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May

#### Parke garage sale returns

The Parke at Ocean Pines is holding its community sale on Saturday, May 18 (rain date is Sunday, May 19) from 7:30 a.m. to noon in the driveways of its residents. The Parke is an active 55+ Adult community of 503 homes. Parke residents are selling their treasures for others to enjoy. There are clothes, lamps, artwork, household items, electronics, furniture and more.

On May 18, maps will be available at the main entrance of the Parke located at Central Parke West, located off of Ocean Parkway at the south entrance of Ocean Pines. For additional information, contact the Parke Clubhouse Staff at 410-208-4994.

### Wind farm to be discussed

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will meet on Saturday, May 18 at 9:30 a.m. in the Ocean Pines library. The speaker will be Megan Outten, the Outreach Coordinator for the Skipjack Wind Farm. Megan, an Eastern Shore native and Salisbury University graduate, will explain the current status of the project. The club is not taking a position on the project. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions. All are welcome.

### Craft club to meet

The Pine'eer Craft Club will meet May 18 at 9:45 a.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. The project for the month is marble vases. The meeting is open to the public. The cost is \$6. Please call Carol Quinto at 410-208-4317 to reserve your project.

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Registration form, including selection of various visual and performing art workshops offered this year, is available on the Arts Council's website www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org and the Arts Council's office, located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin. Deadline for registration is June 7.

Financial support provided by Berlin/Ocean City Optimist Club and patrons will allow for offering limited financial assistance. For details how to apply, please call our office at 410-641-0809. For volunteering opportunities at the Arts Camp please contact Anna Mullis at 410-641-0809 or curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org.



#### **Kiwanis Grows**

At its May 1 meeting, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City welcomed its newest member, Jennifer Snider-Tornetta. Jennifer is retired from the insurance/financial service industry. She has a dual degree and is the owner of five International utility patents. She serves on several boards and is involved with committees in the Parke in Ocean Pines where she resides with her husband Charles. Jennifer wants to help the community and is particularly interested in the club's sponsored Worcester County Developmental Center Aktion Club for adults with disabilities.

Pictured (L-R) are Jennifer Snider-Tornetta with her Kiwanis sponsor Sarah Walker after her induction cere-

# Community Calendar

#### Monday

#### **Ocean Pines Poker Club**

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

#### **Delmarva Chorus**

The Delmarva Chorus meets every Monday evening at 7PM at the Ocean Pines Community Center in Ocean Pines, Md. Women of all ages are invited to sing with us. Please contact CAROL at 410-641-6876.

#### Monday/Tuesday

#### **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.

#### **Tuesday**

#### **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.

#### Tuesday/Thursday\_

**Poker Players** wanted for Gentalmen'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.

#### Wednesday

#### **Kiwanis Club Meeting**

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

#### 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Second Wednesday**

The Polish American Club of Delmarva meets at the Columbus Hall, behind St Luke's Church,100th St & Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month Come join us if you are of Polish or Slavic descent. No meetings.

June, July, August. Call Helen Sobkowiak 410-723-2639 or Maryann Lula 410-250-2548 for more information.

#### Thursday\_

#### 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 or Kate at 410-524-0649 for more activities. BeachSingles.org.

#### **Gamblers Anonymous**

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

#### **Friday**

#### **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.

#### First Saturday

#### **Creative Writing Forum**

Every first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Berlin Library. Novice and established writers gather to share their fiction, non-fiction, and creative writing projects. Program includes critiques and appreciation, market leads, and writing exercises.

# To Remember

On May 15, 1973, California Angel Nolan Ryan strikes out 12 Kansas City Royals and walks three to pitch the first no-hitter of his career. The game was played

under protest, as Royals Manager Jack McKeon complained that Ryan wasn't maintaining contact with the pitching rubber while throwing.

Ryan's work ethic was the secret to his success. A believer in the theory that pitching power comes from the legs and not the arms, Ryan ran every day and chalked up his consistency and endurance to his strong legs. In 1983, Ryan broke the legendary Walter Johnson's career strikeout record. He pitched for 27 years in the big leagues, with the

Mets, Angels, Astros and Rangers. He struck out 5,714 batters in his career, breaking his own record 2,206 times. He was 324-292 for his career, with a 3.19 career ERA.

#### Trio to perform

The award-winning Hyssong family Christ-centered family music trio will appear at the Community Church at Ocean Pines on Sunday, May 19 during three services: 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Community Church at Ocean Pines is located at 11227 Racetrack Road in Berlin. For more information please call our church office at 410-641-5433.

#### Myers to speak at Dem meeting

The next meeting of the Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County will be on Monday, May 20 at the Ocean Pines Community Center in Ocean Pines. The guest speaker will be Wendy Myers, executive director of the Cricket Center of Worcester County, the county's only Child Advocacy Center. The meeting begins at 10:00 a.m. Food donations for local food banks are always welcome.

#### Fashion show set for June

The Democratic Women's Club of Worcester County will have a luncheon and fashion show on Monday, June 17 at the Dunes Manor Hotel located at 2800 Baltimore Avenue in Ocean City beginning at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$40. Please make your check payable to DWC and mail, along with your choice of luncheon entree, to DWC, P.O. Box 1242, Ocean Pines, MD 21811. All reservations must be received by June 11. Choice of entree are: (1) single crab cake, (2) citrus chicken, or (3) vegetable primavera. All entrees include a fresh garden salad, rolls, butter, choice of soft drink, coffee, tea, or iced tea, and an assorted dessert table. For more information, contact Sandy at ssribnick@rcn.com.

# Memorial Day ceremony returns

The Worcester County Veterans Memorial Foundation invites all to attend its annual ceremony honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice. The ceremony will be held Monday, May 27, at 11 a.m. at the memorial site on Rte. 589, between Cathell and Manklin Creek roads.

The ceremony will feature patri-

otic music and pageantry, honoring the service men and women who gave their lives for our freedoms. Also honored will be local Gold Star mothers and American Ex-POWs. Jack Caldwell will be the Master of Ceremonies.

Music will be provided by Frank Nanna and the "WWIIunes," featuring Todd Crosby. Randy Lee Ashcraft and the Delmarva Chorus will also perform.

Golf carts will be circulating from tent to parking lot for those

needing some assistance. Please bring a lawn chair, as seating under the tent is limited. The ceremony will move to the Ocean Pines Community Center in the event of inclement weather.

#### RWWC to meet

The Republican Women of Worcester County will host their May luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 23, at the Ocean 13 restaurant on the Boardwalk at 13<sup>th</sup> Street in Ocean City. The guest speaker will be Board of Director member Cindy Ostrowski, who will talk about counseling, youth programs, CASA and career assistance. The cost of the luncheon is \$20 per person. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. The meeting begins at 11 a.m. The cutoff date for reservations is May 17. To make your reservation and/or for more information, please contact Ann Lutz at annlutz60@gmail.com or at 410-208-9767.



 ${f Victors}$  - Berlin Intermediate School celebrated the 150th year of Worcester County Public Schools by having a penny war race among the fourth, fifth and sixth grade teams. After a weeklong battle, the school was able to donate over \$2,500 to the Worcester County Education Foundation with the fifth grade Sailfish team winning the competition. Pictured above are assistant principals David Gell and Jennifer Garton, Principal Ryan Cowder, Education Foundation Representative Hope Palmer and Chief Operating Officer Annette Wallace.

# Davis named new marketing director

The Ocean Pines Association has tive reporting, feature writing and phoannounced that Josh Davis has been hired as its new director of marketing and public relations. Davis will fill the role currently held by Denise Sawyer, whose last day with the Association will be Friday, May 17.

"Josh will be an invaluable addition to the Ocean Pines Association," said interim General Manager John Viola. "His wealth of knowledge about the organization and his integrity as a journalist will be vital as we work to enhance our communication with the membership."

Davis, who has served as the news editor for the Ocean City Today and Bayside Gazette newspapers for the past five years, has close to two decades of experience writing, reporting and editing with local and national publications. He is the author of three novels, including "Vanishing is the Last Art."

"I'm excited to join the Ocean Pines team, which I think is the strongest they've had in years," Davis said. "My top priority is providing a new layer of transparency for the membership.'

During his time as news editor, Davis was the only reporter in Worcester County to be recognized five times by the Maryland, Delaware, D.C. Press Association for excellence in journalism. He received awards for investigatography.

"I've spent my career learning how to communicate effectively with people and I hope to continue doing that, and doing it well, in this new role," Davis said. "My goal is to provide the membership with timely and accurate information, from how and why Board members voted during the last regular meeting, to what the specials are next weekend at the Yacht Club."

In his position with Ocean Pines, Davis will oversee and coordinate the Association's internal and external communications systems, procedures and activities. He will be responsible for the dissemination of information to property owners, visitors and the media, including advertisement and promotion of the Association's public amenities.





### Dog park enforcement underway

Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department began to enforce key card access to its dog park on Monday.

The dog park, which includes



benches, a water station, and dog waste bags, features an enclosed space and a double-gated entry.

The fenced-in area allows dogs to run free and play allowing for socialization and recreation in a safe environment. Separate sections are available for large dogs more than 28 pounds and for smaller dogs less than 28 pounds to ensure a positive tail-wagging experience for everyone

The Recreation and Parks Department accepts dog park member-

ship registration at 235 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines. The annual cost of each dog is \$25 for residents and \$50 dollars for non-residents. One additional dog may be registered at the same time for \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents. All dogs must be at least 4 months old, licensed and up-to-date on all their shots. Records of shots, including rabies vaccination, must be presented at the time of registration. Each dog membership will include a key card for access to the park.

For additional information about the Ocean Pines Dog Park registrations, call 410-641-7052.

# MBS to host open house

On Friday, May 31 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School (MBS) will host a Spring Open House at the school. MBS is a pre-K 3 through eighth grade school located at 11242 Racetrack Rd. in Berlin, MD 21811. All are welcome. For more information, please call 410-208-1600.



**Connecting** - Todd Ferrante visited Berlin Intermediate School to speak to an after-school community connections group about the benefits of volunteering in the community. Pictured along with **Todd Ferrante** are **Shawn Smith**, **Daniel Gallo**, **Ethan Halbauer** and **Jermaine Farmer**.

#### Boating week event is Sunday

The US Coast Guard Auxiliary is celebrating National Safe Boating Week on Sunday May 19 at the West Ocean City boat ramp (off Sunset Ave.) between 8 a.m. and noon. The public will be able to tour a Coast Guard vessel. Attendees will learn about water safety and get a free vessel safety check. "Coastie" the safety boat for youth education will be there as well. Obtain information about local waters and boater safety. For more information contact Barry Cohen at 410-935-4807, or Email CGAUXOC@Gmail.com.

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WHO: Ages 18+ ...open to the public!

EVENT SUPERVISOR: Brittany Jarman

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BATTLE (#6063.201)
Sun, MAY 19 • 12pm-3pm
Community Center



WHO: Families and/or teams of 4 people max. (each group must have one adult) EVENT SUPERVISOR: Katie Goetzinger ADMISSION FEE: OP Resident §15 per team; Non-Resident §20 per team



Fri, JUNE 7 • 8pm-til • White Horse Park

Join us at White Horse Park for a night of wine sampling & cinema in the park. Local wineries & wine enthusiasts will have a variety of interesting red & white wines on hand for sampling. Ocean Pines Recreation & Parks and Ocean Pines Yacht Club will offer an assortment of delicious cheeses, charcuterie, crudité & small bites to pair with the night's wine offerings. The movie Breakfast at Tiffany's will start at approximately 8pm or whenever sunset allows. BYOB is allowed at this event.

WHO: Adults ages 21+
EVENT SUPERVISOR: Katie Goetzinger
ADMISSION FEE: \$10/person at the door

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## Secretary Schulz addresses Wor-Wic graduates

During Wor-Wic Community College last week's commencement ceremonies at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center, Maryland Department of Commerce Secretary Kelly M. Schulz shared stories, personal examples and lessons learned, and urged the graduates to be the ones who define them-

Schulz told those assembled that she was going to talk to them about three things - power, fear and confidence. "These are ideas that will crop up again and again throughout your lives and throughout your careers. And you have to know how to think about them. So I want to tell you how I've come to think about them. Because you and I have a lot in com-

She told the graduates that they should be proud of what they have accomplished and that "By choosing to come here and earn your degrees, you have given yourselves power. The choice was yours. You did that. You do not have to be what other people say you are. Your limitations don't need to be the ones that other people try to impose upon you.

"At the Department of Commerce, we're in the business of economic development, which means that we work with all kinds and all sizes of businesses to help them grow and help them create new jobs. That means we hear a lot about what companies across Maryland need, and what they're looking for. Here's what I can tell you. In Maryland - and everywhere else across the country - educated, qualified employees are in high demand," she said.

Schulz told the crowd that employers need good, smart people – people with degrees and certificates - and that the supply is low and the competition is fierce. "All of this is ... good for you because you have made yourselves competitive by coming here and completing a program. Now you have something employers need. That's what I meant when I said you've given yourselves power."

Schulz explained that she had once been in their shoes. She was already a mother when she went back to school to get an associate degree at a community college in Rochester, N.Y., and her two sons were in high school when she decided to get her bachelor's degree in political science a few years later.

"That wasn't easy. I didn't really fit



Some of the officials seated on stage for Wor-Wic Community College commencement exercises at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center are shown, from left, Martin T. Neat, chairperson of the board of trustees at Wor-Wic; Dr. Ray Hoy, president of the college; Kelly M. Schulz, secretary of the Maryland Department of Commerce, who was the commencement speaker; Wicomico County Executive Bob Culver; Diana Purnell of Berlin, president of the Worcester County Commissioners; and John Cannon, president of the Wicomico County Council.

in," she said. Schulz said she was older than many of her classmates and she became known as "soccer mom." She said she felt intimidated. "Whether they meant to or not, they were placing a limitation on me. They were telling me what I was. But I didn't let it discourage me. I knew there was more that I could do. There was more that I could learn. And there was more that I could give." Schulz said she didn't let fear define her because she knew that she had power. She'd already earned her associate degree and that gave her

She concluded her remarks by saying, "Don't let anyone else define who you are and what you can do ... Only you can define you."

After the commencement address by Schulz, Dr. Ray Hoy, college president, presented her with a plaque on behalf of the 2019 graduating class.

Bryan Newton, vice president for enrollment management and student services, introduced the student speaker, Samantha Davis, who was receiving her associate degree in hotelmotel-restaurant management with a concentration in culinary arts.

Addressing her fellow graduates, Davis shared her personal experiences of how Wor-Wic changed her life.

"If my parents had listened to doctors and therapists 20 years ago, I would not be standing here in front of you today giving this speech. At that time, it was suggested that I be placed in a special school because I was diagnosed with autism," Davis said, adding that her future at that time was not so bright.

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Sports are a great way to meet people and engage in team-building physical fitness. Injuries can occur even when safety measures are followed. Awareness of certain conditions common to sports injuries

can help people recognize in-



juries or even prevent them. Here are the common most sports injuries, according to Unity Point Health and a 2015 report published by

-Hip flexor strain

- -Achilles tendinitis
- -Concussion
- -Groin strain
- -Anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) strain
- -Shin splints
- -Tennis or golf elbow
- -Ankle sprains
- -Shoulder injuries
- -Knee injuries

Speak with a health care provider and a physical fitness trainer to learn more about the best ways to prevent these injuries from occurring. In many cases, stretching and warming using proper form, proper footwear and gear, and building up intensity can help prevent injuries.

nancial assistance. For details how to apply, please call our office at 410-641-

For volunteering opportunities at the Arts Camp please contact Anna Mullis at 410-641-0809 or curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org.

### Youth wellness camp offered

The Worcester County Health Department will host a free, week-long health and wellness camp for youth age 12 to 17 this summer. From June 17 to 21, campers will learn about the importance of health, fitness, setting personal goals and much more. The summer camp is part of Worcester Health's Promoting Health Among Teens program and will feature guest speakers, snacks and lunch, learning activities and field trips to locations around Worcester including the Jolly Roger amusement park in Ocean City.

"Our new summer wellness camp is an opportunity for teens to learn about taking care of their personal health, physical and mental," said Mimi Dean, Director of Prevention Services for Worcester Health, "while also having a fun time, going on field trips, and enjoying summer on the shore."

For more information or to register 410-632-0056 or email jjones@maryland.gov.

#### Paddock to speak at NAACP meeting

The Worcester County NAACP May meeting will be held Thursday, May 16 at 7 p.m. The Executive Board meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Worcester County MAC Senior Center located at 10129 Old Ocean City Road in Berlin. Ocean City Councilmember Mark Paddock, retired Ocean City police officer and Boy Scout Leader, will be the guest speaker. The meeting is open to the public. Call 443-944-6701 for more information.



Reading Enjoyment - The Books by the Bay book club enjoyed lunch and held its May meeting on Thursday, May 9 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club.

# Banned pesticide implicated in **Bald Eagle poisoning**

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources are working together to address the continued illegal use of carbofuran, a banned pesticide that has been implicated in recent poisoning events in Kent and Talbot counties that have killed at least seven bald eagles and

one horned owl. This is the latest in a string of incidents that date back to February 2016, when 13 bald eagles were poisoned under similar circumstances in Caroline County.

"We are all very troubled by the con-

tinued use of this highly toxic banned pesticide," said Agriculture Secretary Joe Bartenfelder. "Carbofuran has been banned for a reason, and this trend of wildlife poisonings on the Eastern Shore is unacceptable. I urge

anyone still in possession of carbofuran to contact our pesticide regulation section immediately and arrange for proper disposal."

"We are extremely concerned about the death of these magnificent birds, including our nation's symbol. Our first priority is to prevent any further events of this type from occur-

> ring," said Natural Resources Secretary Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio. "We are making it a priority to inform and educate the public on how destructive carbofuran is to our wildlife and that they should do the right thing and

properly dispose of any remaining stock."

MDA's pesticide regulation section issued an enforcement advisory regarding the persistent ille-

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# We all have talent, right?

There will never be another Mozart, Brahms or Beethoven. There will never be another Martin, Merman or Brice. Sinatra's gone. Lennon too. Cole Porter's still the same. Picasso, Monet and Rockwell will never be forscales. In time, after many tears and many years, I grew to love playing the 88s. I wouldn't necessarily call it talent, but at least I can play the C scale with both hands simultaneously.

From an early age I knew that any

talent I may have had nothing to do with sports. My

brother was the athlete in my family. He could quickly master any sport: hockey, football, baseball, golf, you name it he could do it proficiently. Not me. I had trouble dribbling a

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gotten. There was DiMaggio, Unitas and Lombardi who showed the crowd always how to get things done. Kate Hepburn and Cary. James Stewart and James Dean. Flickering images always; stars to say the least. Hemingway. Shaw. London and Poe. Stories for the ages, better off are we.

I am always in awe of creative, talented individuals. Artists, musicians, craftsmen, comedians, actors, dancers, singers, writers, it doesn't matter. They really take my breath away because they make what they do so well look so easy, as if anyone could do what they do. Of course, that certainly isn't the case.

Some people have innate ability while others learn to develop their talent over time. We are all good at something. It's just a matter of figuring out what talent we possess and developing it. Some people have the gift of gab. Others can sew a silk purse out

of a sow's ear while still others are able to fix anything mechanical.

When I was a kid, I wanted to learn to tap dance (think Fred Astaire). It was something I really regret not learning when I was young. My mother told me I had the feet of an elephant and there was no way she was going to pay for tap lessons. In

an effort to prove her wrong I remember performing in our kitchen, giving it all I had, not finishing until every glass had fallen from the cabinet and crashed to the floor. Needless to say, my mother remained unconvinced and her decision stood. Instead I took piano lessons. Boy did I hate them. It was agony sitting there, in the living room, attempting to learn the major

basketball much less shooting it through a hoop. It could have been I was too distracted by my pocket protector that kept falling from my shirt pocket. It's hard to play a sport when you're constantly retrieving three retractable pencils, a Bic multi-color pen, a six-inch ruler and a laminated membership card to the Audio Visual Club.

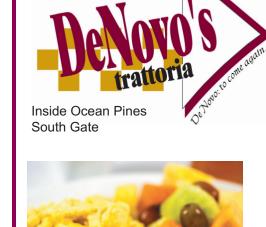
Someone doesn't have to be a super athlete or singer to impress me. I am amazed by people who have the talent to make animals and other figures out of balloons. You know the ones usually made by a clown at a child's birthday party. Attempts I've made to emulate them have resulted in popped balloons.

My grandfather was a cabinetmaker, a real craftsman. It seemed he could build anything with wood; children's toys, a house, furniture, you name it. He built several boats. In his

realm he was an artist and a very decent man. He attempted to teach me some of what he knew. His talent was innate I guess because to this day, about the best I can do is build a bird house. And even that is iffy at best.

Talent lies within each of us. Some people are good at making other people feel better about themselves (usually these people

go by the name "Mom"). Whether it's singing or dancing or writing or something else, we can always tell when we're in the presence of a talented person. No, we may never achieve the recognition of an Olivier, Van Gogh, Petty or Frank Lloyd Wright. It matters little. If just one person finds pleasure in something we do, then its talent well used.



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**Presentation -** The Worcester County Commissioners stand on the front steps of the Worcester County Government Center with area health care professionals, after presenting them with a proclamation recognizing May 5-11 as Children's Mental Health Matters Week in Worcester County.

# Free fishing derby scheduled

The Worcester County Recreation Company. and Parks (WCRP) inaugural Fishing Derby will take place at Newtown Park pond on Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to

Youth ages 15 and under are invited to grab their bait and fishing rods and join WCRP.

This event is free to all participants. Families are asked to register online at www.worcesterrecandparks.org. Trophies and awards will also be presented to the winners following the event.

Canoes and kayaks will be available to rent through the Pocomoke River Canoe

#### **Blues and Jazz** event scheduled

Germantown School Community Heritage Center will host, "Dancing under the Stars" on Friday, June 7, between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of Blues and Jazz, fellowship and fun under the big tent in the spacious yard. Back by popular demand will be music provided by VT Second Edition, reviving their original band, "The Vibratones." Tickets are \$25 per person. Call 410-641-0638 for reserva-

This fundraiser benefits the ongoing expenses of maintaining the Germantown School that was built by the community and the Rosenwald Foundation in 1923. It was a school for African American students in Grades one through seven.

Parents or guardians should be present to help their child with a fun day of fishing.

For more information, contact Jacob Stephens at 410-632-2144, ext. 2506 or jstephens@co.worcester.md.us. To view the full lineup of WCRP programs and activities, visit www.worcesterrecandparks.org.

#### Garden tour, luncheon set

The Ocean Pines Garden Tour and Luncheon will be held Thursday, June 13. The tour of nine gardens will be from 9 a.m. to noon, with lunch at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club beginning at 12:15 p.m.

The menu choices for the luncheon are: (1) Fish Tacos - fresh white fish, Pico de Gallo, shredded cabbage, sour cream on corn tortilla and Corn Salad, (2) Hot chicken parmesan sandwich and side Caesar Salad, (3) Strawberry salad spring mix, goat cheese, almonds and chef-made vinaigrette with tomato basil soup. Dessert, coffee, tea or non-alcoholic beverage/cash bar with a specially priced signature drink, Top Hat Spritzer will be offered. The cost of the luncheon and tour is \$35; tour only is \$15. RSVP by May 30 to Marian at 410-208-2508. Mail checks payable to OPGC, 29 Wood Duck Drive, Ocean Pines, MD 21811. Please indicate on the check your menu selection.



# Inexpensive ways to boost a home's curb appeal

Curb appeal can go a long way toward making a home more attractive to its inhabitants as well as prospective buyers once the house is put on the market. Improving curb appeal is a goal for many homeowners, and while many projects aimed at making homes more aesthetically appealing can be costly, there are ways for cost-conscious homeowners to improve their properties without breaking the bank.

Put your green thumb to use. A well-maintained landscape can dramatically improve a home's curb appeal. Pay attention to the plants, shrubs and trees throughout your property, watering them during periods of little rainfall and trimming them when necessary so your lawn does not look like an overgrown, neglected suburban jungle. Professional landscaping services can help you maintain your property, but even if your budget does not allow for such an expense, you can still make sure your landscape adds to your home's appeal by keeping a watchful eye on the property and addressing any issues that arise. Maintain your lawn through the colder

months of the year as well, making sure no one walks on the grass when frost has settled, as doing so can produce dead spots throughout the lawn.

Redo your front door. While their eyes may initially be drawn to a well-manicured lawn, prospective buyers will eventually find their way to the front door. If your door is especially old, consider replacing it. If your budget does not allow for such an expense, you can still give your home's front entrance an entirely new look by installing some inexpensive molding around the door before giving the door a fresh coat of paint. Molding around the front door can make an entrance more impressive, while a new coat of paint can make a home feel warmer and more vibrant.

Plant flowers. Another inexpensive way to make a home more appealing is to plant some colorful flowers around the property. Line walkways with flowers native to your region, as such plants will last longer than exotic alternatives that may not be capable of adapting to the local climate. In addition to lining walkways, hang win-

dow boxes filled with colorful flowers or plants outside naked windows. Doing so can make windows seem larger and add some color to your home's exterior.

Another creative way to make use of colorful flowers is to place a few planters at the foot of your driveway and painting the numbers of your address on the planters. This can be both effortless and inexpensive, but it can instantly make a home more inviting to prospective buyers.

Spotlight certain parts of your property. Many homeowners focus on improving the curb appeal of their property during the daytime hours, but you can take steps to make a home more appealing at night as well. Solar spotlights placed around trees and other attractive features in your yard can shed light on those areas of your property you're most proud of, even after the sun has gone down. Solar spotlights won't add to your energy bill, as they are powered by the sun, and they can make certain accents on your property stand out at night.

Improving curb appeal may sound like a significant undertaking, but there are many ways budget-conscious homeowners can make their home's exterior more appealing without going broke.

# **Control mold when using air conditioning**

hazardous, leading to any number of adverse health effects, including respiratory distress. Certain strains of mold may release mycotoxins, which can cause bleeding in the lungs and pneu-

Mold can grow in any dark and damp spot, which makes air conditioning units prime locations for mold proliferation. Mold spores can be circulated through a home via a central air conditioning system or window air conditioning unit. Mold spores in the air are very easy to inhale, especially for young children and elderly people.

Air conditioners also are susceptible to mold growth. Preventing mold from becoming a problem means being in tune to indicators that mold may be present, and then taking the necessary actions to eradicate that mold and preventing future growth.

Visible mold or a musty smell when operating the air conditioner are prime indicators of a problem. If you suspect mold has infiltrated your air conditioning system mold, consider these tips.

Keep equipment clean. Routinely clean dirt and debris out of air condi-

Exposure to mold in a home can be tioning ducts and equipment. Pay special attention to organic matter, such as dirt, that may come in from outdoors.

> Eliminate water sources. Standing water presents an ideal breeding ground for mold. If there is excess water present in or around the system, have your AC unit serviced.

> Change the filter. Many manufacturers recommend change an HVAC filters and window unit filters once every three months at a minimum. This can prevent mold growth and reduce allergens like dust and dirt that circulate through the

> Clean up the mold. Homeowners may be able to clean up a minor mold problem, but larger issues are best left to a professional. Exposure to mold can put a person and the entire household at risk, especially if mold spores are dis

rupted. Air conditioning repair companies and mold-removal specialists are better equipped to clean and contain mold.

If you clean a window unit, make sure that all components are completely dry before reassembling the parts. Damp conditions can

lead to more mold.

Air conditioning can be a life-saver during the summer. But men and

women must make sure mold doesn't

become a problem while their AC systems are in use.

# What to do after incurring storm damage

The 2017 hurricane season proved especially devastating for millions of people in both Texas and Florida. Upon making landfall in Texas in late August. Hurricane Harvey became the first Category 3 or higher hurricane in the United

States since Hurricane Wilma in 2005. In its wake, Harvey left damage that Texas governor Greg Abbott estimated could cost as much as \$180 billion to re-

Just a couple of weeks after Hurricane Harvey touched down. Hurricane

Irma hit Florida as a Category 4 storm, knocking out power to nearly seven million people.

Severe storms like hurricanes do not discriminate, and when such storms finally dissipate, people from all walks of life are left to deal with the often devastating consequences.

Property damage is one such consequence, and the following are some things people can do in the aftermath of storms that caused damage to their property.

Contact your insurance provider. Not all damage resulting from storms will necessarily be covered by insurance policies, but it's still imperative that people contact their insurance companies as soon as possible after their homes or vehicles have been damaged. Agents can help policy holders learn if their policies cover the damage done to their property and to what extent their coverage will help them recover. Many people will likely be making similar calls, so policy holders should try to be as patient as possible.

Document the damage. People

whose property has been damaged should use their smartphones and cameras to document the damage as extensively as possible. Take photos from various angles before you begin cleaning up. Providers may require visual evidence of the damage before they begin

processing your claim, so ask about

those requirements when contacting

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have made in your property and your

possessions, it's important to remember

to protect yourself. Avoid downed power

lines, reporting any to your local power

can be tempting for homeowners to try

to do some electrical work around their

homes after their homes have been damaged by storms. Electricians are

likely busy and might not be able to as-

sess or repair damage for days, if not weeks. But it's still best to wait and allow

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## **Prevent mosquitoes from** spoiling your summer fun

Summer is a beloved time of year erty to remove standing water. Bird that's often dominated by time spent outdoors soaking up summer sun. But all that extra time outdoors can make people vulnerable to mosquitoes. According to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, mosquitoes are more than just hungry, unwanted backyard guests. In fact, mosquito-borne diseases, including the Zika virus, the West Nile virus and dengue,

pose significant threats. While not all mosquitoes carry disease, even those that don't can still bite humans, leaving them to deal with discomfort and itchiness. Taking measures to control mosquitoes outside your home can reduce

your risk of being bitten by mosquitoes.

Remove places where mosquitoes like to lay their eggs. Mosquitoes like to lay their eggs in standing water. Once a week during summer and other times of the year when mosquitoes might be buzzing around, walk around your propbaths, flower pots, kids' toys, pools, old tires, and trash containers are some of the more common places where water can collect and present perfect places for mosquitoes to lay eggs. Turn these over to empty any standing water you find. Remove empty flower pots and old tires from the property, and make sure water storage containers are tightly covered at all times.

> Address areas where mosquitoes like to rest. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that mosquitoes like to rest in dark, humid areas. This includes car ports, garages and beneath patio furniture. Outdoor insecticides can prevent mosquitoes from

resting in such areas. When inside a home, mosquitoes may be resting under a sink, in closets, beneath the furniture or in a laundry room. Indoor insect sprays and indoor insect foggers work

# The choice for staying put or moving on

Many home improvement television series showcase people deciding whether to improve upon their current

homes to make them into the houses of their dreams or to put "for sale" signs in their lawns and move on to something new.

The question of whether to move or stay put depends on various factors. Such factors include emotional attachment to a home, the current economic climate and the cost of real es-Current

data points to a greater propensity for people to invest and improve upon please see mosquito on page 14 their current properties rather than

trading up for something new.

According to information collected by John Burns Real Estate Consulting,

> the percentage of homeowners moving up to their next home is the lowest in 25 years. Many are opting to make starter homes permanent by expanding them and repairing homes for the long haul.

> The National Association of Realtors said that, between 1987 and 2008, home buyers stayed in their homes an average of six years before selling. Since 2010, however, NAR says the average expected length of time people will stay in their homes before selling

is now 15 years.

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# Tips for finding a home services provider

Homeowners who are good with their hands can tackle many minor home improvements on their own. However, more complicated projects often require the services of professional contractors to ensure the renovations are done right, completed on time and within budget.

Choosing a home services provider requires careful consideration on the part of homeowners. The wrong contractor can cost homeowners time and money, so homeowners must exercise due diligence when vetting contractors before going forward with a home improvement project.

#### Types of contractors

The Federal Trade Commission notes that the scope of a project may necessitate hiring various types of contractors. The more complex a project is, the more likely it is that homeowners will need to hire contractors who specialize in certain areas. Understanding the differences between contractors can help homeowners make informed decisions.

General contractor: General contractors manage home improvement

projects. This includes hiring subcontractors and supervising their work. General contractors also secure building permits and schedule inspections.

Specialty contractors: Specialty contractors focus on specific areas of a project. For example, homeowners who are remodeling their kitchens may need new cabinets installed by a contractor who specializes in cabinets and cabinet installation. That contractor is a specialty contractor.

Designer or design/build contractor: The FTC notes that these contractors both design and build projects.

Architects: Architects design homes as well as any additions or major renovations to homes. Architects are often necessary when projects involve structural changes to existing homes.

Hiring a home services provider. Once homeowners determine which type of contractor they need, they can they begin researching local professionals.

Speak with neighbors, family and friends. Neighbors, family members and friends who have worked with contractors in the past are great resources. Seek recommendations from people you trust, even asking to see completed projects if possible.

Utilize the internet. Websites such as HomeAdvisor and Angie's List are free of charge and can be great resources when homeowners are looking for contractors. Each site includes reviews of contractors from past customers and contact information for local contractors.

Confirm qualifications. The FTC advises homeowners to confirm contractors' licensing and qualifications before hiring anyone. Some

areas may not require licensing, but many do. Homeowners can contact their local building department or consumer protection agency to determine the licensing requirements for their

Hiring a home services provider is a complicated process that can be made easier by homeowners who do their research and take the decision seriously.

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Part of what is fueling this permanency is that many home buyers were able to acquire rock-bottom mortgage interest rates shortly after the 2008 recession. As a result, they are not inclined to walk away from those rates, even if doing so means getting more house. Also, a low inventory of available houses has stymied repeat buying for many people.

Those factors and others have led many homeowners to invest in renovations instead. The experts at Bankrate say realistic budgeting and comparing renovation project costs against mortgages and interest rates can further help individuals decide whether to remain in their current homes or move out. Very often a smarter layout and more efficient floor plan can make meaningful differences in spaces. Renovations and redesigns can make sense and often are less expensive and disruptive than moving.

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quickly and can be highly effective, but reapplication might be necessary, as they won't prevent more mosquitoes from entering the home at a later time.

Check your window screens. Mosquitoes might prefer the outside, but that doesn't mean they won't enter a home looking for meals if given the opportunity. Inspect window screens to look for holes that may provide mosquitoes with access to your home's interior, replacing any damaged screens immediately. When leaving or entering a home, make a concerted effort to close doors as quickly as possible.

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enced professionals recognize potentially harmful, if not deadly, issues that may be lurking beneath the damage, so it's always best to leave the work to private electricians or local power company work crews.

Revisit insurance policies. After suffering damage to their homes or vehicles, men and women may benefit by revisiting their coverage and increasing that coverage in anticipation of future disasters.

Storm damage can turn individuals' lives upside down. But remaining calm and working in harmony with insurance agencies and power companies can help storm victims recover quickly.

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"However, I had parents who believed in me," she added. "I had teachers and therapists who saw my abilities and not my disabilities. I was always held to a high standard and was expected to meet those standards. The results? Today, I am a graduate of Wor-Wic Community College."

Davis told the crowd that she was sharing her story "because we all have our own backstory that brings us here" and that, despite any struggles she and other students faced, they have all worked hard every day knowing that this accomplishment they are celebrating is a big deal, and so worth the fight.

Davis told the graduates that there were many people to thank. "We thank our professors and counselors who have taught and guided us along the way. We also thank the dedicated hard workers in housekeeping for clean classrooms, security guards who kept

us safe, cafeteria workers who fed us well, the business office who helped with our accounts and the financial aid office that helped us find scholarships."

She told those assembled that there were many opportunities at Wor-Wic. "Social clubs gave us a chance to relax and meet fellow students. Academic clubs provided us ways to meet others who were on the same career path. There is even day care provided for those students who needed help with child care." She then added, "Wor-Wic is an academic institution that strives to give their students a positive learning environment for which we are grateful. And that caring environment has led us here today."

In conclusion, Davis told the graduates, "Embrace yourself for who you are, speak up for yourself and fight for what you believe is right for you. Even though we are now leaving school and entering the real world, we still have a lot of challenges ahead." She then left the crowd with one of her favorite quotes: "Hard things are put in our way, not to stop us, but to call out our courage and strength."

After graduating from Wor-Wic, Davis plans to gain some work experience and open her own bakery in the future.

General Studies was the most popular major among members of the graduating class. One of the general studies program graduates, Mallory Dryden of Marion Station, originally wanted to go away to a big university, but when she qualified for the Somerset Economic Impact Scholarship, she said it was a "no brainer to come to Wor-Wic. Once I was enrolled, I fell in love with the campus."

The majority of the graduates were from Salisbury or other parts of Wicomico County, followed by Worcester and then Somerset counties. Graduates were also from Dorchester, Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot and other counties in Maryland, as well as from nearby states.

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# It's time for flounder fishing

Fishing Report: Some nice keeper flounder were caught in the past few weeks in the flats at the Thorofare on Gulp and minnows when the weather and water clarity cooperate. Nice blues have been caught in the bay at the inlet off and around the Rte. 50 Bridge. Surf fishing has been rough with the wind but a few blues are being caught and some skates. The head boats conditions are patiently awaiting the opening of Black Sea Bass season on May 15. Also, just a reminder the Tautog season closes May 16 thru June 30.

What's the secret to catching **big flounder?** I wish I had the answer. I have talked to many flounder fishermen; tackle shop owners, charter boat captains and others who all have their own secret to catching big fish. Of course, these could just be Fish Tales. I'll try to give you some pointers based on what I have learned from them as well as my own personal experience.

What about water temperature verses water clarity? Many fishermen will tell you that in the spring water temperature is critical. A temperature of 52 degrees will get flounder actively feeding. If you are fishing the bays don't stay home because of the reported ocean water temperature being low because the bay waters warm up much faster. On a sunny day this warming is due to shallower water and the surrounding marshes. This is particularly true on the outgoing tide as the water is drawn from the warm marsh. Although I feel water temperature is important even more important is water clarity. Few flounder are caught in cloudy water. Flounder are an ambush fish and feed on sight rather than smell. If you decide to fish when the water is cloudy and have a boat, travel around to find some clear water before fishing otherwise don't waste your time or the fuel.

What is the right bait to use in the spring? Each fisherman will likely give you a different answer.

You will also hear use big bait to catch big fish. One thing I can tell you is that every spring as long as I have been fishing the flounder are full of grass shrimp. I will usually start with a double rig baiting the bottom hook with a frozen shiner and squid strip or a live minnow. On the top I'll use a pink Gulp 4" swimming mullet to represent a grass shrimp. If pink does not work I'll alternate with chartreuse and pearl white. Flounder also love Sea Robin so if you catch one cut a fillet off the side and fish it on either hook. I have also found that early fish usually do not like a lot of hardware such as spinners, beads and bucktails; they become more important starting in late May

When is the best time to fish? You could spend all day fishing but to really target big flounder you should make it a point to check the tide charts. Flounder fishing is best the last two hours of the incoming tide and the first two hours of the outgoing tide. Also remember the tides flow two hours behind in the bay so if the beach high tide is l p.m. the bay high tide is 3 p.m. or will occur sooner if you are closer to the inlet. Fishing is also usually better with a mild northeast or easterly wind. A south wind seems to dirty up the bay.

These are only a few helpful hints. I must admit I have witnessed some of the nicest flounder caught in the most unconventional ways over the years. A few years ago, while I was on a local flounder charter boat a young boy caught a 26" flounder on a halffrozen shiner, the other half was bitten off by a bluefish.

Another day a 24" fish was caught on just a strip of squid. I was certainly humbled by the experience but learned a very important lesson. Never think you know all about fishing. Every fishing trip will teach you something new.

> Until next time remember to take a kid fishing, Capt. Ron

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- 16. Blue
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- 23. Supervisor
- 24 Where kids bathe
- 26. Radio frequency
- 27. Cruel Roman emperor 28. Young woman (French)
- 30. Within
- 31. Civil Service Commission
- 34. Sarongs

- 36. Father
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- 39. A Spanish river
- 40. Boundary
- 41. Contains music
- 42. Causes to feel sorrow
- 48. Used to restrain
- 50. Fictional kids character
- 51. South American country 52. Devote resources to
- 53. Beginner
- 54. Everyone has one
- 55. University worker (abbr.)
- 56. Resist an attack
- 58. Unifying Chinese dynasty
- 59. Blood-sucking African fly
- 60. CNN's founder

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- and her sisters 2. Smear or rub with oil
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- 6. Price
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- 21. Hairnet

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- 29. Bachelor of Laws
- 31. Game of skill
- 32. Holy man
- 33. Cylinder of tobacco 35. Most ingratiating
- 38. Repeats aloud
- 41. Red wine
- 43. Debilitating tropical disease
- 44. Entirely lacking
- 45. Female sheep
- 46. Where a bird lives
- 47. Stalk that supports the capsule
- 49. Cutlery
- 56. Symptom of withdrawal (abbr.)
- 57. Delaware



Answers for May 8



**Honored** - Terry and Alison Tinker, the 2019 Worcester County Foster Parents of the Year, stand outside the Worcester County Government Center after being presented with a commendation by the Worcester County Commissioners and Department of Social Services representatives for their willingness to serve children living in crisis as foster care parents. The Tinkers have served as foster care parents for more than 30 years.

# MBS announces scholastic achievement

The following Most Blessed Sacrament students received scholastic recognition in the second trimester:

Sixth Grade: Danaya Arzadon, Katherine Erickson, Isaiah Failla, Theresa Hayes, Sophie Maskell, Sean McCrystal, Lucas Nicastro and Alicia Walker

Seventh Grade: Tayler Flaherty, Daniel Genga, Josephine Peranteau, Grace Short, Wesley Simmons and David Wanalista

Eighth Grade: Isabell Ashley, Julia Carlson, Gabriel Clark, Casey Gabbard, Adam Gardner, Henry Grote, Kayden Hamby, Julia Kozma, William Kozma, Ryan McLaughlin, Luke Mergott, Audrey Mumford, Sandra Pawlowska and Tatum Vorsteg

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# MCBP seeking terrapin count volunteers

The Maryland Coastal Bays is looking for volunteers to participate in the Annual Diamondback Terrapin count from May 28 through June 1.

The diamondback terrapin may be Maryland's state reptile and the mas-

cot for the University of Maryland, but its current population status in the Coastal Bays is poorly understood. In an effort to better understand its status, both organizations coordinate annual counts.

Trained volunteers will conduct these surveys throughout the week of May 28 through June 1. If you are

interested in becoming a trained volunteer to conduct surveys, training classes will be held at the MCBP office on Monday, May 13 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sunday, May 19, 2 p.m. and Wednesday, May 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Katherine Phillips at kphillips@mdcoastalbays.org if you would like to attend. The class will take place at the Mary-

land Coastal Bays Program office, located at 8219 Stephen Decatur Highway Berlin, Maryland.

The surveys will take place in the Coastal Bays including brackish-water creeks throughout the designated

> week. Counts take place both on water and on land. From motorboats to kayaks and SUPs, all are encouraged to participate.

Terrapins are the only turtle occupying brackish water, but other turtles, such as snapping turtles, may venture into more brackish water, so it's important that you are trained to identify the correct

species.

Locations of surveys will depend on the number of crews that are available and may take place in all of Maryland's Coastal Bays. If you are interested in participating in the survey, please contact Katherine Phillips at kphillips@mdcoastalbays.org or by calling 410-213-2297 ext. 109.



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Recipients - The Worcester County Commission for Women (WCCW) presented the winners of their Empowering Women 2019 scholarship at a reception May 8 at Waterman's Seafood Company in West Ocean City. The annual scholarships are available to any Worcester County female resident with plans to further her education. A combined \$2,500 was awarded to three outstanding Worcester County high school students Nicolette Vickers, Pocomoke High School, Alexandra Richwalski and Mia Dill, both Stephen Decatur High School (SDHS) students.

Above: Tamara White, co-chair WCCW, Alexandra Richwalski, SDHS, Mia Dill, SDHS, Liz Mumford, co-chair WCCW, Vanessa Alban WCCW Scholarship chair.

# WCDC golf tourney returns

The Worcester County Developmental Center (WCDC) announces its lucky 13th annual golf tournament to be held on Tuesday, June 11, at the Ocean City Golf Club. Bill Gibbs and The Dough Roller and Macky Stansell and Macky's Bayside Bar and Grill are again leading the way as event sponsors. Cecil Tull of ABC Printers is at

the helm for the thirteenth year as tournament chair.

Over the past twelve years, this great time on the course for a great cause has raised money for adults who live with an intellectual disability in Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset Counties. The

money has purchased commercial laundry equipment, catering ware, lawn mowers, pallet jacks and hand trucks which have both provided employment for the WCDC clients and helped prepare them for jobs in the community.

Additionally, the tournament has provided funding to enable the WCDC clients to perform volunteer work at other non-profits and help the recipients of services at those other agen-

The day will include 18 holes on the Seaside Course, buffet lunch and full dinner prepared and served by the clients of WCDC, free drinks on the course, an open bar post play and a

door prize and goody bag for every golfer.

Registration and lunch open at 12:30 followed by a shotgun start at 1:30.

You can join in on the fun and help the WCDC cause through various levels of sponsorship, including team and hole, or by donating gifts and prizes for the golfers. For more information about the tournament, go to the WCDC website, www.wcdcservices.org or contact Cecil Tull

at 410.213.2022.

For more information about the WCDC programs, go to the website or call Jack Ferry at 410.632.2382, ext. 117. WCDC, a 501 ©3 non-profit organization, is a member of the United Way and the Ocean City, Berlin, Ocean Pines and Snow Hill Chambers of Commerce.

### Mathias to speak at Dem meeting

Former Democratic Senator James Mathias will meet with the Worcester County Democratic Club on Thursday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. He will discuss the activities of the recently concluded Maryland General Assembly and his new position as legislative liaison for the University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES). The public is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.



Jim Mathias

Contact Tom Wieland for further at 443-523-4491 for further information.

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gal use of carbofuran, which was commonly sold under the trade name Furadan. In 2009, federally approved uses of carbofuran were voluntarily cancelled after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concluded that its dietary, worker, and ecological risks were unacceptable for all uses.

It is illegal to use or sell or these products under state and federal law. Any violation of Maryland's Pesticide Applicator Law is subject to a fine of up to \$25,000 and/or prison. These violations may also be subject to additional penalties from the EPA.

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The Maryland Natural Resources Police and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) are investigating the most recent cases, and have urged anyone with relevant and specific information to come forward. USFWS has offered a reward of up to \$10,000 to eligible individuals for information that furthers this investigation.





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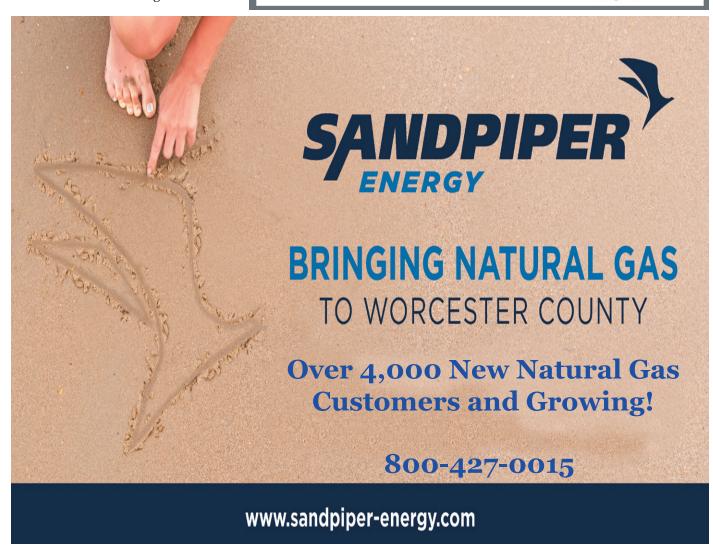


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May 11		Jul 21	<b>Identity Crisis</b>				
May 12	Mother's Day Brunch	Jul 26	Full Circle				
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	forward 10am-1pm	Jul 28	Radio Bravo				
May 17	First Class	Aug 2	<b>Great Train Robbery</b>				
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