

## Atlantic General weighs its options

Board to look at possibility of seeking partnership with another healthcare entity

By Stewart Dobson  
Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) After 31 years of operating independently, Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin is looking into whether it should seek a partnership with another health care organization or continue to go it alone in an industry that's seeing fewer small independents each year.

In a response to a recent uptick in public speculation about the hospital's future, the board of trustees on Tuesday announced that it had launched a "strategic partnership exploration process" that will consider whether working with another organization or remaining independent is the right course to take.

That independence manifested itself in 1993 when AGH opened its doors after a years-long battle against the state medical establishment to bring a primary care facility to the coastal area.

In addition to having to produce millions of dollars in development and construction money, the citizens committee leading the charge for a local hospital encountered state regulators who were reluctant to issue the "certificate of need" that validated local assertions that the coastal communities were medically underserved.

Then-Gov. William Donald Schaefer, however, interceded on AGH's behalf and ordered state offices to cooperate with the local effort.

The ceremonial groundbreaking took place in 1991, and the first year saw 13,316 emergency room visits. Last year, according to AGH contrac-



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Atlantic General Hospital opened its doors in Berlin in May of 1993.

tor Emergency Service Associates, the emergency room saw some 40,000 patients.

According to the AGH website, the

hospital and the AGH Health System have close to 950 full-time employees and an annual payroll of \$74 million,

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New officers on the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors are, from left, President Stuart Lakernick, Treasurer Monica Rakowski, Secretary John Latham and Vice President Rick Farr.

## Lakernick becomes new OPA president

Board of directors prepare to get down to business with officers for year ahead

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Ocean Pines Board of Directors will see a shakeup at the top with Dr. Stuart Lakernick and Rick Farr swapping leadership roles.

At a special meeting on Friday, Aug. 23, the board voted to move Lakernick, whose term expires next year, up a rung to president from vice president with recently reelected Farr moving down from president to vice president.

John Latham and Monica Rakowski will remain as secretary and treasurer, respectively.

The officer positions were deter-

mined roughly two weeks after the 2024 board of directors election, in which Farr and Director Jeff Heavner defended their seats on the seven-person governing body.

The incumbents beat out challengers Amy Peck, who served a stint on the board from October 2021 to August 2022, Sherrie Clifford and Jerry Murphy.

Farr was elected to the board in August 2021 and appointed president approximately a year ago. Lakernick's term began in the summer of 2022. He was chosen as second-in-command following the 2023 election.

According to Lakernick, the president acts as the face of the organization, "speaking for all seven."

"It is a corporate board," the new president said. "We all have these seats, but nobody has more power

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# County donation key to Snow Hill's downtown vision

By **Bethany Hooper**  
Associate Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) A donation of county property will allow a promenade project to move forward in downtown Snow Hill.

Last week, the Worcester County Commissioners voted unanimously to donate roughly 9,000 square feet of county property along Bank Street to the Town of Snow Hill for the development of a new promenade. Snow Hill Economic Development Director Lorissa McAllister said the revitalization project has been decades in the making.

"The Bank Street promenade project is the epitome of the downtown Snow Hill vision, dating back all the way to the 1980s," she said.

With the county's donation and the necessary funding in place, the Town of Snow is positioned to begin a streetscape project next fall, McAllister said. As proposed, the project will encompass two blocks of Bank Street between West Green and River streets.

Harrison Saunders, board president for the Snow Hill Area Chamber of Commerce and licensed landscape architect, told commissioners last week the street will be redesigned with traffic calming and pedestrian access in mind. Features will include a tree-lined, winding street with flexible seating and vegetative areas, a stepping stone path, benches and story walls, to name a few.

"A place you travel to, not through," he said. "That's what we're trying to accomplish."

McAllister said Bank Street, as it's currently designed, functions more like a parking lot and deterred pedestrians from traversing between the river and the downtown business community. She said the proposed design would create walkability.

"It's an overall inefficient use of space," she said of the current roadway. "It creates a sterile environment and impedes pedestrian access between the downtown and the riverfront."

While the project is expected to improve the streetscape, town officials acknowledged it would reduce the number of parking spaces from 54 to 49, with the bulk of the reduction occurring along Bank Street. However, they noted it would increase dedicated parking at the library and neighboring annex building, and that handicap parking would more than double.

McAllister also noted that the project would utilize roughly 9,000 square feet of county property on each side of Bank Street – more than 6,000 square feet to the side of the library and more than 2,000 square feet to the side of the library and more than 2,000 square feet to the side of the library.

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The image above was one of many shared with the Worcester County Commissioners last week as part of Snow Hill's vision for a major redesign of the historic town's downtown.

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# Snow Hill vision could get boost with grants

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feet to the side of the annex building. "This predominantly repurposes what is public parking currently, to public gathering space and pedestrian access," she explained.

The Town of Snow Hill, with the help of its partnering agencies, has secured nearly \$500,000 for the \$776,000 project, and McAllister said a grant through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development could supply the remaining funds. To that end, town officials last Tuesday said they were hoping to work with the commissioners to use or acquire the county-owned land along Bank Street.

"We have maintained site control for the first block. We have buy-in from all the adjacent property owners. We also have buy-in from the

Lower Shore Land Trust, as well as the private property owner at the very end of the second block," she said. "So we're just looking for buy-in approval from the county to move forward with this project, which could take shape as permission and engaging in an MOU, or, as was suggested as a possibility, the county donating the portion of the property that is included in the design to the Town of Snow Hill, thereby alleviating any responsibilities of maintenance or liability."

Commissioner Joe Mitrecic said the proposed project reminded him of the Ocean City Development Corporation's efforts to revitalize its downtown area. While acknowledging that it could take some time for Snow Hill to see revitalization in its downtown area, he said he believed

the project was a great start. After further discussion, Mitrecic made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ted Elder, to turn over the identified property to the Town of Snow Hill.

"I want to state I think this is a great step forward," Elder added.

For his part, Commissioner Eric Fiori questioned how the town would address parking. He said the project could bring more people to Snow Hill.

"Obviously, the Town of Berlin is facing that now," he explained. "They've made everything so pretty and grew their market. I just want to make sure that, that got included, so there's parking spots so everybody can enjoy this."

McAllister said a study is ongoing to evaluate parking and traffic flow.

She said a redesign of existing parking would likely increase the number of parking spaces in town.

"I think this will really increase the traffic," Fiori replied, "and having a spot for them to park is really important."

At the end of the presentation, the commissioners voted 7-0 to donate county property along Bank Street to the Town of Snow Hill. Worcester County Chief Administrative Officer Weston Young said once the county receives the official land boundaries, it can advertise and hold a public hearing to declare the parcels as surplus property.

"It brings the county seat to the position it should be," Commissioner Diana Purnell said of the project, "and I think this is a great job."



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Redeveloping and revitalizing downtown Snow Hill has long been a goal of town officials. Above is a look at a revised area along Willow Street.

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# Chamber planning middle school civics bee

## Organization to host first contest in county for sixth, seventh and eighth graders

**By Tara Fischer**  
Associate Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Worcester County Chamber of Commerce in Ocean Pines is hosting its first National Civics Bee for middle school students in conjunction with the Civic Trust of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

Sixth, seventh, and eighth-grade students from public, private and charter schools, as well as home-school groups, are encouraged to participate. Worcester County Chamber of Commerce President Kerrie Bunting said the sole requirement is that contestants be enrolled in middle school and residents of the State of Maryland.

The Civics Bee is divided into segments that students must qualify for to proceed. The first portion, open to everyone, will include a civics essay contest. A panel of judges will select the top 20 entries to advance to a local in-person competition, where the young learners will be subjected to two rounds of civics inquiries followed by a questions-and-answers sequence.

The essay will be judged by individuals selected by the Worcester County Chamber of Commerce in Ocean Pines. The organization will also host the live regional event.

The top three students from the local challenge will move to the state-level contest. The first-place winner of that match will receive a trip to Washington, D.C., to compete in the national championship for prizes worth approximately \$50,000.

“Hosting this event is important because it’s an election year, and everyone is bombarded by political issues,” Bunting said. “At the middle school level, it is important for them to know civics-related knowledge so they can be educated and thoughtful voters and leaders in the future...they need the foundation of government and civics...the contest could even kickstart a potential career path for some of these kids.”

The U.S. Chamber has provided a prompt that must be followed in the initial essay. Students are to identify a problem or challenge in their community and determine how they can

contribute to its improvement. The juvenile writers must also include examples of organizations or individuals to work with, their roles in the solution, how their remedy incorporates founding principles, like equality and the consent of the governed, and civic virtues, such as humility, integrity, and respect.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce launched the Civics Bee in 2022. The organization partners with state-level chambers, which communicate with the local chambers and then advertise the event to public, private, and homeschooled students. Allegany, Baltimore, Greater Crofton, Frederick, and St. Mary’s counties are the other participating Maryland areas. The Worcester County Chamber of Commerce in Ocean Pines is the first Eastern Shore group to get involved.

Students from any part of the state, including Dorchester, Wicomico, Somerset, Montgomery, or Harford counties, can submit an essay to be considered by the Worcester County chamber.

“Any kid can join any chamber,” Bunting said.

The local in-person competition is slated for spring 2025, the state contest will occur in June 2025, and the national championship is set for fall 2025. While the first-round essay has yet to be given a concrete due date, Bunting said the U.S. chamber mandates it be judged sometime in the winter to allow ample preparation for the live regional match. The Worcester County organization’s website will post timeline updates

and more information as they are provided.

Bunting added that the chamber is actively seeking judges for the essay segment. The organization hopes to secure a diverse panel of individuals with expertise in writing, social studies, history, and government, such as elected officials and educators. The group’s president also noted that she is interested in reaching out to businesses and local civic bodies like the American Legion so they may help promote and sponsor the event.

Anyone interested in providing their services in any aspect may contact the Worcester County Chamber of Commerce in Ocean Pines at 410-641-5306 or Bunting at [kerrie@worcestercountychamber.org](mailto:kerrie@worcestercountychamber.org).

Local leaders like Senator Mary Beth Carozza (R-38) and Delegate Wayne Hartman (R-38C) have endorsed the Worcester County Chamber of Commerce’s involvement in the Civics Bee.

“This type of competition is a great way to promote civic participation and create enthusiasm for our youth,” Hartman said in a letter asking the Worcester County Board of Education for their support. “I am looking forward to the introduction of the National Civics Bee on the Eastern Shore.”

Bunting emphasized that every sixth, seventh, and eighth-grade student in Maryland is eligible to enter the Civics Bee. Eastern Shore facilities like Worcester County Public Schools, Worcester Preparatory School, and Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School have announced their participation. Finalized essays are to be turned in to the contest’s point person at each of these learning institutions or as stated by their administration.

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President Kerrie Bunting



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# OPA directors elect new officers

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than the next person.”

The vice president assists the head in administering the policy, the secretary takes notes, and the treasurer handles the association’s financial records and responsibilities.

The nomination process went smoothly, with Farr recommending Lakernick for president, Heavner endorsing Farr’s transition to vice president, Director Elaine Brady suggesting Latham as secretary, and Latham promoting Rakowski for treasurer. Each motion was passed unanimously.

The nominations were certified by Bruce Bright, the organization’s legal counsel, of the Ayres, Jenkins, Gordy, and Almand law firm.

Additional board appointments occurred on Aug. 23. Linda Martin will remain as assistant secretary, Steve Phillips will act as assistant treasurer, UHY will continue as the audit firm, Doug Parks will serve as parliamentarian, and Bright will carry on as legal counsel.

As the election cycle draws to a close, the board, gearing up for the year, approved their meetings for the next 12 months.

The public gatherings will be at the Golf Course Clubhouse and are scheduled for the Saturday mornings of Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 23, Dec. 21, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 29, April 26, May 24, June 28, and July 26. The annual meeting is slated for Aug. 9.

The assemblies are to kick off at 9 a.m. The proposed dates passed unanimously.

With another board voting process down, the group intends to focus on its priorities for the next year and thereafter. Primary concerns remain the construction of the new South Station Fire House, which nears closer as the association and the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department signed a Memorandum of Understanding to hash out each party’s requirements in July, beautification, the completion of the Veterans Memorial Pavilion, the racquet sports center building renovation, continuing the success of the golf course, among others.

Lakernick, the board’s latest president, is starting his third year on the board. He, along with Director Steve Jacobs and Rakowski, will be up for reelection in August 2025.

# AGH board looking to future

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making it one of Worcester County’s single largest employers and a major force in its economy.

As such, any talk about possible changes in the hospital’s corporate or operational structure would be expected to fuel speculation about what might happen next, even though hospital officials are emphasizing that nothing might happen at all.

“The board is excited to embark on this important journey to thoughtfully and carefully explore the best way to ensure Atlantic General continues providing high-quality healthcare to our community for decades to come,” said board of trustees Chair Doug Cook.

adds that all strategic options will be evaluated during a “deliberate process that will take considerable time.”

That will include taking a look at some of the hospital’s more difficult challenges it faces as an independent operator such as labor shortages and specialist recruiting, AGH CEO Don Owrey said, adding, “We are excited to move forward in this important work to preserve AGH’s proud legacy as our community’s hospital, while planning for an even brighter future.”

The strategic partnership exploration process will not affect the health system’s daily operations, nor will anything change for patients at this time, the statement said.

# All county students can enter

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Middle schoolers in the area who are homeschooled or whose school is not outwardly encouraging the competition may still enter. These families should contact the Worcester County chamber to receive the necessary information and submit their papers directly to the organization.


The Worcester County chamber hopes that surrounding school districts will jump onboard and advertise the civics contest to their students.

going on,” Bunting said. “How do we convince people that their vote does matter? We teach them at a young age. Teach them to vote and be thoughtful about it and who you feel is best. It is especially important because the political landscape is so crazy now.”

The Worcester County Chamber of Commerce in Ocean Pines intends to make its involvement in the Civics Bee an annual occurrence. Information on deadlines and other details will be updated on the organization’s official website as they are decided.

“We need to get kids involved because there is so much voter apathy


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# Berlin talks land buy details with developer

## Coastal Venture Properties looking to redevelop Heron Park parcel through deal

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Berlin Mayor and Council and the prospective buyer of a piece of Heron Park discussed the framework of a future deal this week.

Officials met in a work session Monday with Palmer and Sandy Gillis of Coastal Ventures Properties (CVP), which was identified last month as the developer of choice to enter extended negotiations with the town on the purchase and redevelopment of Heron Park's parcel 57, which was for decades home to the former Tyson Foods and Hudson

Foods poultry processing operation.

During a previous meeting, the total price of the site to be paid by the developers was set at \$1.2 million. Parcel 57 is approximately nine acres and will include 15 sewer EDUs (Equivalent Dwelling Units), which has a value of about \$150,000. Additional sewer and water EDUs will need to be purchased from the town.

The council voted to proceed with the Gillises at their July 22 meeting after they requested proposals to redevelop the property. The space is currently undergoing demolition.

The CVP portfolio includes repurposing across the shore similar industrial buildings, which swayed the governing body's decision to conduct solo discussions with the developers.

"I am leaning towards Gillis due to his history with reusing these indus-

trial buildings," Councilmember Steve Green said on July 22.

CVP's rough idea is to consider refurbishing the parcel to support food services, retail, fitness, offices and other commercial facilities.

Town Administrator Mary Bohlen reiterated which businesses are prohibited on parcel 57 as CVP develops its plan. Not allowed for consideration, according to the grant the state awarded the town for demolition on the site, are pawn shops, gun shops, adult video stores, tanning salons, book shops, gambling spaces, tattoo parlors, liquor stores, adult entertainment facilities, massage parlors, and check cashing facilities.

Per discussions with CVP, the space will be converted from its current residential zoning to a more commercial and shopping district site, or B-2 zoning. The choice was made to keep the classification consistent with surrounding areas and will require a rezoning from the town.

Palmer Gillis expressed concerns with a potential housing element that was at the top of the council's wish list for mixed uses of the parcel. While the town was hopeful for the inclusion of affordable residential units, the developers maintained that the site was not large enough to justify that kind of project.

"This is a challenge when you look at it from every possible angle," Palmer Gillis said.

Mayor Zack Tyndall inquired about the possibility of adding housing above whichever commercial building may be created rather than a solely residential structure. According to Gillis, in that situation, the units would be too high off the ground, requiring several flights of stairs or an elevator, which would become "too economically unfeasible." Councilmember Shaneka Nichols and Green each said they would like to see some of housing on the site in the future with Green suggesting a "pocket community" on the eastern area of the site possibly.

Per the agreement with the developers, the study period of parcel 57 is not to exceed 180 days following a fully executed contract. The timeframe may include completing a traffic study, lender financing, easements, and a state highway entrance.

Gillis said the traffic study can be finalized in as quickly as two to four weeks from its start date, but it must take place while school is in session to account for the additional vehicles on the road.

The traffic study will consider two  
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# Council dives deep into park property deal

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entrances into Heron Park, as well as the projected car counts for the new public works building and skate park, which will be constructed on adjacent parcels in the area, and the determined uses of 57.

One entrance, which the developer will fund and own, will be placed near the railroad tracks where a current entrance is situated. The location of the shared opening, which will account for access to the skate park and the public works facility, has yet to be decided. Gillis said that the traffic study is a \$10,000 to \$20,000 item that will be equitably split between the parties, pending the entry placements.

Discussions continued, accounting for a stormwater management plan for parcels 57, 191, and 410 regarding repurposing parcel 57, the new skate park, and the public works building. Tyndall said that rather than developing two or three separate systems, the town and developers intend to create a single arrangement that will "work together for the whole area."

Gillis also agreed to increase the rear setback, or property line, of parcel 57 toward Old Ocean City Boulevard to 75 feet, up from the typical 35 feet for fixed structures in B-2 zoning.

"I asked Palmer and Sandy if they would be willing to increase the rear setback for fixed structures, so it does not infringe on the feeling of a park," Tyndall said. "We agreed ... so it creates more of a buffer for any development that takes place on 57 and Heron Park."

The parties hashed through the possibility of including an exit clause in the contract.

The 180-study period given to the developers is to further apply due diligence to the project. If the Gillises discover something unexpected during that timeframe, they are allowed a kick out.

Gillis argued that the same should not be applied to the Berlin side of negotiations as he and his team run the higher risk, per the moratorium on rezoning that is set to expire in mid-October. The pause was established on July 9 and extended on Aug. 12 to allow a new planning director to be hired.

The moratorium may even be extended beyond October if the council decides on Sept. 9 that the hiring of a

planning director is not imminent.

"Suppose you are nine more months before you hire a zoning director, and you can't even get me up on the agenda," the developer said. "That is an issue right now because we have a moratorium on rezoning ... the risk that we are running is what if b-2 is denied?"

**'Suppose you are nine more months before you hire a zoning director, and you can't even get me up on the agenda.'**  
the developer said

The council maintained that the zoning change is likely to be approved. Once a director is secured, the planning commission will review the request and make a recommendation, but the decision is ultimately up

to the council. While the governing body considers the favorable or unfavorable vote and trusts the expertise provided, the council currently sees no reason why B-2 zoning would be denied.

"We would work with the planning commission to understand the vision," Tyndall said.

Town Administrator Mary Bohlen echoed the mayor's sentiments, arguing that the zoning request will likely be approved "unless the planning commission came up with something

we have not thought of, which would be a consideration that would change the whole flavor of the conversation."

The council maintained that public input on the project is also vital.

While Gillis agreed that there is value in allowing the public to voice their opinion on any contract created within the town, he argued that too much consideration can lead to nit-picking. Still, the developer consented to drafting his idea so Berlin residents and business owners could review it before the Oct. 28 meeting.

At the conclusion of the August 26 work session, Green asked Gillis if he was satisfied with the demolition progress on the site. The developer claimed there are "hundreds of thousands of dollars of demo work left" before he can place a business inside the structure.

"Look at the front building; you have all this mechanical equipment on the roof," he said. "There is lots of piping inside, and then you must chemically wash the ceiling. If you walk through there, there is still much demolition work."

As the town's \$500,000 grant from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for the demo is close to maxing out, Gillis will have to front the remaining cost.

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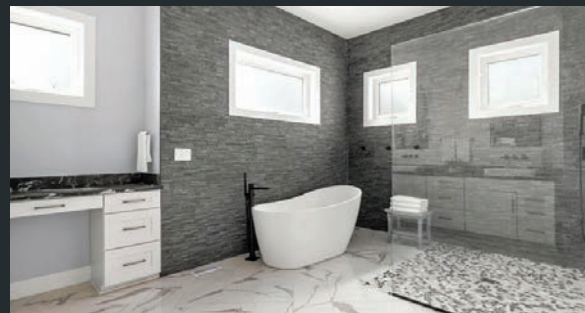
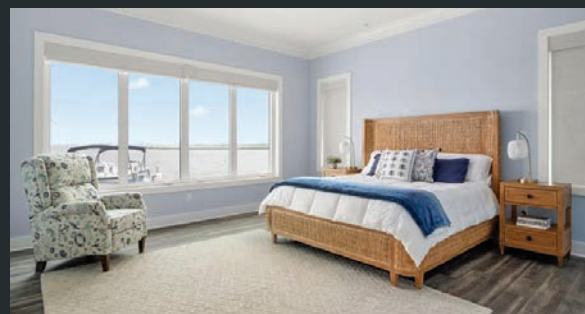
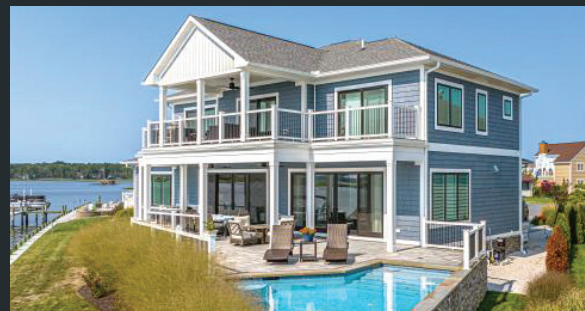


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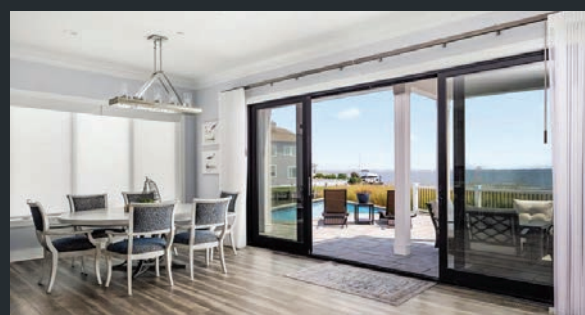
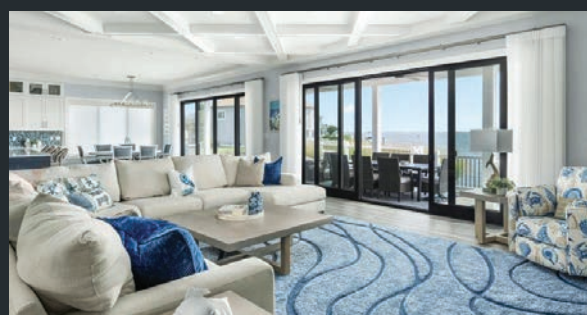
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# ‘Egg addling,’ electronic signs eyed in Pines

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Ocean Pines Association and the Environment and Natural Assets Committee are working to control the neighborhood’s geese and duck population.

Earlier this year, the advisory group submitted a charging document to request the purchase of yellow sandwich outdoor A-frames that read “geese duck crossing.” The committee hoped the signs would indicate to drivers where there are often traffic holdups due to the birds’ search for food.

Most of the banners were positioned around the community’s South Gate.

“Sudden stops could potentially lead to rear-end collisions,” ENAC board liaison Jeff Heavner said. “Road crossings become very frequent following the spring breeding season and the arrival of goslings. This action was also meant to protect the geese and ducks from being struck by vehicles.”

“You can imagine that it can be very emotional to accidentally hit, injure, or kill a goose or duck,” he added.

However, much to the committee’s dismay, OPA removed and repurposed some of the safety signs placed



TARA FISCHER/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Managing the population of the wild geese population in and around Ocean Pines has been a challenge for decades for officials. Above, dozens of geese are pictured in the South Gate pond recently.

on properties not owned by the neighborhood.

At an ENAC meeting last month, then-chairperson Tim Peck, who officially stepped down from his role on August 12, expressed his frustration with the decision, arguing it signaled disrespect to the project. Members asked the OPA administration to re-

store the signs. Their request was denied.

Heavner cites the reason for the posts’ removal as a Worcester County-enforced ordinance to control signage on county-owned roadways. He said the action to repurpose the A-frames was not ultimately up to OPA. Signals set on areas operated by

the neighborhood officials remain in place.

The association has also started using the new Northside electronic sign to warn drivers of potential geese and duck crossings.

“Should the board approve additional electronic signs, they could See SOLUTIONS Page 13



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# Contract for 'exciting' town hall renovations approved

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Berlin council unanimously approved Haley Architecture to manage services that will ultimately lead to major renovations at Town Hall.

Daniele Haley, principal of the architectural firm, noted Town Hall was constructed in approximately 1900 and consists of roughly 11,200 square feet. The project's scope will improve the appearance and usability of the structure's interior. The business is partnering with SR/A for interior work and IMEG for engineering. Exterior work is not currently planned.

Upgrades are expected to include a "more open entrance space with a new reconfigured staircase and a new elevator replacing an existing lift," according to Haley.

A minimum of 14 individual offices, two conference rooms, a consolidated kitchen and break room, and improved space utilization for council chambers are also anticipated.

The Mayor and Council were pleased that renovations would incorporate a hydraulic elevator to enhance the building's accessibility.

"To hear that [Town Hall] will be-

come more compliant and that we will have something more efficient for our friends and neighbors who need handicap accessibility is very exciting," Councilmember Shaneka Nichols said.

Berlin Mayor Zack Tyndall noted that he would like to see departmental offices grouped so that individuals who often work together can easily communicate.

"We know that, that elevator lift is not fast," he said. "If you want to come up and meet with your team or another team...right now, that workflow of the building is not laid out well."

Improvements to the upstairs access are also expected to remedy this issue.

"We are treating this building as if we were going to gut the entire thing," Haley said. "We are keeping the windows, exteriors, and general entrances, but we are treating it like a full renovation. Budget will drive some of that, but we plan to move walls and do what we must to make it functional."

Haley Architecture will survey the existing Town Hall conditions and prepare a plan to reorganize the

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## Solutions for geese proposed

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also be utilized to alert drivers of crossings," the liaison said.

To manage the bird population further, the environmental committee has submitted a charging document for "egg addling" for the 2025 spring breeding season.

Egg addling is defined by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service as a method to "manage birds that cause damage to property, agriculture, and natural resources or are potential threats to public safety." The process includes oiling, shaking, or puncturing an egg "during incubation to render the embryo unviable."

The eggs are put back in the nest, so the adult birds believe they are still developing and do not feel the need to lay anymore.

The technique is considered humane if completed early enough in the incubation period.

Heavner said that the recommendations for goose population control are developed from the committee's close attention to the increases and decreases in their presence. The Ocean Pines Association is still considering the egg-addling ask.

"It only takes a few seasons to increase our population of geese significantly," Heavner said.

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The Berlin Mayor and Council will spend more than \$300,000 on architectural services to design a massive renovation to the Town Hall building.

## Town hall project moves ahead

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spaces to accommodate better staff and residents who frequent the building.

The firm intends to outline a design for HVAC, plumbing, and fire protection limited to the “reuse and reconfiguration of existing systems” and supply bidding and construction administration.

Per the firm’s scope, they will “provide design assistance for the new entry stair and design and detail modifications to the existing second-floor structure to accommodate a larger opening for a new hydraulic elevator to replace the existing lift.”

The SR/A interiors team may also provide FF&E (furniture, fixtures, and equipment) for \$41,800.

The schematic design phase, which will take two months and include the conceptual design drawings, will incur a fee of \$49,770.

Design development is expected to last three months and is \$57,800. Construction documents like project specifications and construction drawings carry a price tag of \$75,000 for four months of work.

The bidding phase, which will include responding to contractor questions and preparing agenda information, will cost \$19,700. Construction administration, which will take eight months, will cost \$67,400. The town will spend a total of \$269,670 on Haley Architecture’s design and construction documents for the Town Hall project.

Councilmember Jack Orris made a motion to approve Haley’s proposal with the caveat it includes the \$269,670 in design and construction documents and the interior team’s optional addition of furnishings and design services for \$41,800. The decision passed unanimously.

## Worcester County Library to celebrate Hispanic Heritage

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Worcester County Library is hosting an Hispanic Heritage Month celebration in September and October.

The event will feature a series of programs and activities aimed at recognizing the cultural contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans.

National Hispanic Heritage Month originally began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week and was expanded in 1988 to cover a 30-day period, from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

The celebration coincides with national independence of several Latin American countries.

Throughout the month-long celebration, the library will host a variety of events for all ages, including electric Flamenco, a musical journey around Central and South America,

and arts and crafts. The events are designed to educate and inspire the community while highlighting the diversity and influence of Hispanic culture.

“We are thrilled to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and provide a platform for honoring the cultures and traditions of the Hispanic community,” Adult Services Coordinator Elena Coelho said in a news release.

All events are free and open to the public. A portion of the project is made possible by a grant from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

For a complete schedule of events and more information, visit [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org), or contact Elena Coelho at 443-783-6164 or [ecoelho@worcesterlibrary.org](mailto:ecoelho@worcesterlibrary.org).





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# New public works facility process continues

**By Tara Fischer**  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) Becker Morgan Group has been officially selected for the architectural and engineering services for a new public works facility in Berlin.

The town and the public works crew are excited about the creation of an improved building, which will be funded through a bond from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. Of the \$3.8 million bond, about \$2.8 million is earmarked for the public works facility construction while \$1 million is for electric meter replacement and upgrades.

The current public works building, constructed in the 1960s off William Street and a mere 22 feet, was meant to be temporary. The new facility is set to be revamped using bigger, existing structures at Heron Park.

Becker Morgan's proposal details that the property includes four parcels. Berlin Mayor Zack Tyndall said that the maintenance portion of public works will be developed on parcel 410 of Heron with the planned skate park. However, when the town and the contractor begin to lay out the facility, they intend to look at the entire land holistically, including adjacent parcels like 191.

"We have to take everything into consideration," he said.

The project budget is approximately \$2.8 million. The existing building on the site to be used is 4,875 square feet, and a new addition is planned for 12,000 square feet. The contractor will handle civil engineering services, which include upgrades of public utilities, and place solar panels either at grade or on the roof of the addition.

The initiative outlined by Becker Morgan stipulates that the solar panels are contingent on securing additional funding or grants.

The contractor will also consider the necessary inclusions of office space, a wash bay, a garage, storage, and a classroom in the public works facility's creation.

The conceptual design and surveying of the area to be completed by Becker Morgan Group, which will include collecting topographic data and locating utilities, will cost a total fixed fee of \$30,000. Throughout this process, the contractor will deliver conceptual site plans, floor plans, elevations, and engineering narratives to the town.

The total fees for the design and construction documents, including civil, architecture, MEP (mechanical, electrical, plumbing), and structural, are estimated to cost \$220,000.

Fixed fees for the design and construction documents will be determined following the completion of the conceptual design.

# County fair date, location approved for '25

**By Bethany Hooper**  
Associate Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) Following the success of this year's Worcester County Fair, county leadership last week agreed to set dates for next year's event at John Walter Smith Park.

Earlier this month, Worcester County Recreation and Parks hosted its first Worcester County Fair. With the event now in the rearview mirror,

officials came before the Worcester County Commissioners last week to finalize the 2025 fair dates of Aug. 8-10.

"We have for your consideration the approval of the dates of the 2025 Worcester County Fair," Chief Administrative Officer Weston Young said.

Earlier this year, it was announced that the county's recreation and parks department would take charge in organizing the 2024 county fair. Depart-

ment heads reported that officials, seeing the success of other events recreation and parks put on, had asked for assistance in revitalizing the event.

The result was a new and improved Worcester County Fair, which relocated from Byrd Park in Snow Hill to John Walter Smith Park, home of Worcester County Recreation and Parks programming. Held Aug. 9-11, the revamped fair featured familiar favorites – including

agricultural exhibits, games and more – as well as new activities and an assortment of live music, food and drinks. The new location also provided some benefit to fairgoers, as the county recreation center had to be used that Friday on account of stormy weather.

On the agenda last week for approval, the county commissioners voted 7-0 to set Aug. 8-10 as the official dates for the 2025 Worcester County Fair. Recreation and Parks Director Kelly Rados acknowledged that a detailed report on this year's fair – which will include the actual budget, attendance numbers and more – would be provided in the coming weeks.

"Locking in these dates now will allow us to start the planning process earlier and lock-in vendors, entertainment, sponsors, and new attractions and opportunities for next year," Rados said in a memo to the commissioners. "Our department plans to continue our relationship with the current Fair Board and working to help strengthen their board and member/volunteer base. We plan to have them to continue to serve in an advisory capacity in regard to planning of the Fair."



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# Commissioners deny Alyosha dock lease request — again

By **Bethany Hooper**  
Associate Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) County officials have denied a request from the connections of the Alyosha to reconsider a lease at the West Ocean City Harbor.

During an Aug. 20 meeting, the Worcester County Commissioners voted 6-1, with Commissioner Joe Mitrecic opposed, to deny a request from the owner of the Alyosha catamaran business to revisit a lease agreement at the West Ocean City commercial harbor. While the owner had offered to pay the county more money for a five-year lease, a majority of the commissioners opposed the proposal.

"I don't think it's the proper use of the area," said Commissioner Jim Bunting, "and I move that we deny this request."

In 2019, the commissioners approved a five-year lease, which allowed the connections of the Alyosha to dock in a 64-foot space that runs along the bulkhead at the county boat ramp. The lease provided the county \$8,500 a year and gave it exclusive rights to sell advertising and corporate sponsorships on the catamaran.

In early 2023, however, a majority of the commissioners opted to terminate the agreement with the Alyosha, arguing that the area was better used by residents unloading their boats at the county ramp. Back on the agenda for discussion this week, Recreation and Parks Director Kelly Rados said

the owner had approached the county once again to negotiate another five-year lease at a higher rate.

"The owner of the Alyosha had reached back out to us recently and is asking us to reconsider the lease that they had at the West Ocean City harbor," she said. "He is requesting a long-term lease. He suggested five years. He mentioned that he is willing to pay significantly more than what his lease was in the past. In addition to docking, he would also need to allow his patrons to load and unload and park there at the parking lot."

When asked if the boat would be docked at the same location, Rados said her department had suggested publicly bidding out the governor's dock. She said the boat could be better suited for that location.

"So that led us down that road as to what the governor's dock rules are," she said. "It is our understanding that the state had put up money originally for the harbor for that to be built. And either the state or the governor at that time had a yacht that they would use to dock there. I don't know how old that agreement is. Since then, we have redone the West Ocean City Harbor using our own county funds. We've been trying to research a little bit to find documentation that outlines that agreement, and I have not been able to find one as of yet."

Bunting, however, continued to share his opposition to the boat's use of the harbor. His motion to deny the request passed in a 6-1 vote.

# License board issues fines for underage sale violations

By **Bethany Hooper**  
Associate Editor

(Aug. 29, 2024) Licensing officials issued fines to several local businesses this month for selling alcohol to minors.

During a series of hearings Aug. 21, the Worcester County Board of License Commissioners (BLC) handed down a letter of reprimand to the West Ocean City Royal Farms and issued a total of \$8,250 in fines to eight other establishments for alcohol sales to minors. The first violation reviewed this week occurred at Asian Cuisine, which received a \$1,000 fine for failing a compliance check.

"We are stipulating the offense occurred, and we only wish to be heard on mitigation," Mark Cropper, Asian Cuisine's attorney, told the board.

Cropper said the offense was the first recorded for the Ocean Pines-based business. Connections for the restaurant said an employee had sold an underage police cadet alcohol

without checking identification.


When asked to provide an account of what had transpired, the employee said he had waited on a table that had what he believed to be a young child and an older woman. He said he mistakenly believed the woman to be over the age of 21. Sheriff's Office Deputy Mark Shayne, however, disputed the claim.

"There was no young child at the table," he told the board. "There was an 18-year-old at the table."

Employee Shirley Yeung, daughter of the license holder, said the employee had worked for the business 10 years and was Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM) certified. When asked how the employee responded to the infraction, Shayne replied, "It was difficult to communicate for this incident."

BLC member Charles Nichols questioned how the employee had completed his TAM training.

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## Carozza calls on board of public works to slow project

### Senator requests postpone of US Wind tidal wetlands license decision in WOC

(Aug. 29, 2024) Sen. Many Beth Carozza (R-38) has called on the Maryland Board of Public Works to postpone consideration of the US Wind's Tidal Wetlands License Application to build an industrial pier at the West Ocean City Harbor until and if the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management issues a final decision regarding US Wind's offshore wind energy project in Maryland.

The proposed US Wind license calls for the construction of a 10,590 square-foot concrete industrial pier with machinery and a portable crane as part of US Wind's Operation and Maintenance Facility at the West Ocean City Harbor.

"I have received numerous comments of objection to this application... both constituents and others from across Maryland who have voiced their deep concerns about the negative impact of the US Wind's proposed industrial maintenance facility on the commercial fishing industry and overall region," Carozza said in the letter to the board, sent

Aug. 20.

The letter added that the operations and maintenance facility "would dramatically and permanently change our iconic West Ocean City Harbor from Maryland's only commercial fishing harbor with access to the Atlantic Ocean to a heavily industrialized and bottlenecked harbor."

"It only makes sense for the Board of Public Works to hold off considering US Wind's license application until or if the federal government makes a final decision on US Wind's offshore wind energy development plan off Maryland's Coast," the letter continued.

Commercial fishing is a major economic driver for Ocean City and the Eastern Shore region, as the letter points out.

"The West Ocean City Harbor is the only commercial fishing harbor in Maryland with access to the Atlantic Ocean and should be preserved to protect the many small business owners who depend on it," the letter said.

Members of the Maryland Board of Public Works consist of Gov. Wes Moore (D), Treasurer Dereck Davis, and Comptroller Brooke Lierman.

## Fines handed out for violations

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Yeung said the employee had a better understanding of written English and that the restaurant's employees had completed a written exam. When asked if such an exam was bonafide, TAM instructor Lois Twilley said classes often varied by instructor.

"It's left to the comptroller's office to approve whatever classes," she said.

After further discussion, the board issued a \$1,000 fine to Asian Cuisine.

The BLC this week also issued a letter of reprimand to the West Ocean City Royal Farms, which recorded its first alcohol sales violation in 10 years, and levied a \$250 fine to Newark Station. The store's connections acknowledged the employee who had committed the infraction had been working for the store for less than a year and had no prior violations.

"This is a wakeup call," the store's attorney told the board. "It was a clean deal, and we're sorry for it."

The BLC on Wednesday also fined the Duck In, located in Pocomoke, \$500 for its alcohol violation, and Pizza Tugo's, located in West Ocean City, \$1,000. In the Pizza Tugo's case, the server told the board she had checked the underage cadet's identification but had mistakenly believed

her to be over the age of 21.

"She asked for a beer, I carded her, and I did my math wrong ...," she said. "It's 100 percent on me."

Other violations included the Newtown Market in Pocomoke, which received a \$500 fine, the Super Soda in Snow Hill, which received a \$1,500 fine, and Berlin Liquor, which received a \$1,500 fine. At the Berlin Liquor, connections acknowledged that the employee had failed to scan the underage cadet's identification.

"You had a system in place, and it wasn't used," said BLC member Marty Pusey.

Lastly, the BLC issued a \$2,000 fine to Marlin Market, located off Stephen Decatur Highway. The recent violation marks the third infraction recorded since 2019, but the license holder said changes have been made to the store's point of sale system.

"Immediately after that violation we took away the capability of cashiers to manually punch a date in ...," he explained. "The only way to make a sale is to scan the ID."

The license holder also acknowledged the employee who had committed the violation had been terminated. "He claimed he made a mistake," he said of the employee's actions. "It's an oversight he's very regretful of."



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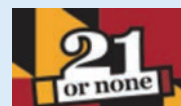
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# Annual 'community schools' program reviewed for board

### New members this year to include Buckingham Elem., Pocomoke Middle schools

By **Tara Fischer**  
Staff Writer

(Aug. 29, 2024) Worcester County Public School officials outlined the benefits and process of creating community schools.

As defined by the Maryland State Department of Education, community schools "work in collaboration with community partners, local governments, and other stakeholders to identify and address structural and institutional barriers to achievement."

Coordinator of Student, Family, and Community Nicole Selby and Coordinator of School Health Services Lauren Williams spearheaded the Aug. 20 presentation. Williams emphasized that a community school is a "mindset, framework, and ... a way that we can make partnerships with other folks who have similar missions that want to help support youth and families."

Pocomoke High School, for instance, partners with Chesapeake Healthcare for onsite physicals and urgent care appointments. According to Williams, the service has led to students missing less classroom instruction as they can be quickly diagnosed, medicated with parental consent, or immediately sent home to rest.

In the approaching school year, Buckingham Elementary and Snow Hill Middle Schools will officially be community schools for the first time. Expectations for the facilities in the

2024-2025 academic cycle include conducting a needs assessment to be submitted to MSDE by May 30, a collaborative process to identify the gaps in learning institutions and hiring and training a community school liaison.

PHS is going into its second year as a community school. Cedar Chapel Special School, Pocomoke Elementary, and Pocomoke Middle are entering their third cycles.

Williams said that creating community schools has been ongoing for three years, as the Blueprint for Maryland's Future, a plan that aims to transform the state's public education through increased funding, has prioritized and provided financial aid for the program.

Per MSDE requirements, a partnership liaison must be hired for each community school. This individual's role is to talk to students, teachers, and parents, via survey or in person, and identify the services the facility needs to remove achievement barriers. They will then reach out to local businesses and agencies that may be able to provide support.

Worcester County is creating a Community Schools Advisory Committee to further the teamwork aspect of the program. The group will meet quarterly to review reports, provide feedback, and share where they see needs and partnerships that will benefit the schools. The first get-together is scheduled for November.

"All students flourish in thriving school communities," Williams said. "We do that by building connections and identifying other folks doing similar work to support our families."

# Worcester County's schools outperform majority in state

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Maryland State Department of Education has released statewide performance data that shows Worcester County Public Schools outperforming the majority of school systems in the state across content areas.

According to a news release, during the State Board of Education meeting Tuesday, Superintendent Carey Wright and staff provided an update on student performance on state assessments administered in the spring in English/language arts (ELA) and mathematics. Statewide, assessment results showed Maryland's students experienced modest gains in both areas.

In Worcester County, student performance on the spring ELA assessments topped all other school systems in Maryland with 69.4% of

students scoring as proficient or higher, 21 percentage points above the state average of 48.4%, and nearly five percentage points above the next local education agency (LEA). A particular highlight are Worcester County's middle school-aged students who tested in the spring. Countywide, sixth graders' proficiency grew across all schools, with Snow Hill Middle School's seventh graders seeing one of the strongest gains with a nearly 11 percentage-point increase over the prior year.

Statewide, mathematics performance data saw a nominal gain over last year with 24.1% of students reaching proficiency across all tested areas. But Worcester County topped the state by over 15 percentage points

See DATA Page 22

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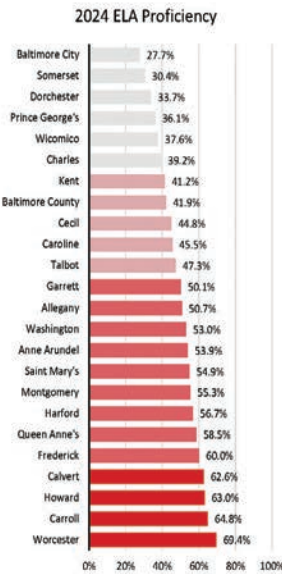
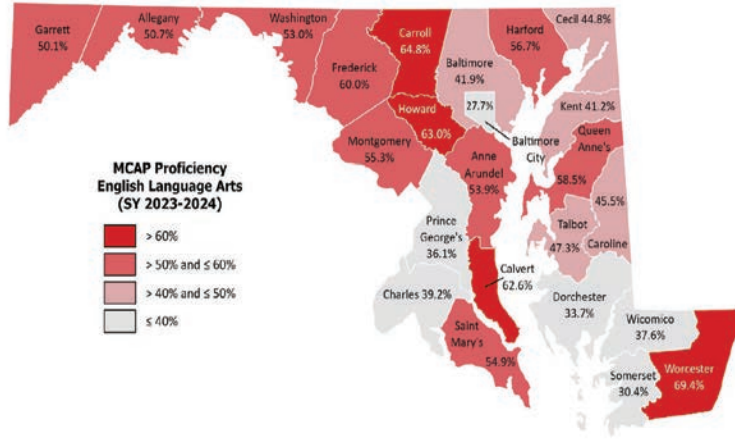


Two graphics show data from the Maryland State Department of Education's latest assessment. This graphic depicts that Worcester County student performance on the spring ELA assessments topped all other school systems in Maryland with 69.4% of students scoring proficient or higher, 21 percentage points above the state average of 48.4%, and nearly five percentage points above the next local education agency.

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### ELA Proficiency by LEA, SY 2023-2024

ELA proficiency for all tests combined varied from 27.7% to 69.4% across LEAs.



## Data confirms student success

Continued from Page 21 in mathematics with 39.3% of students reaching proficiency across all assessments and following Howard County by less than two percentage points.

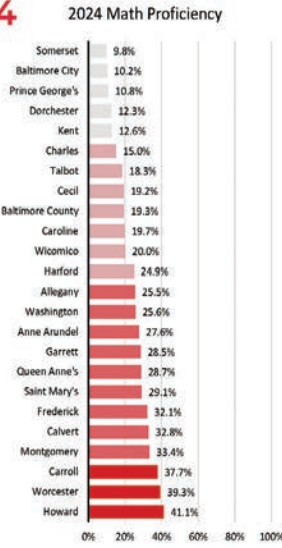
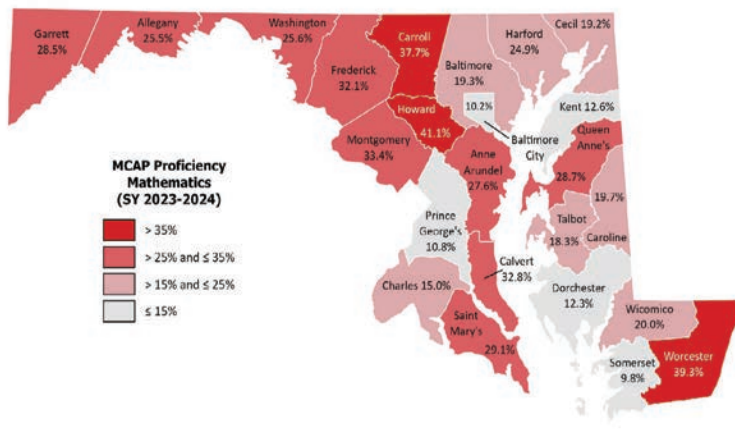
All seventh graders in Worcester County experienced growth from last year's proficiency levels with SHMS once again standing out with double digit gains, nearly 11 percentage points of growth over 2023.

Stephen Decatur Middle School was the top middle school in the entire state of Maryland in the Math 08 assessment with nearly 56% of eighth graders reaching proficiency. When examining eighth grade mathematics holistically at SDMS, between the Math 08 and Algebra I assessments, 62% of all eighth graders reached proficiency.

"Today's results are a testament to the hard work of our students and the unwavering dedication of our teachers, educational support staff, and leaders," Superintendent of Schools Lou Taylor said in the release. "It is certainly validating that our scores are consistently leading the state. Our collective efforts are making an impact, and I hope our community is proud to see this positive progress for our students."

### Mathematics Proficiency by LEA, SY 2023-2024

Mathematics proficiency for all tests combined varied from 9.8% to 41.1% across LEAs.



This graphic shows Worcester County topped the state by over 15 percentage points in mathematics with 39.3% of students reaching proficiency across all assessments and following Howard County by less than two percentage points.

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# Maryland's total gambling revenue dips in fiscal '24

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Maryland Lottery and the state's casinos, sportsbooks and daily fantasy sports, including those at Ocean Downs, combined to contribute \$1.585 billion to the state in Fiscal Year 2024, for the second-largest, single-year transfer to date.

According to a news release from Maryland Lottery and Gaming, the number missed fiscal 2023's \$1.589 billion revenue total by just 0.25%.

Casino gaming contributions to the state were \$824 million, lottery profits were \$699.6 million, and sports wagering and daily fantasy sports combined to contribute \$61.3 million.

The lottery, casinos, sports wagering and daily fantasy sports contributed an average of \$4.3 million per day to state programs and services in fiscal 2024.

"We had an exceptional performance in Fiscal Year 2023, so we came into FY2024 facing a challenging year-over-year comparison," Maryland Lottery and Gaming Director John Martin said in the release. "Nonetheless, we had another strong year on a number of fronts. The Lottery added a new daily game, and the sports wagering market continued to expand. We're proud of our role in generating funds for important state programs."

All lottery, casino and sports wagering facts and figures are available online at mdgaming.com.

In total, lottery sales were \$2.732 billion, down 1.2% from fiscal 2023. Scratch-off ticket sales led at \$1.061 billion, surpassing the \$1 billion mark for the third consecutive year.

Casino gaming generated a total \$1.964 billion in revenue from slot machines and table games, the third-best single-year total and a decrease of 4.7% compared to fiscal 2023.

After launching in December 2021, Maryland's sports wagering market continued to expand in fiscal 2024 by offering mobile wagering for the entire fiscal year for the first time. The state's first mobile sports wagering platforms were active for just seven months of fiscal 2023.

All sports wagering operators contribute 15% of their taxable win to the Blueprint for Maryland's Future Fund, which supports public education programs. In fiscal 2024, the contributions were \$60.3 million. Expired sports wagering prizes support responsible gaming programs and totaled \$985,862 for the year.

The operators of fantasy competitions (including daily fantasy sports) also contribute 15% of revenues to the Blueprint for Maryland's Future Fund. In fiscal 2024, the contributions totaled \$983,819.

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Members of the Atlantic General Hospital Foundation are pictured presenting a check for \$1.5 million to Atlantic General Hospital for the purchase of new MRI equipment.

# AGH celebrates donation for MRI equipment

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Atlantic General Hospital Foundation recently presented a check for \$1.5 million to Atlantic General Hospital, a celebratory gesture to commemorate community donor support that has allowed the healthcare facility to buy a new SIGNA Artist Evo MRI solution for its imaging department.

According to a news release, the new system will use the magnet from the facility's existing MRI unit and reduce the environmental impact of a complete replacement. The magnet will be paired with a wider bore to reduce the risk of claustrophobia and GE Healthcare's AIRTM Recon DL technology, which produces better image quality than typical 1.5T MRI systems and reduces scan times.

"We are incredibly grateful to the community for continuing to support Atlantic General Hospital and Health System. Our current MRI unit is reaching end of life, and we would not have been able to make this investment for our patients without donor contributions," Don Owrey, the president and CEO of Atlantic

General Hospital said in the release. "In addition to the patient comforts afforded by a more spacious bore and shorter scan times, the new system is MARS capable, so we will be able to accommodate scans for individuals with metal implants as well." The SIGNA Artist Evo MRI system is set for installation this fall.

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# Della's Closet ribbon cutting for new facility slated Sept. 7

(Aug. 29, 2024) Della's Closet will be opening its doors to the public at a ribbon-cutting event set from noon to 4 p.m., Sept. 7 at the nonprofit's new facility in Pocomoke City.

a focus on winter coats and fall/winter clothing — and requests that each attendee bring an item for donation.

The event will be co-hosted by the Pocomoke Area and the Worcester County chambers of commerce, and will feature food and beverages for kids and adults, games and door prizes, as well as guided tours of the building at 1603 Market Street.

Della's Closet is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with a goal to provide services to children in foster care and families in need in Worcester, Somerset, Wicomico counties, as well as Accomack County, Virginia.

The organization will also be holding a clothing drive during the event — with

Services include:  
 • Providing donated or purchased clothing — as well as diapers and toiletries — to children and their families

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# Lower Shore Land Trust welcomes new staff member

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Lower Shore Land Trust recently welcomed Tasha Haight as the organization's new communications coordinator.

Haight has a masters of business administration degree from Loyola University Maryland and a passion for conservation. She owns Mermaid Tasha LLC, a mermaid entertainment business, and has published several conservation-focused children's books in the Mermaid Tasha series.

Lower Shore Land Trust assists landowners who want to protect, in perpetuity, habitat necessary to sustain a diverse and healthy wildlife population, working agricultural lands, natural buffers that maintain water quality, and preserve scenic vistas and landscapes surrounding sites of historical and cultural importance. The organization works to ensure that sufficient lands remain to support forestry and agriculture as viable industries on the Lower Eastern Shore.

In her new role, Haight will help implement and promote annual events, such as the Flannel Formal on Nov. 9. She will also work closely with network partnerships, such as Delmarva Birding Weekends for the OktoBIRDFest. She will start more engaging communication channels with local community members and land trust supporters through blogs and podcasts as well.

More information can be found online at [LowerShoreLandTrust.org](http://LowerShoreLandTrust.org).



Tasha Haight

# Public asked to bring donations

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- Offering games, toys, and other gifts for foster kids on birthdays and other holidays
- Distributing personalized luggage for children in foster care
- Donating "first night bags" containing food, clothing, personal items, and other necessities to children moving to new foster homes
- Providing office and meeting space to other local charitable organizations

The organization is accepting donations of new or gently used clothing for children and young people of all sizes, as well as new toys and games. Clients also need diapers in assorted sizes and toiletries for boys and girls of all ages.

The organization also accepts monetary and in-kind donations from individuals and community organizations. Checks are to be made payable to: Della's Closet, P.O. Box 268, Pocomoke, MD 21851

Learn more at [DellasCloset.org](http://DellasCloset.org).

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# Community bank announces promotions, additional hires

(Aug. 29, 2024) Taylor Bank recently announced a series of leadership promotions and a new hire.



Peyton Goslee



Sherry Tarr



Heather Godwin



Ray Daisey

They are as follows:

• **Peyton Goslee** — hired as manager of the West Ocean City Branch

• **Sherry Tarr** — promoted from vice president and relationship officer to regional manager for the Southern Region

• **Heather Godwin** — promoted from vice president and relationship officer to regional manager for the Northern Region

• **Ray Daisey** — promoted from manager of the Pocomoke Branch to vice president

• **Lauren Ruhl** — promoted to assistant vice president and director of human resources

• **Kayleigh Yarris** — promoted to market branch manager and relationship officer for the Ocean View and North Ocean City branches

• **Cherokee Stapleton** — pro-



Lauren Ruhl



Kayleigh Yarris



C. Stapleton

moted to manager of the Ocean Pines Branch

“Each individual is a vital member of the Taylor Bank team, and I am thrilled to see them excel in their new or expanded roles,” Raymond M. Thompson, president and CEO of Taylor Bank, said in a news release. “Their combined knowledge and experience will help Taylor Bank continue its legacy as a leading community bank in the Delmarva region.”

# Local authors plan stops at upcoming farmers markets

## Book tour to highlight 14 writers over next three Saturdays in Ocean Pines

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market is hosting a Local Authors Book Tour with 14 local authors for a special showcase over several weeks.

The event will run on three upcoming Saturdays, Aug. 31, and Sept. 14 and 28.

Market visitors can meet and chat with each author, buy books, and get them signed. Participating authors represent a variety of genres, including children’s fiction, horror, mystery, faith-based works, romance, historical fiction and poetry.

Market Manager David Bean said in a news release that each author brings a unique story and perspective to the greater Ocean Pines Community.

“We are thrilled to host this incredible lineup of local authors,” he said. “There’s something for everyone, and it’s a perfect opportunity to meet the talent behind these works and discover new favorites.”

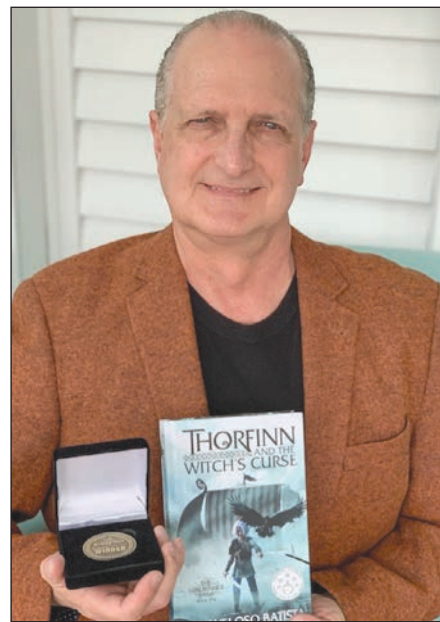
The schedule is as follows:

• **8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aug. 31** — Grace Murdock (Children’s), Katherine Ruskey (Children’s), Shelly Lovelace (Romance), K.L. Montgomery (Mystery/Romance) and Robert Nock (Historical Fiction)

• **9 a.m. to noon, Sept. 14** — Jay Veloso Batista (Historical Fantasy & Sci-Fi), Denise Harper (Faith-Based), Aileen Rodrigues Price (Faith-Based), Amber Nicole (Mainstream/Women’s Fiction) and Maria Coccodrilli (Children’s)

• **9 a.m. to noon, Sept. 28** — Diana McDonough (Historical/Creative Fiction), Alyssa Hazel (Horror), Danisha Tate (Children’s), Shakira Henderson (Poetry)

For more information on the Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market, visit [oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market](http://oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market).



Jay Veloso Batista



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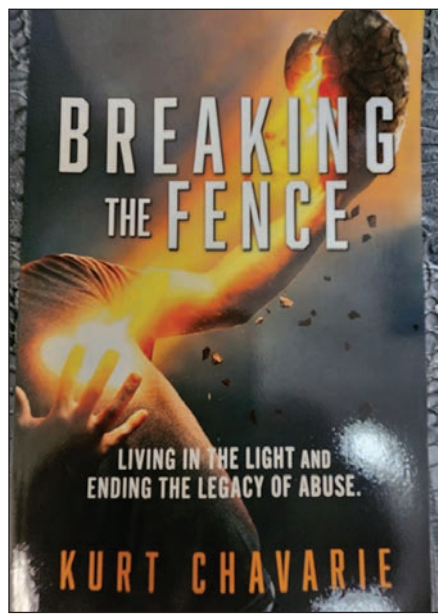
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 The cover of Ocean Pines resident Kurt Chavarie's third book, *Breaking the Fence: Living in the Light, Ending the Legacy of Abuse*, is pictured.

## Formerly illiterate author's 3rd book offered for sale

(Aug. 29, 2024) Ocean Pines resident and author Kurt Chavarie has released another book about his life and experiences that is available now for purchase.

A formerly illiterate alcoholic, Chavarie learned to read and write at the age of 30 and turned the skills first into a book of poems, and then a collection of stories about his life journey — "Jumping the Fence: A Journey from Darkness to Light" — that was published in 2011. His third book, "Breaking the Fence: Living in the Light, Ending the Legacy of Abuse," is a continuation of "Jumping the Fence" that was released July 28.

In an email, Chavarie described the new book as "a collection of stories engaging the reader in mystery, romance, horror, comedy and thrilling adventure." He said the book can transport the reader into various experience, emotions and visions through what he called the "incredible journey of one man's soul with faith, hope and love and companions."

"Breaking the Fence" is available on Amazon.com and at Barnes and Noble. Signed copies are available at Chavarie's home. He can be reached at 443-365-0786. Book signings with local book stores and Barnes and Noble in Salisbury will also be scheduled.

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# Opinion

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## What's next for AGH?

Atlantic General Hospital, 31 years into its improbable existence, is about to do ... something. Or not. The statement released Tuesday by the AGH Board of Trustees says as much.

Between quotes and assurances that all is well and will get even better, the statement provides no real information other than the hospital leadership is thinking about, but is not committed to, doing something.

That something could be attempting to establish a partnership, joint venture or some other kind of operating agreement with another healthcare system. Or board members could do what their predecessors have done from the beginning: figure out how to maintain the hospital's financial equilibrium and keep on going as an independent entity.

What they cannot do, however, is ignore the problem that brought the hospital to this critical juncture: AGH's operating expenses are increasing more rapidly than its operating income, according to Fiscal Year 2023 financial data collected by the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission.

Although the financial reports of other Maryland hospitals in this data set show that 2023 was not a good year for many of them, AGH's particular problem is that it can't bill or expand its way out of its predicament.

Its rates for in-hospital and specific other services are regulated by the cost review commission as well as the payment restrictions of Medicare. AGH also operates in a healthcare market silo of sorts, surrounded by Tidal Health and its satellite facilities to the west, and to a lesser extent, Beebe Hospital in Sussex County, Delaware.

This leaves the board of trustees to figure out how, in these circumstances, it can ensure that the hospital keeps pace with rising costs and is able to offer the competitive salaries that good medical professionals and staff require.

Given that the improbability that AGH would even open its doors 31 years ago was overcome by supporters' hard-headedness and creative thinking, there's no doubt that the board will apply these same virtues as it figures out what to do next. Whatever that might be.

## Annual golf tournament announced

### Veterans Memorial Foundation seeking sponsors, donations

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation is hosting the 17th installment of its Veterans Memorial Tournament on Sept. 18 at the Ocean Pines Golf Club.

The event will benefit education programs of the memorial foundation, including annual tours of the memorial grounds by all fifth grade students in Worcester County.

The annual tours are part of a collaboration between the Worcester County Board of Education and veterans memorial foundation. Tours are led by volunteer docents who share knowledge of veterans' sacrifices, the history of different service branches,

and flag etiquette.

Complementing the sessions, JROTC cadets from Stephen Decatur Snow Hill and Pocomoke high schools provide hands-on guidance in proper flag handling and folding.

Students also receive activity guides to reinforce the lessons and encourage ongoing conversations about their family's contributions and military service history.

The annual golf tournament is the major fundraiser for the education programs.

The tournament will feature a scramble best ball format with a 9 a.m. shotgun start.

Registration is \$125 per player and includes tournament entry, golf cart, lunch, and access to prizes.

Sponsorship opportunities are available at various

levels, ranging from \$100 to \$2,000.

To download a tournament or sponsor form, visit [oceanpines.org/documents/20124/92950/VET+GOLF+BROCHURE+2024.pdf/f119c175-ab12-e306-d948-9034e907190f?t=1723223628036](http://oceanpines.org/documents/20124/92950/VET+GOLF+BROCHURE+2024.pdf/f119c175-ab12-e306-d948-9034e907190f?t=1723223628036).

The foundation also welcomes donations, gift certificates, and prizes for the tournament's silent auction. All contributions are tax-deductible.

The Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation operates as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with the tax ID EIN# 20-3130695.

For more information, contact Marie Gilmore at 410-726-2881 or [opmarie@aol.com](mailto:opmarie@aol.com), or Don McMullen at 443-388-2941 or [dmcullen1@aol.com](mailto:dmcullen1@aol.com).

## Paving work set to begin in Snow Hill

### Resurfacing planned between Market and Timmons streets

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration is expected to begin resurfacing Route 113 Business (Market Street) from Route 12 (Church Street) to Timmons Street near Snow Hill this week.

The project should be completed by December, weather permitting.

Crews were expected Wednesday to begin milling (removing the top layer of asphalt) of the road to prepare for paving. Work will continue 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays. During work hours, motorists can expect single-lane closures and flagging operations.

According to a news release, Contractor Allan Myers of Dover, Delaware, will use arrow boards, cones, and flaggers to safely guide motorists through the work zone. Drivers should expect major traffic impacts with

significant delays during work hours.

The release said state highway crews work hard to maintain safe traffic mobility in work zones. Drivers need to stay alert, focus on driving, and look for reduced speed limits and other traffic pattern changes.

Hot asphalt may require up to two hours to cool before drivers and pedestrians can safely cross the new road surface. Motorcyclists are urged to be aware of uneven pavement surfaces during the project.

## Hops Scramble raises over \$2,600

### Annual proceeds to be given to Diakonia, area humane society

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Ocean Pines Golf Club on Aug. 23, played host to the annual Ernie Stiles Memorial Bavarian Hops Golf Scramble.

The 17th installment of the event paid homage to the

late Ernie Stiles, who founded it in the early 2000s as a fundraiser for local charities.

During the tournament, players teed off to play nine holes.

Ed Kessler earned the "hops hat" with his closest-to-the-pin shot of 2 feet, 3 inches, on the seventh hole and also made birdie.

Proceeds this year of

\$1,336 went to Diakonia and a \$1,286 donation went to the Worcester County Humane Society.

The tournament has raised more than \$35,000 for local charities since its inception.

Organizers Patty Curtin and Don McMullen thanked the golfers and in-kind donations from patrons that made the event possible.

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# Maryland Coastal Bays set to host community meetings

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Maryland Coastal Bays Program is hosting three public meetings throughout the month of September to provide information and seek public input on the program's proposed new ten-year management plan beginning in 2025.

The plan, referred to as the Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan, is the strategic plan for actions to be implemented by the program and its partners over the next decade.

The plan will be the third since the program's inception. The current plan can be reviewed on the MCBP website, [mdcoastalbays.org](http://mdcoastalbays.org)

The draft proposed plan includes four key themes: providing healthy wa-

ters, protecting fish, wildlife and their habitats, enhancing coastal resiliency, and conducting outreach and education to the community.

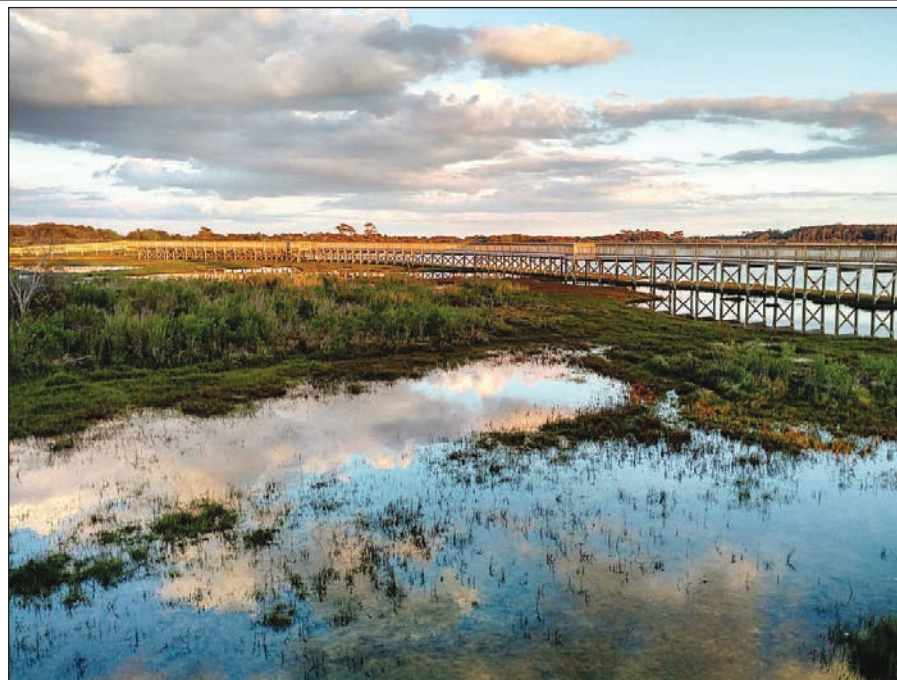
Meeting schedules are as follows:

- 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 15, at Ocean Pines Parks and Rec/ Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Pkwy in Ocean Pines

- 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 18, at Worcester County Rec and Parks, 6030 Public Landing Road in Snow Hill

- 5:30-7:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 26, at Holiday Inn Conference Center 6600 Coastal Highway in Ocean City

Contact Sandi Smith at [sandis@md-coastalbays.org](mailto:sandis@md-coastalbays.org) for more information or questions.



The Assateague Trail Marsh is pictured.

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# Next safe boating class slated Sept. 10-12

(Aug. 29, 2024) With calm waters this summer, members the local U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary have reported a decrease in boating accidents, which they say is all the more reason to maintain high levels of safety through educational efforts such as safe boating classes.

Anyone who needs to obtain or up-

date a boating certificate can attend the next Maryland Safe Boating Class set for 6-9 p.m., Sept. 10-12, at the Ocean Pines Library. Boating certificates earned during the three-day class are NASBLA approved and valid in all states.

The course is taught by certified instructors from the Ocean City Coast Guard Auxiliary and all the required ma-

terial is covered, along with information on local waters and nautical navigation.

The Maryland Boating Safety Education Act requires that anyone born after July 1, 1972, must possess a Maryland Basic Boating Safety Certificate to operate a boat in the state. Those who attend the class and pass the test will receive the certification.

A fee of \$20 covers the cost of the course and materials. Checks should be made payable to: USGCAUX 12-05 and mailed to: USGCAUX 12-05, PO Box 1682, Berlin, MD 21811. Payment through PayPal is also accepted.

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## Thurs., Aug. 29

### SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHT

Sunset Park, 700 S. Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Enjoy a free concert and sunset views over the Isle of Wight Bay. Featuring "The Dunchounds" (jam band). <http://www.ococean.com/things-to-do/>

### CONCERT IN THE PARK

White Horse Park Pavilion, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, 7-9 p.m. Featuring "Uptown Band." Free family-friendly entertainment. Bring chairs and blankets. BYOB permitted, concessions for sale. 410-641-7052

### CONCERTS IN THE PARK SUMMER SERIES

Cypress Park, 7 Bridge St., Pocomoke City, 7 p.m. Pack a picnic, bring a lawn chair and join in for a free concert featuring the "Fab 2, 3, 4: A Tribute to the Beatles." Bleacher seating is also available. Boaters are encouraged to dock their boats. 410-957-1333, Ext. 111

### STORY TIME: WHEN A DRAGON MOVES IN

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Discover what to expect when a dragon moves into a sand castle. Songs, stories and crafts. For ages 2-5 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### PLAY TIME

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

### OC CHESS CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Enjoy a relaxing game of chess every Thursday at the library. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### LET'S TALK MOVIES: 'IT'

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2 p.m. August's movie discussion includes both the classic mini-series and the recent two part movie series. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### LEGO MASTERS CHALLENGE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Join in for a LEGO challenge event. All materials provided. For ages 6-12 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### FIRESIDE CHAT

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

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

### END OF SUMMER CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Featuring classical music on piano, flute, oboe and voice. Free event. Memberships to the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library group will be available. Donations accepted. 410-208-4014

### BEACH SINGLE 55 PLUS MEET AND GREET

*Thursdays* - Nick's Kitchen + Bar, 14410 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City, 4-6 p.m. 215-385-4993, [BeachSingles.org](http://BeachSingles.org)

## Fri., Aug. 30

### TOWN CATS YARD SALES

Terns Landing in Ocean Pines, 28 Leigh Drive, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Cats yard sale.

### 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 our own tile set. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### ARTISTIC ARENA: ZIPPER PENCIL POUNCH

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 1 p.m. Design your own zipper pencil case with fun stickers and markers. All materials provided. For ages 6-11 years and 12-18 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### KIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

*Fridays* - Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway, behind St. Luke's Church. Doors open at 5 p.m., bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Light snacks available before bingo and at intermission. 410-524-7994

## Sat., Aug. 31

### CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Great deals to be found. Your purchase helps fund the church's ability to help neighbors.

### TOWN CATS YARD SALE

Terns Landing in Ocean Pines, 28 Leigh Drive, Ocean Pines, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Cats yard sale.

### INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, 8-11 a.m. Vendors and crafters. Reservations: 443-614-2261, [FCBumc21811@gmail.com](mailto:FCBumc21811@gmail.com).

### CRAFTY SATURDAY: BACK TO SCHOOL

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines

Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. Join in for some back to school crafts. For all ages. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### FREE KIDS CRAFT

Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Bring the kids and do something creative with them and for them. Projects change each week. No reservations needed. Free and open to all. [www.artleagueofoceancity.org](http://www.artleagueofoceancity.org), 410-524-9433

### FAMILY SPLASH NIGHT

Ocean Pines Sports Core Pool, 11144 Cathell Road, 5-8 p.m. Enjoy an evening of water-themed activities. All ages welcome. Cost is \$8 for non-resident, \$6 for resident, \$4 for swim member and \$2 for non-swimmer. 410-641-5255, [ocean-pines.org](http://ocean-pines.org)

### FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

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

## Sun., Sept. 1

### SUNDAES IN THE PARK WITH FIREWORKS

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Live music by "Sapphire" (The 80s tribute band), kid-friendly entertainment, ice cream and fireworks. <https://www.ococean.com/things-to-do/free-family-fun/sundaes-in-the-park/>

### BERLIN FARMERS MARKET

*Sundays through October* - Pitts Street, Commerce Street and Main Street, Berlin, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine. Featuring more than 50 farmers, bakers, growers, brewers, food cultivators, distillers, creators and artists. Also free kids art projects, petting zoo, face painting and live music. <https://berlinmainstreet.com/farmers-market/>

### BERLIN FLEA MARKET

*Sundays* - Uptown Emporium Parking Lot, 13 S. Main St., Berlin, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Vendor opportunities available. Julie, 410-726-9012; Bill, 410-629-9656

### DEADLINE TO PREORDER FOR CHICKEN SALAD AND SHRIMP SALAD CARRYOUT

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road. Pick up on Saturday, Sept. 7 from noon to 2 p.m. Homemade chicken salad cost is \$8 per pint. Homemade shrimp salad cost is \$15 per pint. Preorder by Sept. 1: 619-922-9950.

### SEWING FOR A CAUSE

*Sundays* - Buckingham Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Main St., Berlin, 10:30 a.m. to noon. Learn how to sew while making a difference. 410-641-0234

### 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., Sept. 2

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

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

### BRIDGE

*Mondays* - Ocean City 50plus Center, 104 41st Street, Ocean City, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Reserve a spot: Tish, 410-804-3971. [www.Worcoa.org/oceancity](http://www.Worcoa.org/oceancity)

### 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., Sept. 3

### STORY TIME: 'FAMILIES'

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and fingerplays. For ages 0-5 years. 410-641-0650, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### PLAY TIME AT THE PARK

Cypress Park Playground, 7 Bridge St., Pocomoke City, 10:30 a.m. Join in for outside play and time to socialize with other families. Weather permitting. For ages 0-5 years. 410-957-0878, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### BABY TIME

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30 a.m. Songs, rhymes and stories. Stay after to socialize with other families. For ages 0-2 years. 410-632-3495, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### OC KNITTING GROUP

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Do you love to knit or crochet? Bring whatever project you happen to be working on. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### MASTER GARDENERS PLANT CLINIC

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 11 a.m. Master Gardener Ginny Rosenkranz talks

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about all things plants. Bring questions and feel free to show your plants as well. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## LET'S MAKE ... SAND PAINTINGS

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. A unique craft showcasing your own creativity using sand and household items. All materials provided. Register: 410-641-0650, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org).

## GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2:30 p.m. The group meets twice a month to discuss selections from the Great Books Foundation. Focus will be on "Kristin Lavransdatter" Book 1 and Book 2 by Sigrid Unset. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center, 9707 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 3-4 p.m. Monthly support group where caregivers gather and share similar challenges and rewards of providing care for adults with serious illnesses. Nicole Fry, [nfry@atlanticgenearl.org](mailto:nfry@atlanticgenearl.org), 410-641-2626

## SWITCH TOURNAMENT: MARIO KART

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 3:30 p.m. Can you beat the best? Find out and race! BYO controller is highly recommended. For ages 6-11 years and 12-18 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## ANIME CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 4 p.m. Monthly themes will include trivia, games, Japanese snacks and art exploration. For ages 13-16 years. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## LEGO STEAM CHALLENGE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 4:30 p.m. Join in for a Lego challenge event. All materials provided. For ages 6-11 years. 410-208-4014, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

## HEALING THROUGH SOUND

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 5:30 p.m. Discover the profound power of sound. Relax while Kacey Martin plays crystal bowls, rain sticks and wind chimes. Bring a mat, blanket and pillow. Sitting on a chair is also an option. 410-641-0650

## 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)

## WEIGHT MANAGEMENT AND WELLNESS GROUP

Tuesdays - Holy Trinity Cathedral, 11021 Worcester Highway, 2-2:45 p.m. Use the weight loss program/app/plan of your choice. Free and open to everyone. 410-641-4882, [www.htcanglican.org/activities](http://www.htcanglican.org/activities).

## Wed., Sept. 4

### MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Movement and music themed stories, fun songs and interactive activities to get everyone moving. For ages 0-5 years. 410-524-1818, [www.worcesterlibrary.org](http://www.worcesterlibrary.org)

### PUZZLE SWAP

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 1-5 p.m. Bring your gently used puzzles and swap for new-to-you puzzles. All puzzles swapped must be in their original box. Don't have a puzzle but want one? That's OK too. 410-641-0650

### DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Providing discussion and education on the topic of diabetes. Patti Yocubik, 410-641-4217, [pyocubik@atlanticgenearl.org](mailto:pyocubik@atlanticgenearl.org)

### BARIATRIC SUPPORT GROUP

Online Zoom call on the first and second Wednesday of each month. For non-surgical patients. Atlantic General Bariatric Center, 410-641-9568.

### KIWANIS CLUB MEETING

Wednesdays through Aug. 26 - Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 8 a.m. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. Third Wednesday meetings are offsite and information can be found on [www.kiwanisofopoc.org](http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org).



SUBMITTED PHOTO/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Pictured, from left, posing with a ceremonial \$10,000 check that the American Legion Leathernecks recently donated to local organizations are Marie Gilmore, president of the Worcester County Veterans Memorial; Lauren Cooper, executive director of the Cricket Center; Linda Forte, community marketing representative for Easterseals of Delaware & Maryland Eastern Shore; Bob Broderick, commander of the Post 166 Leathernecks; Amanda Koontz, program advancement associate of Believe in Tomorrow; Mary Decker Brown, program manager of Believe in Tomorrow; and Milt Warren, Leathernecks sergeant-at-arms.

## Legion Leathernecks donate \$10K to local organizations

(Aug. 29, 2024) The American Legion Post 166 Leathernecks recently donated \$10,000 to five local community organizations and the national Semper Fi & America's Fund at its recent membership meeting.

Local organizations that received \$1,000 each were Believe in Tomorrow, Easterseals of Delaware & Maryland Eastern Shore, the Worcester County Veterans Memorial, Worcester GOLD, and the Cricket Center.

A \$5,000 donation was earmarked for the Semper-Fi & America's Fund,

which provides financial assistance and lifetime support to combat wounded, critically ill, and catastrophically injured veterans of all branches of service and their families.

The Post 166 Leathernecks are involved in fundraising and volunteer activities in Ocean City, Worcester County and Southern Sussex County.

The veterans group recently celebrated its first anniversary as a member of the Ocean City American Legion family.

## Mary Mac Foundation set to host fundraiser on Sept. 21

(Aug. 29, 2024) The Mary Mac Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting low-income and homeless children, will host its primary fundraising event of the year from noon to 3 p.m., Sept. 21, at Manor Hill Brewery in Ellicott City.

The foundation each year supports local and regional youth programs to honor Mary McMullen (1948-2012), a special education instructor at Severna Park High School and Ruth Eason School in Millersville.

During the 1970s, McMullen also helped establish the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department.

"Although the Mary Mac event will not be held until late September in Ellicott City, we're hoping that the Ocean Pines community will continue to support us as they have in the past," foundation co-founder and Mary McMullen's husband, Tim McMullen, said in a news release.

McMullen said his late wife inspired many local people through her unwavering generosity. The foundation aims to continue her mission of helping others in need.

"The money that we're raising right now will be for backpack pro-

grams to provide meals for children through an organization called Mid-Shore Meals til Monday," McMullen said. "During the week, there are breakfast and lunch programs in the schools, but many local children struggle with food insecurity on weekends. Through MidShore Meals, we have teachers and volunteers that put together care packages of non-perishable items to help bridge that gap."

Tax-deductible donations can be made through the foundation's PayPal account at [paypal.me/marymacfoundation](http://paypal.me/marymacfoundation) or by mailing checks to 174 Nottingham Lane, Ocean Pines, MD 21811.

The event will include a cash bar, a food truck vendor on-site, and a chance for attendees to gather and support the foundation's efforts to alleviate food insecurity among local children. While the event is free to attend, donations are encouraged, and RSVP is required by Sept. 10.

For more information about the Mary Mac Foundation, or to RSVP for the event, visit [marymac.org](http://marymac.org) or contact Tim McMullen at [tim.p.mcmullen@gmail.com](mailto:tim.p.mcmullen@gmail.com).



# Snapshots



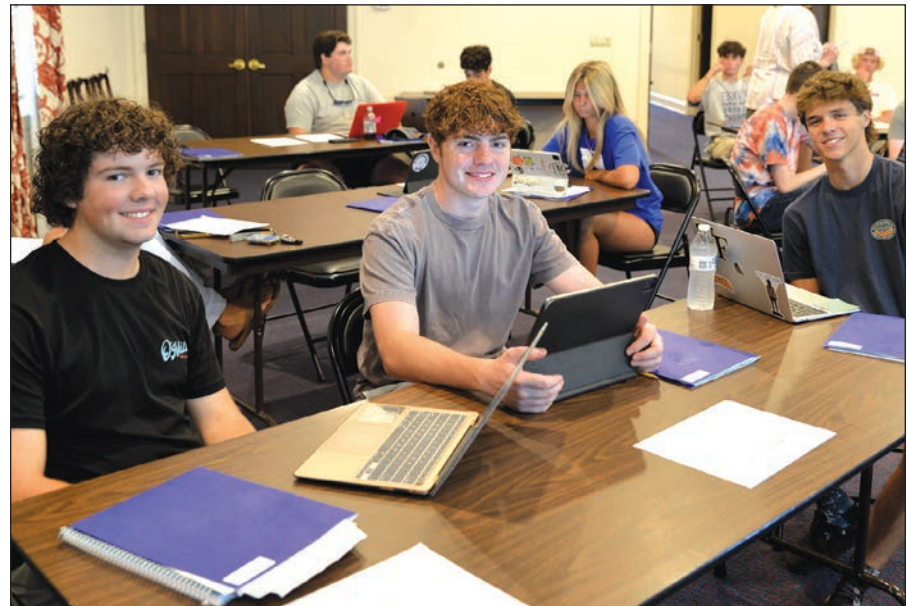
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## COLLEGE WORKSHOP HELD

Members of the Worcester Prep Class of 2025 recently hit the ground running in preparation for their college application season this fall by attending a four-day College Application & Essay Writing Workshop, hosted by the WPS Office of College Counseling, in the Guerrieri Library. Above, members of the Class of 2025 gather with Head of Upper School Carol Evans, Director of College Counseling Vickie Garner, Senior Associate Director of Admissions at College of Charleston Rebecca Drewry, and Admissions Counselor at University of Delaware Dan Hammer for a group photo on day one of the workshop.



WPS English teacher Megan Leslie describes the essential ingredients of a successful college essay.



WPS Seniors Briar Parsons, Frank Miller and Ryan Mann are excited to enter their senior year at Worcester Prep.



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## DAWG TEAM AT WORK

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City Dawg Team prepares and sells hotdogs, burgers and concessions at many Ocean Pines events. Pictured are some members of the team at a recent Concerts in the Park event at White Horse Park. The club raises funds for the scholarships they award every year to graduating high school seniors.



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## DONATION PRESENTED

Kiwanis Club President Bob Wolfing is pictured presenting a \$1,500 check to Diakonia Food Pantry Manager Lineya Amaya and Executive Director Ken Argot at the club's Aug. 6 meeting.





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**VOLUNTEER SPIRIT AWARD**

During the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester Awards ceremony at the Worcester County Government Center in Snow Hill Aug. 20, the commissioners named Maryland Coastal Bays Program volunteer Sue Latour a Lifetime Achievement Spirit recipient. Since becoming a volunteer for the as a water monitor and seal steward for MCBP in 2012, Latour has donated countless hours to protect water quality and seals. Her photographs have helped the National Aquarium determine whether seals that come ashore only need rest or if human intervention is needed. She is pictured displaying her award with the commissioners at the meeting.



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**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT SPIRIT AWARD**

During the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester Awards ceremony at the Worcester County Government Center in Snow Hill on Aug. 20, the commissioners named volunteer Jeannie Powell a Lifetime Achievement Spirit award recipient. Powell has served as a volunteer for multiple organizations and events during the last 30 years, including Atlantic General Hospital, the Berlin/Ocean City Optimist Club, Winterfest Gala Committee, and Holy Savior Catholic Church. She also serves individuals in need of transportation in the community, often driving neighbors to their appointments. She is pictured accepting her award from Commissioners President Chip Bertino.

**Obituaries**

**FRANK ROBERT CREAMER**

Berlin

Frank Robert Creamer, 76, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 25, 2024, in Ocean Pines.

Born in Washington, D.C., he was the son of the late Robert Creamer and Mary Galli Creamer.

Frank was passionate about many sports, such as basketball, softball, football and tennis. In retirement, he found pickleball and co-founded the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club in 2014.

He served on the board of the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club for many years, growing the club from a few members to currently over 400.

He is survived by his wife, Diedre

Creamer; son David Patrick Creamer (Amy); stepsons David M. Umberger and Stephen W. Umberger; stepdaughter Lisa M. Umberger; brothers Patrick Emelio Creamer and Gregory Creamer; granddaughter Teresa J. Creamer; and step-grandsons William A. Hedge and Luke Umberger.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Douglas Creamer.

A celebration of life will be held at 3 p.m., Aug. 30, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, in Ocean City.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ocean Pines Pickleball Club.

Letters of condolence can be sent to the family via burbagefuneral-home.com. Arrangements are in the care of The Burbage Funeral Home.



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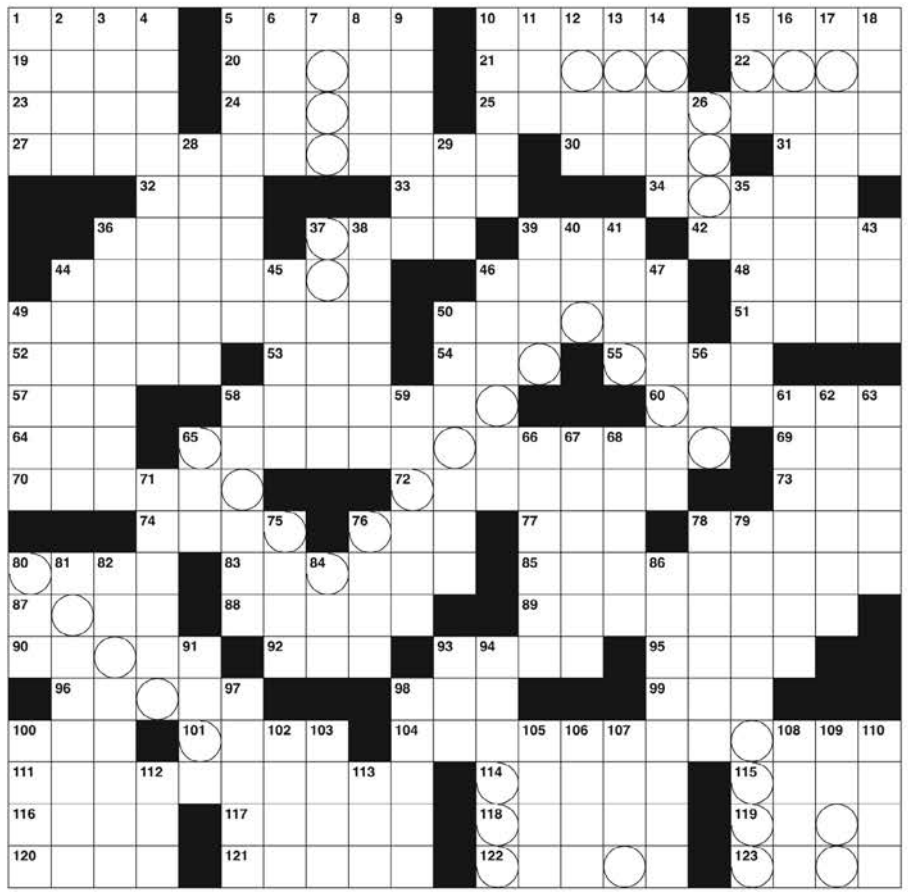
# Puzzles

## FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT

BY REBECCA GOLDSTEIN AND WILL NEDIGER / EDITED BY JOEL FAGLIANO

Rebecca Goldstein is a research scientist living in Albany, Calif. Her co-constructor, Will Nediger, is a professional crossword constructor based in London, Ontario. They connected over D.M.s, and after settling on this idea, went through countless iterations to achieve the cleanest fill. Both love Sunday themes like this one — Will likened it to “a charcuterie plate where there’s a little bit of everything.”

- ACROSS**
- 19 or 10, but not 11 or 12
  - 5 Forming the bottom level
  - 10 Metallic sound
  - 15 Quick second?
  - 19 Thickening substance obtained from seaweed
  - 20 Mega-
  - 21 Trash-loving Muppet
  - 22 Election-year focus
  - 23 Its name comes from Japanese for “to fight”
  - 24 Spacious
  - 25 Amusement-park attraction depicted above and below this answer
  - 27 Cry following a countdown
  - 30 \_\_\_ vez (this time: Sp.)
  - 31 Sewer scurrier
  - 32 Prof’s helpers
  - 33 Molecule studied by 2023 Nobelist Katalin Kariko
  - 34 Be a cast member of
  - 36 N.Y.C. home of “Christina’s World”
  - 37 “Three o’clock”
  - 39 Hawaiian-pizza topping
  - 42 “Fiddler on the Roof” matchmaker
  - 44 Titled widows
  - 46 Two thumbs up?
  - 48 Glass-tube illuminant
  - 49 Start to despair
  - 50 About 3.26 light years
- DOWN**
- 1 Take one’s profits, with “in”
  - 2 Bebida en una taquería
  - 3 Parking-garage feature
  - 4 Amusement-park attraction depicted to the right of this answer
  - 5 Participate in a Lakota smudging ceremony
  - 6 Succulent genus
  - 7 Pack
  - 8 With 29-Down, insect that conducts raids
  - 9 Sensible clothing for the Bay Area’s climate
  - 10 A gilded one is seen on King Tut’s crown
  - 11 Baton Rouge sch.
  - 12 Zenith
  - 13 Goes down for a while?
  - 14 Actress Lee of “Past Lives”
  - 15 Part of a circumference
  - 16 Designer of noted terminals at Dulles and J.F.K.
  - 17 “The Office” setting
  - 18 Trial
  - 26 Risqué
  - 28 Maker of pianos and motorcycles
  - 29 See 8-Down
  - 35 Apartment dweller
  - 36 Fruity Italian wine
  - 37 Jazz pianist Garner
  - 38 Perceptive
  - 39 Goddess whose name fills in this fact: Hephaestus once made \_\_\_ magical throne
  - 40 Equus africanus, e.g.
  - 41 Get together
  - 43 Brussels-to-Berlin dir.
  - 44 Removed, as points
  - 45 Oil platform?
  - 46 Boorish sorts
  - 47 Assist in a pick-and-roll
  - 49 Yogurt-based beverage
  - 50 Brown-paper packages tied up with strings
  - 56 Shell tool
  - 58 The Four Knights’ genre
  - 59 Solar-system model
  - 51 “Her Kind” poet Sexton
  - 52 Capital on the Gulf of Guinea
  - 53 Insignificant amount
  - 54 “I’ve cracked it!”
  - 55 Suffix with cyclo-
  - 57 Genre influenced by calypso
  - 58 “The Shape of Water” director
  - 60 Consumers
  - 64 Trip, with “off”
  - 65 Amusement-park attraction depicted weaving through this answer
  - 69 “Kidding!”
  - 70 “Likewise!”
  - 72 Appear again after being killed, in a video game
  - 73 Burnsian lead-in to body
  - 74 React to something hilarious
  - 76 Dweller in the cracks of a sunken ship, maybe
  - 77 A+ service?
  - 78 Ingvar Kamprad or Ingmar Bergman, e.g.
  - 80 Dwindle
  - 83 Canadian N.H.L. team
  - 85 Prominent feature of Tom Selleck or David Hasselhoff
  - 87 Total headache
  - 88 Showy garden flower
  - 89 Sour-grapes drink?
  - 90 Dating-app success
  - 92 Digs in the mud
  - 93 Mega-
  - 95 Lapel attachments
  - 96 Dendrologist’s study
  - 98 Letter before omega
  - 99 Egg cells
  - 100 Sub domain
  - 101 Things you might pray on
  - 104 Vital component of the global refugee process
  - 111 Amusement-park attraction depicted above this answer
  - 114 People that call New Zealand “Aotearoa”
  - 115 Crumbled dessert topping
  - 116 Last word before eating, sometimes
  - 117 Nickname for the Los Angeles Angels
  - 118 Set of pipes?
  - 119 Not firm
  - 120 “Hey, you! Yeah, you!”
  - 121 Does a whole lot of nothing
  - 122 Mammal whose name is spelled using only the letters of “mammal”
  - 123 Biblical father of Kenan



- 61 Groups of nine
- 62 One hopping on the band wagon?
- 63 Direct
- 65 Pooh’s pal
- 66 Indigenous people with a First Moccasin ceremony
- 67 Louis who wrote “Holes”
- 68 Aviary sound
- 71 Consequently
- 75 Says what isn’t so
- 76 Itty-bitty
- 78 Fight (for)
- 79 Amusement-park attraction depicted in and around this answer
- 80 Typing stat: Abbr.
- 81 The Albuquerque Isotopes and Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp, for two
- 82 Compounds in cured meats
- 84 Destiny
- 86 Kind of coarse flour
- 91 Munich “mister”
- 93 Mileage, so to speak
- 94 Pepto-\_\_\_
- 97 Part of an omakase meal
- 98 Word with French or free
- 100 Substitute
- 102 Pleased
- 103 Common spot for a houseplant
- 105 Title in Parliament
- 106 Draped garment
- 107 Aerial transport across New York’s East River
- 108 Actress Moriarty
- 109 Finding \_\_\_ Submarine Voyage (Disneyland attraction)
- 110 At most
- 112 Audiologist’s colleague, in brief
- 113 Agcy. overseeing public schools

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

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### Answers to last week's puzzles

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# Worcester County student joins elite rodeo

High school athlete will earn financial aid to further her future veterinary career

(Aug. 29, 2024) Stephen Decatur High School student Angelle Ayres was recently named a finalist for the Quanta Service Junior Varsity Rodeo Team.

The team includes 20 of the top high school students from across the country. Ayres aspires to become a veterinarian, with a focus on large animals.

“The Worcester County community is proud of Ayres’s accomplishments and excited to see her future unfold,” Brianna Dix, the advertising and destination marketing specialist for Worcester County Economic Development, said in a news release. “Her dedication and hard work exemplify the spirit of perseverance and passion that the Quanta Service Junior Varsity Rodeo Team embodies. We wish Ayres continued success in her academic and rodeo endeavors and look forward to cheering her on as she rides towards her dreams.”

As a member of the 2024-25 rodeo team, Ayres will receive education, fi-



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Stephen Decatur High School student Angelle Ayres is pictured riding during a rodeo. She was recently named a finalist for the Quanta Service Junior Varsity Rodeo Team.

ancial support, and professional development tools to aid her future success.

During the school year, Ayres participates in the agriculture program at Worcester Technical High School. Over the summer, she has been involved in the Coastal Careers Intern-

ship Program, which is hosted by WCED and funded by the Rural Maryland Council and Worcester County Commissioners.

Her internship takes place at Rusted Star Ranch in Berlin, where she works closely with ranch owner and County FFA advisor Jessie Flores.

“Every shift I am learning something new, and it has been a fun experience,” Ayres said in the release.

Her duties include feeding horses, filling water buckets, letting the horses out to graze, setting up horse shows and camps, and instructing basic horsemanship skills.



Angelle Ayres



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