

SHA officials to discuss Ocean Parkway roundabout

Maryland State Highway Administration officials will host an informal informational meeting on the proposed Ocean Parkway roundabout on July 11 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center.

Bob Rager, Maryland State Highway Administration district community liaison, will lead the presentation.

"The informal walk-through meeting allows us to engage citizens individually, but also offers the flexibility to bring people together at a station

around common interests and concerns if the need arises," he said. "By maintaining



an informal, walkthrough atmosphere, we can do this several times throughout the evening as needed and ensure that everyone gets heard. This format also eliminates concerns audience members often have regarding visibility of any screen presentation and difficulty understanding speakers due to room noise or soft voices."

"This meeting is just one opportunity for engagement," he continued. "We'll certainly continue the conversation and look to engage Ocean Pines residents throughout this process."

Rager said recent roadwork on Route 589 and Ocean Parkway was "routine survey work related to the roundabout concept." It is unclear if further work will be required, in the near term.

Association Vice President Steve Tuttle said he personally forwarded about 60 or 70 emails from homeowners to state transportation officials, most of which were strongly opposed to the idea of a North Gate roundabout.

"Many believe it will be very unsafe and they will not be able to use the North Gate exit from our community, and most believe this project is being thrust upon them because of the PRMC project [on Ocean Parkway]," Tuttle said. "With that kind of community sentiment, we felt it was vital to have an informational meeting with the Maryland State Highway Administration officials present, so our homeowners can express their sentiments and hear directly from the planners of this project."



New Mascot - "Buzzy" is the new mascot of the Ocean Pines Farmers Market . See story on page 6.



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 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.

Youth fishing contest returns

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will host the 23rd annual Art Hansen Memorial Youth Fishing Contest on Saturday, July 20 at the South Gate Pond [near Sports Core Pool] in Ocean Pines.

Registration is from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and the contest will be from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Youths should bring their own

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.

fishing rod and reel. Bait is provided.

There will be three age groups; 4-7, 8-

11, 12-16. A trophy will be awarded for

the biggest fish in each age group with

fish but will not be eligible for a tro-

phy. This is a free event. All regis-

trants will receive a prize

compliments of the Anglers Club, the

Ocean City/Berlin Optimist Club and

the ACSA (Atlantic Coast Sportfishing

Association). Information contact;

John McFalls at (610) 505-1697.

Children younger than age 4 can

special awards for the top three.

Pemember

The United States Patent Office issues the Swedish engineer Nils Bohlin a patent for his three-point automobile safety belt "for use in vehicles, especially road vehicles" on this day in 1962.

Four years earlier, Sweden's Volvo Car Corporation had hired Bohlin, who had previously worked in the Swedish aviation industry, as the company's first chief safety engineer. At the time, safety-belt use in automobiles was limited mostly to race car drivers; the traditional two-point belt, which fastened in a buckle over the abdomen, had been known to cause severe internal injuries in the event of a high-speed crash. Bohlin designed his three-point system in less than a year, and Volvo introduced it on its cars in 1959. Consisting of two straps that joined at the hip level and fastened into a single anchor point, the threepoint belt significantly reduced injuries by effectively holding both the upper and lower body and reducing the impact of the swift deceleration that occurred in a crash.

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.

Golf tournament returns to support youth recreation programs, summer camps

Hole sponsors and silent auctions items are needed for the eighth annual Mary Mac Foundation Memorial Golf Tournament, scheduled August 2 at the Ocean Pines Golf Club.

The tournament each year raises funds for local and regional youth programs to honor Mary McMullen (1948-2012), a special education instructor at Severna Park High School and Ruth Eason School in Millersville, Maryland. During the 1970s, she also helped established the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department.

Tim McMullen, a youth sports coach at Worcester Preparatory School and member of the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Committee, started the nonprofit Mary Mac Foundation, Inc. to honor his late wife.

This year, money raised during the sold-out tournament will benefit summer youth recreation programs in Ocean Pines. Funds will also assist Camp

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Chorus to perform

The Delmarva Chorus, a chapter of the Sweet Adelines International (501c3), is hosttheir annual ing fundraising event, "Coffee, Tea and Aloha Harmony" on July 13 at 7 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Maryland Community Center. The

Chorus, under the direction of Carol Ludwig, has been volunteering their performances of acapella harmony to our communities for many years. For a donation of \$10, there will be free coffee, tea and homemade baked goods, a 50/50 raffle, door prizes, lots of fun and more. For tickets, information or program advertising opportunities, please call Candy at 410-641-5888 or Ginny at 410-208-6557.

OPA Board discusses projects; approves new Mediacom contract

General Manager John Viola and Operations Director Colby Phillips offered updates on nearly two-dozen different ongoing projects and initiatives.

"There's a lot going on," Viola said. He said implementation of the new NorthStar software was on track thanks to the leadership of IT Manager Steve Grabowski and Finance Director Steve Phillips, as well as the efforts of several workgroups. Grabowski is also looking into adding guest Wi-Fi at the Yacht Club.

Workgroups, for Viola, have been a favorite method of tackling big issues and projects.

"Without those workgroups and without the team effort ... I don't think we can get this done. But, we are getting it done and we're on track," Viola said, adding the NorthStar project alone "would normally be an initiative for a year."

Viola said construction of the new Golf clubhouse remains on track and on budget, as does the expansion of the Ocean Pines Police headquarters. He added the new Golf cart barn was likely to come in under budget.

"We'll know more within the next month, but I like what I'm seeing on that," he said.

Work groups are also assisting with the Matt Ortt Companies contract negotiations to manage food and beverage operations, and Viola credited Executive Secretary Michelle Bennett for leading a compensation study workgroup.

Viola said construction of the new Craft Club building was likely to begin later this month. He recognized Recreation and Parks Program Supervisor Debbie Donahue for her work on that project, as well as on the installation of the new White Horse Park playground in June. The latter project finished \$600 under budget.

The crabbing pier demolition is also likely to occur in July, Viola said, with Public Works Operations Manager Nobie Violante helping to lead that effort.

At the Ocean Pines Golf Course, Viola praised Course Superintendent Andre Jordan and Golf Director John Malinowski for successful upkeep and operations that have so far this fiscal year finished in the black.

Viola said Steve Phillips and Accounts Payable supervisor Geraldine Tate were working on the annual audit, while Colby Phillips is leading workgroups and teams of employees in the areas of bulkhead maintenance, dredging and drainage.

Four companies are currently working on bulkhead repairs, with projects on Eastern Mallard finished and Ebb Tide about halfway done. Work will move next to the Pintail area, with Fisher Marine Construction Inc expected to finish bulkhead repairs along West Mallard within the next two weeks, Colby Phillips said. All four projects are currently under budget.

Going forward, Phillips said, Ocean Pines "will not be doing bulkhead [work] during the summertime."

"Right now, we're just trying to complete contracts that were already in place, so we can get those done," she said. "Going forward, we will not have that issue."

On drainage, Phillips said one bid was received for the planned pipe replacement on Watertown Road, but the association would seek additional bids before bringing the project to Viola and the board. She added pipe replacement on Boston Road had been completed.



Colby Phillips making a point during the meeting

"While we have the dry weather now, this is the best time to get the ditches cleared out," Phillips said. "We have Atlantic Stone Walls coming in to help us with some of our larger ditches that have to be done by hand, and [the company] will be starting on Burr Hill this coming week." mitted for a dredging permit, as well as a permit to fence in the new White Horse Park playground, and a new shade structure at the Manklin Meadows Racquet Sports Complex is close to finished.

Phillips said Public Works finished

She added Ocean Pines had sub-

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The numbers game

Commentary by **Joe Reynolds** Matt Ortt Companies is off to a



great start in its second year of managing the Ocean Pines Beach Club and Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Financial reporting just released by OPA for the month of May indicates an operating

profit of \$5,025 at the Yacht Club. This compares to a May 2018 operating loss of \$64,466. While only one month into the new fiscal year, the number is extremely encouraging, to say the least.

During the recently completed fiscal year, the Yacht Club lost about

Fun facts about sports

In 1963, major league baseball pitcher Gaylord Perry remarked, "They'll put a man on the moon before I hit a home run." On July 20, 1969, an hour after Neil Armstrong set foot on the surface of the moon, Perry

hit his first, and only, home run while playing for the San Francisco Giants.

> Retired basketball sensation Michael Jordan

from Nike each year than all the Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined.

The Olympic flag's colors are always red, black, blue, green, and yellow rings on a field of white. This is because at least one of those colors appears on the flag of every

nation on the planet. The average lifespan of a major league baseball: 7 pitches.

All major league baseball umpires must wear black underwear while on the job in case their pants split.

In 1920, Babe Ruth out-homered every American League team.

Babe Ruth wore a cabbage leaf under his cap to keep his head cool. He changed it every two innings.

Every year 56,000,000 people attend major league baseball games.

There are 336 dimples on a regulation golf ball.

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\$80,000 on operations, including all management fees and bonus payments to Ortt Companies based on their management contract. All else remaining equal for the current fiscal year, the May results would reduce that yearly loss to only around \$20,000. These numbers are a far cry from the typical Yacht Club past losses that probably averaged about \$200,000 a year, not to mention the disastrous summer of 2017 under OPA internal management.

There is a very real possibility the Yacht Club could turn a decent operational profit during the current fiscal year. It is safe to say that Matt Ortt Companies management team of Matt Ortt and Ralph DeAngelus have turned the operation around, both financially and from a customer satisfaction standpoint.

At the Beach Club, operating loss

during May 2019 was \$6,348, back to around its pre-2017 disaster numbers. May is not a big month at the Beach Club, however, and not much can be gleaned from this single month result — but expectations are running high for the 2019 season.

Despite the doom and gloom scenario for Beach Club Parking painted by some home-rental folks in Ocean Pines, the money is rolling in. OPA collected \$190,855 last year in May; this year May produced \$237,258.

Golf had a good May, with an operational profit of \$219,502, compared with \$48,935 last May. However, due to a change in how OPA reports member dues, the bottom line is not as good as one might initially think. A real year-to-year comparison would show golf with an operational profit of about \$100,000 — still good. OPA needs to stop changing how it reports financial results. Changed reporting methods make it extremely difficult to make year-to-year comparisons, not to mention raising questions about changes for political purposes.

Other OPA departments are slightly over or slightly under numbers for last year and will come into better focus after the July results are announced. Net operating for all of OPA operations indicates a \$200,000 positive result as compared to budget. Comparisons to budget are useful for determining potential impact on the assessment in future years.

All things considered, OPA looks to be on much sounder financial and management footing overall than a few years ago. In addition to the good work accomplished by Matt Ortt Companies in the area of food and beverage, credit also goes to OPA's entire management team, especially General Manager John Viola, Operations Director Colby Phillips, Public Works Director Eddie Wells, and Golf Director John Malinowski.

Team effort led to successful Fourth of July events

Close to 2,000 people attended Ocean Pines' Fourth of July events, including a morning 5K race, afternoon carnival and evening fireworks show, all for the first time held at a single location in Veterans Memorial Park.

As the day began, nearly 300 took part in the eighth annual Freedom 5K race, hosted by Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks.

Proceeds from the race netted a \$750 donation for the Maryland chapter of Achilles International, an organization formed "to empower people with all types of disabilities to participate in mainstream running events in order to promote personal achievement." For more information, visit www.achillesinternational.org.

Starting at 4 p.m., Veterans Memorial Park hosted a family friendly carnival that included games, pony rides, and several jumbo bounce houses and slides for children. The event also included a live deejay and food and drink vendors.

A half-hour firework display over

the South Gate pond, begun just after 9:15 p.m., capped off the busy day. Previously, the fireworks were held at Showell Park.

All three events were made possible thanks to a collaboration between Ocean Pines' Police, Public Works and Recreation and Parks departments, with several neighboring agencies providing additional assistance.

From workers and volunteers operating rides and games for children, to

public safety agencies guiding traffic and public works crews helping to oversee the activities, the Fourth of July happenings took more than 100 people to pull off.

"Thank you to everybody that was involved in making this a really very successful event, from our staff at the recreation department, to public works and the police department, and the Worcester County Sheriff's Department and neighborhood watch, because they all played their part,"



Recreation and Parks Program S u p e r v i s o r Debbie Donahue said. "For our

first event it was tremendous, and I think everyone really enjoyed it, from the Freedom 5K to the end of the

night," she continued. "The whole day was really successful. It was an awesome day and it took a lot of people to get it done."

Ocean Pines Public Works Director Eddie Wells singled out Shaefer Fireworks for putting on a dazzling display, as well as the Ocean Pines and Worcester County fire departments for their help.

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It turned into something else

recently that I'm sure is not unique to me. I had expected to spend an evening doing one thing when events unfolded in such a way that in the dark, talking toward the





the evening turned into something else entirely.

I enjoy watching movies, mostly comedies and classics, action and adventure. I'm not a big fan of gory movies or hard dramas. I like to laugh. I'll take "Caddyshack" or "Police Squad" or a Mel Brooks film over anything that is too gritty or sad. But I digress.

For a birthday gift several years ago, my wife gave me a projector and big screen so that movies could be enjoyed outside on our Piazza. It was one of the best gifts I've received. This was a big upgrade to when I would bring outside the 15inch television and we'd all crowd around cupping our ears so we could hear.

We have watched a lot of movies outside. Often when the big screen goes up, I send a text to a group of family and friends to join us. There's not much lead time with these invitations, sometime as little as an hour or two. As a result, there can be a group of people in attendance, sometimes one or two and sometimes I'm out there by myself.

During dinner recently, I said to my wife that I was going to screen that evening the Humphrey Bogart classic, "Casablanca," a movie I've seen countless times. My wife decided to pass so I sent out a text to the usual characters to ask if anyone wanted to join me.

As showtime approached, everything was ready. The chairs were in place, the movie was cued and the sun was fading behind the trees.

Minutes before I was going to hit "play," a friend of ours strode in. She was ready with her drink and her popcorn. We began talking as I showed her around our garden. We eventually took our seats and continued to talk about all sorts of

other's silhouette for the next couple hours. So engrossed in the conversation was I that I never even thought to turn on the lights so we could at least see one another. Finally, we realized what time it was so we said our goodbyes, never having so much as watched the opening credits.

It was a wonderful evening. There's just something intoxicating about participating in enjoyable conversation. It's better than reading a book. Better than watching a movie, obviously.

Despite all the forums available for communication, I find that the experience of interesting, humorous and fascinating in-person, give and take conversation is rare. Pity. I'll take an eye twinkle or a hearty guffaw over an emoji any day of the week.

To be sure some people are better conversationalists than others. A conversation is a back and forth exchange, like a good tennis match. There are some people who confuse talking with conversation. It's not the same thing. I've been in the company of people who from the time I meet them until the time I can think of some excuse to extricate myself, talk about themselves, their kids, their neighbors and they're recent ailment or their neighbor's recent ailment without so much as a pause to ask me a question or to determine if I've fallen unconscious. They're oblivious. I do my best to avoid such people.

It would be worthwhile if school children were taught how to converse without the aid of electronics or social media. They may at first gripe about it, but in the long run I think they'd be appreciative.

Getting back to the night I didn't watch "Casablanca." The evening was special because of a confluence of timing and unexpectedness. It cannot be replicated. But I wouldn't mind not watching future movies if the result was the same.





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Pines Farmers Market unveils new mascot

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market recently introduced Buzzy, its new honeybee mascot.

Buzzy is the newest addition to the market's family friendly atmosphere. The huggable bee strolls the marketplace and engages with shoppers.

"Buzzy will also take part in activities at the Kids' Market Zone and sometimes join resident chef Maggie Hearn in the market's open-air Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market by Stag Run Farm, a year-round merchant at the market also based in Georgetown. With an extensive apiary, Stag Run Farm has hives that pollinate all its various crops. They also offer their Chrissy Bee's Honey at the market.

"Buzzy and his friends are very important to the pollination of all our crops, including our apple and peach

> tree orchards," Craig Brady, beekeeper and co-owner of Stag Run Farm, said.

> Bees like Buzzy are members of the genus Apis, the classification for the honeybee. There are more than 20,000 known species of bees, worldwide.

"By introducing Buzzy, we are hoping to encourage conversations between our youngest shoppers and their parents about the importance of pollinators to the foods we eat," Market Manager David Bean said.

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market runs Wednesdays, through August 28, and Saturdays, year-round, at White Horse Park in Ocean Pines. Market hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, visit www.oceanpines.org/amenities/ocean -pines-farmers-and-artisans-market.



Reading

On July 4, members of the American Legion Synepuxent Post #166 undertook their annual reading of the Declaration of Independence.

Above are (L-R) Post #166's Chaplain **Ben Dawson, Rosie Garlitz**, past president of Unit #166 Auxiliary, **Ken** and **Carolyn Farley** of Flutes Etc, President **Mark Tyler** of John Smoots' Chapter Sons of the American Revolution (local chapter), Commander **Sarge Garlitz** of the South Eastern Shore District American Legion Dept of MD., **Nancy Howard**, president of the OC life Saving Museum and Unit #166 and AL Post #166 Commander **Tom Wengert**.

Donations sought for new teacher welcome bags

For the first time, Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services (WYFCS) in partnership with the Greater Ocean City, Ocean Pines, Berlin and Snow Hill Chambers of Commerce are asking for donations to fill bags for the new teachers of Worcester County. WYFCS is encouraging local businesses and non-profits to give helpful items for the upcoming school year.

Many of these teachers are new to the area; WYFCS feels it is important to make them feel welcome and educate them on area businesses and the community at-large. The project also serves as a free advertising campaign for businesses choosing to donate. This program has been a staple at the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce for teachers in Wicomico County for several years.

WYFCS is requesting 100 items per business to place into the bags. Accepted donations include advertising pieces, coupons, promotional products, or goods with a company logo. It is suggested that submissions be physical items rather than paper products as teachers find them more useful.

Those interested in donating should deliver items to the WYFCS offices no later than August 15. The offices are located at 124 North Main Street, Suite C, in Berlin, MD 21811.

They are also requesting volunteers for the "bag stuffing" event on August

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kitchen," Janice Curtis, director of marketplace features, said.

Portraying Buzzy is Jaya Shaub, a ninth-grade student at Sussex Tech High School in Georgetown, Delaware. Shaub received the English Language Department's award for the 2018/2019 school year and inspires to be an author and physical therapist.

The oversized yellow and black striped bee costume was gifted to the



Garden Club to meet

The next meeting of the Ocean Pines Garden Club will be on Thursday, July 13. The speaker will be Kate Patton from the Lower Shore Land Trust. Ms. Patton will speak about "pollinators," an important topic given the current honey bee decline. She will discuss what we can do about the decline, including what plants to use to attract bees to our gardens. The meeting will be at the Ocean Pines Community Center, Assateague Room, at 10a.m. New members and visitors welcome.

Anglers to meet

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will meet on Saturday, July 13, at 9:30 a.m. in the Ocean Pines library. The speaker will be champion tournament fisherman Jim Short, winner of numerous Bass fishing tournaments and charter member of the Bass Fishing Hall of Fame. Jim will speak on the effect of tides and currents on both fresh and saltwater fish. Updates will be given on local fishing issues. All are welcome.



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Homecoming - Welcome back to Ocean Pines for Sid and Charlie Warner who recently moved to York, PA. They met with old bridge club friends at Alex's Restaurant in West Ocean City. (L-R) Anna Foultz, Bill and Peggy Long, Sid with Charlie sitting in front of her, owner of the restaurant Alex, and Dot and Bob Danchik,

Free smoking cessation classes offered

Summer is always a season for fresh starts. The Worcester County Health Department's free summer smoking cessation classes begin in July. With the smoking cessation class, Chantix, gum, patch, lozenges and other aids to help individuals quit tobacco are available through a voucher program for individuals meeting specific requirements.

Join one of the smoking cessation classes available throughout Worcester County starting this month:

From 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays (July 8 to September 23) at the Snow Hill Health Center, 6040 Public Landing Rd.

From 4-5 p.m., Tuesdays (July 9 to Sept. 24) at the Pocomoke Health Center, 400 Walnut St.

From 3:30-4:30 p.m., Wednesdays (July 10 to Sept. 25) at the Berlin Health Center, 9730 Healthway Dr.

Professionally trained instructors can help participants break the smoking addiction. The smoking cessation course consists of seven sessions covering stress management, weight control, assertive communication, how to develop a quit plan, relapse prevention, and physical activity.

For more information or to register, call 410-632-0056.

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16 at 12 p.m. in the Ray (located within WYFCS offices.) For more information. call Morgan Coulson, Communications Coordinator at (410) 641-4598 or email her at mcoulson@gowoyo.org. Those seeking to donate may also contact their local Chamber of Commerce: Berlin: (410) 641-4775; Greater Ocean City: (410) 213-0552; Snow Hill: (410) 632-0809; Ocean Pines: (410) 641-5306.



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Security to assist at Ocean Pines Marina

Heavy boating traffic at the Ocean Pines Marina recently led to the hiring of a security detail to work on weekends and holidays.

Because of the increased success at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club, the marina started experiencing some issues last year, including those without boat slips occasionally docking in spots reserved for those with a paid boat slip. Some other boaters have taken to parking at the gas docks.

Security was included in the fiscal 2020 budget in the form of additional staff hours. As the marina became busier, Marina Manager Ron Fisher suggested a security service, which was supported by Operations Director Colby Phillips and General Manager John Viola. The additional security began near the end of June and reports directly to Fisher.

"Safety is always a priority and we felt the added security would help ensure our boaters have a pleasant and safe experience," Viola said.

Signs are posted at the marina instructing boaters where they can and cannot dock. Additionally, the security detail starting July 4 began handing out diagrams to those who do not have a boat slip, showing them where the available spots are, although there is no guarantee of one being available.

Security guards are instructed to ask boaters who dock at the gas docks and at paid boat slips belonging to others to move. There are currently areas for nine or ten boaters without slips to dock at the marina.

"The security detail is there to ensure that those who paid for boat slips will have their place to dock, and to instruct those without slips on where they can dock their boats," Fisher said. "The increased success of the yacht club and marina have led to much heavier boating traffic, and we felt the security was necessary in order to ensure the marina continues to operate in a safe and orderly fashion."

"We are excited about the larger crowds and will certainly consider options for expanding the boat docking for next season," Phillips said. "Security went over very well during the first weekend and we look forward to continued success at the



yacht club and marina throughout the summer."

call 410-641-7447 or visit www.oceanpines.org/amenities/ocea n-pines-marinas/yacht-club-marina.

For questions about the marina,

Cabaret dinner planned

On Sunday, July 14 the Germantown School Community Heritage Center will host its annual Gospel Dinner Cabaret featuring Alfreda Dennis Bowyer, from Chestertown, MD. Accompanied by pianist Ida Cox, she will entertain the audience with praise music. Tickets are \$25 each. Call 410-641-0638 for tickets.

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Hummingbirds

Hummingbirds are not only beautiful- they are fast! Their wing-beats have been measured at 200 per second. Hummingbirds can hover and even fly backwards. This agility helps them to get the necessary amount of nectar, small insects and water they need to sustain themselves.

Planting tubular flowers like Bee balm or Trumpet creeper will help attract hummingbirds. Nectar feeders will supplement the diets of your

neighborhood hummers. Use four parts water to one-part sugar to make a solution. Do not use honey. Boil the water, turn off heat, and then add the sugar. Adding red dye to the solution is not necessary. Remember to thoroughly clean feeders every three or four days and refill with fresh solution.

There are over

350 species of hummingbirds worldwide. The Ruby-throated hummingbird is the only species that breeds in the eastern United States. They migrate here from Southern Mexico and Central America every spring and return in the fall. Males normally arrive first and scout out territories rich in food. Setting out feeders in late March will attract the males to your area.

Leave feeders up through the fall months to provide these migratory birds with food for their journey. Also, migrating birds moving through the area will have a place to refuel.

Butterflies and Bees

Butterflies and bees can add a special grace to your garden and both play an important ecological role in the reproduction of plants. Butterflies in Maryland have evolved to make the most use of native plants.

If you would like your garden to become a butterfly "nursery," then you may want to include those plants that are used by caterpillars. These plants are referred to as 'host' plants.

Bees are a great addition to any



garden, especially because they perform important roles in pollinating plants. About 30% of the food we eat has been pollinated by a bee!

To provide butterflies and bees with water, add about a quarter inch of sand to a large saucer, such as a clay flowerpot liner. Add water until a quarter inch of water rises above the sand. Place a few flat stones that rise above the water and others that just touch the surface. This will allow insects to drink without drowning.

> -Maryland Department of Natural Resources



30. Get older

44. Having ten

50. Decay

52. Pigpen

46. A type of cigar

48. World's longest river

49. Single-celled animal

51. General's assistant (abbr.)

31. Chinese surname

32. Edith Bunker actress

39. Natives to Myanmar

43. Where some get their mail (abbr.)

45. Assn. of oil-producing countries

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Doctors' group
- 4. One millionth of a gram
- 7. Contrary to
- 8. Oohed and
- 10. Popular sandwiches
- 41. Soda comes in it 12. Construction site machine 42. Counting frames
- 13. Variety act
- 14. Fall back
- 16. An electrically charged atom
- 17. Mountain lakes
- 19. Japanese classical theater
- 20. Pesky insect
- 21. Natural wonders
- 25. Design file extension
- 26. Genus of grasses
- 27. Container for shipping
- 29. Theron film "___ Flux

CLUES DOWN

- and Costello
- 2. Islamic teacher
- 3. Clothing 4. Disfigure
- 5. Irons
- 6. NW Italian seaport
- 9. A reduction
- 11. Short poem set to music
- 14. Pain unit
- 15. Get in form
- 19. To the <u>degree</u>



Answers for July 3

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- 27. Herb , San Francisco columnist
- 28. Ottoman military commander

- 33. Pouch
- 34. City of Angels
- 35. Dark olive black
- 36. Nocturnal hoofed mammals
- 37. Wild cat

- 44. Everyone has their own
- 8. Play a role



- - 22. Content 23. Earn a perfect score
 - 24. Korean surname

29. Satisfaction

- 31. Kids' TV channel (abbr.)
- 32. Poke quickly

- 38. Fine detail 39. Prevents harm to creatures
- 40. A city in Louisiana
- 47. Basics
- 20. Wild or sweet cherry





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14 of 34 drainage workorders during June. The department fielded 142 total workorders during the month, with 107 being completed. Public Works crews are also mowing the grass at Ocean Pines' facilities, easements and parks.

Phillips said Ocean Pines' pools have been extremely busy of late. Addressing a resident concern about outside use of the pools, she said 1,803 guests used the Yacht Club pool between Monday and Friday this week, with only 132 being nonresidents. At the Mumford's Landing pool, 1,492 guests used the pools, 127 of which were nonresidents.

"Our residents [and pool members] are using the pools, which is great," she said.

Phillips credited Donahue and a partnership between Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks, Public Works and Police – as well as numerous other local and neighboring public safety agencies with a successful slate of Fourth of July events, including a carnival and fireworks at Veterans Memorial Park.

"We are very happy with how the event came out and we'll be looking again to do that again the next year," Phillips said.

To view the full Operations Report, v i s i t https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=875

President's Comments

Association President Doug Parks encouraged people to attend a July 11 public meeting about the proposed North Gate roundabout, to be led by the Maryland Department of Transportation.

The meeting is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center.

"If anybody asks, please pass the word. We'd like to get some participation," Parks said. "There'll be some questions and answers ... [and] you can share your concerns.

"I really encourage everybody who can make it to please attend that meeting," he added.

To view Parks' full comments, visit https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=103

Treasurer's Report

Viola said the association began its fiscal year in May by posting a net operating profit of \$202,272 over budget, with revenues \$175,341 higher than what was budgeted and expenses \$26,931 lower than the budget.

Amenities and departments that beat budget estimates included the Yacht Club (\$67,000), Beach Parking (\$49,000), Recreation and Parks (\$31,000), Public Works (\$18,000), Beach Club (\$17,000), Golf operations and maintenance (\$14,000), General Manager's office (\$13,000), Marinas (\$8,000) and Police (\$6,000).

Viola said construction at the golf course did not appear to have a noticeable negative impact on operations.

"When you take into account everything that's going on, in my mind and what I'm reporting is very favorable," he said. "I understood the concerns. We have done everything possible to ensure a pleasant experience for the golfers and the feedback I'm getting is that it's positive."

Viola also praised the Matt Ortt Companies for their handling of food and beverage operations. The Yacht Club, for example, finished May with a positive net operating balance of \$5,025. In May 2018, the Yacht Club finished the month with a negative operating balance of \$64,466.

Reserves, as of May 31, totaled \$11.5 million, including \$7 million in replacement reserves, \$3.1 million in bulkhead reserves and \$1.4 million in road reserves.

Viola took a moment to recognize Assistant Treasurer Gene Ringsdorf, who will finish his tenure with Ocean Pines at the end of August.

"I just want to thank Gene for all the work and service that he's given to Ocean Pines," Viola said.

 $\begin{array}{c|c} To view the full Treasurer's Report, \\ v & i & s & i & t & : \\ https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=479 \end{array}$

Mediacom contract

Board members voted 6-0 to "accept the current version of the Mediacom contract that was submitted for review and approval."

Parks said the contract would allow the association to move forward from the current month-to-month agreement, adding the document was reviewed and negotiated by an Ocean Pines workgroup, as well as attorneys for both parties.

"The new contract provides the same standard services, but also address several important issues, including compliance with federal law regarding the removal of exclusive use of easements and rights of way," Parks said in a formal motion. He added it was important for the community to understand the new contract was "not a retail agreement," but rather "a right-of-way" agreement. He said the FCC forbids exclusive rights for easements and rights of way; therefore, the agreement could open to the door for other vendors.

"I hope it will generate some interest by other service providers," Parks said. "However, that being said, the incumbent certain has the crux of the market."

Parks said Ocean Pines received three percent of cable television gross revenues under the old agreement. With the new contract, the association will collect 1.6 percent of all Mediacom services provided to the community, including phone, internet and cable television. Parks said he expects the association to net roughly same

amount – about \$150,000 to \$160,000 – under the new contract.

To view the full discussion, visit: https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZ0?t=351

New Business Highlights

Board members voted 6-o to approve a motion to authorize Viola to negotiate a contract for a compensation study. The item was a late addition to the meeting agenda.

Director Colette Horn, in the formal motion, said the contract was not to exceed \$100,000 and would include "analysis of all positions and salaries, [an] external salary survey, benefits study, development of a compensation philosophy, and development of an implementation plan."

"The purpose and effect is to provide OPA with a current and comprehensive review of our compensation policies approach and philosophy, and a plan for implementation of needed compensation adjustments," Horn said in the motion.

"In the last two budget cycles, OPA has made decisions impacting benefits and compensation for employees, with the promise to employees and OPA members that a professional compensation study would be conducted to guide present and future decisions," she added.

Horn said only one vendor responded to a request for proposals, with several others indicating the job was "either was too large for their caJuly 10, 2019 **The Courier** Page 11 pabilities, or that their current workload would not accommodate our timeline." She said the bid was reviewed by an Ocean Pines workgroup and the vendor "has extensive experience doing this type of work for Eastern Shore municipalities," including Ocean City, Wilmington and Rehoboth



Board President **Doug Parks** (I) and Board Member **Steve Tuttle**.

Beach in Delaware, and several large homeowners' associations.

The "not to exceed \$100,000" figure is well over the \$25,000 budgeted for the study, Horn admitted, "but the workgroup unanimously agreed that it is justified based on need for the scope of services that are proposed."

Parks and several others said the potential budget overage gave them "sticker shock," although he suggested

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Tides for Ocean City (Fishing Pier)				
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Sa	13 13 13	High Low High	5:23 AM 11:29 AM 6:00 PM	5:47 AM 8:24 PM
Su	14 14 14 14	Low High Low High	12:36 AM 6:14 AM 12:19 PM 6:47 PM	5:48 AM 8:24 PM
Μ	15 15 15 15	Low High Low High	1:24 AM 7:01 AM 1:06 PM 7:31 PM	5:49 AM 8:24 PM
Tu	16 16 16 16	Low High Low High	2:07 AM 7:45 AM 1:49 PM 8:14 PM	5:50 AM 8:23 PM
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First Coxswain

recently completed the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary coxswain qualifications. I had assimilated about 2,800 pages of technical gobble-gook, passed some on-line tests, got a couple hundred sign-offs, taken an oral exam and demonstrated on-the-water proficiency.

With all those credentials one might think that you are cool, ready to sneak a submarine into Tokyo Bay with Gary Grant or take on an Akikaze destroyer in the Bungo Straits with Clark Gable. Not SO.

Cool, yes, but nervous too. I've been operating recreation boats since the early 1980s and have always been able to get them back to the dock with everyone accounted for. That's not to say that I haven't put some scratches in the gelcoat, or broken a spar or two on a sailboat, or

effort

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"Everyone worked great together. Debbie's dream came true of having the fireworks at the pond as a great way to end the day of events," Wells said. "All of our departments – police, the rec dept, public works and fire department, along with other organizations from the Pines – made this event enjoyable for all.

"A special thanks to the Sheriff's Department, state police and state highway for helping us pull this off," Wells continued. "Everyone worked very hard in the brutal heat to make it a success. They all contributed to help make this successful."

Ocean Pines Operations Director Colby Phillips also credited Donahue for

So there I was, my first command. I wrapped a line around a propeller shaft, or sucked a little sand into an outboard, or dragged an anchor, or have gotten caught by fog bank, or lost expensive stuff overboard ('expensive stuff' is redundant around boats).

> Come to think about it. I didn't really want to share my boating resume with my first crew. I feared they would have visions of James Cagney in 'Mr. Roberts" or Humphrey Bogart in "Caine Mutiny" popping into their heads. My personal images were closer to the "Perfect Storm."

> I had hoped for a nice calm day with little boat traffic for my first patrol but that wasn't going to be. It was the weekend of the Ocean City Air Show and we needed ever available resource on the water for safety patrols. Annually, it is a massive effort. This year's safety armada her part in planning and overseeing the

Fourth of July events.

"Debbie mentioned to me about trying to carrying the fireworks over to the pond to join the day events with the evening show," Phillips said. "Working with the Fire Marshall's office, local police and fire and the county, we were able to make that happen and it was a wonderful event. The team did such a fabulous job!"

Ocean Pines Police Chief David Massey also thanked Maryland State Police.

"It was a great team effort between Ocean Pines departments," Massey said. "We learned a lot and the event next year will be even better!"

included facilities from the United States Coast Guard, Homeland Security, Maryland Department of Natural Resources Police, Maryland State Troopers, Baltimore Marine Police, Ocean City Fire Department, Ocean City Beach Patrol, and USCG Auxiliary.

We spent four demanding days on the water. Thursday and Friday are not well advertised but Thursday is a practice day for the Blue Angels and Friday is a full program rehearsal day. Although the number of recreational boats is fewer, the need to maintain a safe and secure air



space is the same as during the Saturday and Sunday official show performances.

My immediate question was how do you mentally prepare to be the skipper? Do you re-read "Mutiny on the Bounty" and "Old Man in the Sea?" Or do you veg out in front of a flat screen and watch "Horatio Hornblower" and "PT109?" Despite all the formal coxswain training I felt more like a newly minted ensign fresh out of officer's candidate school than a seasoned boater.

I tried to do it by the book: pre-mission briefing, risk management assessment, crew assignments and a double dose of underarm deodorant. Then we got underway and the fun began. As much as I mentally practice saying 'port' and 'starboard' I still blurted out 'left' and right' like a land lubber.

Our mission was to provide a safety presence for the 300 to 500 boats that gather to watch the O.C. Air Show. When the weather is good most of the sightseers are out in the ocean but this year the sustained winds of 15-20 mph and higher gusts kept most of the viewing fleet in the bay. There were only about 75 boats in the ocean. The rest were back in the bay, my patrol area, making my coxswain debut a challenge. At one point there were at least 50 boats beached on Assateague Island. It looked like a D-Day invasion. The rest of the fleet lay at anchor in the two coves at 14th Street and outside Fish Tales. So much for light traffic.

The Small Craft Advisories or near advisories every day of the show took

Auxiliary facility 23599, also known in its civilian life as 'Real Time' is seen here on patrol during the Ocean City Air Show with an all Ocean Pines crew. The coxswain is Dan Collins, the helmsperson is Cathy Battistone, the port side lookout is Lynn Killian, and the starboard side lookout is Steve Battistone. Photo by Nancy Collins.

their toll. The crew on our ocean side Auxiliary boat fought off seasickness in the four to six-foot swells and our bayside boat was blown out of the crowded channels more than once which gave us close encounters with the bottom. At one point we observed three boats stranded on the sandbar off of 12th Street and a towboat accepting credit cards. So much for light wind.

It was an exciting first coxswain event for me and, thankfully, no one needed rescuing and we got everyone back to the docks, a little weary but 'Bravo Zulu' (job well done).

By the way, my head was on a swivel most of the day eyeing other surface vessels but what I did see of the air show was great (from the left and the right). My complements to Ocean City and the organizers again this year.

Dan Collins can be reached for comment at

dancollins.oceanpines@gmail.com.





Picnic - Commodore of the Ocean Pines Boat Club Patricia Marchesiello held a club picnic on June 22. (L-R) Commodore **Patricia Marchesiello**, **Eileen Salafia** and **George Ward** (standing). Photo by Anna Foultz.

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Crab cake dinner offered

The Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold a Crab Cake Platter Dinner at the Main Station on Sun-

day, July 21 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The cost is \$12 for one crab cake on a roll,

coleslaw, bag of chips, one beverage (water/soda). Preorders are recommended as there are only 100 platters available. Call or text 619-922-9950 to reserve your dinners.



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Is marinating worth the time and effort?

Backyard barbecue enthusiasts typically prefer the taste of grilled foods over meals prepared in other ways. Much of that devotion to grilled foods can be traced to the unique flavor open flames impart to meat, poultry and other items.

Many people try to bolster the flavor of grilled foods even further by marinating items, often for several hours, before putting them on the grill. But chef Chris Schlesinger and editor John Willoughby, coauthors of the book "The Big-Flavor Grill: No-Marinade, No-Hassle Recipes for Delicious Steaks, Chicken, Ribs, Chops, Vegetables, Shrimp, and Fish," insist that marinating foods is an entirely unnecessary step that may even adversely affect the taste of grilled foods.

Grillmasters who have made marinades part of their grilling routines may be surprised to learn that Schlesinger and Willoughby recommend spice rubs over marinades. Marinating only flavors the surface of the meat, which may surprise marinade

devotees who think marinating several their grilled foods may also be surhours prior to firing up the grill provides ample time for the flavor of

marinades to soak into the meat. Regardless of how far in advance marinades are applied, they are unlikely to penetrate deep into the interior of the food. Schlesinger and Willoughby note that rubs provide strong, defined flavors. An additional benefit of rubs over marinades is that rubs

need not be applied hours in advance of grilling. In fact, rubs applied minutes before foods are placed on the grill will still provide an intense burst of flavor.

Cooks who marinate to tenderize

prised to learn that Schlesinger and Willoughby suggest that this, too, is a

> waste of time. The authors note that marinades, especially those left on for too long, may make foods taste mushy, a taste that is vastly different from tender. In lieu of relying on marinade to tenderize meats, cooks can make sure

foods are cooked to the appropriate temperature. Read recipes carefully to learn what the appropriate temperature for a given dish is. If the recipe does not list a temperature, the Food

lines to cooks who want to ensure their foods are cooked to the right temperature.

Chicken and turkey: Chicken and turkey breasts should be cooked to 165 F, while thighs should be cooked to between 165 F and 175 F.

Beef and lamb: Rare beef and lamb should be cooked to 125 F but given three minutes rest after removed from the grill. Medium-rare beef and lamb should be cooked to between 130 F and 135 F, while those who prefer medium well should cook until their beef and lamb registers temperatures between 135 F and 140 F on a meat thermometer. Well-done beef and lamb can be cooked to a minimum of 155 F.

When grilling, cooks may be tempted to marinate their foods in an effort to provide an extra boost of flavor. But applying a spice rub and ensuring foods are cooked to the appropriate temperatures are more effective ways to grill flavorful foods

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several optional items in the agreement could be cut out in order to negotiate down the final price.

"We owe the membership, we owe ourselves, [and] we owe the employees that level of effort to make sure that we fine tune this thing and get it very, very efficient and effective," he said. "I generally agree with the concept and I will vote for the motion ... [with] the caveat that we're not just signing a check here for 100K."

To view the full discussion, visit: https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=5268

Also during New Business, a vote was not taken, but there was a lengthy discussion on "Funding New Capital" led by Director Frank Daly.

Daly, in the formal meeting packet, wrote, "The purpose of this discussion is to discuss the current issue with funding new capital projects, specifically that any new capital goes directly against the operations budget and the annual assessment and to discuss potential methods of funding new capital that overcomes this issue.

"Any project deemed new capital

tournament

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Barnes, a residential camp in Frankford, Delaware for low-income children, and Camp St. Vincent de Paul in Baltimore, an organization offering eight-week summer camps for homeless children.

Last year, the tournament and the Mary Mac Foundation's second annual Camden Yards Night helped raise more than \$24,000 for youth recreation programs.

"The recreation budget in Ocean Pines is just a small percentage of your annual assessment, but it's some of the best dollars that we spend," McMullen said. "Our mission this year – and every year – is to support those programs and to send as many low-income kids to summer camps as possible. We think that every child deserves a good summer, and the more money we raise the more we can do to support those types of programs."

Hole sponsorships for the 2019 Mary Mac Foundation Memorial Golf Tournament cost \$100. Tournament organizers are also seeking merchandise and gift certifications for a silent auction during the tournament.

For information about sponsorships, making a charitable donation, or donating an item for the silent auction, contact Tim McMullen at 443-827-2091 or email marymacfoundation2@gmail.com.

Donations to the Mary Mac Foundation can be made online, or by check payable to Mary Mac Foundation, 174 Nottingham Lane, Berlin, Maryland, 21811. For more information, visit www.marymac.org.

goes against the operations budget and that directly affects the annual assessment. Every \$8,452 dollars of new capital increases the annual assessment by \$1. This creates an issue for each and every homeowner suggestion to improve the community if the item suggested is not currently on the association ledgers," Daly added.

To view the full discussion, visit: https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=3755.

Special Presentation

Debbie Smullen from Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services in Berlin spoke about the Worcester Goes Purple campaign "to engage the community in preventing substance abuse and [promote] healthy life choices."

The initiative is supported by Worcester County Public Schools, the Worcester County Health Department, Atlantic General Hospital, and funding from the U.S. Department of Health's Heroin and Opioid Policy Development Grant.

"This year, over 100 Maryland citizens have already lost their lives to opioid overdoses," Smullen said. "It's important that we understand that addiction is a medical condition, and there is such a stigma involved with addictions that it does prevent people from seeking treatment, and it prevents families from getting the support that they need from friends [and] from the community."

Smullen added, "addiction does not discriminate by race, gender or social standing."

She encouraged everyone to properly dispose of unused prescriptions. Old and unwanted prescriptions may be safely discarded at the Ocean Pines Police Department on 239 Ocean Parkway, as well as at Atlantic General Hospital.

Smullen went on to say those in addictions recovery struggle every day.

"It's said you never own recovery – recovery is something that you have to pay rent [on] and it is due every single day," she said.

As September is National Recovery Month, she encouraged people in Worcester County to "go purple" in order to show their support. Ocean Pines residents may place Worcester Goes Purple yard signs, hang purple ribbons, or install purple lightbulbs.

Upcoming Worcester Goes Purple events include a July 20 motherhood walk with the Grace Center in Berlin, an Aug. 22 kickoff event at Shorebird Stadium in Salisbury, and a Sept. 7 Walk for Recovery with the Atlantic Club on the Ocean City Boardwalk.

For more information, visit www.worcestergoespurple.com or www.facebook.com/Starttalkingworcester.

To view the full presentation, visit https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=161. **CPI Violations**

The Ocean Pines Board took the following actions on CPI (Compliance, Permit and Inspection) violations:

4 Leslie Mews: find in continuing violation; public works will clean up the area and a bill will be sent to the property owner (6-0 vote)

76 Battersea Road: find in continuing violation and send to attorney for action (6-0 vote)

33 Burr Hill Drive: find in continuing violation and send to attorney for action (6-0 vote)

52 Capetown Road: find in continuing violation and send to attorney for action (6-0 vote)

The view the full discussion, visit:

https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=3192. Appointments

Board members by a 6-0 vote approved the following advisory committee appointments:

Kenneth D. Wolf, Environment and Natural Assets (first term)

Diana Snyder, Communications (first term)

Patricia Seidl, Communications (first term)

Tim McMullen, Recreation and Parks (three-year extension)

Tres Denk, Recreation and Parks (three-year extension)

Gerald Horn, Marine Activities (chairman)

To view the appointments, visit: https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=6558

Capital Purchases Requests -None

Violations

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CPI

33 Burr Hill Dr.

52 Capetown Rd.

Unfinished Business -

MOTION - To approve Mediacom Contract - Doug Parks https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZ0?t=3511 New Business -

Discussion - Funding New Capital Frank Daly

https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=3755 MOTION - To approve Compensa-

tion Study Contract – Colette Horn https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=5268 Appointments

https://youtu.be/hgSSr6dSeZo?t=6558 Kenneth D. Wolf - 1st Term - Environment & Natural Assets

Diana Snyder - lst Term - Communications

Patricia Seidl - lst Term - Communications

Tim McMullen - 3 Year Extension-Recreation & Parks

Tres Denk - 3 Year Extension -Recreation & Parks

Gerald Horn - Chair - Marine

Editor's note: The above story was provided by the Ocean Pines Association



