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Crisafulli and Heiser big winners in primary

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) It came down to reports from the very last of Worcester's 20 election districts to confirm the results of the state primary this week, and the election ended with county voters choosing to replace the sheriff and top prosecutor.

Challengers Matt Crisafulli for sheriff and Kris Heiser for state's attorney took the contests for their positions in what were two of the most closely watched races on the ballot.

Both Republicans, Crisafulli and Heiser have no Democratic opposition in the November general election and can safely assume they will take office next year, barring the unlikely event of a successful write-in campaign or legal challenge.

Under other circumstances, winners of the primary races are set for the general election in November.

The most hotly contested race this cycle was for the office of sheriff, with four Republicans and no Democrats en-

tering the race.

The closest contest was between Crisafulli, a political newcomer with the endorsement of retiring sheriff Reggie Mason and former sheriff Chuck Martin, and Mike McDermott, a commander with the sheriff's office.

McDermott took the lead in early voting, gaining 591 votes to 435, but Crisafulli pulled it out in the end, tallying 1,839 votes on election day to McDermott's 1,522 for a total of Crisafulli 2,274 or 44.9 percent of the electorate, to McDermott's 2,113 or 41.7 percent of the vote.

Scott Bernal got 10.7 percent of the vote and George Truitt won 2.7 percent of votes for sheriff.

Unrelated but running closely coordinated campaigns was Interim State's Attorney Bill McDermott, who was challenged by Assistant State's Attorney in Wicomico County, Kris Heiser.

The race was close, with McDermott leading 637-525 after early voting. On election day, however, the voters favored

Heiser with 2,081 votes and a total of 2,606 or 51.7 percent to McDermott's 1,794 for a total of 2,431, or 48.3 percent.

Worcester Republicans handed incumbent Gov. Larry Hogan the Republican nod, as he was unopposed, while county Democrats had nine choices, but in the end, Ben Jealous won here with 37.4 percent of the vote.

The field was similarly crowded on both sides for U.S. Senator, with incumbent Ben Cardin gaining 79.3 percent of the Democratic vote, and Republican Chris Chaffee winning Worcester.

Rep. Andy Harris (R-1st) soundly won Worcester again with 86.3 percent of the vote, while Democrat Jesse Colvin won the Democratic ballot in a field of six candidates, with 47 percent of the vote.

The race was competitive in a crowded field for state delegate, with one-term Ocean City Councilman Wayne Hartman winning over Republican operative Joe Schanno 47.4 percent to 41 percent.

The District 3 county commissioner's

race was also narrowed to Republican incumbent Bud Church and one-term Democratic Berlin Councilman Zachery Tyndall, as Church overcame newcomer Gary Millhoff 638-206, or 75.6 percent to 24.4 percent.

"I want to thank everyone who took the time to vote. I want to encourage the ones who weren't successful to not give up and try it again," Church said. "My campaign committee is 98 percent responsible for my victory, and I'd like to thank them."

For Register of Wills, Terri Westcott, chief deputy to incumbent Charlotte Cathell, got the Republican nod with 56.4 percent of the vote, and she will face Democrat Nicole Caudell in November.

The final contested race in the county was for Judge of the Orphan's Court, with four Republicans seeking three spots on the bench. Mike Diffendal, Linda Hess and Cheryl Jacobs edged out John Quinn for the bench.

All other races voted on Tuesday were unopposed by the other party.

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FIRST SUNRISE OF SUMMER

Summer arrives with a picture perfect reflection over still waters in Ocean Pines, last Thursday.



First and only OPA candidate forum held Wednesday

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) "This rollercoaster ride is over the top and starting the first drop," Ocean Pines Elections Committee Chairman Steve Habeger said on Monday. "We're picking up speed as we go."

The committee hosted the first – and only – candidate forum on Wednesday, after press time.

Six candidates were expected to participate and one, Esther Diller, would provide an introductory and closing statement, as well as answers to several questions, in a series of video clips, Habeger said.

The committee canceled its plans for a second forum on July 21. The forum was postponed from an earlier date because no venue could be found and then canceled by the committee on Monday because the later date did not comply with Resolution M-06, governing elections, Habeger said.

Forum questions were developed by the committee and sent to candidates in advance.

The forum was to be held in the upstairs banquet space at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club and streamed online.

To view a video feed of Ocean Pines meetings and events, visit www.youtube.com/channel/UCal8lHG_cLEW2zro9RTpo_Q or search "Ocean Pines Association" on YouTube.

The elections committee is scheduled to meet again at 10 a.m. on July 10 in the Marlin Room of the community center on 235 Ocean Parkway.

To contact the elections committee, email elections@oceanpines.org or call the election hotline at 410-208-3989.



Steve Habeger



Berlin Town Council approves \$18.18M fiscal 2019 budget

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) The Berlin Town Council on Monday approved an \$18.18 million budget for fiscal 2019, representing a 4.58 decrease, or about \$870,000, from the previous fiscal year.

Capital projects were also lower, \$3.8 million compared to \$4.6 million a year

Mayor Gee Williams said a budget draft publicly introduced on May 29 was slightly lower, \$17.96 million, which would have been 5.74 percent lower than the fiscal 2018 budget of just over \$19 million.

However, \$220,000 was added to the budget, including \$205,000 for Berlin EMS operational expenses and \$10,000 for "part two" of a Berlin Fire Company funding study.

Williams said the total funding for the Berlin Fire Company, now \$605,000, "was contingent on a contract for services for fiscal-year '19 between Berlin Fire Company and the Town of Berlin for fire and EMS services.'

Additionally, \$5,000 more was allocated to Atlantic General Hospital's Campaign for the Future. Williams said the total contribution to the AGH campaign, \$100,000, would remain the

same, but would now be paid over four years instead of five.

A public hearing was opened and closed without comment, and no councilmembers opted to comment during the meeting.

The vote to approve the budget was unanimous with all five councilmembers

Apparently not included was a \$45,000 request for an administrative assistant for Police Chief Arnold Downing, voted down 3-2 on May 29.

Also during that meeting the council voted 5-0 to retain the current property tax rate of 0.68 cents per \$100 of valua-

To view the full text of the budget, visit www.berlinmd.gov/department/fi-

The Town Council, on Monday, also approved six annual contracts: \$60.580 for Angel's Touch Cleaning Services, \$38,400 for Cards Technology, \$40,000 for Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services, and not to exceed \$100,000 each for Booth and Associates (electric utility consulting), Davis, Bowen & Friedel (architectural services) and EA Engineering, Science and Technology (stormwater consulting).

Town, fire company, working toward contract for services

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) One day after the Town Council passed an \$18.18 million fiscal year 2019 budget, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams elaborated on the fire and EMS portion he said was contingent on signing a contract for services.

Williams, during an interview Tuesday, said officials from the town and Berlin Fire Company have made headway on an agreement to free up the \$605,000 earmarked for fire and EMS, meeting on that subject for the first time about a week ago.

"We identified a number of areas where our interests overlapped and we found that there was a need for additional funding for EMS services for fiscal 2019 that starts on July 1," Williams said. "That was agreed upon and we said we would find a way to get that accomplished so that they would no incur any deficit in their operational expenses.

"We still have a number of things that we need to go over, but I think all of them can be accomplished," he continued. "I thought it was a very good meeting very much dealing with the meat of the issues, and I think we made a good foundation and established a number of common goals that we can use to go for-

That would not happen overnight, Williams said, but he was hopeful some-

thing gets done later this summer or early into the fall. The approved funding was about \$200,000 more than originally budgeted.

That's a substantial amount, but it's something that we want to do to make sure that everyone knows the services being provided for EMS and fire are being covered by the town and it's not causing any undue financial stress," he said. "We still have a number of issues to work out, and I'm optimistic that we will in terms of monthly and quarterly financial reporting of how the funding is used by the fire company, and we have an additional series of discussions related to capital expenditures."

Williams said the fire company is in the process of establishing two separate corporations - one for firefighting and rescue, and another strictly for EMS operations.

"That immediately eliminates any possibility of comingling of funds," he said. "I think there's a lot of information that's available to establish operational cost and need, but capital expenses are more subjective and I think that's going to be our next area of discussion.

"I'm hopeful this will happen over the summer and by early fall I hope that we've gotten a lot more underway," Williams continued. "But I was very encouraged. It was a very frank discussion, but definitely very civil and very much where all parties are trying to make this work."



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Directors spar over closed meeting

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) The resignation last week of Ocean Pines Director Pat Supik was discussed several times Saturday during a public board meeting before culminating with a verbal confrontation between two directors.

Near the end of the meeting, Association President Doug Parks moved for the board to adjourn to a closed session "For the purposes of discussing matters pertaining to employees and personnel, specifically pertaining to director actions related to the recent resignation of Director Supik," as permitted by the Maryland Homeowners Association

Director Slobodan Trendic, who has been blamed, at least partially, for Supik's resignation, objected.

Wait a second ... I will publicly state that I have never been made aware of this in advance of this meeting and I would like to ask this board that no closed session occurs on this subject, but that the board stays in the open session and discusses publicly whatever they would like to discuss related to this topic," he said.

Parks asked for comments from the

other board members present: Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, and directors Colette Horn and Ted Moroney. Director Tom Herrick did not attend because of a prior commitment.

As there were none, Parks called for

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> OP Director. Slobodan Trendic

a vote.

"Before you do, I have a final comment to make: if you go into a closed session I will not take part in that meeting," Trendic said.

"That's very good. And you don't have to," Parks said. "That's your prerogative.'

The vote was 4-1 with only Trendic opposed.

Elaborating on the events, Parks released a public statement on Monday.

"During the June 23, 2018 board meeting, a motion was approved to adjourn to closed session to discuss matters pertaining to the resignation of a sitting director," he said. "I felt the resignation of a duly elected director warranted a discussion on the matter by the board.

"Given the possibility of personal or other information that could not be shared publicly, it became a personnel matter and as such required discussion in closed session. The reaction by Director Trendic was surprising and his unwillingness to participate in the meeting was disappointing.

"I am uncertain as to why he immediately took the position that the meeting was called to implicate him. On the contrary, I requested the meeting to discuss the issue of the immediate resignation of a director without any prior indication that the event would occur. My goal was to share our thoughts on the following:

- were there any warning signs that we as a board should have recognized and addressed?
- · what could we as individual directors done to address any conditions we See PERSONAL Page 5



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'Personal attacks' partially to blame for Supik exiting

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were aware of prior to the resignation?

- what could we have done as a team of directors to address any conditions we were aware of prior to the resignation?
- what can we take away from the events leading up to the resignation that we can share as a reference in future discussions with current and new board members?

"I want to reiterate that the meeting was not intended to single out a director and work to lay specific blame as the cause for the resignation. I strive for a practical approach to things and in this case, I wanted to have an open and honest discussion among the directors regarding the issue and how we might handle similar situations in the future.

"While the discussion by the directors that attended the meeting was beneficial, the preference was to have Directors Trendic and Herrick in the discussion as well, in order to share their respective viewpoints. However, the position that the discussion should not be delayed was an overriding concern. I will ask the board to consider how and when to best broaden this discussion to include input from Directors Trendic and Herrick."

Trendic on Monday emailed a response to what occurred during the meeting.

"I did not want to attend the closed session because I disapprove of the way Doug Parks chaired that part of the meeting," he said. "I insisted that the subject matter instead be discussed in an open session because the community demands transparency and openness from this board. I also did not want to be part of that closed session because if there was any leak to the media from that confidential conversation I did not want anyone to accused me of being the source of that leak."

Responding to accusations he was at least partially to blame for Supik's resignation, Trendic said, "Please be aware that my interactions with Ms. Pupik [sic] have been via emails. And every time I had copied the entire board on my correspondence with her. So, all directors were made aware of my views and those views were exclusively and only related to her work as the chief financial officer of the association."

Parks expounded on the situation during a phone interview on Monday.

He said Trendic, during email exchanges, "questioned the level of competence" of Supik and other directors.

"It was a personal attack, plain and simple," Parks said. "She said there was a lot of other things [that led to her resignation]. It wasn't the sole [reason] of her leaving but, according to her, it was a big part of it.

"Her stance was, 'I could go back and refute some of the things he said, but See PARKS Page 7



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Ocean Pines Director Slobodan Trendic on Saturday said he would not attend an unexpected closed portion of the board meeting. The discussion was said to involve the recent resignation of now former Director Pat Supik. Also pictured is Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, right.



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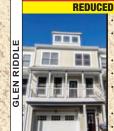
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Parks said closed meeting not about 'let's get Slobodan'

Continued from Page 5 that's not me," Parks added.

The closed meeting, he said, was not intended to "let's get Slobodan."

"I'm more professional," Parks said. "But if the court of public opinion ends up saying that we ought to consider some action against him, then that's

"What I wanted to take away was what could we learn from the situation. If we're presented with it again, what kinds of things should we be looking for?" he continued. "Should there be some warning signs, or should we not dismiss anything that could be potentially a warning sign ... and really just sort of socialize that with everybody in front of Slobodan as another attempt to get him to understand the kinds of things he does do not get interpreted the way he may have intended it.

"That's maybe a presupposition that he's trying to be professional which, in this case, doesn't always apply," Parks said. "And I'll go on record to say if he wants to debate it publicly we can do that. But I'm trying to protect him from himself."

Parks went on to say that Trendic "Has denigrated every single person on the board – and in many cases, multiple times.

"That's where we are right now," he said. "I am truly disappointed that he took that [tone]. Any reasonable person would take that reaction and go, 'Oh, he already knows he was guilty, so he's going to try to have safety in numbers. Then he can look for sympathy rather than confronting the issue with the folks that are readily affected by this.

You might be saying, 'Hey Doug, why are you trying to polish a turd? Why not just let the guy fall off a cliff?" Parks continued. "One of the things I'm guilty of is I still think there's some way to salvage it. I may be wrong, but that's part of my DNA."

At the end of the meeting and in front of the other directors and several homeowners in attendance, according to Parks, Trendic walked up and stood over him in a intimidating manner.

"He takes a position over top of my chair and says, 'You haven't seen me mad! Remember I told you when I get mad I take action? Well, you're going to see me in action!' He basically threatened me," Parks said. "I held my hand up and I said, 'Slobodan, don't threaten me. Go away.

Supik did not respond to requests for comment.

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John Viola named new Ocean Pines treasurer

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) The Ocean Pines Board on Saturday unanimously appointed former Finance Director John Viola as association treasurer, to replace departed Director Pat Supik.

Viola is the chairman of the budget and finance committee and briefly

served as the finance director before stepping down last September.

The directors were not keen on appointing a board replacement for Supik, who officially stepped down last Tuesday. She served for two years as a director and as the treasurer.

"I want to personally thank Director Supik for all of the work she has done over the past couple of years," Association President Doug Parks said. "I respect her decision and hopefully we can continue on."

Parks said he was neutral on whether to appoint a replacement so close to the August election, but certainly did not want to do so without Tom Herrick present, who was not at the meeting. He added he was not in favor of appointing anyone currently running for office

Two other directors, Ted Moroney and Slobodan Trendic, said there was little point in naming a replacement with only about a month left before the election and only one more regular board meeting scheduled, on July 27.

OPA election materials could have slight delay

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Printing and mailing of materials for the August Ocean Pines election have been delayed, although probably not by much.

The original deadline for election materials to be sent to the printer was July 6. Ballots were to be mailed on July 10.

Elections Committee Chairman Steve Habeger on Monday said, "We're going to print on time," adding the exact date was up to the association secretary, Director Colette Horn.

"She's mentioned to me she feels that members need at least 30 days to vote, so she wants to get these out pronto and that's why the printer is waiting impatiently for our final instructions," Habeger said.

When news broke last Wednesday that Director Pat Supik had resigned, Habeger said he sent an email "That literally said 'stop the presses!"

"I've always wanted to do that!" Habeger said with a laugh.

The resignation was at least partially responsible for the ballot delay, because voters may now select up to four candidates. The top-two vote getters will each earn three-year terms in office, while the third and fourth-place finishers will inherit the unexpired portion of terms vacated by Supik and former Director Brett Hill, one year each, respectively.

Also complicating matters is a Hill lawsuit against Ocean Pines and Horn, challenging her ruling that he is not an eligible candidate because of unpaid assessments. Hill filed the lawsuit on June 6.

Horn, in an emailed statement Monday, said ballots would not be delayed for long. Ballots are due on Aug. 8 and scheduled to be counted on Aug. 10. Results will be validated during the annual meeting on Aug. 11.

"It is my opinion that 30 days is a good amount of time to have the info and ballots in hand before the voting closes," Horn said. "Too much time risks reduced focus on importance/urgency of getting it done and turned in, and too little limits ability to absorb and properly consider the differences and assets among the candidates. Thirty days seems just right to strike a good balance."

Habeger and the rest of the elections committee on Monday approved the contents of the ballot mailings that will include candidate statements, voting instructions, and notice of the annual meeting.

He said instructional language this year was made clearer and an emphasis was put on how many candidates each lot owner could vote for.

"Hopefully that will be a way to improve the ballot response and we won't have so many people voting for too many people or voting incorrectly," Habeger said.

Last year 3,491 ballots were counted and 129 ballots were rejected. Of those, 40 voted for more than the allowed number of candidates, seven were marked improperly, five were blank, four used the wrong return envelope and one included a write-in vote, apparently for Mickey Mouse. Additionally, 72 ballots were received after the Aug. 10 deadline.



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Climate change grants announced

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) A state park, a town and the county that contains them all received competitive Maryland Department of Natural Resources grants to improve their resiliency in the face of climate change impacts being felt in the area right now.

At Assateague Island State Park, the DNR has begun a project to reduce shoreline erosion on the west side of the Verrazano Bridge, near the boat ramp and fishing pier.

A series of 10 small peninsulas built from boulders, cobble and clean sand and planted with native flora, are to be built to help dissipate wave energy from large storms.

"Once complete, this interagency project will strengthen the park's capacity to deal with current and future risks and help educate the public on this new, proven approach to shoreline protection and strengthening," Mark Belton, DNR secretary, said in a release.

While the boat ramp, parking lot, restrooms and fishing pier are expected to remain open to the public during construction, the field area near the shoreline and some offshore areas might be closed.

Equipment and supplies are ex-

pected to be staged on park grounds during the construction, and signs may be posted to advise the public of changing conditions.

This project is expected to be complete by the end of summer.

A bit farther south than Assateague State Park, the DNR also approved a competitive grant for a similar plan off the coast of the Chincoteague Bay near Girdletree and Stockton. The project's goals are similar: to establish a climate resiliency program on Tizzard Island, a privately owned piece of land in southern Worcester.

Tizzard Island is one of a network of small offshore islands in the Johnson Bay that act as a buffer for the larger barrier island behind it.

The goals of this grant are similar to that of the Assateague Island program, to reduce erosion during storm surges, but the methodology is different.

"We're using it as a pilot project to determine how to do the other islands," Steve Farr of the Maryland Coastal Bays Program said. "The goal is to protect the habitat on the island."

Farr said another objective is to come up with a host of options for the island, which contains shorefront and wetland ecosystems, narrow the list, implement the selected policies and measure the results.

The town of Berlin also got a competitive DNR grant, but it's even more conceptual.

Municipalities and counties within Maryland are required to have comprehensive plans, and are required to update them every decade. Berlin's plan review comes due in 2020, but ahead of that Town Administrator Laura Allen said a climate resiliency section would need to be added.

"The intent of the funding is to develop, produce and talk about climate change impacts on Berlin," Allen said.

Allen said she's working with Salisbury University, the University of Maryland and other such entities to develop and refine what will ultimately end up in the plan, but at this stage the town just needs to get talking.

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"Maryland has a list of climate change impacts and what we include depends on data and the community," she said.

Stormwater runoff, for example, is something Allen said would probably end up in the comprehensive plan, but there could also be others.

Whatever those project headings will be, they will be decided rather quickly, she said. "There's a short turnaround. They're looking for ideas by Sept. 1 and a draft by the end of March."

Berlin welcomes newest member of police force

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Police Chief Arnold Downing on Monday introduced the newest member of the town police force, Ofc. Kevin Lloyd.

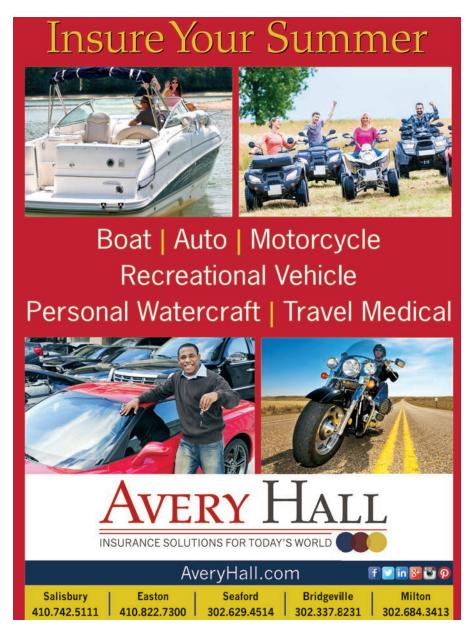
"He graduated last week and he's ready for the road," Downing said. "We're very pleased with the people who actually were part of the selection process and we felt we did very well ... he did come in fourth out of a class of 31."

Downing added that Lloyd finished first in shooting and in other policy academy assessments.

"We think we have a good person to go ahead and grow with us," he said. "We have high expectations."



Ofc. Kevin Lloyd







Ampitheater part of BFPC plans

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) The Berlin Falls Park Committee last Thursday approved a pair of "threshold items," but deferred the decision on a third until a future meeting.

The committee unanimously endorsed the concept of an amphitheater and use of the Conservation Community Consulting LLC interpretive plan for the section deemed to remain as a passive-use park.

Undecided was whether to demolish or rehabilitate the main building on the property, as several committee members requested more information

Park Coordinator David Deutsch said the estimated cost to restore the building to a shell, without electrical work or plumbing, was about \$2.1 million. The cost to raise the building was estimated at \$600,000, he said.

"If we want to make some plans for the property, we're going to have to make some pretty big decisions sometime," Chairwoman Amy Field said. "Otherwise, we might spend time on things that are going to be null and void once we do decide if we're going to knock down the building.

"I don't want to make an uninformed decision, but I hope tonight we make a decision," she added.

Vice Chairman Jack Orris said the building totaled about 65,000 square feet.

"If we decide to keep it and rehab it, that's what we have, but if we decide to remove it that's space that's open," he said.

To fund either endeavor, Town Administrator Laura Allen said the town received \$500,000 more than the purchase price for the property in the original bond acquired two years ago. She said about \$400,000 of that remained.

She added that Administrative Services Director Mary Bohlen had looked into "brownfield" grants for redevelopment of the former industrial site, but they were contingent on what contaminants may be found underneath the building.

"The property itself doesn't have any particular problems [and] wouldn't qualify as a brownfield, but none of us are really sure what's under the building," she said. "[If] we choose to demolish and do a little sampling to identify if there's something under the building that might qualify, then we could look for brownfield grants.

"We are looking for grants, but we haven't found anything that really fits just yet," Allen added.

Deutsch said strategic demolition grants were also potentially available through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, but "the hook there is you have to demonstrate some kind of economic development."

"We may have to get creative on that kind of application, but there is that potential," he said.

Committee members were divided on which way to go.

Asked by Orris what was their perception of the building, a former Tyson Chicken processing site, Amy Barra replied, "industrial garbage ... and chicken murder."

"I don't know if that's the vibe Berlin wants to put out," she said.

Others, including Kate Patton and Joan Maloof, discussed saving at least a portion of the building because of its unique character.

"The visual perception right now is industrial and garbage, but envision cleaning it up [and] removing part of it. A different type of landscaping and visual approach is going to change that whole feel," Patton said. "To me, it could be very aesthetically interesting,

which captures some history."

Patton called for "real numbers" on whether it made sense to salvage a portion of the building and demolish the rest

Allen, in a follow-up interview on Monday, defined what was intended by "threshold."

"These were issues that I felt really could dictate big portions of the park – things that really needed to be understood and agreed to by the committee before we could move forward," she said, adding the short list was created by herself, Deutsch, Field and Orris

The building, she said, fit that description because of how much space it occupies and because it's "a bigticket item" in terms of cost, Allen said.

"It's an issue that really needs to be decided sooner rather than later," she said. "It would dictate the way that some parts of the park would be used or maybe some of the programs."

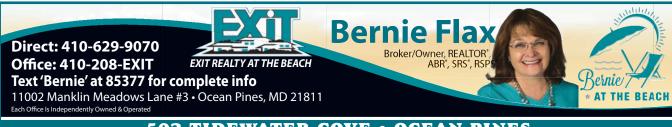
She said the decision to follow the interpretive plan now allows town staff to "move forward with some specifics regarding that area," while the amphitheater was an idea strongly favored by committee members for some time.

"I felt like there was good progress made during the meeting. They've got some solid sense of what they'd like to do in terms of an amphitheater and the passive area of the park," she said. "What they decided they needed in terms of being able to make a decision on the building was more information."

Allen said that would be provided before the next scheduled committee meeting, July 19 at 6 p.m. at Berlin Town Hall.

"We're going to get the additional information for them and the goal is to have them make a decision at the July meeting," she said.













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The Ocean Pines Board on Saturday voted unanimously to draft a bid request to replace the sanctuary crab pier. Director Slobodan Trendic said the pier was closed because of deteriorating conditions that led to safety concerns.

RFP approved for new Pines pier

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) The Ocean Pines Board on Saturday voted 5-0 to seek bids to replace the sanctuary crab pier.

Director Slobodan Trendic said a recent inspection recommended closing the pier because of its deteriorating condition and "overall safety concerns," and an independent report called for its outright replacement.

Director Ted Moroney also suggested getting estimates on repairing the structure and exploring alternate locations, but Trendic and Association President Doug Parks opposed that idea.

Parks said his opposition came from a reading of the original turnover agreement and "from a practicality perspective."

"I just don't see any benefit ... by moving it somewhere else," he said. "It's been established [and] it's part of the environment that's been created called Ocean Pines proper. I think we should give it due course and do whatever it takes [to replace it]."

Parks added it was probably a good idea to at least get an estimate for repairs.

"If that delta is big enough, we may want to have another discussion," he said.

Trendic noted a shortage of parking near the pier was also a concern, but county officials explained to him the location near a protected wetland "almost eliminates the idea of creating a parking lot."

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs said the issue was first brought up by residents "because of complaints about the parking."

"Director Trendic is correct when he says we've got stormwater management problems, so with runoff you can't address the parking by the suggestion of removing trees and creating a parking lot," she said.

She added the issue of replacing or moving the pier was somewhat divisive.

"Unfortunately, we can't get to a point where all of the people who are effected will show up and express how they feel ... so we really have a true sense of everybody's opinion," Jacobs said. "I hope that when we get to the point of ultimately getting the information back from the RFP and [are] ready to make a decision that we, short of sending out engraved invitations, broadcast to the people who absolutely are going to be effected by whatever decision we make."

The vote was unanimous with one director, Tom Herrick, not present because of a prior engagement.

A draft of the request for proposals is due back to the board for review and approval by Aug. 31.



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Construction junk mucks up OPA waterfront

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Potentially hazardous construction materials have returned to the waterfront area behind the Ocean Pines Swim and Racquet Club on Seabreeze Road. Technically part of a park, the site has also been used as a staging ground for bulkhead repairs.

Two years ago residents complained of potential safety issues – the area is highly trafficked by both children and adults - and the equipment was removed, but apparently has since

Homeowner Lewis Frey in a Gazette interview two years ago said from 1999 until 2006 the area was used as a transfer station to haul dirt and other materials by barge, a disruption that only occurred a few hours each month.

Then, workers from Fisher Marine began leaving construction materials at the site overnight and for "nine months out of the year."

Frey last week sent an email to the Ocean Pines Board of Directors saving the issue had resurfaced. He said on June 21, 2016 he made a presentation before the board on behalf of residents and about "the hazardous condition at the Swim and Racquet Club."

The site "was [an] eyesore and a dangerous situation for the adults and children walking and playing there, he said, adding the land is designated as a park in the association declaration of restrictions, a key governing document.

items where the Board of Directors were in violation of those restrictions,' Frey said. "The Board of Directors had all the equipment and bulkhead supplies removed within three days of that presentation. We were told that his would never happen again and that, if

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that area had to be used for transferring equipment or supplies, that everything would be removed by the end of the day.

"It is now June 20, 2018 and we are back to the same situation that we were at two years ago," he continued. "I guess someone forgot to notify [General Manager] Mr. John Bailey and the new board members."

Last Wednesday, materials and equipment from Hi-Tide Marine Construction were left unattended at the site, including two backhoes, a frontend loader, several trailers and stacks of construction materials.

Frey said materials apparently used for bulkhead construction and repairs had "been there for close to a month."

"Two pieces of equipment, two long trailers, a closed trailer, and two barges, have been added in the past week," he said. "The barge with the pile driver on it that is anchored in the canal is illegal. It was illegal in the state of Maryland to anchor a barge in a canal without a permit two years ago. I understand that permits are expensive. I will be contacting them to investigate this situation.'

Frey went on to say residents in the area were concerned because of "the safety issue and the eyesore that it creates."

"This past Monday, there was a swim meet and the kids were climbing and playing on the pile of bulkhead material," he said. "There are enough issues in the Pines that we do not need a lawsuit because a child received an injury. It is also a disgrace to the Ocean

Sunday

going on for I'd say the last four-to-six weeks at least there's been something back there," he said. "There's been barges back there, then they started unloading the metal for the docks. Just recently they brought in more equipment and a dumpster."

Hoshal added two large, rusty backhoe attachments had been onsite for about three months

"[Residents] were told after Memorial Day nothing is to be back there. Now it's just an ongoing thing," he said. "Our deck overlooks that area,

and basically with that park there's a constant dog-walking situation. Everybody walks their dog along that path and then across where that material is. There's always somebody walking along in the morning, afternoon and evening.'

He added residents were "just now starting to complain about it, because they've got so much material in there

Ocean Pines Board members and General Manager John Bailey did not respond to requests for comment.



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Several Ocean Pines homeowners said construction equipment left unattended near the swim and racquet club poses a danger to children and families that frequent the area.

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Ethics policy delayed until July board meeting

'This 10-month process kind of

reminds me of the time I gave

birth without anesthesia.'

OPA Director

Colette Horn

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Adoption of a formal Ocean Pines ethics policy was tabled until a July board of directors



Colette Horn

meeting, while the process of developing the draft and getting it adopted was compared to the pains of childbirth.

Director Colette Horn, who helped author the document and introduced dis-

cussion on the subject during a public board meeting Saturday, said additional language was recently added and needed further review. She recommended a vote be delayed until the board and bylaws and resolutions committee had time to do so.

"The work was born of a shared concern that the level of discourse and collaboration among directors was in need of elevation," Horn said. "It was a shared belief that the governing documents did not provide a level of specificity in its guidance on ethics and conduct that would be required to achieve this elevation in communication and collaboration."

Along with Horn, the policy was developed by directors Ted Moroney and Tom Herrick, former directors Tom Terry and Jeff Knepper, and home-

owner Donna McElroy. The workgroup refined the policy over a period of 10 months and were informed by documents from the American Bar Association, Community Association Institute, "and other private and public institutions," Horn said.

"We as a workgroup will be the first to acknowledge that this document is not perfect. Our aim was to produce

our best effort, realizing ... there may be need for refinement or revisions based on practicality and usefulness," she said.

Director Slobodan Trendic said he was all for holding

board members to a high standard but added, "My concern is in the way we're going about this."

Instead, he recommended that each association director and officer be required to sign a code of ethics. He also suggested passing the resolution just before an election was disingenuous.

Association Vice President Cheryl Jacobs, however, said the timing could not be more appropriate.

"What better way to indoctrinate the new board members ... as to the expectations of the outgoing board, having lived through the turmoil that we've lived through in the past two years?" she said.

Since last September two of the seven elected directors have resigned and another, Trendic, was nearly forced off.

Jacobs said the ethics policy was sparked by "A new [board] member ... who recognized there's something wrong" and wanted to try and fix it.

"Thank you, Director Horn, for taking that on," she said. "I do think that it is entirely appropriate to set the stage for what could be a new board majority if all four people [elected] come in

with likeminded ideas ... why not set the stage and the expectations?"

Moroney said the policy was largely hatched because of the effort to oust Trendic.

"If [five] people had said 'go,' you were gone," he said. "The idea here was to put in something that further defined what was responsible, but more important put in something that was a check and balance on any majority of the board acting on their own will because a board member ... didn't go along with it."

He also rejected the notion of poor timing.

"I am interested in moving the thing forward ... but I don't think we ought to just say, 'Hey, we're just going to throw it back to the next group,'" Moroney said.

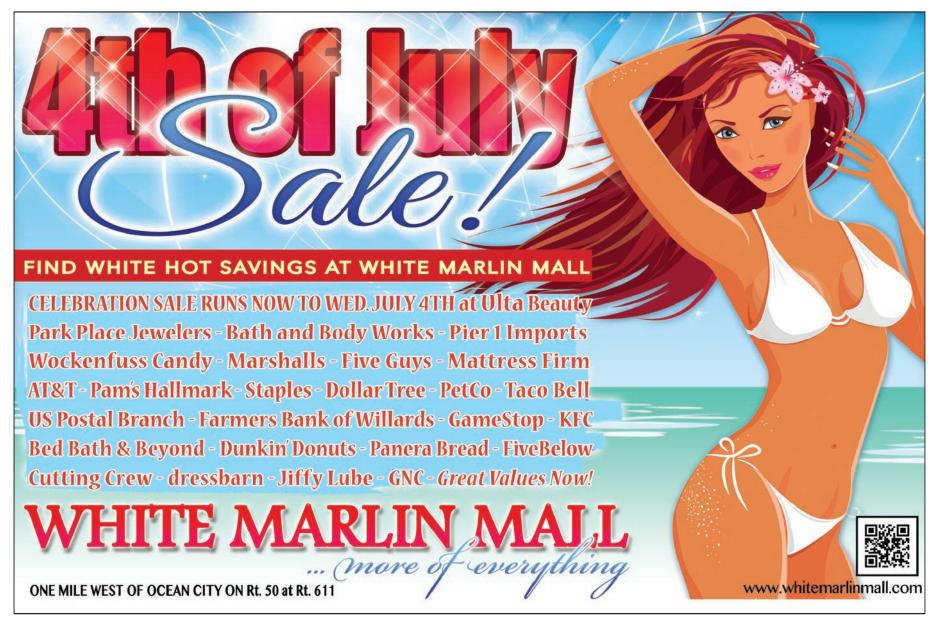
Horn, reiterating the resolution was drafted over 10 months and with ample time for anyone interested to weigh in, said it was "disconcerting that at the ninth hour I'm getting feedback that says this is a no-go."

Of the "deteriorating" conduct by board members over the last two years, Horn said, not the least of which was the situation "that led to the potential removal of Director Trendic last year."

"I looked upon this as an opportunity to provide guidelines as well as protections for directors by creating specificity that we can all agree to," she said. "And I think this document has achieved that. I'm very proud of the work this group has done. There's been incredible back-and-forth and solicitation input.

"I do have to say that this 10-month process kind of reminds me of the time I gave birth without anesthesia. That was a painful and lengthy process as well – and this is beginning to surpass the painful and lengthiness of that," Horn added.

She moved to table the motion until July. The vote was 4-0 with Trendic abstaining.



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Golfers pitch in on country club renovations

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Members of several Ocean Pines golf committees last week met multiple times with association leadership and an architect from Davis, Bowen and Friedel regarding renovations plans for the golf and country club.

That marks a sharp turnaround from about a week ago, when many golfers attended a special board meeting and said they were disappointed at being left out of renovations talks, despite their expertise.

Last Friday General Manager John Bailey, Facilities Manager Kevin Layfield, Association President Doug Parks, directors Slobodan Trendic and Ted Moroney, Facilities Manager Kevin Layfield, and Larry Perrone, Don McMullen, Frank Brown and Bob Long representing the golf community, gathered around a set of architectural drawings on the unfinished second floor of the country club.

After about an hour of friendly discussion it was decided the architect would attempt to fit an elevator into the renovation plans, address a poorly designed and patchwork roof blamed for years of leaks and mold problems, and work towards a request for proposals for construction to include several optional features, from new windows to upgraded materials on the uncovered second-floor deck.

The second-floor renovations, which follow a \$520,000 makeover of the first floor last year, would create several flexible meeting spaces including an area large enough to hold major golf banquets.

Based on the discussion, new drawings were commissioned and could be finished in time for bid requests to release in late August or early September. Moroney said it was still reasonable the board could select a vendor in time for a mid-October construction start. Work is expected to last about six

Providing further updates during a Saturday board meeting, Moroney said the latest architectural drawings were viewable on the association website at www.oceanpines.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/OP-Golf-AS-Bid-Set-030118.pdf.

He compared the optional features to an "an la carte menu where you can pick and choose what you want out of it." Moroney singled out replacement windows, said to be "failing" based on a 2011 report.

"Is if cheaper to fix it now or in two or three years?" he said.

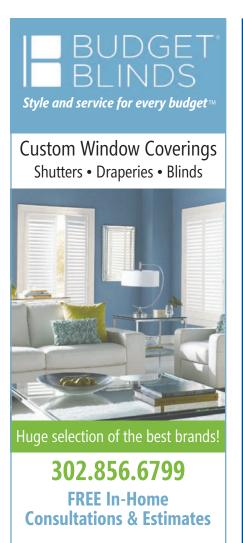
Parks added the feedback from golfers was "a great example of taking input from the community in an area where they are the subject-matter experts."

"Most if not all of these changes have come from their suggestions and recommendations," Parks said. "It's a perfect example of community input that really drives what needs to be the correct solution."



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Ocean Pines General Manager John Bailey, center, discusses renovation plans for the association golf and country club during a special meeting at the facility last Friday.



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Daly running to improve OPA Board oversight

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Frank Daly ran for the Ocean Pines Association Board two years ago, finishing fourth in a crowded field that elected three new directors.

After narrowly missing election, he's running again this year for one reason.

"[Two years ago] I said if Ocean Pines was well managed, then I would be quite content with staying with my committee work," he said. Daly is the chairman of the comprehensive planning committee.

"Let's look at what happened over those two years: we fired a general manager, we brought in an acting general manager from the board, between the board and the general manager they crafted a plan that led to record operating losses. We are, since that time, on our fourth director of finance, and that's just on the operational side," Daly said.

Not to mention, "Two members that were sitting on the current board majority have made public allegations of fraud and corruption," and multiple reports of theft, he added.

"We're in the beginning stages of a \$250,000 forensic audit. In addition, the board commissioned its deep-dive audit which said ... we have weak and ineffective business processes that are poorly managed throughout the organization," he said. "They basically failed my test if they were well managed!"

The Pennsylvania native, now 69,

holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in engineering and has a master's degree in finance and marketing. He has worked in aerospace as a senior-level engineer for a company associated with Northrop Grumman, and later moved into sales and marketing.

For about the last decade, Daly has run his own business, Jordan Frank & Associates, recruiting high-level positions in the engineering, construction, architecture and renewable energy industries.

The good news in Ocean Pines, he said, is "not everything is bad."

"I believe that we have a well-credentialed and well-experienced general manager in place that has run large communities," Daly said. "John's [Bailey] situation is akin the situation you'd be in if you were a Coast Guard rescue swimmer and I told you, 'I'm sending you out to rescue somebody and they're in rough water, and it's dark,' and I dropped you in the middle of a tsunami. John has been swimming for his life."

Daly especially praised the aquatics amenity. He recalled moving to Ocean Pines and bringing his wife to one of the pools on Memorial Day.

"We didn't have Colby [Phillips] as the aquatics director and it seemed like Memorial Day caught everybody by surprise – they didn't expect crowds. It's just Memorial Day," he said. "Since then, aquatics have changed dramatically ... that's a good thing."

He also pointed to new management of the yacht club as a positive.

"How many other facilities in the world exist where you spend \$5 million and they've renovated three times in five years?" he asked. "From a process standpoint, I really think we should've put an official RFP out and we should have put an RFP out for leasing, but I think getting the Ortt Group in here so far has been the right thing to do."

That's not to say there haven't been bumps in the road during the Bailey era, Daly said.

"John and this new board have to get in sync with the community, and John has to do his job of using the input and developing a plan and budget based on a plan, and the board has to make sure that gets done," he said. "As long as that's done and the board doesn't become complacent ... the system works. Otherwise, you have what we had over the past two years, which is not good."

Daly said the unprecedented turnover – the election will seat four of seven directors and only one candidate has prior experience on the Ocean Pine Board – present "both a challenge and an opportunity."

"As we saw last week at the board meeting, our board has to learn to work together in a businesslike manner," he said. "What that means is you have to be able to criticize without punching and you have to be able to accept criticism without crying. We've seen situations throughout the time that I've moved here where that hasn't been the case."

He said he was asked to run in a coalition of candidates – this year and two years ago. Both times he declined.

Instead, Daly said if elected he would prefer to do his job and be held accountable to the commitment he made, rather than be tied down to a coalition that could fracture if history were to repeat the actions and reactions of the last two years.

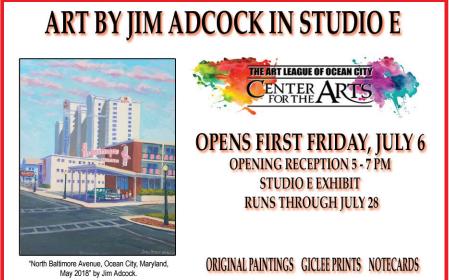
Still, he again said there was a bright side.

"If anything good has come out of the losses, the allegations, the thefts – we've got to focus on just managing this place better," Daly said. "I think for the people that come that are part-timers – and even for the rest that live here full time – we come here and it looks nice. We go to the pools and everything is fine. But it's when you start looking at how our money is spent and how things are done [that you start to see the problems]. And I think now at least we're looking at that.

"Since I started looking at properties in Ocean Pines, the number-one thing that people identified was, 'It's a great place to live, it could just be better managed.' I'm here for one reason: to make sure it's better managed by this board," he continued. "We've seen what bad management looks like. And we've seen enough."









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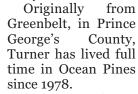
Board candidate Greg Turner focused on accountability

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) Greg Turner, 59, is one of several new faces running for the Ocean Pines Association

Board of Directors this year.



Greg Turner

"What brought me to the area was being

three miles from the beltway and hearing [cars whooshing] 24/7, and then coming down here and staying at my parent's place and listening to [ocean sounds]. What would you rather listen to?" Turner asked, adding that in Ocean Pines one can hear "The water on the bulkheads and seagulls overhead, and then go over to the beach and sit and watch the waves, sitting on the end of the continent."

Turner served with the Ocean Pines Fire Department for two decades, including three years as fire chief, and currently runs Turner Electrical & Construction.

He decided to run this year, he said, simply because he was fed up with the system.

"We've had bad managers, we've had bad management and all kinds of stuff, but it didn't really seem to affect me," he said. "Now that I'm trying to maintain things, money is not as free as it used to be – it's kind of tight.

"People say, 'We've got a milliondollar deficit,' and instead of how did it happen, the answer was, 'Oh, we'll just raise your rates.' It was just kind of the last straw that broke the camel's back, and said I can't do any worse than these people have done," Turner added.

Turner also said "people that work here" should be held accountable, and that many things have been "done two or three times."

"The yacht club has been rebuilt twice – once with mold – who paid for that?" he asked. "I'm looking at my bulkheads that have been done twice. Then, they spent almost 10 years trying to build a community center that they had no blueprints for – just some sketches. It's just the little things that compounded and it gets to you after a while. It got to me."

Of the current board, Turner said the directors' answer to every problem was "just to raise my rates."

"There's no accountability," he said. "And it seems as if no one talks to the citizens of the Pines and asks them, 'What do you think? What do you want done?' I doesn't seem to happen that way – and it accounts for a lot of unaccountability."

That's not to say everything in Ocean Pines is dismal.

"The community looks good – the golf course looks great," Turner said. "So there's a lot of good things that have happened. It's not just all bad stuff. I don't want to be the voice of negativity ... it just seems to me that people always see the good stuff because they're not here that much, or that they just don't seem to worry about it.

"That's not a good way to be. It's not a good way to have a structured management system. People are supposed to have a little bit of a say in what goes on, and it doesn't always seem like that's what happens," Turner added.







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WORCESTER YOUTH DONATION

Matt Ortt, left, presents a \$1,600 check to Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services Executive Director Steve Taylor during a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club last Wednesday. The money was raised for Worcester Youth during an event at Hooters leading up to the annual Worcester Youth Pirate Party last month. The Matt Orrt Companies oversee both Hooters and the Yacht Club. Representatives from Worcester Youth said 23 "pirates" raised more than \$500, while four raised more than \$1,000, including Ortt, Kenny Tomaselli, Shelly Bruder and Pino Tomasello.



Downward dog to meet upward goat in Pines yoga pgm

(June 28, 2018) Goatopia, a Whaleyville-based farm, is introducing goat yoga to the Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market.

The quirky blend of yoga and goats offers market-goers a fun form of animal-assisted therapy.

Goat yoga, the latest craze and smile-inducing fitness, is the practice of yoga in the presence of live goats. While participants try to maintain a plank position, the baby goats are known for jumping up onto their back, providing a bit of a massage as they move to keep their balance.

"Think of the comfort that cats and horses can bring to someone who is suffering from depression; that animal-assisted therapy parallels with goat yoga," said Ocean Pines Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer.

Certified yoga instructor Heidi Bodenheimer will be offering the first goat yoga session at the market on Saturday, June 30 from 10-11 a.m. The session costs \$30 per person. Those interested are encouraged to register with Goatopia by calling 443-880-5338.

David Bean, manager of the Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market, said shoppers are attracted to the marketplace for its diversity.

"Shoppers want the widest selection of products, and the freedom to choose between producers," Bean said.

There are a growing number of merchants selling everything from jewelry, clothing and artwork to prepared foods and local produce. Miniature ponies and alpacas have also become staple market visitors in Ocean Pines.

"I'm very proud of our marketplace," Bean said. "It has taken a lot of hard teamwork from our volunteers and merchants to get to the success we're seeing today."

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market, which is open to the public, is a great place to find alternatives to factory-farmed food, whether that's dairy, eggs, vegetables and seafood or meat.

"I see no slowing down to what's happening here," Bean said. "We have many active plans to continue our growth, and to keep the marketplace fresh and a fun place to shop, learn and visit."

The market is sponsored by Neighborhood Sun, a community solar company that works to bring clean, affordable and local solar energy to Maryland.

Merchants invite residents and nonresidents to shop local and visit the yearround Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 3-7 p.m. at White Horse Park, located at 239 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines.

There will be a July 4 holiday market with special hours, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at White Horse Park.

For more information, contact Sawyer at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006 or dsawyer@oceanpines.org.

Opinion

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Congratulations to Election Day winners

Delegate-elect Wayne Hartman, sheriff's race victor Matt Crisafulli and State's Attorney-elect Kris Heiser congratulations on races well run and elections well won. Congratulations also to the Judges of the Orphans' Court, Linda Hess, Cheryl Jacobs and Mike Diffendal, who will serve on a deliberative panel whose importance often goes unrecognized until the day that it must help settle the estate of a departed family member.

For the above officials, the election season is all but over, while the races for the State Senate, four Worcester County Commissioner openings and Register of Wills will heat up as it they head toward the November showdown.

One aspect of the primary election that should be noted is that members of the Republican Party appear to have turned out in far greater numbers than their Democratic counterparts. In the absence of a statistical breakdown, it might be said that the Republicans voted in this election, while the Democrats participated.

That kind of vote differential doesn't bode well for Eastern Shore Democrats this fall, as GOP voters, having shown how energized the party is in this preliminary round, are likely to turn out in even greater numbers this

That, of course, probably won't matter to Hartman, Crisafulli and Heiser, who, barring some bizarre circumstance in November, await only to be sworn in.

In the meantime, they will use this time to plan their approaches to the work that lies ahead. For Hartman, that means learning the structure and protocols of a new level of government, while Crisafulli and Heiser already understand the offices they will hold and no doubt have long thought about what they would do if they were in charge.

In that vein, our advice is stick to the platforms that got them elected and to be as open as possible with the public, with the latter being one of the best ways to ensure continued public support and successful terms in office.

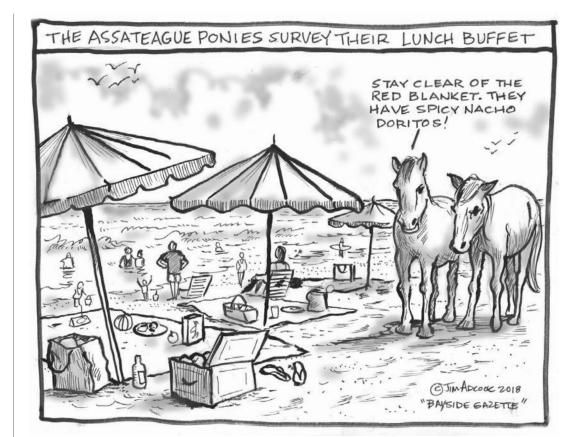
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Letter

Unhappy with Hartman pick

Editor.

Disappointed to see you endorse Wayne Hartman.

"Fiscal conservatives" are

on the Libertarian side in their limiting government restrictions on business and free enterprise, but he voted to prohibit alcohol sales at Bikefest and, preposterously, classified motorcycles

as "intimidating" in an astonishing display of neoscience by an official.

Just inexcusable.

Stone Scruggs Ocean City

Anniversary golf tournament

(June 28, 2018) The literal and figurative heart of Ocean Pines - the Ocean Pines Golf Club – will help the community continue its yearlong 50th anniversary celebration with a golf tournament later this month.

Although just a few years shy of 50 (the course opened its first nine holes in 1972), Ocean Pines Golf Club has long been the social center of the community. The sold-out event, scheduled on Saturday, June 30 at 9 a.m., is a testament to that legacy.

According to Ocean Pines Director of Golf John Malinowski, the tournament sold out within a couple of weeks of opening registration. He said those lucky enough to snag a spot will be in for a treat.

"The golf course is in fantastic condition," Malinowski said. "I think tournament participants will be pleased by the job our superintendent, Andre Jordan, and his staff have done."

While the anniversary was the impetus for the tournament, the highlight of the event will be the course layout, created by legendary architect Robert Trent Jones, Sr.

Jones, who has designed over 400 courses around the world, was commissioned to create the layout for Ocean Pines Golf Club, originally known as Seabright and later as Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club.

Construction on the golf course began in 1970. It officially opened on June 5, 1972, making it one of the earliest courses in the Ocean City area. The inaugural foursome that day included PGA Tour and Masters champion Billy Casper as well as Bob Haley, Ocean Pines' first golf club professional.

Haley, now retired, went on

to build and own The Bay Club in Berlin and found golf apparel company Sport Haley. He credits his time at Ocean Pines with much of his later success.

'Given the opportunity to start something as big as Ocean Pines at age 26 was a wonderful, incredible thing," he said. "A lot happened because of Ocean Pines. They were the first people to take a chance on me."

Haley will revisit Ocean Pines at the anniversary tournament, where he will play with other former Ocean Pines golf pros Buddy Sass, Bob Beckelman and Hunt Crosby, all of whom work at area courses.

This year's event is not the first anniversary tournament for Beckelman, who was the head golf professional at Ocean Pines when the community celebrated its 35th.

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Improving literacy in Worcester Co.

By Morgan Pilz

Staff Writer

(June 28, 2018) The Worcester County Public Schools Board of Education was presented a report highlighting two programs boosting literacy and health during its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 19.

Coordinator of Instruction Dee Shorts and Literacy Coach Georgia Wierengo discussed the 100 Book Challenge Program, which promotes higher literacy proficiency for Kindergarten-aged children.

The program was implemented at the beginning of the 2017-18 school year.

"At the beginning of the school year, 22.9 percent of students were ready for first grade," Shorts said. "By the end of the year that number jumped to 89.6 percent."

According to their PowerPoint presentation, the major causes for such a low percentage stemmed from students not having access to large classroom libraries to support reading in school and at home, outdated texts and activities, and variation of knowledge between teachers.

The program is based on three evaluations: cultural engagement, student choice, and the ability to meet the student's reading level.

Students would "shop for books"

during class time every morning, choosing four to six. An independent reading time was slowly implemented at school, starting from five minutes up to 30. Students began taking books home after three weeks and they kept a log of their reading hours.

"These kids are highly engaged in these books," Wierengo said. "They love to read."

After three weeks, the Independent Reading Level Assessment was used to determine reading levels among individual students. Children received medals for each 15 minutes they read.

"Successes are celebrated through steps," Wierengo said.

Another program to boost literacy and comprehensive levels in Worcester County schools is the Integrated Health Literacy Program (IHLP), which was created through a partnership with Atlantic General Hospital in 2012.

The program addresses the need for students to make effective decisions and advocate their own health and share information with peers and family regarding health choices.

Students are scored on a 0-2, 3-4 or 5-6 scale. Five-to-six indicates a high health literacy rate, whereas 0-2 scores require significant improvements.

All health literacy levels are integrated into reading, math, social stud-

ies and science in every grade level.

"In every grade level we are seeing increases in student's health literacy scores," said IHLP Coordinator of Instruction Tamara Mills.

The most significant improvement occurred at the third-grade level, where students with high literacy health score of 5-6 increased from 37.2 percent pre-test to 68.7 percent posttest – a 31.5 percent increase.

Different levels of health literacy are focused on depending on grade level. First graders learn about germs, dental health and eating healthy, while third graders are taught about energy balance, exercise and healthcare.

At the middle school level, seventh graders learn about healthy sleep habits, stress and coping skills, and sun safety. Meanwhile, eighth graders are taught stress management, the importance of not texting and driving, and are educated about substance abuse.

Nutrition education is a required literacy lesson in every grade level. As students enter into middle school, stress management also becomes a required lesson in seventh and eighth grade.

The Health Literacy Program will continue in grades 1 through 8. Health Literacy Liaison Julia Perrotta will also visit schools to promote awareness throughout the 2018-2019 school year.

Golf tournament to highlight rich history of course

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Although Beckelman is now the head golf professional at River Run Golf Club in Berlin, (where Crosby is also employed as the director of golf) Ocean Pines is still a special place for him.

"It's interesting to me to think that I still consider Ocean Pines Golf Club as my home no matter how long I've been gone or how many other positions I have held," he said.

Sass, who is the head golf professional at Ocean City Golf Club, has a similar fondness for Ocean Pines, where he worked in addition to being a member.

"Ocean Pines was a great place to grow up," he said. "My family was a member from the beginning. My dad joined in 1970 and continued through 1999. I played thousands of rounds on the course and it never got old."

Although firmly rooted in tradition, Ocean Pines Golf Club has not been shy about embracing the future.

With an eye on developing future players, the course has a thriving junior program and will welcome more than 100 young golfers at its camps this summer.

For more information about the Ocean Pines Golf Club, contact Malinowski at 410-641-6057 or jmalinowski@oceanpinesgolf.org.



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Rabbi S. Warshaw leaves Temple Bat Yam after decade

By Brian Gilliland

Associate Editor

(June 28, 2018) After a decade of leading the congregation at Temple Bat Yam off Worcester Highway in



Rabbi Susan Warshaw

again.

Berlin, Rabbi Susan Warshaw is ready to try something else, or maybe a few somethings else, as she's decided to retire effective Company.

The first and most obvious benefit for Warshaw is to live with her husband

"My husband Richard lives in Alexandria, Virginia and I'd go back every weekend or almost every weekend. It's a lot of driving and sometimes the Bay Bridge can be problematic," she said.

She said she's going to set up shop outside of the Washington, D.C. area, but doesn't really know what will come next.

After moving back over the bridge, Warshaw said she intends to visit Israel to study and learn, because being a rabbi isn't something you just stop doing, she said.



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Temple Bat Yam in Berlin celebrates with Rabbi Susan Warshaw her retirement after 10 years of service to the synagogue and its congregation. The party was held at Embers Restaurant in Ocean City, June 2. Berlin Mayor Gee Williams presented Rabbi Warshaw with "Honorary Citizenship" while Ocean City Mayor Rick Meehan presented to her a key to the city. Sen. Jim Mathias presented the Rabbi with an official citation from the Maryland General Assembly recognizing her 10 years of service. Pictured, from left, are Mathias, Meehan, Warshaw, Temple Bat Yam Cantorial Soloists Phyllis Alpern and Cheryl Taustin, and President Paul Schwab.

"I'll always function as a rabbi, because once you're a rabbi you're a rabbi and I'll work as a rabbi if I'm employed or not," she said.

Warshaw said there was going to be a lot to miss about Bat Yam and the lower shore, and one thing she won't

"Well, I won't miss all the driving," she said with a laugh. "But I learned so many things: how to be more compassionate and caring for people with

all sorts of problems, I guess to sum it up — I learned to be more accepting."

She hopes the congregation has learned from her as well.

"I hope they learned a lot about Israel. And one thing I said all the time was the need to be kind," she said.

A basic tenet of the Jewish faith, she said, is if you see something wrong, you work to fix it.

"You don't pray for peace, you go

out and work at it. You have to do something about it," she said.

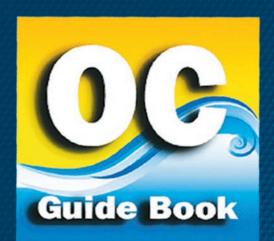
Warshaw thinks she'll always be learning or teaching.

"There's always more. Always be learning is a very Jewish value," she said. "I tried very hard to get to know everyone — you name their babies, you marry them and bury their relatives. I tried to get to know everyone."

Rabbi Estelle Mills has been chosen to succeed Warshaw.

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The Bathmen: from left, Mike Wiley, Kenny "Cupcake" Tomaselli and Bill Hoshal, with Joel Todd on bagpipes, lead off the annual racer parade



Team Town Center Antiques: from left, Josh Layfield, Angela Todan and Town Center Antiques owner Bill Outten



Berlin Police Cpl. Merle Bragg leaps over the finish line



Team Salt Water Media: Stephanie Fowler and Jeff Smith win their first race



Event emcee Tom Sholtis, AKA Big Al Reno of Ocean 98



Ocean City Mayor Rick Meehan, left, and Worcester County Commissioner Bud Church take part in a hula-hoop competition

Worcester County schools update polices on bullying

By Morgan Pilz

Intern

(June 28, 2018) The Worcester County Public Schools Board of Education amended and revised policies regarding bullying during its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 19.

Recent concerns regarding the safety and security of Worcester County's school children led to revisions in the board's code of conduct regarding bullying, harassment, or intimidation of students.

The code now includes harassment of students motivated by gender identity and physical or mental disabilities.

Cyberbullying has been acknowledged as a form of intimidation or harassment. The online harassment will be duly noted as an action held under "electronic communication."

A school-wide prevention/intervention program will be implemented for the 2018-19 school year. Biennial data collection on characteristics of bullying will be used to guide local decision-making related to surveillance, prevention, intervention and professional development.

"As superintendent, I am always in favor of policy changes that empower school personnel to properly address student safety and school climate," Superintendent Lou Taylor said.

New procedures on how to prevent, intervene and punish accordingly have been included in the updated code of conduct.

"There's a lot of work going into revising the policy," said Supervisor of Student Services Eloise Henry-Gordy. "We updated prevention-intervention, meditation and consequences, as well as community services. We also updated the new contact information for the MSDE Student Services branch of their department."

Examples of new prevention procedures includes annual professional development for administrators and staff to increase awareness of the causes and consequences of bullying and increase the use of evidence-based strategies to prevent bullying; education/intervention for the students exhibiting bullying behaviors; and counseling the victim with protection from retaliation.

Disciplinary actions to discourage bullying include meetings with school counselors or psychologists, education about the effects of bullying, harassment or intimidation and community service.

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Call for entries: Arts council to host 'Summertime' show

(June 28, 2018) The Worcester County Arts Council invites artists to participate in a juried art show with a subject: "Summertime," to be exhibited during the month of July 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.

Work must be delivered to the gallery between June 28-29, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., to be accepted.

Monetary prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place during the 2nd Friday art stroll reception on July 13.

Detailed entry guidelines are available on the Arts Council's website: www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org.



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Believe in Tomorrow Block Party



IURGAN PILZ/ BATSIDE GAZE

Carter Crull, 7, and dad Rob, from Fort Mead, stack cups at the Believe in Tomorrow Berlin Block Party on Saturday. Crull has just finished chemotherapy and is in remission.



MORGAN PILZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Helen Willey and Wayne Littleton pose in front of Church Mouse Thrift Store in Berlin. The St. Paul Episcopal Church made a donation to Believe in Tomorrow during the Berlin Block Party on Saturday.



MORGAN PILZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Berlin residents Alana Brittingham, 7, and Beth Scaniffe paint a sculpture during the Berlin Block Party on Saturday.



MORGAN PILZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Believe in Tomorrow volunteers Jim and Cyndy Spicknall on Saturday enjoy the Berlin Block Party with four-legged volunteer Leroy.



MORGAN PILZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

State's Attorney candidate Bill McDermott poses with wife Patti and Bella the alpaca during the Berlin Block Party on Saturday.



MORGAN PILZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Berlin residents Matt and Hayley Westbrook enjoy a fun filled afternoon with their daughter Quinn, 2, at the Berlin Block Party on Saturday.

Patriotic activities in OC, Pines, Berlin and Snow Hill

By Morgan Pilz

Intern

(June 28, 2018) From a hot dogeating contest to patriotic concerts and fireworks, a number of Independence Day celebrations will be taking place this weekend and on July 4.

Here are some activities planned:

Ocean Pines:

• Freedom 5K:

Ocean Pines kicks off its Independence Day celebration on Wednesday with the fourth annual Freedom 5K run and walk.

Families are encouraged to participate in the timed race, which starts at 8 a.m. and heads around the Veterans Memorial Park, across Ocean Parkway and through the Ocean Pines Community where runners will pass the South Gate Pond to the finish line near the Veterans Memorial.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Achilles International-Maryland, a nonprofit charity that enables people with all types of disabilities to participate in mainstream athletics in order to promote personal achievement, enhance self-esteem, and lower barriers to living a fulfilling life.

Attendees are encouraged to wear red, white and blue to support the military. An award will be presented for best costume, as well as to race winners.

At the finish line, flags from each of the military branches will be on display in Veterans Memorial Park, and the first 250 registered runners are guaranteed event T-shirts. Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. The cost is \$25 in advance or \$35 the day of the event. Register online at Ocean-Pines.org or call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052.

• Fourth of July Celebration:

The fun in Ocean Pines continues at 11 a.m. with the Fourth of July celebration at Veterans Memorial Park on Cathell Road.

The All-American celebration will include a deejay, water slides, carnival games, a dunking booth and concessions. Festivities take place until 3 p.m.

Wristbands for unlimited rides on the water bounce cost \$6 and tickets will be sold for additional rides and games.

For more information, call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 or visit Ocean Pines.org.

• Fireworks:

Ocean Pines festivities come to a close with a free firework display at

Showell Park across from Showell Elementary School on Racetrack Road, Wednesday night.

Visitors are encouraged to watch the display from Showell Elementary School, the Community Church of Ocean Pines, Most Blessed Sacrament School or the Pavilions for a good view. Free parking will also be available in these locations.

"Ocean Pines residents and nonresidents will be able to watch in wonder as fireworks ignite and light up the sky in an evening you will not soon forget," Ocean Pines Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer stated in a press release.

Fireworks will begin shortly after dark. The event is open to the public and the Community Church at Ocean Pines will be selling refreshments.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. The event will take place on Thursday, July 5 if there is inclement weather.

For more information, call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 or visit Ocean Pines.org.

Berlin:

• Old Fashioned Celebration:

The Calvin B. Taylor House will host an "Old Fashioned Fourth of July Celebration" on Tuesday, July 3 from 4-7 p.m.

There will be a picnic on the lawn and children's games, including corn hole, ring toss and a scavenger hunt. Musician Charlie Flagiello will perform.

"People can sign [the Declaration of Independence]," Jan Quick, president of the Taylor House Museum Board, said. "We're blowing one up one and they'll have ability to sign their own names to feel [like a founder]."

A Street Kitchen food truck will be on hand, and lemonade slushies and cherry pies will be offered by the mu-

"People can bring their own picnic lunch if they want, then be able to stay and sit on the lawn if they want to see the fireworks from there," Quick said. "It's a family-oriented picnic supper on the lawn."

For more information, visit www.taylorhousemuseum.org or call 410-641-1019.

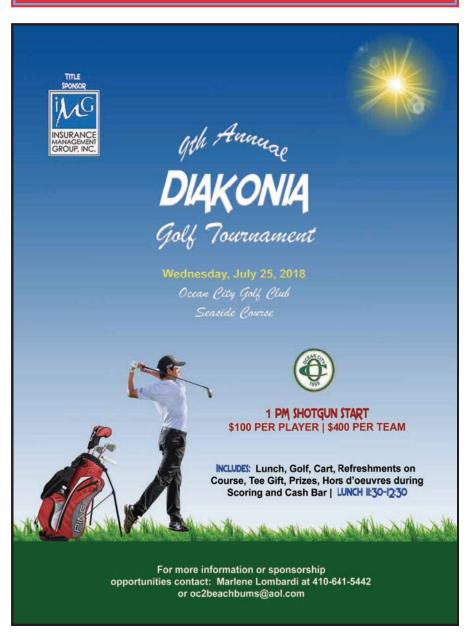
•Family Fun:

Burley Oak Brewing Company on Old Ocean City Boulevard will host a family event on Tuesday, July 3, from 1-5 p.m.

The outdoor festival will have live music, \$5 Burley Oak ales, food available for purchase and family games.

A \$10 cover includes one beer ticket. Anyone under 21 is admitted free. Attendees are encouraged to See BLAST OFF Page 37

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ANGLER

312 Talbot St.
Ocean City
410-289-7424
www.angleroc.net
June 29: Bad Since Breakfast, 5-9 p.m.
June 30: The Poole Brothers, 5-9 p.m.
July 5: Dalton Elliott, 5-9 p.m.

BJ'S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com June 29: Over Time, 9 pm June 30-July 1: Film at 11, 9 p.m. July 4: Identity Crises, 6 p.m. July 5: Bettenroo, 8 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH 116th Street, behind Fountain Head

Towers Condominium
Ocean City
443-664-2896
www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com
June 29: Rodney Kelly, 7-11 p.m.
June 30: Just Jay, 3-7 p.m.;
33 RPM, 8-11 p.m.
July 1: Just Jay, 3-7 p.m.;
Taylor N Linda, 8-11 p.m.
July 2: Tony Sciuto, 6-9 p.m.
July 3: Jack Worthington, 7-11 p.m.
July 4: Reform School, 6-9 p.m.;
Open Mic, 9 p.m.
July 5: Chris Button, 7-11 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

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

CAROUSEL PATIO BAR AND GRILL

In the Carousel Hotel
118th Street and the ocean
Ocean City
410-524-1000
www.carouselhotel.com
June 29: Kaleb Brown, 4-8 p.m.
June 30: Pearl, 4-8 p.m.

July 1: Dave Sherman

July 3: Rick Kennedy, 4-8 p.m.

July 4: Jack Worthington July 5: DJ Jeremy, 6-10 p.m.

COCONUTS BEACH BAR AND GRILL

In the Castle in the Sand Hotel 37th Street oceanfront Ocean City 410-289-6846 www.castleinthesand.com June 29: Darin Engh, noon to 4 p.m.; Rule G, 5-9 p.m. June 30: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, noon to 4 p.m.; Monkee Paw, 5-9 p.m. July 1: Chris Diller, noon to 3 p.m.; Lauren Glick Band, 4-8 p.m.

July 2: Nate Clendenen, noon to 3

Pete, 4-8 p.m.

p.m.; Bob Wilkinson, Joe Smooth &

July 3: Lauren Glick Duo, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Sacks Duo, 5-9 p.m. July 4: Jon Pheasant Duo, noon to 4 p.m.; Chris Button, Joe Mama & Matt Tichon, 5-9 p.m.

July 5: Aaron Howell Solo, noon to 4 p.m.; Poole & the Gang, 5-9 p.m.



PUDDLE OF MUDD Cowboy Coast Country Saloon and Steakhouse: Thursday

COWBOY COAST COUNTRY SALOON AND STEAKHOUSE

17th Street and Coastal Highway
Ocean City
410-289-6331
www.cowboycoastoc.com
June 29: Live Music on the outside
stage, 6-10 p.m.; DJ, Tops Cut Off
DJ Team, 9 p.m.
June 30: Sam Grow, door open at
5 p.m.; Live Music on the outside
stage, 6-10 p.m.; VJ/DJ Jammin Jeff
July 1: Live Band Karaoke w/Kaotik
and DJ Jerry B
July 5: Throwback Summer Concert
Kickoff Party w/Puddle of Mudd

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com June 29: Bob Hughes, 5-8 p.m. June 30: DJ Chuck D, 8 p.m. to midnight

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road

West Ocean City
410-213-1846
www.ocharborside.com
June 29: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.
June 30: Side Project/Chris Button,
2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 2
a.m.
July 1: Opposite Directions, 2-6
p.m.; DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.
July 2: Blake Haley, 4-7 p.m.;
DJ Billy T, 7 p.m.
July 3: Dust N Bones
July 4: Karaoke w/Jeremy or Trivia
w/DJ Bigler
July 5: Opposite Directions, 6 p.m.

HOOTERS

12513 Ocean Gateway
West Ocean City
410-213-1841
www.hootersofoc.com
June 30: DJ Wax, 4-8 p.m.
July 1: This Your Monkey, 3-7 p.m.

MARINA DECK

306 Dorchester St.

Ocean City 410-289-4411 www.marinadeckrestaurant.com July 5: Karaoke, 9 p.m.

M.R. DUCKS BAR & GRILLE

Ocean City
410-289-9125
www.mrducksbar.com
June 29: Jimi Smooth, 6 p.m.
June 30: Eleven Eleven, 5 p.m.
July 1: Over Time, 4 p.m.
July 4: DJ Batman, 5 p.m.
July 5: Jimmy Charles, 5 p.m.

13th Street on the boardwalk

OCEAN 13

311 Talbot St.

Ocean City
www.Ocean13ocmd.com
June 29: Bob Stout (piano lounge), 6
p.m.; Joey Harkum (tiki bar), 8 p.m.
June 30: Apple Brit (piano lounge), 6
p.m.; Walt Farovic (tiki bar), 8 p.m.
July 1: Karaoke w/DJ Jeremy (tiki
bar), 9 p.m.
July 3: Beats by Jeremy, 9 p.m.
July 5: Michael Smith (piano lounge),

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Ocean City
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9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
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July 4-7: Power Play
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June 29-July 3: On the Edge,
5-10 p.m.
July 4: On the Edge, 4-9 p.m.

OCEAN PINES YACHT CLUB

July 5-8: On the Edge, 5-10 p.m.

1 Mumford's Landing Road Ocean Pines 410-641-7501 www.oceanpines.org June 29: Full Circle, 6-10 p.m. June 30: Tranzfusion, 6-10 p.m.

706 Philadelphia Ave.

PICKLES

Ocean City
410-289-4891
www.picklesoc.com
June 29: Beats By Jeremy, 10 p.m.
June 30: Bond & Bentley, 10 p.m. to
2 a.m.
July 2: Karaoke w/Jeremy, 9 p.m.
July 3: Beats By Adam Dutch, 9 p.m.

July 5: Beats by Wax, 9 p.m. **PURPLE MOOSE SALOON**

July 4: Joey Harkum Band

108 S. Atlantic Ave.
Ocean City
410-289-6953
www.purplemoosesaloon.com
June 29-30: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.;

Doc Marten & the Flannels (aka Dirt), 10 p.m.

July 1-2: Charm City Riffs, 10 p.m. July 3-4: Slamm, 10 p.m. July 5: High Voltage, 10 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City 410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com June 29: 30th Anniversary Party, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; DJ Bobby-O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Bobby-O, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Gypsy Wisdom, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. June 30: Cruz-in de Bay, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Llima Bean Riot, 1-5 p.m.; Innasense, 5-9 p.m.; JJ Rupp Band, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Bobby-0, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 1: DJ Bobby-O, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; Innasense, 9 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Davie, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Garden State Radio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 2: DJ Bobby-O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; Anthem, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Ballyhoo!, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Davie, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 3: DJ Bobby-O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; Anthem, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; My Hero Zero, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. July 4: DJ Bobby-O, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Anthem, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Mike T, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; My Hero Zero, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.

July 5: DJ Bobby-O, 11 a.m. to 5

p.m.; Rew Smith, 5-9 p.m.; Jah

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Bobby-0, 10

p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Go Go Gadjet,

Works, 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; DJ Cruz,

66th Street, bayside
Ocean City
410-723-6762
www.skyebaroc.com
June 29: Z Project, 4-8 p.m.
June 30: This is your Monkee, 4-8 p.m.
July 4: TBA, 4-8 p.m.
July 5: TBA, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17
Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines
410-208-3922
www.whiskersbar.com
June 29: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey

Blast off with July 4 fireworks celebrations

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bring beach chairs for fireworks viewing in the parking lot.

The Independence Day fireworks are slated to begin around 9:15 p.m. at Berlin Falls, a multi-use outdoor park across the street from the brewery. For more information, call Burley Oak at 443-513-4647.

Ocean City:

Uptown Concert and Fireworks:

At Northside Park on 125th Street, The Reagan Years will put on a free concert, Wednesday, July 4 at 8 p.m. followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m. The National Anthem will lead the patriotic show.

The fireworks display can be seen anywhere in the park and organizers advise spectators to arrive early.

Attendees are encouraged to bring beach chairs and blankets. Call 1-800-626-2326, 410-250-0125 or visit www.ococean.com for more information

Downtown Concert and Fireworks:

A free concert on the beach at North Division Street in downtown Ocean City featuring Mike Hines and The Look will take place on Wednesday, July 4 at 8 p.m. with a fireworks display following at 9:30 p.m.

Visitors are encouraged to bring beach chairs or blankets to claim a spot on the sand for the patriotic display

Call 1-800-626-2326, 410-250-0125 or visit www.ococean.com for more information.

• Hot Dog-Eating Contest:

Check out the 11th annual Independence Day "Top Dog" hot dog-eating contest at Fish Tales Bar & Grill on 22nd Street, bayside, Wednesday at 2 p.m.

"We're just trying to keep it local this year and encourage local businesses," said Jaymie Erbe, Fish Tales manager and contest coordinator. "You must have a local I.D. to register."

Anyone 18 and older who is interested in competing in the July 4 contest should stop by the 22nd Street bayside bar and restaurant any time prior to that day to quickly consume five deli-style hot dogs and buns in order to qualify for the main event.

A Fish Tales representative will time each participant, and the 20 people with the fastest times will advance to the July 4 finals. The contest is free to enter this year.

Lauren Buckler, a bartender at Fish Tales, is just one of the competition participants this year, Erbe said. On July 4, a stage will be assembled in the restaurant's parking lot for the 10-minute event, which is modeled after Nathan's famous Fourth of July international contest. Bleachers, a satellite bar and hot dog vendor will be set up for spectators.

"It's a fun event," Erbe said. "[We] try to bring the Ocean City community together with different restaurants coming together for one cause."

The "Top Dog" will take home \$1,500. Second place will receive \$500 and third will take home \$300. DJ BK is slated to emcee the competition again this year. Fish Tales, Coors Light and Dietz & Watson are sponsoring the event. Dietz & Watson will also supply the hot dogs.

Call 410-289-0990 for more information or to participate in the hot-dog eating contest if spots are still open.

• Declaration of Independence Reading:

The American Legion and the Maryland Society Sons of the American Revolution will hold a joint event at the American Legion Synepuxent Post 166 on 24th Street on Wednesday, July 4 at 11 a.m.

President Mark Tyler of the Captain John Smoot Chapter of the SAR will read the Declaration of Independence. The event is open to the public.

For more information, visit

www.alpost166.org or call 410-289-3166.

Snow Hill:

• Fireworks:

Fourth of July festivities take place Saturday, June 30, in Snow Hill with a firework display over the Pocomoke River in Sturgis Memorial Park.

The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with ice cream, drinks and food provided by the Snow Hill Rotary Club available before the fireworks start around 9:15 p.m. There will be bounce houses and face painting for children.

Guests should bring a lawn chair or blanket to Sturgis Park. Parking will be available at public lots on Green and Washington streets.

For more information, call 410-632-0809.



Thousands of people enjoy the fireworks on the beach in downtown Ocean City on July 4.





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Snapshots



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DAR NEW OFFICERS

The General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) installed its 2018-2020 officers during a luncheon at the Blue Dog Café in Snow Hill on May 16. Gail Weldin was installed as the new chapter regent by outgoing Chaplain Ann Fowler. Other officers installed included Vice Regent Janet Simpson, Chaplain Barbara Rusko, Recording Secretary Barbara May, Corresponding Secretary Diane Kerbin, Treasurer Pat Arata, Registrar Elizabeth Sharpless, and Historian Teresa Smith. Carol Morrison was unable to attend and will be installed as librarian. Pictured, from left, are Fowler, Outgoing Regent Patricia Ayers, Weldin, Simpson, Rusko, May, Kerbin, Arata, Sharpless and Smith.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

BOYS' LAX AND TENNIS

Worcester Prep Upper School boys' lacrosse and tennis sports award winners, in front, from left, Dominic Anthony (varsity tennis, MVP and singles champ), Brendan Miller (varsity tennis, most improved and doubles champ), Brenner Maull (varsity tennis, coaches award), Sam Cantello (varsity lacrosse, coaches award), Tucker Brown (varsity lacrosse, MVP). Not Pictured: Gavin Hentschel (varsity lacrosse, most improved).



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GUEST SPEAKER

Pastor David Whitney of the Institute of the Constitution, gave an informative presentation on the Maryland Constitution to the Republican Women of Worcester County and their guests during their Monthly Luncheon Meeting, May 24 at the Dunes Hotel in Ocean City.



BEST ALL-AROUND

With a decorated resume that includes straight A's throughout high school, sports, numerous clubs, hundreds of volunteer hours, competitions and national leadership positions, Stephen Decatur High School senior Laila Mirza was named the class of 2018 Best All-Around during the annual Senior Awards Night on May 21. Mirza is pictured with Assistant Principal Kathy Cater.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

GIRLS' LAX AND TENNIS

Worcester Prep Upper School girls' lacrosse and tennis sports award winners, in front, from left, are Hope Sens (varsity tennis, most improved), Saylor McGuiness (varsity tennis doubles champ), Annika Larsen (varsity tennis, MVP and singles champ), Anchita Batra (varsity tennis, coaches award), Mesa Cammack (varsity tennis doubles champ), and in back, Rylie Carey (JV lacrosse, coaches award), Claire Jobson (JV lacrosse, most improved), Maddy Shanahan (JV lacrosse, MVP), Damiana Colley (varsity lacrosse, most improved), Sophie Bandorick (varsity lacrosse, coaches award) and Carly Hoffman (varsity lacrosse, MVP).



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DECATUR BENEFIT

Popeye's Chicken in West Ocean City held a fundraising event to benefit Stephen Decatur High School's Math Honor Society Mu Alpha Theta on May 22. Popeye's owner Salah Hassanein along with his staff, presented a check to students Shea Griffin, treasurer; Laila Mirza, president; and Emily Hurley, vice president, for \$550. Also pictured is faculty advisor Sherryl Olson who is grateful for Popeye's support of Decatur's Mu Alpha Theta Chapter for the past seven years.

Puzzles

CREATURE FEATURE BY TIMOTHY POLIN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

After completing this puzzle, draw a line starting at the middle square of 59-Across and connect five appropriate squares in roughly clockwise order to reveal an image suggested by this puzzle's theme.

ACROSS

- 1 "Friendly" cartoon character
- 7 Pro
- 14 Symbols in calculus
- 20 Simple kind of
- 21 Expenditures
- counterpart
- 22 Lacking a break
- 23 Add surreptitiously 24 Worrisome sight for a
- swimmer
- 25 With spite
- 26 Some Houdini feats
- 28 John of spy fiction
- 30 Something extraordinary that won't soon be forgotten
- 32 Some northern Europeans
- 35 Bit of hydrotherapy
- 38 Caffeinated drink with tapioca balls 39 Doled (out)
- 41 Opposite of
- colorblindness? Jacques"
- 43 Ones eligible for
- marathon prizes 45 "Don't bite the hand
- that feeds you," e.g. 46 Flight-board abbr.
- 47 Sinking feelings 50 Mistrusts
- 53 Mother or sister

Online subscriptions: Today's puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles, nytimes.com/crossword (\$39.95 a year).

- 54 Does more than ask
- 56 Dr. Sattler: "Jurassic Park" paleobotanist
- 57 Energy giant that fell into ignominy in 2002
- 58 Elevs.
- 59 Peevish quality
- 61 Get a new mortgage
- 63 [Kiss]
- 65 Powerful D.C. lobby
- 68 Scylla or Charybdis
- 74 Speedy wide receiver, perhaps
- 80 Skill
- 81 [Fingers crossed] 82 Buzz out in space
- 83 And so on: Abbr.
- 84 Staff leader?
- 86 & 87 What might cost 3 106-Down director you an arm and a leg?
- 88 Silver-tongued
- 89 2004 also-ran
- 91 Martin who wrote The Pregnant Widow"
- 92 Evening, in ads
- 93 Southern sandwich
- 94 Is there in spirit? 96 Zen Buddhist goal
- 98 Makes fun of
- 99 Menace in 106-Down
- 104 Bad-mouth
- 106 Add spice to
- 107 Metaphor for deliberate ignorance

- 109 Gobbled (down)
- 111 Seriously uptight 112 Fictional setting for
- 106-Down 115 "A believes no
- one" (old saying)
- 116 Pottery 117 Caffè
- 118 Justin Bieber or
- Justin Timberlake
- 119 Concerning
- 120 Conventions: Abbr. 121 "There, there"
- 122 Disgustingly obsequious
- 123 Class with drills

DOWN

- 1 Things investors take an interest in?
- 2 Suffer
- 4 Pink, e.g.
- 5 Brought out
- 6 Christen anew
- 7 Tidiness
- 8 Proud, fiery types, they say
- 9 Save for later,
- in a way 10 Fathers or brothers
- 11 Santa
- 12 No longer in force
- 13 Gives meaning to
- 14 Horn of Africa native
- 15 Neon, e.g. 16 Transmission
- 17 Like the menace in 106-Down
- 18 Common knee injury site, briefly

- 19 Locale for a trough
- 27 Fairy-tale "lump"
- 29 Hack
- 30 Hit BBC comedy, briefly
- 31 Peter of "The Maltese Falcon"
- 32 Handles deftly
- 33 Utmost degree
- 34 Farm machine
- 36 Something to angle for
- 37 "In Dulci Jubilo" and others
- 39 Modest skirts
- 40 Modern subject of F.A.A. regulation
- 43 TV show with the season's highest rating, often
- U.S.A." (1963 hit)
- 48 Sports arbiter
- 49 Pixielike
- 51 Cabaret accessory
- 52 Country-music channel, once
- 55 Decorative pillowcase
- 58 Adjudicate. as a case
- 60 "This is
- looking bad"
- 62 Lyricist Sammy
 - 63 Singer Haggard 64 Golfer's obstacle
 - 66 Ska-punk band with the 1997 song "Sell Out"
 - 67 Sunning area
 - 68 Ax

- 69 Seasonal quaff
- 70 Small herrings
- 71 Is a crowd
- 72 Actor Morales
- 73 Deteriorates 74 Beginning
- 75 Precollege, for short
- 76 Text tweaks
- 77 Midcrisis hire. perhaps
- 78 Word with black or blood
- 79 Frozen-dessert chain
- 85 Leaves nervously exhausted
- 88 Thugs
- 90 Aromatic
- yellow citrus
- 93 Preppy wear

95 Himalayan native

- 97 Cheap and gaudy 98 Charged
- 99 Scrap

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- 100 Actress Salma
- 101 Movie org. whose "100 Years ... 100 Thrills" list has 106-

Down at No. 2

- 102 Takes a load off
- 103 Superman, by birth
- 105 "Coo-oo-ool!" 106 1975 summer

119

- blockbuster 107 Morse clicks
- 108 Indian blueblood
- 110 Teensy amount
- 113 Yogi's accessory
- 114 Oscar
 - (Hollywood honor, informally)

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HARD - 45

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.

		1				3		
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Answers to last week's puzzles

6 5 3 2 8 4 9 2 7 6 9 4 8 5 3 1 5 4 3 9 2 1 8 7 6 5 3 8 9 6 2 4 7 2 9 1 6 3 4 5 8 9 8 2 5 1 7 6 4 3 2 5 8 9 3 6 4 7 6 2 3 4 1 9 5 8 3 9 4 1 6 5

Cuisine

Eat, pray, get delayed over, and over, and ...

I have been afforded more travel than I can shake a stick at recently. Throughout it all, I want to emphasize that I have no intention to brag.



By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

Doing what I do as a chef, I can't help but to have a fascination for what other cooks are doing on this continent and afar.

While travel has always been a mental release for me, I also understand that it comes at a cost; or more to the point, several costs. First, and to quote my mother, "travel ain't cheap." (She never said that, but truer words have seldom been ut-

tered).

Second, travel is mightily inconvenient with parking garages, flights, hotels, meals and the inevitable gastrointestinal issues that can certainly accompany said travels.

Third, and finally, there are the delays. Good lord, those dreaded delays. And I know that it's hard to complain when it comes to travel, but when a trip costs a fair amount of pocket change, you kind of earn the right.

A month ago, as I traveled to Costa Rica with my daughters, the plane in New York was delayed for no other reason than the gas guy overfilling the wing tank and spilling fuel on the runway. We sat on the plane for three hours (they would not let us disembark), and we missed the two following connecting flights. Our already-too-short hop to the CR was cut even shorter. As my daughter said, "he had one job."

Last week, I traveled to the Keys with my girlfriend to attend a wedding and it was smooth sailing from start to finish. Almost.

We visited my sister in South Beach with my nephew, where we ate an amazing lunch at Faena Hotel (where my nephew is a chef and where I had an amazing salad that resembles the one below), and then her cousins in Islamorada before heading down. The trip was perfect, and all seemed as though it could not have been any better.

Waking early on Sunday morning to pick up our rental in Key West to head to Miami (repeat – Sunday morning. Key West. Saturday night wedding. Evil), we were content having spent the most amazing week in the isles.

We made it to Miami International that morning in perfect form but then endured an eight-hour delay due to a comedy of errors that included:

[First plane after about an hour on the tarmac]: "Ladies and gentlemen, there's a very simple problem with the aircraft that the mechanics can't figure out, so we are going to disembark."

[second plane a few hours later]: "Ladies and gentlemen, we regret to inform you that we cannot locate the captain, and the crew is in a mandatory switch, so we now have to disembark this plane."

[Third plane's gate agent probably four hours later]: "Ladies and gentlemen, I need everyone to stay calm, but we need to be on this plane and pulling away from the jet bridge in 20 minutes or we will be delayed again. We've had two dress rehearsals so let's make this work!"



We made it with less than a minute to spare, and we arrived home at 3:37 a.m.; just a touch later than the anticipated 7:00 p.m.

In two weeks, New Orleans is up. And as much as I would love to say that there will be no delays, we don't get to choose our travel trammels. But come on, travel gods. Not three times! Mercy!

Tuna Crudo Salad

Serves four

Dressing

- 2 pieces of pickled ginger
- 1 ounce Seaweed salad (available at sushi joints or better markets)
- 1 Tbsp. High-quality Tamari
- 1 tsp. Sesame oil (not toasted)
- 1/2 tsp. toasted sesame seeds
- 1 tsp. Mirin wine

The Rest

8 ounces Fresh, beautiful tuna*

1 Pickling cucumber, or English

1 Soft avocado

Sweet potato chips (recipe follows)

Pea sprouts and assorted microgreens

Cilantro-Wasabi Cream

makes about 1 cup

1/2 cup Sour cream

1 Tbsp. Lime juice

1/4 bunch cilantro leaves, minced finely

1/4 bunch Broadleaf parsley, minced finely

1/2 tsp. Wasabi powder

1/2 tsp. Liquid from pickled ginger salt, only as needed

- 1. Shred the pieces of ginger and combine with the rest of the dressing ingredients
 - 2. Set aside until ready to use

- 3. Cut the tuna into 1/2-inch cubes and shaver the cukes and avocados
- 4. Combine the wasabi cream sauce ingredients and set aside
- 5. Toss these in the dressing and plate artistically as you see in the picture. It's not that hard... you got this
- 6. Garnish with sweet potato chips and whatever microgreens you could rummage up
- 7. Finish with the cream and let 'er rip! Super easy and amazingly delicious
- *By food code, any fresh fish that is going to be served raw should be frozen to kill the parasites that could be living in said fish.

Sweet Potato Chips

makes a bunch

1 sweet potato, peeled

1 Tbsp. EV Olive oil

Kosher salt, as needed

- 1. Preheat oven to 375F
- 2. Spend the money on a mandolin if you don't already own one
- 3. Shave the potato paper thin and toss with the olive oil
- 4. Place on a roasting pan, spreading evenly and sprinkling with salt
- 5. Bake the slices, ensuring that they are distributed and getting constant heat (using a spatula here is a good idea)
- 6. Bake until crispy and remove, allowing to cool on paper towels
- Paul G. Suplee is an Associate Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College.
 Find his ePortfolio at www.heartofakitchen.com.

Calendar

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

Thurs., June 28

OC BEACH PATROL ROOKIE GRADUATION

Beach from Pier to Inlet, 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM. Great spectator event. This year's rookie class demonstrates skills in training exercises. 410-289-7556,

ANNUAL RED, WHITE AND BLUE LUNCHEON MEETING

Ocean Pines Yacht Club, 1 Mumford's Landing Road, 10:30 AM. The Republican Women of Worcester County will host guest speaker Craig Wolf, who is running for Attorney General of Maryland. Cost of the luncheon is \$20 per person. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 11 a.m. Reservations: Ann Lutz, annlutz60@gmail.com or 410-208-9767

CONCERT IN THE PARK

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Free family-friendly performance featuring "229th US Army Band." Refreshments will be sold, or patrons may bring their own. Open to the public. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052, http://OceanPines.org

FULL MOON YOGA

Assateague North Beach parking lot, 6633 Bayberry Drive, 8:00 PM. Free but park entrance fees are in effect and all donations go directly to benefit Assateague Island National Seashore. All levels welcome. Bring a towel; insect repellent is recommended. Meet at the shade pavilion.

BEACH LIGHTS

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Fri., June 29

FREE MOVIES ON THE BEACH - DOWNTOWN

Ocean City beach at 27th Street, 8:30 PM. Featuring "Storks." (weather permitting). Ocean City Recreation & Parks, 410-250-0125, http://www.oceancitymd.gov

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Sat., June 30

GOAT YOGA

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Goat Yoga is the practice of yoga in the presence of live goats. Offering a fun form of animal-assisted therapy. Cost is \$30. Those interested are encouraged to register by calling 443-880-5338 or by visiting the Goatopia booth at the Wednesday or Saturday Farmers Markets.

LULAROE AT THE BEACH

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Free admission.

BERLIN OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

Stephen Decatur Park, 17 Burley St., 8:30 PM. Free family-friendly movie featuring "Sing." Bring a blanket or chair, snacks and drinks. Alcohol is not permitted. Weather cancelations will be posted on Facebook at Town of Berlin Maryland. Mary Bohlen, mbohlen@berlinmd.gov, 410-641-4314

FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Locally grown vegetables and fruits, eggs, honey, kettle korn, flowers, artisan breads, seafood, meats and more. New vendors welcome. 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006

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Sun., July 1

STARPOWER BELIEVE NATIONAL TALENT DANCE COMPETITION

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 12:00 AM. With professional staging and sound, knowledgeable judges and a performance like no other, this is a dance competition you must experience to believe. Held July 1-5. Grace Wakefield, garystarpower@aol.com, 301-870-9550,

http://believetalent.com

LULAROE AT THE BEACH

Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Free admission.

THE HYSSONGS IN CONCERT

First Baptist Church, 204 Fourth St., 11:00 AM. The Hyssong's energetic ministry combines family vocal harmony, humor and brass instruments to delight audiences with their Christ-centered message. The Hussongs have received many accolades for their quality, inspirational Southern Gospel sound.

SUNDAES IN THE PARK

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Create your own sundae for a nominal fee and enjoy free music by OH BOY! (a tribute to Buddy Holly). Also, free activities and entertainment for children. Additional ice cream novelty and beverage options available. Bring picnic basket and beach chairs. Fireworks display at 9 p.m. Held inside in the event of inclement weather. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays through Sept. 30 - Bethany United Methodist Church, front lawn, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD, 8:30 AM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. bethany21811@ gmail.com, 410-641-2186

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Mon., July 2

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HYPERTENSION CLINICS

Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., #600, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 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

OC MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

Boardwalk Tram Station located just north of the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., 10:00 AM. Enjoy fun facts and topics. New topics everyday. Great free summer program for the entire family. Sandy, 410-289-4991, http://www.ocmuseum.org

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Berlin group No. 169. Rose Campion, 410-641-0157

MOVIE IN THE PARK

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8:00 PM. Free family-friendly movie featuring "Coco (2017)." Bring chairs, food and drinks. Ice cream, candy and drinks will be for sale. Open to the public. Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052, http://OceanPines.org

FREE MOVIES ON THE BEACH - DOWNTOWN

Ocean City beach at 27th Street, 8:30 PM. Featuring "Beauty and the Beast (2017)." (weather permitting). Ocean City Recreation & Parks, 410-250-0125, http://www.oceancitymd.gov

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DELMARVA A CAPELLA CHORUS

Mondays - Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 7:00 PM. All levels of singers and drop-ins welcome. Jean, 410-208-4149

Tues., July 3

CPAP MASK FITTING

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

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FAITH-BASED PARTNERSHIP

Atlantic Health Center Conference Room, 9714 Healthway Drive, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM. A cooperative effort of local Worship Centers and AGH to increase health awareness, education and healthy living incentives. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. Gail Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEAFOOD NIGHT

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM. Full menu to select from plus steamed crabs and steamed shrimp. They can be pre-ordered on Monday and Tuesday mornings by calling 410-524-7994 between 9 a.m. and noon.

OC BEACH DANCE PARTY

Caroline Street Stage, Ocean City beach at Caroline Street, 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM. Featuring DJ Batman (OC's legendary DJ). Enjoy the music and dance in the sand. Bring a beach chair or blanket. 410-250-0125 or 800-626-2326

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ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Tuesdays through Sept. 25 - Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Got bugs or other plant problems? Bring your bagged samples by and let the master gardeners find solutions to your questions. 410-208-4014

FAMILY BEACH OLYMPICS

Tuesdays through Aug. 14 - Ocean City beach at 27th Street, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM. All skill levels welcome. Activities include sand castle contests, tug-of-war, relay games and more. All activities are free. Parents are asked to stay with their children. Denise Ortega, 410-250-0125.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Tuesdays - Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and health lifestyle. jeanduck47@gmail.com

Wed., July 4

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FREEDOM 5K

Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines, 11144 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 7:00 AM - 11:59 PM, Proceeds will be donated to the Achilles International - Maryland. T-shirts are guaranteed to the first 250 runners. Registration begins at 7 a.m.; race starts at 8 a.m. Cost is \$25 for pre-registration and \$35 for day of the race. Participants are encouraged to wear their favorite red, white and blue costume. Awards for best costume and race winners. https://www.raceentry.com/races/ocea n-pines-association-freedom-5k/2018/register

READING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

American Legion Post #166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., 11:00 AM. The July 4th joint program will start with President Mark Tyler, of the Captain John Smoot Chapter of the SAR, reading the Declaration of Independence. Also included in the program will be representatives from the SAR Chapter and from the American Legion.

JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION

Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines, 11144 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Featuring DJ, waterslides, moon-bounces, carnival games, pony rides, a dunking booth and concessions. Free admission and open to the public. Wrist bands for unlimited waterslide and moon-bounces cost \$6. Carnival games are free. http://www.OceanPines.org

JULY 4TH CONCERT & FIREWORKS-DOWNTOWN

Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, 8:00 PM. Enjoy a free concert by Mike Hines and The Look. Followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m. 410-250-0125 or 800-626-2326

JULY 4TH CONCERT & FIREWORKS-

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 8:00 PM. Enjoy a free concert by The Reagan Years. Followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m. 410-250-0125 or 800-626-2326

JULY FOURTH FIREWORKS

Showell Park, 11281 Racetrack Road, 9:00 PM. Fireworks can best be seen from Showell Elementary, Most Blessed Sacrament, The Pavilions, Community

Church at Ocean Pines and St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Showell Park will close at 6 p.m. and parking will not be permitted along the shoulder of Route 589 and Beauchamp Road. Rain date is July 5. http://www.OceanPines.org

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OP FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

Wednesdays through Sept. 26 - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Locally grown vegetables and fruits, eggs, honey, kettle korn, flowers, artisan breads, seafood, meats, jewelry, clothing, artwork and more. Open to the public. New vendors welcome. 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006

ONGOING EVENTS

EXERCISE ON THE BEACH

Assateague Island North Beach parking lot, 6633 Bayberry Drive, Berlin. Held Saturdays through September and Tuesdays in July and August, 8-9 a.m. Low impact exercise for all levels. Bring a beach towel. Suitable for ages 8 years and up. All gifts of donation go to Assateague Island National Seashore.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Held July 23-27 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Mary Star Of The Sea, 1705 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City. Each day at "Shipwrecked!! Rescued by Jesus," kids travel through faith-building rotations that reinforce relevant Bible points and immerse kids in new adventures. All are welcome. Register:

vbspro.events/p/events/stmaryvgs18. Info: Rita, 410-289-7028 or religioused@stmarystaroftheseaocmd.com.

KIWANIS DUCK RACE

Kiwanis is selling \$5 entries for the Aug. 24 race to benefit Kiwanis Children's programs like scholarships and student leadership clubs in local schools. Win up to \$3,000. The race will be held at Frontier Town Lazy River on Route 611. Winner need not be present to win. Tickets: 410-973-1233.

PINE'EER ARTISAN & GIFT SHOP OPEN

Pine'eer Artisan & Gift Shop, White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. Shop will be open every Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and every Sunday, 10

a.m. to 3 p.m. Featuring the latest creations by members of the Pine'eer Craft

'ACHIEVING SURGICAL WEIGHT LOSS SUCCESS' SEMINAR

Atlantic General Bariatric Center Conference Room, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Suite 207, Berlin. Takes place the first Monday of each month at 1 p.m. This is a free, in-person seminar. Additional opportunities are also available in the form of an online webinar. Register: 410-641-9568.

STAR CHARITIES MONTHLY MEETING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m., on the first Friday of each month. Anyone interested is welcome. Info: Anna Foultz, 410-641-7667.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

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

AUMC THRIFT SHOP

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

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

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

WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN

Support groups meet the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at Atlantic General Hospital, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin; and the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at PRMC Cancer Institute, 11105 Cathage Road, Ocean Pines. 410-548-7880

NAACP MEETINGS

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

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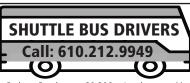
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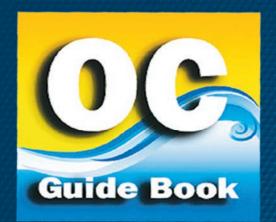
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