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## SPRINKLER SPRINT

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## Committee follows budget's ups, downs

Too early to tell whether differences from last year mean anything in long run

**By Tara Fischer**  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) The Ocean Pines Association Budget and Finance Committee is seeking additional information on several financial vari-

ances spotted during its review of the April and May financial reports.

The variances included higher police expenditures and differences in overall operating costs.

During the committee's meeting last week, discussed some items they believe require follow-up with Ocean Pines staff as the fiscal year progresses.

Committee member Colette Horn

asked why, per the April report, year-to-date police expenditures appeared noticeably higher than they were at the same point last year.

For the law enforcement agency, this year's year-to-date operating expense totaled \$1.73 million versus \$1.54 million last year.

Budget and Finance Committee Chairman Doug Parks noted that

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## Schanno gets win in Dist. 5

Narrow margin of victory holds through final count

**By Brian Shane**  
Staff Writer

(July 6, 2026) Joe Schanno has defeated three-term incumbent County Commissioner Chip Bertino by 31 votes in the Republican primary in the Worcester County Commissioners' Ocean Pines district.

The final tally for District 5 was 472 votes for Schanno and 441 for Bertino, according to a final canvass completed Monday by the Worcester County Board of Elections.

Schanno will go on to face Democratic challenger Vicky Wallace for the Ocean Pines district seat in the Nov. 3 general election. Wallace was unopposed in her primary bid.

Online results from the State Board of Elections showed Schanno with a lead in three of four categories of balloting in the July 23 Republican primary: in early voting, on primary election day, and among provisional votes. Bertino led in mail-in votes.

"I know you all had faith in me all along and I thank you. It was a challenge, for sure, but I am grateful to my family, my team and everyone in District 5 who voted for me. Up next, the general election in November where I will again be asking for your support and your vote," Schanno wrote on his official campaign Facebook page.

Schanno now hopes to join three other first-time commissioners who

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# Too soon to analyze finances

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while the difference amounted to less than \$200,000, he agreed the committee should seek additional information from the community’s finance department.

“The question would be are there any factors that contributed to that,” Parks said. “I’m wondering if maybe the answer would be, were there any open positions that hadn’t been filled? I suspect that’s the case.”

Horn added that she believed the difference was significant enough to justify seeking additional explanation from OPA staff.

The committee also discussed a roughly \$550,000 difference in year-to-date net operating results between this year’s and last year’s reports.

“I think it’s worth taking a look at,” Horn said.

Parks cautioned that comparisons between different fiscal years are not always straightforward because each annual budget reflects changing priorities and spending plans.

“Every budget is a little bit different,” Parks said. “We’re not just rubber stamping and doing the exact same thing every year.”

He noted that changes in capital projects or other planned expenditures can affect year-over-year operating results.

“There might be an absolute reasoning behind a \$400,000 difference in net operating because the whole budget was different,” Parks said. “We had to fix something or augment something, hence the changes.”

Later during the meeting, the committee shifted its discussion to the May financial results.

Parks noted that OPA General Manager John Viola had already reported that the association finished May approximately \$9,000 behind budget. However, he said the figure is nothing to worry about this early in the season.

“In the month of May, it’s basically insignificant,” Parks said.

He also pointed out that operating

expenses were nearly \$70,000 below budget during the month.

“Is that a timing issue?” Parks asked. “Waiting for something and haven’t been billed yet?”

Meanwhile, maintenance expenses exceeded budget by approximately \$18,000, which Parks attributed to seasonal work.

“We’re in month one,” he said. “It’s just not that significant.”

The committee also reviewed beach parking revenues, which were down roughly \$30,000 compared to budget. Parks suggested the lower revenue likely reflects the timing of pass purchases early in the summer season.

“It’s early in the season,” he said. “People may not have purchased them yet.”

Committee members also discussed marina operations, noting that fluctuating fuel prices may be affecting boating activity.

“How many folks are boating less because of gas [prices]?” Parks asked. “Instead of going out on a boat every weekend, you’re only doing it twice a month?”

Looking ahead, Parks said he would like additional information regarding homeowners’ annual assessment payments, including what percentage of assessments have already been collected and how many property owners are using payment plans.

“I remember this was right after COVID and when I was treasurer I kept track of the percentage of assessments that were paid,” Parks said. “We were consistently at a 98% collection rate, which is really, really good.”

Horn noted that assessment collections this year could reflect current economic conditions.

“It’s going to be a reflection of the economy,” she said.

The committee plans to forward observations to the OPA Board of Directors as preparations begin for next year’s budget.

# Schanno holds on for victory

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have secured a seat on the commissioners after having won their primary races: Roxie Dennis in District 2, Steve Green in District 4, and Lou Taylor in District 6. None have opposition in the November general election.

Incumbent commissioners Caryn Abbott (District 1) and Eric Fiori (District 3) also both won their primaries to garner a second term. Commissioner Joe Mitrecic (District 7) ran unopposed for his fourth consecutive election.

The swearing-in for the new board will be Dec. 1 in Snow Hill, leaving the board of commissioners

with four lame duck members — Diane Purnell, Ted Elder, Jim Bunting and Bertino — until then. Of the four, only Bunting in District 6 (Bishopville/Ocean Pines) did not seek reelection.

This was not Schanno’s first foray into electoral politics. He’s twice been a candidate for the Maryland House of Delegates.

In 2010, Schanno ran for the District 38B seat, losing to then-Pocomoke City Mayor Mike McDermott. Then, after a 2012 redistricting, he ran for the District 38C seat in the Maryland House of Delegates, losing to then-Ocean City Councilman Wayne Hartman.



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# Latest reports find county’s water meeting all standards

Quality findings now track more data, aim to detect any ‘forever chemicals’

**By Brian Shane**  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) For residents turning on the tap in Ocean Pines, Bridgetown, Mystic Harbour and other public water service areas, Worcester County’s latest annual water quality reports offer the same basic assurance: drinking water met state and federal standards last year.

Released June 24, new reports cover Bridgetown; Edgewater Acres and Nantucket Point; Mystic Harbour, the Landings, and Assateague Point; Ocean Pines; Newark; and Riddle Farm. No violations were listed.

County water quality reports over the last decade focused largely on standard testing results, including nitrate, copper, chlorine and disinfection byproducts. Newer state and federal reporting requirements now demand a closer look at what is being tested, tracked and disclosed.

Reports now track more data points than they used to, including what materials water pipes are made from, and whether any PFAS – so-called “forever chemicals” – were detected.

PFAS, short for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, are a family of human-made chemicals used for decades in products like nonstick cookware, stain-resistant fabrics, and firefighting foam.

They’re nicknamed forever chemicals because they break down slowly in the environment and can remain in the human body for years, which is a key reason PFAS have drawn attention from public health researchers and drinking water regulators.

Information about PFAS began appearing in the county’s annual

water quality reports in 2023, after state monitoring launched in 2020. In the 2026 reports, PFAS detections in parts per trillion appeared in Bridgetown, Ocean Pines, and Riddle Farm, with no violations listed.

Lead service lines are another addition to the county’s water quality reports.

Since last year, public water systems have been required to list what materials their service lines are made of, including whether any contain lead.

Worcester County’s 2026 reports state the required lists were submitted to the Maryland Department of the Environment and are available upon request. The documents do not list how many lead service lines were found, if any.

Separate testing for lead and copper in tap water also fell below regulatory thresholds that would trigger additional steps if samples tested too high, reports show.

Other water-quality measurements also remained within limits. Nitrate, which can come from fertilizer runoff, septic systems, and natural deposits, was detected in Bridgetown, Ocean Pines, and Riddle Farm, but was reported below the federal standard in each system.

Chlorine and disinfection byproducts also were listed below legal limits. Copper testing, where listed, came in below regulatory action levels.

Edgewater Acres and Nantucket Point showed higher levels of disinfection byproducts than some other county systems, though still below legal limits. Those byproducts can form when chlorine or other disinfectants used to kill germs react with naturally occurring material in water.

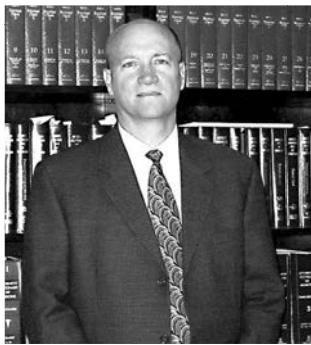
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# Man charged in house barricade

Snow Hill resident facing assault, false imprisonment charges for July 5 dispute

(July 9, 2026) A Worcester County man was arrested and charged early Monday morning after he barricaded himself inside a house following an alleged assault.

Robert Keith Anderson, 49, of Snow Hill, is charged with first- and second- degree assault, false imprisonment and other related charges. He is being held without bond at the Worcester County Detention Center.

Shortly after 10:45 p.m. on July 5, Maryland State Police from the Berlin Barrack were dispatched to a home in the 4000-block of W. Market Street in Snow Hill, for an alleged dispute between Anderson and a woman.

The woman, who is not being identified at this time, told police she had been physically restrained, but was able to break free from the home to contact 9-1-1 to report the incident.

Police were told that Anderson had brandished a firearm inside the home. He reportedly threatened to harm the woman who was inside the residence at the time.

State Police arrived on the scene and made several attempts to contact Anderson, all of which he refused. Knowing he was armed and due to the threats reportedly made, troopers established a perimeter around the home and called for the Maryland State Police Special Tactical Assault Team Element, or STATE Team, to respond.

Troopers attempted to convince Anderson for several hours to exit the residence. They called his cell phone repeatedly. After several unsuccessful attempts, police obtained an arrest warrant through the Worcester County District Court, which was subsequently served by members of the Maryland State Police STATE Team.

Anderson was taken into custody without further incident. No shots were fired from the residence by Anderson or law enforcement personnel during the 11-hour incident.

Troopers from the Berlin Barrack, the STATE Team and the Criminal Enforcement Division responded to the scene. Officers from the Snow Hill Police Department along with sheriff deputies from the Worcester County Sheriff's Office also responded to the scene to provide assistance.

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# New state laws officially active as of July 1

Legislation changes alcohol rules for Worcester County, school requirements, etc.

By Brian Shane  
Staff Writer

(July 3, 2026) New laws taking effect July 1 in Maryland will change alcohol regulations in Worcester County, as well as update statewide rules for schools, cannabis enforcement, health coverage, and electric vehicle charging.

One new law affecting Worcester County has expanded the Board of License Commissioners from three members to five. It also staggers terms for board members and increases annual pay from \$2,100 to \$4,200.

The powerful board, whose members are appointed by the governor, decides who gets to sell alcohol, enforces the rules for those sales and can penalize those who failed to observe them.

The legislative changes came from a collaboration between Lower

Shore lawmakers Sen. Mary Beth Carozza (R-38) and Del. Wayne Hartman (R-38C), who each sponsored a version of the bill.

Another alcohol-related bill from Carozza taking effect July 1 (SB 846) has legalized to-go drinks for municipal events.

That tourism-related measure is intended to drive foot traffic during street fairs and festivals. It allows Berlin, Pocomoke City, and Snow Hill to set a footprint where attendees can carry open alcoholic beverages in approved to-go cups.

For Hartman, a bill he sponsored that took effect July 1 (HB 500, SB 309) creates a sales tax exemption for sales of gold and silver coins and bullion valued over \$1,000. The old law only exempted sales tax when purchases were made at Baltimore's convention center.

Hundreds of other laws with a greater statewide impact as of Wednesday also passed during this year's legislative session, according to the state's Department of Legislative Services.

For public schools, local districts must adopt new cybersecurity requirements. The legislation (HB 957, SB 601) requires each district to name a cybersecurity contact, comply with state minimum cybersecurity standards, and conduct a cybersecurity maturity assessment every two years.

Another new law (HB 856, SB 648) requires local school systems to start screening new hires through a nationwide educator clearinghouse. This affects licensed teachers who are offered a job as of Aug. 1.

School book fairs are getting a tax reprieve, too, with a new law (HB 358, SB 403) that creates a sales tax exemption for certain elementary and secondary schools.

In transportation, there are new rules for charging electric vehicles, or EVs. The new law (HB 969, SB 649) requires EV charging to be measured and sold in kilowatt-hours, with clear and itemized receipts for all additional fees. Operators of electric car chargers must display contract information

for transparency's sake.

In health care, another new law (HB 280, SB 205) says health insurance companies no longer may consider mental health and substance abuse treatment as secondary to physical health care coverage. State regulators will have clearer authority to enforce the rules that require insurers to equitably treat mental health and addiction treatment.

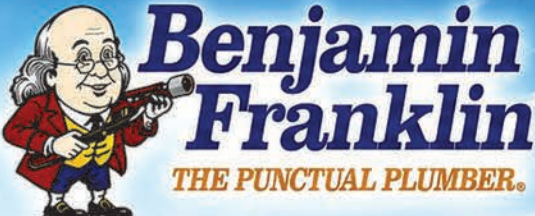
For renters and storage facility operators, another new law (HB 618, SB 438) requires giving notice and a clear timeline when self-storage facility operators do not renew storage agreements or dispose of a renter's personal property.

State cannabis regulations are changing as well. Under another new law taking effect Wednesday (HB 622), dispensaries may continue delivering medical cannabis to homes for another year.

The law also sets new standards for employee training and increases the maximum number of employees at a micro-dispensary from 10 to 20.



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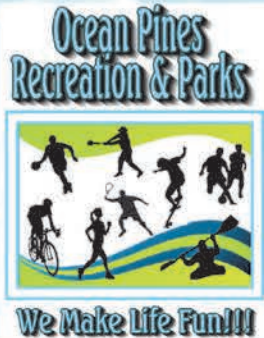
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# Commission approves Ghost Museum sign

While passed, group hopes move doesn't lead to more cartoon elements in Berlin

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) The Berlin Historic District Commission unanimously approved a decorative directional sign for the downtown Ghost Museum last week after commissioners debated whether the design could influence future requests in the historic district.

At the HDC's meeting on July 1, Ghost Museum owner Alyssa Maloof sought approval for a pointing hand sign directing visitors upstairs to her business at 11 Pitt St. The marking will be made of a fiberglass composite.

"I'm trying to get people upstairs,"

said Maloof, who also owns the downtown Mermaid Museum.

Commissioner Mary Moore said she found the pointing hand creative. "I think it's clever," she noted.

Norman Bunting, the commission's chair, agreed the sign would attract attention, while staff confirmed it complied with applicable historic district requirements. Maloof said the lightweight, dimensional sign would not be illuminated.

While the historic commission supported the proposal, Moore wondered if approving the decorative element could establish a precedent for future applications.

She said she did not want to see cartoon figures or brightly colored ornamental displays become commonplace throughout the town's historic district.

"I don't want to set a precedent," Moore said. "...Like I don't want to see every wall in Berlin have a mural on it...I don't want to start seeing little cartoon people in the future...if you're selling dog supplies, all of a sudden, you have dogs stuck on the building. I don't want [Berlin] to have that Disney look. I want to keep this clean, historic look. We've had problems in the past where we did something that started a precedent."

Planning Director Ryan Hardesty responded that each Historic District Commission application is considered individually.

"Every one is a case-by-case basis," Hardesty said.

Moore noted that future HDC submissions could argue the body had

approved similar features before. However, Hardesty maintained that while those situations have occurred and are likely to happen again, most commission decisions rely on the members' judgement rather than specific town code standards.

Therefore, the board can make approvals as they see fit without being bound to any predetermined rules.

"A lot of the things that you guys vote on are not codified," Hardesty said. "So, it really is your opinion, what you like...nothing in the code says you can't have cartoon characters [in the historic district]."

Following the discussion, the commission voted unanimously to approve the directional hand sign as presented.

## Local nonprofit helping kids with school supply shopping

(July 10, 2026) Worcester County GOLD (Giving Other Lives Dignity), a nonprofit dedicated to supporting vulnerable families across Worcester County, announced this week it will be expanding its annual School Supplies for Students Program.

The organization provides fully stocked backpacks to children facing financial hardship. Each year, the organization receives more than 300 requests from community partners seeking assistance for students who otherwise would begin the school year without essential supplies.

The program ensures that every child receives a backpack filled with school materials tailored to their individual needs. By meeting these needs directly, GOLD helps level the playing field for students who may be experiencing homelessness, living in foster care, navigating special needs, or growing up in single parent households.

"Starting the school year prepared is a simple but powerful step toward academic success," said Executive Di-

rector Ryan Nellans. "Our community's generosity makes it possible for children to walk into school with confidence and dignity."

As a small nonprofit, GOLD relies heavily on local support to meet rising demand. The organization offers several ways for residents, businesses, churches, and civic groups to get involved:

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**CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
The Ocean City Power Squadron sponsored a charity golf tournament at the Ocen Pines Golf Club on June 24 to support the Pam and Macky Stansell House in Ocean Pines, a part of Coastal Hospice. The tournament attracted more than 100 golfers and raised approximately \$20,000 for the Stansell House. The weather was perfect and six teams claimed prizes for best and worst. The Stansells are pictured accepting the tourney proceeds from club officials.



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**JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION**  
Indivisible Worcester MD and the Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County celebrating Juneteenth in West Ocean City on Friday, June 19.



**4STEPS SPEAKER**  
On Wednesday, July 1, Sandy Winter, founder of 4STEPS Therapeutic Riding Program in Parsonsburg spoke to the Kiwanis Club at the Ocean Pines Library. Established in 2002, 4STEPS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and PATH International Member Center providing equine-assisted activities and therapies for children and adults with disabilities. Located in the Wicomico Forest, the program offers adaptive riding lessons, a summer camp, and veterans' programs through Operation Charlie Horse, serving families across Wicomico. Club President Sarah Walker is pictured with Winter.

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# New Berlin business gets HDC support for new sign

Colorful Encounters offers compromise from previous commission discussion

**By Tara Fischer**  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) The Berlin Historic District Commission unanimously approved revised signage for a new downtown business after owners agreed to tone down the original exterior design.

The commission voted last week to approve signage and door graphics for the art studio Colorful Encounters, located at 18 Williams St., following revisions made in response to commissioners' concerns raised during a previous meeting.

Owner Michael McClimans said the business replaced its originally proposed colorful hanging sign with a more traditional black-and-white version featuring an old-fashioned design.

"We modified the front because the colorful sign we had for our logo wasn't acceptable," McClimans said. "I designed one that is old fashioned."

Commissioner Mary Moore praised the revised hanging sign.

"It really pops," Moore said. "Something about white on black, it really gets your attention and it's quite nice."

McClimans said the perpendicular hanging sign will be mounted approximately nine feet above the sidewalk, providing more than the required seven feet of clearance. The commission chair Norman Bunting reminded the applicant that an existing open flag sign would also need to meet the seven-foot clearance requirement.

While commissioners were pleased with the updated hanging sign, discussion shifted to graphics proposed for the front door.

Moore expressed concern that the colorful logo, multiple fonts, and script lettering for the business hours created a cluttered appearance that conflicted with Berlin's historic character.

"My personal opinion ... I never want to see, anywhere in Berlin ... when I get into a lot of colors, I get Disney in my mind," Moore said. "I'm not crazy about the door. The door is your statement."

Commissioner Lisa Doyle asked whether the hours of operation could be displayed in the same font used for the business logo instead of cursive lettering.

McClimans said a change could be made to adjust the cursive hours of operations to a more standard block lettering design.

"I do think they have made considerable compromises," Commissioner Laura Stearns said, adding that she hoped the new business would be successful. "It's a nice addition to the town."

Following additional discussion, commissioners agreed matching block lettering would create a cleaner appearance.

The commission approved the application with the condition that the hours of operation use block lettering matching the logo font, while also approving the hanging sign, door graphics, and flag sign as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Colorful Encounters is a new downtown Berlin art studio that opened this spring, offering patrons artistic workshops and experiences.

# Snow Hill moving forward with proposed revitalization

Project involves demolition, adding green space with goal of highlighting town

**By Brian Shane**  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) Snow Hill is advancing its signature revitalization project, a plan to turn Bank Street into a community front porch overlooking the Pocomoke River.

The town plans to begin demolition work by early December, after securing property permissions and reorganizing the project around full funding, according to Economic Development Manager Jen Divis.

Officials have said Bank Street today functions more like a parking

lot, deterring pedestrians from using the corridor as an inviting link through the town center. For that reason, the design favors walkability.

Plans call for a curving corridor lined with plants and trees, movable bollards to block off pedestrian space, and upgraded stormwater features along the nearly three-block stretch. The design will see the entire street covered in pavers and punctuated by benches to evoke the feel of a European streetscape.

Adding to the green space, plans also include rain gardens and a submerged wetland in lieu of a stormwater management pond. The town is working closely with the Snow Hill-based Lower Shore Land Trust on

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## FOURTH OF JULY IN OCEAN PINES

Ocean Pines celebrated Independence Day last Saturday with games, rides, and family-friendly fun. The event concluded with the community's annual fireworks show.



PHOTO COURTESY CARSON GREEN

## INDEPENDENCE DAY IN BERLIN

The Town of Berlin hosted a hot and humid July 3 fireworks display for its residents and visitors. One of the fireworks is pictured near the end of the celebration.

# Public space eyed with Snow Hill’s revitalization work

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The idea grew out of the COVID-19 pandemic, when portions of Bank Street were blocked off so people could gather safely outdoors.

“We decided, we want to keep some element of this permanent – a public space that’s nice, where we can come and gather and meet each other outside,” she said. “It really grew from there.”

Town officials reached a milestone last October when the mayor and council approved the final design. The town has also secured permission from five private property owners for needed easements.

Worcester County helped move the project along when the county commissioners donated 9,000 square feet of land on each side of Bank Street – more than 6,000 square feet near the library and more than 2,000 square feet along an annex building.

Shaping the promenade will require excavation of Bank Street itself. Divis said this gives the town a chance to replace aging water and sewer lines while also moving electric and cable lines underground.

The project, one of the town’s largest public works efforts in years, is estimated to cost \$776,000, much of it covered by grant funding.

The project will be a showpiece among several other recent improvements in Snow Hill, including a new mural on Pearl Street and two other murals underway on Washington Street. New playscape elements and a community garden were also just installed at Sturgis Park.

Divis credited the nonprofit Downtown Snow Hill and Mayor Janet Simpson, among other community stakeholders, for keeping the project on track as it gathered steam in the last year.

“They’re people who live and work downtown, and they’ve been invested in bringing positive changes to town. They’ve really been the driving force behind this,” she said.

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# Opinion

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## Waiting in wings: new county govt.

Now that the Worcester County primary elections have been certified, residents might expect rapid change at the county commissioners' office in Snow Hill, as the Board of County Commissioners will welcome four new faces.

This shift in membership brings four new perspectives to the seven-person panel and creates a new majority-in-waiting, while the three returning incumbents hold their own established views.

But while big changes are coming, most will not be visible until early next year when the budget process begins. Before that, on Nov. 3, District 5 voters must decide whether to send Republican Joe Schanno or Democrat Vicky Wallace to Snow Hill and District 7 voters in Ocean City will need to confirm the reelection of Joe Mitrecic, who ran unopposed.

In addition, the commissioners for the 2026–2030 term will not be sworn in until Dec. 1. This creates an interesting situation: a new government waiting in the wings for roughly 10 meetings while the departing majority handles ongoing issues.

With five months left before the new government takes office, a few questions arise: should the incoming group try to join interim policy conversations? Are the current commissioners open to temporary power-sharing? How will county staff navigate potential friction if the incoming crew has different views on how to handle pending business?

For now, residents can only watch the transition unfold and hope that both groups prioritize community service to ensure a smooth transfer of local authority.

— Stewart Dobson

## Letters

### Federal impact on shore Haitians

Editor,

In Wicomico County there are between 4,700 and 6,000 Haitian residents who are an important part of the local economy. They obey the law. They pay their taxes (between \$15 million and \$25 million annually). Donald Trump wants to kick them all out.

Salisbury businesses and local chambers strongly support the Haitian community as essential to the local workforce, particularly in the poultry industry. Organizations like the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce actively collaborate with Haitian-led initiatives to promote economic growth on Delmarva.

Haitian immigrants have significantly lower incarceration and conviction rates than native-born U.S. citizens. Nationwide studies highlight that

Haitians integrate well into local workforces, and strictly adhere to the rule of law.

Donald Trump will happily send all of them back to the hell from which they fled. Trump's lackies have asked us to define the word "temporary," without adding that the exclusion can be extended if conditions in the home country have not improved. If anything, conditions in Haiti have worsened, exponentially.

The National Chicken Council warns that "Labor is a constant challenge for the poultry processing industry." One in five workers in local poultry operations is a Haitian immigrant. A significant portion of Haitian Americans work in healthcare—roughly 21% nationwide—so thousands of Haitians serve as nurses, nursing aides, and home health caregivers across Maryland, especially on the Eastern Shore where Haitian immigrants are concentrated.

If you are in an assisted living facility or a memory care unit, or if one of your loved ones is, a Haitian is probably delivering their food, caring for their basic healthcare needs, brightening their day and helping them with daily challenges.

Residents generally grow deeply attached to their Haitian caregivers for their compassion and skills, and often consider them an extension of their own family.

The White House is ending access to jobs, and even life, in America for hardworking, tax-paying, law abiding Haitian immigrants. Congressman Harris has loyally backed every Trump immigration policy. When will he learn to put the welfare of businesses in his district ahead of partisan dogma?

Ronald Pilling  
Bishopville

## OP recreation offers summer events

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) With summer in full swing, the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department is offering a variety of activities, including youth sports, marine science education, scavenger hunts, and weekly pool events, designed to keep children and families active through the remainder of the season.

The department's lineup features opportunities for children of all ages, including toddlers learning the fundamentals of soccer to elementary and middle school students exploring marine ecosystems.

One of this summer's offerings is a marine science camp at the beach near Swim and Racquet. The five-day sessions will run Aug. 17-21 and Aug. 24-28, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., for students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Led by a marine scientist and camp staff, participants will take part in field experiments and research projects while learning about marine ecosystems, humpback whales,

mako sharks, moon snails, ospreys, animal husbandry and more. Registration is \$415, which includes a camp T-shirt.

The Ocean Pines department is also continuing its summer youth soccer clinics, held Tuesdays from July 14 through Aug. 11 at Somerset Field. Sessions are divided by age group, with classes for children ages 2-3, 4-5 and 6-8. Registration costs \$50 for Ocean Pines residents and \$55 for non-residents.

Families seeking an outdoor experience can participate in the recreation department's "Rock the Park" scavenger hunt, which runs weekly through Aug. 17. Association staff hide five golden rocks each week at one of several Ocean Pines parks, including White Horse Park, Pintail Park, Somerset Park, Bainbridge Park, Veterans Memorial Park, Robin Hood Park, and Huntington Park.

Anyone who finds a golden rock can return it to the Ocean Pines Community Center to receive a prize, including the chance to win a family fun night certificate for the Yacht

Club Pool.

Additionally, the popular Family Fun Nights at the Yacht Club Pool also continue each Wednesday through Aug. 19, from 6-8 p.m. The after-hours event features a DJ, games and prizes, with food available for purchase from the Tiki Kitchen. Admission is \$5 per swimmer, while non-swimming guests may attend for free.

Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks will also host a Christmas in July Pool Party on Sunday, July 12, from 3-5 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Core Pool, 11144 Cathell Road. Tickets are \$10 per swimmer and proceeds from the event will benefit the Homes4Hope Walk for Recovery Team.

The Homes4Hope Walk for Recovery Team joins in on community walks to raise awareness for mental health and substance abuse disorders.

For additional information or to register for programs, residents may contact Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks at 410-641-7052 or visit [oceanpines.org](http://oceanpines.org).

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# Gull Creek hosts 250th anniversary patriotic parade

By Tara Fischer  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) Residents at Gull Creek Senior Living celebrated America's 250th birthday this week by decorating their walkers, wheelchairs, and canes in red, white, and blue for a patriotic parade through the center's garden.

On Tuesday, July 7, residents of the Berlin assisted living facility proceeded through Gull Creek's courtyard area to the backdrop of patriotic music as family members, friends, and fellow seniors watched. Spectators waved their own American flags in recognition of the country's milestone anniversary.

The event was held on July 7, sometimes written as 7/7/26, as a reminder of 1776, the year America's original 13 colonies officially adopted the Declaration of Independence, stating their intent to sever ties with Great Britain in their bid for freedom.

"We chose 7/7 for 1776," said Jamie Triplett, Gull Creek's resident service coordinator. "It's just a quirky tagline."

The center observed Independence Day all week with a lineup of festivities. According to Triplett, the Gull Creek seniors celebrated with a Fourth of July social on Saturday. Additionally, Tuesday's parade concluded with a patriotic lunch and treats, including red, white, and blue snow cones and star-spangled banner cookies.

"We're patriotic all day," Triplett said.

Approximately 15 of the 74 assisted living residents joined the procession, while several were spectators.

Gull Creek's marketing director, Megan Richmond, noted that they were delighted by the number of tenants who expressed interest in participating in the parade.

"The number of residents who have come to the activity director saying I want to get my cane decorated, I want to get myself decorated...they're excited," she said.

Tuesday's event was the first time Gull Creek organized a Fourth of July parade.

"For them, it brings back a lot of history and memories," the resident service coordinator said of the facility's residents. "...It just brings back a lot of memories, and the history they remember. It's 250 years. Half of them have been here for eight or nine decades. We have two who are over 100, so they've been here for a century."

One participant dressed up her walker as ice cream, a nostalgic throwback to her childhood, when, for her, Fourth of July parades went hand in hand with enjoying a frozen dessert in the summer heat.



Residents of Gull Creek Senior Living in Berlin participated in a patriotic parade on Tuesday to commemorate the country's 250th birthday celebration. The residents gathered for a photo after the parade through the garden area.

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BY REBECCA GOLDSTEIN AND CHRISTINA IVERSON / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Rebecca Goldstein, of Albany, Calif., is a research scientist at Merck, developing cancer immunotherapies. Christina Iverson, of Ames, Iowa, is an associate puzzle editor at The Times. The idea for this puzzle was Rebecca's. The two worked together via email and a shared spreadsheet for the clues. Christina's favorite thing about the puzzle is reading the theme answers out loud in the appropriate accent. — W.S.

**ACROSS**  
1 Counterpart of a rani  
6 Milk source  
10 Water colors  
15 Carpet on the forest floor  
19 Rust, e.g.  
20 Score direction for some stringed instruments  
21 Crispy, say  
22 Intellectual gathering  
23 Was an employee at IHOP, in Valleyspeak?  
26 Director Kurosawa  
27 "The Little Prince" author \_\_\_\_ de Saint-Exupéry  
28 Bit of travel info, for short  
29 Dream stage  
30 Mentally nimble  
31 Quick bite  
32 Fanned some Egyptian royalty, in Valleyspeak?  
35 More likely to clap back  
38 Designer who helped popularize the beatnik look, in brief  
39 What Alaska is, among all the states  
40 Remote button  
41 Spec  
43 Extra space  
46 One of five Norwegian kings  
47 Did some birding, in Valleyspeak?  
  
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**ACROSS**  
53 Grub  
57 Architectural feature above a belfry  
58 God who sacrificed an eye for wisdom  
59 Sharp-edged tool  
60 "Oh, sure!"  
62 Supplies  
65 Nowhere to be found  
67 Radio City Music Hall style, informally  
69 Pop singer Rita  
70 Hitchhiked with a hangnail, in Valleyspeak?  
75 "I've been \_\_\_\_!"  
76 Mathematician John who won a Nobel in economic science in 1994  
77 Craving  
78 Listings in a bankruptcy filing  
79 First state to implement a bottle deposit to fight littering  
81 Some pulpy drinks, for short  
84 "Doctor Who" and "Doctor Foster" airer, with "the"  
86 Solemn words  
88 The official fuel of the N.H.L. in Canada  
89 Made some outfielder errors, in Valleyspeak?  
93 Cousin of a Tony  
96 "Ciao!"  
97 Time to give up?  
98 "It's Raining \_\_\_\_" (gay anthem)  
99 "Oh, there's more ..."  
102 In the style of  
105 Folded handout

**DOWN**  
1 Santa \_\_\_\_, city that's home to the Charles M. Schulz Museum  
2 One acting on impulse?  
3 Split from suddenly, in a way  
4 Extras  
5 Greek sun god  
6 "Let this be a lesson!"  
7 Shakespearean conjunction  
8 Deep-seated desires  
9 Wide and uninhibited, as a grin

**DOWN**  
108 Prepared for some new pet fish, in Valleyspeak?  
112 Fashion designer Emhoff  
113 Specialized vocabularies  
114 Govt. lawyers  
115 Kyiv's country: Abbr.  
116 Spanish "My God!"  
120 State capital in the Treasure Valley  
121 Performed some witchcraft, in Valleyspeak?  
124 Was mistaken  
125 Little redhead in a long-running Broadway show  
126 Nobel laureate Wiesel  
127 Island where parts of "Jurassic Park" were filmed  
128 Spot to plot  
129 Binary question type  
130 High-five, e.g.  
131 This won't last

**DOWN**  
10 Start of a song with the same tune as "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star"  
11 Hadron component  
12 Iconic nerd of 1990s TV  
13 Needing iron supplements, say  
14 Lines on some grids: Abbr.  
15 Get even?  
16 Oily fruits  
17 Irritated with  
18 Wolf (down)  
22 Course in a Brazilian meal  
24 Word with job or track  
25 New Mexico county or its seat  
30 Neuron, e.g.  
33 Actress Kurylenko of "Quantum of Solace"  
34 Eccentric sort  
35 They shine during the day  
36 Great heights  
37 Move, in Realtor-speak  
40 Some minibuses, in brief  
42 Relating to some forces on Earth  
44 "I knew it!"  
45 Peaceful period  
48 Swamp critter  
49 "Keep dreaming"  
50 Smallest relative of an ostrich  
51 Kind of mushroom that comes in a bundle  
52 "What can \_\_\_\_ to help?"  
54 "What took so long?!"

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**55** Summary of a contract's details  
**56** Wild guess  
**60** Treats, in a way, as a swelling  
**61** So many  
**63** Riddle in Zen Buddhism  
**64** Pretty fishy  
**66** Leave alone  
**68** One might be named for a king or queen  
**70** Pump, say  
**71** God who rides in a chariot pulled by two goats

**72** Got just right  
**73** Souvenir from the seashore  
**74** Improve  
**80** Competitor who has manners  
**82** "You had one \_\_\_\_!"  
**83** Washington, D.C.'s International \_\_\_\_ Museum  
**85** Jessica of "The Better Sister"  
**87** W-2 requirement, in brief  
**89** Person from South Asia  
**90** Whisky flavorer

**91** Very involved (in)  
**92** Catchall phrase from Latin  
**94** Stepped up to the plate  
**95** Woes  
**99** Awe-inspiring light show  
**100** Sushi consisting of thin slices of fish over rice  
**101** "Whew! Finished!"  
**103** Extol  
**104** Joints shown by no-show socks  
**106** Gathers (together)

**107** Light into  
**108** Biblical tower locale  
**109** Clears, as profit  
**110** Welcome at the door  
**111** Something consumed by the ton by whales  
**117** Home of the Road to Hana, whose 64-mile length contains more than 600 curves  
**118** Modern-day Persia  
**119** Neglect to include  
**121** Route  
**122** Abbr. in a job posting  
**123** Carnival maker

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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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# Lifeguards absent from Assateague national on July 4

More guards expected to join staff in coming weeks

**By Brian Shane**  
Staff Writer

(July 9, 2026) Still mired in federal hiring delays, Assateague Island National Seashore did not have a lifeguarded beach on its Maryland side over the Fourth of July weekend, park officials said.

Instead, the Maryland beach operated under what Superintendent Hugh Hawthorne called “response-only lifeguarding,” with one lifeguard available to respond to emergencies.

“We don’t have enough lifeguards to have a full lifeguard program out there, so we’re not calling it a lifeguarded beach,” Hawthorne told OC Today-Dispatch last week.

That marks a reversal from two months ago, when park officials reported that they expected to have a fully lifeguarded beach from mid-June through mid-August, with weekend staffing continuing through the final two weeks of August. Full staffing is 10 to 12 guards, Hawthorne said.

The lack of lifeguards this week comes after bystanders reported that multiple swimmers were caught in rip currents Tuesday afternoon at an unguarded section of beach and pulled farther into the ocean.

Brock Brungard, a firefighter/EMT from Pennsylvania, wrote on Facebook that he and others safely pulled eight swimmers from the water, including a little boy who had been swept out in the strong current.

“At that point, I was yelling for people to call 911,” he wrote, “because I knew I wasn’t getting to all of them. Lucky my girlfriend’s family jumped in and got to the father who was over 150 feet out and were able to escape the current and bring him in.”

Beach visitor Mary Bekker said her brother-in-law was among those who helped bring swimmers to safety on Tuesday. She said the stands were up but there were no lifeguards – and no signs telling visitors to swim at their own risk.

“I think with the sandbar many people get too confident and don’t realize that’s the most dangerous spot for rips and get taken out,” she said by email, “so they really do need guards there.”

Rescue units from the Berlin Fire Company also were at the scene, according to the agency’s run log.

For now, the six lifeguards currently on staff at the National Seashore are being posted to the park’s Virginia side because those waters are more dangerous and prone to rip currents, Hawthorne

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# Obituaries

**JUANITA BRIDDELL**  
Berlin

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Juanita Bridgell, who departed this life on July 1, 2026.



Juanita Bridgell

Juanita will be remembered for her kindness, humor, generosity and dedication, to her students of whom she was an educator in the Worcester and Wicomico Counties School Systems.

Services will be held at New Bethel UMC in Berlin on July 11 at 11 a.m.

**NORMA K. DAVIES**  
West Ocean City

Norma Kenille Davies, 88, of West Ocean City, passed away peacefully at home on July 3, 2026.

Kenille, as she was known, was born in the Bronx, New York on October 16, 1937. She was the daughter of Norma and Ken Davies. They lived briefly in Pennsylvania, where her parents were from, before moving to her beloved Dundalk, Maryland, where she grew up. She graduated from Dundalk High School in 1955 and continued to get together with some former classmates for lunch once a month. They called themselves “Club 55.”



Norma Davies

As a young woman, she excelled as a softball player, receiving accolades and awards for her play. She met Sam Holloway of Ocean City and they married in 1960, starting their family. Kenille was an avid bowler, bowling on the Wednesday Night Ladies league at Ocean Lanes for over 55 years. She was one of the oldest and longest tenured members of the league, stopping just a few years ago. Her love of animals led her along with a strong group of supporters to organize the Worcester County/Ocean City Humane Society in 1976. She dedicated her life to advocating for lost, homeless, neglected, and abused animals in our communities.

She served as President of the Humane Society and Director of shelter operations for nearly 40 years. She was so proud of the fact that she established the shelter as a “no kill” facility. She had a strict policy regarding that, and it was one of the first of its kind in the area.

After having to give up that position, she and a group of supporters formed Kenille’s Kupboard, Pet Pantry and Rescue, located at Precious Paws Animal Hospital in West Ocean City. It was her vision to provide food, medicine,

pet supplies, and fund veterinary care for pet owners who found it hard to do. This allows them to keep their beloved pets at home and not have to surrender them to shelters or abandon them. Kenille’s Kupboard will continue to operate, continuing her mission.

Kenille is survived by her children – John Holloway (Kim), Alison Adkins (Hal), and Amy Holloway; her grandchildren – Brooks Holloway, Brennan Holloway (Madi), Tyler Adkins (Erin), Tanner Adkins (Liz), Bryton Adkins (Bekah), Hannah Brittingham (Billy), Ryan Gallagher, and Jake Gallagher; her great grandchildren – Charlotte Adkins and J.W. Brittingham; her sister-in law – Marie Davies; her nephews – Scott Davies and Charles Davies; and her faithful cat – Jimmy. She was predeceased by her parents, her brother Rusty Davies, and her granddaughters Hayley and Kelsey Adkins.

Cremation followed her passing. A visitation will be held at The Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin on Monday July 13, 2026 from 4 to 6 p.m. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to Kenille’s Kupboard, Pet Pantry and Rescue, P.O. Box 598 Ocean City, Maryland 21843. Arrangements are in the care of The Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

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# National shore still unguarded

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said.

“We made a decision that it’s better to fully staff one of the beaches than to partially staff both of them,” Hawthorne said. “I don’t feel great about it, but I think we’re staffed to the level where we can ensure public safety.”

Also factoring into that decision was the presence of a fully guarded beach at Assateague State Park, less than half a mile from National Park Service territory, according to Hawthorne.

When asked why there weren’t enough lifeguards on one of the summer’s busiest holiday weekends, Hawthorne said government hiring rules changed and “we did not get the lifeguards on station as quickly as we had anticipated.”

Hawthorne said more lifeguards are expected to join the staff in the next few weeks and, depending on their training levels, could help restore a full lifeguard crew later this month.

“We still expect to be fully staffed by the end of July,” Hawthorne said.

Lifeguard hiring has been a recurring problem at the National Seashore since last year.

In 2025, President Donald Trump signed an executive order immediately after his Jan. 20 inauguration, mandating an overall federal hiring freeze. That prevented park leadership at Assateague from hiring lifeguards by the time the summer season started.

Without federal hires, lifeguards at nearby Assateague State Park called on to monitor the beach for emergencies. The Berlin Fire Company took on the responsibility for water rescues in the interim.

In May, Hawthorne confirmed with Worcester County officials that the park had hired enough lifeguards to fill two-thirds of open positions, and a second wave of recruitment was expected to fill remaining vacancies.

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# Calendar

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## Thurs., July 9

**SUNSET PARK CONCERTS**  
Sunset Park, 700 S. Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Featuring “The Perilla Project.” Admission to the park is free. <https://www.ococean.com/things-to-do/free-family-fun/sunset-park-party-nights/>

**OCEAN PINES CONCERTS IN THE PARK**  
White Horse Park Pavilion, Ocean Pines, 7-9 p.m. Free community event featuring “Colossal Fossil Sauce.” Food for sale. BYOB welcome. 410-641-7052

**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 0-5 years. 410-632-5622

**IMPROV 4 KIDS!**  
Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. Through hilarious skits, spontaneous songs and audience participation, children will tap into their creativity, build confidence and develop essential communication skills. Best for ages 6-18 years. 410-641-0650

**STORY TIME: ‘BIG GORILLA’**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Crafts, songs and stories. For ages 2-5 years. 410-208-4014

**DOCUMENTARY SCREENING**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. A documentary about the largest and most complete T. Rex unearthed and the ten year battle that ensued after the discovery. 410-208-4014, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://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. Limited to the first 35 participants. First come, first served. 410-524-1818, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

**IMPROV 4 KIDS!**  
Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 2 p.m. Through hilarious skits, spontaneous songs and audience participation, children will tap into their creativity, build confidence and develop essential communication skills. Best for ages 6-18 years. 410-957-0878

**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP**  
TidalHealth Neurology, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 3-4:30 p.m. Hosted by the Worcester Commission on Aging. Held the second Thursday of each month. 410-632-0111, Ext. 727; [heather.atkins@worcoa.org](mailto:heather.atkins@worcoa.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., July 10

**BABY TIME**  
Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. An opportunity for babies (0-2 years) and their caregivers to socialize, play, read and explore. 410-641-0650

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

**CREATIVE CONNECTIONS: 60+ ART CLUB**  
Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Learn how artists “see” and how they translate that vision to paper. Enjoy an interactive presentation on drawing techniques. Practice drawing by sketching from a photo. No experience required. 410-524-9433

**MOVIE MATINEE**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Catch a movie you might have missed in theaters. 410-208-4014, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

**MARYLAND CRAB CAKE DINNER**  
Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, 4-6 p.m. One crab cake sandwich platter, \$15; two crab cake sandwich platter, \$25; and crab cake sandwiches, \$10. Platters include green beans, baked potato and Cole slaw. Bake sale table available.

**OPEN MIC WITH SISTA BIG**  
Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 6 p.m. Bring your talent and join in for an inspiring evening of poetry, music and comedy. Performer sign up is first-come, first-served. Light refreshments. 410-957-0878, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

## Sat., July 11

**COFFEE, TEA & TRAVELIN' HARMONY**  
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 7-8:30 p.m. Tickets \$15. The Delmarva Chorus will be holding their annual chorus show. Cost is \$15. There will be free coffee, tea and home-made desserts, beverages, door prizes, 50/50 and raffles. Tickets: Barb, 814-421-3437.

**KIWANIS OP/OC PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 8-11 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. Cost is \$10 for adults and free to children 9 years and younger. All are welcome.

**OCEAN PINES ANGLERS CLUB MEETING**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 9:30 a.m. Taylor Swanson will be speaking about prevalence and problems caused by the invasive species (snakeheads and blue catfish) in local waters. Also fishing reports, regulation updates, etc. All welcome. 410-641-7662

**PRE-HISTORIC PLAY: DINO CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES**  
Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 10 a.m.-noon. Drop in for dinosaur themed crafts and activities. For families. 410-957-0878, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

**FREE KIDS CRAFT SATURDAYS**  
Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Featuring “Pipe Cleaner Dragonflies.” Guided crafts led by friendly instructors. All supplies provided. Jessica Bauer, [development@artleagueofoceancity.org](mailto:development@artleagueofoceancity.org), 410-524-9433

**TEEN CHEF**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 12:30 p.m. Learn how to make simple and delicious dishes. For ages 12-18 years. Registration required: 410-208-4014. [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

**ANIME AND MANGA CLUB**  
Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2 p.m. Stop by the library to discuss all things anime and meet like-minded people. Best for ages 12-18 years. 410-524-1818, [worcesterlibrary.org](http://worcesterlibrary.org)

**OCEAN PINES 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. Also featuring family-friendly activities, music and unique shopping experiences. Open to the public, year round. 410-641-7052, <https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market>

## Sun., July 12

**OC CRUZERS CAR SHOW**  
Somerset Plaza, Somerset Street, Ocean City, 3-6 p.m. Join the OC Cruzers Car Club for a free, family friendly car show. Each show will feature classic cars, custom rides and hot rods. Also, live music

or a DJ. <https://www.ocdc.org>

**SUNDAES IN THE PARK WITH FIREWORKS**  
Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Featuring “Chris Sacks Band: Tropical Rock.” Kids’ activities and ice cream for purchase. Followed by fireworks. <https://www.ococean.com/things-to-do/free-family-fun/sundaes-in-the-park/>

**BERLIN 2ND SUNDAY ART & VINTAGE MARKET**  
Berlin Main Street Arts & Entertainment District & Maryland Welcome Center parking lot, 14 S. Main St., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Art and vintage vendors in downtown Berlin. Just a few blocks down from the Berlin Farmers Market. Sponsored by The Merry Haven and the Town of Berlin Main Street & Arts and Entertainment District.

**SECOND SUNDAYS AT THE TAYLOR HOUSE**  
Calvin B. Taylor House, 208 N. Main St., Berlin, 6-7:30 p.m. Concert on the grounds featuring “State Beach Project.” Bring a chair or blanket. Beer, wine, soda, and snacks available for sale. Donations are always appreciated to help cover event costs.

**BERLIN FARMERS MARKET**  
*Sundays (May-October)* - Pitts, Commerce and Main streets, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine. Producers only market, petting farm (9-11 a.m.), live music. [www.TheBerlinFarmersMarket.com](http://www.TheBerlinFarmersMarket.com)

**SEWING SEEDS OF LOVE**  
*Sundays* - Buckingham Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Main St., Berlin, 10-11 a.m. Youth of all ages 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., July 13

**JUNIOR PICKLEBALL CAMP - AGES 8-14**  
Ocean Pines Racquet Center, 11443 Manklin Creek Road, 4:30-6 p.m. This camp is for beginner levels, ages 8-14 years or have limited skills. Held July 13, 14 and 15. Cost is \$75. Registration: 410-641-7728.

**JUNIOR PICKLEBALL CAMP - AGES 12-15**  
Ocean Pines Racquet Center, 11443 Manklin Creek Road, 6-8 p.m. Camp is for intermediate levels, ages 12-15 years. Requires prior instruction (camp, PE 2+ yrs. lessons) or plays 4-6 times a month. Held July 13, 14 and 15. Cost is \$100. Registration: 410-641-7728.

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### STORY TIME: COWS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Crafts, songs and stories. For ages 0-5 years. 410-524-1818

### WRITING FOR WELLNESS

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

### MONDAY MOVIES AND MUNCHIES

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Sink your teeth into a dino-rrific movie. For ages 6-11 years. 410-208-4014, worcesterlibrary.org

### SWITCH TOURNAMENT

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 4:30 p.m. Battle it out in Mario Kart and Smash Bros. Light refreshments provided. For ages 12-18 years. 410-208-4014, worcesterlibrary.org

### TOPS OF BERLIN - GROUP #169

TidalHealth Atlantic, Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5-6:30 p.m. Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) is an educational group that promotes weight loss and a healthy lifestyle. Held weekly on Mondays. <https://www.tops.org/home>

### ZUMBA

*Mondays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 4:30 p.m. Zumba with optional light weights. [zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com](mailto:zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com)

### 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. If you plan to visit, please Contact: Director: [Ludwig692@outlook.com](mailto:Ludwig692@outlook.com), 410-641-6876 or Membership Coordinator: [ocelissa@yahoo.com](mailto:ocelissa@yahoo.com), 410-641-8050.

### 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., July 14

### THE DINO-SIZED MAGICAL CIRCUS!

Sturgis Park Garden, 200 River St., Snow Hill, 10:30 a.m. How can Circus Greg make his juggling, rolling-globe walking, plate spinning, and magic trick show more exciting? By adding a dinosaur. But he needs your help to do it.

For ages 6-11. 410-632-5622

### OC KNITTING GROUP

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Bring whatever project you happen to be working on. 410-524-1818, worcesterlibrary.org

### STORY TIME

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

### THE OCEAN PINES SOCIAL CIRCLE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 11 a.m. Get to know your neighbors at the Ocean Pines library. Mix and mingle and enjoy some refreshments and a fun activity. 410-208-4014, worcesterlibrary.org

### HISTORY ALIVE! ROSALIE OF RIVERSDALE

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 11 a.m. Relive the war of 1812 with Rosalie Calvert, the unusual and feisty Mistress of the Riversdale Plantation. Sponsored by the Junior Women's Club of Pocomoke. For families. 410-957-0878

### ADVANCE CARE PLANNING WEBINAR

Held second Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m. Join: <https://tidalhealth.webex.com/wbxmjs/join/service/sites/tidalhealth/meeting/download/bd773f677932425da99b7704c7afc239?MTID=ma62eb0ffd8f8cd1debo19210b37d26f3>.

### MASTER GARDENERS PLANT CLINIC

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 1-4 p.m. Bring any questions you have and feel free to show your plants as well. 410-208-4014, worcesterlibrary.org

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### MARGARET BRENT AND THE INDIANS

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 2 p.m. Meet colonist Margaret Brent. She would become the first woman to own land in America, its first female lawyer and the first woman to demand the right to vote. 410-641-0650, worcesterlibrary.org

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEAFOOD NIGHT

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Steamed crabs, crab cakes, fried seafood platters, and a menu for all is available. You must pre-order crabs by calling 410-524-7994



## PROCLAMATION

After two weather postponements, General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), recently dedicated a marker at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial that commemorates Revolutionary War Patriots who achieved American Independence. State Senator Mary Beth Carozza presented a senatorial proclamation to Chapter Regent Betty-Jane Cain (pictured) and President Rick Farr accepted the marker on behalf of the Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation. The DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education. For more information, visit [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org).

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or visiting <https://koc9053-seafood-nights.square.site/>.

### PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

TidalHealth Neurology, 9714 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 3:15-4 p.m. Held the second Tuesday of each month. 410-641-4765, [kay.kinnikin@tidalhealth.org](mailto:kay.kinnikin@tidalhealth.org)

### T(W)EEN SWITCH GAME NIGHT: SMASH BROS.

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 5-6 p.m. This month's game is Smash Bros. Light refreshments provided. For ages 12-18 years. 410-524-1818

### BOOK CLUB @ TIDES AND VINE

Tides & Vine, 106 W. Green St., Snow Hill, 6 p.m. Join in for an evening of books and wine. Bring what you're reading and tell the group about it. Must be at least 21 years of age. 410-632-5622, worcesterlibrary.org

### VIRTUAL GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Held second Tuesday of each month, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/Mf9LZPTXSNuuCmHOW3WTrA#/registration>. 410-629-6848, [lora.pan-gratz@tidalhealth.org](mailto:lora.pan-gratz@tidalhealth.org).

### BEACH HEROES-OC

*Tuesdays* - Volunteer beach clean-up group meets from 9-10 a.m., year-round. Trash bags, grabbers 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

### ARGENTINE TANGO PRACTICE

*Tuesdays* - Lewes Senior Center, 32083 Janice Rd. Lewes, DE, 7-9 p.m. Experienced dancers and others interested in watching or learning more are welcome. No partner required. Info: [TangobytheBeach.com](http://TangobytheBeach.com).

### ZUMBA TONING TUESDAYS

*Tuesdays* - Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 5:15 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., July 15

### MOVIES ON THE BEACH

Carousel Oceanfront Hotel & Condos, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 8:30 p.m. Featured movie is "Smurfs." Free movies on the beach every Wednesday, June 3-Aug. 12. Bring blankets, chairs and snacks. Movie lineup: <https://www.ococean.com/things-to-do/free-family-fun/>.

### FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

Ocean Pines Yacht Club Pool, 1 Mumfords Landing Road, 6-8 p.m. DJ, games and prizes. Cost is \$5 per swimmer at the gate. Food available for purchase. 410-641-7052, [oceanpines.org](http://oceanpines.org)

### MOVIES AT THE MUSEUM

Calvin B. Taylor House, 208 N. Main St., Berlin, 8 p.m. Featuring "Tuck Everlast-

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ing.” Free to the public and rated G or PG. Popcorn, candy, and drinks for sale. Bring a chair or blanket. A \$5 donation is always appreciated!

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

**BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**  
TidalHealth John H. “Jack” Burbage, Jr. Cancer Center, 9707 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 1-2 p.m. Hosted by Women Supporting Women. Held on the third Wednesday of each month. 410-548-7880

**PUZZLE SWAP**  
Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 1-7 p.m. Bring your gently used puzzles and leave with

a new-to-you puzzle. Don't have a puzzle but still want one? That's okay, too. All puzzles must be complete and in their original box. All ages welcome. 410-641-0650

**FASHION TRANSFORMATION: T-SHIRT RE-MAKE**  
Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 401 Fifth St., 2 p.m. Deconstruct a t-shirt into a useful item. For ages 12-18 years. Registration required: 410-957-0878. worcesterlibrary.org

**KIWANIS CLUB MEETING**  
*Wednesdays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. Last Wednesday of the month meetings are offsite and information can be found on the website and Facebook. www.kiwanisofopoc.org.

**CASH BINGO**  
*Wednesdays* - Ocean City Elks Lodge 2645, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave. Door open at 5 p.m., bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Food available before bingo. Open to the public. 443-605-5028

**ZUMBA PLUS!!**  
*Wednesdays* - Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, 4:30 p.m. Zumba with optional light weights. zumbajoyceoc@gmail.com

## ONGOING EVENTS

**ESCAPE THE APEX PREDATOR**  
From June 29 through August 21, stop by any Worcester County library branch to solve puzzles and clues to escape the anomalocaris in this virtual game. Must register to receive the link, which will stay active until August 21 so participants can play at their own speed. For families. Registration required: 410-632-5622.

**TAKE AND MAKE: COLOR-IN MAGNETS**  
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, throughout July. Stop by the library to grab a special monthly take-home craft while supplies last. For families. 410-524-1818

**OC READS: 'WE ARE ALL GUILTY HERE' BY KARIN SLAUGHTER**  
Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, July 1-31. Pick up a copy of this month's read, then come in before the end of the month to share your impressions and enter the drawing to win free books. 410-524-1818

**POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF DELMARVA**  
Meets the second Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 2-4 p.m. A social organization of men and women of Pol-

ish or Slavic descent.  
**OCEAN CITY-BERLIN ROTARY CLUB**  
Meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, 6 p.m. ocberlinrotary@gmail.com

**MARYLAND FIREFIGHTER 50/50 FUNDRAISER**  
Drawings are held every Thursday at 8 p.m. Ticket sales open Thursdays at 8:05 p.m. and close the following Thursday at 7:59 p.m. One winner takes home 50% of the total jackpot and the remainder supports the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department. Tickets: <https://md.505oraffle.org/give/mdfire/50-50-raffles/md5050/charities/ocean-pines>

**RUNAWAY BRIDE WALKING TOUR**  
Stroll down Main Street in Berlin and visit the shops where Ike fell in love with Maggie. Visit the Atlantic Hotel where many of the scenes were filmed. Map of filming locations: <https://berlinmainstreet.com/Runaway-Bride-Walking-Tour.pdf>.

**2025 KIWANIS LOTTERY TICKETS ON SALE**  
On sale every Saturday morning at the Ocean Pines Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. One \$20 ticket is good for all 365 drawings in 2025. Benefits the youth of the community.



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July 9 - July 16

| DAY/TIME                 | ADDRESS                                       | BR/BA            | STYLE              | PRICE          | AGENT/AGENCY                                   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Fri-Mon 11am-4pm         | Heron Harbour, 120th St., Bayside, Ocean City | 1BR/2BR/3BR/4BR+ | Condos, Towns & SF | -              | Nanette Pavier/Holiday Real Estate             |
| Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm         | 12430 Old Bridge Rd., West OC                 | 2BR/2BA          | Single Family      | from \$284,750 | Shelly Wilson/Salt Life Community              |
| Friday 10:30am-12:30pm   | 13700 Coastal Hwy #202, Ocean City            | 3BR/3BA          | Condo              | \$775,000      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Friday 1-3pm             | 13307 Wight Street #101, Ocean City           | 1BR/1BA          | Condo              | \$429,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Saturday 10:30am-12:30pm | 13307 Wight Street #101, Ocean City           | 1BR/1BA          | Condo              | \$429,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 12414 Sea Oaks Lane, Unit 3, Berlin           | 3BR/3.5BA        | Townhome           | \$489,900      | Lauren Bunting/Keller Williams Realty          |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 20 Fishing Creek Lane #20, Ocean Pines        | 4BR/3BA          | Townhome           | \$950,000      | Debbie Bennington/BHHS PenFed Realty           |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 843 Yacht Club Drive, Ocean Pines             | 3BR/2.5BA        | Townhome           | \$559,900      | Debbie Hileman/Hileman Real Estate             |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 75 King Richard Road, Ocean Pines             | 4BR/3.5BA        | Single Family      | \$849,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 58 Hingham Lane, Ocean Pines                  | 4BR/2.5BA        | Single Family      | \$549,500      | Power of 2 Team/Hileman Real Estate            |
| Saturday 11am-1pm        | 9167 Old Ocean City Rd, Berlin                | 4BR/2BA          | Single Family      | \$659,900      | Power of 2 Team/Hileman 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-2 pm       | 12021 River Run Lane, Berlin                  | 5BR/3.5 BA       | Single Family      | \$1,259,000    | Sandra Dougan/BHHS PenFed Realty               |
| Saturday 1-3pm           | 12301 Jamaica Ave #351N, Ocean City           | 2BR/2BA          | Condo              | \$499,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Saturday 1-3pm           | 4505 Burbage Crossing Rd, Pittsville          | 3BR/3BA          | Single family      | \$699,000      | Rob & Anne-Marie Bouse/RE/MAX Advantage Realty |
| Saturday 2-4pm           | 17 Sundial Circle, Ocean Pines                | 3BR/2BA          | Single Family      | \$475,000      | Debbie Hileman/Hileman Real Estate             |
| Sunday 11am-1pm          | 10 135th Street #106, Ocean City              | 2BR/2BA          | Condo              | \$399,000      | Rob & Anne-Marie Bouse/RE/MAX Advantage Realty |
| Sunday 11:30am-1pm       | 302 Franklin Avenue, Berlin                   | 3BR/2BA          | Single Family      | \$439,000      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Sunday 11:30am-1:30pm    | 12301 Jamaica Ave #351N, Ocean City           | 2BR/2BA          | Condo              | \$499,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Monday 11:30am-1:30pm    | 12971 Inlet Isle Lane, Ocean City             | 5BR/5BA          | Single Family      | \$2,350,000    | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Monday 2-4pm             | 75 King Richard Road, Ocean Pines             | 4BR/3.5BA        | Single Family      | \$849,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Wednesday 11:30am-1:30pm | 12301 Jamaica Ave, 351N, Ocean City           | 2BR/2BA          | Condo              | \$499,900      | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |
| Wednesday 2-4pm          | 6201 Coastal Hwy #806, Ocean City             | 4BR/3BA          | Condo              | \$1,778,000    | Nancy Reither/Coldwell Banker Realty           |

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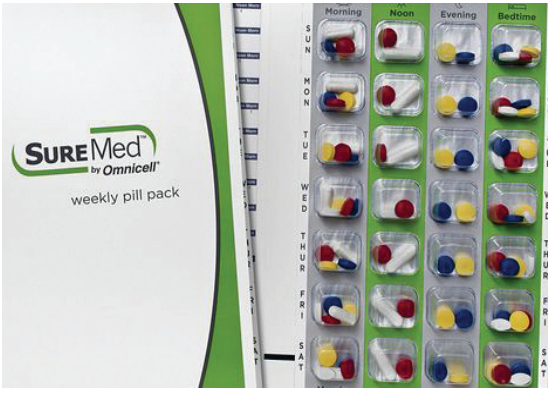
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