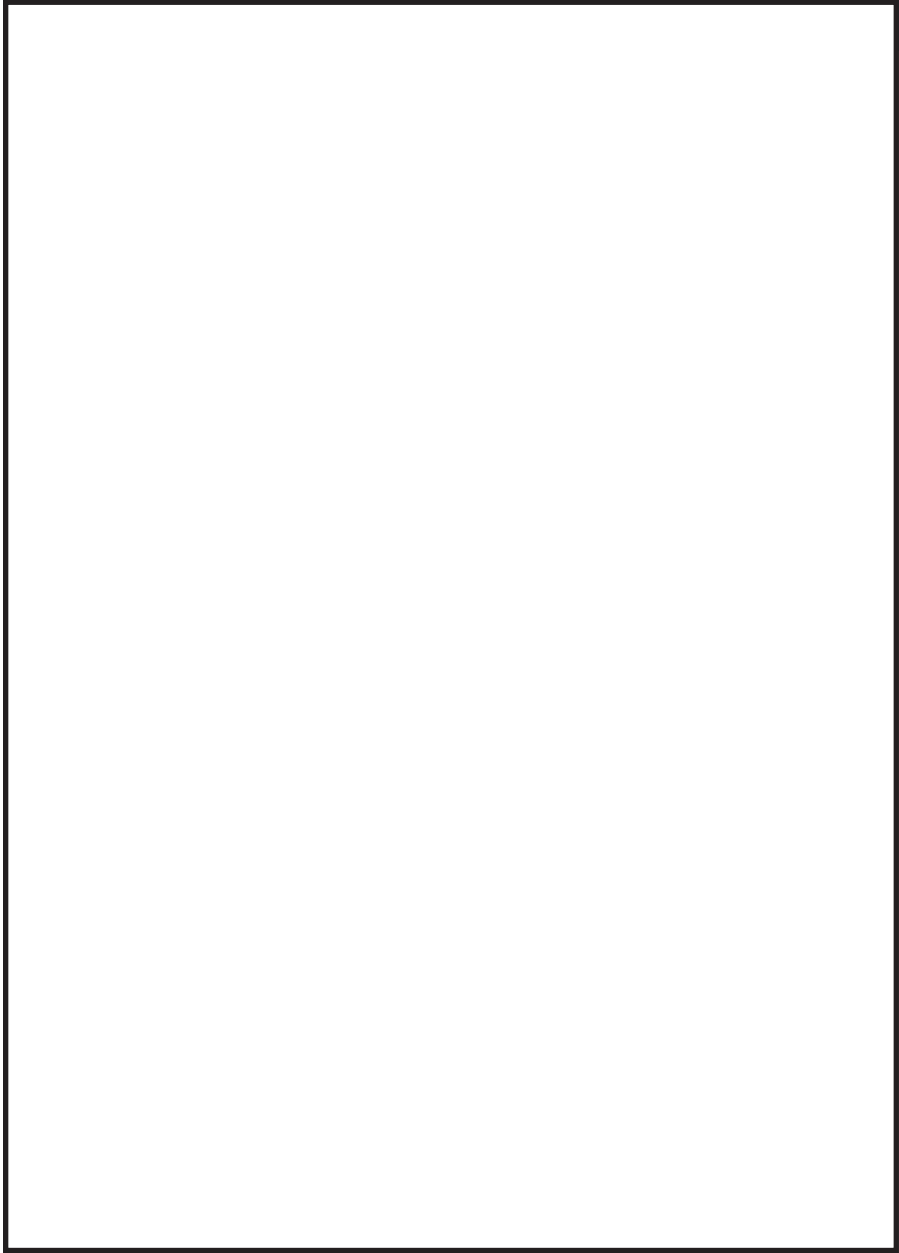


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