



Tyndall wins mayor's race

Knerr, Nichols, Orris join Town Council in major changing of guard in govt.

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) With a strong campaign and favorable feedback from many townspeople, District 2 Councilmember Zackery Tyndall was elected as the mayor of Berlin on Tuesday in a landslide victory against four candidates.

"I think that it's going to be a good thing for the town," Tyndall said. "The people, from the numbers that I heard, are ready to take a different step forward, and I'm happy to lead that step forward along with the three new councilmembers."

Tyndall received 846 votes, compared to only 184 for his predecessor Gee Williams.

"The trust placed in me by the people of Berlin is humbling and the expectation high," Tyndall wrote in a press release Tuesday evening. "Now that you have elected me as your Mayor, I will work hard to protect your trust and the assets of Berlin. We will implement new management approaches while working with the previous administration and town employees to achieve a seamless transition."

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LINING UP

Berlin residents in Districts 1 and 2 arrive at Buckingham Presbyterian Church on South Main Street on Tuesday to vote in the municipal election.

Tuttle move would create vacancy

Director's home up for sale, as first step in relocating to western shore address

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) After putting his house up for sale last week, Ocean Pines Association Board member Steve Tuttle has let it be known that he intends to step down from that post before the end of his term.

Tuttle, who was elected in 2018 and served as vice president last year, is up for reelection in 2021.

OPA President Larry Perrone said Tuttle informed the board of his recent decision to test the real estate market.

"Steve sent the board a letter say-



Steve Tuttle

ing he was putting his house on the market and moving to the western shore," he said.

Perrone said time frames for the board's next move are linked to Tuttle's closing on the property sale.

"Doug Parks mentioned that he didn't see anything in the bylaws that required [Tuttle] to come off the board," he said.

Perrone countered that board members are required to be in good standing and eligible to vote.

"To be a member you have to own property," he said. "To my mind he is no longer qualified and can not be a member of the board." That assumes,

however, that the property has been sold.

Perrone said Parks requested a legal opinion on the matter from OPA Attorney Jeremy Tucker.

"Doug wanted to get an opinion for our attorney so we're waiting on hearing on that," he said. "It's just common sense that if he's no longer a homeowner in Ocean Pines than he has no right to vote on anything."

Perrone said the current status of Tuttle's home sale is unknown.

OPA bylaws state if a vacancy occurs 90 days before the Homeowner's Annual Meeting, where election results are validated, the board shall appoint an interim replacement.

If the vacancy occurs within 90 days, more flexibility is provided as the "shall"

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Bd. of Ed. election in three districts on Nov. 3 ballot

Candidates set in contests in District 2 and District 3

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Worcester County voters will elect three members of the Worcester County Board of Education on Nov. 3, when they go to the polls in the general election.

On the ballot will be candidates for school board District 2, District 3 and District 5.

Rodney Bailey and Donald Smack Sr. are vying for the District 2 seat that had been held by Barry Brittingham Sr. In District 3, former county

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Berlin to see fewer cruisers Saturday than in past years

Covid-19 takes car show out of gear, as chamber will see much smaller event

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Berlin's downtown streets will not be lined with hundreds of classic cars this Saturday.

Instead of the 16th annual Fall Cruisin' Classic Cars Show, the Berlin Chamber of Commerce is hosting a

Cruisers Appreciation Day from 10 a.m. to noon.

"We're hoping that patrons of the past – people who've come to town and have enjoyed our town and who have eaten at the restaurants and shopped – will come to town and appreciate the day," said Larnet St. Amant, the executive director of the Berlin Chamber of Commerce.

The arrival time for cars is 8 a.m., and registration cost \$10.

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Tyndall wins mayor post by landslide in Berlin election

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Tyndall, 30, will be sworn into office on Oct. 13 by Susan Braniecki, clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester County. Then, he will swear in the councilmembers filling the District 2, District 3 and At-Large council seats.

Jack Orris, Jr. ran unopposed for District 2, while Shaneka Nichols won the District 3 seat with 199 votes.

FINAL TALLY RESULTS

Mayor: Zackery Tyndall

- Zackery Tyndall - 846 votes
- Gee Williams - 184 votes
- William "Bill" Todd - 111 votes
- Jennifer Allen - 49 votes
- Ronald Bireley - 36 votes

At-Large Councilmember:

Jay Knerr

- Jay Knerr - 606 votes
- Tony Weeg - 495 votes

District 2: Jack Orris

(uncontested)

District 3: Shaneka Nichols

- Shaneka Nichols - 199 votes
- Dan Packey - 41 votes

"I can't even begin to tell you just how excited I am about this win for not only me but District 3," Nichols said. "There have been so many suggestions and ideas that community members have already brought to the table. So now it's [time] to get to work."

In addition, Jay Knerr beat Tony Weeg for the At-Large council seat in a 606-495 vote.

"I am extremely excited to have won the At-Large seat on the Berlin Town Council," Knerr said. "Election Day was certainly a roller coaster ride of emotions as the day progressed. It is not just a win for me but this election was a giant win for all the citizens of Berlin."

In the press release, Tyndall congratulated all the candidates for running "good and honorable campaigns." He also thanked residents and business owners for sharing their perspectives on the town throughout the election process.

"With five candidates in the race for Mayor, the campaign has been challenging and inspiring," he wrote. "I have had the pleasure of meeting residents and business owners, some for the first time. I have heard their concerns and frustrations about the town's management. I appreciate the



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Zackery Tyndall and his wife, Chelsea, celebrate his victory as the new Berlin mayor at his home on Buckingham Road Tuesday night.

sharing of knowledge about some of our most critical issues, and most importantly, learned about their hopes and visions for Berlin's future."

With one of the highest voter turnouts for a Berlin election, the town received 1,236 regular and absentee ballots.

"We encouraged the absentee voting, but we also had the mechanisms in place for social distancing and the proper precautions, so people could vote in person, and do that safely,"

Tyndall said.

He added that he was happy to see residents bike up to the polling places to cast their vote.

Tyndall celebrated his victory at his home on Buckingham Road with his wife, Chelsea, his campaign staff and a bottle of champagne.

During his term, Tyndall will remain full-time as the acting assistant director at Salisbury University's Richard A. Henson Medical Simulation Center.

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Car show stalled by pandemic

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Main Street will not be closed this year to display rare and vintage vehicles, and there will be limited parking.

To prevent large gatherings downtown, there will be no live entertainment or vendors for spectators.

"We will practice social distancing," St. Amant added. "We'll be wearing masks."

She also said that a hand-sanitizing station will be available.

Select prizes will be given to participants.

Participants.

"We're celebrating and recognizing our past patrons of the town," St. Amant said.

In the past, the Berlin Chamber of Commerce gave awards to participants in categories such as Classic, Hot Rod, People's Choice and Best in Show.

The presentation of awards usually takes place at 2 p.m.

For more information, call the Berlin Chamber of Commerce at 410-641-4775.

School board races shape up

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school superintendent Jon Andes and Angie Chantelle are competing for the seat held by Sara Thompson, who is retiring in December.

This year, Thompson served as the vice president of the board. She is the board's longest-serving member and has been recognized as the longest-serving board of education member in Maryland.

Elena McComas, who is running unopposed, is seeking re-election in District 5.

Patricia Jackson, the election director of the Worcester County Board of Elections said anyone can run as a write-in candidate, but the regular filing deadline for candidacy has passed.

The deadline for write-in candidates to file for any office on the ballot is Oct. 19.

"Anyone can write a name on the ballot, but only qualified, filed write-

in candidates will be reported on the totals report that our office issues after the election," Jackson said.

Although absentee ballot voting is being encouraged across the state, Worcester County residents can vote at four voting centers for the 2020 general election: Pocomoke Community Center, 1410 Market Street in Pocomoke City, Snow Hill Middle School, 522 Coulbourne Lane in Snow Hill, Stephen Decatur Middle School, 9815 Seahawk Road in Berlin and Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway in Ocean City.

Instead of the 16 polling places based on precincts, the voting centers allow voters to cast their vote regardless of where they live in the county.

In-person voting on Election Day will be available 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The elected board members will be sworn in at the regular board meeting on Jan. 19, 2021.

Tuttle move would leave opening

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dictate becomes a "may" directive.

For his part, when reached for comment Tuttle, while confirming his home is for sale, said at this time he has not resigned his board seat.

Perrone said for the time being Tuttle remains a board member in

good standing, with discussions regarding potential replacements still premature.

"We'll cross that bridge when it comes but at some point we'll have to appoint someone else for the board," he said. "There's nothing to do until Steve settles."



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Berlin councilmembers step away after years

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Berlin District 3 Councilman Elroy Brittingham and At-Large Councilman Thom Gulyas were honored with proclamations from Mayor Gee Williams for their service at their last Town Council meeting on Sept. 28.

Brittingham, 72, did not file for reelection for a ninth term by the deadline.

"I've been there 32 years," Brittingham said. "I just felt like it was time for me to cut back on some of my community activities, and that was one of the ones I considered. I have a few other things that I belong to that take up time."

Currently, Brittingham is an active member at the American Legion, and he is on the board of directors of Shore Up in Salisbury. He also substitute teaches in Worcester County Public Schools.

"I figured it's time to spend more time with family," he added.

Brittingham has three children, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren with his wife, Teola.

Before joining the council in 1988, Brittingham worked at Style Guide on Main Street in Berlin for about 25 years.

Three decades ago, Brittingham

never imagined he would have a career in local government.

"I started with a committee of maybe a few people, and we were looking for somebody to replace John Dale Smack. He was the first Black councilman," Brittingham said. "I was on the committee, going to different people [and] trying to convince them to run for [Town] Council."



Elroy Brittingham

After no luck, the committee asked Brittingham to run.

"Of course, I turned it down at first," he said.

He finally agreed to serve one term.

Brittingham has since served as vice president and the longest-serving active member of Town Council.

The Flower Street resident ran unopposed in the 2012 and 2016 elections.

"Every time you come up for election, there's things that you haven't completed," Brittingham said. "There's one or two things that you want to be there to see that it gets completed."

Brittingham is leaving before he sees the transformation of the multi-purpose building on Flower Street to

a community center.

"The town will hopefully find ways to apply for grants to build a new building," he said. "That's probably way down in the future, but that's one of the goals."

Brittingham added that he is also sorry he won't be on the council for future discussions about annexation.

"I know the town's going to grow in different directions," he said. "There's a big possibility that we'll have a lot more [commercial] businesses moving into town."



Thom Gulyas

Over the course of 32 years, Brittingham is proud of the improvements made at the Berlin power plant on William Street as well as the repaving of streets and sidewalks.

"We didn't have any committee set up to discuss the power plant," he said. "Council was trying to include that in all our meetings, and that made our meetings really lengthy."

From the beginning, Brittingham said he campaigned for street improvement projects in District 3.

"The older council ... it seems like they wanted to do things, but they did things the cheapest way, whatever the cheapest bid was," he said. "They

were even considering tar and chipping streets, which that's a thing of the past. It was a thing of the past when I first ran."

He added that he was concerned about sidewalks, especially on Flower Street, because of the school traffic in town to Stephen Decatur Middle School, Stephen Decatur High School, Buckingham Elementary School and Berlin Intermediate School.

"I think every bus comes by here in the morning and in the evening," Brittingham said.

Throughout his tenure, Brittingham has seen the whole town improve from Main Street to the new Berlin Police Department.

"Every time we had an election, it got a little bit better as far as working together and trying to accomplish things and completing things," he said.

Although there is much controversy surrounding the purchase of the Tyson building at Heron Park, Brittingham believes it can benefit Berlin.

"We couldn't control the operation of the plant, or we couldn't inspect the plant because it was outside the town limits," he said.

Brittingham believes the Tyson building will be a major topic of discussion. See BRITTINGHAM Page 9

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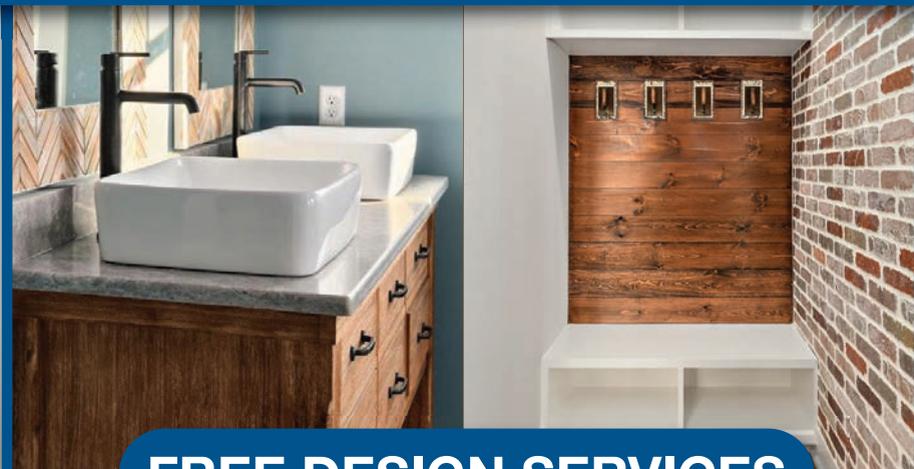
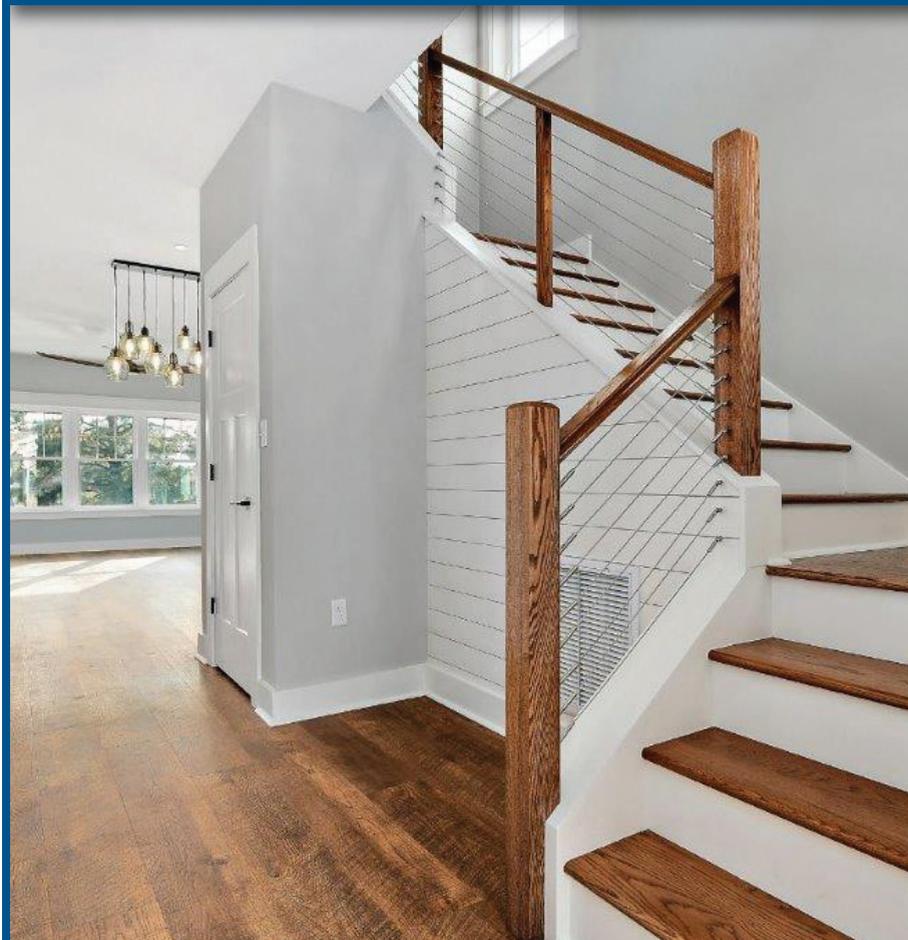
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OP boat slip meeting reveals work remains

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Return on investment and liability concerns were raised during a meeting last Wednesday on the proposed expansion of boat slips at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club.

Recreation and Parks Director Debbie Donahue opened the meeting at the Ocean Pines Community Center, where a small contingent of slip holders gathered to hear about plans to build extra slips at the end of the "A" and "D" docks.

"This year we had lot of issues with boats parking at will and had to hire additional security," she said.

Initial cost estimates for the expansion are between \$50,000-\$70,000, with the sum likely to be recouped within three years, Donahue said.

Ocean Pines Marina manager Ron Fisher said plans call for four additional boat slips on "A" dock and two more on "D" dock, intended for Yacht Club visitors for a maximum of two hours.

"These boats today are either being turned away for the restaurant or they're coming in and docking in your slip if you're out in the bay," he said. "We know we've had a security problem, because in many cases they're

taking the dock line with them when they leave."

Fisher said the extra slips could attract around 120 additional patrons per day on weekends and 80 during weekdays or about 680 customers a week over roughly 13-weeks during summer.

Fisher said based on an average expenditure per person of \$30, gross revenue at the Yacht Club would increase by around \$20,400 per week.

"Based on a net revenue estimate of 10 percent, that would be \$26,520 net per year," he said.

Fisher said Worcester County permit restrictions would limit the additional slips for transient use only.

"The county will not allow us to lease the slips, because we don't have adequate parking," he said.

Donahue said transient uses are the sole option short of providing extra parking at the Yacht Club

"We can't collect money off of them

unless more parking was made available," she said. "We've used up every inch at this moment of space that we can for parking."

After exploring other docking options, the only feasible alternative was adding slips, Fisher said.

"We can't put in floating docks [because] we don't have space without interfering with the gas dock," he said.

Public Works Operations Manager Nobie Violante, who has been gathering cost estimates from marina con-

tractors, said the slips are pre-fabricated and would be transported on tractor-trailers.

"It's a two-week build time once materials arrive here from Florida," he said.

Fisher said planning is underway on how to monitor and enforce the two-hour use limit.

"We're looking at increased security and penalties for parking in the marina lot," he said. "We're also working

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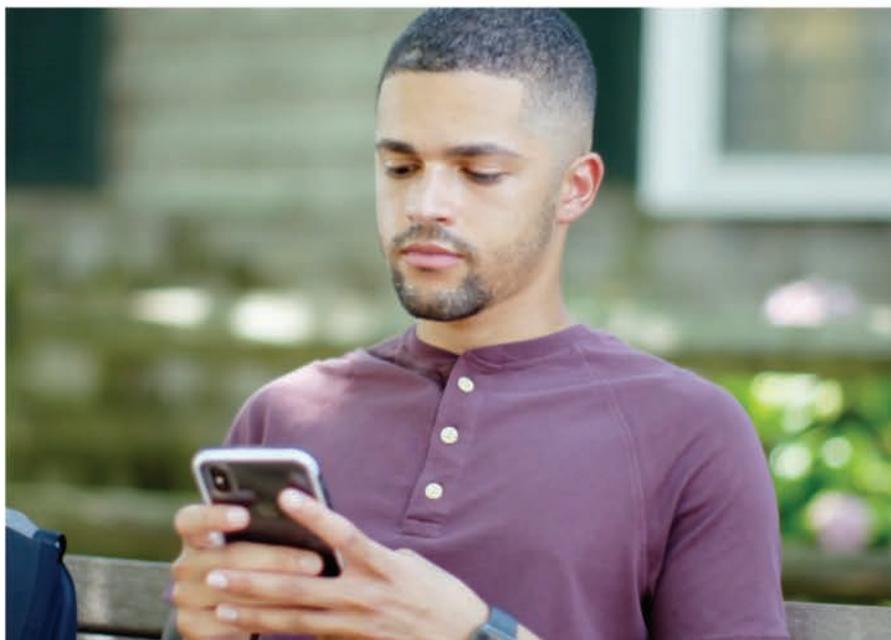
Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Director Debbie Donahue addresses concerns raised over a proposal to install additional boat slips for transient use at the Yacht Club during an informational meeting last Wednesday in the Community Center's Assateague Room.

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Docks expansion proposed in Pines causes concerns

Continued from Page 8 with the police department to see how we can deal with people docking in your space.”

Managing boat traffic at the marina is also a goal of the proposed facility expansion.

“We basically started this because it was a bigger liability for us with the boats coming into the marina and docking in slips,” he said. “We have had incidents where they ... actually hit boats, they’ve been intoxicated going out [and] one person fell off the dock.”

Fisher said there is always the risk that boat operators lack insurance, but the same risk is inherent for other eateries with dockside accommodations.

“We certainly hope they’re insured,” he said. “The fact that they’re going to be at the end of the dock it’s less likely that we’re going to have any damage to boats that are in the marina.”

OPA Board member Doug Parks, while noting more research about liability issues is required, said the need for additional dock space is a result of improved marketing.

“This has been a somewhat recent development because before the Matt Ort Company was running the Yacht Club there wasn’t any demand by people coming up in boats,” he said. “It’s a good problem to have in the sense that there’s now more demand.”

Donahue said contingent on county approval, the project could be completed before next Memorial Day.

“As we move forward with this in the permitting process, we are very realistic in the fact that we have some things that we still have to work on before it ever gets to the board,” she said.

Brittingham retires, Gulyas moves

Continued from Page 6 cussion for the new mayor and council. He added that the town purchased the property initially for another source of entertainment, such as an outdoor theater.

Recently, the plan has been to demolish the building through grant funding. The town is receiving bids at this time.

The next mayor and council will make the final decision.

“Even if the mayor repeats for another four years, we’re still gonna have three new people,” Brittingham said.

Brittingham also offered advice to his successor.

“I would say to really concentrate on some of the things that we haven’t completed,” he said.

As for Gulyas, he always wanted to be involved in local government.

“I’ve worked on campaigns from local municipal all the way up to Congress for 36 years,” he said. “After all of the volunteering ... and positions I held with various organizations and with HOAs over the years, I thought that it was just the next step to take.”

Gulyas, 55, ran against District 2 Councilmember Lisa Hall in 2008 but lost the election.

Then, he replaced Paula Lynch who, after serving as Berlin’s at-large councilmember for 26 years, decided not to run in 2014.

“My district, District 2, was not open at that time because on Berlin Mayor and Council, it’s always three and three [seats],” he said.

Gulyas was sworn into office as the at-large councilman on Oct. 27, 2014, and he retained his seat in 2018.

After six years of service, Gulyas is most proud of being a voice for the citizens of Berlin and helping the town continue to move in a positive direction.

“A lot of people that are in town now that may be newcomers in the last 10, 15, 20 years, they weren’t around when Berlin only had four or five stores open on Main Street. A lot of the businesses were shuttered,” Gulyas said. “There was nobody here ... It’s totally changed. A lot of people have worked very, very hard to get the town to where it is currently, and I know that there’s going to be growing pains.”

Gulyas added that he strived to be a voice for the employees as well during his term.

“We have a fantastic group of employees and department heads here in town,” he said. “This town could not operate without them. It could not.”

Gulyas complimented Town Administrator Jeff Fleetwood for his hands-on approach and diligent work ethic.

Gulyas announced his resignation from office on May 26, explaining that his family is relocating to South Point.

Gulyas said he and his wife, Belinda, who is the principal at Cedar Chapel Special School, sat down about a year ago and decided to move back on the water.

“I was raised on the water in Ocean City, and that’s actually how I met my wife,” he said. “Her grandparents bought a condominium on the water that my parents used to own.”

Gulyas expressed gratitude for his neighborhood in Berlin that was a wonderful place to raise his now 16-year-old son.

“We love the town, and we have a fantastic neighborhood that’s just loaded with young families with young kids,” he said. “It’s time for somebody else to come in with their family and have the same memories, the same enjoyment and benefits that we had here for the last 15 years.”

Gulyas added that they plan to move to their property in South Point in late spring or early summer 2021.

“I didn’t want to put the town through another expense of an election just so I could stay an extra six months,” he said about leaving his term two years early. “That’s not fair.”

Gulyas, who has owned Ace Printing and Mailing in Berlin since 1985, said he will participate in Town Council meetings as a business owner when necessary.

“It’s time for new ideas, fresh ideas and different folks,” he said. “I wouldn’t want to take anything away from those folks that are going to be taking the seats.”

“There are tough decisions to be made by anyone that assumes a position as mayor or councilmember,” Gulyas continued. “You’re tasked with running the town as it currently sits as well as trying to project into the future where you want to be in three years, five years, 10 years down the pike.”

“I’m sure that there are some decisions that some of the folks aren’t very happy with, but we as a group as the mayor and council, we’ve got to look down that road. We’ve got to look down those five to 10 years and see what’s going to be the benefit of the town.”



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Pines August financials stay positive by \$60K for month

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Ocean Pines Association budget numbers remained in the black during August, albeit at a lower level than in July.



John Viola

OPA August financials, which were not available during the most recent Board meeting, on Sept. 9, indicated the operating fund closed out ahead of budget by \$61,250 for the month, just shy of 20 percent of the roughly \$318,000 favorability in July.

During August, revenues were over budget by \$16,881, with total expenses under budget by \$44,369.

By comparison, July's net revenues beat the budget by \$326,000, with expenses exceeding the projection by \$8,000.

The tally through August leaves Ocean Pines operating fund with a positive year-to-date variance of \$991,846, with revenues over budget by \$112,477 and expenses under budget by \$879,369.

General Manager John Viola noted the monthly totals benefitted from the Payroll Protection Program loan of \$1.14 million.

"The PPP income recognized for July was \$398,000 versus only \$53,000 for August," he said.

Looking at first quarter year-to-date data versus the prior year, net revenues through this August total \$10,847,880, which is nearly identical to the \$10,832,619 figure at this point in 2019.

Total expenses reached \$4,162,381 to end August versus \$4,810,285 in 2019.

These figures combine for a current net operating total of \$6,685,499,

which outpaces the budgeted total of \$5,692,990 by about \$992,000.

By comparison, the net operating balance through last August sat at \$6,022,334, which topped budget estimates of \$5,562,510 by roughly \$459,000.

Viola said the financial balances were significantly aided through PPP funding awarded by the Small Business Administration.

"Again ... PPP a major factor," he said. "The \$1.1 million in PPP recognized income to date is the primary contributor."

Looking at individual departments, parking fees from the OPA Beach Club totaled more than \$237,000 this year, down from the approximately \$327,000 collected in 2019.

Marina operations outpaced last year's net operating profit of \$262,000 with a total of roughly \$273,000 to close this August.

"Marina profitability is primarily driven by fuel sales," he said. "Good weather conditions along with an outdoor activity (boating) that was not significantly affected by covid led to the favorable performance."

Pickleball also outdid the \$9,520 net operating positive variance at this point last year with a \$14,878 profitability to close out this August.

"Racquet sports was not significantly affected by covid, leading to the pickleball favorable performance," he said.

Flipping the script, aquatics has recorded a loss of roughly \$21,000 through August compared to about \$291,000 favorability at the same point in the prior year.

"Conversely, Aquatics capacity limitations and the indoor Sports Core closure resulted in the negative performance," he said.

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OP Environment Cmte. holds socially-distanced meeting

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) The Ocean Pines Environment and Natural Assets Committee met outdoors last Wednesday at the White Horse Park Pavilion for a socially-distanced discussion of the work it oversees.

Director of Amenities and Operational Logistics Colby Phillips updated committee members on work to eradicate *Phragmites australis*, or common reeds, in the field adjacent to the Swim and Racquet Club.

"They started spraying last week and everything should be complete by Oct. 9," she said.

Phillips said after spraying is completed, the dead reeds would be removed to eliminate root systems.

Chairman Ken Wolf said more information is being sought on potential water pollution from geese that regularly gather at the South Gate Pond and two smaller North Gate ponds.

"We don't want to casually kill the geese," he said. "We want to understand what the impact of the goose droppings is on the three bodies of water."

Wolf said board liaison Tom Janasek has been asked to consult with Assateague Coastal Trust and

seek board approval to conduct water testing on the ponds.

Wolf said several committee members are wildlife advocates committed to pursuing humane treatment of migratory geese.

Turning to waterway concerns, Wolf said the committee has been urging board members to work in conjunction with the Maryland Coastal Bays Program on environmental conservation.

"The challenge always was that the directors here were spectators to the environment," he said. "We never used our critical mass to try to influence events."

Wolf said since Ocean Pines is the largest waterfront community in Worcester County, the importance of addressing environmental issues is increased.

"The only reason this community is here is because of the water," he said. "It could have been located 50 miles inland and would have been cheaper."

Wolf said although earlier efforts to encourage board members to attend Coastal Bays Program meetings met with varying success, the level of engagement has improved recently.

"We're very blessed now that we have board engagement," he said.



GREG ELLISON/BAYSIDE GAZETTE

Ocean Pines Environment and Natural Assets Committee Chair Ken Wolf, top center, presides over the group's meeting on Sept. 30, which was held outside in White Horse Park to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

Wolf credited both Janasek, who previously served as environment committee chairman, and Phillips, who is a member of the Coastal Bays Board of Directors, for keeping the lines of communication open.

"We think we're making progress, but that's something we always want to do," he said. "How can we influence events in this county for the benefit of this water?"

The committee also discussed

pending work to upgrade mailboxes in need of repair.

Wolf said committee member Paul Fohner raised the concern about numerous mailboxes in subpar condition several years earlier.

Phillips said General Manager John Viola is working with team members on a number of long-range priorities, including mailbox improvements.

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OP to host virtual, distanced Halloween fun

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks will blend virtual activities with real time events to spice up the Halloween season for residents and their children.

Recreation Supervisor Brittany Jarman said department staff brewed up fresh spins on old ideas to keep youthful spirits engaged, highlighted by the Trunk or Treat event on Oct. 30 in White Horse Park starting at 5:30 p.m.

“It gives the kids of Ocean Pines something to do and we’re doing it the night before Halloween.”

Jarman said the new offering would also help to fill the void left by the cancellation of this year’s Fall Festival.

“Our Fall Festival attracts so many people to a small area,” she said. “We’ll still have our Fall Festival probably

starting again next year, but I wanted to add a Trunk or Treat either way because there is no trick or treating in Ocean Pines.”

To fill the time leading up to Trunk or Treat, families can join in virtual pumpkin carving and Halloween costume contests.

Photos of costumed kids can be emailed to Recreation Supervisor Katie Goetzinger at kgoetzinger@oceanpines.org. Pictures of pumpkin handiwork should be emailed to bjarman@oceanpines.org, with both due by Oct. 25.

“We’re going to post all of the stuff up on a Facebook page album and people can vote for their favorite one by ‘liking’ the photo,” she said.

Jarman said votes for both costume and pumpkin entries could be cast from Oct. 26 through Oct. 30 at noon. Winners will be unveiled just prior to the Trunk or Treat celebration.

To avoid having all the fun finished before Oct. 31, families can return to White Horse Park on Halloween morning for a creative holiday venture.

“We also have a ‘Build Your Own Scarecrow’ contest on Halloween morning from 10 a.m. to noon,” she said.

The cost per family is \$8, which covers foundational materials, while fashion touches are left to individual imaginations.

“We provide the hay and they can



Autumn Beachley of Berlin, looks absolutely wicked during the Halloween activities at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines last year.

bring their accessories and clothing,” she said.

Jarman said to confirm adequate bale counts, participants should pre-register by Oct. 28 by calling 410-641-7052.

“So we make sure we have enough

hay,” she said.

The winning scarecrow will be selected at the end of the event with a bag chock full of autumn goodies awarded to the design team.

Jarman said spookily decked out ve-
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Berlin Mayor and Council Briefs

By Ally Lanasa

Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) The following took place during the Berlin Mayor and Council meeting on Sept. 28:

Water valve repairs

Eleven water valves were replaced in Berlin between August and September. Three were replaced at the Franklin Avenue water tower, one was replaced on North Main Street, three were replaced on Bryan Avenue and four were replaced on Branch Street.

On Sept. 29, the water supply was shut down from North Main Street to Cheers on Old Ocean City Boulevard to replace three valves, said Stormwater and Wastewater Superintendent Jamey Latchum.

"All the valves that have been replaced were either leaking or faulty," Town Administrator Jeff Fleetwood said after the meeting. "Most of the valves replaced were well over 60 years old."

Currently, the Franklin Avenue water tower is offline, and the water tower on Route 346 is feeding the town.

"Normal exercise maintenance will occur with the new valves as well as other valves in the town," Fleetwood added. "As with anything mechanical, parts do wear out and need to be repaired or replaced."

Lease agreement

AT&T leases space from the town on the Franklin Avenue water tower, Fleet-

wood said. The active lease expires in May 2021. The Town Council approved the proposed lease, which will begin in June 2021. Both the current and proposed lease are for five years. AT&T will pay \$3,283.64 per month for rent. Beginning July 1, 2022, and that date every subsequent year, the rent will increase one percent over the rent paid the previous year.

Cigarette butt recycling

Ivy Wells, the town's economic and community development director, said the town received a grant for cigarette butt recyclers two years ago and new trash cans. Recently, Berlin was named one of the top cigarette butt recycling municipalities.

Solar field grant

Fleetwood said Berlin may be eligible for a 50KW solar system from American Municipal Power. No financial match from the town would be required.

Wayfinders

Protection was added to the wayfinders throughout downtown to prevent injury to pedestrians.

Crosswalks

The State Highway Association repaved the stop bars and the crosswalks at the intersection of Pitts and William Street.

OP committee meets outdoors

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While initial progress was made last year, more recently Phillips and Director of Public Works Eddie Wells revived the project.

"Eddie Wells and I drove around to every single mailbox cluster," she said.

The multi-day inspection focused on evaluating which mailboxes, as well as pads and posts, require repair

or replacement.

"They all need to be power washed and cleaned," she said.

Phillips will present data to Viola later this month to prioritize needs.

"A lot of the mailbox units themselves were in pretty good shape," she said. "We're seeking pricing for structures with dim lighting, because if there's houses around we don't want to blast everybody."

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Worcester County Arts Council open to limited visitors

By Ally Lanasa

Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) The Worcester County Arts Council in Berlin has reopened to the public with limited occupancy.

Since Sept. 5, the gallery at 6 Jefferson Street has been open on the weekends from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and during the 2nd Friday celebrations downtown from 5-8 p.m.

Currently, four visitors are permitted in the gallery at one time.

"We have all the safety guidelines in place, and we feel very comfortable with the environment we provide," said Anna Mullis, the executive director of the Worcester County Arts Council.

Visitors are required to wear face coverings, practice social distancing and use the hand sanitizers provided throughout the gallery.

"We have a protective acrylic screen on the check-in desk, where visitors can purchase the artwork," Mullis added.

On display in the gallery throughout October are the creations of Marian Bickerstaff, Joanne Guilfoil and Barbara Kern-Bush.

Bickerstaff, who serves as the president of the Board of Directors of the Art League of Ocean City, creates local landscape scenes using acrylics, oils and pastels.

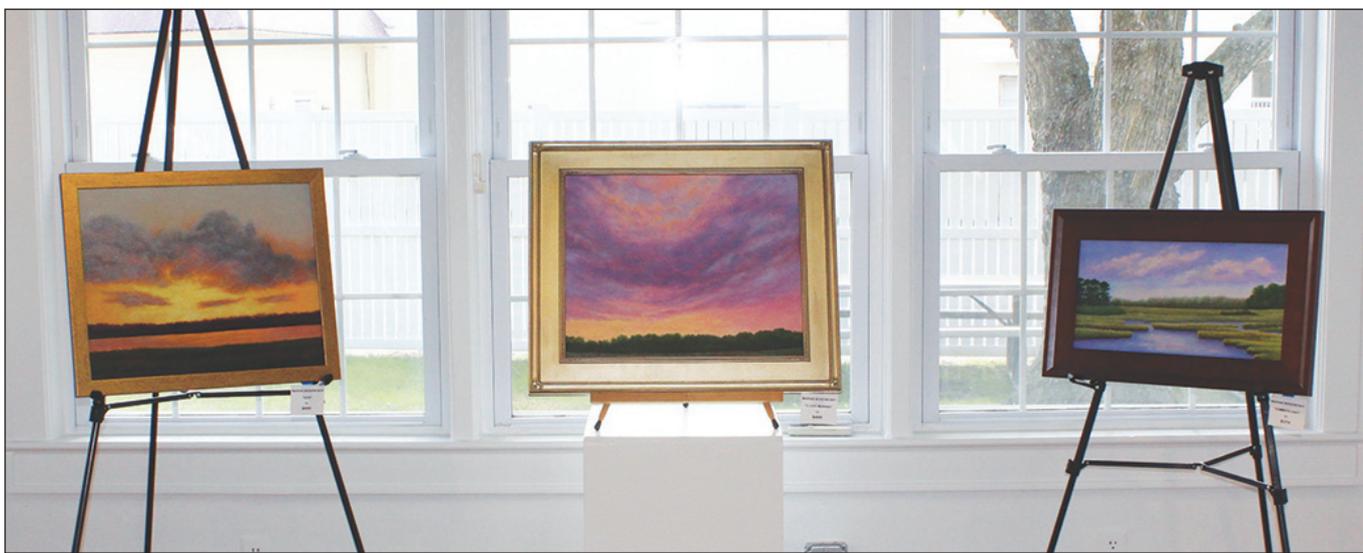
"She does a lot of texture in her paintings," Mullis said.

Bickerstaff and her husband moved to Ocean Pines in 2007.

Guilfoil, of Selbyville, is a watercolorist, who specializes in the paintings of chickens and wildlife on the Eastern Shore.

Guilfoil, who taught art at the collegiate level, is also trained in gouache and acrylic paints.

Kern-Bush, of Ocean Pines, uses oils to paint portraits, landscapes and still life scenes.



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Throughout October, Marian Bickerstaff's paintings of local landscapes will be on display in the Worcester County Arts Council gallery, 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

"She's also a plein air artist, so in her artwork you can see a lot of local scene as well," Mullis said.

The monthly local featured artists are chosen from the gallery co-op.

"We have around 30 artists who are associated with our gallery, and they volunteer on a monthly basis," Mullis said.

They are all from the Delmarva region, with the majority being Worcester County residents.

Visitors can meet Ellie Scott, a watercolorist, at the gallery while she uses the upstairs studio.

Scott, who has been in the studio for about a month, said she is grateful to finally have a space to create and hang her artwork, adding that she only hangs her friend's artwork in her Berlin home.

"I'm flattered and very happy to be part of the co-op," she said.

In addition to the gallery, the Worcester County Arts Council aims to "aid, encourage, advise and correlate all activities dedicated to the promotion of the arts in Worcester County," according

to its website. It accomplishes this mission through grants.

The council receives grants from the Maryland State Arts Council for redistribution to nonprofit organizations planning arts and cultural events.

"Our grant season has opened just recently," Mullis said. "We have extended a deadline for Community Arts Development Grant program until Nov. 1."

For the 2021 fiscal year, a financial match for the grant has been suspended.

"Most of the grants require one-to-one, dollar-to-dollar match by the organization," Mullis said. "However, due to circumstances with the pandemic – and we know how a lot of our grantees and other local nonprofit organizations have been impacted by the pandemic – we followed guidelines by the Maryland State Arts Council and waived the requirement for the match for this fiscal year."

Those interested can apply for the Community Arts Development Grant electronically or by mail.

To submit electronically, the application form found on worcestercountyartsCouncil.org must be compiled with all other required documentation in a pdf file and sent to curator@worcestercountyartsCouncil.org with the subject

line "GRANT APPLICATION FISCAL YEAR 2021."

Mullis added that she has applied for an emergency grant from the Maryland State Arts Council to support local grantees and organizations with any needs they may have.

"The grant program that we offer is basically designed to support art projects or art programs or art events," she said. "However, we have never had operational grants offered to applicants, so a portion of the grant that we have been awarded from the Maryland State Arts Council will be designated to operational grants for local arts organizations and another area that we will be focusing on through the grant will be arts and healing initiatives."

Applications for that grant will be available on worcestercountyartsCouncil.org in January.

"It's definitely needed in the community," Mullis said. "We know how art is important in healing and therapy, especially during this time."

OPA Halloween activities Oct. 30

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hicles are still being sought to take part in Trunk or Treat.

"Anybody that's interested in decorating their car and passing out candy," she said.

Jarman said all tree-covered sections of White Horse Park would be available for vehicles to fright and delight.

"Right now we have about 12 people that are interested so we're definitely looking for more," she said. "We're accepting businesses or individuals."

Jarman said to minimize direct interactions, children can collect treats from Halloween-themed car trunks or truck beds.

"Sometimes the candy might not be in the trunk, they might have it on the ground in front," she said. "Whoever decorates their trunk, they do get to stay and dress up in a costume."

To join the vehicle line up for Trunk or Treat email bjarman@oceanpines.org.

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Childcare centers can open to full capacity

By Ally Lanasa
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Maryland childcare providers can return to full capacity, State Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Salmon announced last Thursday at a press conference with Gov. Larry Hogan.

“For the last six months, capacity limits have been in place for childcare providers as a mitigation tool to prevent the spread of the coronavirus,” Salmon said. “In working with the Maryland Department of Health, we have seen very few positive covid cases in our childcare facilities, likely due to the rigorous health and safety guidance implemented by the childcare community from the beginning of the pandemic.”



Dr. K. Salmon

In June, the capacity was increased from 10 to 15 children per room.

Childcare centers can now serve up to 20 three- and four-year-olds in a room with a teacher-student ratio of 1:10 and up to 30 school-aged students with a teacher-student ratio of 1:15.

“We have heard very clearly from many parents and providers who have written and called me, that we return to licensed capacity to meet the needs of working families and prevent the closure of childcare centers once it could be done safely,” Salmon said. “I am hopeful this announcement effectively complements local school system efforts to bring students back into the classroom and provides more working families with access to safe childcare programs.”

Childcare facilities must continue to follow federal and state safety guidance to prevent exposure to covid-19.

Sandra Buckwalter, the director and CEO of Eastern Shore Early Learning Academy, is excited that childcare centers can open to full capacity, but she doubts she will reach the maximum capacity of 88 to 90 children at her facility.

“I just wish the parents felt comfortable sending kids,” she said. “So many are still afraid to send their kids.”

Currently, about 50 children from six weeks to 12 years old are enrolled at Eastern Shore Early Learning Academy off Worcester Highway in Berlin.

When Worcester and Wicomico Counties started virtual learning, Buckwalter said 26 children engaged in distance learning at her facility.

“We now have five that went back to school, and we have one more starting back to school in two weeks,” she said.

She added that another child will return to school in Wicomico County soon. Children at Buckwalter’s center

attend four of the public schools in Worcester County and three of the public schools in Wicomico County.

“Parents need to understand we’re taking all the measures, that it is safe,” Buckwalter said. “We’ve been blessed not to have to worry about closing down for anything. None of my kids have been sick.”

Children’s temperatures are taken in the morning before they enter the center and children ages three and up as well as the staff are required to wear masks, she said.

“I purchase masks, and we’re keeping them clean. We’re not letting them leave the building,” she said. “Each child has their own set of masks. They have four masks with their own name on their own bag.”

The staff also records when children wash their hands, toys are sanitized and rooms are cleaned.

“We keep the younger children away from the older children,” Buckwalter added.

Buckwalter’s father built wooden table dividers with troughs to hold the children’s belongings, including soap, wipes, tissues and computers. She said the dividers can be repurposed as tabletop easels.

Children wipe down their desks when they arrive in the morning to ensure their space is clean.

“There’s only two [children] to a table anyway, and then the tables are six feet apart,” Buckwalter said.

Similarly, Coastal Early Learning Center off Seahawk Road in Berlin restricts seating to enforce social distancing among other safety measures, said Shelby Lewis, assistant director at the childcare center.

“Staff have to wear masks at all times while in the building,” Lewis said. “Also, we have a table out front where we do temperature checks and health screenings on all staff and students. We are currently not allowing anyone in the building who is not a staff or student.”

Within the classroom, the older students have the option to wear masks, she added.

Also, toys and equipment are more frequently sanitized, and students take handwashing breaks before and after mealtime, going outside and any



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Little Lambs Learning Center on Racetrack Road in Berlin and other nearby facilities are taking extensive measures to ensure the safety of staff and students after State Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Salmon expanded the capacity of children per classroom at childcare centers in Maryland.

time when they transition between activities.

Despite the daily prevention steps, Lewis is thankful for Salmon’s announcement that childcare centers, like Coastal Early Learning Center, can return to full capacity.

“I feel it’s almost a necessity as far as on the business side and being able to stay open and function,” she said. “On the children’s side, the extra sanitization and the social distancing and

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Childcare providers adapt safety guidelines

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trying to keep up with all that is a little crazy as well. But, honestly, I would have to be more for us opening to full capacity."

Currently, 69 children are enrolled at Coastal Early Learning Center.

Lewis said some of the children who are enrolled have not been back to the facility in a few months, but they remain on the roster because the parents are paying.

"Honestly, the majority of our children did come back within the first few months," she said.

The childcare center serves children from six weeks to six years old, but not all children attend Coastal Early Learning Center full time.

Lewis added that the center has a waitlist because parents are looking for options other than public school pre-K and kindergarten programs.

"We do not have any virtual learners at our facility," Lewis said. "We actually were never equipped for school-aged students, even on a regular based school year. We do offer a kindergarten program, but our older classes are three to six years old and it's a mixed-age group. We're a Montessori school, so things are a little different here than in normal daycares."

Coastal Early Learning Center has closed for two weeks twice during the pandemic because of potential exposures.

Two staff members, a student and a parent contracted the coronavirus this summer, but fortunately did not have severe symptoms. Lewis said they all recovered well.

"They did have to test negative to come back, but we all were tested and [everyone's test came back] negative," she said.

The building was closed for two weeks twice following guidance from the health department about the reports, and it was sanitized both times.

"Before that, I will say, it was not required for the staff to wear masks at all times with the children," Lewis added.

About a month ago, a staff member

at Little Lambs Learning Center on Racetrack Road in Berlin contracted the coronavirus.

"We were fortunate in that she was already not here. She was already off," said Jocelyn Snelsire, director of the center. "We had been closed for a couple days to do a deep cleaning, and everything kind of worked itself out. She quarantined. It was about a three-week process, though, if you have anybody that's a close contact or a confirmed case."

Snelsire said the timeframe for children to be symptom-free of the coronavirus has also been increased.

"Normally, it's 24 hours if a child has a fever or diarrhea or vomiting or any symptom of any kind," Snelsire said. "Due to covid, we've increased that incubation period to 48 hours. So, if a child does develop any symptoms here, they have to be out for 48 hours with no medicine before they can return. Same with staff."

Staff and children over the age of five wear face coverings at all times at Little Lambs Learning Center. Younger children are encouraged to wear masks as well.

Children take frequent hand-washing breaks, especially around meal and play times.

Additionally, staff wear gloves when handling food.

Little Lambs Learning Center provides the staff extra time to disinfect the classrooms as well as the playgrounds.

"We're trying to social distance the best we can in classrooms," Snelsire said. "The kids are learning it pretty well."

Snelsire added that children are arranged into cohorts, where select classrooms may combine at certain parts of the day.

"So, if there were a confirmed case in the building, it would potentially only have to affect that cohort and not the whole center," she said.

Currently, parents are not allowed into the building. There is a check-in station at the entrance of the facility, where staff members take the temperature of the children. Parents must

answer health screening questions as well.

"We actually have an app that is super helpful," Snelsire said. "[Parents] can actually check their kids in on their phone and complete the health screenings on their phone and log their temperatures and everything without having to touch anything but their own personal phone."

Then, children wash their hands and staff members guide children to their classrooms.

Parents sign up for pick-up slots at dismissal.

Snelsire is excited about returning to full capacity in the classrooms.

"Until last Thursday, we could not have more than 15 people, which included our staff, in any one room or group," she said.

Now, the center will return to having 20 children and two teachers per classroom.

"It's nice, but it's also going to be its own set of challenges because we're still following our separate covid guidelines, which are requiring us to still try to maintain social distancing and all of the extra cleaning and things that we've already added into the program," she said. "I think it'll be a good thing; it's just going to be another adjustment we make."

Snelsire added that Little Lambs Learning Center has a year-long waitlist, even before covid restrictions.

"I've actually had some people who wanted to come back ... that have been waiting to get back in until this announcement could happen, so that I could have some extra room to do that," she said.

The maximum operational capacity at the facility is 140.

"I have more than that enrolled because they don't all come every day," Snelsire added. "I have 152 [children] enrolled right now."

Little Lambs Learning Center serves children ages six weeks to 12 years old from Worcester County, Wicomico County and Sussex County, Delaware.

Roughly 35 school-aged children in kindergarten through fourth grade

are engaged in virtual learning at the facility.

"It's been challenging, but the schools have been really great to work with," Snelsire said.

She added that her center usually offers a before- and after-school program for students, but the facility is unable to do that at this time because of the accommodations for children who are at the center for the full day.

"I don't have enough staff to do both or enough rooms to do both," Snelsire said. "So, that's been a challenge for parents as well because their kids are being invited back to school, but schools start a little bit later."

At this time, more than 82 percent of childcare providers in Maryland have reopened, Salmon said.

"Reopened programs will receive a one-time grant of \$800 for family care providers and \$1,600 for center-based childcare providers," Salmon said. "These grants will be available through Oct. 31 of this year."

In addition, the Maryland State Department of Education, is providing \$1,000 in start-up grants to eligible, new family home care providers, Salmon said.

County offices closed Mon. for Columbus Day

(Oct. 8, 2020) Worcester County Government offices, including Recreation and Parks, will be closed Monday, Oct. 12, for the Columbus Day holiday.

The Central Landfill and Homeowner Convenience Centers and Shore Spirits Retail Liquor Store in Pocomoke will be open during standard hours of operation.

Worcester County Government offices will resume standard operating hours on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

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Opinion

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Congrats to winners, thanks to departees

Mayor Gee Williams is out, and Councilmen Elroy Brittingham and Thom Gulyas are stepping down. Councilman Zack Tyndall is in as mayor, along with new council members Jay Knerr, Shaneka Nichols and Jack Lee Orris Jr.

Berlin voters on Tuesday instituted a regime change in town government, as taxpayers who are still smarting over that big tax increase in 2019, made it clear that they want to try something different as the town continues to wrestle with the economic maturity it has achieved during the last few years.

The direction the town will take will depend largely on the dynamics of whatever new council majority emerges. The mayor, meanwhile, derives much of his authority through public persuasion, his veto power and his administration of the policies and practices as decided by the council.

Fortunately, the new mayor and council have a good staff in place that can help guide them through the next few months, as they become accustomed to working with each other and take on the town's more pressing issues.

Finances, of course, are the big one, and, more specifically, how to bolster the town's treasury without increasing the burden on taxpayers.

That's going to require some creative thinking and a determined approach, since budget-balancing options are limited to taxes, fees, the sale or lease of property, grant acquisitions and reductions in spending.

Taking office, however, is a talented bunch of people, whose qualifications suggest that whatever course they choose to pursue, their decision will be preceded by considerable thought and open public discussion.

In the meantime, thanks to Gee Williams, Elroy Brittingham and Thom Gulyas for taking Berlin so far in a such comparatively short time, and congratulations to Zack Tyndall, Jay Knerr, Shaneka Nichols and Jack Lee Orris Jr. on stepping up to take the town into the future.



Prevent vandalism of political signs

(Oct. 8, 2020) Ocean Pines Police are reporting an increase in the theft and vandalism of political signs during this election season, and are asking residents to display signs or banners in a well-lighted area of their yard.

"We're starting to get a lot of complaints that 'somebody stole my Trump sign' or 'somebody tore down my Biden sign,' that type of thing," Ocean Pines Police Chief Leo Ehrisman said. "If you're going to put this stuff out, put it in the well-lit area in your yard. Just putting it out in the dark somewhere is not going to stop a pedestrian from kicking it over, tearing it down, or stealing it."

Ehrisman said police are doing their best to monitor the situation, but they can't be everywhere at once. Things like video footage from a home security system, for example, can be helpful to police, he said.

"If they have video surveillance, we'd be more than glad to take a look," he said. "Even if it's not on your property, if your video camera sees someone tearing down a sign across the street in the neighbor's yard, we'd be very interested in obtaining that information."

Ehrisman also asked that residents report any activity immediately, whether it was seen on their property or in a neighbor's yard. Often, he

said, a victim will call police the next morning after a sign was stolen or damaged, and those type of incidents are difficult to follow up on.

"It's common for people to put these kinds of political support signs out at this time of year, but it's also normal for others who don't like their candidate to damage it, steal it, deface it, all of which is a crime. However, it's a pretty vague crime that we normally don't see until after the fact," Ehrisman said. "Any preventative actions that residents can take is greatly appreciated, and if you see anything in your area, by all means report it to the police."

To contact Ocean Pines Police, call 410-641-7747.

Reduced electricity use to lower bills

(Oct. 8, 2020) Berlin residents and businesses did their part to reduce electricity usage during the peak hours during the summer. Those efforts, commonly known as Tweak-Our-Peak, will help lower local power bills in 2021.

The lower usage (loads) during the peak hours will reduce electric costs by about \$97,000

for the town in 2021. This is approximately two percent of the town's purchase power budget. These savings will be passed back to the residents and businesses through the power cost adjustment portion of the electric rate in the new year.

Residents may expect an annual reduction of approximately \$17; Small General

Service commercial customers approximately \$15; General Service commercial customers approximately \$130 and Large General Service customers approximately \$1,400.

For more information, visit the town's website at berlinmd.gov, then "Electric" under the "Departments" menu.

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Pines oyster gardening group keeps harvest levels growing

By Greg Ellison
Staff Writer

(Oct. 8, 2020) Since starting an oyster gardening campaign in 2014 to reduce pollutants in the St. Martin River, Joe and Gail Jankowski have witnessed the program grow and now hope to establish productive oyster beds in the region.



Joe Jankowski

Joe Jankowski, who helped found the Protectors of the St. Martin River volunteer group, updated the Ocean Pines Environment and Natural Assets Committee about water conservation efforts last Wednesday.

Jankowski told the committee Maryland Coastal Bays Program Science Coordinator Dr. Roman Jesien and Environmental Scientist Carly Toulan have been consulted about their efforts to create oyster bars in the St. Martin River so the filter feeders can help reduce pollution in the estuary.

“When I spoke to Roman Jesien, I said ‘if the oysters aren’t reproducing in your reef, then ultimately they’re going to reach their end of life and die,’” he said. “There’s got to be baby oysters growing there in order for the

thing to keep surviving or we keep dumping more oysters on there and we’re doing it sort of unnaturally.”

Oysters reproduce when fertilized eggs become spat that attach themselves to other shells or rocks. Under the proper conditions, the spat can grow rapidly.

Jankowski said what further complicates establishing reef systems is that the tides can carry these spat a considerable distance from their point of origin.

Jankowski, who has been building oyster cages at cost for interested parties as part of the conservation campaign, has considered building an oyster reef under his dock at his Ocean Pines residence but is still researching design details.

“I’m a little nervous about trying to do that,” he said.

Regardless of how well this expanded effort works, Jankowski said the last six months of increased media coverage of the oyster gardening program has generated more interest.

“One of the things I’m going to try and do . . . is try and accelerate building cages,” he said. “There are now 13 additional people that want to raise oysters off their dock.”

That would nearly double the 15 volunteers already involved, which are



PHOTO COURTESY JOE JANKOWSKI

In June, oyster gardeners organized by Gail and Joe Jankowski donated buckets with roughly 1,600 shelled specimens to aid reef building efforts by the Maryland Coastal Bays Program.

primarily comprised of residents within the St. Martin River watershed.

In 2018, the Ocean Pines oyster gardeners donated 344 mature oysters that to the Maryland Coastal Bays Program to compliment its reef project.

Oysters reaching diameters of three inches can filter around 50 gallons of water daily.

Volunteers drop their oyster nursey cages off docks and bulkheads and keep them a year or more until the seed oysters are large enough to transfer to other locations.

Oyster harvests from the volunteer group jumped to 960 by 2019, with 16 more cages requested for the following

season.

“It was all word of mouth,” he said.

This June the annual haul sent to the Coastal Bays Program grew to roughly 1,600, with nine new cage requests growing the overall number in the water to 33.

“Now as result of news coverage, there are 13 more people that want 17 more cages,” he said.

“We’ll be probably donating somewhere around 2,500 oysters to the Maryland Coastal Bays in 2021.”

To learn more about oyster gardening, email Joe and Gail Jankowski at protectorsstmartinriver@yahoo.com.



OPEN HOUSES OCT. 8 - OCT. 15



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Friday 11-3, Sat-Sun 10-4	1200 St. Louis Ave., Island Time – OC	3BR/3.5BA	Townhomes	\$399,900	Dan Clayland/Coldwell Banker Res. Brokerage
Saturday 1-3	14502 Lighthouse Ave, #A – OC	3BR/2.5BA	Townhouse	\$299,000	Power of Two/Hileman Real Estate



Delmarva Birding Weekend set for Oct. 9-11

Oktoberfest returns again after inaugural event last year with safety protocols

(Oct. 8, 2020) With covid protocols in place, Delmarva Birding Weekend has announced the second annual Oktoberfest, slated for Oct. 9-11.

Like spring migration in late April, fall migration in early October offers high numbers of species for nature lovers to enjoy as warblers, herons and egrets trade places with waterfowl, hawks, and eagles.

Registration for the event is now open at <http://delmarvabirding.com/oktoberfest-oct-9-11/>.

Nature lovers can register for just one field trip, or multiple ones each day of the three-day event.

On Friday, participants can get an early start to the weekend with both songbirds and shorebirds near Ocean City and Berlin before embarking on an afternoon trip to the nearby 2,200-acre private Newport Farms.

On Saturday, after trips to landings in Chincoteague Bay and a hawk walk around the dunes at Cape Henlopen, the highlight of Oktoberfest takes place on the Shorebird Explorer when ponies, shorebirds and eagles put on a show behind Assateague Island.

Top the weekend off with a Sunday paddle on Ayres Creek or a saunter around Delaware Seashore State Park.

Guided by local fun-loving birders with decades-long experience, the walking tours, boat trips and canoe and kayak paddles will accommodate visitors from the curious nature lover to fowl fanatics.

Every year, birdwatchers from surrounding states flock to Delmarva in the fall.

"This is our biggest fall nature-oriented weekend," said Melanie Pursel, tourism director for Worcester County. "People will be amazed by the number of eagles and flocking herons, but they will see a lot more than that walking, paddling and boating with guides in the wilds around Pocomoke City, Snow Hill, Berlin and Ocean City. Delmarva Birding Weekend trips are so good that the governor issued a tourism award for them in 2018."

Social events for this year's Oktoberfest have been postponed to 2021 due to the pandemic.

Typically these "Tally Rallies" would be held at local breweries, bars, and restaurants, and allow participants to add to the species checklist and swap nature stories with new friends.

Indeed participants recount the event in terms of experiences rather than simply observing birds – a majestic Bald Eagle soaring over the marsh, a flock of white ibis, or the eerie hoot and shadow of an owl at dusk. An outdoor experience is the true draw.

The Delmarva Peninsula is one of the country's premier birding areas, thanks to an extensive variety of habitat protected by coastal parks, refuges and wildlife management areas.

More than 400 bird species have been recorded in the region and previous Weekend tallies have topped 200 species.

If boasting that many species isn't enough, participants should feel even better knowing that they've helped Delmarva's birds by promoting birding and habitat conservation.

Birders, both novice and experienced, make an important statement about the economic value of birds and their habitats through the money they spend in local hotels, restaurants, and shops.

Participants are encouraged to remind local businesses that they are here to enjoy Delmarva's natural areas and the birds that inhabit them. This is more important now than ever.

"It's our vast shallow bays and large tracts of protected marshes and bald cypress forests that make the Delmarva Peninsula one of the finest birding regions in the nation," said guide and organizer Jim Rapp. "During the weekend, our guests will hike on private farmland and woodland that are normally off-limits to birders, and our waterborne trips go where the birds are."

Co-organizer Dave Wilson added that most trips are not physically taxing and that the event provides a rare opportunity to tally 100 species in a day in places that are normally inaccessible to the public.

For Oktoberfest 2020, mask wearing and social distancing will be the rule. There will be no carpooling and numbers of seats will be reduced.

Sponsors for the events include Worcester County Tourism, Southern

Delaware Tourism, the Boardwalk Hotel Group, Jolly Roger Amusement Park, the Delmarva Almanac, My Backyard, the Maryland Coastal Bays Program, and the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays.

Additional sponsor and registration information, field trip descriptions

and other resources for Delmarva Birding are available at www.delmarvabirding.com.

For more information, contact Rapp at 443-614-0261; or Wilson at 443-523-2201 or Conservation Community Consulting, conservationcc@gmail.com.



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FUNDRAISER

More than three dozen Ocean Pines residents, largely members of the "Compound Group," participated in a 5K race, walk or bike fundraiser for Believe in Tomorrow on Sept. 20.



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SCHOOL LESSON

Dr. Annette Wallace, Worcester County Public Schools chief operating and academic officer for grades nine through 12, observes sixth grader Brianna Wehler at Berlin Intermediate, Sept. 28.



PHOTO COURTESY WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WELCOME BACK

Pre-K educators use hula hoops to separate students as they arrive at Showell Elementary School before walking to their classroom on Sept. 28. Pictured, clockwise from top, are teacher Taylor Black, Finnley Greenwood, Tucker Gilberthorp, Daphne Lockard, educational assistant Kaci Queen, Camryn Ward and Lachlan McCabe.



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READING CLASS

During Ashley Miller's reading class, students analyzed characters from the novel, "Bud Not Buddy." Miller acted as one of the characters to better help the Berlin Intermediate School students with their analysis. Kassie Blakelock adds supporting information.



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AWARDED

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City installed new officers and celebrated its 40th anniversary on Oct. 1. Barbara Peletier received the award for Outstanding Year of Contributions from Outgoing President Roy Foreman.

Calendar

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

Thurs., Oct. 8

23RD ANNUAL ENDLESS SUMMER CRUISIN'

Takes place at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center and the Inlet Parking Lot, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. With more than 2,000 rods, customs, classics and trick trucks cruising the streets this is an event you won't want to miss. Admissions costs are \$10 per day on Thursday and Sunday and \$15 per day on Friday and Saturday. Children 13 and younger are admitted free with an adult. Tickets are good for convention center and the inlet. 410-798-6304, <https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin>

BILINGUAL STORYTIME WITH MISS MORGAN (YOUTH)

Join Dora the Explorer and her friends as they search for their missing shoes, 10:00 AM. For ages 2-5 years. Register: <https://worcesteralibrary.libcal.com/event/7112606>

CHICKEN AND DUMPLING ORDER DEADLINE

Chicken, pint of dumplings, sweet pota-

toes (with a special sauce), green beans and a roll for \$12. Additional pints of dumplings for \$5. Preorders must be made by Oct. 8 by calling 619-922-9950. Curbside pickup will be on Oct. 10 from 5-7 p.m. at the Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road.

NEA BIG READ: CREATIVE WRITING WITH GAIL SAMIS

This multi-course workshops, held Oct. 8, 15 and 22 at 2:00 PM, focus on fear, survival and the human spirit. Register: <https://worcesteralibrary.libcal.com/event/7051164>

Fri., Oct. 9

23RD ANNUAL ENDLESS SUMMER CRUISIN'

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WITTY FIBER FRIENDS

Meeting via Zoom, 10:00 AM. Bring your lap work and join the group as they knit, crochet and embroider. All are welcome. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

2ND FRIDAY IN BERLIN

Featuring outdoor, live music including Stevensons Crossroads on Commerce Street, Zander Jett at The Atlantic Hotel, Honey Shine Blues Trio at Harvest Guitar Shop and live music and wine tasting at Sisters Wine Bar, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Lots of shops and restaurants will be

open late. Remember to wear a mask. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1515087232032616>

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK

Meeting via Zoom, 2:00 PM. Featuring "The Island of Sea Women" by Lisa See. Copies of the book are available at the branches and on Libby. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

ART EXHIBIT RECEPTION

Worcester County Arts Council, 6 Jefferson St., 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Come meet the featured artists and enjoy live music by Matt Felch. October's exhibit features artwork by Marian Bickerstaff, Joanne Guilfoil and Barbara Kern-Bush. You may also visit the gallery on weekends from 10 a.m. to 2 ap.m. All artwork is available for purchase. 410-641-0809

GREEN MARKET

Fridays through Nov. 27 - Trimper Rides under the Ferris Wheel, 600 S. Atlantic Ave., 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Local Farmers Market featuring fresh everything and more from our local farmers. The market is agriculture based only. There will be live music and weekly

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NOW PLAYING



ON THE EDGE

Ocean Club: Friday & Saturday, Oct. 9-10, 7 p.m. to midnight

CAPTAIN'S TABLE

15th St. & Baltimore Ave., Ocean City
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Every Friday & Saturday: Phil Perdue on piano, 5-9 p.m.

COCONUTS BEACH BAR & GRILL

In the Castle in the Sand Hotel
37th Street Oceanfront, Ocean City
410-289-6846 / www.castleinthesand.com
Oct. 9: Natalie Davis Band, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 10: Monkee Paw Duo, noon to 3 p.m.; Kevin Poole & Joe Mama, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 11: Sunny Side Up, noon to 3 p.m.; Rick & Regina, 4-8 p.m.
Oct. 15: Bilenki Duo, 4-8 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB NIGHTCLUB

101st Street, Ocean City
In the Horizons Restaurant, in the Clarion Fontainebleau Hotel
410-524-3535 / www.clarionoc.com
Oct. 9-10: DJ Dusty, 7-10 p.m.;
On The Edge, 7 p.m. to midnight

SECRETS

49th Street and the bay, Ocean City
410-524-4900 / www.secrets.com
Oct. 9: High Five Swan Dive Duo, 4-8 p.m.; Stealing Savannah Duo, 8-11:30 p.m.
Oct. 10: High Five Swan Dive Duo, 4-8 p.m.; Steal the Sky Duo, 8-11:30 p.m.
Oct. 15: John McNutt Duo, 4-8 p.m.



BILENKI DUO

Coconuts Beach Bar & Grill: Thursday, Oct. 15, 4-8 p.m.



PHIL PERDUE ON PIANO

Captain's Table: Friday & Saturday, Oct. 9-10, 5-9 p.m.

Cuisine

Suplee shares homemade bitters recipe

Acrid notes of bittersweet chocolate and sumac bounce around on my palate. The fizz of the ginger ale further accentuates the exhilarating flavors that I am experiencing.

Eureka, I have made delicious bitters from scratch.

This is my first foray into homemade bitters, and I think I am in love.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

I'm constantly looking at the next project, a new space to share my wares and new treats to create, making my guest's experience as good as it can be. Now, if only I could find a good spot closer to the beach. I'm working on it, so who knows? Perhaps that will happen someday.

When we think of bitters, naturally we think of the standbys, Angostura and Peychaud, both commendable in their own rights. These are the control in our bitters experiment as these tonics have been around forever. With their medicinal characteristics and sharp flavor, they add a beautiful zest to many a cocktail. Think of them as the salt and pepper for a bartender. Or in my case, just call them the 'trimix' of the craft cocktail.

Growing up, if I had an upset stomach, I would be given a glass of ice cold ginger ale with a few drops of Angostura Bitters. Originally created as a tincture to aid people suffering from motion sickness (think those rickety wooden ships on the high seas or those horse-drawn carriages of yore), they eventually made their way into our cocktails and ultimately, into our hearts.

So what exactly comprises a sassy little bottle of bitters? While I'm sure that I do not know the recipe for the age-old commercial ones, I started playing around with some ingredients that I had on hand as well as some bittering agents that I bought at the local organic store.

And from there, it was as though I was a newborn child, eyes agape in wonder and drool in the corner of my mouth.

I made five tinctures which I then used to make two finished bitters. Simplified, it's almost like blending a fine scotch or a blended wine. Just imagine that you have two jars that you're combining. One has your aromatics, herbs and spices, and the other has your bittering tincture. In



all of these, I used grain alcohol as the extractor, which leeches out the flavors, oils and essences into the boozy medium.

I made a chocolate-sumac bitters that was life-changing. Using ginger ale as my testing medium (reference earlier comment), I sampled the house bitters and the aforementioned chocolate-sumac.

The house was great, reminiscent of Angostura but not as strong. But the chocolate sumac stopped me dead in my tracks. I knew immediately what I had to do. And I did it. I created one hell of a cocktail with Buffalo Trace bourbon, Filthy© Cherry syrup, orange oil on the rim, a lemon rind in the drink and four dashes of my new fancy-pants bitters. And, it did not disappoint. It was delicious and a mere start to the mayhem that will be coming out of my disjointed brain.

I am new to the bar game, but I can already tell that I am going to love this. Now, all I have to do is find a suitable second place to hang my hat and start creating.

House Bitters

makes about 1 cup
1/2 cup House aromatic tincture (recipe follows)
3 Tbsp. Roasted chicory tincture (recipe follows)
3 Tbsp. Slippery elm tincture (recipe follows)
2 Tbsp. Dandelion root tincture

(recipe follows)

1. Combine all ingredients. This will be very strong, so remember that we are only using a small dash in our cocktails, so it has to have a potent little punch.

2. Store in a glass bottle. It will store indefinitely because of the high alcohol content.

House Aromatic Tincture

1.5 c. Grain alcohol
1 lemon
1 orange
6 juniper berries
15 cloves
1 inch cinnamon stick
1/2 tsp. Allspice
1/2 tsp. Black pepper
5 cardamom pods, cracked

1. Peel the zest off of the citrus, leaving just the smallest amount of white pith on it. This will add another layer of bitter to our bitters.

2. Place all of the ingredients in a sealable glass jar. Ensure that the jar is clean.

3. Seal the jar, ensuring that all of the ingredients are covered in alcohol.

4. Let sit on the counter for two weeks, shaking every day. The alcohol will extract oils, flavors and essences from the ingredients.

5. Strain through cheesecloth or a coffee filter.

6. Store in a glass bottle. It will store indefinitely because of the high alcohol content.

Chicory Tincture (Bittering agent)

makes about 1 cup
1 c. Grain alcohol
4 tsp. Roasted chicory root

1. Steep the root in the alcohol for 2 weeks, using the method listed above.

2. Strain and store in a glass jar until ready to use.

Slippery Elm Tincture (Bittering Agent)

makes about 1 cup
3 Tbsp. Slippery elm shavings
1 c. Grain alcohol

1. Steep the root in the alcohol for 2 weeks, using the method listed above.

2. Strain and store in a glass jar until ready to use.

Dandelion Root Tincture (Bittering Agent)

makes about 1 cup
4 tsp. Dandelion root
1 c. Grain alcohol

1. Steep the root in the alcohol for 2 weeks, using the method listed above.

2. Strain and store in a glass jar until ready to use.

— Paul Suplee is a Professor of Culinary Arts at Wor-Wic Community College and owner of boxcar40. Visit him at www.boxcar40.com.

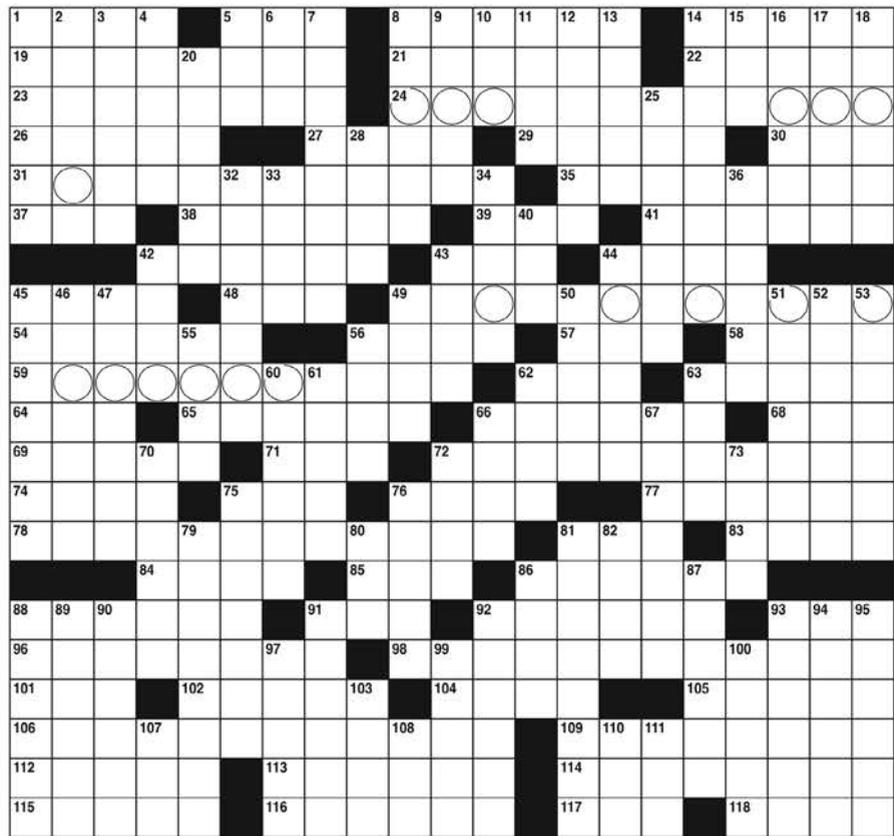
Puzzles

PLAYING WITH FOOD

BY ALEX EATON-SALNERS / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Alex Eaton-Salners is an in-house attorney for Western Digital, a technology company headquartered in San Jose, Calif. He has been interested in puzzles and language since he was a child. He keeps a list of crossword theme ideas on his phone so that he can add to them wherever he goes. As a constructor, Alex says he likes to "subvert (responsibly) as many different crossword conventions as possible." — W.S.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Partly open
 - 5 Drug also known as angel dust
 - 8 "Maybe," informally
 - 14 Window dressing
 - 19 Tyr, in Norse mythology
 - 21 Org. with both left- and right-wingers
 - 22 ___ arteries (what carry blood to the kidneys)
 - 23 "Hmm ... hard to say"
 - 24 South American financial institution since 1965
 - 26 Reversed
 - 27 Warm up
 - 29 King of Troy in the "Iliad"
 - 30 Currency of Laos
 - 31 1985 thriller with the tagline "A federal agent is dead. A killer is loose. And the City of Angels is about to explode."
 - 35 Firmly establishes: Var.
 - 37 Part of a return address?
 - 38 Experienced network congestion
 - 39 Used to be
 - 41 "I Love You, ___" (book by Nancy Reagan)
 - 42 Twilled fabrics
- 43** Subject of two squares on a Monopoly board
- 44** Hip-centric dance
- 45** It keeps a top up
- 48** "Good ___!" (shout to a batter)
- 49** Collectible item with stats
- 54** Bacchanalias
- 56** Huge financial loss, so to speak
- 57** First lady
- 58** Memo opener
- 59** Elements of neighborhood watch programs
- 62** Brewed beverage
- 63** Single historical record
- 64** QB stat: Abbr.
- 65** Fool's gold
- 66** Lose stiffness
- 68** Fueled up, in a way
- 69** California's Point ___ Peninsula
- 71** Helpful contacts
- 72** Food depicted cryptically at 24-Across
- 74** From
- 75** Notes after sols
- 76** Consuming Tide Pods, once, inexplicably
- 77** At peace
- 78** Food depicted cryptically at 31-Across
- 81** On, in a way
- 83** Brain tests, in brief
- 84** Significant periods
- 85** ___ Sherman-Palladino, creator of "Gilmore Girls" and "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"
- 86** Overhauls
- 88** Item creating separation
- 91** Nail polish brand
- 92** Viagra competitor
- 93** Bit of swearing in church?
- 96** "Pay attention!"
- 98** Food depicted cryptically at 49-Across
- 101** Refuge from a flood
- 102** Youngest Marx brother
- 104** Skin-care brand
- 105** Love, in Lucca
- 106** Food depicted cryptically at 59-Across
- 109** Romps
- 112** Riverbank romper
- 113** Book after Nehemiah
- 114** Places to collect prints
- 115** Garish signs
- 116** Adds more lubricant to
- 117** Good name, informally
- 118** Jedi who trained Luke
- 6** Deep-six
- 7** Kirsten Gillibrand, to Hillary Clinton, once
- 8** Connective tissue that runs along the outer thigh, familiarly
- 9** Prayer garment
- 10** Farm enclosure
- 11** Doing some menial duty, in old army lingo
- 12** Reinforces, with "up"
- 13** Puckish
- 14** Dramatic intro
- 15** Jedi trained by Luke
- 16** Jedi related to Luke
- 17** Grilled sandwich
- 18** Go by
- 20** State of drunken confusion
- 25** Media restriction
- 28** Goes quickly
- 32** Venture to state
- 33** Azalea with the 2014 No. 1 hit "Fancy"
- 34** Up to one's ears
- 36** Caffeinated aspirin brand
- 40** A tool or a spray
- 42** Fit of pique
- 43** Parlor pics
- 44** Invite to one's home
- 45** To the extent that
- 46** Black Lives Matter gathering, e.g.
- 47** "Let me pay for that"
- 49** Bundle of hay
- 50** "Twilight" protagonist
- 51** Silver-screen actress known as the British Bombshell
- 52** TV-MA's film equivalent
- DOWN**
- 1 Central American rodent that resembles a guinea pig
- 2 TV host with two Peabodys
- 3 Sports brand with a three-stripe logo
- 4 Sculptor who said, "I invent nothing, I rediscover"
- 5 Completely defeat, as a noob



- 53 Has away with words?
- 55 Stand-up comedian Mike
- 56 Spam spewers
- 60 Many musical chords
- 61 Classic laundry brand
- 62 First-class
- 63 Church recess
- 66 Feeling amenable (found hidden in this clue!)
- 67 Bony projection found just behind the ear
- 70 Cause's partner
- 72 Gaggle
- 73 V.I.P. above veep
- 75 Knowledgeable
- 76 Parody, say
- 79 Cold storage facilities
- 80 Where crumbs might accumulate during a meal
- 81 Summer Olympics usually take place in one
- 82 Thumb-twiddling
- 86 Kelly on the Hollywood Walk of Fame
- 87 Op-eds, e.g.
- 88 Hit hard, as brakes
- 89 Hook, for one
- 90 Sends an invitation for
- 91 Be against
- 92 Sorted laundry load
- 93 Philippine port with a reduplicative name
- 94 Euphemistic "extremely"
- 95 The so-called "Pearl of the Black Sea"
- 97 Word before hand or jaw
- 99 Quarters costing dollars?
- 100 ___ Center, home of the Orlando Magic
- 103 Father of Anne Frank
- 107 Layer of farmland?
- 108 What yellowfin is marketed as
- 110 "People ___ talking"
- 111 Indy inits.

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HARD - 26

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



Answers to last week's puzzles

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



Calendar

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8617, <http://TrimperRides.com>

Sat., Oct. 10

23RD ANNUAL ENDLESS SUMMER CRUISIN'

Takes place at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center and the Inlet Parking Lot, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. With more than 2,000 rods, customs, classics and trick trucks cruising the streets this is an event you won't want to miss. Admissions costs are \$10 per day on Thursday and Sunday and \$15 per day on Friday and Saturday. Children 13 and younger are admitted free with an adult. Tickets are good for convention center and the inlet. 410-798-6304, <https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin>

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Fall migration offers high numbers of species for nature lovers to enjoy as warblers, herons and egrets trade places with waterfowl, hawks and eagles. Register for one field trip or multiple field trips each day of the three-day event. Register: <http://delmarvabirding.com/oktobirdfest-oct-9-11/>.

CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

Ocean City Presbyterian Church, 1301 Philadelphia Ave., 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

FLU VACCINE CLINIC

Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. This drive-through clinic is for ages 13 and older. The high dose flu vaccine, which is for individuals age 65 and older will also be available. The flu vaccine is considered preventative care and is covered by most insurances. An appointment is required: www.marylandvax.org or 410-632-1100, option 8. Donations made during the clinic help offset the cost of future flu clinics. Atlantic General Hospital, 410-641-9FLU (9358)

KIWANIS CAR SHOW

Cypress Park Pavilion, Market Street, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. The event takes place at the Pocomoke Fall Festival. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Arrive before 10 a.m. for safety of the festival patrons. Registration costs \$10. Featuring 4 judged classes, 20 trophies and awards and dash plaques. 732-580-4074

SPOOKTACULAR SATURDAY

Get your picture taken in the Spooky Gazebo at the Mini Park on the corners of Market and 2nd Street in Pocomoke. Get your picture entered into the Virtual Halloween Costume Contest and receive a free picture and spooky frame. Trick or Treat at participating business and vendors. Receive a free bag of popcorn at the MAR-VA Theater. Receive free admission to the Delmarva Discovery Museum. Kids eat free at Dockside with

purchase of an adult entree. Kids must be dressed in a Halloween costume to participate. The Antique Car Show will take place in the Downtown Farmers & Flea Market Lot. Event takes place from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Rain date is Oct. 17. 410-957-1333, Ext. 111, <http://DowntownPocomoke.com>

HOMEMADE SOUP SALE

Willards Volunteer Fire Company, 7370 Main Street, 11:00 AM. Featuring 4 different soups, sweet potato biscuits, cornbread and 3 different kinds of homemade ice cream. The event is drive through pick up only.

OC HISTORY WEEK: BOOK SIGNING

Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S Atlantic Ave., 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Local author Anna Delle Bushnell will be signing her newest book, "Dolle's Candyland, Inc." 410-289-4991, <https://www.ocmuseum.org/history>

BBQ CHICKEN PLATTERS

American Legion Post #123, 10111 Old Ocean City Blvd., 12:00 PM. BBQ chicken platters with baked beans, potato salad and roll. A half chicken costs \$10; breast and wing, \$9; leg and thigh, \$8. donnieboy27@aol.com

ITALIAN "TAKE AWAY" DINNER

Bethany United Methodist Church, 8648 Stephen Decatur Highway, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Chicken parmesan, pasta, salad, bread for \$15. Pre-orders recommended by calling 410-641-2186, (leave a message).

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Saturdays - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Church of the Holy Spirit, parking lot,

10001 Coastal Highway, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Pets should be on leashes or otherwise under their owners' control. Any size, shape or type of pet is welcome. Participants may also bring a photo of a departed pet or a stuffed animal. 410-723-1973

OC HISTORY WEEK: PIECES OF OUR PAST

Tune in for an hour-long live broadcast where the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum will share with viewers several never before seen artifacts, 1:00 PM. Register: <https://www.ocmuseum.org/pieces-of-our-past>. 410-289-4991

Mon., Oct. 12

NEA BIG READ: OCEAN CITY LIFE-SAVING STATION MUSEUM

Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., 1:00 PM. Join the group for a tour of the museum and a book discussion of *In the Heart of the Sea*. Contact Elena Coelho at 443-783-6164 for a copy of the book and to register. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

BLACKOUT POETRY

Meeting via Facebook, 2:00 PM. Make poems by blackening portions of already printed texts to find new meanings. Virtual program. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

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The meeting will be held via conference call, 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM. Dial 605-472-5789, wait for voice command, then press 944874. TOPS is a weekly support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. Berlin group No. 169. Rose Champion, 410-641-0157

Tues., Oct. 13

STORY TIME - THE LITTLE ENGINE THAT COULD

Meeting recorded, 10:00 AM. Story and a craft for 2 to 5 year old children. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

10 THINGS TO DO IF YOU WANT TO BE PRESIDENT

Meeting via Zoom, 2:00 PM. Sy Sobel, author of "Presidential Elections And Other Cool Facts" and "My Pledge of Allegiance" discusses how our government works in this civics presentation. Register: www.worcesterlibrary.org. For ages 7-12 years.

DOCUMENTARY SCREENING: 'THE STORM OF '62'

Meeting via Zoom, 5:30 PM. Join the group for some local history provided by the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

OC HISTORY WEEK: FILM SHOWING OF ASH WEDNESDAY STORM

Enjoy watching the storm of 1962 movie

from the comfort of your own home, 2:00 PM. Worcester County Library will be streaming this cinema. Registration can be found on worcesterlibrary.org. 410-289-4991, <https://www.ocmuseum.org/history>

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Now meeting via video call, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Group provides discussions and mutual support, as well as education on exercise, nutrition, coping techniques, medications and developments in treatment. Kay Kinnikin, kkinnikin@atlantic-general.org, 410-641-4765, <http://www.delmarvaparkinsonsalliance.org>

Wed., Oct. 14

KEEPING ANNA'S DREAM ALIVE

Ocean Pines Community Center parking lot, 239 Ocean Parkway, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Volunteers from AARP and Kiwanis will be collecting donations for our military. Items needed include baby wipes, body wash/shampoo, dental hygiene products, razors, deodorant (non-aerosol), gum, granola bars, small bags of peanuts, packs of hot chocolate, instant oatmeal, 5 oz. cans Chef Boyardee pasta, powdered drinks, trail mix, beef jerky, Ramen noodle bricks, sunflower seeds, lip balm, Kleenex, pens, cards and puzzle books. To donate just drive up, stay in your car, pop the trunk and someone will pick up your donations.

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NEA BIG READ: OCEAN CITY BOOK OF THE MONTH

Ocean City library, 10003 Coastal Highway, 2:00 PM. Featuring "In the Heart of the Sea" by Nathaniel Philbrick. To obtain a copy of the book, call 410-524-1818. <http://www.worcesterlibrary.org>

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