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### Special Marine-RV Feature Inside

### OPA Beach Club bathrooms to have attendants

Starting this Friday, June 14, Ocean Pines will have an attendant stationed at the Beach Club bathrooms from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Guests using the bathroom will need to show their Ocean Pines homeowner ID, wristband from the pool, or receipt from Beach Club purchases.

General Manager John Viola approved a request to hire and place the attendants, after concerns were raised about open access to the Beach Club bathrooms.

"When concerns are brought to our attention, it's important to the team to address them as



quickly and as effectively as we can," Operations Director Colby Phillips said.

The Beach Club property covers the oceanside block of land between 49th and 50th streets in Ocean City. The three-

level cedar shake building includes a snack bar with live entertainment, and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages available for sale on the central level. Alcohol may only be purchased by Ocean Pines property owners, residents and their guests. The upper level is available for dining, private parties, weddings and banquets for both residents and non-residents.

The Beach Club also features a spacious outdoor swimming pool with ample deck space, lounge chairs, a full-service restaurant and bar, quick-service food counter, and easy ocean access with umbrella and chair rentals from beach-front vendors. Beach wheelchairs are available upon request.

Additionally, vehicle parking by permit is available in two private lots.

Daily passes are available, and annual Beach Club parking and pool passes are \$215 for residents. For additional information on passes, including pricing for nonresidents, visit www.oceanpines.org/amenities/beach-club-2.

The Beach Club pool is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, May 26 through Sept. 3. The Beach Club restaurant is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., May 25 through Sept. 3.

For more information, call 410-524-2957 or visit www.oceanpines.org/amenities/beach-club-2.



**Slimed** - Showell Elementary School Principal Diane Shorts was "slimed" Friday following the school's success in exceeding its goal in raising money for school activities and needs that are outside the school's budget. The goal of \$5,000 was surpassed with an final tally of more than \$6,500. Students were incentivized to raise more than the goal with having their principal slimed.

Above: Worcester County Sheriff's **Deputy Donaldson** pours slime on Principal **Diane Shorts.** 



### 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.

### Worcester Youth seeks donations for "Every Child Needs"

Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services (WYFCS) has started a new initiative, "Every Child Needs" (ECN), and is seeking donations. The program will supply impoverished children with basic needs such as blankets, pillows, pajamas, shoes, clothes, toiletries, coats and duffle bags.

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.

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

On this date in 1987, in one of his most famous Cold War speeches, President Ronald Reagan challenged Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to tear down

the Berlin Wall. Two years later, deliriously happy East and West Germans did break down the infamous barrier between East and West Berlin.

Reagan's challenge came during a visit to West Berlin. With the Berlin Wall as a backdrop, Reagan declared, "There is one sign the Soviets can make that would be unmistakable, that would advance dramatically the cause of freedom and peace." He then called upon his Soviet counterpart: "Secretary General Gorbachev, if you seek peaceif you seek prosperity for the Soviet Union and Eastern



Europe-if you seek liberalization: come here, to this gate. Mr. Gorbachev, open this gate. Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall."

### MVA branches to close for upgrades

All Maryland Department of Transportation (MDT) Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) branch offices and Vehicle Emissions Stations will be closed Saturday, June 29 to perform required computer system upgrades. The June 29 upgrade is one of three annual software updates made by MDOT MVA, which coincides with legislative effective dates from the Marvland General Assembly.

The MDOT MVA online store and kiosks will also be unavailable from 9 p.m. on Friday, June 28 until noon on Saturday, June 29.

MDOT MVA will provide information on its website and social media channels to confirm when online transaction services are available.

### Kids fishing event returns

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will host the annual Teach A Kid to Fish Day on Saturday, June 22 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the South Gate Pond near the



Sports Core Pool. Kids of all ages are invited to "test the waters" and learn fishing skills and techniques with the members of the Ocean Pines Anglers Club. A wonderful opportunity for parents and grandparents to introduce a new generation to the sport of fishing. The pond is stocked with several species of fish and participants will have the opportunity to try out their newly learned skills. Participants are encouraged to bring insect repellent and a bottle of water. Please bring your own rod. Bait will be provided. There will be a drawing for a free rod and

reel. The event is free. No pre-registration is required.

staying with varying family members, homeless shelters or crisis centers. Executive Director Steve Taylor of WYFCS said the requests were a revelation to the organization.

"It was disheartening to learn that so many children don't have their own bed or bedding items," he said, "but it was inspiring to learn that the children wanted basic necessities over games and toys that many other children will be receiving for Christmas."

Worcester County Public Schools report that 42.06 percent of school students live in households at or below the federal poverty level. They relayed to WYFCS that some children would bring plastic trash bags, duffle bags or backpacks with extra clothes to school each day, claiming they were unsure where they might sleep that night. The ECN program will use "Community Needs" grant funding to help families purchase basic living necessities.

WYFCS works with nearly 80 chil-

Each year, WYFCS participates in the "Christmas Spirit Campaign" with the Young Professionals of the Greater Ocean City Maryland Chamber of Commerce to ensure disadvantaged children have a gift to open on Christmas morning. In 2018, the organization had multiple requests from children for a bed, mattress, blanket or pillow due to lack of said objects at home. Many professed to sleeping on couches or sharing beds with siblings. Often, they were in transient living situations such as

# **Gamblers Anonymous**

Group meets at 8 p.m. at the Atlantic Club,



Candidates for the 2019 Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors are pictured in the order they will appear on ballots. From left, are Tom Janasek (not pictured), Larry Perrone, Camilla Rogers, Paula Gray, Shawn Kotwica, Edward Solum and Gregory Turner.

# **OPA candidate draw** results announced

Results of the 2019 Ocean Pines Association candidate draw are in. ture. We want to count your vote, so Drawn at random using a series of playing cards, the results determine ballot order and the order candidates are seated during election forums.

Janasek, Larry Perrone, Camilla Rogers, Paula Gray, Shawn Kotwica, Edward Solum and Gregory Turner

According to Ocean Pines Election Committee Chairman Steve Habeger, ballots for the election will be mailed to all association members in good standing during the week of July 8. Ballots must be received - not mailed - by the close of business on Aug. 7. Ballots may be returned either to the ballot box inside the police department office in the Ocean Pines Administration Building on 239 Ocean Parkway, or mailed to the Ocean Pines post office box in Berlin.

The cutoff for voter eligibility is July 3.

"Your vote counts a great deal and we want to make sure that we are able to count your ballot," Habeger said. "Last year, 66 ballots were received after the deadline, therefore they were void and not even counted."

According to Habeger, 31 of those late votes were received the day after the deadline.

"We'd like to do better in the fuplease be sure to vote and get it in on time," he said.

Additional upcoming election dates are as follows:

-First Candidate's Forum: June The results in order are: Tom 12, 7 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center on 235 Ocean Parkway

> -Second Candidate's Forum: June 22, 10 a.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center;

-Ballots counted and announced: August 9 at 10 a.m. in the East Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center; and,

-Election results validated: August 10 at 10 a.m. during the Annual Meeting of Membership in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines **Community Center** 

For questions about the election, email elections@oceanpines.org.



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# Local students receive golf scholarships

The Ocean Pines Golf Members' Council recently awarded \$7,000 in scholarships to six local high school students.

The scholarships are given each year in the name of Ocean Pines Golf Club members who support the scholarship fund throughout the year.

Last year, \$5,000 in scholarships were awarded and in 2017 the Golf Members' Council awarded \$4,000.

Three scholarships were presented during an awards night at Stephen Decatur High School (SDHS) on May 22, and three additional scholarships were given out during commencement services for Worcester Preparatory High School (WPS), last Friday.

An eight-member committee comprised of Sally Stafford, Don Mc-Mullen, Walt Lischak, George Solyak, Scotty Wheatley, MaryAnn O'Malley, Olga Novy and Council Scholarship Chairman Bob Long reviewed the applications and recommended the following students for awards:

**Emily Malinowski** (SDHS): Malinowski is an Ocean Pines resident and started playing in Ocean Pines' junior golf tournaments at the age of 6. She works at the club as a bag girl and is an instructor in the junior camps. Malinowski has been a fouryear participant on the Stephen Decatur golf team and was co-captain this year. Her strong academic record caught the eye of the committee. Malinowski plans to attend the University of Maryland and study engineering. She was awarded \$1,600 in scholarship aid.

**Hayden Snelsire** (SDHS): Snelsire is an Ocean Pines resident and four-year participant on the Stephen Decatur golf team. He was co-captain of the team this year as well as an All-Conference golfer. Snelsire won the team's Sportsmanship Award in both his junior and senior years. He was also a pitcher on the Decatur baseball team and plans to play baseball at Randolph Macon College in Virginia. He ranks at the top of his class academically. Snelsire was awarded \$1,100 in scholarship aid.

Joseph Beck (SDHS): Beck is an



From left are Council Scholarship Chairman **Bob Long**, and students **Joseph Beck**, **Emily Malinowski** and **Hayden Snelsire**. Photo courtesy D.J. Thompson, Stephen Decatur High School.

Ocean Pines resident and has participated on the JV and varsity golf teams at Stephen Decatur for four years. He hopes to play Division III golf at Stevenson University in Pikesville, Maryland next year. Beck has a strong academic record and is involved in several extracurricular activities. He was awarded \$1,100 in scholarship aid.

**Colin Miller** (WPS): Miller is an Ocean Pines resident. He only has one year of competitive golf at Worcester Prep, having played for the school's

please see golf on page 19

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Anniversary - The Worcester County Humane Society Thrift Store located at 12703 Sunset Ave. in West Ocean City recently celebrated its first anniversary open house. The store is open Wednesday thru Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pictured from left to right: WCHS Thrift Store volunteers Steven Founds, Mary Jo Armiger, Carol Martin, Dennis Martinez, Mary Martinez, Cheryl Daybill and Phyllis Donahue.

# New online artists' registry available

The Art League of Ocean City invites working artists to join the free artists' registry, now accepting listings for the ArtLeagueofOceanCity.org website.

The on-line directory features the artist's name, contact info including social media links, a description about the artist and their work, and four images of their original art. The categories include painting, photography, mixed media, printmaking, sculpture, glass, pottery, filmmaking, music, and others that can be added.

The registry listing is free to all members of the Art League, and new memberships are available. Memberships start at \$25 for students, range to \$60 for a family of six, and include discounts on all classes and purchases made at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, advance notice of special events, and a mailed copy of the quarterly Art Matters newsletter.

"There was a huge need for a way to connect artists with the community here in our area," Rina Thaler, executive director of the Art League, said. "Nothing like this online gallery exists anywhere locally. When artists post their name and work on our Art League website, it's a perfect way for artists to connect to the community. Visitors to the

registry not only get a wonderful overview of the artwork of our members, but they also have access to a who's-who list of artists if they're in the market for artwork for their homes, condos, businesses, or for family and pet portraits.

"In addition, the artists will benefit from membership in the Art League. enjoying an on-line gallery for their work as well as receiving discounts on classes, the gift shop, events, and activities," Thaler continued.

Interested artists should contact Megan Burak at the Arts Center at megan@artleagueofoceancity.org or by calling 410-524-9433.

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Brian Gay of Millsboro, DE has

been recognized by the Maryland De-

partment of Natural Resources for a

state fishing record in the Atlantic

Ocean Division after reeling in a rare

Angler sets record with white hake

white hake off the coast of Ocean City.

Gay, an experienced angler, was fishing for sea bass in roughly 280 feet of water 50 miles off the coast in Poor Man's Canyon when he felt the bite. After several minutes, Gay's "monster" fish finally came to the surface. He caught the 16.71-pound fish using a "top-and-bottom" two-hook rig with a 16-ounce sinker, and clam bait.

"I had no idea what it was," Gay said, noting that he and his companions thought what they had was a world record red hake, which is similar in appearance.

To correctly identify the species, a department biologist carefully counted scales and examined the fish's eye and jaw structure. Once officially identified as a white hake, Urophycis tenuis, the department chose to add the species to its official record book.

"The species is recognized by several northern states as well as the International Game Fish Association so it should be distinguished as a state record in Maryland," Recreational Fishing Outreach Coordinator Erik Zlokovitz said.

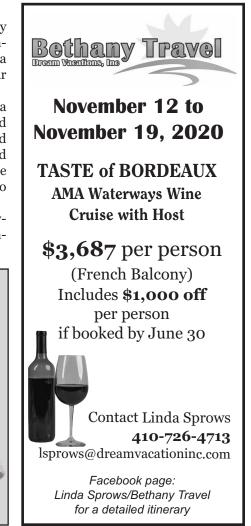
Martin's House in Ocean City officially certified the weight. The department maintains records for sport fish in four divisions, Atlantic,

Chesapeake, Nontidal and Invasive, and awards plaques to anglers who achieve record catches. Fish caught from privatelyowned, fee-fishing waters are ineligible for consideration.

Fish

state

Anglers who think they have a potential record catch should download and fill out a state record application and call 443-569-1381 or 410-260-8325. The department suggests fish be immersed in ice water to preserve weight until it can be checked, confirmed and certified.



### Marine wildlife return to Maryland's waters

Marine wildlife, dolphins, mana- anyone who has seen either a matees, sea turtles, whales, and others, rine mammal or sea turtle in Maryare making their seasonal return to land waters to report it to the both the Chesapeake Bay and its state Marine Mammal and Sea Tur-



tidal tributaries, as well as the and/or description with landmarks. coastal bays. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources reminds

Frozen desserts can be a great and delicious way to stay cool on a sultry day. When at the dessert counter, people may



be met with different options of frosty treats. Two of the more common offerings at ice cream shops are custard and traditional ice cream. Generally speaking, ice cream is a product that contains more

than 10% milk fat. Custard is ice cream with the addition of pasteurized egg yolks, which tends to make its texture creamy. The amount of air pumped into the mixture also can affect taste and texture. The less air, the more dense and creamy the product can be, as is often the case with frozen custards.

tle Stranding program at 1-800-628-9944.

In addition to calling the hotline, anyone who finds a stranded marine mammal, alive or dead, should follow these steps if possible:

-Do not touch the animal.

-Record your location using latitude/longitude, address, street

-Estimate and record the length, size, color, noticeable body parts, and movements (if alive).

-Take photos of the animal.

-Stand by the animal at a safe distance until stranding staff are able to reach you.

While the most common visitors are the bottlenose dolphin and loggerhead sea turtles, more than 25 other marine mammals and four species of sea turtles have been recorded in Maryland waters.

The department's Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Stranding program works in conjunction with the National Aquarium in responding to reports of marine animals throughout Maryland's waters and coastlines.

Marine mammals are specifically protected by federal law, the Marine Mammal Protection Act. In addition, sea turtles and whales are both protected under the 1973 Endangered Species Act. It is illegal to harass, capture, or collect these marine species, alive or dead, including their bones or any body parts.



### It's a wrap

On May 22, the Ocean Pines Line Dancers wrapped up the season by enjoying lunch together at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club.

The Line Dancers meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the gym at the Ocean Pines Community Center from September through May. Some of the members continue to dance during the summer at other locations. Contact Betty at 410 - 726-1818 for more information.

### **AGH Wound Care Center recognized**

The Wound Care Center at Atlantic General Hospital was presented with the Center of Excellence Award for 2018 during National Hospital Week. This is the tenth consecutive year that the Wound Care Center has received the award. Healogics, the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services, bestows the Robert A. Warriner III, M.D., Center of Excellence Award to those wound care centers that achieve or exceeds clinical and operational benchmarks including:

-92 percent patient satisfaction rate -91 healing rate, in 30 median days or less to heal

Out of 413 eligible Centers, 342 earned the award this year. Atlantic General's Wound Care Center is the only center in the U.S. to receive the award 10 times.

The Wound Care Center at Atlantic General Hospital is a member of the Healogics network of nearly 700 Wound Care Centers, with access to benchmarking data and proven experience treating approximately 2.5 million chronic wounds.

The Wound Care Center offers highly specialized wound care to patients suffering from diabetic ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections and other chronic wounds that have not healed in a reasonable amount of time. Advanced treatments included negative pressure wound therapy, bio-engineered skin substitutes, biological and biosynthetic dressings and growth factor therapies.

"We are fortunate to have such an amazing resource in our local community. The wound care center is a lifeline for those suffering from chronic wounds," said Mary Mullins, Clinical Program Manager of the Wound Care Center.

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# DAD-isms.

honor of Fathers Day, I yield this space to my daughter so that she can wax poetic about her father. -*Chip Bertino* 

### It's All About. . .

### By Caden Terlizzi

"Have a salubrious day!" "Dad, what does that even

mean?" "Look it up," came the reply.

With a wink and a smile my Father would be out the door to work leaving us to ponder the meaning of that word. It was his favorite farewell and remains so to this day. This

phrase epitomizes what my brothers and I refer to as Dad-isms. Those lame jokes and funny gestures that make Dad, well, Dad.

Some dad-isms are universal like test clicking tongs while standing over their grill, waking from a dead sleep when someone hovers too close to the thermostat, or saying, "glad we're Caden sharing a laugh with her father over not going that something silly to be sure. way" when traffic is backed up in the

opposite direction.

Other dad-isms are more subtle. More personal.

When my brothers and I were young our father required each of us to write his eulogy and rehearse them over the Thanksgiving dinner table. With a hard copy in Dad's one hand, a red pen in the other, we took turns referring to him in the past tense. Pushing his place setting aside he offered suggestions and scribbled notes such as, "enunciate here" and "pause for effect" there. Some passages he rewrote wholesale. It was a strange, comical writing assignment, a gut-busting evening, and one of the last holidays we spent, just

**Publisher's Note:** This week, in the five of us, before we left home. I'll carry that memory with me forever and I like to think that was Dad's plan all along.

When I married, I became a daughter in-law to a man who displays his humor more indirectly. With his mischievous eyes and warm smile, there is no shortage of practical jokes. His calling card: leaving doodles of a monkey labeled "Caden" around my house for me to find later. Over the years I've found these illustrations tucked in books, carved in wood, drawn in the dirt, and etched on glass. Each discovery makes me shake my head and smile.

My husband is no different. Taking a cue from his old man, he recites the classic Dad lines of, "hello Hun-

gry, I'm Daddy" and "in my day the internet was dial up." If you ask our kids, their Daddy is able to illuminate the Christmas tree with a sneeze and can wrestle a bear "*bear-*handed." Not shy of encouraging our children to step outside of their comfort zones, he is the reason our daughter learned to ride a dirt bike

at age three, is able to shift gears and explain the

inner workings of an engine. And why our son has the confidence to shake a person's hand and introduce himself, usually with a wink.

The master of Dad-isms is reserved for my grandfather, or Poppop as he was called. Pop-pop once made the moon disappear on a cool, clear night with nothing more than a dish towel. The fact there was a lunar eclipse that same night was merely a coincidence.

When I was a little girl and Poppop sat downstairs flipping between a John Wayne movie and the Washington Redskins, my Mom-mom sat by my bed reading The Polar Express. As the Duke's voice bellowed



Caden having fun with her father-in-law as they act out the punch line to a favorite familv ioke.

Caden with her Pop Pop.

below, my story was quietly unfolding, punctuated with the ringing of a magic bell heard by only those who believe. My eyelids heavy and sleep not far off, I too heard the tinkling of a bell. It was years later, long after

my grandfather passed, that Mommom revealed that as she read, Poppop sat waiting patiently outside my door to toll his chime. Six-year-old me was enamored by the illusion, thirty-year-old me is nostalgic and grateful.

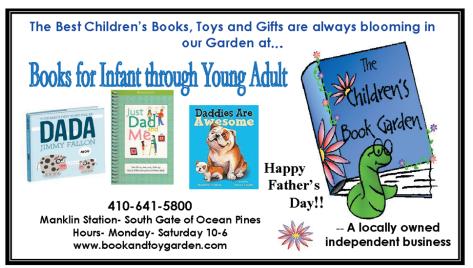
So, whether your Dad does not want you to "air condition the entire neighborhood," shaves your little brother's imaginary friend "Bear," or insists that you write the Father's



Day column for his newspaper amidst the chaos of a cross country move, I say to all Fathers and Father figures, Happy Father's Day! Have a salubrious day!

I really should look that up sometime.

Another Publiher's Note: After reading my daughter's submission, it's clear she didn't wax poetic about me all too long. And she's my favorite (daughter).





# Air show by the sea

Once again, our yearlong anticipation is almost over. No I am not referring to the first annual commemoration of the Canadian Geese departure from South Gate Pond. No, it's the Ocean City Air Show! As always it will be staged off which they can line up their maneuvers and they typically scream down an airport runway past the viewing stands. However, over water, there is no strip of concrete that is 50 yards wide and 2 miles long to keep them orderly and safe. Instead, the show or-



the beach on Father's Day weekend and this year it will be especially exciting because we will have TWO marquee demonstration teams along with the many regulars.

The Navy's Blue Angels will be making their biennial appearance and, this year, the Canadian Snowbird team of nine CT-114 Tutor jets will also perform. You may recall that the Canadians tantalized us with a midweek demonstration last year on May 23. It was great. Their planes are slower and more maneuverable than the powerful Blue Angel's F18s so the Snowbird's nine plane formations are a real eyeful.

Most folks will watch the Father's Day extravaganza from terra firma. It is convenient, safe, and the air show is focused on boardwalk and beach audiences. However, for those of us who want to get a wider view of the event, there is nothing better than taking it in from a boat. We had over 400 recreational boats anchored in the ocean last year while an additional couple hundred enjoyed the demonstrations from back in the bay.

An air show over water is very challenging for the pilots. Normally they have fixed reference points on land on ganizers establish a "box" about 1/2 mile wide and 2 miles long that simulates a runway. This "box" is marked by buoys and no one is allowed inside it except an 87-foot US Coast Guard cutter that is anchored smack dab in the middle. The cutter is show center and the primary reference point for the pilots.

The "box" is protected by more than a

dozen on-water facilities from the USCG, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the Maryland State Troopers, the Ocean City Beach Patrol and the USCG Auxiliary. The integrity of the "box" is preserved by maintaining a buffer zone around the perimeter. No swimmer is allowed past the breakers on the beach side. No boat is allowed to anchor or even linger on either the north or south ends of the virtual runway. And all boats must stay at least 100 yards east of the "box" edge that is marked with yellow buoys on the 2 mile sea side.

I personally am looking forward to it. I'll be on one of the USCG Auxiliary boats helping to keep the occasional recreational boater who has lost situational awareness from penetrating the "box" and causing the show to be suspended.

Here's a few tips that you should consider if you are going to join us in the ocean for the show.

Check the weather before heading out the inlet. Remember 'Small Craft Advisories' means that the winds are forecasted to be between 18 and 33 knots (21 and 38 MPH) and the wave

please see **air show** on page 19



**Scholarship** - Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1091, Ocean City, presented its first Barry Berger Memorial Scholarship to Stephen Decatur NJROTC Cadet Andre Nieto Monday June 3, at their monthly membership meeting. Cadet Nieto was awarded \$2,000. He will be attending Salisbury University in the Fall. This scholarship was named in honor of Barry Berger, a native of Ocean City, who was killed in the Vietnam War. Cadet Nieto was also awarded the Vietnam Veterans of America JROTC Medal and Ribbon.

President Gerry Barron, Cadet Andre Nieto, NJROTC, LTCDR Stewart.

### Rudy Marine opens new boat service and sales facility

Rudy Marine brings its award-winning boats and service to the entire boating region. Ideally located on 22 acres in Dagsboro, this new state of the art facility has a spacious show room, nicely appointment service/parts department and eight service bays that can quickly handle all your boating needs. With a huge boat inventory, you are sure to find the boat of your dreams. Sport fishing

center consoles, outboard power cruisers, sporty deck boats and pontoons. Tom Rudy, Master Service Technician since 1991 says, "I built this business on service, customer service is our number one priority, I have handpicked a team of boating industry experts to create the best service



experience possible. We are open for business and ready to quickly and expertly service your boat." Rudy Marine's new facility is only a short 15-minute drive from Ocean Pines located at 32606 Dupont Blvd. in Dagsboro, DE. For more information call 302-945-2254 or go to www.rudymarine.com.

### Summer kickoff event scheduled

The Germantown School Community Heritage Center will host a Community Summer Fun Kickoff on Saturday, June 15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This annual event celebrates the end of the school year with free food and fun activities. Located at 10223 Trappe Rd. in Berlin, the event features horse rides, a petting zoo, arts and crafts, a train ride and much more. This is a free family event. Call (410) 641-0638 for information.

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A Special Feature to *The Courier* 

# Great ways to enjoy a day on a boat

Few things can be as enjoyable on a warm day as spending some time on a boat. For many people, the sound of the water lapping beneath a boat and the feeling of a warm summer breeze blowing through their hair is the very essence of summer relaxation.

Boating appeals to people with varying interests, and there are many ways one can enjoy a day spent traversing a nearby river, lake or ocean.

Fishing. Recreational fishing is wildly popular. According to the Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation, in 2016 more than 47 million Americans participated in fishing at least once during the calendar year. In its Survey of Recreational Fishing in Canada, the organization Fisheries and Oceans Canada found that more than 3.2 million adult anglers actively participated in a variety of recreational fishing activities in Canada in 2015. The sheer volume of people who enjoy recreational fishing suggests it's an activity that has widespread appeal and it can benefit people of all ages and skill levels. What's more, fishing provides a wonderful excuse to spend a day on a boat.

Sailing. Sailing is a rewarding and demanding hobby. Avid sailors often describe the origins of their love of sailing as "catching the bug." Indeed, few hobbies can be as gratifying as sailing, which the organization Discover Boating notes requires participants to be more active than almost any other type of boating. While sailing can be physically demanding, when the waters are calm, few activities can be as peaceful and relaxing.

Exploring. Of course, even people who do not own their own boats can still enjoy time on the water. The Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation notes that roughly 90 percent of U.S. residents live within one hour of navigable bodies of water. Many waterfront communities, particularly those with tourism-based

> economies, are home to small businesses that provide local river, lake or ocean tours. These can be great ways to learn about local history and/or see local marine life.

A day spent on a boat is a great way to enjoy a warm afternoon. And the options are endless when it comes to how to spend such days on the water.





#### Marine-RV *Feature*

# **Tips for first-time boat buyers**

Boating is a rewarding hobby that can be great for people from all walks of life. Many people buy a boat because they already have a passion for fishing and want their own vessel to take out on the water. Others may buy a boat be-



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cause they like the challenge posed by sailing, a demanding yet rewarding hobby.

According to Grow Boating, a marine industry organization that aims to generate awareness and interest in boating, retail sales of new boats, marine engines and marine accessories in the United States totaled \$20.1 billion in 2017. That marked a 9.5 percent increase from the year prior, highlighting the growing popularity of boating. In fact, Grow Boating notes that 141.6 million Americans went boating in 2016.

The fun of boating compels many people to buy their own boats. For firsttimers, buying a boat can be both exciting and confusing. Prospective buyers must decide on everything from the type of vessel they want to the size of the boat to where to store it when they're not out on the water. Such decisions can make the process of buying a boat somewhat intimidating. However, the following tips might facilitate the process of buying a boat for the first time.

Assess your skills. An honest assessment of your skills will help you determine if the time is right to buy a boat. There's no shame in waiting to buy a boat until you become more comfortable navigating it. Boating schools can be great resources for novices, teaching them the ins and outs of boating. The United States Coast Guard notes that boating safety courses are offered throughout the country for all types of recreational boaters.

Ask around. Boaters tend to be passionate about boating, and many are willing to offer advice to novices about boats that may suit their needs. Local marinas can be great resources for first-

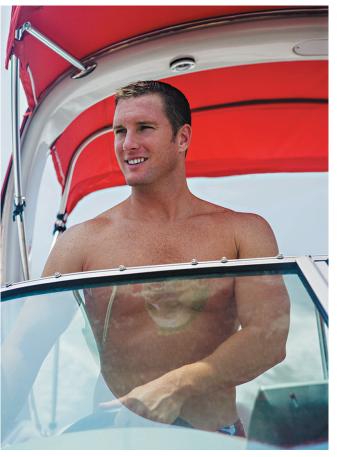
time boat buyers. Visit a local marina and seek advice from current boat owners. Some may share their own travails and triumphs from their first boat-buying experience, and those stories can serve as a guide as you begin your own journey to boat ownership.

Be patient. Boats are significant investments, so it serves prospective owners well to be patient and exercise due diligence before making a purchase. Do your homework on the type of boat that best suits your needs, skill level and budget.

Do your homework in regard to fees. The cost of owning a boat is more than just the

sticker price and the cost of fuel. Much like you would before buying an automobile, get a quote on boating insurance before making a purchase, being as specific as possible in regard to the boat's make, model and age when asking for an estimate. In addition, get quotes on docking and mooring fees.

When buying a boat, people envision taking their boats out as much as possible. That's only possible for boat owners



who fully grasp the full cost of boat ownership and how to finance all of the ancillary expenses of owning a boat.

The decision to buy a boat requires careful consideration of a host of factors to ensure boaters find the right boat and get the most of their time on the water.

### **Upcoming Boat Show Events**

Atlantic City Boat Show September 5-8, 2019

Annapolis Boat Show October 3-6, 2019

Baltimore Boat Show January 23-26, 2020

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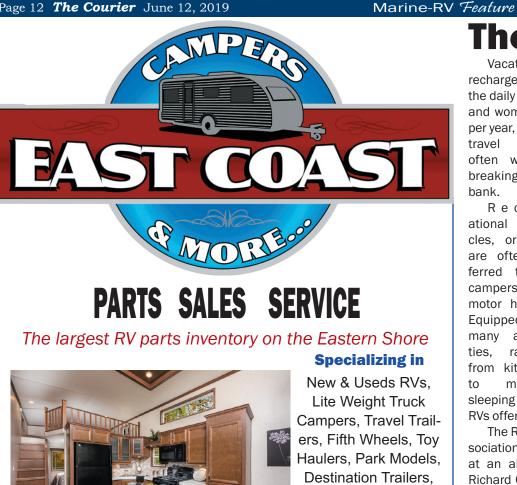
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# The various types of RVs

Vacations are a great way to recharge and get some time away from the daily grind. While many working men and women take one or two vacations per vear, recreational vehicle owners can travel more

often without breaking the bank.

Recre ational vehicles, or RVs, are often referred to as campers or motor homes. Equipped with many amenities, ranging from kitchens to multiple

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sleeping areas to entertainment spaces, RVs offer many of the comforts of home.

The Recreational Vehicle Industry Association says RV ownership is currently at an all-time high. According to Dr. Richard Curtin, RV industry analyst and director of consumer surveys at the University of Michigan, 8.9 million households now own an RV. That's up from 7.9 million in 2005.

### **Think About ...**

Wash your car at a commercial car wash. Some vehicle owners may enjoy washing their cars at home in their driveways. But getting a car washed at a professional car wash can conserve substantial amounts of water. That's because many new car wash facilities em-



home. Many people who purchase a class A RV plan to travel all year long. Slide-outs can expand the living area when parked, and full bathrooms, complete kitchens and more are the norm. Because of their size, class A RVs tend to be the most expensive and may be more vehicle than many people can af-

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ploy water reclamation systems that reuse water. According to San Diego Car Care, a professional car wash that employs water reclamation technology, each car washed at their facility consumes just nine to 15 gallons of water per wash. That's a considerable savings compared to washing at home, as the State of Maryland's Department of the Environment estimates that 100 gallons of water are consumed during a single 10-minute car wash at home using a garden hose.



Drivers considering buying an RV may have many questions about these increasingly popular vehicles. RVs come in two main types: motorized and towable. Understanding the differences be-

> various subcategories of RV can help drivers make the most informed decisions when purchasing their RVs. Motorized. Motorized

> tween the two and the

RVs are broken down by class, including class A, B and C. The distinction between the classes of RV is based on size.

Class A: This class of motor home is very large

and offers all of the comforts you'd expect from Marine-RV Feature

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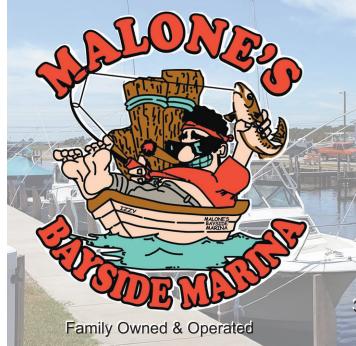
# **Prep your ATV for the season**

Birds may be chirping and flower buds opening to the sunlight, but for many outdoor enthusiasts, the arrival of warm days and extra hours of sunlight means they can hit the trails once more. Many take to the trails on the back of their favorite "toys" that have been gathering dust in the garage all winter long.

All-terrain vehicles, or ATVs, are affectionately known as "quads" and have dominated the off-roading market since three-wheel varieties were deemed safety risks. ATVs come in a variety of types and motor sizes, and can be cus-



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tomized for riders of different ages. Utility terrain vehicles, or UTVs, have the ability to carry things along and can generally accommodate more than one rider. Such vehicles are becoming more coveted among outdoor enthusiasts. UTVs may be a smart choice for hunters or campers who need to carry gear into remote areas.

ATVs and UTVs can be great fun for the entire family. However, they can be hazardous if the vehicles are not functioning and in good repair prior to the first excursion. Whether the vehicle is new or older, owners should take the time to inspect and troubleshoot potential problems.

Tires. As with any vehicle, tires should be properly inflated according to the specifications in the owner's manual. Ensure there are no slow leaks before taking the ATV out, and replace tires if necessary.

Oils and fluids. Take the time to check fluid levels before going out. If it has been quite some time since the most recent oil change, make that part of your seasonal preparation. Be sure to replace the oil filter as well. If this task is too challenging, bring the ATV or UTV to an automotive shop.

Fuel. Smell the gas in the tank before taking to the road or trails. Gas can spoil if it is not treated with stabilizer when the vehicle is left to sit. Drain the fuel and start with fresh gas, as bad gas can cause engine trouble.

Battery. A dead battery can be a real downer for riders enjoying the great outdoors. Battery tender products are a good idea for those who typically store their ATVs for longer than a week. Be sure a battery is the right size and type for the vehicle, especially when purchasing a used ATV or UTV.

Visual inspection. When looking at the ATV, check for holes, corrosion, tears, and other damage to fuel lines, CV boots and other connections on the vehicle. Fix them promptly and before going out for the season.

A well-maintained ATV means hours of fun in the great outdoors.

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ford. Their large size (many look like a bus on the road) can make them difficult to navigate for novices.

Class B: Class B RVs are often referred to as "van conversions." Class B are the smallest, fully enclosed campers available in the motorized category. Living space is limited in these RVs, but economy and versatility make them quite popular. Usually these campers can sleep between two and four people.

Class C: Class C RVs are a compromise between types A and B. Class C are mid-sized with a driver's compartment similar to a van and a larger box in the back for the living area. Some come with a sleeping bunk above the cab. Depending on the floor plan, class C campers can sleep up to 10 people.

Towable. Towable RVs are another option and can be more affordable because they can be pulled behind your existing vehicle.

Travel trailers: Travel trailers look similar to traditional motorized RVs but without the driving cab. They can be hitched to the back of a vehicle. Travel trailers are popular because of their versatility. Travel trailers can be ideal for those with limited budgets but the desire to have a self-contained unit.

Pop-up: Folding camping trailers, or pop-up trailers, are inexpensive and lightweight. They provide many of the conveniences found in a basic travel trailer but in a smaller size.

Fifth-wheel: If you own a pickup truck, a fifth-wheel trailer may be good for you. These hitch to the top of the pickup bed and have similar features to a traditional travel trailer.

RVs make great investments for men and women who love the open road. They also are a great way to take the entire family on an affordable and memorable vacation.

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# Motorcycle advancements for comfort and safety

Many motorcycle enthusiasts love the feeling of being on the open road and in touch with one's surroundings. The style of a bike and the reputation of its manufacturer factor heavily into riders' decisions when choosing bikes. But while bike fans may have their favorite features, safety and comfort remain at the top of many riders' priority lists when choosing new motorcycles.

Recent technological advancements have pushed motorcycle comfort and safety to the forefront. Engineers continue to reimagine bikes and gear so that riders can enjoy the road that much more. The following are some features for riders to consider when buying a motorcycle.

Suspension. Fully active suspension systems are impractical in motorcycles because of the weight of the components, but some manufacturers, such as Ducati and BMW, are now offering semiactive suspension systems, which allow for a more stable ride and give riders greater control, particularly on rough terrain or uneven road conditions.

Cornering advanced braking systems. Also known as lean-sensitive, angle-sensitivity or race ABS, this tech-



West Ocean City 410-390-5105 nology employs data gathered from various sensors on the bike. The data is then transferred to a processing unit, which figures out the optimal amount of pressure to apply to the brake pads, as well as the proportional levels of braking force between the front and rear brakes. This is an important safety feature for any rider, regardless of his or her level of experience riding.

Adaptive headlights. Riding in the dark has long been a concern for bikers. In addition to the rider's limited visibility, other motorists on the road often experience difficulty seeing motorcycles. Turning while riding at night proves problematic as well, because standard headlights on a motorcycle will only light up a portion of the turn. Adaptive motorcycle

# Watch for motorcycles

Motorcycles are vehicles and their riders have the same rights and privileges as anyone else on the roadway. But in crashes, a motorcyclist is six times more likely to be hurt than a car driver. Motorcycles are smaller than cars and trucks, and it can be harder to judge the speed and distance of an oncoming motorcycle. Violating a motorcyclist's right of way in a crash that causes a serious injury could cost you three points and a \$1,000 fine.

Yield the right-of-way to an oncoming motorcycle when turning left. Violating a motorcyclist's right of way can result in a citation with significant penalties if you cause a serious injury. Drivers are at fault in just over half of car crashes with motorcycles. Look carefully for motorcyclists at intersections.

Look twice before changing lanes or merging into traffic. Use your mirrors and look over your shoulder to be sure it is safe before merging or changing lanes. Motorcycles can be hidden in a vehicle's blind spot or missed in a quick look due to their smaller size. And please use your turn signals to let others know you intend to move over! We all share a common road.

**Give Riders plenty of space**. Traffic, weather and road conditions require the motorcyclists to react and maneuver differently. Allow enough room for the motorcyclist to maneuver and enough time for you to adjust.

Use care when driving near a group of motorcyclists. Motorcyclists participate in organized rides which can involve many motorcycles. Driving around these groups requires communication and patience. If you need to change lanes or reach an exit, signal your intention early and wait for the riders in the group to create a gap for you. Do not merge in between groups or riders unless there is enough space to do it safely. headlights, such as those produced by J.W. Speaker, are changing night riding. According to the American Automobile Association, adaptive headlights can make nighttime riding considerably safer. Such lights work when a bike leans into a curve and the onboard sensors calculate the angle at which the motorcycle enters the curve. The headlights then adjust the lighting

array to illuminate areas where traditional headlights might provide inadequate lighting.

Liquid-cooled engines. Riding motor-

# Simple towing tips for novices

Drivers may haul trailers for a variety of reasons. Some may haul trailers on vacation, while others may do so when moving to a new home. Regardless of why drivers tow, it is important to keep certain things in mind before hitching

up, especially for those drivers will little or no experience towing.

Use the right hitch. Novices may not immediately recognize if they have purchased an incorrectly sized hitch, but that might become apparent when the trailer is detached during a ride. Your vehicle owner's manual may suggest which size hitch to use. If not, consult with a representative at your

local auto parts retailer to determine the correct size.

Make sure the trailer is level. When attached to a vehicle, trailers should be level. Trailers that do not appear level or those that seem to be rising up and down on otherwise flat roadways should be inspected if not brought to the attention of a mechanic.

Drive more carefully. Discomfort or inexperience may propel many drivers to be extra careful when towing a trailer, but even drivers with significant experience towing trailers should keep greater distance between their vehicles and



cycles on a hot day or when stuck in traffic can quickly become a steamy endeavor with air-cooled engines. Air-cooled engines dissipate heat directly through the fins on the exterior of the engine. This heat can radiate and make riding uncomfortable for riders. Liquid-cooled engines, however, have a streamlined and closed design, producing less noise and heat. They also transfer heat to a radiator near the front

of the bike.

Evolving technology strives to make the motorcycle experience more enjoyable and safer for riders.

other cars and trucks sharing the road. That's because braking takes longer for heavier vehicles, such as those towing trailers.

Practice turns. Turning is complicated when towing a trailer. Beginning a



turn later can help drivers avoid having their trailers clip curbs, a potentially sticky situation that can cause trailers to flip over.

Avoid reversing when possible. Many people towing trailers for the first time and even some drivers with significant experience towing have difficulty going in reverse. Avoiding situations that require putting vehicles in reverse is ideal for novices. Those who think they cannot avoid going in reverse should practice their technique in empty parking lots before hitting the road, even hiring an instructor to help them, if necessary.

# Volunteer Spirit nominations sought

Volunteers make Worcester in to fill a gap in the community. County a better place to live, work and visit. To honor volunteers whose contributions help improve the quality of life here locally, Worcester County residents are invited to nominate individuals, organizations, and businesses for the 2019 Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County awards. The nomination period will open May 24, 2019, and all nominations must be submitted by June 24. A recognition ceremony for all nominees will take place August 21.

"The Volunteer Spirit awards program partners with grass roots nonprofits to recognize volunteers whose work helps to make their programs possible," Volunteer Services Manager Kelly Brinkley said. "It's all about saying thanks to individuals who notice a need and then dive

These are the individuals, groups, and organizations whose creativity and ingenuity keep making our communities more vibrant."

Nominations will be accepted, with one winner to be chosen from each of the following categories: young professionals, individual, lifetime achievement, member of the board, faith-based, group/team, non-profit volunteer program, local business, municipal/county government employee (volunteering on personal time), and veteran/veterans group. Nominees should reside in and represent the volunteer spirit of Worcester County.

New this year, Volunteer Spirit nomination forms may be filled out and submitted online at www.co.worcester.md.us or by visiting #WorcesterVolunteerConnection on Facebook. Hard copies will be available at the following locations: Human Resources in the Worcester County Government Center in Snow Hill, all five branch libraries or by contacting Volunteer Services Manager Kelly Brinkley at 410-632-0090 or

kbrinkley@co.worcester.md.us.

The Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County takes place in cooperation with the annual Governor's Service Awards program. The youth category previously included in these programs will now be recognized separately in the inaugural Youth Service Awards program. For more information about the Youth Service Awards, visit https://gosv.maryland.gov/youthservice-awards.

Tides for Ocean City (Fishing Pier)						
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**Patriotism** - Lisa Kristick's Pre-K 3 class at Ocean City Elementary School learned about the colors of our nation by creating patriotic windsocks. Pictured with the pre-kindergarten students are Mrs. Kristick and her classroom assistant Kathy Elmer.

# Significant senior nutrition services cuts made

Recent unexpected cuts in funding for MAC Senior Nutrition Services will result in a reduction of more than 15,000 meals for frail elderly on the Lower Eastern Shore.

The cuts will initially impact 120 to 150 seniors, while creating, and extending waiting lists for nutrition services. Jobs also will be lost.

In May 2019, MAC was officially notified that state funds for Senior Nutrition Services would be cut by 46% (\$113,000) effective July 1, 2019. Other MAC programs have received cuts in state funding, but none as significant as Nutrition Services.

Senior Nutrition Services helps older persons age in place and avoid costly nursing home admission. The \$113,000 "saved" is less than the cost of nursing home care for one person for one year.

The value of MAC services to maintain 120 seniors at home with nutrition services (at a cost of \$113,000), as compared to tax dollars (Medicaid) for nursing home care, is a staggering \$17,280,000.



# **Partners offer senior services**

As Worcester County continues to age at a faster pace than the rest of the nation, Atlantic General Hospital and several community agencies are working to ensure that the necessary services are available to seniors to allow them to continue to live safely and independently:

Safe Seniors Program. Atlantic General Hospital is in the planning stages for a mobile integrated health program called Safe Seniors that will serve Worcester County. Through this program, EMS personnel and a care coordinator will make home visits to at-risk seniors to identify any physical, medical or psycho-social needs and connect individuals with the appropriate services in the community to help them maintain optimal physical and mental health. To learn more about the Safe Seniors Program, contact Donna Nordstrom, Atlantic General Hospital's director of community health, at 410-629-6820.

**Maryland Senior Call Check.** The Maryland Department of Aging has launched a pilot program to provide a daily check-in with older adults who are living alone. Participants receive an automated call at the time of day they chose during registration. If a participant's daily check-in calls go unanswered, a pre-determined contact, whether a neighbor, family member or other loved one, is notified to check on the senior. The service is available to all Maryland residents 65 years of age or older. For more information or to sign up, visit www.aging.maryland.gov or call 1-800-243-3425.

Community for Life. This program provides resources for adults 65 and older who live in Berlin, West Ocean City, Bishopville and Ocean Pines to allow them to stay in their homes as long as possible. The program provides transportation to medical appointments, group socials and grocery trips; handyman services for light housework; a senior-friendly vendor list for major home repairs; friendly contacts; technical assistance; and prescription pick-ups. Community for Life (CFL) is able to connect members to the resources they need throughout the community. They work

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### My Backyard... sponsored by Maureen Kennedy The benefits of water features in garden landscapes

Many homeowners aspire to make their homes appear as beautiful and welcoming as possible. Exterior renovations may be high on homeowners' to-do lists, and landscaping is oftentimes a key component of those projects.

When planning gardens, homeowners may benefit by considering more than just flowers and shrubs while giving thought to other elements that can breathe vitality into their landscape designs. Water features can do just that, as such features provide more than just visual appeal.

Aesthetic appeal: Water elements stand out against the greenery and foliage and can be used to create focal points around the

garden or yard. A single fountain can draw the eve. while a trickling stream or waterfall can deliver water to various spots in the landscape.

Soothing sound: Rain drops on a rooftop or waves lapping on a shoreline elicit feelings of harmony and relaxation. Water features can bring that gentle sound close to home, further enhancing the ambiance.

Brings texture: Water has its own unique and fluid texture that can provide stark contrast to blades of grass or the hard lines of architectural elements, such as pergolas or retaining walls. A pond or fountain can soften lines.



Enhance the natural ecosystem: Water features can attract wildlife to a property. Birds may visit to take a quick sip, and dragonflies are sure to dart and hover over the shimmering ripples. Inviting natural wildlife to the vard can add hours of entertainment by enjoying the animals and insects.

Remedy problem areas: Rather than fighting with the landscape, homeowners can adapt it. An area of the yard prone to soggy conditions or flooding can be transformed into a pond or waterfall to work with natural surroundings.

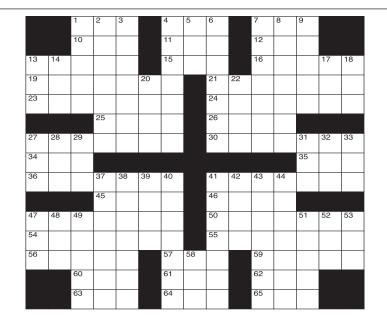
Foster a passion: Many people turn to water features so they can explore the hobby of nurturing an outdoor aquarium. Koi ponds

are relatively easy to install and maintain, and the vibrant fish add visual appeal.

Add a personal touch: Water features are as unique as the homeowners who create them. To set landscaping apart neighbors' from homes, homeowners can add fountains, ponds or flowing water elements to their properties. Decorative water features also can be melded with pools and spas to help these man-

made recreational areas seem like they were carved right out of the natural landscape.

Water features can take landscapes to the next level with sounds, texture, movement, and beauty. h to the landscape.

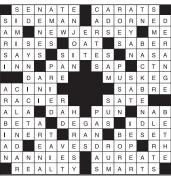


### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Mathematical term (abbr.)
- 4. Seaport (abbr.)
- 7. "Unforgettable" singer
- 10. The GOAT
- 11. Used to harvest agave cactus 12. Luke's mentor \_\_\_\_-Wan
- 13. Muses
- 15. IBM operating system
- 16. Hungarian village
- 19. Popular conversation topic
- 21. N. Atlantic island 23. Fail to discern correctly
- 24. The President has one
- 25. Irish Gaelic language
- 26. Gasteyer and Ivanovic are two 62. Unit of measurement
- 27. Garnished
- 30. National capital
- 34. Basics

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Belongs to the daughter
- of Chaos
- 2. Wardrobe
- 3. Derek and Jeff are two
- 4. Disfigured
- 5. Hawaiian dish
- 6. What a hack drives
- 7. Horse gear
- 8. Do away with
- 9. Narrow straits between Sinai and Arabian peninsulas
- 14. Hawaiian flower necklace 17. Midway between northeast and east
- 18. Insecticide
- 20. Comfort
- 22. Town in Galilee



Answers for June 5

29. Used to check the heart 31. Western India island

64. No seats available

65. A way to change color

35. Initial public offering

41. English synthpop duo

54. "Growing Pains" actor Kirk

59. A belief in a supreme being

56. Genus in the mahogany family

55. Free from contamination

36. Winged horse

45. Mars crater

50. By reason of

57. Body part

60. Talk a lot

63. Slick

61. Actors' group

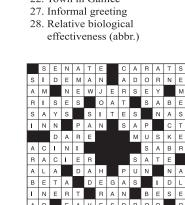
47. Small organelles

46. A lot

- 32. Credit card term
- 33. Female deer
- 37. British football team
- 38. Persian jurisdiction
- 39. Freshwater mussel genus
- 40. Opposite of happiness
- 41. Ban on trade
- 42. Bitterly regrets
- 43. Assented
- 44. Well-proportioned

- 53. Electronic countermeasures
- 58. Swiss river
- - 47. Part of (abbr.)
    - 48. Indigenous people of Thailand
    - 49. A man of your stature (abbr.)
    - 51. Advantageous
    - 52. Female sibling

13. Corrie



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### Service

Retired Worcester County Sheriff Reggie Mason, a US Marine Corps veteran, gave a heartwarming history of his Vietnam service during his keynote address at the Memorial Day celebration held at the Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines.

Above: **Reggie Mason** and **Anna Foultz.** 

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> soccer, basketball and tennis teams before joining the golf team during his senior year. Miller received team MVP and Eastern Shore Interstate Athletic Conference Player of the Year honors this year. He has an exceptional academic record and will attend the University of Maryland. He was awarded \$1,100 in scholarship aid.

> **Matthew Durkin** (WPS): Durkin lives in West Ocean City. He has played golf at Worcester Prep since eighth grade and has been on the JV and varsity teams all four years of high school. Durkin was co-captain of his team this past year and plays on the tennis team. He has been described as a quiet leader and has significant involvement in service activities. Durkin has an outstanding academic record and will attend the University of Maryland. He was awarded \$1,100 in schol

arship aid.

**Jacob Meakin** (WPS): Meakin lives in Salisbury and has played golf for Worcester Prep since seventh grade. He has been on the varsity team each year of high school and plays on the tennis team as well. Meakin has a strong academic record, including many AP science courses and extensive study in fine arts. Meakin plans to study bio-engineering at the University of Maryland. He was awarded \$1,000 in scholarship aid.

Members of the review panel felt the class of applicants was one of the strongest ever. The average SAT scores of the six recipients was 1370 out of 1600, which would qualify an individual for the top 7 percent of students, nationally.

"The membership should be very proud of their efforts to provide this aid and should be very proud of this year's recipients," Long said.

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dren through youth, adolescent, and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs. These children are to be given first preference with donations. Worcester County school guidance counselors have also offered to partner with WYFCS to provide leads about families with needs.

Candy Kitchen of Ocean City has donated stuffed animals, Quilters by the Sea of Ocean Pines have donated handmade quilts and fleece blankets, Stevenson United Methodist Church Women's Group has made a cash donation for pillows and pillow cases, and through Atlantic General Hospital, Pajamaprogram.org has collected over 200 pairs of pajamas and 200 books to assist with the initiative.

WYFCS Insurance Specialist and ECN founder Debbie Smullen said the program was intended to give children a sense of ownership and pride.

"We will be working with children in our programs, the school counselors from all Worcester County Schools and anyone who comes to our office in need for distribution. Our hope is to expand to mattresses and beds," she said.

Donations can be made by visiting their offices at 124 North Main Street, Suite C, in Berlin, Maryland, by mail, online at gowoyo.org, or via their Facebook. For more information contact Morgan Coulson, Communications Coordinator, at 410-641-4598 or mcoulson@gowoyo.org. Ocean Pines Chamber Community Connection

By Kerrie Bunting, Executive Director

Recently you received a copy of our latest Business Directory. Our hope is that you use this throughout the coming year as a trusted resource for products and services. Our Chamber Partners are not only local leaders in their fields but, by mere virtue of having joined the Ocean Pines Chamber, are proven community supporters.

If you were to delve further into the owners and employees of those listed, you'd find tremendous philanthropists and volunteers. You'll notice that even several non-profits are chamber partners. Even with their limited re-

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heights will be in excess of 4 feet. Ask yourself, if that's the forecast, wouldn't it be better to watch the air show from the bay or, better yet, from the beach?

Don't forget to file a float plan. As a minimum, make sure someone knows when you are expected back, how many people are on board, and a cell phone number on which they can try to contact you.

You will need at least 140 to 200 feet of anchor rode if you are fortunate enough to find a spot where the water is only 20 feet deep. You don't want to drag an anchor and you do want to watch others around who may drag in the crowded anchorage.

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sources, they understand that engaging with their fellow businesses is the best way to get their message and services out to you.

Speaking of getting messages out to you, every Tuesday, we send out an eblast to our constituents. Typically, we outline upcoming events, such as clinics, fundraisers and seminars, legislative updates (when they are in session) and important press releases from our partners. If you would like to receive this communication, simply email us at info@oceanpinescham-

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You can't have too much drinking water, too many PFDs, too many charged batteries, too many bailers, too many marine radios or too much fuel. In fact, remember the 1/3, 1/3, 1/3 rule. Use a maximum of 1/3 of your fuel to get there, 1/3 to get back and still have 1/3 in reserve. If you use more than a third of your gas to get there and then leave your motor idling all day, you can add oars to the list of things that you can't have too many of.

And finally, make sure the designated driver enjoys the show with a clear head. One BUI, boating under the influence, citation is too many.

See 'ya out there.

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### with various area agencies to meet any needs that may arise from members. Also, transportation to the Berlin Senior Center and adult medical daycare is included. To learn more or request services, call 410-251-0140 or email Shea Wise, CFL navigator, at shea@worcoa.org.

**Maryland Access Point (MAP) of Worcester County.** MAP is a centralized service to provide information and assistance for aging, disabled, and/or vulnerable adults of all income levels who need long-term services or want to plan for future needs. Information is also available for family and caregivers trying to support a parent, spouse, or adult child. MAP is supported by partnerships with Worcester County Health Department, Department of Social Services, and Commission on Aging. Staff from these agencies are co-located at the Charles & Martha Fulton Senior Center in Snow Hill to improve access to information and assistance across a wide range of programs. MAP also provides Options Counseling to help individuals and their caregivers develop long term care plans. For information and resource assistance, contact MAP of Worcester County at 410-632-9915.



## New county Economic Development Director appointed

The Worcester County Commissioners announce the appointment



of Kathryn Gordon as the new Worcester County Economic Development (WCED) director. Gordon stepped into her new role June 4, 2019.

Kathryn Gordon

"Kathryn is a highly-qualified, highly-motivated

professional with extensive knowledge and field experience, but more importantly she is a committed and dedicated individual," said Commission President Diana Purnell. "She will continue to build on her record of accomplishments, making her a great asset to the county and its citizens."

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ber.org and request it.

Hopefully, you were able to join us for our annual Car Show last Sunday. Beautiful weather is key for such an event and we were blessed! Our next event is our very popular Flounder Tournament. This year, it will again be at the Pines Point Marina on August 3. You must pre-register for that one as we always host over 100 anglers of all ages. Pray for great weather and save the date. Once our fish magnets return to the marina, we will conduct a huge Chinese Auction with offerings from many of our partners. Definitely worth checking out.

If you did not receive a copy of our Business Directory, we have placed them around at key locations such as the OPA Administration building, local banks and the library. But, of course, we'd always love to have you pop into the Chamber office on Cathell Road, we have them as well. When you are looking for a new service provider such as a contractor, plumber, home health care or you need to know your local elected officials, use this guide all year as a trusted resource for your community. It's important to support those who support the community.

If you are visiting our area, welcome! Worcester County has so much to offer you and your family, make the most of your stay and leave no sand grain unturned. Have a safe and sunfilled summer.

business management and entrepreneurial experience to her new position, began her career with Worcester County Government in 2013. She joined WCED as deputy director in 2017 after completing her master's degree. Gordon earned a Bachelor of Science in Business and a Master of Science in Management, with a concentration in Human Resources

"I'm honored to serve as the new director of Economic Development," Gordon said. "I grew up in Worcester County, and I graduated high school in our nationally-renowned schools. Now I'm raising my family here, and I look forward to working with our government leaders, the business community, and private citizens to build the strategic partnerships that will help our county, my home, grow to its fullest potential."

Gordon is an active member of the Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA) and the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), allowing her

Gordon, who brings 11 years of to remain current on opportunities that promote economic growth and protect Worcester County's rural character. She sits on the IEDC Sustainability Advisory Committee, focusing on the triple bottom line: creating sustainable social, environmental, and economic well-being. Gordon also sits on the Career and Technology Education (CTE) Local Advisory Committee to ensure the CTE programs offered at Lower Eastern Shore technical high schools

meet the economic and workforce needs of the communities.

Gordon is currently completing the IEDC Certified Economic Developer (CEcD) program, recognized as the standard of excellence for the profession.

To learn more about how WCED programs and services can help you grow an existing business or start a new venture, contact Gordon at (410) 632-1332.



