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BLC weighs in on open containers

Berlin to reduce service area size given rule lift

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

BERLIN — After the Town passed an ordinance last year giving the Council the authority to suspend the local container laws, everyone involved said they understood there would be a bit of a learning curve, and the Town got its first lesson from the Worcester County Board of Liquor Control (BLC) this week.

Although they have already had a test run of the open container suspension, when the Chamber began the process of getting permission to sell beer themselves, the BLC suggested that the organization re-think its decision to have a beer garden.

Actually, "suggested" may be too soft a word.

"The representative we spoke to was very insistent that it just be an area where we can sell," said Town Administrator Tony Carson.

From the BLC's point of view, given that the Town has suspended the open container laws for a few of the Town's major events, setting up a distinct area where people can sit and drink after being served is contrary to the point.

By providing a service area alone, not only will the Town have a much smaller concentration of people trying to occupy the same area, it will also discourage people just sitting and drinking all during the event.

Given that the move to suspend the open container laws was tied primarily

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A relaxing job

Masseuse Terri Street goes to work on Suzy Taylor as part of a demonstration she gave during the Holistic Health Fair in Berlin.

TONY RUSSO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Better living through holistic solutions

Berlin health fair at Chamber draws more than 300 into Town

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

BERLIN — When Dr Jeff Michael and Terri Street inaugurated the Berlin Holistic Health fair last year at "The Ray" in the Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services building they were able to convince about 10 other companies to participate. On the heels of last year's success,

this week the event was held at the Berlin Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center drawing more the 20 health-related companies and at least 300 attendees.

Michael, who is a chiropractor, said the event was originally conceived as a way to begin dispelling myths and misconceptions about his and other less-conventional approaches to health and well being.

While it is true, for example, that a chiropractor can help a person who has suffered a back injury recover, a person need not wait until they're back hurts to begin chiropractic therapy. It is an often misun-

derstood and under-used method to treat more ailments than most people consider including foot pain, some kinds of arthritis and even general malaise or discomfort.

Street, a masseuse who spend the petter part of the day performing free demonstrations, is another partitioner whose expertise is often misunderstood. While it is true and maybe a bit obvious that massage can be used to deepen relaxation and remove tension, it is also a therapy that can be successful in addressing a range of health concerns and problems.

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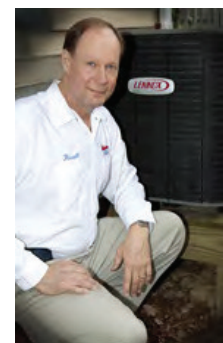


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May Day Play Day and Spring Cruisers are a go

Flexible review of plans is the key to continuing successful Town events

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to better use of police presence as well as a potential amenity and revenue generator for the Chamber and the Town, the suggestion was accepted pretty much without comment.

The open container law was not passed to encourage more drinking and it is possible that maintaining the fenced area would actually not have the desired affect.

The event in question, May Day Play Day, is a rock music festival, sponsored by a local radio station, Ocean 98, in conjunction with the Town.

Town Director of Community and Economic Development Michael Day told the Council that the set up for the event would be identical to last year's and that Ocean 98 was handling the bulk of logistics and promotion. As with last time, the Town will be responsible for street closures, electricity and security.

"It's the same setup as the ball drop," Day said.

Town streets will be closed from the Municipal Parking Lot on North Main Street to the Bay, Jefferson, and Main Streets intersection. Broad Street will be closed West of Gay Street.

The Chamber, for its part, hopes this is the first of several planned fundraisers to go off without a hitch and was happy to take the BLC's recommendations unto consideration as they planned the event.

Mayor Gee Williams expressed his belief that these recurring events can do nothing but bolster the Town's image and improve it's merchants' standing as well.

"I think this is another one of these events that's going to be around for awhile," he said.

The Council agreed to the suggestion unanimously and passed the motion supporting suspension of the open container law during the May 11 event.

The Chamber also received permission from the Council to once again host the "Spring Cruisers" event Saturday, May 19.

Chamber Executive Director Olive Mawyer told the council she expected between 250-300 old time vehicles to use the town parking lots and parking spaces. She secured permission to block off the municipal lot between North Main Street and William Street to accommodate as many cars as possible.

"As long as we can fit all the cars in there," she said. "We'll do our best to fit them in."

Day added that for this event the primary concerns of the Town had mainly

to do with traffic control.

He said that there would be no food vendors or on-street events that would require extra organization or supervision.

The two events come on the heels of the Berlin Jazz and Blues Bash which is the unofficial kickoff for the concert festival season in Berlin.

Although the open container laws were suspended for that event as well, the plan was to have a beer and wine tent at

the midway point. Because there was no planned service area for the Jazz and Blues event, the issue of whether or if the Town should have a fenced in service area never came up.

Now that the question has been addressed to everyone's satisfaction it will be incorporated into all future planning.

The Town ordinance requires that those wishing to serve alcohol to get permission from them as well as the BLC and the approval process remains rigorous in that not every event will be approved. Although none have been turned down so far, the Jazz and Blues Bash proposal nearly died for lack of a motion.

“I think this is another one of these events that’s going to be around for awhile,”

— Berlin Mayor Gee Williams



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‘We got the chance to educate a lot of people’

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people,” Michael said of the event. “It keeps getting bigger every year.”

Drs. Michael and Errin DePalma of DePalma Dental were among those who attended the event as vendors. Although dentistry isn’t often thought of as a kind of holistic practice, the DePalmas were in attendance because it gave them the opportunity to speak with health conscious people about a potential health problem with which some people may not be familiar: many metal fillings contain mercury. Although it is not commonly used, adults who have had amalgam fillings often prefer to have them removed if possible. The DePalmas were on hand to speak about the procedure for removing mercury fillings and replacing them with safer materials.

Since mercury is highly toxic, special precautions have to be taken so airborne mercury that might be released during the procedure neither enters the doctor’s nor the patient’s lungs. So in addition to specialized apparatus that extracts the mercury fillings without expelling them into the patient, the doctors wear and provide small air filters that keep any airborne mercury from being inhaled.

The tables and presentations stretched the full length of the Chamber building though into the gallery section. While several of the resident artists were on hand to show their work, others had ceded their

spaces to presenters. The few vacant galleries were also used as display areas.

Diane Armstrong, who owns the Serenity Shoppe in Snow Hill, provided introductory Reiki treatments to those who were interested. Reiki is a Japanese stress reduction technique that focuses on the exchange of energy from the provider to the recipient. In addition to improving the feeling of wellness many believe it has restorative healing powers as well.

Among the Main Street Businesses that were present was Go Organic, the organic grocery store that took the peach shed in the Municipal Parking Lot for its home base earlier this year. Beth Gorley, the shop’s owner, said the event was an excellent opportunity for her to meet with potential customers and help get out word about her shop.

Suzy Taylor, who owns Ayers Creek Adventures, said the event was worthwhile for both her business and her knowledge. In addition to being able to speak with the attendees about the health benefits of kayaking — her company leads kayak tours along the creek and back bays — she was able to take advantage of the chance to network with other small local businesses in attendance. It is expected that the Holistic Health Fair will become another of Berlin’s annual events.



TONY RUSSO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Leah Almony and Beth Gorley (above) came all the way down the block to promote Go Organic grocery at the Holistic Health Fair this weekend. Debbie Dean-Colley with her daughters Damiana and Kaya (below) were on hand to promote Dean-Colley’s organic provisions business as well as to support the other participants.



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Annexation worries table Briddeltown water issue

Mayor and Council will clarify restrictions on future Berlin growth

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

BERLIN — When the water system serving Briddeltown, an area just beyond Town limits near Stephen Decatur High School, fail a little more than three years ago, Worcester County officials worked with Berlin to have water connected as a temporary solution.

Since then, the County has been paying the Town a flat rate based on the estimated average cost of water for the houses in the area as it sought an alternate solution. Recently the County decided that the best solution was to become a permanent subscriber to the Town of Berlin's water supply and has made overtures that would better track the costs.

For the benefit of both service provider and customer, it was suggested that a water meter be placed at the entrance to Briddeltown so the precise usage could be calculated.

At the time of the emergency this solution was also suggested but turned down since the deal was only to be temporary.

Instead, a deal was struck that the County would pay double the water rate to ensure that all costs were covered. Although the change could have an affect on the town's income, it is not likely to be a significant one.

"Getting the double rate, we certainly didn't lose anything," Town Administrator Tony Carson.

Since both parties would likely benefit from the new arrangement, its adoption seemed a done deal but confusing language in the contract made the Mayor and Council put the brakes on so the implications of the hookup could be more seriously reviewed.

The agreement contains a clause that prohibits Berlin from seeking annexation of the area. The clause was ostensibly added because the homeowners were opposed to the notion of annexation. The opposition stems both because the their tax liability would increase and also from the fact that, since the homes are currently on septic, they would likely be required to upgrade to public sewer as part of an annexation.

Although the Council in no way begrudges the current residents their decision, some question remained about whether Berlin could accept or annex undeveloped land that is currently in the "Briddeltown Sanitary Service Area".

Although it was clear that the Town could not pursue annexation of Briddeltown, some of the language of the agreement made is seem as

if the Town could never pursue annexation in the area at all, which was something to which the Council might not necessarily agree.

Assuring some residents that they

wouldn't be annexed against their will and preventing the Town from growing in that area for perpetuity were radically different notions and, according to Williams, not in the Town's interests.

"Why would we do that?" Williams said.

Since increasing the capacity of the wastewater treatment plan, Berlin is poised for growth. Although all parties want to ensure that Berlin grows slowly and proportionately, Williams suggested it didn't make good economic or environmental sense to exclude the possibility of connecting as-yet-undeveloped land to public water and sewer should future owners desire such a thing.

While Briddeltown uses sceptic, it is becoming more difficult for developers to ignore public water and sewer systems when they are available in the area.

The Council directed Carson to return next meeting with those issues clarified and tabled the matter.

"Getting the double rate, we certainly didn't lose anything"

— Town Administrator

Tony Carson



Quest for good

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The Sinepuxent Chapter of Questers presented the Historical Society of Girdletree a check in the amount of \$3,465 for the purchase of the original railroad crossing sign at the Girdletree Train Station being preserved by the Society. Presenting the check to Sandra Hudson, Shirley Brown, and Veronica Weiss by Questers Sinepuxent Chapter President Wilma Shapiro, and members Mardie Davis, Jane Coates, Pam Mitchell.



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Town makes deal to save \$1.5 million on MDE loan

Day welcomes OC to Main Street, announces Seagull Century coup

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

BERLIN — The Mayor and Council passed a measure that could save the town as much as \$1.5 million on the new wastewater treatment plant. Under an agreement with the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) the Town will issue a bond for \$3.5 million and use the cash it raises to pay off that much of the treatment plant and spray site debt.

As long as the town is able to make its bond payments the additional \$1.5 million due the MDE will be a forgiven loan, which amounts to it being a grant. The funds primarily cover the storage and irrigation portions of the upgrade.

Mayor Gee Williams one again credited the Town staffers for their work both in getting the grants and meeting all the requirements and deadlines they entailed. He looked forward to hearing of completion of the plant's final stage.

"It should be done just about a year from now," Williams said.

Water Resources Director Jane Kreiter

told the Council that the fair weather has allowed the contractors to begin setting up and that she expects the work to begin directly.

Williams said that although many people complain about environmental restrictions and the MDE bureaucracy, he could find no fault with their performance and was happy to have their contribution.

"They've been very supportive through this whole process," he said.

Berlin Director of Business and Economic Development Michael Day presented the Council

with the bookmark listing all the scheduled events for the coming year.

"It's an inch longer," he said, referencing the many additional planned events the Town has either added or began participating in.

One of the big economic development announcements Day was able to make was that the Town of Berlin will be featured on the cover of the Seagull Century Bike Race guide this October. The annual event draws thousands of participants from around the country as well as a significant number of international partici-

pants.

In addition to the guide cover the Town will be featured on the back of 10,000 participant shirts and will be a designated stopover for the event.

The publicity is expected not only to draw thousands into town for the day but also to act as an enticement for return trips as people begin to plan their winter excursions and summer vacations.

Day also took the opportunity to welcome Ocean City into the fold as one of the newest members of the Main Street Maryland Program. He said he looks forward to working even more closely with them as part of the Eastern Shore Main Streets.

Assistant Town Administrator Mary Bohlen told the Mayor and Council she and the other participating partners and departments were preparing for Take Pride in Berlin Week, April 21-28. Expanded from Take Pride in Berlin Day, which involved park cleanups, this year the Town will partner with Grow Berlin Green to hold additional civic pride events.

Take Pride in Berlin Week is tentatively to end with a Walkable, Bikable Berlin event. Slated to begin at Buckingham Elementary, Bohlen said she had yet to finalize the details and would make them public as soon as everything was set.

Mike Gibbons, Director of Public Works said he was working with Bohlen on a plan for a walking path in Henry Park.

Additionally, he said the public works department was taking advantage of the mild weather to get a jump on general maintenance and cleanup in the Town parks and public spaces.

Berlin Director of Human Resources, Jeff Fleetwood reported to the Mayor and Council that the Town would receive \$31,000 to defray the costs associated with preparing for and cleaning up after Hurricane Irene. The funds will be provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and are expected to be available shortly.

Fleetwood also announced that Berlin was recognized as one of only 41 policy holders out of more than 22,000 to receive a loss prevention award from the Town's insurance company. He said it was a testament to the employees commitment to safety and their willingness to continue attending education events that improve on the job safety.

"The [MDE] has been very supportive through this whole process,"

— Berlin Mayor Gee Williams

State offers poultry producers opportunity to increase sales

Training workshops for state processing rules and their certification

ANNAPOLIS — To help farmers meet growing consumer demand for local meats, the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) in partnership with the University of Maryland and Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission will conduct a training workshop for on-farm poultry and rabbit slaughter and processing.

Training will be conducted 9 a.m.-4 p.m. March 23 at the University of Maryland Extension, Community Resource Building, 30 Duke Street, Conference Room 105, in Prince Frederick.

Registration check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. Additional training sessions are planned for late March in Annapolis and on April 27 in Western Maryland. The training fee is \$20 and includes lunch and materials. Registration deadline is March 16.

To download a copy of the registration form, visit: www.mda.state.md.us/pdf/poultryrabbitwkshp.pdf.

This workshop is part of a voluntary certification program to assist small poultry and rabbit operations to meet

the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's approved source requirements to sell poultry and/or rabbit (off-farm) at farmers' markets or to restaurants and retailers in Maryland.

Workshop participants will learn to recognize diseases of public health concern, take basic biosecurity measures, write and implement basic Standard Sanitary Operating Procedures, develop Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point plans, and properly dispose of offal and waste water.

To become certified for off-farm sales, producers must:

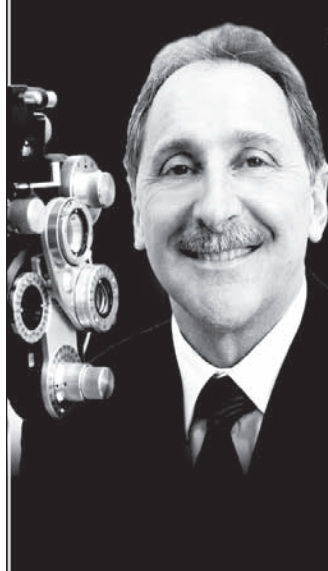
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- Pass a brief test at the training;
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- Be inspected by MDA.

(Note: MDA inspectors will conduct an inspection at least once per year to verify that producers are following food safety requirements.)

For more information, call Sherry Weygant at 410-841-5769 or email: weygansl@mda.state.md.us. Space is limited, so register early.

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Commission for Women to honor Barnes and Sorin

OCEAN CITY — The Worcester County Commission for Women will be celebrating National Women’s History Month at a luncheon held 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 21 at the Clarion Resort Hotel.

The luncheon will recognize women whose lives exemplify exceptional vision and leadership.

Andrea C. Barnes has been named the 2012 Woman of the Year for her



Andrea C. Barnes

commitment to education and significant impact on the cultural development of Worcester County. Barnes works tirelessly to improve cultural resources for both adults and youth through her involvement with the Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra.

Having retired to Ocean Pines after teaching high school English and establishing a 35-year career in real estate, Barnes was asked to join the Board of the struggling Mid-Atlantic Symphony in 2003.

With concern that the orchestra would shut down, she initiated measures to improve the quality of the orchestra and to increase fund raising.

Barnes is a visionary leader who works to create collaborative opportunities between the orchestra and aspiring musicians in the form of student outreach programs. The Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra has grown in stature each year. The love of classical music is shared and alive today through her dedicated efforts.



Eunice Q. Sorin

Eunice Q. Sorin (1923-2011) will be honored as the 2012 Woman in History for her extraordinary life, worthy of celebration and remembrance. Sorin resided in Berlin her entire life. She excelled at

everything she engaged in including cosmetology, business entrepreneurship, family life, community service, and philanthropy.

Sorin, known for her generosity of self, uniqueness of personality, and long-lasting contributions to her community, is an inspiration to all who reside in Worcester County.

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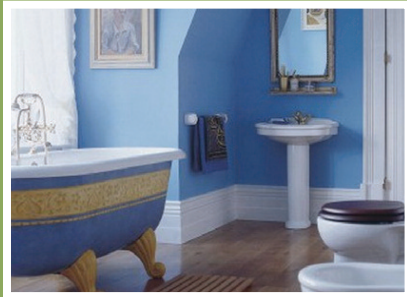
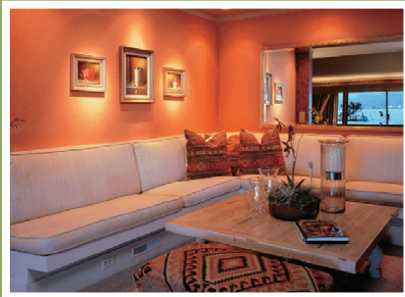
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Rose Brous of Ocean City and Norma Koehler of Salisbury look over the names on the wall of honor at Wor-Wic Community College.


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SCHOOL BRIEFS

SU graduates

SALISBURY — Some 33 Worcester County students recently graduated from Salisbury University. They were among the 498 undergraduate students who received 441 bachelor's and 57 master's degrees during the University's annual Winter Commencement ceremony at the Wicomico Youth & Civic Center.

Berlin area residents include Anna Blue, B.A., communication arts; Shawn Bunting, B.S., accounting, cum laude; Volha Butkouskaya, B.S., accounting; Chris Coats, B.A., history; Chelsea Grimm, B.A., English; Joseph Hallman, B.A., history; Samantha Hawkins, B.S., biology; Vicotr Hillaert, B.S., nursing; Kerri Holloway, B.S., nursing; Sallie Loughlin, B.S., interdisciplinary studies; Maxwell Marx, B.A., interdisciplinary studies; Tyler Pruitt, B.A., political science; Matthew Schiftic, B.S., management; Latanya Shockley, B.S.W.; and Brittany Thompson, B.S., early childhood education, B.S. elementary education.

Bishopville area residents include Joshua Fallon, B.S., biology, cum laude; and Mary Soghomonian, B.F.A, summa cum laude.

Ocean City area residents include Alyssa Bodoïn, B.A. psychology, cum laude; Yelena Bukhonina, B.S., finance; Gregory DeMarco, B.A., history; Ryan Gartland, B.S., geography; and Maria Kukhar, B.A., communications.

Pocomoke area residents include Shakira Collins, B.A., psychology; Edward Godwin, B.A., communication arts; Janell Hale, M.A., conflict analysis dispute resolution; Linda Sheats, B.A., theatre; Shaun Stevenson, B.S., management; and Cyrus Warren IV, B.A., English.

Other area residents include Matthew Lewis, B.A., theatre, B.A., history, of Newark; Keith Rumburg, B.A., English, cum laude, of Ocean Pines; and Jenna Riley, B.A., communication arts, of Snow Hill.

At Salisbury University some 8,600 students in 42 undergraduate and 14 graduate programs pursue liberal arts and professional degrees.

Among its peers, SU is ranked in the top 10 public universities of its kind in the North by U.S. News & World Report.

Rosinski on Dean's List

FREDERICKSBURG, Va. — Katherine E. Rosinski of Ocean Pines, Md. is one of 802 students at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg named to the university's Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2011-12 academic year.

Rosinski is a senior at the University of Mary Washington. The Dean's List recognizes outstanding academic achievement at the university by full-time students who attain at least a 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

The University of Mary Washington is a premier, selective public liberal arts and sciences university in Virginia, highly respected for its commitment to academic excellence, strong undergraduate liberal arts and sciences program,

and dedication to life-long learning. The university, with a total enrollment of nearly 5,000, features colleges of business, education and arts and sciences, and three campuses, including a residential campus in Fredericksburg, Va., a second one in nearby Stafford and a third in Dahlgren, Va., which serves as a center of development of educational and research partnerships between the Navy, higher education institutions and the region's employers.

Headmasters List

BERLIN — Officials at the Worcester Preparatory School this week announced the students who had made the Headmasters List for the School's Second Term. They also announced the names of the students who made honorable mention.

Grade 6

Anchita Batra, Josh Bredbenner, Tucker Brown, Taylor Campbell, Connor Cebula, Amanda Cosgriff, Anna Engel, Marissa Grosso, Sandra Karsli, Brianna Koslowski, Cameron Langelier, Padraig Loftus, Brenner Maull, Reid Odachowski, Olivia Parker, Jayan Poduval, Ankith Rajshekar, Sarah Savage, Rick Townsend, Matthew Wilson, Samantha Wolpin, and Maya ZiaShakeri.

Grade 7

Sambina Anthony, Shelby Cannatelli, Reid Carey, Margaret Coutu, Isabel Dashiell, Ross Deckmann, Chandler Dennis, Lauren Gosnear, Melissa Laws, Leigh Lingo, Regan Lingo, Trent Marshall, Davis Mears, Lauren Meoli, Nick Moondra, Owen Nally, Keegan Pando, Rayne Parker, Eva Parks, Clare Riley, Ava Schwartz, Tate Shockley, Ryan Shriver, Karlie Southcomb, Julie Talbert, Paul Townsend, Jordan Welch, Josh Willey, Zachary Wilson, and Aria ZiaShakeri.

Grade 8

Nate Abercrombie, Hannah Arrington, Rachel Berry, Austin Brittingham, Michael Brittingham, Bridget Brown, Reece Brown, Alex Choy, Jason Cook, Biola Eniola, Devin Hammond, Taylor Hawkins, Laura Issel, Lauren Jett, Jordan Kilgore, Scott Klug, John Meakin, Victoria Middleton, Ryan Murphy, Zachary Oltman, Charlie Pritchard, Neva Richardson, Wyatt Richins, Regan Shanahan, Grace Tunis, and Staton Whaley.

Grade 9

Arella Berger, Sophie Brennan, Kyle Chandler, Christopher Choy, Michelle Curtis, Raphael deJesus, Shea Dowling, Aelya Ehtasham, John Engel, SPaige Evans, Amanda Gabriel, Jarad Godwin, Michael Goldsmith, Trent Hartman, Cole Koester, Tatjana Kondraschow, Elena LaPlante, Victoria Lawrence, Shelby Laws, Caroline Lewis, Quinn Lukas, Mattie Maull, James Petrera, Mikalah Potvin, Gracie Riley, Jenny Rosales, Emmi Shockley, Maura Smith, Molly Soulé, Natalie Twilley, Mark Wilson, and Erik Zorn.

Grade 10

Ariella Anthony, Sarah Arrington,

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Worcester Prep student petitions for wind energy

Carter Allen presents local school club's case for Offshore Wind Act

ANNAPOLIS – Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley joined students from across the state of Maryland in front of the State House at noon today to show support for the Maryland Offshore Wind Energy Act of 2012.

Holding banners and signs asserting their support for clean energy, more than one hundred young people from an unprecedented 12 college campuses gathered to deliver petitions and letters of support from their universities for the bill.

The action came one day before a scheduled House Economic Matters Committee hearing on the bill. The rally was one of the largest student demonstrations on energy policy in Annapolis history.

O'Malley thanked students for championing the initiative, which would plan and implement financing of a 310 MW offshore wind farm off the coast of Ocean City. Senator Rob Garagiola, Delegate Heather Mizeur and Delegate Benjamin Barnes spoke, at the event.

Student speakers urged lawmakers to consider the long-term benefits of offshore wind, which many say has been oft-neglected in dialogue around the issue.

"We are here today to speak up to legislators and say that we need offshore wind power to play a major role in our clean energy future," said Johns Hopkins University student Joni Slinger.

University support has been a key issue in the offshore wind debate. As large purchases of energy, universities would be subject to a temporary 2.5 percent increase in their energy bills under the legislation.

In 2011, a perceived lack of university support was a major reason the bill did not get out of committee.

This year, students have been working with universities to demonstrate their support for the investment in offshore wind.

The University of Maryland, College Park's Student Government Association — which represents more than 27,000 students — passed a resolution this week officially endorsing the bill.

In addition, President of St. Mary's College of Maryland Joseph Urgo and President of Chesapeake College Barbara Viniar sent official letters of support to legislators. Faculty members from Coppin State University also sent letters supporting the initiative.

The rally was organized by the Maryland Student Climate Coalition (MSCC), a state-wide organization led by students representing more than a dozen campuses across Maryland. For more information about the Maryland Student Climate Coalition, visit www.msccblog.wordpress.com.



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Carter Allen (flanked by Sen. Jim Mathias and Sen. Mike Miller) represented Worcester Preparatory School and its Environmental Action Club at the Wind Power Rally in Annapolis. Allen had taken the initiative to schedule a meeting prior to the rally with Senator Jim Mathias to communicate the club's support for renewable energy.

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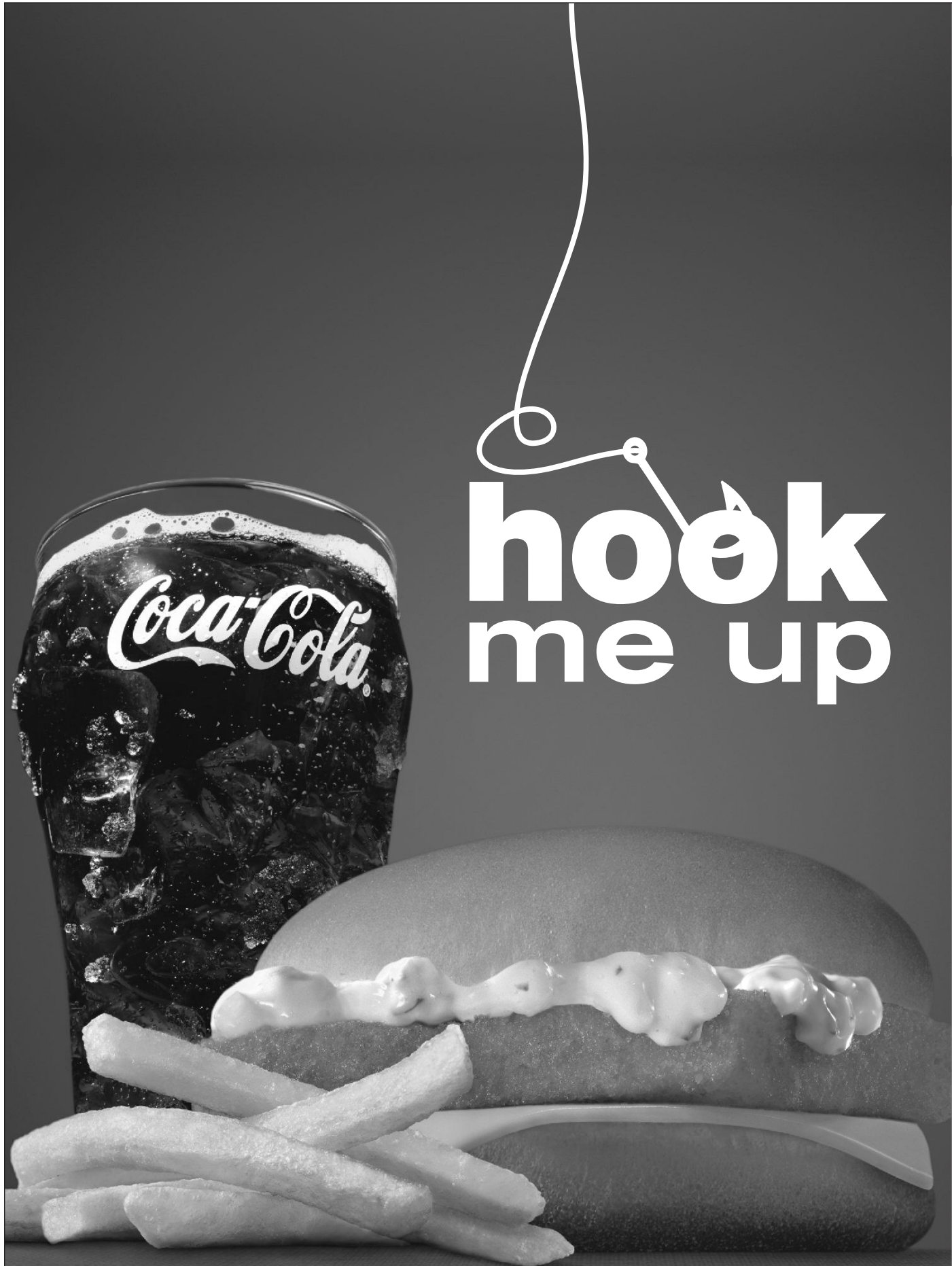
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Grade 11
Gordon Abercrombie, Carter Allen, Claire Brown, Justin Canakis, Patrick Dowling, Ragen Doyle, Mike Durkin, Talha Ehtasham, Zander Farr, Scott Gee, Roland Gerachis, Parker Kellam, Caroline Klug, Casey Knerr, Katie Lawrence, Steven Lobo, Brad Mullen, Conor Nally, Tyler Odachowski, Katherine Pavlos, Elizabeth Sayan, Meredith Smith, Meredith Soulé, and Caroline Wetzberger.

Grade 12
Alyssa Alicea, Kayla Baier, Ellie Brown, Sarah Chaski, Jim Engel, Mary-beth Fisher, Ashley Foreman, Hannah Gaskill, Alyson Hartman, Kenley Lewis, Laney Manning, Olivia Massey, Ryan McGuire, Jennifer Moore, Halie Mur-ray-Davis, Megan O'Donnell, Lynde Pepper, Matteo Petrera, Cole Phillips, Christopher Potvin, Catherine Reilly, Mallory Richards, David Rosenblit, Erin Royal, Riddhi Sanwal, Michelle Stickler, Katelin Talbert, Sebal Tekmen, Alex Ter-nahan, Patricia Twilley, and Abbie Tyler.

Honorable mention
Grade 6
Porter Bunting, Jack Fager, Ethan Gaskill, James Mathias, Riley Mears, Grace Nichols, Camryn Sofronski, Austin Taylor,

Grade 7
Matthew Adkins, Max Bisaha, Grant Brown, Riley Dickerson, Adam Pizza, Thomas Polk, Caroline Savage, Alexan-dra Van Orden

Grade 8
Julia D'Antonio, Lauren Dykes, Hay-ley Larsen, Hanna Nechay, Jordan Osias.

Grade 9
Sam Deeley, Cameron DiPerna, Car-olyn Dorey, Rylie Doyle, Ali Khan

Grade 10
Alexa Conaway, Cynthia Delaney, Lilly DiNardo, Greg LaMotte, Selbyville; Meg Lingo, Jack Marshall, Jack Pedigo, Lewes; Chase Schmehling.

Grade 11
Christopher Adkins, Alex Bruder, Berlin; Miranda Buas, Seth Conboy, Gabrielle D'Antonio, Elise Harmon, Molly Marshall, Matt Middleton, Dara Pappas, Thomas Thornett

GRADE 12
Hannah Beauchamp, Logan Bellinger, Michael, Dayton-Jones, Pey-ton Dickerson, Ian Marriott, Akshay Ra-jshekar, Mary Clare Regan, Sarah Smith, Olivia Wilgus, Shelby Zimmer, Ben-jamin Zito.

NEWS BRIEFS

Post Office study

EASTON — The U.S. Postal Service plans to expand a study at the Eastern Shore Processing and Distribution Facility to examine the feasibility of consolidating its operations into the Wilmington, Del. Processing and Distribution Facility. This Area Mail Processing study involves a review of the mail processing and transportation operations to determine capacity needs within the postal network in order to increase efficiency and improve productivity.

The expanded study comes as the Postal Service faces one of the most difficult challenges in its history.

Annual mail volume has declined by more than 43 billion pieces in the past 5 years and is continuing to decline. Total First-Class Mail has dropped 25 percent and single piece First-Class Mail — letters bearing postage stamps — has declined 36 percent in the same timeframe.

Even when the economy fully recovers, the Postal Service does not expect mail volume to return to previous peak levels, and is projecting annual deficits for the foreseeable future. Because the decline has created substantial excess mail processing capacity, the Postal Service is initiating studies to look at reducing the size of its mail processing network nationwide.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

A self-supporting government enterprise, the U.S. Postal Service is the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 151 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

With nearly 32,000 retail locations and the most frequently visited website in the federal government, usps.com, the Postal Service has annual revenue of more than \$65 billion and delivers nearly 40 percent of the world's mail. If it were a private sector company, the U.S. Postal Service would rank 35th in the 2011 Fortune 500. In 2011,

the U.S. Postal Service was ranked number one in overall service performance, out of the top 20 wealthiest nations in the world, Oxford Strategic Consulting. Black Enterprise and Hispanic Business magazines ranked the Postal Service as a leader in workforce diversity. The Postal Service has been named the Most Trusted Government Agency for six years and the sixth Most Trusted Business in the nation by the Ponemon Institute.

MVA on Wheels

OCEAN CITY — The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration's MVA on Wheels returns to Ocean City 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, March 6 at the Public Safety Building lot, 65th Street and Coastal Highway.

The following services are offered on the MVA bus: Renew a non-commercial drivers license; renew a Maryland photo identification card; obtain a duplicate drivers license; obtain a certified copy of a driving record; obtain disability placards; renew a vehicle registration; obtain substitute stickers; obtain duplicate registrations; return tags; change your name and/or address; register to vote and register as an organ donor.

The MVA bus will next visit Ocean City on April 10. Future visits in the coming months also include May 8 and June 12. For more information, call the MVA at 1-800-950-1 MVA.

OCAA volunteers

OCEAN CITY — The Ocean City Aviation Association (OCAA), presented plaques, awards, and certificates of appreciation in honor of those persons who gave unselfishly of their time and labor restoring the Huey helicopter that is on display at the Ocean City Municipal Airport. The Huey Memorial honors all veterans who served during times of armed conflict, especially those who made the supreme sacrifice.

Tom Oneto, President of OCAA presented CW2 Jim McDaniel, Huey Restoration Project Manager, a Plaque For "Exemplary Professional Display of Leadership, Knowledge, and Mechanical Skills." He also awarded J. D. Quillin III, OCAA's

Vice-President, with the "Order of the Purple Huey," for continued dedication of time and labor after experiencing a series of injuries.

Certificates of Appreciation were also presented to: Tom Allen, Coleman Bunting-Treasurer of OCAA, Joe Ferster, Allen James, Jack Jarvis, Jr., Eric Lynch, Bryan Burrows-Mc Elwain, Donald Messina, James Mills, John Sabanosh, and Larry Shanks. All will continue with the Huey's future care and maintenance.

Ocean City horses

OCEAN CITY — There were some new visitors to Ocean City's beach on Wednesday — the first horses to be permitted under a new ordinance that allows horseback riding on the beach during winter months.

Ann Luke of Holly Ridge Farms in Willards, purchased four single-day permits to bring horses Lady, Zena, Sparks and Lucky to the Ocean City beach this week. Permit applications are now available to persons wishing to ride horses on Ocean City's beach. Applications can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office in City Hall at 301 Baltimore Avenue or online at www.oceancitymd.gov.

The cost is \$20 for a single-day permit and \$50 for a seasonal permit. Horseback riding is now allowed on the beach beginning at 27th Street and extending south to the Inlet jetty between the hours of 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. November 1 to March 30.

Community Alert Siren

SNOW HILL — Saturday, March 3, Worcester County emergency alert signals will sound from area fire sirens. A steady alert tone will sound at 10 a.m. for approximately one minute.

The signals are tested the first Saturday of each month. In the event of an actual emergency, the sirens would be used as additional means to warn the surrounding communities of imminent danger and the need to tune to either radio, television or the internet for information.

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Beyond Assateague, the National Park Service plays a large economic role in both states. 3,541,570 visitors to all national parks in Maryland in 2010 spent

Across the United States, local visitor spending added a total of \$31 billion to the national economy and supported more than 258,000 jobs, an increase of \$689 million and 11,500 jobs over 2009.

A hand-delivered application must be received by a local board of elections by 9 p.m. on March 13 and a mailed application must be postmarked by March 13. This is also the deadline for registered voters who have moved since the last election to provide updated address information to the

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BUSINESS

BAYSIDE

Avery Salon is getting comfy in new West O.C. shop

Newly relocated shop will focus on personal comfort as well as style

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

WEST OCEAN CITY — Peggy Hammond is perfectly at ease in one of the swivel chairs just off the styling floor at Avery Hair Salon. Her surroundings are a paradox of stark modernity and personal coziness. Call it comfortable-chic.

She joked that several of her friends have asked when she is going to paint the salon she and her die-hard employees occupied after moving from their former Golf Course Road salon.

Hammond explained to them that the white paint and muted silver ceilings represent completeness. There is a good reason for this.

Anyone who had the pleasure of visiting the Avery Gallery in its old digs, can testify to the place's cavern quality. Set up like an art gallery, and often confused with one, the place gave patrons plenty of

room to be the focus of their experience. In the smaller space, overdecorating would amount to inducing claustrophobia.

The salon experience generally should be a personal one. The client is the focus and there is no need to distract from the fact.

The Avery Salon experience is totally client oriented. The appointments are fresh and airy, the chairs, from the waiting room to the salon floor, are inviting and the light is friendly but not false.

The unity of effect is not accidental. A down real estate market kept Hammond on Golf Course Road a little longer than she'd expected but the benefit was it gave her plenty of time to develop her vision for the new salon.

The work to bring her vision to life took only a few days because of the amount of planning she'd done. It was only a matter of execution, and a little serendipity.

The only aspect of the business that used to occupy the space Avery Salon now does that remains are the glass brick

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TONY RUSSO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Cut and color is the dominant theme at the recently relocated Avery Salon. The former Golf Course Road icon has moved out onto the Route 50 corridor.

FINANCIAL ADVICE

Use personal financial self-reporting to make decisions

Before investing or any financial decisions, you first need to analyze and understand your entire financial picture. A Balance Sheet and a Cash Flow Statement enable you to take an in-depth look at your current financial situation and make better decisions about the future. With a little work, you can develop these two tools and be on your way to a solid plan for your finances.



By Chip Gordy
MBA, CRPC

A balance sheet is a snapshot of your personal finances at one point in time. It contains two main parts: what you own (assets), and what you owe (liabilities). Your net worth (or equity) is simply your assets minus your liabilities.

Examples of assets include: house, in-

vestments (stocks, bonds, real estate), savings and checking accounts, 401(k), IRAs, business interests, artwork, and jewelry, among others. Liabilities include mortgage balances, credit cards, education loans, and any other debt.

The ultimate goal of most investors is to increase their net worth. The balance sheet is a very useful tool to identify strengths and weaknesses in your current finances, as well as to determine your goals for the future. Someone with a high amount of liabilities might set a goal to eliminate this debt. On the other hand, someone with a positive net worth (more assets than liabilities) might plan to save and invest towards retirement, college, or another goal.

After examining your balance sheet and determining your goals, you need to decide how to fund these goals. A well formulated plan is one not only with realistic goals, but also a sensible means of achieving them. In other words, having goals is good, but you

must be able to pay for them. Using a cash flow statement will help you to determine how to pay for your goals.

A cash flow statement is a detailed look at all money coming in and going out over a period of time. It shows what you earn (income) and what you spend (expenses). Your net cash flow is what you earn minus what you spend.

Some examples of income include: salary and wages, self-employment earnings, dividends, interest, and other investment income.

Expenses may include: mortgage payments, rent payments, insurance costs, utilities, clothing, food, child care, alimony or child support, travel, entertainment, loan payments, education costs, taxes, charitable contributions, gifts, and gasoline.

By analyzing your cash flow statement, you can more easily cut expenses and identify excess net cash to use towards your goals.

Generally, someone with negative net cash flow should first concentrate on cutting expenses to achieve positive cash flow before attempting to save or invest towards any future goals. Once positive net cash flow is attained, excess money can be used for funding and achieving your goals.

When using these two tools, it's important to remember the more detail you use, the more effective they will be. A plan is only as good as the effort you put forth when creating it.

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CHAMBER NEWS



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They say March comes in like a lion and leaves like a lamb. Given our mild winter and temperatures in the 50s – 60s, I'd say we've got a pretty tame lion this year.

As we roll into March, the weather continues to warm up welcoming spring as the days become longer, allowing more time for enjoying the many unique experiences and opportunities Berlin has to offer.

The 2012 Berlin Event Calendar Bookmarks are available and ready for pick-up in the Chamber Office.

These are 'must haves' with an event listing, map of Berlin and directions to our Main Street district.

The colorful bookmarks are the perfect size to carry in your purses and pockets or to tuck into that great new book you are reading!

Make sure to mark all of our upcoming events down so you don't miss a single one. The 2012 Berlin Business Directories have also arrived.

This year's Directory is beautifully done in full color with tons of photos depicting our members and events like the Jazz & Blues Bash, Fiddlers Convention, Berlin Cruisers and Spring Celebration.

The Directory provides contact and business information for our diverse business membership and is an amazing business to business resource you're sure to use often throughout the year. Stop in and pick yours up at the Chamber Office today!

Connect-Support-Grow This is the tenet that binds us together in the Chamber and with that in mind we are offering another powerful business to business networking opportunity.

The 2nd Annual Joint Chamber Business Expo will be held on March 15th from 5 – 8 pm at the old Harley Davidson building on Rt. 50 in Berlin. The Business Expo is open to everyone at no charge and will feature displays by 50 key businesses from Berlin

and the surrounding area. This is an amazing opportunity to showcase your business, services and talent.

Since there are only limited exhibitor spaces available make sure you sign-up right away. Last year's Expo was a huge success with entertainment, giveaways, food & beverages, a 50/50 and most importantly priceless business networking opportunities. Call me to secure your space today!

2nd Friday Art Strolls have been exciting at the Artist Studios in our Chamber Office and Visitors Center!

Jim Adcock, who has been with us since July has been busy creating a new series, Dunes of Assateague and some pieces showcasing Berlin. Last month Jim invited two guest artists, Dawn Tarr and Kat Moon, to the Stroll.

We are also thrilled to introduce our new artist, Don Grafer, who is a self taught artist with a vibrant eclectic personal style.

Don specializes in expressive, vivid and sometimes explosive use of color. His work has been showcased at the Ocean Pines Library and now you can see it for yourself during the upcoming Art Stroll, 5-8 p.m. Friday March 10.

Spring is just around the corner and with it comes our 17th Annual Spring Celebration on Saturday, April 7th. Planning is in the works with our creative event committee comprised of Peggy Hagy (Berlin Coffee House), Steve Barrett (Barrett Chevrolet), Linda Dearing (Copy Central) and led by Shelly Bruder (Bruder Hill).

You can be sure this year's event will bring lots of fantastic fun and entertainment for everyone! Keep an eye out on the website for a detailed schedule of events.

Jazz & Blues Bash music line-up is now available online at berlinchamber.org/event-jazz.

We have some incredible artists coming out to indulge our audience this year!

The thanks for this go out to my diligent music committee: Barb & Rick Stack of Design Resources, Joel Todd and Harley Sanders of Isle of

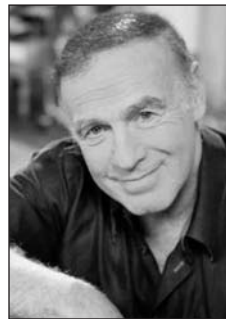
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Bloch honored

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — The Academy of Magical Arts in Hollywood, the operating arm of the world famous Magic Castle, has announced that Rich Bloch, of Millville's Dickens Parlour Theatre, is one of five nominees for 2012 Stage Magician of the Year.

The winner will be announced Sunday, April 1 in Hollywood at the Saban Theatre.



Rich Bloch

Immediately after the show, Bloch and his wife, Susan, will leave to begin a 10-day performing tour of China and Korea, then hopping to Sorrento, Italy to perform on a Crystal Symphony cruise to Istanbul.

"I'm honored to be considered again and to have fortified my position as the Susan Lucci of magic," Bloch, a 7-time nominee for the Academy's prestigious top Stage award, said. Bloch will be performing special close-up shows most nights at 8:30 pm at Dickens, beginning June 12, and will be on stage at Dickens from August 1 to August 8. For more information call 302-829-1071 or visit www.dptmagic.com.

Leadership Maryland

SALISBURY — Three Salisbury area leaders have been selected for the Leadership Maryland Class of 2012.

They are Dr. Clifton Griffin, Salisbury University dean of graduate studies and research; Dr. Memo Diriker, founding director of the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business' Business, Economic and Community Outreach Network (BEACON); and Kathleen Mommé, executive director of United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore.

Established in 1992, Leadership Maryland is an independent, educational, non-profit organization designed to inform top-level executives, from the public and private sectors, about the critical issues, challenges and opportunities facing Maryland and its regions. Griffin, Diriker and Mommé are among

52 leaders selected to participate in the eight-month program.

At SU, Griffin provides administrative oversight of SU's 14 master's degrees and five post-secondary certificate programs. He also develops research policy, acts as the leading advocate for faculty and student research and scholarly activity, cultivates relationships with external funding sources and explores funding resources for graduate students.

At BEACON, Diriker advises a large number of private, public, and nonprofit sector organizations, specializing in the use of scenario analysis and in demographic, business and economic trend forecasting.

He has served as the principal investigator on numerous grants and sponsored research projects, totaling over \$6 million in awards.

In addition to a book, he has authored many articles in academic and practitioner publications, and is a sought-after public speaker.

At the United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore, Mommé oversees an annual campaign raising over \$1 million for 60 community programs in Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset and Dorchester Counties. In 2001, she led United Way to become the recipient of the largest Perdue-Kresge Challenge award, \$1 million, to establish the "United Way Forever" endowment that has since grown to over \$2.2 million. Mommé's leadership has led the local United Way to be the largest nongovernmental funding source for local non-profits on Maryland's Lower Eastern Shore.

Following a two-day opening retreat in April, participants in Leadership Maryland will attend throughout the state, five two-day, and one one-day, intense sessions focusing on issues such as economic development, education, health and human services, criminal and juvenile justice, environment, multiculturalism and diversity.

More than 100 experts representing business, government, education, and the non-profit community will serve as panelists and guest speakers.

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Hammond: ‘This is the next chapter in my life’

The look is fresh but the Avery reputation is the same in West O. C.

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walls that set off the shampoo room. The bricks had been part of her vision so when Hammond came in to look at the place, the presence of the glass bricks seemed an indicator. So while the rest of the space was gutted and re-configured to meet her vision, those walls stayed put.



Peggy Hammond

Although little has changed about the quality of work, under these new conditions the salon functions better as a person-centric place now that the gallery aspect has been set aside.

“This is the next chapter in my life,” she said. “It was great when there were 15 of us [at the gallery] but the five of us are happy as clams.”

A more than 20 years ago, Avery Salon was in the space that now houses Bed, Bath and Beyond in the White Marlin Mall. Hammond saw and took the opportunity to expand into the building on Golf

Course Road that she occupied for the last 15 years. The building and its trappings are still close to Hammond’s heart but times and tastes change and for the last few years she’s been looking for the opportunity to downsize and better personalize the salon experience.

While they retain their aesthetician services, for instance, Avery Salon is no longer in the manicure and pedicure business, or the day spa business for that matter. The idea of moving to a smaller space was to better focus the services they provided and meet the demands to which their greatest strengths were oriented.

For example, the personal service they provide and the familiarity with which they treat their clients is better served in a place that’s cozier.

This recurring notion of friendliness and comfort is accentuated by what is kind of a design masterpiece, a wall-mounted, inset fireplace. Save for the mirrors, it is the only adornment the walls have and it sets it off just right because it suggests homeyness without distraction.

Hammond said the word “Gallery” was dropped because it is becoming passe as a salon name. “Avery”, which is Hammond’s mother’s maiden name was retained as much for its nostalgic quality as because its reputation has remained impeccable for more than two decades.

Berlin Chamber expects a good weather boost

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It’s going to be amazing! Bash is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2012 from noon - 8 pm. Make sure to “like” us on Facebook - BerlinJazzandBlues.

One of the key elements of making our events successful and keeping with the dedication to the arts that our town of Berlin has, we are continuously accepting applications for artists and crafters to participate in the Spring Celebration, Jazz and Blues Bash and Fiddlers’ Convention.

Applications can be downloaded from the Chamber website or sent via email, fax or mail by contacting me directly. I’m looking forward to seeing some friendly faces as the weather warms up and we embark on this new season in Berlin.

As you can see, we have tons of fun, exciting events coming-up and many opportunities for our members to network and grow their businesses.

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Teen guitarist to bring a little extra for Arts Night

Local girl is among the few student performing artists for 2nd Friday

By Tony Russo
Staff Writer

BERLIN — While the visual artists are putting the final touches on the works they expect to display during next week-end's Spring Arts Night event, the performance artists don't get to finalize anything until the show is over.

Visual artists co-exist with a different kind of pressure, a front-loaded one if you will.

A painter or a sculptor will reach a point in the next few days when there is no longer the time to improve upon or tweak the work they intend to show for the event. The pressure of production can then give way to the anxiety of acceptance.

For Taylor Hawkins, the 14-year-old musician who will perform at j.j.Fish next Friday, practice is the order of the day. Or, more properly, of the next seven days.

As a performer, she had the fortune of being able to improve her style and selection even as the event is going on, changing the song selection to better suit the crowd and even reworking things she has already performed to better suit the room or style.

While it might seem like an advan-



TONY RUSSO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Taylor Hawkins is one of several musical acts performing during Spring Arts Night in Berlin. For a full listing a places and events see Page 29.

tage, the real downside is that she will continue to work through the entire evening, only being able to assess how her work turned out long after it is finished and gone forever. No pressure, right?

The Worcester Prep 8th Grader has been playing the guitar since she was 8

years old but in the last few years has renewed her commitment to the instrument. As with so many other guitarists, the instrument's portability appealed to her more than any other aspect. Hawkins enjoys playing for friends and family in small groups but next Friday will mark her public performance debut, and she's a little nervous.

The idea that she would be part of the evening's events came because of a little bit of luck. Although Hawkins had worked the summer at j.j.Fish that she

played the guitar never came up. Her mother happened to mention her playing to Judy Fisher as part of a conversation and when it came time to prepare for Spring Arts Night, the Fishers decided to ask if Hawkins would like to be featured.

j.j.Fish is one of several Downtown businesses that has Spring Arts Night double as Student Arts Night, using the opportunity to feature student artists in place of the more established professionals who dominate the other 11 2nd Friday events.

Curves of Berlin to participate in the nationwide food brive

BERLIN — Recognizing the increasing need for donations at local food banks, Curves International is kicking off the 2012 Curves Food Drive on March 1 with a challenge to all Curves Clubs to meet or exceed last year's donations.

Each club, including Curves of Berlin, is asking its members to donate bags of non-perishable food or cash throughout the month of March to support their local community food bank.

In addition, Curves of Berlin will waive the joining fee for new members who bring in a bag of non-perishable food or donate \$30 to their local food bank from March 12.

"Curves of Berlin is committed to supporting the health and well-being of our members, so the food drive is a natural extension of that commitment to the whole community," said a Curves of Berlin staff member. "Many families are struggling with basic expenses and need some help to make ends meet. Our food drive gives our members a way to reach out and support their neighbors."

With a theme of "Good for your body and your soul," this year's drive encour-

ages Curves members to feel doubly good about themselves as they make time to exercise for good health and take time to help others in the community with a donation of nutritious food.

Local Curves clubs may also qualify to win cash prizes for their local food banks. Curves International will award cash prizes to the clubs that collect the most food, the clubs that show the greatest increase in donations over the 2011 food drive, and to two additional clubs randomly selected from all the clubs who enter the contest.

"We would love to see all of our clubs top their donation levels from last year," said Curves founder Diane Heavin.

"But the main goal of our annual drive is to enlist the help of our members in re-stocking the shelves of local food pantries across the country."

For more information about Curves of Berlin, located at 11070 Cathell Road, Unit 23, and the 2012 Curves Food Drive, contact a Curves of Berlin staff member at 410-641-0509 or 97AY0E4A3@curvesmail.com. For more information about Curves, please visit www.curves.com.



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Artist Chris Maxa brings the Boardwalk to Berlin

Bungalow Love's Spring Arts Night opening is just the beginning

By Casey Knerr
Staff Writer

For many years, the famous boardwalk has been a symbol of Ocean City's culture and heritage. Now, however, one artist's bright idea will allow locals and tourists alike to take home "Ocean City memories...on a piece of Ocean City history."

Last year, while jogging in Ocean City, artist Chris Maxa stumbled upon a frenzy of boardwalk refurbishment. He found and collected piles of old boards that had been replaced, considering the unique history attributed to each one.

Through a secret process, Maxa printed original photographs of downtown Ocean City and the boardwalk on small sections of the old boards. Although the idea was originally confined to Christmas presents for family and friends, Maxa soon realized its potential as a marketable piece of artwork.

"The key is the authentic wood," said Maxa. Genuine sections of old boardwalk give each print personality and a distinctive story.

Furthermore, the characteristic vintage look attracts nostalgic beach-goers everywhere.



CASEY KNERR/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Chris Maxa, creator of "Boardwalked," will be Bungalow Love's featured artist during the Berlin Spring Arts Night on Friday, March 9. For now, more information on the product and a gallery of styles can be found at www.wix.com/chrismaxa/boardwalked.

"People like it because it's a memory of Ocean City on an authentic piece of Ocean City history," Maxa added.

Reception so far has been positive, and he hopes that popularity will continue to grow for this innovative artwork.

As the summer nears, Maxa plans to add new and exciting images to his artwork in order to capture the true spirit of Ocean City.

He also welcomes any suggestions for

photographs, which will appear in both color and black and white prints.

So far, "Boardwalked" prints are sold in two stores: Berlin's Bungalow Love and Ocean City's The Kite Loft. They will soon be available on Etsy.com, the popular craft website, as well.

Heather Layton, owner of Bungalow Love, is excited about the potential of "Boardwalked." Even as she unpacked the pieces for the first time, enthusiastic cus-

tomers were asking to purchase them. Because of this popularity, Maxa will be the featured artist during the Berlin Art Stroll on Friday, March 9.

The Kite Loft's owner, Jay Knerr, is also impressed with Maxa's artwork. "I think it's a great idea that our customers will really enjoy," he said.

After all, many of the store's customers will want to take home a lasting memory of their Ocean City vacation.

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Saturdays 11-4pm	Harbour Island Sales Office, 14th St & Bayside	2 & 3BR/2 & 3.5BA	Condo, Town, Slips	From \$300,000	ERA Holiday RE / N. Pavier
Sundays 11-4pm	Harbour Island Sales Office, 14th St & Bayside	2 & 3BR/2 & 3.5BA	Condo, Town, Slips	From \$300,000	ERA Holiday RE / N. Pavier
Saturday 10-4pm	Eleven 11 Edgewater	3BR/2.5BA	16 Bayfront Condos	From \$595,000	Coldwell Banker/Bobby Jester
Saturday 10-4pm	423 Lark Lane #204, Ocean City	2BR/1.5BA	Condo	From \$169,900	Resort Real Estate/John Magathan
Sunday 10-1pm	Eleven 11 Edgewater	3BR/2.5BA	16 Bayfront Condos	From \$595,000	Coldwell Banker/Bobby Jester
Sunday 11-2pm	3 93rd Street	5BR/4BA	Single Family	From \$1,999,900	Prudential Pen Fed/Della Wilson

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Being open to growth is the best way to go

This week the Berlin Mayor and Council elected to table an agreement with the County that would connect Briddeltown to Berlin water service. The sticking point was not the water agreement itself but rather a reference to annexation restrictions. Gee Williams worried that the language could be interpreted in such a way as to exclude the Town from ever annexing other property in the area.

Although this is likely not the intent of the agreement the fact that the Council elected to put the brakes on and make sure rather than to just go ahead with what was otherwise a simple agreement is heartening. To be clear, it is the Council's job to make sure they understand what they're signing. Doing your job doesn't deserve extra credit.

What does deserve at least a mention is that their concern indicates that the Town continues to keep an eye out for opportunities to grow well and sustainably.

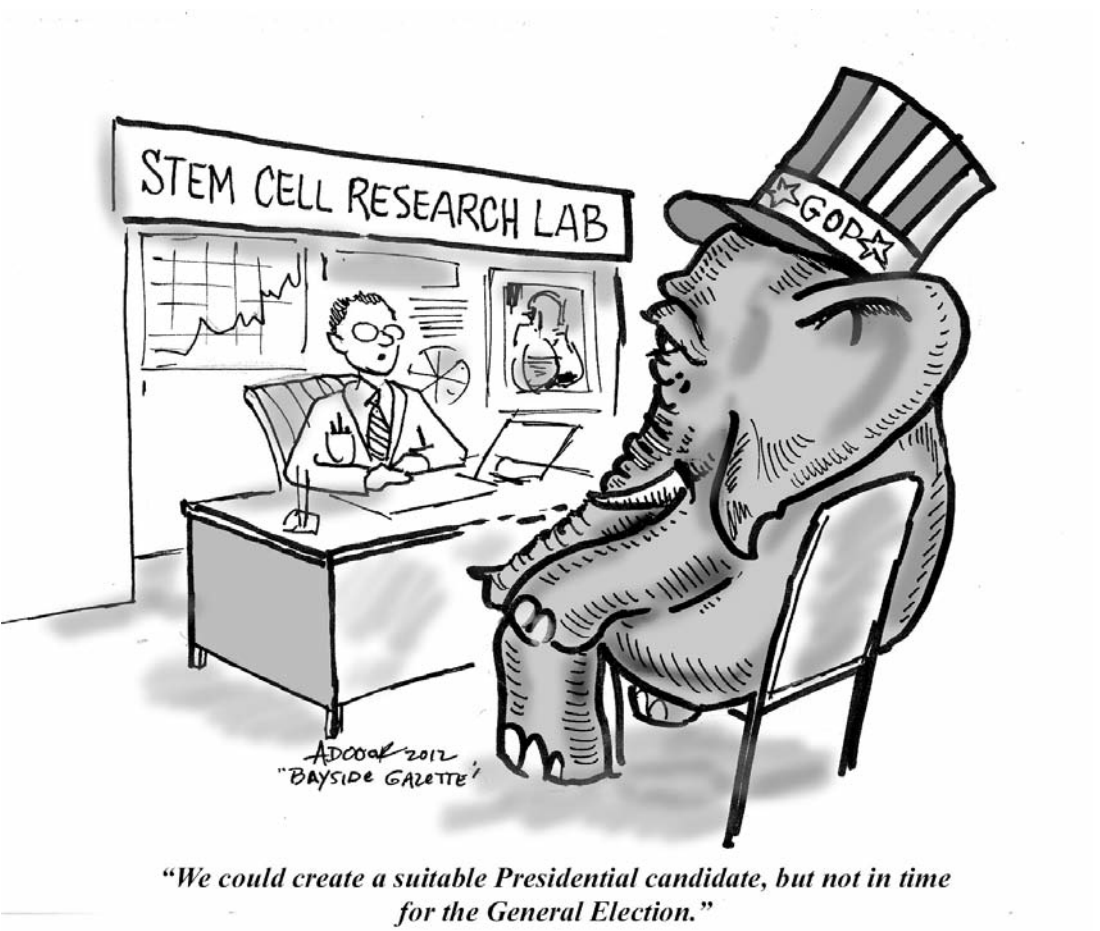
The new wastewater treatment plant was designed to accommodate growth. And while it is good that Berlin is not attempting to grow aggressively, it is good to know they are actively keeping the door to potential growth open.

While the residents of Briddeltown have the right to want to continue to use septic it would be shortsighted of the Council to agree to forego ever expanding the town borders east. The Council should protect the Town's ability to grow and making sure they don't sign away that right is a good start.

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HAPPY HOUR : Greetings from the future

By Tony Russo

As we've mentioned here before one of Todd DeHart's many side gigs is as D.J. for the Party Zone, Saturday nights on Ocean 98. We've also mentioned (I believe) that occasionally I will tune in and live tweet his shows from @slm-livetweet. This week the cameras at Seacrets were down so Todd broadcast himself over his laptop and it worked out beautifully.

The reason that that is even mildly relevant is because we claimed we were inventing the future, breaking the metaphorical radio fourth wall and we've elected to apply this to the Todcast. This week represented out first run and since you missed it (everyone missed it, it was a secret; ton't feel bad) let me tell you that it worked out well enough that we're going to make it a regular feature on the Todcast. Tune

into GCFL.TV around 6 p.m. on Tuesdays, if you can't make it down to Burley Oak for the live Todcast and you can participate.

By participate I mean literally chime in via all the fund social media stuff you are totally into. You can comment correct and inform.

My arm is beginning to hurt from all the back patting, but just real quick: we're the only ones doing this. Live local entertainment and news commentary and even the occasional spoiler if it's available and appropriate.

I feel as if it's inappropriate to commit potential urban legend to print so here's the disclaimer: This Could Very Possibly Be An Urban Legend

We discussed how a colleague of mine attempted and failed to eat a tablespoon of cinnamon. I have never heard that this is an impossibility and

remain skeptical. If you want to know who the colleague is or find out how to see the attempt on YouTube, you're gonna have to tune in for details. This is a colleague I'm kinda scared of so I'll leave it at that. Feel free to join us 6 p.m. each Tuesday for the Happy Hour Todcast at Burley Oak Brewery. If something tragic keeps you from coming out, you can always check out the resulting recording Thursday afternoon by subscribing on iTunes.

Just type GCFL into the search bar at the iTunes store to subscribe. We're now also on the Stitcher app, which smart phone users can download free using the promo code 'Todcast' and have the show streamed directly to their phones. Fair warning before you listen: Put on your irony hats, kids. It's all in good clean fun.

Please send all letters, notices, and community announcements to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday to make sure your ideas and events are printed.

LIFE BRIEFS

Toastmasters

SALISBURY — The Delmarva Toastmasters Club will hold an open house and 5th year anniversary celebration 6 p.m. Thursday, March 8 at Delmarva Power, 2530 North Salisbury Boulevard.

Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of clubs. Founded in October 1924, the organization currently has more than 270,000 members in 13,000 clubs in 116 countries. Toastmasters International helps more than a quarter million people of every ethnicity, education and profession build their competence in communication so they can gain the confidence to lead others.

The Delmarva Toastmasters Club meets the second and fourth Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at Delmarva Power in Salisbury. For information call Keith E Campbell at 410-860-6593 or e-mail delmarvatoastmastersclub@gmail.com.

Johnny Counterfit

WEST OCEAN CITY — Nashville based comedian and impressionist Johnny Counterfit has announced that he will bring his critically acclaimed “Johnny Counterfit Show” back to West Ocean City.

Johnny will perform shows at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at The OC Jamboree on Thursday, March 22. Reservations are recommended for these performances. Tickets are on sale now and may be obtained by calling The OC Jamboree box office at 410-213-7581 or by going online at www.ocjam.com. All seating is reserved, theater style and strictly limited on a first come basis. Ticket cost is \$25.

Acting Workshop

SNOW HILL — The Worcester County Children’s Theater is hosting an adult acting workshop. “Express Yourself Creative Acting Workshop” is directed by Todd Crosby, a seasoned New York performer. It will be held 6-8 p.m. every Monday in March at the Blue Dog Cafe. The cost is \$75.00 for all four sessions.

Casting for “Stages” an original play written and directed by Todd Crosby will be finalized during the workshop. Musical direction is by Frank Nanna. Stages” is funded in part by a grant from the Worcester County Arts Council. To register call 443-880-8701.

ALOC opening

OCEAN CITY — Professor Bradley Hudson from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore has put together a student and alumni show for The Art League of Ocean City’s March exhibit. The reception is 5-7 p.m. Friday March 2 at the ALOC’s new temporary location, the building with the blue roof in the Super Fresh shopping center on 94th Street. Artists will be showing in a

variety of mediums. Show continues through March 31st. The gallery is open Tuesday through Friday from 11-4, Saturday and Sunday from 1-4. Closed on Mondays.

For more information, call the Art League at 410-524-9433. The Art League is located on 94th Street in the Ocean Plaza Mall on Coastal Highway.

Bowl for Kids’ Sake

OCEAN CITY — Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Chesapeake in conjunction with Wells Fargo announced they would sponsor “Bowl for Kids’ Sake 2012” 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 25 at Ocean Lanes. This year’s theme is Fabulous Fifties. Bowlers have the option to come dressed in Fifties attire to win prizes.

Would-be participants must form a bowling team of up to 6 friends, co-workers and/or family and register the team online, or request a manual registration form by calling 410-543-2447 x259. Teams are asked to solicit pledges to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters. Bowlers are challenged to raise \$100 each. Registered participants receive two games, shoe rentals, pizza, soda and an Under Armour event t-shirt.

The event will include music, 50s trivia and prizes. Trophies will go to the individual with the highest score in the first game and to the highest individual fundraiser.

For more than 60 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters’ unique one-to-one mentoring

program has helped children make better choices, remain in school, receive better grades and live better lives. The organization provides the friendship of caring adult mentors to children whose education, health and safety are threatened.

Form a team today to support your local Big Brothers Big Sisters programs. Register online by visiting www.biglittle.org or calling 410-543-2447 x259.

Nixon on C-SPAN

SALISBURY — Dr. Dean Kotlowski of Salisbury University’s History Department appears on C-SPAN3 to discuss Understanding Richard Nixon and His Era: Domestic Policy Sunday, March 4.

The hour-long program was filmed during a panel discussion, which included Kotlowski, at the Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace in Yorba Linda, CA. It airs at 8:30 a.m., with repeat broadcasts at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. as part of the network’s “American History TV” programming block.

Kotlowski has earned critical acclaim for his book Nixon’s Civil Rights: Politics, Principle, and Policy, published by Harvard University Press. More recently, he has conducted extensive research into the life and work of former Indiana governor and Franklin D. Roosevelt cabinet member Paul V. McNutt, which Indiana University Press plans to publish as Paul V. McNutt and the Age of F.D.R.

Kotlowski is no stranger to C-SPAN, which previously broadcast an earlier

presentation he made at the Nixon Library. He also has been interviewed by National Public Radio and U.S. News & World Report, among others.

For more information call 410-543-6030 or visit the SU Web site at www.salisbury.edu.

Art workshop

SNOW HILL — Kirk McBride is offering a two-day workshop 9:30-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday March 9-10 upstairs in the old firehouse on Green Street. Bishop’s Stock Fine Art, Craft & Wine is handling registration for the workshop.

McBride will instruct and demonstrate how he approaches the creative process in oil painting and help students develop a process that will work for them. Following a consistent, step by step approach for every painting, from concept to paint application, actually frees artists to be more creative. This studio workshop will help build confidence needed for the next big step, taking your painting outdoors with success. Students will practice designing and creating paintings from still life and photo references.

The fee is \$175 and registration is limited to 15 artists. Students should have some oil painting experience. The supply list is available on kirkmcbride.com. Contact Bishop’s Stock at 410-632-3555 or info@bishopsstock.com if you have any questions.



Johnny Counterfit



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People come from all over to visit the annual Ocean City Home, Condo and Outdoor show.

OCEAN CITY — The Home, Condo and Outdoor Show will be coming to Ocean City’s R.E. Powell Convention Center noon - 6 p.m. Friday, March 9, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, March 10 and 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 11th.

The “Home Show” featuring all under one roof convenience, will display an exciting array of the latest home improvement products and services. Exhibitors will be on hand with merchandise, product demonstrations, and interior and exterior

displays. Many will also be showcasing ideas on decorating, remodeling, accessorizing, renovating, and even building a home.

A few highlights of the Home, Condo and Outdoor Show include the Art and Craft Fair, featuring a wide assortment of creative and unique gifts and accessories, free drawings, the Health Craft Cooking Show, door prizes, and free parking. For up-to-date show information visit www.oceanpromotions.info

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to protect the Mortgage Interest Deduction.**

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SaveMDMID.org



Flounlacker leads, Schnader piles on against McDaniel

ELIZABETHTOWN, Pa. — Freshman and SDHS alum Leigh Anne Flounlacker, of Ocean City scored 10 points, tying her for the fourth most points in a single game in school history, and the No. 20 Elizabethtown College women's lacrosse team rebounded from a season-opening loss by scoring the final seven goals in an 18-8 non-conference win against McDaniel Saturday afternoon at Wolf Field.

Equally impressive in her efforts to both finish and get her teammates involved, Flounlacker scored five times in the contest and assisted on five other Blue Jay (1-1) goals. E-town notched the game's first goal just 58 seconds in when Kara Solesky found Emily Butler for Butler's third goal of the season. Flounlacker got on the board at the 3:33 mark of the first half, 24 seconds after McDaniel's (0-1) Danielle Entrot had tied the game at one.

Ahead 5-4 after Katie Scheurich's goal with 14:08 left in the half, the Blue Jays added to the lead with four more goals in a row. Samantha Redles beat Green Terror goalie Aimee Semler to give her goals in each game this season, Flounlacker put in two passes from Becky Porter and Scheurich came up with her second of the afternoon just over four minutes before halftime to give EC a 9-4 lead.

Flounlacker scored twice more, getting to 10 goals on the season in just two games. Porter also had a pair of goals, while Solesky, Butler and fellow former Seahawk Madalyn Schnader each had one in a 7-0 run for the Blue and Gray.

Flounlacker added three assists in the run to run her point total to 16. The Ocean City, native — one of three on E-town's roster — is the first player since Stephanie Kreis to score 10 points in a game for the Blue Jays. Kreis accomplished the feat against Lycoming April 1, 2010. Flounlacker's performance Saturday afternoon was the 11th double-figure-point game in team history. She also joined a list of seven other players to amass five assists in a game (tied for eighth most in a single-game).

The Jays outshot 36-24 and won both the draw control (15-13) and ground ball (24-22) battles. Solesky had a game-high seven draw controls.



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La Ha Lax
After a very successful indoor Lax season at Crown Sports Center, the LaHa Lax Chile Peppers U13 team celebrated at the new La Hacienda location in Ocean Pines. The girls thanked their sponsor owner, Bill Herbst, with a team signed jersey. Pictured are Coach Mike Grosso, Owner of La Hacienda Bill Herbst, Melena DiNenna, Lily Belle Baker, Chloe Sass, Caroline Engle, Marissa Grosso, Lily Figgs, Caroline Pasquariello, Hallie Edmunds, Coach Joe DiNenna, Ally March and Sophia Bandorick.

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ON-GOING EVENTS

TAX HELP

AARP is once again offering free tax preparation for this year's tax season starting Feb. 2. Reservations required. Mondays
9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Worcester County Library, Ocean Pines Branch. Call 410-213-1608 for an appointment. Thursdays
St. Peter's Lutheran Church 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 410-213-1608 for an appointment. Saturdays
Community Church at Ocean Pines 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 410-213-1608 for an appointment.

CRAFT SHOP

Saturdays & Sundays.
Pineeer Craft and Gift shop open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. White Horse Park, Ocean Pines. Handcrafted items created by the members.

NETWORKING

Every Thursday.
The Early Birds, 7:30 a.m. TC Diner, West Ocean City. Free. Reservations required, 410-600-5320.

BUILDING MATERIALS SALE

Every first and third Saturday.
Habitat for Humanity, 310 E. Market St., Snow Hill. 8 a.m. to noon. Building materials, appliances, doors, windows, cabinets, vanities, fixtures, furniture and more. Selection and prices vary depending on inventory. Proceeds fund the Flower Street, Berlin house construction.

STORY TIME AT THE ZOO

Every Tuesday
Salisbury Zoo, for children 3-5 years old. 10-11 a.m. Story and craft project. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 410-546-3440 for more information.

STORY TIME

Tuesdays - Berlin
Wednesdays - Ocean City
Thursdays - Ocean Pines Library, 10:30 a.m. Stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. A different theme each week. For ages 2-5.

KIWANIS CLUB

Every Wednesday
Meeting 7:45 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Hall, except for 3rd Wednesday which meets at The Woodlands in Ocean Pines Meeting 5:30 p.m. dinner at 6 p.m. For more info: 410-641-7330.

DELMARVA CHORUS

Every Monday
The Delmarva Chorus under the direction of Carol Ludwig meets 7-9 p.m.at the Ocean Pines Community Center.

Women interested in learning and singing in a barbershop format are welcome. For more information call 410-208-4171.

SALTWATER SPORTFISHERS

Atlantic Coast Chapter of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association meets on the 4th Tuesday of the every month except for July, August, and December at the Ocean City Lions Club, Airport Road, West Ocean City, 7:30 p.m.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

The Democratic Women meet 9:30 a.m. for coffee followed by a meeting at 10, the third Monday of the month at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Guests and new members are welcome to attend.

BINGO

Fridays - Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City. Doors open 5 p.m. Games begin 6:30 p.m. 410-524-7994.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturdays
VFW Post 8296, 104 66th St., Ocean City. 9 a.m. to noon. \$5 per person.

BEACH SINGLES

Thursdays
45 plus Happy Hour, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Clarion Hotel, 10100 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City. For more information, 302-436-9577.

BERLIN FARMERS' MARKET

On the corner of West Street and Main Street in Downtown Berlin Wednesdays 2-6 p.m. and Fridays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Fresh produce, eggs, garden plants, fresh cut flowers, seafood, meat and breads.

TACO NIGHT THURSDAYS

At VFW Post 8296 on 66th Street to benefit Veterans. Three tacos and a Corona plus dessert \$8 per person.

BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus #9053 every 2nd & 4th Sunday 9 a.m. - noon
\$8.00 - under 12 half price
9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City
Rear St. Luke's Church
Info 410-524-7994.

SWEET ADELINES

The Delmarva Sweet Adelines Chorus, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, meets 7-9 p.m.each Monday evening at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Women interested in singing in a barbershop format with good fellowship are welcome to come visit with us. For information call: 410-208-4171.

SI BOC MEETING

Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every

month at the Woodlands in South Ocean Pines 6 p.m. dinner social time meeting begins 6:30 p.m. for more information please contact Marty Cropper, President 410-213-1592.

AARP MEETINGS

Beginning in January, the Ocean City AARP Chapter 1917 will meet at the Elks Lodge, 138th and Sinexpuent (one block off Coastal Hwy)9:30 a.m. on the second Thurs of the month - Jan. - June, Oct. and Nov.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

WOMEN'S CLUB

The Women's Club of Ocean Pines will meet at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Marie Gilmore will present the history of the Women's Club and Pat Addy will discuss the nomination process for new officers. Refreshments will be served. For information, call Pat Addy on 410-208-0171.

FREE DIABETES CLINIC

8:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Atlantic Heath Center. Is cost keeping you from taking care of your diabetes? If so, there is help. Must be a resident of or employed in Worcester or Somerset County and be at least 18 years of age. This service is not intended to substitute for your physician's recommendations or treatment but will include: blood testing, blood pressure screening, diabetes risk assessment, educational information including nutrition guidelines, glucometer and test strips for those who qualify, and a medication voucher (some restrictions apply). Funded by Health Resources Services and Administration (HRSA) through Somerset County Health Department. By appointment only. Call 410-641-9703 for more information.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

CRUISE AND TRAVEL SHOW

Presented by Accent On Travel. East Coast Nursery, The Cordrey Center, 30366 Cordrey Road, Millsboro, Del. Entrance Fee: \$1 donation at the door with RSVP \$5 at the door with no RSVP. All donations go to Susan G. Komen For the Cure. Call 302-703-2448 or 800-848-3273 for more information.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Worcester Prep's Upper School students will present Fiddler on the Roof 7:30 p.m. in the school's Athletic & Performing Arts Center. Tickets may be ordered in advance at \$10 each by calling Debbie Whiteman 410-641-3575 or stopping by her office at the school. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$12.

ART EXHIBIT

Bishops Stock Fine Arts & Craft, Snow Hill. Featuring Ken Stetz watercolors.

First Friday reception 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

CARD AND GAME PARTY

Sponsored by the Women's Club of Ocean Pines 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Cost is \$20.00 per person. An individual or tables of players may reserve by sending name(s) and the type of cards or games to Diane McGraw, 7 Central Parke West, Ocean Pines MD 21811. Checks should be payable to WCOP. Deadline for reservations is February 27, 2012. For information, call 410-208-0171 or 410-208-2569.

LIVING WELL

The Living Well.... Take Charge of Your Health Workshop is a six-week workshop that teaches participants how to live a quality life with chronic disease. The model for this program comes out of Stanford School of Medicine. Examples of chronic conditions may include diabetes, arthritis, migraine headaches, back pain, heart disease or any conditions that hinder you from living the life you desire. The workshop will be held 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursdays, March 2-April 6 at Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services, 124 Main St., Berlin,. Pre-registration is required. For more information, or to register, please call Laura Small 410-629-6820.

CANDIDATE FORUM

The Republican Women of Worcester County, the MarDel Republican Social Club, the Delmarva Republican Women's Club and the Worcester County Republican Central Committee and the Worcester County Tea Party will host a forum for the Rebpublican candidates who are running for U.S. Senate 6:30 p.m. in the Assateague Room located in the Ocean Pines Community Center.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Salisbury University, Holloway Hall. A Bach and Mozart celebration. 7:30 p.m. 410-543-6030 for more information.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Berlin Lions Club Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast will be held 8-10 a.m. at Applebee's in West Ocean City. Costs are \$6.50 for adults and \$5 children 2-10.

RELAY FOR LIFE DINNER

The Potter's House Relay For Life team will host a Chicken & Dumpling fundraiser dinner at the Community Church at Ocean Pines 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost: \$8.00/adults; \$4/children (3-8); 2 & under, free. Carry-outs available. All proceeds benefit Relay For Life. For more information, 410-641-0167.

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MONDAY, MARCH 5

MARCH COMEDY MADNESS
“Pretty Face, Pretty Lies” written by Robert O. Davis will be presented 7 p.m. Monday, March 5 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Heavy hors d’oeuvres and dessert will be served to include: Vegetable Tempura, Mariner-style Mussels, Meatballs, Hot Shrimp Dip, Pulled Pork Sliders and Mini Quiches. Dessert and Coffee will be served during intermission. There will be a 50/50 and door prizes. The doors open at 5:30 P.M. Admission is \$25.00. The event is sponsored by the Republican Women of Worcester County. Please contact Peggy Long for reservations at 410-208-0183 or peggy@omnimaven.com

HYPERTENSION CLINIC
10 a.m.-noon at Apple Drugs, Berlin. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

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1-3 p.m. at Walgreen’s, Ocean Pines. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

T.O.P.S.
Takes place 5-6:30 p.m. Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1 Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy life-style. They meet weekly. For more information contact Edna Berkey, 410-629-1006.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP
St. Paul’s Diabetes Support Group meets 6-7 p.m. at St. Paul’s Methodist Church. For more information contact Darby Schaub 410-641-9703.

LAPBAND
LAPBAND Seminar 5-6 p.m. at Berlin Main Place Complex, 9956 North Main Street. Receive information about the benefits of the LAPBAND procedure. Those wishing to attend must pre-register to guarantee a seat by calling 410-641-3960.

AARP MEETING
The next AARP Chapter 4507 meeting will be held at the Ocean Pines Community Center 9:30 a.m. This month Guest Speaker will be Financial Advisor Carrie DuPuie. Please bring canned goods, this month for Diakonia. For info email lrwalto@yahoo.com or call 443-831-1791.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

NAMI
Offers a casual approach to share the

challenges, successes and setbacks of coping with any diagnosis (depression, ADHD, PTSD, Anxiety, Panic Attacks, etc.) and their symptoms. Meets 7-8 p.m. Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1. For more information call 443-523-2153 or NAMIMDLS@gmail.com

YOGA
Takes place 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, Rotunda All levels welcome. Contact Georgette Rhoads at 410-641-9734 or grhoads@atlanticgeneral.org with any questions. Cost: \$72 for 8 sessions, or \$10 drop-in fee for first time.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

QUILTERS BY THE SEA
Quilters by the Sea Guild meets 12:30 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center to make quilts for local charities. All are welcome. Call Shirley Schaefer at 410-641-8898 for more information.

STORM PARTY
Ocean City Convention Center. Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the March storm of 1962. Dinner and video of local people sharing their experiences during the storm. Sponsored by the Ocean City Life Saving Museum. 410-289-4991 for more information.

BIG READ KICKOFF
Ocean Pines Library. Radio Airwaves Productions performs readings from the book Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam. Skits depicting stories of the heroic soldiers and their families. 410-208-4014 for more information.

RELAY FOR LIFE
Relay for Life, Northern Worcester County will be holding a fundraiser 4-8 p.m. at Doyle’s Restaurant in Selbyville. Doyle’s will donate 15 percent of each ticket to your favorite Relay team. Please call 443-235-2926 to receive a coupon.

HYPERTENSION CLINIC
10 a.m.-noon at Rite Aid, Berlin. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

HYPERTENSION CLINIC
1-3p.m. at Rite Aid, Ocean Pines. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Contact Dawn Denton 410-641-9268.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP
Ocean Pines Diabetes Support Group 7-8 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Library. For more information contact Ellen Lurz at 443-814-5450 or elurz52@mchsi.com.

GRACE PARKER BREAKFAST
Grace Parker All You Can Eat Break-

fast, 7 a.m.-1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 13th St. and Philadelphia Avenue Eggs any style, pancakes, buckwheat pancakes, bacon, Milton sausage, country ham, homemade biscuits, hash brown potatoes, grits, coffee, tea \$8 and \$6 carry out. Milk, sodas, orange juice available. For more information call 410-289-9340

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

AARP MEETING
Ocean City AARP Chapter 1917 meeting will highlight a talk by Tim Winbrow on “Assateague Before the National Park”. Many upcoming travel opportunities will also be reviewed. The chapter meets the second Thursday of each month at the O. C. Elks Lodge at 138th St., 9:30 a.m. Visit www.aarp1917.org for more info.

TALMUD CLASS
Temple Bat Yam is offering a Talmud class noon-1:30 p.m. Thursdays. This class is open to all. The discussions will include Jewish law, ethics, philosophy, customs and history. Please call 410-641-4311 for more information.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

HOME SHOW
At the Roland E. Powell Convention Center noon-6 p.m. The Home Show will include an Art and Craft Fair featuring a wide assortment of gifts and accessories. The show will also have free drawings, door prizes, and a health craft cooking show For information visit www.oceanpromotions.info

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

HOME SHOW
At the Roland E. Powell Convention Center 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The Home Show will include an Art and Craft Fair featuring a wide assortment of gifts and accessories. The show will also have free drawings, door prizes, and a health craft cooking show For information visit www.oceanpromotions.info

WESTON A. PRICE
The Worcester County chapter for Weston A Price will be having it’s next monthly meeting 3-4 p.m. Saturday, March 10 at Greenbranch Farm.

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

HOME SHOW
At the Roland E. Powell Convention Center 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The Home Show will include an Art and Craft Fair featuring a wide assortment of gifts and accessories. The show will also have free drawings, door prizes, and a health craft cooking show For information visit [\[motions.info\]\(http://motions.info\).](http://www.oceanpro-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

MONDAY, MARCH 12

RETIRED NURSES
This is the final day to make reservations for the Retired Nurses of Ocean Pines anniversary celebration. The group will celebrate their anniversary 11:30 a.m. March 21 at Lighthouse Sound. Michael Franklin CEO of AGH will speak and will receive the scholarship donation from the group. To attend dues must be current. The cost is \$17.00. For information and luncheon choices contact Gale Alford at alfordgra@aol.com

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

RELAY FOR LIFE
The Relay For Life meeting will be 7 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Library. The Fairy Tale theme is “Legend of St. Patrick” and those who wear green or bring a shamrock are eligible for a prize. Members will review the organizations progress to date and those who are currently on a Relay Team or who are interested in starting a team are welcome to attend.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

TALMUD CLASS
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PINE’EER CRAFT CLUB
The Pine’eer Craft Club of Ocean Pines will meet in the Community Center at 9:45 a.m. The project will be a memory coil bracelet for the cost of \$5. Call Nancy at 410-208-1979 to reserve your kit. All residents of Ocean Pines invited.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

MASS AND GALA
Ancient Order of Hibernians, Emerald Isle Division 1, Ocean City sponsors the 18th Annual St. Patrick’s Day Mass and Gala at St. Andrew Catholic Center. Mass at 3 p.m. at St. Luke Church with Bishop Malooly presiding will be followed by dinner at St. Andrew Catholic Center. Tickets are \$15 each and available at the Parish Office. For more information call 410-250-0300.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

CORNEBEEF AND CABBAGE
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Pope John Paul II Assembly noon-7 p.m. Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner - \$8.00 Make your own Corned Beef Sandwich - \$6.00 No reservations needed - Walk Ins - Take outs. Cash Bar - Irish Coffee.

SNAP SHOTS



D.A.R. winners
The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution honored its 2011-2012 essay winners at a luncheon in the Guerrieri Library at Worcester Preparatory School. Lenore Huffer, and Pat Arata, Regent, presented the awards to Caroline Savage, Sarah Savage, Devin Hammond, Dori Krasner, and Halie Murray-Davis.

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE



Good paddling
Tournament Committee Members MaryAnn Pellicano, Jean Hoffman, Coralee Powell, Cathy Wheatley at the Ocean Pines Platform Tennis annual winter tournament. In honor of Presidents' Day, the two teams were named George Washington and Abe Lincoln.

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE



Map skills
The second graders at Ocean City Elementary School recently completed a unit on Map skills. These students in Linda Brown's class made landform maps of Maryland using clay to form the mountains, hills, and plains. Back row: Dylan Braica, Gus Emm, Rudy Engh. Front row: Mandy Vincent, Logan Short, Shaurya Joshi.

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE



Gold medalist
Stephen Decatur High School junior Kyle Phillips earned five gold medals as well as the Media Specialist Award at the Worcester County Tech Fest. He is pictured with his five winning photographs.

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE



Lunch money
Brian Thumma, Popeye's Chicken Manager, Roger Pacella, Buckingham Elementary School Principal, Salah Hassanein, Owner of Popeye's Chicken in West Ocean City, recently presented a check to Buckingham Elementary School which will be used for student incentives. The families from Buckingham Elementary School participated at the fundraiser on Feb. 23 and helped raise \$120 to benefit the elementary school.

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE



Math's not heart
Third grade students from Showell Elementary, Ryder Ridout, Elizabeth Pivec, and Amiyah Rounds created a growing pattern using candy hearts and then explained the pattern in writing.

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South Gate – Ocean Pines
TUESDAY-THURSDAY & SATUR-
DAY – Al Prescott

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FRIDAY – DJ Hook
SATURDAY – Scotts New Band/DJ
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SUNDAY – Everett Spells

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Al Prescott @ DeNovo's

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WEDNESDAY - Bob Hughes

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SATURDAY – The Next/Captain
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FRIDAY – Drink Drank Drunk
SATURDAY – License to Chill
WEDNESDAY – Karaoke with Hey
Mick



Opposite Directions @ Harborside

THE BAYSIDE GAZETTE'S GUIDE TO

MARCH

2ND FRIDAY ART STROLL

The Globe
Features student artwork from Berlin Inter. School and student musicians from Around Sound Music

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Student Artists from the Salisbury School and music by Taylor Hawkins a student at Worcester Prep.

Bungalow Love
Features mixed media artist Chris Maxa of Berlin.

Worcester County Arts Council
Features watercolor paintings by local artist, Marcy Snyder.

Bayside Gazette
Features photographer Lisa Capitelli and photographic artist Mark Huey.

The Berlin Chamber
Features Jim Adcock, Don Grafer, Amy Wood and special Guest: Scot Dolby from Snow Hill

NEST
Features watercolor artist Susan Russell.

Baked Desert Cafe & Gallery
Features paper mosaic collage artist Nina Tomaselli. The reception will include samples of Chocolate Truffles Decadence along with their all-natural desserts, breads, beverages and spreads.

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BACK TO THE START By Daniel A. Finan / Edited by Will Shortz

Across

1 Bulb holders

6 Part of the name of many a Spanish restaurant

12 Confabs

20 Stern taking a bow (in two senses)

21 Demands (from)

22 Eternally

23 Aide for a V.I.P. customer

25 Multiple Grammy winner who was a contestant on “Dancing With the Stars”

26 Paper nautilus, e.g.

27 Words mouthed to a TV camera

29 Like the pen or pencil you might reach for

30 P.T.A. interest

32 One of two options at a fast food restaurant

34 Sample

35 Prozac, for one

40 W.C.

42 “Oh baby!”

46 Eve’s opposite

47 Work assignment

48 Gore in fiction

50 Dirty

51 Kind of switch

53 Special ___

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54 It may be popped for fun

56 Metro area

57 X X X lover?

59 Freudian concept

62 Lie about

63 The “L” of S.L.R.

64 Trample

65 Inverness native

67 Funeral stands

69 Run out

72 “Tell ___ lies”

73 Jimmie Rodgers or Tex Owens, musically

75 Bun contents

76 Make ___ dash

78 Mountains, rivers, plains, etc.

82 More sinister

85 Blackjack decision

86 “The Magnificent Seven” co-star

87 Suffix with human

89 Actor Hill of “Moneyball”

90 Mind

92 Spanish winds

93 Distilled vis-à-vis tap

95 Gospel singer

96 Like the “ng” sound

98 “___ who?!”

99 Fancy salad ingredient

101 Org. making grants to museums

103 Big faucet maker

105 University in North Carolina

106 Rear

110 Genealogical study

112 Articles aren’t found in it

117 London transportation

119 Marlon Brando film

121 Set free

122 “Cheers” bartender Sam

123 Movie droid

124 Fastener patented in 1939

125 Pivoted

126 ___-Japanese

Down

1 Alternative to dieting, informally

2 “Just ___!”

3 Bartering locale

4 ___ Robles, Calif.

5 Checked (out)

6 Antecede

7 ___ Rose

8 Bills, e.g.

9 Most 17-Down

10 Plant pores

11 “You missed ___”

12 Grok

13 Sir Anthony Eden, 1st Earl of ___

14 Pulitzer winner for “John Brown’s Body”

15 Brother’s place

16 Early life forms?

17 See 9-Down

18 Refrain syllables

19 Send some pixxx?

24 Network connections

28 Environs

31 Incapacitate

33 Subject of the documentary “An Unreasonable Man”

35 Helter-skelter

36 Bar ___

37 Cavemen

38 Blows up

39 Eve who wrote “The Vagina Monologues”

41 Has parked

43 South Dakota memorial site

44 Modern December birthstone

45 White elephant, e.g.

48 TiVo precursor

49 “Eavesdrop” from across the room, say

52 It’s felt on the head

54 “Time ___ ...”

55 Poetic preposition

58 Only Hitchcock film to win Best Picture

60 Minnesota twins?

61 Song that starts “A winter’s day in a deep and dark December”

65 Draw (off): Var.

66 Premium Cuban cigar brand

68 Nationals whose flag declares “God is great”

69 What echoes do

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- 70 Clear the atmosphere of

71 Sod house locale

74 Min. or max.

75 Sweets

77 Capt.’s superior

79 Drew in

80 Old-timer

81 Some M.I.T. grads

83 Per

84 Korea’s Syngman ___
- 88 Like some housecats

91 “Gone With the Wind” bad guys

93 Yammer

94 First TV show to debut at #1 in the Nielsen ratings

97 Eye up and down

99 Discordant

100 General Motors subsidiary
- 102 Feeling pervading Brat Pack movies

104 Towers

106 Reynolds of “Boogie Nights”

107 From the top

108 Mid fifth-century year

109 Hofbräuhaus crowd?

111 Place after place
- 113 Home of the Norte Chico civilization

114 Part of 101-Across

115 Corp. money types

116 Switch attachment?

118 Metered praise

120 Charlotte-to-Raleigh dir.

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MEDIUM - 56

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.

Answers to last week’s puzzles

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CUISINE

BAYSIDE

Paul isn't Hayden his love of mac 'n' cheese

It has been a long week.
Who am I kidding? The week just started today, and I'm already done. It was a long week before it even got here, but fair effort or not, the week will end one way or the other.
So, fair effort I shall give.
I must admit that I am procrastinating. I simply can't think of a damn thing to cook, but I know it will come to me eventually.



By Paul Suplee,
CEC PCIII

It reminds me of studying history at Loyola, even with the support of my amazing bride eons ago. I would have a report due on a particular book, and would wait until 6 p.m. the night before to crack the cover, sometimes even waiting for that crucial moment to tear the cellophane off of the volume.
I would find myself in the basement of our house in Parkville reading, writing and formulating (aka academically regurgitating) an idea and would inevitably watch the sun come up; but the paper would be done. And so would I.
Not much has changed in the past fifteen years except that this doesn't happen too often. But it is still fun on occasion to burn the midnight oil, and when I can't get the writing juju just right, I just plug in the guitar and start playing.
One thing is sure; the guitar is one sweet sounding instrument when you have something else of import on your desk. But no, tonight is different. I'm feeling the urge to procrastinate.
I know what I need to do. I just want to act like a defiant six-year old and not do it.
In reflecting on this and having studied classical piano in my youth, I use at the very tenets of music and this leads me to believe that Prokofiev, Haydn and Chopin were all nuts. They just didn't want to do their homework so they played the piano or wrote music.
Of course, I am no master composer or any composer for that matter, but mayhap the association of myself with these minds helps me to rationalize my current state.
An idea strikes me. I will make mac 'n' cheese, a classic dish that can always be tweaked out to suit the needs of a discerning populace.
Thomas Keller can have his mac 'n' cheese which boasts a nice chunk of lobster tail. I like to keep it more aesthetic; and more affordable.
Using whole wheat pasta as the base



for this gives the dish a nice bite, as this coarser pasta stands up to heat and moisture with more vigor.
When the day is done and the dish is empty, you will be happy that you turned this classic into one of your own. Your choice of cheeses and other vegetables will allow you to personalize the mac 'n' cheese to your liking. Just don't wait until midnight to make your dinner and it will be all the better.
Now that the article is done, it is time to get ready for work. I don't think I will be doing this again anytime soon. Now I just need to convince myself that it's almost Friday.

Mac and Cheese

serves 4

- 2 ea. Roma tomatoes, quartered
- 8 oz. pasta shells
- 2 oz. Ham or bacon, diced
- 1 fresh garlic clove
- ½ ea. minced shallot
- 2 c. Cream

- ½ c. Dry white wine
- ½ c. Or more cheeses of your liking
- Wondra, as needed
- 1 tsp. Coarse ground mustard
- 1 c. Fresh spinach, blanched and squeezed
- ½ c. Peas, fresh or frozen
- S&P as needed

Cook your pasta at leisure. Shock it in cold water to stop the cooking process, and then you can add it to your sauce at service time. It will keep in the fridge and could even be cooked a day ahead of time, but no longer
Toss the Roma tomato quarters in olive oil, salt & pepper and roast in a hot oven until nice and toasty; set aside. You want the water to be cooked off of the tomatoes for the most part. This will ensure a nice concentrated flavor
If you are using ham, put 1 tsp. of oil in a saucepan and then the ham. Otherwise place the bacon in the pan by itself
Render the fat out of the bacon or quickly panfry the ham and then add the

shallots, allowing any water to dissipate
Add the garlic and cook until just turning, making sure not to burn it as it biters as it darkens
Deglaze the pan with the wine and then add the cream
Cook for two minutes and then thicken with Wondra, following the instructions on the can...or jar...or whatever you would call that cardboard-aluminum monstrosity. This is seriously good stuff, and the saucy secret of many a good chef
Add the mustard, squeezed spinach and peas and then adjust the seasoning
Add the cheese a little at a time until it is well distributed and the sauce is creamy
Finally, add the pasta to heat through and then serve with the roasted tomatoes (remember those from the beginning?)

Paul G. Suplee is a certified executive chef and ProChef certified Level-3. He is a writer and culinary instructor. His ePortfolio can be found at www.heartofakitchen.com



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