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With the bald eagle rescued off Racetrack Road on Feb. 10, from left, are Worcester County Sheriff's Office Tfc. Robert Bradley, Worcester County Sheriff's Office Deputy Sheriff Ben Cropper, Assateague State Park Ranger Meghan Sochowski and Cpl. Eric Lenz.

Recovering eagle's injury not disclosed

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) A bald eagle that was found unable to fly and standing on the side of the road is recovering from undisclosed injuries at a rescue facility in Delaware, while an investigation into the cause of the bird's flightless state continues.

Deputy Sheriff Ben Cropper of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office, assisted with the rescue of a

bald eagle that was spotted on the shoulder of Racetrack Road on Feb. 10. According to the Sheriff's office, Assateague Island State Park took the bird into custody.

The eagle is now in the care of Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research in Newark, Delaware. This is the same facility that nursed a bald eagle back to health after it flew through a windshield on Route 113 in February 2021.

In that instance, wildlife officials knew what happened — the eagle flew into an oncoming vehicle and landed in the driver's lap. The circumstances in the current case aren't clear.

"We have no comment on this case because it is under investigation, and we do not want to disclose any information that may compromise the investigation," Executive

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Assessments drop by \$13 in new budget

Healthy set of books leads to 5-2 vote to lower levy

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) It's official, assessments on Ocean Pines property will be less in the year ahead. The Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors agreed at its Saturday session that assessments will drop by \$13, making the bill for basic non-waterfront lots \$883 and for waterfront lots \$1,325.

The assessments were finalized when the board voted to approve the 2023-24 budget by a five to two vote, with Colette Horn and Frank Daly voting against.

Their main concern with the budget was that the aquatics department was projected to be in the red to a tune of \$100,000.

Horn noted that the governing documents say amenities should be run at break-even or better. In order to break even, prices for memberships, classes and daily visits would have to increase, raising the concern that it could price people out of a valued amenity, especially those on a fixed income.

Ultimately, the majority of board members voted for the budget.

General Manager John Viola reviewed the financials for January 2023. According to a memo from the Director of Finance/Controller Steve Phillips, "We have a positive operat-

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Berlin's budget looks good after first six months

Finance director reports numbers running ahead, revenue collections solid

By **Jack Chavez**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) The numbers are in for the first half of FY23 and the

Town of Berlin is slightly ahead of schedule, according to Finance Director Natalie Saleh's report.

From the period of July 1 to Dec. 31, the town brought in \$5.3 million in total revenue, which included \$3.71 million in property and "other" taxes and \$842,041 in intergovernmental revenues.

"Overall, we are at (41 percent) to be collected of all the revenues by the end of (FY23)," Saleh said. "It's a good mark, which is a little less than (half).

"From the budgeted amount of \$9 million, we are at \$ 5.3 million as of right now."

Expenditures for the six months

were \$3.6 million, led by \$1.49 million for public safety, \$824,460 under general government and \$553,830 for public works.

As of the end of December, there was \$1.58 million in the general fund assigned under "nonspendable," the same exact number from 2022.

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No issues with Berlin money after first-half FY23 report

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"This is the amount from the stormwater and sewer (projects)," Saleh said. "This number has not changed but hopefully by the end of FY23 we will reduce that amount."



Natalie Saleh

The assigned fund balance increased from \$907,288 in 2022 to \$2.32 million in FY23, owing in large part to town projects such as insurance, stabilization and the Flower Street community center.

Overall, fund balances at the end of December totaled \$7.33 million, compared to \$7.09 million in FY22.

"We're pretty close to the FY22 in the amount, a little bit over which is a good sign for us to close the year in the positive," Saleh said.

Saleh said it's a promising sign to see that the unassigned balance fund is growing higher.

Capital project expenditures over the six months were \$157,905 for street and path paving, \$56,226 for the Henry Park basketball court lights project, \$36,995 for a Department of Public Works vehicle and \$15,549 for security cameras.

The town is also in the midst of a wage and compensation study that is costing \$3,000.

From the water fund, water treatment at the Powelton Avenue well house cost \$115,857. Water distribution from the Branch Street well cost \$101,360.

Saleh said that water connection fees are a "little bit behind" but that water service charges at the mark of six months are where they're supposed to be.

Overall, water revenue was around \$591,000 while expenditures were around \$599,000, Saleh said.

"That gives us a little bit of a loss but I'm pretty confident that's going to catch up over the next six months," she said.



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VALENTINE'S DAY

Worcester Prep's Lower School (PreK - Grade 5) celebrated Valentine's Day on Feb. 14, with parties, where students shared cards and treats with their classmates, or spent the time giving to a good cause. Worcester Prep's fifth grade class, along with the help of homeroom moms, Jenna Hoch and Kim Kappes, spent their Valentine's party building "Warrior Care Packages" by bundling infant blankets and books to be donated to Wyatt's Warriors Foundation, created in honor of Wyatt Mercer Shipe who was born with congenital heart defects. The foundation was created in Wyatt's memory to help families during a difficult time by providing comfort, support, education and encouragement. In doing so, "Warrior Care Packages" are provided to families who must leave local hospitals for infant care at larger specialized hospitals. For more information on Wyatt's Warriors Foundation visit their website at www.wyattswarriors.org. Second graders Grace Hornung and Kamden White are joined by their teacher Abby Harrison.

Eagle recovering at Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research

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Director Lisa Smith said. "We admitted 89 bald eagles for treatment last year, and 103 in 2021, our new record. Of those 192 eagles, 100 came from Maryland."

Bald eagles were once endangered in the lower 48 states because of habitat destruction, shooting and poisoning by the pesticide DDT, which was used to combat mosquitoes.

In 1963, there were only 417 nesting pairs of bald eagles in the lower 48 states and the species was in danger of extinction. By 1972, the Environmental Protection Agency banned the use of DDT in this country.

In 2021, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimated that the bald eagle population was about 316,700, in-

cluding 71,467 breeding pairs.

According to the Maryland Bird Conservation Partnership, the Chesapeake Bay region hosts the largest concentration of bald eagles in the lower 48 states. It is estimated that 1,400 pairs currently breed in Maryland.

"There are so many on the Eastern Shore... crazy and wonderful," Smith said.

The bald eagle continues to be protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. Both laws prohibit killing, selling or otherwise harming eagles, their nests or eggs.

Anyone with information on this case should contact Maryland DNR. Call or text 443-433-4112, or email mwc.dnr@maryland.gov.

Ocean Pines Golf Course gets ready for early spring

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) It's a busy time at the Ocean Pines Golf Course, as work continues to clear out of dead and diseased trees to promote sunlight and airflow on the 17th hole. The shelter is also getting cleaned out in preparation for the new instructor, Matt Ruggiere, who will arrive in March.

New merchandise is arriving in the shop, including towels and umbrellas. Staff members are being brought back earlier than expected because of the good weather.

"We've hired one to two people inside and one to two people outside to fill out the staff," Director of Golf Bob Beckelman said. "We are getting ready for spring, which never seems to have ended."

New golf carts are expected to arrive in June to replace the current fleet. Beckelman cautioned that there is always the possibility of delay. The expense for the golf carts was approved in last year's budget.

The Golf Committee is exploring two beautification projects. Its members are looking at building up the soil in the back to stop balls from going over the green to the path on hole 7. The work on the 7th hole is in this year's budget.

A tree was taken down and planting beds are being added. The committee will focus on hole 18 next, to identify plants that deer will not eat.

USGA came out last summer to re-rate the golf course. USGA rates each hole on the golf course from one to 18, with one being the toughest and 18 being the easiest.

The difficulty of the hole is related to other holes in the area. There is a slope, which is a comparison of the golf course to other golf courses and a rating for each hole.

The last time the course was rated was so long ago, no one knows when it was rated, according to Frank Brown, Golf Committee chair.

Brown said Beckelman has not yet received the report, so the new score cards have been printed with the old ratings. The handicap for each hole number does not change, which is done by the scores that members post on the holes.

Beckelman and the golf committee members hope the improved conditions will lead to an increase in golf membership.

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OPA's 2022 election still under microscope

Committee recommends ending electronic voting, changes in print ballots

By **Cindy Hoffman**

Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) There are still no firm decisions on how to address the voting discrepancies in the August 2022 board election. A September hand count of the ballots dropped the total number of votes from 9,053 to 8,113.

During the public comments segment of the board of directors meeting Saturday, former board member Amy Peck raised concerns about the lack of transparency related to the election committee and its work to address the election's problems. She asserted that since the seating of the

election committee, there has been no agenda or minutes posted to the website from their meetings, no audit shared, and an election report that was produced has not been shared publicly.

Later in the meeting, Tom Piatti, who chairs the committee, presented his findings to the board of directors. Piatti launched directly into his presentation with the recommendation that the Ocean Pines Association do away with electronic voting.

He also flagged some issues that were problems with the previous election. He said the paper used for the ballots was inferior and caused bleed-through when marked. He added that the scanner was set to two-sided and was counting the bleed-through marks as votes.

He further reported that the size of

the paper made it difficult to place in the envelope and therefore caused extensive creasing which affected scanning. Technical issues aside, owners of multiple lots were only given the opportunity to vote once — it's one vote per lot — unless they specifically asked for multiple envelopes.

That affected 213 multiple property owners in Ocean Pines, for a total of 479 properties. In the 2022 election, the way they voted was weighted against all of their properties unless they asked for envelopes for all of their properties. It was made clear by multiple board members that property owners should be able to vote based on the number of properties they own. Therefore, if someone owns six properties, they get six votes.

There was much debate about the work of the committee, with board members Colette Horn and Steve Jacobs expressing concern that the committee did not follow through on what they were charged to do, and that the committee specifically recommended an end to electronic voting when it did not find any flaws in the electronic voting process.

"The problem was on the hard copy voting not on the electronic voting," Jacobs said. "We run the risk of disenfranchising people at a time when frankly we should be looking to expand the pool of eligible voters par-

ticipating in our elections."

"I've lost confidence in this committee. We really need to look at the composition of the elections committee, make sure we have the right kind of talent on there to do what needs to be done to give electronic voting a fair assessment and find technology that will work for multiple lot voters as well as single lot voters," Horn said.

"The critical part of the election is that every legitimate vote is counted, and every legitimate vote is counted properly. And clearly that did not happen in the last election," Director Frank Daly said. "The real question is what are we going to do in the next election? Before we certify an election, I want to know how many lots voted and compare that to the votes that were cast."

Association President Doug Parks wrapped up the discussion by saying, "Based on time, we should go back to what worked, because that is the path of least risk. But the idea is that we should have time to look at the electronic voting because I do see benefits in that."

He suggested the board charge the elections committee with providing recommendations for how the association should proceed with this next election. He also emphasized that the committee should not abandon electronic voting

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Budget, staffing, contractor registry on board agenda

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ing fund variance for January of \$43,120. Revenues were over budget by \$18,414 and total expenses were under budget by \$24,706. We have a positive year to date operating fund variance of \$1,079,014, revenues are over budget by \$946,618 and total expenses are under budget by \$132,396.”

“Ninety percent of this is revenue growth,” Viola said. “That’s where our favorability is coming from since I’ve been here. It’s organic growth. Each year we have taken the budget and we have budgeted higher for each amenity. So, when you have a favorability this year, it is also on a higher base with the revenue from prior years.”

Revenues are over budget by \$946,618 and expenses are under budget \$132,396. The unaudited estimated balance of \$6,623,000 for the reserves.

“Yes, there is a surplus right now, but there are other things that could be coming down the road. The surplus for this year will be built into next year’s budget, like we did for the last two years,” said Viola.

Director Monica Rakowski provided the treasurer’s report. As of Jan. 31, 2023, the association had approximately \$13.9 million in cash. The cash increased \$900,000 from the same time period last year. Ocean Pines Association has \$11.1 million invested in CDARs, with the remaining \$2.8 million in insured cash sweep, money market and other operating accounts.

With interest rates continuing to increase in the marketplace, there will continue to be an upward trend of interest income realized within the reserve accounts in the coming months, according to the report.

Other highlights of the meeting include reports on aggressive efforts to fill positions.

The Ocean Pines Job Fair is scheduled for March 11 from 9 a.m. to



Ocean Pines Association board members discuss new business during last Saturday’s meeting.

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noon. Viola said the administration is also looking to do a job fair at Stephen Decatur High School. All the departments are advertising positions.

Police have six openings with five inquiries. Interviews are being conducted for the racquet sports manager. Public works has three openings and one new employee with 32 inquiries. In order to be fully operational this summer, Ocean Pines needs 40 lifeguards, 10 front desk staff, and four bathroom attendants. Two new lifeguards have been hired with a third in the process.

Viola provided updates on the maintenance done in the community, including the installation of LED lights at the basketball court. The administration building renovations continue, including HVAC and plumbing, design, painting, restrooms and floors. Most of the work on the building has been done by outside contractors. The yacht club overhang was painted to address rust and the ceilings and walls in the ballroom were completed.

The board members continued

their discussion from last month’s meeting on a proposal for a licensed contractor registration. Horn said the problem is unlicensed tradespeople working in the community in violation of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) standards.

Homeowners are bearing the subsequent expense of that when the work of unlicensed and uninsured trades people results in sub-standard work, she said. At the same time, she continued, the administration wants to increase efficiency in the permit approval process.

She proposed the creation of a voluntary registration of licensed contractors. The list would reside in the Compliance Permit and Inspection (CPI) department. Horn said the goal would be to provide homeowners with a list of licensed contractors who work in Ocean Pines. Homeowners could, of course, hire anyone they choose.

Directors did wonder if such a list would be considered an endorsement of certain contractors and whether there was a need for such a list. Ultimately, the board agreed to

allow CPI to create the list with no charge to the contractors, a change from the original proposal, which would have charged contractors to be on the list.

Two resolutions were approved by the board. Resolution B01: to clarify the language in the resolution regarding written legal review of resolutions and amendments to resolutions and record keeping of the legal review.

A revision to Resolution M-08: to clarify language in the resolution regarding the review and changes in the various manuals (when needed) and to clarify which manuals shall be reviewed by the general manager and which shall be reviewed by the board.

Monica Rakowski presented a motion to establish a 6 percent interest rate for delinquent assessment fees for the fiscal 2023-2024 budget, which was also approved.

The board wrapped up its meeting by approving appointments to two committees: John Lynch to the Strategic Planning Committee and John Maziuk to the Environment and Natural Assets Committee.

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Electronic sign considered for North Gate in OP

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) Ocean Pines' communications committee is exploring the idea of electric signage in the community and wants to hear from residents.

The survey can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GG6FRHX> and takes less than one minute to complete.

"We will be tracking responses for three to four weeks," said committee Chair Cheryl Jacobs.

Jacobs hopes to clear up two misconceptions about the signs. She wants people to know that changing the one sign at the North Gate does not require removal or change of any of the remaining signs.

"The proposed sign is not a neon-type sign like commercial ones; it is just a digital electronic version of exactly what's there now but with the ability via wifi capabilities of making changes more timely and more safely," Jacobs said. "The committee suggested the one sign change as a prototype to see if it warrants other locations to be changed in the future."

The sign is not part of the current budget. The committee has proposed changing just the one at the North Gate entrance at a cost of about \$20,000.

Life Line provides screenings at OP community center

(Feb. 23, 2023) Residents living in and around the Ocean Pines area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening on March 7.

The Ocean Pines Community Center, at 239 Ocean Parkway, will host this event.

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OPVFD fundraising efforts enable purchase of engine

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) The Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department (OPVFD) has signed a contract to purchase a new 2023 Sutphen fire engine.

The engine, which is equipped with a 1,500-gallon pump and a 750-gallon tank, will have 200 feet of half-inch preconnected line; 1,000 feet of five-inch supply line; 800 feet of three-inch supply line; 250 feet of one-and three-quarters-inch of pre-connected attack lines and 350 feet of two-inch pre-connected attack lines.

“It’s a little more hose than what we have on the older truck,” Fire Chief Steve Grunewald said. “We need 350 feet of hose for some of these houses that are three stories. We’ve made adjustments to keep up with the buildings.”

The older truck, Engine 1101, will become a reserve engine for OPVFD. The total cost of the new engine is \$808,000, according to Grunewald.

The purchase of the new engine follows the county guidelines for one piece of capital apparatus that is less than 20 years old.

“We have what we call an apparatus replacement schedule. Every year we update that. This ensures that we have the money for every apparatus

as they come due,” said Dave Van Gasbeck, president of the OPVFD.

Fifty percent of the funds for the engine come from the Ocean Pines Association and the other 50 percent come from fundraising efforts conducted by the OPVFD, based on a memorandum of understanding.

“The 50 percent provided by OPVFD comes one hundred percent out of their fundraising efforts, including the raffle and mailout,” said Van Gasbeck. “It’s critical that we do have fundraising efforts. The funding does not come from the state or county. All of our members are required to do a certain amount of fundraising every year.”

Engines like this don’t come right off the lot, construction will take 30 months.

“We have an apparatus committee of eight people. We met with three different vendors. We go through a list of 200 questions that will tell the engineer how we want it built,” said Van Gasbeck. “We will have to start looking at a replacement in about 5 years for our next engine that is coming up on the 20-year mark.”

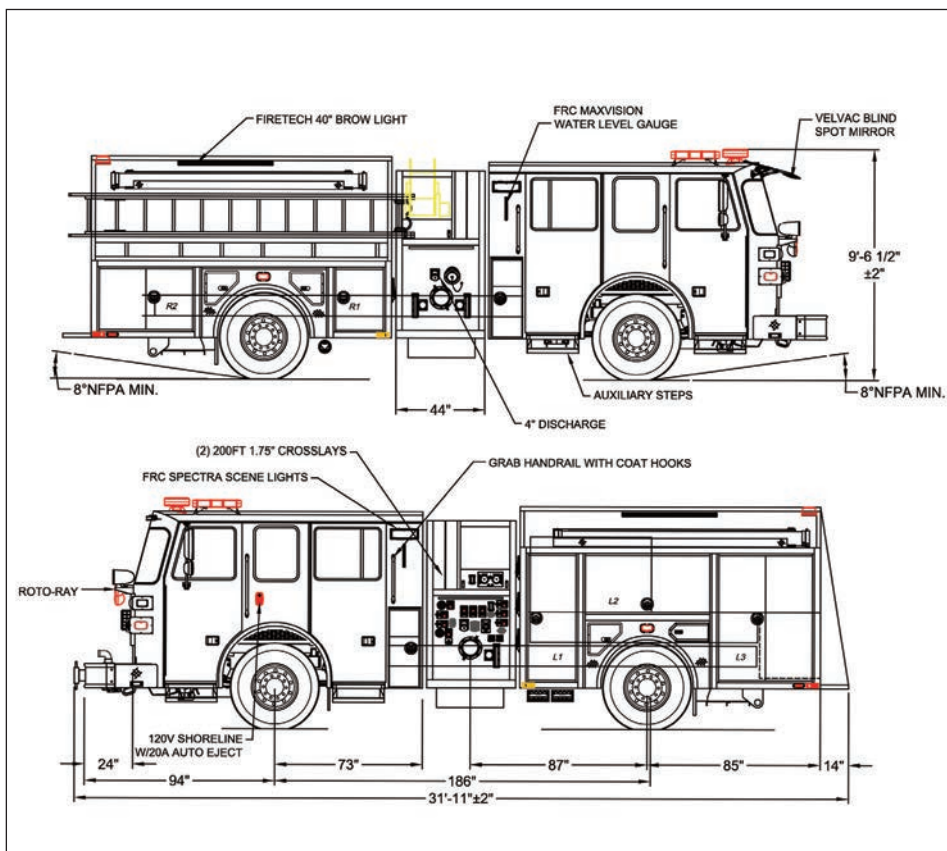


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Illustration of the fire engine being purchased by Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department.

Fundraising also continues for the capital campaign for a new fire house. At the February board meeting, Van Gasbeck provided updates on these efforts.

“Last year, Sen. (Mary Beth) Carozza and Del. (Wayne) Hartman got us a PayGo grant of \$1.35 million. I submitted two bond issues last year,

which they both supported,” Van Gasbeck said. “We got another \$100,000 from the House and another \$150,000 from the Senate. I just recently submitted another bond initiative to Del. Hartman.”

He expects to get between \$100,000-\$200,000 from that request.

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AGH staff traveling abroad to assist others

Four employees plan trip to Honduras to care for people with less resources

By Susan Canfora
Contributing Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) Four Atlantic General Hospital employees, including an orthopedic surgeon and anesthesiologist, are planning a trip to Honduras to provide care for the poor, homeless, mentally ill and others who don't have access to medical care.

"There is a need in all third-world countries where they just don't have the kind of care that they need," said Patricia Ortlip, a registered nurse who will join Dr. Sean Hooker, an orthopedic surgeon; David Kaplan, an anesthesiologist; and Melissa Lambertson, a first assistant, for the 1,700-mile trip.

They will be working at the San Benito Jose Medical Center in Comayagua, in west central Honduras, April 22-29, with other medical personnel, volunteers from different parts of the country, who will provide gynecological and orthopedic care.

"A few months ago we were talking about bucket list things we would like to do and we all agreed we would love to do a mission trip, how awesome that would be. Then, Melissa said this popped up on her Facebook feed. I think it will be humbling and it will definitely put things into a better perspective, just to see where we fall on the scale. It will put it all in perspective," Ortlip said, explaining the agency that provides care in Honduras is Operation Hope Medical Missions, a Christian organization founded in 2018.

The four will fly to Honduras and arrive on a Saturday. On Sunday, surgeons will start seeing patients and triage based on who traveled farthest.

Ortlip, who lives in Millville, Delaware, and is the mother of two, said the trip will cost each of them

about \$1,500, and those interested in contributing can see the GoFundMe page Surgical Mission Trip to Honduras. The goal is to raise \$3,000.



Patricia Ortlip

They will also visit an orphanage for girls up to age 18, and deliver supplies and gifts.

"They want Instamatic cameras. They love taking pictures of each other," Ortlip said, adding anyone who wants to donate a camera can take it to the front lobby of Atlantic General Hospital, at 9733 Healthway Drive in Berlin, and ask for Ortlip or Lambertson.

"Some people may be traveling for days to get to that medical center. A lot of them are walking," she said. "These patients that we'll be helping have limited or no access to medical services. They are often sick, in pain and cannot afford to be treated. The patients we serve are from families with income of less than \$200 a month, single mothers and children, seniors with no families, the homeless, mentally ill, manual laborers without professional degrees, the malnourished, abused, those without adequate housing or who live in remote rural areas. We don't know what needs they have until we see them."

Hooker will screen patients on Sunday and surgeries will be done Monday through Friday, probably on 30 patients in one week.

"This is all new to us," Ortlip said.

Volunteers are required to attend a Catholic Mass every morning at 6, then take a bus to the hospital.

"It's a Christian-based organization. Most mission trips usually are. Surgery starts at 8 a.m. and is done by 5 or 6 in the evening, then we go back to the hotel. It will be a grueling schedule but that's fine," she said.

"The reason I became a nurse was so

I could help people. I had a lot of nurses in my family. I grew up with a nurse. I remember my mother getting ready for work and in those days they wore white dresses and little hats. They took a lot of pride in their appearance and in what they did."

Operation Hope has been doing missions to Honduras since 2004, she added.

"They have helped hundreds of people and we all want to be part of that" Ortlip said.

Operation Hope Medical Missions was founded "with the purpose of increasing the number of yearly surgical brigades at San Benito Jose Medical Center in Comayagua, Honduras ... and to help the indigent in underdeveloped countries," according to the website, www.medicalmissions.org.

"We are dedicated to serving those families and patients in need by offering free medical and surgical care. The patients we serve at San Benito Jose Medical Center have limited or no access to health care services. Some patients travel hours away on a very limited budget to receive our care. Many patients lack basic needs such as running water, food, clothing, electricity, sanitation and adequate housing.

"Once a year, a team of 20 to 30 health care volunteers from all across the United States finance their own trip to Honduras to treat as many patients as possible. Each mission trip is one week long and approximately 100 patients receive surgical care. Many other patients receive additional medical care from our team members," the website states.

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Worcester Prep fourth graders, from left, Remy Hertrich, Olivia Mason, Camille Leslie and Allie Kuon show their love for the Philadelphia Eagles and Baltimore Ravens. Worcester Prep held "Super Bowl Friday" on Feb. 10, and for a \$2 donation to Catch a Lift (CAL), students and staff were able to wear their favorite team's jersey or colors.

Worcester Prep event fundraiser for Catch a Lift

(Feb. 23, 2023) Worcester Preparatory School held "Super Bowl Friday" on Feb. 10, and for a \$2 donation to Catch a Lift (CAL), students and staff were able to wear their favorite team's jersey or colors.

CAL enables veterans to recover and rehab both physically and mentally through physical fitness programs.

It was founded in memory of Army Cpl. Chris Coffland, who lost his life in Afghanistan while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom in November 2009.

CAL's mission is rooted in Coffland's lifelong belief that, through fitness, one can reach their highest potential both mentally and physically.

CAL believes fitness is a personal choice, as each member chooses how and where to work out. They offer options for coaching, and mentors assures that each veteran's unique needs are met.

The fund was started by the family of Army Cpl. Coffland, who lives near Worcester Prep.

His niece, Tony Phillips, graduated from Worcester in 2005.

Army Cpl. Coffland was also a teammate and roommate to Worcester Prep Head of School Dr. John McDonald, while attending Washington and Lee University.

For more information on CAL, visit www.catchalift.org.

OPVFD rescues kayaker from St. Martin River, Sat.

By Cindy Hoffman
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2023) Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department (OPVFD) assisted Showell Volunteer Fire Department with a water rescue in the St. Martin River on Feb. 18 at 2 p.m. The call originally came in as a potential drowning.

"We received a call to assist Showell with a water rescue," Ocean Pines Fire Chief Steve Grunewald said. "It was reported that a male subject was drowning as his kayak had flipped over. We launched our rescue boat from the Yacht Club and were able to make a successful rescue on the marsh of the St. Martin's River."

Fire officials said the kayaker was in the water for at least 45 minutes. The kayaker was not hurt.

"He was out of the water and we were able to get him off the marsh. We were not able to get the kayak. We looked for it, but with the outgoing tide, we were unable to find it," Grunewald said. "It was cold. The water temperature was 42 degrees."

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources assisted in the rescue operation. OPVFD reminded all those on the water to wear a life jacket, no matter how experienced they may be.



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A residential fire in Ocean Pines on Tuesday claimed the life of the person inside and also injured three firefighters. The OPVFD responded to the fire just before 6 p.m.

Man dies in residential fire in Ocean Pines Tuesday night

(Feb. 23, 2023) A residential structure fire at 116 Seafarer Lane in Ocean Pines on Tuesday evening resulted in the death of its occupant and injuries to three firefighters, the Worcester County Fire Marshal's Office reported.

According to that report, the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched for a house fire at 5:58 p.m. Tuesday. Upon arrival,

crews found a significant blaze in progress throughout the home and were advised that a possible subject was trapped inside.

Additional assistance was requested from Ocean City, Showell, Berlin, Bishopville, Selbyville, Roxana, Frankford and Dagsboro fire departments in Maryland and Delaware.

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COMMENDATION

The Worcester County Commissioners present a retirement commendation to Plant Operator III Bernard Bowen to honor him for 24 years of dedicated service to the Water and Wastewater Division of Worcester County Public Works. During his career, Bowen performed the mechanical maintenance, operation, and inspection of the county's water treatment works, wastewater treatment plants, and wastewater collection and pumping systems. His expertise and experience have been instrumental in the overall management of the Water and Wastewater Division. Pictured with Bowen, front left, is Chief Plant Operator Dominic Ross; and in back, commissioners Caryn Abbott, Jim Bunting, Joe Mitrecic, Chip Bertino, Ted Elder and Diana Purnell.

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TOP ANGLER

The Atlantic Coast Sportfishing Association 2022 Angler of the Year award was presented to Sean Flaherty, who took top honors in both the bay and ocean divisions. Presenting the award is Tournament Master John McFalls.



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GIVING GIFT

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City advisor liaison to the Kiwanis Builders Club at Berlin Intermediate School, Sue Wineke, left, presents 4STEPS local Therapeutic Riding Program Founder and Director Sandy Winter, with wind chime ornaments made by the student members of the club.



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PROGRAM SUPPORT

Caring for America, a mission of the Republican Women of Worcester County, is for the 20th year supporting the "Valentines for Veterans Program." The response from local schools and the community was overwhelming as the women's group collected over 800 cards, which will be sent to veteran's hospitals and rehab centers. Pictured are Vera Beck, RWWC chair for Caring for America and Linda Dearing, owner of Copy Central, which mailed the cards.

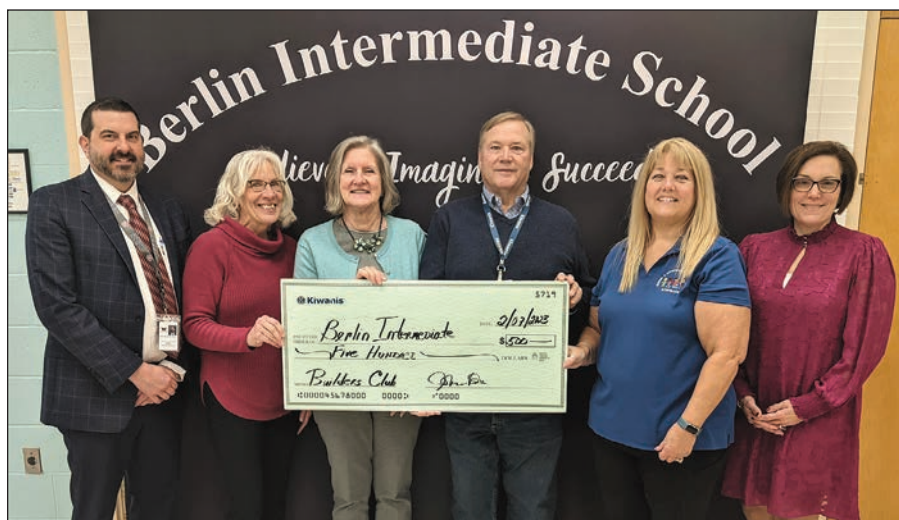


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DONATION

There are active student leadership clubs in five Worcester County schools from elementary through high level supported by the parent Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City. Each club receives \$500 a year. On Feb. 7, the check presentation was made at Berlin Intermediate School. Pictured, from left, are BIS Assistant Principal Dr. David M. Gell, Builders Club Teacher Advisors Donna Krajewski and Jane Slotter, Kiwanis Club President Bob Wolfing, Kiwanis Club Advisor to the BIS Builders Club Sue Wineke and BIS Principal Dr. Amy Gallagher.



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HOLIDAY PARTY

Worcester Prep's Lower School (PreK - Grade 5) celebrated Valentine's Day on Feb. 14, with parties, where students shared cards and treats with their classmates, or spent the time giving to a good cause. Worcester Prep's fifth grade class, along with the help of homeroom moms, Jenna Hoch and Kim Kappes, spent their Valentine's party building "Warrior Care Packages" by bundling infant blankets and books to be donated to Wyatt's Warriors Foundation, created in honor of Wyatt Mercer Shipe who was born with congenital heart defects. The foundation was created in Wyatt's memory to help families during a difficult time by providing comfort, support, education and encouragement. In doing so, "Warrior Care Packages" are provided to families who must leave local hospitals for infant care at larger specialized hospitals. For more information on Wyatt's Warriors Foundation visit www.wyattswarriors.org. Pictured are Kindergartners Tenley Brittingham, Savannah Baker, Romie Crevecoeur and Rosie Lane.

Snapshots



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CELEBRATION

The Worcester Prep Alumni Association sponsored a breakfast to celebrate the last 100 days of school for the senior class on Feb. 10. Assistant Head of School/Head of Upper School Mike Grosso dished up pancakes to seniors Sara Miller, Olivia Mattingly, Owen Schardt and Riley Moyer.



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NEW MEMBERS

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City inducted seven new members on Feb. 15. All were brought in by Club's President Bob Wolfing, from his contacts and friends from pickleball. Pictured, from left, are John Hanberry, Teri Westbrook, Jose and Mariana Alvarez, Janet Wolfing, and Terri and James Ulman.

PROCLAMATION

At their Feb. 7 meeting, the commissioners presented a proclamation to Debra Stevens, director of community health nursing for the Worcester County Health Department, recognizing February as Children's Dental Health Month and the Worcester County Dental Center in Berlin as a cornerstone of community health for its role in helping area children establish a lifetime pattern of positive oral health habits. The WCDC, which has provided dental services to 2,300 children since opening in 2011 and completes approximately 2,500 appointments annually, focuses on prevention and education by emphasizing the need for each child to see the dentist by "first tooth or first birthday."

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THANKS

Outgoing Worcester County Garden Club President Deborah Young receives a floral arrangement from Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland District 1 Director Jeanne Bernard.



WPS RING CEREMONY

The annual Junior Ring Ceremony took place at Worcester Preparatory School on Feb. 8. It is tradition that seniors present the juniors with their rings along with a few insightful comments as to why the recipient is special to them. Pictured is the junior class.

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A Tuesday structural fire in Ocean Pines claimed one life and injured three firefighters. The deceased occupant of the residence has been identified as 62-year-old Timothy Jay Cooper.

Ocean Pines fire claims one life, injures three firefighters

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After conditions improved, fire crews brought the fire under control and found a deceased adult male inside, the fire marshal's office said. The victim has been identified as 62-year-old Timothy Jay Cooper.

Three firefighters were also injured battling the fire, according to the fire marshal, with one requiring transport to a local hospital for a hand injury.

A joint investigation was con-

ducted by the fire marshal's office and the Ocean Pines Police Department. Investigators were assisted by the Ocean City Fire Marshal's Office, Maryland State Fire Marshal's Office K9 Unit and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

The cause of the fire is considered undetermined, but it was found to have originated in the laundry room area of the home. Smoke alarms were present at the time of the fire, the fire marshal said.

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Opinion

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As corporations, HOAs must vote differently

Voting in a homeowners association election is more complicated and tougher to manage than it is in a government contest because of the weighted ballot system HOAs must follow.

Unlike the government standard of one person, one vote, HOAs must observe the rule of one vote per ownership unit. This is because HOAs aren't governments, even though governing is one of their functions. They are corporations and, legally, property owners are that corporation's investors.

As is the case with corporations, voting rights in HOAs are assigned to units of ownership, not people. An individual who owns seven lots, seven condominium units or seven shares of stock, for instance, can cast seven votes. That's fair in the corporate sense because that individual has more at risk financially than someone who owns the minimum amount.

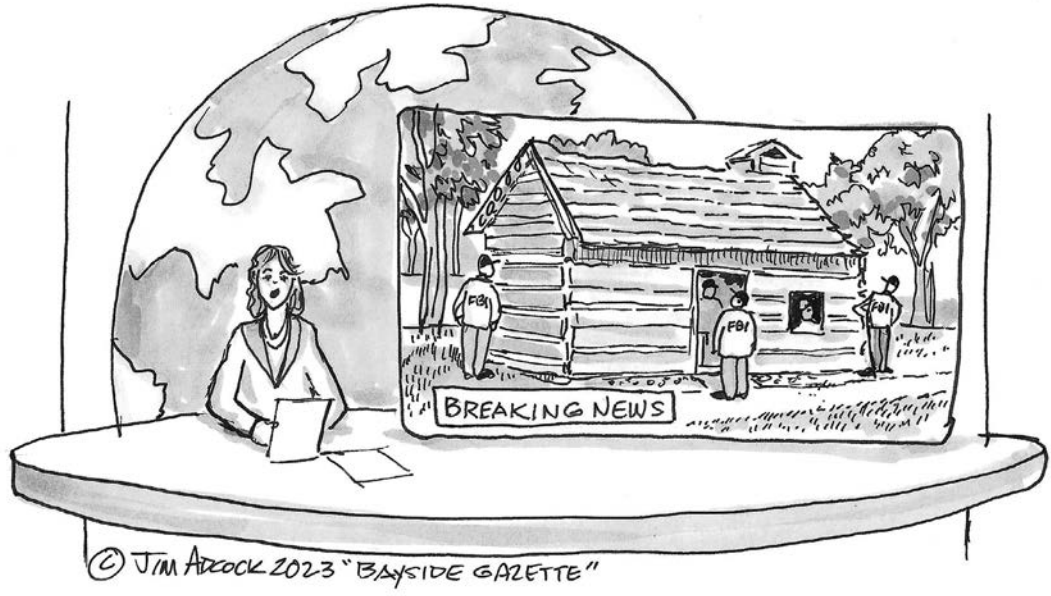
Where problems arise is in keeping track of who owns what and how many times they get to vote, since election administrators have to validate not just a voter's eligibility, but also the level of ownership to which the owner is entitled.

HOA election officials and unit owners can also have difficulty with deciding who's responsible for ensuring that an owner's voting power is fully exercised.

Some of this burden must fall on the owner/investor, since that individual should know what they own and should not need elections officials to remind them. Neither should they need multiple ballots, which aren't an option for shareholders in corporate elections.

Many online voting systems available to HOAs and condominium associations have simplified this process by registering voters, matching them to their ownership records and weighting their single votes accordingly.

As for owners who prefer to vote by paper ballots, they should vote once as well, and leave it up to election officials to compare ballots to the ownership records. That's no more burdensome for administrators than going to the records before an election to decide how many ballots to mail.



"The FBI raided the childhood home of Abraham Lincoln today in search of Classified Documents. More details at 7."

Help local students through Kiwanis

(Feb. 23, 2023) The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City, is a volunteer organization dedicated to helping children and families in Worcester County.

It has a nonprofit fund known as the foundation from which annual scholarships are awarded in early June. Unfortunately, as with all organizations, members pass away. Many of those who pass away are also members of other organizations and have family and friends who wish to donate in their memory.

In 2021, contributions funded a five-year memorial scholarship for member Ralph Chinn who passed

that year. Historically, the Kiwanis Club has made the public aware, in the event anyone would care to donate to the Kiwanis Club of Ocean Pines-Ocean City Foundation, a 501-(c)(3) account.

Persons can designate the donation, qualified as tax deductible for which a receipt will be issued.

It will be used for a scholarship named to honor their choice of the former member, unless not specified, therefore, going to the fund for any scholarships.

Scholarships are awarded to deserving qualified graduating senior students in Worcester County to further their education.

In the last 11 months, the club lost four members. Scholarships could be given in their names in June:

James B. Wheatley, died March 12, 2022

Suzanne M. Foley, died Oct. 16, 2022

Roy M. Foreman, died Nov. 3, 2022

Charles S. Warner, died Jan. 5, 2023

Anyone who wants to contribute to five-year scholarships should make a check payable to Kiwanis Club of OP Foundation and send it to: Sarah Walker, Kiwanis Club of OP Foundation Chair, 174 Sandyhook Rd., Ocean Pines, Maryland 21811.

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Community Briefs

Dean's List

Abbie Baker and Noah Fisher, both of Berlin, and Brityn Leonard of Ocean City, were named to the Dean's List at Frostburg State University in recognition of outstanding academic achievement for the fall semester.

To be eligible, a student must undertake a minimum of 12 credit hours and earn a cumulative semester grade

point average of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale.

Graduates

The University of Tampa hosted a commencement ceremony on Dec. 16 to honor the 985 degree-seeking candidates at the university's 155th commencement.

Among the graduates were Ocean City residents Kennedy Duke of (Accounting

BS degree), Irvin Ebaugh (Film and Media Arts BA degree) and Alyssa Moran (Allied Health BS degree).

Jack Fager, of Bishopville, was among the more than 600 students who graduated from the University of Mississippi in December. Fager, who majored in Entrepreneurship, received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in the School of Business Administration.

Email letters to editor@baysidegazette.com

WCPS, Worcester Goes Purple welcome MEGA Brain, Lungs

(Feb. 23, 2023) To raise awareness among county middle and high school students about substance abuse, Worcester County Public Schools and Worcester Goes Purple will bring in the MEGA Brain and MEGA Lungs, the world's only inflatable, walk-through brain and lungs exhibit.

The event will give students and staff the opportunity to see how drugs, alcohol, tobacco and vaping effect the brain and lungs.

Throughout the school year, students study substance abuse prevention, as well as participate in a poster art contest for the Worcester County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council.

Also at the event, students will be able to visit several health-related informational tables. Worcester Goes Purple, Berlin Prevention Works Coalition, Worcester County Health Department and Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) will have tables to teach students and parents additional information about drug and alcohol prevention.


The MEGA Brain and MEGA

Lungs provide visitors with an interactive educational experience about the body's most critical organs.


Visitors can step inside the human brain and the human lungs, learn about the various structures and normal brain and lung function, observe examples of brain trauma and disease and lung disease, and view displays explaining some of the latest neurological medical treatments.

The display will be at Stephen Decatur High School, Monday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. for parents and community members; Snow Hill Middle School, Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Snow Hill High School, Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. for parents and community members; Pocomoke Middle School, Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Pocomoke High School, Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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The Mallard Robotics Club made its debut in the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Chesapeake Qualifier on Jan. 29, held at Norfolk State University. Pictured participating in the FIRST Robotics Chesapeake Qualifier, from left, are Worcester Prep students Vanesska Hall, Tyler Netting, Allen Zhang, Lydia Schwartz, Travis Netting and Jackson Fernley.

Mallard Robotics participate in tech challenge in Virginia

(Feb. 23, 2023) The Worcester Prep Mallard Robotics Club made its debut in the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Chesapeake Qualifier on Jan. 29, held at Norfolk State University.

The FIRST Tech Challenge Power Play, sponsored by Raytheon Technologies, challenged the team to design, build, test and program an autonomous and driver-operated robot required to perform a series of tasks.

Students were also judged on teamwork, problem-solving skills, Q and A with judges, the team manual, and their ability to form alliances with other teams to complete each

course. The Norfolk Qualifier, comprised of over 200 students from D.C., Maryland and Virginia, provides participants access to education, career opportunities and connections to over \$50 million in exclusive scholarships.

This qualifier allowed the Mallard Robotics Club to experience competition and engage in real-time problem-solving in a collaborative environment.

The students built a one-of-a-kind robot featured during the meet and finished in the top 20, which is outstanding considering this was their first competition.

Women's Club of OP to hand out scholarships this June

(Feb. 23, 2023) The Women's Club of Ocean Pines will be awarding scholarships in June to promising students who are full-time residents of Ocean Pines.

These students must graduate from high school in good standing with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 and plan to attend an accredited institution for further education.

These awards may be used by the recipient to help defray post-high school expenses at any approved degree, certificate-granting college or university, technical or vocational school.

The WCOP Scholarship committee will consider the applicant's needs,

goals, citizenship, community service, extra-curricular activities and motivation.

The club adheres to a non-discrimination policy on the basis of race, gender, religion, national origin or family status.

Applications for these scholarships may be found on the Naviance website. All completed applications must be returned to a senior counselor at Stephen Decatur High School by March 22.

Qualifying applicants who do not attend Stephen Decatur High School are asked to call 410-641-8046 for information and/or an application.

Ocean Pines Players to put on 'Four Old Broads' in March

(Feb. 23, 2023) Riding the wave of a sold-out hit performance of Rodgers & Hammerstein's "A Grand Night for Singing" last November, the Ocean Pines Players is poised to get audience members rolling in the aisles with laughter with its upcoming show.

The next production, "Four Old Broads" by Leslie Kimbell and directed by Ed Guinan, is a hysterical mystery. Only a few weeks into rehearsal, the cast itself is still laughing from the quips and hijinks of these ladies.

A mystery unfolds with laughter as the denizens of Magnolia Place Assisted Living try to outsmart the evil Nurse Jones and make it to the Sassy Seniors Caribbean Cruise.

Performances are March 10, 11, 17, 18 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, in Ocean City.

Tickets are available at [https://ocean-](https://oceanpinesplayers.org)

[pinesplayers.org](https://oceanpinesplayers.org). All tickets are reserved seating.

The 2022-2023 season is somewhat of a comeback for the Players.

Like many community groups, the recent pandemic limited any face-to-face rehearsals and canceled more than one event.

Recovery has been slow but steadfast, and the current board of directors and roster of new members are energized and focused with a three-year strategic plan.

Ocean Pines Players is a local all-volunteer 501-(c)(3) charitable organization. For general information about the group, visit oceanpinesplayers.org or follow [oceanpinesplayers](https://www.facebook.com/oceanpinesplayers) on Facebook.

"Four Old Broads" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc., www.concordtheatricals.com.

Las Vegas-style stage show to benefit county foundation

(Feb. 23, 2023) Entertainer Tony Pace will headline a charity event for the Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation on Friday, March 10 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club.

Pace is known as "The Man with the voice ... who just happens to be funny," and is a 40-year veteran of the entertainment industry, frequently seen performing in Las Vegas and Atlantic City. He's been compared to a combination of Andrea Bocelli, Billy Crystal, and Sammy Davis Jr.

In Ocean Pines, organizer Sharyn O'Hare said Pace will pay tribute to iconic artists from the 1960s through the 1980s.

"His show is fast, funny, and guaran-

teed to bring back memories!" she said.

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and a buffet dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. The show will start at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$70 and a cash bar will be provided.

Checks may be sent to WCVMF, PO Box 1576, Ocean Pines, MD 21811.

Tickets are limited and no tickets will be sold at the door. Single tickets are available, or tables of 10 can be purchased.

All proceeds benefit the Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation as well as educational programs for all fifth graders in Worcester County.

For more information call O'Hare at 410-603-4777 or sharynop@gmail.com.

Berlin Town Council Briefs

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Feb. 23, 2022) The Berlin Mayor and Town Council discussed the following during its meeting on Feb. 13:

Special permit

The mayor and Town Council approved a special permit application submitted by Vince Holloway of American Legion Post 123 for a coming-home party on Feb. 26 for a person who finished boot camp with the U.S. Marine Corps. The party is at the American Legion post but the permit allows them to serve alcohol on that Sunday.

Resurfacing project

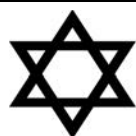
The mayor and Town Council released the warranty for the Berlin

street resurfacing project following staff recommendations. Town administrator Mary Bohlen said the recommendation was determined after it was reported that there are no outstanding issues associated with the work done during the project.

Power sales

Electric utility director Tim Lawrence presented the PJM report for the final quarter of 2022. PJM is a regional transmission organization that manages the delivery of electricity in several states in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Energy sold totaled \$11.04 million, the American Municipal Power bill was \$338,434 and PJM charges came in at \$461,189. Total power costs totaled \$729,184 and the cost per kilowatt hour was 6.6 cents.



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Cuisine

Just five ingredients for no-knead bread

I love watching new students knead bread for the first time.

There they stand at their station, twisting and turning, sweat on the brow with overworked aching shoulders, despite the fact that I have reminded them time and again that the tiniest grandmothers do this with little effort.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

They don't listen to me. They gnash their teeth, blow out their shoulders and biceps and curse the day that I ever dared ask them to knead 14 ounces of flour and water. Who in the hell do I think I am?

It's all in the technique, I remind them. Roll with the bread. Don't use muscle, but rather your body weight. Be one with the bread. Blah, blah, blah.

I can tell them until I'm blue in the face, but do they listen to me? No. They hurl themselves into a fit of dough-induced rage and then try to claim workers' compensation.

So, what if there was a way to make bread without all of this nerve-damaging, spine-crushing work that we coin "kneading"?

If only there was a manner in which we could go through the process without actually going through the process.

It would be akin to participation trophies, only with a much more delicious and dentally forgiving end-product: Bread.

If you are online, and let's face it, it is sort of difficult not to be, then you have seen the plethora of recipes and videos on no-knead bread. Good lord, they're everywhere, and they are relentless.

I have ignored them for a couple years yet always wondered whether they had any validity. They can't be real, can they?

Being an instructor who has preached the hydration of gluten for many years, I had never until this week made no-knead bread. Suffice it to say, I can never say that again, or at least until I age and forget that I had.

Those days have passed. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, I have indeed made no-knead bread and it was rather delicious and incredibly simple.

But seriously, you want me to make something overly simple? You want me to mix a bunch of goo in a bowl, let it sit for hours and then plop it in the oven? Only five ingredients?

You must be joking. I need action! I need involvement! I need ... Oh, never



mind.

At the end of the day, there is no joke here. It works, and it is a decent loaf of bread, to boot. The secret is in the sitting, something that I am certainly not used to.

When gluten (the protein in bread that is created from the combination of glutenin and gliadin) is worked hard with water (traditional kneading) it breaks down the gluten in a way that allows it to become hydrated through the process. This is why kneading is so important in most standard bread-making.

However, if you simply mix the ingredients and allow them to sit long enough, the same effect will take hold and the gluten will hydrate just the same.

It just takes a lot longer for all that moisture to seep into those rascally little molecules, or bits or whatever they may be in scientific lexicon.

At the end of the day, you have hydrated dough, and that is the point of this entire exercise.

For someone like me, I enjoy the smell and feel of bread as it is being kneaded. I love knowing when there is not enough water, or when there is too

much.

It is something that comes with practice. It is something that makes bread making near and dear to my heart.

But I'm not going to lie. No-knead bread is pretty bad-a** Not sure if I can say that in this paper, but there it is.

And only 5 ingredients? Don't be that new baking student. Just mix, binge-watch a Netflix show, drink a Manhattan and then throw your bread in the oven about 5 hours from now. You'll thank me later.

No-Knead Bread

Makes 1 boule

3 c. High-gluten flour
1 1/2 c. Warm water, not over 105 F
1 tsp. Active yeast
1 1/2 tsp. Salt
1 c. Aged cheddar cheese

1. Five ingredients, and a world of wonder awaits you at the end. Simply combine everything in a bowl and mix with a spoon until it comes together. It will be a fairly loose dough.

2. Allow to sit on the stovetop for at least five hours, covered, and it will double in size, if not triple.

3. Place some flour on the table and turn the dough out on it.

4. Gently form the dough into a ball, ensuring that the seams are on the bottom.

5. Place this into a preheated Dutch oven (place it in an oven that you have preheated for about 40 minutes to 450F) that is well sprayed with pan coating.

6. Bake with the lid on for about 20 minutes, and then remove the lid, baking it until the bread has a lovely crust and an even more admirable crumb on the inside.

7. If you want to be a nerd about it, you can bake it until it has an internal temperature of around 190F.

8. Remove and allow to rest for at least 15 minutes; enough so that you don't burn the remaining fingerprints from your hands.

9. Slice and serve as you would any other delicious bread.

— Paul Suplee is the owner of
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Jack Burbage Jr. continues support for cancer center

(Feb. 23, 2023) John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. has been a member of the Atlantic General Hospital Board of Trustees since 2007. He has been an integral part of the board during this time and served as chairman from 2011 to 2014.

Burbage has been generous in sharing his time and expertise with Atlantic General Hospital.

Through the years, he has proven to be sincerely dedicated to AGH's mission in providing accessible, high-quality care to residents and visitors of the Eastern Shore community.

He co-chaired the highly successful "Campaign for the Future," which secured funding for multiple projects including the John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center, named in his honor for his personal and philanthropic support for Atlantic General.

"The cancer center is something near and dear to me, as my mother died when I was a young boy of breast cancer and it was really tough growing up because my dad worked all the time," Burbage said during the opening of the center in July of 2018. "If I can do something that would help prevent another child in our community from having to go through that, it will be well worth it."

He continues to support the Burbage Regional Cancer Care Center and, most recently, presented a generous donation of \$100,000 for equipment.

This equipment includes wire-free localization technology, which allows radiologists to mark lesions for removal, and an LF-DP portable tracheal intubation fiberscope that will be used for head and neck cancer patients, which is ideal for emergency procedures where intubation of the trachea is required.

This will assure that the center has the necessary tools to maintain its standing as a state-of-the-art facility.

The Burbage Regional Cancer Care Center provides one centrally-lo-



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John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. continues to support the Burbage Regional Cancer Care Center and, most recently, presented a donation of \$100,000 for equipment. Pictured, from left, are Steven Tyson, AGH donor relations officer; Toni Keiser, AGH vice president of public relations; Burbage, Jr., CEO of Blue Water Development; Don Owrey, AGH president/CEO; Steven Green, AGH Foundation board chair; and Charlotte Cathell, AGH Board of Trustees chair.

cated, convenient facility for the care and treatment of individuals with cancer and blood disorders.

In addition to medical oncology, chemotherapy infusion services and integrative therapies, the Berlin center also offers radiation oncology, PET/CT imaging, laboratory services, community education and support

facilities. Telemedicine technology is also available, allowing patients and their physicians to consult with other cancer care experts at the University of Maryland Greenebaum Cancer Center, preventing unnecessary travel for consultation and follow up care for patients who may require more intensive cancer care services.

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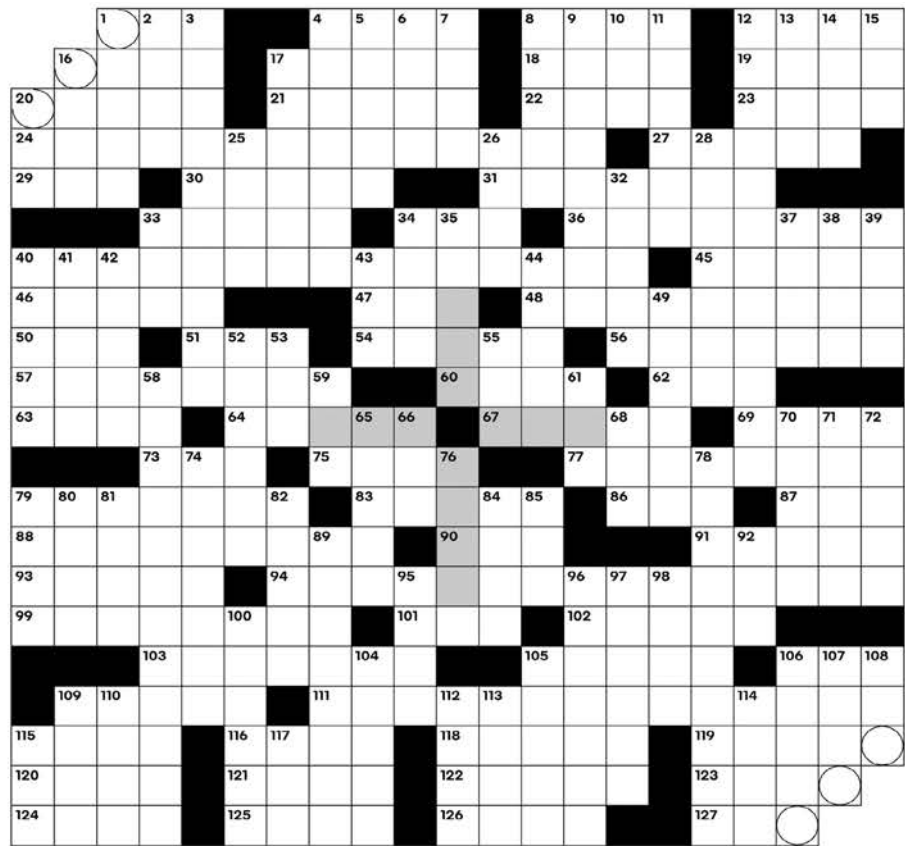
Puzzles

CHEAP THRILLS

BY CHRISTINA IVERSON AND SAMUEL A. DONALDSON / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Christina Iverson, of Ames, Iowa, is an assistant crossword editor for The New York Times. Sam Donaldson is a law professor at Georgia State University. They met at last year's American Crossword Puzzle Tournament and started brainstorming theme ideas. This one started as a Thursday puzzle and grew into a Sunday when they had too many ideas to fit into a 15 x 15-square grid. — W.S.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Become hysterical, with "out"
 - 4 Elided title
 - 8 Restaurant competitor of Pinkberry and Sweet Frog
 - 12 Catchy tunes, informally
 - 16 Sigh of lament
 - 17 Where dancers have a ball?
 - 18 McFlurry mix-in
 - 19 Furniture giant
 - 20 Bad flight forecast
 - 21 Reason
 - 22 Hierarchy level
 - 23 Certain U.S. time zone
 - 24 Economizing, as represented by the circled squares?
 - 27 "The bad news is ..."
 - 29 WhatsApp transmissions, briefly
 - 30 Navy nay
 - 31 Seizes eagerly, as an opportunity
 - 33 Sean of "Stranger Things"
 - 34 Part of an M.C.'s intro, often
 - 36 Prohibition target
 - 40 Economizing, as represented twice in 12-Down?
 - 45 "The Crown" role
 - 46 Colorful kind of shirt
 - 47 Offering from Dr. Mom, in brief
- DOWN**
- 2 Sharpens
 - 2 "How ___ Your Mother"
 - 3 Work out
 - 4 Some garlic prep
 - 5 Regarding
 - 6 Maker of the Nitro 5 gaming laptop
 - 7 "The year's at the spring/ And day's at the ___": Robert Browning
 - 8 Yankees manager before Girardi
 - 9 Zealous activist
 - 10 C-note
 - 11 Tranquil discipline
 - 12 Former name of a Kansas arena that commemorated a 1976 U.S. anniversary
 - 13 It helps make a stew a goo
 - 14 Poached fruit
 - 15 Garnish for una margarita
 - 16 Source of many a name on a campus building, informally
 - 17 Starts eating
 - 20 Poli ___
 - 25 Reply to the Little Red Hen
 - 26 Name hidden in "before long"
 - 28 It makes a red velvet cake red
 - 32 Cancún cash
 - 33 Hamburger's beef?
 - 34 Word with pepper or tower
 - 35 Like some ancient pyramids
 - 37 Acceleration, e.g.
 - 38 Quelques-___ (some, in French)
 - 39 Quantity multiplied by acceleration in Newton's second law
 - 40 Pioneer in global aviation
 - 41 Words of defeat
 - 42 "Don't sweat it," informally
 - 43 Educ. supporter
 - 44 Once-popular devices discontinued in 2022
 - 49 Cousin of a weasel
 - 52 "What's the ___?" ("Sup with that?")
 - 53 Suffer
 - 55 Farmyard cry
 - 58 Not in a relationship
 - 59 "The Last O.G." network
 - 61 Vile Nile reptile
 - 65 Out-and-out
 - 66 Foreign leader whom Nixon met in 1972
 - 68 That's history!
 - 70 Kind of knife of infomercial fame
 - 71 Like Urdu or Hindi
 - 72 Was very ripe
 - 74 Round figures
 - 76 Montana city SW of Helena
 - 78 The main antagonist?
 - 79 [Ugh, this is horrible!]
 - 80 ___ facto
 - 81 Like some highlighter colors
 - 82 Relish
 - 84 Plant whose name derives from Quechua
 - 85 Devious snicker
 - 89 Barely gets the words out
 - 92 Pros with deliveries, in brief
 - 95 Painter Jan van ___
 - 96 "Let's do this!"
 - 97 Civil rights icon ___ Helen Burroughs
 - 98 Power structure?
 - 100 Capers
 - 104 Shakespeare's "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?" has five of them
 - 105 Beaming, as with joy
 - 106 Liberal arts college in Kentucky
 - 107 Locally focused lecture franchise
 - 108 Pac-12 player
 - 109 Santa's favorite Hostess dessert?
 - 110 Wilson of film
 - 112 Carded at a bar, informally
 - 113 Common spot for a sunburn
 - 114 Gaggles
 - 115 Chain email abbr.
 - 117 Grammy winner ___ Lipa



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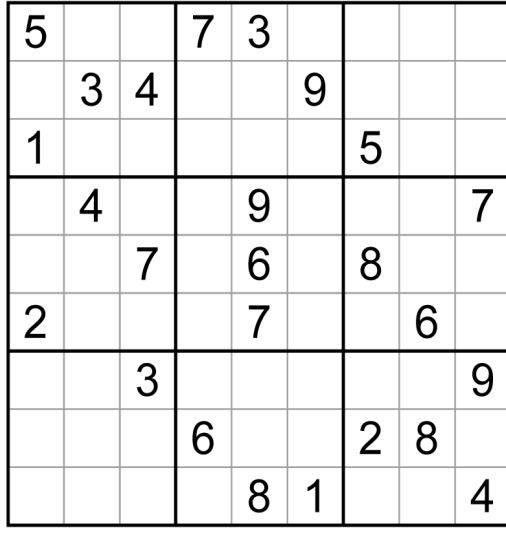
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HARD - 2

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



Answers to last week's puzzles

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



Calendar

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

Thurs., Feb. 23

STEM THURSDAYS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Use your creativity and build using one of the library STEM building kits. For ages 4 years and older. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

PLAY TIME

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill. 10:30 a.m., Join the group for a variety of activities and toys. Play and socialize with other families. For ages 2-5 years. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

INTERACTIVE STORY TIME:

BUILD A STORY

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 10:30 a.m., Build a fairy tale with the group. A fun and interactive story time followed by a fun craft. For ages 2-5 years. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

CROCHETED RUGS

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City. 2 p.m., Bring a size K, L or M crochet hook and old sheets, cotton or poly cotton fabric or clothing cut into 1.25 wide strips with as long a length as possible. Register: 410-957-0878.

FIRESIDE CHAT

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 3 p.m., A popular and entertaining book discussion featuring books participants have read and want to share. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

ZUMBA FOR ALL

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 4:30-5:30 p.m., Join certified Zumba instructor Joyce Landsman for an hour of movement. These classes uplift and improve mood. Registration required: 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

AL HONDO; HANDY TO ADDRESS WORCESTER COUNTY NAACP BY ZOOM

Worcester County. 6:30 p.m., Al Hondo; Handy will discuss his book; Defying Expectations: Family, Sports and Recreation. <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064654900871>.

BEACH SINGLES-55 PLUS

Thursdays - Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4-6 p.m. Info: 302-436-9577 or BeachSingles.org

Fri., Feb. 24

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Planet Fitness, 12641 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City. 5 a.m.-9 p.m., Allowing non-members to exercise for free and take advantage of exclusive Black Card® Spa perks like the use of HydroMassage products, special discounts and more.

BABY TIME: ME, MYSELF AND MIRRORS!

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 10 a.m., Join in for fun, interactive time just for you and your teeny tiny. Stay after to socialize with other families. For ages 2 years and younger. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE - STORIES OF BLACK AND LATINO EXCEPTIONALISM

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 2 p.m., Professor of English, Dr. James King, from Salisbury University joins the group for this fascinating class in celebration of Black History Month. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

DOWN BY THE BAY: A PRESENTATION ON THE COASTSAL BAYS

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 2 p.m., Maryland Coastal Bays staff will discuss local Coastal Bays watershed. Learn about how the MCBP protects and restores water quality and ecological integrity. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

COOKS-N-BOOKS: CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City. 6 p.m., Choose a book from the library display and make a dish to share at the potluck celebration. Registration is necessary: 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org.

THE LION KING JR.

Worcester Preparatory School, Athletic; Performing Arts Center, 508 S. Main St., Berlin. 6 p.m., Door open 30 minutes prior to showtime. Open to the public. Tickets cost \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Advance tickets: <https://www.worcesterprep.org/arts/musical-tickets>, 410-641-3575.

Sat., Feb. 25

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Planet Fitness, 12641 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City. 6 a.m.-9 p.m., Allowing non-members to exercise for free and take advantage of exclusive Black Card® Spa perks like the use of HydroMassage products, special discounts and more.

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Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 10 a.m., Icky, sticky and all made by you. Get ready to get messy. For ages 4 years and older. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

BINGO FUNDRAISER

American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City. 1-4 p.m., Sponsored by Ocean City\Berlin Rotary Club. Tickets cost \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door. Advance tickets: ocberlinrotary.com. More information at ocberlinrotary@gmail.com.

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BACK TO THE FUTURE: RESTORING THE GERMANTOWN SCHOOL

Germantown School, 10223 Trappe Road, Berlin, 10 a.m. to noon. Come listen to the stories of the community that made the restoration possible. Free and open to the public. Register: germantownschool@gmail.com or Karen Prengaman, 443-235-9803.

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Saturdays until Feb. 25 - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 9 a.m. to noon. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

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Sundays - Berlin Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 10 a.m. www.jw.org

Mon., Feb. 27

STORY TIME; RAINBOWS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 10:30 a.m., Crafts, songs and stories about rainbows. For ages 2-5 years. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

SURVIVAL 101: ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 1 p.m., Learn about emergency preparedness in a new and creative way. Recommended for ages 8 years and older. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

WRITING FOR WELLNESS

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 1:30 p.m., Writing about stressful experiences like illness may boost health and psychological well-being. Group uses exercises to stimulate creative expression. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

CIRCUITS AND ELECTRICITY - STEM

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City. 4 p.m., Learn about how electricity and circuits work and practice using the snap circuit games. For ages 8 years and older. Registration required: 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org.

T.O.P.S. OF BERLIN - GROUP #169

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. 410-641-0157. 5-6:30 p.m., Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a weekly support and educational group promoting weight loss and living a healthy lifestyle. Rose Campion, 410-641-0157.

ROMANCE BOOK CLUB; HONEY GIRL BY MORGAN ROGERS

The Buzzed Word, 11805 Coastal Highway, Unit C, Ocean City. 6 p.m., Join the Ocean City Library and The Buzzed Word for an afternoon of Queer Romance and wine. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

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Mondays - Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 6:00-8:00 p.m. All ladies who love to sing invited. Mary, 410-629-9383 or Carol, 302-242-7062.

Tues., Feb. 28

STORY TIME; FROG STORIES

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 10:30 a.m., Stories, songs and finger plays. Take-home activity included. For ages 2-5 years. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

STORY TIME; DR. SEUSS

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City. 10:30 a.m., The group will be reading some Dr. Seuss classics and making a Seuss-themed craft to celebrate his birthday. For ages 2-5 years. 410-957-0878, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

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Located on Maryland's Eastern Shore in Berlin just fifteen minutes from the Ocean City beaches, Worcester Preparatory School is a co-ed independent day school of over 500 students in grades pre-K - 12. The school has comprehensive facilities on a 45-acre campus just a mile from the vibrant town center in Berlin. Governed by an independent board of trustees, WPS was founded in 1970 and enjoyed rapid growth in the decades that followed. It is the premier independent school on the Eastern Shore, drawing students from Maryland, Virginia, and Delaware; some travelling over an hour to reach campus. All graduates matriculate to four-year colleges or universities, many among the most selective in the nation.

Worcester Preparatory School is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, or any other status protected by law.

Compensation and benefits are competitive with other area private schools and are adjusted based on experience level and credentials.

Interested persons should send a letter of interest, employment application, resume, and educational philosophy (if available) to **Linda Watson, Director of Human Resources**, at lwatson@worcesterprep.org.

WORCESTER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Worcester Preparatory School seeks an experienced

FULL-TIME UPPER SCHOOL MATH TEACHER

This position reports to both the Head of Upper School and the Head of Middle School.

Candidates for this position should possess a BS degree in Mathematics, with the demonstrated ability to teach Algebra at the above referenced level. Previous experience teaching middle and upper school students is desirable. State certification is not required. Candidates with the experience and interest to coach are desirable.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CRAFTS

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BEACH HEROES-OC

Tuesdays - Volunteer beach clean-up group meets from 9-10 a.m., year-round. Trash bags, grippers and gloves provided. Check the Facebook page "Beach Heroes-OC" for weekly meeting locations. All are welcome.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

Tuesdays - Berlin Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 7 p.m. www.jw.org

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Tuesdays - Worcester County Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 3:30-4:30 p.m. TOPS is a weekly support and education group promoting weight loss and a healthy lifestyle. 410-

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OC KNITTING CLUB

Tuesdays - Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m.

ARGENTINE TANGO PRACTICE

Tuesdays - Experienced dancers and others interested in watching or learning more are welcome, 7-9:30 p.m. No partner required. Info: TangobytheBeach.com.

Wed., March 1

MODERN SQUARE DANCING

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. 7 a.m.-May 31, 8:30 a.m., 12 Lessons of Social Square Dance -- the first four are free! Call Barb at 908-229-8799 or Arlene 302-436-4033 for more information.

IN PERSON SUPPORT GROUP FORMING

TidalHealth Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute Ocean Pines, 11105 Cathage Road, Berlin. 10-11 a.m., Providing emotional and wellness support, resources and educational opportunities. Groups will meet the first and third Wednesday of each month. Facilitated by Bethann McIntosh, 443-669-7573.

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Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City. 4 p.m., Join Dana Wright from NASA Wallops Visitors Center for the chance to program Sphere Indo Robots for early learners. For ages 5 years and older. Registration required: 410-957-0878.

KIWANIS CLUB MEETING

Wednesdays - Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. Third Wednesday meetings are offsite and will be updated monthly. Guests are welcome. www.kiwanisofopoc.org

ONGOING EVENTS

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'SAVE OUR STORIES'

The Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum is asking community members to send in their accounts as to how COVID-19 has impacted them. The submissions can be a specific experience, direct answers to the prompt questions, or a combination. No story is too long or too short. To submit, visit www.ocmuseum.org. Info: Christine@ocmuseum.org.

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