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There is no better time to visit the Ocean Pines Farmers and Artisans Market to grab a basket of fresh, locally grown produce, hand-cut flowers, and homemade baked goods.

The market is in full swing for the summer season. Along with the traditional green market fare, the market has an array of unique offerings from a wide variety of artisans.

"With friends and family visiting for the long holiday weekend, it's a good time to spend strolling the marketplace and grabbing products made by Delmarva producers," Market manager David Bean said.

The market features a growing list of more than 100 local artisans, makers, and small businesses at its marketplace home in White Horse Park.

Collaborating with its artisans, the market gives small business owners the opportunity to share their wares in a meaningful setting and with an audience that appreciates their value.

"They say 'happiness is homemade,' and if homemade joy is what you're searching for, look no further. The Ocean Pines market is where you want to be." Bean said.

Jon Kent, the owner of Driftwood Furniture and Signs, can be found each Saturday morning at the market's Artisan Alley. Kent is a local craftsman from Willards who specializes in upcycled, reimagined furniture. He calls it "re-loved furniture."

"I have been upcycling furniture on and off for about 15 years, with wood signs and art the last three-to-four years." Kent said.

Well-made new wood furniture can be both expensive and hard to come by, but reclaimed furniture helps keep older furniture out of landfills and lessens dependence on production companies.

"To ensure our inventory is like no other, we search relentlessly to acquire vintage and well-made wood furniture pieces that we refinish to give a new life and a new home," Kent said. "We also take custom orders and will work with you if you have an old piece of furniture that you would like us to work on."

Driftwood Furniture and Signs is just one of the many artisans that will be participating at the market this summer.

"We're so proud of our market merchant lineup," Bean said. "The artisans we've brought together allow us

to bring our shoppers, great creators and trades-people in the bold pursuit of sharing their beautiful ambitions." Bean said. "And we've just scratched the surface. There are so many more artisans that we want to present to our market community."

In addition to the wide

array of artisan products, shoppers can also find home goods, plants, fashion and beauty products, and vintage and other one-of-a-kind items. The market accepts applications from prospective new merchants and artisans throughout the year.

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# Commentary

### Good news. Bad news.

commentary by **Joe Reynolds** *OceanPinesForum.com* 

The results of the referendum on proposed changes to the Ocean Pines



Association bylaws are in. Depending on one's point of view, the good news is the voters approved all 28 proposed bylaws changes based on about 1700 valid ballots representing about 20% of all as-

sociation members. The bad news is the voters approved all 28 proposed bylaws changes based on about 1700 valid ballots representing about 20% of all association members.

Looking at the vote counts for each of the 28 proposed changes it looks like all are in close range at about 1300 YES and 400 NO.

Most of the 28 approved bylaws changes are probably not harmful, perhaps even needed to one extent or another. Let's take a look at what association members may not have realized when passing a few of the bylaws changes.

Question 8, adding a minimum 40% ballot return on any standalone referendum, passed with a vote of 1303 YES and 428 NO. What is interesting about this result is those voting

YES may have shot themselves in the foot as the 40% return requirement could result in rarely seeing a standalone referendum passing again.

In fact, had the approved change been in effect for this referendum, the referendum results would be moot and nothing would have passed because the return was only around 20% and this new requirement mandates a required return of 40% for standalone referendums. A standalone referendum is one not held as a part of the annual election of directors.

Association member Slobodan Trendic petitioned a bylaws change limiting how much the board can spend without a referendum to \$1 million. The board rejected the petition on flimsy grounds. A court sided with Trendic and a standalone referendum was eventually held. Association members voted YES. It did pass with 48% but it was a hot-button issue.

The current bylaws, a total rewrite, were passed back in 2008 by only 39%.

The Trendic petition also brings up another troublesome aspect of an approved bylaws change that now prohibits someone from being a candidate for election to the board if the individual is involved in litigation with OPA, either as a plaintiff or a defendant. This was Question 11 on Section

5.02(a).

Thus, even though a court decided in Trendic's favor, this new bylaws change would have prevented Trendic from being a candidate for the Board of Directors while he was successfully suing OPA in court. Also, is it likely any board would sue a potential candidate on some pretext to prevent the individual from running from the board? Not likely, but this new bylaw seems to make it possible.

Question 16 for changes to Section 5.02(b) made some minor changes related to the Search Committee. No major issue, but the proposed change should have been to eliminate the Search Committee from the bylaws as recommended by OPA Counsel.

Question 17 dealt with board candidate application forms. The change now allows OPA to require board candidates to answer what many may feel are unspecified inappropriate or personally intrusive questions.

Regardless, for better or worse, all the proposed changes are now the law of the land in OPA land.

#### Janasek accosts Wheatley at Yacht Club

In yet another bombshell incident involving resigned OPA board member Tom Janasek, OPA board member Larry Perrone made a motion during a public board session to ban Janasek from all OPA food and beverage facilities for one year. In the voting to add the motion to the agenda, director Doug Parks stated, "I want it on the record that I am opposed."

The Perrone motion comes on the heels of an incident at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club on the evening of May 20, 2022, where, according to Perrone, Janasek "verbally accosted" OPA board member Josette Wheatley. Wheatley subsequently filed a report with the Ocean Pines Police Department on May 21, 2022.

Perrone said, "The incident that occurred here from what I have read in the reports and in personal discussions is just beyond the pale. It is outrageous that a member of the board, or for that matter, any member of our community, should be abused verbally as Josette Wheatley was on the night of May 20, 2022."

He also added, "This was a safety issue. Not only was Mr. Janasek intoxicated and verbally abusive, but based on the statements taken from the witnesses, it was clear that this incident could have become physical."

The motion was eventually withdrawn to allow counsel an opportunity to review and analyze a letter received from Matt Ortt Companies, and for the board to receive a briefing on its op-

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On June 1, 1968, Helen Keller died in Easton, CT, at the age of 87. Blind and deaf from infancy, Keller became a world-renowned writer and lecturer.

Helen Adams Keller was born on June 27, 1880, on a farm near Tuscumbia, Alabama. A normal infant, she was stricken with an illness at 19 months, probably scarlet fever, which left her blind and deaf. For the next four years, she lived at home, a mute and unruly child. Special education for the blind and deaf was just beginning at the time, and it was not until after Helen's sixth birthday that her parents had her examined by an eye physician interested in the blind. He referred the Kellers to Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone and a pioneer in teaching speech to the deaf. Bell examined Helen and arranged to have a teacher sent for her from the Perkins Institution for the Blind in Boston.

Socialization in midlife can have a profound impact on individuals as they approach their golden years. A 2019 study led by researchers at University College London



found that being more socially active in your 50s and 60s predicts a lower risk of developing dementia later in life. The study used data from a previous study that tracked more than 10,000 participants between 1985 and 2013. Participants in the study completed cognitive testing from 1997 onwards. Researchers found that someone who saw friends almost daily at age 60 was 12 percent less likely to develop dementia than someone who only saw one or two friends every month. Strong associations between social contact at age 50 and sub-

sequent dementia were also uncovered. The study supports the idea that remaining socially active in one's 50s and 60s can benefit long-term cognitive health.

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## A \$2 apple pie

recently I came across a display of Tastycake apple pies. Growing up these were a favorite treat. We didn't have them often but when we did, it was a good day.



It's All About. . . By Chip Bertino

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Aside from the memories conjured up by the display, I was more than a little taken aback when I noticed each pie cost \$2. Thinking it was a mistake, I moved closer to the price tag believing, hoping, the \$2 was for multiple pies along the line of four for \$2. It wasn't. The price was \$2 for one pie. The realization of this fact prompted one of those, "I remember when" moments. Yes, I'm at that age when I can remember a past that doesn't seem so long ago to me, but in reality, actually is, at least in terms of Tastycake apple pie prices.

As a kid growing up in Philly, the price of Tastycake pies was two for twenty-five cents. When I could, I'd get an apple and cherry pie. I'd also get a pack of Topps baseball cards for fifteen cents. Then I'd sit on the curb outside the 7-11 eating my pies while unwrapping my baseball cards with the bubble gum scent. I'd flip through the cards hoping to get a Phillies player or two. After finishing the pies and shoving the cards in my pocket and the gum in my mouth, I'd hop on my bike to head home.

With so much talk about inflation and the sticker shock that comes with it, it's unsettling to be old enough to remember when gas was 60 cents, the Philadelphia Daily News was 15 cents and a Hershey bar cost 20 cents. It won't be long before you'll hear me mumbling in the check-out line, questioning what this world is coming that a loaf of bread costs \$2.99?

All this talk about "remember when" reminds me of other memories of my youth. Cue the harp music, we're going back in time.

There were periods growing up when money was extremely tight. I mean tight, very tight. So tight in fact that there were occasions when we'd

Walking through a supermarket take cold showers because the expense of turning on the hot water heater was too much. I must tell you, at the time we thought nothing of it. We never viewed ourselves as poor or wanting, nothing of the sort. This

was just something we were going through. It wasn't who we were. My mother made these times seem like an adventure. And although I now know those experiences were tough for her, my mother made the best of what we

did have and used humor to get us through the rough patches. There was a lot of humor.

Every once in a while, to get out of the house, my mother would take my brother, sister and me to the buffet restaurant in Neshaminy Mall. This was always a treat. We'd go down the line, pushing our one tray, seeing all the food and desserts. It was exciting. We'd get the fried chicken platter which came with four pieces of chicken, mashed potatoes (a lot of potatoes) and a vegetable, usually green beans if memory serves. My mother would get a cup of hot water and we kids would each get a carton of milk, if we were lucky, chocolate

We'd find a booth and settle in. We'd each get a piece of chicken and share the potatoes and vegetable. My mother would take from her a purse a tea bag brought from home and steep it in the hot water. Sometimes, we'd each be able to go back through the line to get a dessert. Those were wonderful times. And I have to tell you, we thought we were living large. And in a very real way we were. As tough as it was for her to make ends meet, my mother never once complained or made my brother, sister or me feel like we were missing out on anything. We developed survival skills, a sense of humor about life's setbacks and an appreciation for those around us.

Time went on. My mother rose through the corporate ranks. Money loosened up. We grew up. I married and had a family.

Who knew the sight of a two-dollar Tastycake apple pie could resurrect so many happy memories? Although I still think \$2 is a lot for an apple pie.



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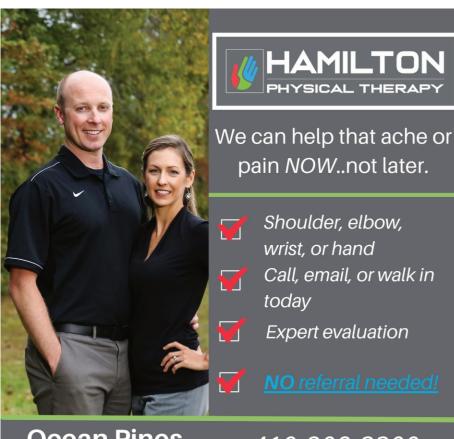
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# Referendum vote totals announced

The Ocean Pines Elections Committee on Friday announced vote totals for the 2022 bylaws referendum.

The referendum asked homeowners to vote on 28 proposed changes to Ocean Pines bylaws.

According to the Elections Committee's count, all of those changes passed.

Voting totals for each question were as follows:

Question #1: (Definition of Owner of Record) Yes: 1386 / No: 401

Question #2: (Definition of Who is Eligible to Vote) Yes: 1408 / No: 321

Question #3: (Confirmation of Eligible to Vote) Yes: 1417 / No: 307

Question #4: (Special Meeting by Petition Requirements) Yes: 1382 / No: 342

Question #5: (Notice of Meetings) Yes: 1366 / No: 346

Question #6: (Submission of Certified or Rejected Petition) Yes: 1370 / No: 345

Question #7: (Petition Signature Requirements) Yes: 1376 / No: 347

Question #8: (Referendum Approval Requirement) Yes: 1303 / No: 428

Question #9: (Board Member Qualification – Owner of Record) Yes: 1352 / No: 365

Question #10: (Candidate Eligibility – Family Member Serving on the Board) Yes: 1344 / No: 380

Question #11: (Candidate Eligibility – Involved in Litigation with OPA) Yes: 1277 / No: 453

Question #12: (Candidate Eligibility – OPA Employee Prohibition) Yes: 1328 / No: 402

Question #13: (Candidate Eligibility – Corporate Entity Ownership) Yes: 1354 / No: 370

Question #14 (Candidate Eligibility – Payment of Annual Charges) Yes: 1429 / No: 297

Question #15: (Candidate Eligibility - Felony Conviction) Yes: 1366 /

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Question #16: (Search Committee) Yes: 1339 / No: 387

Question #17: (Candidate Applications) Yes: 1377 / No: 342

Question #18: (Candidate Eligibility Determination) Yes: 1312 / No: 415

Question #19: (Appointed Director Qualification) Yes: 1405 / No: 327

Question #20: (Board Decisions Outside of a Board Meeting) Yes: 1334 / No: 393

Question #21: (Board Compensation – Family Membership) Yes: 1331 / No: 392

Question #22: (Removal of a Director for Cause - Felony Conviction) Yes: 1366 / No: 367

Question #23: (Approval of Sale, Mortgage or Development of Property) Yes: 1343 / No: 368

Question #24: (Check and Contracting and Fund Withdrawal Authority) Yes: 1421 / No: 310

Question #25: (Clarification of the Secretary's Review of Petitions) Yes: 1402 / No: 314

Question #26: (Secretary Resignation if Running for the Board) Yes: 1418 / No: 301

Question #27: (Transfer of Budget Items Procedure) Yes: 1392 / No: 333

Question #28: (Personnel Policy Clarification) Yes: 1411 / No: 287

Association President Colette Horn thanked the committee, along with the scores of other volunteers and Association staff who aided in the referendum effort.

"This represents the culmination of many hours of work by our Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, our Board of Directors, and our Elections Committee," Horn said. "In addition, our General Manager's staff provided many hours of support in the way of materials preparation, meeting set-up, press releases, and technology. I thank everyone involved for getting us to this conclusion. I also thank the Association members who took the time to carefully consider all 28 questions and vote affirmatively on those with which they agree, and against on those with which they do not agree."

Video of the count will be posted to the Association YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/Ocean-PinesAssociation1.

### Disc golf town hall held

The roughly 90-minute town hall was held in the Clubhouse Meeting Room and hosted by Ocean Pines General Manager John Viola, Recreation and Parks Director Debbie Donahue, and Brian Dean from Eastbound Disc Golf.

Eastbound Disc Golf installed the disc golf course in Bainbridge Park in May on a trial basis, at no cost to Ocean Pines.

There are currently 10 holes on the course. Each has a small tee box where play begins, and a basket that functions like a golf hole. Players must bring their own discs, or frisbees.

"This is a trial basis for both ends," Viola said, adding that he received several calls and emails on the course. "I've asked Brian to come in to tell everybody about it, to explain it ... and obviously to answer any questions that you all have."

Dean said he and his family live in Ocean Pines.

"We're members of the community just like all of you are," he said. "We've lived here year-round and have done so for quite a while now."

He said the idea for the course came up when Donahue approached him to help plan an ultimate frisbee league as park of Ocean Pines' Recreation and Parks programming.

"At that time, I also presented her with a plan that I had been working on for quite a while now, that I believed ... it would serve as a great addition to the park to have a disc golf course installed there."

Dean said he gave Donahue a layout plan in February or March, and they both toured the park area at that time. Dean also inspected the park with Public Works Director Eddie Wells and Public Works Manager Nobie Violante "to make sure there were no conflicts from their end."

"Having received a go-ahead from them, we went with our first level of installation, which is the baskets that you all see now," Dean said.

Addressing concerns that came up during the town hall, Dean said he met with Dave Wilson. Wilson is the former executive director of Maryland Coastal Bays Program, and current president of the Maryland Bird Conservation Partnership, the Breeding Bird Atlas Coordinator for Worcester County, and the Amphibian and Rep-

tile Atlas Coordinator for Worcester County.

"I walked the course with him, and his conclusion at that time was that there is zero to no impact on the surrounding wetlands [and] the surrounding environment that would be a cause from this park," Dean said.

Wilson, on Tuesday, confirmed that statement is correct.

Dean said disc golf players follow a code that encourages players to "never throw into a blind area or when players, spectators, pedestrians, or other facility users are within range." The code also calls on players to observe posted park rules, and not to litter or disturb equipment or plant life

He said there have been no major incidents or injuries reported at a disc golf course at Schumaker Pond Park in Salisbury, which has been active for almost two decades. Ocean Pines reached out to representatives from Berlin and Ocean City, who said there were no reported incidents at similar disc golf courses in those communities.

Dean also said reports that discs would be flying at 50-70 miles per hour at Bainbridge are not accurate.

"That number is for long-distance shots made by professional disc golfers," he said, adding that at Bainbridge the average speed was "probably 20 to 30 miles an hour" and using specialized discs.

"A regular frisbee flies even slower," he said.

Viola said he was not aware of any changes made to the park during the installation, other than some brush being cleared. He does not believe any trees were cut down.

Viola said new playground equipment at Bainbridge Park is still a priority, and the disc golf course would not conflict with those plans.

Donahue said there was a delay in getting that equipment, because the playground was designed to be ADA compliant and inclusive to those with disabilities.

"In order to do that, it's going to take quite some time to be able to restructure that," she said. "A lot of pieces have to come together to make that an ADA compliant playground and make it inclusive for everyone to use."

Viola said Board approval was not initially sought, because the program was being done at no cost and on a trial basis.

"Obviously, [the town hall] is part of that process," he said.

Viola said he spoke with Board leadership during regular weekly meetings, when the project was compared to the recent Spec Tennis addition at Ocean Pines Racquet Sports.

"They said that we didn't need to go to the Board for approval," Viola said. "There was no cost. It was going to be a trial basis .... and they left it up

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This species often comes to bird

Consider putting up a nest structure to attract a breeding pair. Make sure you put it up well before breeding season. American Robin can produce three successful broods in one year. average, though, only 40 percent of nests successfully produce young. Only 25 percent of those fledged young survive to November.

From that point on, about half of the robins alive in any year will make it to the next. Despite the fact that a lucky robin can live to be 14 years old, the entire population turns over on average every six years.

Although robins are considered harbingers of spring, many American Robins spend the whole winter in their breeding range. But because they spend more time roosting in trees and less time in your yard, you're much less likely to see them. The number of robins present in the

The quintessential early bird, northern parts of the range varies each year with the local conditions.

> Robins eat a lot of fruit in fall and winter. When they eat honeysuckle berries exclusively, they sometimes become intoxicated.

> Robin roosts can be huge, sometimes including a quarter-million birds during winter. In summer, females sleep at their nests and males gather at roosts. As young robins become independent, they join the males. Female adults go to the roosts only after they have finished



nesting.

Robins eat different types of food depending on the time of day: more earthworms in the morning and more fruit later in the day. Because the robin forages largely on lawns, it is vulnerable to pesticide poisoning and can be an important indicator of chemical pollution.

The oldest recorded American Robin was 13 years and 11 months

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- 12. African antelope
- 14. Indigenous Thai person
- 15. Monetary unit of Angola
- 16. Becomes less intense 18. Insurance mascot
- 19. Tech hub
- 20. Actress Tomei
- 21. Airborne (abbr.)
- 22. Type of smart watch
- 23. Natives
- 26. Incompetent person
- 30. Rare Hawaiian geese
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- 33. Claw

- 34. Status quo
- 39. Mimic
- 42. Fur-lined cloak 44. Ancient foreigner
- 46. In an angry way
- 47. Ill-intentioned
- 49. Monetary unit of Serbia
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- 51. One or the other
- 56. An alias for Thor
- 57. Gratuity
- 58. In a painful way
- 59. French commune 60. Promotional materials
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- 63. Confederate general
- 64. Former NJ governor

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Used by gymnasts
- 2. "Luther" actor Idris
- 3. Broad volcanic crater
- 4. Not for
- 6. Tots
- 7. Acted leisurely 8. About the Alps
- 9. Gets out of bed
- 10. Town in "The Iliad" 11. Welsh given name
- 13. Remove salt
- 17. Fencing sword
- 24. Mental disorder concerning
- body odor (abbr.) 25. Keeps a house cozy
- 26. Ballplayer's accessory
- 27. Southwestern Russian city
- 28. Pro sports league

- 29. Congress investigative body (abbr.)
- 35. Stop standing
- 36. Utilize
- 37. Sign language
- 38. Famed ESPN broadcaster Bob
- 40. Being of central importance
- 41. Ruin environment
- 42. Dessert dish
- 43. Sea eagles
- 44. Fertilized
- 45. Jerry's friend Benes
- 47. Indian river
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- 52. A way to travel
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- 54. Ancient Greek City
- 55. NFL signal caller Matt

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**Answers for May 25** 

### Ocean Pines releases summer amenity schedule

Ocean Pines amenities are gearing up for the busiest time of the year.

The Association now has three pools, three restaurants and two marinas open, along with an 18-hole championship golf course, a robust Recreation and Parks amenity, and a busy Racquet Sports center.

Summer amenity hours are as follows:

#### **Aquatics**

(All hours contingent upon staff availability)

#### **Sports Core Pool**

Open year-round. Closed for cleaning from August 22-September 5.

Pool hours:

- -Monday-Thursday: Members only from 6-10 a.m. Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
  - -Friday: Members only from 6-10 a.m. Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - -Saturday: Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - -Sunday: Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Yacht Club Pool - 1 Mumford's Landing Road, Ocean Pines

Open May 28 to Sept. 5; Sept. 10-11, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. staff permitting

Pool hours: Monday-Sunday: Members only from 8-10 a.m. Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

#### **Beach Club Pool**

Open May 28 to Sept. 5. Pool hours: Monday-Sunday: Open

to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

#### **Mumford's Landing Pool**

Open: TBD

Pool hours: Monday-Sunday: Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

#### **Swim and Racquet Club Pool**

Open: TBD

Pool hours: Monday-Sunday: Open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lounge chairs will be available at outdoor pools.

Information on Aquatics programs can be found in the latest issue of the Ocean Pines Activity Guide.

For more information, call 410-641-5255 or visit www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/aqu atics.

#### **Yacht Club**

Open seven days a week for indoor and outdoor dining

Live entertainment is scheduled now through Oct. 8. To view the live music schedule, visit www.opyachtclub.com/live-music

For more information, call 410-641-7501 or visit www.opyachtclub.com

#### **Clubhouse Bar and Grille**

Open daily for indoor and outdoor dining from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 410-641-7222 or visit www.oceanpinesgolf.org/dining.

#### **Beach Club**

Open daily for indoor and outdoor dining from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend.

For more information, call 410-524-2957

**Marinas** - All boat slips at both marinas are filled for the season

#### **Ocean Pines Marina**

Latitude N 38 degrees 23'13" and

Longitude W 75 degrees 7'45" Open daily:

- -May 1-27 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- -May 28 Sept. 5 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- -Sept. 6- 30 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- -Oct. 1-31 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Marina closes for the season Nov. 1 For more information, call 410-641-7447 or visit https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/ocean-pines-ma

#### **Swim and Racquet Marina**

Open daily, May 1 to Oct. 31. Marina closes for the season Nov. 1

For more information, call 410-641-7052 or visit https://www.ocean-pines.org/web/pages/swim-racquet-marina.

#### **Ocean Pines Golf Club**

Open daily from 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Driving range and practice putting greens open daily.

Private and group instruction available.

Pro shop merchandise includes clothing, equipment, shoes, and gloves, etc.

Services include club repair, re-

gripping and re-shafting, and club bending

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#### **Recreation and Parks**

Open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Upcoming events include:

-Family Fun Nights, Wednesdays at the Yacht Club Pool from 6-8 p.m., June 22 to Aug. 17

-Concerts in the Park, every Thursday, June 23 to Aug.25, from 7-9 p.m. at the White Horse Park Pavilion

-10th annual Freedom 5K, July 4 starting at 8 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Park

-Fourth of July Celebration and Fireworks, July 4 from 5-8:30 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park

-Summer Artisan and Crafts Festival, Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center

Big Truck Day, Sept. 17 from 10

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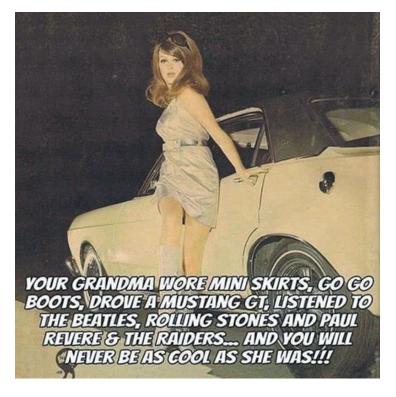
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# Some things to think about

Gathered from the internet by Jack Barnes





It's called menopause for a reason... MEN should PAUSE before they speak!



You know you are too old when you have to scroll to your year of birth....



What happens when Old Car Guys get sent to a nursing home ... Older people shouldn't
eat health foods.
They need all the
preservatives they can get.
(Robert Orben)

Jake Quate.com

I see people around my age mountain climbing - meanwhile, I feel good getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance





WE MIGHT BE OLD ...

# Exciting developments at Rocket Lab

Local space fans may recall that the company "Rocket Lab" is making a \$160 million investment to establish a new facility at Wallops Island. Their ground-breaking ceremony occurred April 11.

In addition to this exciting

our celebrated Wallops Island will be hosting more frequent launches out over the local skies.

One of Rocket Lab's most notable successes is the launching of observational (or spy) satellites for the U.S. National Reconnaissance Office.



development, the young rocket company has achieved many more innovations.

Space fans may find it surprising that Rocket Lab has become the second most frequent launcher of orbiting rockets. This occurred despite being a smaller company than familiar names like Space-X, Boeing,

Another unique mission involves the demonstration of space junk removal technologies, a project with the Japan Exploration Aerospace Agency (JAXA.)

As readers here are aware, Rocket Lab is under contract with NASA to launch the CAPSTONE lunar satellite. At the time of this printing,

> CAPSTONE scheduled to launch June 5, and will be a precursor to the NASA Gateway space station, designed to orbit the moon.

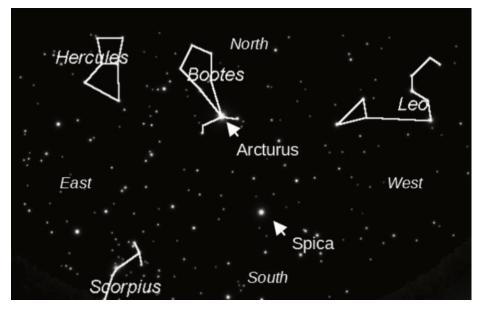
Analysts report that Rocket Lab's rapid growth and innovative technologies have

allowed it some surprisingly ambitious missions for such a

undertake young company. For example, another Rocket Lab

contract with NASA involves a mission to the planet Mars to examine the planet's magnetic field. This mission will examine how the charged atomic ions of the solar wind are interacting with the sparse Martian atmosphere. The launch is scheduled for 2024, and will use two of the company's new Photon space capsules to carry instrumentation for the study.

In 2020 Rocket Lab announced an ambitious plan to explore the atmosphere of the planet Venus. The Photon capsule will fly by the planet and deploy a probe, searching for signs of life in a potentially habitable region of Venus' atmosphere. Readers may recall earlier discussions here of



the detection of a rare gas called phosphine (pronounced – fahs-feen) in the clouds surrounding Venus. Rocket Lab is planning to finance the entire mission, which is scheduled for

The New Zealand entrepreneur Peter Beck founded Rocket Lab in 2006 and in 2009 it became the first private company in the Southern

Hemisphere to launch its rocket into

In 2013 the company moved its headquarters from New Zealand to California, and in 2018 launched the initial flights of its most successful rocket, the Electron. The Electron's innovations include its fully carbon

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Electron rockets under construction at Rocket Lab's New Zealand facility

Northrup Grumman, or Lockheed Martin. Rocket Lab's small signature rocket, the Electron, has delivered as many as 146 satellites into orbit. The company's location in New Zealand offers the advantage of relatively little airline traffic to compete with its

Rocket Lab's new mid-size rocket, called Neutron, will be built and launched from the new facility at Wallops Island.

Wallops Island itself is already well known for launches of the Northrup Grumman Antares rocket and the Cygnus capsule, which has completed 17 unmanned missions to resupply the International Space Station. When Rocket Lab's Neutron is ready to fly,





#### Tides for Ocean City Inlet

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tions. Perrone says he intends to pursue the motion to bar Janasek.

An eyewitness account contains the following: "What I witnessed was Tom Janesak screaming and pointing his finger in Josette Wheatley's face. Maybe an inch or two from her forehead. .... he called her a f...ing c...t, and with him saying that, Bob her husband responded to Tom telling him you don't speak to her like that! Tom then directed his finger into Bob's face telling him, from what I remember was, shut the f..k up you f...ing bitch.

"The look on her (Josette's) face broke my heart because she looked so scared. Not one time did I hear either Josette or Bob raise their voice or respond to what he (Janasek) was saying other than when Bob (Wheatley) told him you don't speak to her like that. Tiki was pretty busy and it was like it cleared out around them during all this. In my opinion, from what I heard and watched, Tom 100% was out of line, and I was concerned that he was going to hit her."

A police report, as filed by Josette Wheatly the following day, contains

similar allegations of terrible language directed at Wheatley and her husband by Janasek. The report also says the confrontation of Wheatley by Janasek began with Janasek's demands to know why she did not vote to make Doug Parks OPA president.

A source tells OceanPinesForum.com that Josette Wheatley obtained some sort of temporary restraining order to keep Janasek away from her.

Janasek resigned from the Board of Directors after the revelation of his disgusting vulgar comments in an email to Director Colette Horn. He refused to apologize. Janasek also came close to being removed from the board a year or so ago over charges of verbal harassment of General Manager John Viola, also at OPA food and beverage facilities. In the latter instance, Doug Parks brokered a deal whereby Janasek remained on the board after an apology.

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a.m. to 2 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park

Information on Recreation and Parks programs can be found in the latest issue of the Ocean Pines Activity Guide.

For more information, call 410-641visit 7052 https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages /recreation-parks.

#### Ocean Pines Racquet Center

Open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Center includes tennis, pickleball and platform tennis courts

Upcoming United States Tennis Association (USTA) tournaments include: -Ocean Pines Doubles Series, June 18,

July 23, Aug. 20, Sept. 21

-Ocean Pines NTRP Singles Tournament, Sept. 24-25

Information on additional upcoming Racquet Sports programs can be found in the latest issue of the Ocean Pines Activity Guide. -

For more information, call 410-641https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages /racquet-sports.

#### Ocean Pines Farmers and Artisans Market

Open Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, visit https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages /farmers-artisans-market.

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to us."

"We thought it was a good opportunity to try it out. Nothing's in concrete," Viola continued. "It's a trial basis, which is all part of the process."

Donahue reiterated that the course is temporary for now and can be taken

"We have the opportunity to keep it if we so chose to, but if not, it can all be removed," she said.

"Debbie is trying to the do the best ... we all are, in trying to put something out there," Viola said. "Let's see how this works out. I'm listening to everything."

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composite body, the first 3D printed rocket engine, and its cutting-edge engine design called Rutherford, named in honor of New Zealand's most famous nuclear physicist, Ernest Rutherford. In 2020 Rocket Lab added its Photon, a new space capsule which can ride atop the Electron or other rocket.

Acquisitions of smaller, specialized companies have broadened the scope of Rocket Lab's services. These have included a spacecraft flight software company, satellite separation systems and space solar power products. As a result, 90% of their rocket components are being produced in-house.

NASA reports from Florida indicate that the Artemis-1 rocket has been moved from the launch pad and returned to the Vehicle Assembly Building for repairs to the fuel system.

For June stargazers, the stars will become fully visible at about 9:30 p.m. as Leo the Lion appears high in the western Bootes (boh-OH-teez) the Herdsman, featuring its bright orange star Arcturus, is centrally located high overhead. Southwards from Bootes, the star "Spica" appears in the very faint constellation Virgo the Virgin.

After about 10 p.m., Antares and other stars of Scorpius the Scorpion begin to appear over the southeastern horizon.

Wishing good luck and clear skies to all stargazers.

#### License-free fishing days scheduled

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced its 2022 license-free fishing days will be held on Saturday, June 4, Saturday, June 11, and Monday, July 4.

Maryland's annual license-free fishing days offer anglers a unique opportunity to explore the state's diverse fishing without needing a fishing license, trout stamp, or registration. On these days, any individual may catch and possess finfish in any tidal and nontidal waters of Maryland, as long as it's for recreational purposes. All anglers must follow current size and catch limits found in the DNR fishing and crabbing guide.

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