

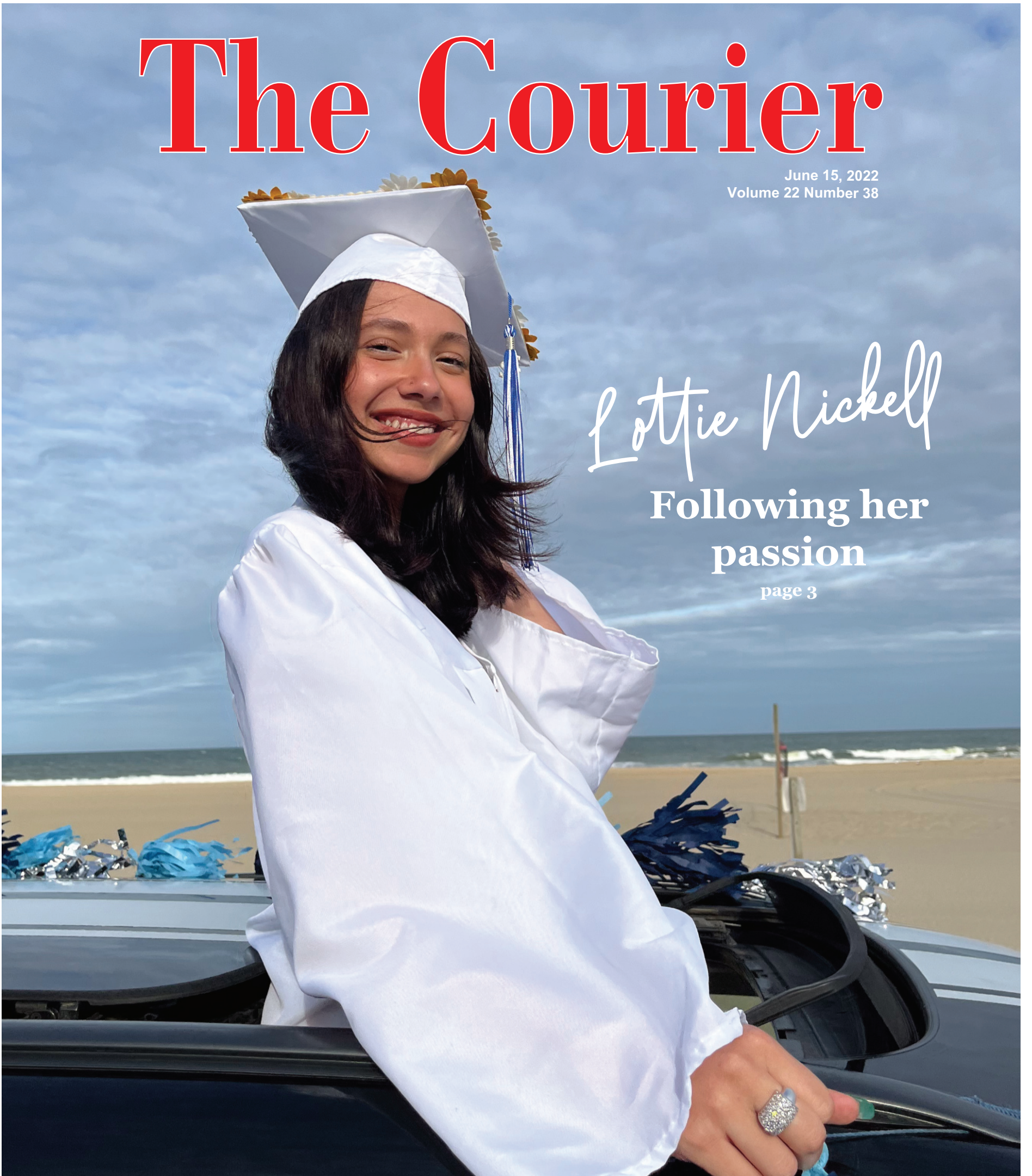
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art matters

SDHS grad to follow her passion

By **Elaine Bean**

In May, Lottie Nickell paraded along with her fellow Stephen Decatur High School graduates on the Ocean City Boardwalk to celebrate and remember. “A lot of students will be leaving their hometown for college, so it was a memorable time to be on the Boardwalk with my entire class as a way to celebrate the next chapter that is starting in our lives,” Nickell said. “Not many kids get the opportunity to ride down the Boardwalk and celebrate graduation.”

She was also celebrating a college scholarship awarded to her by the Art League of Ocean City, the \$1,000 Eva Fox Award named in memory of the mother of the nonprofit’s executive director, Rina Fox Thaler. Nickell volunteered as an intern for the Art League throughout her senior year, and the scholarship is a gift Nickell can apply for every year she’s studying in an art-related field.

“I am thrilled that Lottie was selected for this scholarship in memory of my dear mom, Eva Fox, as my mother enjoyed participating in classes at the Art League,” Thaler said. “Lottie has been so helpful to us during her semester as an intern. We wish her much success in her college studies and encourage her to remain connected as she pursues her degree.”

“I will forever be grateful for such a special scholarship and the experience alone of applying for it, and I will always remember Rina for allowing me to meet so many people at the Art League,” Nickell said.

In the fall, Nickell will be attending the Savannah College of Art & Design to study the business of beauty and fragrance and fashion design. The 18-year-old has set major goals for herself.

“I’m choosing fashion design, be-

cause in this day of age, I noticed there are no limits in fashion,” she said. “I always see clothing made out of so many kinds of resources, and it inspires me to get creative with making different materials into something that is wearable. I see the beauty in self-expression and the statements that can be made through fashion, but I know that there are areas within the industry that need help in regards to the environment, workers, and more. The fashion industry can be seen as frivolous, but it has much impact and importance in society. Therefore, I want to understand the fashion world so I can contribute to society in my own way.”

“I also aspire to create my own share of the beauty and fragrance market, and majoring in it will teach me how to market, price, brand, package, and distribute a new product launch,” she continued. “Working at a brand requires the knowledge of aesthetics and visual storytelling. This way I can take what I learned business wise and put it together with my design knowledge and create something as an entrepreneur ... I want to get as much experience in sewing before I start classes at SCAD, so I have been frequently taking sewing lessons.”

Nickell was born in Reading, Pa. and moved to Ocean Pines when she was 10, attending school in Berlin. It didn’t take her long to become involved with her local community where she actively volunteered throughout her high school years. “I have volunteered at the Surfriders Foundation, which advocates for the environment and keeping our beaches clean and safe,” Nickell said. “I’ve also enjoyed working at the Coastal Hospice Thrift Store in Berlin where I learned the behind-the-scenes of running a retail store ... Volunteering there allowed me to see fashion from a different perspective as I saw a lot of

potential of donated clothing. For example, I would find an oversized dress that wasn’t the most flattering, but had nice fabric and color, so it could easily be reconstructed into a matching set of a skirt and top, or a different version of a dress with a more appealing shape ... I encourage everyone to get creative in repurposing their clothing, as it is less wasteful and more eco-friendly.”

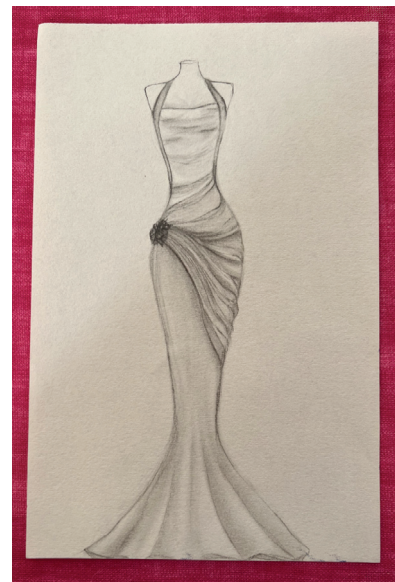
“Staying involved with my church in Berlin has also been important to me, so I help out when I can,” she continued. “I’ve also loved volunteering and interning for the Art League! I remember coming to the Art League when my older sister would volunteer and always having fun looking around the gallery. When I was younger, I helped out a lot in the pottery studio and assisted with art classes. Then when I had the opportunity to be an intern my senior year, I immediately thought about the Art League. It has a warm and therapeutic environment that allows anyone to come in and feel free to spend their time there ... I admire the support they give to so many different kinds of artists, big or small. No matter who you are as an artist or what medium you work with, there is al-



Lottie Nickell with **Rina Thaler**, executive director of the Art League of Ocean City.

ways a place for it at the Art League ... I plan to always stay involved and look forward to helping with the summer camp program this year and other events, too.”

Even at a young 18 years, Nickell has realized the value of art and embraced it. “Art matters because it’s beautiful how it forces the artist to be vulnerable and brave in order to share their story or send a message, while putting the viewers in a vulnerable mindset when opening their minds to a relatable or different perspective of life,” she stated. “On a more personal level for me, creating art has always been a fun journey. When I go to paint or draw, I challenge myself to use a new technique or make a different design. I may not know for sure how it will turn out, but I always get the experience of trying something new and learning from my mistakes along the way. Sometimes the ‘mistakes’ I make turn out to be something I like over the original intention. It helps me learn how to trust the process and to keep an open mind as good results can happen even if they weren’t planned.”



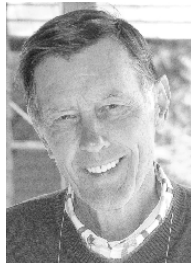
OPA Board bans Janasek

Commentary by **Joe Reynolds**
OceanPinesForum.com

During a June 9, 2022 meeting, the Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors banned former director Tom Janasek from OPA food and beverage locations for 90 days. The vote was 5-2. The motion and vote came about as a result of Janasek verbally accosting OPA Director Josette Wheatley at the Yacht Club on May 20, 2022. Wheatley had previously obtained a court Peace Order preventing Janasek from contacting her for six months.

Directors Horn, Daly, Peck, Wheatley, and Perrone voted YES on Frank Daly's motion to ban Janasek. Farr and Parks voted NO.

The OPA action precludes Janasek from entering the Yacht Club and surrounding area, the



Beach Club, and the golf clubhouse.

Once served with the board's decision, if Janasek shows up at the areas mentioned, staff is instructed to call the police who will enforce the no-trespass order. The order has no exceptions. Thus Janasek cannot even go on the properties to perform any services for Ortt Companies.

The above is a layman's interpretation of the motion and legal issues discussed and voted on in the open board session.

The motion and vote in open session took place after more than two hours of board discussion with attorney Jeremy Tucker in closed session.

Then there is the fallout.

Josette Wheatley's Facebook suggestion that Paul Suplee and his restaurant management "group" bid on working for OPA as this Janasek incident fallout unfolds was very poor judgment.

It was equally poor judgment for

Amy Peck to send her personal email to Matt Ortt Companies.

It was poor judgment for Ortt Companies to become publicly involved with newspaper interviews based on Peck's email.

The Janasek issue is one of a verbal attack on patrons at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. A verbal attack of the vilest nature. We have heard of Ortt's policy regarding such incidents. Sources indicate there was no written policy. What Ortt or the OPA Board of Directors should or should not have done, or should or should not do in the event of any future similar incidents, is certainly a debatable item for association members and the OPA board.

The debate over that issue should have nothing to do with the remarkable job Ortt Companies are doing in the overall management of the facilities.

In the just-ended fiscal year, OPA's operational profit on all three venues is around \$420,000. Ortt Companies manage the three operations with little or no financial risk. They will receive management fees and bonuses in the amount of around \$447,000 for the just completed fiscal year.

Ignored, or allowed-to-continue, detestable verbal attacks could eventually harm what is an astounding Ortt success story at OPA's food and beverage venues.

On the other hand, the board's action sent a strong and absolutely necessary message that OPA intends to protect its patrons.

If some legal issue allows people to verbally attack other OPA patrons with the vilest of vile language and with impunity, we are all the worse for it.

Board acts against Janasek

Association President Colette Horn released the following statement about last week's special meeting:

"Tonight, the Board made the decision to restrict access to the food and beverage amenities for Tom Janasek for 90 days. It was a difficult decision, and one that was not unanimously approved. Those who voted in favor of the restriction weighed our responsibility as a Board to provide immediate protections to health and safety of Association members against the risk that in doing so we would be judged to have stretched the limits of the authority granted to us in our governing

documents. Neither we nor the founders who wrote those documents foresaw the occurrence of behavior of a member falling so far outside the norms set by society that we would be required to contemplate a decision for such a restriction. Having faced this decision, as a next step, the Board is now working to strengthen the language in our governing documents that articulates our authority to enforce the constraints already in our Declarations of Restriction against such behavior."

To view a video of the meeting, visit <https://youtu.be/VdypgsZ1uHA>.

Courier Almanac

Following a revolt by the English nobility against his rule, King John put his royal seal on Magna Carta, or "the Great Charter" on June 15, 1215. The document, essentially a peace treaty between John and his barons, guaranteed that the king would respect feudal rights and privileges, uphold the freedom of the church, and maintain the nation's laws. Although more a reactionary than a progressive document in its day, Magna Carta was seen as a cornerstone in the development of democratic England by later generations.



People whose impressions of motorcycle riders are straight from the classic film "Easy Rider" may need to adjust those perceptions, particularly in regard to the gender of the rider. A 2018 survey from the Motorcycle Industry Council found that roughly one in five motorcycle owners is a woman. That figure spiked considerably during the second decade of the 21st century, as fewer than 10 percent of motorcycle owners were women in the 2000s. Motorcycles tend to be even more popular among younger women, as the MIC survey found 26 percent of Millennial motorcycle owners were women.

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Father's Day revolutionaries

Author's note: As I was thinking of something to write this week for Father's Day. I came across this column from 2002. So much has happened since then. My kids are grown and on their own. My daughter now has children and my oldest son will soon be a father. How time flies. I hope you enjoy this "classic" column.



It's All About. . .

By **Chip Bertino**

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Ah, Father's Day. It's a day when children remember their fathers. They thank them for everything they have done throughout the year. It is a very special day. I'm sure for most fathers it will be. I'd like to think it will be a special day around my house but I'm not getting my hopes up too high.

The other evening I passed my sons' room. A meeting was underway among my three children. Although they were speaking in hushed tones, the conversation was animated. I paused by the slightly open door to eavesdrop. I am not ashamed to say I listened in. I don't believe anyone's rights were violated because I'm the one paying for the house.

My daughter was taking notes. She had a steno pad that appeared to be half full. I could hear my oldest son talking about the time nine months ago when I made him go to bed early because he had not cleaned up the kitchen properly. "A grave injustice was committed that evening," he said with his index finger waving in the air.

"A grave injustice?" What in the world was he talking about? He's lucky I didn't charge him for the stain left on the counter because he did not remove the spaghetti sauce before it dried.

I continued listening at the door to learn what else these little conspirators, I mean children, had to say.

"I'll add your charge to the list

under Tyrannical Tendencies."

My youngest son began to speak. I could not help but think about the day he was born. He was such a cute baby. I was very confident he would come to my defense and combat the inflammatory statements made by his siblings.

"How about the time he made us do yard work when we wanted to play with our friends?"

"Et tu Brutus," I thought.

"And let's not forget having to set the table for dinner every night," my daughter remarked with a tone of disgust.

There I was standing in the darkened hallway

listening to my children developing a list of all the "mean things" I had done to them. Now I was getting agitated. Wait till they misbehaved again. I'll show them, I thought.

"Go over the list again," my oldest son said. "Let's make sure it's complete."

My daughter flipped back through several pages to start at the beginning. "Do you want me to start with the Tyrannical Tendencies list or the Unreasonable Demands list?"

"Take your pick," my youngest son said.

For the next 25 minutes I stood listening as a list of grievances were read aloud as if to be entered into the official record. They didn't miss any perceived injustice. The list included such things as being made to wash their hands before dinner, told to brush their teeth in the morning, made to use shampoo when washing their hair, made to go to bed on time, told to say "excuse me" after burping at the table and forced to comb their hair before leaving for mass.

As the list was being read, this ungrateful threesome became more animated. It wasn't long before I expected them to don colonial clothes and begin marching around the room with a fife and drum.

I'm not sure which one said it but I heard one of them say "Give me liberty or give me death!"

My daughter finally finished reading from her list. "Does anyone have anything else to add," she asked. No one did. Unless they blamed me for global warming, I



Surrounded by the Conspirators many years ago

don't think there was anything more to add.

I mentally began taking notes of how I was going to strike back at these little revolutionaries. I imagined taking my time to enjoy the process of retaliation. I began to laugh manically.

The alarm clock awakened me. I






was perspiring profusely and clenching my pillow. I had dreamt the whole thing. There was no cabal in the other room. My kids weren't conspiring against me. There is hope after all that Father's Day will be remembered in my house.

Wait a minute, what's this fife doing on my bed?

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A message from OPA President Colette Horn

Celebrating OPA's 'Founding Fathers'

The "founding fathers" of Ocean Pines built and sold houses and started programs that many of us still use today.

Some of them were here at the very start, before there were paved roads, pools, or a golf course. Others came just a few years later. A small handful are still highly active in the community today.

John Talbott was among the earliest Ocean Pines settlers, coming in with Boise Cascade in the late 1960s to help sell a community still in its infancy.



John Talbott

"I arrived in the town on the seventh day of July 1968. Opening day was Friday, July 12," Talbott said. "Of the crew that we had, I'm the only one that started back then that's still alive and

still here."

Originally from Pennsylvania, Talbott served in the U.S. Army and worked as a schoolteacher and police officer before making the switch to real estate in 1963. He was working in Kentucky when a call came about a new opportunity in a place called Ocean Pines.

"When we first started selling, there were trees that had to be cut down to make roads, and they had a water truck that would go around and spray water on the roads to keep the dust down. We had to make sure we stayed on the main portion of the road, or we would get stuck in the mud and have to be towed out," he said.

Talbott said the first lots were "nothing but tree stumps sticking out of the ground."

"I would be showing them with a stake with a ribbon to show a future canal would be," he said. "Some people took the chance and became owners and others just couldn't comprehend what they were seeing.

"It was the same thing with the golf course – it was nothing but stumps sticking out of the ground and today it's a lovely course. And we have numerous miles of canals, and it all came true. Boise Cascade was just a very good developer," Talbott added.

Talbott is still active in real estate today. It has been a satisfying experi-

ence, he said, to have found so many people a home over the years.

"A lot of them have dreams and you help find that dream for them," he said. "From time to time, I run into people who I sold to years ago and they'll say hi. They always say, 'I'm sure glad you sold us that house many years ago. We love it here!'"

"I think it's a great community. I enjoy living in Ocean Pines, even after all these years," Talbott added.

Builder **Marvin Steen** was also here from the very beginning. In 1970, Steen Associates built some of the first homes in Ocean Pines, during a time when "there were a lot of dirt roads, but no signs."

Originally from Dagsboro, Delaware, Steen said the reputation of developer Boise Cascade drew him to the community.

"When I came in, they were building some beautiful buildings, and I looked at the future and felt it was here," he said. "But the big thing that drew me was Boise Cascade. Boise Cascade developed Ocean Pines and I checked their background. They had plenty of money to deliver what they said – and everything they said they were going to do, they did. They built all the buildings and turned them over to Ocean Pines. They're a great company."

Over the years, Steen has built hundreds of homes in Ocean Pines. He also built a reputation as a sort of philanthropist, often donating his own money for community projects and amenities. He was among the largest donors to the Worcester County Veterans Memorial in Ocean Pines.

"I also helped with the first swimming pool. My kids were involved in swimming and everything else going on," he said. "I helped start the chamber of commerce and groups like that too."

"It's a great community and a great place to live. That's why I'm still working and selling, and bringing people in here," Steen added.

Today, Steen said, the best thing about Ocean Pines is the people who live here.



Marvin Steen

"They're just nice people – I love the people," he said. "I build houses and sell real estate, and they stop in and see me because I live on the Parkway. It means a lot to me."

Steen added he's not at all surprised to see how Ocean Pines turned out.

"Boise Cascade laid this development out and they delivered exactly what they had planned," he said. "They built the buildings and did the roads, and it turned out just like they said it would."

Steen Homes is still active and building in Ocean Pines. Steen said he expects to have 30 new lots ready this summer, and 30 more ready by next year.

"I still love working and I love this place. I really enjoy it," he said. "It's just a great place to live."

Tim McMullen, his wife, Mary, and his brother, Don, first came to Ocean Pines in the early 1970s.

McMullen said his parents decided to buy a lot at the time, which became the first home on Cannon Drive.

Tim and Mary were both educators, and they helped found the Ocean Pines Recreation Department and its slate of summer programs.

"Mary and I got involved in our first summer youth program in 1974," McMullen said. "We used to average about 80-90 kids a day, and we would run weekly daytrips to the Beach Club once week, or to the Salisbury Zoo or the Chesapeake Maritime Museum in Cambridge."

He remembers Marlene Ott helming a production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," with Marlene's daughter and McMullen's little sister taking turns playing the character of Lucy.

"We also had Wednesday night movies in the old community center that cost 50 cents, and we had a lot of people at the campground waiting for homes to be built," McMullen said. "You could sense a community being built. And for Don and I, to see this community now so many years later is

really reflective."

Several decades later, the McMullen family also became involved in the Worcester County Veterans Memorial in Ocean Pines.

"Both of our parents were World War II veterans and there's the saying, 'when much is given to a family much will be required,'" McMullen said. "Don has an active role in the Golf community and I'm active in the Racquet Sports community, but I think the most important thing we're involved in is the educational component at the Veterans Memorial."

Each year, the Veterans Memorial hosts a series of field trips for every fifth grader in Worcester County. Students are taught about the memorial and about what it means to be a veteran.

"I think that's a prime example of us recognizing a service to our military veterans, and what a service it is to our fifth graders in the county," McMullen said.

Both brothers are also involved in other charitable endeavors in the community.

McMullen founded the Mary Mac Foundation in honor of his wife, who passed away in 2012. The nonprofit each year supports the Ocean Pines Recreation Department and raises funds to send low-income children to summer camps in Maryland and Delaware.

Don works with groups like the Ravens Roost #44, which recently announced \$15,000 in scholarships for six local high school students.

McMullen also continues coaching tennis with longtime friend Terry Underkoffler.

"For me, being around young people is a gift. God willing, I'll be able to do that for a long time," McMullen said.



Tim McMullen

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Catching flounder How and where

Fishing report: When weather and water conditions are right the flounder fishing has been great. There have also been good catches of bluefish and rockfish around the Route 50 Bridge. Offshore the party boats have done well on Seabass.

Some Events to remember:

1. The Ocean Pines Anglers Club Teach A Kid to Fish will be held at the South Pond on June 18 starting at 9 a.m.

2. The Anglers Club Kids fishing contest also held at the South Pond on July 16 starting at 9 a.m.

3. The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce 15th Annual Flounder Tournament, Saturday August 6. To register go to the Chamber Web site events section. www.oceanpineschamber.org.

When to fish: You can spend all day fishing but to really target big flounder you should make it a point to check the tide charts. Flounder fishing is best the last two hours of the incoming tide and the first two hours of the outgoing tide. Also remember the tides flow two hours behind in the bay so if the beach high tide is 1 p.m. the bay high tide is 3 p.m. I have also found over the years that fishing is even better with a mild northeast or easterly wind. A south wind seems to dirty up the South Bay and a west wind brings out the biting flies.

What bait should you use? Any good flounder fisherman will tell you that to catch big flounder you will need to fish with big bait. Talk to your tackle shops about bait but when targeting the big fish use frozen smelt two to three inches long with a squid strip as an attractor. You can also use big minnows if you can find them and I will still use frozen shiners but will put two on a hook with a squid strip. If you are using frozen shiners hook them through the eyes. Another option is strip bait. This time of year, it can be a fillet of a blue fish, sea robin, or flounder belly cut into strips three to four inches long. Taper the strip bait so it moves well through the water. Another hot bait is 5" Pearl White Swimming Mullet Gulp dressed

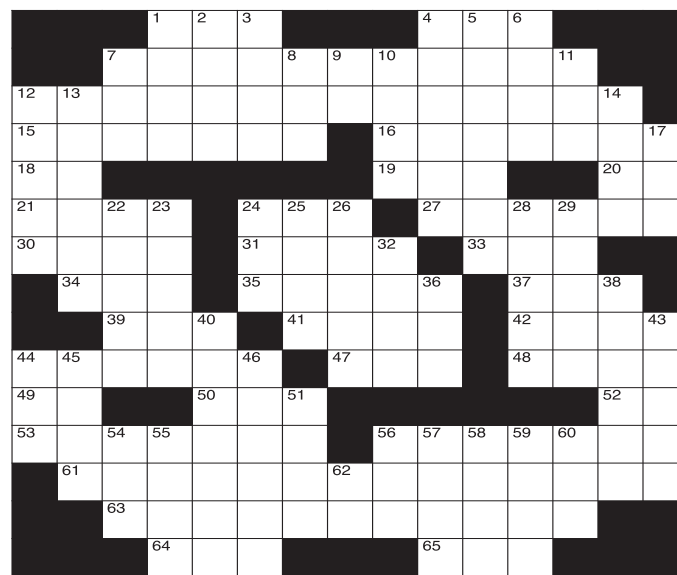
with a frozen shiner or live minnow. Pink, red and chartreuse are also good this time of year.

What kind of rig should you use? There are many options for rigs but the following are what I prefer. A simple rig of a four-foot 20 or 30lb. test leader with a three-way swivel at the top to which is attached a two ounce or three-ounce bank sinker depending on how fast the tide is moving. At the terminal end use a single wide gap hook dressed with two beads of red or chartreuse. To this hook attach either the smelt, minnow, frozen shiner or strip bait along with a strip of squid or if using the Swimming Mullet eliminate the beads. Another option is a plain leader to which is attached a two ounce or three-ounce bucktail. Dress this hook preferably with strip bait described earlier. These are attached to a four-foot. 20 or 30lb. test leader with a three-way swivel and two or three-ounce bank sinker. This time of year, the chartreuse and the pink work well. I will dress these with frozen shiners and a squid strip. Also, the Deadly Double Rig is working very well dressed with a minnow and squid strip or gulp.

Where should you fish? In the South bay from Buoy 6 to 12, From the Rte. 50 bridge along the bulkhead past the Coast Guard Station to the fishing pier, the inlet along the south jetty and on the inlet side of the West O.C. Harbor, The East Channel Buoy 8 to 14 and along the shallows at Bird Island, At Harbor Island along the hard shoal, along the bulkhead where the townhouses jut out and from the townhouses to the 9th St. fishing pier, In the Thoroughfare, work just above the bend up against the marsh and drift from four foot of water to the drop off at 25 feet at the bend, and in the North Bay from Buoy Marker #14 at the convention center. Drift inside the channel markers to keep clear of the boat traffic.

Did you know? Most brands of lip-stick contain fish scales.

*Remember to take a kid fishing,
Capt. Ron*



CLUES ACROSS

- | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Moved quickly | 37. Married woman |
| 4. Ocean temperature | 39. Blood relation |
| 7. Scholarly book series | 41. German river |
| 12. Irregular | 42. Genus of clams |
| 15. Hairstyle | 44. Parts of a movie |
| 16. Indigestion fixer | 47. Residue |
| 18. Special therapy | 48. Ethnic group of Laos and Thailand |
| 19. Mock | 49. Atomic #77 |
| 20. Partner to Pa | 50. Where wrestlers work |
| 21. Strays | 52. Northeast |
| 24. Swedish currency (abbr.) | 53. Type of lettuce |
| 27. Desired | 56. Abstain |
| 30. Soap product | 61. Communication between two |
| 31. Traditional fishing boat | 63. One who administers medicine |
| 33. No (Scottish) | 64. Sun up in New York |
| 34. Spy organization | 65. Having eight |
| 35. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation | |

CLUES DOWN

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. He played "Milton" | 28. Semitic Sun god |
| 2. Elsa's sister | 29. Land |
| 3. Digital wallet | 32. Database management system |
| 4. About backbone | 36. Similar |
| 5. Type of weapon | 38. Nice to look at |
| 6. ___ Turner, rock singer | 40. Covered with mud |
| 7. Microgram | 43. Simple dry fruit |
| 8. Hair product | 44. Title of respect |
| 9. Health care pro | 45. Type of footwear |
| 10. Holy fire | 46. Most lucid |
| 11. Military ID (abbr.) | 51. Exam |
| 12. ___ the ante | 54. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand |
| 13. Containing nitrogen | 55. "Rule, Britannia" composer |
| 14. Green citrus fruit | 56. Small Eurasian deer |
| 17. Male parent | 57. "Within" |
| 22. Bring up | 58. Insures bank's depositors |
| 23. Murdered | 59. A pause for relaxation |
| 24. Soviet Socialist Republic | 60. Social insect |
| 25. Supreme ruler Genghis | 62. Expresses acidity |
| 26. Social media hand gesture | |



Answers for June 8

Election ballot order set

A candidate draw held on last Tuesday officially set the ballot order for the 2022 Ocean Pines Association Board of Directors election.

The ballot order is:

- Paula Gray
- Amy Peck
- Stuart Lakernick
- Monica Rakowski
- Josette Wheatley
- Steve Jacobs

Ballot order was decided by a deck of six cards, drawn by each candidate and announced by Elections Committee Chairperson Carol Ludwig.

Three seats on the Board will be up for election this year: those currently held by Peck, Wheatley and Larry Perrone. The seven-member volunteer board is the governing body of Ocean Pines.

The first candidate forum is scheduled for Wednesday, June 22 at 6 p.m. in the Clubhouse Meeting Room on 100 Clubhouse Drive.

Ludwig said ballots would be mailed by the week of July 12 and must be received by close of business on August 10.

Important upcoming election dates include:

- First Candidate Forum - Wednesday, June 22 at 6 p.m. in the Clubhouse Meeting Room
- Second Candidate Forum - Saturday, June 25 at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse Meeting Room
- Cutoff date for voter eligibility - Wednesday, July 6
- Ballots mailed - Week of July 12
- Ballot Deadline - Wednesday, August 10 by 4 p.m.
- Ballots counted and vote totals announced - Thursday, August 11 starting

ing at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse Meeting Room

-Annual Meeting - Saturday, August 13. Time and Venue TBD

Video of the count will be posted to the Ocean Pines YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/oceanpinesassociation1.

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

New pickleball courts construction to start

Construction on four new pickleball courts is expected to start this week, and the courts should be ready for Ocean Pines players by the end of July.

The Ocean Pines Board of Directors approved the new courts in January 2021, but a lengthy permitting process because of the COVID-19 pandemic produced several delays. The courts will be part of the Ocean Pines Tennis Center on Manklin Creek Road.

A representative from Baltimore based firm ATC Corp said paving the base of the courts would start on Tuesday or Wednesday, weather permitting.

ATC will then install net posts and fencing and put in surface asphalt. Once the asphalt cures, ATC will coat the courses and apply finishing touches.

Ocean Pines General Manager John Viola said the new courts would supply more space for players and allow Ocean Pines to grow its slate of lessons and tournaments.

"There has been a lot of demand for more pickleball courts, and we're happy to announce that this project is moving forward," Viola said.

Stewardship.

There is a prevailing belief that taxpayer money is an unlimited funding source for projects and initiatives that lack proper vetting, stakeholder input and accountability and that fall outside taxpayer responsibility and expectation. I disagree.



Citizens expect officials to be practical stewards of their tax dollars; to invest in the common good: roads, infrastructure, law enforcement, education, parks and recreation, appropriate economic development and provide responsible oversight of natural resources and zoning.

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Some things to think about

Gathered from the internet by **Jack Barnes**

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MY PARENTS CAN BE SO RUDE.

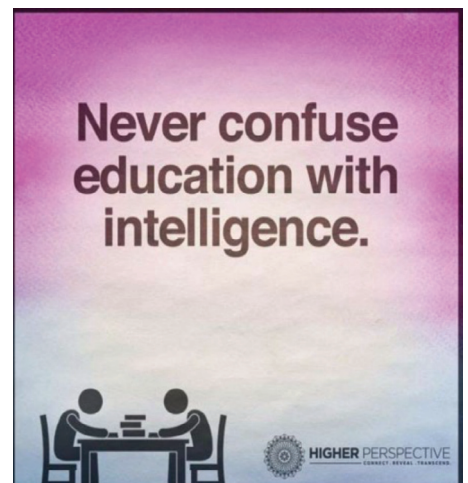


She said she missed me
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This is why I have trust issues



HIGHER PERSPECTIVE

Free program comes to farmers market

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market will welcome personal lifestyle coach Brenda Smith on June 25 at 9 a.m. for a morning dedicated to healthy cooking.

In a free event, Smith will talk about “Joyful Living through Healthy Cooking” at the marketplace in White Horse Park.

“Brenda is obsessed with empowering other women to give themselves better self-care through positivity and simple, healthier habits,” Market Manager David Bean said.

Smith became a personal coach in 2014 to help friends reach and sustain their best health.

“We are each unique and there is no one way to live a healthy lifestyle that works for everyone,” she said.

Smith said she enjoys working with a client to find what they need to feel their most energetic and best self. She believes taking time to care for oneself both mentally and physically allows people to deal with life with more grace, less stress, and more joy each day.

“When we take good care of ourselves, we more naturally take better care of the people we love,” she said.

Smith said it’s rewarding to see the women she works with gain more energy and enjoy their lives more.

“Seeing them keeping up with kids and their fulfilling lives, smiling brighter as they feel more confident and comfortable in their own skin, and accomplishing goals of better health and strength warms my own heart,” she said. “It also fuels me to continue to

provide this safe place for us all to learn and grow together.”

The Ocean Pines Farmers & Artisans Market is open Saturdays from 8

a.m. to 1 p.m. in White Horse Park.

For more information, visit www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/farmers-artisans-market.

Pollinator garden tour scheduled

The second annual Pollinator Garden Tour will take place Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25. This self-guided tour covers nine Pollinator-Friendly gardens across Maryland’s Lower Eastern Shore. Visit beautiful gardens landscaped with native plants, watch artists painting ‘en plein air’, and gain inspiration for your own gardening projects. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door, available at www.lowershorelandtrust.org on the News and Events page.

An added attraction this year is the Preview Party Cocktail Reception, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jenkins at Newport Farms in Berlin.

To learn more about this intimate

preview and cocktail reception and how you can support the pollinator and habitat work of the Lower Shore Land Trust, contact Kate Patton at kpatton@lowershorelandtrust.org or go to lowershorelandtrust.org/blog.

Parke schedules community sale

The Parke at Ocean Pines will hold its community sale on Saturday, June 25 (rain date is Sunday, June 26) from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the driveways of residents. The Parke is an active 55+ Adult community of 503 homes. Parke residents are selling their treasures for others to enjoy. There are clothes, lamps, artwork, household items, electronics, furniture and more.

On June 25, maps will be available at the main entrance of the Parke located at Central Parke West, located off of Ocean Parkway at the south entrance of Ocean Pines.

For additional information, contact the Parke Clubhouse Staff at 410-208-4994.



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	Low	3:56 PM
	High	10:41 PM
F 17	Low	4:59 AM
	High	11:05 AM
	Low	4:53 PM
	High	11:35 PM
Sa 18	Low	5:55 AM
	High	12:01 PM
	Low	5:53 PM
Su 19	High	12:29 AM
	Low	6:51 AM
	High	12:59 PM
	Low	6:56 PM
M 20	High	1:25 AM
	Low	7:46 AM
	High	2:01 PM
	Low	8:00 PM
Tu 21	High	2:23 AM
	Low	8:39 AM
	High	3:05 PM
	Low	9:05 PM
W 22	High	3:23 AM
	Low	9:29 AM
	High	4:07 PM
	Low	10:10 PM

Horseshoe crabs migrate onto Atlantic Coast

The annual spawning migration of horseshoe crabs is now returning to Maryland beaches. The peak of the horseshoe crab spawn depends on late spring and early summer high tides, culminating on or around each full and new moon in June. Dating back an estimated 350 million years, this yearly event along the Atlantic coast is thought to be the world's oldest and largest wildlife migration.

Biologists from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) monitor the returning horseshoe crab population for ecological and scientific research purposes. The department encourages the public to report any spawning activity and sightings of horseshoe crabs to DNR's Horseshoe Crab Volunteer Angler Survey.

On average, one spawning female horseshoe crab will deposit 20,000 eggs into the sand.

Horseshoe crab eggs are a natural part of the diet for migratory shorebirds preparing to return to their summer nesting grounds in northern Canada. Horseshoe crab larvae are

also an important food staple for juvenile Atlantic loggerhead turtles, as well as striped bass, American eel, and flounder.

The horseshoe crab's blue, copper-based blood is critical for biomedical research, the animals are collected by specially permitted fishing operations, have blood drawn in a biomedical facility, and then are released back into

the water.

Despite their menacing armor and tail, horseshoe crabs are gentle creatures that do not bite or sting. The tail is not a weapon but is used to plow the crab through the sand and muck, to act as a rudder in the water, and to right the crab when it accidentally tips over. They can only survive outside of water for a short amount of time.

Arts Council awards non-profits grants

The Worcester County Arts Council awarded \$23,440 in the Community Arts Development Grants program to 12 art projects and events to be presented by local nonprofit organizations during the granting cycle beginning July 1.

Grantees were recognized on June 7 during the Arts Council's annual Arts Celebration held at the Berlin Library branch.

Funding will support a wide variety of creative and innovative projects that are of outstanding artistic quality and demonstrate community benefit enhancing the lives of everyone living and visiting Worcester County. This program is funded and supported by the Maryland State Arts Council.

Grant projects are evaluated based on the overall quality of cultural excellence, community outreach and public impact, and financial/administrative merit.

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The following is a list of organizations and their projects that are being awarded a Community Arts Development Grant for the first cycle of the FY 2023 granting period:

- Art League of Ocean City: Monthly Art Exhibits
- Berlin Heritage Foundation: Events
- Downtown Snow Hill, Inc.: Mural Restoration
- Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra: 2022 Fall Concerts
- Pine Tones Chorus: Christmas Concert
- Town of Berlin - Berlin Main Street: Live Music at the Berlin Farmers Market
- Town of Ocean City/Special Events:

- Children's Art Workshops at ArtX
- We Heart Berlin: Powered by Kindness Mural
- Worcester County Board of Education/Worcester Goes Purple: #Hat not Hate" project
- Worcester County Education Foundation: Chamber Music by the Sea 2022 Festival
- Worcester County Library - Berlin: Art of Reading Book Club
- Worcester Goes Purple Warriors Against Addiction: Healing heARTS
- The next deadline to apply for Community Arts Development Grants is October 15. The application form and Grant Guidelines are available on the Arts Council's website: www.worcestercountycouncil.org

NARFE to meet

The National Active Retired Federation Employees (NARFE), Chapter 2274 Ocean Area will meet Thursday, June 23 at Denny's located at 6104 Coastal Highway at the end of the Rte. 90 Street Bridge in Ocean City. The meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. The cost of breakfast is \$10. There will be no meetings in July and August. The next meeting will be September 22. For information call Larry Walton at 443-831-1791.

Auxiliary to hold fundraiser

The Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold a chicken salad carryout on Saturday, June 18 from noon to 2 p.m. at the main station. The cost is \$8 per pint. Please call 619-922-9950 for reservations.

RWWC fashion show returns

The Republican Women of Worcester County will host their 13th Annual Patriot Day Fashion Show Luncheon on Thursday, September 22, at The Grand Hotel in Ocean City. The event will honoring local women who have served in the Armed Forces. Fashions will be presented by Bruder Hill of Berlin. All are welcome. For more information go to the Fashion Show Link at www.gopwomenof-worcester.org. Or contact Merilee Horvat 443-614-9386.

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