

## Council approves retail liquor sales within city limits

Feeling that travel to nearest store location inconvenient for many

By Sheila R. Cherry  
Associate Editor

BERLIN—The Town Council voted to support a proposal to allow retail liquor sales within the town limits and to ratify a settlement agreement designed to resolve a challenge to the way electric utility customers are charged for the town's power grid membership, during a Jan. 13 meeting. Joseph Moore, a partner with the Ocean City law Williams, Moore, Shockley and Harrison, requested and received the Mayor and Town Council's support to begin an effort to expand the state's Annotated Code to allow a retail store to sell beer, wine, and liquor within the Town of Berlin.

Moore explained that currently only restaurants can sell beer, wine and liquor, under their Class B licenses. A non-restaurant retail outlet could do so only with a Class D license, which is not held by any business in Berlin, he noted.

Retail customers had been served previously by the Worcester County Wine and Liquor Outlet at Old Ocean City Boulevard, until it was relocated to Route 50, near Stephen Decatur High School, he said.

For the first time since the repeal of prohibition the town was left without a convenient outlet where residents and visitors could purchase liquor without having to traverse "one of the busiest arterial highways in Worcester County," he said.

On behalf of an unnamed client, Moore asked the town officials for a letter expressing their support for an undetermined future effort to seek a legislative modification of Code Article 2B, Section 6-401(y). The modification would be to add "The Corporate Limits of the Town of Berlin" to the list of jurisdictions where holders of Class D li-

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### PAJAMA DRIVE

Kindergarteners at Showell Elementary School donated more than 60 pairs of pajamas to The Pajama Drive Organization. The Pajama Drive is a charity that paired with Scholastic Book Club this holiday season. For every pair of pajamas contributed, Scholastic will be providing a free book to a child to a local organization.

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## Stormwater tax an issue for Berlin's hospital

### AGH files declaratory judgments complaint; seeks town incentives

By Sheila R. Cherry  
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BERLIN—In a letter to inform other town businesses, Michael A. Franklin, president and CEO of Atlantic General Hospital, told members of the Berlin Chamber of Commerce that the hospital's Board of Trustees had filed a declaratory judgment complaint to seek an exemption from the Town of Berlin's new stormwater management tax.

Franklin noted that AGH was not contiguous to the town center and had already substantially renovated its 24-acre campus on Healthway Drive to mitigate the potential for stormwater

flooding in 2002 and 2011.

"In each instance, AGH has obtained all stormwater management approvals, and has constructed stormwater management facilities on site in accordance with the approved plans and specifications," Franklin noted in the letter.

The trustees complained that despite the renovations that had been made to the property the hospital received no exemption credits for its environmental site design.

Neither Franklin nor Berlin Mayor Gee Williams wished to comment yet about the declaratory judgment complaint.

"We maintain that in-fill and redevelopment inside of an Existing Developed Area, such as AGH, should be promoted and incentivized to make these systems more attractive," he continued in the letter. Franklin added that the ordinance instead seemed to discourage practices that

similar state legislation seemed to favor.

Moreover, "According to the Ordinance, we will have the highest annual stormwater utility fee in the Town of Berlin, with the exception of those properties owned and operated by the Worcester County Board of Education," Franklin wrote. He also made the point that as a not-for-profit organization, AGH was obligated to invest its resources into providing quality healthcare and expanding services for the citizens of the Town of Berlin and other neighboring communities.

The Town Council unanimously approved the ordinance and resolution that began the process of establishing a stormwater utility department in January 2013 (Ordinance 2013-01). It authorized town officials to fund the utility by imposing a flat \$50 annual fee for residential property owners and a \$25 an-

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# Proposal to fix Berlin's retail liquor bottleneck

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censes could operate.

The request to the town was the first of a multi-phased effort to expand the zones covered under the statute, based on Moore's request. Areas covered by the statute include the corporate limits of Ocean City, the boundary lines of the 10th taxing district, and the area along Route 50 west to the Maryland 589 corridor north through the areas adjacent to Ocean Pines. Moore explained that before approaching Sen. Jim Mathias (D-38) with a proposal to seek a legislative expansion, Moore wanted to request the support of first the town and then the Worcester County Commissioners.

The motion to support Moore's request and to generate a letter on behalf of the town council was approved unanimously.

The council also approved, what Mayor Gee Williams dubbed as a bit of "housekeeping," in reference to how the town accounts for cost adjustments relating to the annual \$5,000 fee it pays to be a member of the (Pennsylvania, Jersey and Maryland) PJM Interconnection, LLC.

The Valley Forge, Pa.-based PJM Interconnection coordinates and directs the operation of the power grid for the region's 59,750 miles of transmission lines, and administers a competitive wholesale electricity market. The town's electric utility is regulated by the

state's public service commission.

With the exception of when officials switch from PJM's grid service to self-produced electricity from the town's own electrical generators to lower costs during peak periods, the membership improves Berlin's competitive standing when purchasing electricity and enhances transmission reliability, Town Administrator Laura Allen explained.

Essentially, both Actual Cost Adjustments and base rates appear as line items on electric customers' bills. The town prorates the membership fee to its customers through the ACA process, a practice that was challenged by Maryland's Office of People's Council, an independent public utility watchdog group. In January 2013, the PSC approved the town's request to continue to bill customers for the membership fee through the ACA, but that ruling was appealed by the OPC.

In December, a settlement was

reached between the Town of Berlin, the PSC and the OPC. However, it was contingent upon the town council's approval to ratify the settlement agreement. With the council's Jan. 13 vote, officials were essentially notifying the PSC that they approved the settlement agreement and officials will be awaiting a final ruling from the PSC by the end of January, according to Allen.

Generally speaking, the settlement agreement allows the town to continue doing what it had been doing all along, leading Mayor Williams to call the OPC's challenge a "tempest in a teapot," and noted that the allocation had no fiscal impact on the rates electricity customers are being charged.

Council members also voted to approve a request for a special Sunday permit to serve alcohol during a Feb. 2 Super Bowl Party that will be hosted by Boggs Disharoon American Legion Post 123.

## OP's Stachurski steps down

OCEAN PINES—The Ocean Pines Association has reluctantly accepted Dan Stachurski's resignation as an OPA Board member.

Stachurski has served in virtually every position on the Board over the years. To appoint his replacement, the Board will hold a special meeting on

Thursday, Jan. 16 at 4 p.m. in the OPA Board room.

Stachurski's term was set to end this August.

For more information, contact Teresa Travatello, director of Marketing & Public Relations for Ocean Pines, at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006.

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# Stormwater runoff an issue for lawmakers as session opens

## Del. Eckardt writes O'Malley on continuing unemployment issues

By Sheila R. Cherry  
Associate Editor

MARYLAND—As the General Assembly convened on Jan. 8, Eastern Shore legislation watchers seemed focused on legislation to modify a new regulation on chicken waste, the so-called "rain tax" intended to curb stormwater runoff, and a possible new "chicken tax" on commercially produced poultry.

Del. Addie C. Eckardt (District 37B), who chairs the Eastern Shore Delegation, is in the process of sending a letter to request a meeting with Gov. Martin O'Malley (D) to discuss a second regulatory bill to implement a new Phosphorus Management Tool to measure nutrients from chicken manure.

In the letter, which was dated Jan. 6, Eckardt pointed out that agriculture is a major Maryland industry and the largest on the Eastern Shore. "The shore continues to lag behind with job creation, and unemployment is still higher than elsewhere," according to Eckardt.

"Our farm families are worried and should not have to live under the fear of being put out of business," the letter stated. "We need your help as we continue to work with all parties involved to

find reasonable solutions to maintain a sustainable and growing economy on the Shore while improving the condition of the Chesapeake Bay," Eckardt said.

In the letter, she asked the governor to allow the poultry and dairy sectors time to adopt the changes required by the new PMT in a manner that will not disrupt the industry and/or jeopardize current accomplishments."

The Maryland Department of Agriculture last October issued a proposed amendment to a previously published regulation that would change the method for calculating the amount of phosphorus farmers would be able to apply to their fields by using poultry litter.

The revised proposal gave farmers an additional year to transition from using an existing phosphorus site index, which is used to determine the level of phosphorus movement at a farm site, to the PMT, which officials said analyzes areas where excess phosphorus is present in the soil and identifies where a high potential for phosphorus loss exists. During the phase-in period, farmers affected by the proposed rule were directed to use both the current method and the PMT.

In Worcester County, 113 farm operations would be covered by the proposed rule, which would affect farm operations that either generate at least \$2,500 in crops or raise at least 8,000 animals in a single year.

According to Eckardt, several of the phosphorus reducing BMP's [best management practices] such as irrigation management, cover crops, poultry litter treatment and precision agriculture techniques, which Maryland farms already use, were not calculated in the current model.

"The current model only calculates nitrogen reduction and provides no credit at all for nutrient management plans based on phosphorus limitation rather than traditional nitrogen based plans," she said.

William Satterfield, executive director of Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc., said during a Jan. 13 interview he was very pleased that the delegation was working on behalf of the commercial chicken growers. "We are waiting to see what the newest version of the proposed regulation will have," he said.

Satterfield said the industry will be supporting legislation sponsored by Sen. Jim Mathias (38B) that calls for an economic impact analysis on the PMT (SB 27). The proposal would help answer the question of what the economic impact of the regulatory tool would be before implementation, he explained.

The industry will also support legislation by Del. Michael McDermott (R-38B) that would broaden the current requirement that economic impact studies be conducted on emergency regulations to expand to all regulations.

The poultry industry will continue

to monitor legislative action for proposals that would expand the reach of the newly enacted "rain tax" beyond the nine covered jurisdictions. According to a DPI newsletter, "There are reports that legislation will be introduced to expand the rain tax to include all Maryland counties and conversely there will be legislation to eliminate the state-required stormwater taxes."

The newsletter stated, "Our policy is that DPI will oppose any legislation that expands the rain tax to include agricultural properties."

The trade association vowed, "We'll oppose other anti-chicken industry bills that will re-appear in 2014. We've fought them in the past and will continue to oppose them."

For Satterfield that could mean a rumored "chicken tax," which he described as a possible per-chicken levy on what would be imposed on companies that have contracts with farmers to raise chickens.

Eckardt, in a recent press release, summed up the pre-election atmosphere, which likely will place additional pressure on incumbent legislators during the 2014 session. Candidates who are not currently serving in the legislature will be campaigning during session, raising funds and other activities that current legislators are prevented from doing by law, she said. February is the filing deadline,

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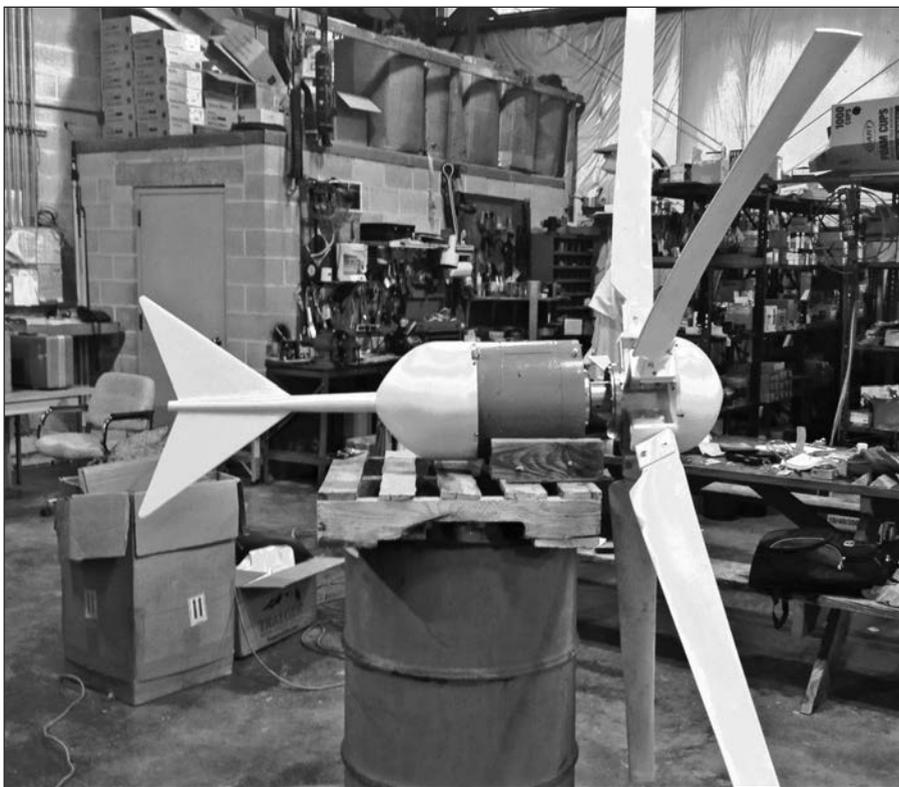


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The prototype of Berlin's long-awaited innovative wind turbine design is now assembled (shown) and is expected to be installed at the Rayne's Sand and Gravel Co. property on Old Ocean City Blvd by the end of January.

# Wind turbine installation set for Berlin by month's end

By Sheila R. Cherry  
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BERLIN—If all goes well, the initial prototype of Berlin's long-awaited innovative wind turbine design will be installed at the Rayne's Sand and Gravel Co. property on Old Ocean City Blvd by the end of January, the exhausted inventor, Doug Richards of DDU Magnetics, Inc., predicted during a Jan. 10 interview.

It could prove to be a landmark invention that has the potential to drastically cut electric energy costs, according to Richards. He said its operating costs would be low, since the device would be virtually maintenance free once installed. It has an estimated lifespan of up to 15 years.

The direct drive turbine has two salient characteristics, Richards said. First, it is quiet and does not develop rotor cog, which produces vibration that eventually limits the life of a motor. Second, with its smaller size, Richards is hoping to bring the price points for the initial equipment and installation costs down considerably in relation to the turbines that are currently on the market.

The town agreed to contribute the up-front cost (\$4,500) to install the turbine, an amount officials expect to recoup once the device begins to produce energy and cost savings in the form of reduced electric power rates.

Once the initial contribution has been fully reimbursed the town will split its costs with the turbine creator on a ratio of 70 percent for the town and 30 percent for the turbine manufacturer.

Richards and his sponsors and investors are bearing the estimated \$120,000 to \$130,000 cost for the project out of pocket.

Berlin Electric Director Timothy Lawrence and Richards originally received the town's approval for the in-

stallation of the innovative project at the Savage Substation on Schoolfield Street, in February 2013, but a new location had to be found when residents in that neighborhood complained.

The 11th-hour setback was only one of several, Richards endured as he labored to take the patented design from paper to prototype. The project was waylaid by several challenges; at one point by Richard becoming ill, then there was the struggle to find investors with the patience to accept a long product development trajectory rather than expect a rapid return on investment.

Another was a trial-and-error correction that actually led to a second patented design, when the brushed motor designed to produce the direct current proved to be unreliable and subject to failure during testing.

In resolving the problem, Richards created a brushless diode component that converts friction from the generator's own propeller to produce electricity much cheaper and exponentially more reliable.

Richards, 49, is an electrical engineer from Illinois. He said his family has been very supportive throughout the development process. He spoke about a personal goal: that of installing one of his turbines for his dad's farm in Mississippi, where the wintertime electric bills can skyrocket to \$600 per month. With the turbine, Richards envisions bringing those costs down to zero.

Asked how he would like to be compensated if the experiment proves to be a commercial success, Richards said he would like to sell kits of the assembly. He would also count as a form of compensation the satisfaction of knowing that something he invented could ultimately benefit society. g the chance that is allowing him to make him dream a

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# OP 2014-15 budget proposals

## Annual membership fee increase; \$25 Yacht Club coupon discussed

By Sheila R. Cherry  
 Associate Editor

OCEAN PINES—As the Ocean Pines Association began to review General Manager Bob Thompson's fiscal year 2014-2015 budget, which was presented on Jan. 6, two items are already facing resistance—a proposed \$15 increase in annual membership assessments and a promotion to offer members a \$25 coupon for the upcoming new Yacht Club.

The net increase in member assessments proposed would result in the fees for non-water lots rising from \$914 to \$929. Member assessments for waterfront lots would increase from \$1,379 to \$1,394 if the proposed budget is approved.

During a Jan. 6 work session of the OPA Board of Directors, Thompson explained the proposals to increase member assessments would fund increases in budget allocations for:

General Operations, which would include an additional \$10 for administration, \$26 for public works, and \$2 for recreation and parks;

Amenity Operations, which would include an additional \$2 for aquatics, and \$4 for marinas; and

An additional \$7 for replacement reserves, \$6 for new capital expenditures,

and \$10 for a coupon-based Yacht Club promotion.

Thompson said some of the per-lot assessment increases would be offset by proposed reductions for:

General Operations, which would include cuts of \$4 from compliance/permits/inspections, \$1 from general maintenance, \$20 from reconciling budgeted versus actual fire and ambulance costs, and \$7 from reconciling budgeted versus actual Police Department costs; and

Amenity Operations, which would include cuts of \$5 from racquet sports, \$9 from golf operations, \$6 from Beach Club parking.

The Budget and Finance Advisory Committee will not support the assessment increase or the coupon proposals, according to Chairman Dennis Hudson. However he said the committee would back most of the remainder of the budget proposal, especially proposed expenditures that were budgeted for the Golf Club.

Hudson gave qualified support to a proposal to create and designate four new positions in the Public Works Department to focus on stormwater mitigation and drainage improvement tasks. He said it was likely that by hiring its own staffers, rather than using contract workers, the OPA could save on the costs. "But that remains to be seen," he added.

Noting that recent statistics were indicating an increase in crime in the community, Hudson pointed out Ocean Pines

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# Upcoming restaurant gets historic district sign

## Rehoboth area chef plans to open Pitts St. fine dining style eatery

By Sheila R. Cherry  
Associate Editor

BERLIN—The Historical District Commission approved proposed signage for a new restaurant slated to open at 104 Pitts Street by April, but had to reschedule ruling on a second proposal due to the lack of a quorum, during the first meeting of the year on Jan. 8.

Justine Zegna, owner of Planet X in Rehoboth, is planning to open a second chef-owned restaurant in Berlin. She requested approval from the commission that the signage for the Pitts Street establishment (Case # 1-8-2014-1) complied with the archeological and architectural requirements of buildings in the historic district. The two voting members of the commission, Mary Moore and Rick Stack, approved the request. As chair of the commission, Carol Rose could not vote.

During a period of informal discussion, Zegna said the restaurant would provide a fine dining atmosphere along with an area for purchasing takeout meals and a counter seating section where diners with limited time could eat quickly. She said she was rethinking her original name for the restaurant, which the Carriage House, because she learned the original business that had existed at the location had actually been a blacksmith shop. The seating capacity will be approximately 70, she said.

The signage and logo of the upcoming restaurant will include homage to the blacksmithing origin of the building, according to Zegna. She said she was working with local chef Toby Gilbert and local establishment Burley Oak Brewery, to develop cuisine based on historical Eastern Shore recipes and would be using local organic produce providers for the menu items.

The goal was to make the atmosphere and cuisine of the restaurant amenable to patrons seeking a sophisticated venue for a special meal while keeping the fare simple enough to be affordable. "It has to be affordable," she said, and "It has to have names people can pronounce."

The commission members commended Zegna on her stated goals. Moore pointed out "Everybody, no matter how sophisticated their palate, appreciates simple fare."

Cody Bates, the owner of recently opened Burley Inn Tavern, which is not affiliated with the Burley Oak Brewery, was in attendance to request approval for signage for his restaurant and bar at 16 Pitts Street

(Case # 1-8-201-2). Due to a lack of a quorum, the commission had to schedule a special meeting for Jan. 16 to accommodate his request.

Offering their apologies, Rose explained that one member was absent due to a death in the family and another had a work-related engagement. But unlike Zegna, in the case of Bates' request, Stack had to recuse himself from the vote, since his company had served as a

consultant in the renovation of Bates' restaurant.

Stack suggested that Planning Director David Engelhart request Mayor Gee Williams appoint an alternate commission member to fill a vacancy that currently exists on the commission.

The current commission membership consists of Carol Rose, as chairperson; Rick Stack, as vice chairman; Ellen Lang, who was absent; Mary Moore; and Joel Todd, who was also absent.

Lang filled one of the two vacancies that had previously existed on the commission: those of Betty Hammond, who left in 2012, and Katie Gaskins Matthews, who is no longer on the commission. The commission's sixth position, however, has not yet been filled.

A similar shortage of members exists on the Board of Appeals. The members on that panel include Joe Moore, as chairman; Woody Bunting, as vice chair-

man; Doug Parks, and Geren Mortensen. Two positions previously held by Sonny Adkins, who resigned, and Fred Pierdon, who died, remain vacant.

At the meeting's end, Engelhart informed the commission that a building at 408 Main Street, which had been in litigation for more than 10 years, had been purchased during a town auction by local restaurant developer Ernest Girardi.

Engelhart called Girardi's purchase of the building "good news" since Girardi was already aware of the architectural requirements of the historical district, had a reputation for high quality projects, and had stated that he would be rebuilding the edifice from its foundation and framing, rather than seeking to tear it down to rebuild.

The commission also approved the minutes from its Oct. 2 meeting.

# Cordwell doesn't want assessment increase this year

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Police responded to at least 445 calls for support from external law enforcement entities in 2013 and suggested that the OPA should request additional resources for law enforcement from the county.

OPA Director Bill Cordwell, who recently campaigned on a platform to oppose assessment increases and serves as the board's treasurer, said on Jan. 14, "I really, really, really do not want any assessment increases this year."

He suggested an increase could be avoided by forgoing the \$10 in assessment increase that was listed in the budget to pay for a \$25 promotional coupon proposed for use by members in good standing once the new Yacht Club opens later this year.

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## Komen offers training session

### Organization relies on volunteers to provide educational programs

OCEAN CITY—Susan G. Komen Maryland will offer a Volunteer Training Session on Tuesday, Jan. 21 at the Marriott Courtyard on 15th Street and the Boardwalk in Ocean City.

Komen Maryland relies on trained volunteers to provide free educational programs highlighting breast health, breast cancer awareness and the importance of early detection. A variety of opportunities are available to assist the organization, from attending health fairs to speaking events and helping with the Ocean City Race for the Cure® to be held on April 13. Komen Maryland welcomes volunteers with a passion for assisting in our efforts to save lives through awareness, early de-

tection and regular screenings.

The training is designed to inform volunteers about healthy lifestyle and breast cancer screening recommendations, basic breast cancer information, programs and services provided by Komen Maryland and the history and mission of Susan G. Komen. Trained volunteers are provided with the materials necessary for them to present a 'Breast Health Basics' program to others. Those who have an interest in speaking can receive further training to be part of the Speakers Bureau.

To participate in the training, an application and phone interview are required. For more information or to receive the volunteer application, e-mail Lori Yates at [lyates@komenmd.org](mailto:lyates@komenmd.org) or call 410-938-8990. The application is also available online at [www.komenmd.org](http://www.komenmd.org). Businesses, schools and groups who would like a Breast Health presentation, should contact Yates to schedule one.

## Hospital provides free flu shots

BERLIN—Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is providing free flu shot clinics for a second time this flu season. Individuals must be at least 13 years old to receive the vaccine at one of the free clinics.

The clinics will be held from 3 – 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 22 and Wednesday, Jan. 29. The flu shot clinics will be held at Atlantic General Hospital, in the Employee Health Office on the second floor. No appointment necessary.

The vaccine is made from eggs. If you are allergic to eggs, consult with your health care provider. Questions, contact the Employee Health Office at 410-641-9190 or e-mail [cmumford@atlantic-general.org](mailto:cmumford@atlantic-general.org).

Influenza and complications resulting from the virus kill an estimated 20,000 people each year, according to the CDC. Although rates of influenza vaccinations have increased in recent years, health surveys indicate that less than half of the high-

risk population receives a yearly vaccine.

Influenza, or flu, is a highly contagious virus spread by inhaling droplets from an infected individual's cough or sneeze. Most symptoms emerge within 24 to 48 hours and are characterized by fever, chills, sore throat, cough and headache. Those at an increased risk for influenza related complications:

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# Local health departments present Go Red event, Feb. 5

## Screenings and cooking demonstrations among activities for women

EASTERN SHORE—Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women in the United States, and yet many women are not familiar with the symptoms and risk factors. The health departments of Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester counties have teamed up with Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury and Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin to present a heart health event for women to help turn this trend around.

The Go Red event is free and open to the public, and will feature health

screenings, a heart-healthy cooking demonstration, success stories, vendors, dinner and door prizes. It will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 5 from 5:30-8 p.m. in the auditorium of the Avery W. Hall Educational Center at Peninsula Regional Medical Center, on the corner of Waverly Drive and Vine Street. Free parking is available in Garage B, located next to the Educational Center building. Register online by Feb. 3 at [www.wicomicohealth.org](http://www.wicomicohealth.org), or call 410-334-3480.

Women are encouraged to attend this free event to learn ways to keep their hearts healthy. Don't forget to wear red — the official color for raising awareness about heart disease in women.

# Pines Garden Club to offer scholarship to SDHS senior

OCEAN PINES—The Ocean Pines Garden Club will present a \$1,500 scholarship to a qualified graduating senior of Stephen Decatur High School.

The purpose of the OPGC's scholarship program is to stimulate interest in gardening, horticulture, agriculture and the conservation and protection of the environment, as the greening of America extends to many professional and business industries.

The applicant must be a full-time resident of Ocean Pines, a child or grandchild of a non-resident who is an active member of the Ocean Pines Garden Club, agree to follow the purpose of the scholarship, and plan to attend an accredited institution of higher learning. The award may be

used by the recipient to defray expenses at any approved degree or certificate granting college or university, technical or vocational school.

Applicants will be considered by a selection committee composed of members of the OPGC as designated by the president of the club. An application form must be submitted to a senior guidance counselor at Stephen Decatur High School by April 22.

The OPGC Scholarship Program adheres to a non-discriminatory policy, in both principle and practice, and will not discriminate against candidates on the basis of race, gender, religion, or national origin.

For further information, contact OPGC Scholarship Committee Chair Sunny Lee at 410-641-5895.

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## AGH letter tells retailers of intent to seek exemption

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nual fee based on the impervious square footage of a commercial property.

The \$25 fee for nonresidential properties was based on a formula that calculated a property's landmass in equivalent residential units (ERU). The fees would apply to each ERU increment, which would equate to an area of impervious cover within a 2,100-square-foot space.

"We firmly maintain that it is not fair and equitable, as required by the purpose of the proposed statute, to require AGH to pay an excessive annual fee, when we have already been required to design, permit and construct a stormwater management facility on our campus, which complies with all regulations," the Franklin letter maintained.

Asked about the litigation, Berlin Councilmember Troy Purnell said on Jan. 14 he had not yet seen the complaint. But he added that during the discussions that led up to the implementation of the stormwater management utility the mayor and council struggled to try to find a practical way to differentiate between assessments for landowners who had stormwater mitigation systems designed for their property and those who did not.

"We just couldn't figure out a fair way to do it other than the way we did," he said.

Purnell, who is a local developer himself, pointed out that even the most substantial stormwater control system can only mitigate flooding to a certain point. During weather events with severe rainfall, he said, water will ultimately leave the property site "and that is when you would have a problem."

Purnell added that the council has not closed the door to modifying the stormwater assessment at some point in the future.

## Coastal Hospice seeks volunteers, schedules training

EASTERN SHORE—Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care is offering an introduction and training course for anyone interested in volunteering at the non-profit organization that serves Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester counties.

Those interested in volunteering for patient care are invited to attend training sessions on two Saturdays – Feb. 1 and 8 – from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Coastal Hospice Volunteer Offices, Philmore Commons, 224 Phillip Morris Drive, Suite 102, Salisbury.

Persons interested in volunteering for office or thrift shop work only may attend Saturday, Feb.1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., but are invited to attend the full two-day sessions.

For more information or to register for the volunteer session, call Judy Hunt-Harris at Coastal Hospice, Volunteer Services at 410-543-2590.

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# Delmarva Power warns customers of fake invoices

## Scammers posing as third party suppliers sending bills via e-mail

DELAWARE—Delmarva Power has recently been advised by its sister utility, Atlantic City Electric, and the NJ Board of Public Utilities that scammers posing as third party energy suppliers are sending fake utility bills via e-mail to some New Jersey and Delaware utility customers. The e-mail asks that customers click on a link contained within the e-mail. It is suspected that, by clicking the link, the customer's computer could become infected with a virus or malware.

Delmarva Power asks customers to only pay their utility bills through the company's My Account tool, by visiting delmarva.com or by sending the hard copy of the remittance portion of the invoice through the mail. Customers should not open any e-mail asking that payment be made on their utility bills unless sent by Delmarva Power or the customers' respective third party energy suppliers.

Many companies, including Delmarva Power, contact customers in person or via phone for various reasons. If someone claims to represent a company, whether the company is Delmarva Power or another entity, it

is important that customers take precautions to verify that the person is affiliated with the company, especially if that person is requesting an immediate monetary payment.

When addressing past due accounts, Delmarva Power never endorses a specific form of payment. Instead, multiple payment options are always given to the customer.

Delmarva Power advises customers to ask for official photo identification from any person who shows up at their door. Employees from reputable companies, such as Delmarva Power, will carry official company identification cards. If proper identification cannot be produced, customers should notify police and the company with whom the individual claims to be associated.

Similarly, if someone calls saying they represent a certain company, customers should ask them to verify their identity and affiliation. If customers have any doubt about the validity of a person's claim to represent Delmarva Power, they should call the company immediately at 1-800-375-7117.

For additional information visit [www.delmarva.com](http://www.delmarva.com), on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/delmarvaconnect](http://www.facebook.com/delmarvaconnect), and on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/delmarvaconnect](http://www.twitter.com/delmarvaconnect). A mobile app is available at [www.delmarva.com/mobileapp](http://www.delmarva.com/mobileapp).

# Casinos generate \$65M in Dec.

## Ocean Down facility brings in \$3.4 million in revenue last month

MARYLAND—The Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency announced last week the December 2013 revenue numbers for the state's four casinos—Hollywood Casino Perryville in Cecil County, Casino at Ocean Downs in Worcester County, Maryland Live Casino in Anne Arundel County, and Rocky Gap Casino Resort in Allegany County. December's combined statewide revenue totaled \$65,039,314.

Casino at Ocean Downs generated \$3,389,642 in December, and its gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$136.68. Casino at Ocean Downs' December revenue increased by \$53,716 or 1.6 percent, from December 2012. The Casino at Ocean Downs operates 800 slot machines.

Hollywood Casino Perryville generated \$6,490,544 from both slot machines and table games in December. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$150.79 for slot machines, \$2,626.90 for banking table games and \$324.04 for non-banking table games. Hollywood Casino's December revenue increased by \$534,403 or 9

percent, from December 2012.

Hollywood Casino Perryville operates 1,158 slot machines and 22 (12 banking and 10 non-banking) table games.

Maryland Live Casino generated \$52,532,568 from both slot machines and table games in December. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$240.45 for slot machines, \$4,711.66 for banking table games and \$1,461.56 for non-banking table games.

Maryland Live Casino operates 4,341 slot machines and 174 (122 banking and 52 non-banking) table games. Maryland Live's December 2013 revenue increased by \$16,580,752, or 46 percent, from December 2012.

Rocky Gap Casino Resort generated \$2,626,560 from both slot machines and table games in December. Gross gaming revenue per unit per day was \$126.15 for slot machines, \$1,333.80 for banking table games and \$333.15 for non-banking table games.

Rocky Gap Casino Resort operates 558 slot machines and 13 table games (10 banking and 3 non-banking).

In a year-to-year comparison—excluding Rocky Gap Casino Resort, which opened in May 2013—December 2013 casino revenue increased from December 2012 by \$17,168,872 or 38 percent.

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# Coastal flood risk meeting Jan. 16 at SD Middle School

BERLIN—The Federal Emergency Management Agency released updates to the coastal flood maps, known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps, for Worcester County. The FIRMs indicate flood-prone coastal areas in Worcester County, and insurance companies use them to determine flood insurance rates for buildings and contents. Worcester County Development Review and Permitting will host a public Coastal Flood Risk Open House on the updates at the Stephen Decatur Middle School cafeteria on Thursday, Jan. 16, from 6-9 p.m.

Using interactive flood maps, representatives from the state and county, as well as FEMA and their mapping partners, will be available to answer flood risk and insurance questions,

and explain the preliminary maps.

Flooding is the number one natural disaster in the nation. Therefore, it is vital property owners understand their risk and take advantage of tools and programs available to them, including flood insurance.

The preliminary maps to be shared at the open house are an update of the existing FIRMs, which date back to 1979 in some locations. These preliminary FIRMs and the associated Flood Insurance Study provide the basis for flood risk education and floodplain management measures. Worcester County and towns located therein are required to adopt updated maps to continue participating in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes flood insurance available to the community.

As a result of these map updates, some buildings in Worcester County may, for the first time, be included in a high-risk flood zone, known as the Special Flood Hazard Area, which may result in the mandatory purchase of flood insurance, while other properties may be removed from a flood zone entirely.

Additional information is available at [www.co.worcester.md.us](http://www.co.worcester.md.us). Links to the interactive mapping Web site, can be found at [www.R3Coastal.com](http://www.R3Coastal.com). Questions, call 410-632-1200 or e-mail [wefloodmaps@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:wefloodmaps@co.worcester.md.us).



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# AGH presents workshops and classes in January

BERLIN—Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin recently announced its education calendar for January.

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14. Pre-registration is required. Contact Laura Small at 410-629-6820.

## T.O.P.S. of Berlin - Group #169, 5:-6:30 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, weekly. Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy life-style. For more information, contact Edna Berkey at 410-251-2083.

Tuesday, Jan. 21:

## YOGA, 5:30-6:45 p.m.

James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, Rotunda, Berlin. All levels welcome. Contact Georgette Rhoads at 410-641-9734 or grhoads@atlantic-general.org with any questions. Cost: \$72 for eight sessions, or \$10 drop-in fee for first time.

Wednesday, Jan. 22:

## Bereavement Support Group, 7-8 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1. We gather the fourth Wednesday of every month. Pre-registration is not necessary. For further information, contact Pastoral Care Services at 410-641-9725 or e-mail gmansell@atlanticgeneral.org.

Friday, Jan. 24:

## Living Well Workshop, noon to 2:30 p.m.

Indian River Senior Center, 214 Irons Ave., Millsboro, Del. "Living Well" is a six-week workshop that teaches participants how to live a quality life with chronic disease. Examples of chronic conditions may include diabetes, arthritis, depression, asthma, bronchitis, pain, heart disease or any conditions that hinder you from living the life you desire. The workshop will be held Fridays, Jan. 10 through Feb.

Sunday, Jan. 26:

## Overeaters Anonymous #169 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1. Our group is a 12-step program, adapted from Alcoholics Anonymous. We help anyone struggling with a compulsive eating problem, whether it is weight gain, bulimia, anorexia, or if you are a parent of a child with one of these problems. We will meet each Sunday in conference room 1 at Atlantic General Hospital. There is no initial meeting charge. Meeting contribution is \$1 weekly. Any questions, contact Bett at 410-202-9078.

Monday, Jan. 27:

## T.O.P.S. of Berlin - Group #169, 5:-6:30 p.m.

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 1, weekly. Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy life-style. For more information, contact Edna Berkey at 410-251-2083.

Friday, Jan. 31:

## Living Well Workshop, noon to 2:30 p.m.

Indian River Senior Center, 214 Irons Ave., Millsboro, Del. "Living Well" is a six-week workshop that teaches participants how to live a quality life with chronic disease. Examples of chronic conditions may include diabetes, arthritis, depression, asthma, bronchitis, pain, heart disease or any conditions that hinder you from living the life you desire. The workshop will be held Fridays, Jan. 10 through Feb. 14. Pre-registration is required. Contact Laura Small at 410-629-6820.

# Girl Scouts going door-to-door to take cookie orders

MARYLAND—Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay started going door-to-door Jan. 11, taking orders for Girl Scout Cookies.

This year, local Girl Scouts will offer six cookie varieties—Thin Mints, Samoas, Tagalongs, Trefoils, Do-sidos and Savannah Smiles. All Girl Scout cookies cost \$4 per box.

Cookie booth sales will begin on Friday, Feb. 14, at local businesses throughout the Delmarva Peninsula.

Girls also take donations of Girl Scout cookies for "Operation Taste of Home" and local community groups. "Operation Taste of Home" cookies are donated to Armed Forces and local agencies, such as food banks and pantries, blood banks, cancer centers and youth programs.

Individuals interested in purchasing cookies or donating to "Operation Taste of Home" can call the Cookie Hotline at 1-800-YUM-YUM2.

To locate a cookie booth sale in your area visit to [www.GSCB.org](http://www.GSCB.org).

The Girl Scouts Cookie Program is about more than just great tasting cookies. By participating in the Girl Scout Cookie Program, girls learn five skills that last into adulthood—goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills and business ethics.

Every girl is encouraged to set and work toward achieving both a team and personal goal. It also raises funds to support troop and council activities.

All of the proceeds from a local council's cookie activities remain in the area where the cookies are sold. This revenue is used to benefit girls, some of it directly by remaining in the Girl Scout troop treasuries, and some of it indirectly by funding council-led programs for Girl Scouts.

Each year, more than 9,000 Girl Scouts from the Delmarva Peninsula participate in the cookie program, selling more than one million boxes of cookies to the community.

A leading advocate for and expert on girls, the Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay builds girls of courage, confidence and character by providing personal leadership development and programs that teach skills for the real world.

To learn more about Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, visit [www.GSCB.org](http://www.GSCB.org) or call 1-800-341-4007 or 1-800-374-9811.

# Pine'eer Craft Club donates to organizations

## Police department and Public Works among Ocean Pines recipients

OCEAN PINES—During the Dec. 19, installation of officers/holiday luncheon, Nancy Welsh, president of the Pine'eer Craft Club, presented checks totaling \$5,000 to organizations of Ocean Pines.

The membership of the Pine'eer Craft Club supports the Ocean Pines community from profits derived from its 2013 activities. The members voted

to donate \$5,000 to the community, to be used as follows:

- Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department: \$ 1,500 to assist in the purchase of cadet turnout gear and helmets.

- Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks: \$ 1,200 to be used as follows: \$500, summer concerts; \$100, Old Fashioned Christmas; \$200, PEP Program; \$200, Scholarship Fund; \$100, Fall Festival and \$100, Camp OP Arts and Crafts.

- Police Department: \$ 1,500 to be used toward the purchase of E-Tix care printers.

- Neighborhood Watch: \$250 to be

used to purchase magnetic signs for vehicles and also caps for members.

- Public Works: \$350 appreciation gift for its help throughout the year, especially with the August Arts and Craft Festival and the November Holiday Festival. This gift is to be used as the group desires.

- Worcester County Veterans Memorial: \$200 to the foundation.

This exceeds last year's donation by \$1,500. These donations were the result of profits from the Pine'eer Craft Club's annual August Craft Festival, November Holiday Festival and from sales in the Pine'eer Craft and Gift Shop.



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### PEDESTRIAN GEESE

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With warmer temperatures passing through the Eastern Shore, geese are making themselves feel at home in yards, parks and roads. Berlin has always been a winter stop for these visitors from Canada. Sometimes the center of the road is just as good as a lawn.

## Scholarship funds available

SNOW HILL—The Jesse Klump Memorial Fund has opened nominations for its annual scholarship, to be awarded to a member of the 2014 class of Snow Hill High School. The potential amount of the scholarship is \$12,000.

“Candidates for the Jesse Klump Memorial Scholarship are young people who have demonstrated, without any expectation of reward, a willingness to put others ahead of themselves,” said Fund President Kim Klump. “They must have chosen a field of study which, as we like to say, will ‘make the world a better place.’”

This year’s scholar will receive \$3,000 per year for up to four years.

“We feel it important to support our scholars for their entire undergraduate careers, although there is no requirement that they be seeking a bachelor’s degree,” Klump said. “They must, how-

ever, be studying at a legitimate, accredited institution. Most scholarships are for one year only, leaving the student searching for support for subsequent years of study.”

Nominations are to be made by an adult community member, not by the student. Participation by the student in the nominating process will render him or her ineligible. Nominating forms are available at [www.jessespadle.org](http://www.jessespadle.org) or by calling 443-982-2716.

“The form is required for the nomination, but what sets one nominee apart from the others are the anecdotes we receive about the small acts of kindness this student has performed,” said fund vice president Leah Klump. “Nominations of past winners were accompanied by letters from family friends, neighbors, teachers, or from clergy, telling us about times the student reached out to someone in need with a small deed or a small kindness. It is these stories that we seek, and it is always those stories that make the difference for a nominee.”

The deadline for nominating is May 1. Anyone who knows just the right candidate who is a member of the 2014 graduating class of Snow Hill High School may make a nomination. Multiple nominations for the same student are accepted, and the nominator may send in forms and references for more than one student.

## Health plans an issue for many in local districts

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followed by June primaries.

“Mix in the fact that the Maryland Legislature has passed numerous taxes and fees on just about anything and everything,” Eckardt said. “On the Eastern Shore, businessmen, watermen, and farmers are concerned about increasing regulation without sound reliable science and practical, reasonable economic solutions,” she added.

Health premiums are increasing as is the anxiety in the health delivery system in the face of healthcare reform, according to Eckardt. “Rural counties, towns and cities are struggling with the elimination of 90 [percent] of the local highway user revenues, and the additional costs of teacher pensions, once state funded and K-12 educational funding,” she said.

Meanwhile, O’Malley and Lt. Gov. Anthony Brown announced a Jan. 14 rally to kick off “Raise Maryland,” their campaign to increase the minimum wage in Maryland. According to the announcement, hundreds of minimum wage supporters would join the lawmakers in support of proposing to increase the state’s minimum wage during the upcoming 2014 session of the Maryland General Assembly.

Approximately 472,000 Marylanders would benefit from the increase.

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# Activities for all ages available at Worcester County libraries

WORCESTER COUNTY—An assortment of programs for all ages are being offered at Worcester County libraries in January.

## Ocean City Branch:

•Post-It Art Contest—all month:

Submit a piece of art on a Post-It Note. Create work at home or visit the Ocean City branch on 100th Street where supplies will be available. Creations will be displayed in the library. Prizes will be awarded in April for age groups: fifth and sixth grades, seventh and eighth grades, and ninth through 12th grades. Submission forms are available at the Ocean City Branch.

•Computer and eReader Instruction:

Staff offers individual computer or E-Reader instruction by appointment throughout the month. Call the Ocean City branch at 410-524-1818 to schedule a private training session.

•Nuno Felting: Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1 p.m. Learn the ancient art of wet felting to create your own one-of-a-kind wearable work of art. Using only wool roving, silk, water, soap and some elbow grease you can make your own nuno felted scarf.

•Story Time: Wednesday, Jan. 22 and Jan. 29, 10:30 a.m. Enjoy stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. For children 2-5 years old.

•Zentangle: Tuesday, Jan. 28, 4 p.m. Creating Zentangle art provides a fun and lighthearted way to relax and intentionally facilitate a shift in focus and perspective. The Zentangle Method of creating art is unencumbered by dogma and cost which can weigh on other approaches. Nevertheless, it is sufficiently structured and organized so you can enjoy and benefit from an activity that otherwise might be considered whimsical. Artist, John Iampiere will instruct this class.

## Ocean Pines Branch:

•Lap Time: Tuesday, Jan. 21 and 28 10:30 a.m. Children will be introduced to songs, games, finger plays and movement activities. Parents and caregivers will learn new and fun ways to interact with their toddlers. For infant to children 2 years old.

•Fencing: 5 p.m. every Tuesday through Feb. 25. Learn to fence with Dave Griffin, former fencing coach of the Baltimore Fencing Club. Learn the techniques, scoring, theories, and moves of this fascinating sport. Wear comfortable clothing. Class size is limited to 12. Register at the Ocean Pines Branch.

•Introduction to Computers and the Internet: Wednesday, Jan. 22, 8 a.m. The third of four sessions will include introduction to Microsoft Word and accessing the Internet.

•Young and Restless “Celebrate Snow”: Wednesday, Jan. 22, 10:30 a.m.

Experience creative science, art and music “Snow” activities. Dress to get messy. For children ages 3-5 years old.

•Story Time: Thursday, Jan. 23 and 30 10:30 a.m. Enjoy stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. For children ages 2-5 years old.

•Genealogy Assistance: Monday, Jan. 27, 10 a.m. to noon. Have you come so far tracing your ancestry and now you’re stuck and reached a dead end? This class is for the people who are already actively researching their ancestry and family history. Tom Dempsey, member of the Sussex County Genealogy Society, helps you to find your way around the block. He will be available from 10 am to 12 noon to assist you. This is a “drop in” session and no registration is required.

•Introduction to Computers and the Internet: Wednesday, Jan. 29, 8 a.m. The fourth of four sessions will include introduction to Microsoft Word and accessing the Internet.

## Snow Hill Branch:

•Yoga: Every Tuesday through Feb. 25 at 5 p.m. Get fit with Yoga, a tranquil form of exercise while gaining mental and physical health.

•Young & Restless “Celebrate Snow”: Thursday, Jan. 23, 10:30 a.m. Experience creative science, art and music “Snow” activities. Dress to get messy. For children 3-5 years old.

•Fermentation Class: Jan. 29, 1 p.m. This class will include lacto-fermented demonstrations and recipes for fermented mayonnaise, baked oatmeal, ketchup, and kombucha. There will be

comparison of simple fermentation versus lacto-fermentation. Participants will learn to produce their own whey without making cheese. Discover how easy, nutritious, and inexpensive this process is of increasing healthy probiotics in your diet.

## Berlin Branch:

•eReader Tech Zoo: Saturday, Jan. 18, 10 a.m. Learn how to download ebooks from your public library to your eReader—10 a.m. Kindle Connections, 10:45 a.m. Nook Know-How, 11:30 a.m. iPad Info. No registration is required, but attendees will need to know their e-mail and device password.

•Story Time: Tuesday, Jan. 21 and Thursday, Jan. 30 10:30 a.m. Children 2-5 years old are invited to visit the

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# Story time, introduction to computers among featured progs.

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Berlin Branch to find new friends, hear stories and make crafts. A ranger from Assateague will bring a friend from the aquarium.

•Berlin Book of the Month: Friday, Jan. 17, 1 p.m. "Same Kind of Different as Me," by Ron Hall. Meet Denver, a man raised under plantation-style slavery in Louisiana in the 1960s; a man who escaped, hopping a train to wander, homeless, for 18 years on the streets of Dallas, Tex. No longer a slave, Denver's life was still hopeless until God moved. First came a godly woman who prayed, listened, and obeyed. And then came her husband, Ron, an international arts dealer at home in a world of Armani suited millionaires. And then they all came together.

•Kumihimo, Wednesday, Jan 22, 1

p.m. Discover the ancient art of trimming and accessorizing using Kumihimo, an ancient Japanese braiding. Make a braiding tool and learn the basics while designing your own pattern.

•Play Time: Tuesday, Jan. 28, 10:30 a.m. Parents and children explore educational toys together in an interactive, free play program. A great place to make new friends and learn new skills while having fun! For infant to children age 5.

•Fireside Chat: Thursday, Jan. 30, 3 p.m. Join us for a lively chat about our favorite good reads. Want to find authors who write the kinds of books you like to read? Join us and make new contacts. Want to explore new authors and genres but don't know where to start? Join our enthusiastic chat group

and get some great ideas.

## Pocomoke Branch:

•"Maze Runner" Contest: Jan. 2-31, Check out any book from our "Maze Runner" by James Dashner display. Read the book and return the review to enter the drawing to win a Maze Runner Movie pack (two tickets to see the movie which will be released Feb. 14 and "swag" to go along with it.) All entries must be received by Jan. 31. Winner will be notified Feb. 3. For ages 13-17.

•4H Robotics: Friday, Jan. 17, 3:30 p.m. Join the Worcester County Library and the Worcester County 4-H and learn about our LEGO WeDo Robotics program. WeDo is a LEGO product that allows elementary age youth to build robots using LEGO pieces and then program the robot to perform specific functions on the com-

puter. Register by calling 410-957-0878. For ages 6 -10 years old.

•LEGO at the Library Contest registration deadline: is Wednesday, Jan. 22. Contest date is Saturday, Jan. 25 at 11 a.m. For more information and for rules and regulations, contact the Pocomoke Branch at 410-957-0878. Contestants must bring own Legos. For children ages 5 -12.

•Story Time: Thursday, Jan. 23, 10:30 a.m. Enjoy stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. For children 2-5 years old.

•The Art Studio: Friday, Jan. 24, 3:30 p.m. Learn to draw, paint and create with professional artist Dale Rohl. Registration is necessary. Call 410-957-0878 to sign up. For ages 7 and older.

•Tot Time: Thursday, Jan. 30, 10:30 a.m. Fun and educational activities for children 3-5 years old. Registration is necessary. Call 410-957-0878.

## 'Best Places to Work' campaign deadline extended

WORCESTER COUNTY—The Dec. 31 closing date for nominating great places to work has been extended to Jan. 17, according to Meredith Mears, deputy director of Worcester County Economic Development.

She said the extension was made to accommodate the holiday and vacation schedules of employees who might have been away prior to the end of the December deadline.

Last month, the department sent out a call to local employees to nominate Worcester County employers for the county's "Best Places to Work" campaign.

Nominations can be submitted via Facebook, Twitter, or the WCED website, [www.chooseworcester.org](http://www.chooseworcester.org). Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of judges, and finalists will be recognized for their contributions to the Worcester County economy.

Businesses selected will be featured in a "Best Places to Work" video that will be shared on social media outlets, including the WCED YouTube Channel.

WCED invites the public to visit them on social media at the following addresses:

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/bizatthebeach](http://www.facebook.com/bizatthebeach)

Twitter: [www.twitter.com/BizAtBeach](http://www.twitter.com/BizAtBeach)

Instagram: [www.instagram.com/bizatthebeach](http://www.instagram.com/bizatthebeach)

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For more information, contact WCED Deputy Director Merry Mears at 410-632-3112.



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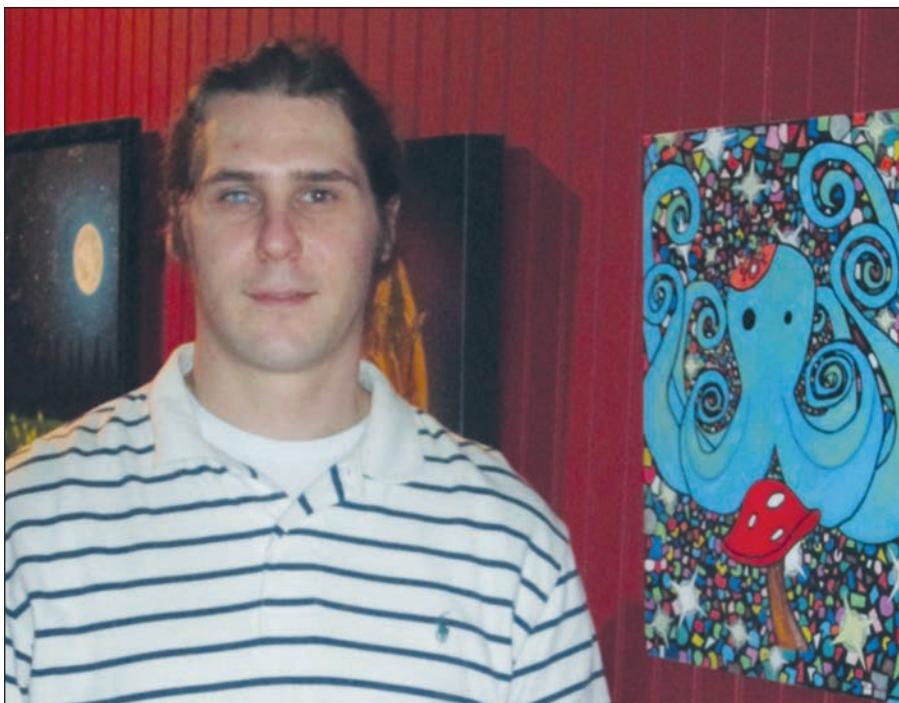
SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Hilari Ashton, left, and Dee Gilbert, owner of The Nest boutique, attend the multi-artist exhibit hosted at The Globe for the Jan. 10 Second Friday Art Stroll in Berlin.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Austin Widdowson who coordinated the Jan. 10 Second Friday Art Stroll event at The Globe, poses with his artwork, a mosaic of crayon on canvas entitled, "Big Kids Like to Play With Crayons Too." Rather than having individual businesses host single artists during January, The Globe hosted approximately 30 artists who were working in various media for a single exhibit.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Kevin Sandow poses with his painting "Intergalactic Octopus" during the Jan. 10 Art Stroll exhibit hosted by The Globe Restaurant & Bar.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Ken Tomaselli, left, and Mike Wiley people watch and shoot the breeze during the Jan. 10 Art Stroll exhibit at The Globe.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Town Administrator, Laura Allen, left, and Helen Wiley, of the Church Mouse Thrift Shop, chat and enjoy the ambience of Berlin's first Second Friday Art Stroll of the year.



SHEILA R. CHERRY/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

A crowd of art lovers braves the cold to come out for the Jan. 10 Second Friday Art Stroll, hosted by the Globe in Berlin. The event was also a fundraiser for the Arts and Entertainment Committee. The theme of the exhibit is "Small Things" and displays approximately 30 local artists from "Maryland's Coolest Small Town."

# CALENDAR

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

## BAYSIDE GAZETTE

### THURS. Jan. 16

**BEACH SINGLES** — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Harpoon Hanna's, Route 54 and the Bay, Fenwick Island, Del., 4 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Dianne, 302-541-4642.

**BINGO** — American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

### FRI. Jan. 17

**EAST COAST FISHERMEN'S & AQUACULTURE TRADE EXPO** — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Seminars, fishermen gear, equipment and more. Info: [www.marylandwatermen.com](http://www.marylandwatermen.com) or 800-626-2326.

**BINGO** — Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. Info: 410-524-7994.

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER AND SHOW** — Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway. The case of the "Family" business in Ocean Pines is performed by Get a Clue Productions. Cost is \$40 and includes full dinner and the show. B.Y.O.B. Tickets: [www.OceanPinesChamber.org](http://www.OceanPinesChamber.org) or 410-641-5306.

**'ANNIE' PERFORMANCE** — OC Jamboree, 12600 Marjan Lane, Route 611, West Ocean City, 7 p.m. The Ocean Pines Players Youth Theater to perform Broadway musical, "Annie." Tickets cost \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, \$10 for students ages 5-18 and free for children 4 and younger. Advance tickets available at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Info: [opyouththeater@yahoo.com](mailto:opyouththeater@yahoo.com).

### SAT. Jan. 18

**EAST COAST FISHERMEN'S & AQUACULTURE TRADE EXPO** — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Seminars, fishermen gear, equipment and more. Info: [www.marylandwatermen.com](http://www.marylandwatermen.com) or 800-626-2326.

**NAUTICAL AND WILDLIFE ART FESTIVAL** — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway. Info: 800-OC-OCEAN.

**INTERNATIONAL DINNER SERIES - POLISH NIGHT** — Knights of Columbus, 9901 Coastal Highway (rear of St. Luke's Church) in Ocean City. Two seatings at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Featuring golabki, pierogi, kielbasa, kapusta, fresh rye and

grain-breads, dessert and coffee. Cash bar available. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$9 for children 11 and younger. Reservations: 410-524-7994, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**9TH ANNUAL BASKETS AND MORE! BINGO NIGHT** — Stephen Decatur High School, cafeteria, 9913 Seahawk Road, Berlin. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6 p.m. Longaberger Baskets & Pottery, Pampered Chef, Thirty-One Totes, cash games, 50/50, raffle, special games and Chinese auction. Chili, chicken salad, hot dogs, chips, baked goods, hot and cold drinks available for sale. Tickets cost \$20. Reservations: 410-603-1397 or 410-524-9000. Info: [permitink@verizon.net](mailto:permitink@verizon.net). Sponsored by the Quota International of Ocean City, Inc. to benefit scholarships and community projects.

**'ANNIE' PERFORMANCE** — OC Jamboree, 12600 Marjan Lane, Route 611, West Ocean City, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. The Ocean Pines Players Youth Theater to perform Broadway musical, "Annie." Tickets cost \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, \$10 for students ages 5-18 and free for children 4 and younger. Advance tickets available at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Info: [opyouththeater@yahoo.com](mailto:opyouththeater@yahoo.com).

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN DINNER** — New Hope United Methodist Church, Willards, noon. Menu includes mashed potatoes, greens, string beans, macaroni and cheese, beets, biscuits, dessert and coffee. Cost is \$12 for adults. Carry-outs available. Info: 410-543-8244 or 443-235-0251.

**FREE HOME-BREWING BEER MAKING CLASS** — Brews Up, 9028 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Beginner class. Brewing a Hopped Up IPA, 5 gallons in two hours. Reserve seat: 443-513-4744 or [www.brewsup.net](http://www.brewsup.net). Other dates available by appointment.

**INDOOR YARD SALE** — Buckingham Elementary School, 100 Buckingham Road, Berlin, 7-11 a.m. Coffee and breakfast available for purchase. Benefiting the BES P.T.A.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** — VFW, Post 8296, 104 66th St., bayside in Ocean City, 8-11 a.m. A \$5 donation for all-you-can-eat pancakes or 2-2-2, two eggs, two pancakes and two bacon slices, includes coffee and juice. Bloody Marys cost \$3. Info: 410-524-8196.

**FARMERS MARKET** — White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines, 8 a.m. to noon. Produce, farm fresh eggs, organic goods, herbs, fresh cut flowers, soaps, jelly, honey, homemade goods and more.

**'MEET AND GREET' DEDICATED TO DONALD SPENCE** — Adolfo's on the

Ocean, 1301 Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 2-5 p.m. Dedicated to the late Donald Spence, OCPD Animal Control Officer. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased at the door. Info: Carolyn Heit-Miller, 302-539-0592.

**LECTURE, BOOK SIGNING AND HANDS-ON WORKSHOP** — The Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art, Salisbury University, 909 South Schumaker Drive, Salisbury, 1-4 p.m. Elaine Eff, author of "The Painted Screens of Baltimore: An Urban Folk Art Revealed," will discuss her book and offer signed copies for purchase. John Iampieri, renowned screen painter, will offer a hands-on workshop in which all participants will take home a painted screen of their own creation. Info: [wardeducation@salisbury.edu](mailto:wardeducation@salisbury.edu) or 410-742-4988, Ext. 104. There is a \$15 fee to participate in screen painting. Register: [www.wardmuseum.org](http://www.wardmuseum.org).

### SUN. Jan. 19

**EAST COAST FISHERMEN'S & AQUACULTURE TRADE EXPO** — Ocean City convention center, 4001 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Seminars, fishermen gear, equipment and more. Info: [www.marylandwatermen.com](http://www.marylandwatermen.com) or 800-626-2326.

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**'ANNIE' PERFORMANCE** — OC Jamboree, 12600 Marjan Lane, Route 611, West Ocean City, 2 p.m. The Ocean Pines Players Youth Theater to perform Broadway musical, "Annie," featuring 60 talented young people. Tickets cost \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, \$10 for students ages 5-18 and free for children 4 and younger. Advance tickets available at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Info: [opyouththeater@yahoo.com](mailto:opyouththeater@yahoo.com).

### MON. Jan. 20

**DELMARVA SWEET ADELIN CHORUS MEETS WEEKLY** — The Delmarva Chorus, Sweet Adeline's, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, meets each Monday from 7-9 p.m., at the Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, White Horse Park. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. Info: 410-208-4171.

**HAND DANCING** — House of Welsh, 1106 Coastal Highway, Fenwick, Del. Free lessons from 6-7 p.m., open dancing 7-10 p.m. No cover charge. Info: DC Hand Dance Club, 302-541-0728.

### TUES. Jan. 21

**WORCESTER COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN MEETING** — Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, 5-6:30 p.m. Meeting is open to the public and women of all ages are welcome. Info: Donna Main, 410-632-5040.

### WED. Jan. 22

**FREE WINE MAKING CLASS** — Brews Up, 9028 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 6-7 p.m. Beginner class. Reserve seat: 443-513-4744 or [www.brewsup.net](http://www.brewsup.net). Other dates available by appointment.

**DELMARVA HAND DANCING CLUB** — Meets every Wednesday at Peak's Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, in the Fenwick Inn, 13801 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. Beginner and intermediate lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by dancing 6:30-9 p.m. Jitterbug, swing, cha-cha to the sounds of the '50s, '60s and Carolina beach music. All are welcome. Discounted food and drink prices. Info: 302-337-3638.

**TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING** — Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Info: 302-436-3682.

### THURS. Jan. 23

**BEACH SINGLES** — Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour at Harpoon Hanna's, Route 54, Fenwick Island, Del., 4 p.m. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Dianne, 302-541-4642.

**BINGO** — American Legion Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., in Ocean City, every Thursday, year round. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Food available. Open to the public. Info: 410-289-3166.

**DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF WORCESTER COUNTY MEETING** — Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served, followed by a presentation from Dave Coffland, founder of "Catch A Lift." Coffland works with wounded post-911 veterans, to help them recover through gym memberships and gym equipment. All Democrats and interested Independents welcome to attend.

# OBITUARIES

## John Edward Schaefer

OCEAN PINES—John Edward Schaefer, age 82, of Ocean Pines and formerly of Millington, N.J. died Monday, Dec. 30, 2013.

He was born in Baltimore and was the son of the late Alfred H. and Catharine D. (Sindall) Schaefer.

Ed was a 1953 graduate of Johns Hopkins University and earned a Bachelor's of Engineering Degree, and belonged to the ATO fraternity.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. While living in Levittown, N.Y. he was a Boy Scout Master. After moving to Millington, N.J., Ed was president of the Long Hill Township Jaycees and also became a licensed airplane pilot.

Ocean Pines became home after retirement. He was past president of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines and was an active member of the Community Church at Ocean Pines.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Joan L. Schaefer of Ocean Pines; two sons, Gregg Schaefer of Stephens City, Va. and James Schaefer of Salisbury; three daughters, Wendy Schaefer of Greensboro, Ga., Daneen Dotterweich of Lanoka Harbor, N.J. and Katharine Borton of Washington, N.J.; a brother, Karl Schaefer of Whitmarsh, Md. and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25 at 2 p.m. at the Community Church at Ocean Pines with

Rev. Boyd Etter officiating. Friends may call at the church an hour before the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to NAMI (The National Alliance on Mental Illness), 3803 N. Fairfax Dr., Suite 100, Arlington, Va. 22203 (www.NAMI.org) or to the Salvation Army, 415 Oak St., Salisbury, Md. 21801.

Condolences may be sent by visiting [www.hastingsfuneralhome.net](http://www.hastingsfuneralhome.net).

## Louisa S. Quillin

OCEAN CITY—Louisa Savage Quillin, age 93, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014 at Atlantic Rehabilitation Center in Berlin.



Louisa Quillin

Born in Berlin, she was the daughter of the late Joseph Elton Savage and Evelyn Jeanette Webb Savage. She was preceded in death by her husband John Henry Quillin in 1991. She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth "Beth" Quillin Fisher, and her granddaughter, Stephanie Jeanette Fisher, both of Ocean City.

She was also preceded in death by her sister Edna Keener in 1975.

Mrs. Quillin was a 1937 graduate of Ocean City High School. She was a

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# CUISINE

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## Grilled scallops with lemon-chervil gastrique

There is simply nothing in this world that can't be fixed by listening to the theme of "The Benny Hill Show" sans video. Having run across it this

week for the first time in eons, I giggled - chor-tled even - as the s a x o p h o n e blurted out the ridiculous and inspirational melodies known to so many, reminding us of simpler times in a long gone age.



By Paul Suplee,  
CEC PCIII

Without the nonsensical visual stop-motion of Benny et al running amok in the intro of the show, it is easy to imagine the silliest of scenes in one's own mind as the song blurts through its short lifespan.

The man himself, Benny Hill that is, was a genius in his heyday. From his eponymous sketch comedy to "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" he entertained as few did in the business.

Sometimes it is the light and playful that brings us down to earth. When we realize that we have been taking ourselves a little too seriously, a small touch of humor, or something just a little afar from the norm, goes a long way.

But what is humor? It is many things to many people to be sure, but ultimately it comes down to looking at things in a different light; perhaps a bit skewed. What comes to mind is a very young Bob Newhart as the air traffic controller (I don't think I was born yet but we had Bob Newhart LPs around our house in my youth), Spike Jones and "der Fuhrer's Face" and Tim Conway as the "Old Sheriff". Yes, I know I'm dating myself. Deal with it.

The fun comedians have in playing with everyday situations and making them a touch different is similar in a way to what we chefs attempt to do with our food. Most of the time our food is just like everyone else's food. We do our best to make it different, exciting, vibrant et al but in reality we are not truly reinventing the wheel until we start deconstructing the classics or introduce new ingredients to the table.

In class recently the students made yam jelly straight out of our textbook and the only unique ingredient was Agar-agar, a hydrocolloid used since the 17th century in Japan. Despite its culinary antiquity it is fairly new to the American menu, and its ability to gel affords the chef the opportunity to play around a bit.

During class I made an incredibly simple grilled scallop dish and served it on top of some of the yam jam disks, drizzling the dish with a light, sweet and tart lemon-chervil gastrique. A gastrique is a caramel to which vinegar is added (in its most basic sense). It comes to us from the French and there are a great many things that you can do with it. Want to cut butter from your diet? Use a gastrique, which has a mountain of flavor but no fat.

As I plated my little snack, stacking the scallops on some yam jam cutouts, I was pleased at how easy it is for anyone to incorporate this into their cooking (with a little help from their online specialty food supplier, of course).

I took the opportunity to look up, and as I watched the students clean the kitchen for the first of many times this semester, my mind put envisioned them all running around in stop-motion while the "Benny Hill" theme played in my head.



### Grilled Scallops, Lemon-Chervil Gastrique

serves 6

24 ea. large, dry scallops  
olive oil, as needed  
kosher salt and pepper, as needed  
12 ea. Rosemary stalks  
1 c. lemon-chervil gastrique (recipe follows)  
chervil leaves, as garnish

Heat a grill or cast iron pan (latter if searing instead of grilling)

Dry scallops on a paper towel  
Strip the rosemary stalks so that only 1-inch of the plume on the top remains. This will be your skewer. Reserve rosemary stripped for another purpose

Skewer two scallops per rosemary stalk and place on a handy plate

Oil and season the scallops  
Grill or sear until the scallops are a little undercooked. Once a scallop is overcooked it is reminiscent of a pencil eraser. But, you know what you like so cook them as you see fit

Remove and keep warm, making sure not to allow them to dry out or cool

Serve on polenta, yam jelly or a base that would complement the flavor of

the scallops and drizzle with some of the lemon-chervil gastrique

### Lemon-Chervil Gastrique

serves 6

1/2 c. Granulated sugar  
1 tsp. Corn syrup  
1/4 c. Lemon juice, with zest  
1/2 c. Champagne vinegar  
chervil leaves, as needed

Heat the sugar and corn syrup in a pan until the sugar melts. The corn syrup should keep the sugar from crystallizing

Cook the sugar until it starts to turn golden and then slowly add the lemon juice and vinegar

The caramel will probably harden but will melt on the heat. Just give it time

Reduce until it thickens and then remove from heat

Let the sauce cool a touch and then add the chervil as needed

— Paul G. Suplee is a certified executive chef and ProChef certified Level-3. He is a writer and culinary instructor. Find his ePortfolio at [www.heartofakitchen.com](http://www.heartofakitchen.com).

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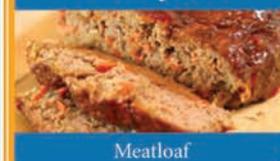
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# OPINION

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BAYSIDE GAZETTE

## Weathering a storm

Last Saturday a fast moving afternoon storm packing 60-80 mph winds and heavy rain moved through Berlin leaving it powerless.

Over 20,000 people were in the dark while Atlantic General Hospital and the Berlin Nursing Home used emergency generators to stay energized.

The storm, reminiscent of the 2012 derecho that moved through parts of Maryland, snapped five utility poles on either side of Route 113.

Berlin Mayor Gee Williams said that in all his years as a Berlin resident, he could never remember a storm popping up with so much power it ostensibly unplugged a 69,000-volt transmission line.

At Monday evening's Town Council meeting, the mayor, council and city management talked of how seamlessly the community's police, fire, electric and other offices worked with Delmarva Power to get Berlin back on line, literally circuit by circuit by 11 p.m.

As the mayor said, "property can always be replaced, but we didn't have any serious injuries and we're thankful."

Tim Lawrence, Berlin's director of electric utility, explained that last Monday night, the power would go down for 10 minutes to about an hour on midnight as Delmarva Power did final repair work on the line.

"I can't remember any weather system that extreme or intense or with that kind of noise," said Williams. "It was unique for our town."

What was also unique, no conflicting issues between departments. Every circuit of energy was restored to a power line, because every circuit of human energy in Berlin got the town's arms around the problem and solved it.

"There were no questions other than 'what can I do to help.'"

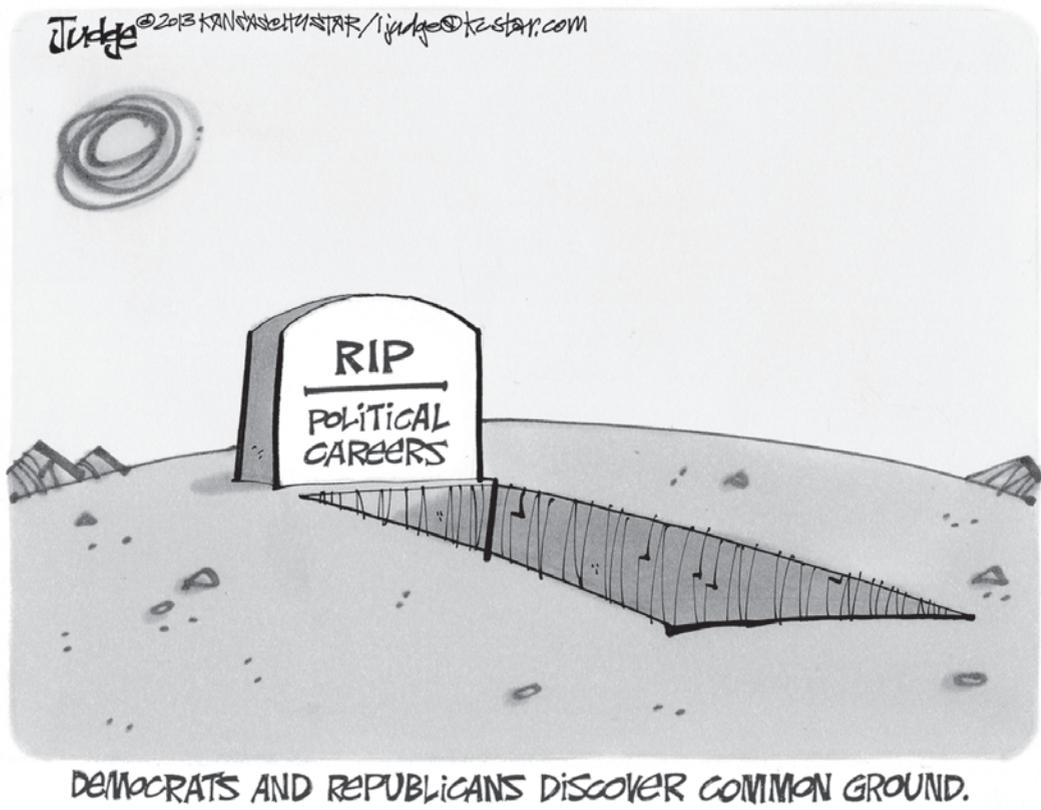
Perhaps, it's a stretch to say that the way the town came together after one of its teens was killed and his brother seriously injured after being hit by an unmarked state police cruiser last November has created a bond that is still in tact. We think the town has already stepped forward together. It is showing how it weathers a storm.

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## Difficult to try and time the market

### Work to lessen mistakes with your portfolio

The following are common investment mistakes to keep in mind:

Trying to time the market. Nobody can time the market time and again. If it was possible, there would be people who would have never lost money in the short-term. It's a big mistake to think that people can win consistently, especially people who don't do it full time. It's important to understand that there's always someone else on the other side of a trade. So if one person wins in the short-term, another person technically loses. For example, if stock is sold at a profit, and then goes down, the seller wins and the buyer loses. But if the stock continues to rise, the seller loses the cost the gain could have had and the buyer wins by getting it. Professionals on Wall Street who do this for a living have much better chances of winning. So for amateurs to think they can time the market and beat the professionals (and others) consistently, they're probably making a costly mistake.

Another misstep is taking investment advice from

friends, families, or a rumor without doing the proper due diligence. Make it a high priority to have a disciplined approach to investing. Out of the "tips" received in the past, how many of them turned out to be right? There's no problem with getting advice from a non-professional, but it's important to not follow it blindly. Any investment suggestion needs to fit with one's current investment plan. Being disciplined is vital because it's in our investment nature to buy high and sell low. Remember: by the time an investment tip rolls around, chances are the investment is usually already close to its top and the professional traders are ready to take a profit.

The last frequent error is to not pay attention to fees and costs. I recently had someone come to me and after doing research of their portfolio, realized they were paying 3 percent in fees every year in addition to the commission their broker was getting. This means that at a minimum, the fee brings down their portfolio 3 percent right from the start, and they need to earn 3 percent more than their target goal per year. So if a 7 percent annual return is needed to meet one's financial goals, the portfolio needs to perform at

10 percent or more per year. If the market is "even" for an extended period of time, high fees can erode your portfolio's value. There is nothing wrong with paying someone to help manage one's finances, especially if one has no desire, time or knowledge to do so. But pay attention to the fees and make sure the advisor has your best interests at heart. Remember this is your money; only you can make the best decision for it. You may not have time or expertise to manage your investments, so find someone that does and that the costs are sensible.

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# OBITUARIES

member of the First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, Presbyterian Women, and Sunday school teacher. She was also a member of the Worcester Chapter Order of Eastern Star for over 60 years, and lifetime member of the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

Louisa was a lifelong resident of Ocean City. She loved doing sewing repairs and needle work. She leaves many friends who loved her dearly.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, Feb. 2, 2014 at 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City, 1301 Philadelphia Ave. Rev. Alex Ayers will officiate. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in her memory may be made to: Louisa Savage Quillin Memorial Fund, c/o Bank of Ocean City, 627 William St. Berlin Md., 21811. Letters of condolence may be sent to [www.burbagefuneralhome.com](http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

## William Ralph Noble

OCEAN PINES—William Ralph Noble, age 87, died Tuesday Jan. 7, 2014 at his home.

Born in Baltimore, he was the son of the late Frederick Noble and Hilda Council Noble. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Robl Noble, and his children, Mary Sims and her husband

George; Tammy Slaughter and her husband Michael Brooks; David Noble, Robert Noble and Jeffrey Noble, and his wife Rachael.

There are seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Muriel Gribbin, one niece and a daughter in law, Donna Noble. He was preceded in death by a son, William Ralph Noble, Jr.

Mr. Noble had worked for many years for a wholesale distributor of building supplies. He was a Navy veteran. He had been a member of Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Baltimore.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday Jan. 22, 2014 at 1 p.m., at the Maryland Veterans Cemetery in Crownsville, Md.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, Tex., 75231.

Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at [www.burbagefuneralhome.com](http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com).

## Helga "Lollo" Pennewell

PRINCESS ANNE—Helga "Lollo" Lieselotte Pennewell, 84, died at Somerset Gardens in Princess Anne, Md., on Jan. 5, 2014.

An Eastern Shore resident for 52



Helga Pennewell

years, Lollo was born to Alfred and Elsa Dallmann in Mühlhausen, Thuringia, Germany on April 1, 1929. She grew up in "East" Germany under Hitler's rule, endured air raids and bombings, and lived through Soviet occupation.

A teenage champion swimmer, she was a member of her birth country's Olympic swim team when the war prevented the 1944 Olympics. Lollo earned her bachelor's degree in design and dressmaking at Staatliche Oberschule in Mühlhausen, received her master's in tailoring and design at Mode Academy in Kassel and modeled for European fashion houses through the late 40s and early 50s.

Shot in the leg during her first attempt to flee Russian occupation, Lollo and her family escaped East Germany in 1948. In 1951, she married then-Major Noah Ames Pennewell and, by 1961, became a full-time resident in his hometown of Snow Hill. Lollo obtained U.S. citizenship on Sept. 14, 1965 and voted to elect a national leader for the first time in 1966.

She soon began appearing area-wide at civic, community and professional club meetings, as well as in local schools' civics classes, to speak about life "behind the Iron Curtain" and the importance of U.S. civil liberties. Within few years, under the sponsorship of Salisbury's Samuel Chase chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Lollo became the first Maryland woman to receive the DAR Americanism Award, which honors distinguished naturalized citizens who demonstrate extraordinary patriotic leadership state-side. At that time in 1971, only one other Marylander had received this prestigious national award.

The ardent activist became a prolific writer in local, regional and national publications, and over the following years, her work expanded beyond civil freedoms to advocate conservation, education and historic preservation.

For decades, Lollo spearheaded multiple movements that created local resources, from the availability of emergency services and swimming instruction to the expansion and relocation of the Snow Hill branch of Worcester County Library. Across Maryland, she is well remembered as the organizer and leader of a march, known as the "Outhouse Convoy," on the Annapolis state house to protest gubernatorial disrespect toward the Eastern Shore in 1991.

She was the first person in Snow Hill to organize local swimming lessons and taught them as a Red Cross volunteer. Lollo later served as swim team coach at Nassawango Country Club. She used her design and dressmaking skills to craft bridesmaid dresses for loved ones' weddings as well as band and majorette uniforms for Snow Hill High School students and she taught sewing classes in Salisbury.

Lollo also served as director of the Eastern Shore Heart Association, president of the Worcester County Library Board, co-founder of the Republican club of Worcester County, member of the Worcester County Republican State Central Committee and alternate delegate to the Electoral College.

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan appointed Lollo to the Presidential Commission for the German-American Tri-centennial, which marked 300 years of German-American immigration. In this capacity, she helped plan, finance and implement installation of an extensive friendship garden on the Washington Monument grounds.

Lollo visited Germany many times prior to the country's re-unification, but in 1989, she took her children to Berlin during Thanksgiving. Between the Brandenburg Gate and "Checkpoint Charlie," she and her family members took turns hammering at the Berlin Wall, breaking their sledgehammer in this effort during the month that the wall "came down."

Predeceased by her husband, Lt. Col. Noah Ames Pennewell; parents and sister, Brigitte Dallmann Euling, Lollo is survived by her son, Milton Pennewell of Snow Hill; daughter and son-in-law, Sabine Pennewell and Bruce Nichols of Hebron; daughter, Brigitte Pennewell of Snow Hill; grandchildren, Brandy and Florian Meresse Pennewell, Katharine Pennewell, Annette Pennewell, Jackalynn Pennewell, Emily Nichols, Bethany Pennewell, Grace Pennewell and William Pennewell and great-grandson, Paul Pennewell.

Pennewell's funeral service was held on Monday, Jan. 13 at Burbage Funeral Home in Snow Hill. A procession was at Nassawango Church Cemetery on Pennewell Road in Snow Hill.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to a local humane society of your choice. Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at [www.burbagefuneralhome.com](http://www.burbagefuneralhome.com).

## Christmas trees drop-off spots

BERLIN—The Solid Waste Division of Public Works will host its annual collection of Christmas trees through Saturday, Jan. 25. Residents can drop off trees at the Berlin and Pocomoke Homeowners Convenience Centers at no cost, but should remove all decorations before disposal.

Businesses and organizations that sold trees will not be permitted to drop off trees at the convenience centers, but may take them to the Central Landfill in Newark where a standard disposal fee of \$70 per ton will be charged. All trees brought in for disposal will be mulched and recycled.

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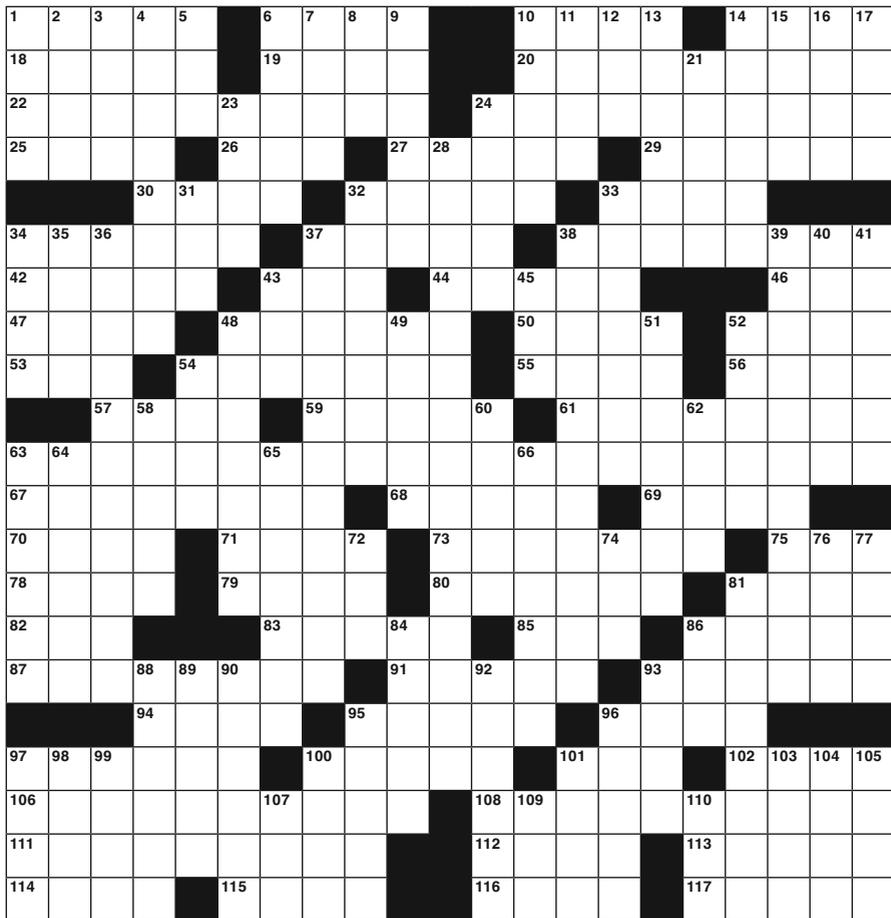
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  - 34 69-Across, e.g.
  - 37 Scrams
  - 38 *Astral saga that has a Darth part*
  - 42 Cutting edge
  - 43 Gulager of TV's "The Virginian"
  - 44 French Oscar
  - 46 Bit of Google programming
  - 47 Staple of a waiting room
- DOWN**
- 48 Work on the roof, say
  - 50 "Movin' \_\_\_\_\_" (TV theme song)
  - 52 One of die Planeten
  - 53 Kitty, e.g.
  - 54 Count \_\_\_\_\_
  - 55 "\_\_\_\_\_ Anything" ("Oliver!" song)
  - 56 "The Witches" writer
  - 57 King Arthur of tennis
  - 59 Kris \_\_\_\_\_ (music duo)
  - 61 Like classical poetry
  - 63 *Fab "backward-gram" à la "Sam, aha! Bahamas!"*
  - 67 Burger topper
  - 68 Segway inventor Dean \_\_\_\_\_
  - 69 Apple product
  - 70 Bird's gullet
  - 71 Chip on one's shoulder, say
  - 73 Kowtowers
  - 75 Pilates targets
  - 78 Take on
  - 79 Poses
  - 80 Stone figures?
  - 81 Equal to the task
  - 82 Objective
  - 83 Louis Armstrong, to friends
  - 85 Two-time U.S. Open champ
  - 86 Houston's old \_\_\_\_\_ Field
  - 87 *Black cat that packs grass and chants "Jah"*
  - 91 Prefix with -hedron
  - 93 Best-selling novelist Susan
  - 94 Great Basin natives
  - 95 An op-ed has one
  - 96 Air apparent?
  - 97 Worships
  - 100 "Common Sense" pamphleteer
  - 101 Valedictorian's pride, for short
  - 102 Bygone Bombay bigwig
  - 106 *Landmark vassal law act*
  - 108 *Warm mask/cap amalgams*
  - 111 Burning desire
  - 112 Puts away
  - 113 Friends, in Firenze
  - 114 Big name in faucets
  - 115 Depict
  - 116 Swarm
  - 117 Where Sharp Electronics is based
- ACROSS**
- 11 Gatekeeper's cry
  - 12 Lawyers' org.
  - 13 Picasso's designer daughter
  - 14 Tilex target
  - 15 Latin 101 verb
  - 16 Score creator Schifrin
  - 17 Style
  - 21 Subject of the documentary "An Unreasonable Man"
  - 23 Spoils
  - 24 Two-faced
  - 28 *Haphazard*
  - 31 Gift shop buy
  - 32 Sign at an intersection
  - 33 Apple product, perhaps
  - 34 Recipe amt.
  - 35 Skin soother
  - 36 *Gala that saw "Black Swan," "Avatar" and "Ab Fab" attract claps*
  - 37 *Bar glass that's half Bass, half dark malt*
  - 38 *Lama's art that can't last*
  - 39 "Shazam!"
  - 40 Noted political maiden name
  - 41 Designer McCartney
  - 43 Comedian Margaret
  - 45 "\_\_\_\_\_ hear"
  - 48 Something woeful
  - 49 Item of attire for 54-Across
  - 51 Square meals that are round
- DOWN**
- 1 Chrysler Building style, informally
  - 2 Physical, e.g.
  - 3 Smart-alecky
  - 4 "M\*A\*S\*H" star
  - 5 One in a gray suit
  - 6 Modernist Kafka
  - 7 A bridge might have one
  - 8 "The Lord of the Rings" villain
  - 9 "Pop" goer
  - 10 Online gaming guilds
  - 52 Minneapolis suburb
  - 54 Jackie of "Shanghai Noon"
  - 58 Maine senator after Mitchell
  - 60 Striped Girl Scout cookie
  - 62 Knocks
  - 63 Zodiac symbol
  - 64 Pier place
  - 65 Adams and Alcott
  - 66 Most handy
  - 72 '70s self-help course
  - 74 Word repeated in the "Superman" intro
  - 76 Alliance
  - 77 Meaning: Fr.
  - 81 *Flashback and halfbacks*
  - 84 Eyelashes
  - 86 That, in Tijuana
  - 88 Source of excitement
  - 89 TV/movie group associated with this puzzle's theme?
  - 90 Agave drink
  - 92 In the slightest
  - 93 Apple product
  - 95 The Adversary
  - 96 Jerk
  - 97 Day-and-night, in a way
  - 98 Belafonte hit
  - 99 Dungeons & Dragons figure
  - 100 Strait-laced
  - 101 Elation
  - 103 Reebok alternative
  - 104 Hike, with "up"
  - 105 The East
  - 107 It goes before E except after C
  - 109 Whiz
  - 110 Vientiane native



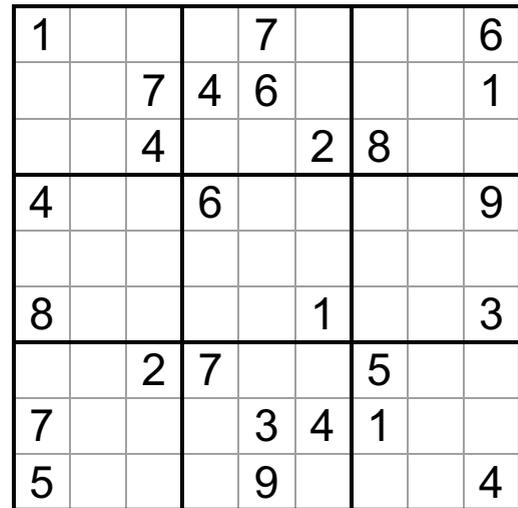
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**HARD - 76**

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



### Answers to last week's puzzles

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

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T	I	M	E	D	O	U	T	E	V	E	N	E	R	N	A	L
A	M	A	Z	E	S	I	S	N	T	L	A	R	E	D	O	T
F	E	V	E	R	D	E	I	C	E	E	D	O	T	E	X	A
F	A	I	L	L	E	T	T	E	R	A	L	I	E	N	A	T
A	L	A	S	K	A	N	S	R	E	S	T	C	O	R	D	O
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W	E	A	P	O	N	O	R	G	Y	S	I	L	E	N	T	
A	L	B	A	N	O	P	O	R	E	O	N	A	T	E	A	
C	L	A	R	E	T	E	L	I	S	M	I	S	S	C	A	
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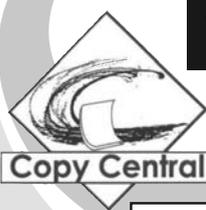
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