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At 108, Munro gets parade for his birthday

He still sings bass harmony as chorus members deliver some of his favorite songs

By Ally Lanasa

Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Snow Hill resident Leslie John Munro had a big day Monday, complete with a parade, honors, and recognition for having accomplished what most people can't even contemplate: he celebrated his 108th birthday.

About 20 cars met in the parking lot at Harrison House, 430 W. Market Street, in Snow Hill at 2:30 p.m. The crowd departed at 2:45 p.m. for Wright's house. Some participants decorated their cars with balloons and placards, and state Sen. Mary Beth Carozza and Snow Hill Mayor Gary Weber were there to commemorate Munro's milestone.

It was the suggestion of Munro's caregiver, Ruth Wright to stage the surprise parade, while Munro's

friends from Atlantic United Methodist Church, Jeffrey McArthur and June Todd, helped plan the festivities.

Known for his charming wit, Munro said the secret to living as long as he has is "I just keep breathing."

Munro, who is believed to be the last surviving member of the 1934 crew that washed the 555 feet, five inches of the Washington Monument, went on to work in the life insurance for 40 years before retiring as an internal auditor.

When Munro moved to Ocean Pines with his wife Kathryn "Kitty," he became involved in the religious community.

Until he was 104, he attended Bible study weekly and went to church every Sunday.

For 35 years, he sang with the Pine Tones Chorus, which was formed by Todd.

Munro's former members of the See 'I JUST' Page 2



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Les Munro joins his former Pine Tones choir members in singing a few of his favorite hymns during a celebration for his 108th birthday on Monday in Snow Hill.

OP restaurants go to inside dining

No easy task for some, as money might not work out, or employees tough to find

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) As Maryland continues to ease covid-19 health restrictions, numerous Ocean Pines eateries are again providing indoor dining at half-capacity for the present time.

Matt Ortt Companies cofounder Ralph DeAngelus said food operations at the Yacht Club, Beach Club and Golf Clubhouse are now welcoming patrons back inside.

"Even if it's only half normalcy, we'll take it," he said. "It's like the universe is starting to come back together."

DeAngelus said business was steady at the Beach Club on Friday and Saturday, with subpar weather



MARY COOPER/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

DeNovo's Trattoria on Manklin Creek Road has expanded service from solely curbside pickup to now include indoor seating at half capacity as covid-19 health restrictions are slowly rescinded.

slowing the pace on Sunday.

"All units are open now at 50 percent capacity," he said. "Staff is welcoming customers back with masked faces and open arms."

Tanya Knott, owner of Whiskers Bar and Grille on Cathell Road, remains uncertain about opening inside service on Friday because of See PINES Page 2

Berlin Planning approves Athena Plaza for Rt. 818

Fairfield Inn, 7-Eleven will go on newly annexed land

By Ally Lanasa

Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) A Fairfield Inn and a 7-Eleven will be coming to Athena Plaza on Route 818 across from Berlin Main Place near the intersection with Route 50, having earned site plan approval from the Berlin Planning Commission last Wednesday.

The 6.18-acre parcel where the projects will be built were annexed into town by the Berlin Town Council last May, at the request of owners Spiro and Mary Anne Buas, who wanted to build a gas station and convenience store there.

Shortly after that approval, how- See HOTEL Page 2



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Hotel with 81 units planned for Rt. 818 site

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ever, Berlin resident Jeff Smith attempted to push the annexation to referendum with a petition that eventually died after failing to get enough registered Berlin voters to sign it.

Although the structures on the Athena Plaza site were removed via a Berlin Fire Company controlled burn exercise last year, some debris remains, much to the consternation of commission Chairman Chris Denny.

“As a resident of the town and fellow business owner, I think it’s a disgrace that it’s looked like that the whole time,” he said.

That, however, will change, as development begins.

The proposed Fairfield Inn will have 81 units and a pool, while the 7-Eleven will feature brick and darker colors to appear “Victorian.”

The commission asked that the 7-Eleven building be mirrored from how it was proposed on the site plan, so the service side of the building does not face Route 818.

The other two pad sites on the property do not have defined tenants yet.

Buas said his intention is to cover the pad sites with grass until tenants are confirmed.

As for landscaping, the plan includes low shrub trees off Route 50 to maintain visibility and large trees to provide shade throughout the interior of the site.

With a minimum of 130 parking spaces required, the Athena Plaza site plan features 165 spaces.

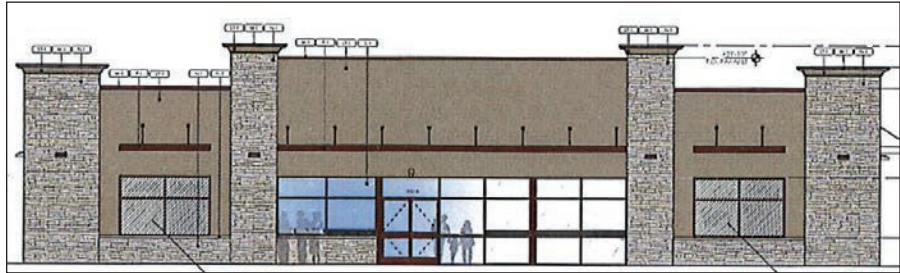
The Buas’s company, Athena Properties Inc. is, working with the State Highway Administration to expand the entrance of Route 818 to two lanes in and two lanes out.

Buas also proposed an electric golf cart service, which would require decreasing the 45-mph speed limit on the highway. This concept would reduce the risk of drunk driving and car traffic in town.

“We would need your help to get state highway to drop that speed limit to 35 miles per hour,” said Buas.

The commission approved the site plan in a 5-1 vote with the addition of a sidewalk off Route 818, the addition of trees along the southern part of the hotel to block the neighboring building and change to the landscaping around 7-Eleven to increase shade.

An arched brick “Welcome to Berlin” sign at the northeast corner of the site will be taken to Town Council for approval in the future.



ALLY LANASA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

In a 5-1 vote, the Berlin Planning Commission approved the site plan for a 7-Eleven convenience store and a Fairfield Inn at Athena Plaza, a 6.18-acre property near the intersection of Route 50 and North Main Street, which is owned by Spiro and Mary Anne Buas.

‘I just keep breathing,’ says Munro of long life formula

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Ocean Pines singing group and a trumpet player serenaded him on his birthday with “Amazing Grace,” “America the Beautiful” and, of course, “Happy Birthday.”

Just like Todd said he could, Munro sang along in bass harmony.

He also did a solo performance, singing “Happy Birthday to me, Happy Birthday to me, Happy Birthday to Leslie, Happy Birthday to me.”

Parade goers were allowed to wish Munro happy birthday and give him a card directly as long as they remained six feet apart.

How did Munro spend the rest of his birthday?

Probably watching baseball on his own TV.

“That’s his job,” Wright joked.

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Pines restaurants begin their inside dining routine

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staffing issues.

“I’m not sure if I’m going to be able to open up because we don’t have the help,” she said. “I don’t know if it’s worth it to open at 50 percent.”

In addition to being short-handed for servers and cooks, monitoring crowds in terms of health safety precautions also appears challenging.

“The rules ... I don’t know how I’m going to enforce,” she said. “I would have to police it, especially with the bar.”

Knott said with normal indoor capacity of roughly 130 patrons, and two-dozen barstools, the half-size option appears troubling in terms of profitability.

“We’re trying to figure it out, but we’re not sure how it’s going to work,” she said. “I need to be able to go 100 percent.”

By contrast, Kelli Beck, owner of DeNovo’s Trattoria on Manklin Creek Road, is moving full steam ahead with half-capacity.

“We’re doing 50 percent inside,” she said. “We followed all the rules with six-foot distancing, mask wearing and the sanitizing.”

Beck said staffing problems initially appeared but have since been remedied

“We were initially having a difficult time getting people back, but we have a really good core staff that have been with us for years and they’ve really stepped up,” she said.

Since March when the pandemic started curtailing social activities, DeNovo’s has seen its carryout service, now adjusted to curb side, significantly spike.

“It seems like the local community has been very supportive of us,” she said.

Denovo’s is also using its outside patio to serve customers.

“We’ve been able to create a nice balance so staff has an opportunity to get their employment back and keep everything going,” she said. “These are difficult [and] scary times.”

Besides economic gain, restaurant operators are also focused on staff safety, with DeAngelus noting special precautions have been enacted at OPA eateries.

“It’s super important to make sure your staff is safe too,” he said. “Sometimes the staff gets overheated outside in the masks, so we had to establish a safe zone in the back area they could go to catch their breath.”

Beck agreed.

“We’re trying to do what’s best for everyone and, of course, keep the business going so everyone has an income,” she said. “In the restaurant business, you often forget that people are human too.”

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Viola updates financials, projects

General manager reviews capital expenditures, recent amenities reopening details

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) General Manager John Viola provided a status report for capital projects, the recent golf course reopening and nearly completed bulkhead repairs during the OPA Board meeting on June 3.

Viola said both the Golf Clubhouse and cart barn are finished with both wrapping up under budget.

The new Golf Clubhouse was projected to cost roughly \$1.6 million, with the final price coming in around \$1.4 million. The cart barn, which was budgeted at \$430,000, was completed for approximately \$312,000.

Work on the expanded police and administration building project is expected to be finished in late September.

"All indications right now are we're on track and on budget," he said. "It probably will be completed beforehand."

The expanded police headquarters building is budgeted at \$1.276 million with \$764,000 spent as of May 31. The updates on the administration building, which are budgeted at \$220,000, had cost just over \$100,000 by the end of May.

By contrast, the Northstar software project is not on the fast track with the completion date for full implementation recently extended to December.

Viola said instituting the software package within OPA departments was budgeted to run \$430,000, while cost overruns revising estimates as of May 31 to \$437,000.

"The consultant apparently has come in over budget," he said. "Right now we have spent less than the budgeted amount."

Board member Tom Janasek inquired about the consultant price discrepancy.

Viola said the consultant fee was anticipated to run \$90,000 but could end up well over \$125,000.

"It's being addressed," he said. "We're looking at what else has to be done and what we're going to do."

Turning to golf operations, Viola said the course was reopened on May 9, barely 24-hours after Maryland began easing mandated covid-19 restrictions.

The course is currently being operated with health-safety guidelines in place, including limiting cart use to single riders or two people from the same household, with staff wearing masks and gloves.

"Check in at the starter shed has run smoothly," he said. "We do sanitize the carts after each use and the range balls also."

Attendance records are being kept to maintain contract-tracing capabilities in the event of a covid-19 outbreak.

"We're keeping track of the numbers, as well as seeing how the experience goes for the golfers," he said. "We're probably doing about 60 percent business."

Viola said while there have been instances of golfers being turned away because of cart limitations, the overall golf experience has been largely positive.

"It does show that you can open under these restrictions," he said.

Looking ahead, Viola said the golf shop would remain closed until new furniture and fixtures are received, likely by the end of June.

"Merchandise is starting to ship as factories are being reopened," he said.

Timeframes to official open the now completed Golf Clubhouse remain unknown.

"It depends on when Gov. Hogan allows indoor dining," he said. "My best guess between June 5-15."

Viola also reviewed nearly completed bulkhead repairs along Ocean Parkway between the entrances for the Wood Duck I and Wood Duck II neighborhoods.

The front end of Ocean Parkway is on track for completion by June 12. Originally scheduled to wrap by May 1, extra time was involved because of materials being delayed during the pandemic.

"There's a lot of good stuff there and it's probably all going to be completed within the next two weeks," he said. "I think it will be pretty nice at the end of the day."

Pines recreation launches summer camps next week

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Following the most recent easing of state level covid-19 restrictions, the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department has reopened



Debbie Donahue

White Horse Park amenities and is set to begin summer camp, with health mandates in place, on Monday.

Recreation and Parks Director Debbie Donahue reported last Wednesday that Gov. Larry Hogan expanded

the list of permissible activities starting this Friday at 5 p.m.

"White Horse Park opened yesterday morning and the skate park," she said. "Manklin Meadows Park was opened late yesterday afternoon."

State mandates regarding social distancing remain in place.

"There are Maryland-issued covid signs that are posted, as well as play-at-your-own-risk-type signs," she said.

Other safety protocols enacted include hand-sanitizing stations at all recreation locations.

The most recent changes permit class capacities to be expanded from 10 to 15 people.

"We're still limiting the numbers in classes, but all classes right now are outside still," she said.

The same limitations will be in place for summer camp beginning on Monday.

"Right now summer camp will start on June 22 and we'll have all of the rooms in the recreation department, as well as outside in the park," she said. "They have to be separated and each group has to have a room."

The summer camp agenda will not in-
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Berlin celebrates National Pollinator Week June 22-28

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Berlin will observe National Pollinator Week from June 22-28, Mayor Gee Williams proclaimed at the June 8 meeting of the mayor and Town Council.

The declaration reflects the town’s effort, begun in May 2018, to create sustainable habitats to preserve pollinators as a Bee City USA affiliate.

As local farmers and gardeners know, thousands of species of bees and other natural pollinators are essential factors in the food supply chain.

As the town’s pollinators week proclamation declared, town officials inform developers and residents about landscaping that promotes “wise conservation stewardship, including the protection of pollinators and maintenance of their habitats and environments.”

As one of 109 Bee City designees in the country, Berlin renews its certification as a bee haven every February.

The town’s Bee City Designation Committee held its first meeting on Oct. 22, 2019.

Committee members are Chairwoman Kate Patton, Vice Chairwoman Ivy Wells, Liaison Kelsey Jensen, Alan Parkinson, David Engelhart, Helen Wiley, Mike Wiley, Jeffrey Fleetwood, Meghan Pfaller, Patty Backer, Peggy Hagy, Steve Farr, Sue Bashore and Tiffany Scott.

As a Bee City affiliate, Berlin must host pollinator awareness events, publicly acknowledge Bee City affiliation with signs and an online presence, pay an initial application fee and annual renewal fees, incorporate pollinator-conscious practices into city policies and plans and create and enhance pollinator habitat on public and private land by increasing the abundance of native plants, providing nest sites and reducing the use of pesticides.

With help from their eldest daughter, Mike and Helen Wiley have added native plants to provide a better habitat for birds and insects.

The Wiley’s pollinator garden includes milkweed, which is important to the monarch butterflies, Helen said. There are also bird feeders and native honeysuckle for hummingbirds.

“Our previous house in Annapolis was a certified wildlife habitat. We’ve done the same thing down here,” Mike said. “We’ve tried to just maintain a safe environment for wildlife in

our yard, including not using pesticides.”

In addition to the Wiley’s private pollinator garden, Berlin has pollinator gardens at Henry Park, Heron Park, Stephen Decatur Park and the town’s spray irrigation facility.

The Wileys continue to raise awareness about the significance of bees.

“We talk about it to our neighbors [and] our friends and encourage that kind of planting and cultivating of native plants as much as we possibly can,” Helen said. “We have signage in our yard to let people know if they want to ask us questions, we’re available.”

For more information, visit berlinmd.gov/save-the-bees/.



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Helen Wiley and her husband, Mike, have created a safe environment for pollinators with native plants, such as honeysuckle and milkweed, throughout 80 percent of their yard in Berlin.

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Berlin Town Council Briefs

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) The following was discussed during the June 8 Berlin Mayor and Council meeting:

Elections board

Nicky Chavis and Steve Frene, who serve on the Berlin Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, were sworn in as members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections. They will replace Lou Creter and John Briddell. A new chair will be selected.

Frene is the former owner of Victorian Charm and the 2019-20 president of the Chamber of Commerce. Chavis is the chamber's deputy director.

As members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections, they will be responsible for conducting the Town of Berlin municipal elections.

The next Board of Supervisors of Elections meeting is scheduled for July 14.

Contracts authorized

Mayor Gee Williams and the council authorized the following contracts as budgeted for the 2021 fiscal year: "An Angel's Touch" Cleaning Services for \$12,000, Booth and Associates Inc. not to exceed \$100,000, Cards Technology for \$38,400, Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc. (DBF) not to exceed \$100,000, EA Engineering Science and Technology Inc., PBC not to exceed \$100,000, Jarmon's Cleaning Services for the Berlin Police Department for \$10, 400.04 and Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Inc. for \$40,000.

Beginning July 1, "An Angel's Touch" Cleaning Services will offer janitorial services in restrooms at Town Hall, the Welcome Center, Planning & Zoning, and Henry Park.

Booth and Associates Inc. provides



Mayor Gee Williams swears in Nicky Chavis and Steve Frene as the newest members of the Berlin Board of Supervisors of Elections during the mayor and Town Council meeting on Monday, June 8.

the town with legal counsel associated with electric utilities.

Cards Technology serves as Berlin's IT contractor, offering remote and onsite monitoring and support for all networks and work stations.

DBF provides on-call professional engineering services for the town, including on-call planning, evaluations, design, permitting, construction administration, inspection and GIS engineering services for proposed infrastructure and projects.

EA Engineering Science and Technology, Inc., PBC conducts on-call services for stormwater management support in Berlin.

Worcester Youth and Family Counseling, Inc. agreed to develop a youth program in Berlin, including a variety of sports, recreation, cultural, mentoring and educational activities for children.

In addition, Worcester Youth and Family Counseling, Inc. will promote youth programming for after school,

weekends and during the summer.

Fleetwood contract

The Berlin Town Council approved a three-year extension of Jeff Fleetwood's contract as town administrator.

"It's the same terms and the same level of salary as currently, which is \$110,000 a year," said Mayor Gee Williams.

Fleetwood's contract is included in the 2021 fiscal year \$5.9 million general fund budget that was approved in May.

Fleetwood replaced Laura Allen as town administrator after she was fired on Sept. 16, 2019.

Prior to this role, Fleetwood worked with the town as the human resources director, then the managing director in 2017.

"We're very pleased that the relationship has been productive and mutually beneficial for everyone," Williams said.

Pines recreation slowly seeps back to camps, classes

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clude field trips this season because of the space requirements of social distancing.

Donahue said although the playground and skate park in White Horse Park are now open, safety requirements remain in place.

"All visitors must practice social distancing when possible, as well as practice proper hand hygiene when entering and exiting the parks and all outdoor areas," she said.

For now, restrooms in White Horse Park will remain closed.

In addition to tai chi and Zumba classes currently offered in the White Horse Park Pavilion on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings respectively, also launching this week is the beach bodyboarding camp that started this Tuesday in Ocean City.

"It is in Ocean City on the water with the surf instructor," she said.

Tai chi classes run each Tuesday starting at 9:30 a.m. in the pavilion through July 21. Zumba is being held at the same location on Wednesdays starting at 8:30 a.m. until July 29.

The surf classes are set to meet this Tuesday -Thursday, with additional sessions on July 7-9, July 21-23 and Aug. 4-6.

Donahue said the recreation department is continuing to monitor state directives and will post future updates as they arise.

Fourth of July fireworks have been postponed, with a new date still to be determined.

To register for outdoor summer classes, call Katie Goetzinger at 410-641-7052.

For more information or questions, contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052, email rec@oceanpines.org, or visit www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/recreation-parks.

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i.g. Burton dealership plan tabled

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) The Berlin Planning Commission's review a site plan for the i.g. Burton Chevrolet dealership last Wednesday resulted in no action, as the commission awaits to see a final version of it before passing judgment.

The new dealership building on Old Ocean City Boulevard in Berlin is expected to be built east of the existing sales and vehicle service building.

Charles Burton, Lisa Divincenzo and MJ Lofland of i.g. Burton, and Tim Metzner of Davis, Bowen & Friedel Inc. presented the site plan to the planning commission.

At present, the plans call for the current Chevrolet building to be torn down, while the existing Chrysler service department will remain there.

The plan is to begin construction before tearing down the original building to continue service, and Burton told the commission the company hopes to break ground in August or September.

The new building height will be 26 feet and 4 inches and contain commercial service doors to work on school buses and trucks.

Burton said he also expects to work on more electric cars in the upcoming years.



ALLY LANASA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE
The site plan involves demolishing the existing Chevrolet building on Old Ocean City Boulevard in Berlin after construction begins on the new one, which will be 26 feet and 4 inches and contain commercial service doors to work on school buses and trucks.

On the 6.09-acre property will be 182 parking spaces to allow for vehicle sales display areas.

The site plan currently does not include a sidewalk, but Metzner said he is in the process of receiving permits from the Maryland State Highway Administration to add one.

Details about landscaping, lighting and dimensions and placement of the sign were not included in the plan presented to the commission, prompting commission member Pete

Cosby to observe, "We're being asked to do a final approval for a site plan, and we don't have a lot of the stuff that we need to have."

Rather than render a finding, the commission tabled the matter until it can view the final plan.

"That's what we have to approve," Cosby said.

The commission did expressed willingness to have an expedited meeting to move the project forward as soon as it can.

Pop Up Programs offered by county recreation dept.

(June 18, 2020) Worcester County Recreation and Parks will be offering Pop Up Programs this summer.

These programs will be open to students in kindergarten through eighth grade at no cost, because of a \$5,000 donation from Amerigroup.

Pop Up Programs will be hosted at different Worcester County parks each Tuesday night from July 7 through Sept. 1, from 6-7:30 p.m.

There will be different themed nights. From water games, fishing and outdoor scavenger hunts, to arts and crafts, and team sports, there will be something for everyone.

Each Pop Up Program will be limited to the first 50 participants, and individuals must pre-register online.

"We're really excited to get out in Worcester County and host outdoor programs that introduce the community to what there is to offer at each county park," Program Manager Jacob Stephens said. "We appreciate Amerigroup's donation to offer these fun summer nights for free."

For more information, contact Stephens at 410-632-2144, ext. 2506 or jstephens@co.worcester.md.us.

To view the full schedule of Pop Up Programs and to pre-register, visit www.worcesterrecandparks.org.



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Fresh air exercise, healthy eating still advisable habits

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) In light of pandemic-related self-isolation and less physical activity on the part of many residents, the Worcester County Health Department is espousing the merits of proper diet and ample outdoor exercise.

Public Affairs Officer Travis Brown said the health department remains committed to encouraging healthy lifestyle choices through prevention activities such as Just Walk Worcester, the Lifestyle Balance Diabetes Prevention Program and Worcester Wellness Weigh.

“Whether you walk, bike, dance or participate in some other form of physical activity, it all adds up and improves your health and overall wellness,” he said.

Brown said Just Walk Worcester is a self-directed, self-reported, incentive-based physical activity program, which allows participants the opportunity to explore upwards of 15 trails offering varying lengths, surfaces and surroundings.

“Worcester is meant for being active,” he said. “From beach to bay, woodlands to parkland, [it] has the perfect location and surface for everyone.”

Brown said the program also establishes individual hiking goals and mileage is reported using the “honor system” with prizes awarded beginning at the 25-mile mark.

“At each milestone you reach, you’ll receive a prize,” he said.

Just Walk Worcester also provides drone video overviews and printable trail maps online.

For further information contact the Worcester County Health Department’s Prevention Office at 410-632-1100 or visit online JustWalkWorcester.org.

Brown said both Worcester Wellness Weigh and the Diabetes Prevention Program are also offered online and include wearable technology.

Worcester Wellness Weigh is a no-



Travis Brown

cost, healthy eating, physical activity, and weight-loss program designed for all ages.

“Every participant is assigned a nutrition and physical activity coach who provides them weekly coaching designed to help make lifestyle changes last a lifetime,” he said.

The program also includes access to free produce from regional community gardens, virtual grocery store tours and cooking demonstrations.

Brown said the Lifestyle Balance Diabetes Prevention Program lasts for one-year and aims to prevent type-2 diabetes for those diagnosed with pre-diabetes, found to be at risk or with a history of gestational diabetes.

“The program is taught by CDC-trained lifestyle coaches and includes 16 weekly core sessions followed by monthly support sessions for the remainder of one full year,” he said.

Brown said the program, which is a covered benefit for Medicaid and Medicare recipients, is offered through a virtual and distance learning platform.

To learn more about either the Worcester Wellness Weigh or Lifestyle Balance Diabetes Prevention Program call 410-632-1100 x 1108 or email Crytal.Bell1@maryland.gov.

Although most people locally abided by the earlier shelter-in-place directives to help reduce spreading the covid-19 virus, Brown stressed the importance of exercise and outside activities.

“Fresh air and physical activity both play an important role in staying healthy both physically and mentally,” he said. “It can help cope with stress, increase your strength and stamina, improve sleep, and strengthen your immune system.”

Brown said regular physical activity helps improve mood, lowers risk for heart disease, high blood pres-

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The exterior architecture of the proposed 154 additional units at Oceans East will resemble the existing apartment buildings off Seahawk Road.

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Oceans East second phase to start

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) The Berlin Planning Commission unanimously approved the proposed second phase of Oceans East apartment complex on Seahawk Road last Wednesday.

During the first phase of construction, 180 garden-style apartments were built.

The Phase 2 site plan features 154 additional units, including 132 apart-

ments in five buildings, 22 townhomes and six garage buildings.

The new complex will offer unit diversity with a three-story elevator building, traditional walk-up, garden-style apartments and then the townhome option.

The townhomes will be available for rent.

The exterior architecture of the second phase will complement the style of the first phase with same ele-

ventions and coastal flair but have distinguishing features, such as a pond that will serve as a “visual amenity,” said developer Blair Rinnier of the Rinnier Development Company.

The extensive landscaping will match what exists from Phase 1, and an existing access point to Ocean East will be expanded.

Rinnier said he plans to request a re-subdivision in a future planning commission meeting that will allow a smoother transition of each phase from construction financing to permanent financing as each phase is built.

Hospital to offer outpatient service at Berlin location

(June 18, 2020) Atlantic General Hospital will be offering outpatient laboratory services, including walk-ins for routine bloodwork, on its campus once again beginning Monday, June 8.

This announcement comes with a move to a new location, which will allow the organization to utilize the current laboratory space for other services that must remain within the main hospital.

The Atlantic General Outpatient Center will be located in the James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, situated at the entrance of Healthway Drive in Berlin. The center will be open Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and on Saturday, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Laboratory testing and EKGs will be offered, with additional services coming soon. No testing for covid-19 will be provided at this location.

Although no appointment is necessary for lab work, officials ask for the public’s understanding with any potential delays caused by social distancing requirements. In addition to maintaining distance from others, patients are asked to wear a mask that covers nose and mouth when entering the facility.

“We look forward to opening the

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sure, diabetes, high cholesterol and even certain forms of cancer.

“As Maryland continues to reopen, there are plenty of opportunities for people to get outside [but] we encourage everyone to continue to practice social distancing ... wherever you go,” he said.

Brown also highlighted the importance of wearing sunblock to prevent skin cancer, along with limiting exercise to morning hours or later in the

day when solar radiation is less intense

“Whether you’re at the beach, a local park, or just walking or biking around your neighborhood make sure to use prevention throughout your day including hand washing and covering your mouth when you sneeze or cough,” he said.

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Petition to bring justice to car crash victims

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Tyheim Bowen, whose brother, Tymeir Dennis, was struck and killed Maryland State Police car in 2013, has started a petition on change.org to reopen the court case about the crash on Route 113 that November.

On Nov. 8, 2013 at about 8:02 p.m., brothers Bowen and Dennis were struck by Maryland State Trooper Nicholas Hager in an unmarked police car on Route 113 and Bay Street.

According to the police report, Dennis, 16, was pronounced dead at Atlantic General Hospital after suffering massive injuries to his head, back and other areas of his body.

Bowen, 17, sustained a broken leg, dislocated right knee, fractured pelvis, a cut on his right lower leg and abrasions on his right arm. He was taken to Peninsula Regional Medical Center and then to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center. His injuries led to the amputation of his right leg amputated.

Bowen and Dennis were walking from Uncle Willie's convenience store on 111 Flower Street when they

were struck by Hager, who was traveling north on the highway and had recently cleared a traffic stop a mile and a half away at Hayes Landing Road.

Hager was allegedly traveling about 57 mph when the car crash occurred.

Hager received no disciplinary action, and he returned to work on Nov. 12, 2013.

The Pedestrian Safety Committee with assistance from State Highway Administration officials, announced commitments for safety improvements along the highway on Feb. 10, 2014.

Warning signals and a crosswalk were installed on Route 113.

The speed limit was also reduced from 55 mph to 45 mph.

In February 2017, a Worcester County Circuit Court jury took less than 45 minutes to find all parties negligent in the fatal Nov. 8, 2013 accident on Route 113.

The jury agreed with the police investigation that the brothers' dark clothing caused poor visibility.

According to the police report, Bowen was wearing blue jeans and a black jacket. Dennis wore a pair of



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHANGE.ORG

Tyheim Bowen, left, has started a petition to raise awareness about a November 2013 car crash that left him amputated and killed his brother, Tymeir Dennis.

green camouflage pants and a dark-colored shirt and jacket.

The jury also found that Hager could have done more to prevent the accident.

However, Hager has not been charged for Dennis' death.

Through the petition, Bowen is appealing to Gov. Larry Hogan and others to reopen the case, while also raising awareness about their story.

As of Wednesday morning, the petition has received 1,256 signatures.

Walk-in routine services available

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Atlantic General Outpatient Center to our community in June," said Kim Justice, vice president of planning and operations. "We thank you in advance for your patience as we observe proper social distancing and disinfecting protocols to protect the health of patients and staff alike."

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Berlin parks reopen with guidance from CDC

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Stephen Decatur Park and Dr. William Henry Park reopened to the public at noon last Friday, following the May 7 opening of Heron Park.

In addition, public restrooms in Henry Park and on William Street next to Town Hall also reopened. Portable toilets have been placed in Stephen Decatur and Heron Parks as well.

Mayor Gee Williams said the decision to reopen facilities was based on guidelines from the CDC and conversations with Worcester County Health Department officials.

“In addition to those recommendations, it is only fair and proper that Berlin residents and visitors may now use our public parks since Gov. Hogan an-

nounced last week the reopening of amusement parks and other outdoor and indoor activities statewide,” Williams said.

Town Administrator Jeff Fleetwood said the town sought advice on the reopening from the Maryland Department of Health and Worcester Health Department because the parks have playgrounds and other equipment.

According to the CDC, outdoor areas normally do not require disinfection. Rather, such spaces just need routine maintenance.

Regular maintenance on the parks consists of mowing, removing debris from paths and play areas, collecting trash and cleaning the restrooms and portable toilets.

Fleetwood said the parks were sanitized a couple weeks ago and restrooms at the recreational fa-

cilities are being cleaned twice a day.

The annual safety inspection of the parks is scheduled to be done within the next 30 days, Fleetwood added. In the meantime, park visitors are encouraged to contact Town Hall if there are any problems with equipment.

Currently, the Town of Berlin does not plan to place signs in the parks to remind visitors about social distancing.

“Individual responsibility goes a long way,” Fleetwood said.

Park visitors are to practice social distancing standards, such as maintaining a distance of six feet from others in the park, washing or sanitizing their hands regularly and wearing face masks, as suggested by the CDC.

For more information, call 410-641-2770.



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Tripp Hite from Newark, Maryland, enjoys playing at Stephen Decatur Park on Saturday after the Town of Berlin reopened parks for full service.

Pines sponsors online rain barrel seminar

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Installing rain barrels or planting backyard rain gardens to aid stormwater runoff and lessen waterway pollutants or toxins was the message delivered during a virtual seminar sponsored by the Ocean Pines Association last Tuesday.

University of Maryland Sea Grant Extension Watershed Restoration Specialist Jennifer Dindinger, who conducted the Facebook live event on June 9, reviewed details about constructing rain barrels or rain gardens and the importance of addressing excessive stormwater runoff.

“The reason we care about stormwater is the water quality in the coastal bays is declining,” she said. “Our storm drain systems do not go through wastewater treatment.”



PHOTO COURTESY COLBY PHILLIPS
Rain barrels, either DIY or store bought, can reduce excessive stormwater runoff for homeowners and lower pollutants entering area waterways.

Dindinger said stormwater runoff is a principal way pollutants — trash, toxins, bacteria and excessive nutrients — enter streams and rivers.

“Temperature can also be a pollutant if the temperature of your creeks or stream beds needs to stay cool in order to handle fish populations,” she said. “When water hits hot pavement in the summer, it can absorb heat which can be transferred.”

One solution homeowners can consider is making or purchasing a rain barrel, which Dindinger said is a useful conservation tool that can reduce potable water usage.

“Rain barrels are not going to stop all the drops of water that hit your roof from becoming stormwater runoff, but they are helping to collect the first flush of stormwater runoff from your roof,” she said.

Initial rainfall reaching the ground tends to pull oils, chemicals or refuse off roadways to produce a slick toxic blend.

“I like to call rain barrels the gateway drug to stormwater management because they’re a pretty easy, discrete thing to start with rather than re-landscaping your whole property to make a massive rain garden,” she said.

Dindinger said there are two types of rain barrel designs, both of which can be produced at home or purchased at most hardware retailers.

“Rain barrels are much easier to find than they were 10 to 15 years ago,” she said.

In addition to a barrel option, rain stations can also be deployed to the same end.

The latter involves cutting downspouts and connecting them to mesh tops to filter rainwater and remove debris from gutters.

Dindinger said the barrel concept differs slightly.

“You don’t cut the entire downspout but cut a hole and there’s a converter that brings the water into the barrel,” she said.

Either version includes a spigot and or a drain at the bottom.

“When the barrel is full, the water is allowed to continue coming down the downspout like normal,” she said. “This has a closed lid, which can help prevent mosquitos entering and breeding in barrel water.”

Rain barrels require elevation to allow gravity to move water through the spigot, with stands needing to be level and sufficiently strong for weight support.

“Rain barrels can hold 40-50 or more gallons of water,” she said. “They can get super heavy and might accidentally tip over.”

Other considerations include locating an accessible area for barrel placement.

Dindinger said ideally barrels should be emptied regularly with spigots closed to assure the first flush of rainwater is retained.

If there are no obvious yard areas to direct the collected precipitation, it can also be slowly released into the immediate area.

“If you let it trickle out then it will slowly infiltrate ... and the bacteria in the ground can act on any of the excess nutrients,” she said. “It also helps with ground water recharge.”

During the offseason it is advisable to fully drain and rinse barrels, which should be stored inside and upside down.

“It does not winter well as water could freeze and crack the barrel,” she said.

In lieu of using a barrel to collect stormwater runoff, rain gardens can also serve the same purpose.

“The rain garden ... is a shallow depression in the ground,” she said. “It’s almost like a pond that’s mostly been filled back in with soil and plants specially selected to get wet more often.” Rain gardens, which do not retain all the stormwater, are intended for an average total rainfall of under two inches.

“In the case of bigger storms, rain gardens need to be able to overflow,” she said.

Dindinger advised using soil mixes with sufficient porous space.

“You want the water to be able to trickle down and sit for the plants,” she said.

Water flowing off impervious surfaces, such as roofs or driveways, can be channeled to the rain garden through a swale or pipe across yard landscaping.

Dindinger said to start the process property owners should map their yards to account for structures, trees or utility boxes.

“When it rains, get out there and see where the water is going and ... where it’s coming from,” she said. “The point is to allow that water to infiltrate and not to let it just sit and allow for mosquitos to grow.”

Dindinger also mentioned the importance of contacting Miss Utility or a comparable private firm before installing rain gardens.

“We definitely don’t want you getting hurt because the utilities haven’t been marked in your yard and then you start digging,” she said.

To view the presentation, visit www.facebook.com/jennifer.dindinger/videos/10157598830204891.



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Yarn store on Main Street to close July 15

A Little Bit Sheepish owner to retire next month after being impacted by covid

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) A Little Bit Sheepish on South Main Street in Berlin is having a storewide sale after owner Brenda Trice announced the yarn shop would be closing on July 15.

Trice made the announcement that she was going out of business on Facebook on May 31.

"I had planned on retiring next year anyway," Trice said. "I'll be 65 next summer, and I decided just to go ahead after having been closed for covid."

A Little Bit Sheepish opened in November 2012 and relocated to 1 S. Main Street about a year and a half ago.

"[If] I had the energy or the time to wait, I would have looked for someone to purchase the business," Trice said.

Trice added that business has been steady since June 1 after being closed for several months because of the state's health-safety restrictions.

Now, masks are required to enter the store and purchases are contactless to limit exposure.

A Little Bit Sheepish is selling yarn, needles, hooks, notions, patterns and the models.

"[The models] are never for sale, so ... even if you're not a knitter or a crocheter, you might be interested in coming in and purchasing a handmade garment or accessory," Trice said.

There is still a large selection of yarn available.

Currently, the storewide sale is 40 percent off.

Although it is bittersweet to leave the business, Trice said she looks forward to more time with her 13 grandchildren and her retirement in Berlin.

"It's a really wonderful community to run a business in and to be a part of," Trice said. "I have enjoyed the time that I've had here, and it's been



Brenda Trice, owner of A Little Bit Sheepish in Berlin, has decided to retire and close her yarn store on Main Street.

really easy to work with the townspeople, so that part is really sad for me."

A Little Bit Sheepish is open Mon-

day through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, call 410-641-1080.

Berlin museum to archive covid-19 stories

Calvin B. Taylor House will reopen in beginning of July; online activities still offered

By Morgan Pilz
Contributing Writer

(June 18, 2020) Having skipped its traditional Memorial Day weekend opening because of statewide health-safety restrictions, the Calvin B. Taylor Museum will reopen to the public at the beginning of July.

The restored 19th century house-turned-museum has been offering online activities during its closure, and accepting contributions to its covid-19 collection.

"We have decided to follow along with what the town is doing, and we will not be opening for the month of June," Melissa Reid, president of the Taylor House Museum, said. "We felt

like because the town of Berlin has canceled their events for June, that was a good guideline for the museum."

The Calvin B. Taylor House was built by 1832 for Isaac Covington and his family, who lived in Berlin during the Civil War. The Covingtons also owned plantations in Snow Hill and traded in the West Indies. Isaac's estate inventory suggests he was a store owner.

The most famous occupant of this house was Calvin B. Taylor, who was a teacher, lawyer and founder of the Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company. He and his wife, Mattie, lived in the house from the 1890s until his death in 1932. During their occupancy, they made several changes to the house, including a back-wing addition and the installation of stained-glass windows.

The museum shares the history of the town throughout the centuries,

and is currently creating a gallery that will demonstrate how the pandemic affected Berlin life.

On Thursday, March 26, the museum's Facebook page asked members of the community to help create "an archive of how covid-19 is affecting lives in Berlin." The museum has been asking for voice memos, letters, diary entries, photos or other memorabilia to be used for its collection.

According to Reid, there have not been a lot of emails responding to the request, though she does not believe items are not being stored for donation later.


"I actually have a whole stack of things that I'm collecting personally that I'm going to give to the museum," she said. "So I think what we'll do is, once we get a little bit closer to opening, we will remind the community that we are looking for things.

"So I think as we navigate through this, people will feel more comfortable leaving things possibly at the museum," she continued. "But currently, we're still really operating on very few people actually physically at the museum. We're doing a lot of work from home and checking on things periodically, but we haven't set up a place or a way for people to drop things off just yet."

The contributions of community members will be archived at the museum for future use. This is not the first time the museum has collected people's personal recollections. The museum has archived collections dating back to the Civil War.

For more information, or to submit voice memos or other stories about covid-19, email the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum at taylorhousemuseum@verizon.net.

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Still Rockin’ plays Windmill Creek

Pines-based five-piece unit to perform variety of genres outdoors at winery, Friday

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) In another sign of life as covid-19 restrictions are rescinded, the Ocean Pines-based Still Rockin’ band will deliver a free live performance at Windmill Creek Winery on Friday, starting at 5 p.m.

Still Rockin’ bassist Dave VanGasbeck said the five-piece unit is scheduled to play an outdoor show Friday June 19 from 5-8 p.m. at the vineyard and winery located at 11206 Worcester Hwy.

“We’ve been practicing with social distancing for about a month,” he said.

Primarily mining rock, blues and soul classics from the ’50s-’70s, the act is comprised exclusively of Ocean Pines residents, with decade-plus member and veteran saxophonist Bernie Kessler tracing the groups’ formation to the Parke neighborhood.

VanGasbeck is the latest axe player to join Kessler, drummer Tony Karacoulakis, guitarist and lead vocalist Tom Flanagan and keyboardist and vocalist Char Vanvick.

“I just joined it last year,” he said. “I’m the baby of the group.”

VanGasbeck said despite the challenging times, band members are charged up to return to Windmill Creek, one of the group’s past venues, which include the Ocean Pines Yacht Club, Costa Ventosa Winery, and the American Legion, the Dunes Manor and Clarion Hotels in Ocean City.

“It’s a sad time for everybody because of the covidvirus and it’s a sad for the entertainment industry,” he said.

Unlike numerous touring acts left with empty slates and support crews who have gone unpaid since the pandemic onset, the members of Still Rockin’ pursue music for pleasure not pay.

“We’re doing this because we love it and because it’s fun,” he said. “We’re not doing it to get rich because we’re already retired.”

Pursuing their artistry is the objective.

“Everybody’s been involved for the largest proportion of their life,” he said. “It’s a passion and we enjoy the hell out of playing.”

Promoting gigs tends to happen organically.

“Each one of us has our own activities and our own circle of friends, so we always invite them,” he said.

In addition to serving as the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department President, VanGasbeck is also in the Ocean Pines Corvette Club and an avid pickleball player.

“A couple of the other members ... play pickleball so we have a bunch of



Still Rockin’ band members, from left, Dave VanGasbeck, Tony Karacoulakis, Char Vanvic, Bernie Kessler and Tom Flanagan will fill the air with melodies at Windmill Creek Winery located at 11206 Worcester Hwy. on Friday, starting at 5 p.m.

fans from the [Ocean Pines] Pickleball Club,” he said. “We pretty much play by word of mouth.”

VanGasbeck said the groups’ set lists are steeped in classic rock, pop, blues and country standards.

“We play generally oldies ... although we do intersperse some newer music,” he said. “We’re always learning something new and always refining what we already know.”

The wide-ranging musical fare has attracted a multi-generational following after more than a decade of regu-

lar gigging.

“We do have a broad fan base of younger people all the way to some who are older than us,” he said. “There are a lot of younger people that like the oldies [and] some of the first generation bluesmen.”

For more information see the Still Rockin’ Facebook page.

Safety guidelines will be adhered to for the performance this Friday with the outdoor location providing ample room for socially distanced lawn chairs and blankets.

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Opinion

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What a difference a century can make

It’s impossible for almost anyone to comprehend what Les Munro has witnessed in his 108 years of life. Munro, who celebrated his birthday Monday in Snow Hill, has seen epochal changes in the world and society since his arrival in 1912.

One way to illustrate the profound developments that have occurred since then is to consider just one aspect of the global transformation over the course of that time: manned flight.

The first successful flight of an all-metal aircraft occurred in France the year he was born. When he turned 20, in 1932, Amelia Earhart flew solo across North America, and Jimmy Doolittle, who would later lead the first air attack on Japan in World War II, set an air speed record of a whopping 296 mph.

Twenty years later, in 1952, the first guided missile to be fired in combat was launched in Korea, and in 1972, when Munro was 60, the last of six moon landings took place.

From the early stages of flight to the last moon landing to the International Space Station is just one thread that runs through the 10-plus decades of Munro’s existence. Also occurring during his lifetime were two world wars, four major armed conflicts, the end of segregation, a presidential assassination, the election of the nation’s first black president and 627 games of the World Series, six of which featured Jackie Robinson, the first black player in Major League Baseball.

He was one year old when the Eastern Shore’s Frank “Home Run” Baker of Trappe topped the American League with 12 homers, was 15 when Babe Ruth smacked 60 round-trippers, and was 62 when Hank Aaron hit his 715th overall.

He’s been through two pandemics, the Great Depression, market collapses and threats of nuclear war, and yet there he was sitting outside on Monday, singing bass harmony to “America the Beautiful” with his Pine Tone Chorus friends.

“I just keep breathing,” he said of the key to his longevity, leaving many of us wishing we could have breathed along with him and seen and heard the things he did during his incredible journey.



“Bartending is harder now. Before Covid I would wipe down the bar once, maybe twice during my shift.”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AGH thanks supporters

Editor,

Atlantic General Hospital is blessed to be located in the midst of a community of amazing, thoughtful, caring people.

We are overcome by the ongoing generosity of our neighbors who are supporting the efforts of our AGH caregivers by donating goods, supplies, and hope to fuel our bodies and our souls.

On behalf of everyone in our Atlantic General Hospital and Health System family, I would like to thank our entire community for the outpouring of support through donations and kind words over the past several months.

I am astounded by the strength and character of our community, when it is faced with adversity like we have faced over the past few months.

As our clinicians and ancillary staff continue to work selflessly around the clock to provide care to our patients, we have been awed by the support from family and

friends, neighbors and strangers, local businesses and organizations, schools, churches and supporters from all walks of life who see AGH and all of our associates as vital members of the community.

These acts of kindness – donations of food, supplies and “thank you” messages – mean more to us than you’ll ever know. It is that gratitude and support from so many in our community that has helped us keep going through this trying time.

We are re-energized every shift, day and night, when we see the gestures of support and encouragement. We will never get to thank each and every person, but please know you we are grateful for your kindness and compassion.

Due to the abundance of individuals, businesses, civic organizations, schools and places of worship that have reached out, it is impossible to list all of you here. We do however want to recognize and thank each and every one of you.

To do that, we have created a donor page that list all

who have reached out through our development department or covid-19 relief efforts in support of our caregivers during these difficult times. That page can be found at www.agh.care/thanks.

Please note that the donors listed on our website called our Foundation office directly or utilized our covid-19 Relief Fund form.

If you have donated to the hospital through a specific department or individual and do not see your name or business, please contact Caroline Phillips at 410-641-9690. We want to be sure we acknowledge and thank you.

Again, I believe I speak for all of our AGH caregivers when I say we are absolutely humbled by the continued generosity we receive each and every day. It demonstrates the strength and resilience we have together as a community, and we are grateful to be a part of it.

With my deepest gratitude,

Michael A. Franklin,
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President and CEO
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Gnome villages sprout up in Pines

By Susan Canfora
Contributing Writer

(June 18, 2020) As discord erupts in a world already raw from division, as the unthinkable unfolds and the faithful bow in prayer, there is a peaceful spot in the woods.

Created by a resident who is quietly kind to the geese and ducks roosting at Ocean Pines' South Gate Pond – a woman who insists her handiwork must be anonymous – are tiny villages arranged at the foot of towering trees near the walking trail.

Deep inside one hollow, where the tree trunk kisses the earth, a little boy doll sits on a bench, looking joyful, a book in his hand.

His female counterpart and a figurine resembling a builder are at a pink table. Seashells of various shapes, mingled with a toy purple horse and shark, spill out onto the dried pine needles.

"Into the forest I go, to lose my mind and find my soul."

Nestled into the trunk of a lanky maple are petite gnomes and fairies, a rock painted blue with a message of welcome and figurines of a birdbath with blue jay perched on the edge, mermaid with colorful tail, laughing hedgehogs on a seesaw, deer, a wishing well, pump with redbird and a little sign that says, "There's no place like gnome."

"Oh, look at that. My, how cute. Did

you make that?" a woman taking a stroll with her daughter asked, as a passerby stood, admiring one of the villages – and dozens of people do, climbing the gradual mound from the trail to get a closer look.

"No, but it always makes me smile," the admirer replied.

A 7-year-old who identified herself only as Olivia stopped, tipped her pink bicycle on its side and slowly walked toward the assortment of fairies, kneeling in the dirt, lifting one onto the palm of her hand and whispering, "Are you sleeping?"

"Everyone needs a little bit of happiness right now. It's all just been too much in the world lately. I noticed people stop and they add things, leave things on the ground there. But shhh! The whole idea is to make these without anybody knowing who it was," said the creator, once she was located.

She looked downward, as though to deflect attention, and said her 19-year-old daughter embellished around the roots of another majestic tree to surprise her.

The villages appeal to runners, walk-



PHOTO COURTESY SUSAN CANFORA
When visitors walk around the South Gate Pond in Ocean Pines they will find little gnome villages.

ers, bikers who find the quiet retreat, a stark contrast from the noisy traffic on busy Route 589 and drivers who whiz along Ocean Parkway, blasting horns at geese venturing across the street.

"Trees are always a relief, after people," author David Mitchell wrote.

Years earlier, transcendental writer Ralph Waldo Emerson observed, "In the woods we return to reason and faith" — the perfect cure for a weary world.

Library film series displays creativity during quarantine

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(June 18, 2020) Worcester County Library is hosting a film series called Seclusion Cinema that invites people to explore a new medium during their time in isolation.

"We thought this idea might encourage people to try something new and share their creativity," said Worcester County Library Director Jennifer Ranck.



Jennifer Ranck

All ages can make and enter a short film to be featured on the library's Facebook page.

The film series was created as a way "to connect with our patrons and continue with programming in a virtual environment," Ranck said.

Ranck added that several employees at the Ocean City branch, who are "film aficionados," brainstormed the idea.

Worcester County Library is accepting submissions throughout its closure of all five branches due to covid-19.

Submissions must be five minutes or less and filmed exclusively on the filmmaker's property to maintain social dis-

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FLAGS FOR HEROES

Members of the Ocean City-Berlin Rotary Club, practicing social distancing, recently raised their Flags for Heroes in front of the Ocean Pines Veterans Memorial on Route 589. The fundraiser, co-sponsors by the club and the Ocean Pines Veterans Memorial Foundation, allows sponsors to honor a hero in their life.



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BRUNCH

Guests enjoy Sunday brunch at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin on May 31.



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BOC AWARDED

The Ocean City Surf Club presented its 2020 Sponsor of the Year Award to the Bank of Ocean City. Pictured, from left, are OC Surf Club Vice President Rusty Ruzzin, Bank of Ocean City Vice President Earl Conley II, and OC Surf Club President Tommy Vach.



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BAY VIEW

Ocean Pines Yacht Club patrons take in the bay view while sipping on some beverages, Saturday, June 6.



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FARMERS MARKET

While wearing masks and following social distancing guidelines, visitors stroll through the Berlin Farmers Market on Sunday.

CASA aids foster care transitions

(June 18, 2020) With June being declared National Family Reunification Month, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) will be celebrating the accomplishments of parents and the professionals who work to get children home safely after they have been in the foster care system.

Every year, thousands of children are reunified with their families after being placed in foster care.

Reunification takes effort; parents must work closely and comply with orders from a judge. Parents are also required to meet regularly with caseworkers and attorneys.

CASA volunteers contribute to the

reunification process by accompanying a child through foster care system and making sure his or her needs are being met.

They follow the case's progress and report back to the judge with their own recommendations for what permanent placement would be best for that child.

For many children in foster care, reunification is the best option for a permanent and loving home. With this outcome, parents have improved their lives and made their home a safe environment. Previously existing risks to the children have been addressed and resolved.

"CASA volunteers will always advo-

cate for the best interest of a child," said Jerrona Smith, program director for CASA. "The role of a CASA is to decrease the amount of disruptions in a child's life and help ensure that the child has a safe and permanent home.

This past year, The Lower Shore CASA served approximately 26 children in foster care and out-of-home placements. CASA currently has 43 volunteers that have been trained to advocate in the best interests of these children.

CASA is recruiting volunteers who desire to make a difference in the life of a child. For additional information, contact Jerrona Smith at 410-641-4598 or visit www.gowoyo.org.

Enter short film into Wor. Library's Seclusion Cinema

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tancing.

The other guidelines are to avoid the use of violence, profanity, adult content, drug content or weapons as well as the use of copyrighted images, music, effects or sounds without credited permission by the material's author or creator.

"Royalty free" images, music, effects or sounds are permitted but must be credited.

The short films can be edited through software such as Apple's iMovie, Microsoft's Movie Maker or Shortcut.

Some submissions have already been posted on Worcester County Maryland Library Facebook, including an instructional video for special effects makeup and puppetry.

Submissions should be uploaded to dropbox.com/request/du7daqVdx-OvXe1KbXRUG.

For more information, visit worces-terlibrary.org.

OPVFD provides grilling safety tips

(June 18, 2020) As Maryland is beginning to lift limits on gathering, the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department wants residents to be prepared as they head outdoors for grilling season and cookouts.

Here are a few tips to make the annual tradition safer:

- Propane and charcoal barbecue grills should only be used outdoors, and should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under

eaves and overhanging branches.

- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from grills, and do not let them play near it.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Check the gas hose for leaks prior to the first use of the year.
- Always make sure your gas grill is opened prior to lighting it.
- If you are using a charcoal grill, only

use charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.

- Keep charcoal fluid out of reach of children and away from heat sources.
- When you are finished grilling on a charcoal grill, let the coals cool completely prior to disposing of them in a metal container.
- Never leave grills unattended when in use.
- As always, make sure to test your

smoke alarms monthly, with your family.

The department also reminded residents to continue to practice good hand-washing hygiene, and to wear masks when out in public places indoors.

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Mid-Atlantic seafood boil summer treat

What is it about the Mid-Atlantic that is just so amazing? Well, the list is long and varied, but for starters we can be in the mountains in the morning and in the ocean in the afternoon.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

When I lived in Southern California, we made it a practice on occasion to hit dawn patrol at Del Mar

Jetty or Loweres, and then jump up to Big Bear to ski or snowboard... or just play in the snow.

Of course, I could not ski to save my soul nor did I have the proper gear, so it was a riot to watch; definitely the fool on the mountain.

I imagine if I tried to do the same thing here, I would have to break out the 6mm wetsuit, gloves, booties and hood, as the water temperature would be just a touch colder than the Pacific in the winter time.

In hindsight, I think I'll pass on this endeavor for now. I'm getting too old for that crap.

Moving on, this isn't about surfing or skiing or mountains. This is about the beach. Today's great lesson (I chortle in just writing that, considering how simple this amazing dish is) is in a classic seafood boil.

Knowing that we can get fresh shrimp from the Carolinas, lobster from Washington Canyon, stone crab claws from the same, thanks to the hard work of Captain Sonny and his family, my mind naturally gravitates to a fresh boil.

What exactly is a boil? Well, in a nutshell, it's a pot of boiled food. Simple enough.

When you cook this, though, don't keep it at a rolling boil, as doing so will create mushy potatoes and rubbery seafood. Just stick with the name because it sounds cool but simmer, simmer, simmer.

When you put your boil together, you may add fish, but cook it gingerly and remove it before you start stirring everything together. Otherwise you will have tiny flakes of fish and a cloudy broth. You most certainly do not want that.

Basically, what you end up with is a communal feast, much needed after our months of quarantine, and perhaps in preparation of another one coming up soon, depending on what the powers that be decide.



Either way, it is an amazing way to break bread — jalapeno-cheddar cornbread to be precise.

So when you decide to do this, there are some things that you should look out for.

Consider the size of the clams that you like. Personally, I love top necks as they have amazing flavor and actually feel like you're eating something of substance.

My girlfriend on the other hand won't eat them, rather preferring the littlenecks. I have to eat a hundred of the little bastards to feel even remotely satisfied. Again, the choice is yours.

However, if you mix sizes (which I did here for a wedding tasting to give them a choice), simply place the big clams in the pot and let them cook a couple minutes longer. With proper timing, all of the clams will be cooked correctly.

When it comes to sausage, I used a chicken sausage studded with granny smith apples. It was delicious, and the subtle sweetness was a nice juxtaposition with our ubiquitous salty seafood seasoning.

Hot Italian sausage would suffice, as would chorizo. Again, the choice is yours, and you will be hard pressed to find one that I'm not going to like or at least appreciate.

Sweet potato biscuits are another wonderful accoutrement to this bubbling bowl of beautiful broth and beachy flavors. Make sure you take the time to make them right, and top them with a cooked slab of uber-salty country ham and a nice slathering of butter.

Man, that makes for an amazing sandwich, in and of itself.

So as you gather the ingredients for this, do your best to support the local boats and seafood purveyors in the area. Everyone needs our help right now, and it's not a stretch to say that you will doing yourself a favor as well.

Enjoy the summer, eat a big ole boil, and bring people together as we haven't been able to for months.

Mid-Atlantic Boil

serves 6

- 1 qt. Chicken stock
- 1 # fingerling potatoes
- 1 Natural Light (aka Delmarva Champagne)
- 1/4 c. Old Bay seasoning
- 2 lemons, halved
- 1 tsp. Thyme leaves
- 1 ea. Bay leaf
- 3 ears corn, halved
- 2 sausages of your liking
- 12 ea. Clams

12 ea. 13/15 shrimp, peeled, deveined and butterflied

Lobster tails (optional)

1. Bring the stock to a boil.
2. Add potatoes and turn down to a simmer. Cook until tender. Remove the potatoes carefully and set aside until ready to finish the boil.
3. Add the Natty Light, Old Bay, lemons (after giving them a little squeeze), thyme and bay leaf and bring back to a simmer.
4. Add the corn and cook for 3 minutes
5. Add the sausage and clams, cooking until the clams open.
6. Add the shrimp and/or lobster tails at the end so that they do not overcook. Cook until just barely ready.
7. Turn off the burner.
8. Add the potatoes back to the pot and let everything rest and meld together for about 10 minutes.
9. Serve with brown butter and more Old Bay if that's what you like
10. This goes great with Jalapeno-Cheddar Cornbread and sweet potato biscuits and country ham. Just sayin'.

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Puzzles

SURPLUS STORE
BY ANDY KRAVIS / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Andy Kravis, of Brooklyn, joined The Times as an associate puzzle editor in April. A 2013 graduate of Columbia Law School, he previously worked as a Transgender Rights Project Legal Fellow for the L.G.B.T. rights organization Lambda Legal before turning to puzzles full time. In addition to the theme, Andy tried to include as many fresh answers in the grid as possible — including 1A, 104A, 4D and 82D, none of which have appeared in a Times crossword before. — W.S.

ACROSS

1 Sadistic feline character in a Scott Adams strip

8 Out

14 Concern for a P.R. team

20 Trembling

21 Land, as a fish

22 The Red Baron, for one

23 "The operation was a success!" e.g.?

25 Unimportant-sounding dessert

26 Novelist/poet Cisneros

27 Posthumous award?

28 Cause of death in many a murder mystery

29 Lampoon

31 Kidney-related

33 Montana, in the 1980s

34 "Let's get going!"

36 People who start arguments out of nowhere?

40 Metal in galvanization

41 Comes after

42 Embedded design

43 Stud fees?

45 Lighthearted movie

46 Painter Velázquez

48 Network that once advertised its prime-time block as "Must See TV"

51 Bygone car company that bore its founder's initials

52 City with views of the Mediterranean and Mount Carmel

54 Officers who woke up on the wrong side of the cot?

57 No longer plagued by

58 The "R" of the Bay Area's BART

59 Material for some suits

60 One who's unfaithful?

63 They're written in chess notation

64 Loose and flowing, as a dress

66 Unit of stamps

67 Felt bad

68 What's the holdup?

69 Soirees where people are dressed in their finest board shorts?

72 "Holy guacamole!"

73 Response to a breach of movie-theater etiquette

76 Airport monitor, for short

77 Supports

78 Island whose name rhymes with 72-Across

79 Chef's topper

81 ____ kebab

83 Tailors' measurements

85 Be awesome

86 Got 101 percent on an exam, say?

91 "Don't touch that ____!"

92 Really bothered

93 Stuntwoman Kitty known as "the fastest woman in the world"

94 One of a pair on the table

96 Hotheaded ones?

98 Site of a noted oracle

101 How a tandem bicycle is built

104 "Well, all right then"

105 Why someone might practice deep breathing every five minutes?

107 ____ Mae

108 Multiparagraph blog comment, maybe

109 Nit pick?

110 Celsius with a namesake temperature scale

111 Knit pick?

112 Intrigued by

17 "Don't worry, that only *looked* painful!"

18 Early acceptor of mobile payments?

19 Haughty looks

24 Doesn't go straight

28 Requiring a lot of attention, say

30 Go on a rampage

32 Off the beaten path

34 Industry magnate

35 "Hands off!"

37 Adidas competitor

38 A.O.C., e.g.

39 Grab (onto)

44 Any member of the Twelver branch of Islam

46 Hornswoggled

47 Author Murdoch played onscreen by Kate Winslet and Judi Dench

48 Faux pas

49 Begin to develop

50 Quartet that performed at Woodstock, for short

53 Revenue sources for podcasts

54 Squirrels away

55 "Good to go!"

56 Stand up at the altar

57 Biodiverse habitat

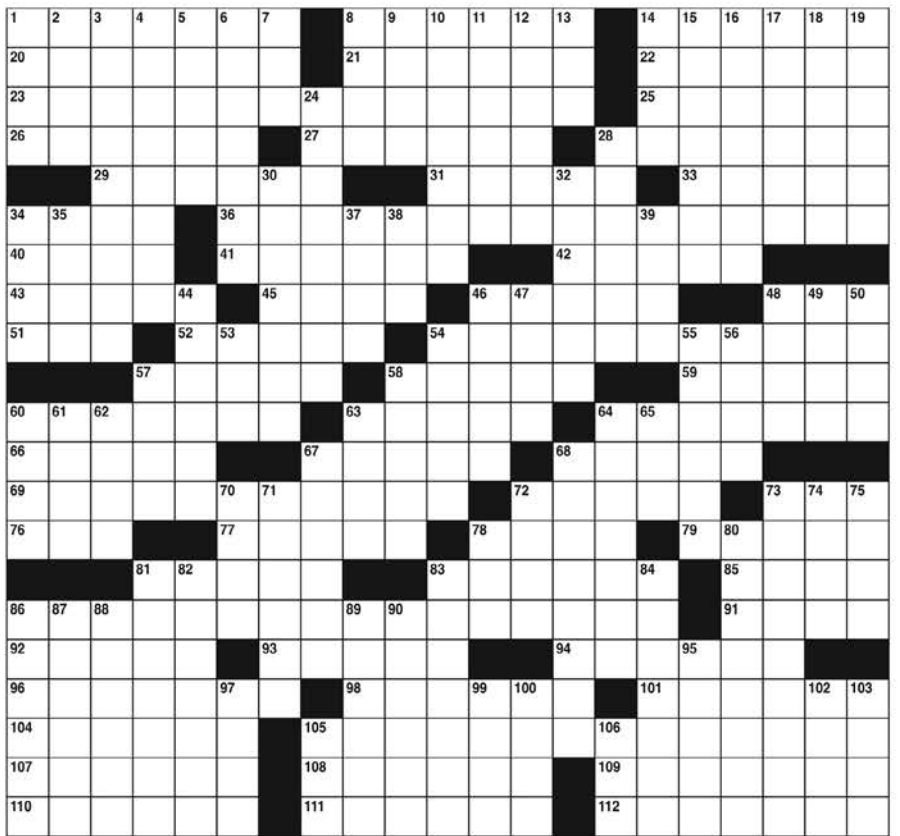
58 Gets going, so to speak

60 Abbr. that begins some entry-level job titles

61 Start of a conclusion

62 Goddess who cursed Echo to just repeat the words of others

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- 63 Ingredient that turns a Black Russian into a White Russian

64 Entrance

65 Roman triumvirate?

67 German city where Charlemagne was buried

68 Do a favor for a vacationing friend, maybe

70 Four for a grand slam, briefly

71 They often end on a low note
- 72 Many a Dickensian child

73 Water heater?

74 Polynesian performance

75 Last-eaten part of a loaf, often

78 Women's History Month: Abbr.

80 "Supplies are limited!"

81 Paste used for home repairs
- 82 Frequent result of wearing a bike helmet

83 Getting three square meals a day

84 Office worker

86 Appetizer often served with mint chutney

87 Pioneer Day celebrant

88 Like urban legends, again and again

89 Figure out

90 Only state capital that shares no letters with the name of its state
- 95 Animal whose genus name, Phascogaster, means "pouch bear"

97 What contacts contact

99 Zest

100 Cache

102 Direction for one who's been in Benin to go to Togo

103 Popular name for a black-and-white pet

105 W-2 ID

106 "How ____!"

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

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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Calendar

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

Thurs., June 18

LET'S LEARN MACRAME!
In Part 3 of 3, continue making the pieces you started in Part 1, 2:00 PM. Program is meant for adults. Registration closes 24 hours before the event begins: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6740885>

CREATIVE DOODLING FOR TEENS & TEENS (YOUTH)
Grab a pen and paper and get inspired to do some creative doodling with this course from Creativebug, 7:00 PM. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6778036>

Fri., June 19

ART STUDIO: GUSTAV AND BIRCH TREES
Brief bio of Gustav Klimt and an easy art project, 2:30 PM. Supplies needed: small canvas or paper taped to a piece of cardboard, cotton balls or Q-tips, yarn or thick string, tape, paint, black pen or marker, clothes pin (optional), rubber band (optional). This program is meant for youth. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6754090>

TRIMPER'S GREENMARKET
Fridays through Thanksgiving - Trimper's Rides, 700 S. Atlantic Ave., 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. The market will include all types of produce including mushrooms, fruits and vegetables as well as flowers and herbs. Farms interested in participating can apply online at www.trimperrides.com.

Sat., June 20

MANAGE YOUR WATER WORKSHOP
Learn how runoff from your property affects our streams and rivers and learn simple techniques to help reduce runoff, 10:00 AM. All are welcome to join the virtual workshop by registering by June 19 at stonegatehoasalisbury@gmail.com and a link to the Zoom meeting will be sent to participants.

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., June 21

THE BERLIN FARMERS MARKET
Sundays through Aug. 30 - Located on Pitts Street and Main Street, 9:00 AM -

1:00 pm. Special senior shopping time from 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM. www.berlin-mainstreet.com

Mon., June 22

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING
The meeting will be held via conference call, 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM. Dial 605-472-5789, wait for voice command, then press 944874. TOPS is a weekly support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. Berlin group No. 169. Rose Campion, 410-641-0157

FREE DRIVE-IN MOVIES
Mondays through Aug. 31 - Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 8:00 PM. 410-289-2800, ococean.com/events

Tues., June 23

RAISED BED GARDENING
Join Master Gardener Neelam Strom as she demonstrates and discusses the process of starting a raised bed garden, 10:30 AM. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6768154>. Registration closes 24 hours before the program begins. For those uncomfortable with Zoom, call in via the phone number on the Zoom link, use the Germantown number.

MIDDLE GRADES BOOK CLUB
The group will discuss the book Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater, 2:00 PM. Registration closes 24 hours prior to the event. Register: <https://worcersterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6758706>.

Wed., June 24

OCEAN CITY BLOOD DRIVE
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 9:00 AM - 2:15 PM. Make your appointment here: https://donate.bbd.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5955, use code OCCC. All presenting donors will receive a custom Blood Bank of Delmarva face mask. Blood donors and staff are asked to stay home if they are not feeling well.

OPEN AIR JOB FAIR
Sturgis Park Pavilion, River Street, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. More than 40 employers offering competitive wages, signing bonuses, flexible hours and more. Free to attend and no registration required. Come prepared to apply and interview. Social distancing in effect; wear face masks. Transportation resources on site. Training resources on site. Info: mpursel@co.worcester.md.us or 410-632-3110. For those unable to attend,

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ADULT VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB
The group will discuss "The Prettiest Star" by Carter Sickels, 5:30 PM. Registration ends 24 hours before the program begins. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6766577>.

BAY WISE LANDSCAPING WORKSHOP
Presented by Kate Patton, Executive Director of the Lower Shore Land Trust, 7:00 PM. All are welcome to join the virtual workshop by registering at stonegatehoasalisbury@gmail.com and a link to the Zoom meeting will be sent to participants.

ONGOING EVENTS

SUMMER READING FOR ADULTS 'IMAGINE YOUR STORY'
Through Aug. 21, earn badges for the grand prize of a \$100 Amazon gift card. Ways to earn badges include: read books; every second book review: Imagine your review and write outside the box; attend a virtual program; check out a library database; and write a letter to someone in an assisted living facility. Ask a Worcester County library staff member for details.

PROGRAMS ON FACEBOOK
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Participants are asked to do something fun outdoors, send a photo or video and tell how being out in the fresh air made you feel, how it improved your mental health. Hashtag your Facebook pictures/story post to #JessesVirtualPaddle2020, or send the message and the photos to weremember@jessespaddle.org. Tax-deductible donations can be sent payable to: "Jesse's Paddle," P.O. Box 1786, Berlin MD 21811, or click on the donate tab at the top of the www.jessespaddle.org home page. Donations can be made on Facebook, or at the Jesse's Paddle 2020 crowdfunding site. The link is on www.jessespaddle.org. The Jesse's Paddle Silent Auction is also available on the website. Bidding opens June 18 and ends July 18. This year's raffle featuring an Old Town Vapor 12XT solo kayak is online. Visit www.jessespaddle.org. click on Jesse's Paddle): <https://admin.charityauctionstoday.com/np/orgs/198826/auctions>



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GUEST AUTHOR
Diana McDonough, author of historical fiction books "Stuck in the Onesies" and "My Mother's Apprentice," signed copies of her work and talked about the writing process of her trilogy series during the Greyhound Indie Bookstore re-opening celebration last Saturday in Berlin.

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