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Pines to host Fourth of July fireworks, carnival

Ocean Pines has moved its annual Fourth of July fireworks celebration this year, locating the event for the first time at the Worcester County Veteran's Memorial near the corner of Route 589 and Cathell Road.

A carnival celebration is slated to run from 4 p.m. to 8:45 p.m., to include carnival games, bounce houses and slides, a dunk tank, deejay, and food and drink vendors.

Entry is free. Wristbands for the rides are \$10 for children ages five and up, or \$6 for children ages two to five. There is no cost for children under two. The event is cash only.

"The team is excited to be hosting the Fourth of July event right in our Ocean Pines backyard," Operations Director Colby Phillips said. "Make sure to bring your lawn chairs and blankets, and be ready for a beautiful fireworks display."

The fireworks are scheduled to start at 9:15 p.m. and end by 9:45 p.m.

Ocean Parkway between Cathell Road and Manklin Creek Road will be closed one hour prior to the fireworks and is scheduled to reopen one hour after the fireworks finish. Cathell Road will be closed from the Sports Core Pool to Ocean Parkway from noon to one hour after the fireworks.

The fireworks viewing area will be at the veteran's memorial and the fireworks will launch from the north side of the pond, by Cathell Road.

Free parking will be available at the Ocean Pines library, Calvin B. Taylor Bank, post office, and Sports Core Pool. Additionally, safety fencing will be installed along Route 589 around the perimeter of the Veteran's Memorial, and foot traffic will be redirected to the closed portions of Cathell Road.

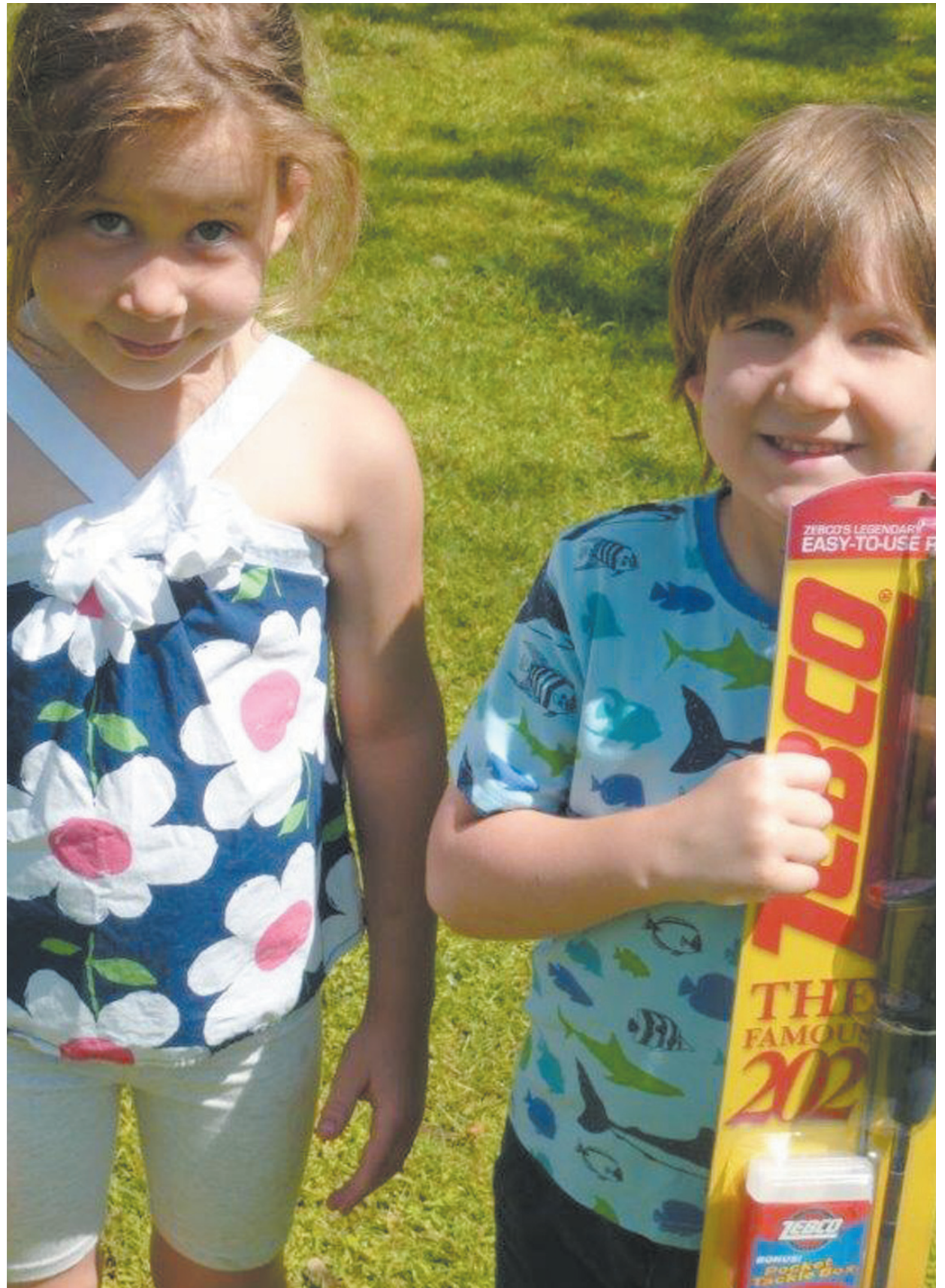
Limited handicapped parking will be available in a marked area just south of the Sports Core Pool.

Ocean Pines Police are focusing on safety because of the anticipated large crowds, starting with educating those who plan to attend the celebration.

"Pedestrian safety is the top priority," Police Chief David Massey said. "We'll have officers out there directing traffic and helping people cross the streets. Motorists should be aware of pedestrians crossing the streets, and pedestrians need to be alert because of the expected large amount of traffic coming in and out. If you can, arrive early."

At the conclusion of the fireworks, pedestrians will be given preference over motorists. Massey advised residents and visitors to anticipate delays.

In case of inclement weather, the event will be moved to Friday, July 5.



Reel good time - The Ocean Pines Anglers Club recently hosted its annual Teach A kid To Fish event on Saturday. Over 50 youth attended along with parents and grandparents. Above rod and reel winner **Tony Bakie** with sister **Anastasia**. Photo by Jack Barnes

Community Calendar

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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 7 p.m. 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 Gentlemen's Poker in North Gate area Ocean Pines. Game played every Tuesday & Thursday evening 5:45 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. on Pinehurst Rd. Ocean Pines. Call 410-208-0063 for more information.

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

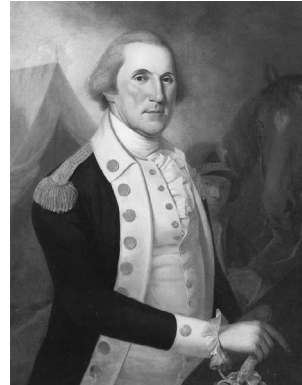
Bingo will be held behind St. Luke's Church, 100th St. in Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments available. Call 410-524-7994.

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.

A Time To Remember



On this day in 1775, George Washington rode out in front of the American troops gathered at Cambridge common in Massachusetts and drew his sword, formally taking command of the Continental Army. Washington, a prominent Virginia planter and veteran of the French and Indian War, had been appointed commander in chief by the Continental Congress two weeks before. In agreeing to serve the American colonies in their war for independence, he declined to accept payment for his services beyond reimbursement of future expenses.

Kiwanis breakfast returns

The Kiwanis Annual Summer Pancake Breakfast will be hosted July 13. Pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea and more will be offered. Kiwanis cooks and you eat. \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 and Free for under age 5. The breakfast will take place between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Carryout is also available! Proceeds Benefit the Youth of our Community. See www.kiwanisofopoc.org or Facebook.

Grace Center to host Motherhood Walk

The Grace Center will hold a Motherhood Walk at Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin on Saturday, July 20. The non-profit maternal and women's health center will be partnering with Worcester Goes Purple to raise awareness for members of the community that battle addictions.

Worcester Goes Purple is an awareness project to engage the community in preventing substance abuse and promoting healthy life choices. For more information go to www.worcestergoespurple.com.

Grace Center's mission for the Motherhood Walk is to come beside women throughout their maternal journey to educate and empower them to fight against addiction, regardless of how that may look for their family. Community members are encouraged to attend to help raise awareness for this cause.

Registration for the event will begin at 8:30 a.m. The walk will begin at 9 a.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 which includes an event t-shirt. Light breakfast will be available for purchase.

To purchase tickets for the Motherhood Walk, call 443-513-4124 or go to www.gracematernalhealth.org/events/.

Jesse's Paddle returns to support suicide prevention

Friends of the Jesse Klump Memorial Fund 9 (JKMF) will gather for the 11th annual Jesse's Paddle on Saturday July 20, at the Pocomoke River Canoe Company in Snow Hill. Registration begins at 4 p.m. and boats will hit the water by 5 p.m. Support raised at the Paddle funds the annual Jesse

Klump Memorial Scholarship as well as the nonprofit's suicide prevention outreach mission.

"There will be free canoes, kayaks and paddleboards for those who raise more than \$40 to participate in 'Jesse's Poker Paddle,'" said JKMF President Kim Klump. "While our missions are very serious, this is a day of fun and celebration, and we expect to put more than 50 boats on the Pocomoke River. Music is provided by the duo The Stims and there will be a great silent auction, food and beverage,

all for important causes."

Prizes for top fundraisers include nights in Ocean City, and a luxury pontoon boat cruise for 10 guests on the Pocomoke. There are also prizes for those holding the best hands in the Poker Paddle. Last year the weather was terrible, and at the last minute the Poker Paddle was scrapped. "Jesse's Cornhole Challenge" was mounted in its place, and was so popular that it will be reprised this year. There are prizes for cornhole winners.

Founded in 2009, the JKMF provided a \$15,000 scholarship to a Snow Hill High School graduate in the class of 2019. "Since 2009 we have granted over \$100,000 in scholarships, and last year we added a program to offer grants to educators and mental health professionals to augment our work in suicide prevention," Klump said.

The Jesse Klump Suicide Awareness & Prevention Program travels

*please see **paddle** on page 15*



Achievement - Kendal Snyder was presented with a monetary award by Ocean Pines local Chapter AK of P.E.O. for her outstanding achievements in high school. She graduated from Stephen Decatur High School. She plans on attending the Studio School in Los Angeles, CA and majoring in commercial dance. P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization which promotes educational opportunities for women. Pictured, from left to right, are Darlene Murphy, Kendal Snyder (award recipient), Mary Snyder and Connie Hall.

Pines still plans to remove crab pier

Ocean Pines is still on track to remove the remaining portion of the White Tail Sanctuary crabbing pier.

The floating portion of the pier was removed last November by Fisher Marine Construction Inc. The Ocean Pines Board on October 20, 2018 voted unanimously to authorize the work.

Then, on May 4 this year, board members voted 5-0 to allow Fisher Marine to remove the remaining structure. Director Tom Piatti abstained from the vote.

Based on the latest motion, the area is to be restored to a natural wetland and wooded area.

The pier was built as part of the White Tail Sanctuary neighborhood and as such is not considered an amenity to be used by the entire association. The original permit, issued May 3, 1994, stated the pier was intended “for recreational use of abutting residential sections.” A turnover agreement later conveyed the pier to the Ocean Pines Association.

Part of the consideration for removal is based on an evaluation by J. Stacey Hart & Associates, Inc. of Snow Hill. The firm visited the site in April 2018 and concluded, based on a visual inspection, “the existing structure is beyond repair.”

Additionally, a 2007 study suggested “The pier and its surrounding area were

not designed and are not maintained to sustain its’ high-occupancy and inappropriate usage.”

Other factors for removal included the remote location and lack of public parking.

According to the May 4 motion, “The location of the pier is such that maintenance and policing are more difficult to accomplish than ... a similar pier at Pintail Park or the S & R [Swim and Racquet] Club. Parking will continue to be an issue if the pier is replaced. In addition, even with the installation of security cameras to alert police of an emergency or irresponsible activity the site is not easily accessible by police or emergency vehicles.”

The remaining removal will include the elevated walkway, bike rack, benches and drainage ditch culverts.

Director Frank Daly, at the time, said the pier was a victim of “poor maintenance and inaction” by past boards and association management. He agreed the location made it unsafe.

Association Vice President Steve Tuttle said he would work with Operations Director Colby Phillips and Public Works Director Eddie Wells to evaluate possible alternate locations for a crabbing pier and report back to the board “if we can justify it, to build another pier someplace else in Ocean Pines.”

Declaration of Independence to be read

On Thursday July 4 Synepuxent Post #166 American Legion and the Captain John Smoot Chapter of the Maryland Society of Sons of the American Revolution will hold its second annual joint event with the reading of the Declaration of Independence at Post #166. The joint program will start at 1 p.m. with parking available in the parking lot. The entry will be on the north side of the Post on 24th Street. Sarge Garlitz of Captain Smoot’s Chapter SAR as well as the commander of the South Eastern Shore District American Legion, Chaplain Ben Dawson of Synepuxent Post #166 American Legion and President Mark Tyler of the Captain Smoot Chapter of the SAR will read the Declaration of Independence. This annual event is open to the public. The entertainment for the afternoon will be Ken and Caroline Farley of “Fife and Fife” who will play music of the mid-1770s.



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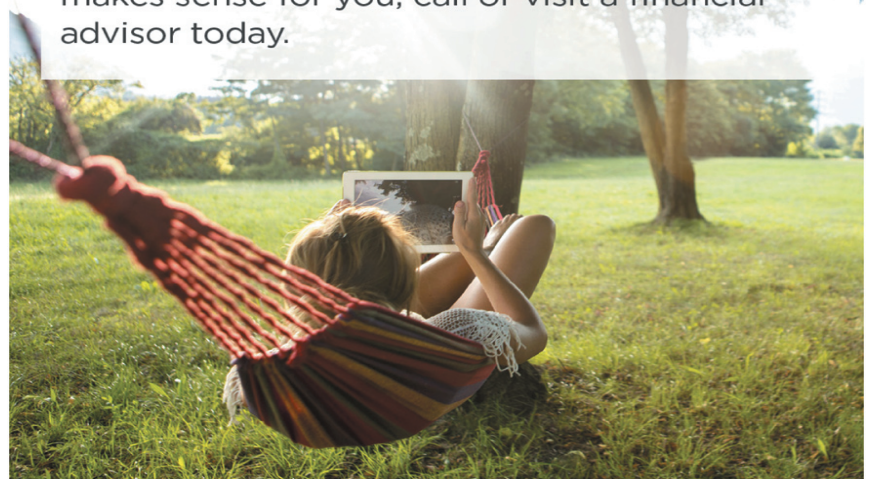
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Boating courses offered

A Maryland Safe Boating Course will be held July 9 through 11 at the Ocean Pines library.

Boating in heavy traffic areas like Ocean City can be intimidating. Even if you wait for the calmest day to take your boat out, you will encounter boaters speeding by and creating wakes, it is part of the boating experience. Understanding how to handle your boat under difficult and usual conditions is what boat safety is about. Although piloting a boat is a hands-on skill, much can be gained by an understanding of the forces of nature on your boat. Weather it is wakes, wind, current, or waves causing the boat to feel unstable, knowing how to handle these conditions to minimize the effects on your boat are some of the things taught in the safe boating class.

It might make for an iconic painting, but that famous image of all the Founding Fathers and Continental Congress huddled together, presenting the first draft of the Declaration of Independence for July 4, 1776 signing, isn't quite how things really went down.



As famed historian David McCullough wrote, "No such scene, with all the delegates present, ever occurred at Philadelphia."

It's now generally accepted that the Declaration of Independence wasn't signed on the Fourth of July—that's just the day the document was formally dated, finalized, and adopted by the Continental Congress, which had officially voted for independence on July 2 (the day John Adams thought we *should* celebrate). Early printed copies of the Declaration were signed by John Hancock and secretary Charles Thomson to be given to military officers and various political committees, but the bulk of the other 54 men signed an official engrossed (finalized and in larger print) copy on August 2, with others to follow at a later date. Hancock (**boldly**) signed his name again on the updated version.

-Jay Serafino, *Mental Floss*

Every time on the water should be relaxing and fun.

The Maryland Basic Boating Class is a great opportunity to satisfy Maryland requirements and to get practical boating knowledge from state certified Coast Guard Auxiliary Instructors.

The Maryland Boating Safety Education Act requires that anyone born after July 1, 1972 must possess a Maryland Basic Boating Safety Certificate to operate a boat in the state of Maryland. Those attending the class and passing the test will receive a Maryland Boating Certificate which is NAS-BLA approved and valid in all states and required for all ages when operating a boat in Virginia, New Jersey, and other states.

The course will be held at the Ocean Pines library. The three-evening course will begin at 6 p.m. and end no later than 9 p.m. each evening. Space is limited.

A fee of \$15 is required to cover the cost for the course and all course materials. To register, or if you have questions, please contact: Barry Cohen at 410-935-4807 or E mail CGAUXOC@Gmail.com

Future classes will be held Saturday. August 3 (all day) and September 3 through 5.

Chorus to perform

The Delmarva Chorus, a chapter of the Sweet Adelines International, is hosting its annual fundraising event, "Coffee, Tea and Aloha Harmony" on July 13 at 7 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center. The Chorus, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, has been volunteering its performances of a capella harmony to the



Advocates - Members of the Democratic Central Committee Worcester County (DCCWC) attended the Democratic Municipal Officials Summer Reception as guests of Pocomoke City Council Member Todd J. Nock. Democratic Municipal Officials advocate on the issues that matter to cities and towns, both locally and on the national level.

Picture (left to right) front: **Joan Roache**, guest, **Dr. Roxie Dennis Acholonu**, DCCWC Chair, **Jackie Ward**, guest, **Vicky Wallace** and **Laurie Brittingham**, DCCWC members

Rear: **Judy Davis**, DCCWC member, **Tom Wallace** and **Cyril Acholonu**, guests, **Nock Vincent Leef**, guest and **Patti Locklett**, DCCWC member.

MAC to host park day

The annual MAC Inc. Fun Day at the Jolly Roger Amusement Park in Ocean City will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 13.

Tickets are \$25 and are on sale in advance only. The event is held rain or shine.

Tickets include Splash Mountain Water Park from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; amusement rides from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (excluding Speed World and Zip Line); miniature golf from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.;

and water basketball and volleyball for adults. Children under age two will be admitted free to the water park.

Tickets are on sale now. For tickets and more information, call 410-742-0505.

Proceeds will support health and wellness programs at MAC Inc.



County offices closed July 4

Worcester County Government (WCG) offices, including all five Branch libraries, Recreation and Parks, Central Landfill, and Homeowner Convenience Centers, will be closed Thursday, July 4, for Independence Day.

The Shore Spirits Retail Liquor Store in Pocomoke will be open during standard hours of operation.

All WCG offices will resume standard hours of operation on Friday, July 5.

Red, white and blue

This weekend will mark the forty-third anniversary of the two hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It's hard to believe so much time has passed since

time was of my grandmother knitting an afghan with a Liberty Bell design, crack and all. She had taken a newspaper photograph of the famed icon and used it as a guide for her creation. She worked on it for months. During my swimming lessons she sat in a chair at the side of the pool knitting. She finished it right around the holiday and gave it to my grandfather, who decided, much to my grandmother's chagrin,



It's All About. . .
By **Chip Bertino**

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tall ships from nations around the world sailed majestically into New York Harbor to wish our nation a happy birthday.

How many of you remember the Bicentennial? 1976? It seems like ages ago when everything was in some way associated with this auspicious birthday for our country. The "Spirit of '76," whatever that was, enveloped all of us. It permeated everything that year from political campaigns to television shows; clothing to currency. Remember the Bicentennial quarter? The pride of independence was palpable. Red, white and blue were the only colors visible in the spectrum.

I lived in Philadelphia at the time. It was ground zero for everything having to do with the "Spirit." Independence Hall, Betsy Ross' house and most certainly the Liberty Bell. As a kid it was very easy to get swept away by patriotic fever. School lessons were chock full of all things related to our break with Great Britain. I learned a lot that year in school about the cast of characters who came together to form a more perfect union. Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and of course who could forget (not that he would let you), John Hancock and his flowing, in your face signature on the document of all documents, the Declaration of Independence. During that year the CBS television network aired a series of what they called the "Bicentennial Minute," which were short essays on all things American. It was America in all her glory: red, white and blue, Mom and apple pie too!

There are some memories of that period, now so long ago, that have stuck with me. It was a time when bell bottoms were in and disco was the rage. The Fonz was the ultimate in cool and wide ties were fashionable, especially when worn with platform shoes. One of my memories during that

expressions of patriotism did not include wrapping himself up in a wool, Liberty Bell blanket in the heat of the summer.

Another memory had a more international flavor. As part of the Bicentennial festivities, Queen Elizabeth II visited the United States, traveling aboard the Royal Yacht *Britannia*. Following its voyage across the Atlantic it entered the Delaware Bay, which was where my grandparents' home was. My grandfather stayed up late one night to see the ship through his binoculars. The next morning my brother and I were excited to hear what my grandfather had seen. In a very matter-of-fact way he said he had indeed seen the yacht and not only that, he saw the queen walking around in her pajamas. My grandfather knew his audience and what would capture their imaginations. To this day, I question the story's validity. But if he said it, it has to be true.

I don't remember much of the actual day, July 4, 1976. However, I do remember standing under a flag with my brother having our picture taken for posterity. That Kodachrome memory is tucked away somewhere in some album for future generations to discover.

Since that time of patriotic nostalgia, Independence Day holiday celebrations have not risen to the same level of majesty and pomp. This fact shouldn't be surprising: 200 years is a big deal; 243 just doesn't have the same razzmatazz ring to it. It's the difference between celebrating your twenty-first birthday and your forty-fourth.

Regardless of the year or anniversary, I'm all for the red, white and blue (Mom and apple pie too!). We don't need a Bicentennial celebration to appreciate the good old USA! Enjoy your holiday!



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Obituaries

Ingrid Uldrikis McKee, 76

Ingrid Uldrikis McKee passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2019, at Select Specialty Hospital in Wilmington, DE, following a cardiac arrest. She was 76. She was born in Latvia, the only child of Teodors and Lidija Uldrikis, who escaped Soviet Russia with two-year-old



Ingrid McKee

Ingrid in 1944, first living in a refugee camp in Germany before finally making it to Baltimore, Maryland in 1951.

An excellent student, Ingrid graduated from the University of Maryland with a major in sociology. After a short stint with the US Department of Agriculture, she joined the Montgomery County Police Department in 1966. As policy did not allow women to serve as uniformed officers, she began in the Youth Di-

vision, working with neglected and abused children. Through determination and excellent work, she became a distinguished undercover detective, specializing in sexual crimes. In 1971, after playing a key role in breaking up a notorious prostitution ring, she was named Police Officer of the Year. This and other examples of her excellence played a significant role in the county's decision in 1972 to allow women to become uniformed officers.

She became the first female criminal investigator in Montgomery County, was an expert on sexual assault, headed an investigative team specializing in child sexual abuse, helped to establish a program to train officers in sexual assault investigations, formed a new section which investigated pedophiles, and eventually retired in 1986, as the first female career police officer in the county. In 2012, she was honored by the Mont-

gomery County Commission for her groundbreaking role in opening up opportunities for women in law enforcement.

Her husband, Detective Sergeant William McKee, also of the Montgomery County Police Department, died in 2007. Ingrid McKee is survived by her mother, Lidija, who lives in Ocean Pines, MD. No memorial services are planned at this time. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Ingrid's memory to the Latvian Lutheran Church of Washington, DC, 400 Hurley Ave, Rockville, MD 20850, or to the Montgomery County Law Enforcement Officers Relief Fund, 18512 Office Park Dr., Montgomery Village, Maryland 20886.

Gail Marie McWilliam, 52



Gail McWilliam

Gail Marie McWilliam, age 52, died on Monday, June 24, 2019 at University of Maryland Hospital. Gail was born and raised in Chicago, IL. She is survived by her husband,

Matt McWilliam and their two children, Paige and Connor. Also surviving is her brother Thomas and his wife Rose, and sisters Dawn and her husband Amos, and Kristina Patten. Gail had numerous nieces, nephews, and more friends than can be counted.

Mrs. McWilliam had worked at Perdue Farms as Vice President of Marketing. She was passionate about her family and her friends, and loved to travel. She had seen much of the world and had plans to see more. Her electric smile brightened everyone and everywhere she traveled. Known for her kindness and generosity, she could also be tough as nails when needed. She will be forever missed by those closest to her.

A visitation was held on Sunday, June 30 at the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin and was followed by a memorial service. A donation in her memory may be made to: the United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore, 803 N. Salisbury Blvd. # 2100, Salisbury, MD 21801. Letters of condolence may be sent via: www.burbagefuneralhome.com

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County to host Opportunity Zone Forum

Investors, developers, business and community leaders, and the public are invited to join Worcester County Economic Development (WCED) for a forum to learn more about the benefits of investing and doing business in Opportunity Zones. The forum is free and will take place at the Worcester County Library in Berlin, Maryland on July 12, at 2 p.m.

“The U.S. Treasury issued its second set of proposed regulations for this federal tax incentive earlier this year that further explains investments into the designated Opportunity Zones to encourage economic growth and job creation,” WCED Director Kathryn Gordon said. “Worcester County has three Opportunity Zone designations: Snow Hill, Berlin, and downtown Ocean City. Opportunity Zones offer investors looking to take advantage of the tax incentive plenty of options that will lead to economic and community development.”

The Opportunity Zone Program is designed to drive economic development in distressed communities through private sector investment.

“Investors may defer and even re-

duce their federal tax liability on the sale of assets if they place their gains into an Opportunity Zone Fund,” Gordon said.

Representatives from Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Maryland Department of Commerce, and Department of Labor will be available to answer questions.

RSVPs are appreciated and can be made to WCED Administrative Assistant Kathy Shubert at kshubert@co.worcester.md.us or 410-632-3112.

Autism Awareness conference set

Atlantic General Hospital is sponsoring the third Annual Autism Awareness Conference on Tuesday, August 13, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. This event is free to the community. Dinner will be provided and registration is required.

Guest speakers: Jim Brannon, from Atlantic General Hospital. He will be discussing intern growth and development through the Project Search program.

Maureen van Stone, Esq., Kennedy Krieger Institute, will discuss transition planning for students with disabilities.

Dr. Deepa Menon, Kennedy Krieger Institute, will discuss medical and genetic updates in Autism.

For more information, contact Donna Nordstrom, Atlantic General Hospital Director of Community Health, at 410-629-6820 or dnordstrom@atlanticgeneral.org.



Stacy and Melanie learn about fish identification from angler Rich Kolanowski. Photo by Jack Barnes

Anglers Club hosts successful Teach a Kid to Fish Day

More than 50 children participated in the annual Teach a Kid to Fish Day, held recently near Ocean Pines' South Gate pond.

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club hosted the event, leading fishing lessons and equipment demonstrations for the several dozen participants.

The children were accompanied by friends and relatives, with many offering additional assistance and encouragement to the young anglers.

“It’s a wonderful opportunity for parents and grandparents to share their love of fishing with a new gener-

ation,” organizer Jack Barnes, of the Anglers Club, said.

Aspiring young anglers learned fish identification, lure selection, knot tying and casting. Fishing regulations and souvenirs were provided by officers from the Maryland Department of Natural Resource.

Finally, bait was provided for the young anglers to try out their newly acquired skills, and they surprised everyone by catching more than 10 fish. Two young anglers, Tony Bakie and Colten Bender, each won a rod and reel, courtesy of the Anglers Club.

Chamber Music by the Sea announces performances

Now entering its fourth season of bringing top-notch classical music to Eastern Shore audiences, Chamber Music by the Sea presents its 2019 festival of concerts and community events. This year’s expanded roster of activities will run from August 11 to 17 and includes three public concerts, two intimate salon concerts in magnificent private homes, a free family mini-concert suitable for children of all ages, a masterclass for young string students, and various pop-up appearances around the area.

Internationally acclaimed instrumental and vocal soloists and chamber musicians will join forces to present programs influenced by the French BelleÉpoque, including rarely heard masterpieces by Gabriel

Fauré and Ernest Chausson. Festival favorite violinists Elena Urioste and Melissa White, and pianist Tom Poster will be joined by violist Caitlin Lynch, cellist Nathan Chan, soprano Kiera Duffy, and tenor Karim Sulayman. This extraordinary group of young artists includes Grammy Award winners, a BBC Young Musician of the Year, and BBC Next Generation Artists.

Generously sponsored by the Worcester County Education Foundation, Chamber Music by the Sea is proud to support year-round arts initiatives in Worcester County public schools through its festival ticket sales. The goal of Artistic Director

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Astronomy & Spaceflight

By Douglas Hemmick, Ph.D.



Orbiting Lunar Station

The month of July marks a spectacular anniversary: fifty years ago three US astronauts achieved a milestone for mankind, completing the first mission to land men on the moon. The names Neal Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins are thus emblazoned into space history. The column celebrates their accomplishment by focusing on NASA's plans for the "Gateway" space station.

According to NASA administrator Jim Bridenstine: "The Gateway is a small space station that we will put in orbit around the moon. And the first element is the Power and Propulsion Element."

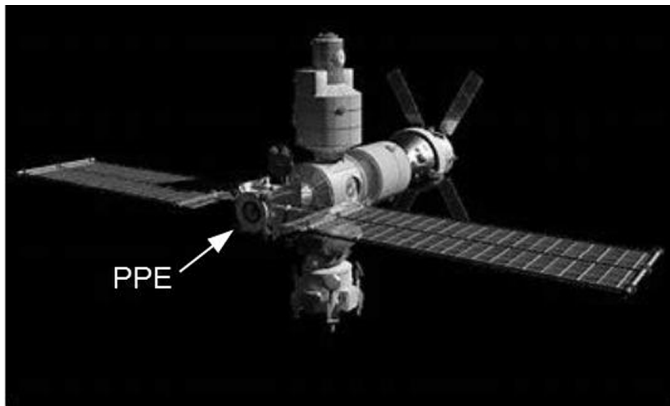
On May 23, NASA announced that Maxar Technologies has been chosen to design and build the Power and Propulsion Element (PPE). NASA awarded a \$375 million contract to Maxar, citing the company's experience in electric propulsion designs for satellites. Maxar overcame competing proposals from Boeing, Lockheed Martin, and Northrop Grumman. As its name implies, the Power and Propulsion Element is designed to power the Gateway space station, and to provide thrust needed to control its lunar orbit.

Maxar Technologies has extensive experience with constructing Earth-orbiting satellites, often equipped with advanced propulsion systems. An example is its Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) system which the company has flown in 91 satellites.

The PPE module for the Gateway will include solar panels capable of delivering 60 kilowatts to power the station's communication systems and equipment. Oversized solar panels

will use Maxar's new and unique "roll-out design."

PPE is scheduled to be launched by the end of 2022, as the first mission for the Gateway space station. After this the Crew Habitation module would follow with a 2023 launch. Later phases will involve adding modules for Logistics, Airlock and



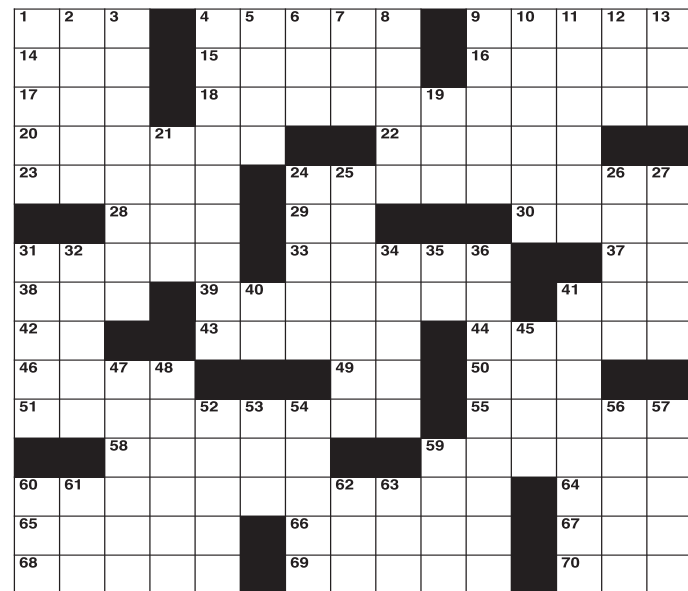
Schematic of Gateway with Power and Propulsion Element located at the near side of the Space Station

Deep Space Transport capabilities. The PPE design will incorporate the hardware for international standard docking. It will also include a remotely controlled mechanical arm to assist in joining all of these modules together, while in lunar orbit.

The PPE module is expected to weigh about 5 metric tons, which is well within the capacity of commercial rockets. Maxar's vice president of civil space, Mike Gold said, "the company would choose a commercial rocket for the PPE launch in the next 12 to 18 months." Among the possibilities are the "New Glenn" rocket of Blue Origins, and the "Falcon Heavy" of SpaceX.

The PPE's propulsion capabilities will allow it to separate from its launch rocket vehicle in Earth orbit, then use its own electrical propulsion system to raise its altitude, eventually swinging itself into the designed lunar orbit. The vehicle has tremendous thrust capability to be able to transfer into lunar orbit.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Bridge building degree
4. Catches
9. A heavy type of music
14. Original "Twilight Zone" host Serling
15. Rodent species
16. Finnish lake
17. Street (abbr.)
18. Home of the US Naval Acad.
20. It held a convention once
22. Makes a loud, ringing sound
23. Cave
24. Lessening of something
28. MJ's nickname "___ Jordan"
29. One's way of doing things
30. Wings
31. Quotes as evidence for
33. Acts glumly
37. A man's title
38. It comes first
39. Edible mollusk
41. Resembles a pouch
42. He/she checks your health
43. Nobel Prize-winning biochemist
44. Stop momentarily
46. Formerly (archaic)
49. Commercial
50. White vestment worn by clergy
51. Island people of the Mediterranean
55. Prices
58. On a line at right angles to a ship's length
59. Where boats are parked
60. One who values reason
64. It might be on your driveway
65. Small Iranian village
66. Used to emphasize
67. Mathematical term (abbr.)
68. Long necked birds
69. Eyeglasses
70. When you hope to get there

CLUES DOWN

1. Portuguese district
2. An assembly of witches
3. Having few teeth
4. The act of going across
5. Nepalese dynasty
6. "Bye Bye Birdie" actress ___-Margaret
7. What the princess found beneath her mattress
8. Pennsylvania transit organization
9. Winnie the Pooh creator
10. Riddle
11. Grads wear one
12. Body part
13. The top of a pot
19. A type of meal
21. Lake ___, one of the Great
24. Capital of Jordan
25. A type of logic
26. Khoikhoi peoples
27. Fixed time of prayer in Christian liturgies
31. Arrives
32. Lemur
34. Small bodies of still water
35. ___ route
36. Breaks apart
40. A type of line
41. Caption that translates
45. Winged
47. Criticize severely
48. Leg bones
52. Monetary unit
53. 007's creator
54. Accumulate
56. Establish by law or with authority
57. Breed of goat
59. Millisecond
60. Mock
61. Make older
62. Some don't want to be given any
63. Wrath



Answers for June 26

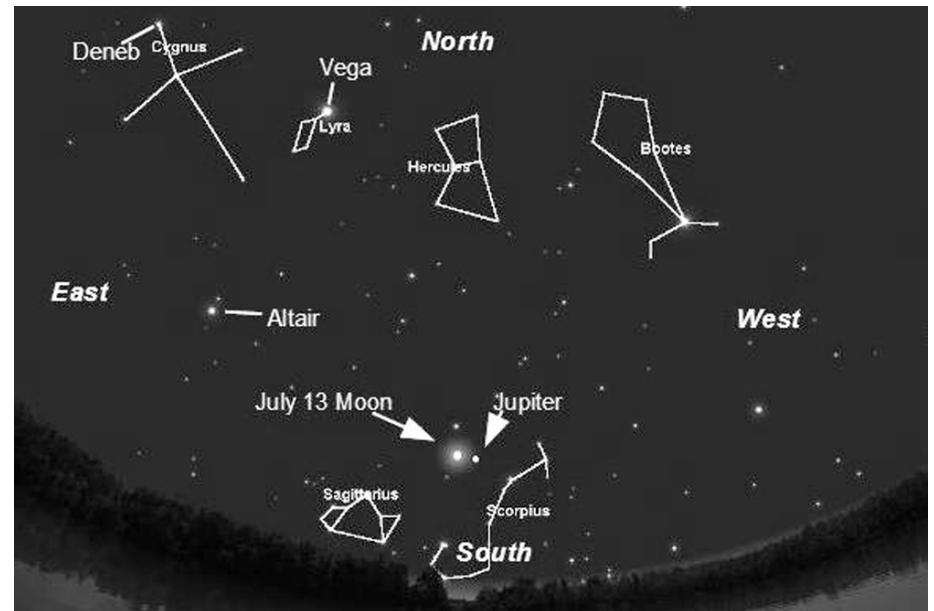
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In addition to providing a stopover for lunar and deep space astronauts, Gateway is designed to provide a

number of other benefits for space exploration. Its orbit will be located so that communications will be established with equipment or astronauts flying by or landing on the far side of the moon. Laser communications forwarded through Gateway will allow faster exchanges. As a staging point for future moon missions, Gateway offers enhanced capability to reach new landing sites, such as the lunar poles.

NASA's program to achieve moon landings has been dubbed "Artemis" after the Greek goddess of the moon. The Artemis series of flights will climax in 2024 with astronauts flying aboard the Orion spacecraft, docking with Gateway, then landing on the moon.

Stargazing in July begins at about 9 p.m. with the planet Jupiter, in the sky's southeastern quadrant about 20 degrees above the horizon. As the evening progresses, Jupiter's brilliance will increase against the darkening sky, out-shining all of July's stars. Jupiter is known to be brighter than all of the stars, and almost all the



planets. Only Venus which returns in November, is brighter.

At about 9:45 p.m., the full stellar vista comes into view. Look for Cygnus the Swan (Northern Cross) high overhead. Many stargazers are aware of the "Summer Triangle" featuring three prominent stars Vega, Deneb and Altair. Although Deneb and Vega are in the same quadrant, Altair is well-separated, to the south.

On July 13, stargazers may enjoy a

conjunction of Jupiter and the moon.

On July 20 a thrilling anniversary occurs. On that day in 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to walk on the moon. The mission was supported by Michael Collins, who stayed aloft in lunar orbit, and helped prepare for the flight back home.

Wishing good luck and clear skies to all stargazers.

Tides for Ocean City (Fishing Pier)				
Day		High /Low	Tide Time	Sunrise /Sunset
Th	4	Low	3:30 AM	5:42 AM
	4	High	9:24 AM	8:27 PM
	4	Low	3:27 PM	
	4	High	9:53 PM	
F	5	Low	4:21 AM	5:42 AM
	5	High	10:17 AM	8:27 PM
	5	Low	4:20 PM	
	5	High	10:44 PM	
Sa	6	Low	5:13 AM	5:43 AM
	6	High	11:10 AM	8:27 PM
	6	Low	5:17 PM	
	6	High	11:36 PM	
Su	7	Low	6:06 AM	5:44 AM
	7	High	12:06 PM	8:27 PM
	7	Low	6:18 PM	
M	8	High	12:29 AM	5:44 AM
	8	Low	7:00 AM	8:26 PM
	8	Low	7:21 PM	
Tu	9	High	1:26 AM	5:45 AM
	9	Low	7:54 AM	8:26 PM
	9	High	2:06 PM	
	9	Low	8:25 PM	
W	10	High	2:26 AM	5:45 AM
	10	Low	8:48 AM	8:26 PM
	10	High	3:11 PM	
	10	Low	9:31 PM	

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Declaration of Independence

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In Congress, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America, When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, —That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.—Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:

For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:

For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.

He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.



Players bring history to life

Visitors to the Ocean City Boardwalk this summer will have an opportunity to look back in history to a time when a group of remarkable women helped turn Ocean City from a sleepy fishing village into the most vibrant resort city in America. The time was 1926 and of the 32 hotels in Ocean City, 30 were run by women.

The Ocean Pines Players (OPP), the local amateur community theater group that has been entertaining audiences in this area for more than 40 years, has joined with the Ocean City Lifesaving Museum to tell their story in a 30-minute production that will be performed every Monday at 10 a.m. starting July 8 and running through August on the famous Ocean City Boardwalk near the museum.

The theater production is free for viewing to all visitors on the boardwalk.

The play, "Petticoat Regime," written especially for this event by Ocean Pines Players president, Karen McClure, tells the story of these feisty and remarkable women.

Visitors to the boardwalk can view the performances, free near the famous Ocean City Lifesaving Museum, on the south end of the boardwalk, conveniently adjacent to the Inlet Parking Lot. There is no charge to attend the performances.

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Donation - The Berlin Heritage Foundation accepted a \$5,000 donation from Taylor Bank. The Berlin Heritage Foundation operates the Calvin B. Taylor Museum located in downtown Berlin. Taylor Bank is a general museum sponsor supporting all museum events for the 2019 calendar year.

Pictured, from left, are **Susan Taylor**, museum curator; **Melissa Reid**, Berlin Heritage Foundation President; and **Ray Thompson**, president of Taylor Bank.

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Worcester County Parks are calling your name this summer

Summer is a great time to get outside, get active, and discover the beauty and the recreational opportunities available at county parks. Located throughout the county, regional and nature parks and community playgrounds are packed with amenities galore and fit diverse interests.

Worcester County's four large regional parks include athletic fields that are ideal for hosting sports tournaments and games. These include Showell Park, the Northern Worcester Athletic Complex in Berlin, John Walter Smith Park in Snow Hill, and Newtown Park in Pocomoke. Together these parks offer 13 baseball fields, 14 multipurpose fields, seven softball fields, four tennis courts, three outdoor basketball courts, and two sand volleyball courts.

Scenic Herring Creek Nature Park in West Ocean City (WOC) features a pavilion, hiking trails, and bird watching stations. Isle of Wight Park, located on MD Rte. 90 and St. Martin's Neck Road south of Ocean City, is a passive nature park with scenic wetlands, a canoe and kayak launch site, and two piers perfect for crabbing and fishing. Homer Gudelsky Park, a sandy, bayside beach in WOC, a locals' favorite, and a popular fishing site, offers spectacular views of Ocean City, Assateague Island, and the inlet.

Worcester County's community playgrounds in Bishopville, Wha-

leyville, Newark, Stockton, and Girdle-tree are ideal for hosting family outings, picnics, or other special events. Each park has a playground where children can run, jump, climb and have fun. Many are equipped with picnic tables, benches, and barbeque grills. Bishopville and Stockton have backyard fields for baseball, softball, and kickball games, and the Newark neighborhood park has volleyball nets.

Worcester County strives to provide quality facilities where residents and visitors can enjoy precious recreational and leisure hours. Worcester County Recreation & Parks (WCRP) oversees the maintenance of area parks, thanks to funding provided by both the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Program Open Space and the Worcester County Commissioners.

Exciting, new amenities were added to multiple county parks. John Walter Smith Park now has an 18-hole Frisbee golf course and walking trail. The pond at Newtown Park was cleared of trees for fishing. A wooded trail was added to the Showell Park, courtesy of service hours provided by Stephen Decatur Middle School student volunteers.

Honor that new arrival, graduation, anniversary, or memory of a loved one with the Tree of Life Dedication Program, which allows you to plant/adopt a tree or have a permanent park bench placed in one of 11 available Worcester County parks. The price does vary per

option. For more information or to receive an application, contact Bill Rodriguez at 410-632-2144, ext. 2521 or wrodriguez@co.worcester.md.us.

Pavilion reservations and rental fees are required for large groups and parties. Parks and athletic fields may also be rented for sporting events and tour-

naments. For a complete list of county parks, locations, and amenities, visit www.WorcesterRecandParks.org. To reserve a park, pavilion, or field, contact Recreation Superintendent Lisa Gebhardt at 410-632-2144, ext. 2500 or lgebhardt@co.worcester.md.us.

Basketball event raises funds for cancer center

The 44th Annual Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Ocean City Basketball Classic raised \$1,700 to be donated to the John H. "Jack" Burbage, Jr. Regional Cancer Care Center for the Atlantic General Campaign for the Future.

The classic was held in Ocean City June 21 -23 to benefit the local cancer care center. Sixty-six teams from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland competed in the tournament.

Throughout the tournament, a \$15 donation for each three-point basket made was donated to the Burbage Regional Cancer Center. More than 100 three-point baskets were made during the three-day competition.

"The teams and spectators were involved in tracking our donation goal throughout the tournament. When the final three-point basket was made to meet our goal of \$1,700, the gym went crazy! It was great to see the support," stated Tournament Director, Lynn

Smack.

Smack was enthusiastic about supporting the cancer center in honor of his best friend, Anthony Davis, who suffered from bladder cancer. Davis was a graduate of Stephen Decatur High School and played basketball for many years.

Smack started this tournament in 1980 when it was called the Berlin Basketball Classic, with only eight teams. The tournament was later moved to Ocean City and has grown to more than 80 boys and girls teams, attracting participants from as far away as Denmark. The tournament is sanctioned by AAU and has been recognized by AAU as one of the top elite tournaments in the country.

The Ocean City Basketball Classic has contributed to many organizations and individuals over the years, including churches, scholarships and book drives.

For more information about the tournament, visit www.oceancitybasketball-classic.org.

paddle

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across the lower Eastern Shore teaching the recognition of suicide's risk factors and warning signs, with the goal of reducing the historically-high suicide rates in our communities. "A successful Paddle enables us to offer all training, and all our educational material at absolutely no cost," Fund Officer Ron Pilling said.

Supporters can create their own fundraising pages, or pledge on the behalf of others who have goals set on the website, by visiting <http://jessespaddle.org> and clicking on the big orange Jesse's Paddle icon. For those who prefer to gather pledges other than online, the JKMF will provide paper Pledge Forms. Pledges and donations can be brought to the Paddle that day. For forms, or for information, call 443-982-2716 or email to weremember@jessespaddle.org.

Canoes, solo or two-person kayaks, or standup paddleboards must be reserved in advance for Jesse's Poker Paddle. Paddlers must raise a minimum of \$40 for a free boat for the event. To reserve your boat, call the Pocomoke River Canoe Company at 410-632-3971.

music

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Elena Urioste is to enrich and inspire local communities by bringing the universal language of classical music to as diverse an audience as possible.

2019 festival schedule:

August 11, 3 p.m.: concert at Temple Bat Yam, Berlin

August 13, 7 p.m.: house concert, Snow Hill

August 14, 7 p.m.: concert at All

Hallows Episcopal Church, Snow Hill

August 15, 10:30 a.m.: family concert at Berlin Public Library

August 15, 1:00 pm: masterclass at Berlin Public Library

August 16, 7 p.m.: concert at Buckingham Presbyterian Church, Berlin

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