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## Park shut as money runs out

Spill clean-up takes funds for other work

By Rachel Ravina  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Heron Park is closed, again, but this time until further notice. Given the park's unexpected lack of money, the Berlin Town Council decided Monday night there is no other course of action to take, at least for now.

Councilman Zack Tyndall cited safety concerns and moved to close the park indefinitely, even though the demolition of structures on the former chicken processing plant property remains unfinished business.

He said town officials should consider other payment opportunities for the removal of those buildings. The motion passed in a 3-1 vote with Councilman Dean Burrell dissenting. See OUT Page 19

## FIDDLE FANS

Spectators fill the streets for Berlin's annual Fiddler's Convention on Saturday, as excellent weather and music drew major crowds to this year's event.

# OPA budget planning begins

Procedure, timeline outlined for board by finance committee

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) In preparation for January discussions of next year's budget, the OPA Budget and Finance Committee offered guidance during a Board of Directors meeting last week.

OPA President Doug Parks said the annual operating budget is prepared by General Manager John Viola, the board and the Budget and Finance Committee.

"From a budgetary guidance perspective, it gives us that first look," he said.

The next step in the fiscal approval process is a three-day budget committee meeting in the first week of January, when Viola presents a budget draft, Budget and Finance Committee member Dick Keiling said.

The draft would be vetted and returned for final board review before its approval in late February.

Parks said the budget committee would perform a line item review of the budget in January.

"The Budget and Finance Committee provides guidance

to the board at the beginning of the budget preparation process," he said.

Parks said the discussions inherent in the approval process helps chart a clear course.

"The board considers all of that when we do our three-day meeting," he said. "This is the framework for what we want to do for the upcoming year."

Keiling, who was joined by fellow budget committee members John O'Connor and Thomas Piatti, said a budgetary breakdown by department is being compiled.

"If there's an increase in any

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Heron Park, formerly known as Berlin Falls Park, is closed indefinitely following a vote during a Berlin Town Council meeting. The park is closed while officials figure out other ways to pay for demolition costs.

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# Oct. 15 deadline for dredging permit request

(Sept. 26, 2019) Ocean Pines residents who wish to request spot dredging next fall must submit a permit request by Oct. 15. Permits are available at Ocean Pines Public Works, on 1 Firehouse Lane.

According to Operations Director Colby Phillips, the process to apply for spot dredging is as follows:

1. The resident must fill out a permit to request dredging for their area.
2. After the application deadline, Ocean Pines goes to each property during mean low tide and gets depth readings in three separate locations for each

request: one on each side of the canal and one in the center of the canal. This is to show a cross-section of the canal.

3. Ocean Pines then fills out forms for the Army Corp of Engineers with the data taken from the canal readings. The Army Corp determines if the canals can be dredged.
4. Once Ocean Pines hears back from the Army Corp, approved permits are taken to the county and state for additional permitting.
5. Once the additional permits are approved, Ocean Pines contacts a contractor to do the dredging. This has always been the contractor currently working on bulkheads, because the company is already working in the community
6. The contractor must haul the dredged material to an approved dredge site, which Ocean Pines has at Public Works. Materials must be moved in approved, sealed trucks
7. Ocean Pines can only dredge during certain times of the year, August through March. Dredging cannot be done from April through July
8. This entire process takes about a year, from the start of the application

process until the actual spot dredging

“The dredging program is for homeowners who do not have enough water to get their boats off of their lifts or docks. We want everyone to be aware of the deadlines,” Phillips said. “We are accepting 20 permit applications annually and we currently still have 14 spots still available. It is important to us that we follow the process, so that we can give the most accurate time frames and information to the homeowners.”

For more information on the dredging program, contact Ocean Pines Public Works at 410-641-7425.



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# Victim of garage fire thanks Berlin officials for support

**By Rachel Ravina**  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Berlin resident Sara Hambury thanked town officials Monday night for their support as she continues to rebuild her garage after a fire in July.

"I still have exploded windows. I have burned trees. I have shattered glass. It looks like a fallout zone," Hambury said during a Town Council meeting.

No one was injured in the fire on

July 30 on Grace Street, but it revealed a serious parking problem in Berlin. Hambury recalled a fire truck had to make a "five-point U-turn" to navigate around the cars parked on the narrow streets.

Hambury said in a previous interview that the streets were built nearly 100 years ago and were meant to accommodate carriages and early cars, not the larger models on the road today.

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Berlin Councilman Zack Tyndall, left, resident Sara Hambury and Police Chief Arnold Downing gather for a photo after Monday's Town Council meeting. Hambury took a moment to thank town officials for their support after a fire burned her garage on Grace Street on July 30.

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# Pines looks at upgrading signage

Communications Comm. consulting with Wor. County prior to advancing concept

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) The first order of business for the OPA Communications Committee, which wants to upgrade community signs with electronic message boards, is to determine if Worcester County will allow the change to be made.

During the committee meeting on Friday, the group agreed that installing electronic variable message signs over the next few years would address the goal of reducing staff workload.

"It's very expensive," Chairwoman Jenny Cropper Rines said. "It was somewhere between \$35,000 and \$45,000 per sign [so] we were thinking we could knock it down to three and try to do one per year."

Following the initial research into potential costs, Director of Marketing and Public Relations Josh Davis said Worcester County codes regarding roadside signs could mean a variance would be required.

"I asked them could we get a variance," he said. "They said, 'absolutely not, this is the code.'"

Davis said the responsibility to up-



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Prior to moving ahead on a proposed purchase of several electronic message signs, the OPA Communications Committee concluded on Friday that determining if Worcester County regulations are at play need to be ascertained first.

date the manual signs on Ocean Parkway, and several more scattered throughout the community, are divided between the public works, recreation and parks and marketing departments.

Despite the proposal's high cost, Rines said the committee had previously supported moving ahead with the proposal.

Committee member Cheryl Jacobs said the cost is relative.

"We spend millions in this com-  
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## Recent fire sheds light on parking problem in Berlin

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"If you need an ambulance, if you need a fire truck, resident liberties need to be put in place by those that handle our safety and security," she said.

Hambury also expressed her gratitude to Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing.

"He's been at my house several times since the fire putting in place a sense of security for my family, and my neighbors, in relation to parking," she said.

Hambury said she appreciated the parking restrictions on town residential streets that were implemented for recent special events including the Berlin Fiddlers Convention and Small Town Throw Down.

Drivers were prohibited from parking in certain areas.

Hambury also said she's experienced cluttered streets.

"I'm as much to blame. I mean in the last seven weeks my construction crews, my tree guys, my mess has been expanded beyond the border of my property into the streets," she said. "So I understand it is a challenge to keep the streets clear."

Hambury said she had trees removed that were burned in the fire.

Thankfully, July 30 was not a windy night, or Berlin would look significantly different, she said.

Councilman Thom Gulyas suggested Hambury brainstorm ideas with her neighbors and bring them to Chief Downing and Planning Director Dave Engelhart.

"I'd love to make sure that you have your input heard," Gulyas said.

Downing said there's been adequate communication between the neighbors.

"We give them credit for being a good community," Downing said.

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# Swapping manually updated out to electronic messaging

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munity to make things better and I don't think \$35,000 to \$45,000 is a big deal," she said.

While noting the price tag for a trio of variable message signs would be in the \$120,000 neighborhood, Rines said the expense would be recouped over time through reduced labor costs.

"Every time there's an event ... they go out and change them," she said. "Also emergency messaging can be handled remotely."

Davis said he would contact Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino to inform him the committee would like to discuss the code issue.

Committee member Elaine Brady [Bayside Gazette publisher] said obtaining a variance, if feasible, from the county would avoid possible pitfalls.

"It could backfire like it has at White Horse Park," she said. "They'll come in and say, 'You're allowed one sign in the community take the other 15 down.'"

Communications Committee Board of Directors liaison Dr. Colette Horn said the potential expenditure for upgraded signs could be broached during budget discussions.

"Are they on the reserve list?" she said. "If it's \$5,000 or less, it's not reserves, it comes out of operations."

Horn suggested further details should be gathered.

"The board will need some kind of a proposal," she said.

Rines said contacting Worcester County officials should be the next step.

"I don't think we need to spend anyone's time until we deal with the commissioners," she said. "It seems like the sand has been pounded."

Horn said the board should be provided a primer on the objectives and benefits of the proposed sign purchase before supporting the variance request

through the county.

"It doesn't have to be an in-depth proposal but something that the board can wrap their minds around," she said.

Brady volunteered to gather the information.

Considering possible sign locations,

Rines said electronic signs could be placed at both the north and south gates and the Yacht Club.

Brady said the latter might be problematic.

"The Yacht Club might be problem," she said. "You do have two houses that are right there."

Brady proposed limiting the proposal to signs at both entrance gates, while also asking if county approval is required.

"Ocean Pines is pretty unique in the fact that we own our roadways," she said. "Once you get off of Manklin Creek and onto Ocean Parkway that doesn't belong to the county."

Horn suggested OPA Attorney Jeremy Tucker should be consulted to confirm if Worcester County code is in play.

"Does it even apply?" she said. "Do we even have to ask for permission?"

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Communications Committee Board of Directors liaison, Dr. Colette Horn



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# Pines legend Anna Foultz, 93, dies

By Morgan Pilz  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Anna Lucarello Foultz, a beloved figure of Ocean Pines and the Worcester County community, died 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 22, at age 93.

Foultz, who was said to be the oldest Girl Scout in the United States, was a member of countless organizations throughout the community, including the Sons of Italy, Kiwanis, Juliettes, Star Charities and a bridge club among others.

"Our beloved treasure, Anna Foultz, has organized her last fundraiser, written her last column, played her last game of bridge and pinochle," Her daughter, Shirley Isbell, said. "Anna has ridden in her last parade, organized her last beef and beer, collected her last gift for the soldiers and everyone who knew her will feel a tremendous loss."

"She left this world ... after she gave away the last bit of her big heart," she continued. "Her last words were, 'From wherever I am, I will love you always.'"

The beginning of Foultz's life was as remarkable as the rest of her journey. She was born in her grandfather's barbershop in Camden, New Jersey on Jan. 11, 1926.

The third child out of six born to an Italian Catholic family, Foultz spent most of her young childhood toiling away in factories or other odd jobs during Prohibition. Her mother and father were musicians and performers and would occasionally include Foultz in singing in front of crowds.

Foultz would meet her future husband, Carl "Gill" Foultz, at the age of 14. Carl and Anna married Nov. 3, 1945, right after his return from his four-year service in World War II. They raised three children: two girls, Betty Ann and Shirley, and one boy, Carl "Gilly" Jr.

Foultz would not become a Girl Scout until she was a mother, in 1958. Her eldest daughter, Betty Ann, wanted to become a Scout.



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Anna Foultz, 93, was a beloved member of the Ocean Pines community. Foultz passed away on Sunday and will be buried with her husband, Carl "Gill" Foultz, in Arlington Cemetery.

"I wanted my daughter to know the values of life," Foultz had said in an interview last year. "But they didn't have a leader. So, they said, 'Well, she can't join — we don't have any leaders. Will you be a leader?' I said I don't know anything about this. [But] I said alright, I'll take a chance at it."

Foultz taking a chance at it ended up making her the longest active member of the Girl Scouts, with the organization making her a lifetime member.

Foultz's charitable work led to many awards, some from high-ranking officials, including congressional awards signed by Presidents Jimmy Carter and George H.W. Bush.

In addition to meeting five presidents — Carter, Lyndon B. Johnson, George H.W. Bush, Ronald Reagan, and George W. Bush — she's had the chance to meet other famous celebrities, like Debbie Reynolds and Elizabeth Taylor.

Foultz moved to Ocean Pines from Myrtle Beach, South Carolina in the 1970s,

after a friend begged her to visit. Her decision to move her came from a misinterpretation.

"I thought my friend lived in Atlantic City," Foultz had said in a previous interview. "My friend said, 'I don't live in Atlantic City; I live in Ocean City!' and I said, 'Where is that?' I didn't know anything about it. She took me to the country club, and I said 'Oh, I love it here! I'm going to buy something here.'"

"So, the very next day, I went to the Realtor, and my husband went fishing," Foultz continued. "So, I looked everywhere and I said I'm buying some property. I found this [house] real cheap, [went] to the family and said, 'I'm paying cash.' So, I never told my husband."

By her account, her husband was not pleased with her decision, when she told him several months later.

Nevertheless, Carl and Anna fit right into the community. Carl fished and worked, and Anna kept being Anna.

Anna and Carl created their own fundraiser in 2007, STAR Charities, a nonprofit organization designed to help a multitude of others through events and fundraisers. "STAR" stands for Sharing Time and Resources. The organization donates food, clothing, and money to various causes.

In 2017, she published a memoir about her life; "Two Steps Forward," with the help of her youngest daughter, Shirley.

"[Our] family wants to thank all the friends who have loved Anna Foultz and helped her throughout her lifetime of service," Isbell said. "Since the day she was born in a barbershop on Jan. 11, 1926, Anna has touched so many lives with her brave spirit and selfless acts of kindness."

Foultz was considered a treasure among residents and volunteers. Her work and humble attitude precedes her, and she was always there to offer her assistance, whether you asked for it or not.

Foultz will be interred with her husband at Arlington Cemetery. A service and date had not been determined at the time of publication.

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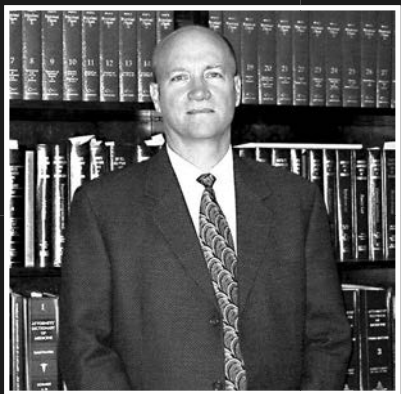


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Star Charities members, from left, Sue Walter, Anna Foultz, Faith Stanley and Paulette Mari promote the group's annual "Holiday Gifts for Soldiers" collection, which will take place during October. It will forge ahead despite the passing of Star Charities co-founder, Foultz, on Sunday.

# Star Charities contemplates next steps after Foultz dies

**By Greg Ellison**  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Following the passing of Ocean Pines community stalwart Anna Lucarello Foultz, 93, on Sunday, volunteers with Star Charities are pushing ahead with the annual "Holiday Gifts for Soldiers" collection, while also considering plans to memorialize the charity's founder.

Speaking on Tuesday, Sue Walter, who assisted Foultz with numerous Star Charities initiatives over the last four years, said the volunteer group are intent on continuing the spirit of giving that Foultz embodied.


"It's a very sad day for all of Ocean Pines and the groups she had been involved with," she said.

Foultz and her husband of 64 years, Carl, who died in 2010 and served during WWII in Burma, China and India, founded Star Charities in 2007. Walter said Foultz would likely insist that the show must go on.

"It just gives us that much more

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# Coastal Cleanup gathering at Assateague this Saturday

(Sept. 26, 2019) The Ocean Conservancy’s International Coastal Cleanup is held at hundreds of beaches and coastal regions across the world as a means to bring together community members near and far to help remove litter and debris from marine environments and coastal landscape.

Assateague Coastal Trust, along with the National Park Service at Assateague Island National Seashore and Assateague OSV Count will host the 2019 ICC on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 8 a.m. until noon.

Check-ins will be stationed under the ACT and NPS tents near the south end pavilion of the North Ocean Beach parking lot in the National Park. All visitors and volunteers will be welcomed into the park admission free in honor of National Public Lands Day.

Assateague Island State Park will also be participating in the cleanup.

Last year, over 350 volunteers participated in the 2018 ICC on Assateague Island. University departments, schools, organizations, businesses and individuals are en-

couraged to attend the annual cleanup. Those who come out will have the opportunity to get to know the ACT staff and some of the NPS rangers.

Plenty of reusable burlap bags courtesy of the NPS at Assateague, and compostable trash bags courtesy of ACT will be available for all volunteers. Those planning to come out to the park for the event should dress appropriately and bring their own gloves if preferred.

To better understand the kinds of trash and plastics that accumulate on beaches, volunteers are encouraged to download the Ocean Conservancy’s Clean Swell app on their smart phones.

The app allows users to easily report data from cleanups to Ocean Conservancy’s database. Alternative, paper data forms will be available at the check-in site on the day of the cleanup.

Questions concerning the 2019 ICC at Assateague Island National Seashore should be directed to Billy Weiland at [billy@actforbays.org](mailto:billy@actforbays.org) and visit [www.actforbays.org/ICC-2019](http://www.actforbays.org/ICC-2019).

# Gifts for troops sought in Oct.

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strength to follow in Anna’s footsteps,” she said.

Walter said Star Charities’ annual holiday gift drive for soldiers runs the entire month of October, with black collection buckets placed throughout Ocean Pines, Gold Coast Mall in Ocean City, the First Shore Federal Savings & Loan on Racetrack Road and public libraries in Ocean City, Ocean Pines and Berlin.

“This collection for the soldiers overseas Anna has been doing for many years,” she said. “Kind of a line I came up with is, “Fill the bins to the rims in honor of Anna.”

Collected items are distributed to U.S. Armed Forces members serving

outside the states.

Walter said non-perishable and non-glass items are needed, with calling cards to enable soldiers to phone home especially sought after.

“Things that anybody would think their son or daughter or husband or wife who’s stationed overseas would enjoy having,” she said.

In November, the Salisbury National Guard will pick up collection buckets and handle overseas shipping.

Walter said Star Charities members would meet in short order to assess next steps for the organization.

“We do want to talk about doing something in Ocean Pines as a tribute or memorial service,” she said. “We want to run it by the family first.”



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**August's financial report**  
**reflects OPA budget profit**

(Sept. 26, 2019) After the first four months of the fiscal year, Ocean Pines financials appear strong, as the association posted a positive operating variance of \$459,824 compared to the budget.

Total revenues were over budget by \$412,282 and expenses were \$47,542 under budget, according to the August financial report.

"Obviously, we're pleased with where we are at this point in the year," General Manager John Viola said. "The Yacht Club continues to be a big part of our success, but golf has also been a contributor, despite everything going on over at the course."

"The team continues to review all expenses monthly and looks to reallocate wherever we can to address headwinds," he continued. "We are all committed to continuing this positive trend through the end of the year."

During August, the association posted a positive operating fund variance of \$151,301, with total revenues over budget by \$105,665 and expenses below budget by \$45,636.

The Yacht Club provided a big boost for the month, with banquet sales \$51,447 ahead of budget and regular sales \$48,007 ahead, for a total net of \$99,454.

Also contributing were golf operations and maintenance, ahead by \$23,832, Police, positive \$15,492, and Recreation and Parks, positive \$1,371.

Positive for the year are the Yacht Club (\$155,112), Recreation and Parks (\$58,401), the Beach Club (\$45,733), Marinas (\$41,335), Beach Parking (\$37,981) Public Works (\$36,661), Golf (\$35,993), General Maintenance (\$25,663), Finance (\$23,996), Manager's Office (\$19,579), General Administration (\$9,948), Pickleball (\$6,678), Police (\$4,951) and the Tern Grille (\$3,659).

Only six departments – Aquatics, Public Relations, Compliance and Permits, Platform Tennis, Tennis, and Fire/EMS – were behind budget for the year as of Aug. 31. Four of those six departments broke even or better in August.

According to the latest financials, the total reserve balance as of Aug. 31 was \$10.4 million, including roughly \$6.4 million in replacement reserves, \$2.7 million in bulkhead reserves and \$1.3 million in roads.

To view the August financial report, visit:  
<https://www.oceanpines.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/August-2019-Financials.pdf>.

**Pines budget document online**

(Sept. 26, 2019) Ocean Pines Budget and Finance Committee Chairman Dick Keiling on Tuesday released a 25-item budget guidance document.

The document offers committee recommendations to the general manager and board of directors for fiscal year 2020/2021 budget preparation.

Keiling and two other committee

members last Thursday presented the document to the board during a public meeting. The latest version includes seven additional items, based on that meeting.

To view the document, visit <https://www.oceanpines.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/BF-2020-budget-guidanceR2.pdf>.

To view a video of the meeting, visit <https://youtu.be/DNisk6g9OSI>.

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# PRMC ‘Party in the Pines’ highlights future expansion

Fourth building planned for Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute to finalize campus

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) With the last piece of the Ocean Pines Health Pavilion coming into focus, Peninsula Regional Health Systems used its “Party in the Pines” event last Wednesday to provide more information on the final building at the Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute.

The gathering attracted a sizeable crowd who heard about existing services at the pavilion and the construction of a fourth structure this fall.

PRMC President of Strategy and

Business Development Chris Hall said completing construction of “Building 3,” estimated at roughly 60,000 square feet, would take about a year and a half and would be the key to rounding out services at the Ocean Pines location.

“In essence, it’s like a health care campus without hospital beds,” he said.

The center currently addresses an array of health care needs, with the PRMC Home Scripts Pharmacy, Ocean Pines Family Medicine, Junior Board Café, PRMC Adult Fitness, PRMC FamilyLab and namesake Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute.

Adding to the list, in July the new Delmarva Endoscopy Center opened for business.



GREG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Peninsula Regional Health Systems’ “Party in the Pines” event last Wednesday provided attendees details about the upcoming fourth and final structure included at the Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute in Ocean Pines.

Director of Community Relations Roger Follebout Jr. said with PRMC’s history of providing cancer treatment

to the lower shore dating to the 1970s, the intent behind the Cancer Institute at Ocean Pines was to provide a one-stop location specific to Worcester County.

“We’re the only comprehensive community-accredited cancer center,” he said. “We replicated that expertise and brought it down here as well so people don’t have to travel across the bridge to get the care.”

Situating the Health Pavilion in Ocean Pines made sense demographically, Hall said.

“[Roughly] 40 percent of Worcester County lives right here [and] 26-30 percent of the population is over 65,” he said.

Addressing the medical needs of a significant portion of the community is the goal, Hall said.

“They use health care three times more than any other age cohort population,” he said. “Stop the traveling for two hours across the bridge.”

Among the services PRMC hopes to include within the newest structure slated for the parcel’s south side are CoreLife Delmarva Weight Loss and Wellness, an orthopedics practice and MRI services.

“We’re finalizing work on an imaging company,” Hall said.

Luring other specialists, including endocrinology, cardiology, and urology, is also in the works.

“We’re trying to work with a lot of the Salisbury specialists,” he said. “A lot of them are independent, so we have to work with their business plan.”

Regardless of pending growth, Follebout said the Ocean Pines Health Pavilion is already abuzz with activity.

“We’ve grown by leaps and bounds on this campus,” he said. “Every one of the services in here is extremely busy.”

Follebout credits the site’s initial success to the warm embrace offered by the Ocean Pines community at large.

“The patient population is in this area,” he said. “They don’t have to travel very far to reach their doctor.”

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# Sprout Creatives adopts new web platform, BlueberryCMS

(Sept. 26, 2019) Starting earlier this month, local web and marketing studio Sprout Creatives will be migrating all of its clients' websites from Adobe Business Catalyst to a new platform called BlueberryCMS.

Adobe announced the "End of Life" of Business Catalyst back in March of 2018 giving their partners three years to move their existing sites to another platform.

"When we first learned of Adobe's announcement, we were devastated. Then we picked up the phone and called our Stephen Decatur High School friend and former college roommate, Keith Mason," said Paul Starkey, CEO of Sprout Creatives. "Once we explained our dilemma, Keith agreed to partner with us to develop an improved website management platform hosted on Amazon Web Services."

# Regional airport receives grant to fund rehabilitation

(Sept. 26, 2019) Rep. Andy Harris, M.D. (MD-01) announced this week the award of a \$1.1 million federal grant to the Salisbury-Ocean City: Wicomico Regional Airport.

The grant was awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation and will fund rehabilitation of the apron, taxiway and lighting. The airport supports more than 1,600 local jobs.

"As a member of the Committee on Appropriations, I applaud the award of this grant to the Salisbury-Ocean City Regional Airport," Rep. Harris said.

"This facility is a key economic engine on the Eastern Shore that supports local high-paying technical and skilled jobs, as well as local business revenue and purchases. The investment of these federal funds will directly help our local economy now and in the future."



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"It was kind of like stepping back in time for us," said Keith Mason, CEO of Visual Data Software Corporation. "Working together has been incredible. Our entire BlueberryCMS team share the same mantra – to inspire creativity for web designers all over the world."

"All of our clients trust our vision," said Vincent Gisriel III, project manager of Sprout Creatives. "With this new platform, we can give the businesses who hire us a competitive edge on the web."

Visual Data Software began developing a product called Website Content Management, or WCM, in 2017. When the decision was made to join forces, WCM was rebranded BlueberryCMS.

Sprout Creatives provided the features and user-experience design and VDS provided the powerful, modern code.

Sprout Creatives of Berlin, is a design and marketing studio who specialize in customizing user experiences that dramatically influence the way brands are perceived and consumed on the web and in print.

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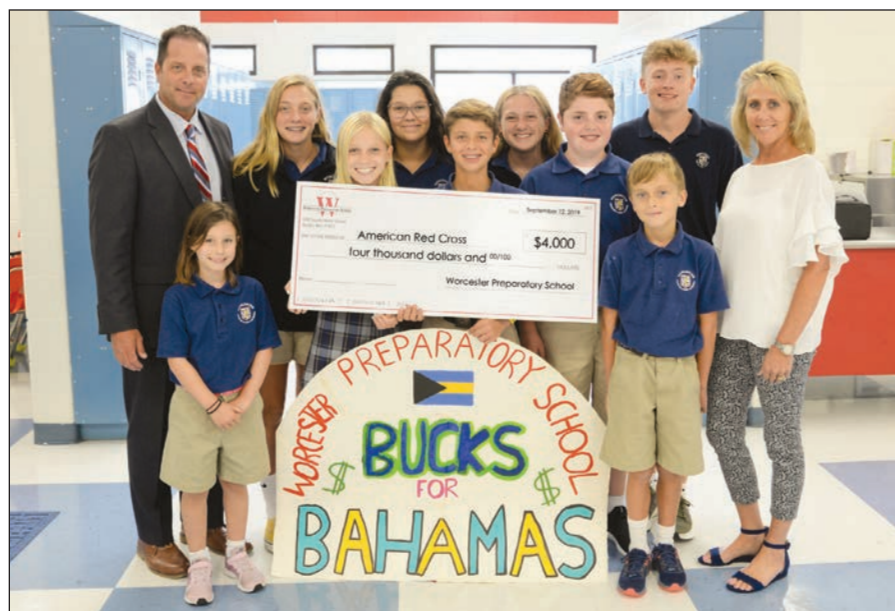


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Worcester Preparatory School students join Acting Head of School Mike Grosso and Parents' Association Vice President Courtney Baeurle in showcasing a \$4,000 check to the American Red Cross following a "Bucks for the Bahamas" fundraiser earlier this month.

## Worcester Prep raises funds for Hurricane Dorian relief

By Rachel Ravina  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Worcester Preparatory School donated more than \$4,000 to the American Red Cross to help victims of Hurricane Dorian in the Caribbean.

"The thing[s] that people need immediately is clean water, food, shelter, and medical care," said Mary Beth Herbert, president of the school's parents' association. "Those immediate things have been completely wiped out."

The Category 5 storm battered the islands with wind speeds of up to 185 mph and hovered over portions of the Bahamas for about two days earlier this month.

Students dressed down for a good cause on Sept. 12 during a "Bucks for the Bahamas" fundraising event. Herbert added that each student was encouraged to bring \$1 so they could don casual clothing for the day.

Herbert said roughly 500 students raised more than \$3,800 during the event, and the parents association contributed money to round the total up to \$4,000.

"We were just thrilled with the magnitude of the generosity, and honestly I'm not surprised because this is what happens," she said. "All you need to do is ask, and people open their hearts, and open their wallets. It was really wonderful to see."

Worcester Prep's soccer team also chipped in. Coach Carol Harnett, who is also a health and physical education teacher, said her team raised about \$578 during a "Boots for the Bahamas" fundraiser, which also took place on Sept. 12.

The 24 athletes canvassed the school, asking faculty, parents and fellow students to give what they could.

Hartnett said Worcester Prep

alumna Sarah Ann Showell, who graduated in 2009, is also working to help storm victims.

"They absolutely need boots because nobody can get around unless they are wearing boots, because of all the debris and the water, and everything that's in it," Hartnett said.

The Showell family's Green Turtle Club Resort on Green Turtle Cay in the Bahamas was destroyed in the storm, but their more immediate concern was helping the island's residents, which they did by starting an online crowdfunding campaign for that purpose. For more information, visit the GoFundMe page at [gofundme.com/f/green-turtle-cay-hurricane-dorian-relief-fund](https://www.gofundme.com/f/green-turtle-cay-hurricane-dorian-relief-fund).

Hartnett expressed her gratitude to Herbert and other members of the parents' association for getting the ball rolling.

"They, through their efforts, have shown our kids that it's important to them, and so it became important to our community, and family, and our school, so kudos to our parents association for spearheading this," Hartnett said.

Hartnett and Herbert acknowledged that while the fundraising events help those in need, it could also be a teachable moment for students locally.

Herbert said she hopes to continue involving Worcester Prep in other initiatives to help those affected by Hurricane Dorian.

"It's a great way to sort of inspire giving, and compassion, and getting kids to think outside of their little town," Herbert said.

Junior Baylie Holmes agreed.

"We were asked to donate \$1, but it's amazing what we accomplished working together in one day that made an even larger impact for those in need," Holmes said.



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The Ocean Pines Pickleball Club is hosting the second annual Pickleball Pink Ribbon Classic on Friday, which raised about \$4,000 during the 2018 event.

# Pines Pickleball Pink Ribbon Classic returns

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) The second annual Pickleball Pink Ribbon Classic on Friday will support a larger campaign that has raised roughly \$34 million for breast cancer research over the last two plus decades.

Tournament organizer Bobbie Corbett said the event last year netted about \$4,000, which has already been topped this year.

“The support this year has been unbelievable,” she said.

Corbett said 18 sponsors have kicked in anywhere from \$100 to \$1,000 to

back the charitable effort.

“Atlantic Physical Therapy gave us \$1,000, they’re one of our biggest sponsors,” she said. “Just from sponsors this year, we’re up to about \$5,500 and a few are still coming in.”

Speaking prior to the Sept. 30 entry deadline, Corbett said only one opening remained among the field of 72 participants, who each pay \$35 to compete, with lunch and prize drawings also on the agenda.

“I assume we’re going to have a waiting list,” she said.

Pickleball was created in the late 1960s in Washington State and incorporates rules comparable to tennis on a bad-

minton-sized court. The pastime was introduced as a drop-in sport in Ocean Pines in 2011 and has gained immense popularity since that time.

Corbett said the idea for the pickleball tournament was birthed last year and since then has taken on a life of its own.

“I was approached last year to see if we could get pickleball into our Pink Ribbon Classic umbrella ... because it was such a popular sport,” she said.

Since its inception in 2018, the fundraiser now has a wealth of involved parties, Corbett said.

“The volunteers this year took the ball and ran with it,” she said.

In addition to more than \$8,000 being drawn from participants and sponsors, Corbett said numerous door prizes and a 50/50 raffle should help generate further funding.

Corbett said since the annual Pink Ribbon Classic Golf Tournament started in 1996, the event has inspired many similar endeavors.

“We always have the Pink Ribbon Classic Committee behind us,” she said. “It all culminates with the Making Strides [Against Breast Cancer] Walk on Oct. 19.”

For more information contact Bobbie Corbett at 443-735-2328 or email bbcocean@msn.com.



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# Pines budget timelines, process outlined

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particular line item over \$5,000 [or 5 percent] it needs proper documentation to be presented at budget review time,” he said.

Keiling said performance metrics would be analyzed to chart financial forecasts, especially for revenue,

“If you have any new revenue proposals ... we want to make sure there’s sound forecasting and input given into what kind of revenues are being projected,” he said.

In light of payroll accounting for nearly half of non-capital expenditures, Keiling said when the current pay rate study is completed, the committee needs to consider any associated recommendations.

“Merit increases should not be across the board,” he said. “Merit increases should reflect some kind of reasonable salary inflation component to it compared to what’s happening in the rest of the world.”

Parks said once the pay scale study data is available, the operations team would work to revise policies concerning merit raises.

“We have to consider for our discussions the idea that there are going to be some things that don’t get adjusted and some that do,” he said.

Parks also suggested overtime pay costs should be analyzed to ascertain if

any staffing needs require tweaking.

“I would be interested in understanding the total amount spent on OT and the reasons,” he said. “It could be a driver for another position.”

Director Larry Perrone highlighted the unknown impacts of the new minimum wage rates approved by the General Assembly this year.

“We know there’s going to be growth in salary whether we do anything or not just because of the hourly increase that we will be facing ... mainly with ... part-time,” he said.

Keiling also credited Director of Finance Steve Phillips for conducting an “OPA salary walk,” by department last year, which will again be employed to reconcile payroll costs.

“If you see one department going up and one department going down, it causes you to ask a lot of questions,” he said. “It’s important to look at the overall payroll so you know what the macro picture is as far as growth in payroll.”

Turning to amenities, Keiling said the committee also recommends requiring the Matt Ortt Companies to provide enhanced fiscal forecasting with a recently executed contract extension that begins next year.

“We’re saying the margins should be highlighted and explained, [which] includes the cost of food and beverages,” he said.

Keiling also recommended the Ortt Companies provide a detailed budget plan for banquet services and that profit and loss estimates for Tern Grille reflect the pending Golf Club House expansion.

Additionally, the committee is recommending the Ortt Companies compile metrics and performance indicators to continue improving food services.

“I think it behooves the organization to look to Matt Ortt to develop and share with us the kind of things any

professional food service company would be doing to improve the quality of ... customer service, efficiencies and costs,” he said.

Keiling also noted Viola is working with Matt Ortt to develop an accurate profit and loss statement for the Beach and Yacht Clubs and Tern Grille.

Looking at amenities overall, Keiling said the ideal time to consider any potential fee changes is during the budget review process in January.

“We’re saying that managers for fee-based amenities should provide comprehensive details on new revenue-generating proposals,” he said.

Shifting to unintended revenues, Parks asked for clarity when the issue of pool passes and unused monetary allotments would be discussed.

Joe Groves noted the topic became a point of consternation for numerous residents this year.

“People think it’s unfair ... at the end of every year everybody’s money is going to be taken that is not spent,” he said.

Board member Dr. Colette Horn said although estimating funds for pool passes became an issue this summer, with the pending introduction of NorthStar accounting software Association, members will find that a distant memory.

“Next year, with the member access within NorthStar to purchase, that should no longer be a problem,” she said.

Horn also said there is a misperception among some that money is being kept haphazardly.

“People are buying what they think they need,” she said. “If they overestimate, we are not taking from them, they are buying what they think they need.”

Groves argued association members have voiced different perspectives.

“Maybe its \$5, but in their mind the association should not be taking their

\$5,” he said.

Parks said the topic would be delved into with solutions for this year being sought.

Expanding to larger dollar items, Keiling said budgeting for capital expenses should be prepared separately from the operating budget using a multi-year formula that incorporates prior year unexpended funds.

“The multi-year plans should be approved with the reserve amounts,” he said. “Unexpended amounts from the prior year approved budget must be approved and re-approved as part of the new budget process,” he said.

Keiling also said business plans would need to accompany any new large dollar capital expenditures.

“Replacement capital expenditures from replacement reserves should include dollars and rationale for expenditures,” he said. “Part of the justification process should include ongoing costs associated with maintenance ... or the operations of the asset.”

The committee also noted the need to address long-neglected road maintenance.

“The roads plan needs to be developed and approved prior to allocating any budget increases,” he said.


In addition to recommending more research of alternative funding measures for future capital projects, Keiling said the committee believes prior year losses should continue to be a top priority.

“This year we recovered \$600,000 of prior year loss,” he said.

Parks said Viola is developing timelines and schedules to complete the budget approval process by the end of February.


“I’m looking forward to the process,” he said. “I think we have a great opportunity to figure out exactly what it is we need to do for a solid budget for this next operating year.”

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# Williams calls for ‘reboot’ of Heron Park goals

**By Rachel Ravina**  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) Faced with an empty bank account for Heron Park, Berlin Mayor Gee Williams last Thursday told the park advisory committee a “reboot” of goals and projects is needed to get the park back on track.

“We still own the property. That’s our responsibility,” Williams said.

Williams addressed advisory committee members to offer some direction on how to proceed, adding that they should take a realistic approach to fixing up the park.

Formerly known as Berlin Falls Park, Heron Park was closed for roughly six

weeks while Chesapeake Environmental Services cleaned up a spill of a caustic chemical, sodium hydroxide, on the property in late June. The cost of cleaning up that spill, which occurred during the demolition of some buildings on the property, drained the park’s budget.

Advisory committee member Amy Field said she was unsure how to proceed.

“If we’re supposed to be the idea factory ... for the property, I mean how much more can we do right now without a means to do it?” Field asked.

Williams said it’s important to “make the park as inviting as we can given [the] financial limitations.”

Committee member Roger Fitzgerald requested that they explore the idea of having a solar farm somewhere on the roughly 60-acre property.

Committee members also discussed the possibility of getting artistic signs, and painting a mural on the side of the old Tyson plant by including Stephen Decatur High School students.

“I love the idea of getting the high school involved,” Fitzgerald said.

Berlin resident Marie Velong also urged members to work to beautify the park’s entrance on Old Ocean City Boulevard.

“There’s no reason to even think there was a park back there,” Velong

said.

To draw attention to the facility, advisory committee members had planned to hold seasonal activities, including a bonfire and a bird watching event.

The bonfire was scheduled for Sept. 21 at the site, but the advisory committee cited safety concerns as a reason for canceling the event.

The birding event was slated for Jan. 18, but the possibility of that happening is unclear as Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood said “the park as of right now is closed.”

Berlin’s Town Council moved to in-

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## Out of money, park closed by council vote

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ing.

The council also approved another payment, this one for \$25,874.89, to Chesapeake Environmental Services for its work to clean up a spill of sodium hydroxide (caustic soda or lye) that occurred in June during the demolition work by another contractor.

Williams said the town has spent roughly \$265,000 on the cleanup project, and will have spent about \$283,000 once everything is completed. It is that expense that depleted the park’s funds.

The park was closed for much of that process and reopened earlier this month, albeit with most its funding having been set aside to cover Chesapeake’s bill. Meanwhile, the Maryland Department of the Environment and Environmental Protection Agency investigating the release of sodium hydroxide on park grounds.

During Monday’s council session, several residents expressed concerns about the park’s situation, with Deborah Fletcher asking if selling or leasing the property might be an option.

“Can we try to create things that are going to have income?” Fletcher asked.

While the subject was not listed on the council’s meeting agenda, Williams told staff, councilmen and members of the public that Goody Hill Groundwork could finish the demolition if the town authorized up to \$55,000 to pay for a series of projects.

Williams cited safety and aesthetic concerns as reasons to take it on.

Tyndall asked Williams how the town would pay for the work if officials authorized it.

Williams replied the council might need to “look into borrowing from ourselves” or via money set aside for a community center.

Burrell agreed and moved to press on with revitalization efforts.

“The time is today and I do believe that we need to proceed with trying to get this property as pristine as possible,” Burrell said.

That initial motion failed in a 1-3 vote with Councilmen Elroy Brittingham, Thom Gulyas and Tyndall dissenting.

Other residents asked about the potential costs associated with underground piping on the property.

“Those pipes haven’t been used in maybe 15 years,” Williams said.

Resident Marie Velong urged the council to press pause on the project until the necessary funds are available.

She added that borrowing from one municipal source to pay for an unrelated project is not the answer.

“That’s what you’re starting to do with this and that’s how we got into trouble,” she said, referring to the town’s need to replenish the water and sewer funds.

Fletcher agreed and asked for town officials to “let the dust settle.”

“Can’t we just put the breaks on ... non-essential spending?” she said.

Velong also slammed members of the council for buying the park property in the first place, citing a 2017 report that it would take millions to clean-up the ponds.

“I mean this was a catastrophe,” Velong said. “It should never have been bought with knowing what was there.”

Councilman Troy Purnell, the property owner who sold the parcel to the town, was absent from Monday’s meeting.

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# Opinion

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## Keeping ownership offers more options

As the Town of Berlin and its residents contemplate the future of the Heron Park, they should keep in mind that owning property is not a bad thing.

Whether the town’s purchase of the former Tyson poultry plant parcel was the right move, whether having a centerpiece park 20 years from now is worth waiting for, and whether mistakes made in preparing the land for public use might have been avoided are all beside the point.

Just as buying the land did not cause taxes and water and sewer rates to increase, selling it would only bring temporary relief at best, as the culprit in the money squeeze was town officials’ reluctance to raise rates when they should have.

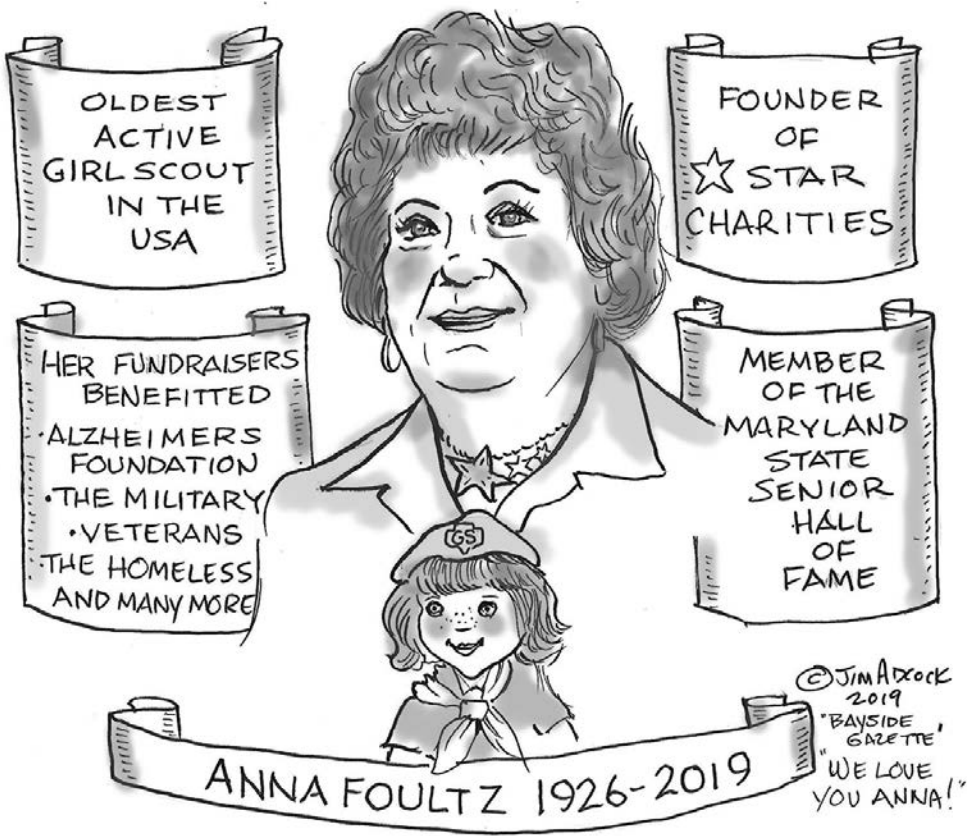
Instead, they borrowed from this fund and that to subsidize other operational costs and to keep the public happy, while hoping tax base growth would replenish the accounts. Obviously, that growth did not happen, which was fine with taxpayers who want to keep the town just the way it is, even though that is an increasingly expensive proposition.

Throwing a couple of million dollars in the kitty by selling Heron Park might provide temporary relief, but it wouldn’t solve the long-term problem of costs versus expenses.

Then, there would be the matter of to whom the town would sell and for what purpose. Would residents embrace the sale of the property for a major residential development or a big commercial operation? Probably not, given the significant opposition to other major projects proposed on the town’s perimeter.

Chances are, a fair number of residents would prefer that nothing happen at all with the land, save for the demolition of its eyesore buildings. The only way that happens is if the town controls its future through ownership.

If a special opportunity comes along, and residents agree, a sale might be worth considering. But in the meantime, ownership of the property gives the town land use choices that it otherwise would not have.



## Local org. to hold last meeting of 2019

### Funding goes toward Worcester, Wicomico, Somerset charities

(Sept. 26, 2019) The final meeting of 2019 is approaching quickly for the 100+ Women Who Care on the Shore. To date, the group has raised \$29,300 for local charities in just 2.5 years.

The 100+ Women Who Care on the Shore consists of a group of local women interested in making an immediate, direct and positive impact within Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties by contributing 100 percent of their donation to local charities.

Currently, there are more than 400 active chapters throughout the world.

The group meets three times a year for one hour and learns about local nonprofit agencies, nominated by members. Voted on by the group, one agency is selected to receive individual checks of \$100 from the members.

The checks are written directly to the local agency, so there are no administrative fees. Members contribute a tax-deductible donation of \$100, three times a year.

The 100+ Women Who Care on the Shore membership is open to all women in-

terested in donating to local charities. All agencies nominated must be 501(c)(3) and community organizations benefitting Worcester, Wicomico or Somerset counties.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at Fins Raw Bar in Berlin, 119 N. Main Street.

The 100+ Women Who Care on the Shore committee members are Janelle Mulholland and Michelle McGowan.

For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/100WomenWhoCareOntheShore/](http://www.facebook.com/100WomenWhoCareOntheShore/), or email [info.100womenwhocareontheshore@gmail.com](mailto:info.100womenwhocareontheshore@gmail.com).

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## Wor., OP Chamber to offer free seminar

### Work environments, mental health focus

(Sept. 26, 2019) The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce and Worcester County Health Department will present a free, public seminar on how to maintain a work environment that promotes good mental health and reduced sub-

stance abuse, and how to spot potential problems, on Tuesday, Oct. 1 from 5-7 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Branch of the Worcester County Library.

In addition, Narcan training will be offered at the end of the seminar to those who wish to learn.

Today, the country faces a behavioral health crisis and

often problems arise in the workplace. This seminar will help locate potential problems and how to defuse a situation before it arises.

Those who would like to complete the Narcan training, should email [info@oceanpineschamber.org](mailto:info@oceanpineschamber.org) to ensure enough kits are on hand. Call the Chamber at 410-641-5306 for questions.



# Golf fundraiser assists youth rec programs

**By Elizabeth Bonin**  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) The seventh annual Tee Off for Youth Golf Tournament and Fundraiser is a chance to help youth in Worcester County Recreation & Parks programs. Check-in and lunch will begin on Friday, Oct. 4 at 11:30 at the Ocean City Golf Club on Country Club Drive in Berlin.

The tournament is a four-man scramble. The shotgun will start at 1 p.m.

All proceeds for the tournament will go towards the Worcester Department of Recreation & Parks Youth Scholarship Fund to assist children and families who otherwise cannot afford to participate in programs.

Deputy Director of Kelly Rados said programs include baseball, dodgeball, track, volleyball, fishing derbies, summer camps and numerous youth leagues.

“It gives them extra things to do outside of their normal schedule and outside of school,” Rados said.

In addition to exercise, the programs help with team building in a less structured setting, Rados said. Children who will specifically benefit from the fundraiser are those that also qualify for the free and reduced lunch program. The department will also assist families who home-school their

children or who have toddlers and therefore don’t qualify in the traditional sense.

“We don’t want any kids to not participate in a program because they can’t afford it,” Rados said.

Brianna Goddard, program manager and marketing for Worcester County Recreation & Parks, added that it’s important for the department to help youth because the staff sees them so often.

Children in the programs come anywhere from Berlin, Pocomoke and sometimes out of state, according to Goddard. She also said that the programs focus on both social and physical aspects.

“Meeting other kids their age and perfecting something that they like is definitely a benefit,” Goddard said.

Rados added that the tournament is growing and that many other county departments and civic organization come back every year.

“It’s a way to give back to the youth in your county,” Rados said. “Everything that is made here goes back to the kids that are right here in our program. If they’re trying to help out a kid or a league, this is the way to do it.”

After the four-man scramble tournament, golfers can sit down to a dinner, a 50/50 raffle and an auction, as well as prizes for the tournament winners, according to Rados.

Businesses across the county donated prizes, baskets and gift cards for the fundraiser, including three gift certificates for golf trips. A few top sponsors are D3, Taylor Bank, Blue Water Development, American Le-

gion Post #166 – Ocean City and American Legion Post #93 – Pocomoke.

“It’s a great benefit to meet other people who all want to support the cause for underprivileged in the county,” Goddard said.

Though the registration deadline is tomorrow, Rados said that they can take additional sign ups through Monday. Registration costs \$75 per golfer.

Online registration is available at [worcesterrecandparks.org/calendar/event/7th-annual-tee-youth-golf-tournament](http://worcesterrecandparks.org/calendar/event/7th-annual-tee-youth-golf-tournament) or paper registration forms are at the Worcester Recreation center in Snow Hill at 6030 Public Landing Road. For more information, contact Kelly Rados at [krados@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:krados@co.worcester.md.us) or 410-632-2144 extension 2502.

## Hazardous waste collection, Sat.

(Sept. 26, 2019) The Worcester County Public Works Recycling Division will host Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, Saturday, Sept. 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Showell Elementary School on Route 589 (Racetrack Road).

Household hazardous waste and computers/laptops may be dropped off,

but no other electronics will be accepted.

Household hazardous waste includes pesticides, pool chemicals, gas and other fuels, oil-based paints, thinners and everyday hazardous wastes accumulating in and around the home for safe disposal.

Computers and laptops will be collected and later recycled.

Water-based paints are not hazardous materials and should be properly disposed of in the trash after solidifying by drying or adding absorbent materials, such as sand, kitty litter, or mulch, rather than brought to a hazardous waste event.

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## LUNCHEON

The Ladies of Drawbridge Road in Ocean Pines held their annual luncheon at the home of Jackie Choate, right, on Aug. 6. This is the fifth year that the ladies have enjoyed this gathering.



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## GUEST SPEAKER

Physical Therapist Martin Weinsten of Eastern Shore Physical Therapy in Berlin, right, was the guest speaker during a recent Kiwanis Club of Ocean Pines-Ocean City meeting. He is pictured with Club President-Elect Roy Foreman. The Kiwanis Club meets every Wednesday at 8 a.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center.



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## HOGAN VISITS

Maryland's First Lady Yumi Hogan visited the Worcester County Developmental Center in Newark, Aug. 16. Pictured, from left, are Secretary Carol Beatty, program participant Nick Haglich, Hogan, Sen. Mary Beth Carozza, and WCDC Executive Director Jack Ferry.



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## AWARENESS

The Worcester County Commissioners join with representatives from Worcester County Department of Social Services to recognize August as National Child Support Awareness Month, on Aug. 6, and to urge citizens to learn more about the child and parental support services that are available locally through the organization.



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## ATTENDEES

The General Levin Winder Chapter members recently attended the annual Seven Chapter luncheon of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the Ceilton Fire Department, in Ceilton, Maryland. Pictured, in front from left, are Chapter Regent Gail Weldin, Maryland State Regent Maureen Tipton and Susanne Zantzinger, and in back, Barbara May, Jackie Spurrier and Pat Arata. The DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education.



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## CELEBRATION

The Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County sponsored a Woodstock Anniversary Celebration under the stars at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines on Aug. 16. More than 100 members and friends attended. Four bins full of school supplies and over \$200 was collected for Worcester County G.O.L.D.



# County collects hazardous waste materials, Saturday

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Collecting household hazardous waste for safe disposal saves valuable landfill space and helps protect the environment, as many of these items do not degrade and contain poisonous materials that could seep out of the landfill and contaminate surrounding soil and groundwater.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is open at no charge to Worcester County residents only. This event is hosted in conjunction with Maryland Environmental Services and the Maryland Department of the Environment .

A representative from MDE will check vehicle registration. Clean Ventures of Baltimore will be responsible for the disposal of waste collected.

For more information, contact Worcester County Recycling Manager Mike McClung at 410-632-3177.

# Investigations of spill continue

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definitely close the park in a 3-1 vote during a meeting Monday evening. Councilman Dean Burrell was the sole dissenter.

“This whole enterprise [is] much more challenging than I ever could have imagined,” Williams said.

Williams said he believes the town will have spent about \$280,000 on the clean-up process after all is said and done.

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) and the Environmental Protection Agency are conducting an investigation on the incident.

Advisory committee member Roger Fitzgerald asked about the possibility of filing a civil suit against the contractor involved. While Williams said that was “one of the options,” he said it would largely have to do with the investigation’s findings.

“All I’m saying is any attempt to recover our costs will be based on what MDE and the EPA. tells us,” Williams said.

Fitzgerald also asked Williams if there were any other chemical tanks on the property.

“No, there’s nothing,” Williams said. “Listen, that place has been gone over with a fine-tooth comb now both with MDE and the EPA.”

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# Snapshots



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## NAACP MEETING

“Community policing” was discussed during the Aug. 15 Worcester County NAACP meeting. Pictured, from left, are NAACP Vice President Laurie Brittingham, Rev. Doctor Roxie Dennis, Worcester County Community Policing Organizer for the NAACP Adriano “Bubba” Almony, Snow Hill Police Chief McGee, Ocean Pines Police Chief Massey, Worcester County NAACP President Ivory Smith, Worcester County Sheriff Matt Crisafulli, Pocomoke Police Lt. Brian Craven and Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing.



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## ASSISTANTS

Worcester Preparatory School offered a variety of children’s camps during the summer. Brice Richins, left, and Bennett Tinkler volunteer to assist with lacrosse camp.



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## DONATIONS

Members of the Delmarva Chorus recently provided a donation of filled school backpacks for the Worcester G.O.L.D. (Giving Other Lives Dignity) and rolls of table coverings for the Worcester County Development Center for its new arts program. The Delmarva Chorus is always welcoming new members. A guest night and membership drive is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 30 from 7-9 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center.



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## CREATIVITY

During Worcester Preparatory School’s activities this summer, first graders, from left, Olivia Mason, Tejal Pillai and Madelyn Bobenko get creative with fun play Floam 3D structures during the Storybook Adventures Camp..



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## SUPPORTING VETS

The Delmarva Hand Dance Club donated \$2,000 to the Community Church of Ocean Pines Veterans Fund on July 31. The fund offers financial assistance to veterans for housing, rent, utility and auto payments, and a multitude of other things. Pictured, from left are Club Board Members Clarence Emmons, Joan McHale, and Howard Simons; Community Church of Ocean Pines Veterans Outreach Coordinators Susan Hogan and Mary Yenney; Board Members Judy Martin, Barbara McArdle, Mac Smith and President Eileen Smith.



# Elks foundation offers high school seniors scholarships

(Sept. 26, 2019) The Elks National Foundation awards over \$2.44 million in college scholarships each year to 500 seniors nationwide.

Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 also awards scholarships to applicants in this program.

Any high school senior who is a U.S. citizen is eligible and need not be related to an Elk.

Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership and financial need.

Applicants must take the ACT or SAT on or before Oct. 5, even if a college or university does not require it.

Applications are available online at [enf.elks.org/mvs](http://enf.elks.org/mvs).

Counselors at participating schools will be provided info for assistance. Applications must be submitted online on or before Nov. 5. Additional info may be obtained by visiting [scholarship@elks.org](mailto:scholarship@elks.org).

Elks also offer Legacy Awards for children and grandchildren of dues paying Elks.

College-bound high school seniors compete against other applicants from the state of their sponsoring Elks Lodge. These scholarships are worth \$4,000 each.

The Maryland, Delaware and D.C. area has been allocated six awards. Applicants will be judged on knowledge, charity, community service and integrity.

Applicants must have taken the SAT and ACT and received scores by Dec. 31. Applications are available online. Applications must be submitted online on or before Jan. 31, 2020 at [enf.elks.org/leg](http://enf.elks.org/leg).

Elks also have an Emergency Educational Grant for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks in the form of renewable, one year grants of up to \$5,000.

A student may apply up to four Emergency Educational Grants during their undergraduate career.

The applicant must attend an accredited U.S. college or university as a full-time student (12 semester hours), be unmarried and under the age of 24 during the academic year for which assistance if desired and demonstrate financial need.

Applications are available online through Oct. 31 at [enf.elks.org/eeg](http://enf.elks.org/eeg). Applications are to be sent directly to Elks National Foundation.

Contact the ENF Scholarship Office at 773-755-4732 or send an email to [scholarship@elks.org](mailto:scholarship@elks.org) for additional information.

For further assistance, contact scholarship co-chairmen Pat Flynn at 410-463-1131 or David Poore at 717-606-5534.

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Sept. 27: Dust N' Bones, 9 p.m.  
Sept. 28: Old School, 9 p.m.  
Oct. 2: Old School, 6 p.m.

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Sept. 27: Randy Lee Ashcraft, 4-7 p.m.; Dave Sherman, 8 p.m.  
Sept. 28: Luvio, 8 p.m.  
Sept. 29: TBA, 6 p.m.  
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Sept. 28: Chris Button, 2 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
Sept. 29: Opposite Directions, 2 p.m.  
Oct. 2: Dust N' Bones, 6 p.m.  
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Sept. 29: Muskrat Lighning, 3 p.m.

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Sept. 28: Full Circle, 1-5 p.m.; Jim Long Band, 5-9 p.m.; High Five Swan Dive, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.; Lima Bean Riot, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.  
Oct. 3: Full Circle Duo, 5-9 p.m.

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410-723-6762 / [www.skyebaroc.com](http://www.skyebaroc.com)  
Sept. 27: The Stims, 4-8 p.m.  
Sept. 28: Monkee Paw, 4-8 p.m.

**WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL**  
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410-208-3922 / [www.whiskersbar.com](http://www.whiskersbar.com)  
Sept. 27: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey



# Berlin man gets 14-month sentence

Perry convicted of stealing more than \$100,000 from OC hotel from 2015-2018

(Sept. 26, 2019) Richard Perry, 51, of Berlin, was sentenced to seven years' incarceration with all but 14 months suspended on Sept. 13, after having been convicted in the Worcester County Circuit Court of stealing more than \$100,000 from the Castle In the Sand hotel in Ocean City. Perry pleaded guilty to theft scheme this summer with Judge Brian D. Shockley postponing sentencing in July to allow Perry time to gather the substantial amount of restitution owed to the victim. As a part of the plea, Perry forfeited more than \$30,000 seized by the Ocean City Police Department and provided a \$10,000 cashier's check to the victim. On the sentencing date, Perry provided an additional \$30,000 in restitution to continue repayment to the victim. Perry will be on five years of supervised probation upon his release and was ordered to pay the remainder of the restitution through the Department of Parole and Probation.

The charges stem from a 2018 investigation begun by the Ocean City Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division. Police were notified by hotel management that an employee at Castle in the Sand had stolen thousands of dollars from the hotel between the years of 2015 and 2018. After a forensic records audit, po-

lice found that Perry, who was at the time employed by the hotel, had stolen more than \$162,000 by taking cash payments and depositing them into his personal bank account. Worcester County State's Attorney Kris Heiser commended the Ocean City Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division and Detective Perry for their detailed investigation.

## Severna Park man killed in weekend crash on Rt. 589

By Rachel Ravina  
Staff Writer

(Sept. 26, 2019) A 22-year-old man died from injuries sustained in a crash Saturday evening on Route 589 near Ocean Pines, according to the Maryland State Police Berlin Barrack. Valentine Aaron Ronk, of Severna Park, was driving a 2003 Mitsubishi Eclipse north on Route 589, when the vehicle left the road

and overturned several times in a grassy area on the right side before it came to a stop, police said. Troopers went to the scene at 5:41 p.m. Ronk was flown to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, where he later died, police said. The circumstances leading up to the crash remain under investigation, police said.

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# Cuisine

## Suplee serves up recipe for clams casino

Today I'm teaching good ole Delmarva Cuisine. But, I have to take a step back and wonder what exactly does that entail? Smith Island cakes? Thrasher's Fries? Slippery dumplings? Crab cakes and crab dip? Fried chicken?



By Paul Suplee,  
MBA, CEC, PC-3

In retrospect, I imagine that anything with chicken and crab qualifies.

Whenever I teach this cuisine, I reminisce of my life on the Chesapeake in the Annapolis area as a child. Sailing, fishing, water skiing and just some basic chilling on the water, away from the throngs of people at the pool.

That sounds sound akin to how I prefer to spend my days now. And while I loved the pool and swim team, I preferred the Magothy River, small crabs (and sometimes large ones) biting a toe or two as we waded out for a long swim across the river.

There was one little point down by the docks that we would swim to and just hang out on for hours.

No cell phones (back then the only cell phones weighed about 20 pounds and had a shoulder strap), no video games et al, so just a few friends hanging out, laughing, telling stories and sipping some disgusting booze that one of us would nab from our parents' liquor cabinets (insert sherry, madeira or any other awful fortified wine here). We were menaces and we knew it.

Crabbing on the dock was another popular pastime. We would cast some lines, trying to catch some fish while the chicken necks, properly frozen the night before, dangled in hopes of hauling in the big one.

And as much fun as I thought this was, I still was never much of a crab picker. To this day, it's about the same.

Recently, we had a crab feast with a bushel of leftovers, and I picked crabs with my girlfriend for two hours. She is a true Baltimorean through and through, so for every crab that I picked poorly, she had four done with twice the meat out of each. She is a natural born killer at the paper-lined table.

Clamming, something that I did not start doing until moving to the beach, is another great way to pass the time.

For me and my ADD-riddled brain, it forces me to stop and look around; That proverbial rose-smelling thing. And of course the result is beautiful



clams that you can purge free of sand; a cool technique.

For years I have joked that I would open a restaurant that had crab on every single item, including dessert. Or maybe I can just add Old Bay to everything.

Ah, Old Bay, that ubiquitous spice blend that permeates the air four months of each and every year. It's on bloody mary's, in crab cakes, soup and potato chips. And now, we can find it on caramels. The bloody stuff is everywhere.

I know that in the past I have had some unkind words on the topic, but rest assured that I still use it fairly regularly. I guess my beef with the concoction is its predictability on every menu down here. But, we feed our diners, not ourselves. Ergo, I spice away.

As we work our way through the Chesapeake watershed, we discuss the various items that are easily recognizable.

One dish is clams casino, perhaps more of the New England genre but certainly popular down here. With the clamming beds in the Assawoman Bay and offshore, the mighty clam is another popular ingredient, whether it be in the form of steamers, clam strips or the clams casino below.

### Clams casino

*serves 4*

24 ea. Topneck or cherrystone clams, shucked

8 oz. casino butter, softened (recipe follows)

Bread crumbs, as needed

4 pieces half-cooked good bacon

1/2 c. Shredded Parmesan

1. Hopefully you reserved the clam juice while you were shucking. It goes great in the mix.

2. And here is where I will divide my readers into two camps: the choppers and the chewers.

3. If you don't like chewing on clams, chop them up. If you like to taste and feel the actual clam in your clams casino, then keep the meat whole. This is purely preference.

4. If you are chopping up the clam, toss the meat with some casino butter and a small amount of bread crumbs.

5. Lay empty shells on a sheet pan.

6. If you are keep the meat whole, lay the clams out on a baking sheet.

7. If you are a chopper, stuff each shell with your mixture.

8. Top each clam with a piece of bacon.

9. If you are a chewer, top the whole clam with casino butter and sprinkle with parmesan.

10. Back to the chopper, top it off with a little more bread crumb and parmesan cheese.

11. When ready to go, bake the clams in a 375F oven for about 10 minutes, or until the dish is cooked through and there is great color on the cheese.

12. At the end, drizzle with some drawn butter (optional) and serve with a lemon wedge.

### Casino butter

*makes about 12 ounces*

8 oz. butter, softened but not melted

2 Tbsp. red bell pepper, finely minced

2 ea. garlic cloves, smashed and minced

2 Tbsp. lemon juice

1 dash hot sauce

1/2 tsp. paprika

1 Tbsp. chopped parsley

1. Combine ingredients until you have a compound butter.

2. Set aside until ready to use.

— Paul G. Suplee is an Associate Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College. Find his ePortfolio at [www.heartofakitchen.com](http://www.heartofakitchen.com).



# Puzzles

## GET YOUR MIND OUT OF THE GUTTER

BY ANDREW KINGSLEY / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Andrew Kingsley is a 2019 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania with a master's degree in education. His thesis was on how ninth-grade boys learn to think about aspects of identity such as gender, class and race through literature. This month he began teaching middle and high school English at Riverdale Country School in the Bronx. This is Andrew's 16th crossword for The Times, and his first Sunday. — W.S.

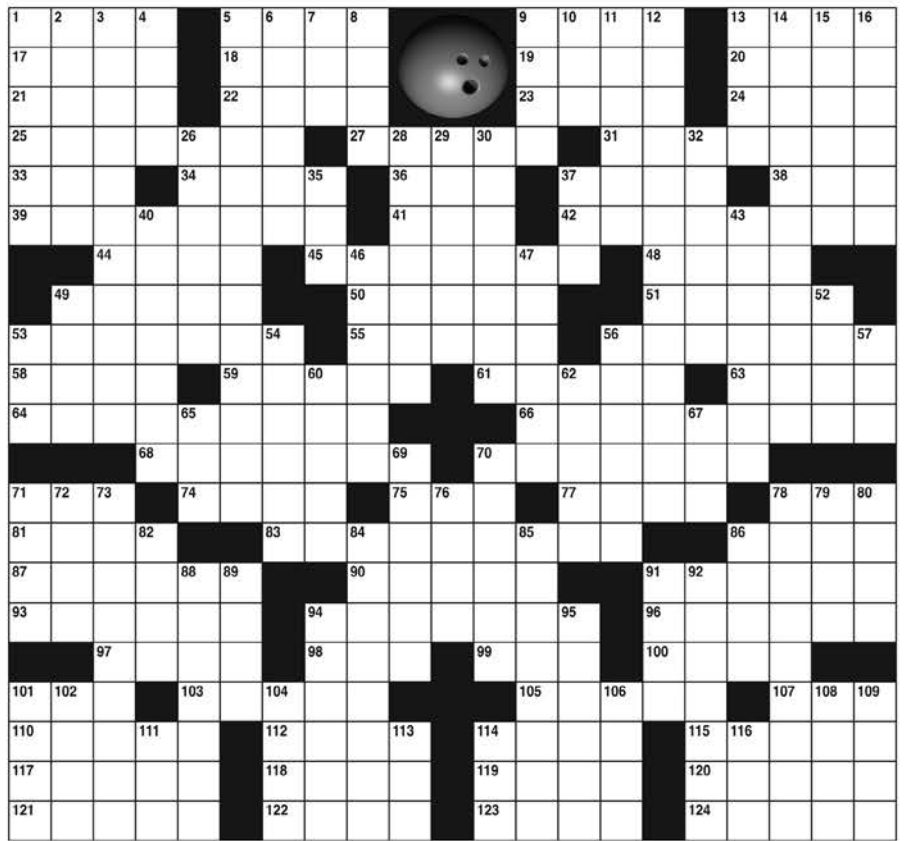
**ACROSS**  
1 Cookbook amt.  
5 "Careful where you watch this," in emails  
9 Wonder Woman foe  
13 Canned brand  
17 "The \_\_\_\_ U Give" (2018 film)  
18 Pro Football Hall of Fame locale  
19 Sugar serving  
20 Claimed  
21 Pound who wrote "Literature is news that stays news"  
22 Piece of cake?  
23 Prop for a belly dancer  
24 "As I Lay Dying" father  
25 Something big in 1950s autodom  
27 \_\_\_\_ Lane, home of the Muffin Man  
31 Marine mollusks that cling to rocks  
33 Symbol of strength  
34 666, perhaps  
36 Mimic  
37 Yahoo!, but not "Yahoo!"  
38 Trig calculation  
39 It's a first  
41 F.D.R.'s job-creating agcy.  
42 Film monster originally intended as a metaphor for nuclear weapons

**DOWN**  
44 Zip  
45 "Way to go, team!"  
48 Fashion brand with a rhinoceros logo  
49 Feature of many a state flag  
50 Acclaimed 2017 biography subtitled "The Man, the Dictator, and the Master of Terror"  
51 Childish comeback  
53 Diplomacy  
55 Called for  
56 Major accidents  
58 Taiwanese computer giant  
59 \_\_\_\_ bull  
61 Hoodwinks  
63 "King Kong" co-star  
64 Quattroporte and GranTurismo  
66 Ballpark with the Home Run Apple  
68 Are loath to  
70 Issued  
71 1980s TV ET  
74 Emperor who, in actuality, played the lyre, not the violin  
75 Suffix in Suffolk  
77 Lady Vols' home: Abbr.  
78 Sound investment?  
81 Let the air out?  
83 Posted warning near mountains  
86 Lead-in to bargain or deal  
87 Actress Foy of Netflix's "The Crown"

**ACROSS**  
90 Notable Nixon gesture  
91 Guzzles  
93 Fort \_\_\_\_ (where Billy the Kid was killed)  
94 More streaked, as marble  
96 Principles  
97 Eight things that most spiders have  
98 Barack Obama's mother  
99 Lacto-\_\_\_\_-vegetarian  
100 Black  
101 Hole number  
103 Vaulted  
105 It's bedazzling  
107 Stopper, of a sort  
110 N.A.A.C.P. \_\_\_\_ Award  
112 It's a tragedy when seen in close-up but a comedy in the long shot, per Charlie Chaplin  
114 Co-star of 2011's "Bridesmaids"  
115 Home of The Herald  
117 Memo taker  
118 Flanged fastener  
119 Promgoer's concern, maybe  
120 John of "The Addams Family"  
121 Ring bearers?  
122 It's not a good look  
123 Handbook info, for short  
124 Doctors' orders

**DOWN**  
3 Perfect places for bowlers to aim?  
4 Ring  
5 Comment when you need a serious comeback at the end of a bowling game?  
6 What a slug may leave behind?  
7 Bygone cry of outrage  
8 "You got that right!"  
9 \_\_\_\_ Singer ("Annie Hall" protagonist)  
10 French way  
11 Estevez of "The Breakfast Club"  
12 Whether to aim at 7 or 10, in bowling?  
13 "Chop-chop!"  
14 Disappointing news for a bowler?  
15 Colt, maybe  
16 City in Texas or Ukraine  
26 Forces (upon)  
28 Short end of the stick  
29 Raising  
30 Prepared  
32 Smoky agave spirit  
35 Big advertising catchword  
37 Police rank: Abbr.  
40 Like some poetry  
43 "You didn't fool me!"  
46 Geographical anagram of ASLOPE  
47 Bring on  
49 Material found in countertops  
52 Birthstone of some Scorpions  
53 Close kin, casually  
54 Lotus-\_\_\_\_ (figures in the "Odyssey")

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57 Code for the busiest airport in Australia  
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62 Niña companion  
65 Projected, as a film  
67 First word across in the world's first crossword (1913)  
69 Relates  
70 Director Leone of spaghetti westerns  
71 Pre-K group?  
72 Knockout

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73 Pace at which bowlers complete their games?  
76 "Wheel of Fortune" option  
78 Hip bowling enthusiasts?  
79 Go from one state to another?  
80 "Family Feud" option  
82 Like some car air fresheners  
84 Action-packed  
85 What people who agree speak with

**ACROSS**  
86 Like breast-cancer awareness ribbons  
88 Three-\_\_\_\_ (long movies, once)  
89 Highland language  
91 Mix up  
92 Changed like Ophelia in "Hamlet"  
94 Modern activity banned in most high schools  
95 Rodeo activity  
101 Ben & Jerry's buy  
102 Beloved: Lat.

**DOWN**  
104 Adele, voicewise  
106 Quite a long time  
108 Friendly femme  
109 Bowlers' targets ... 10 of which can be found appropriately arranged in this puzzle  
111 "Gosh!"  
113 When Bastille Day occurs  
114 Major operation?  
116 Prefix with -morphic

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### Answers to last week's puzzles

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# Calendar

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

## Thurs., Sept. 26

### HOW TO DECLUTTER

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:00 AM. Sharon Knowles of Space Re-defined Services will offer tips and solutions to make decluttering your home less daunting. Register: 410-208-4014. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WORCESTER COUNTY LUNCHEON MEETING

Ocean Pines Yacht Club, 1 Mumford's Landing Road, 11:00 AM. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. The guest speaker will be a representative from the Census Bureau. Cost of the luncheon is \$20. Reservations: Ann Lutz, [annlutz60@gmail.com](mailto:annlutz60@gmail.com), 410-208-9767 by Sept. 17.

### ART QUILT TRUNK SHOW

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 2:00 PM. Join Dale Ashera-Davis on a look back at her art quilt journey through quilts from 1992 to the present. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM. Providing physical and emotional support for survivors and caregivers to share personal experiences and challenges. Coping strategies also discussed. Anne Waples, [awaples@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:awaples@atlanticgeneral.org), 443-614-5720

### FIRESIDE CHAT

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 3:00 PM. Explore new authors and genres during this lively chat about favorite good reads. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### 'RIVER OF HOPE' RIBBON CUTTING

Atlantic Club and Worcester Addictions Cooperative Service Center, 11827 Ocean Gateway, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Local Worcester County groups have come together to embrace efforts to educate on and promote awareness of the addiction epidemic. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served. The public is welcome. RSVP: Debbie Smullen, 410-870-5161 or [das-mullen@worcesterk12.org](mailto:das-mullen@worcesterk12.org). 410-213-1007

### POTLUCK & PICTURES — 'THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 6:00 PM. Bring a covered dish to share while watching a presentation from a local photographer. September features Gene Ruble's photos from the Appalachian Trail. Sign-up: 410-208-4014. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### BEACH SINGLES

*Thursdays* - Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Beach Singles, 45

years and older, meet for happy hour. Info: 302-436-9577, 410-524-0649 or [BeachSingles.org](http://BeachSingles.org)

### GRIEF SUPPORT

*Thursdays* - Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 11:00 AM. Coastal Hospice provides grief support and education. Participants work together to help each other navigate through grief at their own pace. Free and open to the public. Nicole Long, 443-614-6142

## Fri., Sept. 27

### FIBER FRIENDS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:00 AM. Bring your lap work and join the group as they knit, crochet and embroider. All are welcome. Victoria Christie-Healy, 703-507-0708, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### WINE ON THE BEACH

Ocean City Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S Atlantic Ave., 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM. Featuring a variety of wine and craft beers and live music. General admission cost \$35 and includes a commemorative wine glass and wine tasting samples. Valid ID required. Admission cost for children ages 13-20 years is \$15. Children 12 years and younger will be admitted free. No pets, picnic baskets, coolers or outside beverages. [info@winefest.com](mailto:info@winefest.com), 410-280-3306, <http://www.winefest.com>

### TRIVIA WITH JIM MECKLEY

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:00 PM. Prizes awarded to the top three teams. Register your four-player team: 410-208-4014. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

## Sat., Sept. 28

### DELMARVA ESA SURF CONTEST #5

Ocean City beach at 35th Street. Contests are subject to change due to wave and weather conditions: <http://delmava.surfesa.org/contact.html> or <http://delmarva.surfesa.org/2019-summer-series.html>.

### CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

Ocean City Presbyterian Church, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

### BEACH YOGA

Assateague Island National Seashore, 6633 Bayberry Drive, 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM. Meet at the Shade Pavilion in North Beach parking lot. Low impact exercise to increase balance, flexibility and reduce stress. Yoga is suitable for all levels. Free but park entrance fees are in effect. Donations benefit Assateague Island National Seashore. Take a beach towel. [outreachAIA@gmail.com](mailto:outreachAIA@gmail.com), <http://www.AssateagueIslandAlliance.org>

### INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

Assateague Island National Seashore, 7206 National Seashore Lane, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Participant check-ins will be stationed under the ACT and NPS tents near the south end pavilion of the North Ocean Beach parking lot. All visitors and volunteers will be admitted free in honor of National Public Lands Day. Trash bags will be provided. Dress appropriately and bring your own gloves if preferred. Volunteers are encouraged to download the Ocean Conservancy's Clean Swell app for easy reporting of trash data. Alternative, paper data forms will be available at check-in. Billy Weiland, [billy@actforbays.org](mailto:billy@actforbays.org)

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Showell Elementary School, 11318 Showell School Road, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Household hazardous waste and computers/laptops may be dropped off, but no other electronics will be accepted. Hazardous waste includes pesticides, pool chemicals, gas and other fuels, oil-based paints, thinners and everyday hazardous wastes accumulating in and around the home. Water-based paints are not hazardous materials and should be properly disposed of in the trash. Open to Worcester County residents only. Mike McClung, 410-632-3177

### MAGNIFICENT MONARCH MIGRATION AND TAGGING DEMO

Assateague Environmental Education Center, 7206 National Seashore Lane, 11:00 AM. Discover the fascinating life history of these insects and what researchers are learning about their migration to and from Mexico. If conditions are favorable, adult monarchs will be tagged and released. Donations benefit Assateague Island National Seashore. [outreachAIA@gmail.com](mailto:outreachAIA@gmail.com), <http://www.AssateagueIslandAlliance.org>

### SUPER BINGO

Willards Lions Club, Main Street. Doors open at 5 p.m., early bird games at 5:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Regular bingo starts at 7 p.m. Pays \$125 per game. Assorted food and desserts for sale. 410-430-1135

### FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DAY AND 80TH ANNIVERSARY

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Featuring games, food, demonstrations and many vendors. 443-880-6966

### WINE ON THE BEACH

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glass and wine tasting samples. Valid ID required. Admission cost for children ages 13-20 years is \$15. Children 12 years and younger will be admitted free. No pets, picnic baskets, coolers or outside beverages. [info@winefest.com](mailto:info@winefest.com), 410-280-3306, <http://www.winefest.com>

### KANGEN WATER TRUE HEALTH & WELLNESS WORKSHOP

Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 239 Ocean Parkway, 4:00 PM. The speaker, Terence Hope, has 25 years of experience with alternative medicine approaches to health and wellness and has been a Kangen Water/Enagic Distributor for the past 10 years.

### FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

*Saturdays* - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Featuring live music, chef demos, children's activities and other special events. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

## Sun., Sept. 29

### BERLIN FARMERS MARKET

Pitts Street and Main Street, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Featuring more than 20 vendors including fresh fruits and veggies, baked goods, seafood, poultry, farm fresh eggs, organic goods, wood working, beauty products and more. Also enjoy free crafts for kids, a variety of tutorials, a petting zoo and music provided by Kasey Briggs & Natalie Davis. Ivy Wells and Allison Early, 410-973-2051

### OCEAN CITY POWERBOAT GRAND PRIX

First race will begin at noon. Second race will begin at 1:30 p.m. Powerboat race starting at 18th Street to 1st Street. 443-783-1298, <http://www.oparacing.org/oc.html>

### CRAB FEAST FUNDRAISER

Hooper's Crab House, 12913 Ocean Gateway, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. All-you-can-eat steamed crabs, steamed shrimp, Hooper's fried chicken, Maryland grown corn, hush puppies, unlimited soft drinks and gratuity all included for \$40. Tickets can be purchased at the church office of Community Church at Ocean Pines.

### MID-ATLANTIC SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE

Ocean City Performing Arts Center, in the Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 3:00 PM. The orchestra will kickoff its 22nd season with Lalo Schiffrin's Mandolin Concerto and Beethoven's Symphony No. 7. Tickets cost \$45 and can be purchased at [www.midatlanticsymphony.org](http://www.midatlanticsymphony.org), 888-846-8500 or at the box-office opening



# Calendar

one hour before performance.

## Mon., Sept. 30

### DEADLINE TO ENTER 2ND ANNUAL PICKLEBALL PINK RIBBON CLASSIC

The tournament will take place on Oct. 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Manklin Meadows Racquet Sports Complex on Manklin Creek Road. Entry cost is \$35 and includes snacks, lunch and prizes. Sign-up: Bobbie Corbett, 443-735-2328 or bbcocean@msn.com. <http://www.op-pickleball.shutterfly.com>

### WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Ocean City Senior Center, 104 41st Street, 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM. Doors open at 9:45 a.m. The theme is “By The Water’s Edge” and all levels are welcomed. Cost is \$15. Pre-register: 410-289-0824.

### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

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

### AROMATHERAPY FOR RELAXATION

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., 5:00 PM. An interactive aromatherapy workshop where the group will discuss how certain scents balance your lives and others spark your creativity. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### DELMARVA WOMEN'S A CAPELLA CHORUS

*Mondays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 7:00 PM. Come and sing. Drop-ins welcome. Carol, 410-641-6876

## Tues., Oct. 1

### FAITH-BASED PARTNERSHIP

Burbage Regional Cancer Care Center Conference Room, 9707 Healthway Drive, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM. A cooperative effort for local Worship Centers and Atlantic General Hospital & Health System to increase health awareness, education and healthy living incentives. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. Gail Mansell, [gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org), 410-641-9725

### FLU CLINIC

Pocomoke Fire Department, 1410 Market St., 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is providing community flu vaccination for ages 13 and older. High dose flu vaccine will not be offered. Donations made during the clinic will help offset the cost of future flu clinics. 410-641-9FLU (9358)

### APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN DULCIMER

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 2:00 PM. Join the group for a demonstration of the Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer

and learn about this historic instrument. Instruments will be available for experimentation and practice. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IN THE WORKPLACE SEMINAR AND NARCAN TRAINING

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Free, public seminar on how to maintain a work environment that promotes good mental health and reduced substance abuse, and how to spot potential problems. Also, Narcan training offered. RSVP for the Narcan training: [info@oceanpineschamber.org](mailto:info@oceanpineschamber.org). 410-641-5306

### YOGA WITH SHULI TOR

Pocomoke Library, 301 Market St., 5:00 PM. A class for stretching and relaxation based on yoga and qigong. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### 100+ WOMEN WHO CARE ON THE SHORE MEETING

Fins Ale House & Raw Bar, 119 N. Main St., 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM. The group meets three times a year and learns about local nonprofit agencies, nominated by members. Voted on by the group, one agency is selected to receive individual checks of \$100 from the members. Open to all women interested in donating to local charities. [info.100womenwhocareon-theshore@gmail.com](mailto:info.100womenwhocareon-theshore@gmail.com), <http://www.facebook.com/100WomenWhoCareOnTheShore/>

### 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 a healthy lifestyle. [jeanduck47@gmail.com](mailto:jeanduck47@gmail.com)

## Wed., Oct. 2

### WITTY KNITTERS

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Knitters, Crochet enthusiasts, needle artists of all skill levels are invited to join this group for a casual morning of sharing. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### HYPERTENSION CLINICS

Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place at Rite Aid, 10119 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin and at Rite Aid, 11011 Manklin Creek Road, Ocean Pines, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Donna, 410-629-6820

### KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OP/OC

*Wednesdays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. 410-641-7330, <http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org>

### PAINTING WITH WATERCOLOR

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 2:00 PM. Artist Jan Coulborne will demon-



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## DONATION

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City supports many different organizations, including Worcester GOLD (Giving Other Lives Dignity). Each week, donation cans are on the tables at the club's meetings for members to contribute as the wish. Proceeds support the Kiwanis Young Children-Priority One Program, helping youth pre-natal to age 4. The club's donation goes for supplies to GOLD's VAULT (Vast Amounts of Useful Little Things). Pictured, from left, are Kiwanis Chair for Worcester GOLD/Priority One, Jim Spicknall; Worcester GOLD President of the Board, Carol Jacobs; and Kiwanis Club President Dick Clagett presenting an \$800 donation.

strate the use of value, mediums and brush strokes to assist in the creation of a beautiful artwork. Supplies provided. Register: 410-641-0650. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

### DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital, the group is open to the public and meets on the first Wednesday of each month. Speaker and education related to Diabetes provided. AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education program, 410-208-9761

### DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

*Wednesdays* - Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Dance to the sounds of the '50s and '60s music. A \$5 donation to benefit Veterans and local charities in the Delmarva region. Members and guests. [dance@delmarvahanddancing.com](mailto:dance@delmarvahanddancing.com), 410-208-1151, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

### OC/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

*Wednesdays* - Dunes Manor Hotel, 2800 Baltimore Ave., 6:00 PM. 302-540-2127

## ONGOING EVENTS

### BUS TRIP TO HARRINGTON CASINO

The bus will leave from the Ocean Pines Yacht Club parking lot at 10 a.m. on Oct. 17 and return at approximately 5 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes \$15 slot play and \$7 food voucher good towards the lunch buffet. Open to all. Reservations: Tom, 410-641-5456.

### GHOST TOURS

Ripley's Believe It or Not!, 401 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, each Friday and

Saturday from Sept 27 through Nov. 3. Utilizing EMF meters and laser grids, teams will search out the spirits that call the Ripley's Odditorium home. Tours start at \$15 and begin at 8 p.m. VIP tours from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. include the paranormal seeking equipment in a private guided setting.

### FREE WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Free workshops dealing with hypertension, chronic pain self-management, chronic disease self-management, diabetes, fall prevention and cancer. If you would like to register for one of these workshops or you would like more information about bringing any of the workshops to your business or group, contact Jill at MAC, 410-742-0505, Ext. 159. A new workshop, titled "Building Better Caregivers" has been added. It's a free, 6-week workshop for caregivers of those with conditions that affect memory.

### FREE FISHING ROD LOANER PROGRAM

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway. Adults can check out a rod and tackle to use in bay and river waters. An adult library card is required. For more information and regulations, call 410-524-1818.

### FREE VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS

For a free vessel check, by a certified United States Power Squadron vessel examiner, contact Tony Curro at [tcuro@mchsi.com](mailto:tcuro@mchsi.com).

### THE DISCOVERY CLUB

Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City, Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Children, ages 3-5 years, will enjoy books, art, singing and movement coordinating with the week's theme. Caregivers are invited to join in. [www.DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org](http://www.DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org)



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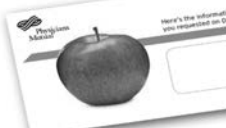
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