



## Cardamone rebuts shed theft assertions

Sheriff's office chief of staff says claims on OP podcast don't reflect facts of case

**By Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Despite assertions on a local podcast that working firearms and evidence were not kept in the Ocean Pines Police Depart-

ment storage shed that was broken into last December, that was not the case, Lt. Brian Cardamone, the chief of staff of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office said this week.

Speaking with the approval of Sheriff Matt Crisafulli, Cardamone told the Bayside Gazette he wanted to clear up misinformation presented during two interviews conducted by Ocean Pines ROC (ROC: Residents

Oversight Community) podcast earlier this month with Chris Tarr, a former Ocean Pines police officer, and the former Ocean Pines Police Chief Leo Ehrisman.

During those sessions, the two men talked about the Dec. 17 burglary of the shed, the investigations that followed, and their departures from the department. Ehrisman was placed on administrative leave on

Jan. 1, and retired from the department on June 8.

Cardamone was brought in as the department's acting chief of police on Dec. 31 and served through March 31 while Ehrisman was on paid leave pending investigations into the break-in and allegations of professional misconduct against Ehrisman.

Cardamone said his goal during See BROUGHT Page 6



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Parts of the Tyson's Poultry Plant are wide open to the elements. Vandals have entered the building and covered it in graffiti, breaking glass and anything else that can be destroyed.

## Plant tour reveals sorry shape

Town officials, public see for themselves how some sections must come down

**By Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Berlin residents regularly drive by the old Tyson's Processing Plant on Old Ocean City

Boulevard, but most have never been inside. On Tuesday night last week, that changed as Andrew Welch, a senior structural engineer from DBF of Salisbury, and Mayor Zack Tyndall provided a tour for council members and some members of the public to see the inside of the building.

"I have been in the building about a half a dozen times," Tyndall said. "I

keep hoping it's going to get better, but it gets worse."

Based on the information provided by Welch, the mayor hopes to have ready for the Town Council's first November meeting a draft of a request for proposals for partial demolition of the building.

The idea behind the tour was to See OFFICIALS Page 3

## Trash truck woes send it in for repairs

Reduced pickup in store for Berlin unless workers can dump cans manually

**By Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Berlin's trash truck is going into the shop for 14 days. Jimmy Charles, the director of Public Works told the Berlin mayor and Town Council last week that the hydraulic components on the truck are wearing out and the truck will be going to a shop in Salisbury.

The truck went out of commission on Oct. 17. While the truck is being serviced, the sanitation staff might have to pick up trash manually and will not be able to do the street cans, Charles said.

Councilman Dean Burrell expressed concerns with putting people in compromising positions where they could possibly get hurt by picking up the trash manually.

Charles said the truck runs five days a week. On Mondays and Fridays, it picks up 50-75 cans in the downtown area and the parks.

Between Tuesday and Thursday, the truck picks up 500-700 cans a day.

The truck is five years old and Charles reported that these types of See TOWN Page 3

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# Officials see what could be worth saving at poultry plant

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show officials and members of the public what might be worth saving and what would not. After putting on their hard hats and entering the dark recesses of the building, they could see for themselves.

What the group saw was a building that has been heavily vandalized, with graffitied walls, broken windows and toilets, and paint peeling off the walls.

One take away from Councilman Steve Green was that the building is open and easy to get into, which is a liability concern. He suggested the town focus on closing the building more securely.

It appeared that people are accessing the building on the railroad track side. A metal table is stationed next to the fence that can be used to jump over the fence and land on a Dumpster on the other side.

The building is divided into numerous sections. The front area that faces Old Ocean City Boulevard includes office space, a cafeteria, locker room and bathrooms. Behind that is the "Picking Room" and "Live Receiving." Two large rooms on the parking lot side are processing rooms and have large drains cut into the floors. At the back of the building is a large cooler room and shipping docks.

The engineers have prioritized the building into zones.

Tyndall said the middle section of the building is a high priority for demolition. The metal joists in the ceiling are heavily corroded, according to the engineer, which reduces its load bearing capacity by at least 50 percent.

The offices in the front of the building are more structurally sound, as are the loading docks.

"If the right partner was there, maybe it could be repurposed," Tyndall said. "A good portion of the building is falling apart."

An updated appraisal of parcel 57,

where the Tyson building stands, was conducted by Opteon Appraisal in August. That appraisal assessed the property at \$1.2 million as B2 business zoning, based on the assumption that demolition of the building would be complete.

"It is unlikely that demo funds will be able to bring the building down entirely so the space could be usable. Two sections of the building will remain, with the middle cut out because we don't have the money to demo the whole thing."

The grant the town has acquired from the Department of Housing and Urban Development is for \$500,000. It's been estimated that it will cost about \$50,000 to get the request for proposals out, which leaves \$450,000 for the demolition. That amount is not expected to cover the cost of a full demolition of the building.

Tyndall said it is possible that more than one company could bid on specific zones of the building to demolish, as a way to maximize funding.

## Town looking to buy new truck in Nov. of next year

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trucks last anywhere from five to six years. He is exploring options to find a second automated truck.

The current truck cost about \$275,000 when it was purchased. A new truck will cost about \$300,000, according to Charles.

"We are going to have a conversation in November about buying a truck in November 2024," Charles said.

The truck will be out of commission through Nov. 3.



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# Council passes motions on pickleball, events, fire funds

By Cindy Hoffman  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Berlin Council passed four motions regarding tennis courts, 2024 events for the town and the Taylor House Museum and a re-allocation of funding for the Berlin Fire Company.

The council approved a motion to allow We Heart Berlin, a non-profit organization, to raise money for agreed-upon projects in the town. During the meeting, the council authorized the group to proceed with striping the tennis courts for pickleball play in Stephen Decatur Park.

Tony Weeg reported that it will cost \$3,500 to have the courts striped. Local businesses Iron Skillet and Bee House Soap as well as Michael O'Malley, owner of PKLN Pickleball and the basketball coach at Worcester County Prep are donating the money for the project.

"Without the help of folks like We Heart Berlin, this project would take years. You are making it happen very easily," Mayor Zack Tyndall told Weeg.

Weeg said the group is planning to do the striping within the next 30

days if the weather cooperates.

The council also approved the 2024 calendar of events for Berlin. Five annual events were approved that will serve alcohol: Berlin Jazz and Blues, Wine and Brews in May, Small Town Throw Down and Fiddlers Convention in September, Oktoberfest in October and the New Year's Eve event in December.

Dr. Melissa Reid also received unanimous approval for all of the Taylor House events, which are the same as last year.

A final motion was approved to re-allocate unspent Berlin Fire Company Emergency Medical Services funds from FY23 to FY24 in the amount of \$8,884.08 to provide emergency staffing for town events.

The original request from the fire company was for the remaining funds to go to the ambulance replacement fund or to assist in re-establishing an EMS contingency fund.

Councilman Dean Burrell did not vote in favor of this motion because he did not believe the council should put strings on how the fire company uses its funds.

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# Berlin's casino revenue pays for officers pension system

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Local Impact Grant funds from Ocean Downs Casino revenue will be used by the Town of Berlin for the Law Enforcement Officers Pension System, or LEOPS, with \$175,000 going to a hoped-for community center in Berlin and \$45,000 for an ambulance replacement fund from unassigned funds.

The vote last Tuesday by the Town Council was 4-1 to approve the multi-year spending plan.

According to a memo dated Oct. 10, from the mayor and council to the Local Development Council of Worcester County, "Since the inception of the Local Impact Grant, or LIG, the Town of Berlin has utilized grant funding for "public safety" and intends to continue to prioritize public safety spending over the next three fiscal years."

The primary public safety expenditure is LEOPS.

The council approved a LEOPS stabilization fund of \$425,000 and projected funding for Fiscal Year 2024 of \$340,000, Fiscal Year 2025 of \$350,000 and Fiscal Year 2026 of \$360,000.

Councilmember Jack Orris was the

only member who opposed the decision.

"I don't think the stabilization fund should come from the same source [casino funds]. It needs to be clearly defined that we are not banking on the casino for our back-up," Orris said.

The council members debated where money for LEOPS and the stabilization fund should come from, if not from casino funds.

Previously, the council agreed that they should not be paying 100 percent of funding for LEOPS out of casino funds.

But Mayor Zach Tyndall said he did not know where else the council might get the money it needs for the program, noting that 30 percent of the town's general fund is associated with public safety.

In a separate vote, the council unanimously approved the opening of a LEOPs stabilization fund.

Orris was on board for this motion, because while he was not supportive of the source of the funding, he did support a stabilization fund for LEOPS.

The memo continued "Due to the uncertainty of our current economic environment, the Town of Berlin is reducing our LIG revenue projections to

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Lt. Brian Cardamone was brought in as acting chief of the Ocean Pines Police Department when Chief Leo Ehrisman was put on leave after a break-in to a police shed occurred in December.

## Brought in to lead investigation

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this interim was not to run the department but to facilitate the investigations for both the sheriff's office and the Office of the Maryland State Prosecutor.

The sheriff's offices' investigation into the burglary is still open as is the investigation into the former chief's possible misconduct by the Office of the Maryland State Prosecutor, Cardamone said, thus limiting his ability to comment on those aspects of the situation.

According to Cardamone, the shed incident was brought to the attention of the Ocean Pines police by a resident who said her child had informed her that teenagers had broken into it.

Police then went to inspect the building, which they said appeared to have been broken into. Ehrisman, who was on medical leave at the time, was told of the burglary by his officers, who also said the shed contained numerous firearms. Ehrisman reportedly directed the officers to take all property from the shed and put it in a cell block in the department's lockup.

When two weeks passed without an investigation by the police, an Ocean Pines employee reported the situation to the sheriff's office, the Maryland State Police, the FBI and other law enforcement agencies, Cardamone said. That complaint, he added, triggered the investigation by the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and state prosecutor's office.

During the podcast that the shed contained nothing related to criminal investigations.

"Many statements that they made in those interviews are factually untrue," Cardamone said this week. "Particularly about the contents of the shed. The overwhelming majority of the items in the shed were evidentiary property, including firearms associated with criminal investigations."

He said in addition to the firearms, the shed contained computers, and

old evidence related to a rape case. Cardamone did point out there is no evidence to suggest that Ehrisman or any other department employees had any involvement in the burglary, nor was any evidence found in the shed linked to current investigations.

But as for the presence or absence of firearms, Cardamone said sheriff's office detectives found that Ocean Pines officers transferred 28 handguns and 29 long guns from the shed to the cell.

"Through the evidence gathered in our investigation we believe that no firearms were taken ... by the suspects and all firearms are accounted for," Cardamone said.

In addition, while Ehrisman said during the podcast that the shed had only existed for a couple of years, Cardamone said it had been there since the 1980s. Ehrisman also said that he did not know what was in the shed and had never been in it.

"That is his responsibility," Cardamone countered. "He is supposed to know what is in there, and, in fact, our investigation revealed that the chief knew exactly what was in the shed because the responding officers told him."

Meanwhile, the sheriff's office also investigated the possibility that Tarr and former department officer, Kyle Dalton, inappropriately kept firearms that were turned over by a resident to the department.

Cardamone said a resident wanted to hand over the guns to the department for "safe keeping," because they did not want the firearms in their house.

Tarr and Ehrisman picked up four firearms and ammunition from the resident, according to Cardamone. He said the firearms were turned over to the department's property and evidence management personnel for storage, with a property sheet completed by Tarr.

The department policy in such instances, Cardamone said, is that items turned over to police stay with

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# Viola placed in difficult position

the property sheet. But during an inventory conducted by the sheriff's office, deputies found that three of the four firearms were missing.

Tarr admitted that he had a shotgun, according to Cardamone, but said he did not know where the other guns were.

Later, when sheriff's office detectives went to his house, Tarr told them that Dalton had the other gun in Delaware. The guns from both were later retrieved by the sheriff's office.

After an extensive search of the facility, the third firearm was located by detectives on the floor under a pile of uniforms in the armory.

The property sheet that was supposed to remain with the weapons in storage did not and Tarr never documented that the guns were removed from property and evidence, Cardamone said. In addition, there was no record of where the guns were, or who possessed them.

This "violates all law enforcement best practices as well as OPPD policy regarding the handling of property and since the act was intentional, it is considered misconduct by the involved officers," Cardamone said.

According to the podcast, Tarr and Dalton had taken the guns to a firing range. Cardamone said when investigators learned of this, and that they had also fired all the ammunition the resident had turned over to the police, Tarr and Dalton came under criminal investigation by the state prosecutor.

"This is why Chris Tarr was suspended," Cardamone said. "Dalton would have been suspended too if he was still an employee."

Cardamone said Tarr's emergency suspension remained in effect until the prosecutor's office decided not to file charges.

detail when he was suspended," Cardamone said.

In mid-May, the prosecutor's office notified Cardamone there would be no criminal charges against Tarr, who was then returned to full duty. He has since left the police department of his own accord.

Although Cardamone could not discuss the personnel matters of the Ocean Pines department, he said the circumstances of employees' actions were evaluated, and steps have been taken to ensure that something like this does not happen in the future.

Cardamone said he was confused by Tarr and Ehrisman's comments on the podcast about their suspensions. He said both officers were clearly told of the investigation and were both represented by counsel. Cardamone said he was in regular contact with their attorneys, as were Ocean Pines Association officials and the State Prosecutor's Office.

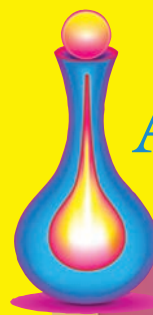
"Ocean Pines general manager John Viola was put in a very difficult position, but made all of his decisions in the best interest of the Ocean Pines community and he deserves a lot of credit for his management of the situation," Cardamone said.

Tarr and Ehrisman were represented by the Baltimore law firm Schlachman, Belsky, Weiner, and Davey, a previer law firm in Maryland that represents police.

Regarding Ehrisman, Cardamone said that as chief, he was the responsible party for anything that happened under his watch.

"If for no other reason than for the safety of the Ocean Pines community, he [Ehrisman] should have instructed officers to immediately and aggressively investigate the shed burglary," Cardamone said. "Had he simply done this, the initial misconduct complaint would not have been

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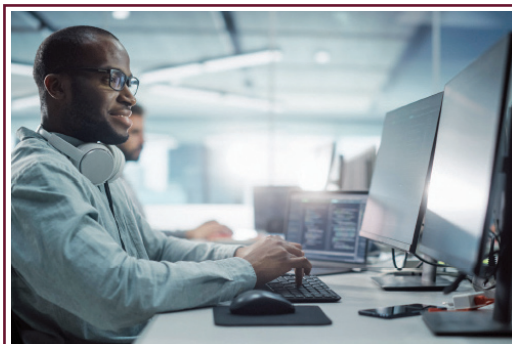
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# Veterans Day ceremony Nov. 11 at Ocean Pines memorial

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation will host a traditional ceremony to commemorate Veterans Day on Saturday, Nov. 11.

The annual tribute begins at 11 a.m. at the memorial grounds in Ocean Pines.

Memorial Foundation President Marie Gilmore said in a news release that the ceremony will include patriotic music from the Delmarva Chorus, a color guard presentation of local American Legion representatives, and an address by guest speaker Col. David Cahn.

"Col. Cahn, USMC (retired) had a highly distinguished career spanning 35 years," Gilmore said. "He served in

the Middle East, Granada, Panama, South Korea, and on major Marine Corps bases. He was actively involved in wars and conflicts during Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, the Gulf War, Beirut, and Grenada. We are honored to have Col. Cahn as our Keynote Speaker."

Some seating will be provided, but those who attend are encouraged to bring a chair.

In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will move to the Ocean Pines Community Center.

For more information on the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines and the Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation, visit [opvets.org](https://opvets.org).

# Community center gets funds

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\$420,000 for Fiscal 2024, Fiscal 2025, and Fiscal 2026. If LIG revenue exceeds projections, any changes to expenditures will be reflected on the Town of Berlin's LIG Expenditure Report provided to the Worcester County Local Development Council each year."

Councilwoman Shaneka Nichols made the suggestion that \$200,000 in unassigned LIG funding go to a proposed community center. Councilman Steve Green supported funding for the community center and Councilman Jack Knerr suggested taking \$45,000 of that money for the ambulance replacement fund.

The proposed location for a community center is at the current multi-purpose building and Head Start facility on Flower Street. A proposed budget for the full costs of a community center is not known at this time, according to Town Administrator Mary Bohlen, who said more fundraising efforts and grants will be sought.

Berlin's share of the local gambling proceeds is projected to be higher than the funds needed for LEOPS.

Residual impact funds can be used for infrastructure improvements, facilities, sanitation, economic and community development and other public services and improvements.

# OP department in 'good place'

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made, and these investigations would not have been initiated."

He noted that since the burglary, the sheriff's office brought Ocean Pines police employees to their offices to conduct training on proper submission, documentation and processing of property and evidence to ensure that proper procedures were followed in the future.

Cardamone said the new chief of police, Tim Robinson, "is an honorable professional and will right the ship." He added that all the involved employees are no longer with the department and he believes the agency has come out in a good place.

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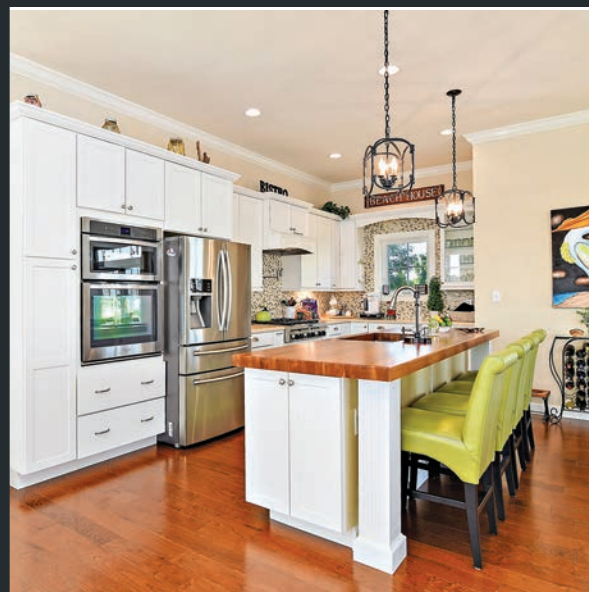
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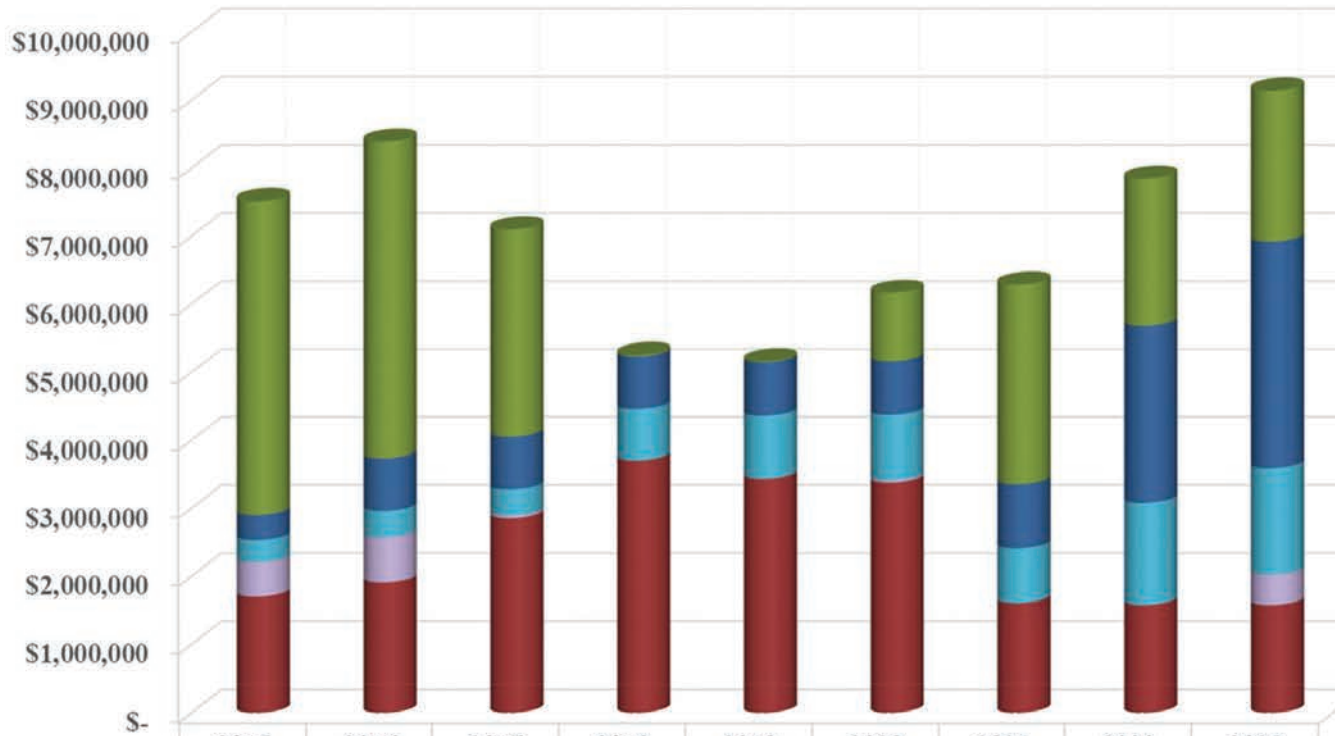


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■ Assigned (Health, Comm. Cntr, Stabilization, Police, Capital Reserve)	363,843	773,305	775,247	777,201	790,676	791,005	938,602	2,600,983	3,332,294
■ Committed (Impact fees, Debt Reduction, Disaster Recovery)	325,810	383,769	383,769	750,414	921,293	961,743	802,215	1,496,878	1,563,923
■ Restricted (Slots)	505,721	663,568	39,082	2,407	4,233	32,886	1,277	4,587	447,340
■ Nonspendable (Due from other funds)	1,703,469	1,912,242	2,853,376	3,703,396	3,430,930	3,375,304	1,609,137	1,579,137	1,579,137



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## Berlin's FY 2023 budget depicts sound projections

By Cindy Hoffman  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Natalie Saleh, the finance director for the Town of Berlin presented the unaudited finances for Fiscal Year 2023 during the last Tuesday's mayor and council meeting.

Total revenue raised in the general fund was \$9 million, with 47 percent of that coming from property taxes. Other sources of funds included 20 percent from intergovernmental revenues, 10 percent from service charges, 6 percent from grants and other revenue from licenses and permits, and impact fee reserves and other sources of income.

The general fund is the general operating fund for the Town of Berlin. Money in the fund is spent for the general government and in accordance with the annual appropriated budget approved by the mayor and council, according to materials presented by Saleh.

Saleh said that actual revenue came in at over \$13 million, including \$4.8 million from grants.

"If we take that amount out, we are pretty much at the level of what we budgeted," Saleh said.

Expenses came in at \$9 million, See AUDIT Page 11

# Worcester Co. to celebrate economic development week

(Oct. 19, 2023) Worcester County Tourism and Economic Development, in partnership with the Maryland Economic Development Association invites the public to join in celebrating Economic Development Week Oct. 23-27.

During the week, county economic development professionals will showcase how local and state partnerships work together to attract new residents and businesses, spur new jobs, and develop new career training opportunities.

“Creating new business opportunities and spurring job growth and higher incomes promotes not just economic wellbeing, but also the overall quality of life throughout Worcester County,” Worcester County Tourism and Economic Development Business Development and Retention Specialist Michele Burke said in a news release. “Thriving communities instill in all of us a greater sense of pride and belonging in our home county and our great State of Maryland.”

The group will highlight local initiatives that are improving business retention, job growth, and quality of life for Maryland residents.

Burke will be on 98.1 Irie Radio at 8:30 a.m., Monday to discuss Economic Development Week events and showcase the Worcester County business community.

At 4 p.m. Tuesday, there will be an open house at the county economic development office on Green Street in

Snow Hill. Attendees can tour the new office space, sample refreshments from area eateries, and network with community leaders.

Throughout the week, visit #EconDevWeek and @MarylandsCoast on social media. Worcester County Tourism and Economic Development will post photos, videos, and links to entrepreneurial resources, economic development week endeavors, and business spotlights with area entrepreneurs.

Learn more about Economic Development Week festivities by contacting Burke at 410-632-3112 or mburke@marylandscoast.org, or visit choosemarylandscoast.org.

## OP's new fitness survey released

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Ocean Pines Association has released a short survey for residents about a proposed outdoor fitness area.

The survey should take about one minute to complete and can be found at: [surveymonkey.com/r/opaoutdoorfitness](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/opaoutdoorfitness).

## Audit results will come next month

Continued from Page 10 with 31 percent going towards public safety, 26 percent to general government expenses, 17 percent going towards capital outlay and 15 percent to public works.

Capital fund projects included a wage compensation study and plan for growth, surveillance cameras, the Berlin bike path, handguns and Tasers for the police department, road barriers, street and path paving, snow blowers, playground equipment and a comfort station for the Stephen Decatur Park, lights for the Henry Park basketball court. Two trucks were purchased for Public Works and Police.

Saleh said not all capital fund projects were completed during the fiscal year and funding was carried forward for those projects.

The electric revenue was up by \$178,000, the water fund was also up by \$139,000, sewer was up over \$1 million, stormwater fund came in at a small loss of less than \$1000.

Saleh said she will get final reports from the auditors in November and the audited statements will be presented in December.

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CINDY HOFFMAN/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Patty Gamby, a member of the Environment and Natural Assets Advisory Committee in Ocean Pines created a disposal unit for fishers to dispose of used fishing line and hooks. She hopes to get them placed around the South Pond and other locations in Ocean Pines.

## Proper disposal of fishing line critical to wildlife safety

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Many people love to fish in the various ponds in Ocean Pines, but sometimes fishing line can get caught in trees or just left on the ground by careless anglers.

During a recent fishing tournament, two birds were injured after they got caught up in the monofilament fishing lines. One problem is that people fishing apparently can't find a place to safely discard fishing line.

Enter Patty Gamby, an environmental engineer and member of the Environment and Natural Assets Advisory Committee in Ocean Pines.

"This is a problem that is not unique to the Pines," Gamby said.

When she heard about the problems with fishing lines, she looked online to see if she could find a disposal unit. When she could not, she got to work designing one.

She created a unit made out of PVC pipe with an elbow at the top and a cap at the bottom. The materials cost about \$30. Her husband

made a prototype for her and she provided an instructional label on it using her Cricket.

She has walked the south pond and identified four locations to mount the units on posts that have already been placed around the pond.

She said the environment committee has been working closely with the Anglers Club on this project. Club members have agreed to help monitor the disposal units and empty them when necessary.

Gamby said there is a specific way to dispose of monofilament lines. When the containers are full, they will empty them and burn the contents. She said it would not be appropriate to put the fishing line in the trash as is, because it could still trap and injure birds and other wildlife.

By burning the content, the plastic will become a small ball that can then be thrown out.

Gamby said they still need to get approval to place the units. If they do not get funding from OPA for the units, she plans to encourage people or groups to donate to the cause.

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# Rec and parks hosting golf tourney

Annual Tee Off for Youth fundraiser Nov. 3 to help underprivileged children

(Oct. 19, 2023) Worcester County Recreation & Parks is hosting the 11th annual Tee Off for Youth Golf Tournament Fundraiser on Nov. 3 at the Ocean City Golf Club.

Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m., with a shotgun start to follow at 11.

The cost to participate is \$80 per golfer, and all proceeds will benefit underprivileged youth who participate in rec youth programs, leagues, after-school activities and summer camps.

According to a news release, more than one-third of those participating in the programs are considered underprivileged, and tournament proceeds provide scholarships to assure all children can participate in recreation programs year-round.

To register a four-man scramble, fill out a form on the rec and parks website or pick one up in person at the Worcester County Recreation Center at 6030 Public Landing Road in Snow Hill. The registration deadline is Oct. 27.

The release said sponsors, auction baskets, volunteers, and donations are needed to run this year's tourna-



A participating team in a past Tee Off for Youth Golf Tournament and Fundraiser pose for a photo. This year's event is set for Nov. 3.

ment. Organizations can be promoted with sponsorships. Options for sponsorships include dinner, lunch, beverage cart, tee sign(s), and other donations.

For more information contact

Derek Jarmon at 410-632-2144, x2509 or [djarmon@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:djarmon@co.worcester.md.us).

To learn more about rec and parks special events, visit [playmaryland-coast.org](http://playmaryland-coast.org).

# Land trust hosts native planting speaking series

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Lower Shore Land Trust's Native Planting Speaker Series will feature author Barbara Ellis from 6-8 p.m. next Thursday at the Ocean Pines Library in Berlin.

Ellis's talk — "Greener Gardens: One Step at a Time" — will cover various options "designed to help everyone take steps toward greener native gardens without becoming overwhelmed by the enormity of the task," according to a news release from the Land Trust.

"Creating a greener yard and garden of native plants does not have to involve making life-altering changes," Ellis said in the release.

Ellis plans to present ideas organized around six essential principles that can help gardeners work toward greener native landscapes.

The result is landscapes that are attractive and healthy for humans, wildlife, pets, and the environment, she said.

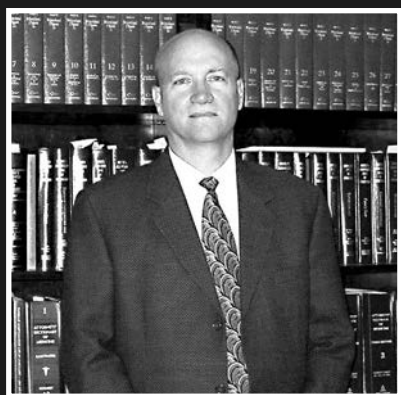
Ellis's newest book, "Container and Small Space Gardening for the South," will be released at the end of March.

To RSVP for the event, call 443-234-5587 or email [mresto@lower-shorelandtrust.org](mailto:mresto@lower-shorelandtrust.org).

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# Snapshots



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## SCHOOL SPIRIT

Worcester Preparatory School students, faculty, and staff recently gathered for a pep rally to commence this school year's chosen theme of IMPACT. (Left) Worcester Prep Cheerleaders Evelyn Westman, Maggie McCabe, Quinn Solloway, Grant Crothers, Madilyn Nechay and Avery Roselle helped get the crowd hyped up during the pep rally. (Right) Pictured, from left, are Worcester Prep seniors Mia Lovitt, Savannah Palmisano, and Emma Crivella during the pep rally.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## PROCLAMATION

The Worcester County Commissioners and representatives of the Eastern Shore Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of Maryland celebrated White Cane Awareness Day in Worcester County on Oct. 15. Pictured, from left with the proclamation, are federation chapter President Anne Joyner, with Heather Guy, Cathy Moody and Amy Crouse.



PHOTO COURTESY DAVID LANDIS SR.

## SIERRA CLUB AT KIWANIS

Pictured, from left, are Sierra Club members Jacky Grindrod, Cindy Dillon and Patrick Trate after a presentation to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City on Oct. 11. The members discussed the club's mission and activities during the weekly meeting.

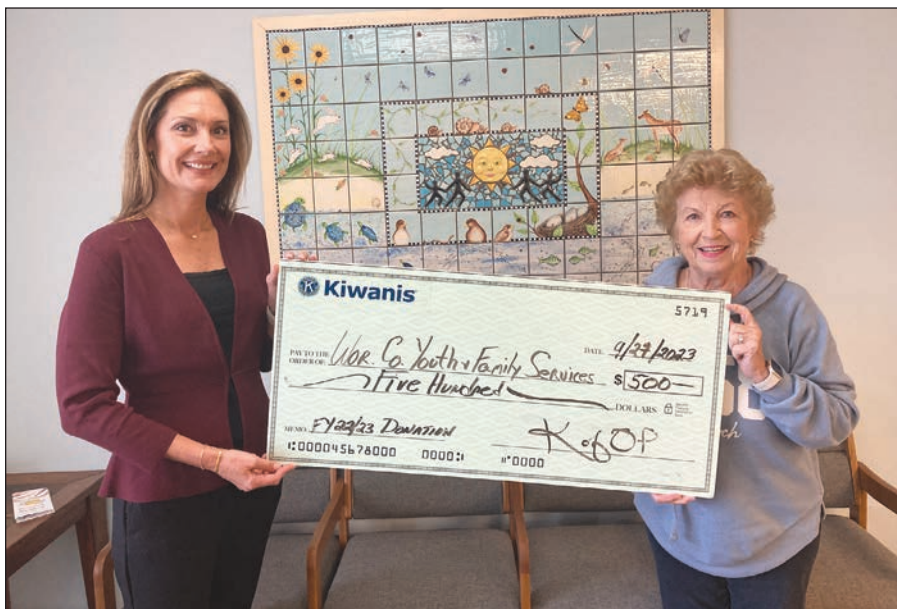


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## DONATION TO YOUTH

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City recently presented a \$500 check to Worcester County Youth & Family Services in Berlin. Pictured with the check, left, is Jennifer Leggour, the executive director of the organization, and Kiwanis Club Treasurer Carolyn Dryzga.



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## VOLUNTEER QUILTERS

Quilters by the Sea in Ocean Pines was recently named a 2023 group/team spirit award recipient for embodying the volunteer spirit of Worcester County. The group crafted and donated 608 handmade items to organizations and individuals in 2022. Pictured, from left, with the County Commissioners at a recent meeting are Quilters By The Sea members Kristen Pruitt, president; Stephanie Dilworth, volunteer coordinator; and Jo Anne Donnelly, assistant volunteer coordinator



PHOTO COURTESY OF MATTHEW HARHAI

Matthew and Anmei Harhai teach people how to forage for mushrooms. Here they have found chicken of the woods on a tree.

# Farmer teaches others how to safely forage for mushrooms

By **Cindy Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Mathew Harhai of Goat Plum Tree Farms introduces people to the wonderful world of mushrooms.

Harhai calls himself an amateur when it comes to mycology, the study of mushrooms, since he did not graduate with a degree. He learned how to forage for mushrooms when he lived in Oregon around Mount Hood.

He may not be a professional mycologist, but he knows mushrooms and shares his expertise and passion with others through classes he conducts at Mariner's Country Down in Berlin.

During the class, participants are told about the health benefits of mushrooms the newest research and rules to live by. Then Harhai takes the group out foraging on the property, which boasts an array of mushrooms, that he helps his students identify. Then he cooks wild mushrooms for the group to taste.

find so many different mushrooms including boletes, russulas, amanitas, and wood conks. We find over 16 varieties of edible mushrooms, including honey mushrooms, chanterelles, lion's mane, chicken of the woods, and oysters," Harhai said.

Classes are designed to be engaging for young and old.

While many mushrooms are edible, some are poisonous.

"Most poisonous mushrooms won't kill you, but they might make you wish you were dead," Harhai said.

Harhai believes that picking a mushroom is the best way to identify one, as harvesters want to look at all its features: stems, gills, and pores. There are guidebooks that can be used to help identify mushrooms, but it's important to forage with someone who is educated in mushrooms before eating one.

Harhai said that scientists have identified about 3,000-5,000 species of mushrooms but it is believed there

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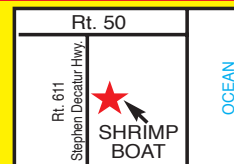
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# Opinion

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## Cardamone clears air on OP police shakeup

Lt. Brian Cardamone, chief of staff at the Worcester County Sheriff's Office, has had his say, and that is the end of it.

No amount of story-bending or tale-twisting regarding last December's burglary of an Ocean Pines Police Department storage shed and the aftermath of that event will change the facts as he laid them out in an interview this week.

That shed, which ought to be replaced with something more secure, did contain case evidence. Further, the leadership and other members of the department knew that, or at least became aware of it during the post-burglary transfer of property from the shed to a cell in the department's lockup.

Included in that property were numerous firearms, including handguns and shotguns (which should have been stored in some less accessible location) and not odds and ends such as light bars and other harmless department materiel, as was claimed in a recent Ocean Pines podcast.

Further, the sheriff's office's investigation of the break-in, led by Cardamone during his brief stint as the department's acting police chief, did result in the discovery of other breaches of standard police policy and procedures by department personnel.

To be clear, the break-in itself is being treated as a separate incident and remains under investigation, while the other problems within the community police force seem to be the result of laissez-faire management.

In other words, departmental leadership failed to observe the strict standards expected of any law enforcement agency and was held accountable for it.

Essentially, Cardamone entered the situation to look into the department's handling of the shed break-in and found a big and mostly unrelated mess that he and Ocean Pines Association management agreed had to be addressed.

Suggestions and assertions that his actions weren't warranted, or were somehow unfair, are unfair and irresponsible themselves ... because they simply aren't true.

### OCEAN PINES ASSOCIATION REPORT

## Upgrades beautify OPA community

Maintenance projects include yacht club sail sign and more

In the picturesque community of Ocean Pines, maintenance and beautification efforts continue to be a top priority.

Recent efforts have included the refurbishment of the yacht club sail sign at the entranceway on Ocean Parkway and Mumford's Landing. Ocean Pines and an outside contractor worked together to power wash, clean and repair rotted wood on the 50-year-old sign, which then received a fresh coat of paint and restored lettering. Up next, the association will work to reproduce the original "Yacht Club" sign and sailboat that once graced the entranceway.

Beautification projects have extended to the North and South Gate entrances, as well as new landscaping spanning the length of Ocean Parkway.

But the commitment to improvements doesn't end there. Several public bathrooms, including those at the yacht club marina, White Horse Park, and various pools, are slated for new coats of paint.

The racquet center recently saw an array of improvements, from a new shade structure to pickleball sidewalks, and a new patio for platform tennis. There have also been many new and refurbished courts over the last several years.

The continuous work on drainage issues

over the last five years demonstrates a dedication to maintaining a functional and resilient community. Such measures have made a significant difference in safeguarding the community against major storms.

Elsewhere, the swim and racquet club got a new roof, the yacht club pool received new fencing, and the beach club saw decking repairs and the addition of palm trees. The administration building received a fresh makeover with new paint, flooring, and HVAC units.

The golf clubhouse now features acoustic panels and a refreshed entry hallway, and the golf maintenance team has implemented a host of improvements to enhance the quality of greens and fairways.

The yacht club marina saw major upgrades, with new aluminum gas docks and T-docks installed last spring. Even mailbox pedestals and bases have received attention, with cleaning and replacement occurring on a regular basis.

If you have ideas or suggestions for further improvements in Ocean Pines, contact [info@oceanpines.org](mailto:info@oceanpines.org). The Ocean Pines Association remains committed to enhancing the community's beauty and functionality, ensuring that it continues to be a premiere resort community.

## Farmers to share stories at library

Speakers coming to Ocean Pines from three Berlin farms

(Oct. 12, 2023) The Friends of the Ocean Pines Library will host a farm-to-library event as part of the organization's semi-annual membership meeting on Oct. 23.

Local farmers will share their stories, including how they got started farming, what products they sell, and the challenges and benefits of operating their farms.

The event is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served. The membership meeting begins at 10 a.m., followed by the farm-to-library event at 11 a.m.

The guest speakers will be Matthew Harhai from Goat Plum Tree Farm, Nancie Corbett from Bluebird Farms and Carol Cross from Cross Farms, all located in Berlin.

There will also be an informative question-and-answer session, and possibly some samples from the farms.

## Worcester GOLD to host fundraiser

(Oct. 19, 2023) Local non-profit Worcester County GOLD will host a fundraiser this Monday at Burley Oak Brewery.

Named Dignity on Tap, the event is set from 6-9 p.m., Oct. 23.

The event will feature live music from Joe Esham and six guest bartenders, including Jessie Shue and Tom Hinkle

from Stephen Decatur High School, Bobby Taylor and Johnny Holt from the Purple Moose Saloon, Jamie Stewart from Pickles Pub, and GOLD's newest board member and Bank of Ocean City employee, Amber Ray.

Attendees can buy raffle tickets to win gift cards to local businesses, including Dolle's Candyland, Wockenfuss, At-

lantic Shoals Surf Shop, and more.

Burley Oak will donate 10 percent of the bar ring and 50 percent of tips. All proceeds will support GOLD's mission to improve the quality of life for Worcester County residents living in low-income circumstances by providing emergency financial assistance and items to meet basic needs.

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# Frontier Town hosting annual spooky Halloween haunted trail

By Taylor Sloan  
Feature Writer

(Oct. 19, 2023) Frontier Town's "haunted trail" that has been spooking visitors all this month will continue from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. for the next two Fridays.

The walk is through the woods inside the Western theme park off Route 611 in Berlin. Meredith Birch, Sun Outdoors Recreation manager, said the walk takes about 15 minutes and is "quite a fun time."

All ages are welcome, but parental discretion is advised for anyone who scares easily.

Every year Frontier Town donates proceeds from the trail to local charities.

"Last year we raised over \$3,000 over four weekends," Birch said. "We are hoping to meet that again."

The trail is also a way for high school students to earn service-learning hours.

Last year, the Stephen Decatur High School National English Honor Society

received a portion of Frontier Town's proceeds from the trail, which they donated to Believe in Tomorrow's Children's House by The Sea, a respite housing project for ill children. Members of the honor society have returned this year, as well.

Birch said one of her team members at Frontier Town is on the Parkside High School volleyball team, and members of the team have donated their time in the "animal section" of the trail for service hours. "When one of our team members has a need, we want to fill it," Birch said.

The "haunted trail" has continued for over 20 years at Frontier Town and is "heavily volunteer based." The entrance is through the Western theme park, and tickets cost \$10. Cash is preferred for donation purposes. For questions and more information, contact Frontier Town at 410-641-0880 or visit sunoutdoors.com/maryland/.



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A spooky figure in a mask stands in the middle of the haunted trail at Frontier Town. The Halloween-themed walk will continue this Friday and next at the Western theme park off of Route 611 in Berlin.

# Diversity of mushrooms on Eastern Shore

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are more than 10,000 types in existence. He said with the decline of biodiversity, the world is losing mushroom species before people can even identify them.

Harhai explained that mushrooms have three roles. One is to help matter decompose by growing on decaying plants and animals. A second role is networking, which entails mushrooms that are connected with the roots of over 90 percent of land-dwelling plants. Then there are parasitic mushrooms that live off of a host plant. He said there are also mushrooms that have been found to grow towards nuclear fallout, like oysters of the land, cleaning up contaminants.

Harhai said there remain many wild spaces on the Eastern Shore to explore for mushrooms.

One of his favorite places is Pocomoke Forest, which he considers

a beacon of biodiversity.

"It's great to live in a rural setting where there are still a lot of forests around which hold a lot of biodiversity."

Besides the mushroom foraging classes, he offers instruction on how to create a gourmet mushroom log and sells mushroom logs so people can grow their own mushrooms at home.

He has a small organic farm on Mariner's Country Down called Goat Plum Tree Farm that specializes in berries and tree fruits.

He will be speaking at the Ocean Pines Library on Oct. 23 at 11 a.m. The event is called Farm to Library and is being presented by the Friends of Ocean Pines Library.

His next foraging class is on Nov. 11 from 9 a.m.-noon. He also sells mushroom T-shirts on Etsy, with a portion of all profits going to fungi perfect studies to save bees and

fungi.

Harhai has a stand at the Berlin Farmers Market during the season, which is now over. Follow Goat Plum

Tree Farm to find out about classes and other events at <https://www.facebook.com/GoatPlumTreeFarm>

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# Paint Worcester Co. announces plein air winners

(Oct. 19, 2023) A total of 35 artists from four different states painted their hearts out from Sept. 17-22 and competed for cash prizes in the Paint Worcester County, plein air event sponsored by Worcester County Arts Council.

Ann Coates, local art supporter and owner of the Bishop's Stock Fine Art, Craft & Wine Gallery in Snow Hill, judged the completed artwork in the competition.

The first place prize was awarded to Lori Yates from Easton for her oil painting, "Cropper Island Road." Second place went to Carla Huber of Woolford, for "Pocomoke Cypress", an oil painting, and third prize award was given to Cheryl Wisbrock of Bethany Beach for the "Birder's Delight," a watercolor painting.

Honorable mention awards were presented to Easton artist Rhonda Ford for "George's Island Landing," and Nancy Fine of Hampstead, for



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Pictured, from left, are Paint Worcester County plein air event winners Cheryl Wisbrock, Rhonda Ford, Lori Yates, Carla Huber, Judith Showell Loeber, Nancy Fine, Homer Proctor, and Judy Benton. Not present: Kathy Gibson and Jill Glassman.

her "Vacant Parking House" oil painting.

Maryland Legislators' (Senate Choice), selected by Sen. Mary Beth Carozza was awarded to Ocean Pines artist, Jill Glassman for her painting of "Blackbeard's Beach."

Maryland Legislators' (Delegate Choice) was presented by Delegate Wayne Hartman to Judy Benton of Ocean City, for "Starry Night in Berlin," an acrylic painting.

Worcester County Commissioners' award, selected by Commissioner

Chip Bertino, was presented to Kathy Gibson of Ocean Pines for her oil/cold wax painting called "My View of Bainbridge Park."

The Berlin Mayor's Award, presented by Mayor Zachary Tyndall, was given to Judith Showell Loeber of Millsboro, for her oil painting of "Hotel Atlantic, Berlin."

The Worcester County Library Foundation award, selected by Foundation President Carol Rose, was received by Homer Proctor, of Seaford, for "South Point Landing," an oil painting.

The Artists' Choice award was given to Carla Huber for her oil "Nesting in the Dunes," and the Arts Council's Board of Directors award went to Lori Yates for her oil painting, "Backyard Sanctuary."

The selection of paintings created during the Paint Worcester County, plein air event remains on public display at the Worcester County Library, Berlin branch (second floor) until Oct. 30th.

All artwork in the exhibit is available for sale.

For more information on exhibited artwork or to make a purchase, contact the Worcester County Arts Council at 410-641-0809 or [curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org](mailto:curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org)

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# New coastkeeper self-proclaimed 'river rat'

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Assateague Coastal Trust recently has welcomed Taylor Swanson as the organization's new coastkeeper.

According to a news release, Swanson is a Maryland native, growing up in the Annapolis area with experience working across the Chesapeake and Coastal bays. He considers himself a proud "river rat," since his youngest days.

"Rain or shine, snow or wind, nothing could keep me from exploring this amazing place," Swanson said in the release. "There's magic in every creek, tributary, and bay, you just need to go look."

Swanson's passion and curiosity for the natural world led him to the University of Vermont, where he received



Taylor Swanson

his bachelor's degree in wildlife and fisheries biology. It was there that he developed an acute interest in environmental stewardship and education, and an even stronger desire to help

give a voice to the landscapes and waterways surrounding him.

"The Coastal Bays on the Eastern Shore have always held a special place in my heart and have provided a better vision of how I would like to see the world," Swanson said. "With my past environmental experience along with the mission of Assateague Coastal Trust, I am eager for the opportunity to use my creative networking skills,

my science knowledge, and the love of the outdoors, to continue to inspire stewardship with a broader audience. I am deeply committed to the Coastal Bays' watershed."

Brenda Davis, the trust's executive director, said in the release that officials are excited Swanson has joined the team.

"We have many new projects on the forefront and he's the perfect candidate to accomplish them," she said.

The Assateague coastkeeper is a licensed member of the Waterkeeper Alliance and hosted by Assateague Coastal Trust since 2002. The Assateague coastkeeper speaks for the waters they defend - with the collective strength of the Waterkeeper Alliance, the coastal trust and the

backing of the local communities. The coastkeeper serves as the on-the-water monitor, on-the-ground educator, and in-the-trenches advocate for clean water and healthy communities ensuring regulations are enforced and polluters are held accountable.

The release said local residents, businesses, and technologies such as the Swim Guide, Water Reporter, and MyCoast apps contribute to improve waterways, while protecting the community's health.

The Assateague coastkeeper jurisdiction includes Worcester County and small portions of Delaware and Virginia, covering roughly 823 square miles. Amplifying the voices of impacted communities is a staple of the organization's work.

## Obituary

### C. JAMES HOLLOWAY JR. (JIM)

Ocean Pines

C. James Holloway Jr. (Jim), 86, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, passed away after a brief illness on Oct. 12, 2023, surrounded by his family.



C. Holloway Jr.

Born in Salisbury, he was the beloved husband of Betty Larmore Holloway and son of the late Claude J. and Grace T. Holloway.

A graduate of Wicomico High School, class of 1955, Jim continued his education to earn a bachelor's degree majoring in economics with a minor in mathematics from Washington College in 1959. Memberships included the Kappa Alpha National Social Fraternity, Omicron Delta Kappa Society, National Leadership Honor Society, and treasurer of the senior class. He was honored by the Washington College athletic hall of fame as a member of the 1958 baseball team.

Post graduate education included a master of business administration degree from George Washington University in 1962 while working for the L. Holloway & Bro. Produce Company, in Washington, D.C.

Jim had a distinguished 35-year federal government career with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission first in Brookhaven, New York, and then in Washington, D.C. He earned a Meritorious Service Award for Administrative Excellence and retired in 1997 as a special assistant to the Chief Finance Officer.

A faithful husband, dedicated father, and grandfather, he resided in Rockville, for over 30 years. He was a member of the Rockville United Methodist Church, Montgomery County Barbershop Harmony Association, and a baseball coach with the

Rockville Boys Baseball Association.

His retirement years spent in Ocean Pines allowed him to pursue his love of travel, golf and the ocean. He participated as a member of the community church and the Pine Tones Chorus.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Betty L. Holloway; son, Paul J. Holloway (Kristi); daughter Linda H. Schueler (Jeffrey); and five

grandchildren, Sarah Consolazio (Joe), Matthew Holloway (Sammi), Beth Holloway, Philip Schueler and Paul Schueler. Also surviving are a sister, Carolyn H. Banks; and a brother, Robert A. Holloway.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Virginia H. Toadvine.

A funeral service will be held at 2

p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the Holloway Funeral Home, 501 Snow Hill Road, Salisbury. Family and friends will be received from 1-2 p.m. at the Holloway Funeral Home in Salisbury.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Community Foundation, "Wi Hi Class of '55 Scholarship Fund" at [cfes.org/memorial](http://cfes.org/memorial).

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# Cuisine

## Tasty, filling barbecue burrito 'sandwich'

Reprint from Oct. 27, 2022

I raise my glass as I think of our broken industry, one to which hundreds of thousands of workers never returned after the pandemic.

Short-staffed, short-tempered and exhausted, those of us remaining in the field simply try to eke out a week or two

here and there to get away and unwind.

Of course, that often does not happen, but I can assure you that it is much needed and well received when it does come to fruition.

Regardless of customer demand, so many restaurants are closed one to two days per week.

In fact, this became most obvious this summer when one of the largest and most successful marina spots was closed for lunch three days a week. That is unprecedented and is a telling sign of the times. My fingers are crossed as I anxiously sit through the next few years.

Honestly, I foresee a massive shift from full-service to counter service. There really is no other way to maximize what very little profit exists in the business for owners already.

And with that being said, my mind races to foods that fare well in quick service settings. I think over-the-counter is going to be the new trend and as such, I immediately think sandwiches.

Sandwiches in every iteration are the foundation of American Cuisine, despite what all of the fancy chefs say.

It is nigh impossible to find a lunch menu anywhere that does not have at least three selections listed. We love our sandwiches, don't we?

And then that brings me to my favorite argument with purists: which of the following are sandwiches? Pizza, hot dogs and burritos?

I would personally argue that all three are sandwiches, but try telling that to someone from New York or Chicago. Yeah, it does not always go over well. But I stand by it, as if it has bread and filling, it is by definition a sandwich.

Take the mighty pizza, for example. I eat mine by folding it over. The result? Bread on top, bread on bottom and filling in between. Sandwich.

The hot dog is filling surrounded



By Paul Suplee,  
MBA, CEC, PC-3



by bread. Sandwich.

The burrito is filling wrapped entirely by bread. Sandwich.

And yes, I'm sure that the paper will receive at least one type-written piece of hate mail arguing the point, but sometimes things just need to be said.

And to troll just a little bit more, if you want to have a lot of fun in Chicago, take some ketchup packets with you the next time you get a dog in ChiTown. They will come after you.

Apparently that is the gravest of sins, so watch your back if you decide to take me up on my terrible advice.

When we get to the burrito, I guess the main people who would argue whether it truly is a sandwich would be Texans, with their affinity for over-stuffed burritos and chimichangas.

The latter was introduced at the World Fair in Texas in the '50s, and things have never been the same. It is an infinitely simple dish that has had a profound impact on the Tex-Mex world. Apparently deep-frying things makes them taste better. Who knew?

But in this case, we do not need to deep fry anything.

The glorious burrito that you see before you is moist and satiating enough without the added fat and grease. It's simply an amazing, tasty

and decadent burrito that you can make to wow friends and family alike.

When looking for the wraps themselves, do a little research and find Aladdin Bakers wraps.

These are the best you can buy and they don't tear, crack or fall apart. They are perfect for this application. And if you don't have time to wait, just buy some normal wraps while you wait for the Aladdins to show up.

So go, make some sandwiches... I mean burritos. And relish in the fact that you probably down work in our business. You lucky son of a gun.

### BBQ Burrito

serves 4

4 ea. Good quality large tortillas  
4 c. Cooked rice and beans  
2 lb. Fresh pulled pork (recipe follows)  
2 c. Homemade cheese sauce  
1/2 c. Kansas City BBQ sauce  
Salsa (optional)

• Lay out the tortillas and split the rice, beans and pulled pork among them.

• Roll them up as you would any other burrito and place them seam-side down on plates.

• Cover with the warm cheese sauce and drizzle the BBQ sauce on

top.

• Garnish with the salsa if you decided to use that and go to town.

### Pulled Pork

makes 1 butt

1 Boston butt  
1 c. Kosher salt  
1/4 c. Black pepper  
1/4 c. Cocoa powder  
1/4 c. Granulated garlic  
1/4 c. Onion powder  
2 Tbsp. Paprika

• Combine dry ingredients and rub the pork butt, thoroughly coating it.

• Place in a smoker at 225F and smoke for 16 hours, or until it has that amazing bark on the outside, and it pulls apart when you shred it.

• Remove and when still warm (but cool enough to handle), pull the pork and keep warm.

• I do not add any BBQ sauce to the pulled pork, as this does not need it. It has such an amazing flavor that I believe that a little sauce on top of the finished dish is plenty. If you want to add some here, it certainly is your call.

*Paul Suplee is the owner of Boxcar40 in Pittsville and senior lecturer of culinary arts at UMES.*

# Calendar

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

## Thurs., Oct. 19

### SUNFEST

Hugh T. Cropper Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Four days of free music, more than 200 artisans and artist, an array of fall activities and a wide selection of food vendors. <https://ococean.com/sunfest/>

### CPAP MASK FITTING

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

### CHESS CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Come to the library and 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. This workshop starts with a 20-minute lesson on genealogy research followed by a Q&A session. Bring any family information you have. Registration requested: 410-208-4014. [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### SETTING UP YOUR SURVIVING SPOUSE FOR SUCCESS WITH INFOCUS FINANCIAL

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Learn how to appropriately plan for the unexpected loss of a spouse or significant other. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### MOBILE MENTOR

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Providing 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)

### CAREER RESOURCES AT THE LIBRARY

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 2 p.m. Learn about free library resources. Spruce up a resume, learn computer skills and general professional development. 410-957-0878, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### SETTING UP YOUR SURVIVING SPOUSE FOR SUCCESS

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2-3 p.m. Instructors include Robert Jeter, a certified financial planner and Cynthia MacDonald, an estate planning attorney. Registration: <https://retireinfocus.com/common-estate-planning-mistakes-berlin/>. 410-

677-4848

### ZUMBA

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Join licensed, certified Zumba instructor Joyce Landsman for an hour of movement. These classes uplift and improve mood. Registration required: 410-208-4014. [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### ROMANCE BOOK CLUB: 'CEMETERY BOYS' BY AIDEN THOMAS

The Buzzed Word, 11805 Coastal Highway, Unit C, Ocean City, 6 p.m. Join the Ocean City Library with The Buzzed Word for an evening of Queer Romance and Wine. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### BEACH SINGLE 55 PLUS MEET AND GREET

Thursdays - Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4-6 p.m. 302-436-9577, [BeachSingles.org](http://BeachSingles.org).

## Fri., Oct. 20

### SUNFEST

Hugh T. Cropper Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Four days of free music, more than 200 artisans and artist, an array of fall activities and a wide selection of food vendors. <https://ococean.com/sunfest/>

### FRONTFEAR TOWN'S HAUNTED TRAIL

Sun Outdoors Frontier Town, 8428 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 7-10 p.m. The Haunted Trail is free to Sun Outdoors Frontier Town and Ocean City Gateway guests (with their campground wristbands). Admission for all others will be \$10 cash per person. 443-978-0674

### FREE COMMUNITY FLU CLINIC

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8-11 a.m. Free clinic for those ages 13 years and older. No appointment required. Drive-thru. High-dose vaccines available at this clinic. Donations help offset the cost of future flu clinics. [www.agh.care/flu](http://www.agh.care/flu)

### MAHJONG CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Join in for a fun morning of playing tile Mahjong. Feel free to bring your own tile set. All are welcome. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### COMMUNITY READ DISCUSSION: 'THERE THERE' BY TOMMY ORANGE

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Pick up a copy of this year's Maryland Humanities community read at the Berlin Library. 410-641-0650, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## Sat., Oct. 21

### SUNFEST

Hugh T. Cropper Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City. 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Four days of free music, more than 200 artisans and artist, an array of fall activities and a wide selection of food vendors. <https://ococean.com/sunfest/>

### WSW 22ND ANNUAL WALK FOR AWARENESS

Christian Community Center, 408 Gordy Road, Salisbury, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Tickets \$20. Registration begins on-site at 8 a.m. Survivor Group Photo at 9:30 a.m. and Walk begins at 10:15 a.m. Registration is \$20/adult, \$5/dog and free to kids 10 and younger. [www.womensupporting-women.org](http://www.womensupporting-women.org)

### WORCESTER COUNTY DEMOCRATS' SPIRIT OF THE PARTY BREAKFAST

Ocean City 50plus Center, 104 41st St., 8:30-10:30 a.m. Learn more about several upcoming Democratic candidates. Enjoy breakfast, door prizes, raffle and silent auction items. Cost is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Tish, 410-804-3971, [worcesterdems.org](http://worcesterdems.org)

### OCEAN PINES FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

White Horse Park, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 9 a.m.-noon. The market will be transformed into a "Broomstick Bazaar." Shoppers are encouraged to wear costumes, peruse the wares and dance to live music. [www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market](http://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market)

### WALK WITH A DOC

South Gate Park, Ocean Pines, 9 a.m. This month's speaker is Michelle Farlow, CRNP, who will discuss women's preventative care. Alyce Marzola, [amarzola@atlanticgeneral.org](mailto:amarzola@atlanticgeneral.org)

### FREE COMMUNITY FLU CLINIC

Snow Hill Fire & Ems, 4718 Snow Hill Road, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Free clinic for those ages 13 years and older. No appointment required. High-dose vaccines available at this clinic. Donations help offset the cost of future flu clinics. [www.agh.care/flu](http://www.agh.care/flu)

### MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

Ocean City Life-Saving Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission to the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum with special events. 410-289-4991, [emma@ocmuseum.org](mailto:emma@ocmuseum.org), [www.ocmuseum.org](http://www.ocmuseum.org)

### MAKE YOUR OWN WATERCOLOR POSTCARD WITH ARTIST JOANNE GUILFOIL

Ocean City Life-Saving Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Drop-in program where participants will bring life

and color to historic Ocean City line drawings. Free event. 410-289-4991, [emma@ocmuseum.org](mailto:emma@ocmuseum.org), [www.ocmuseum.org](http://www.ocmuseum.org)

### FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

New Hope United Methodist Church, 7348 New Hope Road, Willards, 11 a.m. Drive thru pickup only. Menu includes mashed potatoes, greens, string beans, roll and dessert. Cost is \$15. Also, baked goods sale. 410-543-8244, 410-713-2468

### STATION 4 HISTORIC TOUR

Ocean City Life-Saving Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., 1-2 p.m. Tour the once-active 1891 Life Saving Station and learn what day-to-day life looked like. Free with the Museum Open House. 410-289-4991, [emma@ocmuseum.org](mailto:emma@ocmuseum.org), [www.ocmuseum.org](http://www.ocmuseum.org)

### CHICKEN PARMESAN OR ROAST BEEF DINNER

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 5 p.m. Sides and desserts provided, dine-in or take-out. Pre-orders are recommended at 410-641-2186 or [bethany21811@gmail.com](mailto:bethany21811@gmail.com). Cost is \$15. Some crafts will be available for purchase.

### OC FILM FESTIVAL HORROR NIGHT

Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., 7-9 p.m. Refreshments served at 6 p.m. A special showcase of short horror films to be viewed on the tennis courts. Bring a chair. A \$5 suggested donation to be collected. 410-524-9433, [artleagueofocancity.org](http://artleagueofocancity.org)

## Sun., Oct. 22

### SUNFEST

Hugh T. Cropper Inlet Parking Lot, 809 S. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Four days of free music, more than 200 artisans and artist, an array of fall activities and a wide selection of food vendors. <https://ococean.com/sunfest/>

### 3RD ANNUAL SNOW HILL SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Paul M. Jones Lumber Raw Oyster Bar (The Old Firehouse), West Green Street, Snow Hill, 1-5 p.m. Tickets cost \$65 and include all-you-can-eat and drink. Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-snow-hill-seafood-festival-tickets-708807441137?aff=oddtcreator>.

### 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)

### FREE FALL CHORAL CONCERT

Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, Berlin, 3 p.m. Featuring the "Assembled Choruses of the Eastern

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# Marine debris plunder set Oct. 22

(Oct. 19, 2023) The Maryland Coastal Bays Program in partnership with Ørsted is hosting its annual marine debris plunder clean up event on Oct. 22 to encourage community members to pick up waste throughout the coastal bays.

According to a news release, both boaters and land lubbers are encouraged to join the plunder to pick up debris that has been discarded in the bays, beaches, and streets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and bring their "loot" to 12905 Harbor Road, in the West Ocean City Harbor.

The debris will be weighed at the site. Captain Jack Sparrow and his pirate crew will be on hand to assist and will properly dispose of the debris.

This is the eventual location of an Ørsted Operations & Maintenance facility that will serve Skipjack Wind, a 966-megawatt offshore wind project off the coast of Maryland.

People who bring debris by boat can pull to the dock and the crew will unload and trade the trash for commemorative t-shirts and food grilled

by volunteers from the Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ. Those who collect debris on land can pull up to the building and drop off collected materials to volunteers, who will also provide t-shirts and food.

The release said the event is intended to engage the community in picking up debris in the local waterways and streets and bringing it to one location where it will be weighed and disposed of properly. All participants will be asked to fill out data sheets on the debris. The data will be used for an outreach campaign next year to remind visitors about the importance of keeping the local waterways clean.

Thanks to a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency and the support of Ørsted, Worcester County, Ron Jon Surf Shop, Sandpiper Energy, supplies will be provided for those who preregister. Supply packets can be picked up at Pure Lure in the West Ocean City Harbor at a pre-arranged date.

Boaters pursuing debris in the water will receive specific instructions

as to what marine debris consists of, to not confuse with live traps, as crabbing season is in effect. It is illegal to tamper with any live traps. The low tide for the day of the event is at 7:53 a.m.

Boaters will be encouraged to pursue abandoned and derelict crab pots that have been sitting in shallow water and marshes.

Every year crabbers lose their pots to careless boaters who do not pay attention and run over their floats, which identify pot locations. Once the floats are cut, the pot becomes untraceable until it washes into shallow water or on top of a marsh.

The release said ghost pots continually re-bait as crabs crawl inside, eventually die, and new crabs arrive to eat the deceased ones. The ghost pots also trap and kill nearly anything that fits, including terrapin, otter and fish.

Those who want to participate in the plunder are asked to pre-register online at the Maryland Coastal Bays Program website at [mdcoastalbays.org](http://mdcoastalbays.org), or call Sandi



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

**Mounds of abandoned crab pots collected last year during Maryland Coastal Bays' marine debris plunder sit piled up on a boat.**

Smith at 410-213-2297, ext. 106 and register by phone. Registration is now open. Organizers will be taking registrations the day of the event, but collection supplies will be limited.

For event specifics, visit [mdcoastalbays.org](http://mdcoastalbays.org) or contact [mcbp@mdcoastalbays.org](mailto:mcbp@mdcoastalbays.org).

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Shore," entitled "Fall Reflections." A free will offering will be collected at intermission. Sally Hendon, [sgibney8@gmail.com](mailto:sgibney8@gmail.com)

### Mon., Oct. 23

#### FRIENDS OF THE OCEAN PINES LIBRARY: MEMBERSHIP MEETING & FARM-TO-LIBRARY EVENT

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. Farmers, bakers and restaurateurs discuss how they bring food from the farm to the table. Open membership meeting starts at 10 a.m. followed by the Farm-To-Library event at 11 a.m. 410-208-4014

#### 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 and psychological well-being. This group uses exercises to stimulate creative expression. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

#### SOUND BATH

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Debby Wolski will be producing music with sound bowls to help the group relieve the stresses of everyday life. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://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 Campion, 410-641-0157

#### GALLOWEEN

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 5:30 p.m. A play on Galentine's Day, there will be pumpkin spiced waffles with all the trimmings and pumpkin decorating with various craft supplies. Registration required: 410-632-3495. [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://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.

#### OVEREATER'S ANONYMOUS

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

### Tues., Oct. 24

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

#### THE FUNNY THING ABOUT CAREGIVERS

Snow Hill 50plus Center, 4767 Snow Hill Road, 11 a.m. Defender of Caregivers Lon Kieffer brings his humor and education in this stand up comedy performance about aging and caregiving. 443-783-6164, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

#### CHAIR YOGA

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines

Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Nicole Long, certified yoga instructor, teaches how to stretch in a safe and low impact manner. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

#### COMMON ESTATE PLANNING MISTAKES CLASS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Instructors include Robert Jeter, a certified financial planner and Cynthia MacDonald, an estate planning attorney. Registration: <https://retireinfocus.com/common-estate-planning-mistakes-berlin/>. 410-677-4848

#### 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](http://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](http://TangobytheBeach.com).

#### ZUMBA TONING TUESDAYS

*Tuesdays* - Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 5:30 p.m. Zumba with optional light weights. [zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com](mailto:zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com)

### Wed., Oct. 25

#### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 3-4:30 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](mailto:gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org)

#### THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW

Ocean City Performing Arts Center - Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 7 p.m. Unedited movie, live shadow cast, audience participation and costume contest. Dressing up and participation are encouraged. Ticket prices: \$39-\$55. Must be 18 years of age or older. [www.ococean.com](http://www.ococean.com)

#### KIWANIS CLUB MEETING

*Wednesdays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 239 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.kiwanisofopoc.org](http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org)

#### ZUMBA WEDNESDAYS

*Wednesdays* - Ocean City 50plus Center, 104 41st St., 10 a.m. Dance background not required. [zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com](mailto:zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com)

# Classified

## MARKETPLACE

Call **410-723-6397**  
by Monday 5 p.m.

Classifieds appear in **Ocean City Today & Bayside Gazette** each week and online at [oceancitytoday.com](http://oceancitytoday.com) & [baysideoc.com](http://baysideoc.com)



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**HIRING**

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Town of Snow Hill, MD  
Full-Time Employment

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**EXPERIENCE:** At least 5 years of experience in the operations and maintenance of a class 2 water treatment plant and 5 years of experience operating a class 5A wastewater plant. Candidate will possess a Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) permanent Water Class 2 operators license and a 5A permanent wastewater license and have experience operating a four stage Bardenfo activated sludge plant with Dyna Sand Filters.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Ability to obtain MDE Superintendent License, valid driver's license, able to lift minimum fifty pounds, available for On-Call Emergencies.

**BENEFITS:** Upper \$70,000, paid health benefits, dental, Maryland State Retirement Plan paid vacation, sick leave, paid holiday, personal leave.

*The Town of Snow Hill is an Equal Opportunity Employer that recruits and hires qualified candidates without regard to race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, disability, or veteran status.*

**TO APPLY:** Email letter of interest & resumé to Rick Pollitt at [townmanager@snowhillmd.com](mailto:townmanager@snowhillmd.com) by October 20, 2023.

**Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator**  
Town of Snow Hill, MD  
Full-Time Employment

**JOB INFORMATION:** This position assists the Superintendent in the management of all activities related to water and wastewater treatment, water distribution system, and sewage collection system. This position reports to the Water/ Wastewater Superintendent.

**EXPERIENCE:** At least 3 years experience in the operations and maintenance of a class 2 water treatment plant and 3 years of supervision experience operating a class 5A wastewater plant. Candidate will possess a Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) permanent Water Class 2 operators license and a 5A permanent wastewater license and have experience operating a four stage Bardenfo activated sludge plant with Dyna Sand Filters.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Ability to Supervise the Daily Operations of the Facilities, valid driver's license, able to lift minimum fifty pounds, available for On-Call Emergencies.

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**TO APPLY:** Email letter of interest & resumé to Rick Pollitt at [townmanager@snowhillmd.com](mailto:townmanager@snowhillmd.com) by October 20, 2023.

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