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## Retrospective of Patrick Henry to open this Friday

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) A new retrospective exhibition, "Delmarva Visions: The Works of Patrick Henry," opens this Friday at the Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art in Salisbury.

Henry, 65, a Berlin resident, will display primarily oil paintings from throughout his distinguished career.

He reflected on the experience of gathering work for the exhibition, and the notion of retrospectives, during an interview at Henry Fine Arts gallery in Berlin, last Friday.

"It does mean that you have had a pretty extensive journey," he said. "From the point of view of a museum wanting to do a retrospective, it means that my works have touched a vein – it has such a voice that it has connected with a broad range of people."

"It's very humbling to know your efforts – which a lot of times are very lonely – are now being identi-

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A retrospective exhibition featuring paintings by Berlin resident Patrick Henry opens Friday at the Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art in Salisbury. Work from the show, including several dozen pieces spanning more than four decades, will remain on display through May 13.

## Berlin keeps piece of Turner legacy

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) The "New Berlin Shoebox" opened on Tuesday inside the Berlin Welcome Center, as town officials swore in the bathtub racer pioneered by the late Jesse Turner as a vehicle to collect donations for local families in need.

Turner, who passed away last year, operated the Berlin



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The bathtub racer built by the late Jesse Turner was recently donated to the Town of Berlin. On display in the town welcome center on Main Street, the racer will be used to collect donations of new or gently used shoes for Diakonia. Pictured, from left, are Town Administrator Laura Allen, Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells, Mayor Gee Williams and volunteer Cassandra Brown.

Shoobox on Main Street for several decades. He was known affectionately as the "Mayor of Germantown" and was an ambassador for Berlin, not to mention sponsor of the winningest racer in the 25-year history of the annual Berlin Bathtub Races.

The racer, an actual bathtub set on the skeleton of a four-wheeled bicycle, was purchased from the Turner family by Frank and Susan Baker, longtime neighbors, with the intention of donating it to the town.

"We're very excited that we have this opportunity today to accept Jesse Turner's famous Berlin Bathtub racer that is an iconic source of pride for our community," Mayor Gee Williams said.

Williams said the tub was important because of its place in the history of the races, but also because it "created and nourished and promoted our town through" Turner and his legacy.

"He was a shoemaker for this town for over a half a century – probably more like 65 years – but it wasn't just his skills," Williams said. "It was the fact that he made so many friends and he really cared about people. He took care of his fellow citizens, became the first African-American president of our chamber of commerce, and basically nurtured this feeling of an extended family that we're trying to not only preserve, but promote."

"He will be long remembered and hopefully this is a way that we can all remember him together, not only at race time, but throughout the year," Williams added.

The tub will be used to collect new or gently used shoe

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## Pines not likely to budget significant drainage dollars

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) While many Ocean Pines residents have expressed concerns over drainage, the association likely will not spend a great deal of money on the problem during the next fiscal year.

Instead, as General Manager John Bailey said on Monday, he plans to reform a drainage work group and work on a long-term plan, before allocating more money or manpower.

The association on Saturday held a public hearing for homeowners to weigh in on the proposed fiscal year 2019 budget. Bailey, during a post-hearing gathering with the budget and finance committee meeting on Monday, said about 32 people had

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# Local support for Reform on Tap Act of 2018

Craft beer legislation would help brewers in Maryland compete with neighbors

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Shore Craft Beer founder Ann Hillyer is leading an effort locally to support the Reform on Tap Act of 2018, drafted by State Comptroller Brian Frosh and designed to help Maryland brewers better compete with brewers in neighboring states.

The craft beer industry in Virginia, for instance, produces more than 10 times the revenue it does in Maryland.

According to a report on the state comptroller website, the new legislation would level the playing field by removing limits on beer production,

as well as taproom sales and take-home sales, and allow smaller brewers to self-distribute.

It would also lift “unnecessary restrictions for take-home sales,” allow local jurisdictions to set guidelines for taproom hours, eliminate franchise law requirements, remove restrictions on contract brewing “that inhibits start-up businesses,” guarantee upon request issuance of Class B or Class D licenses to microbreweries, and repeal provisions requiring brewers to “buy back” their beer from distributors at a marked-up cost if they exceed the 2,000-barrel limit on taproom sales.

Frosh created the Reform on Tap Task Force last year and released a 41-page findings report “In response to the passage of House Bill 1283 during the 2017 Legislative Session and the strong public outcry for reforms

of Maryland’s antiquated beer laws.” HB1283, according to a summary released by the Department of Legislative Services, “makes numerous changes to on-site sampling and sale of beer by a Class 5 brewery.”

The 40-member task force included elected officials and representatives from breweries, distributors, restaurants, bars and retailers. Eight public meetings were held, including two allowing consumer input.

“Current laws and regulations pose an existential threat to the industry’s future growth in Maryland; and with it, the jobs, economic activity, tax revenue and tourism opportunities generated by this community of innovators and entrepreneurs,” Frosh said in a statement. “In the absence of comprehensive reform, Maryland’s reputation within the national craft brewing industry will con-

tinue to suffer and the economies of our neighboring states will benefit at our expense.”

Hogan, upon signing House Bill 1283 into law last year, sent a letter to the Maryland General Assembly stating, “It is clear from the debate surrounding [House Bill 1283] that Maryland’s beer laws – dating back to the end of Prohibition – are in need of reform as they threaten to reverse the incredible growth of our state’s craft brewing industry... I urge the General Assembly to explore modernizing our state’s brewery laws, and lift legislative impediments to Maryland’s craft brewers so that their industry can continue to grow and thrive.”

Locally, Hillyer is trying to amass signatures on the Shore Craft Beer website for an online petition supporting Reform on Tap. A similar petition exists on the Maryland Comptroller website.

“The comptroller has really gone out on a limb to support craft beer legislation. He got brewers and distributors and retailers to the table,” she said.

Since then, however, “the distributors are coming out hard and fast against this,” Hillyer said. Many brewers have also been reluctant to show public support.

“They support the legislation, but they won’t push hard for support, because they’re afraid of ticking off the distributors,” Hillyer said. “The distributors are definitely losing power with the legislation if they go through as it is ... but I think what’s being missed is with better legislation for breweries, we’ll have more breweries open longer with more visibility and more tourism.”

More tourism, she said, means more people drinking in bars, eating in restaurants and staying in hotels.

“I think in the long run the distributors will be way better off if we can really build our craft beer businesses in Maryland,” Hillyer said.

She argued relaxing some of the regulations of craft beer could greatly increase revenues in the state.

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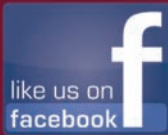
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Closed earlier this month by a 3-1 vote of the Pocomoke City Council, the Winter Quarters municipal golf course could soon reopen if a lease agreement with an outside group is reached. The council is expected to discuss the matter on Feb. 5.

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# Mayor Morrison says first words since hematoma

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) City officials this week said Pocomoke Mayor Bruce Morrison has spoken his first words since experiencing a traumatic brain injury in November. Morrison was rushed to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury on Nov. 29 with an apparent subdural hematoma, and then transferred to Christiana Hospital in Newark, Delaware. On Jan. 2, he was taken to Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital in Pennsylvania. City Manager Bobby Cowger said the facility had recently been quarantined because of a flu epidemic in the area. The quarantine went into effect last Friday and will last for at least 10 days, he said. "Through phone conversations [Morrison's wife] Laura has had with him, it seems like the rehab is definitely helping. I think he's said a few words now on speaker phone with the family. So, the speech therapy is definitely getting him back," Cowger said.

"They've also got him up and he's walking with walkers and assistants – that's all a plus," Cowger added. Councilwoman Esther Troast, a long-time friend, said she is planning a visit as soon as the quarantine is lifted. "Hearing him speak will be music to my ears," she said. "Not one doubt in my mind that he is going to beat this – he's strong. "He is the best mayor this city has ever known, so involved in everything and has a love for Pocomoke that compares to no other," Troast continued. "I certainly am looking forward to him returning in that chair. Until then, I hope I am making him proud." Troast, filling in for Morrison as acting mayor since December, said she occasionally has had to come out of her comfort zone in the role. "I just tell myself, I'm doing it for Bruce and envision his smiling face and I get through it," she said. "After all, that's what friends are for, we support each other. He would do the same for me, I have no doubt." Hardwire LLC in Pocomoke started a GoFundMe page to help pay for medical expenses. Morrison has worked for the company for more than 10 years. To donate, visit [www.gofundme.com/healmayormorrison](http://www.gofundme.com/healmayormorrison).

# Winter Quarters could get mulligan

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor




(Jan. 25, 2018) Pocomoke City officials are expected to consider a lease agreement that could reopen the Winter Quarters golf course. City Manager Bobby Cowger on Tuesday said the agreement would likely come up during the next City Council meeting, Feb. 5. Earlier this month the council voted 3-1 to close the municipal course, citing financial losses and declining membership. Winter Quarters, on average, lost about \$173,000 during each of the last five fiscal years and was expected to lose more than \$100,000 this year, despite efforts to increase advertising. Membership at the course had declined to just 17 players. Councilwoman Esther Troast, just prior to the vote on Jan. 8, said officials had to weigh what was best for the entire city. "We have pressing issues. We have

water that part of our town cannot drink, that we're working on to rectify," she said at the time. "We have streets that we can't drive down without feeling like we're on a roller coaster. "We have inherited some problems that have been going on for too many years ... and we're committed into getting these things straightened out," Troast added. "It breaks my heart to have to make the decision that I'm about to make." Cowger said he could not yet release any specifics, but confirmed the town was in negotiations with "a private entity to lease the golf course from us." "This city is drawing up a lease agreement now that should be ready for our Feb. 5 meeting, and it should be signed and a public announcement will be made," he said. "They're going to run and manage it, and the city contribution will be in-kind. We're going to pretty much lease everything, for a minimal cost."

He said the city would allow the company to use equipment, including golf carts, owned by the town. "It's going to be a one-year lease for a trial to see how it goes," he said. "If both parties are happy, then we'll renew the lease after a year. It'll be a nice little partnership, if it works out. "At least it's something the city is working on. We had no choice [but to close the course] because of the money, but we certainly are willing to do whatever we can on our part if there's some interest that we can help get the golf course back on track," Cowger added. "But the city won't be putting up any monetary expenses at all." A separate group is apparently still pursuing a historical designation for Winter Quarters, which could bring in grant funding for course maintenance. Cowger said the nine-hole course, built in the 1940s and deeded to the town in 1949, draws about 800 rounds of play each year.

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# Online petition supports craft beer reforms

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announced last year the state was home to 206 licensed breweries that annually contribute more than \$9.34 billion to the state economy.

According to the Frosh report, “Maryland craft brewers produced more than \$637.6 million in total economic output, supported 6,541 Maryland jobs, generated more than \$228 million in annual wages and generated \$108 million in federal, state and local tax revenue” in 2016.

“The Reform on Tap Task Force compared Virginia to Maryland, to Delaware, to Pennsylvania – all the adjoining states and what our legislation looks like compared to theirs...,” Hillyer said.

She said craft beer related tourism in Virginia measured about \$2 billion annually. Maryland does not measure the tourism impact.

“Virginia is coming after our brewers, because they’re restricted in Maryland,” Hillyer said. “Maryland lost two major breweries [last year] and Virginia got them. And Flying Dog [in Frederick] decided they weren’t going to expand ... until

Maryland can figure out their craft beer laws.

“I understand on the face of the law why the distributors are upset, but nobody is communicating that this is a much bigger deal than the fight between the brewers and the distributors,” she continued. “They’re afraid of something that, I think, has proven not to be a problem ... it’s understandable, but I think it’s wrong-headed and it’s wrong for the state. I think anybody who supports craft beer should be signing this petition.”

Hillyer said she plans to gather as many signatures as possible on the Eastern Shore and then deliver the petition to the comptroller’s office.

“I don’t have any delusions that this legislation will pass this year. It’s got a lot of people lining up against it, including [Senate President] Mike Miller and [House Speaker] Mike Busch,” she said. “Hogan, I was told, is sitting back and watching and letting everybody fight it out.

“Nobody, including the breweries, are making a big push to get the comptroller’s legislation supported. And in my opinion, if we don’t make

noise the legislators are not going to think it’s an issue,” Hillyer added. “I think you sign the petition and, whether we get legislative change this year or not, at least then people know that it matters.”

Hillyer said local supporters of the petition include the Ocean City Hotel-Motel-Restaurant Association Board.

“That’s a real testament to businesses, because those are bars and restaurants and that’s who the legislators think are feeling competitive with the breweries,” she said.

Worcester County Tourism Director Lisa Challenger and Berlin Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells also support Reform on Tap, as does Burley Oak Brewing Company owner Bryan Brushmiller.

“I’m absolutely in favor,” Challenger said. “I’m all for making [legislation] better, so we can be more competitive with our neighboring states, like Virginia.”

Wells said most people likely do not understand the legislation. She called on local brewers to help edu-

cate their customers.

“I think the general public maybe doesn’t understand what the difference is,” she said. “To have some kind of, this is what it does, this is what it doesn’t do, in layman’s terms [would be helpful] so the average Joe could understand it ... I think it all boils down to awareness. I think it’s a general lack of understanding.”

While she continues to try and drum up support, Hillyer admitted getting people to sign the petition has been difficult. As of last Tuesday, she reported less than 20 signatures, despite a healthy push on social media.

“That’s terrifying,” she said. “We’ve promoted it. We’ve put it out there. Everybody’s afraid to sign it.”

“I think tourism is the overarching economic driver that would convince everybody that this is a big deal and should be a big deal, and we should support our brewers,” Hillyer added. “I think the biggest thing is making noise, so the comptroller knows he has support and so the legislators know we care about this issue.”

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# Berlin painter has worked to capture ‘crust of America’

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fied, recognized and really appreciated on a broad perspective,” Henry added.

The earliest works are from about 1982, when he was just seven years removed from attending college at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

“When I got that degree, it wasn’t about art education – I put those four and a half years in, and I was going to go on to be this professional artist,” he said. “Of course, that was the same time my dad died, that same summer. That kept me here.

“After college, I had to struggle through finding means to make money to finance this passion – this obsession – that I had, which was the higher art,” he added. “I wanted to have my work and have respect among my peers, and to have my work shown in a museum in my lifetime.”

He first opened a studio and gallery in Berlin around 1987, renting a space upstairs at the corner of Jefferson and Main streets.

“It was called Main Street Studio and I had the first holiday presentation [in the town] on the day after Thanksgiving, 1988 – 30 years ago,” he said. “From that, that was where the Holiday Arts Night evolved.”

Henry later opened another studio, this time on the ground floor to accommodate some of his larger works. Four years ago, he moved into Henry Fine Arts on Old Ocean City Boulevard.

“It’s my sanctuary – just far enough off the beaten path where I can get my thoughts and my work synchronized,” he said.

His first retrospective was at the former Waterline Gallery in Berlin, in 2005.

“This one is easily more extensive. It’s about 31, 32 pieces [covering] 36 years,” he said.

Many of the works he gathered are on loan from the collectors who purchased them. Henry said reacquiring the paintings has been an interesting experience.

“They only adopted the work – they don’t own it,” he said with a laugh. “They have a piece of Pat Henry up on a wall, because I put my whole heart and soul and effort. And when I go back and see it I almost want to cry, because I say, ‘my baby! my baby!’

“I can almost tell where I was, mentally, spiritually, at those times [when painting them],” he continued. “I see those poignant moments, where I reflected on the losses in my life and my transition from this kind of naïve country boy, to one that had to stand with so many different segments of our society.”

Looking at many of the older canvases, he also hears music. Henry said he was probably listening to blues and jazz during the early 1980s, when he was influenced by “some of [his] metropolitan friends” in college to explore John Coltrane and Stanley Turrentine.

During his more recent work, Henry has taken to listening to an audio documentary about Coltrane, the groundbreaking American jazz saxophonist and composer.

“I’m really seeing that our lives paralleled ... the dynamics you have to go through,” he said. “Me here, and you will see in the show, to make ends meet I had to do the wildlife, wildfowl thing. I went through that in the ‘90s and did really well, but in the late ‘90s I started feeling hollow.

“What it was, I had crossed over into that realm where it was more or less just about the money. A true artist can’t go there,” Henry continued. “You’ve got to dance and I did the best that I could, but it was in the late ‘90s that I moved from that to more of capturing the total environment – people, places and things.”

Henry hopes viewers of the retrospective take the opportunity to slow down and appreciate “things we take for granted.”

“Also, there’s a segment of society that historically has been overlooked, and it’s like the crust of America – it’s those fishers, farmers, civil servants that help the country keep the wheel going,” he said. “Them and how they utilize the natural resources around them – with love and respect – that is what I want to see transmitted through my work.

“In hindsight, I feel as if I was ordained to be both an observer and recorder,” he added. “I learned a long time ago to forget trying to be everything to everybody, but for that segment that connects with you, give them that story, keep the story going and be true to it. That’s where I am.”

For his next act, Henry wants to take his 52 years of experience as an oil-painter and “put that all together and create more complex, more thoughtful paintings.”

“It won’t be about this beautiful sunset and ‘oh, that’s pretty’ – it will be about this particular time and place in our life,” he said. “I feel as if I’ve been mandated to record that now, which I think only a more mature artist would be able to accomplish.

“It’s building upon people, places and things, but with the hope that a person won’t just walk past a painting – it will arrest them and really make them connect with their value system,” Henry said.

A reception for “Delmarva Visions: The Works of Patrick Henry” is scheduled from 5-7 p.m. on Friday at the Ward Museum on 909 South Schumaker Drive in Salisbury. The exhibition will remain on display through May 13.



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weighed in.

“Probably the one we heard the most about ... was the whole drainage issue,” he said. “I know people were very passionate about that in their comments.”

Bailey said there was adequate staffing to deal with drainage, for now. He said most of Ocean Pines’ efforts in that area were reactive rather than proactive.

To get ahead of the issue, he said, would require help from the county and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, not to mention a significant increase in funding.

“The other piece is ... a preventative maintenance plan on all the drainage ditches as well,” Bailey said. “We need to have a plan before we put more money into that ... It goes back to, do we put money into the assessment before a plan or after a plan or in the meantime? So, I think that’s what it comes back to, and part of it is going to be communicating what I just said better as that plan gets developed. And, then there’s substantiation [for spending assessment dollars].”

## Bathtub racer to collect donations for local nonprofit

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donations for Diakonia, a West Ocean City nonprofit providing emergency and transitional housing – along with a number of other services – for men, women and families on the Lower Eastern Shore.

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“Every time the bathtub is filled, we will then donate [the shoes] to charity,” Williams said. “That, to me, is another way we can keep Jesse’s memory in mind ... and see that this legacy continues to serve the town.”



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Committee members agreed with Bailey’s approach.

“We have it noted,” Chairman John Viola said. “You are still assessing ... I think that’s the right answer. It’s pragmatic.”

Committee member Larry Perrone said the other unresolved issue in the budget, for him, was a planned payroll increase and the already high cost of benefits.

“The big nut that we have to crack here is the 3 percent raise, which we don’t think is appropriate, and benefits have to be reevaluated,” he said. “I’ve heard a lot of talk about ‘we’re going to lose people, we’re going to lose people’ – I don’t believe it.

“We’re giving benefits that anybody on the street would just die for,” Perrone added. “It can be reduced and still be a good package ... we’ve got a lot of fat in there that needs to

be looked at.”

He recommended a 1.5 percent payroll increase and a reduction in health care spending.

As it stands, the association pays for 100 percent of coverage. Board members have apparently proposed an 80/20 split, with employees being asked to pay for 20 percent.

“There’s a way to do this and a way not to do it, in my opinion,” Bailey said. “If you do a zero increase in pay and you switch to 80/20, you’re cutting pay ... I just don’t think that’s the right way to treat our employees.”

Committee member John O’Connor advocated a gradual decrease in benefits, but Perrone balked.

“I appreciate that John, but I’ve gotta tell you, these numbers are so high that I don’t think we can do it that way,” he said. “My opinion is we can’t ease into it. Our benefit package

is not in line with any business that I have ever seen.

“I know over the past years boards have talked about it, [but] nobody has done anything,” Perrone continued. “Unfortunately we’re at that point – it has to be done and I think it’s time to pull the Band-Aid off. That’s just my opinion, but the board will have to deal with that.”

Upcoming budget meetings at the Tern Grill include a formal presentation to board members this Saturday at 10 a.m.

Board budget work sessions are scheduled Feb. 5-7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, and board members will host a budget hearing for membership on Feb. 10 at 10 a.m.

A vote to adopt the budget was set for Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. in the Asateague Room inside the community center on 235 Ocean Parkway.



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# Nock files for Pocomoke City Council District 4 vacancy

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor  
(Jan. 25, 2018) Pocomoke native Todd Nock, 27, this week announced his filing for City Council, District 4.



Todd Nock

The seat is being vacated by Brian Hirshman, who announced earlier this month he would not run for reelection for personal reasons.

Nock studied business administration at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. As a child, he attended the Macedonia Baptist Church in Pocomoke and presently attends the First Baptist Church in Salisbury.

He said the controversial firing of former Police Chief Kelvin Sewell in 2015 was a factor in his candidacy.

"A couple years ago, Chief Kelvin Sewell was wrongfully terminated by the city of Pocomoke. That opened up the citizens' eyes that things just weren't going right at City Hall and it was time for us to get active and get involved in our local lawmaking procedures," he said.

"Things are very unclear to us – the citizens still don't know exactly what took place," Nock added. "Honestly, I don't believe we'll ever find out."

Also a factor, he said, was former District 4 Councilwoman Tracey Cottman's abrupt withdrawal from the race that allowed Hirshman to be elected, unopposed, three years ago.

"Tracey Cottman was in the seat for a substantial period of time and she decided to drop out of the race, which left the seat vacant completely," Nock said. "Brian Hirshman is not a native of Pocomoke and nobody really in the district knew who Brian Hirshman was."

"The Fourth District in Pocomoke is not a big district – it's not as big as District 1. So, for us to not know you and for you to not know us, that raised concerns," he added. "I felt like, honestly, the district needed someone to represent them that knew them. How can you be a voice for the people if you don't know the people's voice?"

If elected, Nock said he would work toward beautifying the town.

"Pocomoke is a beautiful town. We're right there on the water, we've got awesome wildlife. I used to work as a park ranger on Assateague, so I like to say I'm one with nature," Nock said. "Pocomoke has the ability to be beautiful."

He said he would like to see vacant buildings like the former Salvation

Army rehabbed and to see roadways improved.

"I just want to be a voice for the people. I want to be the peoples' person. I want to be the peoples' candidate and hope that people will see it my way on [Election Day]," Nock said. "I'm looking forward to getting in there and getting to work."

Nock added he has not always seen eye to eye with officials at City Hall, but wants to move forward.

He is currently running unopposed.

The only other filing, as of press time, is incumbent Esther Troast in District 5. The deadline to file is Friday, Feb. 2 at 5 p.m. at City Hall on 101 Clarke Avenue.

The fee for filing is \$25. A City Council member must be at least 21 years of age, a registered voter in the city and a resident of the district they wish to represent for at least one year immediately preceding their election.

The election will be held on Tuesday, April 3 at the Pocomoke Library on Market Street. Winning candidates will take office April 9 to serve a three-year term.

The voter registration deadline is March 2.

## Shore Spirits will go before Court of Special Appeals

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Lawyers representing a business within the same shopping center as the former Pocomoke Shore Spirits county liquor store appealed the case to a higher court after having their first appeal denied.

Janik Patel, who had pursued ownership of the former county store when it was put out to bid, is taking the case to the Court of Special Appeals, which is a step below the Maryland Court of Appeals, which functions as the state's supreme court.

At issue is the liquor license, which the Board of License Commissioners awarded to the high bidder, Kalpesh Patel – no relation to Janik Patel – last year. Kalpesh Patel bid \$1.175 million for the store and its contents, contingent on being awarded a liquor license for the property.

Attorney Hugh Cropper brought three challenges to the decision to

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# Mayor hopes study mends fences

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

*This is part two of a two-part interview. The first part was released in the Jan. 18 edition of the Bayside Gazette.*

(Jan. 25, 2018) Along with examining parking issues and developing a growth strategy and ways to capture revenue from recent growth, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said town priorities for 2018 would include forging a new partnership with fire and EMS services, beginning the development of Berlin Falls park, and implementing a new street and sidewalk plan.

A study of Berlin Fire Company needs, commissioned by the town in cooperation with the company, is expected to finish in mid-February.

The study is meant to better understand how much funding the fire company needs for budgetary planning purposes. Williams hopes the results also help repair the strained relationship between town government and fire

company leadership.

"I expect that to be a significant first step in advancing the relationship between the town and the fire company, from one that has traditionally been perceived as the town being a hands-off benefactor, to one that is more of a partnership between two public entities who both want what is best for the citizens and property owners of Berlin," Williams said.

He added, "that we are just a disinterested provider of funds? That's not how it works in 21st century America." Nor, Williams said, was that normal during the latter part of the last century.

"The relationship needs to reflect the times," he said. "We're ready and prepared to create that true partnership – we don't want to run the fire company, but we need to be an informed partner. And they need to understand how all of this works, so that we can get the greatest benefit from the resources that we currently have and anticipate the resources that we're going to need."

Williams believes an emerging majority of firefighters want to better the relationship with town officials.

"Time will take care of it, but we can't

wait for another 20 years," he said. "We simply want a relationship with the fire company that we have with everybody else, regardless of what agency it is, private sector, education sector, our partners and friends in the faith-based community – why should [the fire company] be an exception?"

He said the town has an "excellent relationship" with county and state police agencies, not to mention Town of Berlin Police.

"Law enforcement is essential to public safety, but just as important is fire fighting and protection, and emergency medical services," he said. "The past is the past. Nobody should apologize for it, but I think this needs to be done."

As for Berlin Falls park, Williams said he's "looking forward to supporting the vision and direction" of the newly formed Berlin Falls Park Advisory Committee.

"I'm very pleased with the qualifications and diversity of skills and experience [of the committee members], but I imagine their new duties may initially seem somewhat overwhelming," he said. "I understand that, but I believe they will find the task as rewarding as it

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# Cropper to argue liquor license was wrongly awarded

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award a Class A beer, wine and liquor license to a store owned by Kalpesh Patel.

First, the application to appear before the Board of License Commissioners filed by Kalpesh Patel was completed in bad faith, next, the need for a store selling beer at that location was exaggerated and a third, novel argument.

Cropper explained the application was for a beer, wine and liquor license, though sales data provided by Worcester County showed wine was not in high demand for that store, and beer demand was being served by two other stores in the same strip mall, including Janik Patel's Newtown Market.

Without proving the demand for all three would be served, the application should be denied, Cropper argued.

Judge Broughton Earnest considered Cropper's arguments, and upheld the decision by the license commissioners to award the license.



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# Street and sidewalk repair plan part of 2018 agenda

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is challenging.

"My expectation is that they will put some things in motion that will be started or completed this year – in 2018 – while also laying groundwork for some other uses and improvements that will follow in the next two-to-five years," Williams added.

Williams has his own ideas about what the park, a former industrial chicken processing plant, could become.

"But I do not want to influence them," Williams said. "If someone on the advisory committee as a group or individual asks for my opinion, I'll give it, but I'm not going to interject it – that's why they're there."

"The mayor and council is responsible to provide the resources that we can, within our means, to support the potential for that park, and to lay the foundation for something that can be benefiting at least the rest of this century – that's a long time," he added.

Also this year, Williams said the Town Council would consider a street and sidewalk repair plan drafted by Town Administrator Laura Allen and members of the public works department.

"We haven't set a hard and fast deadline ... but it's going to happen," he said.

Williams said the town, during recent years, has patched holes and made repairs as they came up, but lacked a formal, strategic plan.

"We've taken care of what I think are the most-critical needs. Now, we need to figure out where do we go from here, and how do we do it in a plan that considers what the impacts are and where the greatest benefit can be, with the money that we have available in any one fiscal year," he said.

"Those include not only upgrades ... but also where there are little sections of sidewalks that are missing. Why not starting filling in the gaps?"

In other places, new sidewalks could be built in front of new homes and businesses, he said.

"There are some places where a sidewalk was never needed, because there never was anything there, or it was a warehouse," Williams said. "Now [in some places] that a building has been revitalized and upgraded and there's a business there – but there's no sidewalk."

"There will be exceptions, when emergencies occur like a major water-line break or when there is unanticipated development on a particular street or neighborhood," he continued. "We can't anticipate everything, but it's time for us to have a strategic plan that can evolve and be tweaked as times or circumstances demand."

**'My expectation is that they will put some things in motion that will be started or completed this year in 2018.'**

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams

Williams gave credit "to the folks that proceeded us" for laying groundwork allowing recent economic successes in the town.

It's the charge of those in office now, he said, to lay the basis for

continued success, using financial considerations, human resources and community support to plan for growth that is "sustainable and manageable."

"Anyone who portrays Berlin as wanting all growth at any level in any amount, simply does not know what they're talking about – Anyone who thinks we want no growth, at all, doesn't know what they're talking about," Williams said. "I've found that this is a community that is thoughtful, responsible, but willing to adapt with the times and to accept change as a normal and beneficial part of growing as a community."

"We've embraced the 21st century and it's worked pretty well so far. I don't see the need to go off into some other direction when this path has benefited us the way it has," he added.

Williams, 69, said he would like to continue in his current role "as long as the folks want me to do it."

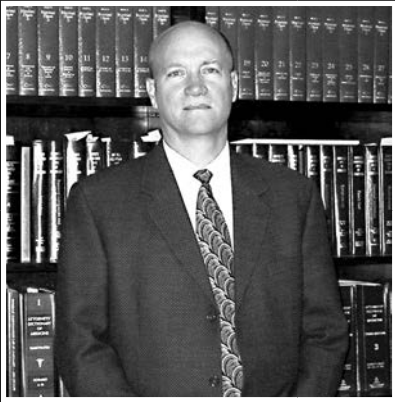
"That will be the first and foremost consideration," he said. "As long as I have the energy, I will keep an open mind to serving as long as the people want me to. I don't believe in setting artificial deadlines for projects or for initiatives."

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## GEOGRAPHY BEE

Out of approximately 190 Worcester Preparatory School Lower/Middle School students competing in the Geography Bee on Jan. 11, the top three finalists from left, placing first through third, are Cole Myers, Parker Tingle and Hunter Simons.



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## SUPPORTING BIT

The Stephen Decatur High School National Honor Society recently presented \$3,000 to the local chapter of Believe in Tomorrow. Members raised funds by holding a raffle for local gift card packages. Since 2005, the organization has donated over \$30,000 to Believe in Tomorrow. Pictured are Principal Tom Zimmer, Laila Mirza, NHS Vice President Neah Purnell, Chloe Sass, Believe in Tomorrow representative Wayne Littleton, Anna Eubanks, NHS Treasurer Stephanie Marx, Spencer Carbaugh, NHS Parliamentarian Hallie Edmunds, and NHS Secretary Brandon Yusuf.



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## BUSY ELVES

Students and faculty at Worcester Preparatory School were busy this holiday season giving back to the community with choral concerts for the elderly to multiple food and toy drives for local families in need. From Nov. 27 to Dec. 15, more than 500 students from Lower, Middle and Upper School collected canned goods, non-perishable food and monetary donations to purchase meat products for the annual Food Drive sponsored by the Student Government Association. Pictured on Dec. 15, are students who sorted the canned goods into bags for delivery to seven distribution centers located in Maryland and Delaware.



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## FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM

Five years and nearly 400 students later and the partnership between the Bank of Ocean City and the Stephen Decatur High School business program is still going strong. Forty-seven students recently completed the BOC-sponsored EverFi Financial Literacy program, which covers nine categories including savings, banking, payment types, credit scores, higher education, renting versus owning, insurance and tax, consumer protection, and investing. Bank of Ocean City representatives Caleb Miller, left, and Earl Conley, second from left, and Stephen Decatur High School business teacher Kurt Marx, second from right, and Principal Tom Zimmer, right, join students who recently graduated from the BOC EverFi Financial Literacy program.



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## JUNIOR ACHIEVERS

Every year, Bank of Ocean City teaches Junior Achievement classes at various elementary, middle and high schools promoting good financial choices. Explaining the difference between needs and wants at an early age promotes fiscal responsibility and will pay huge dividends in the future. Pictured are Buckingham Elementary third graders.





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# Worcester's first cannabis dispensary set to open today

**By Brian Gilliland**  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) During an informational session in Ocean Pines last Saturday that drew more than 100 people, Lyndsey Odachowski announced Worcester's first medical marijuana dispensary, Positive Energy at 9939 Jerry Mack Road, would open today, Jan. 25.

Maryland law allows two dispensaries per state senate district. Robert Davis, owner and clinical director of Hi-Tide dispensary, also in West Ocean City at 12600 Marjan Lane, said he expects to open in February.

Hi-Tide is still waiting on final approval from the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission to open. The commission also meets today, and could potentially approve Hi-Tide to open then, but Davis said he hasn't received word from the commission as of Tuesday.

Odachowski said people began arriving at the information session in Ocean Pines last week about an hour before it was scheduled to start, and had many questions for certifying physician Dr. William "Eddie" Gunn specific to certain ailments, and how cannabis might be used to control certain symptoms.

The process for obtaining medical cannabis in Maryland is somewhat inverted from the traditional doctor-patient relationship, where a patient brings a complaint and the doctor prescribes medicine.

In this case, a patient already registered with the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission schedules an appointment for certification from a provider, also registered with the state. Registration is available online via the commission's website. [mmcc.maryland.gov](http://mmcc.maryland.gov).

The patient describes the result they would like to achieve to the provider, and if that matches with one of the state's qualifying conditions, a certification is issued. That certification is taken to the dispensary by the patient, who determines, with assistance from the dispensary staff, what product best suits the patient's needs.

Because state and federal marijuana laws conflict, payments for medical cannabis have been made mostly on a cash basis. However, Odachowski said she could also accept CanPay, a credit and debit payment app launched in Littleton, Colorado in 2016, specifically to handle medical marijuana payments.

For more information about Positive Energy, visit [www.facebook.com/PositiveEnergyOC](http://www.facebook.com/PositiveEnergyOC).

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USDA rural mortgages under review

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Pines properties may no longer be eligible for low, moderate income program

By Brian Gilliland  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Every five years the U.S. Department of Agriculture reviews the eligibility of certain areas for its USDA Rural Home Loan program, and one of the areas under review this year is Ocean Pines.

The USDA loans are attractive to homebuyers and lenders because a portion of the mortgage is guaranteed by the federal government, giving lenders more confidence in the ability of the applicant to repay the loan.

This confidence also plays out in the interest rate, which is favorable to the buyer and also allows the home to be financed completely without a down payment being required.

There are, however, some restrictions involved. The basic requirements are credit, income, property usage and home location.

While there is no minimum credit score required for USDA loans, those with scores above 640 are eligible for automated underwriting, which is faster among other benefits, and those below that threshold have to submit to manual underwriting — a longer and generally more thorough process.

As for income, the USDA must establish a verifiable income stream that is likely to continue, and as the loans are intended for low-to-moderate earners it sets a base income limit at 115 percent of the median household income for the area.

The loans are also intended for use in rural areas, but the definition of rural in this context is intentionally vague, and according to the USDA, includes almost all of mainland Worcester County. All of Ocean City, coastal areas of West Ocean City on south to South Point are excluded, according to current rules.

Finally, the home in question must be used as a primary residence, have direct access to a street and must have adequate utilities including water and wastewater disposal.

“In the past 27 months of opening my own Real Estate Brokerage in the community of Ocean Pines the USDA loan product has provided an interracial path to home ownership for our local residents including renters, first-time home buyers and families,” Bernie Flax, president-elect of the Coastal Association of Realtors, wrote to the USDA. “It has also been a path for me as a local small business owner to build my business and help my local community.”

Current president of the Coastal Association of Realtors, Joel Maher, echoed Flax’s concerns, and backed

them up with some data. “... [A]ccording to our Multiple Listing Service data, the median sale price of a single-family home in Ocean Pines in 2017 was \$235,000, which is markedly lower than the national median price throughout the same time period of \$315,800, as reported by the National Association of Realtors,” Maher wrote. “Also according to our data, over the past two years, a total of 882 homes have been sold in Ocean Pines. Of those homes, 522 were priced under \$250,000.”

Maher wrote he was concerned the Ocean Pines market would be mistaken for Ocean City demographics.

“The Ocean Pines market may include some pricier waterfront properties that are utilized as vacation homes, but most of the community are primary residents who work in Worcester County or the surrounding areas,” he said.

At the state level, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development announced new loan and down payment assistance programs on Tuesday, including a loan developed for borrowers with mid-range credit scores, a down payment assistance grant and the expansion of another down payment grant to be used for more types of mortgages.

For more information on these programs, visit [mmp.maryland.gov](http://mmp.maryland.gov).

(Jan. 25, 2018) Choptank Electric Cooperative is now accepting applications for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association’s 2018 Youth Tour program which will take place June 10-14 in Washington, D.C.

Choptank Electric Cooperative is looking for five current high school juniors who are interested in continuing their education through higher education, such as college or through a trade school.

Youth Tour representatives are selected by Choptank Electric based on an application, 90-second, first-round self-produced video, short essay, and, if applicable, a second-round interview. To qualify for this opportunity, students must be juniors whose parents or guardians are Choptank Electric members. Applications are due Wednesday, Jan. 31 by end of business at 4:30 p.m.

This experience includes the opportunity to meet congressman and senators, visit the U.S. Capitol Visitor’s Center, tour the Capitol building, visit local memorials and museums and other historic sites.

In previous Youth Tour trips, students have attended Nationals baseball games, the Kennedy Center and Mount Vernon. Along with the sites, candidates will meet over 1,500 other co-op member students from across the country. All expenses and transportation are paid for by Choptank Electric.

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# Expect change at Pines food and beverage

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Don't expect things to continue going the way they were – that's the message Ocean Pines Association General Manager John Bailey repeatedly stressed, regarding operations at the yacht club, during a clubs committee meeting last Thursday.

The committee drafted a broad agenda of operational questions and spoke to Bailey for a little more than an hour.

When Bailey was finished outlining his vision, the entire group seemed satisfied by the apparent change in direction.

To start, committee member Gary Miller said the group was "kind of surprised" when the club was suddenly closed earlier this month because additional mold was found there.

Bailey said he would present a remediation plan with proposals from several companies during the next board meeting, Jan. 27. He said it would include an environmental assessment of the entire property, including the outside bar area.

He will also propose hiring a management consultant to run the yacht club and beach club.

Bailey admitted he "talked to more than [his] share of brides and mothers this past two weeks" since the yacht club was closed, and was in the process refunding deposits for prior

bookings.

"Normally you don't do that, but in this particular case I thought that was the right thing to do," he said.

He said the mold is believed to have originated several years ago, when a pipe burst and the association "tried to clean it up on our own."

"[It's] not unusual, if you try to do that type of work yourself, that you're going to end up biting that bullet again," Bailey said. "We probably didn't handle that the right way at the time, so that may have contributed to it."

Air-quality tests done before Christmas "were fine," Bailey said, but additional analysis received Jan. 2 showed a more significant problem.

"We had the testing done, we've got remediation to do, we'll have a professional crew that's doing that and we'll do a complete environmental assessment of the building, so we'll deal with mold, we'll deal with insects, we'll deal with anything else that we have to deal with."

"We'll reopen when we're ready," he added.

He plans to invite health inspectors to the building a month before reopening.

"We will be proactive as we get closer to the season, that we're going to get everything inspected by the health department, so we're clear to go, one, for business reasons, and two

for that very public reason of letting everybody know ... we've addressed the mold issue, we've addressed the other environmental issues, we've addressed our food issues and permits and everything else," he said.

Bailey said almost the entire yacht club staff was laid off, save for a few workers moved over to the Tern Grill and those left to handle client scheduling and inventory.

That apparently included Food and Beverages Director Brian Townsend and chef Rob Sosonovich.

As for who would take over next, Bailey said two proposals had been received and another was expected before the board meeting.

"I am leaning toward a management partner, if you would, versus a direct outsource or doing it in-house," he said. "It's likely to be at least a two-year type of contract ... One year is to turn things around [and] the second year you'll start seeing different benefits."

Bailey said the consultant selected "wouldn't be bringing 30 people with them," but would instead bring limited staff, and hire and train new workers.

Committee Chairman Les Purcell said the association did not have a good prior track record with outsourcing.

"Several years back we did it four times – and it was a failure every

time. That's what worries me," Purcell said.

"We haven't done what I'm proposing yet," Bailey said.

He expects management to include the yacht and beach clubs, with the Tern Grill remaining under the umbrella of golf, at least for now. Bailey added consultant groups were "chomping at the bit" regarding weddings and events held at the beach club.

The biggest struggle, according to Miller, was undoing all of the negative perceptions.

"It's going to be really important that the administration does some really good public relations, advertising, whatever ... to let everybody know this is a completely new operation and really sell it," he said. "Then, hopefully, people will come back at least once and when they see it's better than it has been, they'll come back [again]."

"Don't look for us to do things the way we used to do them," Bailey said.

"Good!" several committee members responded in unison.

Bailey continued, "The unfortunate aspect of bringing back the old is we don't see beyond our blinders," he said. "We've got an opportunity here to go way beyond. For a lot of folks that haven't seen that, they're fearful of it or don't get it. But I believe in that and we've got one shot, really, to make something different."

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# Klump, Foultz receive DAR awards

Nonprofit leaders surprised during fundraiser held last week inside Pines library

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution last week presented community service awards to Kim Klump of Snow Hill and Anna Foultz of Ocean Pines.

Both women said the honor came as a total surprise – Klump assumed she was asked to attend the fundraising luncheon at the Ocean Pines Library to speak about her work as president of the Jesse Klump Memorial Fund, Inc., and Foultz said she expected to speak about her role as founder of nonprofit group Star Charities.

According to a new release, the award “was established to give chapters the opportunity to recognize worthy individuals in their communities for outstanding unpaid voluntary achievements in cultural, educational, humanitarian, patriotic, historical, citizenship, or environmental conservation endeavors.

“Anna Foultz, president of Star Charities, was recognized for her dedication and countless volunteer hours in support of military personnel and veterans as well as for promoting good citizenship in young women through Girl Scouts.

“Kim Klump, president of Jesse Klump Memorial Fund, Inc., was recognized for channeling her grief into a community-wide suicide awareness and prevention program and the scholarships provided to students demonstrating a willingness to help others.”

Regent Patricia Ayers presented each honoree with a certificate and lapel pin. They also received a portion of the luncheon proceeds for their respective organizations.

“They shocked me. I cried, because it’s one of their highest awards,” Foultz said. “I just couldn’t believe that they picked me as one of the awards.

“They surprised me and I stood there and cried. I said, ‘I can’t believe it, I’m so honored,’” she added.

Foultz said the accolade ranked among her most cherished.

“And they did it all behind my back! I didn’t know a thing,” she said.

Klump was also surprised – and tearful – during the ceremony.

“All we knew going in was that we were to talk about what we do in the community. I figured Anna and I were a guest speaker at their luncheon,” she said. “We got up and said our spiel, and then later in the program they told us the real reason we were there.

“We were both really surprised and shocked, because we had no idea,” Klump continued. “It was very nice for them to do it ... I was overwhelmed and humbled. I became tearful, especially with the president, whom I’ve

known for many years, I know shares a suicide in her family. She was relaying that to the people there and of course that brought more tears to my eyes.”

Star Charities, during its flagship Beef and Beer benefit earlier this month, raised almost \$4,000 for the Wounded Soldiers in Maryland fund.

For more information on Star Charities, call 410-641-7667 or fax 410-641-7667.

The Klump foundation, in July, raised more than \$26,000 during the annual Jesse’s Paddle fundraiser in Snow Hill. That money will pay for local scholarships and programs of the Jesse Klump Suicide Awareness and Prevention Program.

“Each year has been a record year [in fundraising], which is just amazing to us,” Klump said. “We thought it would drop off, but it hasn’t, which is wonderful.”

Sello’s Italian Oven & Bar on 9802 Golf Course Road in West Ocean City will host a fundraiser for the Klump foundation on Thursday, Feb. 1 from 6-10 p.m.

Tickets cost \$75 and can be purchased at the front desk at Sello’s or at

Baked Dessert Café in Berlin. Online tickets are \$80 and can be purchased at [www.Sellosoc.com](http://www.Sellosoc.com).

The dance-party themed event will include lite fare by Sello’s, a dessert bar by Baked Dessert Café, a wine-tasting bar, and disco-themed prizes. A cash bar will also be available.

For more information about the Klump foundation, visit [www.choose-tolivemaryland.org](http://www.choose-tolivemaryland.org).



Jesse Klump Memorial Fund President Kim Klump, left, is honored during a fundraising luncheon at the Ocean Pines Library last Wednesday with a community service award by DAR General Levin Winder Chapter Regent Patricia Ayers. (Top) Star Charities founder Anna Foultz also received a community service award.



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# Opinion

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## Our policy on police beat

*Ocean City Today* and *Bayside Gazette* ended the practice of posting police beat items on their web pages last week, after recognizing that, unlike print articles, online information can live forever, even when it is incomplete and unfair.

This decision was prompted by an increasing number of requests from people who wanted their names removed from the online reports for three obviously valid reasons: The charges were dropped; their records were expunged by court order; they were found innocent, but the papers had not reported that outcome.

Meanwhile, the charges against these individuals remained available to anyone conducting a background check, whether it was for employment purposes or a host of other legitimate reasons.

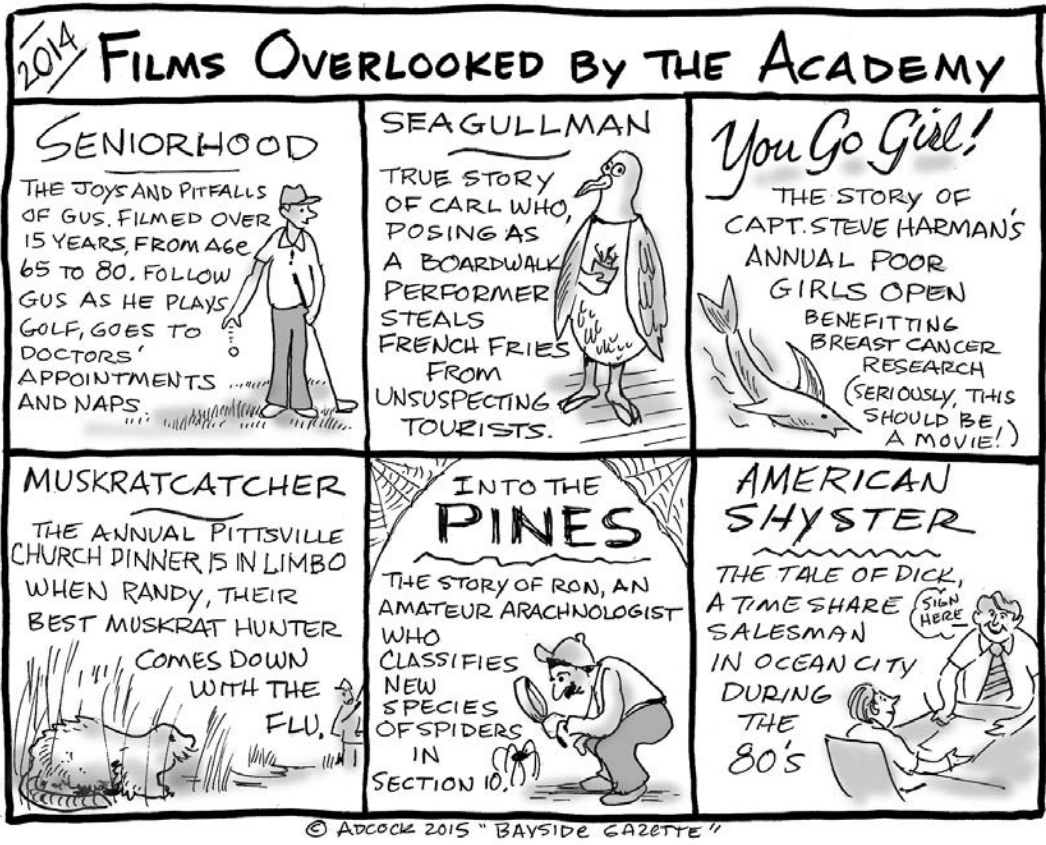
When asked to correct or remove the record, the news staff verified the claims of the parties and undertook the arduous business of erasing their names and related information from every Internet location over which they had control.

We concluded this was the right thing to do, based on the almost universal principle of presumption of innocence in criminal court proceedings.

We also realized, however, that we failed the fairness test because of our own limitations. Newspapers of this size don't have the resources to follow each police beat case through the court system and report on its conclusion. Neither do they have the staff to return to that original online police item and rewrite it to reflect the proper legal outcome.

Ultimately, we sought advice from the Society of Professional Journalists' ethics committee, which agreed that we should post only police stories of such significance that we do pursue the case to its conclusion.

The weekly police beat has been one of our most highly read online articles. Nevertheless, our own interests are nowhere as important as the principles of fairness and the presumption of innocence.



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## Letters

### New management could wait a year

Editor,

General Manager John Bailey has been tasked to look at outside management for the Yacht Club and Beach Club.

Based on recent performance, seeking alternative solutions is certainly understandable. However, I

suggest that this may be a bit premature.

The Yacht Club will be down for most of the rest of this fiscal year. The Tern Grille is looking to be a reasonable alternative gathering place for residents in the offseason.

There is a plan to renovate the upstairs at the Country Club this coming year.

Might it be prudent to see what may result with new management, a more rational food and beverage business plan, a planned closure of the Yacht Club from, say November through April; and year-round availability of Country Club food and beverage facilities?

Just my two cents worth.

Jim Beisler  
Ocean Pines

## OP anniversary license plate available

(Jan. 25, 2018) An Ocean Pines license plate will soon be available for purchase to help celebrate the community's 50th anniversary and to raise money for the Ocean Pines Police Department.

The Police Department will host its own National Night Out, a community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie, on Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5-7 p.m. at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines.

Music, food and a moon bounce will be available for the public to enjoy. Marked police vehicles will be on display and officers will meet and greet the public.

"Agencies across Delmarva take part in National Night Out each year and now Ocean

Pines joins the list," Ocean Pines Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer said.

The raffle drawing/auction fundraiser will happen at 10 a.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center, at 235 Ocean Parkway. The Ocean Pines specialty plates that are numbered one through 10 will be auctioned off to the highest bidders, and license plates that are numbered 11-50 will be raffled off during the fundraiser.

Association members can purchase anniversary license plate raffle tickets at the administration building, at 239 Ocean Parkway, for \$50. The administration building is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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# Tennis court renovation approved

By Josh Davis  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Several cost-cutting measures saved the Town of Berlin almost \$100,000 on a tennis court renovation project at Stephen Decatur Park.

Long in the works, the renovation was presented during budget hearings last year at an estimated cost of \$372,000. On Monday night the Town Council unanimously approved spending \$299,603, the majority of which would be paid for by grant money.

In trying to trim expenses, town officials broke the work down into several, smaller components.

Terra Firma of Delmarva, Inc. was awarded a contract not to exceed \$84,798, for tennis court construction. Additionally, the town agreed to pay \$59,838 to Grasso Fence. Co. for the purchase and installation of fencing, and \$11,738 to Cunningham Recreation for installation of “specified amenities,” including benches and infrastructure for netting.

A reallocation of not to exceed \$17,614 from reserves was also approved by the council.

Of the total cost, \$215,000 will be covered by a Community Parks and Playgrounds grant and \$20,000 will come from Program Open Space. Both agencies operate under the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

The Berlin Electric Company will provide additional services valued at \$46,989.

Town Administrator Laura Allen called the project “a long time coming.”

“Back in May, when the project was brought up before the council, staff was directed to do everything that they can to scale the project back,” Allen said. “We worked diligently to do that. We also worked diligently to get some additional grant money, which we were able to achieve.”

Allen said staff would do some of the work associated with the project, including removing and disposing of the old fence.

Berlin Parks Commission Chairman Mike Wiley said his group supported the project.

“About 18 months ago we were actually sitting around, talking about a rough date to have a ribbon cutting, last spring,” Wiley said. “The next month we found out that the blacktop was thicker [than expected] and this caused a lot of the cost overruns. So naturally, everything was put on hold.”

He credited Allen, Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen and other staff with developing an alternative plan and lowering costs.

Wiley said the tennis courts were not as widely used as the walking path or playground at Decatur Park, but was nonetheless a popular part of the town parks system.

“The usage may have fallen off

some due to the condition of the court itself, however I feel confident in predicting it will pick up once again if the courts are reconstructed,” Wiley said. “The old saying, ‘if we build it they will come’ holds true here, in my own opinion.”

Commission member Patricia Dufendach could not attend, but sent a letter of support.

“Through the years we have seen repairs performed that were not sufficient, leaving the courts in an unsafe, unsightly manner,” she said in the statement. “Watching players attempt to use our facility was less than inspiring. [Bringing] these tennis courts up to our standards, having the work done properly, will give the citizens of Berlin many years of maintenance-free use and enjoyment.”

“Nice courts attract players, [and] the potential for classes and competitions will be part of the future of Berlin parks,” Dufendach continued. “As we move towards recreational op-

portunities, this could be a keystone project.”

Councilman Zack Tyndall made the formal motion.

“When we first saw the project in May ... at the \$372,000 threshold, that was a little outside of the grant funding and a little scary for us to pull from our general fund,” he said. “Since staff has done such a great job, working with our engineers and trying to figure out where we can trim those costs, I’ll make a motion that we move forward.”

The vote was 4-0 with one member, Councilman Troy Purnell, not present during the meeting.



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The Berlin Town Council this week approved funding to renovate the tennis courts at Stephen Decatur Park, which are in a significant state of disrepair.

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## LINE DANCERS

Some members of the Ocean Pines Line Dancers attended the annual benefit sponsored by Scooter Lee, Dancing the Dream in Ft. Myers, Florida on Jan. 13. Pictured, from left, are Jo Thompson Szymanski, Kathy Havey, Dot Danner, Janet O'Brien, Lee, Betty Daugherty and Suzanne Wilson.



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## GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS

The Ocean Pines Garden Club installed its officers for 2018 during a luncheon at Lighthouse Sound in Bishopville on Jan. 11. Pictured, from left, are Corresponding Secretary Buttons Bassett, Co-Vice President Sue Sewell, Recording Secretary Joan Dempsey, Co-Vice President Jan Tellman, Treasurer Daryl Carpenter and President Linda Baker. The club generally meets on the second Thursday of each month at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 10 a.m. Visitors and new members are welcome.



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## ROTARY DONATION

Ocean City-Berlin Rotary Club President Margaret Mudron and Treasurer Cliff Berg present a donation to United Way Community Impact Director Pam Gregory, center. The Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Captain's Table Restaurant, inside the Courtyard Marriott Hotel on 15th Street and Baltimore Ave. in Ocean City.



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## BOAT SHOW PREVIEW

Several members of the Ocean City/Berlin Optimist Club gathered recently to discuss the February Seaside Boat Show. Pictured are Jim Flaig (layout), Charlie Dorman (chairman), Charles Smith (advertising) and Steve Acton (loading in and out). Over 80 members of the club will be on hand Feb. 16-18 to raise funds for the Optimist's youth programs during the boat show at the Ocean City convention center on 40th Street.



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## FUNDRAISER SUCCESSFUL

Star Charities founder Anna Fultz, seated, is joined by her committee of volunteers during the annual Beef 'n Beer event on Jan. 12 at the Ocean Pines Community Center. The dinner benefitted wounded soldiers and over \$3,800 was raised. Pictured, from left, are Sen. Jim Mathias, Paul and Barbara Mazzi, Sandy McAbee, Lee Tilghman, Treasurer Mary Evens, Mike Evans, Jones Family Gospel Music by Ruth and Bob Jones, and John Wilmuth.



## RED KETTLE RINGER

When the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Drive starts at Thanksgiving, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City volunteers to ring the bell at the Berlin Walmart on Route 50. Pictured is Kiwanis Chair Stella Hartington during one of her shifts. Kiwanis has been recognized by the Salvation Army for its volunteering every year.

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# Worcester Youth touts children's programs

Young Berliners volunteered during town and nonprofit events, and went on trips

**By Josh Davis**  
Associate Editor

(Jan. 25, 2018) Nonprofit Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services continues to provide enriching programs for young people in Berlin.

Worcester Youth Executive Director Stephen Taylor and youth program coordinator Austin Piccarreta gave a summary of recent activities during a Berlin Council meeting, Monday.

“Worcester Youth and Family ... provides youth with programs and activities for kids age 6-14,” Taylor said. “We do a variety of things with them that are going to help promote their self-esteem, give them experiences that they might not experience otherwise, foster team building and give them the confidence that they need to have a bright and promising future.

“If we want our businesses and social atmosphere to be as strong as it can be, we need to invest in our children, and that’s exactly what we do,” he added.

Taylor said recent activities included trips to Jolly Roger and Assateague State Park in July, and

Altitude Trampoline Park, the Salisbury Zoo and Frontier Town Water Park in August.

Children in the program participated in town events like the Fiddler’s Convention in September, Oktoberfest in October and the Christmas parade in December. They also volunteered during a Giving Tuesday event in November, helping to feed needy people at a community dinner and delivering meals to those who were homebound.

Girls in the SAGES program led the first “Chalk the Walk” event in Berlin in October, writing positive messages on town sidewalks.

The Christmas Spirit Campaign, hosted by volunteers from Ocean City Young Professionals, included 22 children from Worcester Youth programs. Children were given \$100 to shop for themselves, family and friends for the holidays.

“It was truly an amazing experience,” Taylor said. “These kids, when they get the \$100 and go to the store, they’re not looking for gifts for themselves – they want to buy gifts for their mom or a brother or sister.

“A lot of kids who have few challenges are more self-centered, I think ... than kids who don’t have as much,” he continued. “When they see others around them who are sad because they can’t have something they want, they have that desire, that

strength, to try and get it for them. We witnessed that during the Christmas Spirit Campaign and it truly is a good feeling when you see kids that want to care for others.”

Taylor said partnerships were essential for the programs at Worcester Youth, naming Berlin Police and Baked Dessert Café owner Robin Tomaselli as particularly indispensable.

Tomaselli, he said, accompanied the children on several trips and taught healthy cooking classes. Members of the Berlin Police, including Chief Arnold Downing, also went on several trips and spoke with the children on a number of occasions.

“We can’t do it without everyone,” Taylor said. “The investment that we

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Children in Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services programs enjoy a host of free activities at Dr. William Henry Park during the annual National Night Out celebration in Berlin, last August.

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Feb. 1: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m.

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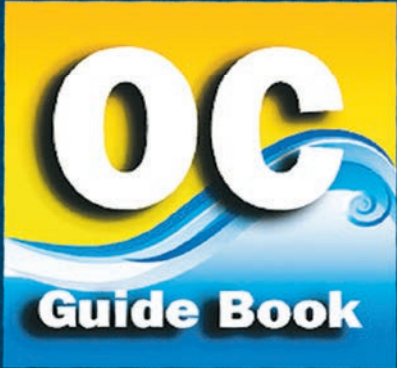
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# Berlin officials effusive in nonprofit praise

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put in is small compared to the overall investment that the community puts into these programs and these children.”

Several councilmembers took the occasion to compliment Taylor and Worcester Youth.

“Thank you for your work, thank you for the work of your organization, and thank you for your leadership,” Councilman Dean Burrell said. “Each year it is a pleasure for me to hear about all the work you all do.”

Burrell said he knew many children who participated in Worcester Youth programs. “They always talk positive and they always have fun – and they even learn some stuff too,” he said. “Just keep it up.”

Councilman Elroy Brittingham said he sees many of the Worcester

Youth participants on a daily basis. “I wonder what these kids would be doing if they were not in these programs,” he said. “I thank you and I thank your organization for doing all the things that you do for the youth.”

Councilman Zack Tyndall said he was greatly impressed when meeting several of the participants during the Giving Tuesday event.

“Thank you for the service you provide,” he said. “They’re great young kids.”

Councilman Thom Gulyas has owned a business in town since 1985 and has been able to watch Worcester Youth grow, he said.

“It’s amazing what you have done with the resources that you have available to you,” he said. “We should all be so successful.”

Mayor Gee Williams said Worces-

ter Youth programs nurtured children, gave them opportunities and helped them grow as people.

“Not every kid has the opportunity to have these qualities be nur-

tured – and that’s what you’re doing,” Williams said. “I think all of us are saying, in our way, we’re very grateful for Worcester Youth and Family Services.”



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Girls in the SAGES program of Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services volunteer during a Giving Tuesday event in Berlin, last November. Volunteers served meals during a community dinner and delivered food to those who were homebound.

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# Cuisine

## Matzo adds twist to chicken and dumplings

*This column originally ran in a Jan. 22, 2015 edition of the Bayside Gazette.*

It's hot. I mean, it's cold. I mean it's snowing. Argh, now it's sleeting.



By Paul Suplee,  
MBA, CEC, PC-3

Welcome to Delmarva Winter the way it used to be. Ah, the golden days on the Shore; when winter is merely a hiccup between our amazing autumn and the always-welcome spring. We have been spoiled the last few years with tremendous snow-fall, and yes I am in the minority that wishes that there was at least one mountain down here for snowboarding

and sledding.

Regardless, it is time to make some soup for these rusty old bones, but luckily our kids are coming around the bend in terms of liking homemade broths and soups.

It all started at a Japanese steak house when the tykes fell in love with the chicken broth with scal-lions and shaved mushrooms. We used that as a launching pad and began regularly offering it for their school lunches and eventually daring to make it from scratch. Yes, my kids prefer canned soups, or at least they did.

After some prodding, I was convinced to make some homemade chicken soup, but not the 'brown' stuff I usually make, because that tastes like gravy. Whipping up some fresh chicken soup proved to be acceptable to the masses, so it has stayed on our rotation throughout the winter season if you can call it that.

Lately, I've been craving a good matzo ball soup, one of my favorite chicken soups, but one I have not made since I worked in restaurants. So, I picked up some matzo meal at the store along with a fresh chicken and some mirepoix, and I set out to recreate that famous dish of chicken and dumplings (well, I might get some emails about calling them dumplings, but they are, kind of).

When I served this to the family, I did add a mountain of shaved button mushrooms, now a standard in the house. This adds a lovely, full flavor to the broth and only adds to the overall complexity of this simple dish.

So as the next storm breezes through, bringing with it that bone-aching, joint-screeching damp-ness, make sure to boil up a chicken, as my mom used to say, and create the nectar that warms to the core. And with some substance added to the soup via the matzo balls, it becomes a no-brainer until spring, when the cold soups will start making their rounds.

### Matzo Ball Soup

4 servings

1 ½ qt. Chicken soup (recipe follows)

8 ea. Matzo balls (recipe follows)

1. Place 2 matzo balls in each soup bowl
2. Ladle soup over and serve while hot

### Chicken Soup

1 whole chicken

2 stalks celery, large chunks

1 large white onion, quartered



2 carrots, peeled and large chunks

1 parsnip, peeled and large chunk

1 tsp. whole black peppercorns

Celery and carrots, brunoise for garnish

1. Swaying from conventional wisdom, I must advise you to cook your chicken stock much longer than the traditional three hours. When we buy rotisserie chicken, I'll make a brown stock with the leftovers and let it go overnight.

2. Put all ingredients in a stockpot, and cover with water until it is an inch and a half over the top part. Even better, if you have some chicken stock in the freezer from a previous batch, start with that, or if you are really cool you can start with remouillage, but that's for a different conversation altogether.

3. Bring the water to a low boil, and turn down to a simmer, skimming the froth as you go. Be careful not to remove too much of the fat, since you will be using this to make the matzo balls.

4. Once you have the simmer regulated, let it for at least six hours and preferably overnight

5. Strain and reserve or serve immediately with your garnish of brunoise, celery, carrot and shredded chicken.

6. OK, I can't let this remouillage (remi) thing go. If you have time, top your spent bones and veg-gies from the stock with more water, just to the top. Bring to a simmer and cook for about three hours.

Then strain this and freeze until your next batch of stock. If you do this regularly, you will have an amazing, unctuous and wonderful stock

### Matzo Balls

Makes enough for 4 people

4 eggs

¼ c. Chicken fat

¼ c. Water

1 c. Matzo meal

Salt to taste

1. Beat the eggs and add the fat, water and meal, adding salt at the end to your preference.

2. This might be a little loose, so let it set up in the icebox for at least two hours. It could be made a day ahead, and the meal will continue to hydrate.

3. Bring a pot of fairly heavily salted water to a boil and add the balls.

4. Reduce to a medium simmer, cover with a cloth (caution if you have gas flames) and a lid.

5. Allow to steam for thirty minutes or until fluffy and cooked through.

6. You can let them steep in the chicken soup if you like or serve immediately.

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SUBSTITUTES

BY VICTOR BAROCAS AND ANDY KRAVIS / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

ACROSS

1 Enjoy some rays?

6 Skip one's senior year, say

11 Off-kilter

15 Affectedly quaint

19 Plácido Domingo, for one

20 Was part of a crew

21 Colorful toys with symbols on their bellies

23 Stall

25 They may sit next to sofas

26 "God's in his heaven — right with the world"

27 Adjudge

28 Make out, at Hogwarts

30 Understand

31 Sounded

33 At risk of being offensive

38 Deputies

40 A pop

41 Oil-rich nation, for short

42 Prefix with -logism

43 Subtle sign from the distressed

47 Wasn't straight up

49 Holiday poem starter

50 Blade with no sharp edge

51 The "A" in TV's ALF

53 Director Lee

54 In the vicinity of

55 Tupperware feature

56 Very bad plan

61 Enjoys some rays

62 Auction units

63 Seat of Lewis and Clark County

64 Positive responses

67 "Vacation" band

69 Fake-news items

70 It's said to cause a smile

71 Bash

72 Cosmic bursts

73 Seasonal cry (remember 43-Across)

77 TV show with the most Primetime Emmy noms

80 Per \_\_\_\_

81 Lyft alternative

82 Farm refrain

83 Prince Philip's spouse, for short

84 West Coast law force, for short

85 House whose symbol is a red-and-white rose

87 Recipe that entails a lot of shaking (remember 56-Across)

90 Ben-\_\_\_\_

91 Stick (out)

92 Campus grp. that organizes marches

94 Stay home for dinner

95 Play of Shakespeare (remember 23-Across)

100 Edy's onetime ice cream partner

103 No. 2

104 Pro \_\_\_\_

105 Computer-menu heading

107 Color feature

108 Beethoven's "Archduke," e.g.

111 Not safe at home (remember 33-Across)

114 Racetrack display

115 Author Zola

116 Like horses and lions

117 Takes to court

118 Achievements of Henry Kissinger and Martin Luther King Jr., in brief

119 Links link them

120 Ticked off

DOWN

1 Patron of the Archdiocese of New York, briefly

2 It's bowed between the legs

3 Not calmed

4 Scout's magazine

5 Terrier's warning

6 Horror movie stuff

7 Grainy, in a way

8 Choice

9 \_\_\_\_ sleep (a chance to dream)

10 1941 siege target

11 Leader in a red suit

12 Actress Jessica

13 Chicago airport code

14 Nanny around the house?

15 Ex-N.F.L. QB Tim

16 Perform a miraculous feat

17 Before, poetically

18 End of days?

22 Ballet support

24 Less ordinary

29 It dissolves in H<sub>2</sub>O

32 River east of Tokyo

34 Home that sounds like two letters of the alphabet

35 Mushrooms, e.g.

36 Derrière

37 Flattens, for short

39 Sights in a Hooverville

43 Goofy drawing?

44 Sch. on the upper Hudson

45 Ancient land where the Olympics began

46 Important body part for a tuba player

48 "No ifs, \_\_\_\_ or buts"

49 They're charged for rides

52 Certain Monday night entertainment

54 Hip-hop dance move

56 Holding charge

57 Chemical source of fruit flavor

58 "Hollywood Squares" win

59 Lose one's shadow, say

60 Dorm V.I.P.s

61 Sounded like R2-D2

64 Pretense

65 Quantity of garden tools

66 Like two-bed hospital rooms

67 The Castro in San Francisco and Chelsea in Manhattan

68 Stadium cheer

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69 Trickster of Navajo mythology

71 Alum

72 Couleur du café

74 Below 90°

75 Component

76 Pasture

77 Co-star of Harrison Ford in "Blade Runner"

78 Ending with beat or word

79 Be flat

83 John Wayne movie set in Ireland, with "The"

84 That woman

85 Shoulderless, sleeveless garment

86 Horse color

88 Saw no alternative

89 12 mins., in the N.B.A.

91 Marley of "A Christmas Carol"

93 They take 2-10 yrs. to mature

96 Fan publications, informally

97 Sporty car of old

98 Like a candle that's gone out, maybe

99 "Send My Love (To Your New Lover)" singer, 2015

101 Come onstage

102 Very thin

106 Knocks off

108 Rewards card accumulation: Abbr.

109 Debtor's letters

110 Stadium cheer

112 Old Parlophone parent

113 U.F.C. sport



# Calendar

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## THU, JAN. 25

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Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, All Day Take some time to relax and color this week, choosing from a selection of coloring pages suitable for adults and children. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### PLAY TIME

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. Learn new skills while playing with educational toys. For infant to 5 year old children. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### STORY TIME ‘FRIENDSHIP’

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT

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

### REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WORCESTER COUNTY LUNCHEON MEETING

Captains Table Restaurant, 2 15th St., Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. Several speakers, including Chip Bartino, Pat Schrawder, Carol Frazier and Liz Mumford, will be updating the group on what’s happening at the county, state and federal levels. Cost of the luncheon is \$20. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. and meeting begins at 11 a.m. Reservations: Ann Lutz, [annlutz60@gmail.com](mailto:annlutz60@gmail.com), 410-208-9767

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Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. Learn to blend essential oils specific to your needs. The group will be make roller balls of oils for calmness, muscle pain, headaches and more. Register: 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 2 to 3 p.m. Providing physical and emotional support for survivors and caregivers to share personal experiences and challenges. Coping strategies also discussed. Anne Waples, [awaples@atlantic-general.org](mailto:awaples@atlantic-general.org), 443-614-5720

### FIRESIDE CHAT

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 3 p.m. Explore new authors and genres. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### BEACH SINGLES

Harpoon Hanna’s, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4 to 6 p.m. Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour. Info: Arlene, 302-436-

9577 or Kate, 410-524-0649. <http://www.BeachSingles.org>

### FAMILY NIGHT ‘WINTER OLYMPICS FEVER’

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Join the group for Coke Floats and make your own Olympic award buttons to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first Winter Games. Teens welcome. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

## FRI, JAN. 26

### KEEP CALM AND COLOR

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, All Day Take some time to relax and color this week, choosing from a selection of coloring pages suitable for adults and children. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### FIBER FRIENDS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, etc. are welcomed. Victoria Christie-Healy, [moonlightknitting@gmail.com](mailto:moonlightknitting@gmail.com), 703-507-0708

### ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT TACO NIGHT

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Bishopville, MD, 6 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 10 and younger and includes beef, chicken and fish, hard- and soft-shelled tacos and beans and rice. Soda and water are separate. 443-880-6966

## SAT, JAN. 27

### KEEP CALM AND COLOR

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, All Day Take some time to relax and color this week, choosing from a selection of coloring pages suitable for adults and children. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### FARMERS MARKET

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

### LET’S GET MESSY!

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. Wear old clothes and get ready to make a mess. For children and their families. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

## SUN, JAN. 28

### ANNUAL WOMEN’S DAY

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. Rev. Kim Neal will be the guest speaker and Rev. Barbara Harmon is the host pastor. Info:

Michelle Smack, 410-251-7584 or Darlene Bowen, 443-614-1554

### MBS OPEN HOUSE

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, 11242 Racetrack Road, Berlin, MD, 12 to 2:30 p.m. In celebration of Catholic Schools Week, prospective families and members of the community will have an opportunity to tour the facilities and speak to faculty and staff. Application for the 2018-2019 academic year will be accepted starting March 1. Lisa Edmunds, 410-208-1600

## MON, JAN. 29

### DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

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

## TUE, JAN. 30

### STORY TIME ‘SILLY STORIES’

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

### TAI CHI

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 3 p.m. Tai Chi is an ancient for of relaxation, exercise and meditation combined. Limit of 15 participants. Register: 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### FAMILY NIGHT MOVIE ‘ICE AGE’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 4:30 p.m. Enjoy a movie and popcorn. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. The group meets each Tuesday. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and health lifestyle. [jeanduck47@gmail.com](mailto:jeanduck47@gmail.com)

### BINGO

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

## WED, JAN. 31

### KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OP/OC

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. Meets every Wednesday. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. 410-641-7330, [\[fopoc.org\]\(http://fopoc.org\)](http://www.kiwaniso-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

### STORY TIME ‘COUNTING’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. Best for 2 to 5 year old children but all are welcome. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### VIETNAM TET 50 WREATH

Worcester County Veteran Memorial, Route 589 and Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 12 p.m. The TET 50 wreath will be placed at the Memorial recognizing the 50th Anniversary and to honor those who fought in the TET Offense of 1968. Also a moment will be taken for those who did not return from this victory.

### DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the ‘50s, ‘60s and Carolina Beach music. A \$5 donation per person to benefit Veterans and local charities in the Delmarva region. Elk members and their guests welcome. [dance@delmarvahand-dancing.com](mailto:dance@delmarvahand-dancing.com), 410-208-1151, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

### SNOW HILL BOOK OF THE MONTH

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 5:30 p.m. Monthly book discussion featuring “A Redbird Christmas” by Fannie Flagg. Copies are available at the library in advance. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### OC/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

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

## ONGOING EVENTS

### BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Any branch, through February. Need some one-on-one help with your resume, job application, E-Reader or basic computer skills? Contact your closest library branch to schedule a personal appointment.

### MAKE & TAKE ‘RAINBOW BOXES’

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, all through February. The Make & Take cart will feature supplies to decorate your own rainbow box. 410-524-1818

### 2018-2019 PREKINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Ocean City Elementary School will begin the registration process in February. Children who will be four years old on or before Sept. 1 may be eligible for the OCES Pre-Kindergarten program.

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Space is limited and children from families who meet the federal income guidelines will be given priority enrollment. Children who will be five years old on or before Sept. 1 and are not already enrolled in pre-kindergarten, must register for kindergarten. Call 410-632-5370 to schedule a registration appointment.

### NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

The Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, Inc. (MSCHF) is seeking nominations of Maryland residents, 65 years of age or older, who as active volunteers (since age 65) have made outstanding contributions to improve the lives of others in the community. Nominations are accepted until April 10. Approved nominees are inducted into The Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame at our annual Awards Luncheon held in October. The nomination form and specific details for eligibility are available on our website at mschf.org, by emailing mschf.mail@verizon.net or calling 410-828-5852.

### 2018 ADULT READING CHALLENGE

Stop by the Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD in January to pick up a checklist for the challenge. Check off categories as you complete them and come back to the library to be eligible for prizes. 410-632-3495

### MAKE & TAKE 'BINOCULARS'

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, all through January. The Make & Take cart will feature supplies to decorate your own binoculars. 410-524-1818

### TRIP TO JAMAICA RAFFLE

Believe In Tomorrow candidate Maria McEvoy is raffling off a four night, five day trip to Jamaica at Sandals Resort in Ocho Rios. Tickets cost \$10 each or 3 for \$20. The drawing will take place on Prom Night (Feb. 3, 2018). For tickets, stop by Sandals Bridal Shop in West Ocean City or call McEvoy at 443-944-4763. Funds can also be doated through [www.gofundme.com/believein-tomorrow](http://www.gofundme.com/believein-tomorrow).

### AUTOGRAPHED GUITAR RAFFLE

Believe In Tomorrow candidate EJ Foxx is having an ongoing autographed guitar auction, which is signed by Jason Aldean, Brothers Osbourne, Luke Bryan and Brad Paisley. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased at the K107.7 station in Salisbury or at various locations announced on the radio station.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

RCIA is a process for individuals, adults and children 8 years and older, who are seeking Baptism. Also for those already baptized in another Christian tradition who want to come into the Catholic Church. Call Rita at 410-289-7038 or come to a session held on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Father Connell Parish Center, 1705 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD. All are welcome.

### 'ACHIEVING SURGICAL WEIGHT LOSS SUCCESS' SEMINAR

Atlantic General Bariatric Center Conference Room, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Suite 207, Berlin. Weekly sessions are held at 1 p.m. on the first, third and fourth Monday of each month and the second Tuesday of each month. Free, 20-minute, informational seminar. Register: 410-641-9568.

### STAR CHARITIES MONTHLY MEETING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m., on the first Friday of each month. Meeting of volunteers. Info: Anna Foults, 410-641-7667.

### RAVENS ROOST 58 MEETS MONTHLY

28th St. Pit & Pub, 2706 Philadelphia Ave, Ocean City, MD, the first Tuesday of each month and for the Sunday NFL games to raise money for local families in need. Ravens Roost 58 is seeking new members and new officers. Dues are \$20 per year. Stop by the restaurant if interested.

### AUMC THRIFT SHOP

Atlantic United Methodist Church, 105 Fourth St., Ocean City, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Open Monday through Saturday, year round. Located behind the church with a donation drop off room that is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 410-289-4458

### WSW SUPPORT GROUP

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

### FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

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

### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT & ADVOCACY GROUP

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

### WORCESTER COUNTY PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, second Tuesday of each month, 2:30 p.m. Speakers, exercise, discussions and more. Info: 410-208-3132.

### PINE'EER CRAFT AND GIFT SHOP OPEN

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

### AARP

Ocean City AARP 1917 meets the second Thursday of each month (except July and August) at the Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City. Social begins at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10 a.m. Info: [aarp1917.org](http://aarp1917.org).



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Members of the Coastal Association of Realtors Board of Directors stand with food donations collected for the Maryland Food Bank of the Eastern Shore during the organization's 2017 Holiday Party at Seacrets on 49th Street. Pictured, from left, are Director Steven Parsons, Director Grant Fritschle, President Joel Maher, Director Jeff Powell, Director Grace Masten, Director Brandon Johnson, Vice President Joe Wilson and Director Austin Whitehead.

## Coastal Assoc. of Realtors donate to Md. Food Bank

(Jan. 25, 2018) The over 200 members of the Coastal Association of Realtors who attended the group's 2017 holiday party at Seacrets on 49th Street, donated 497 pounds of nonperishable food items and over \$450 to the Maryland Food Bank of the Eastern Shore.

All members attending the Dec. 6 party were asked to bring at least one nonperishable food item. The 497 pounds of food collected is the equivalent to 414 meals, according to the Maryland Food Bank of the Eastern

Shore. The more than \$450 raised throughout the event will go toward CAR's 2017-18 fundraising efforts to support the food bank.

"According to the Maryland Food Bank, there are over 682,000 people in our state who do not have enough to eat," said CAR President Joel Maher. "It's important that we help our fellow Marylanders during the holiday season and throughout the rest of the year."

For more information about CAR, visit [www.coastalrealtors.org](http://www.coastalrealtors.org).

### NAACP MEETINGS

NAACP meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month. All are welcome. Info: 443-944-6701.

### SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. Also held at the Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., the fourth Thursday of each month, 6 p.m. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-726-3090 or [www.choosetolive-maryland.org](http://www.choosetolive-maryland.org).

### THE SHEPHERD'S NOOK THRIFT SHOP

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road. Open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Accepting donations of gently worn clothes and small household items.

### POSITIVE OUTLOOK THRIFT SHOP

Positive Outlook Thrift Shop, 12637

Ocean Gateway, Trlr 2, West Ocean City, Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Located next to Seaside Christian Academy behind White Marlin Mall. Info: 410-251-6971. Sponsored by OC Baptist Church.

### DIAKONIA THRIFT SHOP

Used to be Mine, Route 611 and Sunset Avenue, Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Newly expanded and redecorated. Furniture, clothing, toys and linens. Info: 410-213-0243.

### OCVFC LADIES AUXILIARY

The group meets monthly on the first Monday at 7 p.m. at the West Ocean City Fire Station, second floor, Keyser Point Road. New members welcome. Info: Denise, 443-359-2014 or any Ladies Auxiliary member.

### WIDOWS & WIDOWERS SOCIAL CLUB

Luncheon meeting, third Tuesday, 1 p.m., Ocean Pines. Info: 410-208-1398.



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