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Brady files for election to OP board

Former Bayside publisher says communication key

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Longtime Ocean Pines resident Elaine Brady is throwing her hat into the ring for the 2023 Ocean Pines Board of Directors elections.

“I feel I can be an asset on the board as having a long career in publishing community newspapers (has) taught me the value of communicating, and staying focused on issues,” Brady said in a statement.



Elaine Brady

“I also learned to not only voice my own views but also the importance of respectfully listening to the views of others. Now retired, I have the time and desire to serve the community, and it would be my pleasure to stay connected to the community by serving on the board.”

Brady’s connection to Ocean Pines began when her parents bought a lot in the community in the 1970s. They retired to the Pines in the 1980s. Her father, Dick Brady, served on the board for six years, including three as president, in the 1990s. He also served on the Worcester County Water and Wastewater Commission.

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Town looks to cover budget hole

Mayor, council need about \$342K more in revenue to offset increased spending

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Berlin Mayor Zack Tyndall and the Town Council praised their department heads for submitting fiscally conservative requests during an FY24 budget work session on Monday, but after most items discussed in the nearly four-hour session, one troubling question continued to persist:

How are we going to pay for this?

There is an obvious answer, of course, but that answer, raising taxes and fees, is one that town officials indicated over and over again they consider with regret.

“We don’t get joy (out of this),” said Tyndall said at the end of the meeting. “We don’t take any of those things lightly. On the other side of the equation, we want to keep Berlin as affordable as possible.”

The shortfall between revenues and spending faced by the town comes to about \$342,000, against a requested \$11.3 million.

By keeping the real property tax the same, the town can expect an uptick of 7 percent in revenue, or about \$275,000.

But the town is also looking at other ways to maximize its revenues in ways that could soften the blow for residents.

One idea was to create a fee for business licenses in the downtown area, which Councilmember Dean Burrell suggested in a question to

Town Finance Director Natalie Saleh.

“My business license should not be the same for Flower Street as downtown Berlin,” Burrell said at the end of the meeting.

Saleh didn’t exactly endorse the idea, saying that in such a small town — Berlin has about 4,500 residents — categorizing businesses is complicated.

But she didn’t condemn the idea, either.

“If you’d like to establish a special fee for downtown versus outside of downtown, it’s up for discussion,” she said.

Tyndall pointed out that he and his colleagues would need to move quickly on such an idea, as it’d need to be in place by July 1 to have any effect on FY24.

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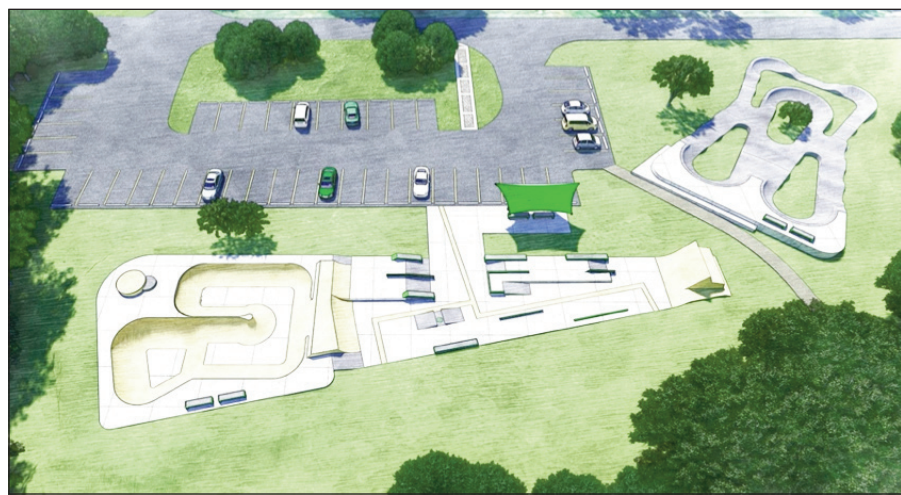


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A rendering of a proposed skate park at Stephen Decatur Park shows the park plus a pump track on the east side of Tripoli Street.

Decatur Park recommended as suitable skate park site

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Stephen Decatur Park looks like the most likely candidate for a skate park after developer Spohn Ranch recommended it over Dr. William Henry Park in a report it released to We Heart Berlin last week.

“It feels incredible to finally have some professional eyes on Berlin from a skate park point of view and see these various pieces of the puzzle come together,” We Heart Berlin founder Tony Weeg said Monday. “I’m thankful for a mayor and council in support of this and that always helps.”

Weeg said he’s also excited about the Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) prospects for funding, with the town already listing the skate park as its top priority for the grant money.

“(There is also) the county’s Program Open Space and state dollars on the horizon now that we are on that list,” Weeg said. “At this point, once the council votes on where to put it, we will begin the big fundraising at that point.”

Spohn Ranch judged possible locations on a 60-point criterion. Points included challenges for putting concrete in the ground, proximity to parking lots, bathrooms, preexisting lighting

and power infrastructure, accessibility to emergency vehicles and centrality to the town.

Decatur Park scored 43 and Henry Park scored 37.

Weeg said the biggest consideration in-town is watershed and stormwater management, that those factors lead the way in how the process is managed.

“That’s our biggest worry in how that is handled and making sure we’ve thought of every step of the way,” he said.

The study by Spohn Ranch stated that demolition at Decatur Park would be minimal and that a 14,000-square-foot skate park could fit on the east side of the park.

“But depending on the design, it may need to split up into a secondary area on the west side of the path,” the report continued.

The report also noted that there would be at least 300 feet and a “robust tree line” buffer between the skate park and residences.

Renderings for a Decatur Park skate park also included a pump track for all wheeled activities.

Weeg added that those who are interested in donating to the project can do so by visiting <https://weheartberlin.org/pages/our-work>.

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Worcester starts budget planning down \$11.59M

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Another fiscal cycle, another pre-budget deficit.

The Worcester County Commissioners started the lengthy process of working through the FY24 budget on March 28 and from the jump, they found themselves in familiar territory, staring down a deficit that guarantees some of the county's needs will have to wait for brighter days.

General fund revenues, based on current tax rates, are forecasted at \$230.17 million and requested general fund operating expenditures total \$241.76 million, leaving the county with an \$11.59 million difference between requests and financial reality.

The variance is nearly identical to the FY23 shortfall that the county commissioners faced last year.

The estimated FY24 revenues represent a 1.4 percent increase from the current fiscal year, driven in part by property tax revenues increasing by about \$6.2 million from the 84.5-cent property tax rate.

Income tax revenue is projected to "remain flat," according to a memo from Chief Administrative Officer Weston Young, at \$38 million, based on the 2.25 percent piggyback tax rate.

"I was disappointed that the deficit came in at what it was," Commissioner President Chip Bertino said. "But there were a number of factors that can't be ignored. We're facing much higher energy costs, chemical costs for water and sewage plants, higher fuel costs. That's having an impact."

Bertino added that transfer and recordation fees and a slow real estate market contribute to the issues.

"We do have our work cut out for us, no two ways about that, to bring it down," he said. "I'm very confident that we will, but we're going to very much have to scrutinize the budget."

Several departments and services are forecasting what Young's memo calls major requested general fund expenditures, none higher than an increase of \$4 million in salary, insurance and benefits.

That figure breaks down to \$2.5 million in increasing salaries for county employees and personnel requests — which includes 4 percent step and COLA increases — \$684,890 for retirement insurance and \$489,287 in health insurance.

Other heavy hitters for expenditures include the circuit court asking for \$173,613 for courtroom equipment and security, \$448,461 from the State's Attorney's Office for increased salaries and vehicle replacements,

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County assumes bikeways project from land trust

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) The greenways and bikeways project that is exploring ways to connect the municipalities of Worcester County with shared-use paths is coming under the management of the county.

On March 21, the Worcester County Commissioners unanimously approved transferring the project to the county's management after the Tourism and Economic Development Director Melanie Pursel reported that the Lower Shore Land Trust, which had been overseeing the project, could not fulfill one of the seven initiatives comprising the project.

"We're asking to take the project in-house to create a bikeways master-plan," Pursel told the commissioners.

Her office will assume management of the project.

In a memo to the commissioners, Pursel said the goal is to simplify the scope of the work and engage with professional consultants who can study existing bikeways, greenways and walkways to make recommendations for connections to various points throughout the county.

"It'll help connect municipalities, how we're going to connect with our neighboring counties and states," Pursel said at the meeting. "I think speaking with (Director of Public Works) Dallas Baker, to go for additional grant funding for engineering and construction, we really need to have a master plan, which we do not have."

The project was originally budgeted at \$100,000 and in her memo, Pursel said that would not change. If it comes in under budget, the county can reallocate funds to any of the existing projects approved by the county.

The seven initiatives in the project are to connect Berlin, Snow Hill, Ocean City and points outside of the county: Somerset County, the City of Salisbury, Southwest Sussex County and the Eastern Shore of Virginia's Rail Trail.

Other priorities for the plan include improve road crossings and reviewing the State Highway Administration's Route 90 expansion project study to explore ideas for connecting Ocean Pines to Ocean City through shared-use pathways.

Pursel listed three local firms who may be invited to consult — Toole Design, Wallace Montgomery and Century Engineering.

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Town of Snow Hill announces election scheduled for May 2

(April 6, 2023) The Town of Snow Hill will hold its general election in-person on Tuesday, May 2, at the Train Station on 200 Belt Street, Snow Hill.

Up for election this year are the offices of Central District and Western District Council.

On the ballot for Central are current Central District Council Jenny Hall and Diana Walsh.

On the ballot for Western District Council current Council member Ida

Regina Blake and Margaret A. Fletcher.

Those who wish to vote by absentee ballot can call Town Hall or email Carol Sullivan at csullivan@snowhillmd.com to request an absentee ballot application.

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot application is Friday, April 21.

For more information, call Sullivan at Town Hall at 410-632-2080.

County budget deficit \$11.59M

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Environmental Programs asking for \$1.6 million for the Coastal Zone and Greys Creek grants, although those expenses are offset by grant revenue, and the Sheriff's Office asking for \$1.2 million for salary increases, capital equipment and maintenance and services.

The fire company grant totals \$2.6 million, which includes \$250,000 in funding and \$10,905 requested supplement for each fire company.

The ambulance grants increased by nearly \$800,000, up to \$7.3 million.

Other major expenditure increases

include \$301,106 from the health department, \$692,867 from the parks department, \$565,405 from grants to towns and \$1.2 million in debt services.

Despite requests totaling eight figures above projected income, Bertino said that many department heads deserve credit for limiting their requests as much as they could.

"Had they not, the deficit we'd be facing would be much higher but they did an absolutely wonderful job in scrutinizing their own budget before presenting to our staff (and) the finance team before it came to the commissioners," he said.

THE TOWN OF BERLIN, MARYLAND NOTICE OF A PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Berlin, Maryland proposes to increase real property taxes.

1. For the tax year beginning July 1, 2023, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 4.4%, from \$515,257,481 to \$537,944,112.

2. If the Town of Berlin maintains the current tax rate of \$0.8150 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 4.4% resulting in \$184,897 of new real property tax revenues.

3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$0.7806, the constant yield tax rate.

4. The Town of Berlin is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The Town of Berlin proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$0.8150 per \$100 of assessment. This tax rate is 4.4% higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$184,897 in additional property tax revenues.

The proposed real property tax rate will be introduced at 7 pm on April 10th at Town of Berlin, Town Hall, 10 William Street, Berlin, MD 21811.

A public hearing on the proposed real property tax rate increase will be held at 7 pm on April 24th at Town of Berlin, Town Hall, 10 William Street, Berlin, MD 21811.

The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call 410-641-2770 for further information.



HISTORY LESSON

Linda Linzey, of the Suffrage Centennial Celebration Committee (SCCC), right, recently gave a presentation on American suffragists and women's history to the United Women in Faith at Community Church at Ocean Pines. She is pictured with Linda Baker, president of UWF.

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Smart water meters coming to Town of Berlin around fall

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) In an effort to revise how the town records and bills water usage, Berlin homes should be equipped with smart water meters by the fall.

The Berlin Mayor and Town Council voted unanimously last week to proceed with requests for proposals (RFPs) for installing smart water meters that the town already possesses.

Bids will be due on May 4 with a 120-day contract beginning after a 30-day grace period, Director of Water Resources Jamey Latchum said during the March 27 meeting.

"They're going to run into some stuff," he said, explaining the need for a four-month window. "Part of the town is older infrastructure. There are going to be delays, and there are going to be asks for time extensions (since) we might not be able to get some of the water off. We'll have to work on getting that done too."

Latchum speculated that a bidding company may want to bring in two crews for the work, one for the "hard stuff" and one for the "easy stuff like the developments that are fairly

new."

Two or three competent workers could not out "50 to 100 in a day" in new developments like Decatur Farms, he said.

The town used \$800,000 in ARPA funds last year to purchase the smart water meters, a decision made after a study by the Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project found that the town was losing upwards of \$200,000 a year in water revenue due to the town's outdated, inaccurate meters.

The new meters will bill residents by the gallon, as opposed to the status quo in which residents are billed by the thousand gallons.

Under that system, someone who uses 800 gallons and someone who uses 1,999 gallons is billed the same, because the latter did not cross the next thousand-gallon threshold, Latchum said.

"We feel it's going to even out," Latchum said. "It's going to wash out some of the users who use more of the 1,900 gallons than the person who uses 800 gallons a month. We feel we need six months to a year

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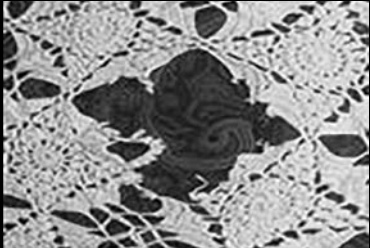
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Town rushing to balance budget

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The mayor and council also discussed restructuring trash pick-up fees.

Even with a deficit to overcome, Berlin is still looking for ways to move on long-sought projects, such as improvements to West Street, which were included in the budget at \$100,000.

Tyndall said that town administrator Mary Bohlen suggested in a closed meeting that the town's reserve impact fees could be used to fund the project. For years, residents and pedestrians alike have complained about drainage and safety issues, respectively, along the road.

Councilmember Shaneka Nichols said she supports the idea of looking at how impact fees are used and set up.

"It's something that we need to think about with the growth and I'm hoping that with all this talk of the growth development ... that those things are brought up," she said. "Not just that it's coming from us but that it's seen from a larger scale that with growth and development comes with increased cost."

Ultimately, the mayor and council know there's likely no realistic scenario in which residents won't have to pay more.



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The proposed FY24 budget for the Town of Berlin includes \$100,000 in funding for West Street improvements. The residential street has long dealt with drainage and pedestrian safety issues.

"This is going to be very, very difficult," Councilmember Jay Knerr said. "You can take a surgeon's knife to this budget and it's just not going to go anywhere. It's very hard."

Tyndall, reiterating that the fact the budget has already been pared down from what it was just a couple of months ago, lamented the rising "cost of doing business" and the cost

of "going into the digital realm."

He pointed out that he comes from a generation of Berliners that have long struggled with the rising cost of living, many of whom have left Berlin for more affordable destinations.

"This position we're in, I hope it changes," he said. "But it's going to be a painful year."

Brady files papers to pursue seat on board of directors

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Hailing from Montgomery County originally, Brady relocated to the Eastern Shore in 2001. She bought a home in Ocean Pines in 2002, influenced in large part by her parents' love for the Ocean Pines Association, according to her statement.

In her career, Brady has published community newspapers under contract with the Department of Defense and the Washington Post in the Washington, D.C. area. She was also a publisher of DCMilitary.com and vice president of the community newspaper division at the Washington Post.

She is the former owner of The Bayside Gazette, selling it to Ocean City Today 2011 and becoming the publisher of that paper and associate publisher of Ocean City Today until retiring in 2021.

In Ocean Pines, she has served on the OPA 50th Anniversary Committee, the Communications Committee and the Elections Committee.

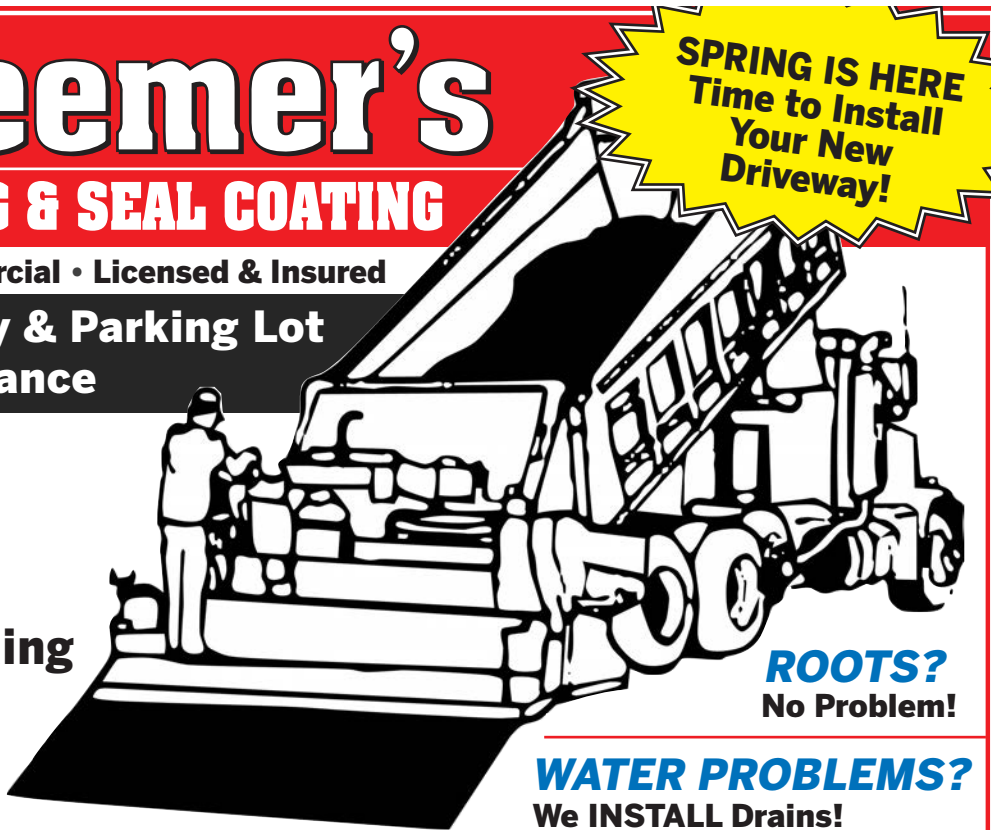
She has served on various boards in Montgomery County as well as sitting on the boards of the Maryland, Delaware, DC Press Association, the United Way of the Eastern Shore and the Berlin Chamber of Commerce.

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Caprichos Books opens in Pines on Manklin Creek Rd.

By Hunter Hine
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Caprichos Books, a new bookstore on Manklin Creek Road in Ocean Pines, held its grand opening on March 25.

Owner Elizabeth Decker also wrapped Caprichos' birthday party into the occasion since the business has been in operation for five years.

A potato-themed book party celebrating "Lord of The Rings" day followed the store's joint birthday and anniversary.

The triple-layered event drew many new faces to Caprichos, with the potato party alone attracting around 30 guests who brought mashed potatoes, poutine, baked potatoes, chips, tots, sweet potato fries and more, Decker said.

"We were supposed to do our grand opening party a few weeks ago, but I really wasn't quite ready, so I pushed it back a little bit, and I just figured we'd overlap those events," Decker said.

Caprichos' brick and mortar loca-

tion started partially opening in late January, with Decker moving in and filling bookcases while simultaneously seeing customers.

"I've had a customer every day that I've been here working, so why not have the door open? They all get the sneak peek of what it's becoming and they watched me grow," Decker said.

Decker described Caprichos as a general bookstore. It carries genres ranging from baby books to adult fiction, cookbooks to romance, nonfiction to graphic novels, and a variety of audio books.

Caprichos sells CD audiobooks in-store, but customers can also buy and listen to Caprichos' audio selection online through Libro.fm, a website that offers audiobooks from local bookstores, according to its website.

While Caprichos began as a used book store, Decker added new books based on demand. Decker still takes book donations.

"I only do donations. I do not do trade credit, and that's mostly be-

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Caprichos Books, a new bookstore on Manklin Creek Road, held the grand opening for its new location in Ocean Pines on March 25. Owner Elizabeth Decker poses between the bookshelves in Caprichos. HUNTER HINE/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Smart water meters for Berlin

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under our belt and ask for another water rate structure."

Councilman Dean Burrell points out that residents need to be notified well in advance, considering water will need to be shut off while installation is in progress.

Latchum said he's worried mostly about the older parts of the town, which could take 30 or 45 minutes for an installation, or even upwards of two hours if there is any trouble.

"That's my biggest thing, trying to make sure (we give residents adequate notice)," he said. "Notification is definitely (the top priority)."

Mayor Zack Tyndall said the town is following SERCAP's guidance with the project and that the town is headed in the right direction. He sug-

gested door hangers for notifications and echoed an earlier point by Latchum to urge residents to sign up for the town's Code Red notification emergency notification system.

"We would try to isolate those areas of town (being serviced) the best we possibly can to be able to provide advanced warning to those homes," Tyndall said. "But we're also, as we're pushing this messaging out, advising folks that they should be on the Code Red system with the Town of Berlin so we can push timely stuff and reminders out. But it's really just making sure that they're engaged with our constant contact, engaged with our Code Red and paying attention to our social media because that's where our most timely information is going to be."



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New bookstore Caprichos opens up in Pines

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cause I'm able to travel to people's homes to pick up the books for them, so that's my service," Decker said. "It's something they want to get rid of and I'm going to do the work, the labor, to remove it."

Besides books, Caprichos sells bookmarks, book lights, scarves, pieces from a local pottery studio and even art and jewelry made from recycled materials.

The back of the store has a few rows of tables that Decker uses for community-based and book-focused events like book clubs, family game nights and its recurring Work in Progress Wednesdays, where people are invited to bring in any crafts they are working on to collaborate with other craftspeople and hobbyists.

"I really hope customers see this as

a place to start discussions, open discussions, that they feel accepted and that they understand that there are other points of view and that it's a safe space in general," Decker said.

Next to the checkout counter, Decker is also setting up a book nook where customers can give a book a test run or quietly listen to an audio story.

"Capricho" is a Spanish word that translates to "whimsy" or "fun." Decker named the store after the Island of Caprichos from the book "Figgs & Phantoms" by Ellen Raskin.

In the story, the island represents heaven, Decker said.

Decker started in the book business doing pop-up events. In 2018, she opened Caprichos in Bel Air, Maryland, but during covid, Decker started delivering books.

She and her family then closed up the shop, packed its contents into a garage, and decided to move to the beach.

In this interim period, Decker returned to the pop-up shop model, showing up at events like Salisbury Pride and the 2022 Home, Condo and Outdoor Show in Ocean City.

Last year, Caprichos partnered with the Delmarva Shorebirds minor league baseball team for a summer reading program.

"It was mostly just when they did library visits with a mascot, so they would bring him to a library and they would do a story reading and I would be there to just talk about it," Decker said.

Decker also invested in a book-mobile, which had more problems than expected. It's been in the repair shop

now for two years, but Decker hopes to use it in the future.

Decker's friend owned Pip's Kitten Emporium, a store that sold books, cat toys and cat accessories, in the spot where Caprichos is now located.

When the owner closed and moved out of the country, the space was offered to Decker. Although Decker hadn't considered another brick and mortar store, it seemed like a great opportunity, she said.

"We knew that there was a bookstore already in Berlin, and there was one already in Ocean City," Decker said. "We really liked the year-round aspect and the incredibly diverse range of people in Ocean Pines. It's also very accessible because we're right at South Gate."

Before the Emporium closed, See CAPRICHOS Page 13

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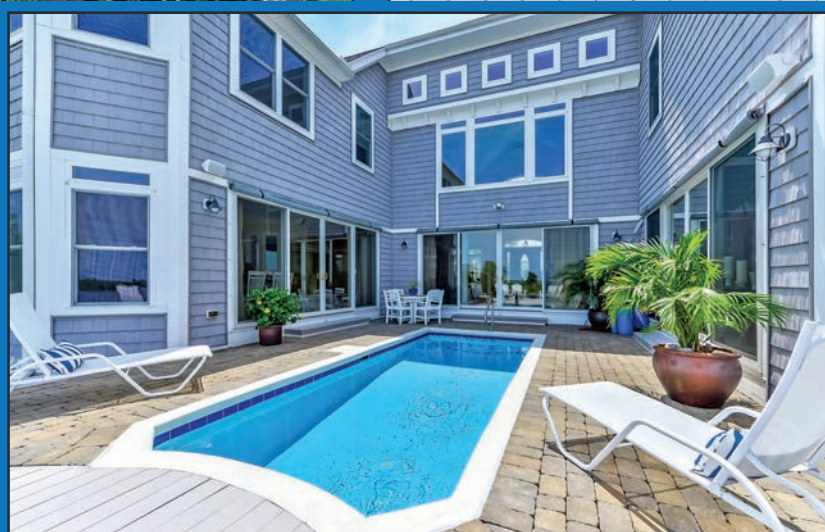
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Junk removal service holding first dumpster fill for children

(April 6, 2023) JDog Junk Removal & Hauling Ocean City will present its inaugural "Fill a Dumpster for Kids" event benefiting the non-profit organization, The Cricket Center, on April 11.

The Cricket Center's main objective is to reduce trauma to child victims by bringing all necessary local agencies together.

The multi-disciplinary team is made up of law enforcement officers, child protective service personnel, prosecutors, lawyers, advocates, mental health therapists and medical personnel.

The team meets regularly to communicate and collaborate on child abuse cases. Cases are reviewed beginning with the victim's initial outcry through investigation, treatment and prosecution.

On April 11, JDog Junk Removal & Hauling Ocean City in conjunction with Amy's Attic Upscale Resale, will host the event as a part of their joint grand opening.

It will take place from 3-6 p.m. at 11070 Cathell Rd., Units 5 and 7 in Berlin in the Pines Plaza.

During the event, attendees are being asked to bring donations to

"Fill a Dumpster for Kids" to provide necessities for the youth served by The Cricket Center.

The donations must be unused with tags on and be on the approved list of items needed.

Several local businesses have donation boxes to collect items prior to the event date.

During the event, attendees will be entered to win a gift basket valued at \$200 donated by Amy's Attic Upscale Resale when they bring items to donate.

Food and drinks will be provided, and the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce will be doing a ribbon cutting for both Amy's Attic Upscale Resale and JDog Junk Removal & Hauling Ocean City.

Items needed include: diapers, baby wipes, shirts, pants, onesies, coats, shoes, suitcase, duffle bag, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner.

Businesses participating in the dropoff currently taking donations are: Planet Fitness, Love Your Mama, Caprichos Books, Amy's Attic Upscale Resale, Paul and Vinny's Pizza, Phoenix Physical Therapy, and JDog Junk Removal & Hauling Ocean City.

Caprichos opens for business

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Decker moved a Caprichos pop-up into the store so she could get to know local customers. During that time, she developed a regular clientele.

"It's definitely been a very, very enthusiastic reception," Decker said. "I've had so many people who were so excited to see us here who come in and ask questions."

Moving forward, Decker has more plans to welcome the community to special events.

On April 29, Caprichos is celebrating the 10th anniversary of Independent Bookstore Day, where Decker will offer exclusive merchandise like au-

thor-signed books and pins.

Decker said that her favorite part of operating a bookstore is the sense of community.

"I definitely feel like there's a lot of hope ... I'm ridiculously positive, so I struggle, because I always feel like in everything there is an opportunity," Decker said.

The store is currently open Thursdays from 12-5 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Children look for Easter eggs at White Horse Park last year. The annual Spring Celebration and eggs hunts will take place at the park this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Easter hoppenings in Ocean Pines, Berlin and Ocean City

By **Cindy Hoffman**
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Hop on over to one of the many Easter activities in Ocean Pines, Berlin and Ocean City this weekend.

Whether it's an egg hunt, meeting the Easter Bunny, arts and crafts or face painting, there's an activity for everyone this Easter season.

Ocean Pines:

White Horse Park will be the site for holiday activities on Saturday, April 8, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hunt for Easter eggs, visit with the Easter Bunny, enjoy carnival games, refreshments, candy, pony rides, a petting zoo and more. There's even an Easter bonnet contest at 12:30

p.m.

There will be three egg hunts: ages 1-3 at 11:30 a.m., ages 4-6 at noon, and ages 7-10 at 1 p.m.

This is a free event and volunteers are still needed.

For more information, contact Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052, or visit www.oceanpines.org.

On April 8, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. the Ocean Pines Farmers and Artisans Market will get everyone Easter ready with more than 80 market stands, shops, boutiques and galleries.

Cal Toner will play live music and Amberlina's Adventures will be in the Kids Market Zone.

Berlin:

On Saturday, the Berlin Fire Company will host a breakfast with the Easter Bunny in their upstairs event hall from 8:30-11a.m.

Breakfast is \$5 for kids under 10 years old and \$10 for adults. All-day parking will be available at the firehouse and a cash donation is accepted.

For tickets, go to <https://berlin-fire-company.ticketleap.com/pancake-breakfast-with-easter-bunny/>.

There will be limited tickets at the door. Organizers request that attendees purchase tickets in advance.

Take part in Berlin's annual Spring Celebration on Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. hosted by the Berlin Chamber of Commerce.

The celebration starts at 10 a.m. with a Bonnet Parade from the firehouse into the festival area on Main Street, culminating in awards for the three best bonnets.

There will be live music by Shake It Up Jam, face painting by Lollipop the Clown and Company, Scales and Tales by Maryland DNR and numerous vendors and boardwalk games operated by local businesses, nonprofits and social clubs, with prizes donated by Jolly Roger Amusements.

Calvin B. Taylor House Museum will host a giant Easter egg hunt, with 5,000 eggs to be found.

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The cost of the event is \$6 per child for Ocean City residents, and \$8 for nonresidents.

Advanced registration is recommended as tickets are limited. Register at www.rec.ocean.com.

In the event of rain, the event will be held inside the recreation complex.

For more information, call Anna Paterson at 410-250-0125.

The two-day Easter Art and Craft Show and Kids Fun Fair will take place at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on 40th Street, Friday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Enjoy games and contests, Easter egg hunts, entertainment and numerous exhibitors. Some activities are not included in the price of admission.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, and \$4 for students age 4-18. Children age 3 and under get in free.

For the full schedule, visit the

Easter Art & Craft Show and Kids Fun Fair at www.oceanpromotions.info.

Trimper Rides grand re-opening weekend (Saturday and Sunday, April 8-9) celebrates Easter and its 130th anniversary.

The park will open at noon with rides and Easter-themed activities and chances to win a Mega Pass for the 2023 summer season.

Get there at 11 a.m. to purchase spring wristbands for \$25 each.

Both days will have an Easter egg hunt at 12:30 p.m., and pictures with the Easter Bunny at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. There will be an Easter egg roll contest at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, and an Easter Bunny Dance at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

These events are free, but registration is required for the Easter egg roll contest and the Easter Bunny dance. Participants must bring their own decorated hard-boiled eggs and a contraption to blast it through the super slide for the egg roll contest.

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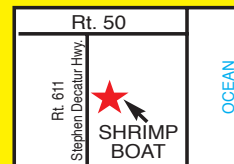
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Scholarships open for T1 diabetics

By Hunter Hine
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) The Eastern Shore T1 Diabetic Support Foundation is awarding scholarships to students battling the disease for the third year.

EST1DSF is a non-medical family support group focused on children with Type 1 diabetes. It covers affected families across Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset and Sussex counties, said Foundation Founder Katie Rimel.

Students have until April 15 to submit an application, which includes a high school transcript, a resume or list of activities, a letter of recommendation, a letter of acceptance to a college, university or trade school, and a 500 word essay about what Type 1 diabetes has taught the student about perseverance.

Application materials can be submitted on the foundation's website at est1d.org.

As of March 23, no students have submitted applications, but EST1DSF sent reminder letters to school nurses and guidance counselors, Rimel said.

"We just want to get the word out that this is available and it's really not a hard scholarship to get if the people know about it," Rimel said. "Because of HIPAA laws, we can't call the school and say, 'So how many diabet-



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The Eastern Shore T1 Diabetes Support Foundation presented a scholarship to Daniel Ashcraft of Mardela High School last year. Pictured, from left, are Deanna and Daniel Ashcraft, with Katie, Eric and Corey Rimel representing the Eastern Shore T1 Diabetes Support Foundation.

ics do you have at your school? Get them to apply.' That's why we have to get the word out about it."

The foundation pays the scholarship directly to schools to cover textbooks or tuition, and it's only awarded once per student.

In 2021, three students were each awarded a \$1,000 scholarship, but last year Mardela High School student Daniel Ashcraft, the sole winner,

was presented \$2,500 to put toward trade school.

"These kids, they fight hard every day just to be themselves and we just want them to know that we're there for them and we want to reward them for their success," Rimel said.

Flora Glasgow, CRNP, who is part of the Pediatric Specialty Clinic in Endocrinology at TidalHealth in Sal-

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Eastern Shore diabetics can get foundation scholarships

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isbury, said she serves just over 100 Type 1 diabetics age 22 and younger who live across the middle and lower Eastern Shore.

Glasgow estimates there is about 100 other children facing Type 1 diabetes in the same region who seek treatment from other hospitals and practices.

The CDC National Diabetes Statistics Report estimated that in 2019 about 244,000 adolescents under the age of 20 had diagnosed type one diabetes.

Most of the EST1DSF's fundraising comes through events like its annual Spaghetti Dinner and ticket drop auction in October, as well as the 31 Days of 31 Raffle.

Rimel said the foundation has raised over \$100,000 since it was created.

"They deserve these awards because they've had a battle," Rimel said. "For a kid to deal with diabetes, and to keep up in school and sports and everything, can sometimes be tough."

Since its inception, the foundation has helped families pay for summer camps for children with Type 1 diabetes, Rimel said. A popular destination for locals is Camp Possibilities in

Harford County, the closest diabetes camp to the region, Rimel said.

The foundation also holds family events at no charge or reduced rates.

On May 21, it is hosting a bowling get-together at Southbound Alleys in Salisbury, and on Aug. 6 families with the foundation will pay the non-profit rate of \$25 per person at Jolly Roger Amusements, rather than the normal \$45 ticket fee, Rimel said.

"Being that the Eastern Shore is more rural, I think kids are by themselves," Rimel said. "They don't know other diabetics, so by having Eastern Shore T1 Diabetic Support Foundation, we're bringing families together to get to know each other, and so they know they're not alone in this battle."

Rimel founded EST1DSF after her son was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes in 2009.

Rimel said that the foundation focuses on just Type 1 diabetes because it is more common in children compared to Type 2, which is much more common in adults.

"Not many people see it like they see other diseases, so we want awareness of the disease," Rimel said. "Kids can live a great life with this disease as long as they take care of themselves."

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Firefighters battled a house fire last Wednesday in Newark. The community has rallied around the homeowners, Jacki and Jeff Martin. A GoFundMe account has been established and Burley Oak is hosting a fundraiser on April 17.

Newark couple supported by community after house fire

By Cindy Hoffman
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Worcester County residents are rallying around a Newark couple who lost everything in a house fire last Wednesday.

Jacki and Jeff Martin, who had lived in their home for nearly 30 years, not only lost their home and their belongings, but more than 20 pets.

A devoted animal lover, Jacki is a rescuer of pets in too much need for others to adopt.

A GoFundMe created by their neighbor, Michelle Beebe, has already raised more than \$5,000.

"Their home was completely destroyed, leaving them with nothing but the clothing on their backs. Any donations will greatly help this family," Beebe said. "As they heal, I hope we can pull together as a community and help take some of the pain and give them hope. While Jeff has been battling cancer, we can't not imagine the pain they are now suffering with this unfortunate loss."

Burley Oak Brewing Company is hosting a fundraiser for the couple on April 17 from 6-9 p.m. Donations will

include 50 percent of tips, a 50/50 raffle, 10 percent of bar sales and a silent auction for gift baskets and other donated items.

"We hope to raise money to help the family transition as they lost everything in the fire," said Matt Burreier, the alesman at Burley Oak Brewing Company.

The Ocean City Home Depot is collecting gift cards and cash from their associates to support the Martins. Jacki works in the garden shop at Home Depot, which is run by Bell Nursery.

"Everybody here loves Miss Jacki. We are just putting our arms around her and seeing her through this. She is a vendor for us but she is one of us," Darrin Fiorini said, Home Depot store manager.

Fiorini said that Home Depot is providing a big Weber grill and other items to the Burley Oak silent auction.

"I can't imagine what she is feeling right now. She rescued pets and was the most loving person. She is an amazing person," Fiorini said.

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Coast Guard offering safe boating course

By Hunter Hine
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) As warm weather approaches and brings with it the boating season, many operators of vessels might be wondering where to go to learn the basics.

The Ocean City Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering a Maryland Safe Boating Course at the Ocean Pines Library, April 11-13. Each night's class runs from 6-9 p.m., and the course finishes with a 65-question exam.

To earn a Maryland Basic Boating Safety Certificate, students must attend all three nights and pass the final assessment with a minimum 80 percent grade.

People must always have the original certificate on board with them while they're operating a recreational watercraft, said Flotilla Staff Officer for Public Education, Barry Cohen, who is in charge of setting up the course.

"Our objective is to tell them (students) what they need to know, make them good operators, meaning courtesy, meaning pay attention, follow the regulations on when you can do something and can't," Cohen said.

There are 30 spots open for the course, which costs \$20 to attend. Anyone interested in registering should call Cohen at 410-935-4807, or email CGAUXOC@gmail.com. Registration will be available at the door, but only if spots are open.

"If I have 25 people I set up 25 seats, three people walk in, in the middle of all this we got to bring out another table and find some chairs. So as a practical matter, we prefer that they sign up in advance so we know how many people are going to be there," Cohen said.

Anyone born after July 1, 1972 must achieve certification in order to operate a boat in Maryland in accor-

dance with the Maryland Boating Safety Education Act. The certification is valid in all states.

Course material is divided into six areas, which include information about the terminology used to describe boats, boat engines, navigation, Maryland's legal requirements, safety equipment, how to handle boating emergencies and paddle crafts like kayaks, Cohen said.

"Go out there, you will see over 50 percent of the people violating, what I'm going to call, 'the rules of the road,' which, there are rules about where you can operate your boat and how to do it," Cohen said. "And they're just going wherever they want, and that's not how it works."

While there is no minimum age requirement for the course, Cohen said it's important that any youth who plan on attending have the reading comprehension and attention span to

sit through all three hours of all three nights and pass. Children as young as 8 have passed, Cohen said.

"I've had 16-year-olds who sat there and drew on the booklet instead of listening and, of course, they didn't pass," Cohen said.

The OCCGA presents the class to the public once a month from February to October. Sometimes the auxiliary offers class on weekends or online as well. The upcoming class is in-person only, Cohen said.

"We want the waterway to be safe. That helps us and that helps the boaters," Cohen said.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is the uniformed volunteer service that augments the Coast Guard as requested, Cohen said.

The Ocean City Power Squadron also offers the Maryland Safe Boating Course, usually with one in the spring and another in the fall.

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Ocean Pines water trails offer 10 miles to explore

By Cindy Hoffman
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Ocean Pines has 10 miles of water trails that are readily accessible from the community. Laura Scharle, who lives in the Pines, is familiar with every one of them.

She created an interactive map of these trails for Ocean Pines, which sits on the website at <https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/kayaks-canoes-sup>.

The site provides a map of all of the trails, along with information about skill level required to navigate them, potential hazards, photos, wildlife viewing opportunities and nearby amenities. There is also a list of boat launches in the commu-

nity.

It's almost time to get on the water, so Scharle hosted a seminar on Tuesday to teach people about safety, share tips on kayaking and inform paddlers of the great online resources for Ocean Pines and the surrounding region.

Scharle takes safety seriously.

She warned paddlers to not be fooled by an early 85 degree day.

"If the water temperature is below 60 degrees, do not go," she said.

"The water does not get to 60 degrees until early May."

"If you fall out of your kayak and you are not wearing cold

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Ocean Pines has 10 miles of water trails suitable for kayaking, canoeing or SUP. Laura Scharle created a water trail map for Ocean Pines that can be found on the website.

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Explore Ocean Pines by water

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water gear, you can go into cold shock. If you are in a remote area, you could be in huge trouble," Scharle said.

Scharle said a person only has about 10 minutes to get to safety in cold water.

She also cautioned paddlers about the wind.

"Wind can kick up in this area. Don't go out if winds are over 10 knots," Scharle said.

She recommends checking the National Weather Service marine forecast.

The Coast Guard requires paddlers to have a whistle and a personal flotation device on board. She recommends all paddlers also bring a cell phone in a zip lock or dry bag, closed-toe shoes, and a water bottle. For long trips, snacks, a first aid kit, sunscreen, a change of clothes, and a handheld VHF radio are advisable, she said.

Scharle provided bright orange stickers to everyone who attended the event. The stickers are to be placed on the kayak, SUP or canoe, with the owner's name, address and phone number on it. The stickers come in handy should a paddler become separated from the boat. If your boat is found occupied, its owner can be con-

tacted to retrieve the boat, or in the event of an emergency, a search can commence.

She also strongly recommends anyone going out on the water to have a float plan that identifies the route and return time and to share it with someone responsible.

Scharle recommends that paddlers always go out with a partner, especially if venturing into open waters. Other boaters can spot kayakers better in groups than paddling solo.

Scharle is a certified American Canoe Association instructor. She worked at the Delaware Seashore State Park for 17 years so she knows more than the Ocean Pines water trails. She recommends checking out other paddling and nature trails available throughout the Delmarva region. From her many adventures, she created <https://www.delmarva-trailsandwaterways.com>.

"I knew I wanted to connect people to public lands," said Scharle.

She continues her own adventures every day. Her goal is to kayak the whole peninsula before she dies. That's 650 miles. She blogs about her many adventures and provides helpful resources including links to tides, the Weather Channel, NOAA, Geo Tracking App. and Google Earth at <https://laurapaddlesdelmarva.com>.

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The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call 410-641-2770 for further information.

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Fox sightings more common in springtime

By Cindy Hoffman
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) Spring is in the air, and that means it's mating season for foxes, so don't be surprised to see a few running around Ocean Pines looking for a date.

According to Maryland DNR, the ideal red fox habitat includes a mix of open fields (or beaches) small woodlots and wetlands. That describes Ocean Pines to a tee.

"Foxes are also prolific in Ocean City," Sandi Smith said, the outreach and marketing coordinator for the Maryland Coastal Bays Program.

During the spring and early summer, foxes can be seen more frequently, looking for mates and hunting for food for their young. And the youngsters can be seen romping and playing like kindergarteners.

"They were here before we were and they've adapted to us, we need to adapt to them," Smith said.

Some people get concerned when they see a fox in the daytime.

"They are primarily out at night but very often hunting by day, especially when they have babies. It does not mean something is wrong," Gay Frazee said, a wildlife rehabilitator in Jamesville, Virginia.

"It is not abnormal to view foxes during the day, but caution and distance should always be applied when viewing any wildlife species," Joshua Tabora said, a furbearer biologist with Maryland DNR.

Their food source is not cats or kittens or dogs," Smith said.

Smith surmised that there is not a rodent issue in Ocean City because of the fox. "They eat small rodents, grubs and seeds. They are part of our ecosystem."

According to Maryland DNR, red foxes have an omnivorous diet, meaning that they eat both plants and animals. A typical red fox diet includes rabbits, snakes, insects, birds, mice, berries and fruits. Foxes will be out day or night, depending on when their food source is active.

During mating season, which is now through April, it's possible to hear the call of a fox looking for a mate. The call can sound a bit like somebody is being murdered.

"It can also sound like a screaming baby," Smith said.

Pupping starts as early as March and in the beginning of summer, adolescents can be found, some behaving badly, according to Smith.

One fox in Ocean City, known by locals as "Penny the Fox" became famous for snatching people's shoes and taking them to her den in a sand dune on 92nd Street.

Foxes, like any other wildlife, are wild and should not be fed. That act of misplaced kindness may attract foxes to neighborhood yards, as will leaving food out for cats or dogs.

"Wild animals (especially predators) may behave defensively while

feeding, which may lead to aggression towards humans once the association with food has been made," Tabora said.

It is never a good idea to feed a fox. There is a common saying among wildlife rehabbers, "a fed fox is a dead fox."

"By feeding them you get them used to the idea that humans have food and they will come back looking for an easy meal. They're smart," Frazee said.

"They are perfectly capable of feeding themselves and teaching their young to hunt," she said.

"In addition, wild animals are adapted to eating natural foods, and providing them with human foods can result in poor nutrition and dependence," Tabora said.

Feeding a fox will stop it from hunting for its own food, making it reliant on people. The fox could then become a nuisance, approaching other people and possibly biting someone, which could result in the fox being euthanized.

"It's important for foxes and other wildlife to fear people. They need to stay wild," Frazee said.

As for people fearing foxes, Smith said, "Foxes are not a threat unless rabid."

"You can generally tell if a fox needs help. Is it acting peculiar, is it acting less fearful, limping, moving slowly?" Frazee said.

"Foxes are a rabies vector species, which does not mean they have rabies," Frazee said.

Fox, bats, raccoons and skunks all have a higher rate of infection than other mammals.

"Sick foxes may exhibit abnormal behaviors, such as reduced caution around human activity, aggression, general unawareness, and walking in circles repeatedly," Tabora said.



Foxes are common in Ocean Pines, and may be seen more often during the spring, which is mating season. Feeding a fox is not recommended as they can start to associate humans with food, which can be dangerous for the fox and possibly humans. STEWART DOBSON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Before calling to report a fox or ask for assistance, take time to observe the fox's behavior and look for signs.

A fox with mange can often be mistaken for a rabid one because of its sickly appearance.

Mange is extremely debilitating and results in a patchy coat or entire hair loss.

"Use common sense and when in doubt observe the situation and call a

rehabber. We are always willing to have a chat and help figure out what's going on," Frazee said.

Anyone who suspects a fox or other animal is rabid should report it to local authorities.

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SHHS students protest over racist post on social media

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) The Snow Hill High School baseball team found itself in hot water at the beginning of its season two weeks ago when classmates protested after the team allegedly circulated a racially insensitive picture and video on Snapchat.

The students held their protest on the school's football field following a staged walkout on March 23. County Schools Superintendent Lou Taylor and Snow Hill Principal Dr. Kimberly Purvis attended the protest.

Earlier last month, members of the baseball team allegedly posted a picture to the popular social media website in which several teammates posed in black masks with the text "We them (racial epithet)" superimposed on it, accompanied by dark-skinned ninja emojis.

The ninja emoji is often used online as a substitute for a notorious and highly offensive racial epithet for a Black person, according to multiple internet culture websites.

Another Snapchat post, a video, allegedly shows a white student writing a racial slur.

County school system spokesperson Carrie Sterrs said in an email that the school system does not comment specifically on what disciplinary action it took beyond that it was taken "in accordance with our established code of conduct."

The school system learned of the incident on March 8, she said.

"It is Worcester County Public Schools' primary goal that every student and staff member feel safe and welcome in our schools," she wrote. "It is only through an emphasis on empathy and understanding that a culture of belonging can exist, enabling learning to occur. We strive to build these environments in all of our schools, so when an incident happens that impacts that culture, we work to engage resources and support to repair any division that has happened as a result."

Sterrs added that WCPS is providing support for students who need it in light of the recent events.

"It is our hope that these supports will assist all students in taking ownership of their words and actions and build a consensus around how best to restore the relationships that were impacted by recent events," she wrote.



PHOTO COURTESY WORCESTER COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

The Worcester County Fire Marshal's Office is investigating a vehicle fire after a small SUV was found engulfed in flames on Germantown Road in Berlin on the morning of March 29.

County Fire Marshal's Office investigating Berlin car fire

(April 6, 2023) The Worcester County Fire Marshal's Office investigated a vehicle fire at 10123 Germantown Road in Berlin at 8:25 a.m. on March 29.

Upon arrival of the Berlin Volunteer Fire Company, crews found a small SUV on fire at the rear of the property. Crews quickly extinguished the fire.

Fire investigators found that a fire had broken out inside the car's passenger compartment, but the cause remains unknown.

Anyone with any additional information is asked to contact the Fire Marshal's Office at 410-632-5666. Callers can remain anonymous. No injuries were reported.

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Opinion

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Mayor, council don't have any good options

Maintaining that delicate balance between want, need and have is the primary assignment of elected officials, even though every one of them is likely to list this obligation as the most troubling.

Although holding office does have its rewards — a little bit of prestige, public recognition and influence — all that goes out the window for officeholders when it's time to deliver uncomfortable news.

Hence the visible discomfort of the mayor and council of Berlin Monday as they discussed how to cover the difference between the costs of what they and residents want and need and the revenue the town is projected to receive.

That difference, at \$342,000 and change, isn't an insurmountable amount of money to recover or generate, of course, but it does put town officials in the awkward position of having to find a remedy that will be the least painful to the most people.

In other words, the mayor and council's next step will be to decide who they're going to disappoint or make mad by cutting into the town's list of things to do, by adjusting taxes and fees or by employing some combination of the two.

This is not, however, going to be the one-and-done thing the mayor and council hope to see. Residents and officials might as well get used to the idea that the town will experience many more years like this one, when the want, need and have just don't match up.

As Councilmember Shaneka Nichols observed, growth and development drive costs up overall for the town. That's true, but the absence of growth and development drives costs up for the individual if residents want to keep the town attractive and successful.

There's no getting around it, which means the mayor and council have no good options other than to make the hard choices, take the criticism and prepare themselves for similar circumstances in the future. That is, of course, as long as taxpayers want to live in a nice town where their expectations are met.



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OP golf instructors help at tourney

(April 6, 2023) Instructors at the Ocean Pines Golf Club recently pitched in during a putting league started by members of the Ocean Pines Ladies Golf Association.

Those who took part said the willingness of staff to lend a hand has led to a surge of goodwill at the Golf Club.

The Putters Club meets every other Tuesday to practice their short game.

Colette Horn, a member of both the Ocean Pines Board of Directors and the Putters Club, said the group was put together by OPLGA Treasurer Norma Kessler.

"It was formed to provide a fun event for the winter months that would give an opportunity for golfers to meet new people and practice their putting and chipping," Horn said. "It was open to any women golfers interested in participating, regardless of their status as golf members."

She said the club started in January and met on the putting and chipping practice greens.

"We also had two tutorial events," Horn said. "For the initial event, [Golf Director] Bob Beckelman gave us instruction and drills to improve our putting."

Beckelman said his staff also set up a special nine-hole putting course, and the OPLGA members played twice through and recorded their scores.

"For our final event, instead of the competitive challenge, Matt Ruggiere gave us tips and guidance to improve chipping and putting," Horn said.

Ruggiere has been leading the new Golf Academy at Ocean Pines since March. The program features adult and junior golf programs, along with private lessons.

"I met everyone last week and told them I would come out to give some tips and set up a few practice stations for them," Ruggiere said. "They typically do not have any instructors with them, but they usually meet to have a putting contest and some challenges for fun, with small prizes at the end."

Horn said groups like the Putters Club, along with the OPLGA and the 9-Hole Ladies League, are helping make the game of golf more accessible to local people.

"We are seeing members returning who had not been members in recent years," she said. "Several of the members of this year's Putters Club are women who don't play golf

anymore, but wanted to participate in golf at a level that is possible for them and to have the social benefits of spending time with other women on an activity they enjoy."

Horn said instructional programs offered at the Ocean Pines Golf Club have also helped to attract new and returning players. That includes lessons led by Beckelman, Ruggiere and Brian Davis.

"All of them came to us with reputations as good teachers," she said. "However, their willingness to work with the golfers in informal tutorials during our clinics exposed the women to them and their abilities as golf pros and instructors."

"Furthermore, the changes Bob has put in place in the Pro Shop and his approach to managing the operation and interacting with the member groups has resulted in many positive comments from golfers, from both the men's and women's leagues," Horn continued. "This reflects the goodwill toward and positive expectations of our pro and assistant pro."

For those interested in further improving their putting See CLASSES Page 27

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Ocean Pines sewer bills to increase by \$15 in first qt.

(April 6, 2023) First quarter water and wastewater bills for residents of the Ocean Pines Sanitary Service Area will include a \$15 quarterly Bay Restoration Fee, while state officials consider whether to grant the area an exemption from the fee for calendar year 2023.

In January, Worcester County officials provided evidence to Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) officials that the Ocean Pines Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) had met all state requirements for the prior calendar year and, therefore, requested SSA ratepayers be exempt from the BRF for 2023.

If MDE officials confirm the Ocean Pines SSA is exempt from the BRF after the first quarter bills are sent out, a refund will be issued to these customers.

Commonly referred to as the Flush Tax, the BRF is a dedicated fund financed by residents and businesses and used to upgrade publicly-owned WWTPs throughout Maryland, with enhanced nutrient removal (ENR) technology. This technology drastically reduces nutrient discharges to the state's water-

ways.

The Ocean Pines WWTP meets the criteria for the fee exemption, which requires a maximum effluent concentration of 3 milligrams per liter (mg/l) of total nitrogen and 0.3 mg/l total phosphorous and was not constructed using federal or state monies.

Nitrogen and phosphorus are natural elements found in the earth and in the atmosphere. They are vital components of life for many organisms, but too much of either in area waterways can be harmful.

Excess nutrients, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, can cause algal blooms, which deplete the oxygen from the river that fish and other aquatic life need to survive.

In addition to the environmental benefits, the plant's ENR technology saves Ocean Pines SSA ratepayers more than \$550,000 annually for each year that MDE grants the BRF exemption.

BRF exemptions are valid for one year and must be renewed annually. For more information, contact the Worcester County Public Works Water and Wastewater Division at 410-641-5251.

Classes planned to help game

Continued from Page 26 and pitching skills, Ruggiere will host a new program called "Ocean Pines Scoring Club."

"That will run every Tuesday at the same time, and the focus will be entirely on the short game," Ruggiere said.

The cost is \$20 per class, and the Scoring Club can have a maximum of 12 people.

Classes run from 5-6 p.m. each Tuesday, with the following topics scheduled:

- April 11 – Putting
- April 18 – Wedge shots

April 25 – Sand bunkers

For more information or to register for classes, visit www.ruggieregolf.com.

Women interested in joining either the Putters Club or OPLGA may call OPLGA President Ann Shockley at 410-688-1975 or email rexerann@gmail.com.

The Putters Club is free to join. The OPLGA annual fee is \$60, with \$30 applied to the handicap fee.

For more information on the OPLGA, search "Ocean Pines Ladies Golf Association" on Facebook.



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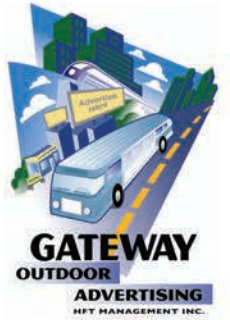


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Berlin Barrack V ground breaking tomorrow

By Hunter Hine
Staff Writer

(April 6, 2023) The Maryland Department of General Services and Maryland State Police are hosting the ground-breaking ceremony for Berlin Barrack V's reconstruction, tomorrow at 11 a.m.

The project actually began Jan. 17, said Barrack V Commander Lt. Earl Starner. The Department of General Services contracted the \$26.8 million project to Keller Brothers Inc. from Mount Airy, Maryland, according to a press release.

Barrack V is expected to be completed by July 2024, Starner said.

"There's going to be a lot more space and the infrastructure upgrade is going to really enhance the law enforcement services that we provided on the Eastern Shore for almost half a century now," said MSP Spokesperson Elena Wendell-Russo.

Maj. Jon Armiger, of the MSP logistics command, is emceeding the event, Russo said.

Armiger will introduce Secretary of the Department of General Services Atif Chaudhry, who will be followed by Maryland Lt. Governor Aruna Miller. Also scheduled to speak is MSP Superintendent Col. Roland Butler, as well as Starner and Daniel Katz, director of MSP forensic sciences division.

After the speaking portion of the ceremony, everyone will wear hard hats and put golden shovels to dirt as they make the ground breaking official, Russo said.

The Berlin Barrack was originally built in 1976 and became operational in 1977, Starner said.

As a 46-year-old building, much of the its infrastructure is either obsolete or no longer able to adequately serve the MSP, Starner said. He compared it to an old car.

"Through the years, you love your car, it serves you well, and one day you wake up and the car is old, and it's breaking down a lot," Starner said

Starner has a long history with Barrack V, joining as its assistant commander in 2001. He served as commander of the Easton Barrack beginning in 2006 before returning to the Berlin Barrack as commander in 2007. He's been there ever since.

"That is almost an anomaly. That's unheard of for somebody to be in place that long. So I've been the commander now for more than 15 years," Starner said. "Obviously, in that time, we develop a lot of connections and relationships with our allied partners and our community here."

Planning for Barrack V's upgrade started in 2017, Starner said. MSP received design funds from the legislature in 2019 for the 2020 fiscal year.

Barrack V's demolition and construction are broken into two phases, so as not to disrupt MSP operations in Berlin, according to the press release.

Phase one is already underway,



The new Berlin Barracks will comprise of a 24,000-square-foot building and 4,400-square-foot garage. Designers oriented the new building so it is more visible from Route 50. RENDERING COURTESY MW STUDIOS

which means the back wing of the old barrack, which contained offices, a bathroom and the processing room, has already been demolished, Starner said.

MSP repurposed and consolidated rooms in the remaining wing to compensate for the loss.

Duty officers, who work only at the barrack, and troopers based out of the barrack have all moved into the remaining wing.

Almost all MSP special units who worked out of the back wing, like criminal investigators, have moved to offices elsewhere.

"We're still 100 percent fully operational, out of the hub, the part here that remains," Starner said.

After phase one is complete, MSP will move operations into the new wing, Starner said.

The remaining old barrack will then be demolished, and, among other improvements, the new barrack laboratory will begin construction there.

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HUNTER HINE/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The \$26.8 million reconstruction of Berlin Barrack V began on Jan. 17 and is expected to be finished by July 2024. Pictured is Barrack V Commander Lt. Earl Starner posing in front of the back wing's demolition site.

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Cuisine

Chocolate bark with roasted edible insects

What a wild week this has been, and no, your eyes do not deceive you.

That is indeed a picture of chocolate bark adorned with roasted, edible insects.

Out of all these articles over the years, I have never written about this particular topic, and until six weeks ago, I do not believe that

it would have even been a consideration, but things change quickly in the strange, wild world of Paul Suplee.

Six weeks ago was when I was asked to join an online meeting at the college with a chef out of New York City, Joseph Yoon.

Chef Yoon specializes in entomophagy, or the study of edible insects as a viable food source.

As a good and loyal employee, I attended as instructed. My colleague, Ebony Jenkins, is a PhD candidate in the Agriculture Department at UMES, and her specialty is entomophagy.

At first, I was interested but also a bit gun shy, having only eaten a bug or two during survival training in the Marines (S.E.R.E. School to be precise, and yes, they taught us what to eat and what to stay away from in the woods).

I vowed that I would never voluntarily eat another bug for the rest of my days.

And then Chef Joseph came into my life.

We have been working around the clock, creating dishes such as cricket mac 'n cheese, the pictured buggy chocolate bark, caramel popcorn with candied nuts & crickets, stir-fried rice with crickets, grasshoppers and mealworms et al.

But we did not stop there.

I made a batch of cricket bread that paired stunningly well with a black ant butter, which if I did not tell you what was in either, you would tell me was the best buttered bread that you had ever eaten.

Chef Joseph likes to use the word "mystical" when explaining some of the insect flavors, and honestly that word does the food great justice.

I have learned so much about the art and industry of edible insects, and before you come at me about how people in this field are simply trying to take away our meat, I can assure



you that we have eaten our fair share of chicken, pork, bacon and wings since Monday.

It is simply a thorough investigation into supplemental food sources as the global population burgeons.

For example, did you know that cricket powder (roasted and ground crickets) is one of the most nutrient dense food sources known? In 2 1/2 tablespoons, you will find 319 percent of your daily value of Vitamin B12, and 13 grams of protein. On top of this, it contains nine essential amino acids, the building blocks of protein in our body.

This is one reason why Chef Joseph has encouraged many professional athletes to add them to their diet.

As he puts it, the steak, chicken and pork are great, but just prior to gameday or the big fight (he has numerous clients who are professional MMA fighters), you can pack in the protein without solely relying on traditional animal products.

For me, the proof in the pudding came after Monday night, when about 40 people showed up to our "movie night."

Airing numerous interviews with Joseph and Ebony, the evening ended with an NPR show on the topic,

which featured our two friends.

This is where we served nachos with cricket cheese, the assorted caramel popcorns, and a savory popcorn with sal de gusano, a salt with roasted agave worms, a Mexican specialty.

It was such a smash success that Tuesday and Thursday nights were sold out overnight at 75 guests.

This was a far cry from the reservations that we had just one week earlier, and it proved that this is a very engaging topic for many people.

Will I ever serve bugs in my restaurants? That remains to be seen.

Perhaps I will use them in a popup or on a special menu, but I have enjoyed working with them. It has been fascinating to try various bugs, from mealworms, agave worms, black ants, crickets, grasshoppers to scorpions.

Insects will find their place to our table one way or another.

We are already eating some in processed foods, and now it's time to see if they are viable in our day to day lives.

Oh, the strange, wild world of mine.

Buggy Chocolate Bark

makes about 1 pound
1 # good quality dark chocolate

- 1 c. Roasted crickets
- 1 c. Roasted mealworms
- 2 c. Rice Crispies cereal
- Set up a double boiler (a steel or tempered glass bowl over a pot of lightly simmering water).
- Place chocolate in the bowl, making sure that no water touches it.
- Gently stir the chocolate until it is completely melted.
- Set up a sheetpan with parchment paper or a silicone mat.
- Pour the chocolate onto the mat, and gently spread around until you get to a thickness of about 1/4 to 1/2 inch. Any thinner, and the bark will be floppy and won't have structure.
- When the bark is at a reasonable thickness, evenly sprinkle the top with the crickets, mealworms and rice cereal.
- Place in the refrigerator and allow to come to a cool enough temperature that it sets up.
- When the chocolate has completely hardened, remove from the mat and break into bark pieces.
- Store in an airtight container until ready to serve.

Paul Suplee is the owner of the boxcar restaurants and is also Senior Lecturer of Culinary Arts at UMES. boxcarrestaurants.com

Barrack V construction starts

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The lab will connect to the new wing to form a 24,000-square-foot building, according to the press release. Wanda Kuperus, deputy director of the MSP forensic sciences division, said that the old barrack had a small lab that only covered analysis of seized drugs. It is only one of two satellite labs for MSP, with the other being in Hagerstown, she said.

The new lab will include capabilities to test controlled and dangerous substances, latent prints (fingerprints that cannot be seen by the naked eye), toxicology, crime scenes and computer crimes, according to architectural design firm MW Studios, who designed the new barrack.

“We’ll be able to hire a few new people (in the lab), probably three new people or so in Berlin,” Kuperus said. “That will be a nice opportunity for some people in the community to get a job with the Maryland State Police.”

After reconstruction, Barrack V will be only the second MSP barrack to have a fenced-in back parking area with access controlled by duty officers, Starnier said.

The first barrack to have the feature is Cumberland, which is Maryland’s newest barrack until Berlin’s is finished.

“We took a lot of the ideas from there (Cumberland Barrack), and sort of moved them over here,” Starnier said.

A sally port, or an area where MSP vehicles can unload and transfer detained individuals, will be added to the barrack.

The port will create a more secure atmosphere during the prisoner transitions, Starnier said.

The new barrack will also feature general improvements in technology, such as camera systems and programmable ID cards so MSP can control who has access to certain rooms, Starnier said.

“First and foremost, I would tell you that, security, always high on our list of priorities,” Starnier said.

A new classroom, which will have much greater seating capacity compared to the old one, will be added so that more officers can be trained or briefed at one time.

“We bring in sometimes, for the events in Ocean City, we bring in more than 100 troopers a day sometimes so that’s a large deployment of people,” Starnier said. “When we bring them in for events, we do briefings, operational briefings, and a lot of times I have so many troopers that we don’t even do them here (the old barrack). We’ll do them at another facility often in Ocean City.”

The Barrack V garage, where troopers have cars serviced by MSP employed mechanics, has already been vacated, so Berlin-based troopers now take their patrol cars to the Princess Anne Barrack’s garage.

Eventually, a new 4,400-square-foot service garage will take its place, according to a press release.

Parking availability will grow with the new barrack after a large public parking area is added to the front of the building, Starnier said.

The old barrack used to have bunk rooms for troopers to stay for prolonged deployment, but those rooms have since been repurposed, Starnier said. The new building will have new bunk rooms to fill that void.

MSP and the barrack designers made it a priority for the barrack to be more visible from Route 50 after construction, Starnier said.

“It was important to me to have the new barrack be closer to (Route) 50 to be sort of the you know, it’s sort of our brand putting our barracks out there and just being more visible,” Starnier said.

As the final cherry-on-top, the new barrack will feature an homage to the old building. Bricks from the original barrack will be inlaid in the shape of a “V,” in the concrete of the front entrance’s sidewalk.

“I’ll think of the people that have worked here or that I’ve worked with over the years. That doesn’t really go away,” Starnier said. “The building itself, like I said, I have incredibly fond memories of my time here, my service here, my commitment to the State Police, my commitment to the community. With that said, I’m ready for a new building.”

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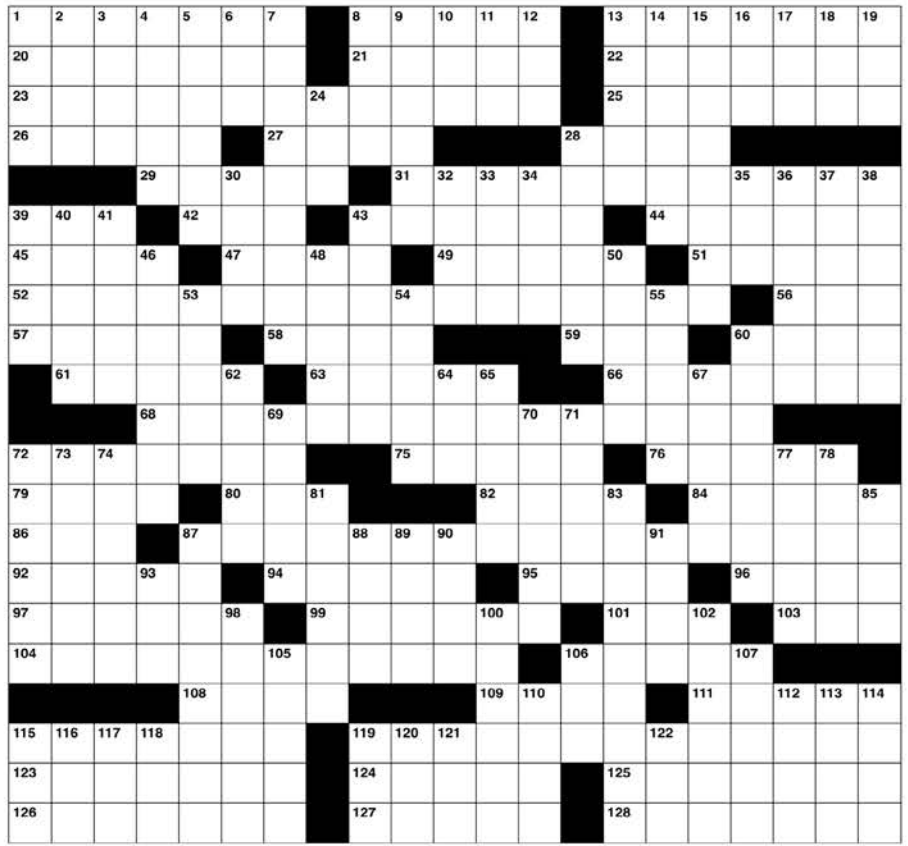
Puzzles

I DO, I DO ... DO!

BY DAVID KARP / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

David Karp, of Victoria, British Columbia, is a civil servant who works on economic policy for his provincial government. This was his second attempt at building a puzzle around 119-Across, which is his favorite band. The first attempt, in a themeless grid, didn't work out because the fill wasn't flashy enough. But here the band's name sets up some clever thematic wordplay, which is even better ... and you don't need to know anything about the band to get it. — W.S.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Businesses that might offer "pawdicures"
 - 8 Subject in sexology
 - 13 Feeling of auditory bliss, in a modern coinage
 - 20 Stacked haphazardly
 - 21 Some religious artwork
 - 22 Band stan
 - 23 Preparing to put earrings in an ogre?
 - 25 Understood
 - 26 Treat, as wood
 - 27 Revealer of the Wizard of Oz
 - 28 Hostile parties
 - 29 Nickname for Luigi
 - 31 The Macy's in New York's Herald Square, and others?
 - 39 Harbor boat
 - 42 Downside
 - 43 Had trouble with, as an icy road
 - 44 Defeat decisively
 - 45 Home to five U.S. national parks
 - 47 Instruction in a meringue recipe
 - 49 E.M.T.'s apparatus, informally
 - 51 Org. that facilitates adoptions
 - 52 Pentad for a poetry performance?
 - 56 Outdo
 - 57 Infection fighter
- DOWN**
- 1 Ballroom-dance moves
 - 2 "Will do!"
 - 3 Greek earth goddess
 - 4 Lavender unit
 - 5 Walk in the park ... or sit in a park, maybe
 - 6 Actor Mahershala
 - 7 Lookouts
 - 8 General idea
 - 9 Classy establishment?
 - 10 ___ favor
 - 11 United
 - 12 "You should know better!"
 - 13 Encourage
 - 14 Stop the progress of
 - 15 Entree that might be prepared with a brown-sugar glaze
 - 16 "Gloomy" guy
 - 106 Fly
 - 108 Be overly sweet
 - 109 "No chickening out!"
 - 111 Faith founded in Persia
 - 115 "Black" or "Pink" animal
 - 119 Band with the 1997 hit "Semi-Charmed Life" ... or a phonetic hint to this puzzle's theme
 - 123 They might wipe the slate clean
 - 124 Spine-tingling
 - 125 Klingon speaker, say
 - 126 Deadlock
 - 127 C-suite members
 - 128 Pots and pans, e.g.
 - 17 What some people use to solve a New York Times crossword
 - 18 German "you"
 - 19 Rx request
 - 24 Slimy stuff
 - 28 Lacquer, e.g.
 - 30 Home to wild Bactrian camels
 - 32 Clears (of)
 - 33 Lead-in to -logue
 - 34 N.F.L. quarterback Jared
 - 35 Surgery sites, in brief
 - 36 Toronto N.B.A. player
 - 37 Usher
 - 38 Tot's geometry lesson, perhaps
 - 39 Clump of hair
 - 40 City at the foot of the Adirondacks
 - 41 What may bring a meeting to order
 - 43 Cholesterol-lowering drug
 - 46 Landing site
 - 48 Cover, of a sort
 - 50 Words for a cover
 - 53 Like many a lumberjack's shirt
 - 54 Certain footholds
 - 55 Ancient marketplace
 - 60 Spanish resort island, to locals
 - 62 "Do"-to-"do" delivery
 - 64 Understood
 - 65 Pioneering computer
 - 67 National park in the Canadian Rockies
 - 69 Former retail giant
 - 70 Captivate
 - 71 Cousin of a stingray
 - 72 Dwindles, with "out"
 - 73 It's 2.3 years for the average heterosexual American couple
 - 74 Something made in a press
 - 77 Things a plangonologist collects
 - 78 Some semihard cheeses
 - 81 Stubbornly old-fashioned
 - 83 "The museum of social decay," per Gary Oldman
 - 85 The so-called Pearl of Arabia
 - 87 Strapless accessories
 - 88 As above, in citations
 - 89 ___ bean
 - 90 "Groovy!"
 - 91 Like some tradition
 - 93 Spoil
 - 98 Some bathroom contractors
 - 100 Comedy's ___ the Entertainer
 - 102 Cartoon character who said "Van Gogh would've sold more than one painting if he'd put tigers in them"
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 - 106 March 14 dessert, appropriately
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Fill in the blank spaces in the grid so that every vertical column, every horizontal row and every 3 by 3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, without repeating any. There is really only one solution to each puzzle.

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Answers to last week's puzzles

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9	5	2	1	4	8	6	3	7
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Calendar

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

Thurs., April 6

MAUNDY THURSDAY

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3 Church St., Berlin, 6 p.m. Dinner and service in Neville Hall. Soup will be provided. Bring salad if you wish. <https://stpauls-berlin.org>

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, 7 p.m. Held in the sanctuary with communion. <https://www.ccaop.org>

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin. Celebrate "A Meal in the Upper Room," a special Lenten service. Held at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Reservations: 410-641-2186, bethany21811@gmail.com, bethanyberlin.org.

CPAP MASK FITTING

Atlantic General Hospital's Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. A free mask fitting clinic for patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. Appointments required: Robin Rohlfing, 410-641-9726.

STORY TIME: LIBRARIAN'S CHOICE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Come and hear Harry Burkett's favorite story: "Arthur's Eyes" by Marc Brown. Stick around after for a fun craft. For ages 2-5 years. 410-208-4014

STORY TIME 'CHICKA CHICKA BOOM BOOM'

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and rhymes. For ages 2-5 years. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

MERRY MAKERS: WASHCLOTH BUNNIES

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. The group will repurpose washcloths into cute little bunnies. Limit 10. Registration required: 410-208-4014. www.worcesterlibrary.org

CHESS CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Quiet place to meet new friends and play some chess. Bring your boards. All are welcome. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org

'LAND PRESERVATION, PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN' PUBLIC HEARING

Worcester County Government Center - Board Room, 1 W. Market St., Snow Hill, 1:05 p.m. Visit <https://www.co.worcester.md.us/commissioners/hearings> to

view the draft LPPRP. Written/oral comments accepted at hearing. Comments: kmunson@co.worcester.md.us or Wor. Co. Environmental Programs.

BOOK TASTING

Snow Hill 50plus Center, 4767 Snow Hill Road, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Come "taste" a selection of books. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

BOOK DISCUSSION: 'THE TRUTH OF YOU' BY IAIN S. THOMAS

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 2 p.m. Copies of the book are available at the library's front desk. 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org

STEAM BIRDS NEST (ENGINEERING CHALLENGE)

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 3:30 p.m. Use the materials provided to hold as many (plastic) eggs as possible. For ages 6-11 years. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

ZUMBA

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 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

ACT, 'SIP AND SCIENCE SERIES'

Assateague Coastal Trust, 10959 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Vermicomposting (worm) Workshop & The Importance of Organic Farming and Gardening. Cost is \$10. BYOB. Pre-Registration required: <https://www.actforbays.org/calendar>.

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., April 7

EASTER ART & CRAFT SHOW AND KIDS FUN FAIR

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Featuring the Easter Bunny, egg hunts, juggling, games and more. Artists and crafters displaying their works. Admission \$5 for adults, \$4 seniors/students (4-18), \$2 services. www.oceanpromotions.info

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 10 a.m. Self-guided prayer stations between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Info: 410-641-2186, bethany21811.org, bethanyberlin.org.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road. Noon to 1 p.m. service includes speaker Emily German, 1-3 p.m. is a prayer service and 7 p.m. is a Tenebrae Service with Pastor Dale Brown. <https://www.ccaop.org>

FIRST FRIDAY ART OPENINGS

Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., 5-7 p.m. Complimentary refreshments. Satellite galleries include the Princess Royale, 9100 Coastal Highway; and the Coffee Beanery, 94th Street and Coastal Highway. www.artleagueofoceancity.org, 410-524-9433

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

St. John's United Methodist Church, 8829 Lewis Road, Berlin, 6:30 p.m. Guest speakers include Min, Major Purnell, Rev. Eloise Gordy-Henry, Rev. Betty Smith, Rev. Star Purnell, Sis. Beatrice Spence, Min. Sandra Foreman, Sis. Geraldine Rhock.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3 Church St., Berlin. 7 p.m. <https://stpaulsberlin.org>

Sat., April 8

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BERLIN'S ANNUAL SPRING CELEBRATION

Historic Downtown Berlin, 124 N. Main St., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Featuring a Bonnet Parade, Midway of games and prizes, Easter egg hunt (11:30 a.m.), live music, face painting, Scales & Tales, vendors and refreshments. www.berlin-chamber.org

DRESS MINISTRY AT THE BERLIN SPRING CELEBRATION

Historic Downtown Berlin, 124 N. Main St., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Selling jump rope kits and telling visitors about their current project, purchasing water treatment systems for Guatemala. Other giveaways available and any donations is appreciated. 410-641-0415

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

Berlin Fire Co Headquarters, 214 N. Main St., 8:30-11 a.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 9 years and younger. All-day parking available. Cash donations accepted. Tickets: <https://berlin-fire->

company.ticketleap.com/pancake-breakfast-with-easter-bunny/.

TINKER TIME: BLACKOUT POETRY

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Drop in anytime, use the library's supplies and your imagination to create. This month, explore blackout poetry. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

OCEAN PINES ANGLERS CLUB MEETING

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 9:30 a.m. The speaker will be Captain Ken Thompson, who charts "Oppor-Tuna-Ty Too" and "Oppor-Tuna-Ty." Find out what it takes to be a tournament winner. Also fishing updates. All welcome. 410-641-7662

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY AND EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Breakfast, 10 a.m. Easter egg hunt, 11 a.m. A \$10 donation for those 6 years and older; free for 5 years and younger. Photos with the Easter Bunny from 10-11 a.m. for \$10 donation. RSVP: 410-524-7474.

EASTER BUNNY EGG HUNT

Northside Park Recreation Complex, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 11 a.m. Open to kids, ages 2-10 years and their families. Cost is \$6 for Ocean City residents and \$8 for non-residents. Advanced registration is encouraged: 410-250-0125.

TRIMPER RIDES GRAND RE-OPENING FOR 130TH SEASON

Trimper Rides of Ocean City, 700 S. Atlantic Ave., 12 p.m. Free Easter egg hunt (12:30 p.m.), egg roll competition (3 p.m.), and pictures with the Easter Bunny. Wristbands cost \$25 (11 a.m.). Sign up: www.trimperrides.com/trimper-news/easter-at-trimper_rides. 410-289-8617

HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3 Church St., Berlin. 7-11:59 p.m. <https://stpaulsberlin.org>

FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

Saturdays - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

Sun., April 9

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, Berlin. Four services held throughout the day. The sunrise service begins at 6:30 a.m. followed by services at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 10:30

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a.m. <https://www.ccaop.org>

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE AND BREAKFAST

Assateague State Park, 6915 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Assateague State Park follow by breakfast at Bethany United Methodist Church. 410-641-2186, bethany21811@gmail.com, bethanyberlin.org

EASTER SUNDAY

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3 Church St., Berlin. Two services, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. <https://stpaulsberlin.org>

OCEAN PINES RESIDENT GOLF DAY

Ocean Pines Golf Club, 100 Clubhouse Drive, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Featuring free greens fees for Ocean Pines residents, playing tips, fun activities and a chance to learn about Ocean Pines golf groups. Ocean Pines resident ID cards required. Tee times: 410-641-6057.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 10 a.m. For more information call 410-641-2186, email bethany21811@gmail.com or visit bethanyberlin.org.

JESUS' RESURRECTION CELEBRATION

Makemie Presbyterian Church, 103 W. Market St., Snow Hill, 11 a.m. Worship will take place on Facebook and in person. There will be special music and refreshments after church. Nursery care will also be provided. 410-632-1698

TRIMPER RIDES GRAND RE-OPENING FOR 130TH SEASON

Trimper Rides of Ocean City, 700 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City. Free Easter egg hunt (12:30 p.m.), Bunny dance party (3 p.m.), and pictures with the Easter Bunny. Wristbands cost \$25 (11 a.m.). Sign up: www.trimperrides.com/trimpernews/easter-at-trimper_rides. 410-289-8617

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

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

Mon., April 10

DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR PAINTING EXPERIENCE FUNDRAISER FOR EMILY

Held April 14 at Ocean City Painting Experience (T.C. Studios), 1505 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$45, includes painting, dinner and \$5 donation. Emily is in need of a double lung transplant. Tickets: <https://www.tcstudios.org/events/emilysfundraiser>, 443-248-4273.

STORY TIME 'DRAGONS'

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and rhymes all about

dragons. For ages 2-5 years. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org

POET SPOTLIGHT: NAOMI SHIHAB NYE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 1 p.m. This month the group will be driving into the world of poetry and highlighting some great poets. Ages 7 years and older. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org

WRITING FOR WELLNESS

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

SALTY, SWEET OR BITTER? THE SCIENCE OF TASTE

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 4 p.m. Second of a three-part series about senses. Learn all about the anatomy of your mouth and tongue and participate in some tasting experiments. For ages 6 years and older. 410-957-0878

UNCOOKING CLUB

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 5-6:30 p.m. No cooking required. Bring your favorite recipe to share with the group. This class will focus on breakfast and lunch dishes. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

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

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 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 Champion, 410-641-0157

DELMARVA WOMEN'S A CAPELLA CHORUS

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., April 11

STORY TIME: LITTLE RED HEN

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 10:30 a.m. Meet Ms. Lisa's little red hen and join the group for stories and crafts about chickens. For ages 2-5 years. 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org

STORY TIME 'COLOR AND ART'

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

OC KNITTING GROUP

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Bring whatever project you happen

to be working on. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org

OCEAN PINES LIBRARY EGG HUNT!

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 12 p.m. Featuring an egg hunt, crafts and activities to celebrate the season. Families are welcome. Outdoor activity. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org

MONTHLY MOVIE MATINEE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Catch a recent movie you might have intended to see in theaters. Check movie details at www.worcesterlibrary.org or call 410-208-4014.

'FILL A DUMPSTER FOR KIDS' EVENT AND JOINT GRAND OPENING

JDog Junk Removal & Hauling Ocean City, MD and Amy's Attic Upscale Resale, 11070 Cathell Road, Units 5 & 7, Berlin, 3-6 p.m. Items needed for The Cricket Center include diapers, baby wipes, shirts, pants, onesies, coats, shoes, suitcase, duffle bag, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Neurology, 314 Franklin Ave., Suite 104, Berlin, 3:15-4 p.m. Group provides discussions, along with education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Kay Kinnikin, 410-641-4765, kkinnikin@atlanticgeneral.org

CLAY IMPRESSION ART

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 3:30 p.m. Create a unique piece by experimenting with pressing designs into clay. For ages 2-15 years. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org

MARYLAND SAFE BOATING COURSE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 6-9 p.m. Held April 11, 12 and 13. Cost is \$20 for all three evenings. Register: Barry Cohen, 410-935-4807, CGAUXOC@gmail.com.

ATLANTIC COAST SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MEETING

American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7 p.m. Guest speaker is Dan Collins from The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Arrive early to get food and beverages and socialize. Guests are welcome. John O'Dell, ridgegrass@hotmail.com

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 Jeho-

vah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 7 p.m. www.jw.org

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

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. 410-289-4725

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., April 12

BARIATRIC SUPPORT GROUP

Held via Zoom the first and second Wednesday of each month. For non-surgical patients. Atlantic General Bariatrics Center, 410-641-9568

OCEAN CITY AARP CHAPTER 1917 MEETING

Ocean City 50plus Center, 104 41st St., 10 a.m. Refreshments served at 9:30 a.m. The guest speaker will be the new CEO of Atlantic General Hospital, Mr. Donald Owrey. New members welcome. Bob McCluskey, 410-250-0980

SENSORY STAY AND PLAY

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Learn through exploration, curiosity and creativity during the sensory stay and play. Squish, build, splash, shake and scoop through several fun stations. For ages 2-5 years. 410-524-1818

SPIRIT HISTORY OF POPLAR HILL MANSION

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Aleta Davis will talk about her book, a true story about her investigations into what was happening at the house and how they went about proving what is there. Q&A to follow. 410-641-0650

ACT, 'SIP AND SCIENCE SERIES'

Assateague Coastal Trust, 10959 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 5:30 p.m. Navigating Through Various Apps to Help with Water Pollution and Safety. -Swim Guide App - WaterReporter App - MyCoast Maryland App. BYOB. Preregistration required: www.actforbays.org/calendar.

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 on the website and Facebook. Guests are welcome. www.kiwanisofpoc.org

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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.
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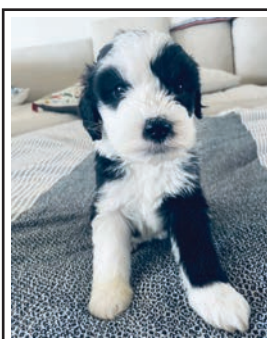
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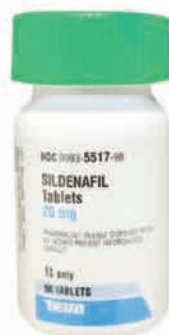
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