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## LEAP OF FAITH

Progressive images of an airborne pooch taking part in the Delmarva Dock Dogs Competition on Saturday at Windmill Creek Vineyard and Winery in Berlin during the Wags & Wine event held last weekend, which featured a 40-foot pool and an array of live entertainment.

# Ethics rules too inflexible

Daly's push to rescind resolution linked to its focus on just one result

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Concerned over due process issues, Ocean Pines Director Frank Daly has proposed rescinding resolution B-08 relating to board member and officer ethics and conduct.

Daly presented a first reading of a measure to repeal B-08, which was originally approved in

2018, during the board meeting on May 15.

"I think the intent of B-08 was to address inappropriate director behavior within the board or in interaction with employees," he said.

Daly said the ethics guidelines, however, have opened the doors for a wider array of grievances regarding board conduct.

In August 2018, Director Dr. Colette Horn moved to approve resolution B-08, which passed by a 5-1 vote with Director Slobodan Trendic opposed.

In 2017, the board formed a work group to draft the policy, which initially considered forming an ethics committee to oversee conduct complaints.

After Horn introduced resolution B-08 for a first reading in May 2018, that provision was dropped, with the board retaining sole authority to examine conduct issues.

Speaking this week, Daly echoed a sentiment voiced by Trendic when he opposed the measure in August 2018.

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# Tyndall says he will veto budget plan

Knerr adds, cuts and moves money with full support of Town Council

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Despite a pledge from Mayor Zack Tyndall to veto the measure, the Berlin Town Council on Monday unanimously approved a host of budget adjustments proposed by Councilman Jay Knerr.

Following a public hearing for the FY22 budget, Knerr offered an amendment package to alter numerous line items, and financed his proposed changes with the town's contingency fund.

"I have a couple of questions if you don't mind," Tyndall said. "This is the first time I'm seeing this."

Tyndall said the revisions would cut money allocated for a feasibility study to build a community center on Flower Street.

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# Memorial Day weekend events lined up

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Salisbury Mayor Jake Day, who arrived back in the states late last month after being deployed with the Army National Guard to Africa

during 2020, will deliver the keynote speech at the Memorial Day service in Ocean Pines on Monday.

The event takes place at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial on May 31 at 11 a.m.

Day is one of three U.S. mayors to deploy for active military duty while in office.

The others are former North Ogden, Utah Mayor Brent Taylor and then-South Bend, Indiana

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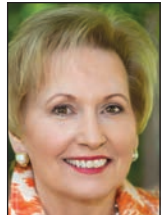


# Communications cmte. vets host of Pines-based deals

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) The Ocean Pines Communication Committee discussed the following topics during its meeting on May 20.

**Pines history panel**  
Reviving discussions about the Ocean Pines Residents Academy, which was released online recently, Marketing Coordinator Julie Malinowski said additional video footage relating to the community's founding era was shot days earlier with longtime residents Marlene and John Ott.



**Cheryl Jacobs**  
"The Ott's provided lots of useful information," she said.

Committee member Marlene Ott, a resident of Ocean Pines since the community was established, was enlisted to provide commentary on early area history.

Marketing and Public Relations Director Josh Davis said the raw footage would be edited quickly for inclusion online.

To view the Residents Academy, visit [oceanpines.org/ocean-pines-academy](http://oceanpines.org/ocean-pines-academy).

Following the recent insights shared by the Ott's, Malinowski tried in vain to locate video footage of a panel discussion held during the Ocean Pines 50th Anniversary celebration in 2018.

In light of the stray footage, Malinowski suggested another panel could be staged.

Committee Chairwoman Cheryl Jacobs said the earlier event was well received in the community,

"We could replicate that panel," she said.

Malinowski said a list of participants in 2018 did exist with the potential to expand the time length for this version.

"We could have an audience who could ask questions," she said.

Committee member Jenny Cropper Rines said the panel should include Ocean Pines residents who moved to the neighborhood when it first opened.

Noting the last panel ran two hours in length, Rines proposed replicating that timeframe, while also suggesting featuring Pines memorabilia, which proved popular for attendees in 2018.

"People took the time to look around," she said.

Jacobs asked if staging the event in person was preferable over a virtual format.

Malinowski said if health restrictions are fully lifted, inviting an audi-

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ence would be feasible, but either way the panel should be recorded.

“It’s possible to do that as a group event,” she said.

Jacobs said more research would be needed to confirm if the history-focused panel could be produced in-house or outsourced.

Malinowski said the community event could be produced by late summer or early fall.

Jacobs said the matter would be revived at the group’s next meeting.

**Town hall meetings**

The previously discussed town hall meeting for proposed short-term rental regulations in Ocean Pines is again being planned.

“It’s back again,” Jacobs said.

Jacobs said the Board of Directors sent a recent email asking the committee to coordinate and stage the event.

“I need to contact (Recreation and Parks Director) Debbie Donahue about a location,” she said.

Jacobs said board liaison Dr. Collette Horn had indicated the Ocean Pines Yacht Club was the preferred location but other facilities would be acceptable.

Davis raised concerns about sound issues at the suggested site.

“The Yacht Club acoustics are sub-

par but we could use it,” he said.

Rines pointed out other potential hurdles.

“The wedding/event schedule could determine the availability of the Yacht Club,” she said.

Noting the next regularly scheduled board meeting is June 16, Jacobs suggested Saturday, June 12 as a potential date to provide sufficient time to advertise the town hall meeting.

“They would like to have it as soon as possible,” she said.

**Search committee**

Jacobs said a request for input regarding the viability of maintaining the Ocean Pines Election Search Committee was recently received.

Jacobs said the inquiry sought to determine if the communications committee envisioned a role for the group to assist with recruiting board candidates.

In earlier discussions, the Ocean Pines Bylaws & Resolutions Committee had debated the possibility of having the communications committee helping to advertise within the community for candidates, or assuming the role of the search committee if it was disbanded.

Rines said the tasks involved are not daunting.

“It’s not a big responsibility,” she said.

Jacobs asked if the plan would involve much more than informing the community that the annual election is pending and candidates are needed.

Rines said holding a candidate-recruiting forum might drum up interest.

“If there was a forum to ask questions, it might encourage people who might be leery or uncertain what roles are involved,” she said.

Davis said adding an information section for board candidates to the online Residents Academy was also proposed.

“To talk about what it’s like to actually be on the board, how much time it takes and what the obligation is,” he said.

Both Jacobs and Rines agreed with the proposal for online content.

“Our reply is if search committee goes, or even if stays, we see this as a perfect item on the Residents Academy,” Jacobs said.

Current and former board members could be enlisted, Jacobs said.

“Not everybody puts the same amount of effort,” she said. “It was a fulltime job for me, but that’s just how I do things.”

The next communication committee is scheduled virtually on June 17 at 10 a.m.

## Five candidates certified for 2021 OPA Board contest

(May 27, 2021) Ocean Pines Association Secretary Camilla Rogers this week announced that she has certified five candidates as eligible to run in the 2021 Board of Directors election.

Certified are: Stuart Lakernick, Lisa Romersa, Richard Farr, Frank Daly, and David C. Hardy. Romersa, however, said she is withdrawing from the race, leaving the ballot at four candidates.

This year, two seats on the Board of Directors will be up for election: those currently held by Daly and Frank Brown. The seven-member volunteer board is the governing body of Ocean Pines.

Important upcoming election dates are:

- Candidate Draw (to determine ballot order and seating during candidate forums) - Friday, June 4 at 11 a.m. in the East Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center.
- First Candidate Forum - Wednesday, June 9 from 7-9 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center.
- Second Candidate Forum (if needed) - Saturday, June 19 from 10

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# Hill looks to appeal BZA Inn Berlin decision

Longtime resident voices concerns about impact on residential neighborhood

By Greg Ellison  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Worried about the effect the expansion of commercial projects have on residential neighborhoods, Joe Hill on Monday asked the Berlin mayor and Town Council to examine conditional use zoning codes for potential revisions.

Hill, a Berlin resident and business owner, addressed the mayor and council about a recent Board of Zoning Appeals decision to grant the owners of Inn Berlin a conditional use to permit outdoor-tented events.

On April 14, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted 3-1 to approve a variance request for the Inn Berlin owners Pino and Karen Tomasello to stage private outdoor tented events on the 1.5-acre property for a maximum of 60 attendees.

“It’s ancient history,” Hill said.

Still, the potential for setting precedent for other properties in R-2 residential districts troubled Hill.

“It has a big effect on people’s quality of life,” he said. “If we’re going to continually allow businesses in R-2 zones, those businesses downtown

will eventually suffer.”

Hill then asked the mayor and council to reexamine conditional use parameters with the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mayor Zack Tyndall said Planning Director Dave Engelhart has been recently consulted about improving public hearing notification methods for adjacent properties when zoning requests are submitted.

“Dave and I have talked about ways to improve on the town side to make people more aware,” he said.

Tyndall said any new approaches would be in addition to the current avenues for advertising meetings.

Hill said in some past instances zoning officials had misinterpreted conditional use regulations.

In his estimation, a conditional use for a commercial entity in a residential zoned neighborhood would be a home-based business with a sole employee.

“That’s the intent of that sort of use,” he said. “I don’t think a full-blown business in a residential neighborhood was ever the intent.”

Councilman Jay Knerr asked what remedies exist if residents adjacent to the Inn Berlin property find the private events to be a nuisance.

“If there are repeated violations of the noise ordinance does the town have any options?” he asked.

Engelhart said if the terms of a conditional use are not followed, the Board of Zoning Appeals could withdraw the permission.

The zoning code does not specify the number of violations required to trigger the process.

“It would be under advisement as far as enforcement,” he said.

Noise or other complaints would have to be documented through the police department to generate any potential zoning review.

“It would have to be reported,” he said.

Noting that zoning law is constructed to protect people and property, Hill questioned the wisdom of having residents lodging complaints through official channels.

“This practice of having one property owner drop a dime on a neighbor can be very dangerous,” he said.

Also concerned was Berlin resident Debbie Cook, who asked why the conditional use was transferred to the current property owners.

In October 2011, former Waystead Inn owner Mark Kauffman was approved to launch a bed and breakfast venue at the location.

In June 2012, Kauffman was granted a conditional use to host dinner parties for a maximum of 30 people including overnight guests.

Tyndall said the council lacks au-

thority to alter Board of Zoning Appeals decisions.

Engelhart said conditional use allowances convey with property sales unless the use has ceased for over a year.

Hill, who has lived adjacent to the site for more than three decades and was acquainted with the past five previous owners, claimed that was the case.

“I know the last innkeeper who would verify the conditional use for food was not used for three years,” he said.

Hill argued the conditional use should not have been transferred as part of the property sale based on violations by the previous owner.

Tyndall said an appeal process for Board of Zoning decisions exists and takes place at the circuit court level.

“Believe me I know that,” Hill said.

Hill is planning to file an appeal in court alleging the zoning board process was mistaken.

“I will say the bottom price tag for an appeal is \$10,000,” he said, “That’s a lot of money.”

To finance the effort, Hill and Ron Walker have established a GoFundMe page, “Help Save Joe Hill’s Berlin Md. Neighborhood,” which as of Tuesday had raised nearly \$3,000 of a \$15,000 goal.

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# Bathtub Races approved, fireworks in park

**By Greg Ellison**  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Berlin's annual Bathtub Races were approved for this summer and a proposal to relocate July 4 fireworks was abandoned with the prior Heron Park revived during the mayor and Town Council meeting on Monday.

Larnet St. Amant and Steve Frene, with the Berlin Chamber of Commerce, presented plans to stage the Bathtub Races on July 9 from 6-8 p.m.

St. Amant said after discussing strategy with Economic & Community Development Director Ivy Wells, they deemed July 9 the ideal date as it coincides with the 2nd Friday event held downtown.

Planned road closures, which are scheduled from noon to 9 p.m. include Main Street between West and Jefferson streets, along with one block on Broad, Commerce and Pitt streets.

"It's pretty much business as usual," she said. "If people want to wear their masks great, if not, and they've been vaccinated, that'd be fine."

Councilman Jack Orris confirmed the proposed race date would not hinder the 2nd Friday event.

Wells said overlapping the events was, in fact, strategic.

"What we've been trying to do over the last couple of years is piggyback events on other events," she said.

The stacked deck also reduces the



FILE PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE  
**During the 30th annual Berlin Bathtub Races in 2019, Max Hulme and Jen Dawicki, former owner of The Globe, strive for excellence during the festive event that returns this summer after a one-year hiatus due to covid-19.**

strain on town services, Wells said.

Mayor Zack Tyndall suggested layout tweaks, such as blocking off Tripoli Street based on past instances of congested pedestrian traffic.

"Can we look at possibly changing some of the barricade locations?" he said.

Wells said options would be ex-

plored and suggestions would be forthcoming.

The council voted unanimously to approve the race date.

Turning to July 4 plans, Wells said a proposal to stage a fireworks display by the Little League ball fields at the Northern Worcester Athletic Complex has been abandoned.

"In light of recent events, we have asked permission to have the fireworks moved back to its original location at Heron Park," she said.

After meeting with Worcester officials in recent weeks, safety concerns caused Wells and Berlin Police Chief Arnold Downing to agree the athletic complex was a subpar site for the Independence Day celebration.

Orris asked for more clarity for the proposed change of location.

"What was the reasoning to try and move it?" he said.

Wells said the original concept was orchestrating the pyrotechnic display in coordination with Worcester County.

"It was going to be a partnership with the county," she said. "It was going to be more of a festival atmosphere with music and the Little League."

While Berlin would have covered the cost for fireworks, the intent was for Worcester to organize the shindig.

Wells said traffic and pedestrian safety concerns caused organizers to drop the idea.

"After meeting a couple weeks ago, it was discussed that the police were really worried about traffic situations and people trying to run across [Route] 113," she said.

The council voted unanimously for Berlin's firework presentation to remain at Heron Park.



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# Berlin luminaria display honors covid victims

**By Greg Ellison**  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) Rockville-based Boy Scout Christian Martin and his mother Lybbi, who relocated to Ocean Pines at the onset of covid-19, are planning a Memorial Day Weekend remembrance outside the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin for those who perished during the pandemic.

Lybbi Martin, who serves as Troop #763 assistant scoutmaster, moved to the Pines last year to assist her mother during the health crisis.

Echoing a similar effort by Troop #763, the Martins are looking to place luminaria to honor victims of coronavirus.

“We’re doing it simultaneously with what they’re doing back home,” she said.

The endeavor expands the traditional focus of Memorial Day in light of extraordinary times.

“Usually, we honor our veterans but this time we decided to go a different avenue,” she said. “It’s not that we don’t honor our vets, but we remember everybody who’s lost.”

In Rockville, because of its greater population, the remembrance will honor close to 200 individuals lost to covid-19.

“They are doing it for the zip code,” she said.

Looking for a comparable sample size, the Martins keyed on Worcester County, which through Saturday had recorded 98 pandemic-related fatalities.

The undertaking came about after the

scouts’ usual Memorial Day activities were sidelined.

Martin said Troop #763 stages an annual Memorial Day event at Gates of Heaven Cemetery in Montgomery County.

“We put flowers on veterans’ gravesites,” she said.

“This year the cemetery said we couldn’t do anything.”

Honoring the memory of loved ones lost to covid-19 was coordinated after being restricted from holding the traditional cemetery gathering.

After researching potential locations, Lybbi Martin struck pay dirt when she contacted the Atlantic Hotel.

“I thought it would be beautiful to have luminaria lit up around the site,” she said.

Martin said Atlantic Hotel General Manager Laura Stearns was instantly receptive.

“She said, ‘Of course, what do you need?’” Martin said.

Once a site was secured, Lybbi Martin said area restaurateur John Fager provided funds to back the effort.

“He’s going to finance everything,” she said. “He’s sponsoring and Christian and I are coordinating.”

Martin said the lights would be placed around the perimeter of the Atlantic Hotel beginning on Saturday afternoon.

“We got a sign that will say this is a Memorial Day remembrance for those in Worcester County who lost their lives



Boy Scout Christian Martin displays signage for a Memorial Day Weekend remembrance featuring luminaria lights around the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin.

from covid-19,” she said.

The luminaria will employ LED candles that the Martins will monitor and replace if needed, although the LEDs burn on average from 70-100 hours.

“We bought extra batteries,” she said.

Martin said the illuminating display would be removed on June 1.

The intent is to mark an especially challenging moment in modern history.

“This is just another level of remembrance,” she said. “It’s been a hundred years since the last pandemic.”

Martin, who noted her family has long-standing military ties, said a clear distinction could be drawn between those lost in warfare versus the pandemic.

“People that were lost were just living their lives,” she said. “I’m third generation Air Force, trust me, I respect the military.”

The larger goal is for the community to honor the memory of loved ones who died from covid-19.

“It’s just to pay our respects,” she said. “That’s part of the Boy Scouts, we serve our community and our people.”

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# Resort, Ocean Pines to mark Memorial Day

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Legion Riders and joint Color Guard processions oceanside starting at 8 a.m.

The event, which starts in the Dunes Manor front parking lot and then transitions to the beach, includes a rendition of "Taps," along with the posting of colors, a three-volley salute from the firing squad and concludes with a wreath placed in ocean waters.

For more information call the Dunes Manor at 1-800-523-2888.

American Legion Post #166 will host a Memorial Day service at 1 p.m. on Monday at its 24th Street location.

Among the assorted speakers will be members of the First State Detachment Marine Corps League, Unit #166 American Legion Auxiliary, Chapter #166 American Legion Riders, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1091, American Legion Post #166 Color Guard and the Sons of the American Legion #166.

Representatives from each group will give a presentation about the history and significance of Memorial Day.

Chaplain Ben Dawson will perform the invocation.

Also participating in the American Legion event are the Ocean City Lions

Club and Elks of Ocean City.

Boy Scouts Troop #261, Cub Scouts Pack #261, Troop #621 and Junior Auxiliary Unit #166 will take part in a ceremony to place a pair of wreaths at a table setting honoring P.O.W. / M.I.A. veterans.

Scout members will also recite two poems, "In Flanders Fields," and "A Soldier's Prayer."

The ceremony will conclude with a firing of the volley salute along with a rendition of "Taps," followed by signing of "God Bless America."

Refreshments will be served before the ceremony, which is free and

open to the public.

For more information, call Ed Pinto at 703-901-5544.

## OCEAN PINES

Ocean Pines annual Memorial Day service begins on Monday at 11 a.m.

The event will take place at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial located on Route 589 and Cathell Road.

The keynote speaker at this years' event is Salisbury Mayor Jake Day.

Musical interludes will be provided by several artists, including Frank Nanna and Todd Crosby with

WWII tunes, while Randy Lee Ashcraft will unveil a new tune commemorating the recent Vietnam Memorial "Wall That Heals" stopover in Worcester County.

Lastly, the Delmarva Chorus will honor Army, Navy, Marine, Air Force and Coast Guard members with their rendition of the "Armed Forces Medley."

Public parking and limited seating will be available.

The Worcester County Veterans Foundation is producing the event. For more information visit [opvets.org](http://opvets.org).

# Renewable energy standard passes

(May 27, 2021) Gov. Larry Hogan recently signed legislation on renewable energy portfolio standards (RPS).

The Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Municipal Electric Utilities legislation was introduced by Sen. Addie Eckardt and Del. Johnny Mautz.

This legislation will provide substantial savings to municipal electric customers in Berlin as well as in Easton, Hagerstown, Thurmont, and

Williamsport.

The short-term projected savings for Town of Berlin electric utility customers between now and 2023 is \$530,054. Savings from this legislation will be passed along to customers through lower Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) charges. Customers will begin seeing savings reflected in their bills during FY22.

"The signing of HB 376 and SB 153 will help create an equitable playing field between municipal

and other electric providers throughout the state," said Berlin Mayor Zack Tyndall. "On behalf of the Town of Berlin, I would like to thank Sen. Addie Eckardt, Del. Johnny Mautz, and Gov. Larry Hogan for their support of this legislation. I also want to acknowledge the hard work of the Town of Berlin Electric Department, Brett Lininger and his team at Old Line Government Affairs, Booth and Associates, and Easton Utilities."



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# Former Mast Restaurant owner hits 96 years

**By Greg Ellison**  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) To celebrate the 96th birthday of WWII veteran Sheila Hurst, who launched the Mast Restaurant and Hotel in West Ocean City with her late husband, Capt. Ed Brex, in the 1960s, area first responder agencies joined a drive-by ceremony last Wednesday at her Sunset Avenue residence.

"It was a complete surprise," she said. "I was having a few of my friends coming in the back yard here and that was it."

Hurst's fulltime caregivers, Monique Maher and Pamela Eddy, arranged the birthday honors.

Maher, who became primary caregiver for Hurst early last year, said commemorating her birthday last spring was curtailed by the covid-19 pandemic.

"Last year we couldn't do anything," she said. "This year with restrictions getting lifted, we decided to organize a parade for her."

Hurst was born in 1925 in Chester, England and raised with a dozen siblings, including a handful of brothers and half-dozen sisters.

After graduating high school, Hurst helped England's efforts in WWII as a civilian with the Ministry of Food before being drafted and joining the Women's Royal Naval Service in June 1944.

For the next year and a half, Hurst served as specialist small arms gunnery attached to the 65th Canadian Flotilla of mil-

itary torpedo boats off England's east coast. She was honorably discharged in January 1946.

During her life at war in England, Hurst crossed paths with her future husband, Edward Oscar Brex Jr., a midshipman with the Merchant Marine Reserve.

"I met my husband during the war in England," she said.

The pair wed in April 1946 and immediately after exchanging nuptials headed to the U.S. and, more specifically, to Worcester County where Brex was raised.

"West Ocean City ... was a lot different then what it is now," she said.

Not long after they arrived in the U.S., the couple had to return briefly to England to complete immigration processes for Hurst to enter the country legally.

During that period, their first daughter, Vanessa, was born in England in July 1947. Hurst became a naturalized U.S. citizen in Sept. 1957.

Hurst gave birth to a second daughter, Alyssa, in 1954.

After living on the Eastern Shore for more than a dozen years, the couple invested in dockside property in the West Ocean City commercial harbor.

"West Ocean City was wide open," she said.

Capt. Brex, who operated a pair of head boats, the "Taurus" and the



Ocean City Councilman Mark Paddack presents an official proclamation to Shelia Hurst to mark her 96th birthday during a surprise ceremony last week on the front lawn of her Sunset Avenue residence.

"Pisces," joined his wife to open the Mast Restaurant and Hotel on Harbor Road.

"I bought this whole pile of land at auction," she said. "I did it myself, my husband wasn't interested, but I always liked it out here."

After submitting the winning bid, Hurst said other interested parties tried to negotiate a private sale.

"One of the men who bid on the property came to me afterwards and he

wanted to know if I wanted to sell it," she said. "I said to him, 'I wouldn't have bought it if I wanted to sell it.'"

Maher said Hurst and Brex operated one of a trifecta of revered early dining outlets in the area.

"Back in the 1960s, there were three restaurants that really did business ... the Embers, Mario's and the Mast," she said. "According to everybody that's old enough to remember those days, the

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# Tyndall threatens veto of Knerr's budget plan

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"You're saying do away with the \$27,500 for the community center feasibility study and community planning," he said.

Knerr countered that although he supports building a center, he believed that investing in a feasibility study is premature at this point.

"We need to put that on hold for this year," he said.

Tyndall also questioned the inclusion of a small raise for staff.

"In an effort to restore that, and making sure we don't put any of our employees' jobs at risk during a time of economic uncertainty, I suggest that we do not do raises in FY22," Tyndall objected.

Knerr said the pay increase is a meager 1.5 percent.

"They haven't had a raise in two years," he said. "It doesn't even cover the cost-of-living adjustments."

Besides being warranted after pay rates were left untouched for the past few years, Knerr argued the move would also help with employee retention.

"Jobs are readily available and we need to do to anything we can to retain our employees," he said.

Tyndall said his position is to avoid cutting or furloughing positions should some unforeseen financial problem occur.

Knerr also proposed reinstating a vehicle allowance for staff, which had been cut from earlier budget drafts.

"That amount should be rolled into the salaries of people that have been receiving it for years now," he said.

Other alterations Knerr suggested included dropping funding for strategic planning, deeming the cost unnecessary this year.

Other budget trims Knerr recommended included cutting \$30,000 earmarked to purchase a GIS locator,



Berlin Councilman Jay Knerr reads an extensive list of line item adjustments to the FY22 budget, while Mayor Zack Tyndall and Councilman Dean Burrell digest the financial data on Monday.

or Trimble unit.

Tyndall said the cost was evenly spread across four enterprise funds.

"It's designed to understand the infrastructure the town has and to better understand the improvements that need to be made," he said. "We have a lot of aging infrastructure [and] sewer lines that haven't been replaced and are far past their lifespan."

Tyndall said the GIS equipment is crucial to perform underground mapping for infrastructure needs.

Knerr countered that the department heads involved never requested the GIS tool.

Tyndall also called out a reduction of \$3,750 to buy computers for the mayor's office. In addition to updating an administrator unit, the funds were also intended to procure a laptop for Tyndall.

"There's also a need for a ... laptop ... in order to execute the duties of the mayor," he said

Tyndall said the requested laptop

would permit use of proprietary software to gain a stronger understanding of Berlin's day-to-day finances.

"In order to access that software, I do need a computer," he said. "This is going to severely prohibit the ability for the mayor to do their job."

Knerr challenged that assertion.

"It's my understanding you can remote in from home to acquire software," he said.

Tyndall also noted the budget amendment reduces Berlin's contingency fund from \$125,000 to \$49,000.

"Based off of my math, that's three days of operational expenditures," he said.

Knerr said all the adjustments would be covered out of the contingency fund, which would still maintain a healthy balance.

Prior to council voting on the budget amendment, Tyndall stressed the importance to consider not only what members wanted but also what is feasible financially.

"We would love to be able to give more raises, but you have to ask yourself what's financially responsible?" he said.

He then added, "If this does pass, and the amendments are made to the budget, I will have no choice but to veto," he said.

Following the council's unanimous vote to approve the changes, Finance Director Natalie Saleh said the adjustments would require recalculating overhead and customer service allocations.

"There will be more slight changes," she said. "The numbers for the fund balances will not remain exactly as it is, but it will be a small change."

In light of Tyndall's pledge to veto, Councilman Dean Burrell asked Planning Director Dave Engelhart to outline related procedural steps.

Engelhart said the mayor has six days to sign the bill, issue a veto or exercise a pocket veto that would allow passage after the allotted timeframes.

"Assuming that the mayor vetoes the bill, the council will then have the ability to override that veto at its next meeting," he said.

Engelhart said council has 35 days to vote to override the veto, which would require approval by four members.

Speaking on Tuesday, Knerr said the lines of communication need improvement.

"We are definitely at odds," he said. "We all ran on more transparency and open communication. We just need to get in sync and work harder at it."

Overall, Knerr said Berlin is on solid financial footing.

"Businesses are thriving and home sales in our area are through the roof," he said. "Our tax rate is the lowest when compared to our surrounding towns. It's a good time to live in Berlin."

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**REVERENCE**  
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# Hurst honored with drive-by parade during 96th birthday

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preferred restaurant was the Mast.”  
The seaside locale was famed for serving fresh-caught seafood and providing sunset cruises for patrons.  
“We served bluefish,” Hurst said.  
Since landing on the Eastern Shore 75 years ago, Hurst has been a dedicated parishioner at St Mary’s Star-of-the-Sea in Ocean City.  
“I’ve been going there ever since I came here,” she said.  
In recent years, Hurst has made weekly church treks with assistance from Patricia Johnson, a childhood friend with her kids.  
“I’ve known her since she was nine years old and she was this little girl,” she said.  
Maher credited Ocean City Councilman Mark Paddack, who presented Hurst with an official proclamation, for lending guidance to help organize last week’s surprise birthday parade.  
In hopes of adding an extra degree of excitement for the birthday celebration, Maher contacted numerous area emergency responder agencies, including: the

Ocean City Police Department, the Ocean City Fire Department, the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department, Natural Resources Police, the Worcester County Sheriff’s Office and Maryland State Police.  
“Every single one of those organizations were there, including the Coast Guard and Ocean City Beach Patrol,” she said.  
Following the siren-blasting greeting for Hurst, the festivities continued with a host of friends and colleagues congregating for food, drinks and live entertainment from musician Jack Worthington.  
Hurst said the gathering would have been unlikely without Maher’s involvement.  
“She’s my caregiver and looks after me every day,” she said.  
In addition to assuring Hurst maintains proper dietary habits and obtains sufficient rest, Maher lends aid for gradually diminishing mobility issues.  
“At my age, I don’t walk like I used to and that’s the worst thing not being able to walk,” she said. “I’ve got two flights of steps and I get up and down those by myself.”

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# County mulls offer for sheriff's fleet upgrade

By Jack Chavez  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) The Worcester County Commissioners heard a presentation on May 18 to enter into a leasing agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management that would upgrade the county Sheriff's Office's vehicle fleet and save the county more than \$2.2 million over 10 years.

More than one in five 5 light- and medium-duty vehicles in the department's 85-vehicle fleet are a least 10 years old and nearly half are at least six years old, according to a presentation from Enterprise Fleet consultant Bailey Elliott.

"We want to lower your costs while avoiding a loss of productivity," Elliott said.

Currently, the county owns every vehicle in the department's fleet.

By lowering the acquisition rate from nine years to five years, Elliott estimated that the county could reduce the monthly maintenance cost from \$275 to \$73 per vehicle, an annual savings of \$205,000.

The open-ended lease suggested by Enterprise — a lease defined by a payment at the end of the term based on the difference between the residual and fair market value of the fleet — would focus on replacing 18 of the oldest vehicles first, which range in age from 10 to more than 20 years old.

It would take nine years to cycle out the current fleet with newer vehicles at the current acquisition rate, or the rate



JACK CHAVEZ/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

**A proposal from Enterprise Fleet Management claims that an open-ended lease agreement between the company and Worcester County could save the county \$2.2 million over the next decade on maintenance for the Sheriff's Office 85-vehicle fleet. Currently, 18 vehicles in the fleet are between 10 and 21 years old. Enterprise has similar deals with other Eastern Shore county governments.**

at which the county replaces an older vehicle with a newer one, Elliott said.

Commissioner Chip Bertino asked whether the contract could become a burden on the county if the economy took a nosedive.

"Depending on the economy, we need the flexibility to move things around, to defer things," Bertino said. "That's just reality. Is this lease something that would provide us with that flexibility?"

Elliott said the contract, which the

county could leave at any time, would do so.

"The overall word to describe our program is flexibility," Elliott said.

The cost analysis presented by Elliott included a fuel rate formula that indicates 20 percent of maintenance cost would go to fueling the fleet. Bertino and Commissioner Ted Elder both questioned the number, considering the constant fluctuation of fuel prices, and asked Elliott to clarify.

"We use a combination of price per gallon, annual miles and miles per gallon, per vehicle," Elliott answered.

Elder replied that he didn't think the county administration had analyzed the formula in comparison to the fuel that the county has actually used, which County Administrator Harold Higgins confirmed.

Elliott explained that the fuel numbers presented to the commissioners came from information provided to Enterprise by Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Mark Titanski.

"We have a (budget) line item of fuel costs for these vehicles and I'm curious as to how (your numbers) match up with them," Elder said.

"If there's any discrepancy ... I'm always happy to redo this with new information," Elliott said.

Making a switch to more modern vehicles would also significantly reduce the amount of money that is spent on gas, as more fuel-efficient options to the county today.

The commissioners did not make a decision at the end of the presentation.

"I'm sure we'll be in touch with you one way or the other," Commissioner President Joe Mitrecic said.

Enterprise has several similar fleet management partnerships with government entities around Maryland, including sheriff's offices in Talbot, Dorchester and Wicomico County.

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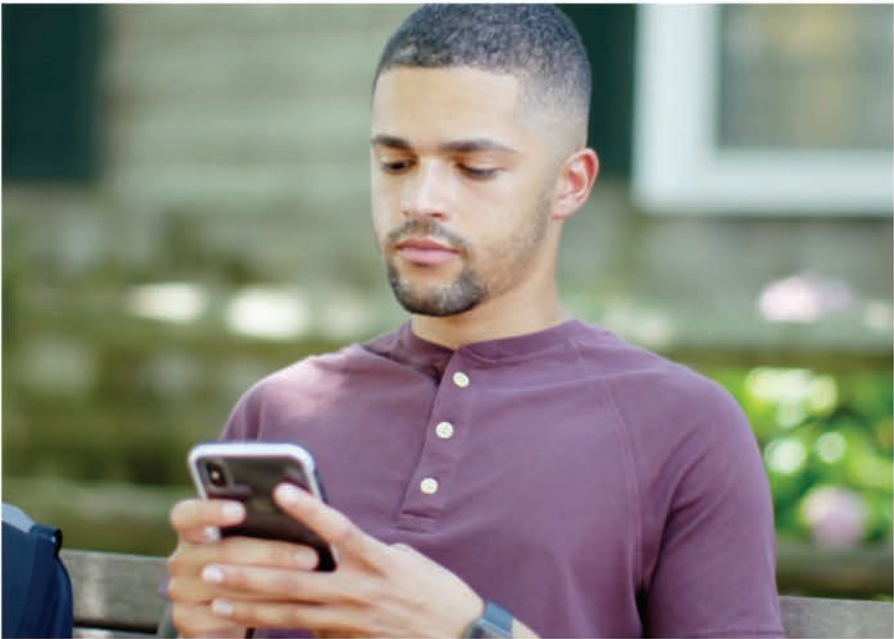
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# Commissioners close gap, pass county budget for FY22

**By Jack Chavez**  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) The Worcester County Commissioners finalized the FY22 budget with a unanimous vote on May 18, closing approximately \$5 million of the \$8 million shortfall between expected revenue and expenditures and transferring the remainder, approximately \$3 million, to the FY23 budget.

In his presentation to the commissioners, Chief Administrative Officer Harold Higgins laid out estimates for surplus funds at the end of FY21, which he said look to be approximately \$9.8 million but could range up to \$12 million.

The most of that surplus comes from transfer and recordation taxes and income taxes.

“We cut income tax substantially and we’re seeing better numbers for (FY21) than was budgeted,” Higgins said.

After applying the surplus to select FY22 expenditures — Board of Education requests, one-time capital purchases, road paving and a new building on the Wor-Wic Community College campus — the FY21 surplus still registered at a sizable figure, about \$5.6 million.

“This is an opportunity to use the surplus we will have at the end of (this fiscal year) to reapply those to expenditures going forward,” Higgins said. “I know you’re concerned about maintaining the tax rates for the county ... your staff has analyzed those (figures) and I believe in the next two years, we can maintain that tax rate, unforeseen any major tragedy.”

Higgins said the county adminis-

tration believes that property taxes will be increasing 3-5 percent and that a 3 percent increase would gain the county an additional \$4.2 million.

Moving forward with the county’s broadband expansion endeavor will also increase the county’s assessed value by 1-3 percent — 1 percent would create \$1.4 million for future fiscal years.

After the meeting, Higgins described the transfer-in strategy as a way to address a deficit by using unspent money from the previous fiscal year.

“What we are doing, when the (fiscal) year ends (on June 30), the county will have excess revenues over expenditures,” Higgins said.

“We will redirect that variance into the budget as a transfer in to balance the budget for FY22.”

Commissioner Chip Bertino asked for clarification of what the surplus money is for, operating or capital expenses, and if this practice could spell trouble down the road.

“My concern is are we budgeting falsely by bringing that money in, if we’re using it for operations and not just capital,” Bertino asked.

Higgins replied that it’s a “mixed bag” and there would still be surplus left after applying it to different parts of the FY22 budget.

“I just think our conservative budgetary process has always kept us out of trouble,” Higgins said.



Harold Higgins



Chip Bertino

## Worcester County Commissioner Briefs

**By Jack Chavez**  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) The Worcester County Commissioners discussed the following during the May 18 meeting:

**Kari’s Law**

The commissioners unanimously passed the adoption and enforcement of the federal Kari’s Law, which requires multi-line telephone systems to allow direct access to call 911.

Kari’s Law is named after Kari Hunt, who was murdered by her estranged husband in 2013 at a motel she had gone to with her children. Her oldest child had attempted to call 911 while the killing took place, but did not realize she needed to dial “9” to place an outbound call.

**Internet crimes**

The commissioners unanimously

approved the submission of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force grant to the state of Maryland. The grant is intended to purchase a new server, computer and other digital equipment, valued at \$26,062 total.

In a memo to the commissioners, Sheriff’s Office Capt. Nate Passwaters said that in the nearly eight years since the Sheriff’s Office has recognized the vital nature of ICAC investigations, the workload has significantly increased, creating the need for grant funding.

**Tax ditch roll certification**

The commissioners unanimously certified the FY22 tax ditch rate and their managers to the county treasurer. Tax ditches are taxable drainage ditches around the county on private land for which the county helps provided maintenance. Each tax ditch has a specified manager, who works

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# Covid-19 restaurant outdoor seating permits extended

Ruling allows expansion to accommodate restrictions

By Jack Chavez  
Staff Writer

(May 27, 2021) The Worcester County Commissioners approved an extension for temporary outdoor seating permits until 60 days after the county lifts its state of emergency declaration on May 18.

“These programs were developed last year,” said Development, Review and Planning Deputy Director Jennifer Keener. “It basically gave restaurants and bars the flexibility to have outdoor seating where it wasn’t previously approved.”

During the pandemic, it hasn’t been uncommon for restaurants to set up dining areas in parking lots and sidewalks, some of which were placed under open tents to account for inclement weather.

“We’ve talked to several businesses that want to consider moving to a more permanent type use, but they’ll need more time [to figure it out].”

The permits had been set to expire at the end of the year or with the cessation of Maryland’s business occupancy restrictions, which Gov. Larry Hogan lifted on May 14.

“Worcester County still has a declaration of emergency in effect so we’re hoping that we could use that to ask for an extension of 60 days or longer,” Keener said.

Commissioner Chip Bertino asked if it was possible to tie the permit expiration to the cessation of the county’s declaration of emergency, which Commissioner President Joe Mitrecic said could be done so it expires a set amount of time after the declaration is lifted.

“I don’t know when we’re going to do that because we haven’t discussed it, but would 60 days after we dissolve ours be okay with everybody?”

## Candidates set for OPA Board elections in summer

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with the county to maintain the drainage ditch. Well-maintained tax ditches are essential in maintaining viable farmland and nurturing ecosystems.

### Grading and paving bids

The commissioners unanimously approved a \$45,500 bid from Delmar-based Terra Firma of Delmarva for the grading and paving of the Department of Public Work’s parking lot off of Timmons Road in Snow Hill. Government

funding for the project will be aided by leftover funds from miscellaneous county projects.

### Metal/plastic pipe bids

The commissioners approved 6-1 a \$44,123.47 bid from Salisbury-based Tri-Supply for the purchase of corrugated metal and plastic pipes to be used by the Roads Division of the Department of Public Works. Commissioner President Joe Mitrecic abstained from the vote because he works with Tri-Supply directly.

Bertino asked.  
In 2020, 12 of these permits were issued. So far in 2021, two have been renewed while one other is pending.

## Worcester Co. offices closed for holiday Mon.

(May 27, 2021) Worcester County Government (WCG) offices, including all five branch libraries and recreation and parks, will be closed Monday, May 31, for the Memorial Day holiday.

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# Sponsors sought for pickleball tournament

(May 27, 2021) The Ocean Pines Pickleball Club is seeking sponsors for the 2021 Summer Classic Pickleball Tournament, scheduled June 12-13 at the Ocean Pines Racquet Center.

The event drew more than 180 competitors from 15 states in 2018 and 2019. Registration this year is already full, with 200 players from multiple states set to take part.

“This year we are expecting even more players and more excitement,” tournament organizer Chris Shook said.

Shook said the Pickleball Club is increasing the number of sponsorships this year, to allow more local companies to have a presence during the tournament.

Sponsorship levels and benefits are as

follows: **Gold Tournament Sponsor, \$500:** large banner advertising for one year; primary locations at the Ocean Pines Racquet Center

- Courtside banner advertising for one year; eight banners with gold sponsors at eight courtside locations
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- Banner advertising on the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club website
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company’s website for 12 weeks in the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club newsletter

- Public appreciation announcements during the tournament weekend
- Press exposure as a sponsor in Ocean Pines Pickleball Club news releases

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- Banner advertising on the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club website
- Sponsorship listed and a link to company’s website for 12 weeks in the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club newsletter
- Public appreciation announcements during the tournament weekend

- Press exposure as a sponsor in Ocean Pines Pickleball Club news releases
- Community goodwill

“Pickleball is now the fastest growing sport in the U.S. and lends itself perfectly to our local demographics,” Shook said. “We expect many more years of growth in our tournament and in our sport. Please consider teaming up with the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club for this tournament event.”

To secure a sponsorship, make a \$500 or \$250 check out to the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club, and mail it to Treasurer Ron Kurtz, 1-B Canvasback Court, Ocean Pines, Maryland 21811.

For questions or more information, contact Kurtz at rkurtzcpa@gmail.com.

# Water monitoring of coastal bays to begin

(May 27, 2021) The local Waterkeeper Alliance affiliate, Assateague Coastal Trust (ACT) and the Assateague Coastkeeper will begin their water quality monitoring of the Maryland Coastal Bays this week.

Sampling and data collection will begin on Thursday, with results being made available on Friday.

New this year, ACT has added the Ocean City inlet as a new sample site.

Since 2012, ACT has monitored area waterways throughout the Maryland

coastal bays region. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, water quality data and water samples from within the Isle of Wight and Assawoman Bay’s, the St. Martin River, and Herring and Turville Creeks are collected, with results being made to the public through several online platforms, including the smartphone app, Swim Guide.

Swim Guide enables users to find safe beaches and swimming areas through a platform that relays local area water quality. The app is available from the App Store,

Google Play, or at [www.theswimguide.org](http://www.theswimguide.org).

Water quality parameters such as pH, dissolved oxygen, and visibility are recorded for a dozen sampling sites throughout the coastal bays. In addition, water samples are pulled, processed and analyzed for the presence of enterococci.

All data and sample results are made available to the public the day following a sampling event and may be accessed at [www.ActForBays.org/data](http://www.ActForBays.org/data).

Visitors to Worcester County and the

coastal watershed should contact the Coastkeeper if they would like to see additional areas monitored.

Coastal bayside waterfront communities like Montego Bay, Snug Harbor, and others may contact ACT to find out how their swimming or water recreation areas can be monitored by calling 410-629-1538 or emailing the ACT Coastkeeper at [coastkeeper@actforbays.org](mailto:coastkeeper@actforbays.org).

Assateague Coastal’s Water Monitoring runs from May 27 through Sept. 9.

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# Daly: ethics resolution legally questionable

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“If you look at our bylaws, there’s nothing that a B-o8 complaint does that our bylaws can’t currently do,” he said. “It’s creating an extra layer in there.”

Other aspects that trouble Daly involve limited public disclosure.

“You do not know what director it’s against and you do not who is filing the complaint,” he said. “So, all of the directors fall under this cloud of suspicion.”

Daly said resolution B-o8 fails to specify that the aggrieved party should draft the written complaint.

“What has happened in all three [B-o8] cases is someone has complained to a director [who] has written a complaint on behalf of that person and presented it to the board,” he said.

In addition to a complaint filed in February against Association President Larry Perrone by Colby Phillips and another last November when General Manager John Viola raised an issue with Director Tom Janasek, former OPA Human Resources manager Nate Douty in 2019 filed a B-o8 complaint that developed into a wrongful termination lawsuit.

In the B-o8 complaint generated by Viola, Daly said a lack of clarity regarding desired resolutions muddled

the process.

“We were looking at removing Janasek from the board,” he said.

Viola later publically stated his intent was never to have Janasek booted.

Daly said the miscue resulted from the board not hearing directly from the person who had initiated the complaint.

Daly said when Director Doug Parks voted in 2018 to adopt B-o8, it was based on the ability to result in varied outcomes.

“The only reason that Doug said he voted for it is because it gives the directors an option to do something aside from removing a director,” he said. “Yet, the way it’s written, the first vote is to consider removal ... it doesn’t make sense.”

At the time, Parks said the existing bylaws provided an “all or nothing” solution for ethics complaints, while theorizing that B-o8 would permit an “introspective look.”

In the Phillips and Perrone instance, Daly said a restriction on board members discussing the investigation allowed only one side to comment in public.



Frank Daly

“Larry Perrone couldn’t say a word and couldn’t even acknowledge the complaint was against him,” he said. “He couldn’t defend himself at all and he’s getting trashed publicly.”

Daly also said the B-o8 process prohibited Phillips’ stated desire to bring her complaint directly to the board.

“When we have one of these investigations, the public doesn’t understand how the investigation is supposed to be run,” he said. “I’m not sure all the board members completely understand.”

Daly said association attorneys pursuing B-o8 investigations interview staff and board members.

“There have been cases, in Colby’s case specifically, [where] she ... wanted them to talk with people that weren’t employees of the association or board members,” he said.

Daly said the association has no legal authority to compel testimony.

“We are not a criminal investigation unit with prosecutors and a grand jury,” he said. “We can’t go and subpoena somebody and have them come and testify.”

Daly said a work group is continu-

ing to draft revisions to the B-o8 procedure, most notably to enhance public disclosure, with a second reading to rescind B-o8 planned for the next board meeting on June 16.

“We should handle this exactly like a corporation does [or] a court system does,” he said. “In either case, if someone accuses you of wrongdoing you know who the accuser is and you know who is being accused.”

Basic elements warranting transparency include who is conducting the conduct probe and which parties would be interviewed.

“We stand in serious legal jeopardy of someday somebody taking us to court for having a B-o8 hearing and saying you’re violating my legal due process and my rights under the constitution,” he said. “It’s just a poor procedure.”

Daly said based on reactions to the more recent B-o8 case, there remains little doubt a revamp is in order.

“If you go into a court situation or arbitration ... and both sides come out and say this is a lousy process, then you have a lousy process,” he said. “That’s exactly what happened the last time we went through it.”

## Marine Corps League plans 15th memorial golf tourney

(May 27, 2021) The First State Detachment of the Marine Corps League is announcing its 15 annual Frank Conlon Memorial Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 10 at the Ocean City Golf Club.

Men, ladies and teams are invited to participate. Cost per player is \$105, which includes greens fees, range balls, beverages, a continental breakfast, and lunch at the afternoon awards ceremony.

The format is a Captains Choice with prizes for three flights: Iwo Jima, Eagle Globe and Anchor and Semper Fi.

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in-one car provided by i.g. Burton of Berlin, Closest to the Pin on three par 3 holes, straightest drive, and a putting green contest.

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# Business Briefs

## Representation

Exit Realty at the Beach announces representation of the seller in the acquisition of 312 Maple Avenue in Berlin. Newly named “The Willows of Berlin,” plans include redevelopment of the 31 existing units and an additional 34 new units for rent, as well as a community center and playground.

## New addition

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy (ESLC) announces the hiring of Sara Ramotnik as its new policy manager. Ramotnik who is replacing Josh Hastings, comes to ESLC from the Chesapeake Conservation Partnership where she worked on policy development and stakeholder input on key conservation legislation.

She graduated from the University of Maryland with a B.S. in Environmental Science and Policy. She also served as an agricultural non-point source pollution intern at the Chesapeake Bay Program Office.

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## Promotion

Raymond M. Thompson, president and chief executive officer of Taylor Bank, has announced that M. Dean Lewis has been promoted to senior vice president of the bank.

Lewis joined Taylor Bank in January 2012. He came to Taylor Bank with 10 years of public accounting experience, the majority of which was spent with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP in Baltimore, where here served as tax director.

His diverse financial background includes roles in accounting, compliance, audits, banking, SEC filings and Sarbanes-Oxley internal control documentation.

After joining Taylor bank, Lewis was promoted to assistant vice president in 2013 and was elected to the Board of Directors in May 2014.

He was promoted to vice president in 2015. Lewis serves as chief financial officer of the bank and treasurer of the holding company.

Lewis is a native of Berlin. He graduated from Stephen Decatur High School in 1998, and attended the University of Maryland where he received a B.S. degree in Accounting in May 2002. He received an M.S. degree in Taxation from American University in August 2008.

Lewis returned to the Eastern Shore in October 2010 and currently resides in Berlin with his wife and three children.

## Promotion

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices PenFed Realty announced the promotion of Ocean City, West Ocean City and Ocean Pines Branch Manager Sharon Curtiss to area vice president.

Curtiss joined the company in 2015 and has worked in the real estate industry since 2001. In 2020, Curtiss’ role expanded to include managing the company’s two offices in Ocean City, in addition to her role as branch manager of the Ocean Pines office.

Under Curtiss’ leadership, all three offices increased their production levels

in units and volume while maintaining the No. 1 spot in market share for the Ocean Pines office in coastal Maryland.

## Joins team

Reid Tingle, president and CEO of Bank of Ocean City along with the Board of Directors, welcomes Jennifer Devan, compliance officer/vice president, as the newest addition to their staff.

Devan joins Bank of Ocean City with 25 years of banking experience. She is a graduate of University of Pittsburgh and most recently served as chief compliance officer at AmeriServ Financial Bank in Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Devan brings with her, a vast array of knowledge in the fields of internal audit, consumer loan operations and underwriting, as well as compliance.

Her professional expertise in the compliance field is evident by her Certified Regulatory Compliance Managers (CRCM) designation.

In addition, Melissa von Bank has graduated from Commercial Lending School-Foundational from the American Bankers Association.

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Stephen Decatur High School senior, Olivia Brown, finished in third place during the Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) National Finals, held in Perry, Georgia last month. She is pictured with IEA Team Coach, Whitney Carmouche.

# Brown finishes third in equestrian finals in Ga.

(May 27, 2021) Stephen Decatur High School senior, Olivia Brown, has a couple more victories to add to her riding career resume, the latest being her third-place finish at the Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) National Finals, held in Perry, Georgia last month.

Brown competed in the open varsity division against 17 other riders from around the country. All participants ride a horse they’ve never ridden before.

The commentators complimented Brown on her riding, stating that it was a great example of how to come out, have a plan, be smart and allow your horse to do its best.

Along with her third-place finish, Brown was recognized as the second-highest point earner in zone 3, which includes North Carolina, Virginia, Delaware and Maryland. She was also awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the US Equestrian Federation.

In addition, Brown picked up a sponsorship with Two Old Mares Blanket Services for one year of blanket services for her competition horse as well as being named an ambassador for Horsecare Ireland products, and Freejump System stirrups.

# Wor. nonprofits grant program deadline June 1

(May 27, 2021) Local nonprofit organizations impacted by the current health pandemic are urged to apply for grant funds through the Worcester County Nonprofits Grant Recovery Program.

Applications will be accepted through June 1, and can be obtained online at [www.co.worcester.md.us](http://www.co.worcester.md.us) under Important Links.

All completed applications must be emailed to [kreynolds@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:kreynolds@co.worcester.md.us) on or before June 1.

“Nonprofit organizations that are physically located in Worcester County will be eligible to apply for grant funds,” Worcester County Senior Budget Accountant Kim Reynolds said. “Grant funds may be used for reimbursable expenses occurring from March 1, 2020 through Dec. 31, 2021 provided that covid relief or other funding has not already been applied to those expenses.”

Applicants should thoroughly review eligibility requirements and show there is a need for funding directly or indirectly related to the pandemic. Submitting an incomplete or inaccurate application may render an applicant ineligible for program funding.

Funds of \$172,937 for the Local Nonprofits Grant Recovery Program were awarded to Worcester County as part of Maryland Recovery Now Funds issued through the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Grant awards will be announced on or before June 30. For additional information, contact Reynolds by email or at 410-632-1194.



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# Golfers event at GlenRiddle nets \$45K for youths

(May 27, 2021) Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore (JAES) raised \$45,640 at its 35th annual golf tournament, held recently at the GlenRiddle Golf Club in Berlin.

BBSI - Salisbury presented the event.

Sold out at 140 golfers, the tournament was the organization’s largest in 35 years. Over 30 businesses from Talbot, Caroline, Dorchester, Wicomico and Worcester counties attended the event.

“Each year the commitment of our community multiples,” said JAES President Jayme Hayes. “Their support moves the mission. They’re showing students success on the shore, and in life, is possible.”

This school year, the organization doubled its student numbers and ex-

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# Miller pursues computer science externship

(May 27, 2021) Local business, Cards Technology, and Worcester Technical High are partnering with the Maryland Chamber Foundation to provide a unique teaching externship for Mary Miller, a Computer Science PLTW teacher, at the Newark school.

The new collaboration will take place this summer and will provide Miller with a four-week working externship at Cards Technology. Ultimately, this opportunity will allow her to teach students about potential careers and needed skills in the computer science and technology fields through her own experience at Cards.

“My goal is to be able to tie curriculum to real-world applications by designing and implementing classroom activities that will add relevance and meaning to my students classroom learning,” she said. “This experience will also enable me to have deeper and more enriching classroom discussions with my students to give them an idea of pathways they can pursue after high school and into our local businesses.”

In this externship, Miller will witness firsthand the type of work IT professionals, like those at Cards Technology, engage in on a daily basis with hopes that she will then be able to better prepare her students for work in this industry.

Sam Card, founder and CEO of Cards Technology, made it clear that he be-



Mary Miller

lieves that smart, hard-working and curious teachers are the heart of the community.

“We applaud the unwavering commitment teachers in this area have for their students,” Card said. “I cannot wait to work with Mary, and I am hoping her involvement in this partnership will help her identify how computer science skills can propel area students toward exciting future careers and opportunities.”

When asked why she wants to participate in the teacher externship program, Miller said that she believes programs like this have a positive and long-lasting impact on businesses, teachers and students.

“I believe this project will help expand the number of integrated and stand-alone computer science classes offered in schools and increase the participation of students in those classes,” she said. “I also believe that introducing more teachers to the latest computing trends and skills that are needed in these fields will bring more relevance to

classrooms. These experiences and activities will lead to more computer science pathways for more students on the Eastern Shore, which will better enrich our communities.”

“We know teachers have a powerful impact on the lives of their students and on our communities,” Card said. “I am excited to work with Mary, a teacher in my own community, to provide an experience that I believe our local workforce is looking for. I believe that this program will ultimately bridge the gap in the talent pipeline by building relationships between teachers and businesses.”

# Junior Achievement gains funding

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panded its service area. The expansion reflects the 35 percent increase in program demand from the school districts.

Proceeds from the event will give students access to JAES programs, for free. The organization’s programs teach students, K-12, how to manage their money, get jobs, and be the CEO.

To learn more about JAES, visit [www.easternshoreja.org](http://www.easternshoreja.org).

Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore is a nonprofit organization educating youth, grades K-12, on financial

literacy, workforce readiness and entrepreneurship.

It is dedicated to providing possibility and powering potential for students in six counties on Maryland’s Eastern Shore and the newly added Accomack County, on Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

As the liaisons between business and education, it immerses in local business industries, identifies the needs of the marketplace, and develops an innovative, needs-based curriculum that is brought to life, in the classroom, by community volunteers.

It teaches concepts that equip and inspire students to understand and manage their finances, to live within their means, to identify fulfilling career pathways, to prepare for the “new norm” of work, and to explore entrepreneurial thinking.

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# Cuisine

## Paul's special sauce for stone crab claws

Reprinted from May 21, 2020

Once again, Capt. Sonny comes through for the win! I know I write about the champions of the sea perhaps too much, but one of my favorite parts of living down here is driving to the commercial docks for dinner.

Whether it is day-boat scallops, rockfish, sea bass, lobster or stone crab claws, it is always a treat as you know it is fresh out of the ocean.



By Paul Suplee,  
MBA, CEC, PC-3



And truth be told, I had no idea that they were catching stone crabs in the Washington. You truly learn something every day.

And as the notification came in from the Skilligalee that they had the claws, I was dressed and in my truck, still half-soaked from getting ready in the morning.

After some near-death experiences on Route 50 with the construction as well as a feisty ATM machine, I was pleased to get to the docks before they ran out.

Securing my haul at an overly-reasonable rate, I met a friend from Annapolis for a small hand-off and then went home and cooked and chilled them.

I've had stone crab claws plenty of times in Florida, but I wanted to play a bit with these. I didn't steam them. I quasi-steamed them in a bath of beer, water and Old Bay.

When they were done, I served them with a mustard sauce that I think stands up to any that you may have had on the panhandle.

And if truth be told, and I think it should, I had some of my lime-cilantro crema in the icebox from last week's carryout dinner and I just threw some yellow mustard in there. And I was in love.

And when I say in love, I mean in love. This sauce is fantastic! As we strive to open our new concept of a market (sit down, take out, prepared foods, etc.), I will definitely make this a hallmark on the new menu. And yes, I am touting it

that much. As I am fond of saying, "#stayhumble."

So as you wander through the day, start following the commercial fishermen in the harbor, get their notifications and definitely support local. These men and women work harder than most of us ever will.

The beauty is that we get to stuff ourselves with fresh, healthy and beautiful seafood in the thick of it.

### Mustard Sauce, Paul-Style

*makes little more than 2 cups*

2 c. crème fraîche (crema fresca at any Latin market)  
Juice of 1 lime  
2 tbsp. finely minced cilantro  
2 tbsp. Champagne vinegar  
2 tbsp. yellow mustard

- Don't yell at me. This is how I make it, and this is how I like it.
- Mix it all up. Adjust as you see fit.
- Commence to yell at me because you've been to Florida.

### Lemon Brown Butter

*makes about 1 1/2 cups*

1 lb. whole unsalted butter  
Juice and rind of 1 lemon  
2 Tbsp. trimix

- Place the butter in a saucepan and heat on medium.
- Butter in a water/fat emulsion, so

as you melt it, the butter will separate into several layers.

- Let the butter be. If you want to be a purist and remove the foam from the top, please feel free. I leave it there and strain it later.
- As the butter melts and the water boils, it will evaporate through the fat. This is when the fun stuff happens.
- The milk solids will start to brown once they are frying in the fat, and that is what gives the brown butter that magical essence.
- At this point, add the lemon and trimix and cook until you can smell the beautiful aroma of brown butter, lemon, pepper and garlic all in the same waft.
- Strain through the finest strainer that you have, or cheesecloth (preferred).
- Keep warm until ready to serve.

### Stone Crab Claws

*for 5 pounds-worth*

5 lb. fresh stone crab claws, cleaned  
2 c. Water  
1 bottle beer  
Old Bay, as desired (don't shoot me, Floridians)  
2 c. mustard sauce (recipe follows)  
2 c. lemon brown butter (recipe follows)  
Old Bay, as needed

- Scrub the claws, as they can be a bit

dirty when they are fresh.

- Bring the water, beer and Old Bay to a boil in a pot large enough to easily handle the claws.
- When at a rolling boil, throw in the claws, cover and cook for 4 1/2 minutes. Don't overcook. Some people prefer steaming them, but this has always worked for me.
- Stir them occasionally, and turn off when they are cooked through. I can tell when they're done, but feel free to crack one to check. A word of warning, though. When they are hot, they can fall apart. When they are chilled they are much easier to work with.
- Chill them completely. I put mine in the refrigerator uncovered, and some people put them in an ice bath. For me, I don't want to lose the flavor that I cooked them in.
- When they are done, simply pull the leg and knuckle from the claw and crack open with a swift crack from a crab mallet on each side.
- If possible, keep one of the pointy shells connected to the claw for dipping, and arrange on a plate with lemon.
- Serve with the mustard sauce and butter or any sides of your choosing.

—Paul Suplee is a Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College and owner of boxcar40. Visit him at [www.boxcar40.com](http://www.boxcar40.com).

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# Shore schools receive \$20K in edu. grants

(May 27, 2021) Schools in Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester counties received \$20,016 in grant funding through the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore’s 2021 Education Award Grants Program to help them get through the second half of this challenging school year.

With schools fluctuating between in-person, virtual and hybrid schedules, students and teachers have been faced with a host of unique hurdles.

Many teachers have gotten creative, transforming their curriculum into virtual programming. Others have adopted a variety of methods to make in-person learning safer. All their efforts come with a cost, and CFES hopes to help ease the burden.

“The creativity and willingness to adapt we have seen really highlights the passion our local educators have for their students,” said Erica Joseph, Community Foundation president. “We are proud to support these learning opportunities for Lower Shore students.”

Education Awards are typically made annually through a competitive process to public and private grade schools on the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Grants are made to those schools that have developed innovative programs to enhance education and improve the social, emotional and physical wellbeing of their students and communities. For 2021, a mid-year grant round was added.

The following mix of virtual and in-person programs received Education Awards grants:

- Berlin Intermediate School will purchase paint supply kits to send home to students for virtual arts programs.
- Faith Baptist School will outfit a new Summer STEM classroom to comply with CDC guidelines.
- Salisbury Christian School will create a sensory walkway for students in school to help with behavioral problems.
- Salisbury School will purchase age-appropriate games and tools for the school counselors and additional supplies for the Maker Space Carts to create covid-19 safe sharing practices.
- Washington Academy High School will start a virtual Project Lit group for students and community members to read and discuss carefully selected books that focus on important social and cultural issues.
- St. Francis de Sales Catholic School will expand the outdoor classroom space by adding a sandbox to be used for sensory education, and the supplies needed to keep it safe and sanitized.
- The Wicomico County Board of Education will purchase supplies for the new English Language Learning Center serving ELL students from Wicomico County in a hybrid format.
- Parkside High School will pur-

chase Go-Pros for students to borrow to demonstrate virtually to their instructors and classmates their culinary knowledge from their home kitchens.

- Glen Avenue Elementary School will enhance its outdoor learning space, to include painting a U.S. map on the blacktop, a number grid game, and a sensory pathway.

- Prince Street Elementary School will purchase additional technology for the World Music Program to make music technology compatible with virtual learning.

- Wicomico County Public Schools TAD Program will create a podcast program for students to plan, write and deliver their own podcasts.

- Salisbury Middle School will turn the school courtyards into “Sensoryscapes” for returning students, to help with mental health, mindfulness and education.

- Pocomoke Middle School will launch the Hide and Go Read initiative, which includes goodie bags for a scavenger hunt style program that incentivizes reading.

- Worcester County Public Schools will provide voice amplifiers to multiple county schools so choral groups can continue to sing while using voice masks.

- Pocomoke Middle School will purchase books for a culturally responsive, social and emotional needs project.

- Snow Hill High School will purchase a variety of supplies, including costume materials to be hand-crafted, and set props for the theatre program to put on a virtually streamed production.

## OBITUARIES

**EDWARD C. JOHNSON JR.**  
Berlin

Edward “Eddie” C. Johnson Jr, 70, passed away Monday, May 17, 2021, in Atlantic General Hospital after a long illness.

Born at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury, Edward was the eldest of three children born to Mae P. Johnson and Edward C. Johnson Sr., who are both deceased.

The family lived in Snow Hill until the late 1960’s when they moved to Berlin.

He graduated from Stephen Decatur High School in 1969. In 1971, he married Teresa “Terry” Quillen.

In 1978, he and Terry moved back

to Snow Hill with their daughter, Amy Holloway, who was his pride and joy.

Eddie enjoyed hunting and racing and was an accomplished artist. He retired from the State of Maryland Department of Agriculture, after serving over 30 years.

In addition to his wife, Eddie leaves behind his siblings, Melody Johnson of Ocean City and Patrick Johnson (Carolyn), and their daughter, Genevieve.

In addition to his siblings, he is survived by his daughter, Amy Holloway (Andy) of West Ocean City, and their children, Gracie and Benjamin. His grandchildren held a very special

place in his heart.

His current dog, Sadie, was his best friend.

There will be no service at Eddie’s request.

In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Shriners Hospitals for Children, the Humane Society of Wicomico County or Spence Baptist Church in Snow Hill.

Arrangements are in the care of Eastern Shore Cremation and Funeral Service, 504 Franklin Avenue, Berlin, Maryland 21811.

To send condolences to the family, visit [www.easternshorecremation.com](http://www.easternshorecremation.com).

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# Opinion

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## Establish separate ethics committee

The Ocean Pines Association’s Director and Officer Ethics and Conduct resolution, or B-o8 as it is generally known, offers plenty to argue about, but its greatest problem is that it calls on board members to pass judgment on each other.

Given the inevitable political allegiances that board members form over the course of their terms, providing a completely neutral consideration of an ethics complaint could be difficult to achieve ... or at least would be subject to second-guessing and speculation.

But doing away with the bylaw’s ethics provisions is the wrong solution. The better approach would be to return to the original proposal that called for a separate entity — an ethics committee — to examine and consider complaints about the conduct or conflicts of interest of officials and board members.

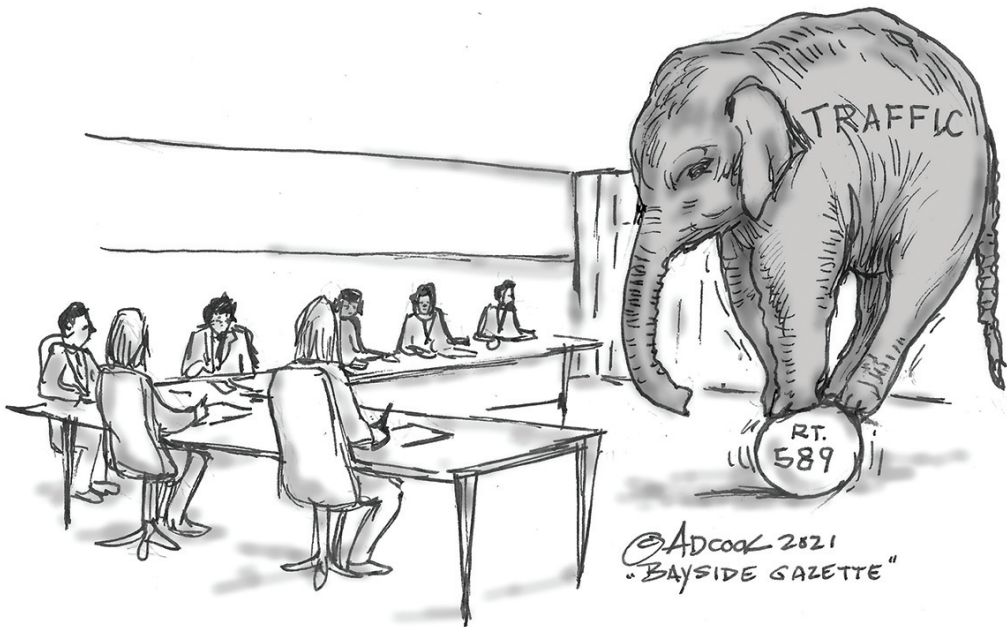
Without B-o8, the bylaws don’t really spell out a procedure for dealing with such complaints, beyond the resignation and removal sections of the document.

B-o8, meanwhile, is open to too much interpretation to be of much use, particularly as it involves the public aspect of ethics hearings and deliberations.

The declaration that members of the board of directors “shall be considered employees of the association,” for instance, gets around the state Homeowner’s Association Act’s open meetings requirement by turning a complaint into a personnel matter.

Of course, the directors are not employees, no matter what legal argument might be applied to justify that designation. Still, it shouldn’t matter, since all accusations should be handled in closed session initially to protect the reputations of the accused from being tarnished or ruined unfairly.

An independent ethics committee could weigh any evidence in private and then release its findings to the board publicly. It then would be up to the board itself to handle the penalty phase.



Apparently when the Worcester County Planning Commission approved conceptual plans for a massive, 300,000-square-foot retail center around Route 50 and 589 they were unaware of the elephant in the room.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Boardwalk bike concerns aired

Editor,

As residents of Berlin, Maryland, we enjoy spending time on Ocean City’s Boardwalk. However, we believe there is a safety issue that deserves your attention.

Bicycles and other forms of “foot-operated” trans-

portation often operate along the Boardwalk and their operators often have little regard for pedestrian safety—with no warning when they are approaching.

I believe a law should be passed in Ocean City that requires all conveyances operated on the Boardwalk to be equipped with a bell, horn or other warning device.

There should be fines on owners of these devices who fail to equip them with warning devices. There also should be fines on operators who fail to use these devices when approaching pedestrians. Thank you for your kind attention in this matter.

Bob and Joan  
Faszczewski  
Berlin

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## Wor. GOLD golf tournament June 16

(May 27, 2021) Worcester County GOLD (Giving Other Lives Dignity) announces the return of GOLD on the Green Charity Golf Tournament, scheduled for June 16 on the Newport Bay Course at Ocean City Golf Club.

“We can’t wait to get out there and see everyone,” said Executive Director Nicholas Cranford. “We’ve got some really exciting things planned for this year, including use of the course’s newly designed outdoor space for the awards dinner.”

Proceeds benefit GOLD, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides emergency assistance for urgent needs like housing, utilities, and basic needs for

children and vulnerable adults.

GOLD is seeking teams of golfers, sponsors and donors to make this fundraiser a success. Call 410-474-3414 or visit [www.WorcesterGOLD.org](http://www.WorcesterGOLD.org) to access additional information or submit the registration form.

Worcester County G.O.L.D., Inc. provides financial aid and basic needs items for Worcester County residents living in poverty and low-income circumstances. It believes no member of the community should suffer without access to basic needs like housing, utilities, food, clothing, and items for children and vulnerable adults.

In addition to emergency services, GOLD offers special programs like summer activities for at-risk youth, school supplies for students, Thanksgiving turkey meals, and Helping Hands for the Holidays.

For more information, contact Nicholas Cranford, executive director, at [Nicholas.Cranford@maryland.gov](mailto:Nicholas.Cranford@maryland.gov), 410-474-3414, or visit [www.WorcesterGOLD.org](http://www.WorcesterGOLD.org), email [WorcesterCountyGOLD@gmail.com](mailto:WorcesterCountyGOLD@gmail.com), or call 410-677-6830. Check out Worcester Gold Facebook at [www.facebook.com/worcestergold](http://www.facebook.com/worcestergold), and Instagram, [www.instagram.com/worcestercountygold](http://www.instagram.com/worcestercountygold).





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### SCHOLARSHIP DONATION

Family and friends of the late Worcester County Sheriff's Office Deputy 1st Class Brian K. Heller recently presented a check for \$3,000 for the endowed scholarship in his name, which benefits Wor-Wic Community College criminal justice students from Worcester, Wicomico or Somerset County. Pictured, from left, are Dr. Ray Hoy, president of Wor-Wic Community College; Worcester County Sheriff Matt Crisafulli; Heller's mother, Connie Widmann, and her husband, Dave, along with Heller's daughter, Laura Jorgenson and her sons, Jon, 5, Everett, 18 months, and Shane, 7. The scholarship fund was created in 2004 in memory of Heller, who died in the line of duty in 2000.



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### BIKE EVENT

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City participated in the Ocean Pines bike event on May 1. Pictured, from left, are Sue Wineke, President-Elect Tim Lund, President Steve Cohen and Shelley Cohen. Kiwanian Sarah Walker, who took the photo, also participated.



### INDUCTED

The William E. Esham, Jr. Chapter of the Cum Laude Society at Worcester Preparatory School (WPS) welcomed nine new members during a ceremony on April 29. The featured guest speaker was WPS math teacher Cyndee Hudson. The inductees, from left, are seniors Ryan Brafman, Waverly Choy, C.C. Lizas and Graham McColgan; and juniors Ayush Batra, Sydney Lamson-Reich, Marshall Mumford and Megan Waller, Not Pictured: Lily Baeurle. The Cum Laude Society is a national organization founded in 1906 which honors the world's academic excellence in secondary schools for the purposes of promoting excellence (Arete'), justice (Dike'), and honor (Time'). WPS is the only school on the Eastern Shore with an established Cum Laude Chapter where superior scholastic achievement is honored.

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## Thurs., May 27

**BAJA AMUSEMENTS CELEBRATES 40 YEARS**  
Baja Amusements, 12639 Ocean Gate-  
way, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Featuring a  
customer appreciation party with a rib-  
bon cutting ceremony at 1 p.m. Baja will  
offer discount tickets, food, drinks and  
giveaways throughout the day. Open to  
the public.

**ZUMBA FOR ALL LEVELS**  
Meeting via Zoom, 2:00 PM. These  
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## Fri., May 28

**GOVAX SUMMER TOUR**  
Seacrets, 117 49th Street, 12:00 PM -  
2:00 PM. Governor Larry Hogan will  
launch Maryland’s GoVAX Summer  
Tour. Free COVID-19 vaccines will be  
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**SPRING FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**  
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean  
City, MD. Featuring “A Bug’s Life.” The  
movie will begin after the sun sets and  
there will be concessions for sale. Bring a  
chair or blanket. Admission is free.

**SUMMER KICK OFF CEREMONY**  
Ocean City beach at N. Division Street, ,  
11:00 AM. The Town of Ocean City will  
kick off the summer season with a cere-  
mony featuring the display of a giant  
American Flag as well as planting the  
first umbrella in the sand. The public is  
welcome to join along the beach to honor  
both veterans and front line heroes. At  
dusk, from May 28-31, 13 beams of light  
will be displayed at North Division Street  
to serve as a beacon for military person-  
nel killed in service, as well as front line  
workers and first responders.  
<https://www.ococean.com/events/summer-kick-off-ceremony2021>

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO**  
*Fridays* - Columbus Hall, behind St.  
Luke’s Church, 9901 Coastal Highway,  
Ocean City, MD. Doors open at 5 p.m.  
and bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. Masks are  
required while moving around inside.  
410-524-7994

## Sat., May 29

**COVER THE CRUISER - SPECIAL OLYMPICS**  
Ocean City Boardwalk at N. Division

Street, 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM. Help sup-  
port Special Olympics Maryland by cov-  
ering an OCPD cruiser with pledge cards.  
Torch Run T-shirts and hats will be avail-  
able for a \$15 donation. Donate any  
amount to get a pledge card.

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST**  
Whaleyville United Methodist Church,  
11716 Sheppards Crossing Road, 7:00 AM  
- 10:00 AM. Menu includes pancakes,  
bacon, sausage, scrapple, scrambled eggs,  
chipped beef, hash brown potatoes, toast,  
fruit and assorted beverages. Cost is \$8  
for adults and \$4 for children. Carry-out  
available.

**KIWANIS CAR SHOW**  
Worcester County Veterans Memorial at  
Ocean Pines, 11144 Cathell Road, 10:00  
AM - 2:00 PM. Featuring judged classes,  
trophies and awards. On site registration  
held 9-10 a.m. Cost is \$15. Food conces-  
sions subject to COVID-19 regulations.  
The club will award scholarships to grad-  
uating seniors at 1:30 p.m. The 2022 Ki-  
wanis Lottery Raffle tickets sold for \$20  
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667-3099, <http://kiwanisofopoc.org>

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Ocean Parkway, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM.  
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## Sun., May 30

**COVER THE CRUISER - SPECIAL OLYMPICS**  
Ocean City Boardwalk at N. Division  
Street, 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM. Help sup-  
port Special Olympics Maryland by cov-  
ering an OCPD cruiser with pledge cards.  
Torch Run T-shirts and hats will be avail-  
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**BERLIN FARMERS MARKET**  
*Sundays through September* - Downtown  
Berlin, 9:00 AM - 1:00 pm. This is a produc-  
ers market only featuring produce, flowers,  
baked goods, art and homemade products.  
<https://www.berlinmainstreet.com/farmersmarket/>

## Mon., May 31

**MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**  
The Dunes Manor Hotel on 28th Street  
and Baltimore Avenue will host the  
American Legion Synepuxent Post 166,  
American Legion Riders and joint Color  
Guard processions oceanside starting at 8  
a.m. The event, which starts in the Dunes  
Manor front parking lot and then transi-  
tions to the beach, includes a rendition of  
“Taps,” along with the posting of colors, a  
three-volley salute from the firing squad  
and concludes with a wreath placed in

ocean waters. Info: 800-523-2888.

**MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**  
American Legion Post 166, 2308  
Philadelphia Ave., 1 p.m. Among the as-  
sorted speakers will be members of the  
First State Detachment Marine Corps  
League, Unit #166 American Legion Aux-  
iliary, Chapter #166 American Legion  
Riders, Vietnam Veterans of America  
Chapter #1091, American Legion Post  
#166 Color Guard and the Sons of the  
American Legion #166. The ceremony  
concludes with a firing of the volley  
salute along with a rendition of “Taps,”  
followed by singing of “God Bless Amer-  
ica.” Refreshments will be served prior to  
the ceremony, which is free and open to  
the public. For more info: Ed Pinto, 703-  
901-5544.

**ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**  
Worcester County Veterans Memorial,  
Ocean Pines, 11 a.m. The keynote speaker  
at this years’ event is Salisbury Mayor  
Jake Day. Musical interludes will be pro-  
vided by several artists, including Frank  
Nanna and Todd Crosby with WWIIunes  
and Randy Lee Ashcraft. The Delmarva  
Chorus will honor Army, Navy, Marine,  
Air Force and Coast Guard members with  
their rendition of the “Armed Forces  
Medley.” Limited seating will be avail-  
able. Info: [opvets.org](mailto:opvets.org).

## Tues., June 1

**DEMOCRATIC WOMEN’S CLUB LUNCHEON  
RESERVATION DEADLINE**  
The luncheon takes place at the Ocean  
Pines Yacht Club Ballroom on June 21  
from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and will in-  
clude choice of three entrees and dessert,  
a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and more.  
Cost is \$30. Deadline to register is June 1.  
Reservation form is on the DWC’s Face-  
book page, Web site, [www.dwcmd.org](http://www.dwcmd.org) or  
email [demwomensclubbwc@gmail.com](mailto:demwomensclubbwc@gmail.com).  
Everyone is welcome. Social distancing  
protocols in place.

**CPL. KEITH HEACOOK FUNDRAISER**  
The Hideaway Restaurant at River Run,  
11605 Masters Lane, 5:00 PM. Cost is  
\$20 and includes two beverages and  
food. Domestic beer or soft drinks, hot  
dogs or hamburgers, baked beans and  
coleslaw. Live music by Jimmy Charles  
from 6-9 p.m. A silent auction will be  
held during the event. Proceeds form this  
event will be donated towards Cpl. Keith  
Heacock.

**DELMARVA HAND DANCE**  
Selbyville Elks Lodge 2173, 13324  
Worcester Highway, 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM.  
Dance to the sounds of the ‘50s and ‘60s  
music. A \$5 donation to benefit Veterans  
and local charities. Members and guests  
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**PRIDE FILM SERIES: THE FREEDOM TO  
MARRY**  
Meeting via Zoom, 6:00 PM. Join the  
group for a viewing and panel discussion  
of this documentary that chronicles the  
fight for same-sex couples to achieve the  
right to marry. Register: [worcesterli-](http://worcesterli-)  
[brary.org](http://brary.org) under events.

**MARYLAND BASIC BOATING SAFETY  
COURSE**  
Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road,  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM. The course is held  
June 1, 2, and 3. Cost is \$20. Register:  
Barry Cohen, 410-935-4807 or  
[CGAUXOC@gmail.com](mailto:CGAUXOC@gmail.com). Masks required.

## Wed., June 2

**MOVIE ON THE BEACH**  
Carousel Resort Hotel and Condomini-  
ums, 11700 Coastal Highway, 8:30 PM.  
Featuring “Toy Story 4.” There will also  
be music and entertainment with family  
friendly yard games like corn hole, ladder  
ball, spike ball, large connect four and  
more. In the event of inclement weather,  
all activities will be cancelled. Ocean City  
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To provide additional vaccine availability  
in the Ocean City area throughout the  
holiday weekend, a GoVAX Mobile clinic  
will be located at the Ocean City Conven-  
tion Center at 4001 Coastal Highway  
from May 28 to June 6. Free COVID-19  
vaccines will be available at the clinic  
each day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with no  
appointment required. [covidLINK.maryland.gov](http://covidLINK.maryland.gov).

**OC LIFE-SAVING STATION MUSEUM PRO-  
GRAMS**  
Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum,  
south end of the Boardwalk, 813 S. At-  
lantic Ave., Monday through Saturday, 10  
a.m., June 1 through Aug. 31. All pro-  
grams are free. Featuring “History of our  
Surfman” on Mondays, “Beach Safety” on  
Tuesdays, “Knot Tying” on Wednesdays,  
“All About Sharks” on Thursdays, “Land  
Sky & Sea” on Fridays, and “Aquarium  
Feeding on Saturdays. 410-289-4991,  
<https://www.ocmuseum.org>.

**DAILY AQUARIUM PROGRAM**  
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lantic Ave., Monday through Saturday,  
11:30 a.m., June 1 through Aug. 31. Dis-  
cover the wildlife that inhabits our ocean  
and coastal bays, as you watch the aquar-  
ium animals eat their morning meal. 410-  
289-4991, <https://www.ocmuseum.org>.



# Puzzles

## A SHOT IN THE DARK

BY JOE DIPIETRO / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Joe DiPietro, of Brooklyn, owns a bar called One Star in the Chelsea neighborhood of Manhattan. He previously owned a bar called No Idea, which made a confusing answer to the question “Where do you want to go tonight?” As a crossword constructor, he hates partial phrases (answers like TUG OF and IF I) and grids with “S” in the lower-right corner. This puzzle has neither of those. — W.S.

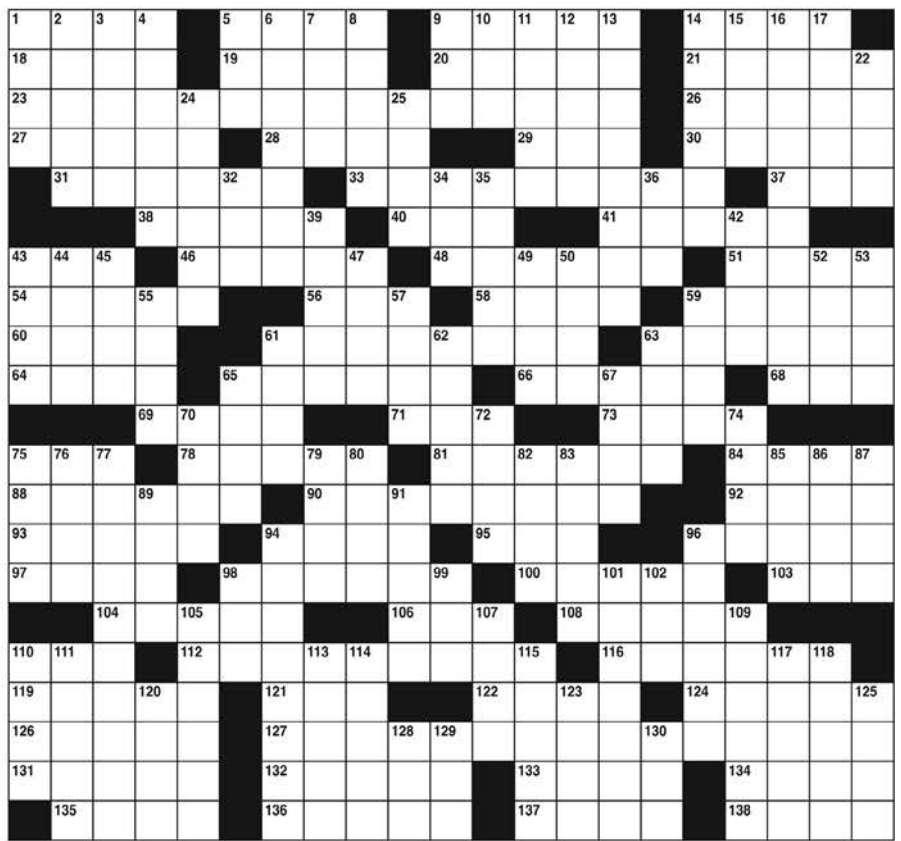
**ACROSS**  
1 Dude, slangily  
5 Taster Swirlz brand  
9 Country singer Haggard  
14 Lhasa \_\_\_\_ (dog breed)  
18 Metallic fabric  
19 “\_\_\_\_: Legacy” (sci-fi sequel)  
20 Hymn of joy  
21 Loud thudding sound  
23 Shot in the dark  
26 Get to the point?  
27 Steps up?  
28 Court plea, in brief  
29 Winner’s sign  
30 Alternative to a blitz  
31 False start?  
33 Improved version of an existing product  
37 —  
38 Skipping syllables?  
40 Reward for a big hit, say  
41 Two-legged stand  
43 Fix for a bald spot  
46 —  
48 Shock  
51 Oscar-winning Hanks role of 1994  
54 Tiny bits  
56 Byway connection  
58 Voice-mail prompt  
59 Hasbro game requiring increasingly quick reflexes  
60 Tiny bit

**DOWN**  
1 Photo mishap  
2 Amassed  
3 Congregational chorus  
4 Tools for landscapers  
5 “You get the idea”: Abbr.  
6 Food found in some bars  
7 Most-often-used  
8 Net wt. of many pasta packages  
9 Sticker stat  
10 It’s water under *le pont*  
11 Teller of the third tale in “The Canterbury Tales”  
12 Surgical tool  
13 Like some casts  
14 Makes a scene  
15 “Hallelujah!”  
16 Marvelous  
17 \_\_\_\_-3  
22 Slice and dice, say

**ACROSS**  
61 Mensch  
63 Meals with Haggadah readings  
64 Award to wear  
65 Real deal  
66 —  
68 Like cabernet sauvignon  
69 Go over  
71 Start of many Portuguese place names  
73 Be angry  
75 Suffix with age  
78 Highly resistant elastomer  
81 —  
84 Skyscraper support  
88 Like some ballots  
90 Breakfast drink sans creamer  
92 Ill-advised move  
93 Intangible qualities  
94 Do  
95 Anonymous surname  
96 Causes of pocket buzzes  
97 Loud, sharp sound  
98 Like Golden Raspberry-“winning” films  
100 Detectives  
103 —  
104 Whispered sweet nothings  
106 It’s a sign  
108 Unsmiling  
110 Like some roller chains and ball bearings  
112 —  
116 Leaves zip for a tip  
119 One given orders around the house  
121 Tract of land

**DOWN**  
122 Nickname for the Wildcats of the Pac-12  
124 Smut  
126 Collection on Facebook  
127 Shot in the dark  
131 Three-time American League M.V.P. of the 1950s  
132 Varsity  
133 Hurt badly  
134 Disneyland transport  
135 Bill blockers  
136 Ta-tas  
137 Polishes off  
138 Fore-and-aft-rigged sailboat with two masts  
24 Takes over (from)  
25 More than just a talker  
32 Indian lentil dish  
34 “No info yet,” on a schedule  
35 Carefully avoid  
36 Heating option  
39 Composer Bruckner  
42 —  
43 Unlikely Oscar winners  
44 Fighting  
45 Tiny bit  
47 G  
49 Opening for a computer technician?  
50 Pro fighter?  
52 Swampy stretch  
53 V.A. concern, for short  
55 —  
57 Phenomenon by which electrons radiate from a heated filament, so named for a famous observer  
59 “You can’t be a real country unless you have a \_\_\_\_ and an airline”: Frank Zappa  
61 Mil. leader  
62 Catch  
63 Arc on a music score  
65 Investment goal  
67 Trucker on a radio  
70 Pitchfork-shaped letters  
72 —  
74 When the first “Peanuts” comic appeared  
75 Apple on the teacher’s desk?

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- 76 Literature Nobel  
77 Innovation in push-ups  
79 It can represent a folder  
80 First offer?  
82 “I touched your nose!” sound  
83 Coffin frames  
85 Squarish  
86 A joker might say “And the pot thickens” after one

87 One of the friends on “Friends”  
89 Very easy living  
91 —  
94 French explorer who founded Detroit  
96 Duty  
98 According to  
99 Bad P.R. for a celeb, maybe  
101 Baseball announcer’s cry  
102 One doing a Spot check?

105 Whom the Secret Service dubbed Renegade and Renaissance  
107 Mike who served as a Wyoming senator from 1997 to 2021  
109 —  
110 Longtime Swedish automaker  
111 \_\_\_\_ Johnson Sirleaf, Africa’s first elected female head of state  
113 Mammal found in the Andean cloud forest  
114 Utterly lost

115 “I’m baffled”  
117 Botanist’s study  
118 A sucker for milkshakes, say  
120 —  
123 ESPN covers its games  
125 Web file format, for short  
128 The natural order of the universe  
129 Chats over Twitter, briefly  
130 Grp. mobilized by a 911 call

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4	1					7	
	3			9			2
		8	6		3		
		9		7		4	
			9		5	2	
	4			6			9
		1					4 5
	6				9		

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5	4	7	2	8	1	6	3	9
3	9	2	5	4	6	1	7	8
8	1	6	7	9	3	2	5	4
6	2	8	4	1	5	3	9	7
1	5	3	9	6	7	8	4	2
9	7	4	3	2	8	5	6	1
4	3	5	8	7	2	9	1	6
7	8	1	6	3	9	4	2	5
2	6	9	1	5	4	7	8	3

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REM	IGET	KICKOUT	OF YOU
IRE	MITER	AXLE	STAPLERS
CARRY	THAT	WEIGHT	HERES
HAI	OAT	ERA	
COCO	TCCELL	REGATTA	
HURT	SSOGOOD	PUSHIT	
USE	PUPAE	TOMS	SKEET
MEW	EVERT	FINAL	EASY
	IWANNABE	SEDATED	
USPS	TEPID	EELED	ZAP
REALM	ORSO	ADORE	ODE
SCREAM	IMCOMING	OUT	
ATATROT	DENCH	MALE	
	GNU	ALTA	ANA
AMEBA	BABY	ONEMORE	TIME
CANARIES	ABUTS	MOT	
THEKIDS	AREAL	RIGHT	AVA
SERENE	MARRY	TARO	LIP
ROSES	ITSMET	STOP	SEE



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