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PEACHES

Bennett Orchards of Frankford, Delaware, sells its peaches during Sunday's farmers market in Berlin. For those who missed out last weekend, there will be an abundance of the fruit available this Saturday during the annual Peach Festival at the Taylor House Museum in Berlin.

Perrone quits as treasurer

Resigns association post in protest over restrictions on giving out information

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) Ocean Pines Director Larry Perrone resigned his position as Ocean Pines Association treasurer during the July 27 board of directors meeting.

In a press release two days after the meeting, the association announced that Director Doug Parks would serve as the acting treasurer until new officers are elected by the newly impaneled board of directors.

That new board will convene after the results of this year's board elections are announced next weekend.

"This decision is a result of (OPA President Colette Horn's) direction to me and the rest of the board that we are prohibited from answering any financial questions raised by community members," Perrone read from a written statement at the beginning of the meeting.

Perrone detailed that Horn advised in an email sent the day before

that all financial questions should be referred to the website — in essence, Perrone said, to the general manager, making John Viola the "de facto" treasurer.

"This direction was a consequence of the question directed to me as treasurer of the association by a member of the community," he continued. "In my attempt to request a financial report from the GM and director of finance, I was advised by the GM to submit the question to (the website)."

"When I asked for authority to make such a unilateral decision, you advised me and the board that you

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Larry Perrone

Access study for sportsplex approved 4-3

Referendum, funding issue doesn't slow its supporters

By Greg Wehner
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) Despite not having a funding mechanism to produce the \$7.15 million needed to buy a 95.6-acre parcel on Route 50 for a sports facility site, the Worcester County Commissioners will continue to move forward with a study to get the ball rolling on the project.

In a 4-3 vote, the commissioners agreed to spend \$28,523.62 to have the engineering firm Wallace Montgomery evaluate access options from the site to Route 50. The firm's findings would then be presented to the district office of the State Highway Administration office for review.

Commissioners Chip Bertino, Ted Elder, and Jim Bunting opposed the measure.

The property is located just west of
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Board election coming down to final days

Ballots due Wednesday, as voters pick three directors

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) The Ocean Pines Board of Directors election is around the corner.

Ballots are due back for voting on the 2022-23 board on Wednesday and three winners from the six candidates are expected three days later at the annual OPA homeowners meeting — Saturday, Aug. 13.

The candidates are Paula Gray, Amy Peck, Stuart Lakernick, Monica

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Clockwise from top left, the OPA board candidates are Paula Gray, Amy Peck, Stuart Lakernick, Stephen Jacobs, Josette Wheatley and Monica Rakowski.

Six candidates vie for one of three director openings

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Rakowski, Josette Wheatley and Stephen Jacobs.

The issues that the candidates are focused on in their campaigns do vary, but some common themes exist as well.

According to the OPA website, Gray is focused on continuing the “positive path that only began a few years ago.” She’d also work on improving the lines of communication between the association and its residents.

Peck brings a career as an early childhood educator and paralegal to the community and said she wants to fight for the Pines residents who aren’t here year-round or are not among the wealthiest members of the association.

“I was here when my kids were little, so I understand (the perspective of) the young families,” Peck said in July. “Now I’m a retiree, so I feel that I have a unique perspective that allows me to look at all of Ocean Pines. Too many people only see it as a retirement community, especially if

you look at the makeup of the board, which tends to be older, retired people. So I feel that often, the part-timers and young families are left out of the equation. I make sure not to leave them out.”

Peck also wishes to protect the investments homeowners have made, which means investing in infrastructure and maintaining public safety.

Lakernick has said he’d work on the well-documented drainage issues around the community and support law enforcement and emergency services. He sees an untapped resource in the Pines, too: the people.

“I can put people in the right place,” Lakernick said in July. “I recognize talents within folks and put them in place so they can shine, give them autonomy but hold them accountable for their actions. I give you room to make your own decisions as manager. If you stray from the goal, I pull you back in — never publicly — and discuss how we can meet our goals better.”

Rakowski wants to protect the investments homeowners have made and improve the board’s transparency, which she said in July is lacking.

“Too many decisions are made behind closed doors,” she said. “There’s not enough information after meetings come out. We’re in the middle of this whole (former director Tom) Janesak-Wheatley debacle. It went to court and now there’s been a decision by (the Ocean Pines Association) to delay the hearing. Why? No one knows. How much is this costing us? No one knows.”

She also said she’s concerned about the presence of short-term rental companies like La Casa in the community.

Wheatley brings with her years of
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Damp conditions failed to deter crowds drawn to the Taylor House Museum in Berlin for the annual Peach Festival in 2021. This year's event will take place on Saturday.

Berlin's Peach Festival back for 14th year this Saturday

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) Georgia isn't the only state that can grow a mean peach.

Locals and visitors alike will have a chance to take in a variety of vendors and attractions — and, of course, peaches — at the 14th annual Peach Festival on Saturday at the Calvin B. Taylor Museum.

The festival is also sponsored by the museum located at 208 N. Main Street.

"It's just a fun day on the lawn," said museum Curator Susan Taylor. "The whole town usually gets involved with different peach things — businesses with peach specials. It all started here at the Taylor House. It's a great day with the family. Learn some history and have some peaches."

The festival goes from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The morning schedule includes an opening ceremony and a cooking demo with local chef and culinary instructor Phil Cropper. There will also be a pie-baking contest in the afternoon, but Taylor said the museum asks that contestants drop their pies off no later than 11 a.m. The contest can feature up to 13 contestants.

There will be more cooking demos as well as tours of the Taylor House throughout the festival. Musical act the Bilenki Duo will be performing as well as artists from Walnut Hill Violin Studio. There will be a magician on tap and "ongoing games" facilitated by the Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services Inc, Taylor said.

The event is outdoors, aside from the house tours.

Taylor said that the inspiration for the festival came during research for one of the museum's exhibits about Berlin's history from 1900 to 1950. Through that research, museum staff came upon articles about the Harrison Nurseries, which for a time was the largest fruit and ornamental tree nursery in the world, and some "huge" horticultural society meetings it held on their grounds.

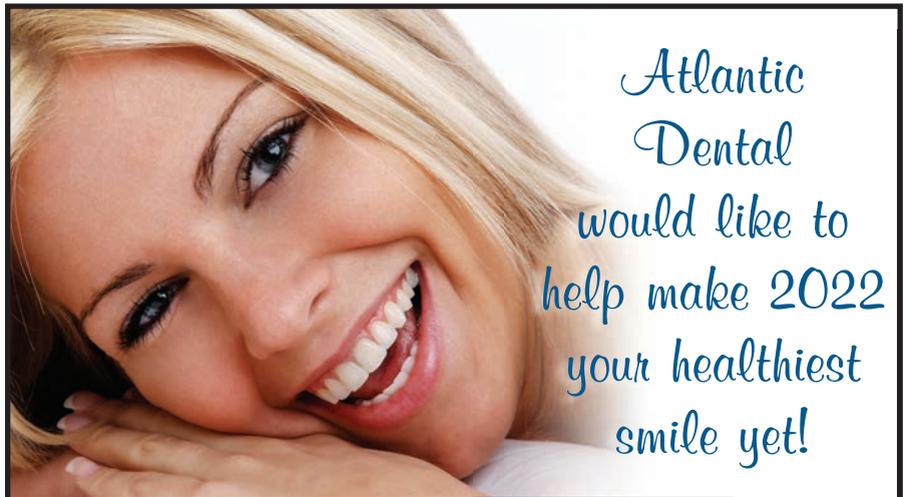
"The first one we read about had a little festival and they talked about the peach crop," Taylor said. "They had the largest variety of peaches. There were over 3,000 acres all around the shore with the nurseries."

"It's interesting bringing back one of these old events. We based the Peach Festival off of those horticultural society meetings."

Since its inception in 2009, the festival has become so successful that some people plan their trip to the area around the festival, which is always on the first Saturday of August, Taylor said.

"Since the beginning, it's been popular," Taylor said. "The whole town has been involved with it. It's a really nice family activity where you can explore the history of Berlin and enjoy the shops. The whole town is a good place to visit, and (the festival) is great because of the local peaches we serve. It's a fun event."

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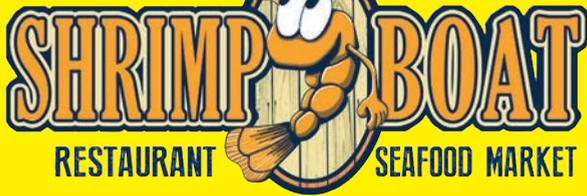
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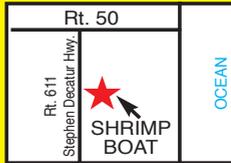
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Perrone resigns as treasurer in dispute over info release

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 feel this is the best course of action ... You do not have the authority to direct the treasurer or the board to not answer questions from community members. I cannot support this direction, which I believe contradicts the duties of the treasurer or any board.”

In response, Horn said she was sorry Perrone felt that way but said that a follow-up email cleared up that her authority was neither for nor against directors answering questions and that the website was put in place to reduce confusion and create a “business-like approach” to following up on all questions dealing with association operations.

“I do not believe that means individual directors can’t answer questions but simply would encourage directors to continue to use the info (on the website) and get the questions to the right person on the operations team so we have the consistency of communication,” she said.

Perrone retorted that if the treasurer can’t answer a “simple financial question,” then the association has

the wrong person in the treasurer’s position.

“This is the last of a couple of instances involving a conflict between the treasurer and the GM regarding duties and responsibilities of the treasurer,” Perrone said. “Unfortunately, you have taken the position that the GM should be the sole source of answering financial questions.”

“He is not the treasurer of the association. He is the chief operating and personnel officer.”

Pines resident Joe Reynolds, sitting in on the meeting, offered his two cents, saying that Horn has “put up a Berlin Wall” between the association and its members.

“I’m not sure what the goal is here and again I believe this keeps going back to personal stuff. Is it that somebody doesn’t like Larry Perrone or somebody doesn’t like me?” Reynolds said.

“It makes no sense. What do you hope to gain? Are you going to forbid every board member from posting anything on the internet? Because in essence, that’s what you’re doing.”

OP election enters its final days

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 infrastructure experience in her professional life and sees that as a boon for the community, especially with issues like drainage concerns and Route 90 revitalization at hand.

“(I’d like to) open up the Ocean Parkway for firemen to go straight through,” Wheatley said in July. “The six-minute crawl would improve just by default because it’s six minutes as the crow flies now and it certainly would reduce it. Right now, they’re going around and it’s a lot of time. I just think it could help. A few minutes in a fire ... it’s critical.”

Jacobs brings an outsider’s perspective to the table, he has said. A retired attorney, he has Capitol Hill experience and family law experience

— both areas of expertise that could be beneficial in a political position. “As much as people belittle it, a lot of what happens is strictly political and I happen to enjoy politics. I like it,” he said in July. “I’m ready to jump in with both feet. It’s what I’ve done for a lot of my life.”

Jacobs, a member of the Ocean Pines Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, said he would focus on protecting and continuing the association’s smart money management in recent years and into the future. He also sees the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department’s South Station renovation project as a top priority.

The ballot deadline is 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 10.

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Ocean Pines GM report looks at July 4 earnings, gas lines

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) Ocean Pines General Manager John Viola gave his first GM report since announcing the renewal of his contract for a two-year term, highlighted by Fourth of July numbers, mailbox updates and strategic planning maneuvering.



John Viola

Fourth of July festivities attracted 200 participants for the Freedom 5K and more than 2,000 attendees for the carnival at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines.

The fireworks, provided by Schaefer Fireworks for \$13,370, were a success and Viola thanks the Recreation and Parks, Public Works and Police departments for the "team effort" that grossed \$15,000 in revenue.

Over at the Marina and T-docks, it's "business as usual," Viola said. A detailed plan will be submitted 60 days before construction begins on the gas line replacement project. A preliminary plan has already been submitted.

Aluminum work has been completed on the T-docks and a contractor installed additional T-docks on Monday and Tuesday. Floats that go underneath docks were back-ordered but arrived early last week.

Topcoat painting on the tennis courts has been completed at the Swim and Racquet Center. A new fence and sidewalk were installed last week and painting of the new courts began this week. Once completed, it'll be 10 days before the courts can be used. Crack repairs will begin once the 10-day period passes.

Viola estimated that the courts will be ready for use by Sept. 5. Recreation Department has made the gym available from 12-2 on Tuesdays and made portable nets available to be taken to the Swim and Racquet Center for temporary pick-

leball play.

Online payments via Northstar have been online since March 21. Viola reported that \$520,000 payments have been completed to date.

All 11 OPA locations have backup internet service now. The association is also set to save 10 percent on its basic internet bill by transitioning from Verizon to Granite. Hybrid meetings are now available around the community in the board room, golf meeting room, golf conference room and administration room.

Over at the North Gate Bridge, Viola said after a supply-chain-related delay, the lights are in and they're installing the concrete base for the pole lights, which should talk about two weeks. After 10 days to let the concrete set, four pole lights will be installed on the bridge, one side at a time during which time only one side of the bridge will be open.

Bids were presented on Wednesday for \$18,300 for Alpha Space Control Company for line striping on community roadways.

The Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department has recruited and implemented a team comprised of "experts in (the) field, OPVD, Public Works and Viola) to review "high-level drawings" of the proposed new South Station.

Viola said he met with the Strategic Planning committee to gather feedback and recommendations regarding the implementation of a strategic management team to work with department heads and managers. The team will be led by senior administrative assistant Linda Martin.

"A strategic planning document is not something that, once complete, is placed on a shelf and dusted off every three to five years," Viola wrote in his report.

Viola's team will be meeting with the committee over the next several weeks to discuss its recommendations, initiatives and objectives, he

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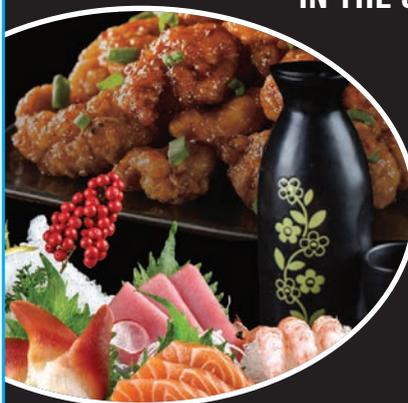
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Sportsplex access study authorized, 4-3

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 Stephen Decatur High School along Route 50, and in July it was revealed that money bonded for cannot be used to purchase the parcel, as originally planned. The purchase is being disputed by a group of petitioners in Ocean Pines which collected enough signatures to challenge the acquisition at referendum in November.

Chief Administrative Officer Weston Young introduced the proposal to the commissioners on Tuesday, which Bunting immediately called unnecessary when the county does not

own the property or know what the outcome will be in November when residents head to the polls and vote on whether to purchase the parcel.

“A simple call can find out if an access point is possible,” the commissioner said, suggesting a call to local SHA office be made instead of spending nearly \$29,000.

Bunting also said it was going to be difficult to add access points with merging lanes and traffic near Stephen Decatur High School, according to the SHA representatives

with whom he already spoke. But with guidelines for intersections and guard rails, Bunting said he thinks the state agency can give a fairly good idea on whether an access point is possible, without spending the money.

Bertino asked Young whether discussions had taken place between the county and Berlin officials and was told they had not. Bertino also asked if the discussions will eventually take place, especially since some people are concerned about the location.

Like Bunting, Bertino asked why the county cannot just pick up the phone and get an answer instead of spending \$29,000.

Young told the commissioners that the local office could give an answer on where potential access points could be located, but those points could be overturned by officials in the main SHA office in Baltimore.

He also said the study will give the county concept plans to be able to share with Berlin officials for potential future discussions.

Commissioner Bud Church, on the other hand, told the other commis-

‘To summarize, there were no recognized environmental issues on the site.’

Chief Administrative Officer Weston Young



PHOTO COURTESY WORCESTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA PACKET
Worcester County Commissioners, in a 4-3 vote, agreed to pay over \$28,000 to an engineering firm to assess potential locations to access Route 50 from a proposed sports complex, located just west of Stephen Decatur High School, on the roadway also known as Ocean Gateway.

sioners that the \$28,000 is “just pennies” and this was just one step in the process. Church then moved to approve the study, which was agreed on by Commissioners Josh Nordstrom, Joe Mitrecic, and Diana Purnell.

Before the commissioners discussed the access points, Young told them that the Phase 1 environmental assessment requested after the April 19 public hearing – which is when the commissioners voted to enter a contract on purchasing the property with bond money – was completed by John D. Hynes and Associates.

The assessment was conducted to investigate existing or potential contamination on the property and is required before the county can complete the purchase.

Young said the study is “high level,” meaning it looks at prior uses of the site and seeks any recognized environmental conditions there.

“To summarize, there were no recognized environmental issues on the site,” he said.

Had there been, a Phase 2 study would need to be conducted that includes taking soil samples wherever any known possible spills or tanks were located.

Young added that there were potential environmental conditions on adjacent sites in connection with unknown quantities of petroleum that was released on those properties.

The firm was not sure whether the sites were cleaned up properly, Young said, and it recommended doing sample sites between the locations because of the absence of any paperwork on those possible incidents.

The commissioners did not discuss the assessment any further and no action was taken on whether to move forward with the soil samples.

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Board reviews resolution and open violations

Residents with unresolved infractions will lose voting and amenity privileges

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) The Ocean Pines Association accepted the recommendation of the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee to consider resolution M-04 reviewed during its July 27 meeting.

The resolution states that its purpose is to establish criteria used in determining whether a lot violates the Declarations of Restrictions as a result of “unattractive growth” or the accumulation of “rubbish or debris.”

Association president Colette Horn said that the main issue was whether it was appropriate for the association to tend a privately owned lawn if the owner fails to do so.

“(It gives) authority for the association to engage in this action in DRs,” Horn said. “The committee believes no update is needed unless there is a change to the DRs on this topic.”

No change to the DRs means it should be considered reviewed, she said.

Director Doug Parks questioned if

this should be a matter that reaches the board at all — suggesting that perhaps the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee should be able to sign off on a review themselves.



Colette Horn

“In concept it’s fine,” Parks said. “Having been the chair of (that) committee many years ago, listing all the bylaws and when they were last reviewed when they were last submitted to the HOA depository. I don’t recall when we went through and realized there had been no changes at the committee (level) ... that we had to report up to the board to say please verify our recommendation.”

Director Frank Daly pointed out that right now there is a motion to amend the DRs regarding short-term rental properties, and thus suggested that if the board is to amend any of the DRs, it should speak with the committee.

“(We should) get them in front of us pretty doggone quick,” Daly said, “simply because — and we should be thinking maybe having this as a separate discussion after they report to us — it is so complex to do. It’s not an

easy task.”

He suggested that instead of going through the DRs and changing them one at a time, the DRs up for potential change should be looked at in one take.

With no change to the DRs at the July 27 meeting, Horn signed off on M-04 as officially reviewed.

The board then moved onto a motion to declare the existence of open violations, meaning that property owners with longstanding open violations would have their voting rights suspended and amenity access revoked, so long as the violations remain open.

A couple of the directors were skeptical of how effective the motion would be.

Daly brought up one violation that has been open since 2008.

Parks pointed out that some property owners will simply look at the ruling and say “so what?” and asked how they could enforce the ruling, especially with amenity access.

Horn said that administrative assistant Linda Martin had identified a “mechanism” in the North Star operating system that will preclude suspended members from using amenities.

The motion passed unanimously.

Draining, dredging in GM report

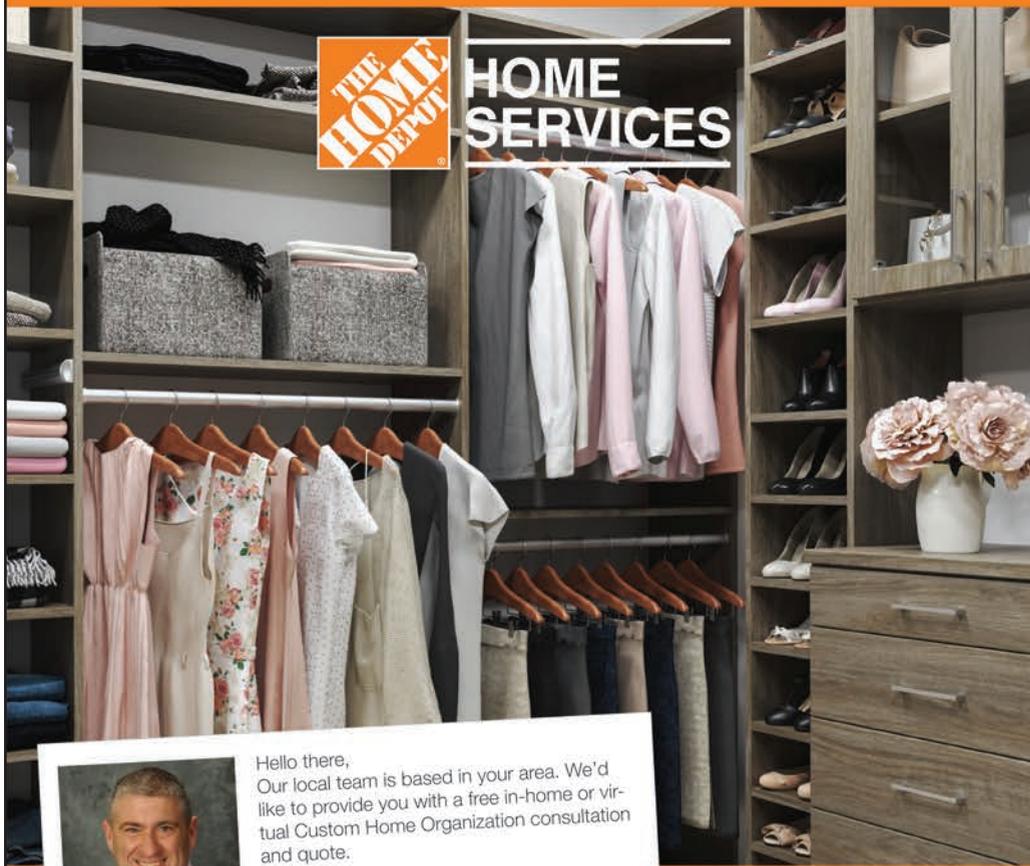
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Under-road drainage pipe replacement began last week on Beaconhill, Pinehurst and Sandyhook roads — the latter of which was completed the same week. The work will cause further road closures and limit access in those areas for several weeks.

Cured-in-place pipe lining will begin in mid-august. The first phase

is expected to cost about a \$188,000 and the second \$235,000.

Dredging began and finished on 14 properties from the 2020 dredging list last week. The high-priority mailbox and pedestal replacements began the week of July 11 with the first pedestal replaced on Charleston Road. The mailbox pad on Castle Drive was replaced due to root damage and mailbox location cleaning is ongoing.



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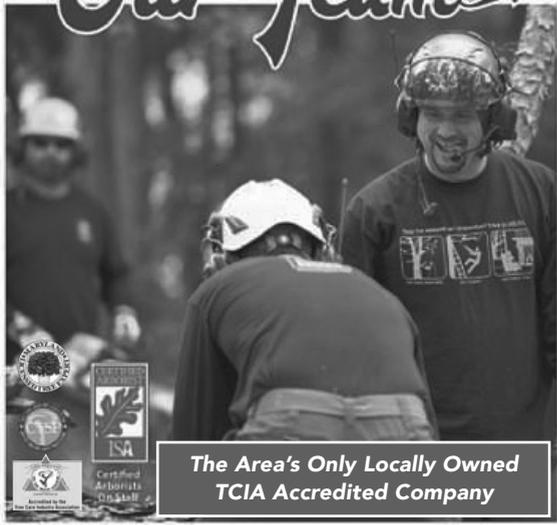
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By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

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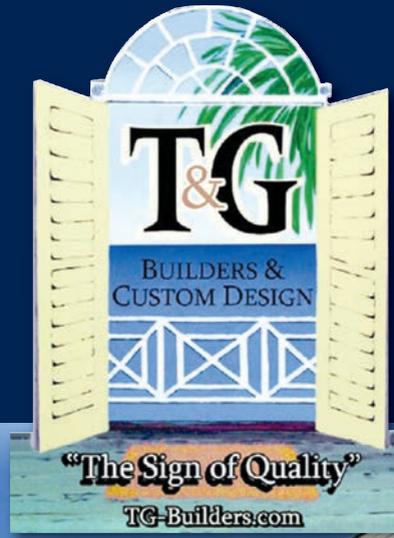
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**CRUSHING
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A Patient's Complete Guide to Managing a Cancer Diagnosis

KERRY A. FORRESTAL, MD

AGH doctor writes guide on crushing cancer diagnosis

By Greg Wehner
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) If you have never been diagnosed with cancer, imagine for a moment that you just found out you have stage two cancer.

Your first thoughts might be something like, "I'm going to die," "This is going to cost a fortune to treat," or



Dr. K. Forrestal

"How do I know the doctors aren't administering something I do not need?"

You may also be questioning your legal rights or posting the diagnosis on social media for the

world to hear and to gain sympathy from your closest friends.

According to www.cancer.gov, roughly 1.9 million people are diagnosed with cancer each year, and many of them are hearing the news for the first time.

Whether hearing it for the first time or getting ready to face another bout, a roadmap has been created by a local doctor to help figure out how to deal with the diagnosis.

Dr. Kerry Forrestal, an emergency medical physician at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, authored a solution on how to get through the potentially scary news in his new book titled, "Crushing Cancer: A Patient's Complete Guide to Managing a Can-

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Book addresses complexities for cancer-stunned patients

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cer Diagnosis.”

Forrestal wrote the book after his many experiences in the emergency room of not being able to act whenever he saw cancer on an X-ray.

“It’s always frustrating to me to not be able to do more,” he said this week.

When cancer is spotted, Forrestal connects the patient with the oncology department, which he said is “fantastic,” and wishes the person well. He also could follow up with the patient.

In his search to find ways to do more, Forrestal began a hunt for how-to books that assist patients with the medical system. His search came up empty.

Forrestal also said while it is easy for a patient to go online for information, it is difficult for someone outside the medical profession to differentiate between what’s real and what isn’t.

“There’s a lot of good stuff ... but there’s also some garbage,” the doctor said of internet medical advice. “A lot of that stuff is harmful.”

Without a solution on the market, Forrestal decided to write a book on the subject. In the course of nearly two years of writing, the doctor obtained advice from 36 experts on the various aspects of cancer that people do not traditionally talk about.

Some of the experts’ specialties, aside from the medical field, are finances, legal matters, counselors, hospice, and clergy.

The medical experts break down the process and treatment, while financial experts give advice on how not to go broke or be left with toxic financial situation.

Legal experts, Forrestal said, help with protecting assets and counselors help with managing close friends and family members who need to be told of the diagnosis.

While some people may want to blast off about their circumstances on Facebook, others may want to keep the situation quiet.

“Everybody’s different,” he said. “If you’re a very private person, make sure you don’t blast it.”

Cancer is not Forrestal’s expertise, but it runs in his family. His mother had it three times, his father fought it, and so did his grandparents.

Despite his interest in cancer, Forrestal primarily deals with matters in the emergency room, which comes natural to him.

At the age of 16, Forrestal started working as a medic on the East End of Long Island in Hampton Bays, New York. He then went on to attend Stony Brook University on the northern shore of Long Island, finished a residency, and moved to this region after hooking up with Emergency Service Associates, which provides emergency care at AGH and Tidal-Health Peninsula Regional.

“It’s a lot like the area I grew up in,” Forrestal said of the Eastern Shore. “It’s a place I’m comfortable at. It’s a place that’s been very good to us, and I’ll most likely retire here.”

It’s also the people in the area, many of whom Forrestal has been able to help, whether they have had too much to drink in Ocean City, took a fall at a construction site, or have had a sudden heart attack.

As for Forrestal’s book, though, he likened it to the popular book “What to Expect When You’re Expecting,” by Heidi Murkoff.

Forrestal self-published the book, which can be found on Amazon and at Barnes and Noble, as well as several places in an electronic format.

Along with encouraging people to pick up his book, Forrestal also encourages people to make sure they are getting their routine checkups, mammograms, and colonoscopies.

After avoiding medical facilities and doctors’ offices for a large part of the last two years of the pandemic, many people are beginning to venture out to get their routine checkups. But with that much time away, Forrestal explained, the patients are finding out they have cancer at a later stage. With cancer research breaking new ground routinely, Forrestal said there’s a lot of hope out there.

“If any readers are currently fighting cancer, they should be hopeful that we live in a new age with cancer management,” he said.

Chemo and radiation therapy, Forrestal noted, are 20th Century treatments. One of the newer treatments is immunotherapy which trains the immune system to go after the cancer cells.

There’s also been an explosion in CRISPR therapy, which is a tool that can be used to edit genes with high precision.

“They should be very hopeful,” he said. “We’re living in a new age with cancer treatment. Be hopeful about the fight ... and go get those early diagnoses. Early diagnosis is key.”

OP Chamber hosts 15th annual flounder tourney

(Aug. 4, 2022) Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce will host its 15th annual Flounder Tournament and Auction on Saturday, Aug. 6.

The Ocean Pines Association and Gateway Subaru are the corporate event sponsors this year.

Last year, despite the rain, over 280 anglers registered, with the winning flatty and its angler taking home over \$5,000.

Participants must be registered by Friday, Aug. 5 at noon.

Weigh-in and auction will take place at the Ocean Pines Marina and Yacht Club. Lines in at 7 a.m., out by 3 p.m. Fish must be weighed by 4 p.m.

Sponsorships are still available.

All information and registration can be found at <https://business.ocean-pineschamber.org/events/details/15th-annual-flounder-tournament-14722>.

For more information, call the Ocean Pines Chamber at 410-641-5306 or email info@ocean-pineschamber.org.

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MEETING AND LUNCHEON

The Republican Women of Worcester County held their general meeting and luncheon on April 28 at Harrison's Harbor Watch in Ocean City, welcoming back legislators from Annapolis. Pictured, from left, are Del. Charles Otto; Sandy Zitzer, president RWWC; and Sen. Mary Beth Carozza.



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Safe boating class by US Coast Guard Saturday in Pines

(Aug. 4, 2022) The US Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering a one-day Maryland Safe Boating Course on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Library.

A Safe Boating Certificate is required for all boat operators born after July 1, 1972, and is awarded after successful completion of the course.

The class at the library, located at 11107 Cathell Rd., includes piloting in local waters, tying nautical knots, foul weather tactics, legal issues, updated Maryland regulations, and common marine maintenance.

Those attending the class, and passing the test will receive a Maryland Boating Certificate, which is NASBLA approved and valid in all states.

The cost is \$20. Register or get more information by calling Barry Cohen at 410-935-4807, or email CGAUXOC@gmail.com.

Checks should be made payable to: USGCAUX 12-05 and mailed to: USGCAUX 12-05, P.O. Box 1682, Berlin, Maryland 21811. Payment via PayPal is also accepted.

Future classes: Sept. 13-15, Oct. 11-13, and Nov. 8-10.

Architectural Review Committee Briefs

By Jack Chavez
Staff Writer

(Aug. 4, 2022) The Ocean Pines Architectural Review Committee looked at the following cases during its Aug. 2 meeting:

Shed and fence

The committee approved an exception to keep a temporary fence for a large, but friendly dog, according to the owner, at 4 Moonshell Drive. The owner also asked for an exception to keep a small shed that

is not the same color as the house, which the committee allowed to stay, but ruled that it must conform in color.

Violations

The committee OK'd progress on two non-compliance issues — one for an unregistered vehicle and another for a wire fence, which is not allowed in Ocean Pines. Another non-compliance deck screening issue was designated as in-progress.

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Assateague beach partially closed for munition discovery

(Aug. 4, 2022) A partial closure is in effect for the North Ocean Beach Swimming area at the Maryland unit of Assateague Island National Seashore.

The "normal" lifeguarded beach area is closed until further notice. The beach is open both north and south of the lifeguarded area. The parking lot remains open. The Beach Hut will remain open. Lifeguards will be located immediately south of their normal area.

This closure is in effect because of the discovery of multiple (seven and counting), pieces of military munitions debris on the beach over the last two weeks.

During the 1940s, the U.S. Navy used this area of Assateague Island as a test range for rockets and bombs. In the 1950s a cleanup was done, and munitions debris was buried in pits on the island.

Due to the natural movement of the island and sea level rise, some of these pits are now offshore. It is likely that the large nor'easter in May disturbed the nearshore seafloor and uncovered one of these pits. This has resulted in pieces of ordinance coming ashore.

Most of these pieces are just metal

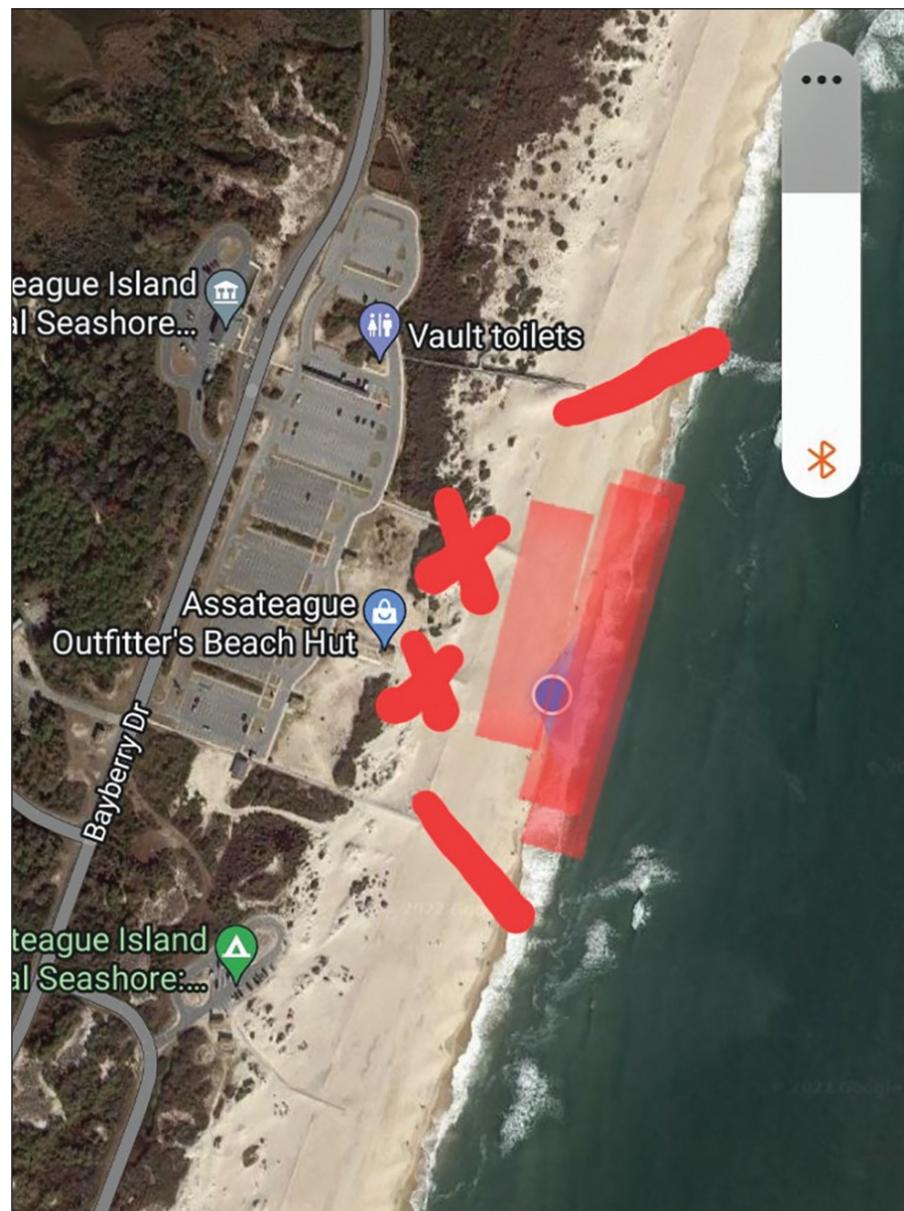
fragments, but some may still contain residue of either explosives or propellant and thus must be considered dangerous.

Ocean City Bomb Squad and the Dover AFB Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) team have been assisting the park in dealing with these items. Anyone who finds a piece of unidentified metal on the beach, should not touch it and notify park staff. There have been several instances of visitors picking up rocket fragments and carrying them to either the lifeguards or, in one instance the visitor center. Park officials emphasized people should never do this, as it is dangerous.

Park Management will be meeting this week with EOD experts in an effort to develop a plan. At this time, it is not known how long the closure will be in effect.

Again-this is not a complete closure of North Beach, people should not enter the closed areas or cross the closure barriers.

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The North Ocean Beach swimming area on Assateague Island is partially closed due to the discovery of WWII-era munition debris that washed up on the shore.



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Nonprofit Worcester County GOLD announces new office

(Aug. 4, 2022) Worcester County GOLD (Giving Other Lives Dignity), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, will celebrate its new location at 201 River Street in Snow Hill with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday, Aug. 9 at 4 p.m.

GOLD provides emergency financial assistance and basic needs items to Worcester County residents who live in poverty and low-income circumstances.

It serves individuals of all ages including infants, children, families, vulnerable adults, those who are homeless, and children in foster care.

All requests for assistance come from GOLD's agency users, a network of local caseworkers, therapists, nurses, and advocates who work directly with those being served.

"Since GOLD's inception 25 years ago, our programs and services have grown to meet the urgent needs in our county. To better serve our clients and community partners, the organi-

zation decided to seize a great opportunity to move into an available office in downtown Snow Hill," said Nicholas Cranford, executive director of GOLD. "Located right across from Sturgis Park, this space will offer easy access for supporters, volunteers and our agency users. We're really excited about the expanded VAULT (Vast Amounts of Useful Little Things). GOLD's VAULT stores items like diapers, baby wipes, car seats, clothing and emergency food and hygiene bags. We believe no person should suffer without access to basic needs and this new space increases our capacity to ensure our neighbors live a decent life with dignity."

The ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 4 p.m. followed by an open house with light refreshments until 6 p.m. Community members are encouraged to attend and meet with GOLD's staff and board members to learn more about ways to give back in Worcester County.

Blood Bank of Delmarva in desperate need of donations

(Aug. 4, 2022) Blood Bank of Delmarva (BBD) announced this week a blood emergency, as the region's ongoing heatwave, summer travel, and a recent spike in covid-19 cases have caused a significant decrease in donations over the past several weeks.

Hospitals and patients rely upon a steady flow of donors to receive life-saving blood donations, but these factors have caused the blood supply to become unstable.

The red blood cell supply currently stands at just a 1.1-day level for O negative, 2.4 days for B negative and 4.4 days for O positive, which is below the ideal level of seven days. In addition, platelets are at just a 1.7-day level.

BBD hosts blood drives every day in addition to its five area donor centers in order to reach donors and meet local hospital needs.

It is taking extra precautions to help prevent the person-to-person spread of covid-19. As always, people are not eligible to donate if they're experiencing a cold, sore throat, respiratory infection or flu-like symptoms.

To make an appointment, call 1-888-8-BLOOD-8 or visit delmarvablood.org. Can't donate blood?

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Founded in 1954, Blood Bank of Delmarva is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) community blood bank with a simple mission: saving lives.

The Blood Bank of Delmarva, a division of NYBCe, achieves its mission every day by providing safe blood and blood products to all 19 hospitals in Delmarva and relies on over 80,000 volunteer blood donors each year to ensure patients' needs are met.

The Blood Bank of Delmarva distributes over 130,000 blood products annually and operates four donor centers. Each year, the Blood Bank of Delmarva normally hosts over 600 blood drives. These blood drives would not be possible without the commitment of community organizations that volunteer to serve as sponsors or coordinators, which provides opportunities for blood donors to give blood and help patients in need.

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Chamber Music by the Sea back live, in-person concerts

(Aug. 4, 2022) Maryland's Eastern Shore will resonate with the vibrant sounds of live chamber music once again this summer.

The pandemic necessitated virtual festivals for the past two years but in its seventh season, Chamber Music by the Sea welcomes back an international roster of acclaimed musicians for a week of events.

The festival's founder and Artistic Director, violinist Elena Urioste, describes this year's concerts as a combination of beloved favorites with equally extraordinary works that are less familiar but guaranteed to please. "This summer's programs celebrate composers who influenced and drew inspiration from one another, just as we do as musicians from one another and from this wonderful Worcester County community," Urioste said. "From Mozart, Brahms, and Dvorak to Samuel Coleridge-Taylor and Erich Wolfgang Korngold, there is a rich tradition of gorgeous melodies and lush harmonies. And of course, no festival is complete without a surprise or two from pianist and arranger extraordinaire Tom Poster."

In addition to Urioste and Poster, the festival roster includes several returning favorites: violinist Grace Park and violist Rosalind Ventris, alumnae of last summer's virtual festival, along with violist Caitlin Lynch and cellist Brook Speltz, whom audiences will remember from past live festivals.

This group of artists includes first prize laureates of the international Naumberg and Sphinx Competitions; BBC New Generation Artists; and recipients of prestigious awards from the Royal Philharmonic Society, Gramophone, and BBC Music Magazine.

This 2022 festival runs from Aug. 9-13 and includes a salon concert in a private Snow Hill home, three public concerts followed by interactive question and answer sessions with the musicians from the stage, a free family concert suitable for children of all ages, and a workshop for young musicians.

Under the sponsorship of the Worcester County Education Foundation, generously funded by the Paul M. Angell Family Foundation, and with continuing support from the Ocean City Lioness Club and Worcester County Arts Council, Chamber Music by the Sea sponsors year-round arts initiatives in Worcester County public schools through its festival ticket sales, including live in-school programs and its Virtual Visiting Artists program, which allows students to interact directly with acclaimed musicians in real-time virtual classroom ses-

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL GIVEAWAY

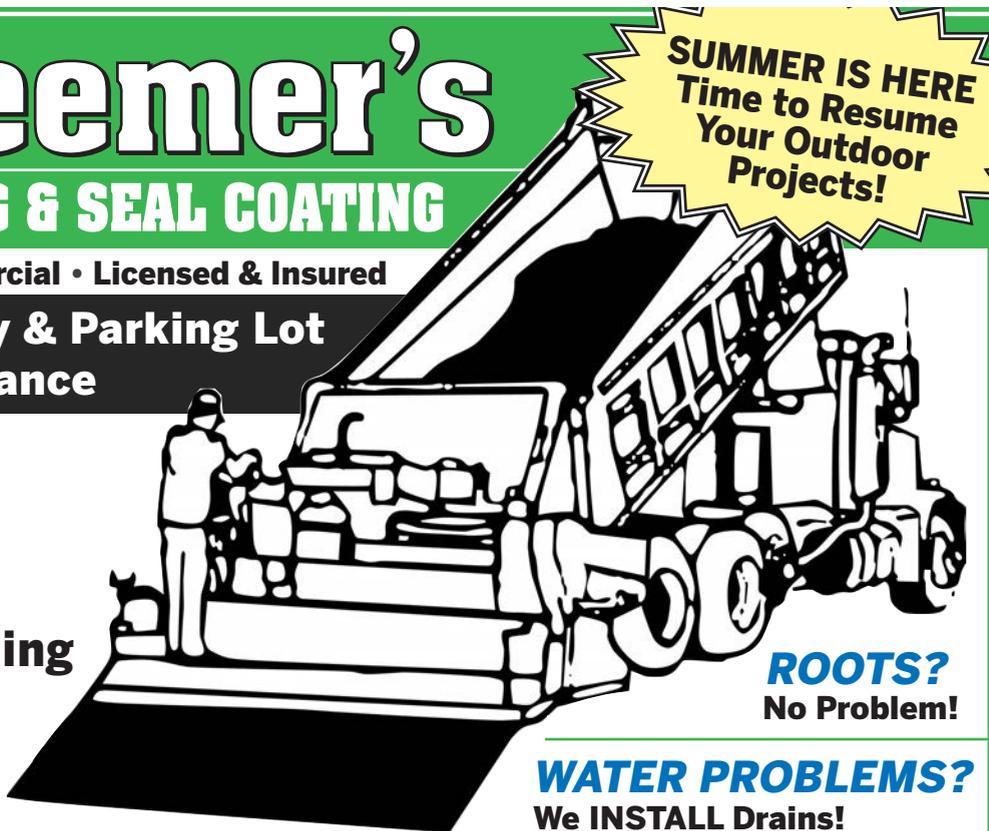
Members of the Abu Lahab Temple in Salisbury pose for a picture at their booth during the Berlin Police Department's National Night Out at William Henry Park on Tuesday. The temple gave away bags packed with school supplies for the upcoming school year.

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NIGHT OUT IN PINES

National Night Out events were held across the country on Tuesday, including at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines. (Right) Realtor Donna Frankowski interacts with attendees at the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce booth.

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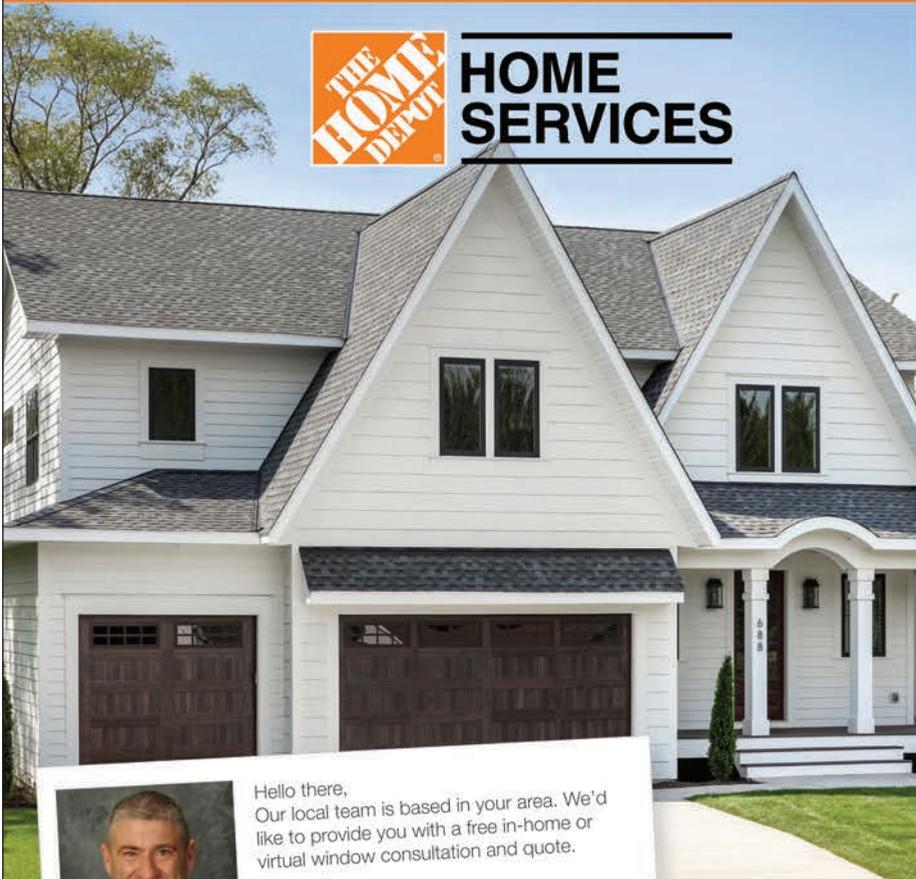
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Snapshots



WPS GALA

Parents, alumni, teachers and guests came together during the Worcester Prep gala celebrating the 50th anniversary of the school, on April 30 at Hyatt Place in Dewey Beach. Proceeds from this year's gala will fund additional security updates to the campus and a refresh to the library exterior. Pictured, from left, are WPS teacher and coach Laura Holmes, Head of Middle School Megan Wallace, and parents Leanne Prosser, Kathryn O'Reilly and Nicole and Alex Miller.

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Also attending the gala: (Left) Edward and Mireille Jaoude joined by Jacque and Joe Parker. (Right) Current Head of School Dr. John McDonald and his wife, Andrea, left, with Diane Tull and her husband, Barry, former WPS Headmaster.



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CONFERENCE

The Maryland State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) recently held its 117th state conference at Turf Valley Resort in Ellicott City, with many members from the local General Levin Winder and Samuel Chase chapters attending. Pictured, from left, are Revolutionary War Reenactor, Maryland DAR State Editor and General Levin Winder member Pat Arata, Samuel Chase member Dotty Semotchko, Maryland DAR State Curator and Samuel Chase member Lee Ellen Griffith, Samuel Chase members Cindy Jones, Mary Anne Adkins, Marion Robinette and Deb Breda. Not pictured: General Levin Winder member Carol Wanzer and Samuel Chase members Judy Halter, Anne Lampert and Dee Matthews.



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TOP STUDENT

Stephen Decatur High School senior Emma Sperry was announced Best All Around during the annual Senior Awards Night event on May 17. Sperry is a member of the Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society and she serves as president of the National Honor Society. Her academic resume includes a national Seal of Biliteracy and a College Board title of AP Scholar with six Advanced Placement courses and straight As throughout high school. She is pictured with Principal Tom Sites.

Snapshots



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ART DEMO

Tina Celia, a self-taught pressed and dried flower enthusiast who shows her framed work at local events, right, recently instructed Worcester County Garden Club members on her microwave method for pressing and drying flowers. She is pictured with Worcester County Garden Club President Deborah Young.



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TOP ARTWORK

Several Worcester Preparatory School students earned awards during the annual Shirley Hall Youth Art Show, held on March 4 at the Art League of Ocean City. Winners, from left, are Grade 7 - Mia Jaoude, second place; Grade 8 - Elliott Windrow, third place; Grade 11 - Ava Wilsey, honorable mention; and Grade 8 - Jake Campbell, honorable mention.



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SCHOOL SUPPORT

The Ocean City Surf Club donated \$1,500 to the Buckingham Elementary School for its outdoor Green School improvements. Pictured, from left, are BES student Emani Purnell, Principal Dr. Chris Welch, OC Surf Club Board Member Anne Cook, President Tommy Vach, students Oliver Vocke and Miles Vocke and OC Surf Club Vice President Rusty Ruszin.



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ROYALTY

Stephen Decatur High School seniors Emma Sperry and James Barrett were recognized as Prom Queen and King at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on April 30. Sperry and Barrett were nominated and elected by both students and staff.



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SCHOLARSHIP

Eastern Shore T1 Diabetic Support foundation presented Daniel Ashcraft from Mardela High School a \$2,500 scholarship for "Persevering through Diabetes and his academic excellence." He will be attending Wor-Wic Community College as well as welding trade school in the fall. Pictured are Deanna and Daniel Ashcraft and Katie, Eric and Corey Rimel.

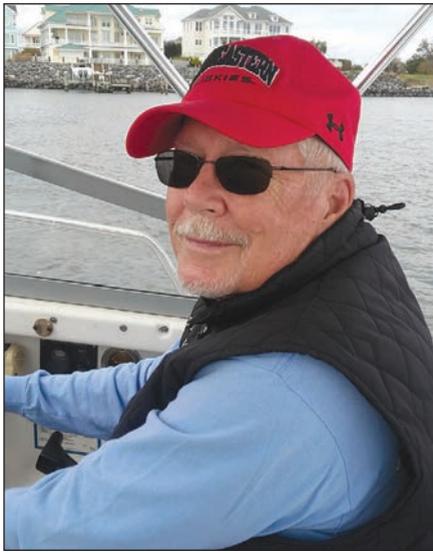


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GUEST SPEAKER

Del. Wayne Hartman, left, spoke at the May meeting of the Ocean City AARP Chapter, providing updates to the members about legislation passed by the 2022 session of the Maryland General Assembly, including improvements to the retiree tax credit that will provide tax relief to many seniors. He is pictured with AARP1917 Chapter President Bob McCluskey.

Obituary



Frederick Burch Weiss

FREDERICK BURCH WEISS Ocean Pines

Frederick Burch Weiss, 78, of Ocean Pines, passed away Saturday, July 16, 2022, at Atlantic General Hospital. Born Aug. 5, 1943, he was the son of the late Frederick Adolph and Jane Collinson Weiss.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Alta Ann Weiss; two daughters, Lisa Ann Weiss and Elizabeth Jane Koutsoumbaris; sons-in law, John William Strand and T. Alex Koutsoumbaris; grandchildren, Pearl Elizabeth and Lucy Constance Strand;

and Benjamin Stamatios and Joshua Frederick Koutsoumbaris.

He was preceded in death by his two sisters, Flora Jane Moore and Florence Cole Jeziorski.

Growing up, Fred spent his winters in his parent's Baltimore home and summers at their waterfront home on the Severn River. He bought his own boat at age 12 and had a boat ever since.

He was an excellent water skier and also enjoyed fishing or just cruising around with family and friends.

Fred was an athlete throughout his

elementary, high school and college years. He played football, lacrosse and soccer and received numerous trophies and awards.

In 1958, Fred began his sophomore year at Severn School in Annapolis, Maryland, as a boarding student. That year he played JV football and was one of three sophomores who played varsity lacrosse.

During his junior and senior years, he played varsity football almost every minute of every game and played first midfield varsity lacrosse.

In his senior year, Fred received multiple awards in football and was co-captain of the football team and Varsity Club president. He was inducted into the Severn School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Fred graduated from Washington College in Chestertown, Maryland, in 1965 and became a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity in his freshman year.

During college, he continued to play first midfield varsity lacrosse as well as played varsity soccer.

He was named an All-American lacrosse player and lettered all four years in lacrosse and soccer. He was inducted into the Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame.

Fred married his college sweetheart, Alta, the love of his life, and he kissed and told her so almost every day. Fred and Alta bought their Ocean Pines lot in May 1969 and had their house built in 1971.

Among the first persons to live permanently in Ocean Pines, theirs was the second (almost first) house on Sandyhook Road, which was still a dirt road when they moved into their house.

During the early years of Ocean Pines Fred enjoyed riding his various motorcycles to explore the new sections of Ocean Pines that were gradually added over the years.

Fred was a charter member of the Ocean Pines Volunteer Fire Department, feeling it was his duty to serve the new community that had only a few young year-round owners.

When the Ocean Pines Yacht Club
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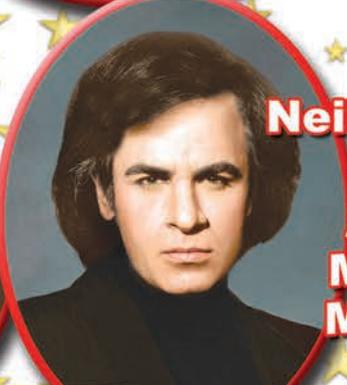


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Opinion

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Real decision comes after board election

With the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors heading into its last few days, the traditional approach would be to endorse candidates. In this case it would be endorsing three of the six people running for the three vacant seats on the board.

Acknowledging that the persuasiveness of these endorsements is questionable in the best of circumstances, given that most voters have known for some time who they like and who they don't, it's doubtful that our editorial embrace of any these hopefuls at this stage of the process will have much in the way of a positive impact.

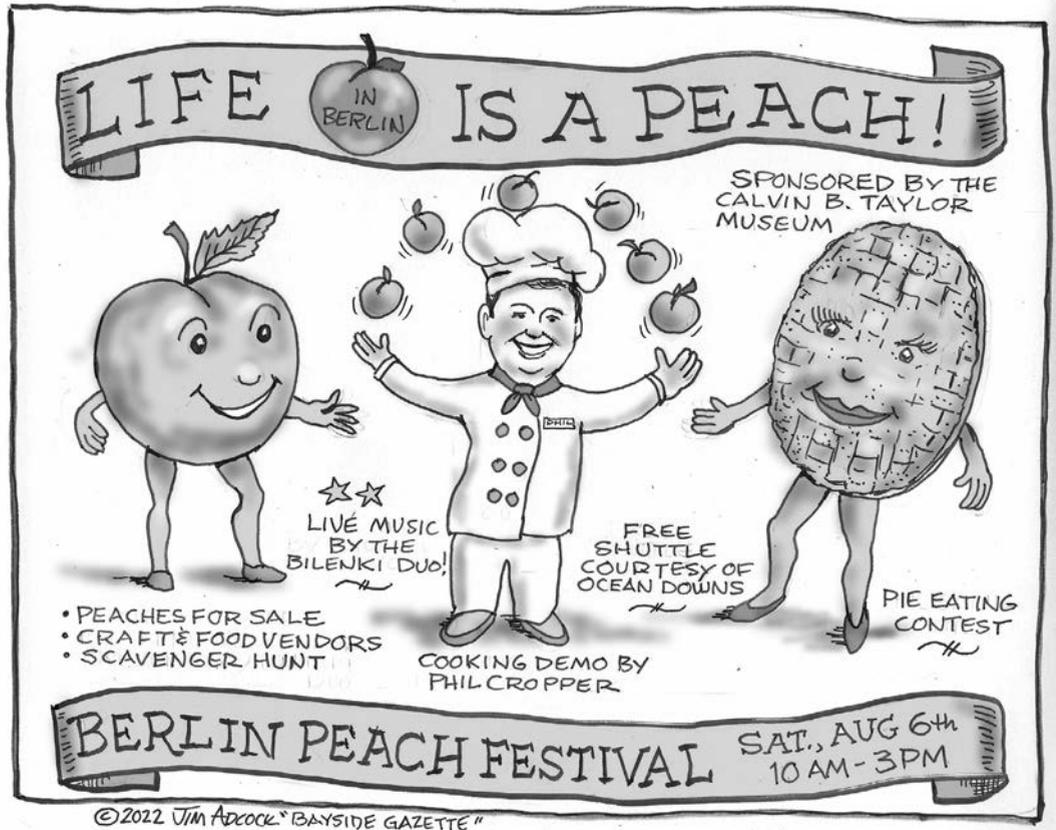
Not that some people don't deserve to be seated on or even returned to the board, it remains that the board leadership in the year ahead is more critical to the smooth and open function of government than who among the half-dozen hopefuls is called on by the community to represent their interests.

That was the case under association presidents Doug Parks, his successor Larry Perrone, and his successor Collette Horn. Suffice to say that a candidate can have ideas but having them and convincing leadership to pursue their practical application is a different thing altogether.

Besides, and this is the truth of the matter, beyond candidates' individual personalities, a couple of turns in the lime-light, and other ups and downs during the course of their time in the community, we just don't know what any of them will do if elected.

The forums, as well-conducted as they were, along with our own interviews failed to establish to our satisfaction how any of them would respond on actual critical matters rather than those deemed critical by virtue of the volume of debate.

And it is precisely who can keep a fair and steady hand on that volume control while also standing up for the public that's more important than the individuals elected to serve under him or her.



Letters

Berlin Lioness Club elects to dissolve

Editor,

The Lioness Club of Berlin, a nonprofit organization of dedicated women who for over 38 years has donated funds to many family needs and organizations in the lower Eastern Shore area, has with much regret elected to not continue.

We have found it very hard to get help needed for the "bigger" events that we have held

in the past.

A big "thank you" to all our friends who have supported our club to make these donations possible.

As our final action to organizations and persons in need we donate the following funds to: Diakonia, Berlin and Ocean City libraries, Berlin and Ocean Pines fire companies, Worcester County Developmental Center, Worcester GOLD, Coastal Hospice, Meals on Wheels, Believe in Tomorrow, Stevenson Spirit

Kitchen, Worcester County Youth & Family, Berlin Little League, Shirley Grace Pregnancy Center, Ocean City Lions Club, Cricket Center, Worcester County Humane Society, Glenn Hilliard Family Fund, Stevenson Church window restoration, Buckingham Presbyterian Church, and Hogs and Heroes.

The total of the above donations is \$11,100.

*Ruth Scott
Member Lioness Club of Berlin*



PHOTO COURTESY RUTH SCOTT

The Lioness Club of Berlin, a nonprofit organization of dedicated women who for over 38 years has donated funds to many family needs and organizations in the lower Eastern Shore area, has with much regret elected to not continue. Pictured are some members during an event in 2019.

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Chamber Music live shows back with six dates lined up

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sions.

2022 festival schedule:

- Tuesday, Aug. 9, 7 p.m.: ticketed salon concert at a private Snow Hill home
- Wednesday, Aug. 10, 7 p.m.: ticketed concert and reception at Temple Bat Yam, Berlin
- Thursday, Aug. 11, 10:30 a.m.: free family concert at the Berlin Public Library
- Thursday, Aug. 11, 1 p.m.: workshop for young musicians at the Berlin Public Library, free and open

to the public (students who wish to participate should contact Urioste at ebu@comcast.net)

- Friday, Aug. 12, 7 p.m.: ticketed concert at Buckingham Presbyterian Church, Berlin
 - Saturday, Aug. 13, 7 p.m.: ticketed concert at All Hallows Church, Snow Hill
- Additional details, including ticket and artist information, as well as a full list of Chamber Music by the Sea's sponsors, can be found at www.chambermusicbythesea.com or www.wced.foundation.

Obituary

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and Marina was built, Fred rented a boat slip right away and continued to do so until his death.

His family and friends enjoyed water skiing, fishing, and boat rides in the river, bay, and ocean.

Fred retired from the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR) in 1993 so he could spend more time being a "snow ski bum" and summer boater.

He and Alta were initial members of the Salisbury Ski Club of Delmarva, and were trip leaders for New England ski trips for over 20 years.

They also skied most major north-east ski areas with their children, and Fred skied twice in Europe. Then, the western mountains beckoned him, with their fresh, light, powder skiing.

Each ski season, Fred with Alta or Fred with some of his ski buddies made many trips to different western ski areas.

On one trip, they discovered a

smaller, but very challenging local ski area – Sunlight Mountain in Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Fred and Alta bought their first slopeside Brettelberg condo on the mountain in 1985 and continue to own two condos there.

They started an annual pattern of driving to Colorado to stay at their condo from December through early April and ski not only Sunlight but also Vail, Beaver Creek, and the Aspen area mountains.

Fred was an excellent skier and had different skis for every kind of snow conditions. He was also a highly skilled ski tuner and kept all his family's and friend's skis in great condition.

At Fred's request, no formal service is to be held. His wish was to be cremated and have his ashes spread by his family at his chosen places.

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Cuisine

Carpaccio with gorgonzola polenta cake

Vegas is in the bag. It was a great competition, but at the end I must be content with the addition to my CV of national finalist.



By Paul Suplee,
MBA, CEC, PC-3

Many congratulations to Chef Jack who won Chef Educator of the Year. It was still quite the experience and hey, it was Vegas. For six days. And we are still alive.

If you have read this mighty tiny tome more than a few times, you are aware that I like to travel.

Nothing makes me happier than the moment when the wheels are up and we are on our way to something new. And so it was when we headed out west.

I had not been to Vegas since 1990. They say the third time's a charm, but that certainly did not hold true as I visited as a young Marine that third trip, losing a month's salary again.

Having much more constraint this time around, I played craps for six days and was none the worse for wear. That's not a bad week.

On top of casinos (some gorgeous and others absolute dumps), the town is chock full of fine eateries. Having had our share of celebrity chef spots, we were searching for something else ... anything else.

As we complained to our bartender at the Virgin, he told us to eat at Todd English's Olives. I'm pretty sure that all four of us grunted in unison.

He laughed and said he understood, but to give it a shot. Begrudgingly we did, and lo and behold we ate our final two meals in Vegas there.

Upon the recommendation of our server Michael, we ordered the carpaccio, not knowing what was about to happen.

It was magnificent. It was mind-numbingly delicious. It was one of those dishes that makes you wonder where you have gone wrong all your life; hands-down the greatest iteration of this classical Italian dish. I will do my best to emulate it, but just know that this is but my take on it.

Make it. Relish in its components and if you happen to need a comparison, book that flight. Get out of here for a week. Wheels up, my good people. Wheels up.



TE Carpaccio

enough for 2-3 people

1 ea. Gorgonzola Polenta cake

(recipe follows)

1 c. Fresh arugula

Juice of 1 lemon wedge

6 oz. Thinly sliced raw beef tenderloin

Very good quality EVOO, as needed

4 oz. Shaved Parmigiano-Reggiano

4 ea. Pickled Cipollini onions (recipe follows)

3 Tbsp. Roasted garlic cream (recipe follows)

3 Tbsp. Scallion cream (recipe follows)

Large flake sea salt, as needed

• Fry the polenta cake in a pan or fryer until cooked through and golden, and place in the center of the plate.

• Top with the arugula that you spritz with a little lemon juice.

• Starting on the top of the arugula, arrange the beef slices so that they are shingled out to the edge of the plate. This way, the guests can remove the slices from the outside.

• Drizzle with the olive oil, garnish with the creams and then top the center with the cheese.

• Finish the dish with some sea salt and serve.

Gorgonzola Polenta Cake

makes about 6 cakes

1 c. Fine polenta

3 c. Good quality chicken stock

1 c. Heavy cream

1/2 c. Gorgonzola crumbles

1 Tbsp. Minced parsley

S&P, as needed

2 Tbsp. Whole butter

• Combine everything in a saucepan and cook until the liquid is absorbed in the polenta.

• This can go for quite a while, as long as you ensure that the polenta does not scorch.

• When you are happy with the taste, remove and spread evenly in a sprayed pan.

• Chill completely, which will set up the polenta.

• Simply cut into the shape that you want and keep chilled until ready to fry.

Pickled Cipollini Onions

makes about 1 quart

1 lb. Fresh Cipollini onions (ask your better produce manager if they can get them)

Olive oil, as needed

1 c. Hot water

1 c. Balsamic vinegar

2 Tbsp. Granulated sugar

Salt, as needed

3 sprigs thyme, whole

• Boil the onions for 2-3 minutes whole in water, then drain and cool.

• Using a paring knife, peel and cut the ends off.

• Heat the olive oil in a pan, and then cook the onions on top and bottom to get some color and some wonderful umami happening.

• Add the water, vinegar, sugar, salt and thyme and bring to a sim-

mer.

• Adjust the taste and when you're happy with it, remove from heat and allow to cool completely. It is best if these sit in the icebox at least overnight

Garlic Cream

makes about 1 pint

1 pint crème fraiche

15 ea. Cloves of garlic confit (reference earlier articles)

Salt & Pepper, as needed

• Puree the garlic.

• Add the crème fraiche and combine well, seasoning to taste.

• Allow this to sit in the refrigerator overnight.

• Strain through a fine sieve and keep cold until ready to use.

Scallion Cream

makes about 1 pint

1 pint crème fraiche

6 ea. Scallions, white and green parts

Salt & Pepper, as needed

• Smash the scallions up into a fine mush, reserving all juices.

• Combine everything and allow to steep as long as you can.

• Strain through a fine sieve and keep cold until ready to use.

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Calendar

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Thurs., Aug. 4

CPAP MASK FITTING

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OCEAN ORGANISM OBSERVATIONS

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 10:30-11:30 a.m. Join the Maryland Coastal Bays Program and learn about some unique ocean creatures in the most interesting way possible, by examining their bones. Hands-on learning. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

MERRY MAKERS - FLOWER PRESSING

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10:30 a.m. Use flowers provided by the library or bring your own. Register: www.worcesterlibrary.org under "Events" or call 410-208-4014.

OCEAN ORGANISM OBSERVATIONS

Worcester County Library - Pocomoke Branch, 301 Market St., 2 p.m. Join the Maryland Coastal Bays Program and learn about some unique ocean creatures in the most interesting way possible, by examining their bones. Hands-on learning. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

ZUMBA FOR ALL LEVELS

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 4:30-5:30 p.m. Join certified Zumba instructor Joyce Landsman for an hour of movement. These classes uplift and improve mood. Register: www.worcesterlibrary.org under "Events." 410-632-2600

FAMILY BEACH GAMES

Carousel Oceanfront Hotel & Condos, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 6:30 p.m. Games include sand castle contests, tug-of-war, relays and more. Free event. Parents are asked to stay with their children. Weather permitting. 410-250-0125, www.oceancitymd.gov

SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS

Sunset Park, 700 S. Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Featuring "British Invasion Experience" (Beatles tribute band). Admission is free, while beverages including beer, are available for purchase. Bring seating. OCDC, 410-289-7739, www.ocdc.org

CONCERT IN THE PARK

Cypress Park, 7 Bridge St., Pocomoke

City, 7-11:59 p.m. Featuring "The Webber Band." Free and open to the public. Pack a picnic and lawn chair. Down-townPocomoke.com, Instagram: @pocomoke_downtown, Facebook: City of Pocomoke.

BEACH SINGLES-55 PLUS

Thursdays - Harpoon Hanna's, 39064 Harpoon Road, Fenwick Island, DE, 4-6 p.m. Info: 302-436-9577 or BeachSingles.org

Fri., Aug. 5

PFIZER COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

James G. Barrett Medical Office Building, 10231 Old Ocean City Blvd., Berlin. Vaccine clinic for those ages 6 months and older. Registration is requested but not required. To sign up: agh.care/vaccine.

FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE - FUNDRAISER

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 3 p.m. The camaraderie, encouragement and takeaway experiences firefighters have at each event are immeasurable. Details: <https://runsignup.com/Race/MD/OceanCity/OceanCityFirefighterChallenge>.

POLLINATOR GARDEN TOUR PLEIN AIR ARTIST RECEPTION

Lower Shore Land Trust's Conservation Center, 100 River St., Snow Hill, 4-6 p.m. Nine artists painted or worked with pastels "en plein air" during the 2nd Annual Pollinator Garden Tour. Their art will be exhibited during Snow Hill's First Friday.

FIRST FRIDAY ART OPENING

Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St., Ocean City, 5-7 p.m. Also offsite exhibitions at the Princess Royale Oceanfront and the Coffee Beanery in Ocean City. Free admission. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages. www.ArtLeagueOfOceanCity.org, 410-524-9433

BEACH MOVIE & YARD GAMES

27th Street Beach, Ocean City, 8 p.m. Featuring "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2." Also, entertainment and yard games and more. Weather permitting. Free event. 410-250-0125, www.oceancitymd.gov

Sat., Aug. 6

15TH ANNUAL FLOUNDER TOURNAMENT & AUCTION

Ocean Pines Marina and Yacht Club, 1 Mumford Landing Road, Ocean Pines, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Featuring weigh in and auction. Fish weighed in by 4 p.m. Anglers must be registered by Aug. 5 at noon.

<https://business.oceanpineschamber.org>, 410-641-5306

FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE - FUNDRAISER

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, 8 a.m. During the event, the Charity Relay Challenge will take place. Teams can register at www.charityrelaychallenge.org. Cost to participate is \$25. Event is free and open to the public.

MARYLAND SAFE BOATING COURSE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. A Safe Boating Certificate is required for all boat operators born after July 1, 1972, and is awarded after successful completion of the course. Cost is \$20. Register: 410-935-4807, CGAUXOC@gmail.com.

CHALK ART

Worcester County Library - Snow Hill Branch, 307 N. Washington St., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Drop in to create chalk art. Use the supplies in front of the library to decorate the sidewalk. All ages. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

44TH ANNUAL INDOOR/OUTDOOR ARTS CRAFT & ARTISAN FESTIVAL

Ocean Pines Community Center, 235 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission is free. Crafters will display and sell handcrafted items including jewelry, decorated items, handprinted decor, stitchery and more. Jane Wolnik, j.wolnik63@gmail.com.

14TH ANNUAL PEACH FESTIVAL

Calvin B. Taylor House, 208 N. Main St., Berlin. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Featuring fresh peaches for sale, Magic Jack, kids games and stories, pie baking contest, cooking demonstration by Phil Cropper and music by Bilenki Duo. www.taylorhouse-museum.org

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CRAFTY SATURDAY STEM EDITION: IMAGINATION LAB!

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 10 a.m. Design a new adventure. From new inventions, to new planets, board games and much more. For children ages 4 years and older. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

BOOK TASTING

Worcester County Library - Ocean City

Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Join in anytime during the day to taste test top quality fiction, record initial reactions and leave with a book or two. For ages 9-14 years. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

ASSATEAGUE ADVENTURES

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. Ranger-led adventure featuring crafts, puppets, stories, cool props and live animals from Assateague Island National Seashore. A different adventure each week. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET

Saturdays - White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Parkway, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Shop for everything from fresh local produce to unique handmade artisan goods. Open to the public.

FREE PLATFORM TENNIS LESSONS

Saturdays - Ocean Pines Racquet Center, 11443 Manklin Creek Road, 9:30 a.m. All abilities welcome and equipment will be provided. oppad-dle2020@gmail.com or 516-508-0313.

FREE KIDS CRAFTS AT THE ART LEAGUE OF OCEAN CITY

Saturdays through Sept. 3 - Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th Street, 11 a.m. Each week provides a different project to complete. www.artleagueofoceancity.org

Sun., Aug. 7

FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City. 8 a.m. During the event, the Charity Relay Challenge will take place. Teams can register at www.charityrelaychallenge.org. Cost to participate is \$25. Event is free and open to the public.

SUNDAES IN THE PARK & FIREWORKS

Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, 7-9 p.m. Music by "The Janitors" (rock variety). Free activities and entertainment for kids. Ice cream available for purchase. Bring picnic and beach chairs. Fireworks may or may not occur. 410-250-0125

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

Sundays - Berlin Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 10 a.m. www.jw.org

FREE TOURS AT THE ART LEAGUE OF OCEAN CITY

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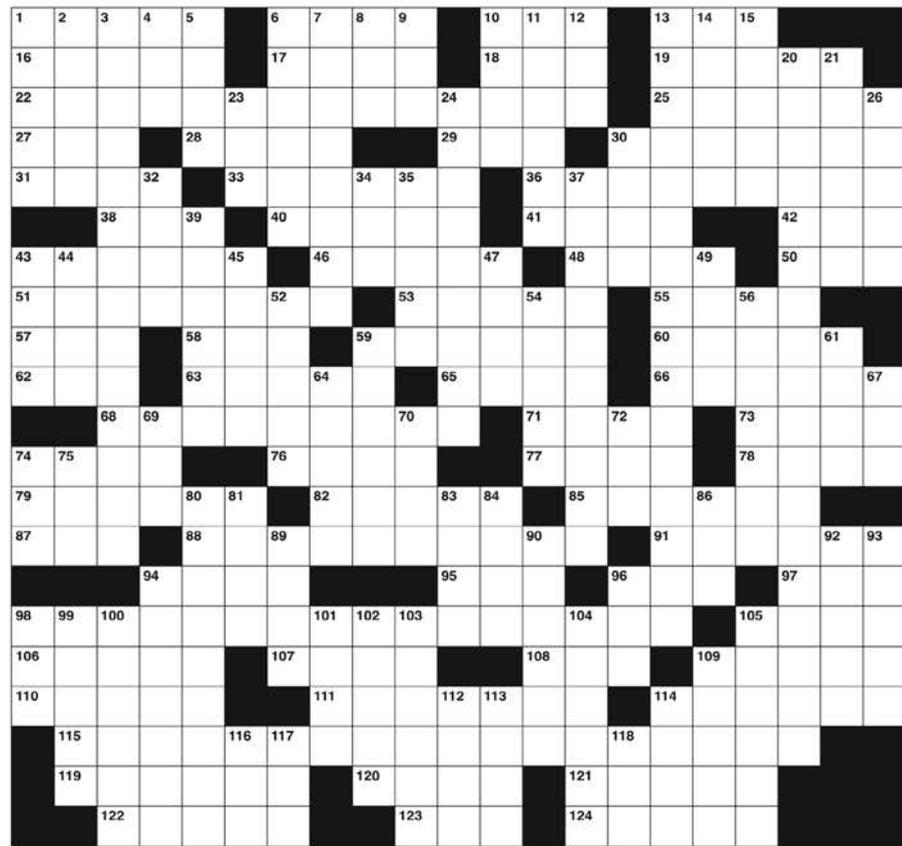
Puzzles

GOING SOMEWHERE?

BY JESSIE AND ROSS TRUDEAU / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Jessie Trudeau, née Bullock, recently received her Ph.D. from the government department at Harvard. Her husband, Ross, is a writer and puzzlemaker in Cambridge, Mass. They met three years ago. Ross, who has been creating crosswords for The Times since 2017, introduced Jessie to the puzzle world. This is their fourth collaboration for the paper. The couple are scheduled to marry this weekend. — W.S.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Yankee Stadium has 24 of these
 - 6 In the thick of
 - 10 Org. with X-rays
 - 13 Shape of a heron's neck
 - 16 Bit of publicity
 - 17 Bag for a diamond
 - 18 Yellowfin tuna
 - 19 Cheney and Harris, informally
 - 22 One prone to idol thoughts
 - 25 Marsh birds
 - 27 Clubs often require them, for short
 - 28 Pool locales
 - 29 That: Sp.
 - 30 "Never you worry"
 - 31 Moor
 - 33 Call into question
 - 36 Bouquet
 - 38 Break up clods
 - 40 Bolivar who was known as the Liberator
 - 41 Evening, to Yves
 - 42 Reggae-like genre
 - 43 One looking for missing persons
 - 46 Singer White with the 1991 No. 1 hit "Romantic"
 - 48 Actress de Matteo
 - 50 Inits. on some handbags
 - 51 Two-colored
- 53** Model world
- 55** End-of-semester form: Abbr.
- 57** Flick, as a cigarette, informally
- 58** Disappearing sculpture medium
- 59** Big name in Jet Skis
- 60** Gumption
- 62** ___ hall
- 63** Stylish flair
- 65** Square type
- 66** Necessity for drug approvals
- 68** English landing spot
- 71** Seat for the Queen?
- 73** Egyptian symbol of life
- 74** Stick with it!
- 76** John Cho's role in "Star Trek" films
- 77** Level
- 78** Spill the tea
- 79** Hits high notes in high places
- 82** Suit
- 85** Setting of two Shakespeare plays
- 87** Some coding statements
- 88** Edith Wharton's "ruin of a man"
- 91** Nautical agreement
- 94** Bearer of roses, maybe
- 95** Word with American or amber
- 96** Whiz
- 97** Aunt ___ (role on "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air")
- 98** Habitual fear of being exposed as a fraud
- 105 N.F.L.** star Elliott, to fans
- 106** Edify
- 107** Rikishi's sport
- 108** "Don't be that ___"
- 109** Part of a skin-care routine
- 110** First pope to be called "the Great"
- 111** Dillydallies
- 114** "In Search of Lost Time" novelist
- 115** Aphorism that's visually depicted five times in this puzzle's grid
- 119** Pros with floors
- 120** Unit of cauliflower
- 121** Split, then come together?
- 122** Ultimate needs
- 123** Parched
- 124** Apply (to)
- DOWN**
- 1 Rosebud ravager
 - 2 Latin for "I believe"
 - 3 Some black-and-white pictures
 - 4 Prone to brooding, say
 - 5 Scatters
 - 6 Stacey of Georgia politics
 - 7 Easternmost leg of I-90, familiarly
 - 8 Suffix with fool or fiend
 - 9 Opus ___
 - 10 Dance shoe attachments
 - 11 Bundles
 - 12 Put on
 - 13 Home of the Simpson and Flanders households
 - 14 Rocker Bob with 10 Top 10 albums
 - 15 Casper competitor
 - 20 One side of D.C.'s Federal Triangle
 - 21 iPhone app with a graph in its icon
 - 23 Nail-polish brand
 - 24 Where all the people that come and go stop and say "hello," in a 1967 hit
 - 26 It's a huge deal
 - 30 State ___
 - 32 Former N.Y.C. mayor Ed
 - 34 Actress Thurman
 - 35 Locale for a rock climber
 - 37 Noted shopping mecca
 - 39 More like an empty old mansion at night, say
 - 43 Transport on the slopes
 - 44 Stop lying
 - 45 Celebrity chef DiSpirito
 - 47 Point in a network
 - 49 Profess
 - 52 Combines, in a way
 - 54 Fictional documentary from Kazakhstan
 - 56 Provider of a ball of thread, in myth
 - 59 Like some cars and kisses
 - 61 ___ Club
 - 64 Neighbor of Curaçao
 - 67 Theater rebuke
 - 69 Scratch (out)
 - 70 Botch
 - 72 You might be advised to do this for yourself
 - 74 Memo opener, often
 - 75 "That's rough"
 - 80 Downwind locales for ships
 - 81 "Now!"
 - 83 Home of Nobel Peace Prize winner Shirin Ebadi
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 - 92 "Uh-oh!"
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 - 98 "___ the economy, stupid!"
 - 99 Got together in
 - 100 White as a sheet
 - 101 Paul who was People magazine's 2021 Sexiest Man Alive
 - 102 Tremendous success
 - 103 Squawked in pain
 - 104 Coup result
 - 105 Member of Gen Z, jocularly
 - 109 Busy businesswoman in a rom-com, e.g.
 - 112 Loved
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HARD - 31

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

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								3 9
9				5				8

Answers to last week's puzzles

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3	6	5	4	8	7	1	9	2
6	9	8	7	4	3	5	2	1
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the programs and activities at the Art League. www.artleagueofoceancity.org

BERLIN FARMERS MARKET

Sundays - Main St., Pitt St., Commerce St., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Live music. TheBerlinFarmersMarket.com

Mon., Aug. 8

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MARLIN FEST

Ocean City Inlet Beach, 1-9 p.m. Watch the White Marlin Open weigh-ins on the big screen. Also featuring live entertainment, kid friendly experiences, vendor tents, White Marlin merchandise, food and beverages. Admission is free. <https://marlinfest.com>

SUMMER STORY TIME: UNICORNS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m. Extra fun summer story time filled with stories, songs and crafts all about unicorns. For ages 2-5 years. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

WRITING FOR WELLNESS

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 1:30 p.m. Writing about stressful experiences like illness, may boost health and psychological well-being. Group uses exercises to stimulate creative expression. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

SUPERHERO MOVIE

Worcester County Library - Ocean Pines Branch, 11107 Cathell Road, 2 p.m. Drop by for this week's marvelous movie. 410-208-4014, www.worcesterlibrary.org

FRIENDS OF ASSATEAGUE STATE PARK CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR BREAK THE HABIT

Chipotle Mexican Grill, 12909 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City, 4-8 p.m. Friends of Assateague State Park is pleased to announce a new initiative called "Break the Habit." Order from Chipotle and use the code G8XCX6C or mention the fundraiser as you order.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY OF BERLIN - GROUP #169

Atlantic General Hospital - Conference Room 1, 9733 Healthway Drive, Berlin, 5-6:30 p.m. T.O.P.S. is a weekly support and educational group promoting weight loss and living a healthy lifestyle. Rose Campion, 410-641-0157

OC BEACH DANCE PARTY

Caroline St. Stage, 2 N. Atlantic Ave., Ocean City, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Ocean 98.1 WOCM presents "Our Very Own DJ Magellan!" Free event for all ages. 410-250-0125 or 800-626-2326

BEACH MOVIE & YARD GAMES

27th Street Beach, Ocean City, 8 p.m. Featuring "Jungle Cruise." Also, entertainment and yard games like corn hole, ladder ball, spike ball, large connect four and more. Weather permitting. Free event. 410-250-0125, www.oceancitymd.gov

DRONE SHOW ON THE BEACH

Downtown Ocean City beach, 2 N. Atlantic Ave., 9:30 p.m. Come experience Ocean City's drone show located downtown on the beach on Monday evenings. 410-250-0125, 800-626-2326

DELMARVA WOMEN'S A CAPELLA CHORUS

Mondays - Ocean Pines Community Center, 239 Ocean Parkway, 6:00-8:00 p.m. All ladies that love to sing invited. Contact Mary, 410-629-9383 or Carol Ludwig, 302-242-7062.

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OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES WITH MUSIC PLAY PATROL

Worcester County Library - Berlin Branch, 13 Harrison Ave., 10:30 a.m. Explore the depths of the oceans through songs, interactive activities and a musical story about bullying. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

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BIKERS WITHOUT BORDERS BIKE NIGHT & CRUISE IN

Joe's Bent Spoon, 38223 Dupont Blvd., Selbyville, 5:30-8 p.m. Sponsored by Joe's Bent Spoon. Cars and jeep always

welcome. Ten percent of all proceeds will be donated back to BWOB to support their core charities. www.joesbentspoon.com, 443-880-8993. Rain date Aug 16th.

FAMILY BEACH GAMES

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ATLANTIC COAST SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION MEETING

American Legion Synepuxent Post 166, 2308 Philadelphia Ave., Ocean City, 7:30 p.m. This month's speaker will be Dana Nelson from the Orsted Company to address concerns about the proposed offshore wind turbines. Food and refreshments available. Public is invited.

DELMARVA DANCING

Tuesdays - Selbyville Elks Lodge 2173, 13324 Worcester Highway, Bishopville, 5:30-9 p.m. Dance to the sounds of the '50s, '60s, '70s and more. A \$5 donation benefits Veterans and local charities. All are welcome. Charlie, 410-465-0445

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEETING

Tuesdays - Berlin Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 212 West St., Berlin, 7 p.m. www.jw.org

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Tuesdays - Worcester County Berlin Health Department, 9730 Healthway Drive, 3:30-4:30 p.m. A weekly support and education group promoting weight loss and a healthy lifestyle. Use the south side door and knock hard. Patty Lockett, 410-289-4725

OC KNITTING CLUB

Tuesdays - Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 10:30 a.m.

Wed., Aug. 10

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BIARIATRIC SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first and second Wednesday of each month. For non-surgical pa-

tients. Atlantic General Bariatrics Center, 410-641-9568, www.atlanticgeneral.org

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OCEAN CITY BOOK OF THE MONTH: NARRATIVE OF THE LIFE OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Worcester County Library - Ocean City Branch, 10003 Coastal Highway, 4:30 p.m. Join fellow book lovers to talk about the book of the month. Stop by the library to check out a copy of the book. Facilitated by Michael Hayes. www.worcesterlibrary.org, 410-632-2600

ADULT SIP & PAINT WORKSHOP

Windmill Creek Vineyard & Winery, 11206 Worcester Highway, Berlin, 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$25 and includes two shells for painting to hide or keep. Register: <https://www.actforbays.org/shellact> or @actforbays Facebook events page. Info: 410-629-1538, mail@actforbays.org.

BEACH MOVIES & YARD GAMES

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ONGOING EVENTS

GIANT KITE SHOW & FREE SPORT KITE LESSONS

The Kite Loft, Ocean City beach at 5th Street, daily, through Oct. 2, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (wind and weather permitting). Free Sport Kite lessons from 6-9 p.m. <https://kite loft.com>

OC LIFE-SAVING STATION MUSEUM PROGRAMS

Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., Monday through Friday, July 4-Aug. 26. All programs are free. Mondays' program is "History of our Surfman;" Tuesdays', "Beach Safety;" Wednesdays', "Knot Tying;" Thursdays', "All About Sharks;" Fridays', "Land, Sky and Sea" with all beginning at 10 a.m. 410-289-4991, www.ocmuseum.org/free-summer-programs

OC LIFE-SAVING STATION MUSEUM AQUARIUM FEEDING

Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, 813 S. Atlantic Ave., Monday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m., June 1-Aug. 31. Learn about the aquarium animals while watching them eat their morning meal. Free program. 410-289-4991, www.ocmuseum.org/free-summer-programs

CLASSIFIED Marketplace

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