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Ocean Pines officials on Tuesday discuss the recommended fiscal year 2019 budget. The board met over three days, Monday through Wednesday, and will hold a public hearing on the budget for membership on Saturday at 10 a.m. inside the Tern Grille.

Ocean Pines budget deficit balloons

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Near the end of budget discussions Tuesday in Ocean Pines, Director Ted Moroney said deficit projections for the current fiscal year had ballooned to \$1.5 to \$1.8 million.

With a \$370,000 shortfall during the previous fiscal year, Moroney said the two-year operational deficit is now close to \$2.2 million.

"Despite what people say about just forgetting it, that just doesn't happen," he said. "Shouldn't have to pay it because the board did it, that just doesn't happen. There's only one group that pays, and that's the 8,452 owners here."

"This is a key discussion — how are we going to address that, going forward?" Moroney asked.

He said the worst-case scenario had been about a \$1.9 million loss over two years. Assuming a \$30 increase in assessments this year, as is currently projected, "you're talking like seven-and-a-half years to pay it back," Moroney said.

"This is a serious thing and I think we've gotta identify what we're going to do and how we're going to do it, going forward," he said.

Association President Doug Parks said cost-cutting measures for the re-

mainder of the current fiscal year had been already discussed.

"I think it's time to ... put it into the tangible action part of it, because there are a couple of things that we can control that would not negatively affect the operation," he said. "Clearly, that has to be done."

Parks said the previous estimated loss for the year was about \$1.2 million.

"We can cry over spilled milk, [but] today is today — what can we do today?" Parks said. "I'm as guilty as the next person for not taking more of an active approach in this ... that number really scares me now."

Director Slobodan Trendic wondered why the larger operational deficit was coming out at the end of two days of budget work sessions.

"If I knew yesterday morning that we are now looking at over \$2 million in a possible deficit as opposed to what we were originally thinking, deficit reduction plan should have been the first thing on the agenda yesterday morning," he said. "A lot of the talk we did today and yesterday — the dynamics of it would have changed substantially, given the fact of the numbers we are now told."

Trendic said the 3-percent salary increase in the recommended budget should be one of the first items cut.

"You're talking about a 3-percent salary raise and you're looking at a \$2 million deficit? No," he said. "This is a reality check for all of us, because the membership, when they hear this number, I know there's going to be some screaming."

One of the problems, according to Moroney, is "a tendency for boards in Ocean Pines to approve a budget and then some great idea comes along and we go ahead to pass to spend money without ever addressing where the money is coming from."

"You need to be locked into [a budget], because you've already set your revenue with your assessment, so you can't come back later on and say I want to add a pickleball court here at \$45,000," he said. "Big picture looking, going forward, has to be budget discipline. And that's a problem."

"Whatever budget we come up with ... we've got to stick to that budget," Moroney added. "Whatever we vote on, that's it — and that's what we've got to live with."

Asked if there were any additional comments, Trendic deadpanned, "I need a drink tonight."

"Maybe two," Moroney said.

A budget hearing for membership is scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Tern Grille.

Knitting campaign stitched together to honor preemie

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) "When you can't do anything else, you can pray and you can knit," Brenda Trice, owner of Berlin yarn store A Little Bit Sheepish, said Tuesday.

About a month ago Trice learned her great-nephew, Grayson, was born prematurely at just 24 weeks old during the blizzard on Jan. 4. He is currently at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C. in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.



Grayson

"His mom, who is our niece, texted me one day last week and said while Children's Hospital NICU has plenty of little hats to give to the preemies that are there, they're running very low on baby blankets," Trice said. "They had received one when their baby came to be at Children's Hospital and said how much it meant to them just to have something that was his that they could take home and wash and bring back to him. When they're in the incubator and there's so very little that you can do for them, that it really makes them feel good, as crazy as that sounds, just to have that."

When her niece asked for help, Trice put out a call on Facebook.

"She wondered if we had any knitters that would be willing to knit blankets or crochet blankets that could be donated, because they give the blankets to the families, its not just for them to use while they're at Children's Hospital," she said. "We said absolutely, that we would get our own knitters to buy into the project and hopefully get onboard."

The post, started on Feb. 2, has reached more than 12,000 people and been shared 168 times, as of Tuesday.

Trice said there is no deadline for people who are willing to make blankets.

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Missing funds investigation ongoing

Ocean Pines employee and general manager confirm polygraph tests this week

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) An investigation continues into missing funds at the Ocean Pines Administration building, first reported in this paper last September.

An employee in the payroll department in the administration building confirmed this week that she and another employee took a polygraph test

related to the investigation on Monday.

"I voluntarily took the voice stress polygraph test to put an end to the false accusations circulating Ocean Pines concerning the missing money," the employee said. The employee added that the pair were weary of feeling like suspects and sought to clear their names.

Ocean Pines General Manager John Bailey said Tuesday the Worcester County Bureau of Investigations is handling the investigation and performed the tests.

"I don't know that anybody else is or has been [given a polygraph] at this point. They don't tell me everything," Bailey said, adding the investigation was "totally with WCBI."

Lt. Edward C. Schreier with the Worcester County Sheriff's Office, reached on Tuesday, could not comment.

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A deal to lease the Winter Quarters municipal golf course in Pocomoke apparently fell through when some officials asked for more time to seek additional bidders. The City Council voted last month to close the course.

Pocomoke golf deal gets scratched

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor
(Feb. 8, 2018) While an agreement to lease the Winter Quarters golf course in Pocomoke seemed like a done deal only weeks ago, that deal apparently fell through when some city officials asked for more time to consider advertising for additional offers.

The Pocomoke City Council voted 3-1 last month to close the course, citing perpetual six-figure financial losses and declining membership. Councilwoman Diane Downing was the lone vote to keep the course open.

The nine-hole course, built in the 1940s, was deeded to the town in 1949.

During a council meeting on Monday, City Manager Bobby Cowger said a closed-door discussion was held two weeks ago with a group seeking to lease Winter Quarters.

While he and City Attorney Roscoe Leslie were initially instructed to draft the lease agreement, Cowger said “in the meantime, I was instructed by the council to hold up.”

“You guys felt that you’d go out to publicize to see if there’s any other interested parties or anything, so I got back with the parties that made the

proposal of leasing to us. They didn’t feel that that was right, that we shouldn’t have changed midstream, so they pulled their offer off the table – they’re no longer interested,” Cowger said.

He said the council could still advertise to lease the course, if it acted soon.

“If you’re not putting chemicals on those greens by the end of March at the very latest ... you will be losing those greens pretty quick,” he said.

Downing disagreed the council “changed midstream.” She said it was her understanding Leslie would look into the legality of leasing the golf course.

“I didn’t want the golf course closed in the first get-go, so let’s just straighten [that] out for the record,” she said. “For me, this is what I agreed to.”

Councilman George Tasker, however, said email exchanges between councilmembers included “a couple who wanted to advertise.”

That included Councilman Dale Trotter.

“I like the idea of advertising to see if there’s someone interested in running it or taking it over ... rather than just giving it to a certain entity,” Trot-

ter said. “We should at least offer it to the entire public, in case there’s 10 people that want to come into the golf course. I would like to see it advertised.”

Councilwoman Esther Troast asked if it would have been legal to lease the course without first seeking bids.

“I don’t think your charter requires you to put it out for bid, but I think it’s a good practice,” Leslie said.

As acting mayor, Troast said she did not have a vote, but was against turning the Winter Quarters log cabin into a restaurant, as was apparently proposed during the closed session.

“I don’t have a vote, but I do have an opinion and you all know that I’m more than willing to give it to you,” she said. “I was dead set against them turning that log cabin into a restaurant.”

Tasker countered that was not exactly what was proposed.

“You didn’t listen to what he said. ‘I’m going to fix the food in Princess Anne and bring it here and put it in chafing pans and sell it that way.’ I never heard him once say he was going to put a kitchen in,” Tasker said.

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Former Snow Hill clerk sentenced to five years for theft

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Former Snow Hill Town Clerk Erica Holland, who was found guilty of embezzling from the town, was sentenced to 15 years in state prison, reduced to only five of active incarceration by Judge Newton Jackson, in Worcester County Circuit Court last Thursday.

Holland also will serve five years of supervised probation after her release and was ordered to pay restitution of the more than \$169,000.

Holland’s sentence goes far beyond state sentencing guidelines because of the severity and longevity of Holland’s offenses.

State Prosecutor Emmet Davitt said the guidelines call for up to two years in prison, but going farther was warranted because Holland exploited the public trust and altered documents to conceal her crime.

Holland was hired as the town clerk on Jan. 28, 2014. Among her duties was to accept payments on behalf of the town from citizens. Often, these payments were made in cash.

By August of that year, Holland admitted, she had begun stealing these payments and continued the thefts until her April 2017 dismissal.

Holland admitted to stealing cash from residents, and then altering sewer or leachate invoices to cover the theft. Holland admitted to committing 237 separate thefts to obtain slight more than \$169,100.

Davitt said Holland also employed a type of fraud called “lapping,” in which payments to one account are credited to another to disguise theft.

If taken in equal parts, each theft totaled about \$713.50.

Holland then deposited the funds into one of five accounts: one under her control, one held jointly with her husband, Fulton Holland Jr., or one of three held separately by Fulton Holland Jr. Erica Holland made about 340 deposits of taxpayers’ money into personal accounts.

According to Davitt, Holland had two accounts at a bank, one personal and one held jointly with her hus-

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Marketing becomes target for budget cuts

Print media and advertising outside of Ocean Pines on directors' list for reductions

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) The theme of Ocean Pines Board budget meetings this week, according to Association President Doug Parks, has been "controlling costs this year to address the deficit."

The community reportedly accumulated more than \$2 million in operational losses during the previous two fiscal years, largely driving a projected \$30 hike in annual assessments.

On Monday, during the first of three scheduled days the board was to review General Manager John Bailey's proposed fiscal 2019 budget, much of the focus was on \$126,055 for general marketing and promotions.

The figure was slightly lower than what is forecast for the current fiscal year, \$126,773, and 2017 actuals, \$130,858.

Director Slobodan Trendic said overall operating expenses budgeted last year were \$11.6 million.

"Fast-forward to this budget we're discussing now, its \$11.7 million. We are running into a million-dollar deficit for the year ... yet we've reduced no expenditure whatsoever from year to year," he said. "As a board and as a business executive you're looking and

saying, we're not getting the message." Trendic specifically highlighted the marketing budgeting, including \$23,200 set aside for radio ads, \$25,000 in television commercials and \$45,000 for newspaper and magazine ads.

"I can see the value for some, but not all of this. This is the year we basically start putting something like this on hold," he said.

Director Tom Herrick wondered how much of the marketing effort was aimed outside of Ocean Pines.

"I was watching the NFL ... the other night and multiple times there was a commercial promoting, on television, indoor pickleball," he said, adding the pickleball courts were often crowded as it is. "I'm wondering what the return on our investment [is] ... especially on a TV spot, multiple times during one show."

Parks agreed the marketing focus should be narrowed.

"We have the kind of data that says 87 percent of the utilization of an amenity is by members of the association, so do we really care about the other 13 percent?" Parks said. "If we're spending this amount of money for arguably a small percentage of folks that

would take advantage of the things that are being marketed, then I would have to ask is that a smart investment?"

Director Ted Moroney said the \$126,055 line item did not tell the whole story.

"When I go to the golf tab, it [shows] \$70,000 in promotion. That's not part of this [marketing] budget. And when I go to the yacht club, there's another \$40,000 or \$50,000," he said. "This promotion and public relations budget, when you put everything together, is a hell of a lot bigger than what we're talking about."

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs argued advertising outside Ocean Pines, especially to promote weddings and large banquets, was worthwhile.

Director Pat Supik said advertising for the community at large "does keep Ocean Pines out there as a certain kind of community," raising property values and the potential for resale.

Moroney, however, wondered whether print advertising in general was a good investment.

"I think if you talk to most people who are doing advertising now, print is dead," he said, adding the target of

any marketing should be to create revenue – not prestige.

"I'm less concerned about if we feel good and more about how can we drive a golfer, drive a wedding, drive somebody showing up at the yacht club," Moroney said. "You're looking for return on investment."

Bailey agreed many were moving online, including, apparently, his 95-year-old mother who recently got a new iPhone and is learning how to text.

"Society has moved more towards the digital format than print, [but] we're not, as a society, there yet where we can just ditch it all," Bailey said.

Parks asked Bailey to "go back to the marketing folks and say, 'how creative can we be with regard to reducing the marketing budget without affecting the operation?'"

He also asked Bailey to pursue additional synergy in marketing and "trying to reduce costs temporarily this year."

Additional board budget work sessions were held on Tuesday and Wednesday.

A budget hearing for membership is scheduled on Saturday at 10 a.m. inside the Tern Grille.

Passage of the 2019 fiscal year budget is scheduled to occur during a regular board meeting on Sunday, Feb. 25 at noon, in the Assateague Room of the community center on 235 Ocean Parkway.

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Brenda Trice of A Little Bit Sheepish in Berlin, with her dog, Toby, knits a blanket for the Children's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Washington, D.C.
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“As long as people are willing to send them, we’ll keep doing that,” she said. “I also have a son who works at Children’s in the CICU [Cardiac Intensive Care Unit] and he’s recently made me aware that they do the same thing in their unit, so it’s an ongoing need that they have.”

“We’re all about creating community anyway as knitters and crocheters, so it’s just really terrific to see,” Trice added. “Sometimes you feel helpless when these situations happen and it’s something that we can do to help as well.”

Trice said baby Grayson, so far, is “doing really well”

“He’s made it through his first month,” she said. “He was born at 26 weeks, so he wasn’t supposed to show up until April and he’s got a long way to go.”

But he’s over two pounds now, he’s made it over several hurdles and they’re really hopeful for a good outcome for him.

“His mom is an ER nurse at PRMC

and his dad is an EMT at Wallops Island and for the Town of Salisbury, so they’re good, local folks who are invested in their community and it’s good to just have a way to help out,” Trice added. “We’ve had a great responses. Lots of people have offered to help and the more we can get, the better off.”

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Tours of new Berlin Police Station this Friday, Saturday

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) The public is invited to tour the new Berlin Police station, near the corner of Flower Street and Assateague Road Friday at 11 a.m.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said a ribbon-cutting ceremony would formally open the facility, followed by several small group tours led by police.

An open house with additional tours is scheduled for Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The new \$3.1 million headquarters, including furniture, computers and related equipment, will greatly expand space for police and include several upgraded amenities.

Unlike the cramped confines of the current station adjacent to Town Hall on William Street, the new building includes separate spaces for each officer, as well as individual rooms for processing, interrogation, evidence, dispatch, record keeping and training. The structure will include separate cells for adults and juveniles, as well as a full-service kitchen, training room, gym, and lockers for each officer.

The station also features many technical upgrades, including a split-level heating and cooling system and a high-tech emergency operations center where planning for hurricanes and other weather-related disasters will take place.

“It’s definitely a state-of-the-art facility, and it’s going to enable them to ensure the safety of the officers in a way the current facility just doesn’t offer,” Allen said.

“It also enables us to meet current standards when it comes to managing folks that are arrested – not just adults, but youth. There’s a whole slew of requirements, and while we meet them currently in the current facility, we’ll actually meet them in a much better way over in the new building,” she continued. “While we’re not out of compliance, it’s sort of this workaround that we’ve got in place. Over there, [the new] building has been designed to meet those requirements.”

Once police are moved, Allen said the former headquarters would be used to remodel administrative offices in Town Hall. In particular, she said Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood, a human resources specialist, would get an upgraded workplace.

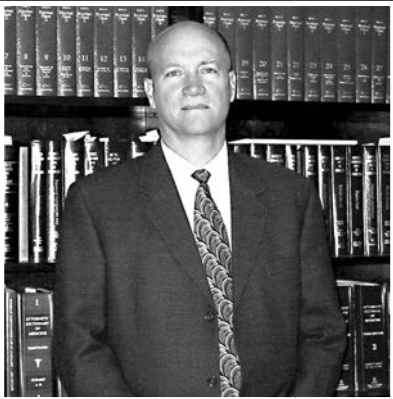
“Since he works with a lot of employees, I would like to put him in a different space where they have a little more privacy,” Allen said. “And I’d like to move [administrative assistant] Kelsey [Jensen] away from the restrooms.”

“We do have some less-than-ideal, but OK, working setups here. [Remodeling] just seems to make sense, rather than leaving the police department space that they’re vacating empty, to make some improvements ... and to make the most of the available space that’s coming our way once they migrate into the new building,” she added.


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Pocomoke Middle School students reach thousands

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Pocomoke Middle School students participating in World Read Aloud Day last Thursday reached thousands of students in 20 U.S. states and nine different countries, from Maine to Michigan and Connecticut to California, to Bangladesh, Denmark, India and Kazakhstan.

World Read Aloud Day, created by global literacy nonprofit LitWorld in partnership with title sponsor Scholastic, is an advocacy day calling attention to “the importance of reading aloud and sharing stories.”

Pocomoke students last week posted a video online, pledging to read excerpts from their favorites stories and their own original compositions, while receiving pledges from students throughout the United States and worldwide to do the same.

Pocomoke Middle School Principal Matthew Record said the original video led to 545 additional recordings by students throughout the world.

The original video post, as of Monday, was viewed 7,983 times.

“World Read Aloud Day at Pocomoke Middle School gave our students world-class opportunities from a global perspective, teaching them about connectivity and the importance of literacy,” Record said.

Dr. Brian Cook, a sixth-grade teacher at Pocomoke Middle, spearheaded the effort and encouraged his students to participate.

“WRD was a chance to model the power of social media for our students in a positive manner. Students were intrigued how Twitter, Facebook and Instagram connected people all over the world for one common cause – to support reading,” he said. “It was a great teaching moment for digital citizenship, but an even more powerful moment to show how important reading is to people all over the globe.”

To view the video, visit tinyurl.com/wrad2018.



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Pocomoke Middle School students, from left, Brianna Donaway, De'Ziyah Scarborough, Kayla Enriquez-Castillo, Persia Moore and Peyton Barnette participate in World Read Aloud Day, last Thursday.



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"Same difference, he's going to be serving food out of the log cabin. It's just my opinion, George, and I'm entitled to it," Troast said, adding she was also concerned by the possibility of increased traffic on the residential street.

"The way he expressed it to us was that he was going to put a new playground there, put a fence around it, the docks were going to be used," she said. "He was going to turn into a commercial area and I don't know that it's even zoned commercial."

Tasker said he was "hot" over the whole ordeal.

"For two years I said ... let's advertise it and see if anybody else is interested and all I ever heard from anybody in this room was, 'they'll never want a golf course that's losing money,'" he said. "And I heard it and heard it, and I suggested it and suggested it, and all of the sudden at the last minute we have an ideal situation to make a go and somebody willing to

put his money into it, and now we want to advertise when there's not time enough to advertise."

Without a formal motion to advertise leasing the course, Cowger said the matter – and the course – was essentially closed.

"It's dead. That's what you're telling me," he said.

He clarified after the meeting.

"It just stays closed," he said. "I see it just closing completely, like it was voted on two weeks ago. They didn't instruct me to go out and advertise it. Unless somebody out of the blue comes back in and wants to meet with us and talk with us and make us an offer [the course will close]."

Cowger said the town would try to maintain the log cabin, if grant money allows for it.

"As far as the golf course, we'll just cut the grass and that will be about it."

To inquire about leasing the course, contact Cowger at 410-957-1333 ext. 107 or email bobby@pocomokemd.gov.

Two-year theft totaled more than \$160,000 from town

■ FORMER continued

band. In her personal account, she made 153 deposits totaling about \$45,000 for an average deposit of about \$294. In the joint account, she made 38 deposits totaling about \$20,000, or about \$526 each.

At another bank, there was an account in her husband's name that received 99 deposits totaling about \$31,000, or averaging about \$313 each.

The Hollands also maintained two credit union accounts, both under the control of Fulton Holland Jr. One account received three payments totaling about \$1,900, and the other received 48 payments, totaling about \$19,000, or about \$400 each, on average.

If taken in equal parts, the deposits were about \$500 each.

Davitt said Holland, whose town job paid her \$30,000 a year, also confessed to spending some of the money on bills. Her husband Fulton, the assistant warden of the Worcester County Jail, earned \$93,768.06 in 2017.

Fulton Holland was investigated by authorities, but no charges were filed against him.

"When this all came out, the community was unbelievably shocked. How does no one see this?" City Councilwoman Allison Cook said during the trial, said. "Town Hall is small, and Snow Hill is a small town. We're not looking over each others' shoulders."

Cook said she was pleased with the sentencing, and thought the new poli-

cies and procedures implemented following Holland's removal would protect the town from such schemes in the future.

During the trial, Holland read a letter explaining her feelings of remorse.

"I'm not proud of what I've done and I think about it every day," she said.

Holland said incarceration would affect her ability to repay the money she took from residents and friends, would affect her relationship with her five-year old daughter and would affect her ability to work with Free Indeed ministries in town.

Leaders from Free Indeed ministries wrote letters of support for Holland, who works with ministry youth, and sings to the congregation.

"We have a very intelligent and educated young defendant who appears to be a charming individual and God-fearing. This isn't a single incident but a two-year period that took lots of thinking and lots of planning," Judge Jackson said before sentencing Holland. "It's not just the money. The amount is huge but a breach of trust for her employer but a betrayal of friends and coworkers ... any sentence must have a deterrent effect."

Jackson said citizens were losing respect for government institutions when they should be able to trust towns and governments to do things properly.

Holland, who has been working as a caregiver for an elderly woman, brought a payment of \$3,000 toward restitution to her trial.

Dr. Henry Park gets permanent bathrooms

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Permanent restrooms were installed at Dr. William Henry Park in Berlin last Wednesday and utility hookups are expected to finish within the next few weeks.

The Town Council approved funding for the project last February, voting unanimously to pay winning bidder Green Flush Technologies \$119,885 for the prefabricated outdoor restroom building.

Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen said at the time the majority of funding for the project, about \$96,000, would come from a Community Parks and Playgrounds state grant. The total cost of the bathrooms, including hookups to town water, sewer and electric, was estimated to be \$135,035.

Town Administrator Laura Allen said the project did not go over budget.

She said the gap between approval and installation was mostly because of delays caused by weather.

"I think the most recent hang-up was the weather, and they seemed to find a break in it where they could actually get the restrooms down here," she said. "Right now, it's up to the contractor to get the electric, water and sewer connected, so we expect them to be operational sometime in the next two or three weeks."

Allen said the bathrooms were "definitely an upgrade to the park."

"We're hoping that it's going to make the folks over there happy and encourage more park usage," she said.

Councilman Dean Burrell was a champion of the project. Reached for comment last Thursday, he said he was "very, very pleased" by news the restrooms had been installed.

"Not only for that part of the community, but the park in general. It adds a place for children to be able to utilize the playground, and when they have to use the restroom, they won't be called upon to use a port-o-potty, which is very difficult if not almost impossible for preschool-aged children to use," Burrell said.

"Now, I look forward to not only having a permanent restroom in Henry Park, but I'm looking forward to making applications to obtain funds to have permanent restroom in Stephen Decatur Park," he added.

Burrell, during a council meeting last year, recalled having to help his granddaughter use the portable facilities at Stephen Decatur Park. "It ruined her

day," he said at the time.

"It's bad enough for a grownup using a port-o-potty, but a child? It's just impossible," Burrell said.



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A prefabricated bathroom was installed at Henry Park in Berlin last week. The restroom will replace portable toilets and was largely paid for by grants.

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Judy Johnson memorial effort gathers support in Snow Hill

Worcester NAACP endorses
project; would be paid for
by Worcester Historical Soc.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) The Worcester County NAACP will formally endorse efforts by the Worcester County Historical Society to erect a statue honoring Negro League baseball standout William Julius “Judy” Johnson, a Snow Hill native.

In 1975, Johnson became the sixth Negro League player inducted into the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame.

Worcester County Historical Society President Charles Weaver made a pres-

entation encouraging the proposal during a Snow Hill Council work session last August.

At the time, Weaver said a student essay written by Stephen Decatur High School student Cole Mumford inspired the idea.

Weaver said he would spearhead fundraising efforts for the memorial, adding, “It won’t be a taxpayer problem

... I’m not looking for money here.”

Town officials, at the request of the NAACP, consented to the text of an NAACP resolution during a Snow Hill Town Council work session last Tuesday.

The text reads, “The Worcester County Branch of the NAACP strongly endorses the effort to plan and construct a suitable memorial to William ‘Judy’ Johnson, one of the best baseball players of the twenties and thirties in the Negro League and the Country and member of the Baseball Hall of Fame.

“We applaud the recent efforts by Charles Weaver, President of the Worcester County Historical Society and the Mayor and Town Council of Snow Hill and other organizations to honor this native son

of Worcester County. We urge those and other government, nonprofit and business organizations to support this effort.”

Mayor Charlie Dorman said the town needs to find a location for the memorial.

“We said if they wanted to do something in Byrd Park it would be fine, but the ideal spot would be in the ball field [John Walter Smith Memorial Park],” Dorman said.

**‘The Worcester County Branch
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Sponsorships strong during Pines 50th anniversary drive

VP Jacobs says committee has already raised \$35K to back upcoming events

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) While the Ocean Pines Board of Directors this week endured several daylong meetings looking for ways to trim the fiscal 2019 budget, one area the community will apparently not need to subsidize are the events planned for the community's 50th anniversary this year.

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs said Monday that the \$15,000 budgeted could be zeroed out, adding "we will be returning your entire \$20,000 to you" referencing seed money the board gave last year to the 50th Anniversary Committee.

"We're not going to ask for anything else. We're getting sponsorships like crazy," she said. "It should be self-supporting."

"We've already got \$35,000 [in sponsorships] and we're expecting to make money off the golf tournament, if the second floor is ready for us," Jacobs added. "We're going to be in good shape."

The second floor of the golf and country club is being renovated to create community meeting rooms and

additional space for banquets.

While Jacobs said it probably is safe to zero out the budget column entirely, she asked General Manager John Bailey to check first with Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer.

To be safe, Bailey recommended leaving \$5,000 as a cushion for the 50th anniversary committee, to which Jacobs is the board liaison.

Previous anniversary celebrations in the Pines have used surplus funds to help create new amenities, from playgrounds, to the Worcester County Veterans Memorial in Ocean Pines.

Upcoming 50th anniversary events include a raffle of anniversary license plates on March 24, an Anniversary Parade and Community Day on June 2 and the Anniversary Golf Tournament on June 30.

A 5K run is scheduled on July 4, the Anniversary Beach Bash is on July 22, a Time Capsule/Cocktail Reception is set for Aug. 11, and the Anniversary Racquet Tournament is scheduled on Aug. 18.

The final event of the year, the Anniversary Winter Gala, is set for Nov. 10 at the yacht club.

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Hurley last to file in Pocomoke City

Incumbent bows out, sets up showdown for District 4 against Todd Nock in April

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Pocomoke native Ryan Hurley filed for Pocomoke City Council District 4 last Friday, setting up a two-man race with Todd Nock.

Incumbent District 4 Councilman Brian Hirshman last month announced he would not seek another term.

Hurley, 44, is the owner of Backyard Escapes, a retailer of Amish-made storage sheds, gazebos, swing sets and other items.

He also serves on the Pocomoke Planning and Zoning Commission and has coached several youth sports, including baseball and basketball.

Hurley called himself “a big advocate of the YMCA” and said supporting youth activities and programs would be a high priority, if elected.

“I’m very involved in the community. I have two teenage sons that are in high school and after being on the planning and zoning commission for the past few years, I kind of got my feet wet and saw what was going on



Ryan Hurley

in the town,” he said. “I thought this was the perfect opportunity to move up to the city council where I [would] have more of a voice

and more of an opinion, and be able to be more active.”

Hurley said the biggest issue facing Pocomoke is the poor water quality, and praised recent efforts to rehabilitate the water plant and replace outdated infrastructure.

“With the steps we’re doing and the work that’s going on, that’s going to be a major improvement for us. I’ve somewhat been involved with that through planning and zoning ... [and] I’m looking forward to the work that’s being done,” he said. “The major problem is over in the Heights area and hopefully that’s going to fix most of the problem.”

Another concern is “the overall condition of Pocomoke,” namely run-down and abandoned properties,

Hurley said.

“It’s somewhat been neglected for the past few years – not much has been going on with improving the town,” he said. “I’m hoping not only the downtown area can be improved, but also people’s neighborhood’s and homes altogether. People need to have pride in their property and so much of our town is rental property. It’s a crisis that we’re facing [and] we have a lot of abandoned property in Pocomoke.

“I live on Market Street and if I look outside my front door I can see four or five empty houses that have sat empty ever since I moved in 10 years ago,” Hurley continued. “Hopefully, we can work with the property owners and find money for improvement, and instill some programs to help people clean their property up.”

The deadline to file for office was last Friday.

Because no other candidates filed, District 5 incumbent Councilwoman Esther Troast will retain her seat.

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.

Church will seek another term as Co. Commissioner

Would be fifth; two other challengers also have filed

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Once Del. Mary Beth Carozza declared her intention to run for the state senate seat occupied by Jim Mathias, all eyes in political circles switched to four-term Republican County Commissioner Bud Church to see if he intended to run for the delegate’s seat.

Church put that speculation to rest on Monday by announcing he would seek another term as county commissioner, and not pursue the seat in Annapolis.

“A f t e r much serious deliberation, and a few sleepless nights, [my wife] Ally and I are excited to announce that I will be running for reelection



Bud Church

to my Worcester County Commissioners seat,” the post reads.

“I believe I can continue my work in effecting change with my educated responses to the needs of Worcester County, my honest input and continuing to care for my district best by staying here at home in District 3.”

He also said he had been leaning toward running for the state office until this past weekend, when he attended a local gathering and was urged by supporters to seek another four years in Snow Hill.

He characterized his contemplation of choosing between the House and the county as one of “the most time-consuming, heart-breaking, up-and-down experiences of my life.”

Church was first elected to the commissioners in 2002. In 2006 he faced Kathy Phillips, ran unopposed in 2010 and in 2014 he defeated Michael Maykrantz. In 2018 Church enters the fray behind two others: Democrat Zach Tyndall and Republican Gary Millhoff.

Church is a real estate broker, and owns a namesake Coldwell Banker brokerage in Ocean City. He served as the president of the Maryland Association of Relators, and was named Realtor of the Year. In 2010 he was awarded a Realtors Lifetime Achievement Award.

Prior to becoming a commissioner in 2002, Church spent 10 years on the Board of Education, serving as president for eight years. He was elected vice president of the county commissioners in 2009, and served as Commissioner President from 2010 to 2014.

Millhoff to seek commissioner seat

Wants to discourage opioid addiction and encourage economic development

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Now retired from Worcester County after 13 years as a plans reviewer and building, housing and zoning inspector, Gary Millhoff has decided to spend the next phase of his life in public service.

“For a long time, being a county commissioner was something I really wanted to do,” he said. “My work with the county took me from Pocomoke City up to the Delaware line. I got to meet a lot of people and spent a lot of time in Worcester. I had to keep the idea alive in the back of my mind, and now that I’m retired I can devote my time to it.”

While the filing deadline isn’t until the end of the month, with incumbent Bud Church’s announcement last week to seek another term, Millhoff will face Church during the June 26 primary. Should no other Democrat register before the filing deadline for the District 3 seat, the winner of the primary will face Berlin Councilman Zachery Tyndall



Gary Millhoff

in November.

Millhoff said he had two major goals in seeking office: encouraging economic development and fighting opioid ad-

diction.

“I’d like to see positive and responsible growth,” he said.

Millhoff said that as they age, local children too often leave Worcester for better opportunities elsewhere. His goal would be to help recruit businesses that would support such development.

“I would support the economic development department much more than it has in the past,” he said.

Millhoff said the economic development department has been moving in the right direction, pointing to the real estate tour the department sponsored late last year.

“I want to keep people working,” he said. “We need full time jobs so

people will stay here and work here. As we have many seniors here, we need young people to come in and help the seniors.”

Millhoff said he would like to see the county pay more attention to opioid addiction.

“I’d like to give the Sherriff’s Office more support. We need more people to combat children dying for no reason,” he said. “People tell me they want to see this put into place, and they want to see me put into place.”

Millhoff said money could be found within the current county budget to fund these priorities, without the need for increased taxes.

Millhoff served in the United States Air Force and the Defense Courier Service for 33 years, prior to his work in Worcester.

During his military career, he was activated during Desert Storm and Desert Shield, where he earned the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal and the State of Maryland Commendation Medal.

Millhoff has been a full-time resident of District 3 for 17 years and a property owner in Worcester County since 1984.

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Snow Hill book deal turns new page

Julia A. Purnell Museum to take over after agreement with Dr. Clara Small ended

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Plans for Snow Hill to sponsor a book on the cultural heritage of the town were revived last week, with the Julia A. Purnell Museum officially taking over the project.

The town parted ways with retired Salisbury University professor Dr. Clara Small late last year, ending a two-year agreement that reportedly was for \$3,000. Small spent four decades teaching African-American History at Salisbury University and has authored several nonfiction books on the subject.

Town officials, during a work session last Tuesday, said Small was unresponsive to requests for updates on the project. Mayor Charlie Dorman said he planned to write a letter, asking for any work she had done and potentially requesting at least a partial refund.

Fulfilling Dorman's promise in November to continue the project,

the town agreed to contribute \$5,000 to the Purnell Museum. The non-profit will provide another \$5,000 through grants to reach the total project cost.

Purnell Museum Executive Director Dr. Cindy Byrd is expected to oversee development of the book, with Linda Duyer writing the text. Between the two women, Byrd said they had produced more than 20 books on a wide range of topics.

'Each month she meets with me and I see the progress that's being made, so that there's accountability.'

Dr. Cindy Byrd

Of the \$10,000 budgeted, Byrd said \$3,000 would go to the primary researcher and writer, Duyer, with \$2,000 going to printing and \$5,000 set aside for museum tie-in programming, ISBN registration, copyright permissions and other related expenses. The museum will own the copyright.

Duyer will be paid \$500 per month for six months, with Byrd providing regular progress updates dur-

ing town meetings.

"Each month she meets with me and I see the progress that's being made, so that there's accountability," Byrd said. "She actually does write books [and] completes them on time, so she has a long record of actually doing this – both of us do."

Byrd asked for and received a two-year window to complete the project, and was given permission to compose a new outline for the book.

"I was thinking we might divide it into themes, instead of straight up chronologically," she said, adding those themes could include working on the river, agricultural traditions, architecture and church and family life.

Dorman said there were rumors Harriet Tubman's famed Underground Railroad at one time ran through Snow Hill.

"If that is there, we'll find it," Byrd said. "And we have an African-American oral history that we did some years before I started at the museum, and all of that material is still there. We still have the transcripts and recordings ... so we have lots of good connections and stuff that could kind of move this along maybe a little faster than it would otherwise."

MSO will deliver 'Roaring Valentine' to Pines, Feb. 10

Concert also scheduled in community on March 11

(Feb. 8, 2018) The Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra, the only professional symphony orchestra on Maryland's Eastern Shore, is celebrating "Reaching Ever Higher," 20 years of bringing enchantment to audiences.

The group will present "A Roaring Movies Valentine" at Community Church in Ocean Pines on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. The concerts will celebrate romance with silent movies and the music of the "Roaring Twenties." Tickets cost \$45.

The MSO will present "In Their Twenties" on Sunday, March 11. There will be a pre-concert lecture at 2:15 p.m. at Community Church in Ocean Pines, followed by the concert at 3 p.m.

The first half of the concert will feature Phil Munds on the French horn performing Mozart's Horn Concerto No. 3, in conjunction with a composition titled "Black Bend" (2005) by composer Dan Visconti, which was originally commissioned by the Cleveland Museum of Art and first presented in a version for string quartet.

The piece, which takes its inspiration from an old ghost story about a train derailment and a supposedly haunted stretch of Ohio's Cuyahoga River, features many special techniques in order for the unamplified stringed instruments to produce a raw, distorted tone more typical of electric guitars. "In Their Twenties" will also feature George Bizet's "Symphony No. 1" in the second half, who along with Mozart, both composed when they were in their 20s.

Tickets cost \$45.

The MSO, whose mission is "to enrich life in the Mid-Atlantic region through the power of live classical music," is supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council, the Talbot County Arts Council, the Worcester County Arts Council, Sussex County, Delaware and the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, Inc.

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Yacht, beach club management undecided

Directors could negotiate with consulting group after budget hearing on Saturday

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) Ocean Pines officials indicated during budget meetings on Tuesday that a decision could be made later this week as to whether the yacht club and beach club would be managed in-house, or by an outside consulting group.

General Manager John Bailey previously said three groups had submitted proposals to manage the yacht and beach clubs, and indications are that the focus was narrowed to just one group following a closed meeting, Jan. 27.

Current fiscal 2019 projections for the yacht club and beach club combined are close to breaking even, with the former losing \$100,000 and the latter estimated to post a \$100,000 gain. If an outside group were to be brought on, they would likely be held to those standards and given bonuses for any improvement on those projections.

Board members on Tuesday, during day-two of deliberations on Bailey's recommended 2019 budget, wondered just how they could approach adjusting the financial plan for the yacht club and beach club with

the decision on who would run those facilities still looming.

"We haven't decided are we going to operate [the facilities], going forward," Director Slobodan Trendic said. "That's still a debate, whether we keep it in-house, outsource it, or turn it over to a third-party management company."

Bailey said the budget was prepared assuming the association would operate both facilities in house, but that "the management fee is incorporated into this figure as the food and beverage director."

He said the budget also assumed year-round operations, with greatly reduced hours during the winter months at the yacht club. The beach club traditionally runs only during the summer months.

Changing any of the bottom-line projections, Bailey added, could affect negotiations with a consultant group.

"Because we're still looking at talking to firms and getting options, I think it's difficult for us to provide too much detail because ... it could affect our negotiating position," Association President Doug Parks said.

Trendic suggested reducing the estimated losses at the yacht club to zero, in part by cutting funds budgeted for promotions (\$50,000) and entertainment (\$100,000).

Parks argued that cutting either would almost certainly decrease revenue, while Bailey said it was extremely unrealistic to budget breaking even at the yacht club, given its recent history.

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Director
Slobodan Trendic

The club posted net losses in 2015 (-\$181,874), 2016 (-\$76,429) and 2017 (-\$230,688), and is projected to lose more than \$450,000 this year.

Bailey projected a more than \$300,000 loss for the next fiscal year, but that was cut to just \$100,000 after the budget and finance committee recommended adjusting labor costs to be more in line with industry standards.

"If I had come in with a negative \$100,000 after all these other things, ya'll would have thought I was smoking something. And if I'd come in at zero, you'd really think I was smoking something, given our history," he said. "Not that that's not a goal, but I was trying to be pragmatic about it."

Bailey said there are four options on the table: run the operations in-

house, bring in a management consultant, lease the clubs, or close the yacht club.

He said closing isn't viable, in part because of the potential for weddings and banquets.

"Closing it, alright, everybody can pick a bride's mother to call to deal with all of that. I don't think that's an option," Bailey said.

"To me, the logical piece at this point in time is a management contract," he continued. "The question remains ... can we get to terms that protect the association and get us a good business model for our business partners - it's gotta do both."

Bailey said the budget hearing for membership, scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m. inside the Tern Grille, was an ideal deadline to make a decision.

"If we continue with [the budget hearing] and have a special meeting in conjunction with that, then you go into closed session and you try and work out a contractual arrangement," he said. "If we can't work that management-type contract out ... then we have to look at those options."

Larry Perrone, representing the budget and finance committee, suggested having representatives from the consulting group at the meeting on Saturday and prepared to discuss a contract during a closed session.

"That's what we have planned," Bailey said.

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Kent, Oglesby take bench on Circuit Court

By Brian Gilliland
Associate Editor

(Feb. 8, 2018) During the past two weeks, Gov. Larry Hogan's choices to fill the two vacancies on the Circuit Court bench, Mary M. "Peggy" Kent and Beau Oglesby, were invested as judges, with her leaving a spot as a family magistrate and him vacating the office of state's attorney.

Kent was first to be sworn in, as she replaced former Administrative Judge Thomas C. Groton III, who reached the state's mandatory retirement age of 70 last August. Oglesby replaces Richard Bloxom, who reached the same milestone in September.

Both Bloxom and Groton can continue to hear cases, but on a reduced schedule.

Judge Brian Shockley has assumed the role of administrative judge of the circuit court and handles day-to-day operations, formulating the budget and other duties.

Kent is the first woman in the county's 275-year history to be named to the circuit court bench.

"Things always worked out and the timing couldn't be more perfect. I might not have said the same 7-8 years ago," Kent said. "It's an opportunity for me to continue to hear the cases I love to hear. It's all for the best."

Kent had been considered for the post in the past.

Oglesby, during his investiture last Friday, said his pursuit of a law career was not based on a series of aspirations, but on a series of opportunities, and was the product of personal and professional relationships.

Circuit Court judges in Maryland are elected, however, and both Oglesby's and Kent's seats will appear on the 2018 ballot.

Jared DeMarinis, public information officer for the Maryland Board of Elections, explained Kent and Oglesby will appear on both the Democrat and Republican primary tickets without regard to either's political affiliation.

"They are partisan elections, but without party designation," he said.

Maryland is a closed primary state, so only registered Democrats and Republicans can vote in their party's primary. If successful in the primary, Kent and Oglesby would move on to the November election, and if elected, would begin 15-year terms, DeMarinis said.

Before the February 27 deadline to file, anyone who meets the standard for Circuit Court judges can file to challenge the governor's appointees.

DeMarinis said the qualifications are membership in the Maryland State Bar Association, being a registered voter, having resided in the state circuit court is located in for six months prior to the election and being at least 30 years of age.



BRIAN GILLILAND/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

State's Attorney Beau Oglesby is sworn in as a judge of the circuit court last Friday by Clerk of the Court Susan Branietki while his wife, Anne, daughter, Georgia, and son Evan, look on.

Maryland's Legislative Black Caucus protested the appointment of Oglesby, because of his involvement in the ongoing case of racial bias involving former Pocomoke City Police Chief Kelvin Sewell and officers Lynell Green and Franklin Savage, which is currently under appeal in federal court. Oglesby has personally been removed from the case, but the state's attorney's office remains listed as a defendant, along with the county, Pocomoke City and others.

A few hours before Oglesby was sworn in as a judge, his deputy, Bill McDermott, was sworn in as interim state's attorney. McDermott is seeking

the office in his own right in November, and is currently challenged by Kris Heiser.

"Having been both an assistant state's attorney and the deputy state's attorney in Worcester County, I know the heavy responsibilities of this office," McDermott said. "Together, with a first-class team of prosecutors, support staff and the most accomplished law enforcement agencies in the state. I am confident our history of holding all those who commit criminal acts accountable for their behavior will persevere."

McDermott named assistant state's attorney Diane Karsnitz his deputy.

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Optimist Club to sponsor WCAC exhibition

Worcester County students to feature work in show, art on display until end of Feb.

(Feb. 8, 2018) The Worcester County Arts Council presents an annual high school art competition and exhibit featuring entries submitted by Worcester County students. This competition is sponsored annually by the Berlin/Ocean City Opti-

mists Club. The exhibit will be showcased on public display during the month of February at the Worcester County Arts Council gallery located at 6 Jefferson Street in downtown Berlin. The goal of this competition is to encourage, recognize and honor artistic expression of talented art students in Worcester County as well as to emphasize the importance and support of quality art programs. The exhibit includes 29 paintings

and drawings, entered by students representing all four Worcester County high schools. A total of \$1,400 in cash prizes will be offered in this contest. All submitted entries are judged by artist and former art educator, Thomas Hogan. Monetary awards and ribbons for the first, second, third place, and honorable mention will be presented to students on Friday, Feb. 9 at 6 p.m. during a reception to be held from 5-8

p.m. at the Worcester County Arts Council's gallery in downtown Berlin. Visitors to the exhibit will have an opportunity to vote for the "People's Choice" award. Voting will end on Feb. 8. Winner of the award will be announced and presented with a monetary prize at the reception. The exhibit will be on display until Feb. 28. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday and some Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Worcester Technical High School open house

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(Feb. 8, 2018) Worcester Technical High School will host its fourth annual open house on Saturday to introduce potential students, their families and the community to 29 programs in addition to a SkillsUSA competition, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the campus in Newark, Maryland.

“It is a great day for potential kids to come and see what we do here,” said Rick Stevens, a teacher and SkillsUSA advisor. “Many people don’t know we are here and are amazed at the different programs offered. It is great for eighth graders to see how everything works. We use this event as a recruiting tool for families and kids. The public is also invited.”

About 130 students will compete in 35 different trades during the SkillsUSA competition, which include cosmetology, nursing, welding, engineering, carpentry, HVAC and automotive. There will also be culinary contests for baking and pastry making.

“There will be three welding contests,” Stevens said. “One where they have to make a sculpture out of metal. Under engineering, there will be a robotics contest and capstone projects.

“We have four teams with 20 kids so far competing in a skills contest where they have to buzz in and answer questions about math and current

events,” Stevens added. “It gives these kids a chance to practice before they compete at the state level in April.”

Worcester County School board members, central office employees and community members involved in trades will judge the contests.

“SkillsUSA is a great program,” Stevens said. “Board of Education members, administrators, teachers, staff and custodians support us. Two years ago, we had a custodian train a student in building maintenance cleaning who came in second place in the nation. It is an entire school effort and great for the kids.”

Last year, a crime scene investigation team placed first in the state and sixth in the nation. In addition, a STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering and Math] middle school team took the trip to states and earned first place during an engineering challenge, Stevens said.

“For the past 30 consecutive years, at least one state officer has represented Worcester County,” Stevens said. “SkillsUSA has helped kids improve. We took 22 kids to nationals last year and 15 of them placed in the top 10 of the entire country. Our competition on Saturday will prepare them for the state contest.”

Tours of the Worcester Tech campus will be taking place every hour and about a dozen booths with activities and games will be set up and in-



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clude cosmetology students painting nails and nursing students taking blood pressure.

“Each program of study will have an activity or game,” said Caroline Bloxom, principal of Worcester Technical High School. “Not only can you tour our building and watch a SkillsUSA contest, you can also participate in some activities.”

In addition to a tour of the campus, activity booths and viewing a SkillsUSA competition, there will be a silent auction, food and beverages available for purchase and local vendors in attendance including representatives from local colleges and a welding company.

“What better way to show potential

students what we are all about then the SkillsUSA competition on Saturday where students are using the skills they’ve learned in the program to compete,” Bloxom said.

The scheduling process at Worcester Technical High School takes place this month and the deadline to complete an online application for next school year is Feb. 16.

“We serve 40 percent of high school students in the county for a program of study,” Bloxom said. “Many kids come out of programs here with a license or certification that can help them with their career.”

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Rumors of our demise ...

Print is dead ... until it makes a mistake, criticizes a public figure or releases an uncomfortable set of facts. Then, the phone rings and the letters flow.

Clearly, someone is reading local newspapers or this uncomfortable circumstance wouldn't occur, which is why the dead-print assertion by a member of the Ocean Pines Board of Directors this week cannot be universally applied.

Unfortunately, many people tend to lump community weeklies with the daily print media, which has suffered mightily over the last couple of decades. Meanwhile, local newspapers continue to do well by covering schools, community events, small governments and, well, community association boards of directors.

In addition, a survey conducted last year by Susquehanna Polling and Research in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania found that community newspapers beat the Internet and other digital offerings 3-1 as the go-to source for local news.

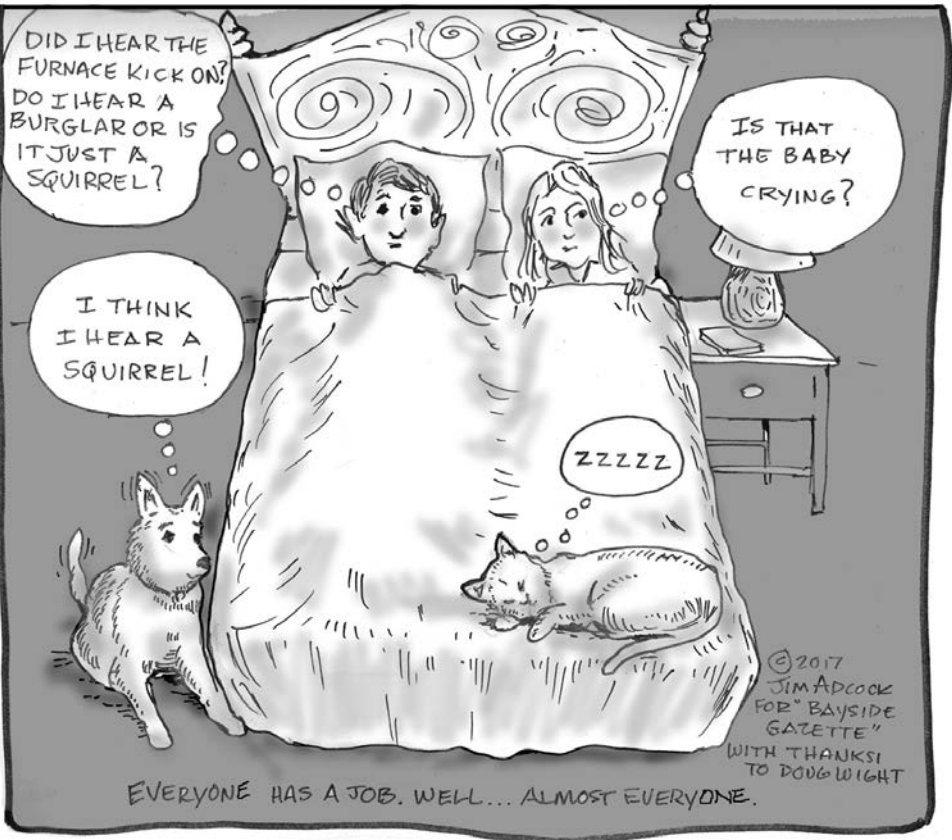
That's why local weeklies have not suffered much in the digital age. They concentrate on the "local," that isn't available on the Internet, except on the websites of local weeklies themselves.

This also is why the directors, whose members are looking to slash marketing expense, need to reflect first on whom they're trying to reach with their message.

In this area, local newspapers have the best of both worlds: thousands of loyal local readers, as well as visitors and second-property owners, who want to know what's going on that could affect them along with where to go and what to do.

That's Ocean Pines' market — year-round residents, part-time residents and visitors. No one can say precisely what ought to be spent on marketing, just as no one knows what the perfect message might be, or whether the product being marketed resonates with the target audience. This is what the board should discuss as it weighs the expense versus the return.

Meanwhile, print is just a vehicle — and a good one — to spread whatever message the board decides it wants.



Widgeon given DAISY nursing award

(Feb. 8, 2018) Atlantic General Hospital presented the DAISY Award for excellence in nursing to Nettie Widgeon, RN, during a recent presentation.

Widgeon has worked at the Berlin hospital for 13 years. She was hired as a CNA on med-surg. Widgeon then became a tech and transferred to the emergency department. While working in the emergency department, she received the scholarship from Atlantic General and completed her bachelor's degree in nursing.

Widgeon then went on to become a charge nurse in the emergency department. Four months ago, she took the clinical supervisor position for the health system. Additionally, Widgeon is a SAFE Nurse (Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner) for the hospital.

"This was a true highlight of my career," Widgeon said. "There is no greater job in the world than being a nurse. It is who I am."

One nomination Widgeon received recounted a situation in which a patient was brought to the ER with slurred speech and disorientation. While the patient admitted to having too much to drink, Nettie realized not all his symptoms pointed to al-



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Atlantic General Hospital recently presented the DAISY Award for excellence in nursing to Nettie Widgeon, RN. Pictured, from left, are Kelly Fox, BSN RN; Andy West-McCabe, RN, Director of Practice Transformation and Emergency Department; Widgeon; Tim Whetstine, new vice president of Practice Administration; and Mary Mullins, RN, clinical coordinator of Wound Care.

cohol intoxication. Due to her sharp observation, the patient was diagnosed with a severe brain hemorrhage and he was immediately transferred for surgery.

The nomination stated, "In a quick and challenging environment, this was an exceptional medical assessment alert to the physician. All nurses are caring; some have more experience than others, however, a quick eye to the abnormal can result in a lifesaving event. Had the patient been treated for his agitation, rather than the hidden, immediate problem, this case could have resulted in a grim outcome."

The DAISY Award, cre-

ated by The DAISY Foundation in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, honors the extraordinary work nurses do for patients and families each day. Hospital leadership brought the awards program to Atlantic General to recognize the compassion and high level of care its nurses provide to residents and visitors of the community.

Patients and visitors can nominate an Atlantic General Hospital and Health System nurse for the DAISY Award at any time. Nomination forms are available in every hospital department and health system physician office. Awards are bestowed quarterly.

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In bloom: Burley Florist opens shop in downtown Berlin

By Kara Hallissey
Staff Writer

(Feb. 8, 2018) Mike Vadella officially opened Burley Florist on Pitts Street in Berlin last Monday, just in time for Valentine's Day.

"The reception from the Town of Berlin has been fantastic and I am so happy to be back downtown," said Vadella, who previously co-owned Rainbow Florist in Berlin and Ocean Pines.

Dozens of different floral arrangements or bouquets can be found at the shop, including multiple colors of roses, gerbera and regular daisies, hydrangeas, sunflowers, tulips, lilies, carnations, larkspurs, blue delphiniums, baby's breath, waxflower, silver dollar and ruscus.

"If someone wants a specific flower, I can usually get it in by the next day," Vadella said. "I have a good relationship with suppliers and buy local when possible. We deliver to all of Worcester County and if the flowers don't last a week, we will replace them."

On Valentine's Day, Burley Florist will stay open until there are no flowers left. A dozen roses will run \$75 and anyone who places their order by phone or in person before the close of business on Feb. 13 will receive free delivery on Valentine's Day. There will also be pre-wrapped bouquets and other specials available as well, not to mention some



KARA HALLISSEY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

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ease of use improvements for the store. "Since there is no parking lot, we offer curbside services," Vadella said. "I have a background in the service industry and want to make it easy for people to buy flowers."

Chocolates, balloons and cards can also be purchased at Burley Florist.

Vadella was a co-owner of Rainbow Florist in Berlin and Ocean Pines for more than two decades.

"I wasn't sure if I was going to open another flower shop, but customers kept calling this past summer and I realized this is what I have to do," he said. "A

week after reactivating the phone number [in August], I found out this spot [on 12 Pitts Street] was opening up and pieces started falling in line."

Vadella moved into the space in February and repainted with the help of his daughter and friends, before receiving his first flower delivery this week.

Burley Florist is open seven days a week, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

"I will still answer the phone after hours for flower emergencies and love to be a part of weddings and special oc-

casions," Vadella said. "It is always cheaper to contact a local florist directly."

"There is [also] an online order option at burleyflorist.com," he added. "We have the 21st century convenience with the benefits of a local florist, and can take care of sending flowers long distance."

Burley Florist regularly updates its Instagram account with pictures of flowers in stock. Follow "Burley Florist" on Twitter for daily and weekly specials.

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CRICKET CENTER DONATION

Continuing its scholarship awards and donations on behalf of selected charities that advance the education of area youth, the Marlin Club Crew of OC recently contributed \$1,000 to the Cricket Center to assist with its mission of reducing trauma in child victims. Pictured, from left, are Cathy Donovan, Marlin Club Crew president; Wendy Myers, Cricket Center executive director, Jamie Manning, Cricket Center assistant director; and Carolyn Conkel, Marlin Club Crew board member.



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SNOWSTORM STARS

Worcester Commissioners recognize county employees involved in snow removal to clear roads and properties during the recent storm. In attendance at the Jan. 16 meeting, in front, from left, are Public Works Deputy Director John Ross and Emergency Services Director Fred Webster; second row, Roads Supervisor Keith Berdan, Roads Superintendent Frank Adkins, Solid Waste Superintendent Mike Mitchell, Maintenance Superintendent Ken Whited, Maintenance Supervisor Michael Hutchinson, Emergency Services Assistant Director James Hamilton; and in back, Commissioners Jim Bunting, Chip Bertino, Merrill Lockfaw, Diana Purnell, Ted Elder, Bud Church and Joe Mitrecic.



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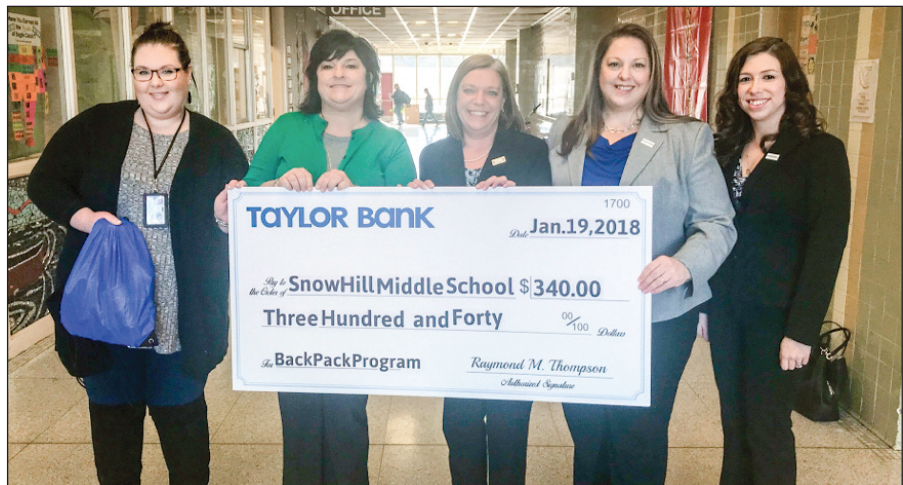
The Ocean City Lions Club presented Courtesy Chevrolet-Cadillac of Salisbury with its highest and most prestigious community service award, “The Pride,” given to individuals and businesses that make contributions to the OC Lions Club, who take interest in the club and who help the Lions make the community a better place. Courtesy Chevrolet-Cadillac of Salisbury has been a long-time contributor to the Ocean City Lions Club by furnishing a new Cadillac as a “Hole in One” prize at the Lions annual “Wounded Warriors” Golf Tournament. Ocean City Lion Norm Cathell, left, presents the award to Brod Records, sales manager of Courtesy Chevrolet-Cadillac of Salisbury.



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MONTHLY LUNCHEON

The Republican Women of Worcester County held its monthly luncheon meeting at the Captain's Table restaurant in Ocean City on Jan. 25. In attendance were 77 members and guests who heard several speakers give updates on what's happening at the national, state and local levels. Pictured, from left, are Liz Mumford, Worcester County Commission for Women; Chip Bertino, Worcester County commissioner; Beth Rodier, RWWC president; Pat Schrawder, representing Del. Mary Beth Carozza; and Carol Frazier, RWWC legislative chair.



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PACKING POWER

Employees of Taylor Bank recently donated \$340 to the Snow Hill Middle School “Power Pack” Program, an initiative designed to provide a weekend of meals for students in need when school lunch and breakfast is not available. Money was raised through a bank-wide Business Casual Day in December, where employees donated \$2 each and in return, were permitted to wear their Taylor Bank shirt on the last Friday of the month. Accepting the donation on behalf of Snow Hill Middle School was Kiersten Gray and Christina Welch. Representing Taylor Bank were Jamie Hill, Kathy Allam and Ashley DeMarr.



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TOPPING OFF

Worcester Prep teachers Tracey Berry and Kelley Burton hosted the annual Bread Sale on Jan. 24, with their second graders as part of a hands-on learning lesson combining English, science, social studies, mathematics and philanthropy. The month-long project is modeled like a small business, with the students baking the bread and then selling it in their classroom cafe for 25 cents to other students and faculty. The project involves researching ingredients, creating posters, oral reports and rotating jobs - from baker to cashier - to learn all the facets of running a business. Proceeds from the Bread Sale will be donated to Atlantic General Hospital. Middle School teacher Allison Bescak allows second grader Arianna Dorfler to put some tasty toppings on her bread.

Firm specializing in elder law expands to Berlin

(Feb. 8, 2018) Procino-Wells & Woodland, LLC opened a third office in Berlin on Thursday to better serve clients on the Eastern Shore.

“We have been serving clients in Maryland for the last two years,” Leslie Case DiPietro, a partner at the firm with Michele Procino-Wells and Amber Woodland, said. “We found to better serve our clients on the Eastern Shore, we have to be present. Berlin is an ideal location and also convenient for our southern-Delaware clients. The Town of Berlin is so welcoming and that solidified our decision.”

At Procino-Wells & Woodland, all three attorneys practice elder law, focused on estate planning to help families with wills, trusts, powers of attorney, sheltering assets from the costs of long term care, assistance with settling estates and preserving public benefits for people with special needs.

“We consider ourselves a ‘boutique’ law firm and help our clients proactively protect their assets,” DiPietro said. “We are seeing a lot of our clients through a crisis and they need long-term care right away.”

In addition to the Berlin location, Procino-Wells & Woodland has been operating out of Seaford, Delaware since 2005 and its Lewes, Delaware firm opened in 2014.

“It is unique to have three locations, with three attorneys at a prac-

tice [and] 15 additional employees, working out of all offices,” Woodland said. “They are our supporting family. Being an all-female attorney firm gives us a unique approach to things. Having in-depth conversations about elder law, digging deep and building relationships with families is important to us.”

Their CARES program “allows us to maintain a relationship and keep in communication” with clients and families throughout the process and beyond, she said.

In addition, the firm uses a fixed-price structure instead of billing hourly to ensure clients know right away what costs are going to be, regardless of how much time they spend with a lawyer.

“Several team members work with them to make sure their assets are aligned and their plan works when someone passes away or becomes disabled,” Woodland said. “We genuinely and truly care about our clients and their families. It is important for us to not treat them as a transaction, but to help them through the hardest part of their lives.”

All three Procino-Wells & Woodland offices are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

“We have an awesome team focused on developing ongoing relationships,” DiPietro said.

To schedule an appointment at the

new Berlin location on William Street, call 443-513-4740 or email mjm@pwwlaw.com and ask for client

concierge, Maria Mulrine.

For more information, visit www.pwwlaw.com.



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Procino-Wells & Woodland, LLC opened its third office in the area, on William Street in Berlin, on Thursday to better serve clients on the Eastern Shore. Pictured, from left, are attorneys Amber Woodland, Michele Procino-Wells and Leslie Case DiPietro.



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Cuisine

Heady recipe for Cantonese Steamed Fish

During a week of unseasonably warm weather and a fair amount of rain, it's hard to motivate myself to take care of the myriad chores set before me.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

However, with the semester well on its way, I now have the time to reflect on the various dinners and special events in which the culinary students will partake as we prepare for spring and ultimately summer.

Ah, summer. My favorite time of year, for obvious reasons if you have ever been an educator. My favorite professor at Loyola College was Jonathan Petropoulos, a history guru who made his mark in the recovery and restoration of stolen art, cataloging the crimes of the Third Reich as they stole art from countless victims under their oppressive reign. One day I was speaking with Dr. P after class, having questions about an assignment. He asked me what I thought I wanted to do after college, and even back then I mentioned that education seemed interesting to me, but that I wasn't sure if it was the right fit. I then asked him what his favorite parts of being a professor were. His answer? Short and sweet.

"The three best reasons for going into education are June, July and August."

I was sold. And while it would take me many years to finally get to where I am, it was always in the back of my mind. Of course, I would always refer to the adage of "If you can't do, teach. If you can't teach, consult!"

Luckily, I can "do," I do consult and of course teaching is my bread and butter, literally, as we make fresh butter and scratch rolls and breads in the culinary lab, sharing our skillsets with future culinarians as they begin their journey into the foray of restaurant life.

This week in Asian Cuisine, we covered Southern China, or the Cantonese Province to be more precise. One of the dishes is always my favorite, which is a steamed whole fish drizzled with a crackling hot oil, spiked with ginger, garlic and scallions. These three flavors meet with a dab of soy sauce on the platter to make an incredibly simple, yet tasty sauce.

Putting one of our youngest students to the task, I saw intimidation turn to confidence as the dish went into its final throes. The fragrance



that the fish gives off as you pour the hot oil and butter mixture over the aromatics fills the entire kitchen, similar I guess to the effect that a sizzling fajita has on a dining room. In many cultures, high heat is used to release the fragrances and tastes of volatile oils in spices and seasonings, and it is no different with this dish.

What I find most appealing about this dish is that it is as warming and welcoming in these chilly, damp days, as it would be on a warm summer evening. At the end of the day, the vegetables and light rice with which you could pair the steamed fish will add any sort of flare that you desire, making it perfect for any time of year.

Summer can't get here soon enough, but so far the semester has gone exceedingly well. I guess as I get older I'm starting to appreciate the journey much more than any destination that I perceive I could reach; profound words from a guy who once wrote a food article on his dog pooping in the front yard; truth-be-told an integral part of my second book.

Either way, it's time to motivate and get the day going, rain or no.

Cantonese Steamed Fish

per guest

- 1-1 1/2 pound Snapper or other white fish, whole, gutted, head-on
- scallions and leeks for a steam bed
- 1/2 fresh lemon, sliced
- 3 slices, fresh ginger
- 1/4 cup Whole butter
- 2 Tbsp. Sesame oil
- 1/4 cup sliced scallions
- 2 Tbsp. Minced garlic
- 2 Tbsp. Minced fresh ginger
- 2 Tbsp. soy sauce

1. Set up a steamer (at home, a fish poacher with a raised rack will work well) and place the leeks and scallions on the bottom

2. Make sure that the fish is scaled, gutted and cleaned and place the lemon and ginger slices in the belly cavity

3. Place the fish on top of the onions and steam at a high steam for about ten minutes or so (this will vary on the pan you are using, the BTUs in your range, etc.). Shoot for an internal temperature of the flesh of 145F or higher

4. While you are setting up, clarify

your butter by melting and separating the milk solids and whey. This is critical, as you will have to get this smoking hot for the finish of the dish. Any residual byproducts will only scorch and affect the flavor of the finished plate

5. While the fish is steaming, heat the clarified butter and sesame oil until it is smoking hot

6. When the fish is steamed, remove carefully and place it on the final serving plate

7. Pour the soy sauce around the plate, and sprinkle the top of the fish with the scallions, minced garlic and minced ginger

8. Carefully drizzle the hot oil/butter on the fish, ensuring that it is hot enough to "crackle" as you pour it on the flesh and aromatics

9. Serve with rice or any light vegetable dishes that would accompany steamed fish well

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

Puzzles

CRACKING WISE

BY DAVID LEVINSON WILK / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

ACROSS

1 52-story Boston skyscraper, familiarly

7 Brass instrument with a mellow sound

15 ____ Malfoy, student at Hogwarts

20 Sorkin and Spelling

21 Kind of equinox

22 Puerto ____

23 "Stop! You're killing me!"

25 ____-garde

26 Give some lip

27 Uncut

28 More than willing

30 For whom the Lorax speaks

31 Internet home to "Between Two Ferns"

34 Latin for "womb"

38 Monsieur's mate

41 Y or N, maybe

42 Shakespeare character who says, "This above all: to thine own self be true"

45 Actor Jason

47 Zugspitze, e.g.

50 A person skilled at deadpan has one

52 What "4" may stand for

54 French river or department

55 Beseech

56 Advert's ending?

152 Designer Geoffrey

58 Carrier to Karachi

61 Tugboat sounds

65 Decked out

67 Unimpressed response

72 ____ intolerance

73 Novo-Ogaryovo is the official one of the Russian president

74 Lavatory sign

75 Hawke of "Training Day"

76 Regrettable

79 Broadway's Hagen

81 "Roméo et Juliette" segment

85 Coin-toss call

86 Stand-up chain started in Los Angeles

92 Big engine additive

93 Log-in needs

94 Verbally assail

95 "Iglu," for "igloo": Abbr.

97 Cover over, in a way

99 Start limping

100 It might involve someone being "so poor" or "so old"

104 "____, amigo"

107 Count ____

108 Nail-salon employees, at times

110 Its "reads are a pain / And the fingering's insane," per Ogden Nash

114 Lipinski and Reid

115 "Jeez ... lighten up!"

120 Be grandiloquent

121 To this day, Marie Curie's are still radioactive

122 Mystery

123 Lacoste and Descartes

124 Star of 1976's Oscar winner for Best Picture

125 Smoothed in a shop

DOWN

1 Some body art, for short

2 "Hilarious!"

3 Noteworthy times

4 Lobster traps

5 Med. professionals who take a pledge named for Florence Nightingale

6 Welcomes

7 Plaster

8 Condition for filmdom's Rain Man

9 Suffix with speed

10 "Oh, what the hell ... I'll do it"

11 "Uh, you've told me quite enough"

12 Where Michael Jordan played coll. ball

13 Meadow call

14 Poet Ginsberg

15 "Game of Thrones" creature

16 Joan who quipped "A Peeping Tom looked in my window and pulled down the shade"

17 "Pick ____ ..."

18 "Pretty please?"

19 Doing a pirouette, say

24 Poison ivy, e.g.

29 Some sneakers

30 Something carried onstage?

31 "Terrif!"

32 Fifth category of taste with a Japanese name

33 "Peter ____ Greatest Hits" (1974 album)

34 High hairstyle

35 Doughnut figures

36 Late '50s singing sensation

37 One of many scattered in a honeymoon suite, maybe

39 Light bark

40 Cry from Homer

43 Kind of port for a flash drive

44 Manage

46 Night vision?

47 Bowl

48 Maid's armful

49 Made an appeal

51 Hymn starter

52 Habitation

53 Around the time of birth

59 Chains

60 Car-rental giant

62 Poet who wrote "Fortune and love favor the brave"

63 Org. that offers Pre/enrollment

64 ____ fly

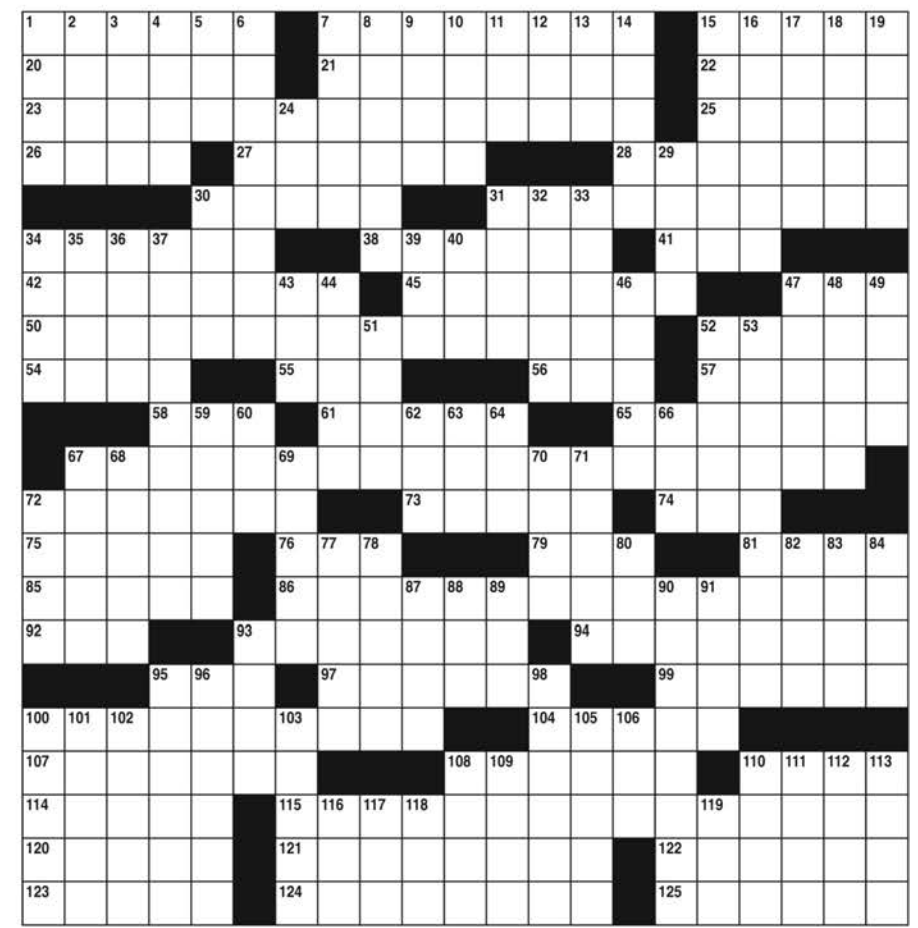
66 One on the left?: Abbr.

67 Greatly bother

68 TV blocking device

69 Tops

70 Finish all at once, in a way



- 71 Things taken by government officials

72 "Sounds like a plan!"

77 "Don't be ____!"

78 ____ Walcott, Nobel Prize-winning poet

80 Patriots' org.

82 Bad state to be in

83 Mine transport

84 Modern party summons
- 87 Euros replaced them

88 Bustle

89 Grp. that puts on a show

90 Fleets

91 Wall St. bigwigs

93 Like Mount Narodnaya

95 Empty

96 Brings a smile to

98 Like some angels and dominoes
- 100 Champion

101 Airport that J.F.K. dedicated in 1963

102 Erin of "Joanie Loves Chachi"

103 Locks up

105 Concoct

106 Bug

108 Jester

109 Feeling
- 110 Anthony Hopkins's "Thor" role

111 City NNE of San Antone

112 "My treat!"

113 "My stars!"

116 Cambodia's Angkor ____

117 Court org.

118 Skit show, for short

119 What makes you you?

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

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8 5 3 7 1 4 9 2 6

1 9 4 3 6 2 8 5 7

3 2 7 4 8 9 1 6 5

5 6 9 2 7 1 4 3 8

4 1 8 6 5 3 2 7 9

2 8 5 9 4 6 7 1 3

9 3 1 5 2 7 6 8 4

7 4 6 1 3 8 5 9 2

Answers to last week's puzzles

CASITA BLACKOPS TAP

AVOCETS EARCANDY AIME

REFERTO HUSTLEANDFLOP

PRIAM IPAD VEG EYEDUP

TAXIDRIVEL BREWERY

ENO CEDE BERG

OJS AWE I LOVEYOUMAO

POP TENDS ERIN USURP

THECOLOROFMONET ROSIE

SNEER LADLE CAN

DOS ABOUTABOT CAL

SAD ECASH EDENS

CRAMS BEVERLYHILLSCOW

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Feb. 13: Fat Tuesday w/Smooth & Remy, Randy Lee Ashcraft, Jimmy, 6-11 p.m.
Feb. 14: Valentine's Day
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Live, original music part of Berlin art stroll

The Globe to feature acts as part of 2nd Friday; Sean Loomis will perform Feb. 9

(Feb. 8, 2018) Kasey Briggs, the new booking manager at The Globe in Berlin, is working to bring original music to the monthly 2nd Friday art strolls, sponsored by the Berlin Arts and Entertainment Committee.

Joey Harkum, former frontman of Pasadena, played during 2nd Friday last month, kicking off what Briggs hopes will be a permanent part of the event.

Ocean City resident Sean Loomis will play this month with a four-

piece quartet, and Rehoboth-based Betten Roo will perform in March. Bands are booked from 7-10 p.m. each 2nd Friday at The Globe, on 12 Broad Street.

"The art stroll in Berlin is all about art and music. I just thought it would be a good idea to have that day as something for original bands," Briggs said. "When it comes to musicians, their craft is writing music, as opposed to just playing it."

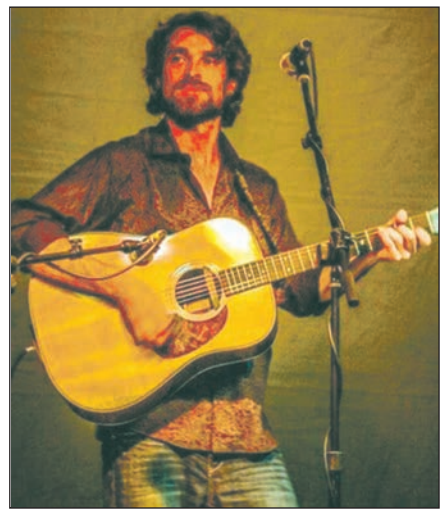
Briggs, hired late last year, said The Globe is the only year-round live music stage in Berlin.

"I really want it to be a destination for people to be able to drink, dine and dance, and have a music

experience," he said. "My goal in this is that people will go to The Globe to see a band they've never heard before, because they know the person [doing the booking] is bringing good bands. That's the reputation that I want ... I want The Globe to be the destination for new and original music."

Berlin's 2nd Friday festivities feature more than a dozen art displays in shops throughout the downtown area, along with sales and specials in restaurants from 5-8 p.m.

For more information on the Berlin Arts and Entertainment Committee, visit www.artsinberlin.org.



Sean Loomis

TangerKIDS grant program calls for entries

(Feb. 8, 2018) TangerKIDS Grant Program, an initiative designed to award grant money to schools within the communities of Tanger Outlet centers nationwide, has opened its call for entries.

Schools within Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties are

invited to submit grant applications. The TangerKIDS Grant Program was designed to satisfy the specific funding needs of local schools – from the implementation of school-wide programs, to rebuilding equipment and academic materials inventories, to supporting athletic or band pro-

grams.

In 2017, Tanger awarded 1,034 individual grants to schools in need.

All grant applications must be submitted by March 16. Teachers and administrators from local schools may submit applications for programs and projects in which the majority of the

activity will be completed between August 2018 and May 2019. Each school can submit multiple grant requests and each will be considered separately.

To submit an application for the TangerKIDS Grant Program, visit grants.tangeroutlet.com.

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Calendar

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

THU, FEB. 8

AARP MEETING
Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. Social half-hour with refreshments begins at 9:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be a representative from Shepherd’s Crook. An optional luncheon will follow the meeting. New members welcome. Bob McCluskey, 410-250-0980

IPAD CHICKS - BEGINNERS
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Explore the world of iPads while learning from each other. Men are welcome. Register: Norma Kessler, 410-641-7017, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

NUMBERS CAN BE FUN!
Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. Balls, bears and popsicles make math fun. For 3 to 7 year old children. 410-632-3495, <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

WRITING WITH RUTH
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Monthly gathering of local writers share their works. All writers welcome. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

HAPPY 200TH BIRTHDAY FREDERICK DOUGLASS
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. Decoupage Frederick Douglass quotes on re-purposed wood and create your own piece of art to cherish. 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

LAP TIME
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 3:30 p.m. Children, under 2 years old, will be introduced to songs, games and finger plays. 410-524-1818, <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>

MARYLAND BASIC BOATING CLASS
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 6 to 9 p.m. Those attending the class and passing the test will receive a Maryland Boating Certificate. Cost is \$15 and includes all course materials. Pre-registration is required.

Barry Cohen, CGAUXOC@Gmail.com, 410-935-4807

STORY TIME ‘ALL ABOUT TEETH’
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>

FRI, FEB. 9

A WEEKEND FOR TROLLS
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, All Day Troll themed crafts and activities. Make troll hand print crafts, troll headbands and more. Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. will be the Trolls Dance Party full of glowing surprises, songs from the movie and glitter. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

FIBER FRIENDS
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Bring your lap work and join this informal group. Knitters, crocheted, embroiders, etc. are welcomed. Victoria Christie-Healy, moonlightknitting@gmail.com, 703-507-0708

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP: GENERAL DISCUSSION
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Get help to get started or continue your genealogical research. Take a laptop or tablet. Pre-registration is required by calling 410-208-4014. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

DELMARVA WOOL AND FIBER EXPO
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vendors will have many one-of-a-kind hand created products and all the materials to make the products. On-going demonstrations at most booths. Limited paid class offerings. Admission costs \$3 for the day or \$5 for the weekend. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326, <http://www.woolandfiber.com>

OCEAN PINES BOOKS OF THE MONTH
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. Selection is “The Twelve Tribes of Hattie” by Ayana Mathis. Copies of books are available in advance at the library. 410-208-4014

BOREDOM BUSTERS: PUZZLES
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 3:30 p.m. Fun, off-screen activities for ages 8 years and older. 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ART COMPETITION AND EXHIBIT
Worcester County Arts Council Gallery, 6 Jefferson St., Berlin, MD, 5 to 8 p.m.

Visitors will have the opportunity to vote for the “People’s Choice” award. Awards will be presented at 6 p.m. during the open house reception. Open to the public. Sponsored by the the Berlin/Ocean City Optimists Club. This exhibit will be on display from Feb. 1-28.

FREE PICKLEBALL CLINIC
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 5 to 6 p.m. Free clinic for beginners. Also offering a free week of drop-in time following the clinic (Friday through Thursday). Register: John Hanberry, Jhanberry@comcast.net or 703-598-6119.

WOUNDED WARRIOR BENEFIT DINNER
American Legion Post #166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, MD 21842, 5 to 8 p.m. Featuring dinner and entertainment. Tickets cost \$15. Menu includes chicken cordon bleu, salad, baked potato, vegetable and dessert. All proceeds benefit the Wounded Warriors Program. 410-289-3166

SAT, FEB. 10

A WEEKEND FOR TROLLS
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, All Day Troll themed crafts and activities. Make troll hand print crafts, troll headbands and more. Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. will be the Trolls Dance Party full of glowing surprises, songs from the movie and glitter. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

REACH THE BEACH NATIONALS: DANCE
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, All Day Dance teams compete for national championship title. Info: www.ac-daspirit.com or 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326, <http://www.theepicbrands.com>

4TH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE & SKILLS USA COMPETITION
Worcester Technical High School, 6290 Worcester Highway, Newark, MD, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. During your visit observe SKILLS USA Competitions, tour the campus, participate in the silent auction, participate in games, visit local vendors and partake in food and beverages. Rick Stevens, 410-632-5050

ANNUAL KIWANIS WINTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Ocean Pines Community Center, Asateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 to 11 a.m. Menu includes pancakes, sausage and eggs. Tickets cost \$6 of adults, \$3 for children 5-11 years and free to those 4 and younger and can be purchased from any Kiwanis member or by calling 410-208-6719. Tickets will also be available at the door. Carryout available. Proceeds benefit the youth of the community.

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 corn, flowers, artisan breads, seafood, meats and more. New vendors welcome. 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006

CREATIVE SATURDAY MAKE & TAKE
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Create crafts about animals that hibernate with the supplies provided by the library. For all ages. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

FREE TAX PREPARATION
Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st St., Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free, individualized tax preparation for low- to moderate-income taxpayers. By appointment only.

DELMARVA WOOL AND FIBER EXPO
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vendors will have many one-of-a-kind hand created products and all the materials to make the products. On-going demonstrations at most booths. Limited paid class offerings. Admission costs \$3 for the day or \$5 for the weekend. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326, <http://www.woolandfiber.com>

STEM ‘CIRCULATORY SYSTEM’
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn about the circulatory system: what it is and how it works. For children 6 years and older. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

SCRAPBOOKING DAY
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Bring your scrapbooking supplies and share the library’s materials to organize and play you scrapbooks. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

SUN, FEB. 11

DELMARVA WOOL AND FIBER EXPO
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors will have many one-of-a-kind hand created products and all the materials to make the products. On-going demonstrations at most booths. Limited paid class offerings. Admission costs \$3 for the day or \$5 for the weekend. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326, <http://www.woolandfiber.com>

MON, FEB. 12

FREE TAX PREPARATION
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free, indi-

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visualized tax preparation for low- to moderate-income taxpayers. By appointment only. 410-641-5036

WRITING FOR WELLNESS
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Writing about stressful experiences, like illness, may boost health and psychological well-being. No prior writing experience needed. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STEAM PM ‘DESIGN A MARBLE RUN’
Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 3:45 p.m. Create a path for your marbles to take. For children 6 years and older. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

MEDICAL MONDAY
Worcester Youth and Family Ray Room, 124 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Free educational session that occurs the second Monday of each month. Rachel Pomycala, Doctor of Audiology with Chesapeake Hearing Centers, will be discussing the causes of hearing loss, how hearing affects the brain and memory related symptoms and the technology of hearing loss. Registration is encouraged but not required: www.atlanticgeneral.org/MedicalMonday or Michelle, 410-641-9268.

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, FEB. 13

SNOW HILL ROTARY CLUB MEETING
Snow Hill Middle School, 522 Coulbourne Lane, Snow Hill, MD, 7:30 a.m. Learn about the Weekend Backpack and Chrome Book projects. martypusey@gmail.com, 410-632-2527

WORCESTER COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD 21811, 9:30 a.m. Open to the public. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

PLAY TIME
Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 10:30 a.m. Learn new skills while playing with educational toys. For infant to 5 year old children. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STORY TIME ‘LOVE IS IN THE AIR’
Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

PARKINSON’S SUPPORT GROUP
Gull Creek Senior Living, 1 Meadow St., Berlin, MD, 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. For individuals suffering from Parkinson’s. Group provides education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment.

Kay Rentschler, 410-641-4765, <http://www.delmarvaparkinsonsalliance.org>

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE DINNER
Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Youth fundraiser. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12 years and free to those 5 and younger. Eat-in or carryout. Kathy, 443-235-6761

STEM FAMILY NIGHT ‘WEATHER’
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 4:30 p.m. Enjoy books, crafts and games for the whole family. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER
All Hallows Episcopal Church, 109 W. Market St., Snow Hill, MD, 4:30 to 7 p.m. Menu includes sausage, pancakes and baked apples. Cost to dine-in is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 11 and younger. Cost for all take-out orders is \$7. Advance ticket sales only by calling 410-632-2773.

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

BERLIN-OCEAN CITY JAYCEES MEETING
State Association of Liquor License Establishments Office, 10031 Old Ocean City Blvd., Unit 107, Berlin, MD, 6:30 p.m. A community service, social and leadership training organization for men and women ages 18-40. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month. Membership dues are \$15 for the first year. Matt Bellacicco, mbellacicco@tesla.com

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP
Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Offers shared wisdom and problem solving for family members of persons with mental illness. The group is free. Info: Carole Spurrier, 410-208-4003, carolespurrier@msn.com or Gail S. Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

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, FEB. 14

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-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

STEPPING ON FALL PREVENTION WORKSHOP
North Worcester Senior Center, 10129 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Free, 7-week, interactive program proven to improve the participant’s risk of falls. Class runs Feb. 7 through March 28. Heather Griswold, 410-742-0505, Ext. 169

LAP TIME
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. For children under 2 and their caregivers. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STORY TIME ‘TEETH’
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2-5 year old children. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

COFFEE & COLORING “WINE GLASS PAINTING”
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 3 p.m. Use the library’s stencils and supplies to create a beautiful wine glass to take home. Light refreshments provided. Register: 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

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, 410-208-1151, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

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, 410-641-1700

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, West Ocean City, MD, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m. Imposition of Ashes, Holy Communion and Readings for Reflection. All are welcome. 410-641-2186

ONGOING EVENTS

‘WONDERS OF WATER’ BUS TRIP
The Junior Auxiliary Group of Atlantic General Hospital will be taking a spring bus trip to Philadelphia for their flower show, “Wonders of Water.” Tickets for the trip cost \$68, which includes the cost of the flower show ticket. The bus will depart Berlin on March 10 at 8 a.m., returning at approximately at 9:30 p.m. Enjoy Philadelphia and the flower show, which is in walking distance to Reading Terminal Market, Chinatown and City Hall. RSVP to Ashley at

aafurbay@aol.com or 410-213-0823.

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. 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.

‘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 Foultz, 410-641-7667.

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.

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