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Community rallies around Jake Newcomer

Massive parade staged in Girdletree to surprise local boy suffering from cancer

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Dec. 20, 2018) It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas – after a community rallied around 11-yearold cancer patient Jake Newcomer to give him a night he surely would not forget.

Newcomer's step-grandfather, Ocean Pines Police Department Lt. Greg Schoeph, said the boy's illness prevented him from attending celebrations in Worcester County, so area residents brought a surprise parade to him.

They held the Christmas parade on Dec. 13 on the street in front of Newcomer's house outside Girdletree. Schoeph said the event exceeded Newcomer's expectations.

"Well, he was extremely surprised," Schoeph said.

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Children riding in a enormous Radio Flyer float hold positive messages for 11-year-old Jake Newcomer. The surprise Christmas parade was held last Thursday on the street in front of his Girdletree home.

Snow Hill business owners and council clash

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) The Snow Hill Town Council and an attorney representing Toy Town Antiques said they're working to resolve a dispute between the two, but the disagreement has ignited a firestorm among local business owners.

At the center of the controversy is a 2016 memorandum of understanding signed by then Mayor Charlie Dorman and all three members of the Town Council, as well as business owners Richard and Debbie Seaton.

According to the agreement, the owners of Toy Town had five years to complete certain renovations and would then take ownership of an empty building owned by the town. Now, however, the council is asking that some of the work be done sooner, citing safety issues.

There is also the matter of percep-

tion that Dorman was friendly to businesses, while the current Mayor and council are not.

Dorman resigned in November and was replaced by former Mayor Stephen Mathews, but on his way out issued a statement that said the town manager and council "disagreed with me on some of my tactics to draw new business to Snow Hill. Since then, I've become a figurehead only as the mayor, with no authority anymore. I then decided that I would resign."

The Town Council, meanwhile, released its own statement critical of Dorman.

"Throughout Mayor Charlie Dorman's administration, the Town Council had faith that he was making decisions that were in the best interest of the town and its citizens and that he was adhering to the regulations and guidelines of the Town Code ... However, it came to light several months ago that there had been actions by the Mayor that we believed to be in violation of the duties of the Mayor as specified in the Town Charter," the letter said.

Councilwomen, in the letter, went on See TOY TOWN Page 5



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A large crowd gathers for a Dec. 11 Snow Hill Town Council meeting, anticipating further discussion on the rift between the council and local business Toy Town Antiques.



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Surprise parade in Girdletree for local boy

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across the Delmarva area, as well as 200 vehicles participated in the parade for Newcomer, according to the Worcester County Sheriff's Office.

"You just can't thank everybody enough," Schoeph said. "It was a total Eastern Shore project ... everybody on the shore ... chipped in for this, and it's just great."

Schoeph said Newcomer was upset because he couldn't revel in the simple pleasures of the holidays, and told his stepfather, Aaron, "I just really

want to see a parade this year." Schoeph said that simple request got the event in motion.

"[My son] reached out to Sheriff [Matt] Crisafulli, [and] they just ran with it," Schoeph said.

Schoeph expressed his appreciation to all who took the time to make this event possible.

'[I've] got to give credit where credit is due," Schoeph said.

Schoeph said his step-grandson was under the impression a few deputies from the Ocean Pines Police

Department, as well as Snow Hill Volunteer Fire Department truck would stop by.

"He just thought it was going to be me and maybe a couple deputies ... [but] what it turned out to be was bigger than any other parade that went on this year," Schoeph said.

Schoeph said Newcomer was grinning from ear-to-ear that fateful evening.

"He had the mask on and he told his grandmother ... 'nobody can tell but I'm smiling behind this,'

Schoeph said.

Schoeph said Newcomer is currently undergoing treatment at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

'He's got a long road ahead of him," Schoeph said.

Crisafulli said he wanted to use the parade to help "give Jake an experience of a lifetime."

"We felt that this was the least that we could do for Jake," Crisafulli said. "Having our community band together to make Jake smile was extremely rewarding.



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Toy Town not on agenda, but still dominates discussion

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to say Dorman made decisions for the town he had no authority to make, including entering into agreements with local business owners in which "Mayor Dorman directed staff to ignore the Code and laws, ignore the memorandum of agreement, and allow this business to open, fully aware it was in violation."

They also said Dorman "has continually made negative comments about the Council and town staff in an attempt to gain public sympathy ... As a result, community members and business owners have stated that they feel a divide between themselves and town government."

All of this spilled over during a Dec. 11 Town Council meeting.

Several handouts were available at the front door that previewed the tension to come. One, a printout of a Dec. 3 post on the Downtown Merchant's Association Facebook page, said, "We anticipate that 'Toy Town Antiques and More – Richard and Debbie Seaton' will be on the agenda again. They are being driven out of town by our town government. Please attend to show our support for this business. They are very important to the survival and success of Snow Hill."

Also available was a copy of an Edward S. Lee editorial letter that ran in the Bayside Gazette on Nov. 29 titled "Snow Hill's political dilemma," along with a separate handout, a "Town Response" addressing several points in the letter.

Mathews began the meeting, "I realize that some of you may be attending tonight's meeting in hopes of a discussion regarding Toy Town Antiques. I will not be caught taking any comments on that or entertaining any discussion on the matter, as it's in lawyers' hands and we're talking."

However, Mathews did address the Downtown Merchant's Association Facebook post.

"I want to go on record by saying that this statement is not accurate," he said. "The town has no intention of shutting down any business downtown. The town does have an interest, however, in the safety and well-being for those walking in and out of businesses, and around businesses in this town.

"We are working to make sure that everybody is protected," Mathews continued. "The town is continuing to work with the Seatons on the issues with the building. There are a few safety issues that must be addressed and they are addressing them in a timely manner.

"As of now, since the Seatons hired an attorney and we are limited to the correspondence between their attorney and our attorney, we will continue to work on the issues and hope to resolve these issues," Mathews said.

Mathews added the town put out a "fact sheet" in response to Lee's editorial.

"The facts are what the facts are," he said.

Later in the meeting, Diana Nolte asked to address the council under New Business.

"We can't talk about Toy Town, so I'm going to talk about something else," she said.

"Good!" Mathews said.

Nolte said she spoke with Councilwoman Alison Gadoua several months ago, and then had a meeting with Councilwoman LaToya Purnell and Town Manager Kelly Pruitt in her store, and later spoke with Mathews himself. In each instance, she said she "asked for one thing."

"And that was to work it out. So, I will talk about working it out," she said. "But, nobody asked me why I was the one standing up last month and why I'm the one standing up this month.

"And it's because, when I talked to ya'll, I heard things like, 'None of your business.' 'Not your problem.' 'You're not Dick Seaton.' 'You're not Toy Town' ... 'You just don't know all the information. If you knew it, you would be fine.' Well, no, I don't," Nolte added.

She went on to say she was told, "There's nothing in it for you. Why are

you bothering?

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"You're right, there's nothing in it for me. It might make the town a little healthier, but, you know, nothing in it for me," Nolte said.

"At one meeting I said, 'Well, you know, we're all sort of afraid of Town Hall.' Well, guess what? We're not sort of afraid – we're afraid of Town Hall," she added.

According to Nolte, town officials responded to her statement by saying "You don't have anything to be worried about ... when have we ever not treated you well? When have you ever not gotten what you asked for?"

"And the answer is, never. I've always gotten along with Town Hall. For 17 years while I've been in business here, I've gotten along with Town Hall," Nolte said. "I've done everything I'm supposed to, I've paid every bill I was supposed to ever pay, I filled out every form correctly and I've gone to ask people what the right way is to fill it out. So, yeah ... there's nothing in it for me and now I'm not a friend of Town Hall anymore. I get it. I've just joined a very long list, I guess."

Along with running a local business, Nolte said she was the chairwoman of the Main Street organization charged with revitalizing downtown Snow Hill and felt very strongly about her role in doing so.

"And so, this is righteous anger you

are hearing – and righteous anger is not going to go away," she said, drawing loud applause from the full house in attendance.

Mathews replied that Nolte did not "name names" in her comments, adding, "I didn't hear anything there that I told you, other than we'd like to

"At one meeting I said ... 'We're all sort of afraid of Town Hall.' Well, guess what? We're not sort of afraid – we're afraid of Town Hall." Diana Nolte, Snow Hill Business owner

work it out and I'm willing to work with you."

"One more chance," Nolte said.

Purnell recalled speaking with Nolte and said "I believe we gave you as many facts as possible."

"And your response was, 'I don't care,' Purnell said. "What really, really ... irritates me now – because now it's an irritation – is I came to your business. You told me that you was gonna rally up the business owners and we were gonna have a meeting and try to work this out. Since then, all I've heard is chaos. When we ask them where it's

coming from, it's all filtering back to you.

"It's hard for me to sit here and just allow you to first of all attack Town Hall

... because they didn't even have to come and talk to you, but Kelly decided to come with me and talk to with you," she continued. "You sat down there, you explained everything to us. We listened to you. Since then, what has happened?

"You told us not to go to social media. You told us not to go to the reporters. You told us not to do those things – and then you turn around and do it," Purnell said.

Nolte tried to interject, but Purnell cut in, "no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no ... can I finish? I let you finish."

"I don't understand how it's OK for the community to lash out, but it's not OK for Town Hall and the council to lash out," Purnell said. "We're trying to give the truth, but you don't want to hear it. Your words were, 'I don't care.'

Purnell and Nolte continued to tangle verbally, while Mathews tried to restore order.

"To us, you all are town government, whether you're Charlie, the town manager, a town councilor, whoever you are – it's all just town government," Nolte said.

"When I tried to explain what was going on, you told me you didn't care. See MATHEWS Page 7

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Mathews, Purnell note they did not sign memorandum

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At that point I could have walked out of your shop - and I chose not to. I chose to sit there and talk to you," Purnell said.

Nolte then held up a copy of the Toy Town MOU.

"This is why!" she said, slamming down the document. "You signed that you signed that! It's a five-year agreement," Nolte said.

"Who signed that? I wasn't here to sign. I wasn't here to sign. I wasn't here to sign. I wasn't here to sign," Purnell said.

Purnell was elected in 2017 – a year after the agreement was signed.

When Mathews said, "We're not going to discuss this," a member of the audience cut in and said, "I thought you said we're discussing this at the next meeting - you lied!"

According to Nov. 13 meeting minutes, "Mayor Mathews informed the audience that there was a change to the agenda. Toy Town will not be discussed, as a meeting was held earlier tonight with the attorneys and everyone is working toward moving forward together. A report will be presented at the next town meeting."

"I did say last month that we were gonna discuss it. It's still in the lawyer's hands," Mathews said. "I apologize for saying that, but ... I will more than admit that I make mistakes. And that was a mistake in saying that we would discuss [the matter] at the next meeting, because I was hoping that we were gonna be able to resolve it – but we haven't.

"So, it's still in discussion and we can't discuss it in an open meeting. I apologize for that," he added.

Nolte again said, "You all signed an agreement."

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"I didn't sign anything," Mathews said. "We are not going to discuss Toy Town. It is in the lawyer's hands. Thank you for your comments, thank you for your concern, but we cannot discuss that.'

Jill M. Odierno, an attorney representing the Seatons, said they asked her to attend the meeting "because we did think that this would at some point come back up."

According to Odierno, Snow Hill Code Enforcement Officer Jon Hill and a company related to Toy Town helped to produce a report on certain repairs.

There was a timeframe that Mr. Hill put in his letter for certain issues to be remedied. The timeframe ... is completely unrealistic. However, we're in the process of coming up with some bids and some proposals in order to get the work done," she said. "It's slow going and, plus with the holiday season, it's hard to get people out here."

Odierno said she spoke with Town Attorney Kevin Karpinski on the matter. "And I said as soon as I have some-See LAWYER Page 8





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Lawyer says both sides want to keep shop in Snow Hill

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thing, I'll definitely let Kevin know," she said. "I know that there were some other meetings this week between Mr. Hill, Mr. Mathews and Toy Town. I wasn't present [and] I don't know what happened at those meetings, but we are working on this.

"It's in progress. I can't tell you where this is gonna to end up, but we're doing everything we can to try to work this out, so that Toy Town remains in Snow Hill – where they want to stay," Odierno continued. "I believe that that's the council's position as well, because that's my understanding.

Nolte asked Odierno why the Seatons were "being expected to do one single thing that's not in that" MOU, but Odierno said façade repairs were listed in the agreement. Among those, upstairs windows at the shop were said to be a safety concern.

"When it comes to safety issues, the Seatons are not interested in operating a business that's unsafe ... so, we're gonna do everything we can to make that the building is safe," she said.

Odierno added there might be grant funding available for some of that work, "but we haven't even gotten to that point yet."

"So, there's your answer," Mathews said.

Gadoua asked to address the Downtown Merchant's Association Facebook comments, which she attributed to Nolte.

"I get passion. I get being fired up for people that you love and things that you are passionate about, so I'm not [trying] to shut anybody down," she said. "One thing you did say was ... 'I've been doing this with the town for 17 years and I filled out my things and I've done my things and I've never had an issue.' And that's great to hear.

"I think my message to you would just be ... let that have a little more weight," Gadoua continued. "Maybe there is a little bit of benefit of the doubt to the town as to what is transpiring and what is going on."

She thanked Nolte for stepping up with the Main Street program, adding, "I hope that we will be able to mend that relationship, because that role is a very important role."

"Posts like that on Facebook ... it's not helpful in my eyes," Gadoua said.

Nolte said that page "was a closed group ... for a discussion between downtown business owners about our hours, our promotion, our future, our worries, our concerns."

"My feeling with that is ... it's spreading a message to the rest of the business owners that is your truth, from what you believe, from what you've understood," Gadoua said. "And it's not my truth and it's not a good representation of the town and the work that we are trying to do."

SH dispute 'about the whole town'

Toy Town owner says mayor and council 'don't want to tell their side of the story'

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) Toy Town Antiques owner Richard Seaton said the Snow Hill Mayor and Council are not telling the whole story when it comes to the controversy surrounding his store.

Seaton was lured to Snow Hill from Berlin in 2016, when the town offered to deed a historic building in disrepair on the corner of Market and Washington streets to him, if certain renovations were done over a fiveyear period.

Now, it appears town officials are asking that some of the repairs be done sooner, citing safety issues. A large crowd of local business owners and others confronted the Town Council about the matter during a public meeting last Tuesday.

"They don't want to tell their side of the story. They don't want to tell people – they just keep on kicking the can down the road," Seaton said.

Seaton said he did not want to address the legal dispute further, because there lawyers are now involved.

But, he did offer, "It's really not

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just about my store – it's about the whole town."

He said Councilwoman LaToya Purnell was "out of hand, talking the way she was talking" during the Dec. 11 meeting.

"What they need [people] to believe is that they're trying to do what's best for the town – the townspeople don't like these people anymore," Seaton said. "They would vote them all out. If it could happen tomorrow, it would."

He said the public distrust stemmed from several matters, including the recent resignation of Mayor Charlie Dorman, and the theft of \$169,000 by former Snow Hill Town Clerk Erica Holland, found guilty earlier this year of embezzling from the town and sentenced to 15 vears in state prison.

"[The council] don't represent the town at all. They don't represent nobody but themselves," Seaton said. "There's a lot more to the story. It just depends on who you talk to."

Jill M. Odierno, the attorney representing Seaton, said the legal matter was "an issue with the building and we're taking care of it."

"Whatever the controversy is, I think it has more to do with other merchants," Odierno said. "I can't really give any more comments than I what did already [during the meet-

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ing].

"We're working on it and we're obviously working to come to an amicable resolution for both the Seatons as well as the town," she added.

Diana Nolte, a local business owner who spoke extensively during the Dec. 11 public meeting, declined to comment further.

Councilwoman Alison Gadoua, on behalf of the Town Council, emailed a statement on the matter:

"The Town of Snow Hill is working very hard with Toy Town and their attorney to correct imminent danger code violations that must be addressed in order to protect the safety of residents and visitors who come in or near Toy Town," the statement said.

"There are many misperceptions surrounding the Town's efforts with respect to Toy Town which has, inevitably, caused tension. In spite of that, we remain hopeful and we will continue to work in good faith toward a resolution that ensures public safety and code compliance. The old Mason Opera House building is a true historic gem. It's a building that means a lot to the residents of Snow Hill, both past and present. We are delighted to have a business bringing life back to such a historic building. This is the vein that we will continue to operate in.'









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Northstar presentation well received by OPA Board, GM

(Dec. 20, 2018) Following two extensive meetings with representatives from Northstar Club Management Software last week, Ocean Pines officials appear to be closing in on selecting the company to furnish new software to run much of the community's operations.

Northstar Sales Director Jim Wisniewski and Director of Product Development Imran Balkhi spent all day Thursday talking with Ocean Pines department heads and other employees that would be using the new systems.

On Friday, the reps held a lengthy public presentation that also included General Manager John Bailey and four board members: Association President Doug Parks, Vice President Steve Tuttle, and directors Frank Daly and Colette Horn.

Wisniewski, on Friday, said he wanted the stakeholders to "understand all of the pieces" in Northstar and that overall the Thursday meeting went "really fantastic."

He said there were some things the software could not do, such as payroll, but that Northstar could interface with Ocean Pines' current software, Automatic Data Processing Inc., in that instance.

The software also has several unique features, from being able to remotely lock and unlock doors, to robust digital displays for kitchen orders that can be accessed remotely.

"Matt Ortt can actually be driving across Ocean City and be able to look at the kitchen display on his phone," Wisniewski said.

Wisniewski admitted that one or two shortcomings were identified on Thursday and are being worked on, but said some other issues had already been ironed out. On golf operations, for instance, the association is still looking for a way to incorporate both Northstar and the EZLinks systems currently used to book golf packages in the area.

Northstar was founded in 2002 and released its first edition in 2004. Wisniewski said several updates and new features are released each year and the platform was named "Software of the Year" eight times by BoardRoom magazine, including in each of the last five years.

"What Northstar wanted to be able to do is to allow people like Mr. Bailey to allow their staff to get out from behind their desks, [to] where the residents are able to see them and interact with them,' Wisniewski said. As such, the cloudbased systems can easily be accessed from any device that has an internet browser, he said.

Wisniewski went on to say of the 500plus organizations using the software, all were using Northstar for accounting purposes as well, rather than using another program for backroom financial purposes, such as Sage.

On Monday, Tuttle, Parks and Bailey each emailed a statement on how the presentations went and what the next steps may be:

Association Vice President Steve Tuttle:

'I am responding to you as one director," Tuttle said. "I am in favor of the association taking the next steps to purchase the Northstar software. As I see it, the next steps are to get a contract and have it reviewed by legal and to assure that the cost is as originally projected. I do not have any further questions about the software or the support from Northstar.

"OPA department heads attended various portions of the demo and I was very glad to see the enthusiasm they showed for the Northstar proposal.

"There will be a small amount of additional hardware needed for OPA staff to have access to the cloud based system but this is minimal cost I am told. An estimate for the purchase of the hardware will be provided soon.

"Finally, there will need to be a clear implementation/data migration plan to outline the process steps and timing to get from where we are today to a fully functioning operation with Northstar.

"This is the culmination of a two-year process, the work of many people with expertise in this realm who have provided a great service to our association. I See BAILEY Page 11



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Bailey to prepare contract draft for legal, board review

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sincerely hope as a Board we will vote to move forward with the purchase of Northstar."

Association President Doug Parks:

"I was very pleased with the Northstar presentation last Friday," Parks said. "My focus was on a couple of important factors. The most important was buy-in from the OPA department heads based on their meeting with the Northstar team. Each agreed that the Northstar solution met their business requirements and allowed for several efficiency gains in their operational activities.

"The other important factor was the level of integration within the various modules of the software and the ability to generate reports in real time on various operational aspects of the departments.

"I see the next steps as a review of the contract with regard to cost and deliverables for the initial implementation and long-term support. Once that information has been reviewed and vetted, I expect the board to meet and conduct a final vote on moving forward. While the process has taken longer than anticipated, it was time well spent as all involved have a more detailed and better understanding of the Northstar solution and how it will benefit Ocean Pines."

General Manager John Bailey:

Pines on Friday

"I think that one of the key factors contributing to the success of the Friday demo was the full-day demo the day before," Bailey said. "On Thursday, Northstar met directly with just the staff. However, not only were the department heads involved again, but they included many of the other end-users of the management software.

"Many detailed, practical 'working' questions were answered to a positive outcome with regard to Northstar. The staff were very engaging and their comfort level with Northstar has increased.

"If you think about it, the staff are subject to the biggest change – daily impact on how they do their job, and thus we had a need to come at change pragmatically. I believe they are ready and encouraged about the opportunities that Northstar will provide.

"The other key factor on Friday was the obvious interest and involvement by the board; there is a strong desire to finish this process. I will be working with Northstar and our staff to complete pricing and to get a draft contractual document ready for legal review and then presentation to the board."

The *Gazette* also contacted three directors who were not able to attend: Ted Moroney, Slobodan Trendic and Esther Diller. They did not respond as of press time, Tuesday.



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Ocean Pines GM on dos and don'ts of fire pits

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) Following up on a November press release by the Ocean Pines Association, General Manager John Bailey, during a public board meeting earlier this month, sought to clarify the rules on having fire pits in the community.

"Can one have a fire pit? Yes! Can one have an existing fire pit? Yes! Can one have a fire pit built on one's property? Yes! Can one have a portable fire pit? Yes! So, what's all the fuss about?" Bailey said.

He pointed to a section of the association Declaration of Restrictions that says, "No outside burning of wood, leaves, trash, garbage or household refuse shall be permitted."

"Therefore, fire pits can be approved, but not for the open burning of wood, etc.," Bailey said, adding that "open burning" was defined as "ignition and subsequent burning of any combustible material (garbage, leaves, grass, twigs, litter, paper, [or] vegetative matter involved with land clearing or any sort of debris), in the open or in a receptacle, other than a furnace, incinerator, or other equipment connected to a stacker chimney."

"That does leave some open area, like charcoal and things like that," he added.

Bailey said the Ocean Pines Architectural Review Committee was looking into creating new language on the subject to allow for existing fire pits, to provide a process for creating new fire pits, and to determine "what rules need to be considered for construction, placement and use of a fire pit that actually is constructed on a lot."

He said another section of the declarations requires that any permanent structure be permitted.

"If the fire pit is portable, of course, it does not. However, there are some guidelines that all fire pits need to follow and the ARC is in the process of spelling those out," Bailey said.

He added examples might be that all fire pits need to have screens, or guidelines on what materials can and cannot be burned.

"In any capacity of use, a fire pit cannot create a public nuisance – the burning cannot impact one's neighbor negatively," Baileys said. "Because of the DR language, there can become a liability exposure to the association. It's no longer an issue of, that's a matter between neighbors. If you live in an association, that becomes something that the association actually has to deal with."

Bailey said it all came down to using common sense, adding, "We can't legislate being neighborly."

"We all have a right to the quiet enjoyment of our property. However, that obviously doesn't mean we each get to have it all with disregard to our neighbor's same right," he said. "If you have a fire pit ... and your neighbor's kids are already outside playing and the wind is blowing pretty hard in that direction, maybe it's not the best time to start a fire ... if you don't have a fire pit and your neighbor has started a fire pit for their grandchildren to make s'mores, that's OK to do that. Perhaps, if that activity is going to bother you, maybe it's not the best time for you to be in your backyard.

"The bottom line is, be aware of your surroundings. Protect yourselves, your property, your neighbor's property, and protect the natural environment. By safely operating a fire pit, burning the right things to prevent fly ash, using a screen and making sure the smoke isn't creating a problem for your neighbor, everybody can enjoy one's own property," Bailey said.



Fundraiser for family of man killed in crash

Mary, William and Molly Jean Hathaway are pho-

tographed. William, 36, of Berlin died Saturday after a

crash on Old Ocean City Road in Wicomico County. A

social media campaign is helping to raise money for

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Dec. 20, 2018) A 36-year-old Berlin man was killed following a crash last Saturday afternoon in Wicomico County.

The Maryland State Police Salisbury Barrack received a call from a concerned citizen who passed by a vehicle in a ditch, according to reports, and police responded to the scene of the crash at around 4:10 p.m. on Dec. 15 on Old Ocean City Road, just west of Richardson Road. Police also received several other 911 calls about the crash.

The driver, later identified as Berlin resident William Joseph "Willbilly" Hathaway, had called his wife, Mary, and said someone turned in front of him and he had to swerve his Tovota truck into a ditch, according to the report. However, the report went on to say he told her and several concerned citizens who stopped at the scene that he was OK.

found slumped over in the center console and did not appear to be breathing. He was later pronounced dead at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury.

The circumstances leading up to the crash were unclear, but the investigation remains active as of Tuesday afternoon, according to police.

Anyone with information is

asked to contact the Maryland State Police Salisbury Barrack at 410-749-

his family.

When police arrived, Hathaway was 3101 ext. 0, or via email msp.salisbury@maryland.gov.

> А social media fundraising campaign was set up to help the family during their time of need. Its organizer, Stephanie Lisi, said the Ocean City Fishing Community is trying to lend a helping hand.

Hathaway was a crew member on Foolish Pleasures, a char-

ter boat out of the Ocean City Fishing Center in West Ocean City, and previ-

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ously appeared on the National Geographic Channel's television show 'Wicked Tuna: Outer Banks."

"He was an exceptional human being whose passion was the sea," Lisi posted on Facebook. "He always brightened the day of anyone he met."

The Facebook fundraiser was established Sunday with a \$250,000 goal. As of Tuesday afternoon, there were 1,214 people who donated \$69,955.

"Due to his untimely death we are asking for donations to help them stay on their feet while trying to survive this tragedy," Lisi said in the post.

Those who knew Hathaway said he couldn't stress enough how important his family was to him.

"[He was most proud of] his wife and newborn baby girl," Lisi said.

To donate, visit the "Mary and Molly Jean Hathaway" fundraising www.facebook.com/dopage at nate/1999378630355197/1015638332 8122659.

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Stormwater grant to help on Graham Ave.

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) The Town of Berlin on Friday announced it had received a \$75,000 grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust for stormwater improvements and a new community outreach program.

According to its website, Chesapeake Bay Trust "awards more than \$10 million in grant funding each year to hundreds of nonprofits and community organizations throughout the region for hands-on projects that are ensuring a cleaner, greener, healthier Chesapeake watershed for years to come."

During the last several years, the town has received more than \$2 million in grants from national, state and local agencies to pay for stormwater improvements throughout Berlin. The latest grant will help pay for construction of a submerged gravel wetland, as well as fund a public outreach campaign on stormwater issues through a partnership with Maryland Coastal Bays.

Berlin and Maryland Coastal Bays submitted the grant application jointly, with coastal bays taking the lead on the outreach component, according to a Friday press release.

"Partnerships continue to keep us cool," Mayor Gee Williams said in the release. "We look forward to working with Maryland Coastal Bays to address flooding around Graham Avenue and Grice Street."

Town Administrator Laura Allen said the outreach component would help citizens understand stormwater issues, including "ways that they can help manage stormwater on their property."

"We're going to be using this project as a demonstration of our best practices that we follow, but also as an opportunity to help folks get a deeper understanding



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of stormwater," she said.

Allen said the submerged gravel wetland would be constructed on a piece of town-owned property adjacent to Burley Oak brewery on the corner of Graham Avenue and Old Ocean City Boulevard.

"It's where the old electric substation used to be," she said. "That area of Graham, Grice and Nelson [streets] is prone to flooding. It's one of the high priority areas on the Army Corps of Engineers study and, when we were completing our projects with the \$2 million of grant money that we had, we were not able to complete all of the work that we had planned to do in that neighborhood because we didn't have sufficient funding."

Efforts on Flower Street, William Street and Showell Street have managed to significantly reduce flooding in the town, according to a 2017 EA Engineering, Science and Technology Inc. report.

The Town Council in February approved a stormwater priority list and announced it would seek \$1.2 million in grants to increase conveyance and piping capacity, and create an offline wetland, near West Street and Abbey Lane. An "offline" wetland is not directly connected to the natural stream flow, but can be used to divert stormwater from its natural course by using weirs.

Additionally, \$725,000 was sought for stream relocation and restoration of Bottle Branch at Decatur Street. Projects in the priority list totaled about \$3.5 million

"There was still some outstanding work that we wanted to do, so we've been submitting grant applications to ... pick up some other projects in the second tier of stormwater priorities that the council adopted," Allen said. "We submitted several grant applications in the summer [and] we were unsuccessful, but in that process we made really good, strong partners in the Department of Natural Resources and folks that help manage the money at the Chesapeake Bay Trust."

Allen said representatives from both groups visited several sites in the town "and we submitted additional grant applications to other funding programs."

"In terms of scope, this will be a smaller project than the offline wetland that you see behind the multipurpose building [on Flower Street]. It's a submerged gravel wetland, so it's going to function a little bit differently than an offline wetland. It's going to have some piping drainage structure underneath, nothing that would be visible to the naked eye," Allen said.

"There's a natural movement of water in that area that sort of created the perfect opportunity to create a ... little holding area. And so, I had talked to the Mayor and Council about using the money for that purpose, and they liked the idea," she added.

The Graham Avenue project is expected to wrap by Sept. 1, 2019.

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Passenger found dead in single-vehicle crash

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Dec. 20, 2018) A single-vehicle crash on Route 589 on Monday claimed the life of a passenger and charges are reportedly pending against the driver, according to Maryland State Police.

The crash victim was said to be a 25year-old male, but his identity was withheld until next of kin could be notified. Police said the driver was a 30-year-old Worcester County man, but did not release other identifying information because charges have not been ruled out.

Police responded to the crash before noon on Monday at the intersection of Racetrack and Beauchamp roads.

The lone vehicle involved, a Ford F-

150 truck, was traveling north on Racetrack Road just south of Beauchamp when the driver lost control and jumped a curb on the right shoulder, according to findings from a preliminary state police investigation. The truck later came back onto the road, traveled onto an island at the intersection and hit a traffic pole.

The passenger was found partially

thrown from the vehicle, according to police, and pronounced dead after being taken to Atlantic General Hospital. The driver was not hurt in the wreck.

Police said the driver displayed "signs of impairment" and he was then taken into custody for further evaluation. He was later released pending charges.

The investigation remains active.

Police arrest suspect in Berlin vehicle thefts

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Dec. 20, 2018) A 44-year-old Whaleyville man was arrested in connection with several vehicle break-ins in Berlin during the last several of months, the Worcester County Bureau of Investiga-

tion said Tuesday.

Joseph Brian Moseley was charged with a host of offenses, including malicious destruction of property, theft between \$100 and \$1,500, theft scheme between \$100 and \$1,500, and eight counts of rogue and vagabond, according to the bureau.

Moseley was taken into custody by the sheriff's office on Monday, following an investigation involving the Berlin Police Department and WCBI. He is currently awaiting trial.

Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing

last month said about a dozen thefts from vehicles had occurred in the town since late September. All of the vehicles were reportedly unlocked.

He said the break-ins were typical of the holiday season and urged residents to report any unusual activity to police.



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Promo video part of Comcast negotiations

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) Town of Berlin officials last week met with Comcast Director of Government Affairs Chris Comer to discuss a new franchise agreement and to unveil a new promotional video for the town that the company created.

According to the preliminary terms of the 10-year contract, the town would grant Comcast "the legal right to place ... cable plant in the town's right-of-way."

The nonexclusive agreement is for cable services only, because other services such as internet and phone are regulated differently under federal law. The deal would not prohibit other cable providers from offering service within the town.

In exchange for granting the right of way, Comcast would provide the town 5 percent of gross revenues, which is the maximum amount allowed under federal law. During the last fiscal year, that amounted to \$75,000 in revenue for the town. Comcast would also continue to provide free cable service to town buildings and schools within city limits.

A previous agreement was approved in 2002 and expired in 2015, although both sides have continued to operate under that arrangement.

Comer said the franchise agreement was virtually identical to ones approved during the last four years in Snow Hill, Princess Anne and Fenwick Island, among others. Comcast has more than 6,000 franchise agreements nationwide. Mayor Gee Williams said the agreement

had been up in the air for about a year.

"We are now getting down to the point where we want to get the agreement squared away," he said. "In the process, this fall, Comcast provided all the technical [knowhow] and all the equipment and personnel to create a very, very nice video on the Town of Berlin."

The nearly five-minute promotion clip features interviews with Williams, Police Chief Arnold Downing, and several local businesspeople, and highlights the town's journey from commercial insignificance to a vigorous tourism hub.

John Fager talked about the group of 10 business owners who each contributed \$100,000 to help save the Atlantic Hotel in the 1980s. Fager said there was "no expectation of getting that money back, or of garnering any profits."

"They put his hotel back together the way it was in 1895, with all kinds of attention to detail," he said. "They brought in a fine chef, they had fine dining, they reopened the bar, they redid the rooms ... it's like a little museum. Berlin then began to revive a little bit."

After that, the small-town charm started to take hold, shop owners said.

"The small-town charm is really what people like," Berlin Chamber of Commerce President-Elect Steve Frene said. "A lot of our visitors are from bigger cities, and there's kind of a nostalgia that you get when you come to Berlin. Everybody speaks to you on the street and everybody is very pleasant, and you don't find that everywhere."

Una Bella Salute owner Cassandra Brown compared the town to a big family.

"Even though we are near a big resort, we're still a small town. And we still have that small town, that country feel," Brown said. "Berlin is unique because of its diversity [and] because it's true to history. It hasn't changed much over the years, as far as the look of the town."

"It's the atmosphere ... it's the group of people that work together," Sisters owner Donna Compher said. "The townspeople and the merchants all work very well, and it's a very friendly environment."

Compher said there is ample variety in the shops and restaurants, with many offering live entertainment several nights a week.

"You've got everything here. Anything you want is here now," she said.

Downing said the town is "two steps away from the beach and a stone's throw away from Assateague," and only a few hours away from metropolitan areas such as Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia.

Both Downing and Williams also pointed to green spaces in the town, including several public parks already up and running, and the 62-acre Berlin Falls park currently in development.

"In the future, I would see more growth. It just can only get better," Brown said. "You just gotta see it. It's hard to describe. You've gotta see it for yourself and feel the uniqueness of the town. You've gotta love Berlin!"

Williams said Comcast officials did an outstanding job in producing the video and highlighted a strong partnership between the small town and global communications company.

Comer recalled meeting with Williams and discussing the town's 150th anniversary this year.

"This just seemed like a good way to be able to give back to the community," he said. "Berlin's a great town and ... whenever I can come back and visit, I'm always happy to."

Williams joked Comer should always remember to bring his credit card, while Comer said he'd done just that, stopping by World of Toys on his way to Town Hall to pick up a few things for his family.

As for the contract, Town Administrator Laura Allen said the town is seeking a consultant to evaluate it. She said franchise agreements are usually good for 10-15 years.

"I think it's worth spending a little money to make sure ... we're getting a good deal for that duration," she said.

To view the video, visit https://youtu.be/8dAtbVIUs5I.



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Letters

Sock Hop party in **Pines successful**

Last Friday the Ocean 50th Anniversary Committee capped off a year of many different celebrations, aimed at reaching all sectors of the community, by holding a "Sock Hop."

This event took us back to the early days of Ocean Pines with music from the 50's and 60's. Many came dressed in poodle skirts and leather jackets, adding to the ambience.

Music was provided by a DJ "spinning records," none other than the Dean of Doo Wop, Dino Fradelos. Prizes were awarded for best costumes and best dancers.

The sold out dance was held at the Assateague Room of the Community Center, transformed with decorations that even had a "soda fountain" providing coke floats. Attendees could have their likeness captured in a caricature by Jim Rehak.

Without the efforts of the volunteers of the Sock Hop committee and our Ocean Pines employees, especially Debbie Donahue and Denise Sawyer, this event would not have been possible. I want to

thank each of them, as well as the help received from the Southside Deli, which allowed us the ability to make the event affordable.

Dancers were still rockin' at closing and everyone enjoyed our look back 50 years. As they say, a good time was had by all, with requests to do it again!

> Cheryl Jacobs, Sock Hop Committee

Greetings, from the North Pole

Editor.

Mrs. Claus and I wish to thank the Kiwanians and Walmart of Berlin for providing candy canes for us to distribute during our visits to the students at our local elementary schools.

Because so many of the children have been especially good this year, we had to close the North Pole Candy Factory to concentrate on making toys and all those electronic things, so we really appreciate your kind donation.

Merry Christmas to all, and may everyone enjoy a happy, healthful, and prosperous 2019.

Sincerely, Santa

Wor. County announces holiday hours

(Dec. 20, 2018) The following Worcester County Government offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24-25, and Tuesday, Jan. 1, in observance of the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays:

The Worcester County Government Center and Cape Isle of Wight satellite offices, Worcester County Recreation Center, the County Library, Central Landfill in Newark, and the Home Owner Convenience Centers in Berlin, Pocomoke, and Snow Hill.

County library branches will be closed Dec. 24-25. The Library will also close at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 31, and will be closed Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Shore Spirits Retail Liquor Store in Pocomoke will be open Dec. 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be closed on Dec. 25 and Jan 1

In addition, the county recreation center will be open on the following hours between Christmas and New Year's Day as follows: Dec. 26, 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Dec. 27, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Dec. 28 from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Dec. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Dec. 31, 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Hundreds trek to 'Other Side of the Tracks' art show

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) Cold-weather art strolls in Berlin generally are not as well attended as their summertime counterparts, but that wasn't the case last Friday when Jordan Pippin and Pete Mueller hosted a special 2nd Friday exhibition at Steel N Glory on Washington Street.

The show featured a dozen artists, from jewelers and printmakers, to mixed media collage makers and abstract painters.

There was also live music by Kaleb Brown, as well as free food and beer provided by Gilbert's Provisions and Evolution Craft Brewing Company.

Pippin and Muller named the event "Other Side of the Tracks," both a play on the location – inside Pippin's metalworking studio that's adjacent to train tracks – and on the "nontraditional art for nontraditional people" promotional tag used in posters and on social media.

The unusual approach and diverse offering of artists worked, as large crowds filled the two-story building virtually from the opening at 6 p.m. until closing five hours later.

"I think it went great," Pippin said Monday. "It was a great turnout and I'm really pleased by the response I received, both by the artists that were involved as well as the people that came to the event.

"I have a 3-year-old daughter, so I don't really get out to the bar scene very much anymore, so it was really nice to catch up with some people that I haven't seen in a while," Pippin continued. "Obviously, it's just a good time seeing people having a good time whenever you're hosting an event."

Pippin hoped to shut down around 11 p.m. and said that's about when the beer started to dwindle. When that happened, so did the crowds.

"It was kind of perfect," he said.

Pippin said he and Mueller had not yet discussed plans for future shows, but with the success of "Other Side of the Tracks," that's something of a nobrainer.

"We haven't put together anything definitive yet, but I think we both feel the same way as far as it went well and we want to do it again," Pippin said. "We had talked about doing it kind of quarterly, so tentatively the next one would be March 8. That's kind of what I'm planning on."

He said additional shows would likely feature a mix of new and returning artists.

"We'd love to give some opportunities to other artists, but we probably won't change out all of them," Pippin said. "We'll see, but there's definitely some interest in getting some other people involved."

For more information on upcoming events at Steel N Glory, follow www.facebook.com/steel.mule.39 or "Steel Mule Curations" on Instagram."



A dozen local artists, plus one local chef, participate in the launch of the "Other Side of the Tracks" exhibition last Friday in Berlin. The show, held at the Steel N Glory studio on Washington Street, is expected to be the first of many in the location to be organized by Jordan Pippin and Pete Mueller.



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A Little Bit Sheepish opens in new location

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) After closing shop for about two months at her old location, owner Brenda Trice reopened A Little Bit Sheepish on Dec. 6 in its new location on 1 South Main Street in Berlin.

She said the colorful yarn store, which moved across the street from its two-story shop on 2 South Main Street, has operated since November 2012.

"It's been wonderful," Trice said. "People are finding us. We tried to keep people updated on Facebook as to what was happening, and so we've had a very good day on Saturday and overall it's been great."

The shop is in the recently renovated former PNC Bank building purchased last year by Rayne's Reef owner Michael Queen. Trice is again occupying two stories, with most of the stock on the first floor and a new upstairs area she described as "a comfy place for knitters and crocheters to gather.'

"The utilities had become quite expensive across the street, and so I had decided to come back to just one floor [in the old location] to try to get those bills under control," Trice said. "Then, when Mike purchased the building and I saw the 'for rent' sign go up, I

said, 'let me talk to Mike!'

"I have more space here than I would have had in just the downstairs across the street," she continued. "It just seemed like, after six years, it's a good time to reorganize everything."

Trice said the business has expanded gradually and the move has allowed her to reorganize stock into a way that makes more sense.

"This way, I was able to get all the certain weights [of yarn] together again and make it easier for people to shop," she said.

She described the shop as "carrying an eclectic selection of yarns," from supplies for lace knitters to those who use "a super-chunky yarn."

"There's something here you can find, whether it's a less expensive kind of workhorse yarn, or a beautiful, hand-dyed merino-silk blend, for example" she said.

Along with having more space, it's also a blank canvas that Queen added some custom touches to, just for Trice.

"He put in all new lighting for me, which you need great lighting for knitting, because you need to be able to see what you're doing, and he put in the ceiling fans for me to put the heat down in the wintertime, which is helpful in a room with high ceilings," she said. "And, of course, just having

the view of the stained glass is beautiful, so it's just a fun building to be in."

An official grand opening ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 12. Trice said the event would include a drawing for a gift certificate and other giveaways.

We'll probably do a special sale that day too," she said. "We're going to do it up big, once we get through the holidays. We still have some things to unpack and models to put out and things we haven't gotten to yet, but we wanted to get in and get

open for the rest of the holiday season."

Trice also plans to offer knitting classes after the New Year in the upstairs space.

"We're so delighted to be back in the community and we've missed having our contact with all of our friends and customers," she said. "It's great to be back and we're looking forward to the New Year in a new shop."

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/ALittleBitSheepish.





IOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

TOP: A Little Bit Sheepish owner Brenda Trice said she was thrilled by the reception so far in her shop's new location. The store recently moved across the street into the former PNC Bank building. BOTTOM: The colorful interior of A Little Bit Sheepish is filled with all manner of yarns and tools to help the active knitter. Owner Brenda Trice said the store carries "an eclectic selection of yarns," from supplies for lace knitters to those who use "a super-chunky yarn."



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WCDC clients sell soaps for holiday season

Products made using local ingredients by people with developmental disabilities

By Morgan Pilz Staff Writer

(Dec. 20, 2018) Clients of the Worcester County Developmental Center in Newark, Maryland, are again making unique, scented and festive soap baskets for the holiday season.

Different soap styles are available, including seashells, shorebirds, crabs, starfish, seahorses, sea turtles and sand dollars, ranging in sizes from 2-7 ounces.

"Our classic green soap contains seaweed from the Ocean City bays which acts as an exfoliant," Jack Ferry, executive director of the Worcester County Developmental Center, said. "The soap is a plantbased glycerin soap that is very soothing for your skin. Glycerin attracts moisture, so using this soap does not dry out your skin as some other soaps do."

Prices range from \$4 for the round, 2-ounce soap bar to \$30 for the special-order holiday gift baskets, which come with seven soaps of different sizes and shapes.

Clients can also customize the

soap colors to match any décor, and the products come in a gift-wrapped organza bag. Each gift basket includes information about the clients who put it together.

"We can customize orders to match a bride's wedding col-

ors or any color you would like," Ferry said. "Our soaps are carried by more than 20 retail outlets in the Ocean City, Bethany Beach and Rehoboth Beach areas during the summer season."

Last year, the Worcester County Developmental Center sold 37 baskets along with several individual bars and gift sets, Ferry said.

"Your skin will thank you for using Inner Ocean soap," Ferry said. "It is made locally, so you help a local, small business with your purchase, and because your purchase and support of Inner Ocean creates meaningful employment for adults with intellectual disabilities in the area."

The Worcester County Developmental Center's mission is to empower people with intellectual disabilities to achieve economic and social independence by providing work opportunities and a support system.

This is the fourth holiday season of sales and clients have been making

soaps for five years.

Purchase soaps year-round and learn more about the Worcester County Developmental Center by visiting www.wcdcservices.org or call 410-632-2382.



PHOTO COURTESY JACK FERRY

Homemade soaps are available for purchase individually or as a gift basket at the Worcester County Developmental Center. Profits from these sales provides employment for adults with intellectual disabilities.



Berlin Briefs

By Josh Davis Associate Editor

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(Dec. 20, 2018) The Berlin Mayor and Council discussed the following items during a Dec. 10 public meeting at Town Hall:

Community assistance

Finance Director Natalie Saleh said December utility bills would include a letter from the Town Council asking for donations to the Shore Up Energy Assistance fund.

Saleh said almost \$64,000 had been raised during the last nine years and "distributed back to the community to assist with bills during a difficult time, through the holidays."

She said residents and others could mail tax-deductible donations, with the town matching each dollar. Last year, \$3,600 in donations were raised and the town matched that total, meaning \$7,200 went to Shore Up to help local people pay for winter utility bills.

"Hopefully, we can beat the numbers from last year," Saleh said.

Bird is the word

A proclamation presented to Dave

Wilson of Conservation Community Consultants recognized 2018 as the "Year of the Bird in Berlin."

This year is the centennial for the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, "which protects birds in our backyards," Mayor Gee Williams said.

According to the proclamation, "the Berlin area is home to one of North America's largest migrations when we host thousands of songbirds, raptors, and waterfowl throughout the region" as part of the Atlantic flyway.

More than 200 bird species are supported by Berlin's natural resources, the proclamation said, including local cardinals and blue jays, and migratory osprey, great egrets and wood ducks.

Williams added that Wilson and his group "had a very important impact on our natural environment."

Swearing in

Housing Board of Review member Mary Moore was sworn in for another term. Williams said it was important to do so publicly, "because it's the only time folks get any recognition" and they put in a lot of time as volunteer board members.

Moore joked she was still waiting for a check for her services, but Williams countered, "You'll be waiting a while longer" as laughter filled the room.

More parade kudos

Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells credited her former assistant Sharon Timmons with helping to organize the town's annual Christmas parade. Timmons retired in October and was replaced in the department by new administrative assistant Allison Early.

"Sharon really set us up. She was outstanding [and] had an entire notebook dedicated to the Christmas parade," Wells said. "I sent her a text the other day, thanking her for all the pre-work that she did to help Allison and I with the parade."

Human Resources Director Jeff Fleetwood also recognized Delmar Pizza, which donated \$1,000 worth of food to help feed parade volunteers.

Additionally, Police Chief Arnold Downing thanked neighboring police agencies for their assistance.

"I don't know if anybody realizes how long it takes to plan that parade, and the amount of volunteers" and others who help make it a success, Wells said.

Each year, she said, there is space for 85 floats and about 150 groups that want to participate.

"It went very smoothly. [Emcee] Wayne Cannon even said it was the best parade that he's been at for the town," Wells said.

Christmas wishes

Councilman Thom Gulyas wished town staff a merry Christmas.

"You guys make our job very, very easy... and it's a pleasure to work here," he said. "We get comments when we're in town, 'Your town is so nice [and] you guys are doing a wonderful job.'

Gulyas joked he often replies, "I didn't do anything!'

"It's the staff, it's our department heads, it's employees that do all of that, and I want to thank you guys for that," he added.

Councilmen Zack Tyndall, Dean Burrell and Troy Purnell echoed those sentiments.

NOW PLAYING

BJ'S ON THE WATER

75th Street and the bay Ocean Citv 410-524-7575 www.bjsonthewater.com Dec. 21: Over Time, 9 p.m. Dec. 22: Luna Sea, 9 p.m.

BOURBON STREET ON THE BEACH

116th Street, behind Fountain Head Towers Condominium Ocean City 443-664-2896 www.bourbonstreetonthebeach.com Dec. 21: TBA, 7-11 p.m. Dec. 22: TBA, 7-11 p.m. Dec. 23: Bob Hughes, 6 p.m. Dec. 26: Reform School, 6 p.m.; Open Mic, 9 p.m. Dec. 27: Chris Button, 7-10 p.m.

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave. Ocean City 410-289-7192 www.captainstableoc.com Every Friday & Saturday:

Phil Perdue, 5:30 p.m.

DUFFY'S TAVERN

130th Street in the Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 www.duffysoc.com Dec. 21: Bob Hughes, 5-8 p.m. Dec. 22: Karaoke w/DJ Chuck D, 8 p.m. to midnight

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

12841 S. Harbor Road West Ocean City 410-213-1846 www.ocharborside.com Dec. 21: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dec. 22: Side Project/Chris Button, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dec. 23: Opposite Directions, 2-6 p.m.; DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Dec. 27: Opposite Directions, 6 p.m. **HOOTERS**

12513 Ocean Gateway West Ocean City 410-213-1841

www.hootersofoc.com Dec. 21: Customer Appreciation Party w/DJ BK, 4-8 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

In the Horizons Restaurant In the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel 101st Street and the ocean Ocean City 410-524-3535 www.clarionoc.com Every Friday and Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dec. 21-22: Power Play

PICKLES

706 Philadelphia Ave. Ocean City 410-289-4891 www.picklesoc.com Dec. 21: Beats By Jeremy, 10 p.m. Dec. 22: Joint Operation, 10 p.m. Dec. 24: Karaoke w/Jeremy, 9 p.m. Dec. 27: Beats by Wax, 9 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay Ocean City

410-524-4900 www.seacrets.com Dec. 21: JJ Rupp Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dec. 22: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Bobby-0, 6 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Lunasea Full Moon Glow Party, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Benderz Trio, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m. Dec. 27: John McNutt Duo, 5-9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, bayside Ocean City 410-723-6762 www.skyebaroc.com Dec. 21: Marky Shaw, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17 Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 www.whiskersbar.com Dec. 21: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey

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Snow Hill Mayor Stephen Mathews last Tuesday presents a commendation to Four Seasons Pizza owner Mustafa Ozgan for helping a frequent customer, Dean Perdue, during a time of need.

Snow Hill recognizes act of kindness by delivery driver

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Dec. 20, 2018) While the Dec. 11 Snow Hill Town Council meeting had its share of controversy, it did have its lighter moments, including the public recognition of an act of kindness by a local business.

Mayor Stephen Mathews presented a commendation to Four Seasons Pizza owner Mustafa Ozgan for helping a frequent customer, Dean Perdue.

According to Mathews, Perdue struggles to get around and uses a walker. When a delivery person from Four Seasons noticed that Perdue was having difficulties, he told the storeowner and they decided to buy Perdue a new walker.

"The delivery driver saw that the customer had experienced a recent fall that resulted in his walker having a broken leg, making his mobility compromised," Mathews said in delivering the commendation. "The delivery driver wrote down the information on the walker [and] returned to the restaurant and consulted with the business owner, who ordered a brand-new walker for the customer, providing personal delivery and setup, so the gentleman would have full mobility and a new walker."

"Random acts of kindness such as these show empathy and the genuine

sweeps the nation, four men stand at the center of the swirling

In Presley, Perkins, Lewis & Cash you'll hear them all - plucked from

the past and brought to stand

before you, just as they did in

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compassion for others," he added.

Ozgan took the occasion to apologize for some of his drivers who, he said with a laugh, "sometimes ... drive a little aggressively."

He also credited his delivery driver.

'This was totally from the driver ... the driver actually paid for this," he said. "It kind of shows, they're not so bad!"

Ozgan also addressed an earlier part of the meeting, when several local business owners said they were unhappy with the treatment of one local business.

"I think we're here to serve the town ... and I do feel there's a mutual respect,' he said. "We just need to, I don't know, work it out."

Perdue said he was grateful to the town and to local businesses.

"I've been involved with ... probably all of them within the community over my many years," he said, adding that another driver from Four Seasons "delivered to me today."

"Today is one my regular days that I call and order, so I'm very grateful to the Town of Snow Hill and as well to Four Seasons pizza for doing this," he said. "It's been very rare in my 58 years when I've had need of things for assistance that anybody has done anything like this to help me, and it is greatly appreciated."

Pine'eer Craft Club names December **Crafter of Month**

(Dec. 20, 2018) The Pine'eer Craft Club of Ocean Pines announces the Crafter of the Month for December is Nancy Burkett.

Burkett's mother helped her sew her first dress at the age of 10, and she has been sewing ever since. Besides clothes, she also sews home decor and personal items

Every time Burkett sits down to sew, she says a silent and love-filled "Thank You" to her mother who taught her everything about the art of sewing and the joy of sewing.

"Sewing is my creative outlet and I'm in my 'Happy Place' at the sewing machine," she said. "Pillows are my main product...Each pillow takes over an hour to make, so you can imagine how much joy I get from each one and imagine how someone else will enjoy it for themselves."

She sells her home decor under the name "Caitlin Taylor Creations," which are the names of her daughters. Her creations are in the craft shop, she has a



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The Pine'eer Craft Club of Ocean Pines announces the Crafter of the Month for December is Nancy Burkett.

both at the Farmers' Market and also at several local craft festival.

Burkett joined the Pine'eer Craft Club one year ago from suggestions of several members.

"It's a great group of women and I love how they share monthly craft lessons," she said.

Burkett's creations can be found at the Pine'eer Artisan and Craft shop, every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in White Horse Park in Ocean Pines.

Special adoption fees during humane society promotion

(Dec. 20, 2018) Worcester County Humane Society will be offering a special adoption fee for cats during the month of December.

During the entire month, any cats 2 years or older will have an adoption fee of just \$25. Adoption fee includes spay/neuter, microchip and up to date on shots.

Currently, the shelter has over 100 cats who are 2 years or older. Follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram for available pets.

In addition, an ongoing program the

shelter has is the senior to senior program where any cat 8 years or older who is adopted by someone 65 or older will have their adoption fee waived.

Tthe shelter is always in need of fosters for senior cats and dogs, for those who are having a hard time adapting to shelter life and those who need ongoing attention medically.

With fostering, all medical expenses are covered by the shelter. Being a permanent foster for one of these pets is also an option.

For more info, call 410-213-0146.



Jerry Lee Lewis & Johnny Cash

Sat. Dec. 29 @ 4pm & 8pm Tickets: \$29.00 & \$36.00

OR

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Visit: www.presleyperkinslewiscash.com/audio-video

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Cuisine

On holiday parties and refined literature

I stand in my kitchen breading Scotch eggs for a Christmas party, but my mind is not on these at all. It is



lost in a book in which I am currently engrossed. Every now and then, a book that I have never considered crosses my path and broadens my horizon in explicably, and this is no exception.

By Paul Suplee, MBA, CEC, PC-3

Getting

started on a book is pure torture for me with my ADD-addled brain. It takes me a bit to warm up to the characters, scenes and plot, fully knowing that once I am in, I'm in. Once I put the book down, it's all over. I will forget about it for a few months and at that point I might as well start all over again, the information long hidden away in my brain.

When it comes to reading a book, I not only study the plot lines and characters, imagining in vivid colors the various scenes as they take place, but also writing styles. As for the former, I can smell the fuel of the helicopters and old canvas in "Blackhawk Down." I can feel the bay air in Chesapeake and can imagine the dichotomy between royalty and peasantry in any given Shakespeare tragedy.

Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories resonate with literary brilliance, but my stomach turns with the egregious behavior of Victorian dandies who would rather duel or kill themselves than lose a little honor. Indeed, it was a different time. But back to writing style, it fascinates me how different they can be, author to author.

Even more enthralling is the thought of what becomes popular. Take for example the Pulitzer Prizewinning author John Kennedy Toole, whose dear mother persuaded a New Orleans professor to read his masterpiece, "A Confederacy of Dunces, 11 years after the author's suicide. The book was later published and recognized globally. Sadly, it makes me reflect on how many brilliant works are out there that will never be read.

Not true in the case of my current read, a popular and scintillating tale of love and inner demons. It digs deep into the mind of the reader, leading us down passages of mystery and depravity. The inner machinations of the heroine's mind are enigmatic at best, causing the reader to



flush with fear and anger as she weaves her way through the novel, all the while the reader yelling "Don't go down that hallway!" and "Don't do it!"

Yes, my girlfriend asked me if I have ever read "Fifty Shades of Grey."

As a self-respecting man, I noted that not only had I not read the book, I also would never see the movie. Little did she know that I would download the book that night and figure out why 125 million copies were sold. I mean, it can't be that bad, right?

Wrong. It is an overly simplistic read, and I chortle every time Ana says something straight out of a valley girl movie. The book is licentious, cheap and shallow, yet I am glad that I'm not only reading it but also willing to admit it in public. I have to study writing styles, you know?

As I stand here listening to "Baby it's Cold Outside," it does make me wonder how we are all of a sudden banning classic Christmas songs while embracing works like this, but that's a discussion for another day.

And after reading this book, I laugh at how I now look at my collection of Christmas ties from years past. Quite differently, I can assure you. Yes, my horizon has been somewhat broadened, thanks to a little light reading. And as the Scotch eggs sizzle in the hot oil, I know that it will be a great party. I can't wait to tell people what I've been reading.

Scotch Egg

serves 8

- 8 whole, fresh eggs
- lb. Hot Italian sausage
- 1 cup AP Flour
- 1 cup Cornstarch

Salt & Pepper, as needed

- 3 whole eggs
- 1/2 cup Whole milk
- 4 cups Panko breadcrumbs,
- processed fine
- Oil for frying

1. Soft boil the eggs by placing them in cold water and placing on a high burner

2. When they come to a rolling boil, remove the pan from the heat and let sit for 5 minutes.

3. Drain the water and cover with ice water to shock the eggs

4. Peel and pat dry

5. Divide sausage into eight equal portions and press flat

6. Wrap each egg with an even layer of sausage

7. Set up a breading station with three pie pans or similar containers

- 8. In the first you will put the flour, cornstarch and seasoning
- 9. In the second will go the milk and eggs, well-beaten

10. In the third will go the breadcrumbs

11. Dredge (lightly coat) an egg in the flour mixture, then transfer to the eggwash

12. Coat the egg and transfer to the panko

13. Heat oil to 350F and fry the eggs until they are nice and toasty. I like the lower temperature since the egg can go longer, cooking the sausage and heating up the egg, which will end up with the cooked, firm egg yolk

14. Remove and allow them to cool for a bit, serving on greens with a little coarse mustard. You can also cook a simple mustard sauce with some white wine, cream and said coarse mustard as well. It goes well with this dish

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

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out repeating any. There is re-

ally only one solution to each

Calendar

Thurs., Dec. 20

STEAM STORYTIME 'RAINDEER GAMES'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 AM. Holiday science, art and fun for children ages 3 to 7 years. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

STORY TIME 'SNOW'

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30 AM. For 2 to 5 year old children. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 1:00 PM. Tom Dempsey will guide participants through the world of family research and give tips on how to find that long-lost ancestor. Register: 410-208-4014. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

BREAD BAKING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:00 PM. Learn to make bread like grandma used to make while saving money. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

SANTA'S HOUSE OPEN

Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Children can visit with Santa free of charge. Info: Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department, 410-641-7052.

WORCESTER NAACP MEETING

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., 6:00 PM. The Executive Board will meet at 6 p.m. with a general meeting at 7 p.m. Nominations for 2019-2021 officers will be presented with elections to be held on Jan. 17, 2019. Charles Weaver, Worcester County Historical Society, will update the group on the Judy Johnson Memorial to be installed at Snow Hill library. Community is invited to attend and suggest agenda items for next year. 410-213-1956

WWIIUNES HOLIDAY CONCERT

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 7:00 PM. Celebrate the holidays with music from all eras by this popular band. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

Fri., Dec. 21

LAP TIME

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 AM. Stories, rhymes, songs and finger plays. For children up to two years of age and their caregivers. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

BERLIN BOOK OF THE MONTH

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 1:00 PM. Featuring Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern. Copies of the books are available in advance at the library. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

CLASSIC MOVIE MATINEE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:00 PM. Featuring It's a Wonderful Life (1946). Refreshments provided. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Dunes Manor Hotel, 2800 Baltimore Ave., 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Photos with Santa and hot chocolate and cookie bar. Free and open to the public. http://www.dunesmanor.com

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Sat., Dec. 22

CRAFTY SATURDAY MAKE & TAKE 'WREATHS'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Create themed crafts using materials provided by the library. For all ages. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 11:00 AM. Join pianist Richard Eckerd and Perpetual Commotion for a holiday sing-along. Bring an instrument or use those provided. Music and lyrics, snacks and hot cocoa provided. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

STEM 'WEATHER'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 1:00 PM. Learn all about weather. For ages 5 to 12 years. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

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POLAR EXPRESS EXPERIENCE

Dunes Manor Hotel, 2800 Baltimore Ave., 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Featuring movie, hot chocolate, swag bag and Santa visit. Cost is \$5. All proceeds will be donated to Believe in Tomorrow. Open to the public. http://www.dunesmanor.com

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MODEL TRAIN GARDEN

Pocomoke River Canoe Company, 2 River St., Snow Hill, 1-4 p.m. Featuring Please send calendar items to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday. All community-related activities will be published at no charge.

the Corddry Company Model Railroad Club. Free to the public.

Sun., Dec. 23

SANTA & MRS.CLAUS AT 70TH STREET

The Dough Roller, 6909 Coastal Highway, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. He's making a list, checking it twice and paying a very special visit to the 70th St. Dough Roller for pizza, pancakes, and fun. ocmdpizza@gmail.com, 410-527-7981, https://doughrollerrestaurants.com/spe cials/

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MODEL TRAIN GARDEN

Pocomoke River Canoe Company, 2 River St., Snow Hill, 1-4 p.m. Featuring the Corddry Company Model Railroad Club. Free to the public.

Mon., Dec. 24

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., 7:00 PM.

Tues., Dec. 25

21ST ANNUAL N.O.E.L. COMMUNITY DINNER

St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 302 Baltimore Ave., 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM. The N.O.E.L. Community will serve ham, macaroni and cheese, green beans, rolls and an assortment of desserts. The sit down meal will include decorations, music and a visit from Santa. Carry outs also available. Mail donations to The N.O.E.L. Community c/o St. Paul's bythe-Sea, 302 N. Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD 21842. Everyone is invited. 410-289-3453

Wed., Dec. 26

STORY TIME 'DIY STORYTIME'

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 AM. Construct your own story time by choosing from a selection of books, doing a craft and playing with the flannel board. For 2 to 5 year old children.

http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

ONGOING EVENTS

WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS

Northside Park, 200 125th St., and throughtout Ocean City. Featuring a 50foot Christmas tree, more than one million holiday lights and hundreds of animated light displays throughout Northside Park. The Winterfest Village pavilion offers hot chocolate, photos with Santa and the Winterfest Express. Admission to board the train is \$5 for adults and free to children 11 years and younger. The event runs through Dec. 31. Hours are Sunday through Thursday, 5:30-9:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 5:30-10:30 p.m.

BOOK A LIBRARIAN

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

FIRST STATE DETACHMENT OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MONTHLY MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Ocean City American Legion Post, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, at noon. Open to all fellow Marines and FMF Corpsmen. Info: firststatemarines.org

THE SHEPHERDS CROOK

St. Paul's by the Sea Episcopal Church, 302 N. Baltimore Ave. in the DeWees Hall. Open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Offering dry food goods with NOEL carry out lunches on Saturdays. Use the DeWees Hall north entrance door located at the top of the driveway. Info: 410-289-3453. Volunteers contact Jane Ellis, 540-808-6055.

DIAKONIA THRIFT SHOP

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

SUICIDE GRIEVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. Knock at the south door for entry. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Free of charge. Info: 410-726-3090 or www.jessespaddle.org.

HELP FOR PHARMACEUTICAL DRUG ABUSE

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all types of drugs. Narconon also offers free assessments and referrals: 800-775-8750 or www.narconon.org.

OCVFC LADIES AUXILIARY

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

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS SOCIAL CLUB

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, third Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m. Info: 410-208-1398.

Snapshots



SUMMER READERS

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Worcester Prep Lower School students, from grades 1-5, participated in the library's optional summer reading challenge. First graders had to read at least eight to 14 books, second and third graders eight to 20 books, and fourth and fifth graders six to 12 books. Students who met the challenge were awarded various prizes and paperback books.



WORLD DIABETES DAY

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Berlin Intermediate School recently rallied around World Diabetes Day by wearing blue. Students and staff talked about the signs of type 1 and type 2 diabetes and the effect it has on the families and lives of the BIS community. Pictured are fourth grade students.



BOOK SIGNING Local author Frank Hopkins hosts a book signing event for several of his recent published works at The Greyhound bookstore in Berlin, Dec. 1.



HOMECOMING DANCE



Worcester Preparatory School hosted its Upper School Homecoming Dance on Oct. 20. Homecoming court members, from left, are freshman prince and princess Vaughn Zender and Faith Sens, sophomore prince and princess Daniel Chen and Arusa Islam, junior prince and princess Gavin Carmody and Jordan Campbell, senior prince and princess Alec Dembeck and Maria Deckmann, and senior king and queen Cameron Hill and Kendall Whaley.

Assateague Island Alliance members celebrate a fundraiser at Sisters in downtown Berlin on Nov. 27. Pictured, from left, are Board President Nancy Gaither, Sisters owner Donna Compher, and board members Ivy Wells and Kathy Emmert.

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