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### Author to speak at library meeting

Tony Russo will speak about Eastern Shore Beer and Breweries on Monday, June 8 at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines library at the meeting of the Friends of the Ocean Pines Library. The public is welcome to hear this presentation which was the basis for a book that Mr. Russo wrote entitled "Eastern Shore Beer and Breweries." He will have some interesting stories about the equipment, ingredients, the brewing process, and establishing a local brewery. Refreshments (non-alcoholic!) will be available at 9:30 a.m. The talk will be followed by a brief business meeting which will summarize the accomplishments of the Friends of the OP Library in the last six months. At 11:30 a.m. there will be a planning meeting for the annual book sale, which will take place on July 24, 25, and 27.

### Kiwanis fundraisers set

Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City will hold two fundraisers at the Ocean Pines Community Center on Saturday July 11 to benefit the Youth of the Community. The first is the pancake breakfast between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Adults are \$5, children (under 12) are \$3 and under 5 are free. Tickets are also available at the door. Carryout is available. For information contact Ralph Chinn 410-208-6719.

The second event is Bingo Night. Doors open at 5 p.m. Refreshments will be on sale. There will be \$200 games, \$50 games, door prizes, pull tab chances and a 50-50 drawing. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Call 410-208-4131 or 301-537-8455 for advance tickets and information.

### Dem Club to collect items

On Sunday June 14 between 1 and 3 p.m., the Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County will collect non-perishable food, toiletries and paper products at the South Fire Station located on Ocean Parkway (South Gate) in Ocean Pines. Supplies will be shared with a local food ministry. Call 410-641-8553 for additional information.



### Book program begins

The Worcester County Commission for Women (WCCW) provides a book bag and books to first through third grade students in seven schools. The book bags are distributed by volunteers and sponsors of the Worcester County literacy program called the McGuffey Bookworm Club. Books were distributed at Seaside Christian Academy on May 26.

Five county elementary schools and Most Blessed Sacrament students were to receive their book bags Monday. Above are **Joyce Piatti** and **Susann Palamara** with the first, second and third grade students.

## OPA discusses geese, losses

By **Jean Marx**

Ocean Pines Association (OPA) President Dave Stevens opened the meeting to express sympathy in the recent passing of former OPA board member Tom Cetola. Sharyn O'Hare listed a great many of Mr. Cetola's community service achievements including his work on the Worcester County Veterans Memorial. In another opening remark, Mr. Stevens indicated that General Manager (GM) Bob Thompson is gathering additional requested information and should have a recommendation ready soon regarding the Facility Usage policy.

In the General Manager's report, Mr. Thompson discussed the Mumford Landing pool's new surface that uses the material Rubaroc, a resin that is mixed with shredded rubber material. Ms. O'Hare praised the efforts involved to get the work done; she said

the surface is beautiful and everyone seems very happy with it. Mr. Thompson proposed also applying Rubaroc to resurface the Swim & Racquet Club pool's splash pad at a cost of \$9,180 due to the poor workmanship of last year's splash pad final product. Of the original \$40,000 approved last year to fix Swim & Racquet's splash pad, the vendor was paid less than half this amount due to the board's dissatisfaction with the work. Because of the legal concern that OPA may be sued for the unpaid portion, Mr. Clarke asked Mr. Thompson to confirm that applying the Rubaroc will not place OPA at a heightened legal risk. So long as OPA's attorney, Joe Moore, provides his endorsement, Mr. Thompson was given unanimous approval to spend the \$9,180.

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### Author donates books to SDHS

"Vanishing Ocean City" author Bunk Mann visited Stephen Decatur High School where he donated two of his books and read excerpts about Hurricane Gloria and its effects on Ocean City to students on May 28.

Above: back row: Rachel Thomas, Zainab Mirza, Alexis Nguyen, Alison Alvarado, Caroline Hammond, and Principal Tom Zimmer. Seated: Cengizhan Unal, Glennie Rippin, Mattie Friedman, Bunk Mann, Bernadette Atwood, and Austin Hickey.

## AGH, Berlin to hold health fair

Atlantic General Hospital and the town of Berlin will hold a free Community Health Fair in conjunction with the High Heel Race on June 5 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Information Center at 14 S. Main Street, Berlin.

This health fair is open to the public and will provide opportunities for the community to receive free information and screenings including – blood pressure, carotid, bone density, women's health, diabetes, and more. There will also be integrative health providers available at the Worcester County Youth and Family Counseling Services location at 124 N. Main Street.

The High Heel Race benefits Women Supporting Women

(www.womensupportingwomen.org). Register online at WomenSupportingWomen.org, 410 213-1177 or 410 548-7880.

For more information, call the Atlantic General Hospital Community Education office at 410-641-9268 or email ddenton@atlanticgeneral.org.

### Purnell to speak at Dem luncheon

Worcester County Commissioner will be the guest speaker at the Democratic Women's Club spring luncheon and silent auction. The event will be held at Lighthouse Sound on Monday, June 15 at 11:30 a.m. For more information and reservations, call 814-322-2119.



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## 2012 Business of the Year

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The month of June marks the beginning of summer in areas of the Northern Hemisphere. June is a popular month for weddings and parties because of the mild temperatures and full-blooming foliage. Ancient Romans named June after Juno, the queen of the gods and patroness of marriage and weddings. But June is about much more than weddings, marking the end of the school year for many students and Father's Day for dads across the country. In addition, June has played host to numerous historical events.



- June 6, 1944: "D-Day" occurs in Europe during World War II.
- June 14, 1777: The Stars & Stripes is adopted as the American flag.
- June 17, 1928: Amelia Earhart is the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean when she flies from Newfoundland to Wales.
- June 25, 1929: G.L. Pierce receives a patent for basketball.
- June 27, 1967: Baltimore Orioles and NY Jets trademarks are registered.

# Memorial Day event is a fitting tribute

**Editor**

For ten years, residents of Ocean Pines, Worcester County and beyond have displayed their patriotism on Memorial Day by honoring service men and women at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines.

This past Sunday, May 24, a record crowd (estimated by police at between 3,500 and 4,000) experienced another unforgettable tribute of remembrance and gratitude for those past and present veterans whose sacrifices continue to guarantee the many freedoms we enjoy

in this great country of ours.

On a spectacularly beautiful Monday afternoon, this very special Memorial Day event honoring our service men and women elicited frequent cheers and applause interspersed with an abundance of heartfelt tears of remembrance, as tributes to women veterans, military families, local Gold Star Mothers, former Prisoners of War, and those still missing in action.

Throughout the entire 60 minute program the reverence of the day was enhanced by patriotic and inspirational and patriotic music pro-

vided by the Delmarva Chorus, Ocean City Pipes and Drums, Frank Nanna & the WWIIunes, Fiona O'Brien, Todd Crosby, and Randy Lee Ashcraft. It was a truly a "memorable" event in very sense of the word.

Many thanks to the Memorial Day 2015 Committee and the many participants and behind-the-scene volunteers who made this event so meaningful and unforgettable.

**Judy Boggs**  
*Ocean Pines*



## Kiwanis donates to CASA

*Kiwanis is about "Serving the Children of the World" and what the people of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) do in serving the children of Worcester County is of utmost importance. Unfortunately some children have to deal with adversities such as abuse or neglect and become involved with social services and even the court system. The court appointed volunteers take up the cause advocating for one child at a time until that child is placed in a permanent home. At the weekly meeting on May 27 Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City donated \$500 to CASA. The guest speaker was Executive Director of Worcester County Youth & Family Services Steven Taylor who accepted the check from Kiwanis Club President Carolyn Dryzga.*

## Beck wins engineering scholarship



*The Northrop Grumman Corporation has announced the 24 winners of its 13th annual Engineering Scholars program and Stephen Decatur High School senior Allison Beck is among them. The Northrop Grumman Engineering Scholars program is aimed at supporting promising high school seniors who intend to pursue a career in an engineering-related field. Applicants had to have a minimum composite SAT score of 1700 and a minimum GPA of 3.5. Community involvement and extracurricular activities were also taken into consideration. Beck graduated Summa Cum Laude and was honored as the Governor's Top 5%. While participating in three varsity sports, she also served as the president of the Math Honor Society. In the fall, Beck plans to attend St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA.*

## Volunteers sought

Looking for something fun to do this summer? The Worcester County Arts Council is offering volunteering opportunities for students (15 years old and older) who would like to help during our Summer Arts Camp for children to be held June 22 - 26 at Most Blessed Sacrament School in Berlin.

Volunteers will be involved in assisting art instructors during various visual and performing art workshops. Students will receive community service hours for their time volunteering.

Interested students should submit volunteer application along with volunteer guidelines form, available on the Arts Council website: [www.worcestercountycouncil.org](http://www.worcestercountycouncil.org)

For additional information, please call Anna Mullis, Executive Director at 410-641-0809.

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# He's up and moving

Some grandfather observations.

It was bound to happen. No great surprise really, but nonetheless when the moment came it was still exciting.

My grandson, who is now nine months old, started crawling just a few

comes up quietly, stealth like, and either reaches to snatch a favorite "sister toy" or tries to get it her face. Unfortunately for him she is not very tolerant and has few qualms about taking back her toy or yelling at him when he infiltrates her comfort zone. Although frustrating to their mother, as a grandparent I must honestly write that it's interesting to witness the goings on between these two. Add narrative by Marlin Perkins and it would be



## It's All About. . .

By **Chip Bertino**

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weeks ago. At first he would lurch forward, scooching his bottom across the floor. Then in short order he would position himself on his hands and knees rocking back and forth. That went on for about a day and a half until he was able to lunge forward. Unfortunately he wasn't able to coordinate his movements so when he pushed with his legs he didn't move his arms. The result? He knocked his supporting arms out from under him and fell on his face. He didn't get upset, he just kept trying. Finally, much to his surprise more than anyone's, he was able to advance. Although lumbering at first, his arm and leg movements improved significantly in no time. Before long he was racing around the house exploring new and interesting areas once unknown.

Several times he worked his way behind the recliner and was unable to figure out how to reverse himself. Frustration turned to anger and an eventual scream for attention which usually brought his mother to his rescue. He has since figured out reverse which has resulted in an expanded range of exploration to include among other places, under the dining room table and between the chair and end table.

Now that he has mastered mobility he is developing skills to be more helpful around the house such as being right there as the dishwasher is loaded and unloaded, reorganizing the liquor cabinet and ensuring that the DVDs stored in the television cabinet are pulled out at least once a day. He is also mastering the skills developed by little brothers since the beginning of time: becoming an annoyance to his big sister.

This little boy isn't really an in your face kind of pest, at least not yet. He's more subtle but no less effective. While his sister is playing with a toy or watching her favorite television show, he

akin to watching an episode of "Wild Kingdom."

Despite moments of highly vocal sibling interaction, my granddaughter is attentive to her brother whom she regularly picks up when he's going off in a direction he shouldn't, or at least she thinks he shouldn't. She puts her arms around his chest and lifts. This part usually goes smooth. However, she hasn't quite mastered the release so the result is that he's dropped on his keester. He sometimes cries; she always goes on to the next thing.

A competitive streak is surfacing within each of these children. The other evening my grandson crawled over to my wife who was sitting in the recliner. He made clear to her that he wanted to be picked up. He won and the two sat quietly in the recliner, not bothering anyone except apparently my granddaughter. She came in from the other room searching for "Blue Blanket." Her mission objective changed with events on the ground when she saw her brother sitting with her grandmother. She looked at him and he looked at her. There was some sort of mental telepathy exchanged. I could see the gears in her head begin to spin and could interpret her "there will be none of this" thoughts. She marched herself over to the recliner, climbed up and made a spot for herself on her grandmother's lap. She may have thought she had gotten one over on him but the real winner was my wife whose thoughts I could also interpret: "it doesn't get any better than this."

There are two truths that I must report. The first is that my grandchildren are just beginning to define their relationship. The second is, as a grandfather, it's really not my place to referee the proceedings.

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## Health Dept. sponsors free grocery store tour

Ever find yourself wandering around the grocery store and wondering where to start and how to pick healthy foods? Curious about how to get the healthiest foods for the least amount of money? If so, you should sign up for one of Worcester County Health Department's upcoming grocery store tours.

During the month of June, the Worcester County Health Department will sponsor a free grocery store tour. The

tour will be led by a registered and licensed dietitian who will help participants navigate the grocery store aisles and select the most nutritious foods. These tours will be offered on Wednesday, June 10 at 10 a.m., at the WalMart in Berlin, Maryland.

All participants will receive a free incentive. For additional information or to register, please call 410-632-0056.

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Mr. Thompson reported continued progress with following the recommendations of the September 16, 2014 motion regarding Non-Migratory Goose Control. With the assistance of the Environmental & Natural Assets (E&NA) Committee, work that has occurred to date has been installing a monofilament line around both ponds, establishing a 20-foot no mow area at the water's edge, applying a fight control product to designated areas, and applying oil to the eggs. The E&NA Committee will conduct a follow-up that will include a head count to gauge the success of these measures.

Mr. Thompson reported that the Tennis Racquet Advisory Committee has made the recommendation this year to try self-management. As such, the group did not renew the tennis contract with Marshall & Associates and is working with local tennis professionals to offer tennis lessons. Tom Terry said the group's vision is to run the program internally, which may include hiring staff as needed.

Mr. Thompson reported that golf rounds played were lower in April than budgeted but this was anticipated. In the unaudited results, golf finished the fiscal year with a loss of \$107,650, which was approximately \$218,000 better than last year. The Yacht Club finished the year with a loss of \$189,000; Mr. Clarke pointed out that this represents a loss of well over \$200,000 in the past seven months that cannot be recouped in volume. To try to turn the operations around, Jerry Lewis has been hired as the new Yacht Club manager. Mr. Clarke proposed bringing Mr. Lewis in to talk to the board in the near future to discuss ideas Mr. Lewis has to improve the financial performance.

During public comments, the fleet captain of the Ocean Pines Boat Club

voiced displeasure on behalf of the boat club members in paying to use the Community Center. Bill Zawacki called for more financial disclosure of the OPA finances; he cited section 7 of Resolution F02 that variances of 5% or more are to be reported by the general manager along with recommendations for how to remedy the unfavorabilities. In Mr. Zawacki's words, "The board needs to ask for the reports we're supposed to get or we'll keep sliding." Another community member agreed with Mr. Clarke's suggestion to bring in the new Yacht Club manager to offer ideas on stemming the losses. Bob Kessler expressed concern that the financial improvement of golf vs. last year as shown on paper may not be real, so he suggests a comprehensive review of how the day-to-day golf operations can be improved.

In CPI actions, 78 Quarter Staff Place had two violations: no shed permit and a box trailer on the property. Ms. O'Hare knows the property owner and received the owner's assurance that she would take the necessary steps to correct the violations. The board agreed to table the decision until next month but to have CPI inspect the property in two weeks to confirm that the trailer is gone.

Bill Cordwell asked for an update on the Sandpiper contract; he said the board should be proactive because Sandpiper's propane rates are very high. Messrs. Stevens, Clarke, Terry, and Collins spoke at length about their efforts to reach agreement with Sandpiper. Mr. Stevens recommended meeting in a closed board session to decide together what to do. The meeting will be June 3 at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Collins reported that the first of three planned Junior Golf Scholarship fundraisers will be June 28 and encourages everyone to attend. All three recommended committee appointments were unanimously approved. The next regular board meeting is June 25.



### Fashion show plans underway

The Republican Women of Worcester County are planning their Annual Patriotic Day Fashion Show to be held on Thursday, September 17 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Chairperson is **Sandy Zitzer**, seated third from the left. This year's theme is honoring MIAs and POWs. If anyone has any information on any MIA or POW, RWWC would like to recognize them. Please contact Beverly Bigler at 410-208-6018 or bevbiger619@1791.com or Lou Etta McClafflin at 410-641-7391 or louetta@mccclafflin.com.



### Appreciation

On Saturday, May 16 Diakonia hosted a Volunteer Appreciation Picnic to honor over 100 volunteers who give their time to the organization. The picnic was held at Stephen Decatur Park. Above are Diakonia volunteers **Dick and Mariana Neiman, Diane Harris, Patty Campbell and Marlene Rossing.**





Ocean Pines Garden Club members visit Dumbarton Oaks Gardens in historic Georgetown on a rainy May day. Photo by Gail Philippi.

## Garden Club visits Dumbarton Oaks

By **Dolores E. Pike**

A hearty group of Ocean Pines Garden club members toured the lovely gardens of Dumbarton Oaks located in Georgetown a historic section of Washington, DC in spite of the insistent rain on the day of their recently scheduled visit. Named one of top ten gardens in the U.S. by "The National Graphic Magazine" the gardens sit on approximately 27 acres and stand adjacent to the house and museum.

Docents met the group at the front door of the mansion and escorted them first through the museum and relayed its most recent history. Substantial mosaic artwork, statuary, icons and paintings are to be found throughout the museum. In 1920 Mildred and Robert Woods Bliss purchased Dumbarton Oaks and hired a landscape gardener to design the gardens. Robert Bliss was a diplomat in the U.S. Foreign Service, and the Blisses traveled and lived in South America and Europe. They added a Music Room in 1929 and then a wing to house their Byzantine and Pre-Columbian Collections in 1940. Subsequently the property was transferred to Harvard University, Mr. Bliss's alma mater.

Hung with priceless tapestries and graced with a grand piano, the Music Room, from its inception, became the setting for renowned musicians and artists to perform and remains so to this day. But in 1944 in complete agreement with the Trustees for Harvard, Mr. Bliss offered the facilities of Dumbarton Oaks to be at the disposal

of Cordell Hull, Secretary of State in President Franklin Roosevelt's administration. The State Department found that Dumbarton Oaks could accommodate the number of diplomats who were to discuss the formation of the organization which became the United

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Nations. The conference was completed in October and the following April President Roosevelt died. The new president, Harry Truman, carried out all the arrangements already in place and the United Nations Charter was finalized by all nations involved at their San Francisco conference.

The second part of the garden club’s tour was the gardens but due to the inclement weather this was abbreviated. Situated within a one day trip from Ocean Pines, Dumbarton Oaks was a doable day trip and selected as one of the two or three bus or carpool trips they do each year. Member Bev Topfer who has been the motivating force behind these journeys for the last eight years used to coordinate trips for the U.S. Army when she worked for them. She said, “It wasn’t hard to pick up on this sort of thing.”

All in all Bev has worked on 31 trips for the garden club including two of her favorites, which are the Marjorie Merriweather Post gardens at Hillwood in DC and the Nemours Gardens of the duPont family in Wilmington that she describes as fabulous. The club also tours local garden centers, like the East Coast Garden

Center in Millville, DE, and conducts workshops on growing roses or landscaping that is compatible for the sandy soil of the Pines. Herb gardens are always popular and local chefs have presented talks on the uses of herbs and spices in cooking.


The garden club maintains the Veterans Memorial, the garden by the Yacht Club and Pintail Park where they plant a tree or shrub on Arbor Day in honor of members, relatives and friends who have passed away the previous year. At Christmas time they provide the decorations gracing the street signs in the Pines.

Their annual tour featuring eight to 10 Ocean Pines gardens on display will be on June 11 followed by a luncheon at a ticket cost of \$30; the tour alone is \$10. Any funds raised help defray the costs for the gardens they maintain as well as help underwrite a scholarship.

Here’s hoping that the weather will be more cooperative for their scheduled second garden tour this year in August. It will be to Baywood Greens in Longneck, DE which is a large residential area complete with 30 acres of gardens and wetlands. At a cost of \$25 the tour, which includes lunch, will be conducted while riding golf carts.

The Ocean Pines Garden Club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Community Center. New members are welcome and the yearly fee is \$10. For more information or to join contact the president, Gail Jankowski at 410 208 3470.

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### Performing Arts scholarships awarded

The Ocean Pines Youth Theater announced that it awarded \$4,400 in college and arts camp scholarships this year. Each of the six college scholarships was awarded to a graduating senior who has participated in The Ocean Pines Youth Theater productions and is pursuing a college major or minor in a performing arts discipline. The recipients of the college scholarships are: Jarad Godwin, Caroline Lewis, Cecily Sass, and Emmi Shockley from The Worcester Preparatory School, Rachel Lynch from Snow Hill High School and Haley Wolfersberger from Parkside High School. The two arts camp recipients, who will be attending arts camps in New York City this summer are Kate Carpenter and Scott Devenny.

Above are Scott Devenny and Kate Carpenter receiving their camps scholarships. From left to right are Sharon Sorrentino, musical director; Scott Devenny, Kate Carpenter and Paulette DeRosa-Matrona, president and artistic director of the Ocean Pines Youth Theater.

## Artists sought

The Worcester County Arts Council (WCAC) invites all interested artists to participate in a juried art exhibit themed: "Home" to be featured during the month of July at the WCAC Gallery located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

The exhibition is open to all artists, professional or amateur with work in all media. The subject is open to artist's individual interpretation.

All work must be original and completed within the last three years and not previously exhibited at the Arts Council. Work must be delivered to the Arts Council's Gallery between June 25 - 26, 2015 to be accepted.

Artwork will be juried in and judged in this competition by Tamara Mills, Worcester County Board of Education Coordinator of Art Instruction. Detailed entry guidelines are available on the Arts Council website: [www.worcester-countyartscouncil.org](http://www.worcester-countyartscouncil.org).

Monetary prizes will be awarded

for first, second, and third place during the Second Friday Arts Stroll reception on July 10 from 5 - 8 p.m. For additional information, please call 410-641-0809 or e-mail us at: [curator@worcester-countyartscouncil.org](mailto:curator@worcester-countyartscouncil.org)

### Community yard sale set

The Germantown School Community Heritage Center is sponsoring a community yard sale on

Saturday, June 13 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Set up will begin at 6 a.m. Space is available for \$10 per spot. Vendors are welcome. Bring your own table. The event

will take place at 10223 Trappe Road in Berlin. To reserve space, call 410-641-0638. The rain date is Saturday, June 20.



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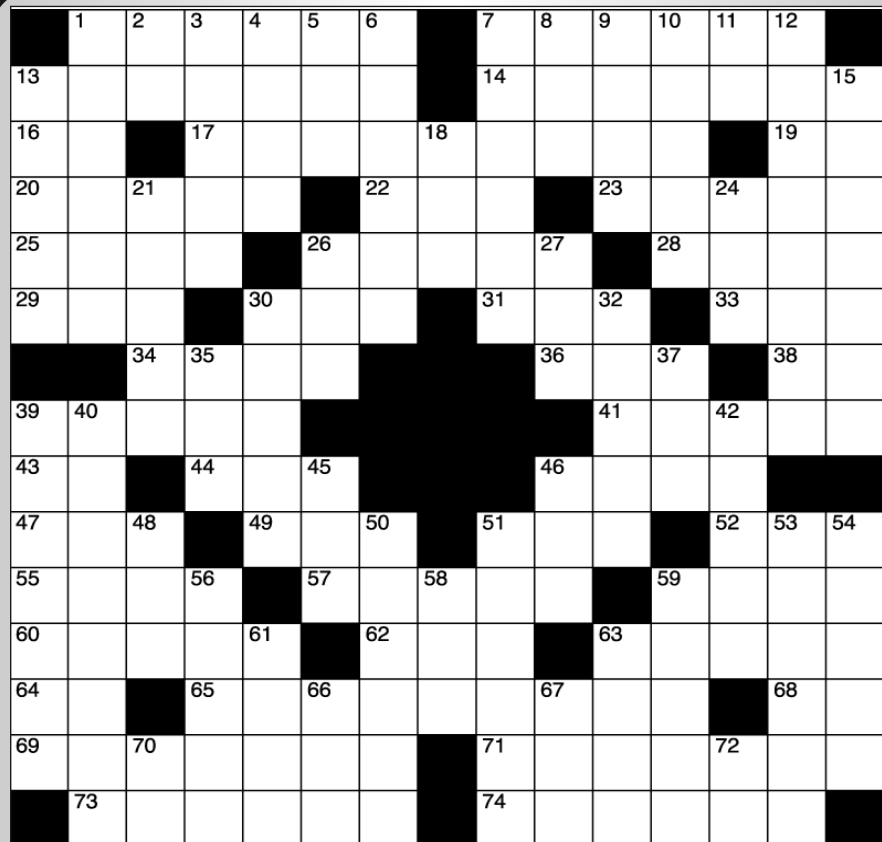
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Answers for May 27

*Eyes on the Skies*

**A message from the Big Bang Era**

By Douglas Hemmick, Ph.D.



The month of June is the beginning of vacation season and it is hoped that good clear weather for stargazing will prevail. As people begin to enjoy time away from work, stargazing may be an attractive pastime to consider.

This month features the second topic in the big bang series, the focus being the "cosmic background radiation." While astronomers could ponder and imagine a beginning of the universe, it was not until discovery of the cosmic background radiation that experimental evidence was available.

With Edwin Hubble's concept of the expanding universe, astronomers were encouraged to "run the clock backwards" to think about the remote past. They conceived a far smaller cosmos in the days of its origin, all matter confined in a "cosmic egg."

Such ideas were espoused by Albert Einstein and Georges Lemaitre in the 1930s, as they imagined the early universe as a primeval fireball, far too dense and hot for stars or planets to exist. Conditions in this broiling inferno were so extreme that an impenetrable "fog" existed, scattering and diverting any potential rays of light. In the late 1940s physicist George Gamow and his associates Herman and Alpher realized that as the fireball cooled and expanded, a critical change would take place. After a time period of about 400,000 years, the melee would cool to about 3,000 degrees, finally linking the free electrons and nuclei together into stable atoms. After this event light rays could move without hindrance. Gamow and his colleagues realized that this light should still be detectable and would permeate all space as a cosmic background radiation.

In the 1940s Gamow's conception seemed strange and abstract but in the 1960s further theoretical and practical

advances made it a reality. The concept of cosmic background radiation was rediscovered by physicists Robert Dicke and James Peebles, who repeated Gamow's calculation that the



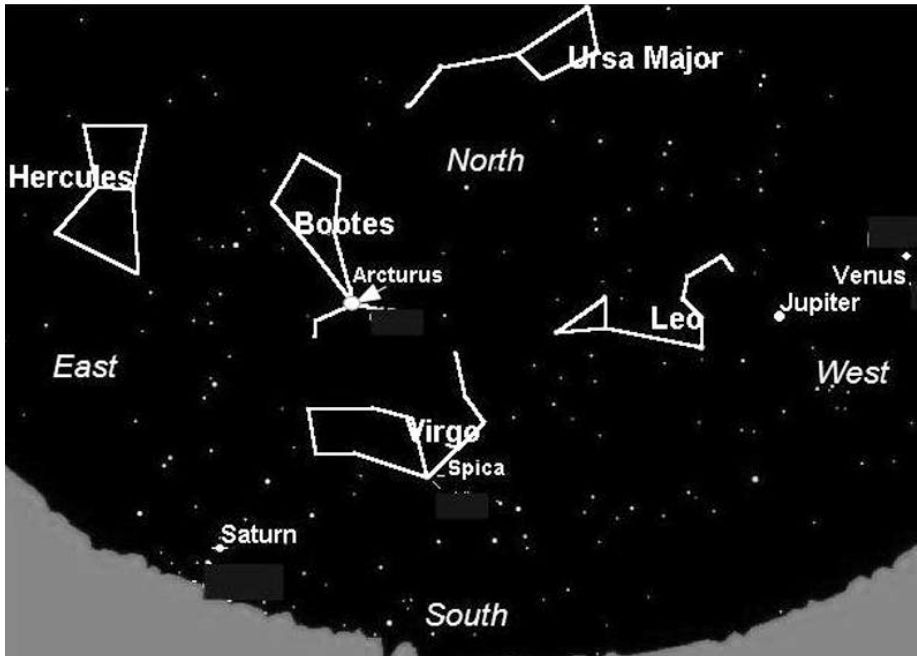
Penzias and Wilson with Holmdel Horn

3,000 degree radiation temperature would have decreased to about 3 K (three degrees above absolute zero). This radiation would be evidenced in the form of microwaves. Concurrently two astronomers named Arno Penzias and Robert Wilson, made a startling breakthrough, which eventually earned them the Nobel prize.

Penzias and Wilson had used the microwave antenna at Bell Labs facility, Holmdel, NJ for astronomy observations and in 1965 they found a strange and unexpected "background hiss." The pair were puzzled by this faint microwave signal that appeared to come from everywhere in the sky and which corresponded to a temperature of 3 K. After contacting Dicke and Peebles at Princeton, it became clear that Penzias and Wilson had actually discovered the cosmic background radiation.

Penzias and Wilson were awarded the Nobel Prize for this discovery and the finding marked a turning point in the science of cosmology. Astronomers could look forward to observational data on the origins of the universe. In 1989, this research entered a more advanced stage as scientific satellites such as COBE (Cosmic Background Explorer) obtained more





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refined measurements and examined the radiation with much greater precision. The results from COBE and subsequent satellites included tantalizing clues to the early universe and the “seeds” that grew into the galaxies and galactic clusters we know today.

Although the full stellar vista is not visible until about 9:30 p.m., stargazers may get an early start with the planet Venus. This brightest of all planets appears high in the western sky as early as 8:20 p.m. just as the sun is setting. Around 8:45 p.m., the gradually darkening skies reveal the planet Jupiter just east of Venus. The pair come into conjunction, and appears within two degrees beginning June 27, with the closest approach on the night of the 30th.

The full vista of stars will become visible after about 9:30 p.m. Leo the Lion can be seen high overhead in the western half of the sky, while the Big Dipper appears a little to the north of the zenith, the highest point overhead. The constellation known as Bootes the Herdsman appears almost directly overhead but slightly east of the zenith. This kite-shaped constellation features the bright star Arcturus at the southernmost tip of the kite. A familiar phrase known to stargazers is “follow the arc to Arcturus and drive a spike through Spica.” This phrase instructs one to trace the stars of the Big Dipper’s handle in a curved path to Arcturus and then continue down to Spica.



### Humane Society names new board

The Worcester County Humane Society (WCHS) held its annual membership meeting on Thursday, May 14 where members voted for the 2015-2016 Board of Directors and the volunteer of 2014 was announced.

Bill Morrison, long time WCHS volunteer, was presented with the 2014 volunteer of the year award. An avid animal lover, Bill is the shelter’s oldest volunteer at 80 years old. He spends four to five days a week at the shelter and is there all day long. Bill often says that volunteering at the humane society is his retirement job. He especially enjoys working with the larger dogs.

The Worcester County Humane Society located on 12330 Eagles Nest Road, Berlin, is a private, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter and operates mainly on donations. The shelter is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Wednesdays and Sundays. For more information on becoming a Worcester County Humane Society member and/or volunteer please call 410-213-0146 or visit [worcestercountyhumanesociety.org](http://worcestercountyhumanesociety.org)

The Board of Directors for the 2015-2016 year are shown above with **Bill Morrison: Kelly Austin, Sandy Summers, Sandra Mitchell, Macky Stansell, Jim Rooney, Bob Baker, Anne O’Connell, Heather Bahrami, Hal Glick, Terri Mahoney, and Tina Walas.**

## How parents can simplify students’ transition to college life

College is the first taste of true independence many young students experience. Whereas mom and dad were always around to make sure kids were out the door on time and homework was done, that safety blanket is no longer there once kids move into their dorm rooms.

The transition to college life can be exciting. But while students typically welcome that transition with open arms, parents often worry about how their children will handle their suddenly more independent life. Parents who want to help their kids make as smooth a transition to college life as possible can take steps during their children’s senior year of high school to help them adjust to their new surroundings and responsibilities more easily.

Mornings. New college students have to make many adjustments upon moving into their dorms, and getting themselves out of bed each morning and off to class on time is one such change. Parents worried that their students will sleep in when mom and dad are not around to remind them to wake up can start letting kids fly solo on school day mornings during their final year of high school. Let kids set their alarms, prepare their own breakfasts and get out the door on time all on their own. By the time their freshman year of college arrives, kids will know how to handle their mornings by themselves.

- Teach kids how to develop budgets. Another problem many first-year college students encounter is an inability to effectively manage their

- Let kids fly solo on school day

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# Tide and Sun Chart

\* tide is for Ocean City Fishing Pier. Add two hours for Isle of Wight tide

DATE	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE	SUNRISE	SUNSET
Thur., June 4	9:27 a.m. 9:51 p.m.	3:31 a.m. 3:27 p.m.	5:38 a.m.	8:20 p.m.
Fri., June 5	10:15 a.m. 10:38 p.m.	4:17 a.m. 4:16 p.m.	5:37 a.m.	8:20 p.m.
Sat., June 6	11:04 a.m. 11:27 p.m.	5:06 a.m. 5:08 p.m.	5:37 a.m.	8:21 p.m.
Sun., June 7	11:56 a.m.	5:58 a.m. 6:05 p.m.	5:37 a.m.	8:22 p.m.
Mon., June 8	12:19 a.m. 12:52 p.m.	6:51 a.m. 7:06 p.m.	5:37 a.m.	8:22 p.m.
Tues., June 9	1:14 a.m. 1:53 p.m.	7:46 a.m. 8:09 p.m.	5:36 a.m.	8:23 p.m.
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## college

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money. Whether you plan to give kids an allowance while they are in school or intend for them to work part-time for their spending money, use senior year of high school as an opportunity to show kids how to budget their money. If they don't have accounts already, open bank accounts in your youngster's name, and insist that he or she start paying for his or her expenses via these accounts. Resist the urge to give high school kids gas money or money for shopping trips if they have already spent their allowances so they can learn how to effectively manage money between paydays. In addition, teach kids about the right and wrong ways to use credit cards, including the importance of paying balances in full and on time.

- Let kids handle more standard responsibilities. Adults tend to take more mundane responsibilities like making doctor's appointments or grocery shopping for granted. But kids likely have no idea how to handle such tasks. Parents can encourage their high school seniors to make their own medical appointments. In addition, take kids along on grocery shopping trips, explaining how to find sale items and which foods to buy and which to avoid. Nutrition is not always foremost on the minds of college freshmen, but those who understand the importance of healthy diets are more likely to buy nutritious meals than junk food.

- Emphasize time management. Today's high schoolers are busier than ever before, so many may already be prepared for the juggling act that is college life. But college students have more free time than their high school counterparts, so parents can emphasize the importance of managing that free time wisely as opposed to spending it lounging on the couch or napping.

The transition from high school to college can be both exciting and difficult. But parents can get a head start on that transition by encouraging their youngsters to be more independent during their final year of high school.



## Presentation

**Sgt. Nate Passwaters** of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office gave a presentation to the Republican Women of Worcester County on Thursday, May 28 at their luncheon meeting at the Captains Table Restaurant. Sgt. Passwaters discussed the drug problem in Worcester County and how the law enforcement recognizes it attempts to control it.



## Fundraising success

Ocean Pines' local AK chapter of P.E.O. held its annual May fundraiser at Adolfo's in Ocean City. P.E.O. is an organization which promotes and raises funds for educational opportunities for women. With nearly 100 people attending the event, the philanthropic educational organization raised a total of \$2,421.

Left to right are **Bonnie Machen, Karen Gerhart, Darlene Murphy, Ginger McGovern and Linda Frew.**

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# Community Calendar

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## Mondays

### **Ocean Pines Poker Club**

Poker players wanted in Ocean Pines area for Monday evenings. Call 410-208-1928

Open every Monday through October: **Historic St. Martin's Church Museum.** 1-4 pm. 11413 Worcester Highway, Showell, MD. For more information, call 410-251-2849

### **Sweet Adelines**

The Delmarva Sweet Adeline Chorus meets from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Call 410-641-6876.

## Mon. & Tues.

### **Sanctioned Duplicate Bridge**

Open bridge games Monday at 12 p.m., Tuesday at 10 a.m. at OP Community Center. Call Mary Stover 410-726-1795

## Mon., Wed. & Sat.

### **Church Thrift Shop**

OC Baptist Church's Thrift Shop by Seaside Christian Academy behind White Marlin Mall open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mon. & Wed., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat. Call 410-251-6971.

## Tuesdays

### **Families Anonymous**

From 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at room 37 in the the Community Church at Ocean Pines on Rte. 589. For more information call Carol at 410-208-4515.

### **Take off Pounds Sensibly Meeting.**

Berlin group No. 331, Worcester County Health Center 9730 Healthway Dr., Berlin, 5:30-7:00 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. Info: [jean-duck47@gmail.com](mailto:jean-duck47@gmail.com)

## Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Poker players** wanted for Gentlemen's Poker in North Gate area Ocean Pines. Game played

every Tuesday & Thursday evening 5:45 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. on Pinehurst Rd. Ocean Pines. Call 410-208-0063 for more information.

## Wednesdays

### **Kiwanis Club Meeting**

Weekly meetings at 8 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Doors open 7 a.m. October through April.

### **Elks Bingo**

Ocean City Elks in Ocean City (behind Fenwick Inn) open at 5:30 p.m. Early birds at 6:30 and bingo at 7 p.m. Call 410-250-2645.

### **Delmarva Hand Dancing**

Dancing at The Fenwick Inn in Ocean City from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Contact 302-934-7951 or [info@delmarvahanddancing.com](mailto:info@delmarvahanddancing.com)

### **Rotary Club**

Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meetings are held at 5:45 p.m. at the Captains Table in Ocean City. Contact [Stan.Kahn@carouselhotel.com](mailto:Stan.Kahn@carouselhotel.com).

### **Square Dancing**

The Pinesteppers have introduction to square dancing at the OP Community Center at 7 p.m. Call Bruce Barrett at 410-208-6777.

### **AL-Anon/OP-West OC-Berlin**

Wednesday Night Bayside Beginnings Al-Anon family meetings are held at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

## Wed., Thurs. & Fri.

### **Church Thrift Shop**

Stevenson United Methodist Church in Berlin is open Wed. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sale Fridays. Call 410-641-1137.

## Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat.

### **Church Thrift Shop**

The Shepherd's Nook at Community Church at Ocean Pines is

open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 410-641-5433.

### **Diakonia Thrift Shop**

'Used to be Mine' offers clothing, furniture, household items and more. Proceeds benefit Diakonia shelter and pantry. Located at Rte. 611 and Sunset Ave. Open 10 - 4. Call 410-213-0243.

## Thursdays

### **Story Time**

Stories, music and crafts at 10:30 a.m. for children ages 3-5 at Ocean Pines library. Call 410-208-4014.

### **Beach Singles**

Beach Singles 45 for Happy Hour at Harpoon Hanna's at 4 p.m. Call Arlene at 302-436-9577, Kate at 410-524-0649 or Dianne at 302-541-4642.

### **Legion Bingo**

American Legion in Ocean City opens doors at 5:30 p.m., games begin at 7. For information call 410-289-3166.

### **Gamblers Anonymous**

Group meets at 8 p.m. at the Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City. Call 888-424-3577 for help.

## Fridays

### **Knights of Columbus Bingo**

Bingo will be held behind St. Luke's Church, 100th St. in Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments available. Call 410-524-7994.

## Sundays

Sunday Night Serenity **Al-Anon Family Group** 7:30 p.m. at The Woodlands/Independent Living Apt. Bldg. 1135 Ocean Parkway-Ocean Pines, Md. 21811

## Third Sunday

### **Sharing Sunday**

Bring non-perishable groceries and paper goods to the Ocean Pines southside fire hall 1 -3 p.m. to benefit local food banks.

## Third Monday

### **Democratic Women**

The Democratic Women meet 9:30 a.m. for coffee followed by a meeting at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Guests and new members are welcome.

## Third Tuesday

### **Widows & Widowers Social Club.**

Group meets in Ocean Pines at 1 p.m. for luncheon meeting. Call 410-208-1398.

## Third Wednesday

### **Survivors of Suicide Meeting**

Starts at 6 p.m. at the Worcester County Health Department. 9730 Healthway Drive, Berlin. Open to anyone who has lost a friend or loved one to suicide. Quiet listening, caring people, no judgment. For more information, call 410-629-0164 or visit [www.choosetoliveinmaryland.org](http://www.choosetoliveinmaryland.org).

## Fourth Wednesday

### **Marine Corps League**

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*I Love to Cook!*

by Bev Wisch



As some of you may know I recently broke my ankle and am hobbling around with a boot on my foot. You know how my passion is cooking and I've been unable to do what I love best. Thanks to family and dear friends, and my dear hubby, we have managed. This is not a good time of year to be disabled. It was a beautiful Spring day and I was working in my vegetable garden and walked back to the garage to get something and stepped into a low spot in the yard and turned my ankle. I thought that I had just sprained it, but as the afternoon went on, it was evident that I needed x-rays. After several hours at AGH, it was confirmed that it was broken. It has been almost six weeks and hopefully, I only have a few more weeks in the boot.

My daughter-in-law, Mary Wisch, who is an amazing cook has been coming by with the most delicious dinners. One of my favorite summertime foods is steamed clams. Her recipe is the best I've ever had, even from the local seafood restaurants. If you love clams, you must give this recipe a try.

Mary's clams:

**Steamed Clams**

50 Little Neck Clams  
2- 8 oz. bottles clam Juice  
2 C chicken broth  
1 C white wine  
Juice of 1 lemon  
1 C chopped celery  
1 C diced red pepper  
1 C diced green pepper  
½ diced onion  
1 Tbsp. Better Than Bullion chicken base  
½ C butter  
1 Tbsp. dried oregano  
½ Tbsp. red pepper flakes  
salt and pepper

(Soak fresh clams in salted water for 10 to 15 minutes to remove any sand). Rinse; scrub the fresh clams under cold water to remove any remaining sand. Discard any clams that will not close when you tap them. Combine all ingredients except clams

in a pot large enough to hold all liquids and clams combined. Let ingredients come to boil, taste for seasoning. If broth is not deep enough add more chicken base. Add clams, and cover until clams all open up, 5 minutes or so. Serve immediately with garlic bread and some broth in which to dip the clams and bread. Save all extra clams and broth for next night dinner of clams linguine

**Garlic Bread**

1 loaf French Baguette  
½ C softened butter  
2 Tbsp. minced garlic in jar  
½ shredded Mozzarella cheese  
½ C Parmesan cheese

Pre heat oven to 375 degrees. Cut bread in half-length wise. Spread each half with the softened butter. Top each with the garlic, Mozzarella and Parmesan cheese. Bake in oven for about 10 min. or until cheese is bubbly.

**Clams Linguine**

1 box linguine pasta  
Broth and clams leftover from steamed clams  
1 can of chopped clams if not enough left over from steamed clams  
1 Tbsp. dried parsley  
½ C Parmesan cheese  
1 C chicken broth if needed

Cook pasta according to package directions and number of serving that you require. Rinse pasta in colander with hot water so it does not get sticky. Reheat broth and steamed clams with shells in pan large enough to hold broth, clams and pasta combined. Check for seasonings; add minced clams, parsley, Parmesan cheese, and chicken broth if needed. Add drained linguine, toss and add more chicken broth if needed. Serve with garlic bread and top linguine with some Parmesan cheese.

Thanks Mary.

Enjoy,  
bevwisch@aol.com

**Beach expedition**

Hillary Davidson's Pre-K classes from Ocean City Elementary School went on a field trip to Assateague State Park. Students took part in a beach scavenger hunt where they searched for various items on the beach (e.g. sea shells, horseshoe crab parts, whelk egg cases, etc.). The rangers then helped the students identify the names and characteristics of the sea life collection.

**Quick Fact...****Little League World Series dates back to 1947**

The Little League World Series traces its origins back to 1947, when the board of directors presiding over the original Little League organized a tournament for the 17 Little League programs in existence at the time. This tournament was initially called the National Little League Tournament, but the name was eventually changed to the Little League Baseball World Series. Eleven teams participated in the inaugural Little League tournament, 10 of which were based in Pennsylvania, where the tournament is still played to this day. New Jersey's Hammonton All-Stars were the lone team from outside the Keystone State to participate in the tournament. Accounts of the championship game, in which the Lock Haven All-Stars were defeated by Williamsport's own Maynard Midget League, were printed in newspapers across the country. That publicity would prove beneficial to Little League, which soon had programs in every state. Nowadays the tournament has expanded



even further, with teams from across the globe traveling to Pennsylvania to compete for a championship.

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