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WARMING UP

Local students take part in a master class led by violinist Elena Urioste and other musicians from the Chamber Music by the Sea series, last Thursday at Zenna Wellness Studio in Berlin. The students joined the professional musicians on the following evening during a public concert at Buckingham Presbyterian Church in Berlin. See story page 9.

John Bailey to take over as OP GM

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) The John Bailey era in Ocean Pines officially starts Monday, Sept. 11, more than one year after the previous permanent general manager was fired on Aug. 26, 2016.

At that time, newly elected Director Brett Hill stepped into the role. The board of directors, which included only one member, Dave Stevens, who had served for more than one year, had a mostly hands-off approach in its guidance of Hill.



John Bailey

Hill spearheaded efforts to reinvigorate the yacht club and country club, and attempted to extend the season and hours of operation at the beach club. Traditionally, with beach club parking, the beach club is one of the biggest moneymakers in Ocean Pines.

All three club buildings underwent significant renovations and work continues at the country club. A snafu involving

fire safety systems caused construction on the second floor of the country club to stop, as the fire marshal ordered twice-hourly inspections until sprinkler systems were reinstalled. The situation took several weeks to resolve and reportedly cost \$500 per day in staffing costs.

Last month, it appeared the board was close to awarding a more than \$500,000 contract to Willow Construction LLC to restart the country club renovations, at Hill's request and without seeking other bidders, but that did not happen.

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Community Mural Project heads to Germantown Sch.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) Members of the greater Berlin community are being encouraged to attend the Community Mural Project, Open Paint and Community Pot Luck next Saturday, Sept. 16 from 4-7 p.m. at the Germantown School on 10223 Trappe Road.

The event is free and open to the public, and scheduled to include food, live music, and displays from the Germantown School Community Heritage Center and Calvin B. Taylor House Museum.

The center of the event is an open paint session for a community mural that will be permanently installed on the exterior of the Berlin Welcome Center, downtown on Main Street.

Muralist John Donato set up a large canvas outside of the Taylor House Museum.
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Meet and greet at yacht club, Mon.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) Meet new Ocean Pines Association General Manager John Bailey at a special community event set for Monday, Sept. 11 at 7

p.m. at Mumford's Landing (the yacht club) on 1 Mumford's Landing Road.

Bailey will have a private dinner with the board of directors earlier during the evening, then the doors

will open for the free occasion.

"We'll have a meet and greet and some coffee, just to have people come in [and meet Bailey]," Board President Doug Parks said. "It's open to the public, at the yacht club, at 7 o'clock."



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Ellie's Bus, an organization that promotes suicide prevention and mental health awareness, will be at the Out of the Darkness Walk on Sept. 23. The walk will start near Caroline Street on the Boardwalk at 9 a.m.

Ellie's Bus to join Out of Darkness Walk on Sept. 23

By Katie Tabeling
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Jesse Klump Memorial Fund is partnering up with another Maryland organization to destigmatize mental illness during the annual Out of the Darkness Walk on Sept. 23.

Ellie's Bus, a bright orange '78 Volkswagen camper van, will be parked on the Boardwalk near Caroline Street on the morning of the fundraising walk. The bus was a gift from Larry and Sherry Leikin to their 16-year-old daughter Ellie, who passed away in 2015. To honor their daughter's memory, the Leikins and their network of professionals drive the bus to spread awareness of mental health issues and suicide prevention to teenagers across the country.

Ronald Pilling of the Jesse Klump Memorial Fund brought the nonprofit to Ocean City officials' attention weeks after the annual Out of the Darkness Walk was approved by the City Council.

"Ron feels that it will draw positive attention to the event, and we have no issues to adding them to the event," Special Events Coordinator Lisa Mitchell said during Tuesday's session. "Ellie's Bus will need to park out of the path of the trams, since they'll be running for Sunfest."

The council unanimously approved the request without comment.

Suicide is one of the top 10 causes of death in the United States, according to a 2015 study conducted by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention. That study showed that it was the third-largest cause of death among teens and young adults.

The Out of the Darkness walk raises money for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Some of the money raised comes back to Worcester County in the form of mental health first aid, as well as suicide prevention and grief-counseling programs.

So far, roughly \$10,000 has been pledged. Organizers anticipate more than 1,300 people will participate.

The walk begins on the Boardwalk at Caroline Street and moves north to 10th Street, where participants turn around and continue south to the Inlet. The walk ends when participants return to Caroline Street.

The Out of the Darkness walk will run from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information on how to pledge money or how to participate, visit www.facebook.com/oceancity-ootd.

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Dualization of 113 paving to continue through September

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Construction crews will be a continuing presence for commuters on Route 113 between Snow Hill and Berlin, as paving work there is expected to continue into the fall.

Maryland State Highway Administration spokesman Bob Rager provided a status update on Phase 3 of the \$86 million highway dualization project, which covers a 4.6-mile stretch of road between Massey Branch and Five Mile Branch Road.

Rager said State Highway was in the process of installing several layers of base asphalt for the new northbound U.S. 113 roadway that will run from south of Langmaid Road to south of Basket Switch Road.

Because crews began putting in initial base layers of asphalt in July, Rager said work has progressed steadily.

"It always takes a while to get to this point, but projects like this can really pick up speed once we hit the first paving operation," he said.

Over the next few weeks, Rager estimated 20,000 tons of new asphalt would be spread. Workers have also spent "a tremendous amount of time" installing drainage infrastructure and moving utilities, he added.

Rager said Mother Nature can be friend or foe when preparing to pave.

"All of these tasks are incredibly weather sensitive, because the fill material can only be compacted within a certain moisture content range," he said.

Thankfully, as crews prepare for final grading work and begin placing aggregate and paving, Rager said rainy days become less impactful.

"The compacted roadbed sheds water and dries quickly, and crews can get right back to work," he said.

Rager said additional grading and cement work would continue at the south end of the project area, through the end of September.

"Motorists can expect a temporary traffic shift this fall," he said. "We'll place both directions of traffic on the new northbound lanes, freeing up a large section of the old U.S. 113 road so we can begin reconstructing it."



Actors from the Brown Box Theatre offer a faithful rendition of Shakespeare's Hamlet in Byrd Park during last week's Snow Hill Arts on the River First Friday event.

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Snow Hill backs memorial pitch

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Efforts to establish a memorial for Negro League baseball standout William Julius "Judy" Johnson were reinvigorated, following a presentation by Worcester County Historical Society President Charles Weaver during a Snow Hill Council work session, last Tuesday.

Plans could be dependent, however, on establishing exactly where Johnson was born. Conflicting reports suggest his birthplace was either Snow Hill or Newark, on Oct. 26, 1899.

Weaver, an avid baseball fan, said the idea to honor Johnson came from a student essay.

"I was inspired by this project from a high school senior at Stephen Decatur," he said. "I picked it up from there, but I want to make sure that Cole Mumford gets the credit."

"[Johnson] was one of the best athletes to ever come out of Worcester County," Weaver added. "I know that's a bold statement."

Not long after Johnson was born, most likely somewhere in Worcester County, Johnson's father relocated the family to Wilmington, Delaware. There, the family patriarch operated a gym where the future baseball star started out – as a boxer.

"He was a counterpuncher [and] he could move," Weaver said. "He was little [and] he was quick, but he didn't want to play that – he wanted to play baseball."

As a teenager, while serving as batboy for a baseball

team managed by his father, Johnson aspired to move from the dugout to the diamond, Weaver said.

"He became a semi-pro player [in 1918], but [at] first he was rejected because he was small," he said. "This guy was only 5 feet 6 inches and 120 pounds."

Johnson, by the early 1920s, grew to 5 feet 10 inches and 145 pounds. He signed with the Hilldale Club of Philadelphia, earning \$135 a month with his first professional contract, Weaver said.

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Worcester County Historical Society President Charles Weaver, who is hoping to erect a memorial to honor Negro Baseball League superstar William Julius "Judy" Johnson in Snow Hill, presented his case during a council work session last Tuesday.

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Germantown and Taylor House join together in mural

■ COMMUNITY continued

House Museum during the Berlin Peach Festival on Aug. 5, when dozens of people of all ages helped to paint a mural that will hang at the Germantown School.

“The turnout was really good,” Donato said. “We had everybody from toddlers to great-grandparents come out to work on the mural. There’s a little bit of instruction, so I’m definitely guiding people through the process, but they basically do all the painting.”

Donato said the open paint at Germantown would work the same way – he will create illustrative outlines on the mural panel and members of the community will fill in the details.

“There will be a lot already on it because we started it a while back,” he said. “It’s all guided, all the materials are there. You don’t need any experience and you can paint of a minute or for an hour.”

He said the imagery is meant to tie together two of Berlin’s most important historical hubs – the Taylor House Museum and Germantown School.

The Taylor House was home to and influential figure during the early part of the town’s history and the school, built around 1922, was one of several community schools that served black children during segregation.

Both buildings were resurrected by community volunteers after a period of disuse and are now used both as history museums and cultural centers.

“We looked at the history of the Germantown School and celebrating the resurgence and rebirth of the school – how it changed hands and now it’s back again as a cultural center,” Donato said. “We’re tying the people, today, who are involved with the Germantown School or involved with the Taylor House Museum and everybody throughout history in the town that led up to that. There were a lot of people that made those things exist and nurtured them through



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Muralist John Donato leads an open paint for a community mural during the Berlin Peach Festival, last month. Next, Donato will lead an open paint at the Germantown School during a special event there on Sept. 16.

time.”

Underscoring those connections, Donato said, is at the heart of the event.

“There have been people that have always been engaged, serving the community and serving other people, and they have always represented such great leadership and sort of caretaking of others,” he said. “They made a lot of these efforts just through wanting to see the town succeed. They really gave a lot of their time and their energy and their effort to make these things happen.

“We really wanted folks today to be able to celebrate how connected we are through everybody in history who came together to make these things exist,” Donato added. “And it’s really good to know how a building like [the Germantown School] started and how it came into existence and to understand the story.

“So, there’s going to be a lot of displays [during the event] with a lot of photos that folks will see for the first time and they’ll have no idea – I didn’t know this person did this and that’s why this street is named that ... we’re all connected through our his-

tory, even if we don’t know it.

“The rich history of it all shouldn’t be forgotten because I think it helps us exist together, understanding how we are connected – good or bad – and how far we’ve come,” Donato said. “It helps us understand where we’re going and what we value together. That’s really the story – this perseverance, the leadership, the vision that

started a couple hundred years ago and still exists. We didn’t invent all of this. There were people that started this and we’re living their vision.”

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Ocean Pines directors weigh in on hopes for John Bailey

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) With new Ocean Pines Association General Manager John Bailey officially starting work on Monday, several directors expressed their support in separate email interviews and stated their goals for his tenure.

All seven directors were asked for their input. The following responded.

Board President Doug Parks:

"I look forward to John joining the association as its general manager and the partnership we as a board can develop with him as we work towards improving the overall operation and services within the community."

Board VP Cheryl Jacobs:

"Six of the seven current directors of the board, along with input from staff, helped select John Bailey as the general manager. As he arrives on the auspicious date of Sept. 11, it will be with solid support.

"I welcome the opportunity to turn the page with a new GM and a new board with fresh approaches to the challenges we face on projects underway, as well as any new undertakings we may tackle. The experience he brings to our community will bode well for Ocean Pines for many years to come. I am ready and anxious to pro-

vide whatever support I can to help make this a very productive and successful year."

Director Collette Horn:

"As a new director, I look forward to meeting Mr. Bailey and learning about the experience, know-how and talents he brings to the management of our association. I have confidence in the board's selection of him to lead our operations team.

"I am happy to be part of a new board ready to collaborate and support Mr. Bailey in addressing the many challenges we face as an association."

Director Slobodan Trendic:

"I look forward to welcoming Mr. Bailey as the OPA's new general manager. My expectations are that we as the board continue to show confidence in his professional skills and empower him with authority to operate as a fully functioning GM on day one.

"I am also hopeful that in the coming months Mr. Bailey's efforts will be guided by the list of first-year expectations that have been developed. And in order to have a successful first year, I intend to work with my director-colleagues on providing Mr. Bailey with regular feedback and support. That also means that frequent evaluation of his performance should be one of the board's top priorities."

Plenty of outstanding issues for new OPA GM to address

■ JOHN BAILEY continued

Meanwhile, returns at the yacht club and beach club have been unusually poor during what are traditionally two of the most robust months, June and July.

The beach club posted a net operating loss of \$34,288 in June and a \$5,647 loss in July. The facility made \$22,141 in June 2016 and \$81,408 in July 2016.

The yacht club had a net operating loss of \$115,537 in June and a \$15,499 loss in July, against profits of \$12,867 in June 2016 and \$66,027 in July 2016.

Some board members accused Hill of fostering poor working conditions, namely conducting video and audio surveillance of various Ocean Pines facilities, including the administration building, without notifying employees.

The surveillance reportedly led to the resignation of at least one department director. Nearly a dozen high-level employees have either been fired or resigned during Hill's tenure as interim general manager.

In May, Director Cheryl Jacobs said at some members of the board were excluded from any conversations regarding the surveillance.

"I can respond that it was without the knowledge of some directors, myself included," she said at the time.

Along with righting the ship at the beach and yacht clubs, Bailey will have to find a way to get the country club con-

struction back on track. An expansion of the police facilities in the administration building would be next, because meeting space from one building was supposed to move to the other.

He will also face restarting the bulkhead maintenance program that paused for one year, addressing decades-old stormwater problems and, potentially, reexamining options for the formerly adults-only Oasis pool, a particularly sore subject with many of the older homeowners.

What's more, budget season generally starts in September in Ocean Pines, when the general manager and department heads begin work on a draft that is reviewed by the board in January.

Parks, after the election, said getting all the directors on the same page in support of Bailey is his highest priority.

"I think that is the first and foremost thing that we have to do collectively," he said. "I think other things will fall in place based on his leadership and our support of him."

Bailey, most recently the general manager of the Skyline Plaza condominium association, in Falls Church, Virginia, was the general manager of the Brandermill development in Richmond, Virginia from 2013-2016, and general manager of the Lake of the Woods homeowner's association in Locust Grove, Virginia from 2001 to 2009.



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Pines bulkhead contract up for discussion

Document, signed in Oct., appears to conflict with board vote at July meeting

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) When the new Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors meets for the first time during a regular meeting, on Friday, Sept. 29, among the items up for discussion will be clearing up confusion on the status of the bulkhead replacement initiative.

Board President Doug Parks said this week a contract with Hi-Tide Marine Construction, signed by interim General Manager Brett Hill in October, was for emergency bulkhead work – not necessarily replacement.

“The intent was to have a contractor on retainer to address issues if/when they arose,” Parks said. “The bulkhead replacement initiative is a separate long-term effort to address the requirements for maintaining the bulkheads as they approach the end of their product use life.”

Last week, the Gazette obtained a copy of the contract signed in Octo-

ber. It is unclear if that document would be overwritten by a board vote on bulkheads that occurred during a meeting on July 28.

A bid sheet included in the July 28 meeting packet listed base bids for “full and complete construction of maximum 6 feet face bulkhead section(s)” priced, per linear foot, from McGinty Marine (\$365), Fisher Marine (\$355), Murtech Marine (\$279), Rehak’s (\$525) and Hi-Tide (\$226.79).

Hill recommended awarding a three-year contract to Hi-Tide, but the directors compromised on a one-year deal, with options for two more years.

At the time, Hill said the com-

pany was the lowest bidder that responded to a request for proposals. The search was conducted by Davis, Bowen & Friedel Inc.

However, the contract signed in October appears to contain language for an exclusive, five-year deal.

Under payment terms, conditions and exclusions, a portion of the contract states, “Price is based upon continuous contract for 5 years with an optional extension for 5 years if mutually agreed upon by both parties ...

With this contract OPA agrees to Hi-Tide being the preferred contractor of Ocean Pines Association and that Hi-Tide will perform all work

for OPA during the contract period.”

Hill signed the contract as “Brett C. Hill Acting GM” on Oct. 5, 2016. The signature page states, “this will be your contract should you choose to proceed.”

“While the board did approve a contract with Hi-Tide at the July 28 meeting ... additional discussion is required by the board to review the process that was followed and confirm that we are in compliance with our governing documents regarding the award of a contract to Hi-Tide in October of 2016,” Parks said.

“We anticipate having this item on the agenda for the Sept. 29 board meeting,” he continued.



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Judy Johnson memorial plans once again coming together

■ SNOW HILL continued

It wasn't long before the clutch-hitting, sure-handed third baseman became a team leader.

"From 1923 to 1929 Johnson led the Hilldales of Philadelphia as captain on the field," Weaver said.

Beginning in 1923, Johnson's offensive and defensive contributions helped Hilldale win three consecutive Eastern Colored League pennants.

"From 1923 to 1925 he [batted] .391, .369 and .392," Weaver said. "That man could hit."

Johnson helped cement his formidable reputation on the field during the inaugural Negro League World Series in 1924, when he led all hitters with a .364 series average, Weaver said.

"He had 16 hits in that world series ... [including] six doubles, a triple and a home run," Weaver said. "His slugging average was a whopping .614."

Although Hilldale lost the best-of-nine series against the National League champion Kansas City Monarchs, Johnson's team rebounded to claim the title in 1925.

Over the next decade, Johnson continued to post stellar stats. In 1929 he batted .416 and was named Negro League Player of the Year and league MVP, Weaver said.

In 1930 Johnson was a player-manager for the Homestead Grays, based near Pittsburgh, where he started rookie Josh Gibson at catcher. Commonly referred to as "the black Babe Ruth," Gibson clobbered nearly 800 homeruns while compiling a roughly .359 batting average over his 17-year career.

"Josh Gibson ... he's got to be the strongest player ever to put on a glove and pair of spikes," Weaver said. "He hit a ball approximately over 600 feet."

In 1932, Johnson became team captain with the Pittsburgh Crawfords, where he played on perhaps the best Negro League team ever, Weaver said.

"They were known like the 1927 Yankees ... this team was awesome," he said. "They had Josh Gibson, Oscar Charleston, Cool Papa Bell and the great Satchel Paige."

In 1975 Johnson became the sixth Negro League player inducted into the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame. He also served on a committee that nominated several of his peers, including Paige and Gibson.

During his Hall of Fame appointment, then Commissioner Bowie Kuhn compared Johnson's prowess at the hot corner to contemporary legend Brooks Robinson.

"Johnson's Hall of Fame plaque says he is the best third baseman in the Negro League era," Weaver said. "He would [make] barehanded pickups and turn bunts into double plays."

Besides his gaudy statistics,

Weaver said Johnson deserves recognition for his positive demeanor, for which many baseball fans called him "Mr. Sunshine."

"Despite discrimination, despite Jim Crow laws, despite being hassled every day because he was a black man, he always had a smile," Weaver said. "He always thought the sun was shining somewhere when he was on a ball field."

Unbeknownst to Weaver, Snow Hill Mayor Charlie Dorman said the town first explored a memorial for Johnson in 2013, based on suggestion from resident Ron Brittingham.

At that point, Dorman and Trish Goodsell, assistant town manager, began researching Johnson's history. It was then that they discovered differing accounts of his birthplace.

"We called the historical society and said we need help, but we haven't heard from [them]," Dorman said.

'He had 16 hits in that world series ... [including] six doubles, a triple and a home run. His slugging average was a whopping .614.'

Worcester County
Historical Society President
Charles Weaver

Unsured how to proceed, Dorman said town officials began talks with Dr. Clara Small, who retired from Salisbury University in 2013 after nearly four decades as a history professor. Following a community meeting in 2015, the town contracted with Small, who wrote three books about the history of African-Americans on the shore, to write a book that would include a chapter dedicated to Johnson.

"We hired her as a consultant to try to write the black history [of Snow Hill] and this was included," he said.

Goodsell said Small is still doing research and hopes to have a status update in November.

"We wanted to make this work and asked for everybody's help, but never got it," Dorman said. "Now this young man wrote the letter, which is terrific, and we want to help."

Although the memorial concept has yet to be fleshed out, Weaver, who is a member of the Society for Professional Baseball Research, said he would spearhead fundraising efforts.

"It won't be a taxpayer problem," he said. "I'm not looking for money here."

Dorman said the town would lend its full support to the campaign.

"We started it and dropped the ball, but I'm certainly glad somebody's picked it up," he said. "We'll help you do whatever you're going to do."

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'Chamber Music by the Sea' enjoys successful second yr.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) The expanded Chamber Music by the Sea series from Aug. 29 to Sept. 3 in Berlin, Snow Hill and South Point was a hit, according to artistic director Elena Urioste.

Urioste said all performances were well attended and ample funds were raised for the Worcester County Educational Foundation.

She was joined by cellist Brook Speltz, violinist Melissa White, violist Milena Pajarovan de Stadt and pianist Tom Poster during concerts in two area homes and at two local churches.

"My incredible colleagues all played their hearts out in every single piece – no small feat, as I threw each of them an enormous amount of work and responsibility over the course of the week," Urioste said. "The audiences were all unbelievably warm, supportive, and enthusiastic, proving that chamber music really is a connective experience."

"Each and every one of the concerts was full of special moments, from the thrill of getting to make music on each of Ron Geesey's spectacular instruments, to the otherworldly ambience of Philip Bogosian's home, to performing with outstanding local young violinists at Buckingham Presbyterian Church, to the glowing sounds and rapt silence within All Hallows Episcopal Church. I will remember the entire week forever," she added.

Urioste said fundraising and ticket sales far exceeded her goal, which bodes well for the future of the festival.

"It is my sincere hope that Chamber Music by the Sea will be an annual event. It is an absolute gift to be able to bring my colleagues and their beautiful music to the Eastern Shore and play for this warm, receptive community of people," she said.

The exact amount raised for the foundation has yet to be determined, Urioste said.

"Our goal was to provide memorable performances and raise money for the Worcester County Educational Foundation ... I know for a fact that we achieved our goal," she said. "Our community can help both Chamber Music by the Sea and the Worcester County Educational Foundation by supporting programs for the arts, attending public performances, encouraging others to support

the arts, and by 'liking' the Chamber Music by the Sea Facebook page to receive updates on upcoming events and performances in the area."

The Worcester County Educational Foundation funds teacher grants, helps supplement technology needs and ensures that students have supplies they need to be successful during the school year, according to foundation member Melissa Reid.

Urioste thanked the local businesses and members of the community who sponsored the series.

A personal highlight, she said, was the day-long master class she and the other musicians hosted for student players at Zenna Wellness Studio in Berlin last Thursday. The students joined the professional musicians during the concert at Buckingham Presbyterian Church Friday night.

"I want to extend a special thank you to Chrissy Ehrhart for lending us her magical studio for the day, and to all of the young violinists for being so open and receptive," she said. "Without them, classical music would have no future, but fortunately there is no danger of that on the Eastern Shore. It was an honor to share ideas with the next generation of musicians."

For more information on the series, visit www.facebook.com/ChamberMusicbytheSea.

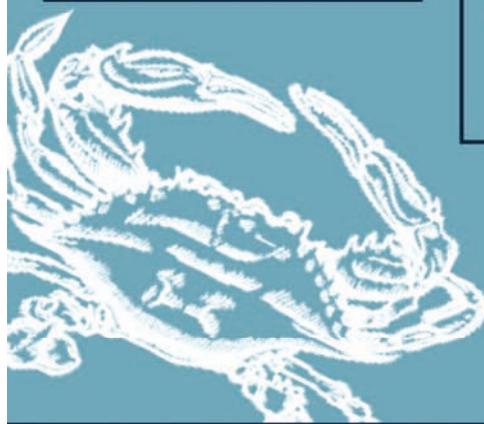


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Berlin's TaDa to close, reopen as Bruder Home

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) After a two-decade run in downtown Berlin, TaDa will close its shop doors for good in October.

The business will reopen as Bruder Home, a sister store to Bruder Hill, later that month.

TaDa, run by Patty Falck and her daughter, Blair Parsons, opened during Thanksgiving weekend, 1996.

"In early November of that year, my mom told my dad, Steve, that she had some good news and some bad news. Good news is that she was opening a store in Berlin to feature her artwork and hand-painted glassware. The bad news is that she wanted to use the front of his custom home-building office on Williams Street as her storefront," Parsons said. "She eventually expanded past the front room, he moved his office across the street and 13 years later we moved TaDa to its current location on Main Street."

Parsons opened her own store, Blair Elizabeth, in 2007 in Rehoboth. She said a series of events brought her back to Berlin two years later.

"My father was diagnosed with multiple system atrophy, TaDa's lease on Williams Street was up for renewal, and the 18 North Main Street space became available," she said. "I decided to leave Rehoboth to

take over TaDa and move the store to Main Street.

"I think I brought a younger, more modern taste to TaDa, while taking some of the pressure off of my mom so she could care for my dad," Parsons continued. "My sister is a full-time teacher, but she has always had a hand in helping my mom restore furniture and build frames for her artwork."

She said the decision to sell stemmed from a conversation Falck had with Shelly Bruder, owner of Bruder Hill, last June.

Larnet St. Amant, executive director of the Berlin Chamber of Commerce, helps to run Bruder Hill and is expected to be a large part of Bruder Home.

"We weren't really looking to sell TaDa," Parsons said. "We love being a part of Berlin and have enjoyed helping it grow into what it is today."

"This past June my mom and Shelly were chatting about the store and my mom mentioned that it would be great if someone came along that could take over the store and keep her artwork and so much of what TaDa is known for, so that we could have more time to focus on our creative pursuits," she added. "They quickly realized that Shelly would be the perfect person to do that and called me with the idea. I was

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Blair Parsons and her mom, Patty Falck, pose outside of TaDa, circa 2009, when Parsons left her shop Blair Elizabeth in Rehoboth Beach to help run the downtown Berlin store. This week, Parsons and Falck announced they would sell the business to Shelly Bruder, who will open Bruder Home there, likely in mid-October.



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Social Services, Merrill Lynch aid flood victims

Collections to be accepted through Sept. 11 in Snow Hill, Pocomoke, Ocean City

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Worcester County Department of Social Services and Merrill Lynch in Ocean City are spearheading one of a multitude of local and national efforts to ship supplies to assist people and pets impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

Kirby Brewington, with social services, said donations are being accepted through Sept. 11 at numerous locations in Snow Hill, along

with Pocomoke and Ocean City. After hearing of Merrill Lynch's efforts to line up tractor trailers, Brewington jumped onboard to help fill the vehicles with sorely needed items.

In addition to canned and non-perishable foods, organizers are requesting bedding, toiletries, paper products and clothing.

Drop off sites include Worcester County Department of Social Services, 299 Commerce Street; Worcester County Bureau of Child Support, 424 West Market Street; Harvest Moon Tavern, 108 West Green Street; and Bomshell Boutique, 12216 Ocean Gateway in Ocean City.

Pocomoke Animal Hospital, 1139 Ocean Highway, is also collecting items to assist pets impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

Items sought include: canned or dry food for cats and dogs, treats, toys, food bowls, litter/litter pans, kennels or crates, leashes and collars, and bedding and towels. horse supplies are also being collected.

Like many who witnessed footage of the devastation in Houston and Louisiana, Leia Dudek, Pocomoke Animal Hospital receptionist technician, wanted to lend aid. Along with Amy Manelski, officer manager, Dudek attempted to contact the Society for the Preven-

tion of Cruelty to Animals in both states.

"We didn't hear from either and then we saw something on Facebook about Social Services filling a truck," she said.

After making contact with Brewington, both Dudek and Manelski were happy to lead the charge to aid much beloved pets.

"We can't go down ... so we did the next best thing," she said.

For questions about the collection, contact Kirby Brewington at 410-677-6970. For inquiries about animal donations, contact the Pocomoke Animal Hospital at 410-957-0404.

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Parsons, Falck to re-team for TaDa Interiors

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thrilled.”

In addition to running TaDa, Parsons and her husband, Joseph, run Steamers, a carryout crab and seafood market in Millville, Delaware.

“I spend most of my summer split between the two businesses and my other position as a sales representative for Nora Fleming, a gift-line in the mid-Atlantic area,” Parsons said. “As much as I love owning and running TaDa, I realized that three full time jobs was wearing on me. Shelly and Larnet are so talented and energetic, it was an easy decision to pass on our legacy to them. I can’t wait to see how they turn TaDa into Bruder Home and make it their own.”

Parsons said she would miss the customers at TaDa, as well as the neighboring shop owners, many of whom have become like family.

“I love Berlin and everything about being a business owner there,” she said. “There is something magical about the way everyone works together in town, and I am very proud

to have been a part of such a wonderful community.”

She remembers sneaking off this summer to Island Creamery with Emily Cook Vocke, owner of Heart of Gold Kids.

“We were standing in front of TaDa, talking to Devon and Hunter from Fathom about things in the town, and how delicious the ice cream was, when a friend of ours walked up,” Parsons said. “She said it must be so fun to work surrounded by all of these great people and to get to hang out on the sidewalk and chat. Anyone who is lucky enough to be a part of the community of business owners in Berlin knows how special that feeling is and that is what I will miss the most.”

Parsons said she would take off some time during the transition, but that she and her mom had plenty of ideas for continued collaboration.

‘My mom and I have heard for years from customers that they wish their houses could look like TaDa. We are very excited to say that’s possible now with the launch of TaDa Interiors’

Blair Parsons

“My mom and I have heard for years from customers that they wish their houses could look like TaDa. We are very excited to say that’s possible now with the launch of TaDa Interiors,” she said. “My dad had a custom home-building company and before starting the store, my mom’s background was interior design and they often collaborated on projects.”

“I know she’s looking forward to focusing on her painting and re-turning to her interior design roots by offering design services to clients in the coastal area,” Parsons continued. “I am looking forward to working with her and spending more time with my husband at Steamers, and I can’t wait to see where this takes us all in the future.”

Bruder said many of the items offered at TaDa would carry over to Bruder Home, including Falck’s artwork.

She said the store would close on Oct. 15 and that she hoped to have it up and running, rebranded, within a week.

“It’s going to be turnkey,” she said. “We’re purchasing all their shelving and display stuff, so we’ll pretty much be going in and opening the doors.”

Bruder said a grand opening with new items would likely be held next April.

“We’re very excited and I’m happy that they talked to me about doing it,” she said. “Larnet is excited and we both came from a gift background – we both worked for Flowers by Alison [in West Ocean City] for years.”

After running Bruder Hill on Commerce Street for 15 years, she’s also looking forward to the move to Main Street.

“Even yesterday someone came in and said, ‘we’ve been coming here for years and didn’t know you were here,’” Bruder said. “We’ll be sending a ton of people [to the store]. We plan to really cross-market.”

For more information on Bruder Hill, visit www.facebook.com/bruderhill.

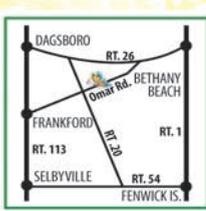
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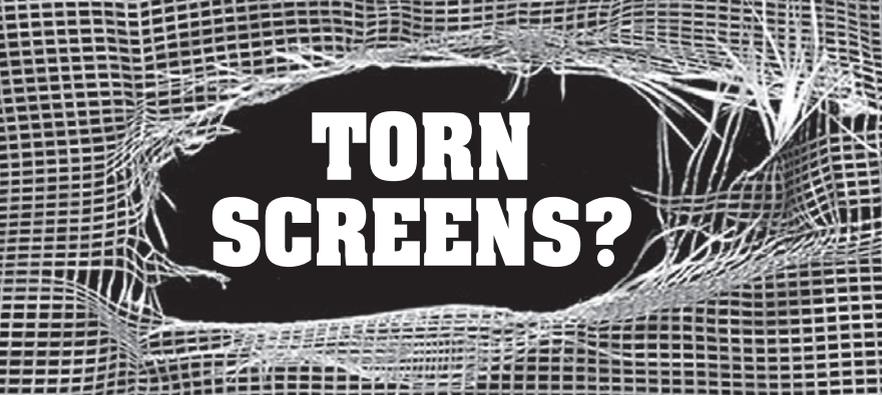
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AWARENESS MONTH

The Worcester County Commissioners join with members of the Child Support Unit of Social Services to recognize August as National Child Support Awareness Month, Aug. 1.



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GUEST SPEAKER

Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City welcomed Judy Allen, who is involved with education for the Department of Defense System in the capacity of superintendent for the schools for military dependents stationed in South Korea. She was the guest speaker during the July 19 weekly meeting in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Pictured, from left, are Mark Joseph, Laura Allen with her mother, Judy, and President Barb Peletier.



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CLUB OFFICERS

Area rotary clubs recently introduced 2017/2018 officers. In front, from left, are Marty Pusey, president Snow Hill Rotary; Willie Jackson, president Pocomoke Rotary; and Margaret Mudron, president Ocean City-Berlin Rotary; and standing, Ann Gibb, past-president Snow Hill Rotary; Carol Dorman, treasurer Snow Hill Rotary; Bill Ferguson, assistant district governor; Norman Kreuger, treasurer Pocomoke Rotary Club; Jackie Gordon, secretary Pocomoke Rotary; Cliff Berg, past-president/treasurer Ocean City-Berlin Rotary; and Ed Welch, president elect secretary Ocean City-Berlin Rotary.



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SCHOLARSHIP CHECK

The Marlin Club Crew of OC recently awarded four \$3,500 scholarships to Worcester County students to assist with their college education. Pictured with Suzanne Clagett, left, and Margie Gilmore, right, of the scholarship committee, and Marlin Club Crew of OC President Cathy Donovan, center, are recipients, from left, Whitney (Lexie) VanKirk (James Madison University), Ethan Call (University of Delaware) and Hannan Semsker (University of South Carolina). Also receiving a scholarship but not pictured is Brennan Holloway (University of Maryland).



NURSING AWARD

Anissa Jones displays her nursing scholarship awarded by the Hartley Hall Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Pocomoke. Jones, who previously completed the Certified Nursing Assistant's program at Worcester Technical High School, will use the \$1,000 scholarship to pursue a career in nursing at Morgan State University in Baltimore.

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HOSPICE SUPPORT

Atlantic/Smith, Cropper & Deeley of Willards continues its support for the programs of Coastal Hospice with a donation to the charity care the nonprofit provides. Pictured, from left, are Shaneka Nichols, Mary Jane Wharton, Coastal Hospice President Alane Capen and Laura Deeley Bren.

Dr. Small to explore rich history of Snow Hill

Former Salisbury University professor takes in-depth look at tri-cultural relations

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Retired professor Dr. Clara Small is continuing research for a volume examining the history and cultural dynamics that have shaped Snow Hill.

In the pursuit of some clarity regarding the birthplace of a local baseball legend, the town contacted Small, two years ago, to write a research book that incorporated and preserved memories from community elders.

Prior to retiring in 2013, Small spent four decades teaching African-American history at Salisbury University, as well as authoring several books delving into the history of ethnic groups on the Eastern Shore.

Trish Goodsell, assistant town manager, anticipates Small's current book project will unearth historical context unfamiliar to many readers.

"From back to the time of the Underground Railroad ... [there is] lots of history that is going back all the way to the Colonial period to present day," she said.

Small said her intent was to explore the tri-cultural relations between African-Americans, indigenous peoples, and European settlers in Snow Hill.

"It takes time to get this together [and] try to put into perspective how groups worked together, but also had conflicts," she said. "Some were oppressed, some were dominant and, at the same time, some basically were assimilated into society — whereas some others were not."

To this point, Small has been consumed with researching state, local and university archives that include "Everything that has ever been written about the settlers, the Native Americans and African-Americans," she said. "I can't give any definitive answers until I can say I turned over every leaf and every rock."

What Small finds fascinating about history is the importance of appreciating the oppressive, yet inter-

dependent, relationships between ethnic groups.

"If you understand the dynamics of history and the dynamics of cultural groups coming together, you understand how they're different, but sometimes they need to depend upon each other for survival."

'That's when you really get to understand the dynamics of the town [and] the dynamics of what was going on the country as well. Sometimes what was happening on the local level may have been different than the impression people had on the national level!'

Dr. Clara Small

Small said the next phase of research would involve interviewing residents of Snow Hill.

"I'm trying to feel the pulse of the community," she said. "Some of their memories and what they remember from their parents, grandparents and great grandparents."

Despite her enthusiasm to engage directly, Small said preparation was key to elicit vital information and memories.

"In order to do that I've got to have all my background stuff ready and that way I can ask pointed questions," she said.

To get an unfiltered historical

viewpoint, Small said it's vital to understand how events personally impacted people of that era.

"That's when you really get to understand the dynamics of the town [and] the dynamics of what was going on the country as well," she said. "Sometimes what was happening on the local level may have been different than the impression people had on the national level."

Goodsell said while the completed book would bring value to Snow Hill, and open many younger eyes to local history, it would also preserve memories that might otherwise be lost.

"I don't think there's really going to be anything that can compare to the stories she's going to be able to get from the people who lived it," she said. "If you don't document it now there's a strong chance that you would never have the chance to."

Although just beginning her public outreach, Small encourages anyone willing to share Snow Hill memories to email clsmall@salisbury.edu or call 410-430-7135.

"That makes a difference in today [and] it would be good to hear their comments," she said. "When they pass on, that's an encyclopedia that's gone. That's information that's lost and you can't get it back."

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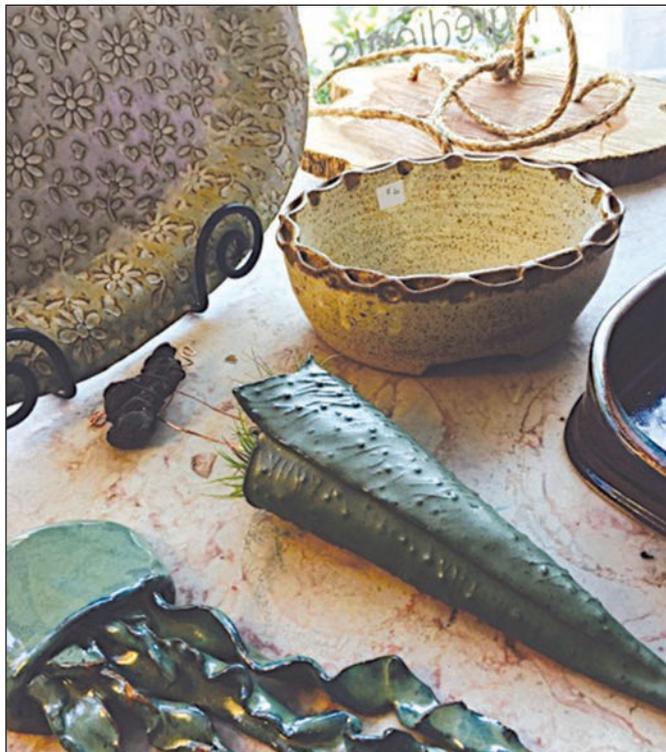
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Pam Howard will display pottery as the featured artist at Baked Dessert Café, Friday in Berlin during the monthly 2nd Friday art stroll.

Pam Howard to feature at Baked during 2nd Friday

Proceeds will benefit Berlin Arts & Entertainment cmte.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) Baked Dessert Café owner Robin Tomaselli did not have to look far to find an artist to show work during the 2nd Friday art stroll this week.

Her sister, Pam Howard, will display her pottery, and Tomaselli said she is a huge fan of her work.

“Robin was like, ‘Come on over.’ I was like, ‘I’m not that good!’” Howard said with a laugh. “She said, ‘yes you are!’ So, I’m kind of a reluctant participant.”

Howard said pottery started as a hobby. By day, she runs Ad Options Inc., a company that, among other things, designs all the promotional products for Baked Dessert. She learned how to make pottery at an adult-education class at her church in 2011.

“I’ve always loved art,” Howard said. “I started doing pottery for the Empty Bowls to benefit the homeless shelter [in Calvert County] with a group at my church called the Shepherd’s Hands Potters. I started making bowls and then it became kind of a social event with all the people that throw [pottery].”

Some of her pots are built exclusively by hand, while others are turned on a potter’s wheel. All of them are made from speckled clay at a small studio inside her church.

Howard has also been learning other media.

“I took a blacksmithing and forging class in Pennsylvania with one of the ladies from the studio as well. That was a lot of fun,” she said. “And I recently started glass blowing too!”

The pottery group meets once a week, and it wasn’t long before Howard produced an impressive body of work.

In Berlin, Howard will display her pottery, with proceeds of any sales benefiting the Berlin Arts & Entertainment Committee. Tomaselli regularly displays and sells her sister’s work.

“I’m bringing bowls and casserole dishes, plates and a couple of vases,” she said. “I was kind of surprised when Robin said, ‘Hey, you need to bring more stuff – the stuff I have is gone.’”

Baked Dessert Café is on 4 Bay Street, next to Berlin Town Hall.

Berlin’s 2nd Friday festivities will feature more than a dozen art displays in shops throughout the downtown area, along with sales and specials in restaurants from 5-8 p.m.

For more information on the Berlin Arts & Entertainment Committee, visit www.artsinberlin.org.

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Inaugural Small Town Throwdown in Berlin this Sat.

By Josh Davis
Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Town of Berlin is going a little bit country this Saturday, when the inaugural Small Town Throwdown comes to Main Street, courtesy of Fager's Island and The Atlantic Hotel.

"This was John's [Fager] idea," Berlin Economic and Community Development Director Ivy Wells said. "He came to me in January and said he'd really like to bring Nashville to Berlin. We've never really had any kind of country music festival and he wanted to put one on."

Wells and Fager worked together and booked three bands, Ruthie and the Wranglers, Arty Hill and the Long Gone Daddys, Patsy's Honkytonk Torch & Twang, and planned an event meant to mirror "Music City."

"We just wanted to bring some Nashville sounds to Main Street and get folks thinking about Berlin in early September," Fager said. "Dance in the streets with your friends and neighbors free concert for the entire family."

Along with live music, the event will include barbecue brisket and barbecue pork sandwiches from non-profit group Cassandra's Church, and additional festive foods from the Atlantic Hotel.



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Ruthie and the Wranglers, from Takoma Park, Maryland, will co-headline the inaugural Small Town Throwdown country music festival, Saturday in Berlin.

Other scheduled food vendors include the Sobo's Wine Beerstro and Eastern Shore Kettle Corn. Siculi Italian Kitchen will take orders for per-

sonal pizzas and Gilbert's Provisions will feature a crawfish boil, in-store.

Burley Oak Brewing Company will sell beer from its portable beer truck,

with proceeds benefiting the Berlin Arts and Entertainment Committee.

Wells said the goal of Small Town Throwdown is simple: bring new faces to Berlin.

"John Fager wants to introduce people to Berlin who maybe haven't been down here before," she said. "We thought maybe country music would draw people who haven't experienced Berlin before, and because they're interested in the country music festival they'll visit us and have a really great time and want to come back."

The event is free and open to the public, and scheduled to run from 1-6 p.m.

'Into the Woods Jr.' auditions in OP

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Ocean Pines Children's Theater will be holding auditions for the Broadway production of "Into the Woods Jr."

All interested youth between the ages of 8 and 18 are invited to audition at the Ocean Pines Community Church, lo-

cated on Route 589, on Friday, Sept. 15 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Be prepared with a one-minute monologue (memorized). For those interested in a singing role, also come prepared with 16 measures of a song from a Broadway musical.

Beyond casting, rehearsals will be on

Fridays from 5:30-8:30 p.m. and on Sundays from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at the church. The show will be performed in mid-January at the Ocean City convention center.

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Work on William Street likely to close Berlin roads for wks.

By Josh Davis

Associate Editor

(Sept. 7, 2017) Road closures on William Street in Berlin started this week and are expected to last several weeks, as the town continues its stormwater system upgrades.

Williams Street is closed between Cedar and Powellton avenues.

"This is the second phase of our stormwater projects, which have already reduced flooding in our community," Mayor Gee Williams said in a press release on Friday. "It's a temporary inconvenience for a permanent solution to our flooding problems."

"We expected to start the project sooner, but the State Highway Administration requested additional information about some components of the project we submitted for their review," Town Administrator Laura Allen said. "William Street is a state highway, therefore their approval is required."

Allen said working hours would

generally be between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. The road will be open to residents, but closed to through traffic during construction.

Because the street is a busy thoroughfare for pedestrians, the town ordered construction of a walkway along the fence of the power plant to act as a bypass for portions of the sidewalk that are closed.

Allen said the cost to do so is negligible.

"It's pretty minimal and I think it's worthwhile to give the folks in that area the increased option to be walk around and give them a little more mobility while we're working on that project," she said.

Allen said the town would continue to use its CodeRED notification system to alert residents of any road closures or emergency situations.

For more information or to sign up for CodeRED, visit www.berlin.md.gov/department/emergency-notification-2.



JOSH DAVIS/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Construction that began this week on William Street, and related to stormwater improvements, is likely to cause partial road closures for several weeks.

Pocomoke eyes replacement for Riverside Grill restaurant

By Greg Ellison

Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Pocomoke officials are searching for a new tenant to take over operations at the Riverside Grill, after being informed that current proprietor Mark Reeves would depart next month.

City Manager Bobby Cowger said Reeves, who took over operations there five years ago, also runs the Back Street Grill in Salisbury and earlier this year launched Southgate Grill in Ocean Pines.

"Their lease is up for renewal in January, but Oct. 30 will be their last day," he said. "We put a proposal package together and we're advertising it."

The town owns the 3,000-square-foot, 120-seat dining establishment, which Cowger said would most likely be reopened within a month of

Reeves closing up shop.

"We've already gotten five interested parties and [several] more have inquired," he said. "We'll be taking proposals until Sept. 30."

Once proposals are in, Cowger said the town would take a few weeks to choose a new operator.

"We'll contact the ones we're interested to meet," he said. "By end of October, we'll have a selection made ... and have them [moving] in by end of November."

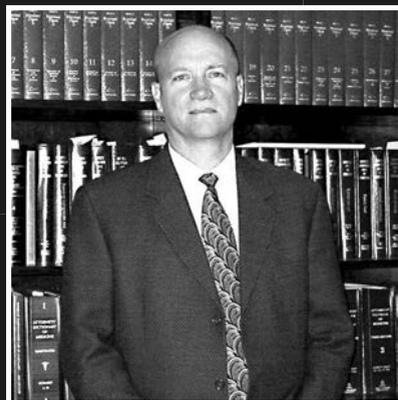
Although the new restaurant owners may undertake minor renovations or equipment changes, Cowger said for the most part the city-owned structure should be a virtually turnkey operation.

"We're excited about getting a new tenant," he said. "We're well on top of this one. We're looking not to be down more than 30 days."

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Wishing Bailey the best

The only thing that needs to be said with regard to new Ocean Pines Association General Manager John Bailey is, "good luck." And that's a sincere wish, with not one iota of sarcasm attached.

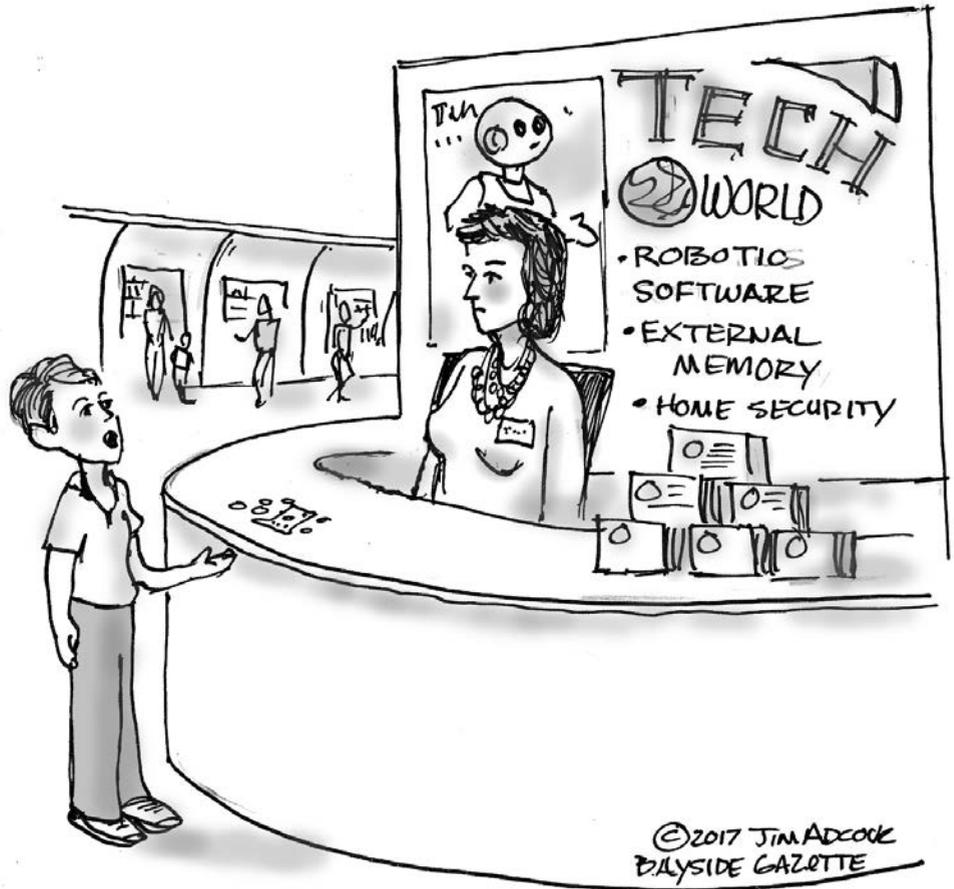
Everyone, regardless of his or her specific interests, wants Bailey to do well and act as a calming influence on the board of directors by getting the job done efficiently and quietly and without any agenda other than what the board majority establishes for him.

What Ocean Pines needs in this job is a steady hand on the tiller, as opposed to the lightning rod type that, because of the clash between management's vision and the viewpoints of some board members, often made the conflict between them seem more important than the job itself.

Most Ocean Pines residents just want to go about their lives in a relatively quiet, well-run community that meets their needs without having to suffer undue financial stress to get it.

Obviously, the disposition of major issues by the board and Bailey — getting the amenities back on track financially, stabilizing the staff and setting the new budget — will determine how property owners perceive this new administration.

That's the substance of the situation, but we also believe that style has an impact. The absence of controversy, for a change, would go a long way toward allowing people to go about their business while not worrying as much about how the association's leadership goes about its own.



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Pines collecting for hurricane relief

Effort to run through Wednesday, Sept. 13 with goal to fill trailer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Hurricane Harvey left destruction in its wake after it spawned deadly flooding along the Gulf Coast.

The aftermath is devastating. Families are displaced. Homes are destroyed. Lives are forever changed. The road to recovery for the gulf region appears to be a long road.

With that in mind, the Ocean Pines Association decided to help the relief efforts for the flood victims in Texas.

The association, with the help of its employees and board of directors, is starting a disaster relief effort to provide nonperishable food items, bottled water, baby supplies, pet supplies and more to the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas.

"Our thoughts are with the people of Texas," Ocean Pines Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer said. "Let's come together as a community and

contribute to the many victims and agencies that came to the aid of displaced families following Hurricane Harvey."

The collection effort started on Tuesday, Sept. 5 will run through Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 5 p.m.

Drop-off points include the Ocean Pines Community Center at 235 Ocean Parkway, Public Works at 1 Firehouse Lane, Sports Core Pool at 11144 Cathell Road and the Administration Building, including the Police Department, at 239 Ocean Parkway.

Alternatively, officers with the Ocean Pines Police Department will pick up items residents wish to donate. To schedule a four-hour pick-up window, call 410-641-7747.

Suggested items are: powdered drink mixes like Crystal Light, Gatorade, coffee, granola bars, crackers, energy bars, nonperishable microwaveable food, canned fruit and nuts, games and playing cards, mops, brooms, Lysol, dog and cat food, pet treats, cat litter and books.

Other needed items are toiletries, like toilet tissue, Tums, toothpaste and toothbrushes, hand sanitizers, hand towels, emery boards, nail clippers, foot powder, talcum powder, body lotion, ChapStick, deodorant, diapers, baby bottles, baby food and baby formula. Do not donate liquids or perishable items.

Barbely's Transport from Newark, Maryland has volunteered to drive the supplies to a designated location in Texas. Martin Fish Company of Ocean City, Sysco of Pocomoke City, ABC printers of West Ocean City and Magee Farms of Selbyville have donated the shipping and collection boxes.

The goal is to raise enough items to provide a tractor trailer load of organized relief for Irving Cares, an emergency assistance nonprofit organization and shelter for displaced families in Texas.

For more information about the Ocean Pines Coastal Community Relief Effort, contact 410-641-7717, or email info@oceanpines.org.

‘Hooping’ event has unifying effect

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) Pulling the community together to instill positive messaging in youth is the underlying goal of ‘Hooping at Byrd Park,’ a weekly pickup basketball game held on Sunday evenings, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Snow Hill.

Sylvester “Dawk” Bratten Sr., who helped launch the weekly event in mid-August, said he wanted to help the next generation to avoid making poor decisions that could have a long-term negative impact on their lives.

“There’s a lot going on in this small area that we need to pull back like it used to be,” he said.

Bratten, a deacon in training at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Snow Hill, reached out to Nick Purnell, with Free Indeed Ministries in Snow Hill, to help bring back a long-abandoned tradition.

“We call it the old school,” he said. “We used to play ball all the time. No matter what, we just played ball.”

After setting aside the first week to observe the young talent, Bratten and Purnell reunited members of the long-defunct New Wave Studio Men’s League basketball team, including Rodney Armstrong, Tyrone Dale, Derrick Fooks, B.J. Johnson and Shawn Johnson, for the second Sunday event.

“We took five old-school boys and challenged the younger guys,” Bratten said. “We won two games out of the three that we played.”

Bratten, who recently turned 55, said despite most of his crew being over 40, they played a strong perimeter game against competition half

‘We bring everybody into a circle and the older guys ... we’ll talk and let the kids know what’s going on [and] what we’re doing,’ Bratten said. ‘How we’re trying to motivate [and] how we’re trying to bring the community together.’

Sylvester ‘Dawk’ Bratten Sr., who helped launch the weekly event

their age.

“We played a 2-3 zone and we walked the ball up and worked [it] around and just got the shot that we wanted,” he said.

Regardless of generational bragging rights, Bratten said the community turnout has been inspiring.

“We’ve got bleachers set up now and we even had a food truck come in,” he said. “The whole community’s coming out and watching.”

As Sunday sundown brings a close to the court competition, Bratten, Purnell and other elder voices end the evening with a purpose.

“We bring everybody into a circle and the older guys ... we’ll talk and let the kids know what’s going on [and] what we’re doing,” Bratten said. “How we’re trying to motivate [and] how we’re trying to bring the community together.”

In fact, besides talk, the event has already begun having an impact on youth. During the third event Snow Hill Councilwoman LaToya Purnell, along with several staff members, did their part to pay it forward by providing items for children preparing to delve back into academic pursuits.

“They set up in the corner and we gave away school supplies and book bags,” he said.

“We had Vice Principal Welch from the middle school come in last Sunday just to see what’s going on.”

Bratten and his cohorts hope what starts as motivational conversations on the basketball court lead to positive outcomes for youth.

“Shoot positive things into them and pass it on down to the next [generation],” he said. “I want this to be a domino effect.”

Pines Aquatics to host Super Sprint Tri event, Sept. 16

(Sept. 7, 2017) Ocean Pines Aquatics’ popular Super Sprint Tri will return to the Sports Core Pool on Saturday, Sept. 16.

The event includes a half-mile swim, 15-mile bike ride and 5K run. Twelve three-person teams will compete; each team member will do one portion of the race before the next team member begins.

Registration and check-in will begin at 7 a.m.; the event will start at 7:30 a.m. All portions of the race will take place at the Sports Core Pool, 11144 Cathell Road in Ocean Pines, and the surrounding area.

The cost is \$105 per team. Registered team members may also train at the Sports Core Pool for a reduced rate of \$4 a visit through Sept. 15.

The event is limited to 12 teams. Each team participant will receive a long-sleeved “finisher” shirt, and food and drinks will be provided.

Teams must be registered by Thursday, Sept. 7. Registrations will be accepted in person at the Sports Core Pool or by calling 410-641-5255.

A team representative meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Sports Core Pool. Instructions and a course description will be given at that time. For information, contact Denise Sawyer, OPA director of marketing and public relations, at 410-641-7717 ext. 3006 or dsawyer@oceanpines.org.

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Houck family donation helps cancer center

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Atlantic General Hospital Campaign for the Future recently received a donation of \$25,000 from Phil and Marie Houck and their family for upcoming projects including the new John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center.

The Houcks have been strong supporters of Atlantic General Hospital for over 20 years.

The Bull on the Beach Penguin Swim team, led by their son-in-law, Tom Knopp, started with just a handful of team members for the first official swim. Today their team has more than 100 members participating and raising funds for the annual event.

The team raises funds for the swim throughout the year, including an October golf tournament, put on by Michelle Houck Knopp and her husband, Tom, and the Crab Feast/Bull Roast at Crab Alley headed up by Houck's sons, Kevin and Phillip, and Kelly Conroy.

Theresa "Shue" Goldberg plays an integral role in the fundraising and daily operations of Houck's businesses.

"She is an unsung hero. Shue just makes my job very easy," Houck said.

To date, the Bull on the Beach Penguin Swim team has raised approximately \$500,000 for Atlantic

General Hospital programs and services.

Houck, owner of the Bull on the Beach and Crab Alley restaurants, has been a member of the Atlantic General Hospital Foundation since 2003 and has served on the Foundation Board of Directors since 2005.

"We remember when we first came to Ocean City, there was no local hospital and you had to drive a distance to find emergency medical care," he said. "Atlantic General Hospital is our hospital. When there's a need in the community, it's not a burden to lend support. Whatever I can do in life – and whatever my family and employees can do – we'll do to help."

Houck is very active in the community, receiving The Dispatch's Charitable Souls Campaign Award in 2011, and maintaining membership in The National Museum of African American History since 2010, and St. Jude Children's Hospital.

"We're extremely grateful for the commitment shown to our not-for-profit community hospital and the generous support of our friends and neighbors like the Houck family," said Campaign for the Future Co-Chair Jack Burbage. "The way healthcare services are delivered is changing, but Atlantic General's commitment to state-of-the-art medicine only grows stronger. We

can help AGH meet the challenges of providing the very best healthcare services right here – close to home."

The funds raised during the \$10 million Atlantic General Campaign for the Future will allow Atlantic General Hospital to complete \$35 million in capital projects.

Among them is construction of a new 18,000-square-foot full service cancer care center, completion of a women's health center in West Ocean City, renovation of existing surgical facilities and expansion of emergency services within Atlantic General Hospital as well as improvements to inpatient care areas.

To date, the Foundation has already secured \$3 million of the \$10 million goal in pledges, commitments and grants.

The new 18,000-square-foot Regional Cancer Care Center, which is to be built on hospital-owned property at the corner of Route 113 and Old Ocean City Boulevard (Route 346) in Berlin, will provide one centrally-located, convenient facility for the care and treatment of individuals with cancer and blood disorders.

In addition to existing medical oncology and chemotherapy infusion services and integrative therapies, the new center will include radiation oncology; PET imaging; laboratory services; community education and support facilities; and

telemedicine technology that will allow patients and their physicians to consult with other cancer care experts, preventing unnecessary travel for consultation and follow up care for patients who may require more intensive cancer care services.

Construction is due to begin in July 2017, with completion in early 2018.

Atlantic General Hospital has been providing quality health care to the residents of Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties in Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware since May 1993.

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Plenty of volunteer options in OPA

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Ocean Pines Association (OPA) is looking for volunteers for a variety of upcoming events and programs.

"Volunteers are not only a valuable resource, they are the most important resource Ocean Pines has," Marketing and Public Relations Director Denise Sawyer said. "Residents and nonresidents are given the opportunity to gain experience, acquire new skills, meet new people and make a meaningful contribution to the Ocean Pines community."

Recreation and Parks:

Volunteers are critical to the success of many of the upcoming events and programs that are offered by the recreation and parks department. Help is needed with a number of events, including Big Truck Day on Sept. 16, the Fall Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market on Sept. 30, the Halloween festival in the fall, Breakfast with Santa and the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in the winter.

Many athletic programs in September will call for volunteer coaches, referees, umpires and assistants. Volunteers would assist with various sports, clinics and classes in Ocean Pines.

If interested in assisting, contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 or rec@oceanpines.org.

Farmers Market:

Volunteer needs for the association also include help at our ever-growing Farmers Market. Open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Ocean Pines Farmers Market needs volunteers in every aspect of its operation, from greeters to ambassadors. "Whether you sign up for a one-time opportunity or choose to take on a regular volunteer role, you will enjoy being part of the market," Sawyer said. If interested in volunteering, contact Volunteer Coordinator Tracey Hofman at Tracey.Hofman@aol.com.

Advisory Committee:

These volunteer-led committees provide guidance and input for many areas in Ocean Pines. The association has current advisory committee openings in by-laws and resolutions, aquatics, budget and finance, comprehensive plan, environment and natural assets and marine activities advisory committees.

Salisbury University/OPA Partnership:

The association is teaming up with Salisbury University to offer a brand new series of programs and lectures at the Ocean Pines Community Center. A lecture series and writing seminars will take place throughout the fall, and would need the help of volunteers.

Those who are interested and want to learn more can contact Center for Extended and Lifelong Learning Director Mary Angela Baker at mbaker@salisbury.edu.

Ocean Pines Administration:

Administrative volunteer opportunities are often available in the Ocean Pines Association. Those who enjoy customer service and working in a vibrant office environment may be a good fit. An administrative volunteer will assist with operational responsibilities in offices and the marketing and public relations department.

"The association is seeking volunteers to support our dedicated marketing staff with a number of tasks, including photography and videography," Sawyer said. "Volunteers are the backbone of the association."

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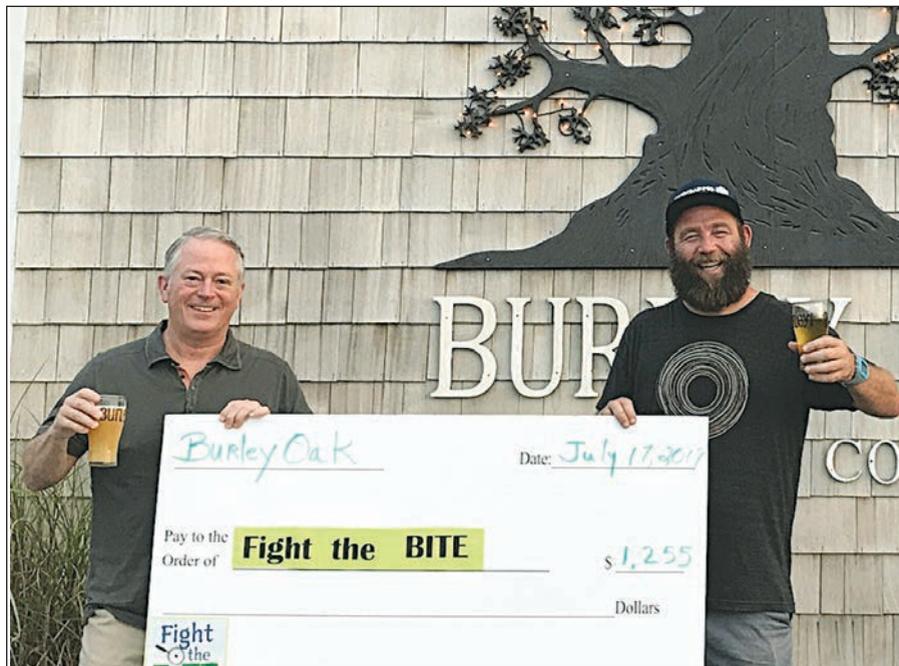
Avery Hall Insurance Group and The Selective Insurance Group Foundation joined forces to support the Salvation Army Richard Hazel Youth Center through a \$1,000 grant. Pictured, from left, are Major Vic Tidman, Salvation Army commander; Kevin Hayes, Avery Hall Insurance vice president; Joe Gast, Avery Hall Insurance president; and Willie Downing, Salvation Army Richard Hazel Youth Center director.



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KIWANIS DONATION

Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City made a donation on Aug. 2 of \$250 to Jeremy Goetzinger, president of the Achilles Foundation of Maryland. He is pictured with Kiwanis President Barbara Peletier. Achilles International was founded in 1983 by Dick Traum, the first amputee to run a marathon on a prosthetic leg. It's mission is to "enable people with disabilities to participate in mainstream athletics in order to promote personal achievement, enhance self-esteem and lower barriers to living a fulfilling life." He demonstrated a special bicycle built to enable just that.



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FIGHT THE BITE

Burley Oak owner Bryan Brushmiller, right, and Cullen Burke, guest bartender for "Fight the Bite" fundraiser on June 12 at the Berlin brewery, present a check to the organization of the money raised during the event. Fight the Bite is a nonprofit organization focused on educating the community about tick-borne disease prevention. Fight the Bite hosts an annual 5K in May during Lyme Awareness Month on the Boardwalk in Ocean City. The money raised will go toward paying for educational ads on the OC transit buses.



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MARY MAC GIVES BACK

The Mary Mac Foundation, Inc. made a \$2,500 donation to the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department during the organization's annual golf tournament on Aug. 4. Pictured, from left, are Ocean Pines Golf Club PGA Director of Golf John Malinowski, Ocean Pines Aquatics and Recreation Director Colby Phillips, and McMullen's children, Timmy McMullen, Meg Wakefield and Eddie McMullen. Formed in memory of Mary McMullen, a Baltimore native with ties to Ocean Pines who passed away in 2012, the foundation raises funds for a variety of charitable organizations. McMullen founded and served as the recreation director for the summer camp program in Ocean Pines.



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RIBBON CUTTING

Chesapeake Health Care held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Aug. 24 for its new office located at 9956 North Main Street in Berlin. Pictured, from left, are Maureen O'Connell, medical receptionist; Kim Meilhammer, LCSW-C; Crystal Loring, RN; Cameron Cluster, LCSW-C; Julie Houk, marketing specialist; Beth Baldwin, CRNP; Dr. Daniel Eisemann, CMO; Sue Gray, RN, MSN, CEO/COO; Berlin Mayor Gee Williams; Dr. Stephen Cooper; Kim Jackson, medical receptionist; Ashley Cooper, medical assistant; and Brian Holland, CFO.

Obituaries

REX WAYNE HAILEY

Mayor Rex Wayne Hailey, age 70, passed on to a better place on Friday, Sept. 1, 2017 at the Harrison House Nursing and Rehab Center in Snow Hill.



Rex Wayne Hailey

Born in Baltimore, he was the son of the late Rex and Nancy Adkins Hailey.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 34 years, Shirley Chenoweth Hailey, a.k.a. "Shirley Toms," and children, Amanda Pennewell of Berlin and Jeremy Pennewell of Edgewater, New Jersey. He was an adored grandfather to Brooks and Liam McCready.

Preceding him in death were two sisters, Doris Oliver and Lillian McCoy, and his pug, Cheswick. Also surviving are two nieces, Nancy and Susan, and sister-niece Linda, four nephews, four step-children, and their adopted Turkish family.

Rex graduated from Patterson High School, and University of Baltimore. While living in Baltimore he had been the curator of the Edgar Allen Poe Museum in Baltimore. After moving to Ocean City in the early 70's, he was employed with Irv Banium in the management of his Quality Inn Motel properties on 17th and 33rd streets for many years.

He had been a realtor with O'Conner, Piper, & Flynn, and Long and Foster Realty, and served as a Berlin Town councilman for eight years and then as mayor

from 1996-2004. He was a member of St. Paul By-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Ocean City where he had served as crucifer, lector and Eucharistic minister, junior and senior warden, twice, and member of the vestry.

Rex loved the ocean, beach, Boardwalk, planting beautiful flowers, reading, music, taking kids on trips and singing off key in the choir. He also had a special place in his heart for his 2002 red Thunderbird. Rex had an infectious smile, a wonderful sense of humor and a great love for people. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Dr. Lawrence Kemp, Coastal Hospice care givers Courtney, Amy, Mary Lou and Arnold, the wonderful staff at the Harrison House who took excellent care of for the eight weeks he was there, and Michael, Craig and William who cared for Rex at home. Many thanks to our St. Paul's family for their prayers, support and thoughtfulness.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017 at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Church St. in Berlin. Rev. Matt D'Amerio will officiate. Interment will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in his memory may be made to: St. Paul's-By-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 302 Baltimore Ave. Ocean City, Maryland, 21842, or Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, Maryland 21804. Arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

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Sept. 10: Rick & Lennon LaRicci, noon to 3 p.m.; Rick and Regina, 4-8 p.m.
Sept. 11: Bob Wilkinson & Joe Smooth & Pete, 4-8 p.m.
Sept. 12: Bettenroo, 4-8 p.m.
Sept. 13: Chris Button & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.
Sept. 14: Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.

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Sept. 9: On The Edge, 4-9 p.m.

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Sept. 12: VJ Mazi, 9 p.m.
Sept. 13: Judas Priestess, 10 p.m.; CK the DJ/VJ, 9 p.m.
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Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute opens

By Katie Tabelaing
Staff Writer

(Sept. 7, 2017) The Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute Ocean Pines opened its doors to Worcester County residents last week, taking a dramatic step forward in treating cancer on the lower Eastern Shore.

“We have served the Worcester County area for 50 years, and 25 percent of our current population served at the center is from Worcester County,” Henson Cancer Institute Executive Director Joan Mischtschuk said. “Our goal is to provide comprehensive, coordinated care and access to clinical trials closer to home for the Worcester and Sussex county residents.”

The 20,000-square-foot facility is the second structure at the Delmarva Health Pavilion on Cathage Road. Peninsula Regional Medical Center and Gillis Gilkerson broke ground on the site in June 2016. The first oncology patient was seen this week.

The \$9.9 million center will provide one location for cancer patients. Services include oncology-certified nutritionist, genetic counseling, and personalized fitting for breast prostheses and post-op garments.

The institute also works with several organizations, including Women Supporting Women, American Cancer Society, and Komen Maryland and Lymphoma Society to provide

family and individual counseling.

The institute also offers radiation therapy with TrueBeam, an image-guided radiosurgery system that delivers powerful treatment with pinpoint accuracy to within less than a millimeter to help spare healthy tissue while killing cancer cells.

The Heron Center Institute will also be home to a comfortable therapy center to make chemotherapy easier for patients.

“Our chemotherapy suites are designed to give patients and their support person privacy and comfort,” Mischtschuk said. “Each infusion bay overlooks a beautiful garden and provides individual TV access, radio, and internet. We have a pet therapy program, and prescriptions may be filled by our pharmacy next door and delivered.”

Patients will also have access to clinical trials thanks to Peninsula Regional’s participation in the Johns Hopkins Clinical Research Network, National Cancer Institute studies and pharmaceutical sponsored studies.

PRMC has played an active role in clinical trials since the 1990s, and Mischtschuk said that the new facility will provide cutting-edge treatment to Worcester County. That way, patients won’t have to drive hours to find a promising clinical trial.

“A guiding principle of the research program is to provide better

access to promising clinical trials to patients in our area, so they do not need to drive hours in order to find a trial they might be interested in participating in,” she said. “Our active

role in clinical trials means that the medical world’s greatest advances from first-class medical and pharmaceutical research are available on Delmarva.”



KATIE TABELING/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Peninsula Regional Medical Center board members, staff and other local officials cut the ribbon on the Richard A. Henson Cancer Institute in Ocean Pines last Wednesday evening. The facility, which will provide quality treatment for cancer patients, saw its first patient this week.

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St. Augustine of Hippo wrote quite some time ago – paraphrased – that people can't help “but to watch a man crushed under a cart's wheel, knowing the outcome, but not able to stare away nonetheless.” I remember having a senior honors class on the dude at Loyola back in the 90s, and that was the one thing that I took away from all of those readings.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

Nowadays we coin this human phenomenon “train wreck,” something that kids first say when they open their mouth full of food to show off to their friends on the other

side of the ubiquitous octagonal lunch table. It progresses from there to full-on train wrecks, whether they be the drama between friends and foes, reality TV or the silly things we see on local news.

The evening hours are creeping up on me, and I'm getting ready to watch “La Femme Nikita” – the original French version with subtitles, with the inimitable Anne Parillaud. I'm excited, as I haven't seen it in years and it puts Bridget Fonda's redo [“Point of No Return”] to shame. It is a movie that is brutally raw and exciting, invoking inner emotions of ire, vengeance and justice.

But no, I stumble across an American series-re-make with a cast I am assuming are leftover members from “Dawson's Creek,” “Baywatch” and “Beverly Hills, 90210;” and I can't stop watching it, it's so bad. It's sensationalistic drama at its finest, complete with Jim Carey-esque overacting and “NCIS” Mark Harmon melodrama that would make Mlle. Parillaud blush in shame and horror at having the franchise named after her famous film.

This is my train wreck and I cannot look away. It is now 2:30 in the morning and I must be up at 6 a.m., but darn these producers, the cast of pretty-people-playing-bad-guys has me enthralled for no other reason than I just want to find out “what happens next.” They are good at the hook, I'll give them that.

Luckily, I sit and ponder this travesty with a bottle of Montepulciano and a belly full of al pastor tacos that I had thrown on the rotisserie for dinner. There's no need to snack, as I'm feeling good and satiated from our last cookout of summer. Have no fear, though, I cookout all year long, but this is just technically the last hurrah before the kids and I are back in school. But back to the dish.

Al Pastor is a pork preparation that I get when I can from taquerias around the area, and the dish is so easy to make – and satisfying – that I can't help but smile as I run to the fridge to nosh a little more on the leftovers (I lied; I am going to snack my way through this).

Al pastor is a taco that is made from pork that is based loosely on a shawarma-type apparatus. The dish has some pineapple incorporated, but I honestly cannot tell you when that step in the process was introduced. All I can tell you is that fire-roasting this on a skewer over open hardwood charcoal, and then shaving the meat off, will take you right back to the street carts in Baja or on the mainland.

In the picture, you will probably notice that I used pork loin and I don't recommend this, but it's what I had in the icebox at the time. Pork shoulder



and Boston butt are the preferred cuts for this, but you will need to marinate them longer, as the enzymes in the pineapple and other ingredients will help to tenderize the meat over time.

I went uber-simple on the recipe, even throwing some of you a bone (those of you who often tell me that I overcomplicate things in this column). You can buy Sazon Goya spice packets that will have everything you need for the marinade. In the end, at least you know there won't be any drama in the making of your al pastor tacos – a meal that would make even St. Augustine proud.

Cheater al Pastor

enough for about 20 tacos

2 pounds Pork butt
2 packets Sazon Goya*
4 oz. Pineapple juice
1/4 c. Olive oil
Salt & Pepper, only if needed
1 pineapple, skinned

1. Cut the pineapple into large chunks that won't fall apart when you skewer them
2. Combine everything but the pineapple in a bowl, tossing well

3. Marinate in the refrigerator overnight or for at least four hours

4. This dish is best prepared over an open flame, and a lot of people have rotisseries on their grills, so that's what I would suggest. Otherwise, you can roast this and it will be good ... just not the same

5. Skewer the pineapple and the pork, alternating as you go

6. Fire-roast this bad boy until the pork is done and getting slightly charred. The smoky flavor with the char and the sweet from the pineapple will literally cause a flavor explosion as you eat

7. When you are ready to serve, use corn tortillas (I'm a stickler), avocado and/or guacamole, diced tomato, diced red onion, chilies if you prefer and some crème fraîche

8. Simply shave the pineapple and pork off the skewer in a slicing fashion to make small bits and make your tacos

9. And have a beer to celebrate the kids being back in school. Go ahead, you deserve it

*get the Sazon with cumin and annatto

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Calendar

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

THU, SEP. 7

PLAY TIME

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. Learn new skills while playing with educational toys. For infant to 5 year old children. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STORY TIME 'GOING TO SCHOOL'

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

COASTAL HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11 a.m. The group meets every Thursday. Free and open to anyone who has lost a loved one, not just Coastal Hospice families. 410-251-8163

SEASONAL SWEET POTATOES

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 11 a.m. Learn some new and delicious recipes to make with sweet potatoes. Pre-register: 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

FREE 'UNTIL HELP ARRIVES' WORKSHOP

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1 to 4 p.m. Participants will acquire the basic skills needed to provide help after an emergency until help arrives. Pre-registration is recommended, 410-632-3080.

POCOMOKE BOOK OF THE MONTH

Pocomoke library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, MD, 2 p.m. This month's selection is "Purple Hibiscus" by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. Copies are available in advance at the library. 410-957-0878, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

WE LOVE A MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 2 p.m. Discuss and compare the many types of mystery novels. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

BEACH SINGLES

Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4 to 7 p.m. Every Thursday, Beach Singles 45-Plus meets for happy hour. Info: Arlene, 302-436-9577; Kate, 410-524-0649; or Dianne, 302-541-4642. <http://www.BeachSingles.org>

ANIMATION AFTER HOURS

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Educational showcase of rare, classic, groundbreaking and bizarre animation from every era around the world. Program designed for adults. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

FULL MOON YOGA

Shade Pavilion in North Beach parking lot of Assateague, 6633 Bayberry Drive, Berlin, MD, 7 p.m. Experience peaceful surroundings, clear your mind and exercise while the full moon rises over the ocean. All levels welcome. Free but park entrance fees are in effect. All donations directly benefit Assateague Island

National Seashore. Bring a beach towel.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Rackliffe House, 11700 Tom Patton Lane, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Network and mingle while enjoying light hors d'oeuvres and wine. Learn about the opportunities and events the Rackliffe House has to offer. Rain date is Sept. 14., <https://berlinchamber.org>

FRI, SEP. 8

BALLYCASTLE KNITS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Victoria Christie-Healy, the club organizer, started her career as a knitting teacher in 2009 and has taught several hundred women (and some men) how to knit. She conducts several knitting retreats a year in Ireland.

OCEAN PINES BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 2 to 4 p.m. This month's selection is "Purple Hibiscus" by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. Copies are available in advance at the library. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

CRAB CAKE DINNER

Stevenson United Methodist Church, 123 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Includes crab cake sandwich with green beans and seasoned baked potato. Cost is \$10. Carryouts and bake table available.

TRASH & JAM

Ocean Bowl Skate Park, St. Louis Avenue and Third Street, Ocean City, MD, 4 to 7 p.m. Jam out in celebration of the Pabich brothers. Cedric and Roman Pabich were raised skating at the Ocean Bowl and have now made it to the Pro-Amateur Skateboarding tour. They will be on site to hang out with visitors and friends. There will be live music, impromptu contests, prizes and more. Open to Ocean Bowl pass holders. Day passes and concessions available for purchase. Kim Kinsey, kkinsey@oceancitymd.gov, 410-250-0125

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

Columbus Hall (behind St. Luke's Church), 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 6:30 p.m. Held each Friday night. More than \$1,000 in prizes each week and Big Jackpot could pay \$1,000. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments for sale. 410-524-7994

BROWN BOX THEATRE PRESENTS: SHAKESPEARE: HAMLET

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, MD, 7:30 p.m. Free outdoor event. Talia Curtin, talia@brownboxtheatre.org, <http://www.brownboxtheatre.org>

SAT, SEP. 9

FARMERS MARKET

White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Held every Saturday. Locally grown vegetables and fruits, eggs, honey, kettle korn, flowers, arti-

san breads, seafood, meats and more. New vendors welcome. 410-641-7717, Ext. 3006

YOGA ON THE BEACH

Shade Pavilion in North Beach parking lot of Assateague, 6633 Bayberry Drive, Berlin, MD, 8 to 9 a.m. Reduce stress, increase balance and flexibility to the sound of ambient waves. All levels welcome. Free but park entrance fees are in effect. All donations directly benefit Assateague Island National Seashore. Bring a beach towel.

'BACK TO SCHOOL' MAKE & TAKE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For all ages. Supplies provided.

INTERNATIONAL COASTAL DAY CLEANUP

Ocean City Town Hall, 301 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Meet at the Ocean City Town Hall to receive trash bags, latex gloves, a trash tally sheet and a commemorative T-shirt. To register in advance, contact Sandi Smith, sandis@md-coastalbays.org or 410-213-2297, Ext. 106; otherwise, participants can just show up. This event is a Maryland Day to serve event and participants can receive credit.

OCEAN PINES DOGGIE SWIM

Mumford's Landing Pool, 7351 Yacht Club Drive, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$6 per dog and free for dog handlers. All dog handlers must be at least 18 years old. Dogs should have current vaccinations, including rabies. The first swim is for dogs less than 20 pounds and takes place from 10-10:30 a.m. All dogs are allowed from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Worcester County Humane Society. Ocean Pines Aquatics Department, 410-641-5255, <http://www.OceanPines.org>

13TH ANNUAL WHITE MARLIN FESTIVAL & CRAB SOUP COOK-OFF

Somerset Street Plaza, Atlantic Avenue and Somerset Street, Ocean City, MD, 12 to 3 p.m. Crab Soup Cook-Off with local professional chefs competing for the title of "Best Crab Soup." The public can sample and vote. Entertainment for the kids, exhibits and live music. Cost is \$15. 410-289-01413, <http://www.downtownassociation.net>

9TH ANNUAL BREWS ON THE BEACH

Hooper's Crab House, 12913 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City, MD, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Featuring more than 30 locally made craft beers, live music by Bad Since Breakfast, food and a VIP tasting. The VIP tasting takes place from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Festival goers can save money by ordering their tickets online: <https://shorecraftbeer.ticket-spice.com/9th-annual-bews-on-the-beach>.

MONARCH MIGRATION AND TAGGING DEMO

Assateague Island Environmental Education Center, 7206 National Seashore Lane, Berlin, MD, 1 p.m. Free refreshments at 12:30 p.m. Discover the fascinating life history of the Monarch and what researchers are learning about their migration to and from Mexico. If conditions are favorable, adult monarchs will be tagged and released.

CAMEO MAKING

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 2 p.m. Go back to Colonial times and make cameo inspired crafts. All ages welcome. Colonial themed refreshments provided. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

Stephen Decatur Park, Tripoli Stree, Berlin, MD, 7:30 p.m. Featuring "Grease." Take a chair or blanket and snacks and drinks (no alcohol). Free event. Any cancellations will be posted on Facebook at Town of Berlin Maryland. <http://www.berlinmd.gov>

SUN, SEP. 10

FLOUNDER POUNDER

Bahia Marina, 2107 Herring Way, Ocean City, MD, All Day One-day flounder fishing tournament that is great for the kids. Participants may fish from their own boats or rent a skiff, skimmer or pontoon from the marina. <http://www.bahiamarina.com>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

Columbus Hall, 9901 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Takes place the second and fourth Sunday of each month, mostly. Menu includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast, creamed chipped beef, biscuits, sausage, bacon and toast. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 8 and younger. Located behind St. Luke's Church. 410-524-7994

"WAGGING TAIL-" GATE PARTY

Macky's Bayside Bar & Grill, 5311 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD, 12 to 4 p.m. The \$10 entrance fee includes discounted Tito's drinks, Dogfish Head beers, build your own hot diggity dog buffet and a gift for your 4 legged friends. Multiple raffles for baskets of cheer for sale. All proceeds benefit the Worcester County Humane Society. All dogs must be leashed and well behaved at all times. 410-723-5565

OC CRUZERS CAR DISPLAY

Somerset Street Plaza, Atlantic Avenue and Somerset Street, Ocean City, MD, 2:30 to 6 p.m. OC Cruzers will display approximately 15 vehicles. Owners will be on hand to educate spectators about their older cars. Live music or DJ will be provided. 410-289-7739, <http://www.ocdc.org>

BROWN BOX THEATRE PRESENTS: SHAKESPEARE: HAMLET

Sunset Park, S. Division Street and the bay, Ocean City, MD, 7:30 p.m. Free outdoor event. Talia Curtin, talia@brownboxtheatre.org, <http://www.brownboxtheatre.org>

MON, SEP. 11

CPAP MASK FITTING

Atlantic General Hospital Sleep Disorders Diagnostic Center, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, All Day Free, bi-monthly mask fitting clinic for patients who are having

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trouble adjusting to their CPAP equipment. By appointment only: Robin Rohlfling, 410-641-9726

PIRATE SCAVENGER HUNT

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, All Day Complete a pirate-themed scavenger hunt in the library to earn a prize. All ages. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

9/11 PARADE OF BROTHERS MOTORCYCLE RIDE

Ocean City Boardwalk, 27th Street to N. Division Street, Ocean City, MD, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. This annual event is a motorcycle ride and memorial service to commemorate 9/11/2001. John, jtart22109@aol.com

AARP MEETING

Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 9 a.m. Flu and pneumonia shots offered at 9 a.m., social time is 9:30 a.m. and meeting begins at 10 a.m. Guest speaker will be someone from Merrill Lynch speaking on Social Security benefits. Take can goods for Sarah's Pantry. Wear red, white and blue in honor of 9/11 and those who perished. Larry Walton, 443-831-1791

HYPERTENSION CLINIC

Apple Discount Drugs, 314 Franklin Ave., Berlin, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Atlantic General Hospital and takes place the first Monday of every month. Free blood pressure screening and health information. Dawn Denton, 410-641-9268

MAGNIFICENT MONARCHS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 11:15 a.m. Dick Arnold, member of the Assateague Island Alliance, will tell all about the butterflies and their migration to and from Mexico. The program is free. Refreshments served. Sponsored by the Worcester County Garden Club. Glenda Clarke, glendacclarke@verizon.net, 802-777-0183

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH MUSEUM TOURS

Historic St. Martin's Church Museum, 11413 Old Worcester Highway, Showell, MD, 1 to 3 p.m. Visit Historic St. Martin's Church Museum built in 1756, 20 years prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Guided Docent Tours every Monday through September. Complimentary parking and admission. 410-251-2849

WRITING FOR WELLNESS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Writing about stressful experienced, like illness, may boost health and psychological well-being. No prior writing experience needed. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

THE DIGITAL LIBRARY AND YOU

Berlin library, 220 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 2 p.m. Learn how to download free books, magazines, audiobooks, music, movies and TV. Visit the library with your library card and device to get started. 410-641-0650, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STEAM PM 'CIRCUITS'

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 3:45 p.m. Explore electric cir-

cuits and create flashlights and one-eyed monsters. For children 6 years and older. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

CREATIVE WRITING MEET-UP

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 4:30 p.m. Share ideas, learn about contests and offer friendly critiques. Work on fiction, nonfiction and poetry. Pizza available. For ages 13-18 years. Info: Brittney, 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

SPOT FISHING TOURNAMENT

Ocean City Fishing Center, 12940 Inlet Isle Lane, West Ocean City, MD, 5 to 8 p.m. Fish from the docks of the OC Fishing Center. No skill needed. Entry fee is \$5. ocfc@ocfishing.com, 410-213-1121, <http://www.ocfishing.com>

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Atlantic General Hospital, conference room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Berlin group No. 169. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly. Edna Berkey, 410-251-2083

MEDICAL MONDAY

Ray Room, 124 N. Main St., Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free educational session that occurs the second Monday of each month. Geri Rosol, Program Director of Atlantic General Wound Care Center, will be discussing Chronic and Non-Healing Wounds: the causes, treatment, prevalence and resources for wound care. Reservations requested but not required: Dawn, 410-641-9268.

DELMARVA SWEET ADELINE CHORUS

Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. The group meets each Monday. Women interested in learning the craft of a cappella singing welcome. 410-641-6876

TUE, SEP. 12

PIRATE SCAVENGER HUNT

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, All Day Complete a pirate-themed scavenger hunt in the library to earn a prize. All ages. 410-632-3495, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

IPAD CHICKS - INTERMEDIATE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Got a question about your iPad or iPhone? Share your experience. Men welcome. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road 410-208-4014, 1 to 4 p.m. The clinic is free and held every Tuesday through September. Master Gardeners will be available to help with gardening questions. Put plant damage samples in a plastic bag and label with your name and phone number. 410-208-4014

COFFEE HOUR

Snow Hill library, 307 N. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD, 2 p.m. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month for coffee, refreshments and casual conversation on favorite books and authors. 410-632-3495,

<http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Gull Creek Senior Living, 1 Meadow St., Berlin, MD, 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. For individuals suffering from Parkinson's. Group provides education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Kay Rentschler, 410-641-4765, <http://www.delmarvaparkinsonsalliance.org>

STEAM FAMILY NIGHT 'CODING'

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Come enjoy STEM books, crafts and activities. Snacks and drinks provided. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY MEETING

Worcester County Health Center, 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 5:30 to 7 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and health lifestyle. It meets weekly. jeanduck47@gmail.com

AMERICAN BELLY DANCE COURSE

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 6 p.m. Held Tuesdays, Sept. 12 through Oct. 17. In this 6-week course participants will learn the basic moves of American Belly Dance. Register: 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Atlantic General Hospital, Conference Room 2, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, MD, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Offers shared wisdom and problem solving for family members of persons with mental illness. The group is free. Info: Carole Spurrier, 410-208-4003, carolespurrier@msn.com or Gail S. Mansell, gmsnell@atlanticgeneral.org, 410-641-9725

BINGO

Pocomoke Elks Lodge 1624, 1944 Worcester Highway, Pocomoke City, MD, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., early bingo at 7 p.m. and regular games start at 7:30 p.m. Food and non-alcoholic drinks available. Open to the public. 410-957-3556

WED, SEP. 13

KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER OCEAN PINES/OCEAN CITY

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 8 a.m. Meets

every Wednesday. Doors open at 7 a.m., meeting begins at 8 a.m. 410-641-7330, <http://www.kiwanisofopoc.org>

IPAD CHICKS - BEGINNERS

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Explore the world of iPads while learning from each other. Men welcome. Register: Norma Kessler, 410-641-7017. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STORY TIME 'LIBRARIES ARE FUN!'

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

STORY TIME 'SILLY STORIES'

Ocean Pines library, 11107 Cathell Road, Ocean Pines, MD, 10:30 a.m. For 2 to 5 year old children. 410-208-4014, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

OCEAN CITY BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD, 2 p.m. Selection of the month is "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins. Copies are available in advance at the library. 410-524-1818, <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

DELMARVA HAND DANCE CLUB

Ocean City Elks Lodge, 13708 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City, MD, 5:30 to 9 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. A \$5 donation per person to benefit local Veterans. Elk members and their guests welcome. dance@delmarvahanddancing.com, 302-200-3262, <http://delmarvahanddancing.com>

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN ROTARY CLUB MEETING

Captain's Table Restaurant in the Courtyard by Marriott, 2 15th St, Ocean City, MD, 6 p.m. The group meets every Wednesday. cliffo917@aol.com, 410-641-1700

SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD, 7 to 9 p.m. The Pinesteppers Square Dance Club of Ocean Pines hosts this free introduction to Modern Western Square Dancing. The group uses music from the 50's right up to today's music and from all styles, i.e. country, pop, classic rock, classical and more.

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MARKETPLACE

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HELP WANTED
Now Hiring FT/PT Waitstaff & Kitchen Help.
Apply in person at Pho char, 11805 P. Coastal Highway or call 410-390-7818.

HELP WANTED
Year-Round Position in Local Liquor store. Must have TAN Certification. Send resume to 69 Anchor Way Drive, Berlin, MD 21811.

HELP WANTED
Blind Couple Seeks Assistance on the beach, \$10/hr. Email techguy410@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED
Captain's Pizza, 137th Street. Delivery Drivers Needed. All hours, flexible hours. Call 410-524-1111.

HELP WANTED
PT Maintenance Technician - Berlin, MD. Responsible for maintaining the cleanliness, functionality and aesthetic appeal of residential community grounds and common areas. Includes light carpentry and electrical work. Work schedule is 3 days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Valid Driver's License Required. If you are interested, please send your resume to kyurchak@legumnorman.com.

HELP WANTED
Groundsman to help maintain Bali Hi RV Park. Seasonal. 40 hours a week. Call 410-352-3140.



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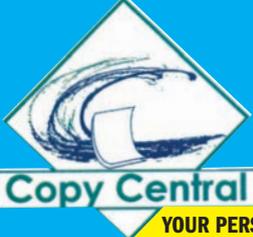
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