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## FLAG UNFURLED

At the end of their field trip to the veterans memorial in Ocean Pines, students from Most Blessed Sacrament hold a large national flag brought to the memorial by the JROTC students of Stephen Decatur High School. See story on page 19.

## Jenkins Point plan unveiled at town hall

Will be restored to become natural buffer for mainland

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) Looking to the left from Pines Point Marina, the little islands that can be seen in the Isle of Wight Bay are part of Jenkins Point, an eroding piece of property owned by the Ocean Pines Association.

Help, however, is on the way, via a joint effort of the OPA and the Maryland Coastal Bays Program. The bays program hosted a town hall meeting Monday at the Ocean Pines Golf Club to explain its plans for the restoration of Jenkins Point.

“Over the years, that peninsula has broken up into smaller islands,” Kevin Smith, coastal bays program executive director, told the audience.

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## Car speeds down Main, slams wall

Police say RAV4 reached 92 mph before crashing

By **Hunter Hine**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) An 8-year-old was taken to the hospital after being injured in a car accident at South Main Street and Tripoli Street near Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin around 8:30 p.m. last Friday.

The driver, Tyneshia Wallace, 23, of Salisbury, received seven traffic citations after speeding 92 mph down Main Street and crashing the 2019 Toyota RAV4 into a concrete wall along a residential yard, according to

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# Two more file for board seats

## Jeffrey Heavner

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) Jeffrey Heavner and his wife were first attracted to Ocean Pines in 2017 and purchased a condominium in Marina Village to relax and enjoy the amenities on weekends.

They loved it so much that they purchased their current home in 2019 and became permanent residents.

That love has now evolved into what Heavner said is the need to give back to the community by serving on the board of directors.

Heavner is now one of four candidates vying for the three seats on the board being vacated this year by the

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## Jerry Murphy

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) Jerry Murphy has already made a mark on Ocean Pines. He was the builder of the round houses that can be seen throughout the neighborhood.

Now he wants to make his mark in another way, as a candidate for the Ocean Pines Board of Directors.

Four candidates are now vying for the three open seats created by the departures of Directors Doug Parks and Colette Horn because of term limits, and Director Frank Daly, who is moving to Florida.

The other candidates are Elaine Brady, John Latham and Jeffrey Heavner.

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The annual spring Cruisin' Berlin classic car show hits the streets of downtown Berlin on Saturday with hundreds of classic hotrods and roadsters.

# Cruisin' Berlin rumbles back into downtown this Saturday

By Jack Chavez  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) The familiar rumble from the engines of a mass of classic hotrods and roadsters will return to downtown Berlin as the Cruisin' Berlin car show revs up on Saturday.

Starting at 6 a.m., Main Street and adjacent streets, including Broad, Pitt and Commerce, will be shut down to accommodate the event, which runs from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Registration for prospective cruisers begins at 8 a.m.

The show will include a 50-50 raffle, live music, and grab-and-go breakfast and lunch fare from nearby restaurants.

"It's a slice of America's automotive heritage," said Berlin Chamber of

Commerce Executive Director Ryan Nellans. "This is Americana at its finest."

Awards will be handed out at 2 p.m. Participants receive a commemorative T-shirt.

The event in the past has accommodated upwards of 300 cars and Nellans said his "conservative estimate" for attendance figures is around 1,500.

"Vintage cars in our historic town on a beautiful day makes this event quite authentic and fun," said Ivy Wells, Berlin Director of Economic and Community Development.

The public can visit the assembled classics at no charge.

For more information about Berlin Spring Cruisers, visit <https://berlin-chamber.org>.

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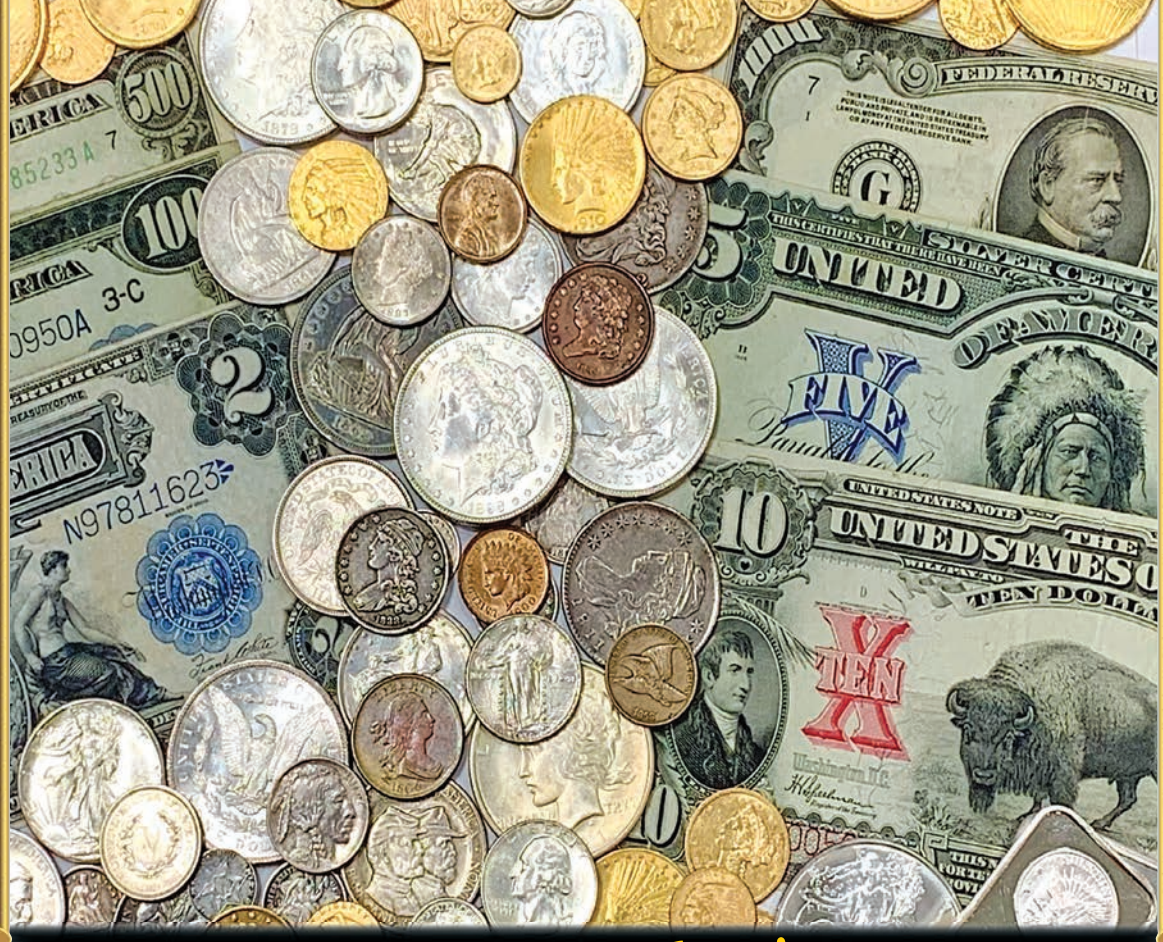
The Ordinance will be introduced for a first reading on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 7:00 PM. The public hearing on the Ordinance will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 7:00 PM. Both meetings will be held during Regular Meetings of the Mayor and Council Berlin Town Hall, 10 William Street, 2nd Floor, Berlin, MD 21811.

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The Taphouse owners have bought Taylor's Neighborhood Restaurant in Ocean Pines. Pictured from left are new owner Zev Sibony, General Manager Tammy Fultz and Executive Chef Robert Stargel.

# Taphouse takes over Taylor's Restaurant in Ocean Pines

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) Yes, the rumors are true. Taylor's Neighborhood Restaurant in Ocean Pines has been sold.

The new owner is Zev Sibony of the Ocean City Taphouse restaurants.

The sale was set to be finalized with the approval of the transfer of the liquor license on May 17.

Sibony has been at the helm of the Taphouse establishments since 2015.

"I have had my eyes on the Pines for a couple of years now. Once a good location came up, I made the move," Sibony said.

He is excited to have a year-round clientele.

While the 45th Street Taphouse is mainly popular with tourists, the Taphouse Tavern on 137th has a more local focus. He said he loves all the clientele there and wanted another place like that.

"I want to go in and meet John and James and Harry and whoever else comes into the bar frequently," he said.

He has heard rumors that he plans to turn it into a tourist bar and restaurant.

"That will be silly of me to try to turn it into something it is not," he said. "I read my clientele and cater to them. At the end of the day, I have to do my job and fill the needs of my customers. If my customer base wants something within reason, I am going to give it to them."

He added that he will do what we can to make his mark in Ocean Pines.

Once Sibony decided to buy the restaurant, he tried everything on the menu.

"I was full for two days," he said. "Everything that I had is good down-home food. I'll make sure to continue that and add some fresh new items."

Sibony is keeping almost everyone who is on staff at Taylors.

"You have an amazing staff that cares about the place, it's running really well, why would I want to change that?"

Sibony will be bringing in some Taphouse elements and will eventually redecorate. He expects to work the summer of 2023 and '24 as is, except for a little surprise here and there.

He will be adding some classic Taphouse food and refreshing the logo to make it a little more modern. He also hopes to make some improvements to the outdoor patio.

"We will be open throughout the transition. You will still be able to get the Taylor's menu through Sunday," he said.

In the near future, he hopes to open for lunch and be running two happy hour and food specials, one 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and another from 4-6 p.m.

The restaurant will be open through the weekend and then close on Monday and Tuesday, May 22-23, and reopen May 24th with a new menu.

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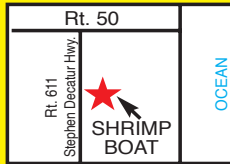
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An 8-year-old passenger was injured after Tyneshia Wallace, 23, of Salisbury, crashed a car into a concrete wall at South Main Street and Tripoli Street in Berlin on May 12 around 8:30 p.m. A sheriff's deputy read the car at 92 mph further north on Main Street before the crash.

## Driver hits gas, then wall in Berlin

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Lt. Robert Fisher of the Berlin Police Department.

On the list of charges are speeding, driving a vehicle in excess of reasonable and prudent speed on a highway, negligent driving, reckless driving, driving on a suspended license, driving violation of a restricted license requirement and failure to control speed to avoid a collision, Fisher said.

A sheriff's deputy first saw the car speeding down Main Street between Cheers Beer, Wine and Spirits and Route 50. The Toyota then headed into town.

The deputy turned around and followed the path of the car without starting a pursuit or conducting a traffic stop, Fisher said.

Berlin resident Adam Davis and his family witnessed the crash while walking south down Main Street, coming home from the Atlantic Hotel. The concrete wall that the Toyota struck belongs to Davis' neighbor who lives on the other side of the entrance to Tripoli Street.

As Davis walked past the Berlin Welcome Center, the car flew by at what he estimated to be 60 mph or more.

"We could feel the woosh of air

rushing past us," Davis said.

As the car approached the intersection of South Main Street and Tripoli Street, about 100 yards ahead of Davis, it slammed on the brakes, he said. Davis reported that he could hear the screeching tires.

The front of the RAV4 crashed into the wall and bounced back about 15 feet upon impact, Davis said.

A police officer in the parking lot of Buckingham Presbyterian Church witnessed the crash and responded.

Davis approached the car to see if its occupants needed help. The first person to get out of the car was the 8-year-old child who was screaming and crying, Davis said.

The responding police officer then took over the scene.

"I don't know why they were going so fast or doing that through downtown," Davis said.

The sheriff's deputy made it to the accident and told the officer they had registered the car speeding at 92 mph.

There were four people in the car in total, but the 8-year-old, who was sitting in the back passenger seat, was the only one injured, Fisher said.

The Toyota had Delaware plates and was not registered to Wallace.

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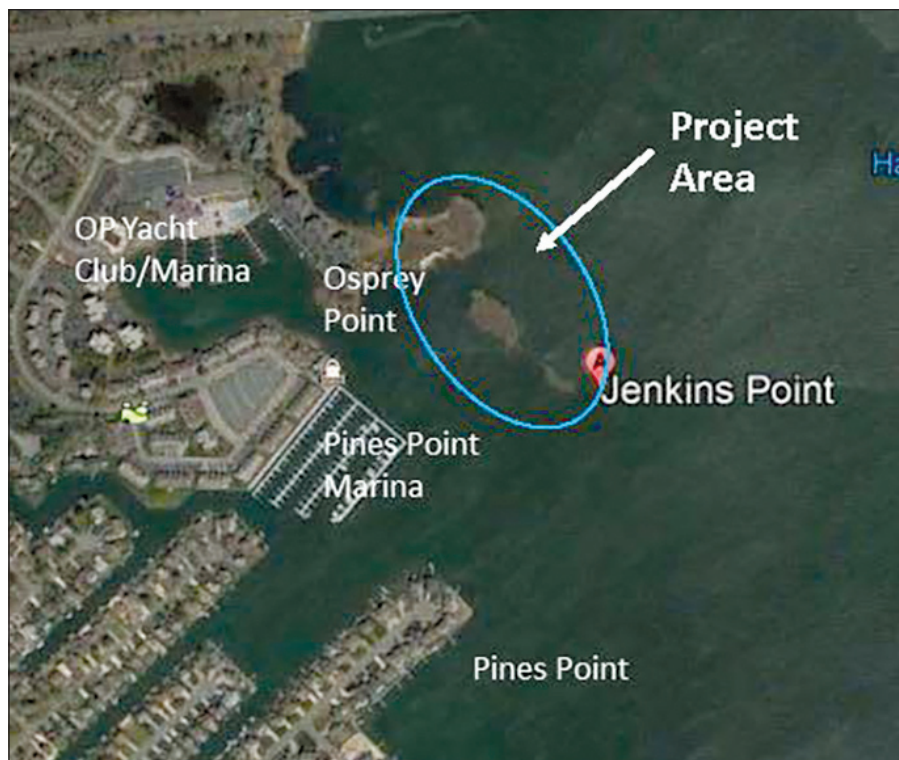


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Ocean Pines is working in partnership with Maryland Coastal Bays Program to restore Jenkins Point to provide protection for the Ocean Pines and Osprey Point communities and the OP Yacht Club and Pine's Point Marina. The restoration effort will also provide habitat for native wildlife.

## Point project to create natural buffer

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He said the goal is to restore and reconnect the eroding and fragmented islands to create a natural buffer to help protect Ocean Pines, Osprey Point and the OP Yacht Club and Pines Point marinas.

"We want to protect Ocean Pines and enhance wildlife habitat to support shorebirds, horseshoe crabs, terrapins, and other coastal species," Smith said.

The program has received a Department of Natural Resources grant for \$62,000 to be used for the design and permits. The cost of construction, however, is expected to be about \$7 million, Smith said, and also would come from government grants.

"This project is exactly what this program (DNR's Resiliency Through Restoration Initiative) likes to fund," said Chris Becraft, a partner with Underwood and Associates, a landscape architecture and ecological restoration firm.

The initiative's purpose, he said, is to demonstrate how nature can help protect communities from storms, and flooding by buffering people and infrastructure.

Becraft said the project will connect two points on a map, or headlands, and create a bay between them. The headlands would be made of buried boulders, and gravel and the bay area in between would be made of gravel and sand. All material will be locally sourced.

The land will then be planted with native grasses including underwater, intertidal and dune grasses. Becraft said he would love to see some pines planted too. The peninsula's bay-shaped design captures sand and keeps it in the site. In time, the sand will get pushed up and create dunes.

"This is dynamic, everything you want in a shoreline," he said.

Underwood and Associates did a similar project at Assateague, to the left of the Verrazano Bridge on the mainland side, about four years ago.

Becraft said it is a proven model that works and blends in more with the local landscape than riprap would.

"The Assateague project has the exact same design principles as this one," Becraft said.

Another benefit of the Assateague project is that oysters are now growing there, according to Becraft.

Ocean Pines has a number of residents growing oysters to help clean St. Martin's River. Those oysters could be used on the Jenkin's Point project.

"This could not come at a better time," said Steven Hannon, board president of the Pines Point Marina, which has rebuilt the riprap and replaced deck boards.

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## Heavner candidate for OP board

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departures of Directors Doug Parks and Colette Horn because of term limits, and Director Frank Daly, who is moving to Florida.

The other candidates are Elaine Brady, John Latham and Jerry Murphy.

“Ocean Pines is a strong community with excellent amenities, safety protection and continuous improvement. It is vital to make decisions now that will protect this lifestyle for the next 50-years.”

“I am a problem-solver and have developed proven leadership skills over a career that spanned 5-years of honorable service in the U.S. Navy and 30-years at ExxonMobil Corporation,” Heavner said.

“It is encouraging to see the board attract good candidates and I want an opportunity to preserve this legacy and serve the community using my leadership skill set.”

He spent the last four-years as a directing member of an eight-person, North American, lubricants leadership team.

“I thrived asking questions, listening, analyzing, collaborating, making decisions, planning and setting goals that drove safety standards, conserved resources, controlled expenses and delighted customers.”

“If elected as a director, I will use



Jeff Heavner

my experiences to work with the OP sub-committees, board members, general manager and other supporting staff for responsible investment in continued infrastructure

improvements. I would emphasize amenity maintenance and improvement, safety investment, HOA standards, road maintenance and continued bulkhead replacements.”

Heavner grew up in Dundalk, Maryland and spent summers working at his family's Ocean City Boardwalk business.

“This is where I was exposed early to hard work and balancing customer satisfaction and cost control,” Heavner said.

Heavner graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1983 with a Bachelor of Science degree in resource management (Strong focus on leadership and engineering). He honorably served on the aircraft carrier, USS Midway, home ported in Yokosuka, Japan as an intelligence officer for one of the last F-4, Phantom, fighter squadrons, and as an instructor at the Navy and Marine Corps Intelligence Training Center in Virginia Beach. He was awarded a Navy Achievement Medal for his superior performance.

Heavner and his wife volunteer two days a week at a non-profit horse rescue, garden at the community gardens and take care of their church gardens.

May 10 was the deadline for candidates to file for the upcoming board of directors election, which is scheduled for Aug. 9.

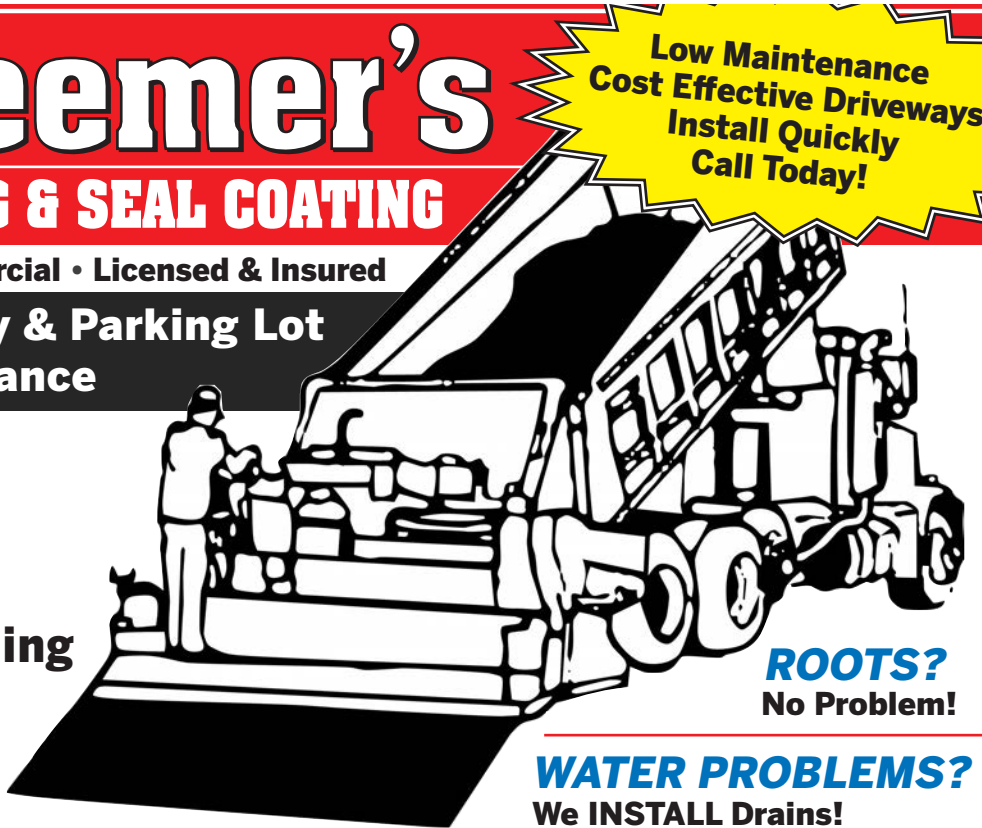
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# Jerry Murphy seeks board seat

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Murphy moved to Ocean Pines in the early 1970s as a builder. He became a full-time resident in the 1990s. His family purchased the Boise Cascade office, located on Widows Watch Court and in 1990, he took full ownership of the property.

"I constructed a custom home on the site and have since enjoyed wonderful memories with family and friends," Murphy said. "My desire to give back to the community is very important to me."

Murphy has experience serving on boards. He served on the Board of Directors for the Washington Park Company for the past eight years, where he was primarily responsible for the financial stability and maintenance of a 115-year-old historic building in Baltimore.

He also served on the liquor board of Baltimore representing the Mount Vernon Belvedere Association.

"My ability to listen and debate with an open mind and practical point of view has served me well," Murphy said.

Murphy likes the direction the board of directors and general manager are taking both financially and structurally.

He said he would like to focus on the safety of the community with in-



Jerry Murphy

creased funds, both public and private, for police recruitment and the Southside Fire Station Project.

"In respect to drainage and bulkhead issues, some progress has been made,

there is much more to be done. We need to help fund and keep the progress moving forward," he said.

Murphy lived in Washington, D.C. where he launched Shamrock Marketing Incorporated.

He sold that business in 2006 to partner with his wife, Julie Canard, in the real estate business. They were top producers with the Bethesda Gateway Long and Foster office and recognized for their expertise in Baltimore, Eastern Shore and Ocean Pines.

He said he is looking forward to focusing all his time on his Ocean Pines community.

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# Restoration of Jenkins Point will result in natural buffer

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Kayakers in the audience asked if the new land would force kayakers closer to motorboat traffic.

Becraft assured them that the new land would gently slope into the water, providing shallow areas for kayakers that would keep motorboats away. He also suggested that in the plans, priorities could be made for buoys and signage.

"We could be under construction by December 2024 if everything

works perfectly,"

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# OP Police encourages walkers and bikers to prioritize safety

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(May 18, 2023) Members of the Ocean Pines Police are reminding residents of the importance of pedestrian and bicycle safety, and asking that walkers and bicyclists follow the rules of the road.

First, all pedestrians and bicyclists are encouraged to wear light colored or reflective clothing, so they are visible to drivers.

Dark colors, worn at night or on overcast days, can be difficult for cars to see and may lead to slower reaction times.

When walking at night, it is also a good idea to carry a flashlight and wear a reflective vest or armbands. Taking a few extra moments to prepare can save someone from a collision, or even death. Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Where a sidewalk is not provided, pedestrians must walk on the left shoulder or the left side of a roadway, facing any traffic that might approach from the opposite direction.

Walking on the opposite side is a violation and violators are subject to

a \$50 fine.

Cyclists must ride on the right-hand side of the roadway, going with the flow of traffic.

Riding on the wrong side of the road could put turning cyclists in the path of oncoming traffic and would make them at fault in the case of a collision.

Violators are also subject to a \$50 fine.

According to state code, riders cannot operate a bicycle and wear ear plugs in both ears, including headphones.

Many people like to listen to music or have a GPS for directions as they ride, but riders must only cover one ear so they can hear what is going on around them, such as an approaching emergency vehicle or a motorist trying to alert them. This violation carries a \$60 fine.

Helmets are encouraged for all bicycle riders and required by everyone younger than 16 riding as a passenger or driver of a bicycle. If a parent or guardian allows such a violation, they may be subject to a \$50 fine.

For more information about pedestrian and bicyclist safety, visit [zerodeathsmd.gov/road-safety/pedestrian-bicyclist-safety](http://zerodeathsmd.gov/road-safety/pedestrian-bicyclist-safety).

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Dr. Cynthia Salmond of Coastal Acupuncture and Integrative Medicine in Berlin shares this belief. "I've been treating neuropathy, in all its various forms, for over four years and so often my patients come to me because of the symptoms, not because of a diagnosis. They see one of my ads, or hear the testimonial of another patient and say to themselves, "Hey, I feel the same thing."

Frankie M. of Annapolis testified to this. "I remember my husband driving me to my consultation and I saw a woman running just outside our neighborhood. I was so envious - I just kept thinking, 'I would give anything just to walk again'. My primary care doctor told me my troubles with pain and balance were just symptoms of old age and gave me a prescription. I was so depressed." Fortunately, Frankie would eventually see Dr. Salmond on the news and how she offers a real solution at Coastal AIM. "I just knew I had to see her. She was my last hope."

"Almost all of our patients come to us with a story similar to Frankie's. They've been everywhere else. They've been told there's no hope," shares Liz, a Patient Care Technician at

Coastal AIM. "It just breaks my heart, but I know how much we can help people like Frankie, so I'm always so happy when they walk through our door."

Those diagnosed with peripheral neuropathy often face a grim reality; Western Medicine declares there is no solution while most alternative therapies carry large price tags and offer little to no resolution. Which is why Dr. Salmond and the staff at Coastal AIM pride themselves on being the 'last resort with the best results'.

Peripheral neuropathy is a result of damage to the nerves and this damage is commonly caused by the lack of blood flow in the hands and feet. A lack of blood flow results in a lack of nutrients; the nerves then begin to degenerate and die which causes pain ranging from discomfort to debilitation. Because neuropathy is a degenerative condition, once those nerves begin to deteriorate they will continue to do so until they are completely expired, leaving patients suffering from crippling balance issues. "In this case, the absence of pain is not necessarily a good thing," shares Dr. Salmond, "This usually indicates that your nerves are hanging on by a fragile thread."

So how exactly is Dr. Salmond able to reverse the effects of this degenerative condition? "Acupuncture has been used to increase blood flow for thousands of years which helps to get the necessary nutrients to the affected nerves. But the real magic happens when I integrate ATP Resonance BioTherapy. This is technology that was originally developed by NASA to expedite recovery and healing."

"I just can't say enough about Coastal AIM," Frankie shared through tears of joy. My husband and I moved here almost three years ago and he's gone to the beach almost everyday. I always stayed home because of the pain and discomfort. Yesterday, I walked on the beach with him! And next week, we're making plans for a weekend music festival. I am truly living life these days."

According to Frankie's test results, she has seen a 74% improvement in pain and functionality, which is "on par with the majority of our patients," shares Liz. "But more important than those test results is the joy she's expressed being here and hearing about all the amazing things she's able to do because she feels great!"

By seamlessly blending the ancient science of acupuncture with modern medical solutions, Dr. Salmond has achieved a 90% success rate in reversing the effects of neuropathy. She starts each patient with an initial consultation where a sensory exam is performed. This not only aids in making a proper diagnosis but it helps to define just how much nerve damage has occurred. She says, "This is important because if a patient has suffered more than 95% damage, there is little that I can do to help them. I'm familiar with medical miracles, but I know the limits as a practitioner and the limits of this medicine."

When it comes to treating peripheral neuropathy, regardless of its origin, early detection greatly improves chances of a full recovery.

If you or someone you love are suffering with chronic pain that presents as burning, tingling or 'pins and needles' or you've been recently diagnosed with peripheral neuropathy, it's important to know there are options.

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# Plans for new Berlin Beer Company approved

Brewery slated to be town's second after commission gives developers green light

By Jack Chavez  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) The Berlin Planning Commission gave a unanimous green light on May 10 to a pair of businessmen looking to open a new brewery on Broad Street.

Adam Davis and Glen Davis appeared before the commission during its monthly meeting to discuss their plans to open the Berlin Beer Company at 115 Broad Street, the former site of the Broad Street Station building.

Their plans include restoring the original board-and-batten siding of the building and adding a 2,000-square-foot matching warehouse on the northwest portion of the property which will house the brewery, "brewery-related" things and the facility's light manufacturing, Adam Davis said.

"We're not trying to change the structure," Adam Davis said. "We want to keep it as historic as possible and bring it back to what it was historically."

The 1930s-era facility was a freight train station originally before becoming a Southern States farm store.

The Street Kitchen will be providing food for the establishment, which will have about 3,000 square feet of public-accessible space, Adam Davis said.

Ideally, the brewery will be a local spot in the community, he continued, and he didn't expect it to be a nuisance. Toward that end, the bulk of the brewing activity would be located on the back end of the site.

"I don't envision this being more than a community gathering place," he said.

Glenn Davis added that on top of living close to the facility, the pair wouldn't want to invite conflict with their neighbors.

"We're not going to be a music venue," he said. "You have to remem-



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The former Broad Street Station will be the site of the new Berlin Beer Company, which will be the town's second brewery. The developers plan to restore the facility to its old board-and-batten exterior and add a 2,000-square-foot, matching warehouse.

ber this is also a restaurant. So, you have patrons in there having dinner, having a beer, wine ... It's a different venue than what (people might assume).

Parking was the chief concern among commission members, with town staff reporting that the fire marshal first has to set the occupancy for the site.

Davis has proposed 26 spaces, more than Broad Street Station had. The biggest question mark for the commission was whether there would be sufficient parking for the Berlin Beer Company, something that won't be decided until the county fire marshal has a chance to determine the establishment's maximum occupancy.

Planning director Dave Engelhart explained that a parking spot is measured in Berlin as a 9-foot-by-20-foot space — or about 180 square feet. If there (are 3,000) square feet for the public to be standing in, that would mean (at least) 20 spots are needed.

"I think he'll be fine to comply," Engelhart said. "It looks like he's in a good spot with parking."

Approval of the site plans was contingent on the confirmation of sufficient parking and the submission of landscape and lighting plans.



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# Bay Restoration Fee stands for Ocean Pines residents

(May 18, 2023) Residents in the Ocean Pines Sanitary Service Area will continue paying the Maryland Department of the Environment's Bay Restoration Fee for 2023 after the state agency denied a request for exemption.

Worcester County officials applied for the exemption in January. However, according to a news release, MDE officials concluded in May that the 2022 discharge monitoring reports show that while the Ocean Pines Wastewater Treatment Plant met the requirement for nitrogen, it exceeded the eligibility requirement for phosphorous.

The overage resulted from a brief spike in phosphorus levels at the plant, which occurred when manufacturers were unable to supply a chemical necessary for its removal due to national supply chain issues.

As a result, the first quarter water

and wastewater bills for residents of the Ocean Pines SSA included a \$15 BRF. The fee will continue to be added to quarterly bills throughout the remainder of the year.

Worcester County officials will continue monitoring the plant's operations and reapply for an exemption in 2024.

Since the chemical supply interruption was restored last summer, the plant has been operating normally, with nitrogen and phosphorus levels below the BRF threshold. Staff members are investigating the feasibility of expanding the onsite storage capacity of the necessary chemical to reduce the possibility of another shortage affecting plant operations.

For more information, contact the Worcester County Public Works Water and Wastewater Division at 410-641-5251.

# Upgrade could interrupt service

(May 18, 2023) Software system upgrades within the Worcester County Treasurer's Office will likely cause temporary service interruptions Monday and Tuesday, May 22 and 23.

Anticipated disruptions will include tax payments, utility payments, room and food tax payments, and the ability of staff in the treasurer's office to process deed instruments and related activities.

"Due to anticipated interruptions, we are asking customers to make alternative arrangements during these two dates," Finance Officer Phil Thompson said. "We anticipate the upgrade will be completed by

Wednesday, May 24, when the Treasurer's Office should be open for business as usual."

The temporary disruption will impact over-the-counter transactions at both the Worcester County Government Center in Snow Hill and the Isle of Wight building on St. Martin's Neck Road in Bishopville, as well as online activity at [co.worcester.md.us/departments/treasurers-office](http://co.worcester.md.us/departments/treasurers-office).

# WCDC in Newark opens search for dynamic director

(May 18, 2023) The Worcester County Developmental Center in Newark, Maryland, is searching for a dynamic, talented individual to lead the agency as executive director.

WCDC provides day, residential, employment and other community-based supports to adults with intellectual disabilities who live in Worcester, Somerset and Wicomico counties.

WCDC is licensed by Maryland's Developmental Disabilities Administration.

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# Worcester County Commissioners Briefs

**By Jack Chavez**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) The Worcester County Commissioners discussed the following during their May 16 meeting:

## Letter of support

The commissioners approved the drafting of a letter of support for the nonprofit Vehicles for Change Delmarva, which just expanded to the Eastern Shore with a "Full Circle Automotive" training program, a workforce development program. No fiscal request was included in the request.

## Speed reduction

The commissioners approved reducing the speed limit on Mason Road south of Berlin. According to a memo from Public Works Director Dallas Baker, the road is not posted and thus a 50 miles-per-hour speed limit is applied to it. The study found that the average speed on the road was 32.4 MPH. The new speed limit is 40 mph.

## Heavy equipment

The commissioners agreed to allow public works to overspend its budget by \$120,000 for repairs on heavy equipment.

## Storage design

The commissioners approved a request from the Fire Marshal's Office to design a new storage facility in Newark. Design will be provided by the firm

Davis, Bowen and Friedel for \$251,500.

## Street naming

The commissioners approved re-naming roadways within the new Shore Point Cottage Court hotel-motel development. Three streets were named: Adrift Lane, Ashore Lanr and Shore Point Cottage Court.

## Public hearing

The commissioners agreed to hold a public hearing on a proposed zoning code amendment that would add a principal permitted use to the C-3 Highway Commercial District. The change would allow multi-family homes as an accessory use to commercial development. The public hearing date will be determined.

## Annexation

The commissioners approved the annexation and zoning classification of 35,000 square feet on the west side of Ocean Highway, which will allow the single-family homes on the property to be connected to the town's public sewer system.

## ARPA request

The commissioners approved the use of \$80,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funding for the Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Company to purchase a new utility/command truck. The purchase will replace the current command truck, a 2008 Chevrolet.

# Golf crews work on fast grass

(May 18, 2023) After a mild winter and rainy spring, the Ocean Pines Golf Club would like to remind players that maintenance crews are working hard to cover a lot of ground.

According to a news release, Golf Superintendent Justin Hartshorne said a major area of focus right now is the perimeter mowing around trees and the out of bounds markers along

the golf course. "Our mower runs every day, but it's just a lot of acreage for us to keep up with while the grass is growing rapidly in the spring season," he said in the release. "My crew and I appreciate everyone's patience as we continue to mow those areas."

For more information on the Ocean Pines Golf Club, call 410-641-6057 or visit [oceanpinesgolf.org](http://oceanpinesgolf.org).

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# Maryland casinos see sixth best gaming revenue in April

(May 18, 2023) Maryland's six casinos combined to generate \$174,742,218 in revenue from slot machines and table games this April.

It was the sixth-best single-month gaming revenue total in the history of Maryland's casino program and represented an increase of more than \$3.99 million (2.3 percent) compared to April 2022.

However, Oceans Downs did not contribute to that revenue stream, as the Berlin casino reported a 3.7 percent decrease from the same time.

Total gaming contributions to the state last month were more than \$72.37 million, an increase of \$522,884 (0.7 percent) compared to last year.

Contributions to the Education Trust Fund in April 2023 were more than \$52.62 million, an increase of \$396,476 (0.8 percent).

Gaming revenues also support the communities and jurisdictions where the casinos are located, Maryland's horse racing industry, and small, minority- and women-owned businesses.

Maryland's six privately owned casinos — Ocean Downs Casino in Worcester County, MGM National Harbor in Prince George's County,

Live! Casino & Hotel in Anne Arundel County, Horseshoe Casino Baltimore in Baltimore City, Hollywood Casino Perryville in Cecil County, and Rocky Gap Casino Resort in Allegany County — offer both slot machines and table games.

The gaming revenue totals for April are as follows:

- MGM National Harbor (2,353 slot machines, 210 table games), more than \$75.49 million, an increase of over \$4.96 million (7 percent).
- Live! Casino & Hotel (3,830 slot machines, 179 table games), more than \$62 million, an increase of over \$3.2 million (5.5 percent).
- Horseshoe Casino (1,452 slot machines, 122 table games), more than \$16.44 million, a decrease of nearly \$2.5 million (-13.2 percent).
- Ocean Downs Casino (848 slot machines, 19 table games), nearly \$8 million, a decrease of \$308,141 (-3.7 percent).
- Hollywood Casino (702 slot machines, 19 table games), more than \$7.481 million, a decrease of more than \$984,000 (-11.6 percent).
- Rocky Gap Casino (618 slot machines, 16 table games), more than \$5.37 million, a decrease of just over \$391,000 (-6.8 percent).

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# Business Briefs

## Hires and promotions

Taylor Bank recently announced the following employee hires and promotions:



Lauren Ruhl

Lauren Ruhl has joined the bank as human resources manager. In her role, Ruhl will oversee the execution of the bank's human resources function. Ruhl brings over 14 years of experience and industry knowledge to Taylor Bank.



Jen Scott

Jen Scott, vice president, has been promoted to Banking Product Manager. In this position, Scott will manage the servicing and fulfillment of our retirement and IntraFi Network product solutions. Scott has been a member of the Taylor Bank team since 2013. Previously, she held the position of branch manager for the main office.



Casey Robinson

Casey Robinson, assistant vice president, has been promoted to regional branch manager. In this position, Robinson will oversee the Ocean Pines branch and main office. Robinson has been a member of the Taylor Bank team since 1996. Previously, he was branch manager for the Ocean Pines branch and the mid-Ocean City branch.



Lisa Caldwell

Lisa Caldwell was promoted to branch operations manager. In this position, Caldwell will oversee operations for multiple branches in partnership with the bank's regional branch managers. She will also assess and mitigate risk through in-

spection of the bank's processes. Caldwell has been a member of the Taylor Bank team since 2016.



O. Schorr-Smith

Olivia Schorr-Smith has been selected to participate in the Taylor Bank Management Trainee Program. During the program, Schorr-Smith will submerge into various departments of the bank with specific concentration in our deposit operations department. She will participate in strategic and personal development projects and attend both internal and external training events. Schorr-Smith has been a member of the Taylor Bank team since 2018. Previously, she held the position of loan processor.



Lindsay Foxwell

Lindsay Foxwell was promoted to senior business services specialist. In this position, Foxwell will collaborate with internal partners to develop new business relationships and service ones via our electronic banking solutions. Foxwell has been a member of the Taylor Bank team since 2019. Previously, she held the position of electronic services representative.

## New hire

Paradise Properties Inc. is proud to announce the addition of Jennifer Dieste as a property manager.

A graduate of George Mason University with a bachelor of science degree, Jennifer has been involved in various segments of the real estate industry from an office manager for a local construction firm and as a licensed Realtor. She is also a certified group fitness and personal trainer.

In her spare time Jennifer loves to fish and volunteer for various organizations including the Autism Foundation, Habitat for Humanity and the Board of Directors for her HOA.

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# Snapshots



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## GARDEN EXHIBIT

Worcester Preparatory School's second grade class shows off their planted garden boxes in celebration of Earth Day on April 21. They are joined by teachers Abby Harrison, left, and Julia Allison, right, and Story Hill Farm owner Helen Raleigh.



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## CHURCH OVERVIEW

Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City President Bob Wolfing is pictured with Rev. Dawn Lockett Hobson of Tyree African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Germantown Section of Berlin during a recent meeting. Rev. Hobson gave an overview of the history and significance of the church in the community as well as its focus on youth.



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## CHECK PRESENTATION

Two members of the Worcester County Veteran's Memorial of Ocean Pines accepted a check on April 6 for \$3,000 from the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club to support its youth program. Pictured, from left, are Susan Pantone, vice president of the Veteran's Memorial Committee; Marie Gilmore, committee president; and Bill Hickey, Optimist member.



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## NEW MEMBERS

Christina Dolomount-Brown, left, president of the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club, welcomes new members, from left, Carole Spurrier, Kathy Outten and Jim Driggers to the group at the April dinner meeting.



## LONGTIME PARTNERS

Atlantic General Hospital Foundation representatives and Penguin Swim event co-chairs came together recently with OC Ravens Roost #44 members to celebrate their longtime partnership. OC Ravens Roost #44 hosts and participates in several fundraising activities throughout the year with proceeds raised going toward various local charities. Each year, the Roost registers a team for the New Year's Day Penguin Swim and collects thousands of dollars in donations. At this year's swim, the group took home the first-place prize in the "Community Group or Organization" category by raising \$9,869. To date, OC Ravens Roost #44 has amassed a total of \$162,000 for the hospital.

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## THESPIAN INDUCTIONS

As part of the Worcester Preparatory April Honor Society Inductions, five students were inducted to the school's chapter of the International Thespians Society. Pictured in front from left, Upper School Dance/Drama Director Paulette DeRosa-Matrona, Moorea Phillips, Leby Becker and WPS Middle/Upper School Music Director Christopher Buzby, and in back, Sara Freih, Natalie Chadwell and Elaina Elrick. The International Thespians Society is the Educational Theatre Association's student honorary organization to recognize high school student achievement in Theatre.



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## ART INDUCTIONS

As part of the Worcester Preparatory April Honor Society Inductions, eight students were inducted to the National Art Honor Society on April 20. Pictured, in front, from left, are WPS Digital Media teacher Nancy Raskauskas, Natasha Richter, Chris Todorov, Logan Ginnivan and Middle/Upper School Art teacher George Zaiser, and in back, Haris Gjokuria, Austin Gentry, Caitlyn Hoen, Griffin Jones and Mason Williams. The National Art Honor Society recognizes students who have shown outstanding ability in art scholarship, character and service.



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## DAR ESSAYS

Worcester Preparatory School hosted the Daughters of the American Revolution on April 17, to present Good Citizen and essay contest awards during a ceremony in the Guerrieri Library. Worcester students who placed first and second in the annual General Levin Winder Chapter of the DAR American History and Patriots of the American Revolution essay contests, in front, from left, are Noa Bouzaglo, Collin Hastings, Elena Gjoni and Jack Jarvis, and in back, Gavin Mann, Jude Damouini and Sophia Poffenberger. Worcester Prep DAR Good Citizen Riley Moyer is not pictured.



## MONTHLY LUNCHEON

The Republican Women of Worcester County held their monthly luncheon meeting at Harrison's Harbor Watch in Ocean City on April 27. Pictured, from left, are Del. Charles Otto; Liz Mumford, RWWC first vice president; Sandy Zitzer, RWWC president; and Sen. Mary Beth Carozza.

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## ZOOM RIBBON CUTTING

The Ocean City, Ocean Pines and Berlin Chambers of Commerce welcomed Zoom Car Wash with a joint ribbon cutting at the grand opening April 10. Zoom features self-serve bays, touchless express service (both open 24/7) and the zoom tunnel, located on Route 50 in front of Home Depot.



# Opinion

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## Sadly, shooter drills becoming routine

It's a sad commentary on the state of affairs in this country when a small local hospital announces intent to conduct an active shooter drill and no one responds, "You have to be kidding!"

But worse, not only did Atlantic General Hospital's news release about a desire to proceed with this training exercise fail to shock the public, it's generally considered a good idea by anyone paying attention to national news.

So far this year, more than 200 mass shootings have occurred in the country, and their locations are so unpredictable and geographically disconnected that there is no way any population center or building or venue or institution can be considered immune to this frightening phenomenon.

This week's major shooting was in Farmington, New Mexico, where six people were injured and three killed. Ten days earlier in Allen, Texas, seven people were injured and eight killed, and, skipping over several shootings for which there might be some kind of explanation, 32 people were shot and four people were killed at a dance studio in Alabama on April 15.

An outlet mall, a dance studio and the residential streets of a town of 46,000 — given the randomness of these circumstances, no one can say that AGH is doing anything more than being prudent by imagining the unimaginable and preparing for it.

After all, few people could have imagined that AGH would be the target of a cyber attack either, but the Jan. 29 incursion into its servers showed how plausible the implausible can be.

Again, it's a sorry situation when these kinds of actions can be viewed as not so extraordinary. But that's where we are for reasons that seem to defy explanation.

In AGH's case, it doesn't need to understand anything other than an active shooter scenario is no longer unthinkable. It's a fact, and it's a shame that being ready is now part of the training routine.



## GOLD receives \$20k matching gift

(May 18, 2023) Worcester County GOLD will host its eight annual GOLD on the Green Charity Golf Tournament on June 14 on Ocean City Golf Club's Newport Bay Course.

An anonymous donor has challenged GOLD with \$20,000 in matching funds toward the event proceeds.

"We are so excited about the challenge our anonymous donor has presented us with. This generous donation will help us continue our mission of providing emergency financial assistance right here in Worcester County," said Executive Director Nicholas Cranford.

"With event proceeds matched dollar-for-dollar, participants can double their impact and make a real difference right here, right now."

Four-person teams can enjoy lunch, 18 holes of waterfront golf with cart, gift bags, side games, a summer barbecue-style awards dinner, prizes, drink tickets, mulligans and souvenir team photos.

GOLD is seeking teams of golfers, sponsors and donors to make the fundraiser a success.

Worcester County GOLD is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to pro-

viding emergency financial assistance to Worcester County residents living with low income.

Founded in 1997, GOLD is committed to helping individuals and families facing financial crises relieve stress and achieve self-sufficiency.

GOLD on the Green will be held on Wednesday, June 14, at Ocean City Golf Club, 11401 Country Club Drive, Berlin, Maryland 21811.

Tickets for a four-person team start at \$800. All event proceeds benefit Worcester County GOLD. To purchase tickets or more information, visit [www.Worcester-GOLD.org](http://www.Worcester-GOLD.org).

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## Recycle sneakers with Grace Center

(May 18, 2023) The Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health in Berlin is offering the community a way to help the environment and support women in the community at the same time.

The Grace Center is sponsoring an athletic shoe fundraiser drive from now until the end of June.

The Grace Center will earn funds to support pro-

grams based on the total quantity of gently worn, used and new sneakers collected.

GotSneakers has developed the program, which encourages people to reach into their closets, not their pockets. The sneaker recycling program helps keep sneakers out of landfills, which has harmful effects on the environment, and helps charity organizations like the Grace

Center earn money to sustain operations and programs available to local women.

Donations of used sneakers can be dropped off at the Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health at 10226 Old Ocean City Blvd., Unit 2, Berlin, Maryland 21811 - across from AGH.

Call 443-513-4124 for more information.



# Ravens Roost will award \$15K in scholarships

(May 18, 2023) Ocean City Ravens Roost #44 is seeking players and sponsors for its 26th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Friday, June 2 at the Ocean Pines Golf Club.

All tournament proceeds will fund college scholarships to three local high schools: Indian River High School, Stephen Decatur High School, and Worcester Preparatory School. In 2022, Ravens Roost #44 awarded \$15,000 in scholarships. To date, the group has provided nearly \$230,000 in scholarships.

Event committee member Don McMullen said scholarship funding this year would at least match the 2022 totals, which was a record donation by the nonprofit.

“Due to successful fundraising by our members and the continued support by our local business community,

Ravens Roost #44 is proud to announce that we will award a minimum of \$15,000 to our local students graduating in 2023. This will take our total awards to \$243,900 to local students since the inception of our grant giving,” he said.

“We welcome participation in our event as golfers and tee sign sponsors. Merchandise and gift certificates for our silent auction are also needed for this event,” McMullen continued. “Please inquire to a Ravens Roost #44 golf committee member if your business would like to become either a Signature or Major Sponsor. These types of sponsorships help underwrite the cost of the banquet or merchandise given to participating golfers.

Ravens Roost #44, Inc. is an IRS 501(C)(7) nonprofit organization.

The following sponsorship levels are available:

- Signature Sponsor: \$2,000 – Includes two team entries, four tee signs, recognition at the tournament banquet, and business recognition on the tournament banner. Signature Sponsors without team entries will cost \$1,400.

- Major Sponsor: \$1,000 – Includes a team entry, two tee signs, recognition at the tournament banquet, and business recognition on the tournament banner. Major Sponsors without team entries will cost \$700.

- Tee Sign Sponsor: \$100

For more information, contact Scholarship Golf Committee members Don McMullen at 443-388-2941, Gary Miller 443-618-9972, Bob Rose 410-926-2558, or Anita Satterfield at 443-743-6359.

To download sponsorship and registration forms, visit [www.oceanpines.org/documents/10184/91707/Ravens+Roost+forms+2023.pdf](http://www.oceanpines.org/documents/10184/91707/Ravens+Roost+forms+2023.pdf).

For more information about tournaments and other events at the Ocean Pines Golf Club, visit [www.oceanpinesgolf.org](http://www.oceanpinesgolf.org).

# Volunteers needed for turtle survey

(May 18, 2023) The Maryland Coastal Bays Program is once again hosting its annual community science terrapin survey May 30 through June 10.

According to a news release, surveys take place both on water and land. From motorboats to kayaks and stand-up paddleboards, all are encouraged to participate.

Terrapins are the only turtle occupying brackish water, but other turtles, such as snapping turtles, may also venture into it, which makes it important to identify the correct species.

There is a training guide on the Coastal Bays website that provides details on how to tell the difference, as well

as the tools you will need including land and sea protocol, survey data sheets, and instructions on filling out the data sheets.

The website also includes a registration form that indicates specific areas where surveys need to be conducted. Find all this information and more under Events at [mdcoastalbays.org](http://mdcoastalbays.org).

The organization has been collecting a variety of data relating to diamondback terrapin populations in the Coastal Bays. Organized terrapin headcount surveys began in 2012 in collaboration with Maryland DNR and other members of the diamondback terrapin work group.

The results of the surveys are important to help understand the terrapin populations in the Coastal Bays.

For more information, contact Sandi Smith at [sandis@mdcoastalbays.org](mailto:sandis@mdcoastalbays.org) or by calling 410-213-2297 ext. 106.



PHOTO COURTESY MARYLAND COASTAL BAYS  
A northern diamondback terrapin is shown close up. Members of the Maryland Coastal Bays Program are planning to begin their annual terrapin turtle survey May 30.

The Terrapin Survey occurs over the 12-day period after Memorial Day. The time period is when terrapins are highly active and are aggregating in clusters after emerging from hibernation.

# Worcester County launches summer night jams in May

(May 18, 2023) Summer Night Jams returns to Worcester County Recreation and Parks this summer.

The free, family friendly festivities take place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on May 18, June 22, and July 15

May 18 is Sports Night at John Walter Smith Park in Snow Hill. Bring the family and get set to run and play. The night will be full of sports and team games.

June 22 is Outdoor Adventure Night at Newtown Park in Pocomoke. Fish, kayak, play, and explore the great outdoors.

July 15 is Water Fun at Northern Worcester Athletic Complex in Berlin. Cool off from the summer heat, wear a bathing suit and water shoes, and get ready to get wet.

For more information about the Summer Night Jams series, contact Tyler Keiser at 410-632-2144, ext. 2505 or email [tkeiser@marylandscoast.org](mailto:tkeiser@marylandscoast.org). No registration is required.



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# Law grants first responders discount on state park pass

(May 18, 2023) Legislation that gives Maryland first responders a Maryland state park pass discount was signed into law by Gov. Wes Moore Monday at the State House.

Sponsored by Sen. Mary Beth Carozza (R-Lower Shore) and inspired by retired Salisbury firefighter Steve Mizell who suffers from post-traumatic stress syndrome, the legislation allows for a \$40 discount on the annual \$75 state park pass for law enforcement and first responders, including fire-

fighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and 911 specialists who are Maryland residents.

The state park service passport allows for unlimited day-use admission to Maryland's state parks and facilities, unlimited boat launching at all applicable state park facilities and a 10 percent discount on state-operated concession items and boat rentals.

Senate Bill 823 will go into effect on June 1.

## Community Briefs

### Top essays



Sydney Todorov

Worcester Preparatory School freshmen Sydney Todorov placed first and Jude Damouni finished third in the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist International Essay Competition.

"Both students wrote heartfelt and compelling essays," Kathy Cater, Optimist Club member and chair of the essay con-

test, said. "We are very proud to have such young people representing our community."



Jude Damouni

Damouni went on to win the Ocean City-Berlin Optimist Club Oratorical contest, in both the Club and Zone level competitions, which included competitors from Sussex and Wicomico County.

The topic of the four-minute speech was "Discovering the Optimism in Me."

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# Students get dose of history at local Veterans Memorial

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(May 18, 2023) The fifth-grade class of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School got a history lesson on Wednesday with a field trip to the Worcester County Veterans Memorial in Ocean Pines.

The trip is part of a countywide program to bring all fifth graders to the memorial to learn about the nation's military history, meet veterans and hear their stories.

The students also had an opportunity to meet students from Stephen Decatur High School, who taught them about the flag and the meaning of the colors. The students had a chance to fold a flag. They learned that the blue stars always had to be facing down, because the stars shine down upon us. They also learned that once folded, no red should show, which symbolizes blood.

"Sacred Heart really connects to the community and those fundamental values. This is what our country is built on," said Kathy Reed, a parent of twins in the class.

One veteran let the students handle his purple heart.

Docents shared the history of the flag and walked the students through its various versions, including the Don't Tread on Me Flag, which was the original flag of the U.S. Navy. Susan Pantone showed the students pictures of the military guarding local shores.

Tim McMullen, another docent, encouraged them to take the materials home and test their parents. McMullen, a retired teacher, and his brother Don both volunteer to help out during the field trips. Their parents served in World War II and met in Paris.

Their brother Bill, a Vietnam veteran who passed away last year, has a paver at the memorial.

"When much has been given to a family, much will be required," McMullen said about his volunteer efforts.

Sgt. Frank Bolen shared his own stories from fighting in Vietnam.

"I quit high school with 17 days to go. Within six months, I was in Vietnam," said Bolen.

He earned his high school diploma 10 years ago, when he was 60 years old.

He encouraged young people to go to school or they would be fighting in the jungles like he was.

The JROTC students talked with the class about the benefits of joining ROTC.

"ROTC is good for discipline, college, job applications and learning how to work with people," Addison West, a freshman from Stephen Decatur High School said.

Dan Murphy, the fifth-grade teacher at Blessed Sacrament, said they have been learning U.S. history this year, including the Civil War and the Underground Railroad. He hopes to cover World War II before the end of the year.

"Reading about something does not sink in until you meet people, hear their stories and make a connection."

The memorial will be hosting Flags for Heroes on May 20 and a Memorial Day Ceremony on May 29 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.



Volunteer docent **Tim McMullen** talks to students at the Veterans Memorial about the "Wall that Heals," which was gifted to the site by the Vietnam Memorial Fund in Washington, DC.

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# Cuisine

## Soft pretzel bites perfect post-trip snack

After a long day on the road, I say out loud that I would love to stop at a local brewery and have a beer and maybe a soft pretzel.

Both of these things are taboo on my latest diet, but after a nine-hour drive, is there anything better than relaxing with a cold one and some

bread goodness to get you ready for bed?

There is something magical that happens with pretzels and bagels, both poached in an alkaline bath before baking that makes them so special, their texture and taste quite unique in the bread world.

What is it about soft pretzels that took the restaurant industry by storm years ago?

I am a huge fan, and I have sold thousands of them, I do believe that the birthplace of said bread's popularity is the ballpark. At least, that is the first place that I remember having them as a kid.

There has been one major brand over the past couple decades, and it was everyone's go-to.

However, many artisan bakeries have opened up across the country, wholesaling their wares of freshly baked pretzels that rival the best Bavarian treats from over the pond.

Of course, I imagine I might get some hate mail on that last comment, but I have eaten pretzels in Bavaria, and suffice it to say that there are some producers here who are doing well with their baking abilities, paying homage to the Bavarian predecessors.

As we roll into the summer months, with kids graduating and the town gearing up for the season, sometimes it is a great thing to sit back and make a batch of bread.

To think that I am writing that makes me laugh, as until 14 years ago, you couldn't pay me enough to make any sort of bakery product. I was definitely one of "those chefs" who had a deep disdain for the bakeshop.

And as time went on, and I had to start teaching the skills, I gathered my kneading wits and now bread baking is one of my therapeutic pleasures. Next semester, I get to teach a bread class, and that is one of my all-



time favorites to teach.

It is a skill that is truly humbling in the beginning, and yet it lends itself to a well-rounded kitchen knave once one has the hang of it.

The truck is parked, and now it is time to go grab that beer and a pretzel or two.

It would not break my heart if they had pretzel bites, a great accompaniment to a frothy brew. And when you start playing with these, consider some of the toppings that can accompany, such as crab dip, buffalo chicken dip or myriad other toppings.

You could get all crazy and make them like loaded fries, with shredded cheese, bacon, scallions, crème fraiche, you name it. Your imagination is the only thing stopping you.

For me tonight, though, a pile of pretzel bites will have to suffice, and I will do my best to enjoy them, relax and unwind after a very long day on the road.

Raise your glass. Hearty cheers and restful days as we get ready to rumble. Relax, enjoy a beer and we'll see you on the other side of September.

### Soft Pretzel Bites

*makes about 60 or so bites*

1 c. Water, around 100-105F

2 tsp. Active dry yeast

3 c. Good bread flour

1 Tbsp. Sugar

2 tsp. Kosher salt

For the water bath

3 Qt. Water

1/4 c. Baking soda

1. In the bowl of a stand mixer, combine the water, yeast and sugar and allow to sit for about 15 minutes, or until the yeast is nice and foamy from eating all of that glorious sugar.

2. Add the flour and incorporate well. The end dough is a malleable pizza dough-like consistency. Since flour is an imperfect commodity, sometimes you may need more or less. As long as you are not veering more than a cup off course, you should still be fine.

3. Knead the dough for 8-10 minutes and once the dough is formed, cover it and allow to rise until doubled in size. This should take about an hour.

4. Cut the dough into eight even pieces and then roll them into ropes.

5. Cut the pretzel bites and place

on a sprayed sheet of parchment and cover.

6. Allow them to rise for another 20-30 minutes and while you are waiting, make yourself a delicious homemade mustard (an article for another day) and get the water bath ready.

7. Now that the water bath is ready with the baking soda and at a low boil, poach the pretzel bites in batches for about 20 seconds.

8. Drain them back onto the parchment.

9. You can use an egg wash if you prefer, but honestly these bake really well as-is. The ubiquitous pretzel coloring and splitting occur because of the alkaline bath in the baking soda bath. That is where the magic truly happens.

10. Bake at 400F for about 15 minutes (remember that every oven is different so watch carefully)

11. Serve with said homemade mustard or gussy it up with some local honey or agave to sweeten the spice.

*Paul Suplee is the owner of the boxcar restaurants and is also Senior Lecturer of Culinary Arts at UMES. [boxcarrestaurants.com](http://boxcarrestaurants.com)*



# Calendar

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## Thurs., May 18

### CPAP MASK FITTING

Atlantic General Hospital's Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin. For patients who are having trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. Free service, but requires an appointment: Robin Rohlffing, 410-641-9726.

### SUMMER NIGHT JAM

John Walter Smith Park, 6030 Public Landing Road, Snow Hill, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Free, family-friendly festival. Theme is Sports Night. A night full of sports and team games. Tyler Keiser, 410-632-2144, Ext. 2505, [tkeiser@marylandscoast.org](mailto:tkeiser@marylandscoast.org). No registration required.

### 32ND ANNUAL CRUISIN' OCEAN CITY

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Also held in Inlet Parking Lot and throughout Ocean City. Featuring vendors, entertainment, boardwalk parades, special guests, featured cars and more. <https://specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city>

### STORY TIME: 'WHEN LOLA VISITS'

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Listen to "When Lola Visits" and enjoy a fun craft. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### STORY TIME 'COLORS FOR ZENA'

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](http://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](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 11 a.m. The workshop starts with a 20-minute lesson on genealogy research, followed by a Q&A session. Bring a laptop, tablet or papers containing family information. Registration requested: 410-208-4014.

### SPIRIT HISTORY OF POPLAR HILL MANSION

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 2 p.m. Local author 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. 410-957-0878

### MOBILE MENTOR

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. The Mobile Men-

tor provides one-on-one assistance for those who want to make the most of their tablet or mobile device. 410-641-0650, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### AQUATIC BUGS & BEER

Delaware Botanic Gardens at Pepper Creek, 30220 Piney Neck Road, Dagsboro, 3-5 p.m. At Dogfish Head Learning Garden, hands-on presentation. Explore the constructed wetland and enjoy Dogfish Head Beer and pretzels. Tickets cost \$25 and includes admission. Tickets: [delawaregardens.org](http://delawaregardens.org).

### STEAM BIRDS NEST (ENGINEERING CHALLENGE)

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 3:30 p.m. Can you use the materials provided to hold as many (plastic) eggs as possible? For ages 6-11 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://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](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### ATLANTIC GENERAL HOSPITAL'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Newport Farms Estate, 10851 Hayes Landing Road, Berlin, 6-10 p.m. Sophisticated hors d'oeuvres, stylish cocktails and live music. Cocktail attire. Outdoor event. Cost is \$150. Tickets: [www.agh.care/agh30](http://www.agh.care/agh30). Laura Powell, [lpowell@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:lpowell@atlanticgeneral.org), 410-641-9671

### THE DOO WOP PROJECT

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 8 p.m. Featuring members of the Broadway hit musicals "Jersey Boys" and "Motown the Musical." Tickets start at \$39. Tickets: <https://ocmdperformingartscenter.com/upcoming-events/TheDooWopProject>.

### 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](http://BeachSingles.org)

## Fri., May 19

### 32ND ANNUAL CRUISIN' OCEAN CITY

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Also held in Inlet Parking Lot and throughout Ocean City. Featuring vendors, entertainment, boardwalk parades, special guests, featured cars and more. <https://specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city>

### BOOK DISCUSSION: 'FIONA AND JANE' BY JEAN CHEN HO

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Copies of the book are available at the Berlin Library front

desk. 410-641-0650, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## Sat., May 20

### TRIMPER RIDES' 'FIRST RESPONDERS DAY'

Trimper Rides of Ocean City, 700 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City. Offering \$30 Ride All Rides passes for nurses, doctors, police officers, firefighters, EMTs. Show work ID at Guest Services to redeem pass. <http://trimperrides.com/trimper-news/may-at-trimper-ride>, 410-289-8617

### CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7 a.m.-1 p.m.

### AGRICULTURAL SCRAP TIRE COLLECTION

Worcester County Solid Waste, 7091 Central Site Lane, Newark, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. This event is for Worcester County farmers only. The tires must come from a Maryland farm that is based in Worcester County. Mike McClung, 410-632-3177

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### TINKER TIME: SPRING FLOWERS

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, make a variety of May flowers. 410-632-3495, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### WALK WITH A DOC

South Gate Pond, Ocean Pines, 9 a.m. Join the group for their monthly Walk with a Doc. Alyce Marzola, [amarzola@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:amarzola@atlanticgeneral.org)

### KICKOFF TO SUMMER CRAFT PARTY

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. A variety of options will be available for all age groups, even adults. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### FAMILY LIBRARY DAY: PAINT

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 10 a.m.-noon. Join in for a variety of painting projects for all ages. 410-957-0878, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Bring your stuffed animal and a blanket and listen to stories, songs and rhymes. Pajamas encouraged. Pick up animals May 22, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Ages 2-5 years. 410-524-

1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### STORY TIME WITH MERMAID TASHA

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30 a.m. Mermaid Tasha will read her book, lead the group through an eco-friendly mermaid craft and answer questions. Brings cameras. For ages 8-10 years. 410-632-3495, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### 6TH ANNUAL OLD PRO OPEN

Old Pro Golf, 6801 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 3 p.m. Cost is \$30 per golfer. Includes all-you-care-to-drink classic and seasonal Union cans, indoor and outdoor mini-golf courses. <https://www.oceancity.com/events-calendar/6th-annual-old-pro-open/>

### 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., May 21

### 32ND ANNUAL CRUISIN' OCEAN CITY

Hugh T. Cropper Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (Inlet location only) Featuring vendors, entertainment, boardwalk parades, special guests, featured cars and more. <https://specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city>

### JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

*Sundays* - Berlin Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 10 a.m. [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org)

## Mon., May 22

### AGRICULTURAL SCRAP TIRE COLLECTION

Worcester County Solid Waste, 7091 Central Site Lane, Newark, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. This event is for Worcester County farmers only. The tires must come from a Maryland farm that is based in Worcester County. Mike McClung, 410-632-3177

### STORY TIME 'LEAPING FROGS'

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Learn about frogs through stories, songs and a craft. For ages 2-5 years. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### TIE DYED SHIRTS

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 4 p.m. Make an amazing tie dye creation. White T-shirts provided — sizes youth S to adult XL. For ages 7 years and older. Registration required: 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

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

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# Puzzles

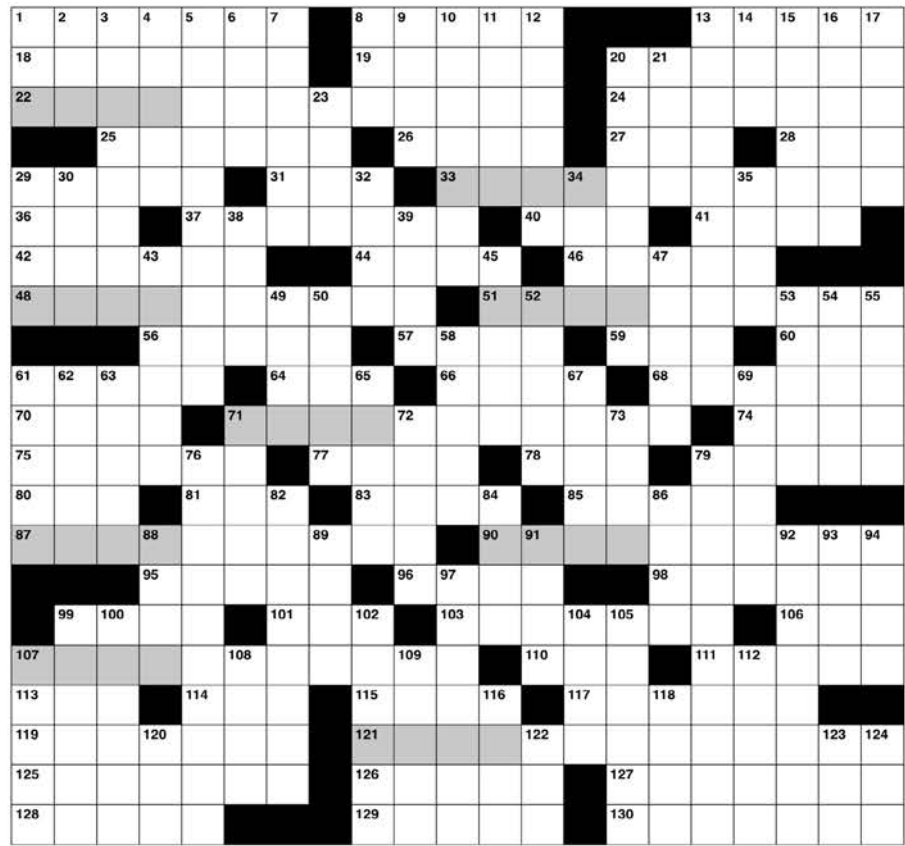
## SEA CHANGE

BY WILL NEDIGER / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Will Nediger is a professional crossword constructor from London, Ontario. This is his 47th puzzle for The Times since 2006. He likes puzzles that violate standard crossword rules and conventions, as a way of making solvers think about the reasons behind those rules. This puzzle's subject is a philosophical conundrum that, in case you're interested, is explained in more detail on Wikipedia. — W.S.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Large dog breed
  - 8 U.K. movie award
  - 13 Card-table declaration
  - 18 Unit equivalent to 4.184 joules
  - 19 Awards for ad campaigns
  - 20 Thawing
  - 22 Thought experiment that asks whether an object remains the same object if its parts are replaced one by one
  - 24 Person living between Liberia and Ghana
  - 25 Participate in a pledge drive
  - 26 The false killer whale resembles it
  - 27 Italian nickname
  - 28 Canada's House of Commons has 338 of them, in brief
  - 29 "Nothing but net!"
  - 31 Place to run some tests
  - 33 Acorn-loving duo
  - 36 Hither and \_\_\_\_\_
  - 37 Run into the ground
  - 40 Actress Ullmann
  - 41 Home of Grace Hopper College
  - 42 The artist François Boucher said that it was "too green and badly lit"
- DOWN**
- 44 \_\_\_\_\_ Redivivus (first-century myth about an emperor's reappearance)
  - 46 Use crayons
  - 48 Restaurant pick-up option?
  - 51 Hong Kong action hero who frequently collaborated with John Woo
  - 56 Oily sauce
  - 57 \_\_\_\_\_ funny
  - 59 Family nickname
  - 60 "The way I see it ..." via texts
  - 61 Métro area?
  - 64 Comedian Margaret
  - 66 Hebrew for "head"
  - 68 Chef/food writer Samin \_\_\_\_\_
  - 70 Brinks
  - 71 Ostentatious behavior
  - 74 Selection of appetizers in Greek and Turkish restaurants
  - 75 Prestige
  - 77 "Buona \_\_\_\_\_" (Italian greeting)
  - 78 Human, e.g.
  - 79 Augurs
  - 80 Drummer's setup
  - 81 Jersey call
  - 83 Singer Amos
  - 85 Award-winning sci-fi author Bacigalupi
  - 87 Dramatic action-movie effect
  - 90 Pail for feeding pigs
  - 95 Invited over
  - 96 \_\_\_\_\_ Pet
  - 98 Available for rental, to Brits
  - 99 Stylish
  - 101 Mo. for Canadian Thanksgiving
  - 103 Alertly responsive (to)
  - 106 Accomplished
  - 107 Loafers, e.g.
  - 110 One-pip card
  - 111 County between London and the North Sea
  - 113 Movement for a finger or a tail
  - 114 King, in Portuguese
  - 115 Flour variety with a palindromic name
  - 117 Bone at the base of the spine
  - 119 Emily Dickinson's hometown
  - 121 Thought experiment that asks whether an object remains the same object if its parts are replaced one by one
  - 125 Legally void status
  - 126 City that hosts an annual Pirate Festival
  - 127 First president of the Ninety-Nines, an organization for female pilots
  - 128 Secretly surveil
  - 129 Go quietly
  - 130 "Obviously not, ya goof!"
- ACROSS**
- 8 Abbr. in ancient dates
  - 9 "I forgot to mention ..."
  - 10 More intense
  - 11 Have an emotional impact on
  - 12 Attack
  - 13 Gloater's words
  - 14 Part of b.p.s.
  - 15 Member of a kingdom that spans the globe
  - 16 Object for binding contracts
  - 17 Meaning
  - 20 Denies knowing anything about
  - 21 \_\_\_\_\_ Rachel Wood of "Kajillionaire"
  - 23 Learn through the grapevine
  - 29 Harmonize
  - 30 "That's wild!" in a modern spelling
  - 32 Twin bed?
  - 34 Salsa variety, casually
  - 35 "Rats!"
  - 38 November honorees
  - 39 Meeting, informally
  - 43 Hoity-toity
  - 45 Astronaut Ellen of shuttle missions
  - 47 Prevaricating
  - 49 Between-the-shoulder-blades annoyance
  - 50 Some Pacific salmon
  - 52 "\_\_\_\_\_ luego"
  - 53 Like ceramics
  - 54 Blow away
  - 55 Reusable shopping bags
  - 58 Like a bellowing crowd
  - 61 Demure kisses
  - 62 Come in handy
- DOWN**
- 1 Rap battle participants
  - 2 "That feels good!"
  - 3 Donned, as a silky dress
  - 4 Literary theme, from the Greek
  - 5 Steam trains, in the 19th century
  - 6 World Cup org.
  - 7 In fine \_\_\_\_\_

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- 63 Half of a leaf
- 65 Have because of
- 67 Mudhole wallower
- 69 Less-than-demure kiss
- 71 Came to attention, say
- 72 Bucking beast, informally
- 73 \_\_\_\_\_ tide
- 76 Portrayer of Princess Diana on "The Crown"
- 79 Ones making mistakes
- 82 Idleness
- 84 "Oh, really?"
- 86 Instrument in Joan Tower's "Island Prelude"
- 88 Produce speedily, with "out"
- 89 Move slowly
- 91 \_\_\_\_\_ Mangeshkar, Indian singer known as the "Queen of Melody"
- 92 Fast-food offering that may come with a toy
- 93 Lake that's home to South Bass Island
- 94 "Ideas worth spreading" spinoff
- 97 Can spare a few moments
- 99 Thwart the interrogators
- 100 Good way to be regarded
- 102 Makes crispy
- 104 Bay Area sch.
- 105 Tidy up
- 107 Septet in a Christmas carol
- 108 Digs in a forest
- 109 Patriot Allen
- 112 Food served with gari and wasabi
- 116 Dad, in Korean
- 118 Rosalind of "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine"
- 120 Scrabble rating system
- 122 Durable wood
- 123 Link, of a sort
- 124 Challenge for a cleaner

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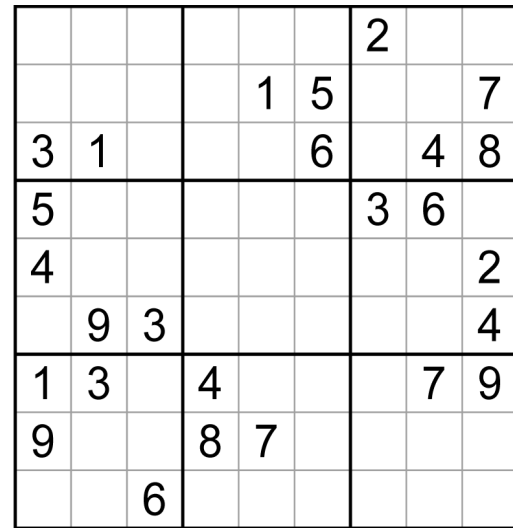
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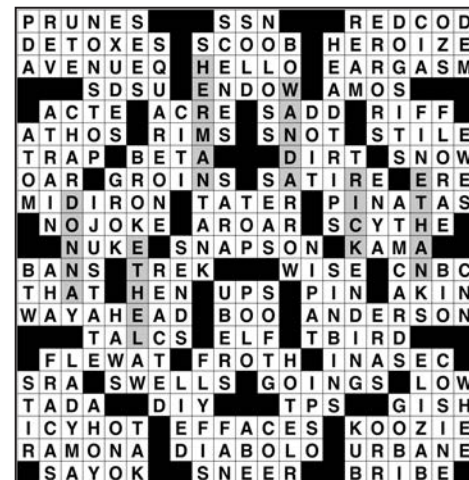
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**HARD - 90**

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



## Answers to last week's puzzles

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





# Calendar

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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 Campion, 410-641-0157

### 100 DAY PROJECT

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 5:30-6:30 p.m. Pick a color/shape or theme for your creative 100 day challenge. Add one piece a day for 100 days to create a visual diary. Limited supplies. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

### 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.

### OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

*Mondays* - Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 7-8 p.m. No dues or fees. 410-459-9100

## Tues., May 23

### STORY TIME 'SAFETY'

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and finger plays. Take-home activity in-

cluded. For ages 2-5 years. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org

### STORY TIME AT THE CORNER SANCTUARY: BUGS

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 10:30 a.m. This story is all about bugs at the Pocomoke Community Garden located at the corner of Willow and Clarke streets. For ages 2-5 years. Dress for outdoor play. 410-957-0878, 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

### BLOCK PARTY

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 11 a.m. Babies, toddlers and preschoolers will have the opportunity to play with blocks and other toys while socializing with other families. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org

### WHAT ARE YOUR MONEY HABITUDES?

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Learn to analyze money personalities. Receive backyard gardening tips to help save money and a free crockpot. Limit 5. Register by May 21: 410-632-1972, scooke14@umd.edu.

### MERMAID LOVE: THEN AND NOW

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 6 p.m. Tasha Haight, owner of the Mermaid Museum, weaves a tale about the mythology surrounding mermaids and sirens. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org

### BEACH HEROES-OC

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

### JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

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

### 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., May 24

### BARIATRIC SUPPORT GROUP

Held via Zoom the third and fourth Wednesdays of each month. For surgical patients. Atlantic General Bariatrics Center, 410-641-9568.

### THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF WEEGEE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Also via Zoom. Curator Mallory Mortillaro introduces this photographer and how he captured some of the grittiest scenes of New York City in the mid-20th century. Registration required: 443-783-6164.

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5:30-7 p.m. The goal of the support group is to provide participants with hope for the future. Gail Mansell, 410-641-9725, gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org

### 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. Guests are welcome. www.kiwanisofopoc.org



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**Pool - General Maintenance** Outdoor work, lifting heavy objects. Mechanical, basic pool pump & motors, CPO a plus/not required. Able to pass CPO test. Summer. Includes weekends & long hours; working alone or with others. 410-289-4902 ask for Suzanne

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## UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION Nutrient Management Advisor

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### Position Summary/Purpose of Position:

This position is a 12-month, term appointment. The full-time position is part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Education (SNAP-Ed) conducted by the University of Maryland Extension. The educator will deliver nutrition education programs to low-income residents in Wicomico County with emphasis on reaching food supplement (stamp) recipients.

The position will be housed in the Wicomico County Extension office in Salisbury, MD. Bachelor's Degree in nutrition, health education, or a related field preferred.

Salary will be commensurate with experience with a base salary of \$58,226. The University of Maryland offers an extensive benefits package, which can be found by visiting: <https://uhr.umd.edu/benefits>.

All candidates must apply online at: <https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/105906>

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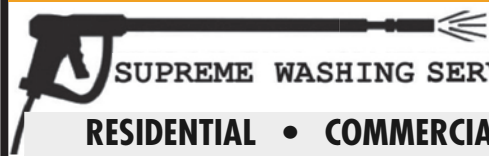
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