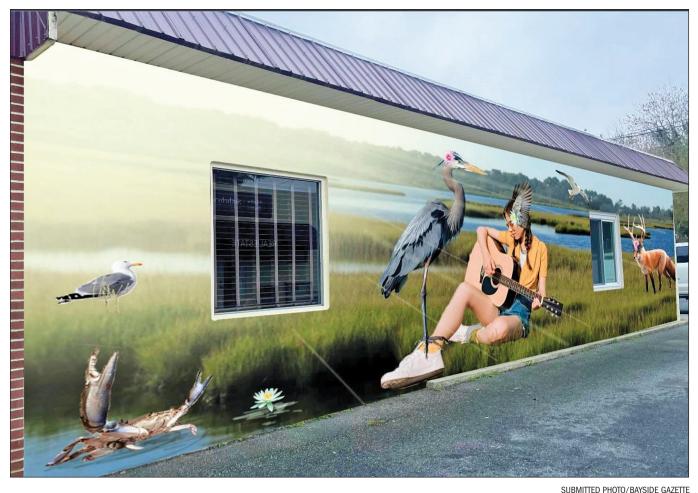
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Janet Stephenson's skills on display.

Halloween face-off for charity

Pines woman seeks votes

in fundraising competition

By Tara Fischer Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) An Ocean Pines resident is seeking votes to advance to the next round in a spooky, Halloweenthemed contest that raises funds for hospitalized children, offers \$13,000 in prize money, and provides the opportunity to meet Hollywood icon Jamie Lee Curtis.

Local Janet Stephenson has advanced through a series of six rounds of the fundraising competition Face of Halloween, showcasing her expertise in frightening special effects makeup and costuming. Stephenson continues to secure enough votes to advance to the subsequent stage each week. There are three elimination cycles left, with See LOCAL Page 11

Too much? Members of the Historic District Commission indicate that may be the case with Evan Fitzgerald's proposed mural, which incorporates a

Commission cool on mural art

Historic District Com. asks if Evan Fitzgerald's flights of fancy go too far afield

By Tara Fischer Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) The Berlin Historic District Commission opted to delay a vote on a mural proposed for a building in town, citing concerns about its historical character and unique design elements.

At a meeting last week, Berlin's Historic District Commission reviewed a mural, to be painted by local artist Evan Fitzgerald, planned for the exterior side of

the Poole Building at 10 South Main Street. The wall decoration would conceal the structure's unattractive cinder block and further the town's mission to highlight native talent and prioritize artistry, creating a colorful and attractive place to live and visit.

Ivy Wells, Berlin's economic and community development director, was present at the meeting, requesting permission from the historic body for the mural's placement on behalf of the municipality's Arts and Entertainment Advisory Board. The mural would be funded through a grant.

The presented work showcases a

marshy area familiar to the Eastern Shore, featuring wildlife such as a crab, a peculiar-looking fox, and a blue heron, alongside a visual of a young girl in a headdress strumming a guitar.

Wells highlighted Berlin's commitment to local artistry ahead of the commission's critiques of the mural.

"When we hire local artists, like [Fitzgerald], we're not only showcasing authentic Eastern Shore talent, we're also investing right back into our community," she said.

Wells added that engaging pieces of creative work not only elevate the aes-See HISTORIC Page 10

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Restaurant chefs to participate in food tournament

Two Roadie Joe's cooks will likely prepare a wild game dish at international event

By Tara Fischer

Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) Two Roadie Joe's chefs will represent the Eastern Shore at a large-scale international food competition in Indianapolis, Indiana, this month.

On Thursday, Oct. 16, Josh Morrison, the head chef at Roadie Joe's Berlin, and Daniel Burke, the chef from Roadie Joe's Salisbury, will compete in the general chef category at the World Food Championship (WFC) tournament, which is set to kick off on Wednesday, Oct. 15 and conclude on Sunday, Oct. 19.

Chefs from all United States states and countries across the globe, like England, Australia, Japan, and Italy, will be represented in the competition, going head-to-head with the local culinary experts.

The general chef category is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 16, where Morrison and Burke will have 90 minutes to create and plate their dish for the opening round, said the WFC's website. The top five highest scoring cooks from each of the 10 categories will move onto the final round on Sunday.

Chefs will be given an hour for the final round. The rules stipulate that in the last series, both a required and a mystery ingredient must be featured in the dish.

Roadie Joe's was given the opportunity to compete at the WCF following a qualifying event at the Berlin Farmer's Market in August. During the preliminary occurrence, local Berlin chefs, including Justine Zegna of Blacksmith Berlin, Toby Gilbert of Gilbert's Provisions, Yancey Carapico of The Cap'ns Slice, and Morrison of Roadie Joe's Bar and Grill participated in a Guy's Grocery Games-style competition.

At the Berlin contest, the competing chefs had to choose a protein from one of the Maryland farmers, with options including a seafood item caught by Skilligalee Seafood, a pork item from Foxhound Farm, or mushrooms from The Bay Mushrooms.

Once the participants made their first selections, they picked out three additional ingredients from other Maryland farms at the market to include in their dish. The chefs returned to their stations, where they cooked the creations live.

The winner of that challenge was promised a 'golden ticket,' or a qualifying slip to attend the WFC this month. According to Roadie Joe's coowner and executive chef Jason See LOCAL Page 4



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Local chefs head to Indiana for competition

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Myers, technically, Zegna of Blacksmith Berlin was victorious at the farmer's market. However, because she was unable to attend the WFC, the honor to represent the Eastern Shore was passed to Morrison.

Morrison was allotted a partner and opted to bring Burke, Roadie Joe's Salisbury's head chef.

Now, the pair is gearing up to put their best dish forward in Indiana.

"Right now, every single day I am taking notes," Morrison said. "I am watching things, talking to [Burke]. Learning from [Myers]. I have been plating up and doing things differently."

Roadie Joe's co-owner Jeremy Norton said that the chefs are leaning towards preparing some sort of wild game for their opening round dish, an homage to the restaurant's annual week-long tradition featuring wild game.

"It's definitely some sort of wild game, I'm thinking, because we do a really awesome wild game week every year where we bring in boar ribs, we bring in kangaroos," he said. "It's really cool. We feature ostrich and alligator, as well as a variety of other cool food specials, including different types of wild game. I have a feeling that's where the guys are leaning

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Myers added that the chefs will likely prepare a duck breast with an Eastern Shore spin. The executive cook said that his team hopes to showcase their culinary prowess at the competition.

"[Morrison] ran some ideas by me and I gave him some pointers," Myers said. "Our menu at the restaurant is for everyone, there's cheesesteaks and burgers and things more approachable, but we all have a culinary background, so we like to do high-end stuff now and then. With that said, we said, 'Let's make a duck breast."

"So we shot some ideas back and forth of how to do a duck breast set, and [Morrison] had an idea of how he wanted to do it, and I added some nuances, and I am going to have him cook the dish for me and the other owners and we'll taste it and dissect it. He might also add an Eastern Shore flair to it."

Burke said that the competition will span various levels of expertise, from Michelin chefs to self-taught and social media influencers. As for their advantage, the team will rely on collaboration, creativity, and a strong culinary background.

"I think the teamwork and the camaraderie and a good backbone in

the culinary arts are going to help out," Myers said.

Morrison added that he and Burke's strong suits will strike an advantageous balance, necessary for success at the competition.

"[Burke] has more of a creative side," the Berlin chef said. "He likes different cartoons, and he likes to bring that to his menus. I've learned from the fine dining aspect, and I know how to bring that."

Myers said that for him, having Roadie Joe's represented in the competition is exciting, because it is another step forward in putting Berlin on the map.

"Even if it wasn't Roadie Joe's doing it, I think it would have been awesome for any of the Berlin restaurants to do it, because I think the marketing and the notoriety that comes with it is through the roof," he said. "Obviously, if you advance a couple of rounds in the contest or win the contest, you're going to get a lot of publicity from it."

He continued, "It's cool because I went to Buckingham Elementary School and I went to Stephen Decatur High School, so to try to get Berlin on the map bigger, that means a lot to me having roots in the town."

As for Morrison and Burke, they are looking forward to learning from

the hundreds of chefs they will interact with from around the world.

"I want to meet people," Morrison said. "I want to see what other people have out there. I want me and [Burke] to walk around and network. Maybe we can meet people from California or Australia, and we can bring things that they know back to our little, fancy-type dive bar...We can bring something from different restaurants out there back to us. [Burke] can bring it to Salisbury, I can bring it to Berlin, and we can do different things and look forward to the future of bringing cool stuff to Roadie Joe's."

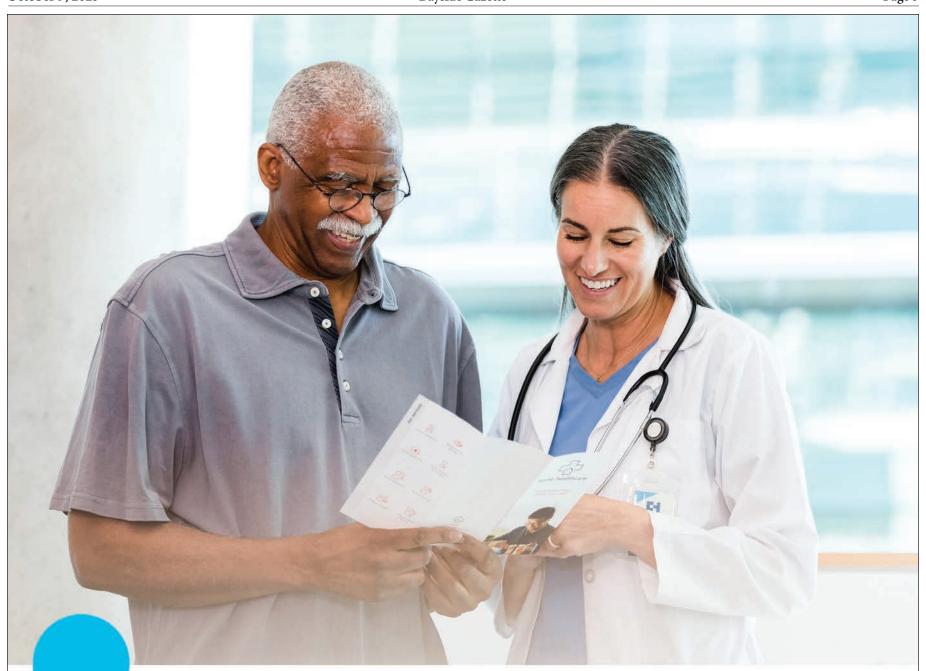
Burke added that he is also looking forward to showcasing the stellar flavors that exist on the Eastern Shore.

"The biggest thing is just getting our name out there more and showing people we're not just some typical Eastern Shore bar and grille," he said. "We have a lot of culinary talent at both [the Berlin and Salisbury locations], and just on the Eastern Shore in general."

The WFC will take place at the Indiana State Fairgrounds next week. The contestants will compete for a title and a share of the tournament's total \$450,000, which will be distributed among the winners.



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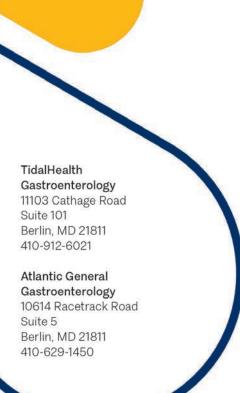
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Berlin to host cruisers, then Oktoberfest next weekend

By Tara Fischer

Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) Despite summer's official end, Town of Berlin residents will have no shortage of events to attend this offseason.

On Saturday, Oct. 11, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., the Berlin Chamber of Commerce will host the Fall Cruiser Car and Truck Show from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Registration will start at 7 a.m. for a \$15 per vehicle fee. There's a limit of 120 vehicles able to participate. Awards will be presented at 1:30 p.m.

In an effort to entertain the town's children this Halloween season, the Town of Berlin Main Street and Arts and Entertainment District is hosting a pumpkin scavenger hunt through the end of the month.

Participants can pick up an entry form in the foyer of the Berlin Welcome Center, located at 14 South Main Street, at any time, day or night, to get in on the fun. Entrants are to find 20 of the painted pumpkins from the list and return the completed document to the Welcome Center by Oct. 30 for a chance to win \$100.

According to a social media post by the municipality's arts and entertainment district, the artistic pumpkins can be located throughout businesses across Berlin, including Una Bella Salute, Dream Weaver, Oaked at the Globe, Salon 16, Bruder Hill, The Sterling Tavern, The Ghost Museum, and Blacksmith, among others.

Berlin is also gearing up for its annual Oktoberfest, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 18, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

According to the town's website, the event will feature music by the Edelweiss Band and the Dunehounds, as well as Oktoberfest-inspired food options such as brats and knockwurst, pretzels, German chocolate cake, pie, ice cream, smoothies, and more.

Parking will be available at Berlin Intermediate School. A free shuttle will transport attendees to the festivities downtown. The service will run from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is sponsored by Ocean Downs Casino.

The Berlin-located Calvin B. Taylor House Museum is also doing its part to entertain the town's citizens this autumn. On the evening of Sunday, Oct. 12, the facility will host its Movies at the Museum event. This time, the season-appropriate film Hocus Pocus will be shown on the Taylor House's lawn.

The Hocus Pocus viewing is free to



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Visitors to last October's Cruisers event in Berlin are pictured checking out a few of the more than 100 vehicles on display.

the public. Popcorn, candy, and drinks will be for sale.

The museum is also gearing up to host a book festival on Oct. 18, coinciding with Oktoberfest, from noon to 4 p.m. Residents are invited to browse bookish gifts on the lawn and meet local publishers and authors.

Furthermore, a bingo night to ben-

efit the Taylor House will be held at The Sterling Tavern on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 6 p.m. The event will include five rounds. Cards are \$2 each, and participants are encouraged to purchase as many as they would like.

More of Berlin's offseason events can be found on the municipality's website and social media channels.

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Autumn to bring new hours, Halloween events for Pines

By Tara Fischer

Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) A new fall season in Ocean Pines will bring fresh Yacht Club hours and festivities, as well as association-sponsored Halloweenthemed events.

While the weather may be cooling and the pools have long been closed, homeowners in the wooded community can expect exciting new events as autumn approaches. At the Yacht Club, for instance, operator Touch of Italy will be hosting brand-new specials and events, like happy hours, trivia nights, and wine tastings.

The Ocean Pines establishment began its new offerings on Oct. 1. According to a social media posting, the restaurant will transition to its offseason hours. For October, the Yacht Club will be closed from Sundays through Tuesdays, open from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Wednesdays at the Yacht Club will feature a happy hour from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and serve TOI's famous chicken parmigiana for \$16.99, as a dine-in only option. Thursdays will also feature a 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. happy hour, in addition to a trivia tournament from

6 p.m. to 8 p.m., \$10 smash burgers, and half-off select bottles of wine. Patrons can expect an all-day happy hour on Fridays and Saturdays, featuring dine-in specials with 25% off personal pizzas and beer specials on Saturdays.

A closing party will be held on Halloween weekend, with drink deals and a last chance to enjoy the outdoor bar for the season before it shuts down for the winter.

Additionally, more fine-dining events will make their way to the Yacht Club this fall.

When TOI and the Ocean Pines Association inked their deal in January, TOI promised that it would host elevated occasions for OPA residents. As part of that effort, TOI will be hosting wine dinners, titled, 'A Night on the Amalfi Coast' on Nov. 29 and 'A Piemonte Affair' on Dec. 27. A four-course bourbon dinner is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 18, but tickets are now sold out.

TOI and OPA also ask via social media that residents be on the lookout for reservations for the Yacht Club's Thanksgiving buffet and New Year's Eve party.

In addition to the fall events at the See SEASONAL Page 8







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Seasonal, spooky events to make way to OP this month

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Yacht Club, the community's Clubhouse Bar and Grille is open for all NFL games, and, weather permitting, the matches are displayed each week on the facility's new outdoor televisions. The Clubhouse is also holding 'Tailgate on the Patio' every Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. for college game-

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market will host a special Harvest and Flannel Market on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 9 a.m. to noon at White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines.

The fall-themed event will celebrate the season with festive activities for the whole family. Shoppers and visitors are encouraged to come dressed in their favorite flannel attire and enjoy a cozy autumn atmosphere while browsing local farm-fresh produce, handmade goods, and artisanal

"The Harvest and Flannel Market is a great way to celebrate fall and support local farmers and makers,' said Market Manager David Bean. "It's always a fun morning full of community spirit and seasonal charm."

For more information, contact

Market Manager David Bean at 410-641-7717, visit oceanpines.org, or email flavordrizzles@gmail.com.

This Halloween, OPA will host its fifth annual Haunted Trail. The event is scheduled for Oct. 17 and Oct. 18 and again on Oct. 24 and Oct. 25 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the boat ramp trail in White Horse Park.

Debbie Donahue, the director for Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks department, said that her team began planning the spooky trail in February.

Last year, the Haunted Trail was held over a two-day period and welcomed 800 visitors. OPA hopes to double that number this year, given that the rec and parks department opted to extend the event to four days. The spooky walkthrough will be \$8 per person.

"It is appropriate for all ages," Donahue said." If you have younger children, we can alert the characters, and they will tone it down.'

The director added that this year, as a new addition, the rec and parks group will provide snacks and drinks for sale.

"[The Haunted Trail] is sure to give you the fright you are looking for," Donahue said.





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Berlin HDC delays proposed wall mural vote

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thetic nature of the town, but also have economic and community benefits. This mural in particular, she said, balances eccentric elements with a classic Eastern Shore scene.

"Art gives people a reason to come downtown, to take photos, and to discover our shops and restaurants," Wells continued. "It reinforces that Berlin is creative, vibrant, and very much alive...This mural has a sense of story and personality, connecting our musical spirit with the beauty of the shore, while also capturing the quirky, unexpected vibe that Berlin is known for. It's eye-catching, and it's not something you see just anywhere, and that's exactly why it's wanted."

The historic commission, however, was not entirely convinced that the mural is the right fit for Berlin. The body argued that the decor has aspects that are too "weird," like the heron, which they said is much too large for the space, and a deer with a headpiece and a fox tail.

"What catches my eye is the blue heron, where everything is so real and alive, it's almost like somebody just put it there," said commission member Mary Moore. "Everything else is flowing ... To me, with my art eye, with my background, what I see first is the blue heron. And he looks like something you buy at a garden center."

The commission also noted that, to them, the scene does not align with Berlin's goal of maintaining its historic appeal. The design references the Eastern Shore with its marshy backdrop, but fails to incorporate any traditional aspects.

The members note that the mural's placement is on a cinder block wall and not in a historic building, and that this project would not fundamentally alter construction that needs to be preserved.

Wells pointed out that this initiative is similar to the Reverend Tindley mural on the Bruder Hill building that was completed a few years ago.

"It's just a cinder block, so it's going to be painted directly on the cinder block," Wells said. "Similar to Reverend Tindley's mural, which was painted right on the cinder block, so this will be as well, because it's not a historic building."

The commission reiterated that, despite the structure's non-historic material, as a team charged with safeguarding the town's past, they are not comfortable approving a project that does not advance this mission.

Wells maintained that the mural would be a positive for the Town of Berlin and that, anecdotally, residents are delighted by the proposed mural. The economic and development director posted the mockup on Facebook last week, which has since garnered over 100 'likes' and tens of positive comments.

For instance, Tony Weeg, founder of the non-profit We Heart Berlin, wrote, "Cannot wait to see this one." Main Street real estate company owner Jenny Sheppard commented, "Very tasteful and beautifully done."

Towards the end of last week's historic commission meeting, Fitzgerald, who had been watching the discussion live online, showed up in person to reveal his thought process for the design and give insight into why he included the controversial elements, like the heron and the deer-fox.

The artist said that in terms of the fox with antlers and a headpiece, it was to display animals acting in a human-like way: prioritizing beauty and aesthetics, and "projecting a sort of status."

"It's a local scene with local animals, which is typically what I do," said Fitzgerald, who also created the paintings on the interior of the 410 Social restaurant. "But also, the odd part of it is, it's animals choosing to adorn themselves with other natural elements just the way we all have in every part of the world, like the head-dress. My work is kind of like what if animals did the same thing. My work is enhancing the natural beauty to then project the natural persona ..."

"Anyone can come and look at it and have their own interpretation, and I love that - nobody experiences a painting the same way. These are just local scenes of the area ... I'm part of the community, and I want people to find beauty in it. I want people to be drawn to the image. Take pictures in front of it you have a lot of people coming to town, walking

around. It's just another way to draw people in a certain direction."

In terms of the heron that the commission criticized for being too large, Fitzgerald said that it was purposeful.

"That's intentional," he said. "Playing with scale to make things look more grandiose and larger. Think of the Parthenon, with its gigantic sculptures; there's a power involved in that. It's something incredible. When you play with scale, it does something to us."

The commission asked Fitzgerald if he could make tweaks to the proposed mural. The body reiterated that they liked the girl playing the guitar and the marshy scene, but asked for an alternative that they feel may be more aligned with Berlin's historic charm.

The artist said that he would be willing to make adjustments, but would not alter it to the point that it is stripped of his personal flair and signature. The changes will be presented and voted on at the historic commission's next meeting.

"I would be happy to tweak it and show other examples of my work to a level I'm comfortable with," he said. "At the end of the day, I'm not doing this for the check. It's my town. I want to make the space beautiful so that my kids can be proud when they see it and enhance the street in the process. I can recreate something else, but it will still feel comfortable to me, and if you're still not feeling it, then that's just where it will end."



Local shoots for the stars in spooky fundraising contest

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the contest concluding on Oct. 31.

The winner will be crowned the "Face of Halloween" and will have contributed to the Starlight Children's Foundation. This charity supplies toys, elevated hospital clothing, and gaming systems to seriously ill children. The victor will also get \$13,000 for themselves, and will be flown to Los Angeles to meet Jamie Lee Curtis, a sponsor of the frightening competition.

The online event began on Aug. 25. Each round is designated by a name, like "The Quarter-Final Massacre." Contestants post their Halloweenthemed special effects makeup looks on Facebook, where supporters can vote for the most impressive and scary costumes. Votes can be made for free or monetarily. Stephenson said that an individual can make a \$25 donation to benefit the Starlight Children's Foundation, which would translate to

The current round began on Oct. 6 and will end on Oct. 16. Stephenson has advanced to this stage, grouped with 15 other competitors. The top half will move on to the next cycle and will vie for the chance to break into the finals. The Ocean Pines resident is seeking votes to avoid elimination.

While Stephenson would love the chance to meet actress Curtis, her true mission is to raise money for a noble cause. She said that her goal is to accumulate \$10,000 for the children's charity. The Eastern Shore contestant is asking friends, family, and residents to think about donating votes for her Face of Halloween campaign.

"If you haven't made your 2025 charitable contribution, please consider the Starlight Children's Foundation," she said. "The mission is spreading joy to seriously ill kids through toy deliveries, fun hospital wear, gaming, and more."

Stephenson added that last year, the gory makeup competition, then called Colossal Face of Horror, raised over \$2.4 million, according to Adam Garone, the CEO of the Starlight Children's Foundation.

"It's truly a win-win: the kids receive happiness and hope, and if I'm lucky enough to win, I'll get to fly to L.A. to meet Jamie Lee Curtis and receive 13,000 — which I plan to use to give back, throw a big Halloween celebration in 2026, and, yes, take care of a few bills along the way," Stephenson

Stephenson has always had an interest in Halloween-inspired hobbies, she said. Currently, in addition to being employed full-time in the Worcester County Tourism and Economic Development office, she works for Chesapeake Ghost Tours, conducting walking tours and sharing spooky stories. She began exploring special ef-

fects makeup and face painting about five years ago, during the COVID-19 pandemic, and has continued to hone her skills.

"I've posted pictures of my face, and people are always asking me, 'Is that AI?' And I'm like, no, that's me," the Face of Halloween-hopeful said. "I'm an artist. I use face brushes, sponges, face paint, and special effect makeup. I use latex to make myself look like I'm bleeding or flesh peeling off my skin. I use bald caps. I can turn myself into anything, whether it be cute and pretty or ugly and disgusting.'

Now, she is using these chilling capabilities to give back to a good cause.

Stephenson has long been passionate about fundraising. In the early 2000s, she and 25 other women raised \$125,000 for the breast cancer awareness nonprofit, Susan G.

Stephenson asks that supporters visit her Facebook page to make a do-

nation to the Starlight Children's Foundation and vote for her artistry. The page can be accessed by scanning the QR code.







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Ex-employee pleads guilty to business theft

By Bethany Hooper

Associate Editor

(Oct. 9, 2025) A former Resort Homes employee pleaded guilty to wire fraud, aggravated identity theft and tax evasion in federal court this week.

On Tuesday, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland announced that Tammy Barcus, 56, of Berlin, entered a guilty plea to the three counts following a criminal investigation into claims of embezzlement at the Ocean City-based home building company.

Barcus, a former office manager and bookkeeper, admitted to forging the business owner's signature on checks at least 500 times and embezzling at least \$1.79 million from her employer. She faces a maximum of 20 years in federal prison for wire fraud, five years for tax evasion and a mandatory two-year consecutive sentence for aggravated identity theft.

Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 9,

"Actual sentences for federal crimes are typically less than the maximum penalties," a news release from the U.S. Attorney's Office reads. "A federal district court judge determines sentencing after considering the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

Last October, Resort Homes filed a civil suit against Tammy Barcus, the company's bookkeeper, and her husband, Ron Barcus, the company's tile and marble subcontractor, alleging the couple defrauded the business out of \$1.5 million over the course of several years.

The suit claims that Tammy Barcus wrote unauthorized payments – totaling more than \$200,000 per year – to Ron Barcus and concealed the transactions as payments to other companies.

Resort Homes alleges Ron Barcus had then endorsed the falsified checks and deposited them into the couple's bank accounts.

After discovering accounting discrepancies last fall, the company notified Maryland State Police, which began an investigation. The lawsuit also reports Tammy Barcus had confessed to the fraudulent activity, which was recorded by a state trooper.

In February, a Worcester County Circuit Court judge halted proceedings in the civil suit after it was learned federal prosecutors were considering criminal charges. The Barcus family's attorney, Steve Rakow, says Ron Barcus was not the target of any criminal investigation and that Tammy Barcus had taken full responsibility for her actions against Resort Homes.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Of-

fice, Barcus admitted to embezzling at least \$1.79 million and concealing the embezzlement from both her employer and the Internal Revenue Service.

In her guilty plea, Barcus acknowledged that she worked for the home builder "as a trusted employee with substantial control over business records and financial accounts." As part of her daily job duties, Barcus had access to payment systems and accounting records that belonged to the home builder and "worked with a high degree of independence."

"From 2016 through 2024, Barcus used her position of trust to embezzle money by issuing more than 500 fraudulently authorized checks from the home builder's business bank account," the U.S. Attorney's Office news release reads. "Barcus forged the signature of one of the owners on the face of the business checks and then deposited the checks into bank accounts she controlled. She then used the money for her personal enrichment."

Kelly O. Hayes, U.S. attorney for the District of Maryland, announced the guilty plea with Special Agent in Charge Kareem Carter, Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI), Washington D.C. Field Office.

With the criminal case now concluding, the parties in the civil suit will consider a settlement, according to Rakow. A status hearing has been scheduled for Nov. 21.



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Athletic Center scores \$1M donation with a timetable

By Brian Shane

Staff Writer

(Oct. 9, 2025) Seaside Christian Academy has about 100 days to raise \$2.5 million for a new athletic center, or the school could lose out on a donor's \$1 million pledge.

The West Ocean City parochial school is up against a Dec. 31 deadline to break ground on a 26,000-square-foot facility that includes not only a gymnasium with a full NCAA-size basketball court, but new classrooms and a performing arts stage.

Donors Steve and Alice Zentz, a local couple who are members of the school-affiliated Ocean City Baptist Church, previously had been anonymous donors to Seaside Christian. They added a deadline contingency to their \$1 million gift to create momentum and urge others to donate to the project, according to school spokeswoman Kara Waggoner.

"They felt God led them, put a calling on their heart, to specifically help us build and support this project to further Christian education in the community," said Waggoner, who's a fundraising leader on the project. "They believe in us."

For now, building permits have been filed, blueprints are drawn, and architectural renderings are complete. The school already owns land for the build on its 26-acre property behind West Ocean City's retail outlets.

With an estimated 18-month construction timeline, school officials say they hope the future Seaside Athletic Center will be ready for students by the start of the 2026-27 school year.

They had planned to break ground over the summer when Seaside's leaders got the sobering news from their builder: the project would end up costing \$9.5 million, almost twice the school's \$5 million budget, thanks to tariffs and inflation.

"We were 99.9% at the finish line," Waggoner said. "I think it took us all by surprise. The prices skyrocketed within 18 months."

They ended up going back to the project engineer to scale back where possible, and that took about \$1 million off the cost. The project's revised price tag now sits at \$8.5 million. Should the donation pledge be fulfilled, then they'd be down to \$7.5 million in costs.

With \$1.5 million already in the bank, the school needs to raise another \$2.5 million in order to secure a bank loan to finance the build, Waggoner said.

In addition to soliciting donations from the public, Seaside's fundraising also includes a plan to auction off its water and wastewater access, municipal credits known as Equivalent Dwelling Units, or EDUs.

When the church acquired land for

the school via donation in 1999, the land came with its own EDUs, Waggoner said. Now, they hope to sell off 16 of the rare and valuable sewerage credits to raise a minimum of \$800,000 toward the project. Bids are still being accepted, and the auction ends Monday, Oct. 6.

One other notable donation comes from Sandra Spedden, a daughter of former Perdue Farms CEO Frank Perdue. She has given \$75,0000 annually for the last two years and has pledged three more years of donations in that amount, according to Waggoner.

The Seaside Athletic Center won't just be a new home for the school's Fighting Marlins sports teams. With six new classrooms, including com-



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The new 26,000-square-foot Athletic Center will also feature a performing arts stage as currently proposed.

puter and science labs, the building will serve as a new home for upper school students in grades 9-12 – which is much needed, because the existing school is at capacity with 155 students enrolled.

"Even if people aren't invested in faith-based education, it's OK. We have something for everybody," Waggoner said, urging the public to contribute. "We really need people to step up and support the mission."





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Pine'eer Craft Club recently donated a bench outside its Artisan Gift Shop in **White Horse Park** to mark its 50th anniversary. SUBMITTED PHOTO/ BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Pine'eer Craft Club marks 50th with bench donation

(Oct. 9, 2025) The Pine'eer Craft Club is culminating its 50th anniversary with a special gift to the Ocean Pines community: a newly donated bench

Club President Sharon Puser says this donation is just one of many ways the club has given back to the community through the years. Installed next to the side entrance of the Artisan Gift Shop in White Horse Park, Puser adds that the bench has already become a popular spot for visitors, especially during the weekly Farmers Market.

Established in 1974, the Pine'eer

Craft Club is known for creating handmade gifts, home décor, jewelry, and more. These items are sold at the Artisan Gift Shop, with proceeds donated back into the community. The club has contributed more than \$196,000 to local initiatives, including the Ocean Pines Police and Fire departments, Recreation and Parks programs, Summer Concerts in the Park, the Veterans Memorial, and other community projects.

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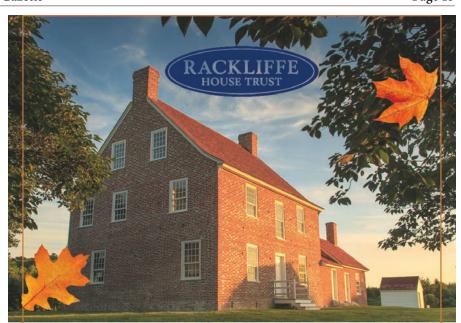




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The Pickleball Courts at the Ocean Pines Racquet Center have reopened. Courts 9 & 10 and the lower courts were closed on Sept. 22 for resurfacing, completed by Superior Tennis. The courts reopened Oct. 2. New fall hours at the OP Racquet Center are 8 a.m.-4 p.m., seven days a week.



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HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS

Four former educators were inducted to the WCPS Hall of Fame by the Worcester County Board of Education and Worcester County Retired School Personnel Association (WCRPSA) during last month's Board of Education meeting. William Thomas "Tom" Dorman, Willie C. Jackson, Gwendolyn F. Lehman and Francis A. Ruffo, Sr. became the second class of retirees to ever be inducted into the Worcester County Public Schools Hall of Fame. Collectively, the class dedicated 126 years to the school system and impacted the entire county with their service to the young people of Worcester. Pictured, from left, are Board of Education President Todd Ferrante, Dorman, Lehman, Ruffo's widow and Superintendent of Schools Annette Wallace.



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KIWANIS NEW MEMBERS

On Oct. 3, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City held their annual Installation Dinner. New Board of Directors installed included, from left, Mary Page, Terri Ulman, Lynne Waugh, Jim Ulman, Lt. Governor Darlene Phillips, New President Sarah Walker, Diane Denk and Kitty Wrench.



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KIND ENERGY LESSON

Students in Mrs. Engh's kindergarten class at Ocean City Elementary are learning to bring kind energy to the learning space each day. Students created rainbow paper using markers and water to recreate the Rainbow Fish, who learned how good it feels to share kindness with others. Pictured from left are Gabby Larkin, Nash Bounds and Lucy Gilday.



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OC LIONS DONATE TO HOPE4RECOVERY

The Ocean City Lions Club recently presented a \$2,000 donation to Hope4Recovery, a local substance use disorder residential treatment program. Lions Club member Mike Hooper presented the check to Brandon O'Brien, the program's executive director. The donation will help fund essential upgrades and projects that directly benefit residents.



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DAR PROMOTION

General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) promotes Constitution Week through distribution of posters to Worcester County Library branches with a monthlong display in the Ocean Pines branch showcase and obtaining proclamations from the mayor of Snow Hill and the Worcester County Commissioners. The public is encouraged to use this week by becoming better about the Constitution, a living document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to our American way of life. Proclamations were obtained from the mayor of Snow Hill and Worcester County Commissioners. Pictured, from left, are Snow Hill Town Council member Margaret Ann Fletcher, General Levin Winder Chapter Regent Sharon Moak, Snow Hill Mayor Janet Simpson, member Pat Arata, Council member Aaron Lumpkins and Council member Edward Lee.



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NOVEL STUDIES

Students in Mrs. Moeller and Mrs. Graham's 4th grade classes at Ocean City Elementary kicked off the school year with their first novel study, Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo.



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1,200 CHILDREN'S BOOKS DONATED

On Worcester Wednesday, Sept. 24, students and faculty at Worcester Preparatory School (WPS) joined together to celebrate National Literacy Month by collecting children's books for local organizations and libraries. Thanks to the generosity of the WPS community, the effort brought in more than 1,200 books. This month's Worcester Wednesday initiative was held in partnership with WPS alum Riley Schoch and his literacy nonprofit, Words for Winners.

Each month, WPS students nominate charitable organizations for the school's Worcester Wednesday fundraiser. To launch this year's program, seniors Catherine Cullen and Emily Patrowicz volunteered as student sponsors, raising awareness and rallying support across campus. In exchange for donating books, students and staff enjoyed a casual dress day while showing their commitment to literacy.

Above, Cullen and Patrowicz are pictured loading a portion of the nearly 1,200 children's books collected on Worcester Wednesday in support of National Literacy Month, in partnership with alum Riley Schoch and Words for Winners.

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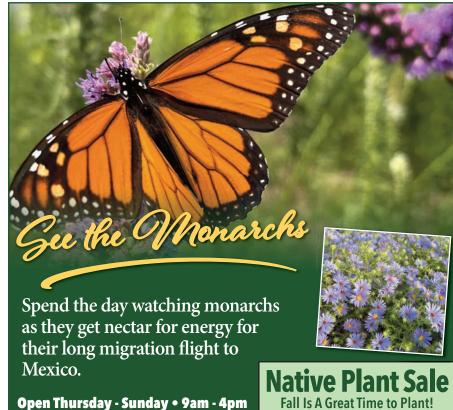
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Art by committee isn't art, it's an illustration

Berlin's Historic District Commission doesn't know quite what to do with the mural proposed by artist Evan Fitzgerald for the side of the Poole building at 10 South Main Street.

At issue are a couple of fantastical elements in his proposed work: a fox with antlers and a heron with a flower behind its nonexistent ear. Flights of fancy such as these run through all his work and it's what he's known for as an artist.

The commission, however, is not sure whether these non-traditional asides work with the district's surroundings, but before it weighs in on that, it should consider three bigger questions: does its portfolio give it authority over artistic content; two, does it really want that authority; three, if it does have the authority, how does it render a decision based on anything besides members' own personal tastes?

That's a major issue, because there's no such thing as a painting or a style typical of the late 1800s. Like the art of today, paintings of that era were as varied as the personalities and styles of the artists who created them — landscapes, impressionism, Western, realism, romantic and fantasy.

Further, even though the purpose of art in society is a multitude of things, the one thing it should be is noticeable. Otherwise, it's not much more than decorative wallpaper that blends in with its surroundings.

Fitzgerald has said he is willing to compromise to some extent, but, to his credit, will only go so far. Were he to give in, he would be agreeing to produce an illustration as instructed, instead of doing what he was commissioned to do — express himself as an artist, who is also a member of the community.

Although commission members are sincere about wanting to do the right thing by the district, the town and Fitzgerald, they have no playbook to go by and no artistic basis to draw on given the many variations of painting styles and subject matter of the late 1800s.

Worse, they will be criticized no matter what they do ... unless they do nothing, which may be the wisest course for them to take.

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BETHANY HOOPER/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

The historic Henry Hotel now has a mural near its property, thanks to a grant from the Beach to Bay Heritage Area.

Mural pays tribute to local heritage

By Bethany Hooper

Associate Editor

(Oct. 9, 2025) Officials and supporters last week unveiled a new mural celebrating the Henry Hotel, its owners and its history.

On Sept. 30, representatives with the Henry Hotel Foundation and Beach to Bay Heritage Area, alongside officials with various nonprofits and government agencies, cut the ribbon on a new mural, located next to the historic Henry Hotel in downtown Ocean City.

Funded by the Maryland Department of Commerce and the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, the installation not only celebrates the building's legacy, but pays tribute to all African Americans who worked in Ocean City and helped make the resort town a successful tourist destination.

"It's a wonderful addition to what we are trying to do here in Ocean City ...," Henry Hotel Foundation President Nancy Howard said this week. "My motto is that the Henry Hotel is here because it wants to be here, it wants to tell its story, it needs to tell its story ... Everybody here has played a part in helping us so far in getting the story out, and we're not done yet."

The Henry Hotel is one of a few 19th century structures remaining in Ocean City. Located on the corner of South Division Street and South Baltimore Avenue, the building was purchased in 1926 by Charles T. Henry, a Black businessman from Berlin. It opened the following year as "Henry's Colored Hotel."

Following Henry's death in 1942, his widow continued to operate the hotel until it was sold in the 1950s. Its last owner, Pearl Bonner, operated the hotel until the 1990s. Upon her death in 2003, the property passed to her children.

However, those with the Henry Hotel Foundation are now looking to restore the building and establish a museum and learning center that honors the life of Bonner and reflects on the history of African Americans in Ocean City.

As part of that effort to educate the community, officials this week celebrated the unveiling of an art installation to the south of the Henry Hotel. The mural features images of Bonner and those who worked in Ocean City.

"We're celebrating our 150th year anniversary this year, so this is particularly important and, I think, appropriate for this occasion," Mayor Rick Meehan said during Tuesday's ribbon cutting ceremony. "I think those of us who live in Ocean City are proud of our history. We're also very curious about our past and how we got to where we are today. And I think the Henry Hotel plays a role in that history ... I think this mural will inspire people to learn a little bit more about where we were in Ocean City, where we are today, and really where we're headed in the future."

Worcester County Commissioner Diana Purnell and Maryland Sen. Mary Beth Carozza also took time Tuesday to recognize the history of

the Henry Hotel and the partnerships that allowed the mural to be constructed. Artist Jay Coleman said the mural is "about more than servitude but about resilience and hope and tenacity."

"I hope this [mural] can be a beacon, for all of us to dig deeper into our own histories, into Maryland history, and of course into the history of the Henry Hotel," he told the crowd this week.

The mural in Ocean City is one of four created to highlight African American heritage on the Lower Shore. Other installations are the Rev. Dr. Charles Albert Tindley mural in Berlin, the Frederick Douglass mural in Salisbury and a mural in Crisfield honoring 17 locals who made lasting contributions to their community.

"This project is about more than preserving history — it's about recognizing the stories, people, and places that have shaped who we are today," said Lisa Challenger, executive director for Beach to Bay Heritage Area. "We could not have done it without the Henry Hotel Foundation and the support from Home Depot and Delmarva Veteran Builders for the construction of the mural wall".

Beyond the mural installation, efforts are underway to raise funding for the restoration of the Henry Hotel. In addition to state grants, the foundation is seeking community donations for both exterior and interior improvements.

Additional information can be found on the foundation's website, henryhotel.org.

Obituaries

LARRY ELLIS HOLDREN

Ocean Pines

Larry Ellis Holdren, age 83, of Ocean Pines, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 29, 2025, at Bayhealth Hospital in Milford, Delaware. Born in Sedalia, Missouri, he was the beloved son of the

late Dr. Kenneth Leroy Holdren and Geneva Marie (Ellis) Holdren.

Larry was a highly respected figure in the coastal real estate community. As the founder of Larry Holdren Real Estate, Inc., he faithfully served the region



Larry Holdren

for 54 years, maintaining professional licensure in both Maryland and Delaware. Since 1971, he dedicated himself to the real estate market in Ocean City, Maryland, with particular focus on the Montego Bay Community. Through decades of service, he not only witnessed Montego Bay's growth but conmeaningfully tributed development, including his service on the Montego Bay Civic Association.

A man of deep Christian faith, Larry was a devoted and long-standing member of Atlantic United Methodist Church in Ocean City, where he worshipped and served faithfully for over 52 years. His commitment to the church and its mission was a central part of his life. Larry will be remembered for his unwavering

faith, professional excellence, and enduring love for his family, church, and community. His legacy will live on in the lives he touched and the community he helped build.

Above all, Larry was a loving and devoted father and grandfather. He is survived by his four children: Carrie Holdren-Serrell, Larry E. Holdren II, Scott L. Holdren, and Donna C. Holdren. He also leaves behind three cherished grandchildren—Hannah, Philip, and Erika; his brother, Robert L. Holdren; his son-in-law, Philip Serrell; and his daughter-in-law, Nery Holdren.

In addition to his parents, Larry was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 52 years, Donna K. Holdren, with whom he shared a life rooted in faith, family, and service to others.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, Oct. 16, 2025, from 6-8 p.m. at The Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin, Maryland. A memorial service celebrating Larry's life will take place on Friday, Oct. 17, 2025, at 2 p.m. at Atlantic United Methodist Church, located on 4th Street in Ocean City. An additional visitation will be held one hour prior to the service.

Expressions of sympathy and letters of condolence may be shared with the family at www.burbagefuneralhome.com. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to The Burbage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial contributions be made to the Donna K. Holdren Prayer Shawl Ministry at Atlantic United Methodist Church, a ministry dear to both Larry and Donna's hearts.

LAWRENCE KENNETH WILLIAMS

Ocean Pines

Lawrence Kenneth Williams, age 85, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, September 14, 2025, in Ocean Pines.

He was born in Eastport, Maryland, and was the son of the late Henry John Williams and Gertrude (Buser) Williams.

Larry lived a life rooted in faith, always putting God first and cherishing his church community. His family was the joy of his heart, and he showed his love for them daily. In his free time Larry found peace on the golf course and on the waters of Greenwood Creek, where he spent countless days crabbing. He and his wife also shared a love of travel, spending many years exploring new places together. Larry was known for his warm smile, kind spirit, and for a gift of conversation-he never met a stranger. His presence brought comfort and joy to everyone who knew him, and he will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife, Betty (Payne) Williams; a daughter, Stephanie Walkley (David); four grandchildren, Natalie Ann Palmatary, Gabriela Victoria Williams, Logan Kole Williams, and Brandon Cross Williams, and a daughter-in-law, Lisa Williams. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Lawrence K. Williams, Jr., and two brothers, Henry J. "Jack" Williams and Robert G.

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Services were held on Friday, Sept. 19, 2025 at Taylorville Christian Church in Berlin. Interment followed at Hillcrest Memorial Garden in Annapolis. Letters of condolence may be

sent to the family via www.burbagefuneralhome.com. Arrangements are in the care of The Burbage Funeral

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Puzzles

CENTRAL PERK BY RICH KATZ / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Rich Katz does freelance work in corporate restructuring and bankruptcy liquidations. He and his wife recently relocated from Utah to San Francisco, where their new home has a view of the Golden Gate Bridge and Alcatraz. The genesis of this puzzle was Rich's reinterpretation of the familiar phrase at 101-Across. - W.S.

ACROSS

- 1 Caveat
 - ("Buyer beware")
- 7 Spice that's characteristic of Hungarian cooking
- 14 Marvel Comics mutant who can freeze his own body
- 20 Arizona county or Indigenous people
- 21 Tries some water, say 22 Like a win-win
- situation _ law, concept
- in computing technology 24 Alternative to a
- nanny
- 25 Fire starters
- 26 Contents of a flagon
- 27 Ole Miss athletes, to fans
- 29 X
- Scott, who the Supreme Court said was not free to sue for his freedom
- 32 Org. not getting many happy returns?
- 33 Remove surgically, as tissue
- 35 "They tell me ..."
- 37 Beethoven symphony originally intended to honor Napoleon
- 39 Class that might cause some high schoolers to blush
- 40 Sprawling Indian metropolis
- 41 Like some bridges

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- 42 "Let me check on that"
- 44 Expiates, with "for"
- 46 Man's name that's 49-Across plus a letter
- 49 Woman's name that's the first three letters of 46-Across
- 50 Rap battle participants
- 53 Tampa Bay athlete, in brief
- 54 Twists off course, as a ship
- 58 Witch
- 59 Exploited
- 60 "Weekend Update" co-host Michael
- 61 All over again
- Guessr, hit online game whose players deduce locations from Google Street View images
- 64 Where a hurricane forms
- 66 Wish someone "Happy Birthday," perhaps
- 69 At dawn, say 71 Mammal with
- 73 Extra
- 75 Called
- Day, Billie Holiday's portrayer in "The United States vs. Billie Holiday"

- 80 X
- 82 He was né Clav
- 84 Words of understanding

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- long whiskers
- 74 They stand for art
- 78 Celebrity chef Ina
- 79 Demanding entertainer
- 83 Watchdog's warning

- 89 Kind of sauce at
- 88 Do-over at Wimbledon
 - a sushi bar 90 Sewer in American

87 Familiar initialism

Force captain

coined by a U.S. Air

- history 91 "Weekend Update"
- show, for short 92 Zipped
- 93 Like some alcohol ... or places that prohibit alcohol
- 94 Not present and not
- excused, for short 96 Foreign policy grp.
- 97 Brezhnev of the Soviet Union
- 99 Cherokee and Cheyenne
- 101 Relationship featuring casual intimacy ... or a hint to six pairs of intersecting answers in this puzzle
- 108 Starbucks competitor
- 109 Spot for an ornament 110 Giants in California
- and New York 112 "Beat it!"
- 115 Actor Wilson of "The Office" 116 Rye, e.g.
- 118 "Wouldn't miss it for the world!'
- 119 Like slow filers and fast drivers, at times
- 120 Furniture retailer owned by Williams-Sonoma
- 121 Lives (in)
- 122 Iditarod transports

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86 Outback baby 123 Involves

DOWN

- 1 Title heroine described as "handsome, clever and rich, with a comfortable home and happy disposition"
- 2 Dough
- 3 Fly-catching bird with a name derived from Greek
- 4 Driveway goo
- 5 As a whole
- 6 Moves elsewhere 7 Tenured profs, often
- 8 Small battery ... or an org. that might help with a battery
- 9 It's all in your head 10 Mother of Joseph and Benjamin, in the Bible
- 11 Book after Song of Solomon
- 12 French cocktail made with crème de cassis
- 13 Mirrored
- 14 Reasoned conclusion
- 15 Brewski
- 16 Bulldog fan in Connecticut
- 17 Santa
- 18 Stellar
- /an ____Avenue, thoroughfare in San Francisco 19 Van
- 28 Minds one's P's and
- 31 Contribute (to), as one's reputation
- 34 Been asleep, say
- 35 Texter's "Beats me" 36 Small inlet
- 38 Li'l
- 43 One-named singer born in Nigeria
- 45 Skier's conveyance
- 46 Online site for D.I.Y.ers

- 47 Time out, perhaps
- 48 Info commonly shown on a board game box
- 50 Clown around with food?
- 51 City SE of Phoenix
- 52 Purpose of some cameras
- 55 Reaches a shared opinion about
- 56 Holistic contentment
- 57 Some beans or sauces 59 "E pluribus
- 62 Sport

112

118

121

- 67 Sun bloc?
- 68 Pretty picture 70 Moving around

119

122

- 72 Attack 74 You can put a ring
- on it 76 Back
- 78 Came back, as hair
- 79 Music's Fatboy Slim and David Guetta, informally
- 81 Error message on a Blu-ray device
- 83 Targeted (to)
- 85 Key for a quick exit

92 Boils with rage 95 Liberal-leaning 120

123

- 97 Chinese "nut" that's
 - really a fruit 98 Makes small in
 - comparison 99 Government debt obligations,
 - familiarly
 - 100 40 winks 101 fatale

true"

- 102 Gets 40 winks
- 103 Letter-shaped train track piece 104 "To own self be
- 116 Org. that merged

113 Come to

114 "For sure"

with the U.F.C. in 2023

105 Sharpened

Trek'

106 George of "Star

in the pantry

111 Jazz singer Sylvia

108 AA or JJ, e.g.

107 Bad thing to discover

117 Kind of party

su do ku

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HARD - 65

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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Tickets now available for annual Flannel Formal event

Lower Shore Land Trust to honor Burnett at fundraiser set for Cellar House Farm

(Oct. 9, 2025) Tickets and sponsorships are now available for the Flannel Formal, the annual celebration of land conservation held each year to benefit the Lower Shore Land Trust, this year commemorating their 35th Anniversary.

To celebrate this special occasion, the Land Trust will honor one of its founders, King Burnett, with the esteemed Stephen N. Parker Conserva-Legacy Award, presented annually to recognize a landowner or conservation practitioner for their contributions to private land conservation on the Lower Eastern Shore. Past recipients include Charles "Buddy" Jenkins, Larry Leese, John B. Long, Hugh Cropper IV, and Ann G. Carlson.

The event will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 3-6 p.m. and will be held at the Cellar House Farm in Pocomoke City, a venue with rich history known for its legends of privateering, ghosts, underground tunnels and a murder mystery, inviting intrigue and curiosity to all who enter.

Flannel Formal attendees are invited to wear their favorite flannel, dressy or casual, to celebrate the season. This year's musical entertainment will be a live performance by the Seth Mitchell Band. Hailing from the Baltimore/DC/Annapolis region, they will be playing a variety of originals and covers of Bluegrass and Americana.

Delicacies offered will be an array of artisan charcuterie, oysters on the half shell, and Pit & Pub BBQ with all the fixings. Beverages available are fine wines, craft beers, and a George's Mixes Bloody Mary Bar. Attendees will enjoy yard games, fire pits, and bidding on silent auction items.

Tickets are \$100 per person until Oct. 31 and \$125 per person after and at the door. Purchase tickets and sponsorships at the Lower Shore Land Trust website, call 443-234-5587, or email mresto@LSLT.org.

All proceeds benefit the Lower Shore Land Trust, whose mission is to conserve and restore land by engaging landowners and the public to sustain the unique rural character, landscapes, environment, and vibrant communities of the Lower Shore.



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Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm	12430 Old Bridge Rd., West OC	2BR/2BA	Single Family from	from \$284,750	Shelly Wilson/Salt Life Community
Friday 11am-1pm	1 66th Street #101,Ocean City	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$499,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Friday 1:30-3:30pm	6305 Atlantic Ave #301, Ocean City	3BR/3.5BA	Condo	\$1,550,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 10am-Noon	104 125th Street #106, Ocean City	3BR/2.5BA	Condo	\$599,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 10am-Noon	103 125th Street #208, Ocean City	3BR/2BA	Condo	\$469,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 10:30am-12:30pr	n 11000 Coastal Hwy Unit 2002, Ocean City	2BR/2.5BA	Condo	\$579,900	Monica McNamara/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 10:30am-12:30p	m 8703 Habitat Court, Berlin	4BR/3.5BA	Single Family	\$575,000	Kim/Heaney/BHHS PenFed Realty
Saturday 11am-1pm	124 75th Street #103, Ocean City	3BR/2BA	Condo	\$799,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 11am-2pm	1204 Coastal Hwy #3C HPS, Ocean City	2 BR/2 BA	Condo	\$674,900	Tim Meadowcroft/Long & Foster Real Estate
Sat & Sun 11am-3pm	12430 Old Bridge Rd, West OC	2BR/2BA	Single Family	from \$284,750	Shelly Wilson/Salt Life Community
Saturday Noon-2pm	18 Hingham Lane, Ocean Pines	3/BR/2.5BA	Single Family	\$439,900	Cindy Crockett/Hileman Real Estate
Saturday 12:30-2:30pm	703 Loop Road, Ocean City	4BR/3BA	Single Family	\$1,199,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 1-3pm	6305 Atlantic Ave #301, Ocean City	3BR/3.5BA	Condo	\$1,550,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Saturday 3-5pm	105 123rd Street B332, Ocean City	1BR/1BA	Condo	\$264,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Sunday 10:30am-12:30pm	11000 Coastal Hwy Unit 1406, Ocean City	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$525,000	Monica McNamara/Coldwell Banker Realty
Sunday 11am-1pm	12117 Pimlico Lane, Berlin	4BR/2.5BA	Single Family	\$995,000	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Sunday 11am-1pm	1 66th Street #101, Ocean City	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$499,900	Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty
Sunday 11am-1pm	745 Mooring Road, Ocean City	2BR/2BA	Condo	\$399,900	Katie Landon/Coldwell Banker Realty
Sunday 11am-1pm	0103 War Admiral Ln Glen Riddle, Berlin	4BR/3.5BA	Single Family	\$749,900	Kim/Heaney/BHHS PenFed Realty

Calendar

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

Thurs., Oct. 9

28TH ANNUAL ENDLESS SUMMER CRUISIN AND 44TH ANNUAL HOT ROD & CUSTOME CAR SHOW

Ocean City Convention & Visitors Bureau, 4001 Coastal Highway, 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Also Inlet Parking Lot and locations throughout Ocean City. Car shows, boardwalk parades, live music, special guests and more. Schedule and tickets: https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin. 410-798-6304

PARTY OF THE YEAR

Kalamata Meze Bar, 12849 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City, 6-9 p.m. Tickets \$150. "Aladdin's World: pARTy of the Year" features live music, dancing, modern Mediterranean cuisine, Nori sushi, open bar (potable potions) and more. https://givebutter.com/c/Party-oftheYear2025, 410-524-9433

STORY TIME: LEONARDO THE TERRIBLE MONSTER

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Can Leonardo learn to be scary or become something even better? Songs, a story and a craft. For ages 2-5 years. 410-208-4014,

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

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

LET'S MAKE ... FABRIC COLLAGES

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 1 p.m. Experiment with texture, color and composition using vibrant textiles and foam core as a canvas. No sewing. All materials provided. Registration required: 410-641-0650. www.worcesterlibrary.org

MUSIC LEGENDS MOVIE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Watch this biopic detailing of Bob Dylan's early years. Rated R. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org

CHAIR YOGA

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 2 p.m. This is an all-levels chair yoga program. Handouts with poses and stretches you can do at home will be provided. Registration required: 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org

BINGO

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2 p.m. Play a lively game of Bingo and win fun prizes. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org

DRY PANTRY

Thursdays - St. Paul United Methodist Church, 405 Flower Street, Berlin, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For those in need of resources such as paper products, laundry products, baby items, and personal care items. Limits apply. 410-641-0270

Fri., Oct. 10

28TH ANNUAL ENDLESS SUMMER CRUISIN AND 44TH ANNUAL HOT ROD & CUSTOM CAR SHOW

Ocean City Convention & Visitors Bureau, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 410-798-6304. 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Also Inlet Parking Lot and locations throughout Ocean City. Car shows, boardwalk parades, live music, special guests and more. Schedule and tickets: https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin.

BABY TIME

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 410-641-0650. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., A great opportunity for babies (0-2 years) and their caregivers to socialize, play, read and explore in the bright play space. Drop by and make some friends. 410-641-0650,

www.worcesterlibrary.org.

OC MAHJONG CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 410-524-1818. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Join in for a fun morning of playing tile Mahjong. Feel free to bring your own tile set. All adults welcome. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

ALL AMERICAN & MRS. ALL AMERICAN PAGEANTS

Grand Hotel, 2100 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City. 609-224-3115. 1-4 p.m., Ää,ÄäHonoring women of all ages, sizes, and statuses for their personal achievement and community involvement. www.allamericanpageant.com, allamericandirector@gmail.com, 609-224-3115.

BOOK OF THE MONTH THE LONELY HEARTS BOOK CLUB BY LUCY GILMORE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 410-208-4014. 2-11:59 p.m., Copies of the book are available at the Ocean Pines Library circulation desk. 410-208-4014,

www.worcesterlibrary.org.

DISCOVERY DEN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill. 410-632-3495. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Come enjoy a new topic every week. Week 2: Theater. Best of elementary and middle school students, but all are welcome. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

MARYLAND CRAB CAKE DINNER

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin. 4-6 p.m., One crab cake sandwich platter, \$14; two crab cake sandwich platter, \$24; and crab cake sandwiches, \$10. Platters include green beans, baked potato and Cole slaw. Bake sale table. Carryout or eat in.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT PUMPKIN PAINTING

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. 410-641-6057. 5-8 p.m., Cost is \$5 for Ocean Pines residents and \$6, non-residents. All ages welcome. All decorations and paint provided. Bring your own pumpkin or purchase one at the event (\$6). Registration: 410-641-6057.

GHOSTS OF THE EASTERN SHORE WITH ANDY NUNEZ

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., Pocomoke City. 410-957-0878. 5:30-11:59 p.m., Local author, Andy Nunez, takes the group along to gloomy mansions and overgrown graveyards on Delmarva. 410-957-0878, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

Sat., Oct. 11

CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

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

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WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN & 24TH ANNUAL WALK FOR AWARENESS

The Centre At Salisbury, 2300 N. Salisbury Blvd., Salisbury. 410-548-7880. 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Tickets \$30. Registration at 9:30 a.m., walk at 10:45 a.m. Participants will do two loops around the inside of The Centre at Salisbury mall. Vendors set up throughout. Cost is \$30.

https://womensupportingwomen.org.

HARBOR DAY AT THE DOCKS

Sunset Avenue, West Ocean City. 667-286-0116. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Blessing of the Fleet (10 a.m.), live music, educational exhibits, boat tours, food trucks, a kid's zone, a crush bar, local brews and a crab cake eating contest. Free event. https://harbordayoc.com.

6TH ANNUAL FALL FEST

Windmill Creek Winery & Samp; Farm Kitchen, 11206 Worcester Highway, Berlin. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., A family-friendly day filled with bounce houses, face painting, pumpkin patch, a corn field, a bucket train ride, live music, corn hole and more. Benefiting The Parkinson's Foundation.

BLOCKTOBERFEST

White Horse Park, Ocean Pines. 410-641-5306. 3-7 p.m., Shine the spotlight on your service and talent. There will be food, music, vendors, games, beer wagon and more.

https://business.worcestercountychamber.org, 410-641-5306.

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Grand Hotel, 2100 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City. 609-224-3115. 6-9:30 p.m., Ää,ÄäHonoring women of all ages, sizes, and statuses for their personal achievement and community involvement. www.allamericanpageant.com, allamericandirector@gmail.com, 609-224-3115.

Sunday, Oct. 12

2ND SUNDAY BERLIN ART; VINTAGE MARKET

Berlin Main St; Maryland Welcome Center Parking Lot, 14 S. Main St., Berlin. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Takes place during the Berlin Farmers Market. https://berlinmainstreet.com.

COLONIAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Rackliffe House Grounds, 11800 Marsh View Lane, Berlin. 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Featuring seasonal items/crafts, demonstrations, entertainment, Native American food, kids activities and more. Admission \$10 (free to those 12 years and younger). Rain/shine. www.Rackliffe-House.org.

FALL CHICKEN DINNER

Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Bishopville. 443-880-4944. 1-4 p.m., 1/2 fried chicken, ham, potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, roll and dessert. Carryout platter cost is \$20. Pre-order by noon on Oct. 11: 443-880-4944. Limited amount of walk-ins and extra sides.

Calendar

Tues., Oct. 14

STORY TIME @ THE DELMARVA DISCOVERY MUSEUM

Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. 410-957-0878. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Stories, songs and crafts that feature one of the museum's special animals. For ages 0-5 years. 410-957-0878, www.worcesterlibrary.org

STORY TIME

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 410-641-0650. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Story time geared for ages 0-5 years featuring seasonal themes designed to support early literacy skills with stories, songs and finger plays. 410-641-0650, www.worcesterlibrary.org

BABY TIME

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill. 410-632-3495. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Songs, rhymes and stories. Stay after to socialize with other families. For ages 0-2 years. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

MOVIE MATINEE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 410-208-4014. 2-11:59 p.m., View a remake of a spooky classic in 3D. Glasses and light refreshments provided. Registration required: 410-208-4014. www.worcesterlibrary.org.

TED TALKS: STORIES

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 410-524-1818. 5-11:59 p.m., Explore stories about genealogy, the importance of having many stories and how one artist shows us if art can amend stories in history. 410-524-1818, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

BOOK CLUB @ TIDES AND VINE: THE DEVIL IN THE WHITE CITY BY ERIK LARSON

Tides & Dide St., Snow Hill. 410-632-3495. 6-11:59 p.m., An evening of books and wine. Stop by the Snow Hill Library to pick up your book. Must be at least 21 years of age to participate. 410-632-3495, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

FREE! MEET DANIEL BOWEN

Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., Ocean City. 410-524-9433. 6-8 p.m., Daniel Bowen of Salisbury is our 2025 Orem and Harriet Robinson Fellow for Contemporary Art and Community Engagement. Light refreshments will be served. Free admission. 410-524-9433.

Weds., Oct. 15

SENSORY STAY AND PLAY

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 410-524-1818. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Learn through exploration, curiosity and creativity. Get ready to squish, build, splash, shake and scoop through several fun stations. For ages 0-5 years. 410-524-1818,

www.worcesterlibrary.org.

BACKGAMMON CLUB

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 410-208-4014. 10:30 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Drop in for a game of Backgammon, whether you're an expert or want to refresh your skills. Beginners welcome. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

WHAT WE COLLECT. WHAT WE TELL: SEN-IOR COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., Pocomoke City. 410-957-0878. 11 a.m.-11:59 p.m., Share stories and reminisce about the past through prompts and activities. 410-957-0878, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

PUZZLE SWAP

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin. 410-641-0650. 1-7 p.m., Bring your gently used puzzles and leave with new-to-you puzzles. Don't have a puzzle to exchange but still want one? That's OK too. All puzzles must be complete in their original boxes. 410-641-0650

STEM FEST: HERE COMES THE SUN -EARTH'S ENERGY SOURCE

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., Pocomoke City. 410-957-0878. 2:30-11:59 p.m., Learn all about our solar system's only star. For ages 6-11 years. Registration necessary: 410-957-0878. www.worcesterlibrary.org.

TRIVIA WITH JIM MECKLEY: THE LAST HURRAH

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin. 410-208-4014. 3-11:59 p.m., Prizes awarded to the top three teams and refreshments provided by the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org.

VICTORIAN HALLOWEEN PARTY

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill. 410-632-3495. 5-7 p.m., An outdoor Victorian Halloween party in the garden with Victorian themed games, scary stores, crafts and snacks. For families. In case of rain, the event will be moved inside. 410-632-3495.

KIDS PAINT NIGHT

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. 410-641-7052. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Cost is \$22 and includes all materials and instruction. Open to ages 8 years and older. Pre-registration required: 410-641-7052.

ONGOING EVENTS

TOWN OF BERLIN PUMPKIN SCAVENGER HUNT

Held thru Oct. 30. Pick up and return your entry form in the Berlin Welcome Center. Peek in the participating shop windows to find all of the painted pumpkins. Enter to win \$100. Drawing will be on Halloween.

BUS TRIP TO NEW YORK

Bus departs on Dec. 20 at 6 a.m. from Chuckie Cheese in Salisbury. Cost is \$97 and includes driver's tip. Arrive at Macy's in New York at 11 a.m. Bus will be leaving from Macy's at 6 p.m. Pay by Dec. 15 by check, money order or use the church's cash app (\$calvarychurch6607, to: Calvary Church, for: New York Bus Trip) Make payments to Calvary United Methodist Church, 8607 Ironshire Station Road, Berlin. Info: Rosie Dennis, 443-614-7518.

BUS TRIP TO CHRISTIANA MALL

Bus departs on Oct. 22 at 8:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$45. Sign up by Oct. 6. Contact Anna, akins10685@aol.com.

YOUNG HISTORIANS ESSAY CONTEST

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St. Open to middle and high school students. All entries that meet requirements will earn one hour of service larning. Winners in each age group will receive an extra prize. Reach out to history@worcesterlibrary.org for any local history research assistance. Stop in or call for full details. 410-632-3495 Due by Nov. 15.

THE BOO-K BAG

Pocomoke library, 401 5th Street, throughout October. Check out a mystery BOO-k bag. Each pack contains a surprise seasonal title, a sweet treat and a cozy cup of hot chocolate. Return the rating slip for a chance to win a prize. 410-957-0878

CREATIVITY CORNER

Berlin library, 13 Harrison Ave., throughout October. Students are invited to visit the library's Creativity Corner to engage in STEAM-related projects and crafts. Activities change monthly. For ages 12-18 years. 410-641-0650

HISTORY-TO-GO: CROSS STITCHING

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., throughout October. Includes info sheets, recommended activities, supplies and more. Pick up from the Snow Hill library. 410-632-3495

LEAF IDENTIFICATION GAME

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