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Homes remain decimated more than a month after Hurricane Dorian, a category 5 storm, hit the Bahamas on Sept. 1. Berlin Councilman and property owner Troy Purnell traveled to the Bahamas last month to help with relief and rebuilding efforts on Green Turtle Cay.

'They have nothing,' Purnell says after trip to lend aid in Bahamas

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Berlin Councilman Troy Purnell saw the devastation caused by Hurricane Dorian when he traveled to the Bahamas last month to help victims rebuild their homes and

"More importantly, we came down to help the people that have lost everything, and I mean everything,3 Purnell said. "Houses flattened. They have nothing."

The Category 5 storm battered the islands with wind speeds up to 185 mph as it hovered over portions of the Bahamas for about two days starting on Sept. 1.

Purnell said he flew down with Adam Showell, owner of the Green Turtle Club Resort on Green Turtle Cay. Along with Purnell, Showell assembled a team of carpenters, an electrician and a builder on site already in the Rahamas

"[Showell] called me and said, 'Hey, can you give us a hand?' And I said, 'absolutely,' and I dropped what I was doing, and flew down there with him," Purnell said.

Purnell said they landed on Treasure Cay on

Sept. 18, and returned to the U.S. on Friday, Sept. 27.

Purnell said they spent 10 days putting roofs on different properties and cleaning up debris. He added they also distributed food and clothing to those who were left with neither. Purnell said he also saw supplies pouring in from public and private

"It's a very humbling experience," he said. "I can tell you these people ... watched everything they've ever worked for and had just



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blown away in one storm. It's pretty bad."

The Showell family's Green Turtle Club Resort on Green Turtle Cay in the Bahamas was destroyed by Dorian, 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-hurricanedorian-relief-fund.

Bertino to host active shooter training in OP

Class responds to overall rise in acts of violence

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Helping residents understand how to counter random acts of violence is the intent of a Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) training class hosted by Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino, in con-

junction with the Worcester County Sheriff's Office, on Thursday, Oct. 17.

The CRASE training will be held at the Ocean Pines library starting at 6:30 p.m.

"This is the first time I'm hosting an event like this," he said. "The sheriff's office offered it earlier in the summer and my wife and I attended





Matt Crisafulli

that class."

In addition to obtaining active shooter training through the Maryland Association of Counties, Bertino said after recently attending the class offered by the sheriff's office, it seemed appropriate, in light of the seemingly endless string of random public shootings, to provide Pines residents with the strategies for survival.

"I think people like to feel empowered as best they can, and given how engaged the Ocean Pines community is, it seemed like something that could be of interest to a fair number of people," he said.

The course, which will run nearly two hours with a lecture and video presentation, incorporates "avoid, delay and de-

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Pines breaks ground on new golf clubhouse

Building timetable sees May opening

By Greg Ellison Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Ground-breaking for the 7,200square-foot clubhouse at the Ocean Pine Golf Course took place Tuesday, and by all accounts construction is slated to wind up in time for a grand opening in May.

In April, the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors approved the building project at a peak cost of \$1.6 million, with the Whayland from Laurel, Company

Delaware overseeing construction.

OPA President Doug Parks said the design and planning phases were completed with assistance from residents with prior building experience.

"We're really trying to push the construction team to stick to the May 1 timeframe," he said. "We're hoping that, weather-wise, we can continue to hold to that commitment.'

Parks said preparation and planning for the single-story structure were facilitated in-

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Fleetwood takes on more responsibility in town

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Anyone looking for Berlin's Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood would most likely find him in town around 6 a.m.

After his morning walk and a cup of coffee, Fleetwood is at his desk by 6:30 a.m., starting his usual 12-hour day.

"Quite frankly, the way I do my job ... is I feel that you need to be involved, hands on," he said. "It's just the way I was brought up. That probably comes from the military."



Jeff Fleetwo

Fleetwood, a career Army man for roughly two decades, said it was during one of his tours that his commanding officer gave him some advice that he continues to follow every day.

"The mission comes first, the men come second – the employees – and me, comes last," he said.

He said it's part of his management style, adding that it's crucial to gain the "trust and respect" of town

employees.

"That's the way I've always try to operate," Fleetwood said. "You say what you mean.

"I want to believe, and I always have said this ... the number one asset to any organization are the people that have hearts that beat, the employees," he said.

Fleetwood's employment with the Town of Berlin has taken a couple of turns since he signed on as its human resources director in 2010. In 2017, he was promoted to managing director. He said that those duties include

human resources, working on specialized "ad hoc" projects and with department heads, as well as meeting with businesses and residents.

Fleetwood said department heads would often talk to him about proposals and ideas before formally pitching them to the town administrator.

Fleetwood also assumed the responsibilities of the public works department after its director, Jane Kreiter, retired earlier this year.

Fleetwood told Mayor Gee Williams and then-Town Administrator Laura Allen that "my plate's full,"



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'He called me up one day and said, 'Jeffrey, do you like your job?"'

Berlin's Managing Director Jeff Fleetwood

but added, "I'm going to give it my best."

He said his duties mostly stayed the same, but he was unable to give equal time to the electric utility and water resources departments "because I only have so many hours in a day."

Allen was fired on Sept. 16. Town officials couldn't comment on the circumstances behind her departure, but Williams said he and Fleetwood would split the town administrator's duties until the vacancy is filled.

"I can tell you ... the last eight busi-

ness days, this human being's been very busy," Fleetwood said. "But I'm not complaining; it's the nature of the beast."

In his capacity as acting town administrator, Fleetwood said department heads would formally report to him and he would deal with the "direct day-to-day operation of the town."

How he found himself in this position is via a circuitous route. After getting out of the Army in the mid-1990s, Fleetwood went on to work as a human resources director for an ex-

press division of US Airways for several years. Once he learned his position was being relocated elsewhere, he moved onto working at Perdue's corporate offices in Salisbury. The company downsized in about 2003, and Fleetwood decided to change careers once again.

He became a schoolteacher in Delaware. He taught Jobs for Delaware Graduates, a program dedicated to preventing dropouts for atrisk youth, in Indian River and Laurel school districts.

It wasn't until he received a phone

call from Wayne Evans, the current human resources director for the Town of Ocean City and a former colleague of Fleetwood's at Perdue, that his course was set for where he is now.

"He called me up one day and said, 'Jeffrey, do you like your job?' Yeah," Fleetwood said. "'Do you love your job?' [Evans asked]. And I paused, and he's the one who suggested I put my name in the hat for the Town of Berlin."

Fleetwood's duties may have increased throughout his tenure working for the Town of Berlin, but it's something he said he continues to enjoy.

"I absolutely love working for this town. I do," Fleetwood said.

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Clubhouse plan involved experts from community

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"We had a group of folks from Ocean Pines who had that expertise to pull together as a work group to share ideas helping the planning effort," he said. "Rather than signing a contact and just letting the contractor do what they want to."

Board member Frank Daly said the pre-build process went smoothly, based on input from community-based construction experts such as Marvin Steen and Frank Brown.

"So far, all the reports are it's on schedule and on cost and that's exactly what we want in our projects," he said.

Salisbury architectural firm Davis, Bowen and Friedel Inc. was retained to develop site plans, following the razing of the former two-story building by Absolute Demolition of Ocean City in May.

Daly said this endeavor appears to be trending in the right direction, unlike an earlier failed construction project at the Yacht Club.

"I'm looking for this project being done correct, complete, on time and



Tossing the dirt during an official groundbreaking ceremony for the new Ocean Pine **Golf Course club**house, from left, are OPA Board members Larry Perrone and Frank **Daly, President Doug Parks, Vice** President Steve Tuttle. Board member Dr. Colette Horn and OPLGA President Ann Shockley. PHOTO COURTESY OCEAN PINES ASSOCIATION

on cost," he said.

In addition to a large meeting room, the new clubhouse will also provide more room for the Tern Grille restaurant, along with an outdoor deck, pro shop and club-fitting area.

Steen said he anticipates the work will meet budgeting goals and esti-

mated delivery schedule.

"They used a lot of people that live in the Pines to get this thing done," he said. "They're going to be under budget and under time."

Espousing the power of positive thinking, Parks said the new clubhouse should be opened by May. "Quite frankly, one of the things we mentioned is being able to hold the May board meeting in the new clubhouse," he said. "As far as the design [and] the planning, it's been ... done well and we've set ourselves up on being able to deliver on May 1."



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Rise in violence results in class

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"It really gives those in attendance something to think about," he said. "It gives you more situational awareness."

After attending the CRASE class with his wife this summer, Bertino said the couple has a better understanding of how to remain safe in public locations

"You're much more aware when you're in a public place where the exits are and what your surroundings are like," he said. "The most important thing you get out of it is situational awareness and not having a sense of being powerless."

Bertino expressed gratitude, tinged with remorse, for Sheriff Matthew Crisafulli agreeing to bring the class to Ocean Pines.

"Unfortunately, it's the world in which we live," he said.

While not mandatory, attendees are encouraged to RSVP by emailing Bertino at cbertino@co.worcester.md.us or calling 443-783-3248.

While acknowledging unpleasant realities is troubling, taking proactive measures is necessary to combat potential terror, Bertino said.

"It's very difficult now to turn on the news without seeing something that happened in a community or a shopping mall," he said. "Although we can't stop those things ourselves, we certainly can take charge of how we may respond."

Drainage plan next steps being formulated

Operations Manager Colby Phillips says already slated work will begin this month

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Improving drainage issues, for many the largest dilemma facing Ocean Pines, is the goal of a pipe replacement scheduled this month, with a laundry list of tasks presently being compiled for fiscal 2020/2021.



Colby Phillips

Operations Manager Colby Phillips said the upcoming pipe work would begin around the second week of October.

"We are getting ready to replace a pipe on Watertown Road," she said.

Earlier this year, drainage pipes were replaced on Mumfords Landing and Boston Drive.

In addition to maintenance work scheduled to this point, Phillips said plans are also underway for the first phase of a drainage woe reduction solution during the upcoming fiscal year.

"We're currently getting information together on the Borderlinks [Resort] pipe, which is our next big pipe we're looking to replace," she said

Engineering consultations to ascertain further work are proceeding.

"Vista Engineering is currently working on our drawing and information on our phase one, which involves the area in section 3 around Bainbridge Pond," she said.

Compiling a "ditch maintenance" list is also progressing, with ongoing work to assure unobstructed drainage pathways continuing this

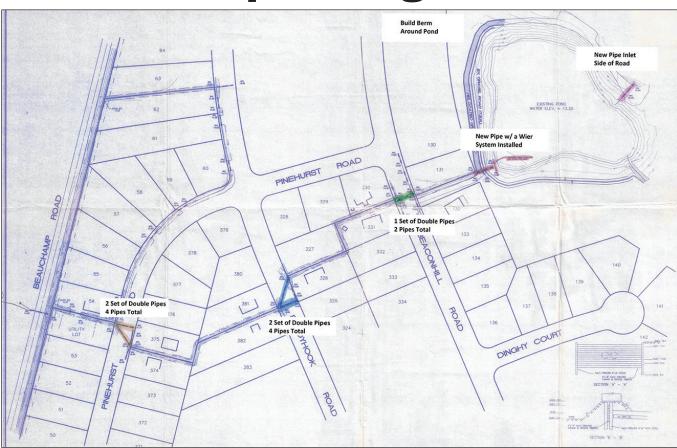


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Drainage map highlighting work slated for next fiscal year around Bainbridge Park in Ocean Pines, with Vista Engineering providing ongoing consultation to firm up details.

fall.

"We're using the dry weather to our advantage by continuing to clean out large ditches," she said. "We're focusing a lot on the maintenance of the ditches."

Along with addressing smaller pipe replacements, Phillips said proactive measures are vital to improving the long-standing drainage problems.

"Preventative maintenance is key and that's what we're really getting a jumpstart on," she said. "That obviously helps with the flow, which is what we want." In preparation for drafting an overall drainage plan, Phillips said decades worth of data was consulted.

"We looked through all the studies that went back to 1997," she said.

With the most recent information gathered in 2016, Phillips said the critical areas were more easily identified.

"All of those studies suggest the areas that are the worst," she said. "We have to start somewhere."

Despite the early guidance, Phillips said the scope of work is still being assessed.

"Just because that's our initial

large area of scope that were working on, that does not mean we're not addressing other areas in the community that are brought to our attention," she said.

The years-long drainage plan is being delineated by phases with engineering feedback to determine what work is on tap for 2020/2021.

"That's why it's not based on year one, year two [rather] it's done in phases because we need to see what we can address within a year," she said. "We're working to improve the drainage issues because we can't fix them."





Worcester Youth celebrates 44 yrs. serving community

(Oct. 3, 2019) Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services, Inc. will hold its annual celebration to commemorate 44 years of serving the community, on Thursday, Oct. 3.

The celebration will be held in the Ray Community Room, in the Worcester Youth & Family office, located at 124 North Main Street in Berlin, from 5-7 p.m.

There is no cost to attend the event. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Denovo's Trattoria. Live entertainment will be provided by local jazz musician Everett Spells.

Each year, Worcester Youth & Family recognizes individuals for their support and dedication to the agency's mission.

The honorees are presented with wall décor in their name in the shape of a "sun" to represent the "rays of hope" these individuals have offered the community.

This year the following community members will be recognized: Ron Pilling of the Suicide Prevention Coalition as Distinguished Advocate, and Kenny Tomaselli, Michele "Shelly" Bruder and John Lewis as Outstanding Contributors.

This year, Worcester Youth & Family served more than 1,000 friends and neighbors by: helping to prevent homelessness; supporting and empowering at-risk adolescent girls and boys; offering cultural, educational and wellness experiences to children during out of school time; providing comprehensive counseling and therapy services to those coping with life's stressors; and advocating for neglected and abused children so they may have a brighter future.

Worcester Youth & Family is a nonprofit organization in Berlin and has been serving the community since 1975. Worcester Youth & Family serves people of all ages by offering a broad spectrum of services, including mental health counseling, youth and adolescent enrichment programs, advocacy for abused and neglected children, and empowerment programs for those less fortunate.

For more information about the event, call the office at 410-641-4598.

Pines financials trending positively

OPA reports one-third into current fiscal year balance sheets indicate profitability

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) The Ocean Pines Association balance sheets are trending positively one-third into the current fiscal year, with recently released August financials indicating revenues above and expenses below estimates.

Budget and Finance Committee chairman Dick Keiling said his group reviewed the financial data with Director of Finance Steve Phillips during its meeting last Wednesday.

"We reviewed the month's performance," he said. "In summary form for the month of August, operating results were positive \$151,000 against budget and revenues were over \$105,000."

The OPA reported a positive oper-

ating variance of more than \$459,000 thus far for fiscal 2019/2020.

Keiling said estimated expenses also tracked under budget in August.

"In summary total expenses for the month were under budget \$46,000," he said.

Keiling said year to date, the budget is roughly \$460,00 ahead of estimates, including being about \$412,000 over in revenue and \$48,000 under expenses.

"The two big players there were the Yacht Club and the golf course, which were both over in revenue against budget," he said.

The OPA reported the Yacht Club is approximately \$51,000 ahead of budget for banquet services and \$48,000 in regular sales. Also, golf operations are ahead of revenue estimates by more than \$23,000 during the current fiscal year.

"Most of the line item expenses were under budget [but] other costs was not," he said. "The other costs were attributable to the costs at the Yacht Club for the higher volume variance for the increased revenues."

Qualifying the \$46,000 expense variance, Keiling said the scales could balance out during the remainder of the current fiscal year.

"Some of those are wages, which reflects the timing of some hires," he said. "There's some maintenance there as well that's under budget and some of that's a timing aspect and ... will happen as the year progresses."

Keiling said the next step involves General Manager John Viola and the operations team preparing a financial outlook for the remaining year.

"The timing of that next forecast hasn't been released," he said.

Keiling said maintaining profitability is the intent moving forward.

"In general costs are looking very good," he said. "Things are looking positive."

Wor. Arts Council solicits projects

Proposals to local review committee required to be sponsored by nonprofits

(Oct. 3, 2019) The Worcester County Arts Council Grants Review Committee is seeking applicants for local art projects to be held in Worcester County between Jan. 1 and June 30, 2020.

Applications must be received no later than 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 15, at the arts council's office located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

Proposed projects must be sponsored or presented by incorporated organizations in Maryland that are not-for-profit, tax-exempt and open to the public.

The grant amount requested must be matched one-for-one by organization funds.

Last fiscal year, the arts council awarded more than \$25,000 to local

organizations through this program.

Funding will support a variety of creative and innovative projects that benefit the community and are judged to be of outstanding artistic quality.

Grant application form and guidelines are available on the Arts Council's website at www.worcester countyartscouncil.org.

The Worcester County Arts Council's Community Arts Development Grants program is designed to assist local community groups produce and present arts activities in Worcester County and is funded and supported by the Maryland State Arts Council.

For further information or assistance, call Anna Mullis, executive director of WCAC, at 410-641-0809 or e-mail anna@worcestercount-yartscouncil.org.

The Worcester County Arts Council is a nonprofit organization whose

mission is to promote and encourage visual and performing arts in Worcester County.

The Arts Council is committed to providing necessary funds to various arts organizations as a way to increase public awareness of arts availability, and to provide affordable arts events not usually offered to those living in the surrounding areas

The Worcester county Arts Council is supported by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

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OP Haunted Walking Trail seeks scary souls

Participants needed to fill one of 13 spooky spots on woodsy pathway in park

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Ghoulish groups interested in launching a shiver-inducing tradition in Ocean Pines are invited to adopt one of 13 spooky stops along the Haunted Walking Trail slated for Oct. 18-19 and Oct. 25-26 at the White Horse Park boat ramp.

Speaking on Monday, Recreation and Parks Manager Debbie Donahue said the roster of participants for the bakers dozen of Halloween-themed spaces was fleshing out quickly.

"We still need some people to fill the spots on the trail," she said. "We had quite a few interested today giving us a call or stopping by."

The event, which runs from 6-9 p.m. in the woods by the boat ramp, is open to organizations, individuals or families looking to impart the Halloween spirit.

"If you and a couple of your friends want to do it, that's fine too," she said. "You would supply all the decorations for your spot ... we [can] supply the black tarp and the wood frame.

At best a distant memory for a few, a spooky woodsy walk was held several decades ago in Ocean Pines, Donahue

"It was something that we wanted to see if we could bring back and do something a little bit different since there's not trick-or-treating in Ocean Pines," she said.

Donahue noted the annual Fall Festival is scheduled for Oct. 26 to help satisfy the traditional end-of-October sugar requirements.

"We would like to start something new for Ocean Pines if we can get it off the ground this year," she said.

In addition to potential heart palpitations, the cost to stroll the Haunted Walking Trail is \$10 and \$8 for kids ages 12 and under. Every paid admission is eligible for a dollar discount by bringing a canned food donation for Diakonia.

For more information or to partici-

pate, contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052.

Although Haunted Walking Trail spooksters are encouraged to be creative, Donahue said the goal is to frighten, not send people into cardiac arrest.

"There are some that they get quite crazy with it," she said. "I don't have a whole lot of limitations, but you can't have a chainsaw that actually has a chain on it ... it's only there for sound."

OP North Gate road work begins

Delays anticipated over next few weeks as repairs continue within community

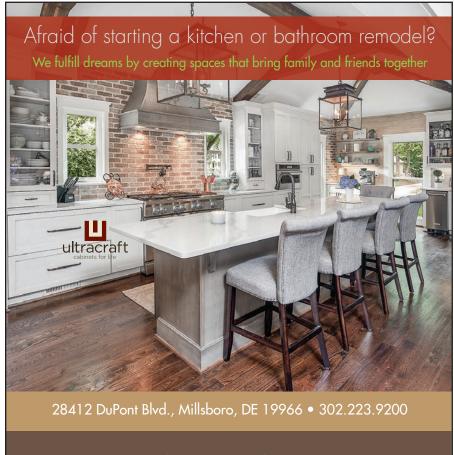
(Oct. 3, 2019) Ocean Pines motorists should expect delays near the North Gate next week as road repairs take place.

Chesapeake Paving & Sealing of Parsonsburg will start working at the beginning of next week at the North Gate entrance and exit, according to Operations Director Colby Phillips.

Scheduled construction over the next two-to-three weeks will include the following roads: Allendale Court, Bimini Lane, Brookton Lane, Burr Hill Drive, Laporte Court, Newport Drive, Clubhouse Road East, and the White Horse Park path to the pavil-

"The team is looking forward to starting the first phase of our revitalized roads program," Phillips said. "Clint Parks [of the Ocean Pines Maintenance Department] works hard each winter grading all the roads in Ocean Pines based on a 'poor' through 'excellent' rating scale, and we then determine which roads need to be done first. This is done each winter, because the road conditions can change because of many different variables. The work he does gives us the areas we need to focus on for the upcoming year."

The Association uses its share of revenues from the Ocean Downs casino to pay for roads programs. Last year, Ocean Pines received \$347,500.



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Water safety highlighted for fourth graders

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Aiming to reduce child drownings is the intent of a three-day water safety course starting this week for fourth graders conducted by the Ocean Pines Aquatics Department.

Ocean Pines Operations Manager Colby Phillips said the first wave of students from Buckingham Elementary School are scheduled this week and next from Tuesday through Thursday at the indoor Sports Complex Pool.

"Drowning is one of the number one causes of death in children," she said.

The water safety program was launched last year through a partnership with the Worcester County Board of Education and the Worcester County Commissioners.

"Last year, the county commissioners approved funding along with the board of education," She said. "You have to have that support there in order to be able to take the kids out of school and pay for it."

Also participating are fourth graders from Berlin Intermediate School on Oct. 22-24 and Oct. 28-30, and Ocean City Elementary School on Nov. 19-21 and Dec. 3-5.

"Our purpose is to bring them in and teach them about water safety, from save yourself in a pool, to what would you do if you walked on the ice and fell in." she said

Assisting the safety-focused educational effort are members of the Ocean City Beach Patrol and the Ocean Pines Fire Department.

"The Ocean Pines Fire Department comes in and we talk about 911 emergencies [and] first aid, so we really try and focus a lot on situations not only just in the pool, but when we're surrounded by water."

The knowledge base extends beyond pool facili-

"We want to make sure that we're educating the kids on all forms of water safety," she said. "It's been a great team effort with the whole community [in] Worcester County."

Topics covered include survival swimming skills, beach safety tips, basic first aid and how to assist distressed swimmers.

On Tuesday, a throng of fourth graders from Buckingham Elementary descended on the Sports Complex Pool to kick off the instruction.

Although already an adept swimmer, fourth grader Mya Douglas said she appreciated the opportunity to use and improve those abilities should the need to render aid arise.

"I'm excited to learn how to save someone if they are drowning," she said.

Douglas said her cohorts are enthused about spending two hours for the next three days having fun while gaining water safety skills.

"The whole class seems excited," she said.

Phillips said she has worked to develop the water safety course since coming on board as the Ocean Pines Aquatics Director in 2014, and that course is now entering its second year.

"This program has been something that's really important to myself since I started in Ocean Pines," she said

After holding the inaugural courses for the trio of area schools last fall, Phillips said another batch of students would be instructed this week.

"We're hitting a whole new group of kids," she said.



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Ocean Pines Aquatics associate Nancy Hendricks aids some beginner swimmers on Tuesday during a water training safety classes for fourth graders from Buckingham Elementary School.

The training sessions for nine and ten-year-olds are often the precursor to youths taking swimming lessons or other aquatic pursuits.

"We have our Junior Lifeguard program," she said. "We're kind of that first step."

The safety course is vital to area children who, despite residing on the coast, might not have ready access to water-based recreational activities.

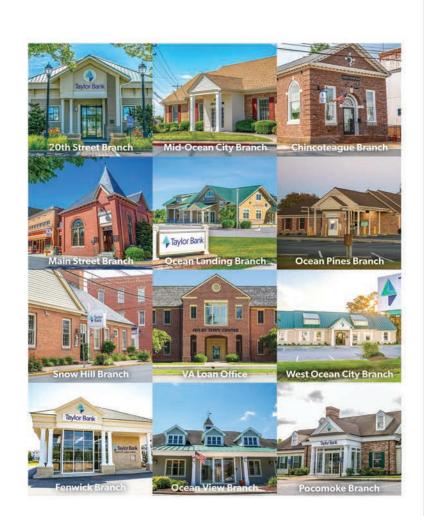
"The nice thing with hitting the public schools is you get kids that might not be able to afford a swim lesson," she said.

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Berlin Touch A Truck to return to Decatur Park

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Adults and children especially can examine police cars, fire trucks, dump trucks and other specialized vehicles this Saturday at the Berlin Touch A Truck Day at Stephen Decatur Park.

The third annual event will take place from 10 a.m. to noon at the park on Tripoli Street off Route 113. Admission is free.

Tim Lawrence, Berlin's electric utility director, started the event in 2016 and has seen attendance grow up to 300 people since then.

Lawrence, who's been doing electric work for 38 years, said an event like this is a good opportunity for people to get a better understanding about the work that goes into maintaining a town.

As one example, he said becoming a certified lineman takes four years of school and 8,000 hours of on-the-job training.

"A lot of people don't realize what we have to go through to get to that point where you're considered a master utility lineman," Lawrence said.

Local, county and state agencies will feature department vehicles and offer demonstrations throughout the morning.

ing.
"It's a great event. It's a very educational event," Lawrence said. "It's very informative, and it showcases what we do in our day-to-day lives for the Town of Berlin."

The following Town of Berlin agencies are scheduled to participate: the police, fire, electric, public works, as well as water and sewer departments.

Lawrence added that the electric utility would have a "power town display," which educates parents and children about scenarios involving power lines.

As for Worcester County, the emergency services department will take part, and the sheriff's office will have a K-9 unit on site. The Maryland State Police is also expected to join in on the event.

Ivy Wells, the town's community and economic development director, said adults attending could embrace their inner child during Berlin Touch A



Berlin's Touch A
Truck Day will take
place this Saturday,
Oct. 5, at Stephen
Decatur Park off
Route 113 in Berlin.
Local, county and
state agencies will
showcase vehicles
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"It's such a fun event," Wells said. "I think the adults look forward to it even more than the kids do."

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines and Ocean City will also have

hamburgers and hotdogs available for purchase during the event.

For more information, contact Lawrence at the or visit berlinmd.gov/event/berlin-touchtruck/

AGH to offer annual flu clinics in October

(Oct. 3, 2019) Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is providing community flu vaccination, and will offering annual clinics for ages 13 and older.

High dose flu vaccine will not be offered. People who desire the high dose flu vaccination, should contact their primary care provider or the RediScripts pharmacy located in the main lobby at Atlantic General Hospital. The flu vaccine is considered preventative care and is covered at 100 percent by most insurances.

Patients of AGHS providers can call to schedule their flu shots or inquire about available walk-in times. Townsend Medical Center on 10th Street in Ocean City will be offering flu vaccines, no appointment necessary.

This year the hospital and health system has scheduled clinics as follows:

- Tuesday, Oct. 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Taylor Bank (Snow Hill branch) 108 West Market Street Snow Hill.
- Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Atlantic General Hospital (use emergency room entrance), 9733 Healthway Drive Berlin.
- Thursday, Oct. 10, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Holy Savior Catholic Church 1705 Philadelphia Avenue, Ocean City.
- Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Atlantic General Hospital (use emergency room entrance), 9733 Healthway Drive Berlin.
- Saturday, Oct. 19, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Health Fair at Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway Ocean Pines.
- Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Atlantic General Women's Health, 38394 Dupont Boulevard Unit H Selbyville.

Influenza, or flu, is a highly contagious virus spread by inhaling droplets from an infected individual's cough or

sneeze. Most symptoms emerge within 24 to 48 hours and are characterized by fever, chills, sore throat, cough and headache.

An infected person can pass on the flu to family members and loved ones because the virus can be transmitted 24 hours before symptoms appear.

Donations made during the Atlantic General Hospital flu clinics help offset the cost of future flu clinics. For more information on the Atlantic General Hospital Community Flu Clinics, contact Atlantic General Hospital at 410-641-9FLU (9358).



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Dogs sought for fifth annual 'Pup of Pines' competition

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Let your canine take a shot at fame, if not fortune, during the fifth annual "Pup of the Pines" contest to support the Ocean Pines Dog Park.

KateLynne Hunt with Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks said the entry deadline is Oct. 20, with voting taking place during November before a winner is crowned at the Hometown Christmas event on Nov. 30.

"We know people around here love to show off their dogs," she said.

Hunt said the dog-centric contest was launched to highlight the outdoor canine facility a couple years after it opened.

"We started thinking, we have a

dog park over there and we're doing nothing to advertise it," she said. "It just kind of got built and we did nothing with it."

Entries have been solicited since Aug. 14, with the two-month window closing in just over two weeks.

"All we need is a picture and a little write-up of why you think your dog should be, "Pup of the Pines," she said. "The winner at the end gets a year free into the dog park, so that's always a bonus."

Voting for the next Ocean Pines canine ambassador begins during the Halloween celebration on Oct. 26.

"We post the dogs up and then people can vote there," she said. "Last year we just started doing the online

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Entries are being sought for the fifth annual "Pup of the Pines" contest with a new top dog selected in late November to unseat last year's winner, Jeannie, and serve as the "face" of the Ocean Pines Dog Park.

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WCPS participates in Day to Serve

By Rachel Ravina

Staff Writer

(Oct. 3, 2019) Worcester County Public Schools staff members volunteered their time to build a wheelchair ramp for a Newark homeowner last Wednesday.

"It's a gift to expand her world. It's a gift of life, really," said David Downes, a board member and volunteer for the Chesapeake Housing Mission, a Salisbury-based religious nonprofit organization dedicated to helping low-income residents with home repairs.

Event coordinator Jessica McInerney said she asked the Chesapeake Housing Mission to organize a time for 45 central office volunteers to help build the ramp.

"We're just glad that people are able to give of their time," McInerney

This initiative was part of Gov.



Worcester County Public Schools' central office staff members work to construct a wheelchair ramp for a Newark homeowner last week as part of the 2019 Day to Serve.

Larry Hogan's 2019 Day to Serve, a roughly month-long service opportunity for Maryland residents.

Downes said his organization works with volunteers like the

Worcester County Public Schools employees on projects. He added that Chesapeake Housing Mission gets matched with area low-income resi-

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voting, so we hope to be able to do that again."

The canine candidate pool peaked during the first year of the event, with roughly three-dozen pups vying for

"The first year was actually a really good number," she said. "It's gone down a little bit [but] we still have about 20 people signed up."

Hunt said additional dog owners

interested in having their pooches take a turn in the spotlight are still being sought.

"Everyone gets discouraged after they lost," she said. "Twenty dogs are still a lot considering it's our fifth year."

The somewhat limited selection pool makes for an intimate contest, Hunt said.

"There's a nice small humble group, so you get a good time to look at all of them," she said.

In addition to no-cost dog park entrance for the next year, Hunt said the eventual winner would also become a "local pup celebrity," serving as the bewhiskered face of the Ocean Pines Dog Park.

"They'll be in our activity guides [and] they'll be on the e-blast," she said. "Anytime we reference anything dog park, their picture will be the [one] that goes along with it."

Voting begins at the Halloween celebration and will run until a week before the Hometown Christmas on

"We invite all of the dogs and all our 'ruffer-ups,' to be there and that's when we present the actual winner, she said.

With a wealth of activities and special events for parents and children in Ocean Pines, Hunt said the "Pup of the Pines," contest caters to "other,' parents.

"Not everyone here has kids and sometimes their dogs are their kids," she said. "It's a nice way to reach out to one more set of people."

For more information contact Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks at 410-641-7052. Contest applications available online oceanpines.org/forms-docs/2019pup-of-the-pines-photo-contest/



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WYFCS Director Taylor to step down

(Oct. 3, 2019) After a 32-year career in social support services and championing environmental protection, Steven Taylor has announced he will retire from as executive director at Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services this December.

Raised in Berlin, he grew up on a farm with his brother, sister and parents before moving to a house on Ayers Creek.

That house stands next to the location where he and his wife, Suzy, run Ayers Creek Adventures, a kayak and eco-tour business.

After earning his master's degree in business administration from the University of Baltimore in 1987, he began work for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, and from there he moved to Environmental Protection Agency's National Estuary Program.

"We were receiving applications for new estuary programs," he said. "They are an exclusive bunch, there are only 28 across the nation out of 100 plus estuaries. I was there at a time when they were accepting and reviewing applications for new ones. The Maryland Coastal Bays was one of them."

Even though the people working with Taylor were not enthused about funding a coastal bays program, he convinced them of its potential. A short time later, one of his colleagues suggested he apply for the position of executive director of the local program, effectively being "lent out" by the federal government for a three-year term.

The end of his tenure with that program occurred when his wife received a job offer to work in New Jersey. Recognizing that opportunity, he decided it was time to make a change and leave Maryland.

In New Jersey, he began working on a watershed project for the Manasquan River and a short time later was offered a professorship at Monmouth University.

"I taught environmental law and policy. I taught about Clean Water Act and what laws and regulations were a result of that," he said. "I didn't find it foreign because I that was where my experience lay."

He also taught environmental science at Brookdale Community College, but soon invested himself in establishing a Clean Marina Program, based on Maryland's, that went on to be adopted statewide.

But then Taylor's grandfather listed his Ayres Creek property for sale. He was unable to find a buyer because of market circumstances, leading the Taylors to decide to purchase the land themselves.

After they bought the property, they rented their house for nearly a decade. They planned to retire there but talked about what they wanted to do when they returned from New Jersey. Eventually the discussions led them to the creation of Ayers Creek Adventures.

After a few years operating Ayers



Steven Taylo

Creek, a friend and current WYFCS board member, Karen Clayland, approached him about becoming the new executive director for the organization.

"She was familiar with my nonprofit ex-

perience and thought that I would be a good fit, not because I was knowledgeable about mental health issues or social issues, but because of my experience in managing non-profits. She encouraged me to apply and I did," he said

"It was hard at first. I questioned, 'what am I doing here?' But I focused on the business side because that was what I was bringing to the table," he said. "There were great staff that were able to handle the mental health component and the social service component, so I really didn't have to worry because I had a great team. That's what I still focus on, how I can make this a strong business."

Despite being on the administrative side, Taylor said being able to interact with the people WYFCS has been a highlight of his work.

"It's rewarding working here even though my job doesn't give me handson work like some of the team. I get to experience how beneficial our services can be. I see that through the work that we do and the communications I have with the staff. It's inspiring to see people so dedicated to giving to others in a different way, teaching kids right from wrong and a good and healthy way to live."

He said being executive director has taught him about mental health and its treatment.

"I've learned a lot. I didn't know that so many people struggle with it. One in five at some point in their lifetime will have a mental health diagnosis. I had no idea that it was that significant. That was a huge revelation for me that it was so significant in the community."

The social issues and struggles within the area also surprised him.

"Worcester County even though it seems like a wealthy county, it is not.



The schools report significant numbers of folks at the federal poverty level or lower," he said. "The United Way did a report that they call ALICE that is identifying people working but are living paycheck to paycheck. With the federal poverty level and the ALICE group numbers combined, 30-35 percent of the people in Worcester County are paycheck to paycheck or worse. I don't think people realize the extent of social need that's out there."

He said he's seen the benefits of reaching out to the public about these issues.

"The great thing is that when we share this information and call for support from the community, we get overwhelming response. People come forward and they're willing to buy school supplies or donate money to the organization or volunteer or become a CASA. There are wonderful people in the community willing to come forward and help."

As for his retirement, Taylor said, "I think the nicest part will be able to wake up in the morning and not have to rush to do anything. I can just have coffee and sit there, read or watch the news, do some woodworking, or relax. I think that will be the greatest thing, having that peace of mind. Then my wife and I will do some traveling. We want to go visit some national parks and out west.



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Jeremy Danner, of West Ocean City, catches some air while practicing board maneuvers at the Ocean Pines Skatepark on Sept. 21.

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"I feel like the programs that I've been fortunate enough to be involved in have given back to the community. I think that if every person can say that about themselves, we'd live in a better world"



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Students earn advanced placement honors

College Board AP Program recognizes Decatur teens during 2018-19 school yr.

(Oct. 3, 2019) Seventy-four Stephen Decatur High School Advanced Placement students earned special College Board distinctions following the 2018-2019 school year.

The College Board AP Program recognizes high school students who have demonstrated outstanding college-level achievement through Advanced Placement courses and exams.

The distinctions include: AP

Scholar (granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams); AP Scholar with Honor (granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams); and AP Scholar with Distinction (granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams).

AP Scholars: Hanna Beck, Sarah Beesley, Caela Berrie, Sarah Bianca, Madison Birckett, Gabriel Bradley, Gavin Bunting, George Cheynet, Matthew Clark, Abigail Crisanti, Taylor Curran, Mikayla Denault, Kathryn Dennis, Mia Dill, Collin Eitel, Lily Figge, Sofia Gordy, Kiley Hampe, Mary Helmuth, Briana Henry, Michelle Hernandez, Erin Hurley, Gabrielle Izzett, Hannah Johnson, Uriah Johnson, Isabelle Kristick, Johnathan Luu, Emily Malinowski, Amelia McKahan, Carter McClendon, Jenna Miller, Emma Moore, Madison Munn, Konstantinos O'Brien, Orre Omer, Kaitlyn Peters, Abinesh Saravanan, Hayden Snelsire, Samantha Stephan, Amber Whittaker and Grayson Wolf.

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Wheelchair ramp built for Newark resident

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dents who need assistance. The organization also fundraises for materials and gets the building permits.

"We get the materials on site, the tools, and all the equipment, and some supervision," Downes said. "And the volunteers come, and in one day they give to the person in need a precious gift."

Downes said that volunteers were directed to construct the ramp using salt-treated lumber for the posts, joists and decking boards to make sure the it was up to code at the property on Basket Switch Road in Newark.

"To add a little bit of aesthetics to it, [we put] in pickets at the top, which will make it a little more attractive for her," Downes said.

While individual schools have participated in volunteer efforts, Superintendent Lou Taylor said this was the first central office-focused project.

"In my humble opinion, it's a way that we can give back and help our community," Taylor said.

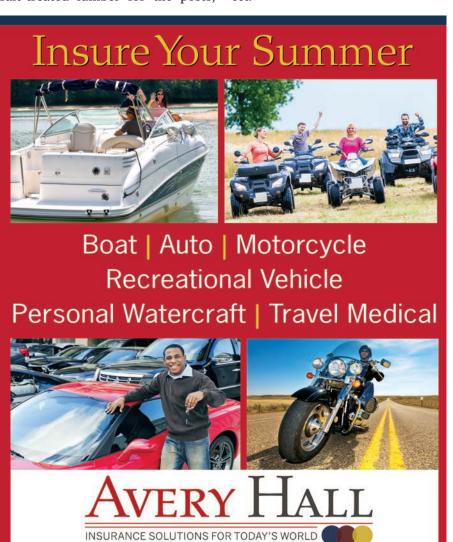
School officials also said that students are required to complete service hours to graduate and this was a way for employees to participate and pay it forward.

"Our schools ask a lot of our community, and we get a lot from our community, and this is just one small way we can show our support for those who are in need ... because ...

we don't believe it's a one way street," Taylor said.

Tamara Mills, coordinator of instruction for Worcester County Public Schools, agreed.

"The people in our community give us their children, and their children's love all day long, and we give what we can in the classroom, but some of us have gifts and skills in other ways, and when we can share that in our community it's a winwin," she said.



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First professional development class finishes

(Oct. 3, 2019) Taylor Bank announces the first group of individuals to complete its Professional Development Program.

Established to meet the development needs of the bank's next generation, the program included quarterly interactive sessions devoted to competencies common to leadership, including: powerful communication, creating personal and organizational accountability, developing emotional intelligence, improving performance, time management and delegation.

The two-year program concluded with a group project and presentation to the bank's executive team.

To celebrate the occasion, the bank held an awards ceremony on Sept. 17.

"We are extremely proud of this inaugural class of professionals," said Raymond M. Thompson, President and CEO. "We applaud their accomplishment and thank them for their dedication, leadership, and contributions."

The following individuals represent the Professional Development Class of 2019: Ashley DeMarr, electronic services specialist/PT corporate trainer; Tori Grundman, marketing manager; Meagan Farber, staff accountant; Hanna Ford, operations supervisor; Sarah Matthews,

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Taylor Bank recently announced the first group of individuals to complete its Professional Development Program. Pictured, from left, are Sarah Matthews, senior customer service associate; Hanna Ford, operations supervisor; Tori Grundman, marketing manager; Atif Gaddis, BSA officer; Meagan Farber, staff accountant; and Ashley DeMarr, electronic services specialist/PT corporate trainer.

senior customer service associate; and Atif Gaddis, BSA officer.

Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, the bank subsidiary of Calvin B. Taylor Bankshares, Inc., founded in 1890, offers a wide range of loan, deposit, and ancillary banking services through both physical and digital delivery channels.

The company has 11 banking locations within the eastern coastal area of the Delmarva Peninsula including Worcester County, Maryland, Sussex County, Delaware and Accomack County, Virginia. There is also a loan production office located in Onley, Virginia.

Business Briefs

Ribbon cutting

Hamilton Physical Therapy will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony to commemorate the grand opening of its new outpatient Physical Therapy clinic on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 5-7 p.m.

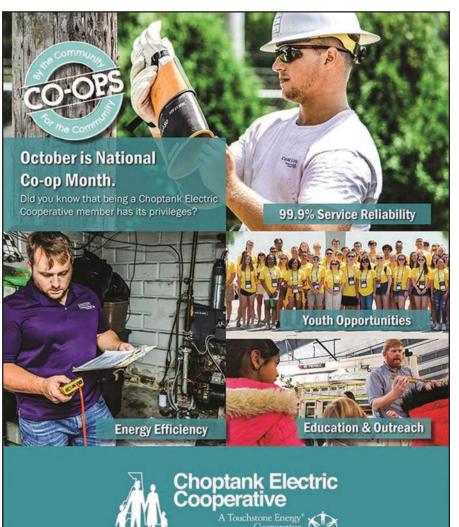
Co-owner William "Billy" Hamilton Jr. has worked in the Ocean Pines community for the past 10 years, and is excited to continue serving alongside his wife, Jennifer.

"We're happy to introduce our new practice to the area residents and

business owners," Hamilton said. "The ribbon-cutting ceremony for Hamilton Physical Therapy marks the launch of our new Outpatient Physical and Hand Therapy Clinic in Ocean Pines, Maryland."

The Hamiltons are looking forward to offering a few remarks regarding their new practice, and to assist in the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"We are excited to open our doors to the community to tour our new facility and to answer any questions Continued on Page 17







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Continued from Page 16 about Physical and Hand Therapy," Jennifer Hamilton said.

Both Hamiltons graduated from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore with their Doctor of Physical Therapy degrees.

In addition, they are both Certified Hand Therapists, which makes them specialists in the hand, arm and shoulder.

Hamilton Physical Therapy is located in the Food Lion shopping center in Ocean Pines.

Refreshments and light hors d' oeuvres will be served.

Bank announcements

Taylor Bank announces the following appointments to the Electronic Services Department:



Holly Hogan

Holly Hogan has been hired as electronic services representative and will be responsible for overseeing business products and solutions and focus on growing business relationships for the bank.

Joining Taylor Bank with more than 17 years of industry experience, Hogan was most recently assistant vice president, Cash Management Sales and service representative at Orrstown Bank (formerly Hamilton

Bank) in Towson, Maryland.

She has also served as commercial banking officer, business banking specialist, and senior relationship specialist.



Reta Collins

Reta Collins has been promoted to electronic services representative and will be responsible for providing service and support to the bank's business customers.

Collins began her career with Taylor

Bank as customer service associate in 2000. In 2013, she transitioned into the Electronic Services Department as electronic services specialist.

She is a member of The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), and serves as facilitator for support groups. She is also an active volunteer for Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore.

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New manager

Taylor Bank welcomes Cindy Meyer as Human Resources manager.

In this role, Meyer will lead all aspects of human resource strategy and execution for Taylor Bank's workforce, including compensation and benefits, talent acquisition, assessment and development; and employee relations and engagement.

Meyer brings more than 18 years



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of human resources experience to this position, with a focus in payroll and benefits administration, benefit plan design, state and federal labor laws, accounting, employee relations, recruiting and employee

communications.

Prior to joining Taylor Bank, Meyer served as Human Resources manager at Peninsula Cardiology Associates in Salisbury.

Meyer is a member of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in economics from the University of Maryland College Park.

Earns awards

Reid Tingle, president and CEO of Bank of Ocean City, along with the Board of Directors, announce that Melissa von Bank, AVP/branch manager of Fenwick Island, Delaware, has recently earned two awards from MBA/Maryland Bankers Association.



M. Von Bank

Von Bank was recognized for her countless hours of volunteerism in teaching and educating students about important financial education skills.

She was awarded recognition for the Most Financial Educa-

tion Presentations and also for the Most Consumers Reached.

MBA's goal is to ensure that every child in Maryland has consistent access to quality financial education so that their financial ABC's are as wellknown as other basic life skills. Bank of Ocean City fully supports this initiative, and von Bank, along with other Bank of Ocean City staff are dedicated to providing this financial learning to local school-aged children.

Von Bank was able to attain these awards since Bank of Ocean City sponsors Financial Literacy programs in many of its local communities.

Bank of Ocean City is a locallyowned, independent community bank. Established in 1916 and headquartered in West Ocean City, the bank has six offices: three in Ocean City. one in Ocean Pines, one in Berlin and one in Fenwick Island, Delaware.

For more information, contact Tingle at the 59th Street office at 410-524-6144.



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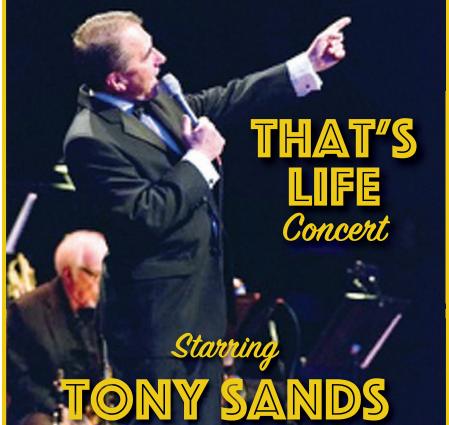
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Pocomoke company receives \$42.7M contract from Corps

(Oct. 3, 2019) The U.S. Marine Corps announced last week that the Pocomoke City company Hardwire has been awarded a multi-year \$42.7 million contract to manufacture and supply the ballistic protection for the Marines for the next five years.

'The Marines are one of the most feared and effective fighting forces in the world, and with Hardwire's soft armor - the lightest, thinnest protection available - they become even faster and more capable," said Hardwire CEO George Tunis.

The Gen III soft armor offers the last layer of ballistic and fragmentation protection for the Marine user.

The Hardwire soft armor manufacturing process is unique in the soft body armor industry. It presses the armor materials with millions of pounds of force at precise temperatures and then softens the material into flexible layers similar to softened leather.

This process produces a fabric of sorts that transfers incoming projectile energy onto a greater area, resulting in less trauma for the wearer.

The high degree of automation in the manufacturing process also improves cost effectiveness by, among other innovations, not using a single sewing machine like older, out-of-date armor producers, Tunis said.

"Our armor is up to 50 percent lighter and 65 percent thinner than older Kevlar®-based systems, but most importantly, we consistently stop the threats that our Marines face while still lightening their equipment load,"

Hardwire has been in the armor protection and military vehicle design business for almost two decades, providing armor for vehicles, aircraft, boats, personnel, and infrastructure.

Foundation awards scholarships

(Oct. 3, 2019) More than \$600,000 in scholarships were granted to area students through the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore in the 2019 fiscal year.

The Foundation, which holds more than 180 scholarships funds, disbursed the scholarships to over 400 students.

Erin Smith was just one of the recip-

She is a Stephen Decatur High School graduate who is attending Christopher Newport University.

Smith received the four-year William B. Blank DACA Scholarship for those who intend on pursuing a career in agriculture or turf management. It is a \$1,500 annual award.

She is majoring in biology with minors in business administration and leadership studies.

"With the rising cost of education, scholarship funds are more important than ever," said Community Foundation President Erica Joseph. "Scholarship funds at CFES are a valuable resource for



Erin Smith

people who want to help local students."

The available scholarships have individual criteria and focus on a variety of study areas, however, not every scholarship is for graduating seniors or four-

year college students, or straight-A students.

"Our scholarships are created by individuals, families, or businesses that are passionate about encouraging an area of study, memorializing a loved one, or simply extending a helping hand, so there is a little something for everyone," Joseph said. "These scholarships open new doors that allow students to turn their dreams into a reality. There is no question that the Lower Eastern Shore is made a better place by community members who are investing in our future leaders.'

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WPS helps with Appalachia Service Project

(Oct. 3, 2019) As soon as school let out for summer, groups of Worcester Preparatory students, parents and faculty loaded into caravans headed to Kentucky and West Virginia as part of the Appalachia Service Project.

Volunteers from the Worcester Prep community participated in one of three Appalachia Service Project church trips: The Community Church of Ocean Pines, Trinity United Methodist Church, and St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church.

The Appalachia Service Project mission trips are part of a Christian ministry that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair in Central Appalachia.

The Community Church of Ocean Pines group, coordinated by Worcester Prep teacher Allison Bescak, traveled to Magoffin County, Kentucky, for a week to repair homes and make them warmer, safer and drier.

MBS Catholic School to host fall festival, Fri.

(Oct. 3, 2019) Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School will host its annual Family Fall Festival on Friday, Oct. 4 from 3-6 p.m.

This free, family friendly event offers fun for everyone. There will be rides, games, vendors and baked goods and hot food for sale.

Purchase wristbands at \$25 each for unlimited access to all games and rides. This year, several new attractions were added including the Mind Winder and Ladder Climb rides.

Crowd-favorites like the Surf Challenge, Gaming Truck, Archery Game and Laser Tag are back by popular demand. There will also be hayrides, carnival games and a rock wall.

Prior to the fall festival's opening will be a fundraiser to help families whose lives have been affected by Hurricane Dorian.

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School's annual "Kiss Buddy the Donkey" contest will offer students and families the opportunity to donated to the teacher or administrator they would like to see pucker up to kiss Buddy. All proceeds from this contest will be sent to help with hurricane relief in the Bahamas.

Free parking will be available. All proceeds from the fall festival benefit the Home and School Association.

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is a pre-K 3 through eighth grade school located at 11242 Racetrack Rd. in Berlin.

For more information about this event or admissions, contact Amanda Evans, director of Admissions and Advancement, at 410-208-1600.



The Community Church of Ocean Pines group, coordinated by Worcester Prep teacher Allison Bescak and as part of the Appalachia Service Project, traveled to Magoffin County, Kentucky, for a week to repair homes this summer.

The other two Appalachia Service Project groups, from Trinity United Methodist Church and St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Salisbury, traveled to West Virginia to assist families in need.

Led by Bescak, Appalachia Service Project coordinator, the 45 volunteers (23 from Worcester Prep) who traveled to Kentucky hosted fundraisers and collected donations from parishioners and local businesses, such as Chesapeake Eye Center, to help fund the trip.

"We travel there with the hopes of changing peoples' lives, but in reality, it is our lives that are changed for the better," she said. "This is a ministry with a little construction on the side. Being uncomfortable in our own skin ultimately forces change and growth that is hard to put in words."

This was not the first Appalachia Service Project trip for most of the Worcester Prep students or parents. Many have volunteered for three to four consecutive years.

Reflecting on her four years with Appalachia Service Project, senior Gracie Gardner added, "Knowing I am making a difference first hand, my ASP trips have truly been the best weeks of my summers."

"Witnessing extreme poverty in our own country, volunteering with peers my age, and bonding with families we serve, has been a life-changing experience I will never forget,"

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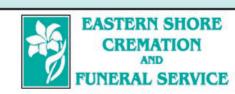
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Opinion

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Active shooter course sadly appropriate now

The active shooter course offered in Ocean Pines demonstrates just how strange our lives have become. It wasn't that many years ago, after all, that even the suggestion of such a class would have been derided as the product of paranoia at worst, and an overactive imagination at best.

Now, unnerving as it is to admit it, knowing what to do when the shooting starts is not a bad idea. Even scarier is realizing why that is: 11 apparently random shootings (shootouts between police and suspects in criminal cases are another matter) have occurred in the last nine months alone.

They took place in churches, schools, shopping centers, business and government offices and on highways or, in other words, just about anywhere people happen to be.

And the year before, 2018? Eighteen mass shootings occurred in this country, from the Parkland, Florida high school slaughter that February, to the deadly shooting in June at the Capital Gazette newspaper in Annapolis, to the November attack at a line-dancing event in California that left 12 dead.

In fact, the number of such inexplicably random incidents in each of the past two years approaches the totals for entire decades that preceded them.

Clearly, something has gone terribly wrong, and no one knows why. Neither can people agree on what's to be done about it. Most people have a theory, but they don't know how any of these approaches will work out until they're being shot at by someone they don't know and didn't see coming.

A class in Ocean Pines on what to do in an active shooter situation might seem a little crazy at first blush, but then, considering how crazy society seems to have become, no one's laughing. Sadly, it makes sense.

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Letters

Worcester Goes Purple successful

Editor.

As the events coordinator for "Worcester Goes Purple," I would like to personally thank the Worcester County government, town governments, businesses, the recovery community and every Worcester County citizen who has participated in Worcester Goes Purple for September 2019, National Recovery Month.

For me, this has been a truly amazing and emotional journey. I have met so many wonderful people that I now call my friends.

There have been many highs and lows.

Holding the hand of a mother who lost her son ... having a sister tell you that she lost her brother three weeks ago to a drug overdose, listening to a parent in the depths of despair describe the havoc that their child in active addiction is making in their family, hearing stories of shame from family members that think it is somehow their fault and then having a guy in recovery tell you with the biggest smile that he has been clean for 113 days.

Worcester Goes Purple will only become bigger and stronger in the months to come. We need your help.

Each one of us can make a difference by keeping the conversation going. No one agency or person can solve this epidemic themselves.

It does truly take a community. Thank you again for making Worcester County a place that we can be proud to call home and share hope and recovery from addiction with everyone.

Debbie Smullen Worcester Goes Purple Events Coordinator

OP Players debut new show in Oct.

(Oct. 3, 2019) The Ocean Pines Players stage the Ocean City debut of the play, "Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks," in October, with five performances before going "on the road" for the theater company's first production in Pocomoke.

In "Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks," by American playwright Richard Alfieri, Victoria Cook and Thom Harris play Lily Harrison, a selfdescribed "old biddy" who lives alone, and Michael Minetti, her dance instructor who was forced to leave his life as a chorus boy on Broadway behind.

The witty dialogue supports the moving relationship that develops between the

"Six Dances" will be performed Friday, Oct. 4, Saturday, Oct. 5, and Monday, Oct. 7 at St. Peter's Lutheran

Church on 103rd Street in Ocean City at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 6 at St. Peter's for a 2:30 p.m. matinee; and in a first for Ocean Pines Players, a performance at the historic Mar-VA Theater in Pocomoke on Sunday, Oct. 13 at 2:30 p.m.

For more details on these productions and for more information on the Ocean Pines Players follow the group on Facebook or visit, www.ocean-pinesplayers.com.

Volunteers continue Foultz's work

Star Charities honoring memory with 'Holiday Gifts for Our Soldiers' drive

(Oct. 3, 2019) Volunteers from Star Charities and other community organizations hope to honor the late Anna Foultz by making one of her final wishes come true – to make the 2019 "Holiday Gifts for Our Soldiers" drive one of the biggest yet.

Foultz and her late husband, Carl, more than a decade ago started the drive, which each year collects nonperishable items to send to men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces stationed overseas.

Starting Oct. 1, volunteers will place collection containers throughout the community. Drop-off sites in Ocean Pines include the Administration Building, Community Center and Ocean Pines branch of the Worcester County Library.

Collection containers will be marked with a list of the most requested items, which include baby powder and foot powder; black and white cotton socks; chewing gum; powdered Crystal light, ice tea and Gatorade; Slim Jims, nuts and other nonperishable snacks; games like checkers, backgammon, chess and dominos; tooth paste and brushes; feminine products; and small paperbacks.

Do not place any perishable items, glass, hotel samples (as they do not include a list of ingredients that might cause allergies) or pork products in the containers.

Containers will be available until Oct. 31, at which time volunteers will transport them to a central location organized by Barb Peletier of Star Charities. The National Guard will pick up the donations and ship them to various locations, overseas.

A representative from Star Charities said they hope the containers are "bulging with gifts by the end of this drive,"



Following the recent passing of Star Charities co-founder Anna Foultz, the group is continuing forward with its annual campaign to collect supplies for U.S. Armed forces stationed overseas.

adding the collection will mark the final activity of the nonprofit.

To quote Foultz, "Do your part to help the heroes who keep America free, and God Bless all of you!"

For more information about "Holiday Gifts for Our Soldiers," contact Peletier at 443-896-4914.

Wor. Historical Society rings in 60 years, Oct. 20

Annual dinner event marks organization's anniversary

(Oct. 3, 2019) The Worcester County Historical Society will mark the 60th anniversary of the society's founding during the annual dinner, Sunday, Oct. 20, beginning at 1 p.m. at the Dunes Manor Hotel on 28th Street in Ocean City.

Following the dinner, the Worcester County Historical Society will present \$9,600 in grants to a number of Worcester County museums.

This year's speaker will be Hunter "Bunk" Mann, a native of the lower Eastern Shore and author of the book, "Vanishing Ocean City," published in 2014. His second book, "Ghosts in the Surf," is coming out this fall.

Mann's talk will focus on Ocean City and its growth during the 1960's. He called it an interesting decade, having worked there from 1962 to

He said that the decade included the 1962 storm and the beginning of the high rises.

In 1960, the northern part of Ocean City was an area of "sand dunes and sea gulls."

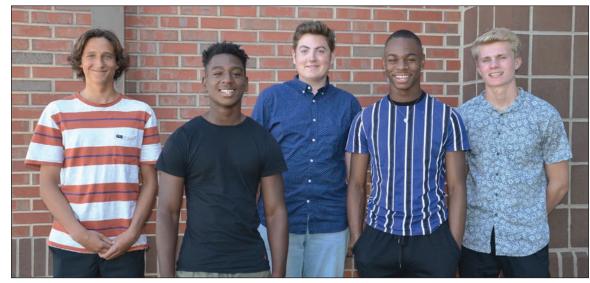
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HOMECOMING COURT

Stephen Decatur High School has announced its 2019 Homecoming Court after a school-wide vote. The homecoming queen will be crowned during halftime of the Decatur football game on Friday, Oct. 4, while the king will be crowned earlier in the day during the annual afternoon pep rally. (Right) Queen nominees, in back, are Tacoa Johnson and Leslie Zamora-Espinozam and in front, Abby Yesko, Alexa Upperman and Macy Layton. King nominees are Keegan Mitchell, Branden Manuel, Noah Carpenter, Andre Andrews and Jackson Halverson.





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OFFICERS GRADUATE

Officers from the Worcester County Jail and Detention Center who graduated in the 105th entrance-level class of the Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Academy operated by Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury, from left, are Jesse T. Bozman, Nathan R. Cook and Matthew Swistak.



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SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The Ocean City-Berlin Rotary Club recently donated a trunk full of school supplies to students in Worcester County through Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services. Pictured, from left, are Cliff Berg, Stan Kahn, Margaret Mudron, President Dan Harris, Sonia Baker, Nancy Bradford, Dr. Larry Michnick, Frank Baker and Arlan Kinney. The Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Captain's Table Restaurant (Courtyard Marriott Hotel) 15th Street and N. Baltimore Ave. in Ocean City. Guests welcome.



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ANNIVERSARY

Atlantic General Hospital and Health System held an open house and ribbon cutting for AGHRx RediScripts on Sept. 10 to celebrate the pharmacy's fifth anniversary. To mark this milestone in caring for the community, the pharmacy donated all cash register sales made during the day to the indigent patient fund. RediScripts contributed more than \$2,100 to support medication therapy for patients who otherwise would not have been able to afford their prescriptions. Deborah Smullen, events coordinator for the Worcester Goes Purple campaign, joined the ribbon cutting with a purple ribbon to signify the collaborative efforts between Worcester Goes Purple and AGHRx RediScripts to end the opioid crisis. AGHRx RediScripts Pharmacy is located in the main lobby at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin and is open Monday through Saturday. For more information, visit www.atlanticgeneral.org/pharmacy.



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CEREMONY

Army National Guard CSM James Nugent shares the bond felt for POW and MIA members of the U.S. Armed Forces during a dedication ceremony for a "Chair of Honor," at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines on Sept. 21.



N2BHS-ALQ ("Connie's Girl") was struck and killed by a park vehicle on Assateague Island, Sunday morning, Sept. 29.

Wild horse struck, killed by park vehicle on Assateague

(Oct. 3, 2019) On Sunday morning, Sept. 29, a horse was struck and killed by a park vehicle on Assateague Island.

The chestnut mare, N2BHS-ALQ ("Connie's Girl") was standing in the road on a curve on Bayberry Drive in the predawn hours, before first light when the park vehicle struck the hind quarter of the horse.

The park employee was uninjured and the incident is under investigation.

N2BHS-ALQ was born in April 2018 to mare N2BHS-AL ("Ms. Macky") with the likely sire N9BM-E ("Yankee").

The band frequented the developed area and campgrounds of Assateague Island National Seashore and Assateague State Park.

Wildlife, including the horses roam freely throughout their island habitat, including park roads.

N2BHS-ALQ is the 34th horse to be hit and killed on the island since 1982; another 17 horses have been hit and injured.

As always, the loss of one of the horses saddens park staff. The National Park Service reminds everyone to be alert when driving on Assateague Island, especially at night.



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LIAISONS RECOGNIZED

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City is proud of its commitment to local schools through its Kiwanis Student Leadership Program. Club President Dick Clagett recognized the Kiwanians who serve as the liaisons to the schools and to the Worcester County Developmental Center. Pictured, from left, are Skip McComas (liaison to Berlin Intermediate School Kiwanis Builders Club), Jackie Todd (Stephen Decatur Middle School Builders Club), Shelley and Steve Cohen (Worcester County Developmental Center Aktion Clu), Roy Foreman (Stephen Decatur High School Key Club), Ralph and Wilma Chinn (Buckingham Elementary K-Kids (not pictured) Candy Foreman (Showell Elementary K-Kids), and Clagett.



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HOPE RIVER

The "River of Hope" at the Atlantic Club in Berlin has approximately 1,000 pounds of rocks with inspirational messages for those struggling with addiction and recovery.



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DONATION

Members of Ocean City Elks Lodge 2645 donate the first of their pledge payments to sponsor a bedroom suite at Macky & Pam Stansell House in Ocean Pines. Pictured, from left, are Jim Flaig (treasurer), Bruce Martinek (charity committee member), Susan Caldwell (past exalted ruler and charity committee member), Charlie Loane (charity committee member), Heather Duma (director of Advancement for Coastal Hospice), and Peggie Ball (charity committee chairperson). Not pictured: Carroll Wagner (charity committee member).



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WELCOME PARENTS

Worcester Preparatory School Parents' Association hosted a New Parent Coffee on Sept. 5, to welcome families who are new to the school. Pictured, from left, are Amal Reda, Suzy Wadi, Pawan Kaler and Julie Akter.



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SUPPLIES

The Republican Women of Worcester County donated more than \$200 worth of school supplies to Worcester County GOLD for distribution to students for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. RWWC Literacy Committee members Liz Mumford, left, and Marge Matturro, right, are pictured with Sandy Sipes, executive director for Worcester GOLD.



GOES PURPLE

The Worcester County Commissioners, on Sept. 3, join with Debbie Smullen, the Worcester Goes Purple event coordinator for the Board of **Education**, and team partners from the BOE, Atlantic General Hospital, **Health Department, Worcester County Warriors Against Opioid** Addiction, and Sen. Mary Beth Carozza's office to proclaim **September as Worcester Goes Purple as part of National** Recovery Month and to echo the theme, "Join the Voices for **Recovery: Together We are** Stronger," recognizing that mental and substance use disorders, including co-occurring disorders, can be overcome with community support, treatment and recovery services.

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Oct. 8: Open Mic, 8 p.m.

Oct. 9: Bingo w/DJ Rupe, 6 p.m.

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Oct. 6: Lauren Glick Band, 3-7 p.m. Oct. 10: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.

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130th Street, Ocean City, Montego Bay Shopping Center 410-250-1449 / www.duffysoc.com Every Friday: Bob Hughes, 5-8 p.m. Every Saturday: Karaoke w/DJ Chuck D, 8 p.m. to midnight

HARBORSIDE BAR & GRILL

 $12841\ S.$ Harbor Road, West Ocean City 410-213-1846 / www.ocharborside.com

Oct. 4: DJ Billy T, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Oct. 5: Chris Button, 2 p.m.; DJ Jeremy, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Oct. 6: Opposite Directions, 2 p.m.

Oct. 9: Dust N' Bones, 6 p.m.

Oct. 10: Opposite Directions, 6 p.m.

HOOTERS

12513 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City

410-213-1841 / www.hootersofoc.com Oct. 4: DJ Wax, 4-8 p.m. Oct. 5: Classic Vibe, 4-8 p.m.

M.R. DUCKS BAR & GRILLE

311 Talbot St., Ocean City 410-289-9125 / www.mrducksbar.com Oct. 4: DJ Batman, 4 p.m. Oct. 5: Over Time, 3 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

101st Street, Ocean City In the Horizons Restaurant, in the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel

 $410\mbox{-}524\mbox{-}3535$ / www.clarionoc.com Every Friday and Saturday: DJ Dusty, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Oct. 4-5: New Censation, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

PICKLES

706 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City 410-289-4891 / www.picklesoc.com Oct. 4: Beats by Jeremy, 9 p.m. Oct. 5: Sean Loomis, 10 p.m. Oct. 6: Karaoke w/Jeremy, 9 p.m. Oct. 8: Beats by Adam Dutch, 9 p.m.

Oct. 10: Beats by Wax, 9 p.m. **PURPLE MOOSE SALOON**

108 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City 410-289-6953 / www.purplemoosesaloon.com Oct. 4-5: CK the VJ/DJ, 2 p.m.; Slamm, 10 p.m. Oct. 7-8: JParis, 10 p.m. Oct. 10: CK the DJ/VJ, 2 p.m.

SEACRETS

49th Street and the bay, Ocean City
410-524-4900 / www.seacrets.com
Oct. 4: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Bobby-0, 6 p.m.
to 1:50 a.m.; Cherry Crush, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Tuff, 9
p.m. to 1 a.m.; Shake 3X, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.
Oct. 5: Full Circle, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Bobby-0, 6 p.m. to 1:50
a.m.; Nowhere Slow, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m. to
1 a.m.; Kristen & the Noise, 10 p.m. to 1:50 a.m.
Oct. 10: Opposite Directions, 5-9 p.m.; DJ Cruz, 9 p.m.

SKYE RAW BAR & GRILLE

66th Street, Ocean City 410-723-6762 / www.skyebaroc.com Oct. 4: Marcella Peters, 4-8 p.m. Oct. 5: Aaron Howell, 4-8 p.m.

WHISKER'S BAR & GRILL

11070 Cathell Road, Suite 17, Pines Plaza, Ocean Pines 410-208-3922 / www.whiskersbar.com Oct. 4: Karaoke w/Donnie Berkey

Bavarian golf tourney raises funds

Pines 14th annual 'Hops' event supports Diakonia, county humane society

(Oct. 3, 2019) The Ocean Pines Golf Members Council raised money for Diakonia and the Worcester County Humane Society during the 14th annual Bavarian Hops Scramble, held Sept. 13 at the Ocean Pines Golf Club.

After tournament founder Ernie Stiles passed away last year, organizers decided the event would continue in his honor.

"Ernie's idea was simply to go out for nine holes, have some good fun, and support some good causes," Golf Council member Bob Long said. "This year the event began with a toast, as each participant raised a glass to the sky and said 'Nostrovia!' (to your health) in honor of Ernie and the others who have passed and who enjoyed playing in previous scrambles."

Non-golfers joined in on the fun during a "Tee Box" party at the seventh hole, making donations and cheering or jeering as tournament participants tried to win a closest-to-the-pin contest. The honor this year, as well as the coveted "Hops Hat," went to Walt Lischak.

The two-person scramble tournament uses a skins format for scoring, with the lowest net score on each hole earning a share of the prize money. Because the format also stipulates

that if two teams tie all would tie, when overall scoring finished this year no team could claim the low score on any hole.

"As a result, all the prize money went to the designated charities," Long said. "In total, \$3,600 was raised [this year] and will go to the two designated charities."

The Bavarian Hops Scramble over the years has raised more than \$29,000 for local charities.

Following the tournament, players and friends enjoyed dinner at the Ocean Pines Community Center with catering provided by Carrabba's Italian Grill.

For more information on Ocean Pines Golf, visit www.oceanpines-golf.org.



Historical society celebrates 60 yrs.

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At the end of the decade, the high rises and condominiums had been started and Ocean City had expanded all the way to the Delaware line. Also, a new bridge into the resort had been completed.

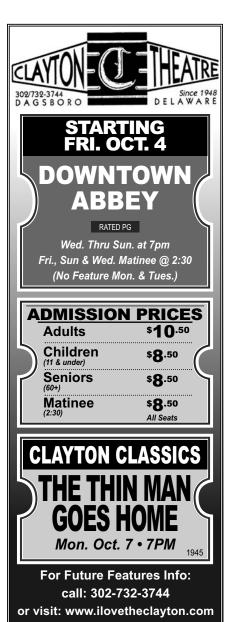
His plans include showing some of the pictures from his two books.

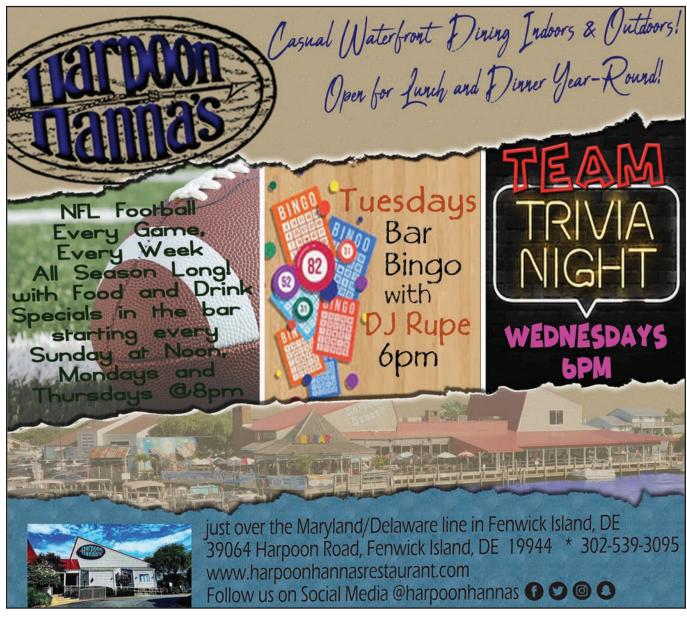
The menu for the Historical Society's dinner will include: French style chicken breast, Maryland crab soup, scalloped potatoes, vegetable medley, rolls and butter, Italian lemon cake, coffee, tea and iced tea. The social hour will begin at 1 p.m. and dinner will be served at 2 p.m.

The dinner is open to the public.

Tickets cost \$25 per person and can be purchased by sending a check to: Robert Fisher, WCHS treasurer, 230 South Washington St., Snow Hill, Maryland 21863.

To guarantee seating, those who plan to attend are encouraged to make their reservations by Tuesday, Oct.15.





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Snapshots



RACHEL RAVINA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

SMALL TOWN SATURDAY

Kim and Walt Widgen, of Berlin, appear festive as the enjoy food, drinks and music on Saturday, Sept.7, during the Small Town Throw Down on Main Street in Berlin.



RACHEL RAVINA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

ΓΔΙΙ ΔRT

Artist Lindsay King Smith showcases a fall inspired painting on Friday, Sept. 13, during the Makers Market on Jefferson Street in downtown Berlin.



RACHEL RAVINA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

PAINTING BERLIN

Cheltenham, Pennsylvania resident Mateus Costa paints a portion of Main Street in downtown Berlin on Thursday, Sept. 19, during the Berlin plein air competition.



REG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTI

ROBOTIC

Ocean City Coast Guard Auxiliary member Steve Haffner operates the radio controlled "Coastie," a scale version land-loving vessel, for eyes of all ages during the second annual Bay Day at Ocean Pines in White Horse Park, Sept 8.



GREG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

FLEA MARKET

Kathy Hill, left, and Jeannette Rembach are all smiles during the fall indoor/outdoor flea market in White Horse Park in Ocean Pines, last Saturday.



FLOWER POWER

June McKenna with June Buds Floral Shop rounds out the third in a series on DIY workshops highlighting fall planter designs on Saturday at the Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market.

GREG ELLISON/ BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Puzzles

ON THE UP AND UP BY TRACY GRAY / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Tracy Gray lives in Sparks, Md., near Baltimore, where she and her husband own and operate a lawn-and-landscaping but She made her Times debut in 2010. Tracy always includes fresh, colorful vocabulary in her puzzles. Her last S ago, is the only Times crossword ever to contain OVEN TIMER, RIVER THAMES, MALL OF AMERICA, MADAME TUSSAUDS, QDOBA or LEFT AJAR. This is her 27th puzzle for The Times. — W.S.

ACROSS

- 1 Large decorative letter at the start of a chapter
- 8 Wood for crafts and rafts
- 13 Rapper Azalea with the 2014 hit "Fancy"
- 17 Farm stat
- 18 Weep for
- 19 Competitors in a classic advertising 'war'
- 21 Salon bed acquisition, perhaps
- 22 Give a nudge
- 23 Discarded computers and such
- 25 Maintain the impression of wellbeing
- 28 [Grrr!]
- 29 General on Chinese menus
- 32 Put in order, in a way
- 33 Online instigator
- 35 minute" ("Be patient")
- 36 Ancient region of Asia Minor
- 38 Lopes of R&B's TLC
- 39 Reconciled, as a
- couple 41 Ab-targeting exercise
- equipment 43 To the point
- _Chex (old breakfast cereal)
- Online subscriptions: Today's than 4,000 past puzzles nytimes.com/cr (\$39.95 a year).

- 46 With 12-Down, "Isle of 91 Some cheesecake
- Dogs" director 47 Work at a music
- 49 When doubled, band with the 1984 No. 1 hit "The Reflex"
- 51 MGM rival of the '30s
- 53 Money handler on a ship
- 55 Amber, originally
- 56 Miniature spring bouquet
- 60 Pummel with snowballs, say
- 61 Roulette choice
- 63 "I believe," in Latin 65 Something that comes
- with a sock 66 Screen-minimizing
- key
- 67 Method for identifying mystery callers
- 70 M.L.B. stat
- 71 Downed
- 72 O'Connor's Supreme Court successor
- 73 Futuristic deliverer of packages
- 74 Flank or shank
- 75 Athlete's knee injury, familiarly
- 77 Bitter fruits
- 79
- 82 Material for classic hockey sticks
- 83 Bouquet offerers, maybe
- 84 Deep distress
- 87 Animal mimic?
- 89 Response to "Who's
- there?'

- photos
- 95 Accelerated alternative to broadband
- 98 "Poppycock!"
- 100 Rainwater diverters
- 101 Diez menos nueve 102 "Au contraire!"
- 103 Hairstyling icon Vidal
- 105 What it is to kill a mockingbird, in "To Kill a Mockingbird'
- 106 "I feel the same
- way!" 108 Voltage-increasing electrical device
- 111 Animal mimic?
- 113 Ask too much
- 114 Brand in the dessert aisle 118 Character in
- "Grease" who sings "There Are Worse Things I Could Do" 119 Like many
- measuring cups and spoons 120 Doctor Doom and
- Galactus, to the Fantastic Four
- 121 Homer, for one 122 "Yecch!"
- 123 Puts to rest, as

DOWN

- 1 2010s dance move involving dipping the head to the elbow
- 85 Article in Paris Match 2 Inits. on 30 Rockefeller Plaza until 1988
 - 3 Surgery sites, for short

 - 4 Christmas Eve no-no

- 5 Large waterfalls 6 Slack-jawed
- 7 Distant correspondent 8 Oktoberfest locales
- 9 Mideast capital
- once known as Philadelphia
- 10 Tender ender?
- 11 Holy, in Latin phrases
- 12 See 46-Across
- 13 Treat to reduce swelling
- 14 Run amok
- 15 Flamboyant rock genre
- 16 Woman's name that's one letter off from a fragrant flower
- 18 Prepare, as pot roast
- 20 Roadside produce sellers
- 24 Cheese with a red covering
- 26 Top-drawer
- 27 Sammy with 609 career home runs
- 29 Bard's contraction
- 30 Cry a river
- 31 A quarter to four? 34 Ignore for the time
- being 37 Like xenon or neon
- 39 Popular moisturizing lotion
- 40 Subj. of Article 86 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice
- 42 Paint choice
- 44 Solved
- 48 Foe of Austin Powers
- 50 Dried chile peppers -Aid 52
- 53 Tagliatelle topper

- 54 Reason for some bellyaching?
- 55 Got up again

101

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- 56 Outer layer 57 Weapons that are about
- 31/2 feet long
- 58 Five books of Moses
- 59 Whack 60 Fuel common in
- Scotland

puzzle.

- 62 Doc at a clinic 64 Red-headed friend of Harry Potter
- 67 Losing Super Bowl LIII team

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- 68 Former leader of the Sinaloa drug cartel
- 69 Door openers for journalists
- 74 Family name?
- always walcum'
- 78 Set (down)
- 80 Chill in the air
- 81 Host of the Oscars, Grammys and
- 76 "A bit of talcum/Is
 - writer
- Emmys

- 83 Apiarist's hazard 84 Oil painter's primer
- 85 One-dimensional

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- 86 Act of selfaggrandizement
- 88 They might get collared 90 Like a jammed
- printer
- 92 KOA visitors 93 Waipahu wreath
- 94 Form 1099 fig. 95 Distinctive part of a
- zebu 96 Kind of button

97 Feature of many a Cape Cod house

115 116

- 99 Played (around)
- 103 Little brats 104 Muscat citizen
- 107 Pasta also called risoni
- 109 Lhasa (dog)
- 110 Aid for getting a boat in the water
- 112 Little 'un
- 115 Many an alibi
- 116 This may shock you 117 It's twice twisted

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HARD - 79

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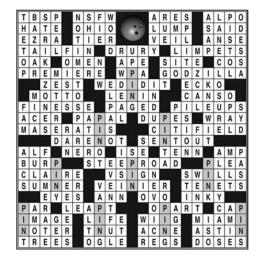
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Calendar

Submit calendar items to: editor@oceancitytoday.net. Submission deadline is 5 p.m. Monday, the week of publication. Local submissions have priority. Area event listings are subject to space availability.

Thurs., Oct. 3

MERRY MAKERS - 'PUMPKINS'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 AM. Adult craft group meets the first Thursday of each month and have fun creating with new and recycled materials. October features decorative pumpkins. Register: 410-208-4014. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

CLASSIC MOVIE THURSDAY

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2:00 PM. Featuring "Them" (1954). Snacks provided. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

POCOMOKE BOOK OF THE MONTH

Pocomoke Library, 301 Market St., 2:00 PM. Featuring "What the Eyes Don't See A Story of Crisis, Resistance, and Hope in an American City" by Mona Hannah-Attisha. Copies of books are available in advance at the library. 410-957-0878 http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

WORCESTER YOUTH & FAMILY ANNUAL CEL-EBRATION

Worcester Youth and Family Ray Room, 124 N. Main St., 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. The agency will be celebrating 44 years of serving the community. The event is offered free of charge, with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and live entertainment by Everett Spells. Several individuals will be recognized for their support and dedication to the agency's mission. 410-641-4598

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

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., Oct. 4

FREE STATE CORVETTE WEEKEND

Ocean City Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S Atlantic Ave. Car shows, road rallies, a parade and other related activities raise money for charity. http://www.freestate-

corvette.com

MID-ATLANTIC SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT

Participants must be pre-registered, have a permit to drive on the beach and hold a valid Maryland Saltwater Fishing License. fishing@oceancitysurfanglersmd.com

DEADLINE FOR 60TH REUNION TICKETS

The Stephen Decatur Class of 1959 will hold their 60th Reunion on Oct. 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Windmill Creek Winery in Berlin. Reservations: Monty, 443-235-6621 by Oct. 4.

FIBER FRIENDS

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

THE 1966 BALTIMORE ORIOLES

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:00 PM. Mark Millikin, author of "The 1966 World Series and Baltimore," will discuss this nostalgic time for Orioles fans and about the iconic city itself. A book signing will follow. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

MBS FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, 11242 Racetrack Road, 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Family-friendly event offers rides, games, vendors and baked goods and hot food for sale. Purchase wristbands at \$25 for unlimited access to all games and rides. There will also be hayrides, carnival games and a rock wall. Prior to the Fall Festival's opening, students and families will have the opportunity to participate in the annual Kiss Buddy the Donkey contest. 410-208-1600

ALL-FEMALE ART SHOW OPENING RECEPTION

Ocean City Center for the Arts, 502 94th St., 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Free public reception and art marketplace featuring complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Rise, a building-wide multimedia exhibition that seeks to empower women through art, emphasizes women overcoming adversity. 410-524-9433, http://ArtLeagueOfOceanCity.org

FAMILY BONFIRE ON THE BEACH

Ocean City Beach at 130th Street, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. S'mores, hot cocoa, refreshments, storytelling and live music. Bring beach chairs, blankets and warm clothes. Pre-registration is requested. Children under 16 years must be accom-

panied by an adult. Pets welcome. The program will be canceled in the event of inclement weather. Call Parks & Darks &

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SPARTAN RACE - OCEAN CITY SPRINT

Ocean City Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S Atlantic Ave. Starting at 7:30 a.m., waves of 15 racers will be released every minute. https://www.spartan.com/en/race/detail/5325/overview

NO MORE AUTO MODE

Introductory photo workshop for those ready to learn how to use their camera for maximum creativity all while surrounded by the natural beauty of Assateague Island National Seashore, 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM. Register:

AssateagueIslandAlliance.org/shop.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

The Parke at Ocean Pines, 7:30 AM - 12:00 PM. Parke residents will be selling their treasures including clothes, lamps, artwork, household items, electronics, furniture and more. Maps will be available at the main entrance of the Parke located at Central Parke West, located off of Ocean Parkway at the south entrance of Ocean Pines. Rain date is Oct. 6. 410-208-4994

WBOC'S SHORE LIVING EXPO

Ocean City Performing Arts Center in the Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. See Delmarva Life filmed in front of a live audience, win lots of prizes and check out all of the vendors from crafts and home services to boats and everything in between. Free admission. Stephanie McVey, smcvey@wboc.com, 410-289-2800, http://www.wboc.com

FIRST SATURDAY WRITERS

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:00 AM. Novice and established writers gather to share their writing projects. Structure includes critiques and appreciation, market leads and writing exercises. Drop-ins welcome.

http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

BERLIN TOUCH A TRUCK

Stephen Decatur Park, 130 Tripoli St., 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Local, county and state agencies will feature department vehicles and offer demonstrations. There will be a power town display, which educates attendees about scenarios involving power lines. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be for sale.

http://berlinmd.gov/event/berlin-touchtruck/

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN BUFFET

Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church, 36536 Mount Pleasant Road, 11:00 AM. Menu includes chicken, vegetables, beverages and desserts. Cost is \$14 for adults, \$7 for children and free to those 5 years and younger. Bake table and carry outs available. Nelda Dennis, 443-614-9898

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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., Oct. 6

ART & SOUL RETREAT

Art and Soul Retreat at Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort, 91st Street Oceanfront. Sixty creative classes offered by multiple instructors all week long with the Art and Soul Retreat! Offering classes featuring Mixed Media, Collage, Acrylic, Watercolor, Fabric and Textile arts, Jewelry and Fine Art Metals. There is an onsite art supply store in the resort with unique art and fabric supplies by Artistic Artifacts whose home base is in Alexandria, VA. Art and Soul Retreats also has an Artists Market in the evening on Oct. 9 where instructors and local artists can sell their wares. For class descriptions and details see the website: ArtandSoulRetreat.com. Susan, Susan.Rossiter@yahoo.com, 614-406-9233, http://artandsoulretreat.com

TAKE A KID MOUNTAIN BIKING DAY

CALENDAR

Lower Shore Family YMCA, 1900 Worcester Highway, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM. There will be riding lessons from a certified MTA trail guide, a kids bike give away, as well as Fat tire bike riding demos. All minors require a waiver signed by a guardian to participate. Light snacks and drinks provided. Bring bikes, helmets, knee/elbow pads, water bottle, sunscreen and bug spray. Free family event.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Church of the Holy Spirit, parking lot, 10001 Coastal Highway, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, Pets should be on leashes or otherwise under their owners' control. Any size, shape or type of pet is welcome. Participants may also bring a photo of a departed pet or a stuffed animal. 410-723-1973

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS CEREMONY

Community Church at Ocean Pines, parking lot, 11227 Racetrack Road, 1:00 PM. All are invited. Pets should be on leashes or under their owners control. All types of pets welcome as well as photos of departed pets or a special stuffed animal. 410-641-5433

CRAB/CHICKEN FEAST

Church of the Holy Spirit, 10001 Coastal Highway, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Menu includes crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. Bring your own mallets. Desserts available for \$1. There will also be a chance auction. Tickets cost \$35 for adults and \$15 for children 12 years and younger and are available at the church.

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'CATAPULT' PERFORMANCE

Ocean City Performing Arts Center in the Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 6:00 PM. Catapult dancers work behind a screen to create dancing shadow silhouettes of shapes. The dancers morph into a mountain, a full size elephant, a helicopter, a house with a window and people inside and more. Tickets are \$20, \$25 and \$30 and available at Ticketmaster.com and the Ocean City Performing Arts box office. Sales benefit the Art League of Ocean City and also allow for a free performance on Oct. 7 for more than 1,000 Worcester County students. Video previews are available at www.CatapultEntertainment.com, 410-524-9433. http://www.ArtLeagueOfOceanCity.org

Mon., Oct. 7

CPAP MASK FITTING

Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive. Free mask fitting clinic for patients who

are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

HYPERTENSION CLINIC

Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., #600, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Donna, 410-629-6820

THE MOBILE MENTOR

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., 2:00 PM. Providing one-on-one assistance for those who want to make the most of their tablet or mobile device. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

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

LOVING VINCENT

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, A one of kind oil painting animation. Pulling from the letters of Van Gogh and his brother Theo, the plot explores the artist's final days. A brief art history discussion precedes the film. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

MEDIA AND CHILDREN PART 2

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 6:00 PM. A three-part series for parents that delves into the who, what, when, where, why and how of children and the media. Part 2 will look at tools available for parents to monitor and control media usage as well as a few highly-rated apps and websites for kids. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

AGH DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower St., 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Open to the public and meets the first Monday of each month. Speaker and education related to diabetes is provided. AGH Diabetes Outpatient Education. 410-208-9761

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DELMARVA WOMEN'S A CAPELLA CHORUS

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

Tues., Oct. 8

FLU CLINIC

Taylor Bank, 108 W. 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)

ZUMBA FOR OLDER ADULTS

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2:00 PM. A less intense Zumba class designed especially for older adults and for those working their way up to the traditional format. Register at the library or by calling 410-524-1818. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Gull Creek Senior Living, 1 Meadow St., 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM. Group provides discussions and mutual support, as well as education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Kay Kinnikin, 410-641-4765, http://www.delmarvaparkinsonsalliance.o

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NAMI LOWER SHORE FAMILY SUPPORT **GROUP**

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, 6:30 PM 8:00 PM. Free, monthly program offers shared wisdom and problem solving for family members of individuals with mental illness. No registration or enrollment obligation necessary. Carole Spurrier, 410-208-4003, carolespurrier@msn.com or Gail S. Mansell, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

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

Wed., Oct. 9

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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

FLU CLINIC

Atlantic General Hospital, Emergency Room entrance, 9733 Healthway Drive, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is providing community flu vaccination for ages 13 and older. High dose flu vaccine will not be offered.

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OCEAN CITY BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2:00 PM. Featuring "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah. To obtain a copy of the book, call 410-524-1818. http://www.worcesterlibrary.org

WATER EDUCATION

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