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A cramped crowd of Ocean Pines Association homeowners gathers inside the conference room of the administration building during a meeting on Monday night when public comments made up the bulk of the meeting.

# **Berlin recovery house to regroup**

After pulling zoning appeals application, group will seek another location in town

### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Hope4Recovery last week pulled its application with the Berlin Board of Zoning Appeals to establish a certified recovery house on William Street in Berlin.

Members of the board of directors on Saturday said they would not pursue developing the home, which is near Berlin Intermediate School, but would instead regroup and look for another location in town.

Hope4Recovery, according to its mission statement, "is a pending nonprofit organization dedicated in its mission to create clean, safe, sober homes for those in recovery from addiction." The organization "is steadfast in its mission to be a resource to those looking for a sober and structured living environment during their recovery process."

**Executive Director Patrice Ottey** 

and several board members made a presentation to the Berlin Town Council on March 12 and to the Worcester County School Board last Tuesday.

The school board presentation was made during a closed session and members of the board said they did not specifically ask for an en-

'We heard the community. We heard their concerns and I think the board decided that we want the community to be a part of this - not against it.' **Executive Director** Patrice Ottey

dorsement and none was given. Members of Hope4Recovery said they were unsure why the session was closed.

Establishing the home on William Street would have required approval of the board of zoning appeals, but an application was withdrawn last Thursday.

Ottey, an Ocean Pines Police officer, said the organization was formed last fall.

The board includes President Sarah Hooper, Vice President Tracy Simpson, Secretary Dr. Robert Hooper, Treasurer Bob Thompson, Realtor Terri Bradford, attorney Kristina Watkoswki, SonRise Church Pastor Daryl McCready and Circuit Court Judge Margaret "Peggy" Kent.

"It was around September or the beginning of October when we started to get together and recruit individuals that were highly educated in this cause," Ottey said during an interview on Saturday. "We started because all of the individuals on the board knew there was a lack of services in Worcester County related to recovery and recovery residences."

Ottey founded a similar house, the Douglas K. Hamilton House for Recovery, in the Newton neighborhood of Salisbury last year.

She said the proposed house in Berlin would be a "level two" accredited dwelling. Level one houses are See BERLIN Page 6

# **Ocean Pines F&B** contract not yet inked

Closed session on Monday not enough to close deal

### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) No agreement was reached on a contract for Ocean Pines food and beverage management during a closed session discussion Monday night.

General Manager John Bailey, in an emailed statement Monday evening, said, "The Board had a great discussion about the F&B contract but took no action tonight. The matter is on the agenda for Thursday night."

During the public portion of the meeting, a large crowd spilled into a small room in the Ocean Pines administration building, although the posted agenda called for no more than the approval of the agenda itself and an adjournment to closed session for contractual issues.

The contractual issues were believed to be approval of a contract with the Matt Ortt Companies to operate the two major association food and beverage operations, the beach club and yacht club.

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, by way of apology, said no other meeting room was available. Association President Doug Parks, she said, was out of town on business and would participate by phone.

During public comments, homeowner Joe Reynolds said Parks "promised transparency in the selection of a management company" but did not fulfil that promise.

"There has been no trans-parency," Reynolds said. "Association members are left totally in the dark. A special meeting to discuss the Matt Ortt contract and related renovations at the yacht club [last Wednesday] was canceled. The board packet related to that meeting was removed from the OPA website."

Reynolds said the packet for the See PUBLIC Page 5





# **Berlin approves** contractor for **Gay Street work**

By Marshall Gabell

(March 29, 2018) The Berlin Town Council on Monday approved \$178,555 for stormwater, road and sidewalk improvements on Gay Street, to be performed by Berlin contractor Goody Hill Groundwork Inc.

Josh Taylor, a senior engineer with Davis, Bowen & Friedel Inc., said on Monday the original budget estimate for the project was \$205,000.

Taylor said he recently walked the street with officials from Goody Hill, going over the project schedule and plan for construction, set to start next month.

Town officials and Taylor met with Berlin residents in February to discuss renovations on Gay Street, to include replacing old water lines with new, six-inch piping. Based on that meeting, the roadway was to be widened a few inches to as much as a few feet, in some areas.

During more recent discussions, Taylor informed the council a two-foot trench would be constructed along the side of the road to replace the water pipes. In addition, he said road work would be revised to accommodate businesses hours of operation near Gay Street.

The contractor knows working with individual property owners is going to be key on this," Taylor said. "[Both] The Globe and Salon Sixteen are closed on Monday, so we are going to schedule our work around those hours. We are looking at a two-foot pipe, so it's not like a big trench down the middle of the road.'

Town Administrator Laura Allen hopes construction will finish by the beginning of summer. Because of the high volume of traffic on the street, she worried about the project stretching into the town's busiest months.

We want to have this project completed as early into the summer months as we can, due to its location in the downtown area," Allen said. "In my opinion, it could affect other people that are adjacent to Gay Street."

# Worcester gov't offices to close for Good Friday

(March 29, 2018) Worcester County Government offices, including all five branch libraries and recreation and parks, will be closed Friday, March 30, in observance of Good Friday.

Normal hours resume Monday.

The Central Landfill and Homeowner Convenience Centers will be closed Friday, March 30, and open during standard hours of operation on Saturday, March 31.

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OSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE Members of Community Behavioral Health and representatives from the Town of Snow Hill on Tuesday celebrate the signing of a memorandum of understanding to bring the mental health practice to the Oscar Purnell Mansion in Snow Hill.

# Snow Hill landmark finds tenant

# **By Josh Davis**

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Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) It was a family affair on Tuesday, as representatives from Community Behavior Health signed a memorandum of understanding to bring a wide range of mental health care services to the old Oscar Purnell Mansion on 107 East Market Street in Snow Hill.

The practice will essentially get the building for free, but agreed to pay for about \$500,000 worth of renovations and operate the business in Snow Hill for at least five years.

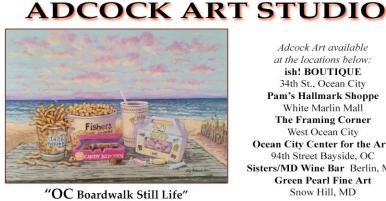
Present during a signing ceremony was Dr. Niru Jani, his wife Dr. Sushma Jani, daughter Dr. Suni Jani, and son Dr. Raja Jani.

Also attending were Snow Hill Mavor Charlie Dorman, councilwomen Diana Purnell and Jenny Hall, Economic Development Coordinator Michael Day, Code Enforcement Officer Jon Hill, and Trish Goodsell, assistant to the town man-



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The Oscar Purnell Mansion in downtown Snow Hill will soon be home to a variety of mental health care services thanks to an agreement with new tenant Community Behavioral Health.



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ager.

Dr. Suni Jani said the family learned about the property through Hill

"We understood that, outside of the health department, this is an underserved region in terms of mental health services," she said. "We needed a clinic to work out of, so it seemed to be a mutually beneficial opportunity.

"Jon said this has a lot of historical value and a lot of sentimental value to the city, and it's something that needed to be rebuilt," she continued, adding the plan was to preserve as much of the historical and sentimental value as possible. "It's a really massive privilege to be able to do something like that, but it's something that's going to come in stages."

She said transforming the enormous house, about 5,700 square feet over three stories, not to mention a full basement, would not happen overnight. Contractor estimates were for 12-18 months of work.

'Our hope was, as soon as its safe to run a clinic in here, we'd have at least one floor that we're doing work out of," she said, adding a full renovation of the home would eventually allow for visiting doctors to stay there. "A lot of what we do involves volunteer resident student-physi-See COMMUNITY Page 8

# **Inaugural cycling** event 'Algonquest' was spoke-tacular

# **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Organizer Tres Denk said the first "Algonquest" event in Pocomoke City and Ocean City last weekend was a success.

The bicycling experience included a Friday night ride and Saturday daytime race along the Algonquin Trail in the Pocomoke Forest, and a Sunday morning event on the Ocean City Boardwalk.

"We ended up with 13 riders starting the race [Saturday] and two disqualifications," said Denk, a member of the Eastern Shore chapter of the



International Mountain Bicycling Association. "Only one person made it halfway and he was under 18, so that was extremely impressive. He vowed to complete it next year." Denk said the top

Tres Denk

finisher was Dave McCloy of Wooden Wheels Service Repair in Newark, Delaware. McCloy completed the trek in 1:49:07.

Additional competitors in the expert class included Chris Davis (2:01:29), Josh King (3:24:06) and Ryder Ridout (did not finish).

Don Daquila had the best time in the 19-35 division (3:24:06), Alex McRae won among 36-50 year olds (2:12:41), and Michael Morris won among those 51 and older (1:54:08).

Denk said all the competitors enjoyed the race.

'Every volunteer brought their 'A' game," Denk said. "No one got lost and sometimes, with really long races, that's a complaint of the racers. My biggest goal was that they were well looked after."

He said "a huge turnout of volunteers" boosted the event on the Boardwalk. The Sunday happening included demonstrations by Beach 2 Bay Bicycling and geocaching lessons provided by volunteers from the Boy Scouts.

"We also do a bicycle scholarship program where we let people use our See VOLUNTEERS Page 8

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(March 29, 2018) How the Ocean

Pines Board of Directors came to ap-

prove a new sprinkler system for the

beach club was explained to the audi-

ence at the Monday night board

meeting by Director Slobodan Tren-

John Bailey asked the board for fund-

ing for the sprinklers last month, but

was told to seek additional quotes

"because we didn't want to sole

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# Sprinkler system Public comments slam OPA Board

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canceled meeting included \$77,000 worth of "phase one" renovations that had already begun at the yacht club. Moreover, he said emails from Ortt discussed "hiring of an executive chef and perhaps other employalong with booking ees," entertainment.

"At this moment in time, the board of directors has not even approved a contract with Matt Ortt Companies," Reynolds said. "How could the board possibly negotiate a contract from a position of strength, given the contractor is already operating on the premises, hiring people, and the opening day is [in] about

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one month?"

Several other homeowners asked about renovations occurring without input from the county fire marshal.

Tom Bierley said the association should "probably put the fire marshal on speed dial." He asked if reported cases of mold at the yacht club that closed the facility in January had been addressed.

Pat Hall said she was "disgusted when [she] pulled up pictures of the yacht club [online] with all that reconstruction, tables [and] chairs there, dust all over the place, plus nobody even knew it was going on."

"I don't know how much worse it can be ... it's pretty bad," she said.

The directors declined to address any of the public comments.

A regular board meeting is scheduled for today, Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the community center on 235 Ocean Parkway.







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# **Berlin called ideal location** because of access to services

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self-run and level two include a livein house manager.

This is an all-men's facility. The reason for that is statistics show, unfortunately, that's the need in this area," Ottey said.

Ottey said all the in-patient facilities and health departments "all the way across the bay bridge" have information and paperwork for the Hamilton House.

"We get several applications a day," she said. "The average stay is about three months, so several a day is tough. It's hard to say, 'I'm sorry, I don't have a safe place to give you' and I think that was one of the driving forces for me to move this ahead [in Berlin].'

Patients who enter the home must abstain from using illegal drugs and alcohol, Ottey said. Random drug screenings are performed three times per week.

Clients must attend Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous meetings and additional outpatient or intensive outpatient meetings. Employment is also required within the first two weeks.

The only time I have ever seen an individual in my house not get a job is because they didn't want to get a job," Ottey said. "This home is selfsustaining and has to be - there's no government funding. They have to pay rent ... and they live as a family.

"They also have to perform chores in their house," she continued. "These guys will pick up after each other and say, 'listen, these people did this for us and we have to take care of it – and they do."

Family meals are held once each week and progress reports are discussed with the house manager.

"We have an open-door policy at the Salisbury house, which we'll have down here. Any moment of the day, the health department or probation officer or anybody can call and say, 'I would like to come either verify they live there or see this place," Ottey said. "[The residents] know the house always needs to be presentable."

Ottey said her approach was very hands on.

"I'm off three days a week and I'm there four," she said. "I take my kids up there, so we'll have family meals with them as well."

She added her children attend Berlin Intermediate School, adjacent to the site originally proposed.

"My kids, because of the Salisbury house and because of our experience, they see these guys are really strong guys - they're really working hard,' Ottey said. "They think highly of them.

The model for the home was developed after Ottey "went around and talked to anybody and everybody who would talk to me, that owned a recovery residence."

"I picked what I thought would work and then I bounced it off the smartest people I know," she said. "And from there, I feel like we with came up with ... really good base model.'

Dr. Robert Hooper said he and several other board members had careers specializing in addiction treatment and recovery.

We've seen it work and there is some good research out there that people are not very familiar with, that if you have a continuum of care, then the people that are serious about getting themselves detoxed, starting to capture back what I refer to as 'the high-jacked brain' ... we can get them to deal with their issue.

"The stigma factor that we deal with for anybody that is seeking mental health, and God forbid if that includes addictions - it is huge. And the reality of it is, every family in America can tell you about somebody who is in a pretty close circle to their family who has dealt with this,' Hooper added. "But we don't talk about that. And that is the big challenge here."

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Secretary Dr. Robert Hooper

He said the spread of fentanyl, nationally and locally, has only compounded the problem.

"This thing that's a wonderful drug for major surgery - but that's it is killing people left and right,"
 Hooper said. "We're trying to fight through that and be part of the solution in what has claimed to become a 21st century community [of Berlin]. We're trying to prevent and be a part of the solution.'

Additionally, Hooper said the state of the Hamilton House, a thoroughly renovated home built during the early 1900s, means a lot to patients staying there.

"The house says you're worth something, because it's not flea-bitten. It's a beautiful home," he said. "The goal is to do the same thing in [Berlin]. That's just a little nuance in conveying the message that you are worthwhile, despite some decisions you've made. Lots of people don't get that."

Simpson, the drug court coordinator for Worcester County, said Berlin is an ideal location because of its proximity to nearby services, from

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Atlantic General Hospital and the Worcester County Health Department, to grocery stores and Shore Transit.

"People need to be able to get to their health care providers. They need to be able to get to their treatment providers. They need to be able to have access to public transportation. They need to have access to employment," she said. "They need to have access to all the services they need to maintain their recovery.

"To be located in such a wonderful town that has immediate access to all of those things builds on their recovery, because removing them from the access is what stammers progress," Simpson continued. "If you have the people who are active in their recovery near all the things that they need to maintain their sobriety, it's that much of a greater chance they'll be successful."

Members of the Berlin Town Council, earlier this month, strongly suggested Hope4Recovery talk to neighbors near the proposed site on 602 William Street.

Ottey said a community meeting was held on March 19 and formal notice was mailed to residents. Just one person showed up, she said.

After purchasing the home in Salisbury, Ottey said she had several meetings with residents and city officials there that were well attended.

"They have been wonderful ever since," she said. "I might talk to those neighbors more than I talk to my own sometimes. They're just a group of professional people and they're very accepting."

She said an educational presentation would be made during the monthly Worcester County Warriors Against Opiate Addiction meeting on March 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Stephen Decatur High School, and the group would have a table at the Worcester Cares event on April 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the multipurpose building on Flower Street in Berlin.

Ottey said community feedback led to the decision to not pursue a certified recovery house on 602 William Street.

"We heard the community. We heard their concerns and I think the board decided that we want the community to be a part of this – not against it," she said. "We also don't want the residents to be uncomfortable. They're already in a situation that they're coming into a recovery home – nobody wants to be not liked. That doesn't necessary help in recovery. We want them to feel at home.

"With those two things combined, we're just actively looking for the perfect spot," Ottey added.

For more information or to contact Hope4Recovery, email hope4recovery2017@gmail.com.



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Dr. Suni Jani, during a ceremony on Tuesday, signs a memorandum of understanding to bring Community Behavioral Health to the Oscar Purnell Mansion in Snow Hill.



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# **Community Behavioral Health** to take over Purnell Mansion

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cians, because that's how we train and do our work – we train the next generation of physicians. That's kind of what our master plan is."

When touring the house, Jani said she and her family were mindful of the potential usage for such a large area.

"People need that space, because mental health services aren't just talking to someone," she said. "Sometimes it's having that respite, it's having to get away from people for a while, so there's group services, there's learning social skills, there's learning how to get along with other people in a contained setting ... this house, in a very interesting way with all its space, gives people the opportunity to get away."

She said the Snow Hill branch of Community Behavior Health would eventually offer individual, family and couple's counseling, cognitive behavioral therapy, and addictions services.

"I know this region has an opioid crisis, so that's definitely a major focus," Jani said.

There are also branches of the practice in Salisbury, Cambridge, Chestertown, Centerville, and the original location in Columbia.

"This is a really overlooked region for the work we do, so this building was serendipitous," Jani said. "This building's existence is very important and the work we want to do is very meaningful, and this building is letting us do it."

Oscar Purnell, who was "born in a little farm outside of town," according to Hill, built the house around 1900.

Purnell attended Washington College in Chestertown and graduated with a liberal arts degree, later also earning a law degree, Hill said. He practiced law and was the editor- inchief of the Democratic Messenger, "which was regarded as one of the best papers in the state of Maryland," Hill said.

"That's when he built his home and it was obviously built for display, as a showpiece, because there's so much area in here that isn't really usable for a residence. A grand entrance like this looks like something you'd find in a hotel at the time," Hill said.

He said the county took ownership of the home and used it for office space for 15-20 years. Both the Worcester County Developmental Center and the Worcester County Sheriff has offices there.

"And then [the county] gave it to the town, and when they did that, they invested around \$1.2 million to the exterior of the building," Hill said. "They replaced all the windows ... the exterior, the columns were repaired, the roof was repaired. A lot of work was put into it to kind of preserve it, because they didn't know what they were going to do with it, besides give it to the town." Hill said town officials looked for a suitable tenant for the Oscar Purnell Mansion for about 12 years.

"Of course, we've always wanted things like a restaurant or a hotel, but the investment of that level in this building would be astronomical," he said. "The use that Dr. Jani is bringing here is feasible, for one thing, and it's going to bring an ever-changing clientele to town.

"It's going to bring doctors, it's going to bring families, it's going to bring children downtown. I can't imagine, honestly, finding a better, more reasonable use for this location," Hill continued. "And now I know that this building, that's 130 years old, is going to be around for more generations."

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Day said he also envisioned a bed and breakfast or a hotel in the space, but he's thrilled with the new tenants.

"I was glad that this group is going to be bringing people into town. It's not just going to be offices with eight people that come and stay there," he said. "It will be bringing people into town and that's the exciting part about what they're going to do."

For more information about Community Behavioral Health, visit www.communitybehavioralhealth.net.

# Volunteers helped make Algonquest event successful

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bikes until they grow out of them, so a young lady got her first mountain bike," Denk said. "Even though we didn't have any women start in the women's classes, we had a young lady start riding her first mountain bike."

Because the first event well, Denk said he wants to make it an annual occurrence.

"Everybody got a trophy to take back and share with their club, so if each one of those guys brings one guy [next year] I'll have close to 30 racers, which is sufficient for me to want to do it again," he said. "And all my volunteers want to do it again."

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# **Pocomoke Council opens dialogue with Legion**

#### **By Josh Davis** Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) A large contingency from the Pocomoke American Legion attended a City Council meeting Monday night to oppose restrictions on the organization's liquor license, according to Pocomoke City Councilman George Tasker.

During a council meeting earlier this month, city officials and a representative from the Worcester County Sheriff's Office said a February shooting at the American Legion was not an isolated incident.

The city and Worcester County Bureau of Investigations filed a complaint with the county liquor license board, according to City Manager Bobby Cowger. Reportedly, groups from Accomack County caused much of the commotion at the legion.

Thelma Ayers, who helps run the Pocomoke American Legion, addressed the council and several others made public comments on Monday.

There was a lot of them there,' Tasker said. "I think Thelma did a good job presenting. She wasn't pointing her finger at any one person or anything like that. She made a good presentation of what they do. In the last few years, they gave over \$200,000 to the community and put people up in homes and gave them furniture.

"We knew they were doing all that, but they don't advertise what they do," he added. "But it's in the liquor licensing's [board] control now. It'll be up to them whether they keep their license or not."

A hearing with the Board Of License Commissioners

is scheduled for April 18. Tasker previously said he did not support taking away the legion's liquor license entirely.

"I'm still there," he said. "I know through the years that they've struggled out there, but even when they could take that money and keep it for themselves, they have put a tremendous amount of money [into the community]. They even put \$1,000 [to help replace] that one police dog that got killed.

"I think they do good for the community. I just think, somehow, she's got to get a han-

'I know through the years that they've struggled out there, but even when they could take that money and keep it for themselves, they have put a tremendous amount of money [into the community]. Pocomoke City Councilman George Tasker ment is."

dle on who she rents to," he con-tinued. "I'm not for taking their license away completely. If they're going to punish them, punish them and they'll have to accept what the punish-

Without а liquor license, Tasker said, the organ-

ization would likely fold. "I don't think she can survive," he said. "They won't be able to have weddings there, because people like to drink beer and wine at weddings. Those kinds of things will leave and that's some of her biggest deals. She's

got three weddings lined up, she said

There was no formal vote on the matter on Monday, Tasker said.

Also during the meeting, the council held a first reading for Resolution 514, to borrow \$1.123 million from Hebron Savings Bank for waterline replacement in the Pocomoke Heights neighborhood. According to a letter from Cowger, the money would "be paid back by accounts receivables/water bill receivables" for 10 consecutive years.

A proposed \$1-per-1,000 gallons water rate increase to pay for the loan would be discussed during budget deliberations, Tasker said. The current rate is \$6 per 1,000 gallons.

Tasker said the council also reversed its decision to deny a request by the Assateague People of Delmarva tribe to use Cypress Park for a powwow on May 17-21 and tabled the matter instead.

"I'm pretty sure we're going to let them come. We've changed our mind," he said. "We heard from their chief. He came and gave us the scenario.

The meeting ended with a budget work session, Tasker said.

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# **Municipal, OPA election deadlines**

Pocomoke goes to polls on Tuesday; Filing ends today in Snow Hill, vote on May 1

### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Today, Thursday, is the deadline to file for office for the Snow Hill municipal election on May 1.

The town announced last week the deadline would move up one day because of the Good Friday holiday. Snow Hill residents who wish to run for municipal office must turn in paperwork by 4:30 p.m.

Two seats are up for grabs, mayor and eastern district councilperson.

Mayor Charlie Dorman faces Brian Gilliland in that contest, while Councilwoman Alison Cook had no competition as of Wednesday.

The filing deadline in Pocomoke has already passed, with only incumbent Councilwoman Esther Troast filing in District 5.

District 4 Councilman Brian Hirshman announced in January he would not seek another term in office. Two men, Todd Nock and Ryan Hurley, have filed for his seat.

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

Those wishing to run for the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors have until May 10 to file. Candidates must be homeowners in good standing, meaning assessments are paid up to date.

Three seats on the board will be on the ballot this year and two incumbents, Cheryl Jacobs and Tom Herrick, said they would not seek reelection. Director Ted Moroney has not yet decided if he will run.

Per Ocean Pines bylaws, this election must have at least five candidates, or two more than there are vacancies on the board. As of press time, only two candidates had submitted paperwork.

Certified candidates will be announced on June 1 and forums are scheduled on June 20 and July 14.

Mailed ballots are due Aug. 8 and will be counted and announced on Aug. 10. Votes will be certified during the annual meeting on Aug. 10.

Berlin is scheduled to hold its municipal election in October, with an August filing deadline, according to Laura Allen, town administrator. The seats currently occupied by Troy Purnell, Thom Gulyas and Dean Burrell are up for election.

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# **Mayor Dorman seeks reelection in Snow**

#### **By Josh Davis** Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Incumbent Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman announced this week he would run for reelection.



Dorman, 76, and originally from Baltimore, was the director of public works in Snow Hill for five years, then became mayor in 2012. "I used to work for the Navy in Washing-

**Charlie Dorman** 

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ton and the Navy transferred me to Wallops Island to help oversee the construction of ... the Naval base down there. That's how I got here," Dorman said.

"I'd seen what was going on and thought, hopefully I can make a difference," Dorman said.

Dorman was reelected twice, in 2014 and 2016, without opposition. He also runs the Country Flag Shop, which he opened in 2009.

"If you look at the town like it was before I came here and when I was just riding through, you've got a town that's sitting on the river. And a town on the river has something good going for it," Dorman said.

"The town has really come together and you can see that in the redevelopment of downtown," he continued. "We've really pushed hard and, it's not me, it's the Town Council, it's the town manager, it's the whole town staff - everybody has pushed to make downtown better.

Dorman would like to see more restaurants open downtown - emphasis on more.

"More restaurants, hopefully, will bring more people to see the town," he said. "And once they see that, they'll want to live in the town. And then we have to figure out a way to get new housing in the town. That's one of our big factors."

He also would like to see redevelopment plans for Sturgis Park realized, starting with a butterfly garden attraction to be built in cooperation with the Lower Shore Land Trust.

"Hopefully, that happens very soon," Dorman said.

"A nice brewery" established inside the old firehouse, currently used as a community center, is also a goal. To do that, however, would require finding another location to use for community gatherings.

"We would have to try and figure that out before we'd even [consider a brewery there]," Dorman said. "We've had interest in the building for that and we've had interest in the building where the toy store is now, before the toy store came to town.

"With Brews Up coming to town, it will bring more people that will want to make beer and to make wine, and maybe somebody else will look [at the old firehouse]," Dorman added.

Working with town staff has been a pleasure, Dorman said, from the administrators at Town Hall, to the fire department and police, to public

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works and the sewer plant.

"All these people make the town work and they're all very dedicated people," he said. "We're happy to have them and we hope we can keep them.

"And you've got a lot of people who do not like the town manager [Kelly Pruitt] and that's because they do not know her," Dorman added. "If they would take time to learn who the person is, I think they would see a different person. She is very dedicated to the town and lives and breathes this town. A lot of people don't think that way, but it's true."

The deadline to file for election in Snow Hill is today, Thursday, by 4:30 p.m. Dorman will face Ocean City Today Associate Editor Brian Gilliland in the May 1 municipal election.

Incumbent Eastern District Councilwoman Alison Cook is running unopposed.

As of press time, Wednesday, no other candidates have filed.

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Mayor Gee Williams

Programs can send texts during emergencies, help police locate special needs

(March 29, 2018) The Town of Berlin and Berlin Police Department want to remind Berlin residents there are two programs in effect that could be of great assistance to those with special needs: The Special Needs Alert

Program (SNAP) and the CodeRED Emergency Notification System.

Sponsored bv the Berlin Police Department, SNAP is intended to aid law enforcement officers in contacting and locating those

with special needs such as, but not limited to: Alzheimer's, autism, Down Syndrome, dementia and those with impaired mobility, hearing and vision, including the elderly.

"Law Enforcement agencies across the U.S. have implemented this type of program with great success," Police Chief Arnold Downing said. "SNAP is available for individuals who live and work in Berlin, as well as those who frequently visit."

By completing a short form, indi-

viduals and caregivers of those with special needs provide the police department with crucial information to assist in providing the best care during emergencies.

The Town of Berlin also offers residents and businesses the ability to stay informed about what's going on in the Town through the CodeRED Emergency Notification System.

many people will help us keep our residents, businesses and even visitors informed.'

Participation in the CodeRED system keeps residents informed of incidents such as power outages, road closures and other items, which may affect the entire Town or specific areas.

For information about the Special Needs Alert Program and CodeRED, visit www.berlinmd.gov or call the Berlin Police Department at 410-641-1334, or Town Hall at 410-641-2770.



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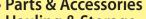
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# Gilliland to challenge for mayor of Snow Hill

Veteran reporter will face incumbent Charlie Dorman in election, set for May 1

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Ocean City Today staffer Brian Gilliland filed paperwork to run for Snow Hill Mayor on Tuesday and will challenge incumbent Mayor Charlie Dorman in the May election.



Originally from Trenton, New Jersey, he moved to the area in 2002 with his wife, Lora, who is the executive director of the Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art in Salis-

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bury Gilliland,

started in local media with now-defunct Oceana in 2003 and worked for the Salisbury Daily Times starting in 2008. He joined *Ocean City Today* in 2014 and is currently an associate editor.

The family ended up in Snow Hill about six years ago when Lora was pregnant with their second child.

They have two boys, Grady and Julian.

"Our house in Salisbury, which we'd rented for about 10 years, was too small and we spent a lot of time looking around. On a whim one day we said, 'let's go to Snow Hill," Gilliland said. "When we were passing through we saw this 'for sale by owner' house and it had a solar array on the roof and there was a sign on the door that said: 'Welcome hippies.

Gilliland contacted the owner and toured the house "and I said, 'oh my God, this place is perfect for us." His wife, at the time about seven months pregnant, agreed.

We looked around in Berlin and we looked around in Ocean Pines, and, yes, the tax rate is higher in Snow Hill, but the houses were cheaper, so this was well within our price range. And it was a great house for us and our growing family.'

He said the decision to run for office was "something [he's] been considering for a while.<sup>3</sup>

"In the media environment, you have a person like [Berlin Mayor] Gee Williams, who went from the media into a very successful political career.

[Worcester County Commissioner] Chip Bertino did the same thing and he's doing well for himself, coming from media," Gilliland said.

"I spent a lot of time in journalism and particularly a lot of time in government," he continued. "I covered the Town of Berlin, I covered Ocean City, I covered the county – so I have a lot of this in my head already. I don't know if I have it to the depth of somebody who has actually served in office, but I've got a great foundation.

"I view journalism as sort of a public service. I'm just choosing to do this now, for me, as a goal I had," Gilliland said. "I haven't ever found the right office, something I really wanted to go after, but I think this is it. I think this is a place for me to jump in and try to solve the problems, rather than observing and reporting."

He said his goal for Snow Hill was to help the town realize its potential.

"There's a great little downtown there. There's a high degree of safety. There are wonderful schools, Gilliland said. "Snow Hill is also adjacent to many different things that my wife and my family, and I think a lot of people with young families, can enjoy."

That includes the beaches in Ocean City and Assateague, and camping in the Pocomoke Forest, not to mention kayaking in Snow Hill, he said.

Despite its natural assets, Gilliland said Snow Hill is still often overlooked.

"Last year, some professionals [led by county officials] took a bus tour around and everything I heard from that meeting was, 'Oh my gosh, oh my gosh, this is all right here. We've got to bring this to people people need to see this," he said. "I think those things will help drive Snow Hill to be more economically viable, while at the same time retaining its own character and doing its own thing.

"I'm really excited with this opportunity," he added. "I think this is a good step for me. I think it's a good step for the town. I think I can bring a lot to the table.

"I have a lot of respect for Charlie Dorman and the work he's done and the accomplishments he's had," Gilliland said. "This is not a personal thing - this is something I want to do for myself."



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# **Bertino wants to continue county commissioner story**

## By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) It came down to the wire, but a near-deadline filing by Judy Butler made the race for Ocean



Pines' representative on the Board of Worcester County Commissioners a contested one, which first-term incumbent Commissioner Chip Bertino intends on winning.

Chip Bertino

Bertino replaced Commissioner Judy Boggs literally and figuratively, as he occupies the same chair she did before she retired, and, like her, he asks the greatest number of questions about the items the commissioners hear during their regular meetings.

"Four years ago, the county gave me a wonderful gift, and I continue to say thank you by working hard and continuing to get things done for the Ocean Pines District and the taxpayers of Worcester County," he said.

During the five years before seeking a seat on the board, Bertino said he covered the commissioners himself, or sent reporters to cover the issues for his newspaper, The Courier, where he is the editor/publisher. "I thought I had a pretty good idea of the issues, but not until having sat in the seat do I have more appreciation and understanding of the ins and outs of being a county commissioner," Bertino said. "Attending the meetings is about 20 percent of the responsibilities."

Indeed, Bertino is present at events all around the county, not just within his district, and can be spotted just about anywhere local officials are present.

That behavior will continue, he promised, as well as continuing his regular town hall meetings.

"The town meetings will continue to let people know what's going on, because they're paying for it," he said. "They allow me to tell the story we've been working on the past few years and we have a good story to tell. I'm looking forward to telling it, and I want to continue to tell it."

Bertino said he would like to see the replacement Showell Elementary School built, would like to keep the county budget "in line" and sustain the improved relations between the county and the Worcester County Board of Education.

He said he was looking forward to maintaining the support of fire and emergency services professionals in See INCUMBENT Page 16





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# **Membership drive for Pines Women's Club**

**Bayside Gazette** 

(March 29, 2018) The Women's Club of Ocean Pines invites all women who reside in Ocean Pines to join the organization.

The purpose of the group is to promote civic and social activities, including educational and community outreach opportunities, for its members.

In May 2017, the club presented three scholarships in the sum of \$2,500 and donated \$1,400 to organizations benefitting Ocean Pines residents, in particular \$400 to Ocean Pines Parks & Recreation and \$400 to Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department.

The club meets the first Thursday of every month at 10

#### a.m. at the Community Center in north Ocean Pines. Membership dues are \$10.

On April 5, the Women's Club will host a luncheon fashion show fundraiser of Chico's fashions at The Bayside Skillet on 77th Street in Ocean City from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On May 3 at the general membership meeting, scholarships and community donations will be presented to recipients. On June 7, a card and game party will be held at the Ocean City Fish Co. in West Ocean City from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For information, contact Susann Palamara at 410-208-2821 or email smpal1@verizon.net.

# **Incumbent Bertino** files for reelection

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the area, and was pleased the county is almost out of the liquor business.

'I don't think county government belongs in the liquor business," he said.

Bertino said he appreciated the talks he has with county staff, and not just the department heads, which are the ones usually in the spotlight during the regular biweekly meetings on Tuesday mornings, but the rank and file as well.

"I believe the taxpayers are getting their money's worth out of the county employees," he said.

Most of all, Bertino said he believes the experience he's gained during his first term will enable him to be equally effective during his second.

"I have a much greater appreciation for the machinations of government – I learned an awful lot," he said. "I have a much greater appreciation for the details needed in order to drill down to get to the bigger thing that's coming. Asking why is the biggest question to ask."



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# Not all rental properties will require CO alarm installation

'We urge our members and all

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and landlords to abide by this

new law and install the alarms.'

**CAR** President Joel Maher

(March 29, 2018) The deadline for installation of carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in some rental properties is April 1 and the Coastal Association of Realtors is reminding the public that alarms are only required in properties that contain a carbon monoxide source.

In 2016, the Maryland General Assembly passed House Bill 849 and its companion Senate

Bill 182. These bills re-

quire the installation of carbon monoxide alarms for any new and existing rental units that contain any

fuel-burning equipment or woodburning appliance, or has an enclosed attached garage.

They are not required in rental dwelling units that are powered solely by an electric power supply, as confirmed by the Office of the State Fire Marshal in a Nov. 22, 2017 press release titled, "Carbon Monoxide Alarms - Maryland Rental Properties."

"There is a misconception that carbon monoxide alarms are now required in absolutely all rental units in Maryland, and that's just not true," CAR President Joel Maher said. "Unless the unit is located within a municipality that requires alarms in all rentals, the law only applies if said unit contains a carbon monoxide source. We have confirmed this with Sen. Jim Mathias, who sponsored the Senate bill, as well as the fire marshal. If there is no source of carbon monoxide, there is no need for a carbon monoxide alarm."

According to the State Fire Marshal. CO alarms must be installed outside of each sleeping area and on every level to include the basement in a building that contains a CO

source. Alarms may be hardwired with a battery backup, or battery powered with a 10-year tamper-resistant battery.

'We urge our members and all rental management companies and landlords to abide by this new law and install the alarms," Maher said. "The absence of an alarm in a rental containing a CO source can lead to serious illness or death. We know the safety of tenants is of the utmost concern to all of our members who manage rental properties."

For more information, visit www.coastalrealtors.org.





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# **Regal Beast endures in Snow Hill**

#### By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) For more than a decade, Ellen Tolliver's Regal Beast studio in Snow Hill has provided both a showcase for her creative approach to ceramics and a home for other artists working in a range of media.

Glass artist Donald Cheeseman currently works out of the space on 302 North Washington Street, and others, such as Florida abstract painter Peter Keil, have work on display.

Tolliver, 71, was born in Massachusetts, lived in western Virginia for more than 30 years and had an eclectic career that included Arabian horse racing, a type of "regal beast."

"When my husband was getting ready to retire [around 2003], we said, 'Let's come to the Eastern Shore.' So, we went to Berlin and bought a big house on the water, and that was really nice," she said. "And then we came down to Snow Hill."

She and her husband were in town to "do some kind of class or kayaking or something" and stumbled upon the small town on the river.

"All of the sudden we came out of the farms into Snow Hill. It was like, where did this come from?" Tolliver said. "We went to Ann Coates' [Bishop's Stock gallery] and saw a variety of people, and it was like magic. And the magic bit us."

Tolliver spoke to Coates about buying a storefront and setting up an art studio. About a minute later Gary Weber, a local real estate agent, happened to walk by.

"The whole thing almost felt like a karmic setup. It was a hoot," she said.

She bought the building in 2005 and spent several hundred thousand dollars restoring it.

"I probably have about \$350,000 invested in the building," she said. "The back part was built in 1920 [and] ... it has been everything from a dance hall, to a bowling alley, to a detailing shop and a dry cleaner."

When Tolliver bought the building, it was "a huge antique mall."

"I had it as a clay studio. I rented it out for kids' dance classes and yoga – the list just goes on and on," she said. The building now includes a 2,000 square-foot apart-

ment in the back used partly by Tolliver, a seasonal resident of Florida, and partly as an Airbnb space.

Many of her nontraditional clay pieces are on display now at the Regal Beast and she plans to resume classes on a regular basis there in May.

"It's been too cold for these old hands to get into clay," she said. "But I've let Don, over the winter, spread his



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The Regal Beast in Snow Hill offers several variations of ceramics classes and displays the original artistic works of owner Ellen Tolliver.



# Ellen Tolliver puts creative spin on ceramics

#### [glass art] out."

Tolliver said Cheeseman is eyeing a move next door in the space currently occupied by a photography studio. She said the photography studio would move above the Daily Brew coffee house.

"You have to know Snow Hill is like 'A Moveable Feast' – people do this shop and then they rent over there. It's always an interesting phenomenon," she said.

If Cheeseman moves into the adjacent space, Tolliver said she would reconfigure the Regal Beast storefront and offer more pottery classes, including the Japanese art of Raku.

"Raku was originally used for tea ceremonies," she said. "It's an open-fire process where you put your clay in with a special glaze and it fires right in the ... open flame."

Also unique, the finished product will change colors if you rub its surface.

"It takes your pH and suddenly it'll change," she said. "People just sit there [and rub it] and say, 'look at the purple come out! Look at the blue come out! Isn't that cool."

She also hosts "glazing parties," meaning guests come in and paint on an already sculpted clay piece, as well as general pottery classes – with an emphasis on creativity. She compared the experience to a yoga class.

"Everyone can come in and, in a day, create something artistic and then they come back after I fire it," Tolliver said. "They get the fun of it. I teach how to just grab it and go with it, and suddenly they go 'ah!' and things get all twisted and turned. The important thing is balance and that's one of the things I focus on.

"I keep it real cheap. For me it's just pass through," she continued. "It's just the exposure of getting people interested in ceramic art. To be honest, I don't care if I make money on it."

Hours at Regal Beast are irregular, but Tolliver can be reached by phone at 703-582-7716 or through email at ellentolliver@yahoo.com.

"It's always been very loosey goosey and there's not enough foot traffic right now to warrant there being someone ... here full time," she said.

Artist space inside the building is also available

for \$100 per month, all utilities included. Tolliver said artists have 24-hour access to their space.

"When Don moves out we're going to move the kiln and I'll probably bring my other kiln from Florida, and then I'll do potter's wheels and [hopefully] have other artists," Tolliver said. "I'd like more canvas artists."

For more information, visit www.theregal-beast.com.



Balance is key to a good work of ceramic art, seen here doubling as a functional piece, according to Regal Beast owner Ellen Tolliver.

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# Berlin honors town workforce

### By Marshall Gabell

Intern

(March 29, 2018) The Town of Berlin on Friday honored five employees for a combined 80 years of service.

During a ceremony at Town Hall, Mayor Gee Williams recognized Ricky Dennis from Berlin Public Works, Sharon Timmons from the economic and community development department, and Berlin Police Department workers Lt. Jeffrey "J.D." Lawson, Police S.O. Joseph Kerr and Pco. Lisa Purnell.

Williams applauded those awarded for their service and said advancements made during the last several decades were a credit to the entire municipal workforce, stretching from the Berlin Public Works Department to the Berlin Police Department.

He said the dedication of employees led to the success of the many events that are a signature of the town.

"Every single department plays some role in making these events, not only happen, but happen with good taste and with joyous feeling and with minimal incidents," Williams said. "I think we've earned, because of everyone's contribution here regardless of what department you work for, fun in Berlin is not a fourletter word."

He said the town was renowned for its hospitality.

"Working for Berlin is like being in a close-knit family," Williams said. "Our employees are hard workers and deserve to be recognized, especially after all the advancements we have made. They are a key part to our success."

Kerr celebrated five years, Dennis has worked for the town for 10 years and Timmons was honored for 15 years of service, most recently taking on a lead role in the revamped Berlin Visitors Center.

Lawson, who also recognized the town for advancements during his tenure, was the sole service member that celebrated 20 years.

"I use to joke that a new police department wouldn't be built until well after I retired," Lawson said after the ceremony. "It's amazing how quickly our town has come together and advanced over the last two decades."

Purnell, a 911 operator, was recognized for 30 years of service.





A large crowd of Town of Berlin employees attend an annual employee recognition ceremony in Town Hall, last Friday. Pictured with Mayor Gee Williams, center, are Ricky Dennis from Berlin Public Works, left, and Lt. Jeffrey "J.D." Lawson of the Berlin Police Department, right.

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**By Josh Davis** 

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) After shuffling locations on Pearl Street, Jack Helgeson has settled on West Green Street in Snow Hill and rechristened his business "Snow Hill Gift Shop and Interiors."

Helgeson moved to Snow Hill from Cambridge about two years ago and in 2016 opened A Diamond on Pearl, part interior design showcase and part art gallery, in the old Emporium building on 111 Pearl Street.

Last year, he moved one building down, to 109 Pearl Street. This year, for the sake of consistency, relocated to 116 West Green Street.

"I just found out that this place was available and being between successful business Sassy Girl and successful business Ann Coates [Bishop's Stock] can

only help me," H e l g e s o n said. "So far it's been wonderful - every day has been wonderful."

Helgeson credited Snow Hill Economic Development Coordinator Michael Dav with the new name.

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Jack Helgeson "I'm not on Pearl Street

Diamond on Pearl didn't make sense and to call it 'A Diamond on Pearl on Green' is stupid," he said with a laugh. "But Michael pointed out that if they Google 'Snow Hill' I'll come up, if they Google 'interiors' or if they Google 'gift shop,' I'll come up.'

The new, larger location also allows Helgeson to do more upholstery work than ever before.

"I think the greatest thing about the move is, before, when Jack was across the street, he had to be home doing his upholstery and the shop wasn't open. If the shop was open, he couldn't be doing his upholstery,' Day said. "Now, he can be open and do his upholstery when he's not waiting on a customer.'

'I just finished a third piece for the Mansion House down at Public Landing, another happy customer. I love return business," Helgeson added. "I love this location and I think this block is really becoming something.'

Along with selling handmade gifts and offering upholstery services, the shop also rents tuxedos.

And, I've got an old-fashioned bell on my door that rings when you open it up," Helgeson said. "I'm so proud about that.'

For more information, call 443-77-8302 or search "Snow Hill Gift Shop and Interiors" on Facebook.



The new West Green Street home of Snow Hill Gift Shop and Interiors allows owner Jack Helgeson space to work on upholstery while also displaying unique, handmade gift items and renting tuxedos.



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Please Drink Responsibly

# **Community has home in Snow Hill business**

'I chose Snow Hill because I

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build up this community.

That's my vision.'

Starr's of Beauty Salon

owner Starr Tingle

New salon Starr's of Beauty to have traditional services, programs for kids, elderly

### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Starr's of Beauty Salon in Snow Hill "represents the community," since it acts as a traditional hair salon and an outreach center, according to owner Starr Tingle.



Tingle operated in the same location, 102 Pearl Street, five years ago and is preparing to reopen officially there next month.

**Starr Tingle** 

"It was called 'Starr's of Beauty

Salon and Kids Spa,' but I shortened it because it's not just for kids – it's for adults, it's for the elderly, it's for anyone that wants to come in," she said. "It was such a success [previously] that, when I left, people cried – I even cried.

'It made such a great impact that I felt it was needed," Tingle added. The salon has haircuts, coloring

and braiding, but Tingle said she is also working with vocational students, volunteers and teaching assistants to bring

programs for children needy and the elderly. "A lot of the

kids are bored and don't have anything to do, so I'm putting things on the map for them to do," Tingle said. Tingle also of-

fers in-home services for seniors.

"For people who can't come out, that don't have rides or can't walk or are wheelchair-bound, I'll bring my services to them with my student-assistants, that way they can see people from all walks of life," Tingle said.

"Some of the elderly don't have people who come visit, or they feel

people gave up on them, or feel like they're a bother, and I don't want them to feel that way," she continued. "Mainly, they just want someone to talk to. Their hair is perfect they don't need their hair done, but they want someone to talk to, so I do-

nate an hour of my time and I do their hair. And they like to talk to the kids.'

Tingle said she is always looking for additional volunteers and workers who "have the same ambitions and goals that I have."

"Mainly what I'm doing here is helping everyone to grow clientele, as well as do a lot of community service events - not just doing hair," she said. "This is just a base, a foundation, and we go all over the community and as far as Wilmington.

"I feel that this area is looked down on, not only Snow Hill but the Eastern Shore, because people think it's a slow area and there's nothing to do," Tingle continued. "I chose Snow Hill because I see a difference that I can make and a lot of people can make, and we can build up this community. That's my vision.

Tingle said she is training staff and plans to officially open by April 1. The salon is open now for walk-ins from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Starr's of Beauty offers children's spa specials on Mondays and Saturdays, featuring discounted haircuts, manicures and pedicures.

To volunteer or inquire about outreach programs, contact Tingle on Facebook at www.facebook.com/starr.tingle.5, or call 302-304-2413. Walk-in inquiries are also welcome, after April 1.

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# Page 25 Series of small events for Worcester Habitat

Berlin business after hours nets \$1,240; up next are DIY and yoga fundraisers

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County Inc. raised more than \$1,200 last Thursday at a Berlin Chamber of Commerce business after hours at the Maryland Wine Bar at Sisters.

The event included guest bartenders Andrea Bowland, Olive Jones Mawyer, Andrea Canon and Mark Vastine, from Habitat, and live music from Troy Mawyer and Adam Bilenki.

A Chinese auction featured items donated by J & M Meat Market, HOUSE by Salvaged, Bleached Butterfly, Heart of Gold Kids, Fathom, Rayne's Reef Soda Fountain & Grill, Uncle Jon's Soap, Island Creamery, Main Street Nails, Merry Maids, The Hobbit Restaurant, Atlantic Retreat, Coastal Coffee Roasting, Baked

Desert Café, Steel N Glory, Patty Clendenen, Aromermade, Attics of My Life, Patty Jeans Boutique and Dee Gilbert.

"We had an awesome turnout and we were able to raise \$1,240," said Canon, the resource development coordinator at Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County. "We are so grate-ful for the support from our community. We've decided to do a few smaller events this year and the guest bartender event was our first one.3

Upcoming fundraisers include a DIY Table Top Garden Fundraiser at Burley Café on Jefferson Street in Berlin, Friday, April 13 from 5-8 p.m.

Heather Layton of Gypsea Tide will provide supplies to create a picturesque tabletop garden filled with a variety of locally grown succulents, an array of different mosses and rocks, finished and a vintage figurine, all tucked inside a vintage vessel. Tickets are \$40, 30 percent of which will be donated to Habitat.

A Glow & Flow Yoga event is See STRONG Page 26



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Mark Vastine, left, Andrea Canon and Olive Jones Mawyer of Habitat for Humanity Worcester County pour drinks during a benefit for the nonprofit at the Maryland Wine Bar at Sisters in Berlin, last Thursday.



# Strong fundraising start for Worcester County nonprofit

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scheduled for Thursday, May 17 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on the lawn of HOUSE by Salvaged on Artisan's Way in Berlin. This event includes a two-hour yoga and meditation session with Chrissy Ehrhart of Zenna Wellness Studios.

No yoga experience necessary. Tickets are \$35 and include glow sticks and healthy refreshments. A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to Habitat.

Canon said the nonprofit also is

preparing for the opening of the Restore thrift shop in Berlin and construction of a new single-family home.

"We have a lot of fundraising to do still to be able to complete all the projects we have planned for this year and next, but I feel with the success from last [Thursday's] event, we're off to a good start," she said.

For more information about upcoming Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County events, visit www.habitatworcester.org/newsevents/calendar.html.



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Habitat for Humanity of Worcester County raise more than \$1,200 during a well attended business after hours last Thursday at the Maryland Wine Bar at Sisters. The Berlin Chamber of Commerce co-hosted the event.

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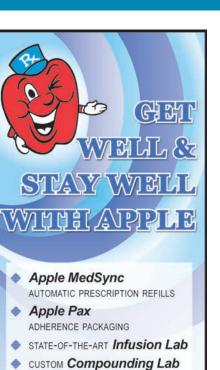


# EGGSCELLENT ADVENTURE

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About 100 children participated in Saturday's official town Easter egg hunt in Sturgis Park in Snow Hill. Sponsored by the town, the OC/Berlin Optimist Club and Burbage Funeral home, the egg hunt was divided into three age groups, with each group searching for rare golden eggs, which netted them a special prize. Following the hunt, citizens were invited down the street to the Julia Purnell Museum for a scavenger hunt and a further opportunity to win candy.

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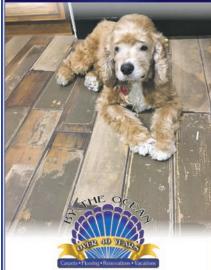
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# Nonprofit aid for Lower Shore women, girls

Community Foundation has designated up to \$25,000; applications due March 30

(March 29, 2018) Up to \$25,000 in grant funding is available to aid nonprofit programs designated for Lower Shore women and girls.

The funding is made possible by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore's Women's Fund, and applications are due by Friday, March 30.

The Women's Fund focuses its grant-making efforts to address the unmet needs of women or girls in Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties. Each eligible organization may receive up to \$5,000 this spring, and recipients will be presented the awards at a grantee reception. Previous recipients have included a broad range of area nonprofits, some of which are female-specific organizations such as Women Supporting Women, while other awardees offer female-focused programs such as the Life Crisis Center, Inc. Other recipients include the likes of MAC, Inc., Habitat for Humanity of Wicomico County, Inc., and Salisbury University.

"The Women's Fund allows women who are committed to the betterment of our local community to come together and make a lasting impact," said Erica Joseph, president of the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore. "Through this sort of collective charitable giving, we can teach future generations the importance of improving the lives of others and instill a tradition of philanthropy." The Women's Fund of the Eastern Shore was created through the power of collective philanthropy and is held at The Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore. Members work together to help change the lives of local women and girls by pooling financial resources in hopes of developing strong, self-sufficient women and positive change in the local community.

For information and grant applications visit CFES.org. Applications are due no later than March 30. Requests should address the unmet needs of women or girls, and must articulate a direct and measurable benefit of this targeted population in Wicomico, Worcester, and Somerset County.

As leaders, grant makers and stewards of philanthropy, the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore connects people who care to causes that matter for the common good of the Lower Eastern Shore.

Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore is a 501c3 nonprofit with an inspiring history of fostering charitable endeavors, and has provided more than \$67 million in grants and scholarships to the local community since 1984.

The organization collaborates with individuals, families and businesses to match their charitable interests with community needs and strengthen local nonprofits through grants and resources. It is devoted to improving the regional community and believes in the power of philanthropy.

For information, contact Victoria Kent, marketing officer, at 410-742-9911 or vkent@CFES.org.

# **Veteran dedication at Ocean Pines Memorial**

Ocean City based group to honor those who fought in Vietnam War on March 30

(March 29, 2018) Vietnam Veterans Chapter #1091, Ocean City, is dedicating a memorial bench to the eight Worcester County veterans that gave their all during the Vietnam War.

The dedication is scheduled for March 30 at 11 a.m. at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial in Ocean Pines.

Family, friends and the public are

invited to attend this dedication for the eight heroes: Pfc. Barry H. Berger, USA; Lcpl. Frederick W. Bivens, USMC; SP4 Charles L. Briddle, USA; Sgt. Michael E. Gordy, USMC; Pfc. Alphonso L. Harmon, USMC; Pfc. Lewis M. Haywood, USA; SP4 Freddie Marshall Jr., USA; and

Maj. Nutter J. Wimbrow lll, USAF.

Following the dedication, all are invited to a "Welcome Home" Vietnam Veterans celebration at American Legion Post #166, on 24th Street in Ocean City.

For further information, contact Nelson Kelly at 410-213-5228.

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# **Historical Society dinner in Pocomoke City**

Annual spring event coming to community ctr. April 13; Tickets cost \$22 per person

(March 29, 2018) The Worcester County Historical Society will hold its annual spring dinner meeting at the Pocomoke Community Center on Market Street, Friday, April 13.

Dinner guests will learn about Worcester County's past while enjoying a meal of chicken and dumplings with all the fixings prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary.

Following the dinner, Mabel Rogers will present a maritime history of Ocean City entitled "Storms, Wrecks and Party Boats."

During her talk she will display aerial photographs of the storm of 1933 that cut the present inlet at the south end of Ocean City. She will also discuss the mystery of the Pisces, which sunk in the Caribbean in the early 1960s. She will tell stories of Coast Guard rescues, including the last time the breeches buoy was used.

The granddaughter of the engineer on the train that took passengers to the resort, Rogers grew up in Ocean City. After graduating from Stephen Decatur High School she attended the Peninsula General Hospital School of Nursing and embarked on a nursing career.

Since her retirement, she has been active in community organizations and busy researching local history. She serves on the board of the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum and the Worcester County Historical Society.

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Doors will open for the event at 5:30 p.m. and the dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$22 per person and can be purchased by sending a check to Robert Fisher, WCHS Treasurer, 230 South Washington Street, Snow Hill, Maryland 21863. The deadline for reservations for the dinner, which is open to the public, is April 6.

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# South county edition ends

The *Bayside Gazette* is ending its southern Worcester County edition after this week, but not before acknowledging the support it received from readers and the leadership in that area.

Officials and residents of Snow Hill and Pocomoke were not only receptive to our venture, but did whatever they could to help us establish ourselves.

Readers responded to our effort in such high numbers that we are just as disappointed as they must be with our decision.

Nevertheless, the decision to revert to the *Gazette's* original mission of providing solid coverage of Ocean Pines and Berlin is fundamental: the revenue required to cover the increasing cost of producing the Snow Hill/Pocomoke edition did not reach the necessary level.

The expense/revenue factor became more critical in recent weeks, when the federal government imposed preliminary tariffs on newsprint imported from Canada to correct a supposed "trade imbalance."

It is true that Canada produces two-thirds of the newsprint consumed in this country, but the reasons for that have nothing to do with product dumping, as the Department of Commerce sees it.

Simply put, Canada has more trees to turn into paper pulp, and numerous American mills have closed in recent years as larger newspaper companies published fewer — and smaller — pages to save money, thus making paper manufacturing less profitable than it once was.

This tariff is expected to go up even more later this year — despite strong objections from some 1,200 American newspapers as well as most American paper manufacturers. Just last week, the cost of newsprint rose 11 percent, more than enough to make us review our numbers.

We're not giving up; we're just doing a strategic retreat. When the time comes that this tariff nonsense ends, and government notices and retail advertising become available at the threshold we need to break even, we'll be back. Meanwhile, thanks for reading and helping.



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# **Letters**

# Another take on the NRA

Editor,

This letter is in response to Mr. Evans' defense of the NRA.

Mr. Evans claims he used facts to support his beliefs that the NRA is an organization that is beneficial to our nation. I disagree. In reality, the NRA is one of the most powerful lobbyists in our nation, if not the most powerful.

Their goal is to make as much money for the gun industry as possible and, of course, line their own pockets. The NRA does this by opposing any new gun legislation, even though numerous studies have shown gun laws are effective in reducing gun violence.

They also sponsor gun laws that make our citizens less safe from gun violence. Many such laws have been passed in Republican controlled states. The NRA would have us believe that guns make us safer. If that were true, we would be the safest nation on earth. We are not. In fact, when compared to other modern nations, we are the least safe from gun violence.

This does not have to be. We know that states with strict gun laws have lower rates of gun violence than states with lax gun laws. We also know that nations with strict gun laws have reduced their gun violence significantly.

The NRA also knows this and is one reason it lobbied Congress to forbid CDC not to research gun violence. In Congress' new budget the president just signed, the CDC will once again be allowed to research gun violence.

Mr. Evans writes that liberals hate facts. However, a close examination of his "facts" does not support his claim.

First, the NRA is not the oldest civil rights organization in the nation. It was founded in 1871 to help people improve their shooting on a "scientific basis." It was only in 1934 that the NRA began to advocate for gun rights, as they believed the Second Amendment was under attack.

Both the National Advancement for Colored People and the National Association for the Deaf are older civil rights organizations. But let me be clear about this, today's NRA is not about civil rights, but about making sure the gun industry makes as much money as they can, even at the expense of the lives of school children, and even to the extent of going against the wishes of its' membership. The more money the NRA makes the more they receive, even taking a share from every gun sold.

There is no reliable source to substantiate that in 1957 the NRA set up charters to help train local black communities to be able to protect themselves against the KKK as the NRA claims. If they did, it must have been an utter failure, since blacks suffered severely at the hands of racists in the 1950s.

I do agree that at one time the NRA was a responsible gun organization that provided much needed gun safety instruction and supported legislation that actually helped reduce gun violence. That was then, this not now. Today's NRA is all about the money.

Also, today's NRA does not support conservation, although they tell their members and public that they do. The NRA's leadership is financially supporting some of the biggest conservation opponents in Congress. For example, the NRA rated much higher and gave much more money to Congressional members that opposed the Roadless Conservation Act of 2007 than to those who supported it.

True, the NRA does train Continued on Page 31 **Bayside Gazette** 

# <u>Letters</u>

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lice officers. The problem is their support for dangerous gun laws such as allowing career criminals to conceal carry, makes police officers' job more difficult and dangerous.

But that is exactly what they did in Wisconsin. Even worse, the NRA argues that more guns make us safer. Study after study proves them wrong. But do we really need studies to figure this out? Doesn't common sense tell us that guns make any situation more dangerous, not less?

And yes. An NRA instructor did stop a church massacre, but only after many had been killed. What if the killer had not been able to get a gun in the first place? No one would have died.

We are not looking for turning our nation into a battleground with frequent shootouts, hopefully with the "good guy" winning. We are aiming to stop shooters before they kill and before survivors are forever traumatized.

There is nothing wrong with telling kids how to respond appropriately to finding a gun. But Mr. Evans fails to mention that these incidents are examples of gun owners not storing their guns correctly. The consequences are often fatal. The NRA always claims gun owners are responsible. Even Mr. Evans admits this is not always the case.

The NRA's current stance is not to enforce current laws aggressively. In fact, in some Republican controlled states, the NRA helped pass dangerous gun laws and worked to impede the enforcement of gun laws on the books.

And to claim the NRA believes in many of the same positions that people who want strict gun laws is simply ridiculous. Even after the slaughter of 7- and 8-year-olds at Sandy Hook, the NRA made sure no gun laws to prevent future tragedies were passed.

The good guy with a gun stopping

the bad guy makes sense only if you see guns as the solution. Gun battles, kids being traumatized, lives lost, mental health issues, are not our solution. Ronald Reagan was surrounded by people carrying guns and, still, it did not prevent him from being shot.

And finally, Israel has very strict gun laws. In fact, Israel has some of the lowest gun ownership rates in the entire world. If Mr. Evans wants us to adopt Israel's gun laws, I support him.

Actually, statistics do not show shootings take place in gun free zones or that shooters look for soft targets. The data actually reveals the vast majority of mass shootings take place in areas where guns are allowed. And even in places like schools, where guns are not allowed, often armed security is on duty. This was the case at Stoneman Douglas High School.

No one is talking about outlawing guns. That is just a buzz phrase the NRA uses to rally their supporters against sensible gun legislation. We do not want hunters to stop hunting, or gun collectors to stop collecting, or target shooters to stop shooting, or for those who want a gun for personal safety not to have one. We can allow all those things and still have sensible gun control laws, such as universal background checks.

We are facing a moral issue. On the one hand we have the NRA not wanting to pass any gun laws, and ready to pass some very dangerous new ones, knowing full well this will lead to more gun violence, whether they admit it or not.

Their motivation is simply greed, not civil rights. On the other side we have people saying "enough." Lets act to stop senseless gun violence. Their motivation, reducing future gun violence in order to save lives. Which side are you on?

Tom Wallace Berlin

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# **Easter events in Worcester County**

Residents will have plenty to do in Berlin, Pocomoke, Ocean City, Ocean Pines

**By Kara Hallissey** Staff Writer

(March 29, 2018) Families can enjoy an abundance of Easter activities all weekend long in Ocean City, Ocean Pines, Berlin and Pocomoke. Here are many of the events taking

place: **OCEAN PINES:** 

•The Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department will present its annual Easter and Spring Celebration Saturday, March 31, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in White Horse Park, 235 Ocean Parkway.

"Bring your festive basket and get ready to scout the field for lots of colorful eggs," Ocean Pines Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer stated in a release. "This event is free and open to the public."

There will be many activities for children including egg hunts, carnival games, moon bounces, face painting, pony rides, arts and crafts and photos with the Easter Bunny.

The egg hunts are for children up to age 10. There are designated times for each age group.

The egg hunt at 11:30 a.m. will be for little ones age 2 and under; noon is for youngsters ages 3-4; 1 p.m. will be for ages 5-7; and 1:30 p.m. is for children ages 8-10.

An Easter bonnet parade and contest open to children 10 and younger will begin at 12:30 p.m.

In addition, the Kiwanis Club of Ocean Pines and Ocean City will be selling hot dogs, snacks, cupcakes and drinks.

In conjunction with the Easter celebration on Saturday, the Ocean Pines Farmers and Artisans Market will have extended hours from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at White Horse Park with seasonal produce, baked goods, floral arrangements, eggs, seafood, meat, pet treats and bath products.

Easter candy donations and volunteers are still needed.

For more information or to volunteer at the Easter and Spring Celebration, call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052

### **BERLIN:**

• The Berlin Chamber of Commerce will host its 23rd annual Spring Celebration on Saturday, March 31, on Main Street from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A pancake breakfast with Peter Rabbit at Rayne's Reef restaurant will kick off festivities. There are 8:30, 9:15 or 10:30 a.m. seatings available. A reservation is required and can be made by calling 410-641-4775. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children.

An Easter egg hunt sponsored by On What Grounds begins at 1 p.m. on the corner of Washington and West streets in addition to free pony rides on Commerce Street from 1-3 p.m.

Participants are encouraged to bring an Easter basket to collect their eggs.

There will be an Easter bonnet parade kicking off at 3 p.m. outside of Worcester Youth and Family. Easter baskets created by On What Grounds will be give out for prizes in five categories: greenest, coolest, most creative, best Mad Hatter and best Easter bonnet.

There will also be games, crafts, face painting, a moon bounce, live music, a petting zoo, food and a Cupcake Walk.

For more information, contact the chamber at 410-641-4775 or chamberinfo@berlinchamber.org.

**OCEAN CITY:** 

· Celebrate Good Friday with a Cross Walk on the Ocean City Boardwalk, Friday, March 30, at noon.

Participants will meet at the Son'Spot on Worcester Street and walk along the Boardwalk to Fourth Street. The group will carry a cross, sing songs and hymns and stop periodically for brief devotions on the cross.

Immediately following, a light lunch and refreshments will be provided at Atlantic United Methodist Church on the corner of Fourth Street and Baltimore Ave.

The Ocean City Christian Ministers Association hosts the Cross Walk and it will take place rain or shine. For more information, call 410-289-6573

• Check out Ocean City's 19th annual Easter Art, Craft and Kids Fun Fair on Friday and Saturday, March 30-31, with more than 15 Easter egg hunts, musical chairs, hula hoop and limbo contests, in addition to a number of other activities at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on 40th Street.

The event begins at 10 a.m. and will continue until 5 p.m. both days with Beanie the Easter Bunny kicking off the festivities each morning. There will be jelly bean guessing contests, coloring tables, egg spoon races, fastest dresser relays, balloon games and appearances by Sponge Bob.

On both days, John Donaldson will perform Magic n' Fun at noon, followed by a 2 p.m. juggling act from Cascading Carlos, who will also be on hand to teach juggling lessons.

For adults, more than 70 vendors will be featured in the art and craft show offering a wide variety of unique gifts and creative accessories including jewelry, art, décor, toys, and florals. There will also be door prizes.

Admission costs is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children ages 4-18, and includes most activities. Children ages 3 and under, and members of the mil-



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# **Northside Park in Ocean City** to host holiday happenings

itary, police or fire department are free with an ID. Seniors (60 and older) pay \$3.

There will also be pay-as-you-go activities, including sand art, face painting, hair wraps, temporary tattoos, figurine painting, make-yourown crafts, a duck pond, photos with the Easter bunny, moon bounces, an obstacle course, swings, a rock climbing wall and a shark slide.

Visit www.oceanpromotions.info/ events/easter-arts-crafts-and-kidsfair/ for a full list of events and times, and participating vendors.

• The Hippity Hoppity Hayride with the Easter Bunny returns to the inlet on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Boardwalk. The horsedrawn hayride leaves from the inlet lot near Thrasher's fries and travels around the pier to North Division Street and back. The cost is \$10 per person and children 3 and under ride free.

For more information or to make reservations, call 443-783-1409.

• Ocean City Recreation and Parks and the Worcester County Health Department are teaming up to sponsor a free one-mile "Every Bunny Walk" at Northside Park on Saturday, March 31.

Registration will take place at 10:30 a.m. before the walk starts a

half hour later led by the Easter Bunny. After the walk, participants can check out a few vendors who are slated to provide information on health.

Pre-registration is encouraged for the "Every Bunny Walk." For more information or to register, call 410-632-0056 email or regina.mason@maryland.gov for a registration form.

• Peter Cotton Tail makes his annual visit to Northside Park Saturday, March 31, during Ocean City Recreation and Park's annual Easter Bunny Fun Shop from 1-3 p.m.

The event on 125th Street is sponsored by the Ocean City Recreation Boosters and includes an egg hunt, arts and crafts, face painting, temporary tattoos, the chance to dye Easter eggs, and nearly a dozen carnival games such as a lollipop tree, pin-thetail-on-the-bunny, a duck pond, Easter egg ring toss, bunny putt-putt, bean-in-a-basket, bunny hoops, a jelly bean guessing contest and bunny darts.

In addition, refreshments, visits from the Easter Bunny and new this year, Magician Tom Foolery, captivates audiences courtesy of Dickens Parlour Theatre, closes out the festivities for children 2-10 years old and See POCOMOKE Page 35



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### DANCE CHAMPS

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The Selbyville X Squad travel and competition team recently took a trip to Denver, Colorado to compete in the Tribute Regional Dance Competition and to Asbury Park, New Jersey for the Imagine Regional Dance Competition. Each competition had over 500 acts but X Squad brought home the prestigious choreography award for their musical theater dance "Gone Fishing." Pictured, from left, are Chloe Marshal, Camden Rayne, Maddie Barton, Chelsea Kolacz, Anna Marie Buas, Erika Kolacz, Riley Cooper and Sophia Kyprios.



### **TOP ARTISTS**

Austin Whitehead, board member of the Coastal Association of Realtors, presented Worcester Prep fifth grader Maxine Ruggerio and third grader Isha Garg with \$50 gift cards and their framed artwork for being finalists in the Maryland Realtors 2018 Fair Housing Art Contest. Ruggerio's artwork was also selected as one of the statewide winners. She and the other statewide winners have been invited to the Maryland State House in April to receive an award from the governor or other state official. Pictured, from left, are Head of Lower School Laura Holmes, Ruggerio, Whitehead, Garg and Lower School Art Teacher Rebecca Tittermary.



### **D.A.R.E. GRADUATES**

Worcester Prep fifth graders participated in the D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program conducted by Sgt. Matthew Crisafulli of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. For two weeks, Sgt. Crisafulli visited Worcester to teach a lesson a day in the classroom. The purpose of the D.A.R.E program is to teach children refusal skills to avoid the temptation of drug experimentation and the pressure of peers to engage in drug use. Fifth grade teachers Camille Jenkins and Dr. Sara Timmons hosted a special program where the students received their D.A.R.E graduation certificates and T-shirts.



### BOWL BENEFIT

Families enjoy an evening of soup. entertainment and fundraising during **Berlin Intermediate** Schools' seventh annual Soup Bowl Project on Feb. 22. Handmade bowls were for sale during the annual event. Sixth grader Grace Kline is pictured with one of them. All money raised goes back to benefit the students of **Berlin Intermediate** School. SUBMITTED PHOTO/

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### **GUEST SPEAKER**

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The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City sponsors the Key Club at Stephen Decatur High School. Key Club is the high school version of the Kiwanis Club and the Decatur group is very active under the leadership of its two-term president, junior Dana Kim. She is pictured with Kiwanis Club advisor to the SDHS Key Club, Roy Foreman, left, and Kiwanis President Ralph Chinn during the March 21 meeting where Kim was the guest speaker.



### **POSTER CONTEST**

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Ocean City Elks Lodge officer Larry Batis presented three Worcester Prep Lower School students with awards for winning the 2018 Elks Drug Awareness Poster Contest. Pictured, in front, from left, are first- through third-place winners Rania Khan, Lydia Schwartz and Danielle Carr, and in back, Head of Lower School Laura Holmes with Batis. Khan not only won first place in the district and at the state level, but her poster has been submitted to the National Elks Contest.

# **Pocomoke home to** church services on **Easter, Good Friday**

Continued from Page 33 their families.

Ocean City residents pay \$6 and non-residents \$8 per child to enter the Fun Shop. Everyone must preregister and space is limited. Register in person at the Northside Park Recreation Complex on 125th Street or online at http://oceancitymd.gov/ oc/departments/recreation-parks/.

For more information, call Ocean City Recreation and Parks at 410-250-0125.

• The Ocean City Christian Ministers Association will host a community Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 1 from 6-7 a.m. on the Boardwalk at North Division Street. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Ministers and musicians from several Ocean City churches will participate in the service that combines preaching and singing. Bleachers and chairs will be provided, but attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket.

If it rains, the sunrise service will take place in the Atlantic United Methodist Church on the corner of Fourth Street and Baltimore Ave. Call 410-289-6573 for more information.

**POCOMOKE:** 

• Community clergy will have a Good Friday service today, March 30 at noon. It will be at Pitts Creek Presbyterian Church at 208 Market Street in Pocomoke.

For more information, call 410-957-2383.

• Salem United Methodist Church will have an Ecumenical Easter sunrise service on the Pocomoke River, Sunday, April 1, starting at 6:35 a.m. on the dock directly behind the church. Pastor Brian Albert will speak and Salem Brass will provide special music during the service. Attendees should dress warmly and bring their own lawn chair. Following the service, breakfast will be served at the church. Call 410-957-0991 for more information.

#### YOUR ULTIMATE GUIDE **TO OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND**









Ocean City resident Alsu Galimova, right, gets instructions before her children begin decorating eggs last year during the Easter Bunny Fun Shop at Northside Park on 125th Street.



- 10:00 Balloonamania
- 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt (ages 6 & under)
- 10:45 Easter Egg Hunt (ages 6 & under)
- 11:00 Games & Contests
- 11:15 **Easter Egg Hunt** (ages 7 & up)
- 11:45 **Easter Egg Hunt** (ages 6 & under)
- 12:00 Magic 'n Fun with John Donaldson
- 12:45 **Easter Egg Hunt** (ages 7 & up)

- 1:45 **Easter Egg Hunt** (ages 6 & under)
- 2:00 Cascading Carlos
- 2:45 Easter Egg Hunt (ages 7 & up)
- 3:00 Games & Contests
- 3:15 Balloonamania
- 3:45 **Easter Egg Hunt** (ages 6 & under)
- 4:15 Easter Egg Hunt (all ages)
- 4:30 Contests and Games



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# **NOW PLAYING**



**OLD SCHOOL** BJ's On The Water: Wednesday, 6 p.m.



### **RANDY LEE ASHCRAFT AND THE SALTWATER COWBOYS** Johnny's Pizza & Pub: Wednesday

### **BJ'S ON THE WATER**

75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com March 30: Luna Sea, 9 p.m. March 31: Bird Dog & the Road Kings, 9 p.m. April 4: Old School, 6 p.m.

#### **BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH**

116th Street, behind Fountain Head **Towers Condominium** Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com March 30: Ricky & Lennon LaRicci, 7-10 p.m. March 31: Chris Button & Joe Mama, 7-11 p.m. April 4: Open Mic, 8 p.m. April 5: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

### **CAPTAIN'S TABLE**

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

### **DUFFY'S TAVERN**

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com March 30: Bob Hughes, 5-8 p.m.

#### **HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL**

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com March 30: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.



**FIRST CLASS Ocean Club Nightclub: Friday & Saturday** 

March 31: Side Project/Chris Button, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

April 1: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. April 5: Opposite Directions, 9 p.m.

### HOOTERS

12513 Ocean Gateway West Ocean City 410-213-1841 www.hootersofoc.com March 30: DJ Wax, 4-8 p.m.

#### JOHNNY'S PIZZA & PUB

56th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-5600 www.johnnyspizzapub.com March 30: Dave Sherman, 8-11 p.m. April 4: Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Saltwater Cowboys

#### **OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB**

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Every Friday and Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. March 30-31: First Class

### PICKLES

706 Philadelphia Ave. Ocean City 410-289-4891 www.picklesoc.com March 30: Beats by Jeremy, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. March 31: Andrew Robear, 10 p.m.

April 2: Karaoke w/Jeremy, 9 p.m. April 5: Beats by Wax, 9 p.m.

### **PURPLE MOOSE SALOON**

108 S. Atlantic Ave. Ocean City 410-289-6953 www.purplemoosesaloon.com March 30: Just Push Play, 9 p.m. March 31: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.; Just Push Play, 9 p.m.

#### SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com March 30: Cherry Crush, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. March 31: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; Rew Smith, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; The Benderz, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. April 5: John McNutt Band, 5-9 p.m.

#### **SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE**

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com March 30: Chino Rankin aka Good Vibes Only, 4-8 p.m. March 31: Elwood Bishop Duo, 4-8 p.m.

#### WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 www.whiskersbar.com March 30: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey



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## **Kicking off youth soccer season**

#### Outdoor play at John Walter Smith Park in Snow Hill for ages 3 through 8th grade

(March 29, 2018) Worcester County Recreation and Parks youth outdoor soccer season kicks off this spring at John Walter Smith Park in Snow Hill.

Children will practice basic soccer skills and be able to compete against teams from other local towns.

The season will run from April 8 – June 17 on Sundays at John Walter Smith Park in Snow Hill. Open to ages 3 through grade 8, participants will be split into five competing divisions (age 3-4, grade k-1, grade 2-3, grade 4-5, and grade 6-8).

The registration deadline for the spring season is Thursday, March 29.

The cost is \$30 per person to play, and \$25 for each additional child. Any registration submitted after the deadline will be charged an additional \$5 fee, and participants may not have the request met for certain teams or coaches.

Checks should be made payable to Worcester County and can be mailed to WCRP or dropped off at the Worcester County Recreation Center.

Volunteer coaches are also needed. Soccer teams cannot run successfully without volunteer coaches who donate their time to helping children improve their soccer skills.

An orientation meeting will be held for all interested coaches on Thursday, April 5, at 6 p.m. at the WCRC.

For more information, contact Program Manager Jacob Stephens at 410-632-2144, ext. 2506 or jstephens@co.worcester.md.us, or visit website at www.Worcester-RecAndParks.org.

## Call for entries: juried exhibit at Berlin art gallery

Open to all artists over 18; reception set for April 13

(March 29, 2018) The Worcester County Arts Council invites artists to participate in a juried art competition and exhibit to be presented during April at the WCAC Gallery on 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

The exhibition is open to all artists (18 years old and older), professional or amateur, with work in all media.

All work must be original and completed within the last three years. Local artist Peggy Warfield will jury all entries in for the inclusion in the competition.

Monetary prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place at 5:30 p.m. during the 2nd Friday arts stroll reception on April 13 from 5-8 p.m.

Entries for the competition will be accepted Thursday, March 29 and Friday, March 30 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and should be delivered to the arts council.

Detailed guidelines for the competition are available at www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org.

For more information, call the arts council office at 410-641-0809.

**Ravens Roost raffle for scholarship** 

(March 29, 2018) Ocean City Ravens Roost #44, in conjunction with its 21st annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, is sponsoring a raffle for the annual Scholarsahip Fund.

Each year, the Roost gives scholarships to three local high schools: Indian River, Stephen Decatur and Worcester Prep.

In 2017, the group awarded \$14,200 and will present the same amount to students graduating in 2018. This will bring the total scholarships awarded to over \$170,000 since Ravens Roost #44 began its Scholarship Fund. This year the raffle prize includes a framed, authenticated, autographed Ray Lewis Ravens #52 Jersey and \$520 in cash. Tickets cost \$10 each or get three for \$25. Only 500 will be sold.

The winning ticket will be drawn on Oct. 27. To purchase tickets, send a check made out to OC Ravens Roost #44 to P.O. Box 4161, Ocean City, Maryland 21843-4161 along with a stamped, self addressed envelope. Include name, address and phone number so roost representatives can fill out ticket stubs. The organization will mail a copy of the ticket(s) to buyers.

The Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, June 1 at the Ocean Pines Country Club, a Robert Trent Jones designed course. For more information on the tournament, including registering a team, sponsoring a tee sign, or donating merchandise/gift certificates for the silent auction, contact Marc Grimes at marcgrimes616@gmail.com.

All money raised from the raffle and the golf tournament goes to the Scholarship Fund.





#### TAX SPECIALIST

PHOTO COURTESY D.J. LANDIS, SR.

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City was briefed on the new tax law by Brian K. Roberts, CPA and tax and financial services planner, during the group's March 14 meeting. Roberts has two offices, one in West Ocean City and the other in Annapolis. He has been an Ocean Pines resident since 2004 and is married with three children. Roberts worked with the Ocean Pines Budget Committee from 2005 to 2011. He is pictured receiving the "Kiwanis Speakers Pen" from **Club of President Ralph Chinn** 



#### **QUARTER CENTURY MARK**

The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution recently recognized Barbara Carole Ratcliff Rusko for 25 years of dedicated service during a recent luncheon meeting. Rusko, left, was accepted into the DAR on Feb. 6, 1993. Her Patriot is Private Peter Josselyn, Sr. of Massachusetts. She is pictured with Regent Patricia Ayers.



#### PHILLIPS HONORED

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

In conjunction with Women's History Month, the General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution annually recognizes a woman, past or present, who has made a difference in her community and submits a brief biography and photo of the honoree for inclusion in the National Society's Women in American History Project database. This year, the chapter voted to posthumously honor Shirley Phillips for her outstanding contributions in the hospitality industry. The tribute to Phillips, a member of General Levin Winder Chapter since 1991, was given during a recent luncheon meeting and her granddaughter, Joanna Phillips, right, accepted the certificate on behalf of the family from American History chair Suzanne Zantzinger and Regent Patricia Ayers.



#### LANDMARK BIRTHDAY

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Dorothy Watson-Webb celebrated her 90th birthday at a luncheon given by her children at the Mallards on the River Restaurant in Pocomoke City, March 10. Approximately 50 guests were in attendance. She is pictured with her immediate family outside the restaurant.



#### DAR HONORS ANNA

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Star Charities founder Anna Foultz was recently recognized for her community service in regards to veterans by the Maryland State Society Daughters of the American Revolution during its recent 113th conference in Ellicott City. Upon receiving her award, Foultz presented the state regent with a copy of her book, "Two Steps Forward." General Levin Winder Chapter sponsored Foultz for the award. Pictured, from left, are, Maryland State Regent Carol Dorsey Larkin, Foultz and State Community Service chair Rebecca Moyer.



**TOP WALKER** Taylor Bank is a supporter of the Worcester County Health Departments' worksite wellness programs and a Healthy Member Business. Recently, the bank partnered with the department to pilot an app for their Just Walk program. Forty-one of the bank's employees have signed up to participate in the Just Walk Program and 20 of the bank's employees participated in the pilot program. Pictured is Lori Simon, the bank's Ocean Landing Branch manager, who won first place from Taylor Bank. She walked 385,632 steps in the Just Walk it off challenge. She was awarded a gift basket full of wellness goodies presented by Tiffany Scott, an HMB/Worksite Wellness coordinator with the health department. SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## Puzzles

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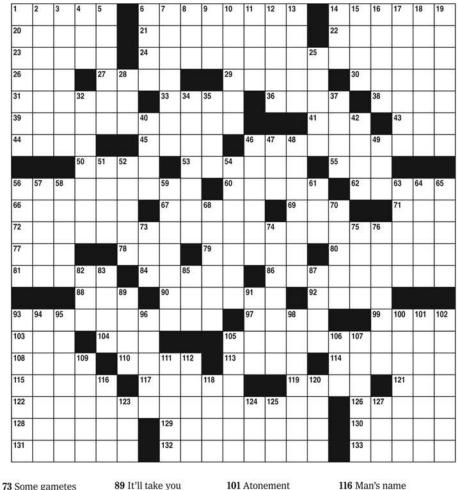
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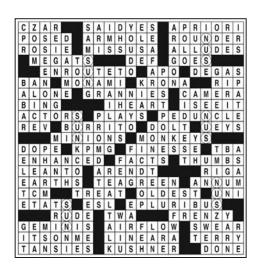
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Fill in the blank spaces in the grid so that every vertical column, every horizontal row and every 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, without repeating any. There is really only one solution to each puzzle.

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#### Answers to last week's puzzles

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# Cuisine

## Pocket this twist on traditional samosas

As I reach for my office-grade coffee just purchased from a vending machine, I reminisce on the golden



e on the golden days when energy was in great surplus. Oh, how things change as we age and I at least can relish in the fact that I'm still active, a n x i o u s l y a w a i t i n g w a r m e r weather so I can

By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

get on and in the water again. Please, warmer weather ... please.

As much as I love winter and the changing seasons, last night's cold snap sent winds that cut right through us as we watched a lacrosse game, so the kids and I stopped and bought a few bundles of wood to heat up the first floor last night. There is nothing like a raging fireplace to make you want to curl up in front of the TV.

Well, that and a glass or two of wine, maybe?

On the other side of my laptop is a pack of Butterscotch Krimpets, a guilty pleasure of mine since I was a wee lad. I'm smart enough to know that these won't give me any energy per se, but they are a motivating little treat, as long as they're not stale; truly a terrible day when that happens.

Luckily, we were working on Indian food today and one student made samosas with raita, so I ate a great lunch (the chicken korma was impressive as well) and am only now recovering from my food coma. I can still feel the lingering effect of the cooling cucumber sauce laden with fresh yogurt, the latter being so easy to make so as to be in your kitchen on a regular basis.

There's something very special about fermenting foods such as yogurt, kimchi and kombucha. Sure, the icebox might smell a little bit during the process, but anything worth doing is worth a little sacrifice.

I've been known to make my own kimchi and kombucha in the past (not too terribly successful on the latter), and I am the only living soul in the house who will touch any the stuff; not even the dogs will go near it.

So it goes, as it is delicious and it won't go bad for months or even years! I've even been known to brew my own beer (a hobby that I quit in the late 90s) and wine, hobbies that I wouldn't mind looking into again if I ever get moved into my house.



Hey, it's only been two years. I'll get there.

I also like to make fresh yogurt, having bought a yogurt maker for the family a few years ago. There is a vast difference between homemade and store-bought yogurt, same as there is a notable difference between sour cream and crème fraiche. Once you have fresh yogurt, you will wonder why it isn't a staple in your home.

The beauty of making yogurt the "new-fashioned" way is that you can get the cultures directly from the machine's manufacturer. They are more than happy to walk you through the process and help you choose the best route for having a regularly rotating stock on-hand to suit your needs.

You will see the yogurt in the sauce recipe below, and as these are not traditional samosas I didn't want to go so far as to call them that. But they are delicious, not too terribly bad for you except for the frying part, and overall a delicious lunch. I take another sip of the coffee ... I think this is coffee ... and I'm starting to pick up a little bit. Attribute that to the coffee or the Krimpets as you see fit.

OK, now I'm awake.

#### **Vegetable Pockets**

makes 6

- 1 batch dough (recipe follows)
- 1 pound Russet potatoes, peeled
- 3 Tbsp. Clarified butter
- 2 Garlic cloves, minced
- 1 Medium shallot, diced
- 1 Jalapeno, seeded and diced
- 2 tsp. Curry powder
- 1/2 cup Peas
- 1/2 cup Diced carrots, blanched

2 Tbsp. Diced parsley1. Cook the potatoes in salted water at a low boil until tender

2. Drain and allow to steam out to help them dry a little bit more

3. Heat the butter and sauté the garlic, jalapeno and shallot for two minutes

4. Add the potatoes, peas, carrots and curry and cook until all flavors have melded

5. Finish with the parsley and set aside until cool enough to handle

6. When ready to make, take your dough and divide it into equal portions. Roll into 6-inch circles

7. Place some filling on the dough circle, wipe the edges with water, and seal them shut

8. When ready to cook, simply fry them until golden brown and cooked through

9. Serve with a cucumber sauce or dip of your choosing

#### **Dough for Wrappers**

2 1/2 cup AP Flour

- 1 stick (4 ounces) butter, unsalted 1/2 cup Water, or as needed salt, to taste
- 1. Place flour and butter in a food processor and pulse until it resembles coarse cornmeal

2. Drizzle in the water until a dough forms and add salt

3. Make sure that the dough is pliable but do not over-process, as this can make your pockets unbearably tough

#### **Cucumber Yogurt Sauce**

makes about 2 cups

1 1/2 cup Good plain yogurt

1 Cucumber

squeeze lemon juice

pinch of cumin

1/4 cup Fresh mint, minced1. Combine all ingredients, adjust-

ing your seasoning only after everything has been added

2. Chill until ready to serve

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

## **THU, MAR. 29**

#### LITTLE EAGLES GOLF SCRAMBLE REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Rum Pointe Seaside Golf Links, 7000 Rum Pointe Lane, Berlin, MD, All Day Check-in begins at 11 a.m. on April 2. Shotgun start at noon. Hole-in-one prize is a Ford F-150. Awards for men's and women's winning teams, closest to the pin, longest drive and double or nothing. There will be a 50/50 raffle and Mulligans available. Cost is \$280 per four-player team or \$70 per player and includes lunch, driving range, green fees, cart, dessert, door prizes and awards. All proceeds benefit Snow Hill Elementary School PTA programs. To register, contact Nikki Nelson, 410-632-5210, 443-523-6971 or snowhillelem.pta@gmail.com.

#### STORY TIME 'LAMBS'

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-632-3495, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

#### **STORY TIME 'TURTLE TIME!'**

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. Join Luke the Terrapin and enjoy stories, movement, songs and crafts. For ages 2 to 5. 410-208-4014, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

#### **COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT**

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

#### HOLY THURSDAY WORSHIP

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, West Ocean City, MD, 12 to 7 p.m. Handwashing symbolizing cleansing, Holy Communion and stripping the sanctuary. 410-641-2186

#### STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

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

#### **FIRESIDE CHAT**

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 3 p.m. Join the group for a lively chat about favorite reads and get some great ideas. 410-641-0650, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

#### **BEACH SINGLES**

Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4 to 6 p.m. Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577 or Kate, 410-524-0649. http://www.BeachSingles.org

#### **ANIMATION AFTER HOURS**

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway,



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#### **TAYLOR VISITS**

Kiwanis is about "Serving the Children of the World" which is also an objective of the Worcester County Youth & Family Services. Steve Taylor, executive director of Worcester County Youth & Family Services, left, accepts the Kiwanis Speakers Pen from Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City President Ralph Chinn.

Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Educational showcase of rare, classic, groundbreaking and bizarre animation from every era around the world. For adult audiences. 410-524-1818, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

## CRAFTING WITH DENISE WAGNER 'SOCK BUNNY'

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Registration is necessary for this program. 410-957-0878, http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

### WARRIORS AGAINST OPIATE ADDICTION MEETING

Stephen Decatur High School, 9913 Seahawk Road, Berlin, MD, 6:30 p.m. Get informed, hear about some encouraging changes and find out how you can help be a part of the solution.

### HOLY THURSDAY WORSHIP AND COMMUNION

St. Matthews By-the-Sea Methodist Church, 1000 Coastal Hwy, Fenwick Island, DE 19944, 7 p.m. Pastor Bruce Miller will share a message on "waiting." The church practices and open communion. All are welcome to participate in the celebration of remembrance. http://www.smbts.org, smbts@veriozon.net, 302-537-1402

### FRI, MAR. 30 19TH ANNUAL O.C. EASTER ART, CRAFT AND

#### KIDS FUN FAIR Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Art & Craft show will feature more

The Art & Craft show will feature more than 70 vendors from near and far. The Easter Kids Fun Fair will include Beanie the Easter Bunny, more than 15 Easter egg hunts, jelly bean guesses, coloring tables, musical chairs, hula hoop contests, fastest dresser relays, limbo contests, egg spoon races, magic shows, juggling shows and lessons, Balloon-a-mania and appearances by Sponge Bob. Sign up at the show to participate in the egg hunts. Admission costs are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors (60+) and students (4-18 years) and free to children 3 years and younger and military, police and fire with ID. There are additional activities on a pay-as-you-go basis including photos with the Easter bunny. events@oceanpromotions.info, 410-213-8090, http://www.oceanpro-motions.info.

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#### MEMORIAL BENCH DEDICATION

Worcester County Veterans Memorial, Racetrack and Cathell Roads, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. Vietnam Veterans Chapter #1091 is dedicating a memorial bench to the eight Worcester County Veterans that gave their all during the Vietnam War. A "Welcome Home" Vietnam Veterans celebration will follow at American Legion Post #166 on 24th Street in Ocean City. Nelson Kelly, 410-213-5228 #1

#### **CROSS WALK**

The Son'Spot, 12 Worcester St., Ocean City, MD, 12 p.m. The Christian community will meet at The Son'Spot for a short time of ministry and then proceed down the Boardwalk, past the sand sculpture and end at Atlantic United Methodist church on Fourth Street. The group will walk together, carrying a cross, singing and having a brief time of ministry at several stops along the way. Afterwards, refreshments will be serve at Atlantic Methodist. The event is rain or shine. Ocean City Christian Ministers Association, 410-289-7430

#### FIFTH FRIDAY FESTIVAL

Downtown, Snow Hill, MD, 5 p.m. Featuring a winner take all, double elimination Corn Hole Tournament, children's activities including a bounce house and face painter, sidewalk sales and vendors, food and drink sales, music and downtown store specials. Vendors are welcome; no charge for vendor space. Check-in for the Corn Hole Tournament is at 5 p.m. at the Old Firehouse, 210 W. Green St. Entry per team is \$25 or singles are \$12.50. Half of the money collected will go to the winning team. Registration forms are available at Snow Hill businesses, on the Town of Snow Hill Facebook page or at EventBrite, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/snow-hill-5th-friday-corn-hole-tournament-tickets-43407532097. Registration taken at the event is space allows. If there is enough interest, there will be a Junior Singles competition (for ages 10 and younger). Michael Day, 410-632-2080

#### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD 21811. Two showings: noon and 7 p.m. Presenting the film "Jesus" staring Jeremy Sisto. Lasting nearly 3 hours, it is about the life, work and death of Jesus. 410-641-2186

#### **OYSTER FRITTER SANDWICH**

American Legion Post #123, 10111 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 3 p.m. All are welcome.

#### **GOOD FRIDAY PLAY**

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St. Berlin, MD, 7 p.m. "In the Beginning" presenting the victorious rise of the Church in story and song.

## **SAT, MAR. 31**

#### FARMERS MARKET

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

#### **BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER**

Ocean City Airport, 12724 Airport Road, Berlin, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Menu includes pancakes, bacon, sausage, home fried potatoes, eggs and coffee. Cost is \$8, which benefits the Huey Helicopter Memorial. 410-213-2471

#### 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 moderateincome taxpayers. By appointment only.

#### **OC JOB FAIR**

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: OC Chamber of Commerce, 410-213-0552.

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#### ANNUAL EASTER BUNNY FUNSHOP AND **EVERY BUNNY WALK**

Northside Park Recreation Complex, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. The day will kick off with a free, 1-mile Every Bunny Walk. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. There will also be vendors outside offering free health information. Pre-Registration for the walk is encouraged: 410-632-0056 or regina.mason@maryland.gov. The Easter Bunny Funshop, held from 1-3 p.m., will feature egg hunts, egg dyeing, arts and crafts, nearly a dozen carnival games, refreshments, face-painting, temporary tattoos, visits wth the Easter Bunny and Tom Foolery's interactive magical marvels. Open to children ages 2-10 years and their families. Only child participants will be charged. Cost is \$6 for Ocean City residents and \$8 for non-residents. Pre-registration is mandatory: http://oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/recreation-parks/ or 410-250-0125.

#### **ANNUAL EASTER/SPRING CELEBRATION**

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD 21811, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Festivities are free and open to the public and include egg hunts (for , carnival games, moon bounces, face painting, pony rides, arts and crafts, an Easter bonnet parade and more. The Easter egg hunt schedule is 11:30 a.m. to ages 0-2, noon for ages 304, 1 p.m. for ages 5-7 and 1:30 p.m. for ages 8-10. The bonnet parade and contest for children up to age 10 begins at 12:30 p.m. Hot dogs, snacks, cupcakes and drinks available. Photo opportunities with the Easter bunny will also be available. Volunteers and candy donations are needed. For info: 410-641-7052. The Ocean Pines Farmers and Artisans Market will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## SUN, APR. 1

#### EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

On the Boardwalk, North Division Street and Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, MD 21842, 6 to 7 a.m. Ministers, musicians and singers from many of Ocean City's Christian churches. Bleachers and chairs will be provided, but you may want to bring a blanket. If there is rain, the service will relocate to Atlantic Methodist Church on Fourth Street. 410-289-7430

#### FENWICK ISLAND SUNRISE SERVICE

On the beach at Dagsboro Street, Fenwick Island, DE, 6:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to





#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Claudia Nagle, executive director of Diakonia Inc., the only comprehensive provider of emergency and transitional housing for men, women and families on the Lower Shore, spoke during the March meeting of the Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County. The club, with more than 160 members, meets monthly in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Pictured, from left, are Past President DWC Em Hench, Nagle and DWC President Vicky Wallace.

participate in a short worship and praise service. A light breakfast will follow at St. Matthews By-the-Sea Methodist Church, 1000 Coastal Highway, Fenwick Island, DE. Parking is available in the church and bank parking lot on Dagsboro Street. Regular 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services of Easter celebration will follow. smbts@verizon.net, 302-537-1402, http://www.smbts.org

#### SUNRISE SERVICE

Assateague Island State Park, 6915 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD 21811, 6:30 a.m. Follow the directional signs to the pavilion. Take lawn chairs and dress warmly. Breakfast to follow at Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD. 410-641-2186

#### **BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER**

Ocean City Airport, 12724 Airport Road, Berlin, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Menu includes pancakes, bacon, sausage, home fried potatoes, eggs and coffee. Cost is \$8, which benefits the Huey Helicopter Memorial. 410-213-2471

## **MON, APR. 2**

#### **CPAP MASK FITTING**

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

#### 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, individualized tax preparation for low- to moderateincome taxpayers. By appointment only. 410-641-5036

#### AARP MEETING

Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. Social time begins at 9:30 a.m. This month's guest

speaker will be Gracie Ferber, Outreach Coordinator with Delmarva Discover Center. Collections taken for Diakonia. Larry Walton, lrwalto@yahoo.com, 443-831-1791

#### HYPERTENSION CLINIC

Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Michelle, 410-641-9268

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Berlin group No. 169. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Joy Chestnutt, 443-365-5815

#### AGH DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., Berlin, MD, 6 to 7 p.m. Open to the public and meets the first Monday of each month. Speakers and education related to diabetes. AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-208-9761

#### **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, APR. 3

#### **OCEAN CITY P.R.E.S.S. COMMITTEE ANNUAL** SEMINAR

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Property Review and Enforcement Strategies for Safe-Housing Committee is holding their annual seminar to update property owners and landlords on local regulations and compliance expectations. Attendees will have the opportunity to request a pre-season property inspection. Citizens with complaints or concerns are asked to call the Office of Planning and Community Development at 410-289-8855

#### FAITH-BASED PARTNERSHIP

Atlantic Health Center Conference Room, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 10 to 11 a.m. A cooperative effort to increase health awareness, education and healthy living incentives for the community. Gail Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

#### 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

#### **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, APR. 4**

#### **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, http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org

#### HYPERTENSION CLINIC

Rite Aid, 10119 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Wednesday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Michelle, 410-641-9268

#### HYPERTENSION CLINIC

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

#### **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. All are welcome. dance@delmarvahanddancing.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

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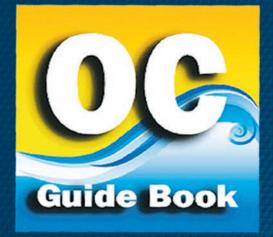
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Members of Community Behavioral Health and representatives from the Town of Snow Hill on Tuesday celebrate the signing of a memorandum of understanding to bring the mental health practice to the Oscar Purnell Mansion in Snow Hill.

## **Snow Hill landmark finds tenant**

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) It was a family affair on Tuesday, as representatives from Community Behavior Health signed a memorandum of understanding to bring a wide range of mental health care services to the old Oscar Purnell Mansion on 107 East Market Street in Snow Hill.

The practice will essentially get the building for free, but agreed to pay for about \$500,000 worth of renovations and operate the business in Snow Hill for at least five years.

was Dr. Niru Jani, his wife Dr. Sushma Jani, daughter Dr. Suni Jani, and son Dr. Raja Jani.

Mayor Charlie Dorman, councilwomen Diana Purnell and Jenny Hall, Economic Development Coordinator Michael Day, Code Enforcement Officer Jon Hill, and Trish Goodsell, assistant to the town man-

Present during a signing ceremony

Also attending were Snow Hill



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The Oscar Purnell Mansion in downtown Snow Hill will soon be home to a variety of mental health care services thanks to an agreement with new tenant Community Behavioral Health.

ager.

Dr. Suni Jani said the family learned about the property through Hill.

"We understood that, outside of the health department, this is an underserved region in terms of mental health services," she said. "We needed a clinic to work out of, so it seemed to be a mutually beneficial opportunity.

"Jon said this has a lot of historical value and a lot of sentimental value to the city, and it's something that needed to be rebuilt," she continued, adding the plan was to preserve as much of the historical and sentimental value as possible. "It's a really massive privilege to be able to do something like that, but it's something that's going to come in stages.'

She said transforming the enormous house, about 5,700 square feet over three stories, not to mention a full basement, would not happen overnight. Contractor estimates were for 12-18 months of work.

'Our hope was, as soon as its safe to run a clinic in here, we'd have at least one floor that we're doing work out of," she said, adding a full renovation of the home would eventually allow for visiting doctors to stay there. "A lot of what we do involves volunteer resident student-physi-See COMMUNITY Page 8

## **Inaugural cycling** event 'Algonquest' was spoke-tacular

#### **By Josh Davis** Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Organizer Tres Denk said the first "Algonquest" event in Pocomoke City and Ocean City last weekend was a success.

The bicycling experience included a Friday night ride and Saturday daytime race along the Algonquin Trail in the Pocomoke Forest, and a Sunday morning event on the Ocean City Boardwalk.

'We ended up with 13 riders starting the race [Saturday] and two disgualifications," said Denk, a member of the Eastern Shore chapter of the



International Mountain Bicycling Association. "Only one person made it halfway and he was under 18, so that was extremely impressive. He vowed to complete it next year." Denk said the top

finisher was Dave McCloy of Wooden Wheels Service Repair in Newark, Delaware. McCloy completed the trek in 1:49:07.

Additional competitors in the expert class included Chris Davis (2:01:29), Josh King (3:24:06) and Ryder Ridout (did not finish).

Don Daquila had the best time in the 19-35 division (3:24:06), Alex McRae won among 36-50 year olds (2:12:41), and Michael Morris won among those 51 and older (1:54:08).

Denk said all the competitors enjoyed the race.

"Every volunteer brought their 'A' game," Denk said. "No one got lost and sometimes, with really long races, that's a complaint of the racers. My biggest goal was that they were well looked after."

He said "a huge turnout of volunteers" boosted the event on the Boardwalk. The Sunday happening included demonstrations by Beach 2 Bay Bicycling and geocaching lessons provided by volunteers from the Boy Scouts.

We also do a bicycle scholarship program where we let people use our See VOLUNTEERS Page 8





JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

A cramped crowd of Ocean Pines Association homeowners gathers inside the conference room of the administration building during a meeting on Monday night when public comments made up the bulk of the meeting.

## **Berlin recovery house to regroup**

After pulling zoning appeals application, group will seek another location in town

#### **By Josh Davis**

Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) Hope4Recovery last week pulled its application with the Berlin Board of Zoning Appeals to establish a certified recovery house on William Street in Berlin.

Members of the board of directors on Saturday said they would not pursue developing the home, which is near Berlin Intermediate School, but would instead regroup and look for another location in town.

Hope4Recovery, according to its mission statement, "is a pending nonprofit organization dedicated in its mission to create clean, safe, sober homes for those in recovery from addiction." The organization "is steadfast in its mission to be a resource to those looking for a sober and structured living environment during their recovery process."

**Executive Director Patrice Ottey** 

and several board members made a presentation to the Berlin Town Council on March 12 and to the Worcester County School Board last Tuesday.

The school board presentation was made during a closed session and members of the board said they did not specifically ask for an en-

'We heard the community. We heard their concerns and I think the board decided that we want the community to be a part of this - not against it.' **Executive Director** Patrice Ottey

dorsement and none was given. Members of Hope4Recovery said they were unsure why the session was closed.

Establishing the home on William Street would have required approval of the board of zoning appeals, but an application was withdrawn last Thursday.

Ottey, an Ocean Pines Police officer, said the organization was formed last fall.

The board includes President Sarah Hooper, Vice President Tracy Simpson, Secretary Dr. Robert Hooper, Treasurer Bob Thompson, Realtor Terri Bradford, attorney Kristina Watkoswki, SonRise Church Pastor Daryl McCready and Circuit Court Judge Margaret "Peggy" Kent.

"It was around September or the beginning of October when we started to get together and recruit individuals that were highly educated in this cause," Ottey said during an interview on Saturday. "We started because all of the individuals on the board knew there was a lack of services in Worcester County related to recovery and recovery residences.3

Ottey founded a similar house, the Douglas K. Hamilton House for Recovery, in the Newton neighborhood of Salisbury last year.

She said the proposed house in Berlin would be a "level two" accredited dwelling. Level one houses are See BERLIN Page 6

## **Ocean Pines** F&B contract not yet inked

Closed session on Monday not enough to close deal

#### **By Josh Davis** Associate Editor

(March 29, 2018) No agreement was reached on a contract for Ocean Pines food and beverage management during a closed session discussion Monday night.

General Manager John Bailey, in an emailed statement Monday evening, said, "The Board had a great discussion about the F&B contract but took no action tonight. The matter is on the agenda for Thursday night.'

During the public portion of the meeting, a large crowd spilled into a small room in the Ocean Pines administration building, although the posted agenda called for no more than the approval of the agenda itself and an adjournment to closed session for contractual issues.

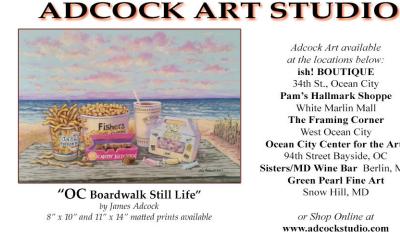
The contractual issues were believed to be approval of a contract with the Matt Ortt Companies to operate the two major association food and beverage operations, the beach club and yacht club.

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, by way of apology, said no other meeting room was available. Association President Doug Parks, she said, was out of town on business and would participate by phone.

During public comments, homeowner Joe Reynolds said Parks "promised transparency in the selection of a management company" but did not fulfil that promise.

"There has been no transparency," Reynolds said. "Association members are left totally in the dark. A special meeting to discuss the Matt Ortt contract and related renovations at the yacht club [last Wednesday] was canceled. The board packet related to that meeting was removed from the OPA website."

Reynolds said the packet for the See PUBLIC Page 5



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