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## Teen to attend Merchant Marine Academy

By **Kelsey Reichenberg**

Marley Rakow, a 17-year-old from Bishopville, plans to attend the four-year program at United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) in June to pursue a degree in marine engineering.

The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, located in Kings Point, New York, is a federal service academy that educates and graduates licensed Merchant Marine officers of exemplary character who serve America's marine transportation and defense needs in peace and war.

USMMA is known for its rigorous academic program as it requires more credit hours for a baccalaureate degree than any other federal service academy. The challenging coursework is augmented by the Academy's Sea year experience, which affords midshipmen the opportunity to acquire hands-on, real-world experiences aboard working commercial vessels sailing to ports around the world. Midshipmen who master the demanding curriculum earn a unique combination of credentials, including a highly-regarded Bachelor of Science degree, a U.S. Coast Guard license and an officer's commission in the U.S. Armed Forces.

During freshman year, students make the transition from high school graduate to Academy midshipman. In their first few months, they learn many new terms, the quality of endurance, how to perform under pressure, and how to successfully manage time. During their sophomore and junior years, midshipmen are sent to sea for practical shipboard training. Aboard ship, sailing the trade routes of the world, they learn the value of self-reliance and initiative as they gain firsthand experience in the mariner's environment. The students' senior year consists of fine tuning the skills they learned in the classroom and at sea.

Rakow spent her high school career at Stephen Decatur in a pre-engineering program. "I absolutely loved that program, so I knew I wanted to go to a school where I could study engineering." She also knew she wanted to serve her country. "I'll be able to serve the United States in a variety of

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**Marley Rakow**

## Board extends general manager's contract

After the open session of the April 28 meeting of the Board of Directors of Ocean Pines, the Directors went into a closed session to discuss several contractual matters. One of the matters that can be disclosed to the public was a personnel discussion regarding the contract of the General Manager, Bob Thompson. The current contract requires: "In the twenty-fourth (24) month of the contract the OPA Board and Mr. Thompson agree to provide notice, in writing, to each other of their desire to:" and then provides for three (3) options. After discussion of some suggestions for changes to the existing contract, proposed in writing by the GM in accordance with the language of the contract, a vote was taken to exercise option one (1) and "extend "as is"/renew the existing contract for three years.

"As the president of the Board of Directors, I am happy to take this opportunity to announce on behalf of the board that we have secured the continued employment of our General Manager, Bob Thompson. It is the opinion of the majority of Directors that the current contract has worked well for both the community and the GM and therefore no change was necessary. The vote was six (6) to one (1) in favor of the extension," said Pat Renaud.

The base salary for the general manager is \$165,000 plus a car/fuel allowance and bonus opportunities.

## Ocean Pines bulk pickup day scheduled

Ocean Pines Public Works will hold a free bulk pickup day for Ocean Pines residents and property owners on Saturday, May 21 beginning at 6 a.m.

Items that may be placed curbside for pickup include furniture, waste lumber, plastic chairs, electronics, large appliances and plumbing fixtures. Small items should be placed in containers at the edge of the road and weigh no more than 100 pounds. Doors should be removed from large appliances.

The bulk pickup does not include construction materials from active projects, hazardous or flammable materials, paints, tires, automobile batteries, oil or petroleum products, rocks, bricks or dirt. Republic Services receptacles should not be used to hold items.

Regular household garbage and yard waste is not part of this collection. Instead, yard waste may be brought to the Ocean Pines Public Works yard, which will be open to Ocean Pines homeowners and residents during the month of May from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays.

All items for pickup should be placed by the curb no later than 6 a.m. Public Works will not enter private property to pick up materials. Items placed for pickup at any time other than the designated day will not be collected.

Republic Services customers are reminded that they may place up to four bags of leaves or yard debris curbside for each scheduled pickup. This is in addition to regular trash pickup. Trash collection days for residents south of Route 90 are Tuesday and Friday. For residents north of Route 90, the collection days are Monday and Thursday.

Republic will also pick up branches if they are tied in bundles no longer than 4 feet and weighing no more than 50 pounds. Ocean Pines residents interested in enrolling with Republic Services should call 410-749-1551.

The Ocean Pines Public Works yard is located at 1 Firehouse Lane behind the south gate fire department. Residents with questions about the bulk pickup day should contact Ocean Pines Public Works by calling 410-641-7425 or emailing Linda Martin at [lmartin@oceanpines.org](mailto:lmartin@oceanpines.org).



**Helping out** - Recently, eighth grade students from Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School visited Diakonia in Ocean City. Lead by Diakonia's Volunteer Coordinator, Susan Blaney and Communications Coordinator, Anna O'Neill, students toured the facilities and learned about the services that Diakonia provides for local people who are struggling with homelessness. Following the tour, students volunteered throughout the shelter. Students helped to organize a thousand pounds of canned food for their food pantry, assisted with landscaping, organized donations and helped to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the local shelter. In addition to the efforts of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class, students presented a large donation of peanut butter and jelly jars, loaves of bread and other non-perishable items for Diakonia's food pantry.

## Assateague tourism creates economic benefits

A new National Park Service (NPS) report shows that 2,275,606 visitors to Assateague Island National Seashore in 2015 spent \$96,705,600 in communities near the park. That spending supported 1,320 jobs in the local area and had a cumulative benefit to the local economy of \$109,970,500.

"Assateague Island National Seashore welcomes visitors from across the country and around the world," said Superintendent Debbie Darden. "We are delighted to share the story of this place and the experiences it provides. We also feature the park as a way to introduce our visitors to this part of the country and all that it offers. National park tourism is a significant driver in the national economy, returning \$10 for every \$1 invested in the National Park Service, and it's a big factor in our local economy as well. We appreciate the partnership and support of our neighbors and are glad to be able to give back by helping to sustain local communities."

The peer-reviewed visitor spending analysis was conducted by economists Catherine Cullinane Thomas of the U.S. Geological Survey and Lynne Koontz of the National Park Service.

The report shows \$16.9 billion of direct spending by 307.2 million park visitors in communities within 60

miles of a national park. This spending supported 295,000 jobs nationally; 252,000 of those jobs are found in these gateway communities. The cumulative benefit to the U.S. economy was \$32 billion.

According to the 2015 report, most park visitor spending was for lodging (31.1 percent) followed by food and beverages (20.2 percent), gas and oil (11.8 percent), admissions and fees (10.2 percent) and souvenirs and other expenses (9.8 percent).

Report authors this year produced an interactive tool. Users can explore current year visitor spending, jobs, labor income, value added, and output effects by sector for national, state, and local economies. Users can also view year-by-year trend data. The interactive tool and report are available at the NPS Social Science Program webpage: [go.nps.gov/vse](http://go.nps.gov/vse).

The report includes information for visitor spending at individual parks and by state.

To learn more about national parks in Maryland and Virginia and how the National Park Service works with Maryland and Virginia communities to help preserve local history, conserve the environment, and provide outdoor recreation, go to [www.nps.gov/Maryland](http://www.nps.gov/Maryland) and [www.nps.gov/Virginia](http://www.nps.gov/Virginia).



# Amenity performance discussed, free trial memberships offered

By **Kelsey Reichenberg**

On Thursday, April 28, the Ocean Pines Association (OPA) board of directors met for their regular open meeting in the Assateague Room of the Community Center. The meeting began as General Manager Bob Thompson gave his report.

Thompson began by discussing the current financial standing of OPA's major amenities, golf, the Yacht Club and aquatics. Golf closed out the month \$10,091 ahead of budget. It is currently \$9,798 worse than budget; however, year-over-year comparison reveals golf is \$4,032 worse for the same time period last year.

The Yacht Club finished the month \$22,100 below budget. Year-to-date net operating performance is \$109,918 behind the budget; however, the year-over-year comparison reflects an \$119,016 improvement over last year for the same time period.

Aquatics ended the month \$21,524 ahead of budget for the month. Year-to-date, aquatics is \$33,750 ahead of budget and \$175,833 better than last year.

Thompson proceeded by giving updates on projects currently underway in Ocean Pines. He announced that the contract has been finalized for the construction of the new White Horse Park bathrooms. The county permitting process will take about three and a half weeks, and once that is finished, construction will begin. Thompson said the whole process should take about 60 days.

Thompson went on to discuss the Beach Club storm damage repairs. He announced that insurance is covering the costs for repair, and materials have been ordered. The roof will be fixed prior to repairing the floor.

The next project of discussion was the St. Martin's Lane pipe replacement. Thompson explained that the project is expected to last three to four days, so the delay on Beauchamp Road will be short-lived. Two 18 inch pipes will replace the 15 inch pipes that have been in place for the past few years.

The last project Thompson discussed was the Manklin Meadows Complex. Cement estimates are still being worked on. "We are still working with the county on a drainage solution for phase 1 of the project," Thompson explained. In the last meeting, the board asked Thompson to look into

additional options in order to reduce the overall cost of the project. "The cost is looking to be around 55,000 dollars to convert tennis courts one and two. It would cost about 25,000 dollars to convert courts 11 and 12 to pickle ball courts," Thompson said. He went on to explain that nothing would be done until the board took action on it later.

Thompson announced that the Public Works yard will be open during the month of May for clean up purposes. Homeowners may bring yard debris on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. or on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. No plastic bags will be accepted.

Furthermore, Saturday, May 21 will be a bulk pick-up day. Residents



Photo by Kelsey Reichenberg

must have items for collection out by 6 a.m., and materials placed for pick up at any other time will not be collected. Public works will dispose of collected items at their convenience.

Residents can put furniture, waste lumber, plastic chairs, electronics, large appliances and plumbing fixtures out for pick up. Regular house-

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## 2012 Business of the Year

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Emerald is the birthstone for the month of May. It is also the anniversary gemstone for the 20th and 35th years of marriage.



Emerald is one of the most highly-prized of all the gems. The name comes from the Greek "smaragdus" which means green stone.

The most prized is pure grass green.

Emeralds are often characterized by a garden of included crystals trapped within, known as the "jardin," because under magnification you will see all sorts of lovely patterns resembling foliage in a garden. A flawless, clear emerald is very rare and is usually found in only small sizes. Small to medium sized stones are often faceted in the "step" or emerald cut. The gem is also lovely when cut into a cabochon or dome shape. Sometimes emeralds are even carved.

According to legend, the wearing of emerald not only cured a wide range of ailments, including low I.Q., poor eyesight and infertility, but also enabled the wearer to predict the future.

As part of the normal fashioning process, most emeralds are immersed in colorless oil or resin so small voids are not as noticeable.

## Perspective

# It's time for a veterans treatment court on the Lower Shore

By **Steven W. Rakow**, Esquire

One hot topic in today's news is overcrowding in America's jails. In the 1980s, a Florida judge began the nation's first problem-solving court to divert from jail the low-level offenders with substance abuse and mental health issues. Today, problem-solving courts—and drug treatment courts in particular—assist those with drug addictions turn their lives around through closely monitored counseling, drug screening, and group therapy with rewards for good behavior and sanctions for non-compliance. Graduation from the program can take up to two years. Successful graduates develop the tools to avoid addictive behavior, cope with stress, handle jobs, and become productive members of society rather than having served active incarceration that usually results in high recidivism. Sometimes, graduates can avoid a criminal conviction.

Veterans suffer unique behavioral problems stemming from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), and other combat and deployment-related mental-health illnesses. The types of PTSD, TBI, and other mental health issues unique to veterans often become exacerbated with substance abuse. In turn, this "perfect storm" leads to criminal behavior.

The Veteran's Administration and other federal and state agencies can only do so much for our veterans. Once a veteran engages in criminal behavior, veterans agencies cannot assist in the veteran's defense and may be further restricted from assisting medically if the veteran becomes incarcerated. Some veterans lose their benefits when convicted of serious offenses.

Consequently, around the nation, Veterans Treatment Courts have sprung up to deal specifically with veterans who have run afoul of the criminal justice system. A study completed in 2015 revealed that Maryland has a veteran population of over 500,000. And from that study, the first Veterans Treatment Court in Maryland stood up in October 2015 in Baltimore City based in part on the drug treatment court model.

The lower shore should be the next place for a Veterans Treatment Court. Wicomico, Worcester, Dorchester, and Somerset Counties make up the District Court of Maryland's 2nd District, which

combined have a veteran population of about 19,000. One judge should be added to the district to handle a consolidated veterans treatment court for the district. That judge would then travel between the counties—ride circuit—to hear the veterans treatment docket in each county. The personnel already in place in Dorchester, Wicomico, and Worcester drug-treatment courts could be tasked with the additional requirement to monitor and manage the veterans treatment court. Because Somerset County does not yet have a problem-solving court, one could be created there for both drug treatment and veteran treatment services, or vets could enter into the veterans treatment court and be monitored by one of the other counties' personnel.

It would appear that creating such a program on the lower shore would add additional costs with little benefit in return. That frame of mind ignores the overwhelming benefit to the community by keeping low-level veteran offenders out of jail, returning them to the com-

munity with carefully monitored treatment, and making them productive members of society once again. Additionally, there is federal grant money for veterans courts that could offset any additional costs.

The time is now for a Veterans Treatment Court on the lower shore. Our veterans deserve help from a grateful nation. Let's set our veterans up for success rather than allowing them to continue their downward spiral due to PTSD, TBI, and addictions issues.

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Thompson concluded his report when he announced that there were no current CPI violations. Following the report, the board discussed capital purchases requests. The board voted in favor of all the motions, which included replacement of aquatics pool furniture and slide, playground equipment for Huntington Park and Manklin Meadows storage sheds, a police pick-up truck, and a Public Works SUV.

Much of the meeting's discussion centered on Tom Herrick's opposition to the recent announcement that Ocean Pines will offer a one-week free trial of tennis, platform tennis and pickle ball membership to Ocean Pines residents and any interested non-residents. "Numbers have declined in membership, and if we want to offset the costs in fixing and replacing courts, we need a plan to make the membership grow," explained Thompson. "I have included the advisory committee in this plan, and racket sports are in favor of this idea. They understand that all three sports need to grow."

Herrick explained his concern that people who pay for memberships might have to sit out since space is already an issue at the complex, and Thompson assured him that the advisory committee is well aware of the potential consequences but wants to follow through with the plan anyway.

After much discussion, the board decided to take a vote on Herrick's motion, which asked that the board cease and desist the free trial of membership until the board can further discuss the best way to market it. Herrick's motion failed with Tom Terry, Cheryl Jacobs, Bill Cordwell, and Pat Renaud voting against it.

The meeting concluded as the board voted on appointments. The board voted in favor of Timothy McMullen rejoining the Recreation and Parks committee, Bernie Flax rejoining the communications committee, and William Neville joining the comprehensive plan committee.



# A very special mother

My children are very, very fortunate to have my wife as their mother. That's a statement that I'm sure they'll all agree, especially if they know what's good for them. From the moment of their birth they

probably add that she expressed herself loudly at times. They may not have always liked her straightforward approach especially when it meant early bedtime or no dessert but they have always respected it, although not immediately.



## It's All About. . .

By **Chip Bertino**

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She has rejoiced in their victories and has been the shoulder upon which they've cried when things didn't go their way.

Just as our children have grown so too has my

wife's capacity to accept them for who they have become; giving them their space to make mistakes and to go off in directions that may be unfamiliar. Even when it's hard to stand aside, she knows it's their lives to lead.

Parenting doesn't end when children leave the nest. Experience has demonstrated that parenting evolves. We're no longer a disciplinarian or familial dictator but rather a coach or guidance counselor or just someone to listen. For my wife this evolution transpired seamlessly. She is intuitive, knowing when to push, when to pull and when to leave things alone as the children navigate life as an adult. Truth be told, I've learned much by watching my wife being a mother and it's made me a better father I hope.

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As a young man courting my wife many thoughts and ideas filled my mind. My thoughts were no different than those of any other young man I'm sure. Musings of the future were reflected in a full moon on a starry evening. Everything was going to be perfect. There would never be sleepless nights, frustrations because of a wayward child or feelings of just wanting to be someplace else. Now, so many years later I know that not all evenings are moonlit and starry, that frustration and imperfection are facts of life.

Time has also brought into very sharp focus that I am very fortunate that my wife is the mother of my children. And I know my children believe the same, at least if they know what's good for them.

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# Racquet sports remain popular in the Pines

By **Dolores E. Pike**

It was pouring rain on a cold day at the end of April when Kim McFadden and I sat down and talked tennis in the club house adjoining the Racquet Shop of the Ocean Pines Racquet Complex. She even plugged in the space heater so we would be warm.

For the past two years Kim has been the Facilities Manager of the Complex and as such is very enthusiastic about the new programs on tap this coming season. "Racquet sports are so much fun and are considered life time sports. They are very social and provide an easy way to make new friends. Players from beginner to advanced can play either socially or competitively and are pretty much always guaranteed to have a good time," said

Kim as she smiled at me.

Racquet Sports free trial – May 1, 2016-April 30, 2017

Open to Ocean Pines residents and non-residents alike, adults at least 16 years of age and over, is a free clinic and weekly membership available for each of the three sports offered at the Complex; pickleball, tennis or platform tennis. Membership can begin on any day of your choosing and run for seven consecutive days. An individual may sign up for a one week trial for each sport. There is a limit though - one free trial per racquet sport per person. Applications are available at the Racquet Complex or at Rec and Parks Office because you must register in person in order that a weekly membership bag tag may be issued. There is equipment available for participants to use.

Play Day for the family – June 5 from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Sponsored by Delmarva Beach Tennis this is a family fun event that provides an opportunity for a family to learn the joys of playing tennis, a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime. Or maybe some family members might

just need to take a second look at their basic skills. Either way families need to pre-register at delmarvabeachtennis.com and list the names of all players. The cost is \$10 per player. There will be snacks, tennis balls and prizes provided but participants are encouraged to supply their own racquet. Although a few racquets are available, the supply is limited.

May Tennis Clinics

For adults "Shot of the Day" on Thursday nights from 6-7 p.m. May 11 (forehand), May 18 (volley/overhead), May 25 (backhand). Each night's clinic will target customized hitting drills allowing participants to practice specific shots. The cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers and you need to sign up in person at the Pro Shop or at delmarvabeachtennis@gmail.com.

For children 6-9 and 10-14 every late Friday afternoon in May consult the schedule for age group time slots. Cost for the month is \$55 for resident children and \$65 non-resident.\*

Adult Ladder Challenge (18 & up)

This is a six week program beginning on Tuesday, June 21 at 6 p.m. Promoted as "A fun twist on a tennis

ladder, players will be paired with a different partner each week." The cost is \$10 for members and \$50 for non-members.\*

Erika Cook, a former #1 singles player and #1 doubles from New Jersey will coach the May Shot of the Day clinics and the June Adult Ladder Challenge. She has formerly coached Nike's tennis camp, YMCA in Salisbury and Salisbury University Indoor Tennis Center.

\*Registration is thru Parks and Rec or at the Racquet Shop.

Please feel free to contact the Racquet Shop (410.641.7228) or the Recreation and Parks Department (410.641.7052) with any questions.

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ways after I graduate from the academy," stated Rakow. She will also be able to participate in competitive swimming, which is something she looks forward to. "It really is the perfect fit for me."

When asked about what she is most excited about, Rakow explained that she looks forward to the sea year. "One trimester during your sophomore, or third class, year and two trimesters during your junior, or second class, year are spent on board different types of vessels that make up the U.S. merchant fleet. You get to actually apply what you have learned in the classroom while traveling the world."

Rakow will begin indoctrination on June 28 and expects to graduate in June of 2020. "After graduation, I think I will probably sail and work as an engineer on board a merchant vessel," Rakow stated. "I'm not quite sure yet, though. There are a lot of options for Kings Point graduates."

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**Farm fun** - First grade students at Ocean City Elementary enjoyed a visit from the local 4-H Organization and had the opportunity to hold baby chicks. Pictured is **Jackson Hess** from Kitty Herr's class.

## Pines golf introduces new custom app

Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club has announced the introduction of its new custom mobile app. It is the only course in the area to offer one.

The app, which was designed by Gallus Golf specifically for Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club, is free to download for both Apple and android devices. It offers players a variety of features to enhance the golfing experience including on-course GPS, a digital scorecard and real-time leader boards that can be customized for outings and tournaments.

Golfers can also post handicap scores, view food and beverage options, post on social media and make tee times directly through the app.

John Malinowski, PGA Director of Golf for Ocean Pines, said he had been interested in creating an app for the Ocean Pines golf course for a while but was able to begin the process after meeting Gallus Golf at the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando this past winter. "Gallus Golf was the only company that could combine GPS, real-

time scoring and the marketing that we were looking for in one package," he said.

He added, "With the app, golfers can now access all of the information they need right through their smartphones. The app also allows the golf course staff to create a personalized experience for groups, outings and tournaments. Golfers can see in real time how others in their event are playing, just like at professional tournaments."

The app may be found on the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store by searching "Ocean Pines GCC." More information about the app is available at OceanPinesGolf.org or by calling the Golf Shop at 410-641-6057.

Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club is an 18-hole championship golf course and the only one on Maryland's Eastern Shore designed by Robert Trent Jones, Sr. It is open to the public year-round and is also available for outings and tournaments.

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# Emergency notification system to be tested

Worcester County's Emergency Notification System, CodeRED, will be tested on Saturday, May 7, to validate a portion of telephone numbers in the database. This will coincide with the monthly testing of the county's emergency alert siren system. Only a portion of the community will receive call attempts. There is no need for action whether or not you receive a call.

The Caller ID will read 800-791-3749, and the message will say "This is a test of your community's CodeRED Emergency Notification System. No action is required, this is only a test. Had this been an actual emergency you would have received important information from your local officials. Again, this is only a test."

The process will increase the efficiency of the system and the speed in which notifications will be delivered when the system is used during an actual emergency.

"Residents and businesses are encouraged to visit our website and update their contact information," Worcester County Emergency Services Director Fred Webster said. "If your phone number is not in the database, you will not receive a call when we do launch an important notification. In particular, individuals who have unlisted phone numbers, those who have changed their phone number or address within the past year, and those who use a cellular phone or VoIP phone as their primary number should add or update their contact information in the emergency database."

Webster also said, "The county has in the neighborhood of 55,000 full time residents. With the last system we had less than 1,000 people register."

The new system adds the ability to send not only phone calls but also text messages and emails. Emails and texts are strictly voluntary, and you must use the proper check boxes on the registration form to receive them, according to Webster.

The CodeRED system allows Worcester County officials to effectively reach residents and county personnel by using the system capabilities to send telephone calls, text messages, emails and social media in an effort to effectively inform residents to protect life and property.

Webster urges citizens to visit the Worcester County website at [www.co.worcester.md.us](http://www.co.worcester.md.us) and click on the CodeRED logo. Questions regarding this system test should be directed to the Worcester County Department of Emergency Services at 410-632-3080.

## Combine blessing scheduled

It is not too early to save the date of Saturday, August 6 for Snow Hill's 18th Annual Blessing of the Combines celebration.

There will be craft vendors and food vendors along Bank Street. Information booths will be located along Green Street. Craft vendors and area non-profits are encouraged to contact Diana Nolte at 443-944-4402 or by emailing [blesscombines@gmail.com](mailto:blesscombines@gmail.com) for space reservations.

Festivities begin on Green Street at 11 a.m. with live music and street activities. The Parade of Combines sets off down Route 12 to Green Street at 11:15 a.m.

For details contact Becky Payne at 443-783-1715, or email [blesscombines@gmail.com](mailto:blesscombines@gmail.com).



## Graduates

Recent Maryland Safe Boating Class graduates **Robert Cropper** and his daughter, **Patricia** proudly display their Maryland operating certificates with instructors **Barry Cohen** and **Al Burns**.

The Maryland Safe Boating class and certificate are required for boat operators born after 1 July 1972 but everyone can benefit from it.

Even with decades of waterman experience, Robert Copper, a.k.a. "Big Bird," the iconic image of Ocean City fishing, who has given fishing tips on local TV sports shows, took the class with his daughter. "It was really good and I wanted my daughter to learn it the right way," were his comments after passing the Maryland Department of Natural Resources test and receiving his certificate.

Besides Maryland maritime regulations, the course as taught by the USCG Auxiliary teaches boat handling, safety equipment, knot tying and other practical tidbits from experienced recreational boat enthusiasts.

The next safe boating class is scheduled for May 10 through 12 at the Ocean Pines library. Classes run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To register, please contact Barry Cohen at 410-973-1097 or email at [bmc\\_rsc@yahoo.com](mailto:bmc_rsc@yahoo.com). The fee is \$15.

## Bertino to hold town meeting

BOE President Jonathan Cook will be guest speaker

Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino will hold his next Town Meeting on Saturday, May 21 at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines library. Commissioner Bertino will provide information on issues and developments occurring within the district and the county as well as answer questions

with Commissioner President Jim Bunting. Jonathan Cook, president of the Worcester County Board of Education will be the guest speaker. The Worcester County Commissioners and the Board of Education have been working cooperatively on several education issues including the budget and the construction of a new Showell Elementary School.

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**Dems meet** - The Democratic Women's Club meeting on April 18 featured Dr. Joan Maloof, founder and director of the Old-Growth Forest Network presenting a slide show presentation on old forests in and around Maryland. Also speaking were Senatorial candidate and US House of Representative member Donna Edwards along with Berlin Mayor Gee Williams representing Senatorial candidate and US House of Representative member Chris Van Hollen.

The next Democratic Women's Club (DWC) general meeting is Monday, May 16 at 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be Dr. Diana Wagner, associate professor at Salisbury University. She will be speaking about the Holocaust and the Jewish resistance. DWC meetings are held in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. For information, contact President Em Hench [dwcmember@gmail.com](mailto:dwcmember@gmail.com).

Shown from left: Women's Club President **Em Hench**, Berlin Mayor **Gee Williams**, Dr. **Joan Maloof**, Rep. **Donna Edwards**, and Women's Club Vice President **Vicky Wallace**. Photo by: Ted Page.



### Successful Kiwanis Scholarship Fundraiser

The Kiwanis club held its annual Italian Dinner Scholarship Fundraiser at DeNovo's Trattoria in Ocean Pines last Saturday with a full house of patrons. Pictured (L-R) are **Daniel Zehnter**, **Hanna Beck**, **Joe Beck**, **Bob** and **Kellie Beck** and Kiwanis event co-chair **Ralph Chinn**. The Beck's donated the use of their restaurant for the event.

## Pines' farmers market continues to grow

By **Kelsey Reichenberg**

The farmers market, a community amenity that is open to anyone from anywhere, is a feature of Ocean Pines that builds the local economy.

Shopping at the farmers market benefits the community in several ways. Ocean Pines residents are encouraged to shop at the market as they are able to buy goods directly from the producers who live and operate in the local surrounding Delmarva communities.

Area residents have the opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge about how their vegetables are grown and how their meat is produced. The farmers market not only benefits the local community but it also reduces food packaging and food miles, thus reducing vehicle pollution, noise and fossil fuel use. Buying local foods from the market is a simple way for people to simultaneously improve their health, community and the environment.

The farmers market offers a total of 19 vendor categories, including the traditional farmers market vendor opening, such as farms, orchards, bakers, wineries, seafood and meats. However, as a European-style market, it also includes artisans, tradesman and a bazaar category for the sale of used resell merchandise. New vendors are always welcome.

Recently, the farmers market and the Ocean Pines Association (OPA) received a petition asking for an additional summer market day. In 2013, after extending from a summer market to a year-round farmers market, Market Manager David Bean set a milestone marker with the OPA to review the farmers market's growth after the fifth year. He is currently working on the fifth year review with the OPA General Manager Bob Thompson, along with Marketing and Public Relations Director Teresa Travatello. "Once the review is complete later this year, we'll know what the feature of the

Ocean Pines farmers market will look like going forward," stated Bean.

Each season, market attendance grows. This past winter, the market experienced attendance figures that equate to that of the 2012 inaugural year's summer market attendance. The summer market last year wel-

comed an average of 1,500

to 2,000 visitors on

any given Satur-

day, with higher

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events, such as

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Crafter Festival held

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and the Ocean Pines Association

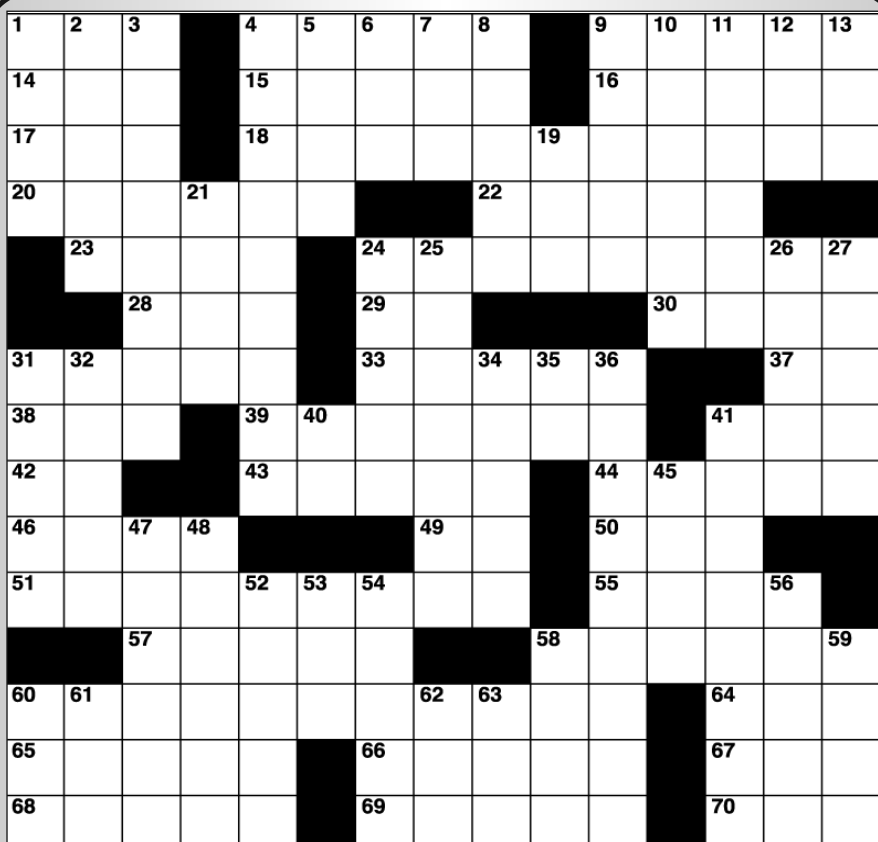
each August.

Upcoming events of the farmers market include the opening day of the summer market season, the Strawberry Bash, and the Paws and Whiskers Fundraiser. Opening day will take place on May 7, and it will include returning vendors as well as new members. Fresh produce, bakeries, wineries and gourmet foods vendors should be expected. There will also be a new Market Picnic Grove, which will include oversized picnic tables under the park's trees.

The Strawberry Bash, which will take place on May 21, is a new family festival at the Ocean Pines farmers market. "The market will be filled with farm vendors offering just-picked ripe berries, artisan bakers offering everything strawberry and gourmet strawberry food products," said Bean. Shoppers will be able to browse the boutique vendors for unique artisan items as many vendors will be participating from across Delmarva and beyond. "The event will also include a bake-off contest organized by the market volunteer group, Friends of the Ocean Pines farmers market. This year the spotlight is on finding the best cupcake," stated Bean. The bake-off entry form along with contest rules can be picked up at the Market Information Booth or downloaded from the farmers market page at [www.OceanPines.com](http://www.OceanPines.com)

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**ACROSS**

- 1. Satisfaction
- 4. 18th Hebrew letter
- 9. Couches
- 14. Severe
- 15. Makes comic books
- 16. Grape
- 17. Handle perfectly
- 18. Home of J.R.
- 20. Everyone has these
- 22. Linen
- 23. He owned the Bucks
- 24. Supported
- 28. River in Guangdong
- 29. Exclamation of surprise
- 30. Nicholas II was one
- 31. Comic antihero
- 33. In the back of a mammal's mouth
- 37. Joe is a famous one
- 38. Impressionist painter
- 39. Send forth
- 41. They \_\_\_
- 42. Not down
- 43. Computer
- program I-\_\_
- 44. Nostrils
- 46. County in New Mexico
- 49. Letter of the Greek alphabet
- 50. Russian river
- 51. Sorts
- 55. A feeling (slang)
- 57. Type genus of the Elopidae
- 58. Ingesting
- 60. Paints
- 64. Trouble
- 65. Turn on its end
- 66. Story (archaic)
- 67. Negative
- 68. Manners
- 69. Hurts
- 70. IBM's software group
- 9. Estate in Dickens
- 10. Wild cat
- 11. Menders
- 12. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 13. Female sibling
- 19. Man-child
- 21. Tommy Dorsey's trumpeter
- 24. Mesopotamian deity
- 25. Speech sound
- 26. Bore
- 27. Designer van Noten
- 31. Small flakes of soot
- 32. Insects
- 34. Genus of gulls
- 35. Indicates position
- 36. Fixes up
- 40. Homer's
- bartender
- 41. Riding horses
- 45. Dismounted
- 47. Unlocks cans
- 48. Salty
- 52. These are for cars
- 53. Mentally quick and resourceful
- 54. Hemlock
- 56. Give qualities or abilities to
- 58. This (Spanish)
- 59. Chime
- 60. Uncommunicative
- 61. A stock sale
- 62. Leisure (slang)
- 63. Similar

**DOWN**

- 1. Greek sophist
- 2. Diacritic mark
- 3. Tumors
- 4. Can't play
- 5. Dabbling ducks
- 6. Dekaliter
- 7. The world of the dead
- 8. Greek Muse



Answers for Apr 27

## Eyes on the Skies

# Rovers are sampling the Martian surface

By Douglas Hemmick, Ph.D.



May is sometimes regarded as the best month for stargazing. Local stargazers may wish to enjoy the spring season, before brighter summertime lights from the beach resort compete with the stars.

Pathfinder's lander was named the "Carl Sagan Station," after the famous scientist. Sagan consulted with NASA on moon landings and Mars missions — "Viking I and II." The Viking probes, which touched down in 1975

This month's coverage of Mars features the rovers, those mobile science labs which have landed on the planet and roamed its surface. The rovers have made many close-up observations and performed a variety of scientific tests on the Martian rocks and soil.



Carl Sagan posing by Viking replica

In July 1997, the Mars "Pathfinder" mission delivered the first rover to land on the red planet. The probe achieved a soft landing using a combination of retro-rockets, a reinforced parachute and a set of large air bags. The mission's rover, the "Sojourner," was a small 23 pound vehicle, with six wheels for stability. Sojourner took photos and performed soil analysis covering more than one-half acre in the Ares Vallis region.

studied only their landing sites rather than roving about.

NASA's next rovers, the "Spirit" and "Opportunity" landed three weeks apart in January 2004, but on opposite sides of the planet, so that they

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## Tide and Sun Chart

\* tide is for Ocean City Fishing Pier. Add two hours for Isle of Wight tide

DATE	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE	SUNRISE	SUNSET
Thur., May 5	6:47 a.m. 7:15 p.m.	12:46 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	5:58 a.m.	7:56 p.m.
Fri., May 6	7:40 a.m. 8:07 p.m.	1:41 a.m. 1:50 p.m.	5:57 a.m.	7:57 p.m.
Sat., May 7	8:32 a.m. 8:59 p.m.	2:34 a.m. 2:39 p.m.	5:56 a.m.	7:58 p.m.
Sun., May 8	9:24 a.m. 9:51 p.m.	3:27 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	5:55 a.m.	7:59 p.m.
Mon., May 9	10:16 a.m. 10:43 p.m.	4:20 a.m. 4:21 p.m.	5:54 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Tues., May 10	11:09 a.m. 11:35 p.m.	5:14 a.m. 5:15 p.m.	5:53 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Wed., May 11	12:03 p.m.	6:10 a.m. 6:13 p.m.	5:52 a.m.	8:01 p.m.

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could observe diverse terrain. The twin rovers “Spirit” and “Opportunity” were 408 pound, six-wheeled vehicles, about the size of golf carts. Spirit explored for six years until 2010, while its twin “Opportunity” still operates today. “Opportunity” has gathered data along a 26 mile pathway, and has set a record for longevity. Among their most exciting discoveries made were those suggesting the existence of water on ancient Mars. These include the detection of iron oxides and hematite spherules (nick-named Martian “blueberries”).

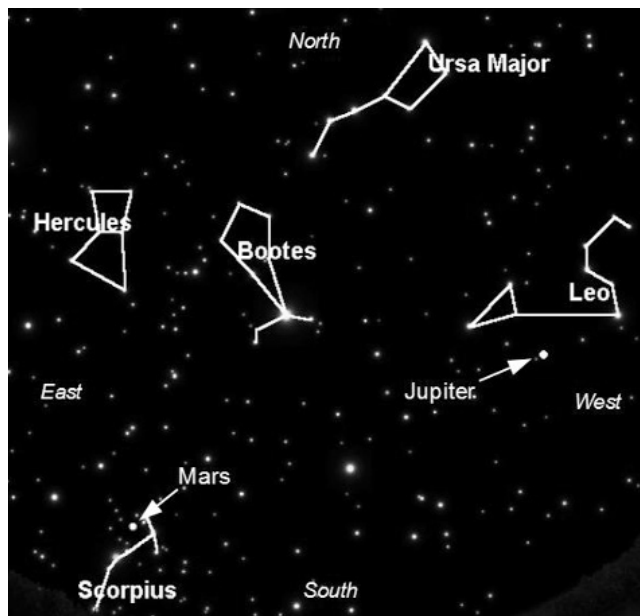
The most recent rover “Curiosity,” landed in August 2012 carrying a scientific payload five times heavier than the earlier twin rovers. The one-ton rover “Curiosity” is about the size of a compact car and has the same six-wheeled design. This latest rover boasts state-of-the-art instruments including a device for projecting short laser bursts at Martian rocks or soil samples, for analysis of chemical composition. Drills, scoops and sieves are also part of the testing arsenal.

One of the mission’s main objectives is to investigate the planet’s history, which is believed to include a warm and wet period almost four billion years ago. Another goal is to investigate the possibility that Mars could have supported ancient microbial life. “Curiosity” landed in Gale crater, a deep formation created by the impact of a large meteorite about 3.8 billion years ago. This ancient crater spans a diameter of 96 miles. Studies with “Curiosity” are reaching into the ancient past of Mars, as they examine the chronologically deposited layers of the crater, just as archeologists unearth the past.

At the center of Gale Crater the Sharp Mountain rises 3.4 miles above the crater floor. “Curiosity” took a photo of Sharp Mountain which has become celebrated as a picture post-card from the planet

Mars. The fascinating, light-toned cliffs appear heavily eroded by winds.

The early and exciting results from “Curiosity” include those found in Yellowknife Bay area. Scientists believe that clays and rocks found there suggest the existence of a large ancient lake. In December 2013 a series of six articles in the journal “Science” announced the



fascinating results – this area satisfies the mineral and chemical conditions needed for a habitable environment. The region could in principle be suited for microbial life.

Scientists are also using these studies to probe questions about the Martian atmosphere: Was it more dense and humid in the past? Did rains and snowfalls once play an important role there? Both the “Curiosity” and the “Opportunity” rovers are still busy exploring the red planet.

The planet Jupiter opens the evening viewing and may be seen at about 8:15 p.m. appearing high overhead. As the stars become fully visible around 9 p.m., the sky will be dominated by Leo the Lion flying high overhead, and to the north of Jupiter. Look for the familiar kite shape figure of Bootes (boh OH teez) the Herdsman as it returns again to the eastern skies.

Towards the northern horizon the Big Dipper (Ursa Major) can be seen. For those outside after about 10 p.m., Hercules the Hero will be in view over the eastern horizon. Patient stargazers may see the red planet Mars above the southeastern horizon after 12:30 p.m.



**Grand opening** - Atlantic General Dermatology opened their new offices in Selbyville, DE on April 26 with a ribbon cutting to celebrate the event. The grand opening was jointly sponsored by the Ocean Pines, Ocean City and Berlin Chambers of Commerce. With offices in the Strawberry Center along Rte. 113 in Selbyville, Atlantic General Dermatology provides general dermatology care and cancer diagnostic & treatment services. Pictured from left: FACHE AGH/HS President and CEO **Michael Franklin**, Sussex County Councilman for District No. 5 **Rob Arlett**, Worcester County Commissioner **Diane Purnell**, Chair of the Atlantic General Hospital Board of Trustees **Lou Taylor**, Past Chair of the Atlantic General Hospital Board of Trustees **John “Jack” Burbage, Jr.**, Atlantic General Dermatology physicians **Dr. Curtis Asbury** and **Dr. Sara Moghaddam**, Atlantic General Women’s Health **Dr. Brandi Musselman**; CRNP **Nicki Akstinas**; Medical Office Assistant **Betsy Sandos**; and Front Office Supervisor **Susan Brown**.

## Lifestyle Balance course offered

Get fit, lose weight, and improve your health with certified lifestyle coaches through group sessions beginning May 10 in Bishopville and May 11 in Pocomoke. The *Lifestyle Balance* program is a year-long, healthy eating, physical activity, and weight loss program that has been proven effective in reducing the risk for type 2 diabetes and other chronic health problems, assisting in weight loss and maintenance of a healthy body weight, and decreasing the risk for heart disease and stroke.

If you have been diagnosed with pre-diabetes or have a history of gestational diabetes the *Lifestyle Balance* program can help you significantly reduce the risk of developing type 2 diabetes. By improving food choices and increasing daily physical activity, you can lose 5 to 7 percent of your body weight which can cut your risk for developing type 2 diabetes in half.

Since 2009 *Lifestyle Balance* participants have lost a combined total of over 3,500 pounds in Worcester County, and have noticed an improvement in blood pressure, body fat and cholesterol levels as a result of program participation. When asked about the effectiveness of the program, recent participants have stated, “I am so thankful for this program. I truly believe it

helped to save my life”; and “This program has improved my health significantly, I feel.”

*Lifestyle Balance* is taught by CDC National Diabetes Prevention Program trained instructors including a certified exercise specialist, registered dietitian, and a health educator will be offered at the the following locations starting in May:

-Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department, 10709 Bishopville Road, Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m., May 10- August 30

-Pocomoke Volunteer Fire Department, 1410 Market Street, Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m., May 11- August 31.

The program will continue to meet once/month for the next eight months following conclusion of the initial 17-week core education program. Each session will include an education component and participation in physical activity.

All participants receive their own personal lifestyle change coach who will assist them with goal setting, progress, and overcoming barriers. Program participants also receive incentives such as step counters, resistance bands, cook books, and more. To learn more about the program, determine if you qualify for participation, or to enroll, please call 410-632-0056.

# Help your mother prepare for retirement

By **Ben Ogle**

Mother's Day is almost here, so start shopping for the flowers or candy for Mom. But this year, why not also go beyond the traditional? Specifically, if your mother is still working but getting close to retirement, consider providing her with a gift that can help make her days as a retiree more pleasant.

Here are a few suggestions:

-Contribute to her IRA. As long as your mother is employed, she can contribute to an IRA, and she may already have one. If so, help her fund it for 2016. You can't contribute directly to her IRA, but you can certainly write her a check for that purpose, and by doing so, you can make it easier for Mom to "max out" on her account this

year. Assuming your mother is over 50, she can contribute up to \$6,500 per year to her IRA. As you may know, an IRA can be a great way to save for retirement because it offers significant tax benefits. Contributions to a traditional IRA are typically tax-deductible, while any earnings can grow tax deferred. Roth IRA contributions are not deductible, but any earnings can grow tax free, provided the account owner meets certain conditions.

-Give Mom some stocks. You know your mother well, so you are probably familiar with the products she likes. By giving her shares of stock of the companies that produce these goods, you will provide Mom with a feeling of ownership that she may enjoy – along with the benefit of possessing invest-

ments that could potentially increase in value.

-Discuss retirement income strategy. Even if your mother has made some smart financial moves, such as investing in an IRA and her 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, she may still need some advice on how best to initiate and manage her retirement income. To cite just one action she needs to take, she must start making withdrawals from her 401(k) and traditional IRA once she turns 70½. But if she withdraws too much each year from these accounts, she could deplete them sooner in her retirement years than is desirable. To develop a solid retirement income strategy – one that can help her avoid outliving her income – she will need to

coordinate withdrawals from her retirement accounts with her Social Security payments and any other sources of income she may have available. Because it's so important to put together an appropriate income strategy, it's a very good idea to consult with a financial professional. If your mother does not currently work with one, encourage her to meet with someone you know and trust.

Of course, your mother may be married and have her finances commingled with those of her spouse. Nonetheless, every one of the suggestions mentioned above is applicable and relevant to your mother, whether she is singled, married, divorced or

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## Mondays

### **Ocean Pines Poker Club**

Poker players wanted in Ocean Pines area for Monday evenings. Call 410-208-1928

Open every Monday through October: **Historic St. Martin's Church Museum.** 1-4 pm. 11413 Worcester Highway, Showell, MD. For more information, call 410-251-2849

### **Sweet Adelines**

The Delmarva Sweet Adeline Chorus meets from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Call 410-641-6876.

## Mon. & Tues.

### **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

## Mon., Wed. & Sat.

### **Church Thrift Shop**

OC Baptist Church's Thrift Shop by Seaside Christian Academy behind White Marlin Mall open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mon. & Wed., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat. Call 410-251-6971.

## Tuesdays

### **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.

**Take off Pounds Sensibly Meeting.** Berlin group No. 331, Worcester County Health Center 9730 Healthway Dr., Berlin, 5:30-7:00 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. Info: [jeanduck47@gmail.com](mailto:jeanduck47@gmail.com)

## Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Poker players** wanted for Gentlemen's Poker in North Gate

area Ocean Pines. Game played every Tuesday & Thursday evening 5:45 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. on Pinehurst Rd. Ocean Pines. Call 410-208-0063 for more information.

## Wednesdays

### **Kiwanis Club Meeting**

Weekly meetings at 8 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Doors open 7 a.m. October through April.

### **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.

### **Delmarva Hand Dancing**

Dancing at The Fenwick Inn in Ocean City from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Contact 302-934-7951 or [info@delmarvahanddancing.com](mailto:info@delmarvahanddancing.com)

### **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](mailto:Stan.Kahn@carouselhotel.com).

### **Square Dancing**

The Pinesteppers have introduction to square dancing at the OP Community Center at 7 p.m. Call Bruce Barrett at 410-208-6777.

### **AL-Anon/OP-West OC-Berlin**

Wednesday Night Bayside Beginnings Al-Anon family meetings are held at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

## Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat.

### **Church Thrift Shop**

The Shepherd's Nook at Community Church at Ocean Pines is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 410-641-5433.

### **Diakonia Thrift Shop**

'Used to be Mine' offers clothing, furniture, household items and more. Proceeds benefit Diakonia shelter and pantry. Located at

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## Thursdays

### **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, Kate at 410-524-0649 or Dianne at 302-541-4642.

### **Legion Bingo**

American Legion in Ocean City opens doors at 5:30 p.m., games begin at 7. For information call 410-289-3166.

### **Gamblers Anonymous**

Group meets at 8 p.m. at the Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City. Call 888-424-3577 for help.

## Fridays

### **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.

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widowed. Women must be prepared to take full charge of their financial situations, no matter their marital status.

Anything you give Mom on Mother's Day will be appreciated. But if you can add a gift – whether in the form of investments or knowledge – that can help her make progress toward an enjoyable retirement lifestyle, you will be providing her with an enormous "thank you" for all she's done for you over the years.

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[www.OceanPines.org](http://www.OceanPines.org).

The Paws and Whiskers Fundraiser will take place for the second time this year on June 18. The fundraiser will benefit Town Cats of Ocean City. The day will include special visiting vendors with pet themed products and services. The Worcester County K9 Unit will be holding a demonstration, and market patrons are welcome to bring their pets to market, as Beached Paws will be taking pet photos. Other pet clinics are planned as well.

The farmers market is open year-round on Saturdays at White Horse Park from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine. The market can be found in the park, adjacent to the basketball courts and skate park, located behind the Ocean Pines Administration Building.

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**Sour Cream Coffee Cake**

- 2/3 cup chopped pecans
- 2 T. brown sugar
- 1-1/2 t. ground cinnamon

**Batter:**

- 1 cup butter softened
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 t. vanilla
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1/4 t. baking soda
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1 cup (8 oz.) sour cream
- confectioners' sugar

In a small bowl, combine the pecans, brown sugar and cinnamon. Set aside.

In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs one a time beating after each addition. Beat in vanilla. Combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture alternately with sour cream.

Pour half the batter into a greased and floured 10 inch fluted tube pan; sprinkle with half the pecan mixture. Gently top with remaining batter and

pecan mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes in the pan before removing to a wire rack to cool completely. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar.

A little Mothers' Day funny thought for you:

When my two children were toddlers, they decided to make breakfast for me on Mother's Day. Well, the night before we had friends over and served whiskey sours and the left overs were put in the fridge in our orange juice container. The kids got up and poured what they thought was juice in a glass, made peanut butter toast and brought it to me in bed. Thank goodness they didn't drink any sours! We had a good laugh over that one. It was a delicious breakfast of course!

*Enjoy  
bevwisch@aol.com*

**Boat Club fling to be held**

The Ocean Pines Boat Club's annual Spring Fling will be held Sunday, May 15, at the Golden Sands Condominiums in Ocean City. The cost is \$35 per person (\$38 non-members). Cocktails and appetizers will be served between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.; buffet dinner and dancing from 7 - 10 p.m. Bob Hughes will provide the music. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Tim Mullin at 410-641-6139 for tickets no later than May 9.

**Obituaries**

**Ronald Charles Edelmann**

Ronald Charles Edelmann, 69, of Berlin, MD, formerly of Taylorsville, MD, passed away on Saturday, April 23 after battling heart disease. Ron was the beloved husband of Judy L. (Robbins) Edelmann. He was born August 4, 1946 in Baltimore, MD the son of the late John Charles Edelmann and the late



*Ron Edelmann*

Helen L. (Edgar) Edelmann.

Ron was a former Vice President for Marriott Corporation; a US Navy veteran having served during Vietnam; a member and past president of Ocean City Lions Club and a member of Community Church at Ocean Pines. He loved to golf, travel and spend time with his grandsons. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are son and daughter-in-law Brian and Monica Edelmann, son David Edelmann, grandsons Lathe, Thatcher, Mason and Tanner Edelmann all of Ocean Pines; sister Bonnie and husband Vince Zasadzinski of

Taylorsville and brother Carl Edelmann of Pasadena.

A memorial service will be held at the Community Church at Ocean Pines, 11227 Racetrack Road, Berlin, MD, on Saturday, May 7, 2016. Visitation will be at 2:00 p.m. at the church, and the memorial service at 3:00 p.m. followed by a reception.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ebenezer UMC Building Fund, 4901 Woodbine Rd. Sykesville, MD 21784. Online condolences at [www.burrier-queen.com](http://www.burrier-queen.com)

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**Getting ready** - The Delmarva Chorus Management Team for 2016-2017 was recently installed. Pictured from left to right are **Elissa Mulligan, Jean Beatty, Jeanette Latzo, Madonna Brennan, Debbie Hile, Sharon Hunt,** and director **Carol Ludwig**. The chorus is preparing to sing on Memorial Day at the Veterans' Memorial, and at its annual show scheduled for July 16.

## **Pines now accepting golf scholarship applications**

The membership of Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club and the Ocean Pines Golf Members' Council are now accepting applications for their junior golf scholarships.

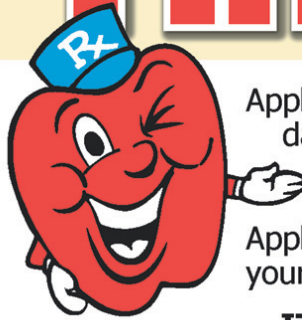
Up to three scholarships of \$500 to \$1500 each will be awarded to current high school seniors in support of their college plans for the 2016-2017 school year. Students who are from the local area, or who are involved with golf locally, are encouraged to see the guidance counselors at their respective schools for an application. Applications are also available online at [OceanPinesGolf.org](http://OceanPinesGolf.org).

The scholarships are intended for local students who have shown an interest in golf; active participation in competitive golf is not a requirement. Golf team members and recreational golfers as well as those students who are interested in golf management and turf science are encouraged to apply.

Completed applications should be submitted to guidance no later than Tuesday, May 17. Alternatively, they may be mailed to Golf Scholarship Committee, c/o Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club, 100 Clubhouse Road, Ocean Pines, MD 21811.

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