



Williams seeking to retain position as Berlin mayor

Three-term incumbent will face two challengers in Oct.

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Incumbent Berlin Mayor Gee Williams, 71, has filed for re-election for a fourth consecutive term this week and is emphasizing his experience.

"The bottom line is that I have the experience necessary to do this job well," Williams said in a press release on Tuesday.

His decision to run for office again comes with a desire to build a 'Better Berlin,' he said.

"If we do not remain committed to this process, no matter how challenging, we will just end up being the sum total of random development and not benefit from any overall vision for Berlin," Williams said. "Unlike many small towns, we are not intimidated by change, we thrive on it."

The mayor perceives the election as an opportunity for Berlin citizens to vote to continue moving the town forward in the direction it has taken for several years, or to reverse the progress that has been made and miss the opportunities that are before the community.

Williams is running against District 2 Councilmember Zackery Tyn-dall and The Globe General Manager William "Bill" Todd.

According to the release, the mayor's objectives for another term are to preserve Berlin's charm and interpersonal connections while enhancing the local economy.

Williams hopes people will continue to embrace Berlin as a safe residence, but he wants to maintain a growth boundary to preserve the small town.

"First, with continued citizen involvement, I will continue to work for

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Gee Williams



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BIG JIM

Driver Randy Davis restarted weekly carriage rides with his horse, Big Jim, throughout downtown Berlin on June 30. Historic tours cost \$10 per person and begin on Pitts Street.

OPA workgroup will explore change to rental regulations

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Searching for means to reign in nuisance behaviors from a few short-term rentals in Ocean Pines, the board of directors last Wednesday unanimously rejected a motion to ban the practice, instead opting to explore the possibility of an amendment to the county's rental property regulations.

Director Frank Daly introduced a pair of motions regarding short-term



Doug Parks

rental properties that are advertised on web-based platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, Flipkey or Homeaway.

Daly's first pitch was a motion to develop language for amending association declaration of restrictions that vary to ban rentals of under a week. That approach would

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Viola reports May ends with good numbers

Despite challenges, OPA operations still in black

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The May financial report for the Ocean Pines Association showed a net operating profit of \$92,000, as revenue losses of roughly \$370,000 were countered by reductions in expenses, OPA General Manager John Viola reported last Wednesday.

In addition to reviewing profit and loss totals for May, Viola shared accounting details for potentially forgivable PPP funding during last Wednesday's board of directors meeting.

With the meeting held at the new Golf Clubhouse, Viola said net revenues dipped sharply from budget projections to open fiscal 2020/2021 this May.

"Obviously, with covid-19, our amenities weren't open on May 1," he said.

The unshuttering of amenities in May delayed hiring of seasonal staff, which when combined with other cost-cutting measures, dropped expenses that had been budgeted at \$1.175 million to just over \$712,000, or \$462,468 under projections.

"We didn't have our seasonal workers in place because we weren't open at certain times," he said.

Delving into specific department profit or loss totals that accounted for the \$92,117 positive net operating tally in May, Viola said the good financial performance in the Public Relations, Public Works and the Police departments were offset by losses at pool facilities.

"Aquatics, as you would expect, would be down because of the way we have to open," he said.

Finishing on the positive end of the

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Frank Daly



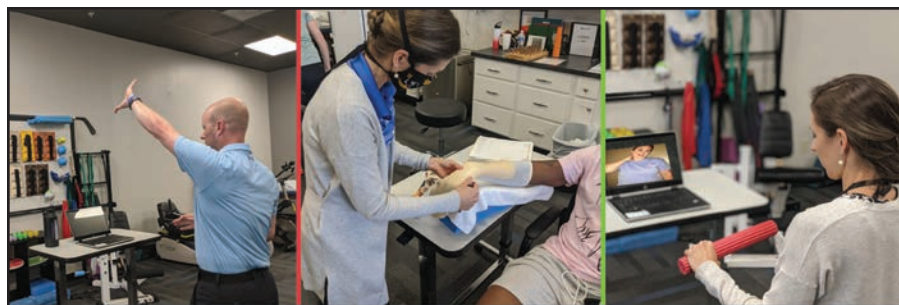
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Reduction in expenses help counter big drop in revenue

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financial scale during May were public relations at \$22,800, public works at \$38,500, police at \$14,500 and general maintenance at \$28,000.

Profit totals in May were offset by losses of \$99,800 in aquatics, \$79,300 in golf operations, \$146,200 for Beach Club parking, \$15,000 in racquet sports, plus \$14,000 for food and beverage facilities.

Viola was also quick to deflect credit while noting general administration ended May with a positive variance of \$336,100 over budget projections.

"We know I didn't generate that," he said.

Viola explained the \$1.143 million in Payroll Protection Program funding the OPA received following the onset of covid-19 in March padded the general administration figures.

"Every amenity, every department will have payroll [that] will stand-alone and ... be the actual numbers," he said. "In general administration as a top entry is where we booked the PPP as other income."

Viola said during May the OPA used nearly \$310,000 of the \$1.143 allotment for salaries and exemptible overhead expenses.

Director Frank Daly asked Viola if the PPP funding is likely to qualify for grant status or have to be repaid as a

low-interest loan.

"Under the original terms of the PPP, if we keep everybody on the payroll until June 21 that loan converted to a grant," he said.

While noting the June 21 deadline had been extended, Daly inquired about notification from the Small Business Association regarding loan forgiveness.

Viola said PPP protocols permit the funds to be accounted as other income if staffing levels are maintained.

"It gets forgiven each month as we utilize it, assuming that we have everybody employed," he said.

Viola said with PPP timelines now extended to 24 weeks, the OPA would potentially use the entire \$1.143 million allotted.

“Each time we record that other income, our loan payable goes down because that is a loan,” he said. “At the end of the day, assuming we use all of it [and] we kept everybody employed, per the agreement in the contract that loan should be forgiven.”

If the OPA does not qualify for loan forgiveness under the PPP program, Viola said the profit and loss picture would look significantly different.

"If that's the case, we would have to book an expense for that \$1.1.43 million and I would have a loan payable," he said. "That's pretty important and that's how it works for everybody."

Williams goes after fourth term

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incremental and sustainable growth that can be maintained and adapted with changing expectations, needs and economic conditions,” Williams said.

He is focused on establishing a vital business base in town.

"It is necessary for the Town of Berlin to continue to support our primary economic drivers, which are medical care, our steadily growing hospitality industry and our unique downtown boutique shopping and dining," the mayor said.

Williams added that it is important for the Town of Berlin “to remain a special destination community,” attracting residents and guests.

Berlin has been successful as a small town because it has a feel from another time with a 19th Century charm yet has updated to contemporary living, Williams said.

The mayor's other priorities are to encourage community support for investment in the Heron Park project, to plan and develop a community center at the former Flower Street School location and to move to the next tier in storm water utility improvements.

Williams said the town is working to upgrade the streets and sidewalks

this summer and to continue aggressive and effective marketing for events and special occasions.

“Everything Berlin has achieved has resulted from first believing in our town’s potential, then rolling up our sleeves and going to work,” Williams said in the release. “I am seeking reelection to ensure that this work to make Berlin better and better stays on course.”

Before his three terms as mayor, Williams was a local journalist for 30 years.

Then, he became the community relations director for nine Eastern Shore counties for the Maryland State Highway Administration. Later, he went on to serve as the director of marketing and development with the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

Williams was elected to the Berlin Town Council in 2003.

After then-Mayor Tom Cardinale died in 2008, Williams, who was the council vice-president, completed the term and has occupied the seat since.

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New trash cans and recycling cans in Berlin

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Four recycle cans and 26 trash cans were purchased for Downtown Berlin, according to Economic and Community Director Ivy Wells after the town received a grant through the Main Street Maryland Program.

“We received \$10,000 for the purchase of new trash cans and recycle cans for the downtown Main Street designated area and also for the cigarette butt recyclers located on various sign poles throughout downtown which were installed several months ago,” Wells said.

Wells applied for a Main Street Improvement grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development last year because there were not any recycling cans downtown.

“We also have a cigarette butt problem,” she added.

About \$1,700 of the grant was allocated to the cigarette butt recycling receptacles.

“We have a volunteer that goes around and collects those butts, and we send them in to a recycling plant for free, and they use them to make benches and other types of items that we can in turn earn points and be able to bring downtown,”

Wells said. “It doesn’t cost us anything.”

Wells has contracted a New Jersey recycling company called TerraCycle, which partners with many municipalities to recycle cigarette butts and other hard-to-recycle waste.

The nearly \$8,000 remaining went toward new trash cans to replace the existing over 12-year-old trash cans and add recycle cans from Toter. The cans were installed this week.

“Two years ago, we received that same grant to be able to purchase those downtown wayfinding signs that are all over downtown,” Wells said.

Berlin is one of 23 Main Street communities across the state.

As a designated Main Street neighborhood, Berlin can receive state and federal grants and loans, on-site design assistance and specialized training on topics specific to commercial revitalization, according to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development website.

“We are always looking for ways to become more ‘green’ and this is just an addition to the variety of initiatives that the town implements to keep us as ‘green’ as possible,” Wells said.

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Pines water quality concerns not alarming

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Although bacteria level water tests performed at the Ocean Pines Swim and Racquet Club's little beach area on July 3 were slightly above EPA guidelines, Assateague Coastkeeper Kathy Phillips said there's no cause for alarm.



Kathy Phillips

Phillips works with Assateague Coastal Trust to perform weekly water quality monitoring in the St. Martin River at the Racquet Club and 10 additional sites in the northern coastal bays and tributaries.

"The beach monitoring we do for our smartphone app is called the Swim Guide," she said.

Phillips said starting in 2010 weekly water test results for enterococci bacteria levels and other water-quality parameters at bayside recreation areas have been available online through the Swim Guide.

"When testing for enterococci, we're using EPA guidance [that] says if within a 100 ml sample the most probable number of ... bacteria is over 104, then that's considered elevated," she said. "This past week at the Swim and Racquet Club was at 108.4, so while it is over EPA's safe-swimming level, it's just so little elevated that there's really no cause for alarm."

Phillips said although water samples above 104 organisms per 100 ml warrant an advisory, EPA guidance distinguishes among levels of elevation.

"If you drill down into the [EPA] water-quality monitoring website and guidelines for brackish water, which is ... the northern coastal bays, even if you get up around 250 ... per ml that's not cause for super concern."

"The good thing is we were made aware of the slightly elevated bacteria levels at the little beach in front of Swim and Racquet," said OPA President Doug Parks. He added that association members should be made aware of the test results.

"It's the responsibility of those that are in charge ... that people are aware and they can make their own choices whether or not it's a safety issue," he said.

Phillips said bacteria levels detected in area waterways are traceable to land sources.

"Enterococci is a gut bacteria ... coming from ... dog waste that isn't picked up from people's yards and it gets pushed into the canals," she said.

Phillips said the Swim and Racquet Club is downstream from many canal-side homes.

"There's a lot of properties up there and most of them are just lawn straight down to the bulkhead," she said.

Phillips said most homes near the Racquet Club lack vegetative buffer zones.

"By planting a vegetative buffer along



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Slightly elevated enterococci bacteria levels were detected in the waters off the Ocean Pines Swim and Racquet Club's beach area on July 3.

their bulkhead, that helps filter what's coming off [the] lawn," she said. "It helps filter out the nutrients, but it also helps to filter out any bacteria."

Phillips said pet owners living in waterfront communities should be especially diligent about removing pet waste, which will not just disappear into the lawn but instead disappears into the water.

"If they're not picking up after their dogs [when] it rains, that's getting washed off into the canal," she said.

In terms of water recreation, Phillips said the elevated bacteria levels recorded at the Racquet Club last Friday would

not trigger the Worcester County Health Department to issue a swim advisory.

"If we were talking numbers say above 400, now that might be cause to think twice before going in swimming," she said.

Speaking on Tuesday, Parks said his grandchildren had just made use of the Swim and Racquet Club beach the day before.

"I told them don't drink any of the water," he said. "Keep your mouth shut."

Phillips said good guidance for water recreation, especially if bacteria levels are slightly elevated, includes showering with fresh water after returning to shore.

"If we someday had a number of 400 or higher ... make sure you don't have any open cuts or sores when you go in the water," she said. "If you are floating on the water on a raft you want to ... take a hot soapy shower, not just rinse off with clean water, and clean your equipment."

Phillips said detailed water testing data is available online at actforbays.org/data.

"I think it is fantastic that people are paying more attention to water quality and are taking an interest in the waterway that they like to recreate in," she said. "They will become educated about what they can do to protect that waterway."

Weekly test results are online at theswimguide.org/affiliates/assateague-coastal-trust/

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OP inches toward digital messaging signs

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The OPA Communication Advisory Committee's efforts to upgrade more than a dozen manually updated community signs took another step forward last Wednesday after the board approved a zoning amendment application with Worcester County.

Director Dr. Colette Horn reported during the board meeting that existing county zoning regulations would require an OPA-only exception.

"All this does is change the text of

the law," she said. "Once that text is changed it's encoded."

The Communication Advisory Committee began discussions with sign vendors last September about moving up to digital signs from the outdated letter board versions.

"The county would prefer we move forward because they're not in favor of the (letter board) signs that we have now," Horn said. "They would like to see those signs replaced with something that, in their view, is safer in terms of traveling up and down the roads."

OPA President Doug Parks said the board decision under consideration would permit the amendment application process to proceed, which includes a \$350 processing fee.

"That doesn't mean we're going to actually purchase the signs ... but we will have the proper governance from the county to move forward should we decide to do so," he said.

The board voted 6-0 to approve the amendment application, with Director Camilla Rogers not present due to an excused absence.



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The OPA Board voted in favor of applying for a sign zoning amendment from Worcester County.

Recruiting OP Fire/EMS volunteers tasking

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department continues to face staffing and operational obstacles because of demographics, training requirements and covid-19.

Career Capt. Harvey Booth said the fire department has adhered to coronavirus-related health protocols issued by the Center for Disease Control and the Maryland Institute of Emergency Medical System.



Harvey Booth

"Between the CDC and MIEMS they said, 'When you come to work ... if you have any symptoms, don't come to work,'" he said.

Booth said ill fire fighters are advised to contact a supervisor in lieu of reporting for duty, with members not experiencing symptoms required to perform temperature checks upon arrival. Temperatures are monitored twice more during shifts.

The global health challenge has also placed a newfound importance on personal protective equipment.

"We [previously] only ever wore a N-95, or a mask at all many times, if we had a patient we suspected of having tuberculosis or if we ... were going to spray blood all over ourselves," he said. "Now on every single call we are making sure we wear a mask."

While fire and EMS members have traditionally donned gloves on calls, masks and gowns were not typically in the mix.

"We rarely wore masks but we really were careful about protecting our eyes," he said.

said.

While prepared to employ a N-95 mask if deemed appropriate, Booth said surgical masks cost less and are easier to acquire.

"We will always wear a mask on every single call," he said.

Both also credited Royal Plus Electric Owner Mark Odachowski for recently donating helmet-style face shields to the Ocean Pines Fire Department.

"We have enough for all our guys," he said.

Booth said fire responses, while still rapid, now involve an extra degree of caution.

"If we do have a patient who is suspicious, we put on a gown before we go in their house," he said. "We used to rush right in ... but now we stop at the front door and say, 'What's going on, who's in here, what symptoms do you have or do you have a fever.'"

Booth said a slowed approach is the essential operational adjustment.

"We are just much, much more cautious about protecting ourselves, and our crew then we were in the past," he said.

Besides current coronavirus considerations for fire department operations, President Dave Van Gasbeck said retaining the

current crew of 50 volunteers and roughly a dozen full- and part-time firefighter or paramedics remains a challenge.

"About 38 percent of people in the community are above 65 and firefighting ... is obviously a young person's business," he said.

Attracting volunteers under the age of 50 has traditionally proven difficult in Ocean Pines.

"We have challenges getting younger people in," he said. "The biggest is people from their 30s to 50s because they're the ones that are raising a family and doing the

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OPA board working on change to rental regs

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require a majority vote by association membership.

“The number of homeowner complaints and number of homeowners that subscribe to these rental programs makes this a communitywide issue that justifies a referendum vote,” he said.

Daly said the number of online short-term rentals have continued to proliferate in Ocean Pines.

“Worcester County has enacted recent legislation regulating and requiring registration of these properties in a largely voluntary program that lacks funding for enforcement,” he said.

Daly said discussions with Worcester County officials when they were developing their rental regulations last year, indicated that an amendment specific to Ocean Pines would be considered if requested.

The outcome of a referendum vote to ban short-term rentals would provide the board guidance if the text amendment route has community backing.

Director Tom Janasek, however, balked at the referendum suggestion because the topic was primarily tied to a property on Abbyshire Road that led a special board meeting on June 23.

“We’re basing it on some properties in the Pines that are blatantly disregarding the rules that the county has put forth last year in order to make sure that this doesn’t happen with rentals, period ... not just short term,” he said. “Not all short-term rentals are as derelict as the one we’ve been discussing for the last two weeks.”

Janasek said the board’s involvement at this point should be limited to recent conversations among members and with county officials.

“If you look at what we’ve done and Steve [Tuttle] has done ... in the last

two weeks we’ve gotten the zoning enforcement agency of the county to actually get off their butts and come and go after these people,” he said.

Janasek also questioned the lack of county funding for enforcement of short-term licensing requirements.

“They’re funded by the \$200 per rental unit in Worcester County [and] the number’s got to be over 10,000 rental units,” he said. “To say that they lack funding for enforcement, as far as I’m concerned, I don’t believe it.”

Janasek said the right path of action for the board and OPA members is working with Worcester officials.

“We’ve done the right thing by going to the county and saying, ‘This is your law, you made it [and] its time to start enforcing it,’” he said.

Janasek opposed banning short-term rentals, based in part on associated costs to stage a referendum vote, and because it could thwart community development.

“There are a lot of people that come into Ocean Pines that aren’t ready to retire yet,” he said. “They’re buying some of these derelict homes ... fixing them up and renting them for a couple of years until they can retire.”

Janasek said a short-term rental restriction could inhibit future community members from establishing residency, while acknowledging other sentiments exist among online property agents.

“Yes, there are people on the complete opposite side that are doing it just for financial gain,” he said.

Daly also proposed a motion to develop a referendum question regarding stricter regulations for short-term rentals and whether the board should ask the county for an amendment specific to Ocean Pines.

“The reason for two is both could be accepted, rejected or people could

choose one over the other,” he said.

Daly said even though only a handful of the roughly 180 Ocean Pines properties advertising short-term rentals, the Abbyshire Road residence has been a nuisance to neighbors for three years.

“The problems have been large and ongoing for surrounding homes,” he said. “Currently, no restrictions or enforcement mechanism exists at the Ocean Pines or county levels to affect a rapid solution,” he said.

Daly said unlike Worcester’s municipalities, such as Ocean City, Berlin or Snow Hill, Ocean Pines is a homeowners association and has no zoning authority.

Director Dr. Colette Horn said the topic deserves further research, adding, “The text amendment would be preferable because it would provide universal coverage in Ocean Pines as to what the regulations are,” she said.

Horn said any text amendment language developed should also address sub-leased properties.

“We’re two-degrees removed from the source of anybody that we have reach to influence,” she said.

Director Larry Perrone said limiting online rentals based on time of stay would fail to address the issues raised by neighbors on Abbyshire Road.

“Even in talking to the homeowners on the property we’ve been dealing with, they were not concerned about the length of time of the rentals but with the number of people,” he said.

Timely enforcement was the larger concern cited by Perrone.

“I do agree we need to do something to try and get control of the properties that are out of control,” he said. “The issue is the number of people and vehicles, and that leads to the

amount of trash and ultimately noise problems,” he said.

OPA President Doug Parks also expressed doubts about a rental ban.

“We can’t just mandate that everybody is going to be a bad renter,” he said.

Parks said the text amendment path could allow the Ocean Pines Police Department to enforce county regulations.

“It would allow an immediacy of action,” he said.

Parks, who noted that the OPA Declaration of Restrictions includes language concerning disturbances, said a board workgroup consisting of Daly, Tuttle and Camilla Rodgers has already begun investigating the rental topic.

“The county clearly defined what constitutes a bedroom and occupancy limits based on square footage,” he said.

Tuttle, who proposed the work group continue delving into matters, said parking and excessive trash are two primary issues of concern surrounding short-term rentals.

“If residents are living next door to a problem property, let us know so we can take it to the county,” he said.

Horn said any text amendments developed should not be limited to rental properties.

“I don’t think these problem behaviors are limited to rentals,” she said. “There are people who own property ... and don’t always use it responsibly.”

Horn also proposed in lieu of holding a referendum, community sentiment could be determined by polling or holding a town hall meeting.

Parks said the discussion had yielded further insights for the work group to weigh, with a subsequent vote on the initial motion to consider banning short-term rentals defeated 6-0.

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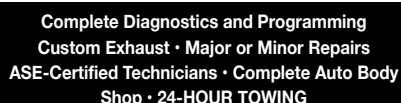
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Viola updates amenity openings, repair list

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Along with reviewing amenity openings as covid-19 safety restrictions are lifted, OPA General Manager John Viola updated the association's board of directors last Wednesday on the offseason maintenance tasks completed by the Public Works department.

Viola said as recreation activities gradually resume in Ocean Pines, the initial reports have been positive.

"The golf course has already been opened and racquet sports," he said. "All parks and playgrounds are open except for the White Horse Park basketball courts."

Viola said Director of Recreation and Parks Debbie Donahue and staff are proceeding to launch sports and summer camps during July, with an eye on health safety mandates.

"The camps in general have started [and] they're doing well," he said.



John Viola

Viola said camp staff is following all CDC and Maryland Heath Department guidelines, with association attorney Jeremy Tucker reviewing plans prior to reopening amenities or facilities.

"All actions are run by legal [and] that's on me," he said.

Viola said, in much the same light, Ocean Pines aquatics facilities are now open at limited capacity.

"There was limited occupancy [because] obviously rules from Gov. [Larry Hogan] and limited hours due to lower staffing," he said.

Viola noted aquatics exercise classes are resuming with reduced sizes starting July 6.

Floating over to marinas, Viola said water-based operations have been sailing along since the resumption of

recreational boating in Maryland.

"I'm getting good numbers from the marina," he said. "That is doing well, all things considered."

While still under last year totals by about \$32,000, marina fuel sales in May topped \$51,000, Viola said.

Looking at golf operations, Viola said covid-19 restrictions have affected cart usage more than anything else, with players having been turned away at times.

Viola said while revenue from golf memberships dropped more than \$15,000 in May from last year, the yet-to-be completed numbers from this June should make up for that.

"The good thing is when you look at June, which ... we've already done, it's favorable to last year," he said.

Viola said a similar rebound is not inconceivable for pool facilities and

Beach Club parking, which finished May roughly \$99,000 and \$146,000 under budget projections respectively.

"I'm hoping that would happen in aquatics too," he said. "When I give you the June numbers you will see some of that is coming back."

Director Tom Janasek, while noting the board packet included mention of work items recently completed by Public Works, inquired about establishing a checklist for facilities.

"When I ran [for the board] last year, we spoke about a preventive maintenance list," he said. "Just to keep ahead rather than having it flood in all at one time."

Viola said Public Works and CPI Director Eddie Wells is working with Amenities and Operational Logistics Colby Phillips to develop just such a

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Dolle's Candyland sign approved

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should match the door.

The architectural design depicts an overhang on the roof of the garage, which does not exist. Poli added that this will not change because the Gaugers already put a new roof on the garage.

In addition, the windows currently are not full divided light windows as drawn.

Councilmember Mary Moore characterized the design as "very commercial."

Councilmember Laura Stearns argued that the garage is too contemporary for the style of the main house.

"Here's what I was trying to get across the last time. The problem that I have with it is that it does not go with the house in front of it," Stearns said. "The house in front is a Craftsman."

Stearns said the garage should have white windows to match the style of the house.

The commission agreed that the windows should be painted white and approved the submitted drawings.

Following the approval of the garage plans, the commission unanimously approved the proposed sign for the first Dolle's Candyland in Berlin at 1 S. Main Street Unit B.

The round hanging sign will be 30-by-30 inches and painted green. It will be attached to the exterior brick wall with a 39.5-inch black bracket.

During the time for comments from the commissioners, Moore asked what action can be taken to avoid having another couple, like the Gaugers, unaware that they purchased a house within the historic district.

Planning Director David Engelhart said it would require a text amendment to the town code to require Realtors to inform potential homebuyers about what is within the historic district.

Engelhart said he will contact the Coastal Association of Realtors, so all listing agents in the area must disclose such information as part of standard procedures or bylaws.

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Berlin informs residents about pollination

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Berlin might have observed National Pollinator Week from June 22-28, but the buzz in town was toned down somewhat by the distancing requirements necessitated by the efforts to curtail the spread of covid-19.

As a Bee City USA affiliate, the town did everything it could safely do to educate the public about the link between pollinators and a healthy planet.

Town Administrator Jeff Fleetwood said during the June 22 Town Council meeting that Berlin would have fun facts about pollination in the shop windows and on social media in lieu of public events.

Economic & Community Development Director Ivy Wells said people could also obtain information about creating pollinator gardens at the Welcome Center as well as via social media posts.

The Town of Berlin Maryland Facebook page shared a digital booklet from U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service about attracting pollinators to gardens.

The use of native flowering plants will attract a variety of pollinators such as hummingbirds, bumble bees, soldier beetles, hummingbird moths and butterflies.

Bee City Designation Committee members Mike and Helen Wiley's daughter, Stacey Wildberger, published a blog post on the Cape Conservation Corps website on June 23, which highlighted the importance of planting for specific pollinators.

"Many species have developed a specialist relationship with a particular family or even species of plant for life sustaining purposes," she wrote. "Without having their particular plant species, they will not survive. There are generalist species that can feed on a wild variety of plants while the specialists are limited to specific

plants."

Wildberger designed the pollinator garden on her parents' property in Berlin with swamp milkweed for butterflies, native honeysuckle for hummingbirds as well as serviceberry and black-eyed susans for bees.

Currently, there are public pollinator gardens at Henry Park, Heron Park, Stephen Decatur Park and the town's spray irrigation site.

To protect pollinators, gardeners should avoid the use of pesticides. Rather, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service advises creating a diverse garden habitat

for natural pest control.

Pollination is essential to the food system and has many environmental benefits.

According to the U.S. Forest Service, pollinators are vital to more than 150 food crops in the U.S., including blueberries, wild strawberries, apples, oranges, squash, tomatoes, sunflower seeds and almonds.

In addition, pollination's role in producing healthy plants helps to provide clean air, purer water and preventing erosion.

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

Viola reviews Pines amenity plans

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"You're right and we do have it," he said. "They actually do have a report we can provide."

The list of offseason repairs at the Beach Club included replacing kitchen exhaust fans and sinks, water repairs, servicing equipment and removing an old palm tree.

Other improvements were completed at the Racquet Sports Center on Manklin Creek Road, which included installing new toilets and repairing a significant water leak.

"There has been a situation down there where there needed to be repairs to the chain-link fences," he said.


Viola said concrete work at the Racquet Sports Center is on track for completion within two weeks.

Public Works also recently wrapped up servicing equipment and repairing AC units at the Yacht Club.

"There was a situation that the team fixed ... with the HVAC system," he said.

Viola also expressed thanks to OPA members for exhibiting continued patience and understanding as reopening of amenities and facilities inches forward.

"Overall ... all the updates I've received ... have been positive," he said. "Thank you to all the members of Ocean Pines who worked to make it a success."



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OP Library garden set for revamp during fall

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) Although plans are on hold until fall, modifications are on tap for the Ocean Pines Library Memorial Garden, which has been revamped over the past few years.

Worcester County Library Director Jennifer Ranck said the Ocean Pines branch, which opened in 1999, was funded in part through the sale of memorial bricks that were installed just outside the entrance.

“Out of that space grew a garden with hydrangea bushes and flowing plants

around that brick area,” she said. “It’s kind of grown from there.”

In recent years, a handful of master gardeners, under the guidance of Ginny Rosenkranz with the University of Maryland Extension, have made numerous improvements and reinvigorated the location.

Rosenkranz, the Commercial Horticulture Extension Educator for Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset Counties, also serves as the Master Gardener Coordinator and coordinates an annual Master Gardener Training Program.

Sandy Kelley, one of Rosenkranz’s

protégés, got involved at the site in Aug. 2018 after recognizing the area required attention.

“Normally, there are plant clinics on Tuesdays at the Ocean Pines Library,” she said. “It started because I walked out of one of them into the garden and thought, ‘Wow, this looks like an area of need.’”

Kelley, along with gardening associate Elena Ake, approached the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library to approve their vision and lend financial backing.

“They funded us and they’ve been wonderful collaborators,” she said.

After spending a few months working

the soil, in Oct. 2018 the area was closed while a new roof and gutter system were installed and remained fenced off until April 2019.

“That was the first one. We started cleaning it up and had been putting in some new plants and putting designs together,” she said. “That was short-lived.”

Kelley said a handful of master gardeners trained by Rosenkranz resumed their work that May.

Ranck said after the building improvements were completed, problems arose with the outside growth.

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Kiwanis members hope to attract fresh faces

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be an Indian,” she said. “Some people like running things and some people don’t, so it’s a question of capitalizing of peoples’ abilities.”

Along with a variety of volunteer opportunities, newly minted members tend to appreciate social elements tied to working alongside like-minded individuals, McAllorum said.

“Most of what we’re doing is local in nature and it’s helping right here around you,” she said. “Even though we’re an international organization the focus for each club is giving back to your local community.”

Despite current social distancing restrictions from covid-19, the group sponsored a weekly food drive to support Diakonia, with face mask-clad members on hand to collect donations outside the Ocean Pines Community Center the past four Wednesdays.

Landis said the outpouring of support has been impressive.

“We’ve been getting a couple carful’s every week,” he said.

Landis said the food drive would likely be paused for now, but could be resumed soon, depending on future developments.

“We may ... try to do it again sometime later this summer,” he said.

Other Kiwanis pursuits this year, such as a “Pancake Breakfast” originally slated for July are also on hold at the moment.

“We’re still waiting to hear if the Asateague Room would be available, what the capacity could be and could you have a buffet line,” he said.

Landis said the breakfast fundraising effort is tentatively set for September if social-distancing mandates are lifted.

“We usually have another one in November,” he said.

The club’s financial hurdles have mounted after more than a dozen hot dog fundraising efforts have been sidelined this year.

“We always do a lot with a hotdog sales at a lot of the community events,” he said. “The biggest one we usually have is the [Ocean Pines] craft show that they cancelled.”

Creative measures are being adopted to compensate for that revenue loss, including a lottery raffle in September.

“We had to do that because we’re stuck right now and we can’t do a lot of our food fundraisers,” McAllorum said.

Tied to the Maryland’s daily straight pick-3, the new Kiwanis yearlong lottery campaign will include 1,000 tickets numbered from 000-999 for \$20 a pop.

“It’s \$20 a piece and you have 365 chances to win because that number’s good all year from the pick 3 daily number at night,” Landis said. “That number’s dead when somebody buys it ... so you no longer have it available.”

While winning numbers pay a \$20

minimum, there are also 17 holiday prize pots of higher amounts.

“If you hit that special day, you get even more money,” Landis said. “The biggest prize would be on Christmas of \$250.”

Noting the odds of winning are significantly higher than typical drawings, Landis said the goal is raising \$10,000 to fund Kiwanis campaigns.

“We really need this one and we came up with it because we need to get something done,” he said. “There’s no way we’re going to be able to pay out scholarships, and things that we usually fund with schools, if we don’t have any income.”

Landis said members formed the Kiwanis Foundation in 1999 to establish a permanent endowment to support charitable undertakings, including scholarships for top performing area high school graduates.

After thinking outside the box to sponsor foster service projects following the covid-19 onset, Kiwanis members are hoping to maintain fundraising levels through the end of its fiscal year on September 30.

“We’re going to meet all our obligations this year to pay out but in October when our New Year starts, our incoming president, Steve Cohen, is going to be challenged with the amount of money that’s left to keep things running right,” Landis said. “We’ll figure it out and, hopefully, this annual lottery raffle might be the savior for us.”

Regardless of having to shift plans for a 40th anniversary celebration, Landis said the larger mission remains focused on attracting younger members to carry the Kiwanis legacy forward.

“There’s not that many of us and we are always in need of new blood,” he said.

Landis said involvement in service clubs like Kiwanis has steadily declined, noting that while the group previously garnered more than 130 members, those totals have trended downward to roughly 50 presently.

Chinn concurred that service clubs overall are struggling to attract fresh faces and perspectives.

“It’s just not easy [and] people are not interested as much as back in 1996 when I joined,” he said. “We have some youngsters that stay for a year and then they’re gone.”

Landis encourages civic-minded community members interested in continuing the Kiwanis Club’s mission of “serving the children” to consider joining the ranks.

“You could join us and be the future of the club,” he said. “Kids need Kiwanis and Kiwanis needs you.”

Further information is available online at kiwanisofopoc.org or by visiting the Kiwanis Club of Ocean Pines-Ocean City Facebook page.

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Further modifications are on tap later this year for the Ocean Pines Library Memorial Garden, which is under the purview of a handful of master gardeners trained by Ginny Rosenkranz with the University of Maryland Extension.

Rosenkranz trains volunteers

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“After that work was done, we had a little bit of standing water in one part of the area,” she said.

Corrective actions performed last fall included re-grading the slope and removing several trees.

"We had some trees we had to remove because the leaves were getting into the gutter and that wasn't working properly," she said. "We removed trees that were probably too close to the building."

Kelley said the area in question included a huge swath of garden that had run along the long length of the library building.

"They had a pipe problem and things were getting backed up," she said. "There were four large trees that were removed because, apparently, the roots wrapped around the existing pipes."

The entire section was sodded with shrubbery and trees removed.

"There was a huge tree and it was buckling the brick," she said.

Kelley and associates subsequently provided input to county officials to address the issues.

"We gave them our suggestions for the trees, and they did try to save several of the shrubs and bushes that were removed," she said. "I was told they would

be digging some new beds to hold over these plants.”

Kelley said at this point there are two beds remaining with plants installed.

"They created a new one that runs parallel out in back with some of the plants that they dug out to keep them alive," she said. "We've given them suggestions as to the trees to return that are much smaller in size and would still give a canopy."

Kelley said for now the master gardeners work remains on hold.

"We're on a pause and we've been told to hold our breath," she said. "The master gardeners are only going to be weeding and not designing, cleaning or planting and we were told we probably weren't needed until the fall."

Ranck said the gardeners have done a stellar job of maintaining the area.

"We have a nice area now and we have a lovely volunteer garden group that we'll work with in the fall when it's a better planting season," she said.

Kelley said her group is excited to resume work on the remembrances garden later this year.

"Obviously, they're going to need to put some more trees back in there because they need the canopy as it would be hot as blazes in that garden otherwise," she said.

Pines Community Church's Sarah's Pantry soldiers on

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The Community Church At Ocean Pines outreach ministry, which helped alleviate food shortages with its Sarah's Pantry operation throughout the coronavirus shutdown, has reopened its Shepherd's Nook Thrift Shop and Flea Market in limited capacity.

Pantry manager Marian Bickerstaff said in addition to amended operations for food donations and distribution since mid-March, the ministry's other outreach efforts have resumed in recent weeks.

“Sarah’s Pantry was in operation through the entire pandemic,” she said. “The thrift store and flea market, our retail entities, had to be closed along with other stores.”

Bickerstaff said the doors at Shepherd's Nook reopened, with health-safety guidelines in place, as Maryland rolled back more pandemic restrictions

"The Shepherd's Nook store and the flea market is open now too, and they have changed their procedures as well," she said.

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Ghost tours offer history of Eastern Shore

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The Chesapeake Ghosts Tours has resumed its tours in Ocean City and Berlin for the seventh year.

“I started the tours because I wrote a book about the haunted Eastern Shore, and I did a Facebook page for it. It was just very, very popular,” said Mindie Burgoyne, owner and founder of the touring company and author of the “Haunted Shore” series.

After more than a year of declining requests to do tours, Burgoyne finally decided to respond to the local demand.

“We were very successful right off because of that demand,” she added. “There’s nothing like it. There really aren’t any regular weekly tours on the shore.”

With a limited staff, more than half of the ghost walk tours have been discontinued this year.



Mindie Burgoyne

“We are in 11 towns, but we’re only doing four towns right now,” Burgoyne said. “That’s Ocean City and Berlin and then St. Michael’s and Cambridge.”

Also because of covid-19, the tour groups are limited to 10 people, including the tour guide.

“People that came together can stand together, but they have to socially distance at least six feet from any other group [on the tour],” Burgoyne said. “They just have to stand apart from each other, and they’re willing to do that, but the guide has to kind of manage that.”

“And if the governor’s orders lift and allow us to do more than 10 people, then we’ll start expanding as the demand grows,” Burgoyne continued. “We’ll

open up our other towns, and we’ll go back to doing it how we used to.”

Typically, each tour group has 20-25 people, she said.

Masks are not required because the tours are outdoors, but participants are invited to wear masks if it makes them more comfortable.

The Ocean City Ghost Walk includes stops such as the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, Trimper’s Rides, The Crying Indian and the Plim Plaza.

Burgoyne added that the properties vary per tour.

The nighttime 1.5-mile walk runs between the inlet and Fourth Street in the historic district.

One walk begins at the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum at the southern end of the Boardwalk and the other starts at Shenanigans on Fourth Street. They are the same tour but in op-

posite directions.

“It’s a great storytelling experience,” Burgoyne said. “It’s a great visitor experience. It’s something different they can do.”

The Berlin Ghost Walk is also about 1.5 miles.

While standing outside properties, such as the Atlantic Hotel, St. Paul’s Graveyard and the Calvin B. Taylor Bank, haunting stories are recounted and unexplained events are shared.

Sightings on the town’s Main Street include the famous Ned France and a soldier in uniform walking near Pitts Street, according to the Chesapeake Ghosts website.

In addition, the Atlantic Hotel reportedly has five ghost stories associated with it and ghostly activity is said to occur at the establishment.

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Sarah’s Pantry volunteers remain on point

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avirus.

“The pantry used to have people come in, and we would fill their order from a form they fill out inside the building,” she said.

Bickerstaff said that process was

switched in March to phone-in procedures.

“We’re doing business differently,” she said. “Now what we’re doing is posting our phone number on the door and asking them to remain in their car while they make the phone call.”

Orders are then filled by pantry volunteers and brought outside to waiting vehicles with no physical contact.

Bickerstaff, who had concerns about getting enough food to meet client needs earlier this year, was surprised by the flood of support from individuals and businesses.

“The generosity of our community — if there’s anything that’s blown me away, it’s that,” she said.

Besides the backing from congregation members and the general public, support was lent by Food Lion, Wawa and Mountaire Farms.

“We’ve had businesses and people drop off checks and food,” she said.

Last year, Sarah’s Pantry dispersed more than 100,000 pounds of food to an average of 300 clients monthly, largely through a referral program with Worcester County.

“We’re serving the whole county and we did that the entire time,” she said. “We have a pantry that operates pretty much on referrals from agencies, but we would never turn anyone away that’s hungry.”

Bickerstaff said in many instances pantry staff provide clients information about additional county services that could be of assistance.

“We actually share food with other food banks,” she said. “We’ve had volunteers who have been driving to Pocomoke, where the need is really great, and sharing some of the food down there.”

Much to her amazement, Bickerstaff said numerous residents contacted the pantry during the outbreak to volunteer their services.

“The biggest surprise to me was getting phone calls from people wanting to help,” she said.

The now reopened Shepherd’s Nook Thrift Shop and Flea Market, in addition to limiting the number of consumers allowed inside at one time, has instituted other health-safety practices.

“They are asked to have their temperature taken at the door and they must wear a facemask,” she said.

The precautions carry further significance due to the adjacent children’s daycare at the Little Lambs Learning Center.

“We need to be extremely careful of what we do here and how it could affect the children,” she said.

Both Sarah’s Pantry and Shepherd’s Nook are open Wednesdays-Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

For more information contact Sarah’s Pantry at 410-641-8392.



Sarah’s Pantry volunteers, from left, manager Marian Bickerstaff, Carlyn Crout and Sidney Ward sort through food donations, while adhering to pandemic safety guidelines to maintain operations at the Community Church At Ocean Pines outreach ministry. The pantry is stocked with an assortment of items. PHOTO COURTESY JOSH DAVIS

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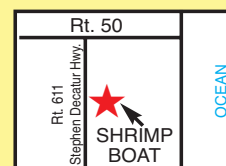
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Mixed greens 7

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Shaved red onion, chopped egg, bacon, cherry tomatoes, cheddar cheese, creamy peppercorn dressing 10

ADD TO ANY SALAD

crab cake 14 grilled chicken 6
grilled shrimp 10 grilled mahi 11

STARTERS

WINGS10
BONELESS BITES 10

All served with your choice of our signature sauces:
Old Bay Dusting, Buffalo, Jerk Honey Mustard, Honey Sriracha Sweet Chili Glaze, Mild Buffalo

CLAM CASINO
1/2 dozen middle neck clams, andouille sausage, herb cheese crust, grilled lemon 12

CONCH FRITTERS
served with caribbean spiced remoulade 12

JUMBO SOFT PRETZEL
Fresh baked, served with house made German honey mustard 9
Add Crab Dip 8

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES
Flash fried with crab remoulade served on top of baby arugula 16

CRISPY BRUSSEL SPROUTS
Flash fried, ginger soy glaze, mandarin oranges, toasted almonds 10

BRIE & BACON OYSTERS
Baked with triple cream baked brie cheese, crispy bacon, balsamic glaze 13

BAKED CRAB DIP
Cheesy crab dip served in a sourdough bread bowl, crispy tortilla chips 17

PEEL AND EAT SHRIMP
Hot out of the steamer and dusted with Old Bay 12 1/2lb / 19 1lb

OYSTERS ON THE HALF SHELL
Served with cocktail sauce and lemon 1/2 Dozen 10 Full Dozen 19

MUSSELS FRA DIAVLO
1lb of mussels in a spicy marinara sauce with shaved romano cheese, garlic toast 15

KOREAN SHORT RIBS
Peanut butter whiskey infused, Asian slaw, soy glaze. 13

LOBSTER TOTS
Old Bay cream, pot pie vegetables, lobster, aged white cheddar cheese, parsley, Old Bay 19

ENTREES

CRAB CAKE
Old Bay, cheddar, Yukon Gold mashed potatoes, broccoli, carrots, cauliflower and red pepper coulis 24

NOT YOUR MAMA'S MEATLOAF
Chef's blend of meats and seasonings, Yukon Gold mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans 16

FILET MIGNON
seasoned and grilled, with a fingerling potato and asparagus hash, and a truffle cream sauce 32

FISH AND CHIPS
Beer battered Alaskan pollock, chips, coleslaw, grilled lemon, classic tartar sauce 17

SUMMER BOIL BASKET
Steamed middle neck clams, mussels, shrimp, corn, potatoes, andouille sausage, white wine broth, garnished with a baguette 26

LOBSTER RAVIOLI
With crab meat, red onion, spinach, oven roasted tomatoes in a pesto cream sauce 28

BUFFALO RIBEYE
12oz grilled ribeye glazed with house made buffalo sauce. Served with scratch made blue cheese Mac & Cheese and green beans 32

MAHI MAHI
Grilled or Cajun seared with shrimp creole sauce over creamy cheddar grits and asparagus 28

CARIBBEAN CHICKEN
House smoked ½ chicken with caribbean glaze BBQ served with red beans and rice with asparagus 21

CHIPOTLE WHISKEY BRISKET
House smoked brisket served with Gouda mashed potatoes and green beans 25

CAULIFLOWER STEAK
Pan seared pesto rubbed with sautéed spinach and crimini mushrooms, over an oven roasted tomato sauce 18

CAJUN PASTA
Blackened chicken with onions, peppers, asparagus and penne pasta tossed in a cajun cream sauce 20

FLATBREADS

BLACK AND BLUE
Blackened chicken breast, blue cheese crumbles, caramelized onions, black cherry balsamic glaze 12

MARGHERITA
Oven roasted tomatoes, fresh basil, mozzarella cheese 11

SEAFOOD SUPREME
Grilled shrimp, fresh crabmeat, Old Bay, brie cheese, mozzarella cheese, crispy bacon bits 16

STEAK & CHEESE
Shaved ribeye, caramelized onions, portabello mushrooms, boursin and gorgonzola cheese with baby arugula 14

SANDWICHES

Substitute french fries, sweet potato fries, or tater tots for 2.00

YACHT CLUB CLUB
Peppered turkey breast, baked ham, provolone, bacon, lettuce, tomato, basil mayo. Your choice of wheat or classic white bread 12

CRAB CAKE
Jumbo lump crab cake, broiled on a brioche bun, lettuce, tomato, chipotle tartar 16

LOBSTER ROLL
Maryland style, served hot with butter and Old Bay topped with asparagus and corn relish 21

MAHI MAHI
Grilled or Cajun seared with tropical salsa (pineapple, mango, banana) and honey sriracha aioli 12

BOURBON DIP
House shaved prime rib, horseradish aioli, caramelized onions, provolone cheese on a baguette with bourbon au jus sauce 12

BURGERS

All burgers served on a classic bun, with lettuce, tomato, and served with house made chips. Substitute french fries, sweet potato fries, or tater tots for 2.00
8 oz Beef, Turkey, Chicken Breast. or Beyond Burger

THE BREAKFAST
American cheese, bacon and a fried egg 13

THE CAJUN
Blackened burger, caramelized onions & blue cheese crumbles 13

THE COWBOY
BBQ, onions, cheddar cheese, chipotle mayo 12

Y.C. BURGER
1000 Island dressing, lettuce, tomato, red onion with American cheese \$12

THE PLAIN JANE
Your traditional cheeseburger 10

DINE-INE CARRY-OUT DELIVERY

APPETIZERS

WINGS Hot, Mild, BBQ or Naked with blue cheese or ranch dressing
10 PIECE \$10.99 ~ 20 PIECE **\$19.86**
FRIED SEAFOOD MIX 1 pc. fish chip, clam strips, 3 butterfly shrimp with cocktail sauce **\$11.99**
NEW ~ CRAB BALLS (5) with cocktil or tartar sause **\$15.99**
CHICKEN TENDERS (5) with honey mustard or BBQ sauce \$8.99
MOZZARELLA STICKS (5) with side marinara sauce **\$7.99**
BROCCOLI BITES (8) with RANCH **\$7.99**
ONION RINGS **\$5.99**
CHEESE QUESADILLA with sour cream **\$5.90**
CHEESESTEAK FRIES French fries, steak, cheddar cheese sauce & mozzarella cheese **\$7.99**
MEGA FRIES French fries, bacon, cheddar cheese sauce & pizza cheese **\$7.99**
CHEESE FRIES with cheddar cheese sauce **\$5.99**
NEW ~ Crab Dip with garlic cheese bread & imperial sause **\$14.99**
5 PC. BUTTERFLY SHRIMP with cocktail sauce **\$8.99**
STEAMED SHRIMP (25) with cocktail sauce **\$12.99**
HOMEMADE SOUP CUP **\$2.99** • **BOWL** **\$3.99** • **QUART** **\$14.99**
\$1 Upcharge for Cream of Crab
ABI'S APPETIZER COMBO 2pc chicken tenders, 2 piece mozzarella sticks, 3pc broccoli bites, onion rings, french fries **\$11.99**

FRESH SALADS

All of Our Salads are Made with Fresh Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion, Carrot, Red Cabbage, Cucumber. Comes with Garlic Bread and Choice of Dressing
SIDE SALAD **\$3.99**
GARDEN SALAD **\$6.99**
CHEF SALAD Turkey, ham, Swiss cheese, iceberg, red onions, green peppers, tomato, cucumber, onions, hard-boiled egg **\$9.99**
ANTIPASTO SALAD with ham, salami, capicola, provolone cheese, iceberg, tomato, green pepper, red onion and cucumber with hard-boiled egg **\$9.99**
CAESAR SALAD Romaine, croutons, parmasan cheese & tomato **\$6.99**
COBB SALAD Romaine, tomato, pecan, red onions, bacon, hard-boiled egg & bleu cheese crumbles **\$8.99**
SPINACH SALAD Spinach, mushroom, pecan, onions & feta cheese **\$9.99**
CHICKEN OR TUNA SALAD Over iceberg, croutons, tomato, cucumber, onions, green peppers, egg & cheese blend **\$9.99**
STUFFED TOMATO with chicken or tuna salad, greens and garnish **\$9.99**
GRILLED SEAFOOD SALAD with shrimp and scallops over iceberg, green peppers, red onions, cucumbers, tomato and cheddar cheese **\$12.99**
GREEK SALAD with romaine, tomato, red onion, green peper, cucumber, black olives, carrot, red cabbage, feta cheese, hard-boiled eggs and pita bread **\$7.99**
TURKEY AND BACON SALAD **\$8.99**
NEW! ~ BUFFALO CHICKEN SALAD **\$10.99**
MONTREAL STEAK SALAD steak, iceberg, tomato, onion, cucumber, hard-boiled egg **\$11.99**
ABI'S SALAD ham, turkey, roast beef, bacon, provolone cheese **\$10.99**
COLD SALAD PLATTER chicken or tuna salad with potato salad, coleslaw over mixed grees and garnish **\$11.99**
ADD THE FOLLOWING:
Grilled or Crispy Chicken \$3.99 • Grilled Shrimp \$4.99 • Grilled Scallops \$5.99
Lamb Gyro Meat \$3.99 • Salmon \$6.99 • Choice of Dressings: ranch, blue cheese, Caesar, Greek, French, 1000 Island, Honey Mustard, Creamy Italian, Raspberry Vinaigrette, Oil and Vinegar • Extra dressing .50

WRAPS ~ \$9.99 *Served with Fries, Soup or Salad on Tortilla Wrap*
TURKEY BLT with turkey, bacon, lettuce, tomato, myo
CHICKEN OR TUNA SALAD SALAD lettuce, tomato, mayo and provolone cheese
VEGGIE with onion, mushrooms, green peppers, lettuce, black olives, tomato, spinach
CHICKEN CAESAR with grilled chicken, mozzarella cheese, Caesar dressing and romaine
CHEESEBURGER with yellow American cheese, lettuce, tomat
REUBEN with corned beef, sauerkraut, 1000 island and Swiss cheese
CHEESESTEAK with yellow American cheese, lettuce, tomat
CHICKEN CHEESE STEAK with yellow American cheese, lettuce, tomato
SHRIMP SALAD Lettuce & tomato
ITALIAN Ham, capicola, genoa salami, lettuce, tomato, onion, provolone cheese & Italian dressing
SEAFOOD WRAP with shrimp and scallops, lettuce, tomato and tartar sauce **\$12.99**

MELTS ~ \$9.99 *Served with Fries, Soup or Salad*
CRAB MELT tomato & Swiss cheese on English muffin **\$11.99**
REUBEN MELT Corned beef, sauerkraut, Russian dressing & Swiss cheese on grilled rye
TUNA MELT Tuna salad, tomato & Swiss on grilled rye
CHICKEN CORDON BLEU Grilled chicken breast, ham & swiss on a hamburger roll
ROAST BEEF MELT Roast beef, cole slaw, thousand island & Swiss cheese on grilled rye
TURKEY MELT Turkey, cole slaw, thousand island & Swiss cheese on grilled rye
PATTY MELT Hamburger, mushroom, onion & Swiss cheese on grilled rye
CRAB CAKE SANDWICH (FRIED) Crab cake, lettuce, tomato on hamburger roll
FRENCH DIP Tender roast beef on garlic bread with Swiss cheese & side cup of au jus
MONTE CRISTO ham, turkey, provolone on French toast

HAND-CRAFTED ½ POUND FRESH BURGERS

Served with Fries, Soup or Salad • Add Cheese \$1
Add Topping .25 • All Burgers are Charbroiled and Served on a Brioche Bun
HAMBURGER **\$7.99** • **DELUXE** with lettuce, tomato, onion & mayo **\$8.99**
CHEESEBURGER yellow American cheese **\$8.99**
• **DELUXE** with lettuce, tomato, onion & mayo **\$9.99**
BACON CHEESEBURGER bacon, yellow American cheese **\$8.99**
DOUBLE CHEESEBURGER yellow American cheese **\$12.99**
REUBEN BURGER with hamburger, sauerkraut, 1000 Island and Swiss cheese **\$9.99**
PIZZA BURGER with maranara & mozzarella
ALPINE BURGER with sauteed onions, mushrooms, and provolone cheese **\$9.99**
TEXAS BURGER with sauteed onions, mushrooms, BBQ sauce, bacon and shredded cheddar cheese **\$9.99**
BERLIN CHEESEBURGER with sauteed mushrooms, onions, green peppers, bacon and Swiss cheese **\$10.99**
CHESAPEAKE BURGER with crab meat and cheddar cheese **\$12.99**



BASKETS ~ \$11.99 ~ *All baskets served with French Fries, Soup or Salad*
CLAM STRIP • CHICKEN TENDERS • FRIED SHRIMP • FISH & CHIP (Pollock)

SANDWICHES

Includes French Fries, Soup or Salad Served on Your Choice of Bread (White, Wheat or Rye) or Toast Substitute for Brioche Bun or Croissant \$1 Extra • Add Cheese \$1 •Additional Toppings .25
NEW! ~ HOT DOG with relish and mustard **\$7.99**
B.L.T. SANDWICH Bacon lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$8.49**
CORNE D BEEF Grilled corned beef and Swiss cheese **\$8.49**
GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH **\$5.99**
Add tomato **\$1** • Add bacon or ham **\$1.99**
ROAST BEEF roast beef, lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$8.49**
TURKEY Turkey, lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$8.49**
HAM lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$8.49**
CHICKEN OR TUNA SALAD lettuce and tomato **\$8.99**
SHRIMP SALAD Lettuce & tomato **\$11.99**
FRIED CRABCAKE with lettuce, tomato on brioche bun with tartar sauce **\$12.99**
CRISPY CHICKEN with lettuce, tomato on brioche bun **\$8.99**
FRIED FLOUNDER with lettuce, tomato on brioche bun **\$9.99**
CHEF'S COLD CUT ham, turkey, yellow American cheese, lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$9.49**
TURKEY BLT turkey, lettuce, tomato & mayo **\$7.99**
NEW! ~ GYRO LAMB SANDWICH **\$9.99**
NEW! ~ GYRO PLATTER lamb gyro, rice, Greek salad, pita bread, tzatziki **\$12.99**

ITALIAN PLATTERS

Served with Your Choice of 2 Sides and Garlic Bread
CHICKEN PARMESAN with maranara, mozzarella cheese and spaghetti **\$14.99**
VEAL PARMESAN with maranara, mozzarella cheese and spaghetti **\$15.99**
EGGPLANT PARMESAN with maranara, mozzarella cheese and spaghetti **\$13.99**
SHRIMP PARMESAN with maranara, mozzarella cheese and spaghetti **\$16.99**
BAKED ZITI with maranara and mozzarella cheese **\$11.99**
SPAGHETTI WITH MARINARA **\$9.99**
STUFFED SHELLS PARMESAN with maranara and mozzarella cheese **\$11.99**
MANICOTTI PARMESAN with maranara and mozzarella cheese **\$11.99**
CHEESE RAVIOLI with maranara and mozzarella cheese **\$11.99**
HOMEMADE MEAT LASAGNA **\$14.99**
SAUSAGE PEPPER PARMESAN hot Italian sausage, sweet peppers, marinara, spaghetti, mozzarella cheese **\$13.99**
ITALIAN PASATA COMBO cheese ravioli, stuffed shells, manicotti, meatball **\$14.99**
Additions: Sauteed Mushrooms \$1
Meatsauce, Meatball or Hot Italian Sausage \$3.99

ENTRÉE DINNERS

All Dinners Come with Your Choice of Two Sides
FRESH 4-PC FRIED CHICKEN breast, thigh, wing & leg **\$12.99**
STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST stuffed with homemade crab & covered in Alfredo sauce **\$19.99**
MEATLOAF with brown gravy **\$14.99**
HOT ROAST BEEF SANDWICH with brown gravy **\$13.99**
HOT ROAST TURKEY SANDWICH with turkey gravy **\$11.31**
STUFFED PORK CHOPS (2PC) with bread stuffing and brown gravy **\$16.99**
NEW! ~ STUFFED PORK LOINS with bread stuffing and brown gravy **\$14.99**
FRESH ROASTED TURKEY with stuffing and turkey gravy **\$14.99**
COUNTRY FRIED STEAK with brown gravy **\$14.99**
VEAL CUTLET with brown gravy **\$14.99**
CHICKEN CUTLET with chicken gravy **\$14.99**
LIVER AND ONIONS with brown gravy **\$13.99**
LIVER WITH BACON **\$13.99**
TEXAS CHICKEN BREAST green peppers, onions, mushrooms & chicken gravy **\$14.99**

SEAFOOD

Served with Your Choice of Two Sides and Cocktail and Tartar Sauce
BROILED SEAFOOD COMBO flounder, crab cake, shrimp & scallops **\$24.99**
FRIED SEAFOOD COMBO flounder, clam strips, shrimp & scallops **\$23.99**
SEAFOOD TRIO (FRIED OR BROILED) flounder, shrimp & scallops **\$20.99**
FLOUNDER (FRIED OR BROILED) (2) **\$16.99**
JUMBO SHRIMP (FRIED OR BROILED) (8) **\$19.99**
SCALLOPS (FRIED OR BROILED) (8) **\$19.99**
STUFFED FLOUNDER homemade crab stuffing and topped with imperial sauce **\$19.99**
STUFFED SHRIMP (3) with homemade crab stuffing **\$20.99**
STUFFED SCALLOPS (3) with homemade crab stuffing **\$20.99**
STUFFED SEA COMBO flounder, shrimp, scallops with homemade crabmeat stuffing **\$27.99**
CRAB CAKE (FRIED OR BROILED) (1) **\$14.99**
CRAB CAKE (FRIED OR BROILED) (2) **\$19.99**
FRIED OYSTER PLATTER **\$16.99**
FRIED SOFTSHELL CRABS (2) **\$17.99**
SEAFOOD DREAM crab meat, shrimp & scallops broiled with provolone cheese and imperial sauce **\$20.99**
CRAB IMPERIAL homemade crabcake topped with provolone cheese & imperial sauce **\$18.99**
BROILED SALMON **\$18.99**
STUFFED SALMON homemade crabmeat stuffing and topped with provolone sauce **\$20.99**

SEAFOOD SAUTEES

Served with Your Choice of One Side and Garlic Bread
SEAFOOD PARADISE shrimp, scallops and crabmeat in Alfredo sauce over ziti **\$19.99**
ABI'S SEAFOOD with shrimp, scallops, cherry tomatoes in tomato cream sauce ove ziti **\$18.99**
SEAFOOD ALFREDO shrimp and scallops over linguini **\$18.99**
SEAFOOD FRA DIAVOLO shrimp, scallops, cherry tomatoes cooked in spicy tomato sauce over linguini **\$18.99**
SHRIMP OR SCALLOP ALFREDO Alfredo sauce over linguini **\$18.99**
SHRIMP OR SCALLOP STIR FRY fresh vegetables and stir fry sauce over rice **\$18.99**
SHRIMP OR SCALLOP MARSALA sauteed mushrooms in marsala wine sauce over linguini **\$18.99**
SHRIMP OR SCALLOP TERIYAKI peppers, onions, mushrooms, teriyaki sauce over rice **\$18.99**

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SEAFOOD MARINARA shrimp and scallops cooked in marinara sauce **\$18.99**
FLOUNDER FANCAISE
dipped in egg, sauteed with lemon butter garlic sauce over linguini **\$17.99**
SHRIMP OR SCALLOP SCAMPI white wine lemon garlic sauce over linguini **\$18.99**
SEAFOOD SCAMPI shrimp and scallop in white wine lemon garlic sauce over linguini **\$18.99**

CHICKEN SAUTEES

Served with Your Choice of One Side and Garlic Bread
CHICKEN AFREDO Alfredo sauce ove linguini **\$15.99**
CHICKEN AKA BROCCOLI sauteed broccoli and Alfredo sauce over linguini **\$16.49**
CHICKEN MARYLAND crabmeat, lemon butter garlic sauce over linguini **\$17.99**
CHICKEN FLORENTINE spinach, feta cheese, lemon butter garlic sauce over linguini **\$16.99**
CHICKEN MARSALA sauteed mushrooms & marsala wine sauce over linguini **\$15.99**
CHICKEN SCAMPI lemon butter garlic sauce over linguini **\$15.99**
CHICKEN STIR FRY fresh vegetables and stir fry sauce over rice **\$18.99**
CHICKEN TERIYAKI sweet peppers, onions, mushrooms, teriyaki sauce over rice **\$16.99**
CHICKEN FRANCAISE dipped in egg, sauteed with lemon butter garlic sauce over linguini **\$16.99**
CHICKEN MARINARA marinara sauce over linguini **\$15.99**
ABI'S CHICKEN tomato cream sauce ove linguini **\$15.99**
ADDITIONS: Shrimp **\$4.99** • Scallops **\$5.99** •

EGGS

Served with Homefries & Your Choice of Toast (White, Wheat or Rye). Substitute Homefries for Cup of Fruit \$2. Substitute Toast for Croissant, Brioche Bun, English Muffin or Biscuit \$1, Add Cheese \$1
2 EGGS (Any Style) **\$6.99**
~ with crispy bacon, sausage, Virginia ham, Canadian bacon, scrapple or pork roll **\$8.99**
CORNE D BEEF HASH AND TWO EGGS **\$9.99** • **HAM STEAK AND TWO EGGS** **\$13.99**
COUNTRY BENEDICT 2 poached eggs, sausage on English muffin with country gravy **\$8.49**

CHEF SPECIALS

Substitute Home Fries for Cup of Fruit \$2
CREAMED CHIPPED BEEF over toast or biscuit with homefries **\$9.99**
SAUSAGE GRAVY over toast or biscuit with homefies **\$9.99**

BREAKFAST SANDWICHES

Made with 2 Fried Eggs. Choice of Bread or Toast (Wheat, White, Rye. Bagel add \$1
Egg & Cheese **\$6.99** • **Sausage, Egg & Cheese** **\$7.99** • **Bacon, Egg & Cheese** **\$7.99**
Ham, Egg & Cheese **\$7.99** • **Scrapple, Egg & Cheese** **\$7.99** • **Pork Roll Egg & Cheese** **\$7.99**

FRENCH TOAST/HOT CAKES *Served with Butter & Syrup*
1 SINGLE STACK (1 PIECE) **\$4.99**

Add 2 eggs **\$5.99** • add breakfast meat **\$6.99** • Add 2 eggs & breakfast meat **\$7.99**
SHORT STACK (2 PIECE) **\$5.99**
Add 2 eggs **\$6.3** • Add only breakfast meat **\$7.99** • Add 2 eggs & breakfast meat **\$8.99**
FULL STACK (3 PIECE) **\$6.99**
Add only 2 eggs **\$7.99** • Add breakfast meat **\$8.99** • Add 2 eggs & breakfast meat **\$9.99**
ADD FRUIT TOPPINGS \$1.99 (strawberry or blueberry or cherry)
FRESH FRUIT \$1.99 (Banana or Blueberry)
CHOICE OF MEATS: bacon, sausage, ham, scrapple, Canadian bacon, Taylor ork roll or Virginia ham (extra cheese) \$1 • chocolate chips \$1.99

BREAKFAST SIDES (Split Charge \$2.50)
HOMEFRIES **\$2.99** • **MEAT CHOICES:** bacon, sausage, scrapple, ham, hot Italian sausage, Canadian bacon or pork roll **\$3.99** • **CORNE D BEEF HASH** **\$4.99** • **CUP OF CREAM CHIPPED BEEF** **\$4.99**, **DISH** **\$2.99** • **CUP OF SAUSAGE GRAVY** **\$4.99**, **DISH** **\$2.99**
GRITS **\$2.99** • **FRESH CUP OF FRUIT** **\$3.99** • **BAGEL** **\$2.99** with cream cheese and jelly **\$3.99**
• **TOAST:** white, wheat, or rye **\$1.99** • **BISCUIT** **\$1.99**

OMELETTES

Served with Homefries and Your Choice of Toast (White, Wheat or Rye). Substitute Homefries for Cup of Fruit \$2. Substitute Toast for Croissant, Brioche Bun, English Muffin or Biscuit \$1. Cheese Choices: Provolone, American. (3 XL eggs)
PLAIN OMELETTE **\$6.99** • **CHEESE OMELETTE** **\$7.99**
HAM AND AMERICAN CHEESE OMELETTE **\$8.99**
BACON AND AMERICAN CHEESE OMELETTE **\$8.99**
MUSHROOM AND AMERICAN CHEESE OMELETTE **\$7.99**
SPINACH AND AMERICAN CHEESE OMELETTE **\$7.99**
SHRIMP OMELETTE Shrimp and American Cheese **\$12.99**
CRAB OMELETTE Crab and American Cheese **\$12.99**
RT. 589 OMELETTE with ham, broccoli, mushrooms, onions, American cheese **\$9.99**
SCRAPPLE AND CHEESE OMELETTE **\$8.49**
VEGETARIAN OMELETTE with green peppers, onions, mushrooms, onions, tomatoes & topped with Swiss cheese **\$8.99**
SAUSAGE & AMERICAN CHEESE OMELETTE **\$8.99**
FLORENTINE OMELETTE with spinach and feta cheese **\$8.99**
WESTERN OMELETTE with ham, green peppers, onions, American cheese ... **\$8.99**
COUNTRY OMELETTE with onions, mushrooms, green peppers, ham, bacon and American cheese **\$9.99**
MEAT LOVERS OMELETTE with ham, sausage, bacon and American cheese **\$9.99**
SEAFOOD OMELETTE with crab, shrimp, Old Bay and American cheese **\$12.99**
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½ lb. Steamed Shrimp
½ lb. Alaskan Crab Legs
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Berlin museum adds exhibit with narration for first time

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The Calvin B. Taylor House Museum on North Main Street in Berlin reopened to the public last Wednesday with a new exhibit about Cpl. Isaiah Fassett.

“The new Isaiah Fassett exhibit has several pieces to it,” said Melissa Reid, president of the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum. “There’s some text of his early life, his Civil War experience and then his later life. We also have photographs of Isaiah Fassett, we have a map showing the area where he was born, we have a map that shows some of the battles that he was in during the Civil War.”

Fassett was born on March 17, 1844 in Sinepuxent in Worcester County, according to Dr. Clara L. Small’s “Compass Points – Profiles & Biographies of African Americans from the Delmarva Peninsula.”

His parents, Andrew Fassett and Mary Bratten, were slaves and owned by different slaveowners.

Fassett was freed on Nov. 11, 1863 to serve in the Ninth Infantry Regiment of the United States Colored Troops and soon became a private in Company D for three years.

The exhibit also includes a copy of his manumission documents.

“Because Isaiah Fassett was a slave, his owner was paid \$300 to have him go fight for the Union Army,” Reid said.

According to Small’s book, Fassett

returned to Berlin after his service in the Civil War.

He married Sallie Purnell in September 1867. The couple had eight children.

Fassett went on to work as carpenter, and became involved at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church at 405 Flower Street.

Fassett died on June 24, 1946 at 102 years old.

The Fassett exhibit is the first exhibit at the museum to feature a narration aspect.

“It adds a whole different dimension to Isaiah Fassett’s story because you’re hearing someone tell it as opposed to reading it off of a paper.”

Local historian and Berlin resident Gregory Purnell lent his voice to the narration.

Purnell researches Worcester County and Berlin history, especially from the view of African-Americans.

“When you grow up in the commu-

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The new Isaiah Fassett exhibit at the Calvin B. Taylor House Museum on North Main Street in Berlin is the first exhibit to include a narration aspect with a script recorded by local historian Gregory Purnell.



Haunted sites in Ocean City, Berlin

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The walking tours begin at the Atlantic Hotel on North Main Street.

“One of the reasons our tours are so successful is because the haunted places, those people are very, very good to us,” Burgoyne said. “They’re good partners. They also help with mentioning the tours.”

Participants are encouraged to bring a flashlight, camera and an umbrella in case of rain.

Each tour is at least an hour, so tour organizers advise participants to wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.

The tours are set to continue through November as long as the governor permits them.

Advanced registration is required. Tickets cost \$25 for adults and \$20 for children ages 8-12.

“We had to increase the price because we had to decrease the volume,” Burgoyne said.

For more information about the tour schedules and registration, visit chesapeakeghosts.com.

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Opinion

Please send all letters and other editorial submissions to editor@baysidegazette.com by 5 p.m. Monday.

Elections mean time to enact letters policy

With Ocean Pines Association election campaigns under-way and Berlin’s about to get started in earnest, it’s time for us to reintroduce our election season letters to the editor policy.

Our general practice with regard to letters in this and our other newspapers is to publish all letters we receive in the order we receive them, as long as they aren’t profane, libelous or nonsensical, and do not contain personal attacks, wild accusations or bald-face lies. Our own opinions of a letter writer’s position do not figure into the publishing equation.

During election season, however, we will not publish letters that promote, endorse or oppose a political candidate, no matter who the author is.

This is a policy of long-standing, having been instituted many years ago to thwart political letter-writing campaigns, which have been attempted numerous times during local elections.

The reasons for this policy are simple: we don’t have the space to accommodate a flood of letters saying essentially the same thing when the timeliness of all submissions is factor. Further, we don’t want our letters space to be employed as a campaign tool for anyone. We sell advertising for that purpose.

Someone might protest that we are denying them their First Amendment rights, which, of course, is not so.

There’s quite a bit of confusion about what the First Amendment truly guarantees citizens, but the short version is that it prohibits government, not private entities, from restricting speech.

As the Supreme Court has found in numerous cases, private entities such as newspapers and other media can set their own rules and exercise their own editorial judgments as they see fit.

In the meantime, we wish the candidates in both races the best of luck, and look forward to discussing their viewpoints with them as these races progress.



Berlin audio tour features old script

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) The audio walking tour of Berlin unveiled last month has its own background story, considering that it was almost lost to history itself.

“The Globe had a cassette tape audio walking tour that I found in a file folder when I was going through some of the files in my office, and I found a script, but I didn’t find the actual tape,” said Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells. “So, there was a script there, and it said ‘Cassette Audio Recording,’ but I never found the actual cassette tapes.”

Wells wanted to use the script to make a talking walking tour rather than just a printed version, to accommodate a wider audience

“I thought that it would be a good idea to be able to have it as a link on the berlinmainstreet.com website,” Wells said. “People, if they’re looking into the town, they can listen to it while they were here ... or listen to it in advance and have something as context.”

“We’re always mindful of welcoming everyone to our

town and for people who may not be able to see the beautiful structures and buildings in our downtown — at least they can hear about them and listen to a description about them,” Wells continued.

Wells and her assistant, Allison Early, reviewed the old script and edited it for relevancy.

Then, Wells approached Savanna Hastings, who had been a volunteer, to record the script, which details the devastating fires in the downtown area in 1895, 1902 and 1904 as well as the origin of the town’s name.

“I always thought she had such a beautiful voice,” Wells said of Hastings. “I wanted to be able to allow her the chance to record this because she’s also a history major.”

Hastings, 21, who is studying public history at Hood College in Frederick, Maryland, recorded the script on her phone via Voice Memos. Wells then enlisted technical help and merged the memos into a 10-minute recording.

“I’ve never done anything like this before,” Hastings



ALLY LANASA/BAYSIDE GAZETTE
The Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company building on the corner of Main Street and Commerce Street burned in 1901 in one of three devastating fires detailed in the Berlin history audio tour.

said. “I’ve had experience in theater, but I’ve never actually had my voice recorded before.”

The audio tour is accompanied by a Berlin history walking tour map that was also discovered in the file.

“It had been stored for many years, and I just decided to resurrect it,” Wells said.

For more information, visit www.berlinmainstreet.com/berlin-history/.

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Local residents contribute to new collection

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nity, there are names that always kind of stick out,” Purnell said. “I was born in ’49, Comrade Fassett died in ’46. But he was a local hero. You always heard about his name. There was a little lane it was called Fassett Lane. The house that he had lived ... I used to catch the bus for school right in front of the house.”

Purnell said people in town had records about Fassett being a Civil War veteran, but he was not in the history books.

“He was a man of integrity. [He] stood head and shoulders above all the others because he was a veteran and ... a veteran in African-American community was a special person because we were not allowed to be in the veteran service,” Purnell said.

“Uncle Zear,” as Fassett was affectionately known, was one of the originators of the Memorial Day parades in Berlin, Purnell added.

“Mr. Fassett was just one of those characters that you try to learn as much as possible about, and being a veteran myself, then it made it more intriguing to me,” Purnell said.

Reid asked Purnell to record scripts for the exhibit upon the recommendation of fellow resident, Jane Briddell.

“Originally, when we were putting this exhibit together, we had reached

out to Rev. David Briddell and his wife, Jane Briddell. Rev. Briddell is a descendant of Isaiah Fassett, and he had written a book [called ‘Men of Color to Arms!’], which is about the African-American Civil troops from the Eastern Shore. He and Dr. Clara L. Small wrote a book about it.”

The Briddells allowed Reid to copy some documents from their collection.

“Then, we were talking about how we were hoping to sort of enliven this exhibit in a way that adds to it in a way that the museum has not really done before in other exhibits we’ve had.”

Reid said the Briddells and Purnell were “invaluable for this exhibit.”

Purnell expressed his gratitude to the museum board for including Fassett, as the museum begins to be more inclusive in its representation of history.

“Being a part of the transition of this museum is a source of pride for me personally, but I believe the entire community will be uplifted to the 21st Century with these inclusions,” Purnell said.

Reid added that the museum hopes to have an expansive exhibit next year of more African-American soldiers in



Melissa Reid

the Civil War that are from Worcester County and specifically the Berlin area.

The museum also plans to include narration in future exhibits.

“A QR code reader is really how you access the narration, and we have set up a YouTube channel where we have been putting all the virtual tours we were doing while the museum was closed during quarantine,” Reid said. “We have two parts right now of that exhibit that you can access through a QR code. Those videos are housed on our YouTube Channel.”

Now that the museum has reopened to the public, the virtual tours will be discontinued.

In-person tours are scheduled on the half hour. Visitors can schedule a tour by calling ahead or sign-up on the sheet on the front porch table.

Only one group is permitted at a time, and the group must consist of family members or guests who arrived together.

With two docents in the building, the groups are limited to 8 to 10 people.

“We have you come in the front door and go out the side door,” Reid said.

The tours end in the Harrison room, which can be closed off to keep groups separate.

Tours cost \$5.

In addition, the gift shop is open and stocked with museum and Peach Festival T-shirts, books about local history and homemade peach preserves.

The Taylor House Museum is also still accepting contributions to its covid archives.

“If anyone wants to bring something, they’re welcome to leave it on the side porch,” Reid said. “We have a green bench on our side porch. If anyone wants to leave it there, then we will make sure that we house it in a safe way. For several days, we’ll probably put it in a box.”

The Taylor House Museum is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

“We need to thank the community, because in spite of everything we’re going through, we still have had some of our major sponsors come through this year,” Reid said. “We’re so happy about that, and we’re hoping that people, now that they see some of the new exhibits ... will see the importance of having our local museum in town. We just encourage people to follow us on Facebook. We encourage you to check out our website. We absolutely would love for anyone to become a member to help us through this.”

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



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INDUCTED

Five Worcester Preparatory School seniors – Emily Copeland of Lewes, Delaware (above); Alessia Matha of Greenbackville, Virginia (below); Hana Miller of Willards (bottom, left); Maddy Shanahan of Ocean City (bottom center); and Madison Van Orden of Berlin (bottom, right) – were inducted to the prestigious athletic 12-Letter Club for lettering in three sports each of their four Upper School years.





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STRAIGHT-A STUDENTS

Twenty Stephen Decatur High School seniors placed an exclamation point on their academic performance by earning straight A's throughout high school. Normally, they would have been honored at the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist WeXL ceremony at the Ocean City convention center, but this year the event was canceled due to covid-19.



Police, military honor terminally ill veteran

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2020) More than 50 vehicles paid tribute to retired Anne Arundel County Police Cpl. Doug Juckett, 80, in a drive-by ceremony Monday at the Macky & Pam Stansell House Coastal Hospice in Ocean Pines.

Charlie Dorman, past president with the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club, helped organize the gathering of law enforcement and military officials for his longtime friend, who is now in hospice care.

“I’ve known Doug for 35 years,” he said. “We’ve had some good times.”

The affair came into shape after Juckett’s wife, Dottie, contacted Anne Arundel County officials seeking participants for the ceremony.

“He’s a retired police officer of 30 years from Anne Arundel County,” she said. “I reached out and Sgt. George Coking called back and said they be honored to lead the procession down here, which they did.”

Coking took pole position on Monday and was the first vehicle to pull up to the Stansell House front porch to greet Juckett.

“He got out of the car with a mason jar with flowers,” she said. “He handed them to my husband and said, ‘these are very special and I picked these ... from my garden to deliver to you.’”

Juckett, a cold-war era U.S. Army veteran who served as military police from 1959-1962, was honored this year through the Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 Hometown Heroes program.

Juckett’s Hometown Hero banner is currently flying on the Boardwalk near the Purple Moose Saloon on First Street.

Dorman said in addition to members of the Anne Arundel Police, allied agencies joining the vehicle procession included the Ocean Pines Police and Fire Departments, OCPD, Berlin Police, and the Worcester County Sheriff’s office.

“We had Army National Guard Major Gen. Janne Brickhead Morton there because he was in the army,” he said. “His picture is one of the ones hanging on the Boardwalk this summer.”

Dorman credited Ocean City American Legion #166 member Jimmy Flag for coordinating the presence of Army officials.

Dorman said Juckett, who retired in 1990, was an active member of the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club.

“He did everything with the Optimist Club,” he said. “Anything that they had to do ... he was just that kind of guy.”

In addition to Dorman, other Opti-

mist Club cohorts taking part on Monday included Roger Pacella and Joe Hammond.

“You could count on him anytime for anything until he got where he couldn’t drive,” Dorman said.

Dorman said Juckett also lent assistance for numerous years organizing the annual Ocean City Seaside Boat Show, which is sponsored by the Optimist Club.

“In the boat show, he was also the guy that took care of my hospitality room,” he said.

Close to 20 family members stood beside Juckett, who was wheeled out on the hospice front porch to welcome the crowd of well-wishers Monday afternoon.

Dottie Juckett said her husband was in good spirits during the ceremony and fully comprehended the wealth of glad tidings.

“Everybody in the cars was crying,” she said. “The whole thing was emotional, not just for me and my husband, everyone was very emotional.”



PHOTO COURTESY ROGER PACELLA
Dottie Juckett stands by her husband, retired Anne Arundel County Police Cpl. Doug Juckett, while an array of law enforcement and military officials pour in for an emotional drive-by ceremony to greet the 30-year veteran at the Macky & Pam Stansell House Coastal Hospice in Ocean Pines on Monday.

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4-8 p.m.
July 13: Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth, 4-8 p.m.
July 14: Aaron Howell Duo, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Dave Hawkins & Joe Mama, 3:30-7:30 p.m.
July 15: Keri Anthony, noon to 3 p.m.; Chris Button Duo, 4-8 p.m.
July 16: Kevin Poole Solo, noon to 3 p.m.; The Everafter, 4-8 p.m.

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July 12: Radio Bravo, 6-10 p.m.
July 16: 8 Balls, 6-10 p.m.



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July 16: John McNutt Duo, 4-8 p.m.; Kono Nation Duo, 8-11:30 p.m.

Cuisine

Lamb with basil puree, white BBQ sauce

Is there anything better than a hunk of fresh fish or a freshly seared steak to bring a smile to your face?



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

I mean, unless you are a vegan, something I greatly admire, there is something so satiating about a beautiful piece of meat adorning a simple plate.

Last week, I ran across an online store selling Australian lamb loin. It is such a beautiful cut of meat, and I remember it fondly.

Truth be told, it was not unusual for me to take a small snip off the end of the loin as we were plating up.

Snacks are a critical benefit for the cook. Rather, I guess I can say that it was quality control. After all, I needed to ensure that we were serving the best product possible.

So, having received the loin yesterday, it was time to just get a little old fashioned with it.

We're talking well-spiced, seared in a cast iron pan, over fire.

The main difference is that in years past, I've coated the loin in ras el hanout, the ubiquitous Moroccan spice blend. Today, I just hit it with my own simple blend.

At the restaurant, we serve a basil puree with our seafood risotto (which was removed from the menu due to this silly pandemic and staffing issues) and sometimes with steak specials.

It is a loose play on a chimichurri, but it is more accurate to call it a puree. We also use it on the Caprese salad, as I have never been a fan of raw basil leaves with fresh tomato.

The puree is a natural fit with the lamb, and if you have never made it, take the time, especially if you have a basil bush in the backyard, as many of us do.

As for the Alabama White BBQ Sauce, something else that we have always had at the restaurant, it goes exceedingly well with any of your meats, whether they be smoked or grilled. It also pairs well with smoked fish.

The final tip in this stimulating tome is from famed French chef Fernand Point from 60 years ago, with a small twist.

An eternal prankster, his short book Ma Gastronomie is a wonderful



tribute to his work, and the foreword by Chef Paul Bocuse was exceptional. Point had a local fisherman friend whose boat he hid once a year on the man's birthday, one year even hiding it up in a tree.

The year before Point's death, on said anniversary, the fisherman looked high and low all throughout the town. He looked for hours.

Exhausted, he pleaded to Point to learn the whereabouts of his boat. Point had not touched it. It was right in the slip, where he left it. Man, I love that story.

And the tip has nothing to do with a boat or pranks. It simply comes from Chef Point. And the tip is to use half clarified butter and half oil, the latter which raises the flash point.

That's it. Super simple. And if there is anything that will elevate a seared chunk of meat, it is going to be the proper fat in which to cook it.

Seared Lamb Loin

per person

- 1 ea. 8 oz. lamb loin
- 1 Tbsp. Vegetable oil
- 1 Tbsp. Clarified butter
- 1 Tbsp. Cracked Pepper Spice (recipe follows)
- 2 oz. Basil puree (recipe follows)
- 2 oz. Alabama White BBQ sauce (recipe follows)
- 1. Pat the loin(s) dry when ready to

sear. Season with the cracked pepper spice and allow to sit for about 15 minutes at room temperature

2. Heat oil and butter in a cast iron pan until hot

3. Carefully place the seasoned loin on the oil and cook for 2 1/2 minutes

4. Assuring that you have a good crust after this time, turn the loin over and remove the pan from the flame. It will continue to cook due to the residual heat stored in the cast iron

5. Check the temperature, as it should be at a perfect medium rare. If it's ready, allow it to rest for a few minutes

6. Remove from pan, slice and serve with the sauces, drizzling any pan drippings on the meat

Cracked Pepper Spice

makes 1 cup

- 1/2 c. Large flake kosher or sea salt
- 2 Tbsp. Cracked black pepper corns
- 2 Tbsp. Granulated garlic
- 2 Tbsp. Onion powder
- 1 Tbsp. Thyme
- 1 Tbsp. Smoked paprika
- 1. Combine all ingredients well and set aside in an airtight container until ready to use

Basil Puree

makes about a pint

A large handful of basil leaves, with a small amount of stem

- 1 c. EV Olive oil
- 1 c. Good red wine vinegar
- Salt & Pepper, to taste
- 1. Blend everything today, adjusting the seasoning at the end
- 2. Refrigerate until ready to use. It will be light in color, as you have just incorporated a great deal of air into it. As it settles, it will turn a deep green

Alabama White BBQ Sauce

makes about a quart

- 2 c. Duke's Mayonnaise
- 3 Tbsp. Sour cream
- 2 Tbsp. White vinegar
- 1 tsp. Ground black pepper
- 2 tsp. Granulated garlic
- 2 Tbsp. Coarse ground mustard
- 1/2 tsp. Sugar
- Salt, as needed
- 2 Tbsp. Horseradish
- 1. Combine everything with a whisk and refrigerate until ready to use. This is better when it gets to sit overnight or so.

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

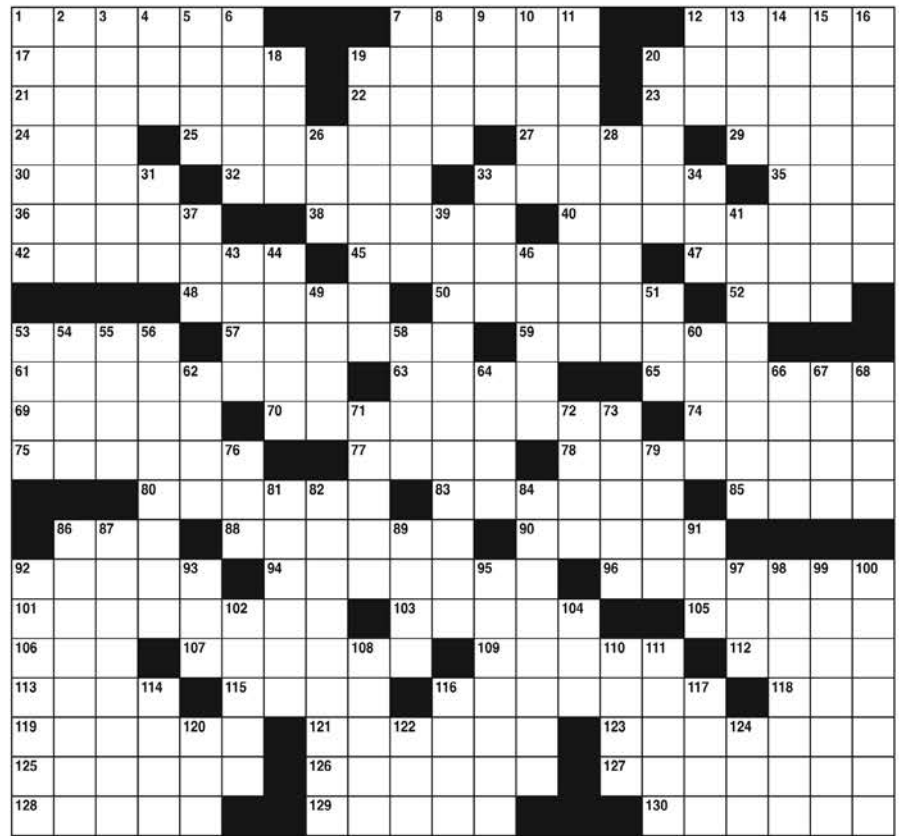
Puzzles

POWER-UPS

BY JON SCHNEIDER AND ANDERSON WANG / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Jon Schneider, of New York City, is a research scientist for Google, working on problems in machine learning and economics. Anderson Wang, of Mountain View, Calif., is a software engineer currently between jobs. They met at M.I.T. in the early 2010s, where they lived in the same hall. They've been making and solving puzzles together ever since. This is the first New York Times crossword for each of them. — W.S.

- ACROSS**
1 Not fine
7 Expedition
12 Savory jelly
17 T acks on
19 Mollycoddle
20 Sight on an English farm
21 Slacker role for Jeff Bridges in "The Big Lebowski"
22 Superenthusiastic
23 Spelman College graduate, e.g.
24 "___ is an emotion in motion": Mae West
25 See 30-Across
27 Morning weather phenomenon
29 See 33-Across
30 With 25-Across, get as much approval from an audience as possible
32 Dalmatians, e.g.
33 With 29-Across, like a deer in headlights
35 N.Y.C.'s first subway line
36 Singer Mann
38 Michelangelo masterpiece
40 Sunset Boulevard sight
42 Utah mountain range
45 What people tend to do when a rush-hour subway train arrives
47 See 50-Across
48 See 53-Across
- 50 With 47-Across, not change anyone's mind, say
52 Forest of Fangorn resident, in fiction
53 With 48-Across, stops wasting time
57 Dawn
59 Eternally damned
61 Promptness
63 Default consequence
65 Have an influence (on)
69 Iraqi port city
70 Mathematical concepts suggested eight times in this puzzle
74 "I'm telling the truth!"
75 One of the Seven Dwarfs
77 Yeats's "The Lake of Innisfree"
78 Bad place for a fly, in a saying
80 Showy shrub
83 Arch supporter
85 See 90-Across
86 Flat-topped cap
88 See 92-Across
90 With 85-Across, uncomfortably accurate
92 With 88-Across, sacrificed
94 Place that processes ore
96 Eponym of the world's largest church
101 Some team-bonding trips
103 State whose capital is Dispur
- 105 Drum that can be played with a brush
106 Hypotheticals
107 See 113-Across
109 Cleans, as a deck
112 See 116-Across
113 With 107-Across, bad sort of competition
115 "Freak on a Leash" metal band
116 With 112-Across, "Your misfortune is nothing special"
118 Jocular lead-in to "macation"
119 List ender
121 Abstract artist de Kooning known for her portraits
123 Obsessive cleaner, say
125 Important faculty for school
126 Brought home
127 Lively French dance popular in the Baroque era
128 Big name in nail polish
129 Rug rats
130 Brand whose sales skyrocketed after the release of "E.T."
- DOWN**
1 Person who's being used
2 Sister of Laertes
3 They're scored from 1 to 5
4 What's found at one end of a rainbow
5 Comfy-cozy
6 Sources of Norse mythology
7 More throaty
8 Pale
9 Ukr., e.g., once
10 Spanish "I love you"
11 Kind of cuisine that's often eaten with one's hands
12 Tied, in scores
13 ___ vide (culinary technique)
14 Do some heavy lifting
15 "Don't pay attention to that"
16 Idle gossip
18 Convince
19 Cracks
20 Actor Dev of "Lion"
26 Lick (up)
28 Stop the flow of
31 House call?
33 Playful growl
34 Run-___ (hip-hop trio)
37 Alternative to an ellipsis
39 Some clickbait articles
41 Potentially risky thing to drop in a relationship
43 ___ Woo-shik, co-star of 2019's "Parasite"
44 ___ cuisine
46 Sanders who played in a World Series and two Super Bowls
49 Charon's domain
51 Lead-in to self
53 They might be caught in the rain
54 ___ Bator
55 Stun, in a way
56 Hard-hit line drive
58 One variety of love
- Online subscriptions: Today's puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles, [nytimes.com/crosswords](https://www.nytimes.com/crosswords) (\$39.95 a year).



- 60 Broadway's ___-Fontanne Theater
62 Heckle
64 Part of a hammer
66 Butter alternative
67 "There warn't no home like a raft ..." speaker
68 Lavish celebration
71 Hard Italian cheese
72 Level, for one
73 Isolated components
76 Deviation in flight
79 Exterminator's target
81 Was bested by
82 Title horror film locale
84 Wrote poorly
86 They have your life hanging by a thread
87 They might involve impersonating a dealer
89 Kingdom east of Babylonia
91 Mini-albums, in brief
92 Ship with three banks of oars
93 Fly catcher
95 Dead Sea Scrolls sect
97 Envelope abbr.
98 Juggling, singing, magic, etc.
99 Scholarly
100 Tells off
102 Just peachy
104 ___ Pro
108 Dental covering similar to a crown
110 Water pipe
111 Dishonest attack
114 Foe of the Morlocks, in sci-fi
116 Major export of Tuscany
117 Place to hang holiday lights
120 Something drawn by a jerk, maybe
122 Sanctuary
124 What a digitigrade stands on

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Answers to last week's puzzles

1	7	2	9	8	6	5	3	4
9	3	5	2	7	4	8	6	1
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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., July 9

CARD MAKING (SERIES 1 OF 3) (ADULT)
Begins to 2:00 PM. Materials needed: card stock, glue, colored paper, colored pencils or markers, scissors, print outs (will be send to you via email). Registration closes 24 hours before the event begins. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6750689>.

PLANT CLINIC (ADULT)
Ask Master Gardener Ginny Rosenkranz your questions and even show her your plants via Zoom, 3:30 PM. Participants can also call the first phone number on the Zoom link to listen in. Registration closes 24 hours before the event begins. Register: <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6779291>.

FREE FAMILY BEACH GAMES
Carousel Resort Hotel and Condominiums, 11700 Coastal Highway, 6:30 PM. Held Thursdays through Aug. 27. Participants are asked to practice physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. <https://ococean.com/events/family-beach-games2020Hel>

CROSS ROADS (YOUTH)
Pocomoke Library, 301 Market St., 7:00 PM. Antonio Rocha’s interactive theatrical act with hilarious sound effects. See it Drive In style, register to see the show on Zoom or watch the recording on the library’s Facebook page from July 10-13. <https://worcesterlibrary.libcal.com/event/6780524>

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS
Sunset Park, 700 S. Philadelphia Ave., 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Grab a bite to eat from the food truck and enjoy music by “Randy Lee Ashcraft & the Saltwater Cowboys” (beach country music). Admission to the park is free, while beverages, including beer, are available for purchase. It is recommended to bring your own seating. Partakers must adhere to State guidelines in practicing physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. 410-289-2800, <https://ococean.com/events/sunset-park-party-nightso20>

FREE OC BEACH DANCE PARTY
Caroline Street Beach, 8:30 PM. Each week a new DJ hits the Caroline Street Stage where participants can dance under the lights on the beach. The event leads into the fireworks at 10:30 p.m. Partakers must adhere to State guidelines in practicing physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. <https://ococean.com/events/oc-beach-dance-party2020>

THURSDAY’S DOWNTOWN BEACH FIREWORKS
Talbot Street Beach, 10:30 PM. Partakers

must adhere to State guidelines in practicing physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. 410-289-2800, <https://ococean.com/events/thursday-s-downtown-beach-fireworks>

Fri., July 10

OCEAN CITY TUNA TOURNAMENT
Ocean City Fishing Center, 12940 Inlet Isle Lane, 4:00 PM - 7:30 PM. Featuring the world’s largest tuna tournament. Watch the excitement as the fish come in and get weighed. Featuring live entertainment, food and drinks. View the live fish cam at <https://octunatournament.com/fish-cam>. 410-213-1121, <https://octunatournament.com>

FREE MOVIE ON THE BEACH
27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM. Sit in the sand and enjoy a free movie. Featuring “Incredibles 2.” Participants are asked to practice physical distancing. All titles are subject to change without notice. All movies are weather permitting. Attendance is at your own risk. Ocean City Recreation & Parks, 410-250-0125, <http://www.oceancitymd.gov>

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., July 11

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‘IMAGES OF AMERICA DOLLE’S CANDYLAND, INC’ BOOK SIGNING
Dolle’s Candyland West OC, 12720 Ocean Gateway, 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM. Anna Delle Bushnell will be available to sign copies of her new book featuring more than 200 historical photos, stories and family anecdotes of Dolles’ 110 year past. Books will be available for purchase. The event will be held outside. Attendees are asked to wear masks and practice social distancing.

CAPTAIN CRAIG SWIM
Competitors will swim a mile with the prevailing current to a finish line located at

14th Street, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM. The Ginny Craig quarter mile swim will take competitors along the coast and also finish at 14th Street. KJoxon@oceancitymd.gov, 410-289-7556, <https://oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/emergency-services/beach-patrol/>

FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET
Saturdays - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

Sun., July 12

ATLANTIC CLUB HONORS FRONT LINE HEROES
Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, 10:15 AM. Honoring front line heroes who kept the essential recovery center open with 12 step meetings, access to assistance for newly recovered addicts and for those who became at risk with the isolation of the stay at home orders. There will be a semi circle of hearts around the club, ice cream and a coffee social, banners of thanks, purple light and gifts of appreciation.

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SUNDAES IN THE PARKS
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7:00 PM. Featuring free music by “The Josh Christina Band” (piano driven rock n’ roll) and various free activities and entertainment for children. Prepackaged ice cream will be available for purchase. Take a picnic basket and beach chairs. The night will end with a fireworks display at 9 p.m. Participants are asked to practice physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. 410-289-2800 or 800-626-2326, <https://ococean.com/events>

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Mon., July 13

REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR NAACP ‘MOVING FORWARD PART II’ MEETING
The meeting will take place via Zoom on July 16 at 6:00 PM. The guest speakers are the State’s Attorneys from Dorchester

(William Jones), Somerset (Wess Garner), Wicomico (Jamie Dykes) and Worcester (Kristin Heiser) counties. The questions that will be asked will include topics relative to diversity, racial divide, negative perceptions, and current national crisis which may impact policy, procedures, and sentencing. To attend, email Ivory Smith at ivos4@aol.com no later than July 13. Everyone is invited.

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 Champion, 410-641-0157

FREE DRIVE-IN MOVIE
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 8:00 PM. Featuring “Toy Story 4” (100 minutes). Movie audio is via FM radio frequency (monitor your car’s battery). Participants are reminded to stay inside their vehicle unless using available amenities. Portable restrooms will be available. All movies subject to weather-related conditions. 800-OC-OCEAN or 410-289-2800, <https://ococean.com/events/drive-in-movies2020>

Tues., July 14

JULY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
The Worcester County Library Board of Trustees will hold an additional Board meeting via an online conference due to the present health crisis with COVID-19, 9:30 AM. All meetings are open to the public. Instructions for accessing the meeting will be posted to www.Worcester-Library.org. askus@worcesterlibrary.org

PARKINSON’S SUPPORT GROUP
Now meeting via video call, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Group provides discussions and mutual support, as well as education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Genie Blake, gblake@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9268, <http://www.delmarvaparkinsonsalliance.org>

FREE FAMILY BEACH GAMES
27th Street Beach, 6:30 PM. Held Tuesdays through Aug. 11. Participants are asked to practice physical distancing. Attendance is at your own risk. <https://ococean.com/events/family-beach-games2020Hel>

FREE DRIVE-IN MOVIE
Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 8:00 PM. Featuring “Violets are Blue” (86 minutes). Movie audio is via FM radio frequency (monitor your car’s battery). Participants are reminded
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AGH health care during covid-19 discussed

(July 9, 2020) Among the front-line people leading the local charge against covid-19, perhaps no one sees the foe quite like Niki Morris. As Atlantic General Hospital’s director of infection prevention, Morris has been engaged in one battle after another.

An Ocean Pines resident, Morris has been with the health care system for 16 years and had been working as a certified ICU nurse. A year ago, however, she became the infection prevention manager and was thrust right into the thick of it.

“I walked into the measles and a pandemic! I thought, what is this?” she said. “Last April, we had the re-emergence of the measles, so that was the first thing, and then I rolled right into the covid pandemic. So, I’ve learned under fire.”

As of early June, Morris said AGH had been focusing on covid-19 for 15 weeks. Staff started working on treatment and prevention in February, and opened the hospital’s first testing center on March 20, on 10th Street in Ocean City.

Morris said the office became a full-scale respiratory clinic and was staffed with “providers,” or licensed experts in their field. The staff overhauled the building’s interior and doubled the number of air filtration systems, along with many other improvements designed to meet CDC treatment guidelines for the coronavirus and other respiratory issues.

“ImmediCare at 10th Street was our first baby,” Morris said. “We

could focus on covid, but also look at strep throat, the flu, respiratory infections and sinus infections — we evaluated patients for all of it,” she continued. “Most places were set up just for covid screenings, but we actually went above and beyond that to offer those services to the community.”

AGH has since collaborated with the Worcester County Health Department to set up a testing site at the south end of the county, in Pocomoke.

Along with setting up satellite outpatient clinics, the hospital added ventilators and ICU beds, and built a covid-only wing with additional ICU space. AGH previously had eight ICU beds, but was able to more than triple that number, to 25.

The emergency room was also split to “clean and dirty,” or respiratory and non-respiratory cases.

“If you come in with a fractured ankle, I’m not going to put you next to somebody who’s coughing and has covid symptoms,” Morris said.

Like everywhere, the nursing staff at AGH has faced difficult conditions. Morris said medical personnel caring for the sickest patients had to wear “PAPRs,” or Powered Air-Purifying Respirators, and Tyvek hazmat suits for 12-13 hours a day.

“That’s a very taxing job,” she said. “It can be very difficult, mentally and physically.”

To help prevent burnout, Morris said the staff used a “team nursing” model with rotating shifts.

Among the external challenges, Morris said many local health care systems have struggled to get necessary testing supplies, with logistical snarls causing delays in getting supplies as basic as a swab, or an N-95 mask.

“I know that you see on the news that there’s a ton of it out there, but that’s not necessarily true,” she said. “But we’ve done an excellent job — at no point has it come down to if someone needed to be swabbed, that we couldn’t screen them or test them.”

Compounding the issue, she said, was that initially the only test-processing site in Maryland was across the bay in Frederick County.

“[Testing] wasn’t something that was readily available,” Morris said. “But the State of Maryland has been really helpful, and we’ve worked closely with the Worcester County Health Department all along.”

Morris said covid-19 services in the region and the ability to get necessary testing materials have vastly improved, despite some trying times during the pandemic’s early days.

“Early on, commercial labs were having trouble getting swabs out for outpatient use. The same was true with PPE [Personal Protective Equipment]. We had the same struggles that everybody else had,” she contin-

ued. “Just in March, we were [short on supplies] because of the burn rate of what we needed on a daily basis ... but that too has gotten better.”

Morris credited staff with creative ordering and conservative usage to help offset shortages. She said both approaches are still being used, today.

“We don’t know what tomorrow is going to bring,” she said. “Just because we have [supplies] today — summer is coming and more people are coming into town, so we’re just kind of watching our numbers and seeing where we’re going, as an organization.”

Morris said she does not expect a return to “normal,” at least not as everyone previously knew it.

“I don’t think we’re going to have an ‘old normal,’ or normal like we had before. That’s just not where we are,” she said. “With this virus, we may see a little lag time in the middle of summer, but I think this fall we’re going to see it come back again, so we have to prepare for that.”

With everything that’s been done, however, Morris said the hospital environment is among the safest places to be.

“It’s safer coming here than it is going to a store,” she said. “We have the proper PPE, and we have the right people doing the right screenings and putting the right people where they need to be, safely.”

“I always say I feel safest at work. We have everything we need here, and we’re conscious about it and talking about it every day,” Morris added.

During the peak of covid-19 cases in Maryland, Worcester County was spared the devastation experienced by metro counties and, for that matter, Wicomico, which early this week had more than 1,095 cases to Worcester’s 301. AGH, however, was not so lucky. In addition to handling many of Worcester’s cases, Atlantic General also saw received many patients from hard-hit Sussex County in Delaware.

“On paper it looked like we didn’t have any [cases],” Morris said. “I actually had someone at the hospital entrance one day say to me, ‘So, you guys don’t have covid here, right?’”

As for why covid-19 didn’t spread more rapidly through Worcester County, one reason might have been the absence of food processing plants, which were at the heart of outbreaks in other counties.

Morris also pointed to the Worcester County Health Department, which conducted “contact tracing,” or logging of those who had been near to all 239 Worcester covid cases.

“Our health department has been dedicated to doing those case investigations,” Morris said. “When I get a positive case, I report it ... and they call them and follow up with all their contacts, using their contact tracers.”

“Letting them know and putting

them on home quarantine makes all the difference in the world,” Morris continued. “A lot of areas didn’t have the resources to keep doing those case investigations, and you can easily see where some of those areas were.”

This coordinated effort also helped to largely spare the medical workers in Worcester, Morris said.

“You read about these hospitals losing hundreds of staff members. But, if we see a problem, we identify it and address it immediately.”

If there is an upside to the covid disaster, Morris said it would be how much the hospital can learn from the pandemic, especially about operational efficiency.

“One thing I said to my boss is how much leaner we’re going to be, as an organization,” she said. “We always had everything we need or better than we need, or multiple choices. When covid came, that wasn’t the case. We had to figure out, where am I wasting stuff and what can I do to make this better?”

Morris said the hospital system also learned more about the efficiency of telemedicine and teleworking. Today, most or all staff meetings are online, something Morris said has made the operation even more efficient.

To the many still concerned about covid-19, Morris said all the hype about handwashing and face coverings is true.

“We learned washing our hands in kindergarten, right? Now, the public is way more conscious than they’ve ever been about touching doors, washing your hands, hand sanitizer, not touching your face — and those things are important,” she said. “That’s how you get sick, even if it’s not covid. That’s how we get the flu or any other virus that can live on a surface.”

“It’s just about making those right decisions and making sure we’re washing our hands. And, I’m a firm believer in masks. I know they work, because we’ve taken care of plenty of covid patients,” she continued. “We will continue to require masks in our hospital, not only for the safety of our patients, but for the safety of our staff too.”

The other important takeaway, she said, is how much everyone can benefit from a little collaboration.

“I think Worcester County overall has done really well utilizing our resources, and we’ve developed great relationships with the health department and others, all the way down to the Berlin Nursing Home right in our front yard,” Morris said. “There’s been a lot of community effort and it’s so nice when everyone comes together for one cause. Those are some of the things that we’ll take away from this. We were always friendly, but now we know we can count on each other if we need something.”

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