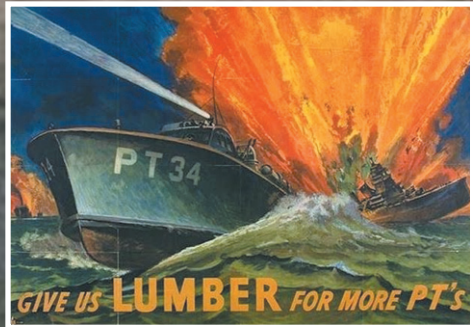
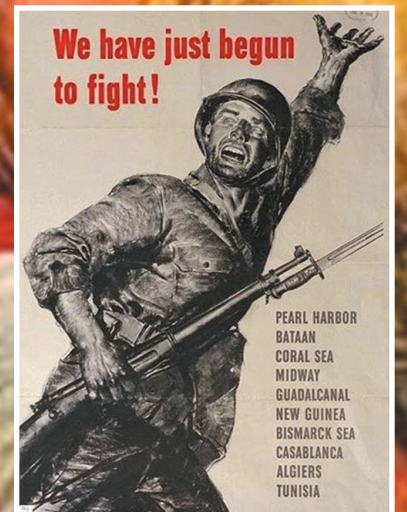


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On Sunday, June 5 watch the Baltimore Orioles take on the New York Yankees at Camden Yards. The bus will leave Ocean Pines at 8 a.m. and arrive in Baltimore before the 1:35 p.m. game time to allow time for lunch or sightseeing. The cost is \$75 per person, which includes transportation and game ticket.

If you are re a Nationals fan, head to Nationals Park and watch your team play the Philadelphia Phillies on Saturday, June 11. The bus will depart Ocean Pines at 8 a.m. and arrive in Washington before the 12:05 p.m. game time. The cost of the trip, which includes transportation and game ticket, is \$80 per person.

On Saturday, June 18 ride with Ocean Pines to Manhattan and enjoy springtime in the big city. Spend the day shopping, taking in a show or sightseeing. The bus will arrive in New York at approximately 10:30 a.m. and depart at 6 p.m. and will make stops for breakfast and dinner along the way. The fee is \$80 per person, which includes the cost of transportation only.

The buses for these trips, which are open to the public, will depart from the Ocean Pines Community Center, located at 235 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines. Reservations are required. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations unless vacant seats can be filled.

For more information or to register, call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052.

Taylor to speak at Dem meeting

The Democratic Club of Worcester County will meet Thursday, May 26 at the Ocean Pines Community Center, at 6:30 p.m. After refreshments, Lou Taylor, chief operating officer of the Worcester County Board of Education, and



Lou Taylor

former principal of Stephen Decatur High School, will speak on the board's efforts and challenges in maintaining the high ratings of our county schools. All Democrats and interested Independents are welcome.

Garden Tour scheduled

The Ocean Pines Garden Club will hold its annual garden tour on June 9. The theme this year is "Hats Off to Our Gardens." The tour will begin at 9 a.m. and run until noon. A luncheon will follow at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club at 12:30 p.m. The cost for the tour only is \$10. The tour and luncheon cost is \$30. You must register by June 4 if you wish to attend the luncheon. Menu choices are: (1) Crab Cake Slider with lettuce, tomato, and Old Bay tartar; or (2) Strawberry-spinach salad with goat cheese, almonds, and grilled chicken; or (3) Turkey wrap with lettuce, tomato, shaved red onion, and Swiss cheese. Lunch choices include chef's choice dessert, coffee, iced and hot tea. For reservations and more information call Linda Baker at 301-385-0839.

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Kastner to speak at Memorial Day ceremony

Captain Kurt Kastner will be the keynote speaker at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines on Monday.



Capt. Kurt Kastner

Kastner was born in Belleville, NJ and grew up in Union, NJ. After graduating from Union High School in 1985, he attended Maine Maritime Academy in Castine, ME as an NROTC scholarship student. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marine Engineering Technology, a U.S Coast Guard Third Engineer's License, and was commissioned an Ensign in 1989.

Following pipeline training, Captain Kastner reported to the *USS Tortuga* to serve in her commissioning crew as Gunnery Officer then MPA. Upon completion of *Tortuga's* maiden Mediterranean deployment, he reported to the Commander Amphibious Group TWO staff as the Flag Lieutenant in 1993.

Captain Kastner graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA in April 1997 with a Master of Science in Management. In October 1997, he reported to *USS Oak Hill* as Operations Officer on deployment in the Black Sea. In 1999, he was ordered to the staff of Commander, Amphibious Squadron Eight as

USS Wasp (LHD-1) is a U.S. Navy multipurpose amphibious assault ship. She is the tenth USN vessel to bear the name and was the flagship of the Second Fleet and the lead ship of her class.

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operations and plans Officer and deployed with the staff as part of Wasp Amphibious Ready Group. He was then ordered to Surface Warfare Development Group serving as the Amphibious Warfare Doctrine and Tactics Officer until May 2002.

Captain Kastner reported to *USS Ashland* as executive officer in July

2002 where he deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He reported to the Surface Warfare Officer's School in Newport, RI as the Lead Expeditionary Warfare Instructor in the Maritime Warfare Division. He completed Joint Professional Military Education and graduated with distinction



from the Naval War College in March 2007.

Captain Kastner took Command of *USS San Antonio* in July 2007. He led *San Antonio* and her crew on the ship's maiden deployment to the Mediterranean Sea, Arabian Gulf, and conducted Maritime Security Opera-

tions around the Horn of Africa.

Upon scheduled relief, he assumed the duty as Commander, Engineering Assessments, Atlantic in January, 2009. In November 2011, he reported to Commander Naval Surface Force, Atlantic as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Engineering Readiness.

Kastner assumed duties as Executive Officer in *USS Wasp* in June 2013 and took command in January 2015. He led the ship through an aggressive maintenance, combat systems upgrade, and training schedule for the ship's first deployment in more than 10 years. He reports to the Commander Naval Surface Force, Atlantic in June 2016.

Kastner's personal awards include the Legion of Merit (two awards), the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), the Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2 awards) and numerous campaign and unit awards.

Captain Kastner is the son of Ocean Pines residents, Al and Carol Kastner. He is the oldest of their four children, Kurt, Eric, Karl and Krista.

Annual Memorial Day ceremony scheduled

The 11th annual Memorial Day ceremony at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines will be held Monday, May 30. The ceremony will recognize and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. All are invited to attend the event which will take place at the Memorial site on Rte. 589 near the South Gate of Ocean Pines. The day will be celebrated with pageantry and patriotism. Music will be performed by Randy Lee Ashcraft, Frank Nanna, the "WWIIunes" Todd Crosby and the Delmarva Chorus.

The keynote speaker is Captain Kurt A Kastner, U.S. Navy, son of Allan and Carol Kastner of Ocean Pines. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. and will last for one hour. The public is invited and parking is available on site. Please bring lawn chairs. For further information, call Marie Gilmore at 410-208-6612 or visit www.opvets.com.

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We here highly resolve these dead shall not have died in vain; that the nation shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth.

*President Abraham Lincoln
The Gettysburg Address*

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One of the earliest commemorations of Memorial Day was organized by recently freed slaves.

As the Civil War neared its end, thousands of Union soldiers, held as



prisoners of war, were herded into a series of hastily assembled camps in Charleston, South Carolina. Conditions at one camp, a former racetrack near the city's Citadel, were so bad that more than 250 prisoners died from disease or exposure, and were buried in a mass grave behind the track's grandstand. Three weeks after the Confederate surrender, an unusual procession entered the former camp: On May 1, 1865, more than 1,000 recently freed slaves, accompanied by regiments of the U.S. Colored Troops (including the Massachusetts 54th Infantry) and a handful of white Charlestonians, gathered in the camp to consecrate a new, proper burial site for the Union dead. The group sang hymns, gave readings and distributed flowers around the cemetery, which they dedicated to the "Martyrs of the Race Course."

Perspective

The bullying needs to stop at all levels

By **Jean Fry**

In the past few years the media has given a substantial amount of attention to different types of bullying. Children in school are reminded to respect their fellow classmates and not to belittle or tease one another about size, ability, or appearance. Parents are reminded that if they try to bully referees when they question their decisions, they are subject to being removed from a game.

Drivers who tailgate are technically bullying by trying to assert their importance and power over the driver in front of them. Even bumper stickers can send negative bullying messages, such as "FU you, I live here," which is insulting to tourists who spend money at businesses in the community. A couple of years ago I actually saw a bumper sticker that said, "My child beat up your honor student at _____ Middle School." That parent certainly isn't sending a positive message to his own child as well as to anyone else who reads that.

There are endless examples of cyber bullying on Facebook, Twitter, and other forms of social media. An app called After School started out as a chat room for teens, but it eventually turned into a bullying site. Even though it is not an actual physical confrontation, apparently some users of social media feel that it is their prerogative to belittle or bully the person who made a comment with which they do not agree. Not every opinion that a person may voice deserves or commands a rebuttal. A friend of mine used to tell her two daughters, "You can think anything you want, but that doesn't give you the right to say it." Many parents try to control what their children do on the computer, which is in the child's best interests, but some parents have also been known to bully other parents on Facebook about a conflict that arose in a sport or classroom situation, and, instead of trying to resolve it privately, resort to publicizing the problem to the entire community while trying to get other parents to take sides. That used to be called "throwing your weight around." Whatever you choose to call it, it is adult bullying.

Perhaps the place that bullying is most prevalent everyday is what happens politically on international, national, state, and local levels. Russia's

presence in the Ukraine is an example of one country bullying another. North Korea's threatening South Korea and other nations with missile tests and hydrogen bombs is bullying. Threats by ISIS and Al Qaeda against other nations and religions are examples of bullying. Nationally, it is rare to see politicians work "across the aisle" anymore. The Congress and the Senate bully the President. Our local representative, Andy Harris, has a reputation for voting No or taking the opposite side on almost every issue. Surely, there must be an occasional bill which deserves a positive vote. Maryland is a great state. We deserve a better representative in Congress than Andy Harris!

Politicians are elected to serve. When there is name calling, grudge carrying, and perpetual obfuscating, very little gets accomplished. Most parents wouldn't tolerate that behavior in their children, and yet, it seems to be "the new normal" in the current political scene. Donald Trump is exhibiting the very kind of behavior that most parents and teachers try to get their children or students to avoid—encouraging physical confrontation, bullying and belittling others. This is a great country; we have our problems, but electing a bully and a demagogue will not solve them. America deserves better than Donald Trump!

Locally, officials in the Ocean Pines Association need to be reminded that they were also elected to serve their constituency, solve problems, and work to improve life for everyone in the Ocean Pines community—not to pursue their personal agendas or vendettas. There are a few board members in the OPA who need to start practicing civility. They held the entire Ocean Pines community hostage for three or four years by insisting that Sandpiper Energy pay a franchise fee to the OPA in order to convert the community to natural gas. Ocean Pines has been bypassed and delayed due to bullying behavior by some members of the OPA for no good reason other than stubbornness. Sandpiper is a public utility offering a service for which consumers must pay. OPA board members need to be reminded that they were elected to make this community a better place to live and to solve problems as they arise. They were not elected to manage the

day-to-day operations in Ocean Pines. That is the job of the general manager. Lately, some of the arguments have deteriorated to physical threats or insisting on having the last word on every issue. These individuals are not being good examples of community leaders and are not doing the job that they were elected to do. Insulting each other only perpetuates conflict. This is a great place to live. The community deserves better behavior and leadership from the OP board. There are issues and problems that need to be addressed, but that must be done in an intelligent and adult manner. Electing bullies to the OPA association does not solve problems or get things done! Ocean Pines residents should carefully select three individuals in the next election who will serve the community in a positive and intelligent manner. We deserve better behavior from our elected officials!

Jean Fry lives in Ocean Pines.

Empowerment presentation offered

The Worcester County Commission for Women invites you to attend the Suddenly Single presentation "Empowering Yourself to Tame Worry and Anxiety" to be held at Atlantic General Hospital (Conference Room 1-first floor) located at 9733 Healthway Drive in Berlin, on Saturday, June 11 from 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. The presenter is Diane Armstrong who is lifelong self-care advocate, a Reiki Master, spiritual life coach and manicurist with expertise in essential oils, flower essences and hand-crafted product development.

To register for this workshop, call Linda Gibbs at 410-641-6517 or email lindaknierim@yahoo.com by June 8, 2016. Light refreshments will be served. Space is limited and there is no charge for this workshop.

The "Suddenly Single" initiative is open to all coping with the loss of a partner's support through illness, death, separation or divorce. For information about Suddenly Single, visit www.fwccw.org or contact Beverly Thomas at bevthomas@mchsi.com or 410-641-8299.

The ultimate sacrifice

From the time the ink dried on the final signature affixed to the Declaration of Independence in 1776, our nation has expected much of those who have worn a military uniform in the service of this country.

around the world. Sometimes just wearing a U.S. military uniform can make one a target for vengeance and terrorism. For that matter just being an American can make us a target.

It is easy to forget that the liberty we take for granted was secured by fellow citizens who took up arms and laid down their lives to defend this country.

During the fall of Saigon in 1975 people were so desperate to not fall under communism that they ran alongside taxiing jets at-

tempting to jump aboard or latch onto landing gear so when it retracted it would pull them up into the underbelly of the plane. Many of them never made it.

During the Cold War no one tried to escape over the Berlin Wall from West Germany to East Germany. People were shot dead trying to come the other way though.

When was the last time you heard or saw someone attempt to escape the freedom of the United States?

Monday is Memorial Day. It is more than a three-day weekend, more than a series of holiday sales and more than the beginning of the summer season. It is a day set aside to honor the common people who, in extraordinary, frightening situations, died on beaches, in foxholes, in rice patties, in jungles, on the open sea and in P.O.W. camps while in service to this nation under God. It is a day to remember those men and women who never returned to their families because they gave their lives protecting our way of life.

They never had another opportunity to take for granted the pleasantness of playing catch in the backyard with a child, dancing spontaneously with a spouse when a favorite song comes on the radio or deciding which fishing hole would yield the most results. Instead their images are frozen in time within the pages of school yearbooks and family albums. Their memories are animated in the far-away glances of a saddened parent, spouse, sibling or child.

Memorial Day is a reminder that sacrifice is the ballast of freedom. We should keep that in mind as we enjoy a holiday barbecue in the company of friends and family, deciding whether to have another hamburger or hot dog.

May the brave men and women we honor Monday rest in peace and their memory be as vibrant as they once were. God bless!



It's All About. . .

By **Chip Bertino**

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We have demanded valor in the heat of battle. We expect that success be wrestled from the grip of defeat. And as if that were not enough, we have demanded self-sacrifice in pursuit or defense of a fundamental right we often take for granted, freedom.

From declared wars such as the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Spanish American War, World War I and World War II to undeclared conflicts such as the naval war with France, the First and Second Barbary Wars, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, the most recent conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq and other periods of conflict throughout our history, our nation has been blessed to have defenders step forward from the ranks of the citizenry.

Whether wearing the uniform of the Army, Marines, Air Force, Navy, Coast Guard or Merchant Marine, the sons and daughters of this nation have put themselves between the enemy and our country.

Although the motives of political leaders who deploy our military are sometimes questioned, there is no questioning the resolve and dedication of the individuals who have comprised our military. Americans of all nationalities, races, creeds and colors have worn the nation's uniform.

Some of these Americans were drafted, others volunteered. Regardless they took up the banner of the United States and served their country. They did a job that was at times thankless, at times heroic and at all times dangerous.

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The Center has again achieved patient satisfaction rates higher than 92 percent and a healing rate of at least 91 percent in less than 30 median days, among other quality standards, for calendar year 2015.

The Center was awarded this honor by Healogics, the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services. Out of 780 eligible Centers, only 110 were honored with this award. The award is named for Dr. Robert A. Warriner III, a pioneer in wound care and the former Chief Medical Officer for Healogics.

Atlantic General Hospital's Wound Care Center was the only center in the country to achieve the Excellence standards for seven straight years.

"The Wound Care Center here at At-

lantic General Hospital exhibits a deep commitment to quality care and providing the personalized service and positive outcomes patients deserve. This is evident in the data – 92 percent patient satisfaction rates, and being the only wound care center to receive this designation eight years in a row," added Colleen Wareing, vice president patient care services.

The Atlantic General Hospital Wound Care Center is a member of the Healogics network of over 800 Centers, with access to benchmarking data and proven experience treating approximately 2.5 million chronic wounds. The Wound Care Center offers highly specialized wound care to patients suffering from diabetic ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections and other chronic wounds which have not healed in a reasonable amount of time. Advanced treatments included negative pressure wound therapy, bio-engineered skin substitutes, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, biological and biosynthetic dressings and growth factor therapies.

Bomb Threat Prosecution Bill signed into law

Delegate Mary Beth Carozza's bomb threat prosecution bill, HB 121, was signed into law last week by Governor Larry Hogan.

This new law, which goes into effect on October 1, will allow law enforcement to prosecute the crime of making a false bomb threat in the jurisdiction in which the destructive device or toxic material was stated or rumored to be located, regardless of where the call originated or was received. Carozza introduced this legislation on the heels of repeated false bomb threats against schools and other public facilities on the Eastern Shore and across Maryland earlier this year.



At left: Delegate Mary Beth Carozza in the House of Delegates Chamber in the Maryland State House with representatives from Worcester

County who came to Annapolis for the signing of House Bill 121. From left to right are: Worcester County State's Attorney **Beau Oglesby**, Worcester County Sheriff's Deputy **Mike McDermott**, Delegate **Carozza**, Worcester County Assistant Superintendent **Lou Taylor**, Worcester County Director of School Security **Steve Price**, and parent **Kim Holway**.

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The Many Facets of Wallops

Wallops History 1959 - 1973

By **Steve Habeger**

The fledgling agency created by President Eisenhower on October 1, 1958 – the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) – faced daunting challenges in its earliest days. Not only was the agency charged with exploring and learning about an unexplored environment but, the American public felt the nation was being soundly beaten by the USSR. After the failures of the US Vanguard rockets, the drumbeat of successes by the USSR fed a pressure to perform which must have been hard to bear.

From the launch of Sputnik 1 on October 4, 1957 through the end of 1960, the satellite scorecard looked bleak for the US. For those of you keeping score at home, here is a summary:

USSR: 6 successes of 7 (acknowledged) launch attempts

USA: 4 successes of 9 launch attempts

In addition, three of the successful USSR launches were lunar missions which achieved remarkable success. The US seemed barely able to put a small payload into low Earth orbits. NASA was working hard to get traction but space is a brutal place to work.



Miss Sam

With the Soviets demonstrating an atomic bomb (in 1949) and a hydrogen bomb (in 1953) and now seeming to demonstrate a possible delivery method from space, the US was galvanized into a new arms race as part of the Cold War.

Wallops was designated “Wallops Station” at the beginning of NASA, the first of many name changes over the

past 57 years. Wallops Station (by whatever name *du jour*) would be involved in a broad range of NASA successes over the years.

Two monkeys, Sam and Miss Sam, were launched into space and then recovered to explore the possible effects of space flights on mammals. International press representatives came to Wallops for the monkey launches in 1959 and 1960. Even “Life” magazine featured Wallops prominently in their coverage of the two primates testing this weightless environ.

While the big US rockets; Vanguard, Jupiter et al were launched from Florida, Wallops was chosen as a site for the launch of a smaller rocket named Scout. Scout would become a reliable workhorse for the US. Unlike the bigger rockets, Scout was solid-fueled making the rocket simpler (there-



Scout rocket launch

fore, hopefully, more reliable) and cheaper to build.

The first satellite launch from Wallops was Explorer IX and the launch took place on Feb 15, 1961. Between 1961 and 1985, 41 Scout rockets were launched from Wallops with a 96% success rate. Not all Scout missions were orbital; many missions were designed to test reentry materials and

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Rackliffe House seeks docents

Rackliffe House is recruiting volunteers to serve as docents to lead guided tours through the house and grounds. Docent Training will be conducted at Rackliffe House on Thursday, June 2, from 9 a.m. until noon. The training session will help docents interpret life on the 18th-century coastal plantation through artifacts on display in the kitchen, spinning room, and children's room in the main house, as well as in the original milk house. Docents will also be trained to interpret the exhibition, "Native Americans: First Contact on Lower Delmarva," on



loan from Salisbury University's Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture. Docents have created a variety of interpretive activities for children as well as outdoor 18th-century games.

Docents open Rackliffe House for tours every Tuesday and Thursday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. from late May through September. Docents also represent Rackliffe House at public events in Berlin and the surrounding area. Rackliffe Plantation House is located behind Assateague Visitor Center, a half mile down Tom Patton Lane. To register for or ask questions about Rackliffe House Docent Training, please call 443-614-0261 or email dlitedirector@comcast.net. For more information about Rackliffe House, please visit www.RackliffeHouse.org.



Wor-Wic bids farewell to employees

Wor-Wic Community College recently held a reception for employees who retired after many years of dedicated service to the college. Dr. Ray Hoy, left, president of Wor-Wic, is shown with this year's retirees, from left, next to Dr. Hoy, Brad T. Brown, land management worker, who was with Wor-Wic for 20 years, Paula Thomas-Shiple, executive associate II, who was with Wor-Wic for 10 years, and Dr. Elaine L. Vander Clute, arts and humanities department head and professor of English and speech, who was given the honorary title of professor emeritus by the college's board of trustees in tribute to her 25 years of service. Not pictured are David Barsh, maintenance worker II, who was with Wor-Wic for 13 years, and Susan B. Lloyd, assistant professor of developmental mathematics, who was with the college for 25 years.

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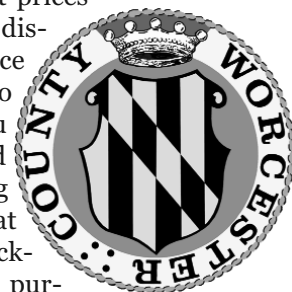
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Available are tickets to all Mid-Atlantic parks: Busch Gardens, Diggerland USA, Dorney Park, Dutch Wonderland, Hershey Park, Kings Dominion, Sahara Sam's, Sesame Place, Six Flags America (MD), Six Flags Great Adventure (NJ), and Water Country tickets.

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If survived, brain tumors, malignant or benign, are devastating to the survivors and their families, often resulting in lifelong disabilities due to treatment, removal or recurrence. Pediatric brain tumors are among the leading killers of children under the age of 20, yet federal research grants are scarce and researchers rely on private funding. MBS students were invited to wear gray on Wednesday, May 18 in honor of brain tumor and brain cancer awareness and help out with a small donation of a \$1 to the Pediatric Brain Cancer Foundation.

For more information or to make a direct donation to pediatric brain tumor research, visit www.curethekids.org. Join us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/savethebrainsoc/>.

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Hospice to offer training sessions

Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care is offering an introduction and training course for anyone interested in volunteering at the non-profit organization that serves Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester counties. The course is open to anyone, and attendees are not required to commit to volunteering. There is no cost to attend.

Coastal Hospice depends on a dedicated staff of volunteers to fulfill its mission. Patient volunteers offer comfort and companionship to patients and their families, provide transportation and deliver supplies. Other volunteers support the staff with office work or assist at the Coastal Hospice Thrift Shop in Berlin. Volunteers also have opportunities to work directly with veterans as part of Coastal Hospice's We Honor Veterans program.

Everyone interested in volunteering is invited on Wednesday, June 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For those interested in volunteering for patient care, the session will con-

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For Art's Sake

Oil painter Kevin Fitzgerald

By **Stasia Heubeck**

Kevin Fitzgerald, an oil painter of beautiful landscapes, was born in Washington, DC. He attended George Washington University and earned a Master's Degree in Fine Arts. During this time he outfitted an old 54 ft. Baltimore tour boat, a catamaran that he used as a studio, painting as he sailed along the Patuxent River. In his twenties, he was hired by the sculptor, Korczak Ziolkowski, and had the privilege of working on the Crazy Horse Memorial, the South Dakota monument dedicated to honoring the culture of Native Americans.



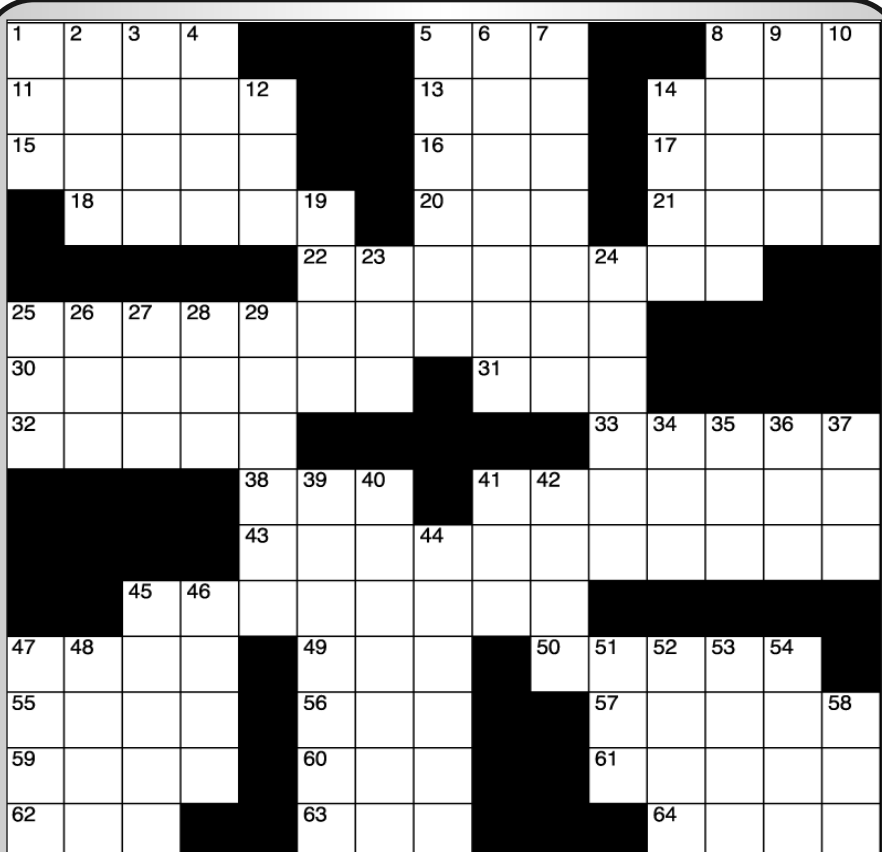
Kevin and his wife, Wendy, live in Berlin where they raised their four children. His studio is a 120 ft. solar-powered building in Newark that once was a factory for making baskets. He shares studio space there with several other artists and sometimes there is space available. "We are a sort of community," says Kevin, "often critiquing each other's work."

Using a variety of surfaces, Kevin often begins his paintings with an earth colored ground. He says he tries to find unity in the landscape which he strives to put in his paintings. He finds inspiration from a wide range of artists, from Titian to Turner, and enjoys the rich surfaces of the works of John Sargent and Edward Hopper.

Currently, Kevin is experimenting with a printing process, using contractors' tools and building board, applying paint, and producing an image on canvas or paper. Sometimes he leaves his paintings outside, exposing them to the weather to produce a certain effect.

Kevin Fitzgerald's art can be seen in galleries in South Norwalk, CT; Nantucket, MA; Alexandria, VA; Charleston, SC; Annapolis, MD; Easton, MD; and at his Long Branch Studio in Newark, MD.

In the 1980s, and longing for rural life, he moved to Maryland's Eastern Shore. For 14 years he was a teacher, a profession he loved. He taught art and painting at Parkside High School in Salisbury and at Berlin Middle School. At Worcester Career Center in Newark he developed programs in graphic arts and advertising for students from three high schools. He started the Art History program at Wor-Wic Community College and was on the adjunct faculty at Salisbury University, teaching design and painting.



ACROSS

- 1. Groan
- 5. Engine additive
- 8. Atomic mass unit (abbr.)
- 11. One-time emperor
- 13. Martial art __ chi
- 14. Extinct algae
- 15. The leading performer
- 16. Autonomic nervous system
- 17. Pirate who went by "Chico"
- 18. Encourages
- 20. Small tactical munition
- 21. One-time Tribe closer
- 22. North, Central and South
- 25. Repossession
- 30. Conveys air to and from the lungs
- 31. A renowned museum
- 32. One hundred (Italian)
- 33. Synchronizes solar
- and lunar time
- 38. Calendar month (abbr.)
- 41. They bite
- 43. The Mets played here
- 45. About opera
- 47. Wings
- 49. I (German)
- 50. Sports-caster Brett
- 55. Wild mango
- 56. The woman
- 57. Afflicted
- 59. Look furtively
- 60. Large integer
- 61. Spiritual leader
- 62. Keeps us warm
- 63. Type of account
- 64. Cheek
- Lake Michigan
- 8. True fir
- 9. Operates
- 10. Approves food
- 12. Tell on
- 14. __ mater, one O's school
- 19. Low prices
- 23. Brazilian river
- 24. Et-__
- 25. Supervises interstate commerce
- 26. Occurs naturally
- 27. Sprinted
- 28. Shock therapy
- 29. Decide
- 34. Lodging
- 35. Singer DiFranco
- 36. Kazakhstan river
- 37. 1920's woman's hat
- 39. Corpus __, Texas city
- 40. Helps kids
- 41. Tires have this
- 42. Physical attraction
- 44. Goddess of wisdom
- 45. Made of wood
- 46. The top data processing system
- 48. Exchange
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Prejudice
- 53. Napoleon came here
- 54. Big guys grab these (abbr.)
- 58. Mickey's pet

DOWN

- 1. Helps you get there
- 2. Plant
- 3. Apron
- 4. Everybody has one
- 5. Conditions of balance
- 6. Fit
- 7. Island in



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 26	11:26 a.m. 11:47 p.m.	5:30 a.m. 5:28 p.m.	5:41 a.m.	8:14 p.m.
Fri., May 27	12:15 p.m.	6:19 a.m. 6:22 p.m.	5:40 a.m.	8:15 p.m.
Sat., May 28	12:37 a.m. 1:09 p.m.	7:10 a.m. 7:20 p.m.	5:40 a.m.	8:16 p.m.
Sun., May 29	1:31 a.m. 2:08 p.m.	8:03 a.m. 8:22 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:16 p.m.
Mon., May 30	2:31 a.m. 3:10 p.m.	8:57 a.m. 9:25 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:17 p.m.
Tues., May 31	3:32 a.m. 4:10 p.m.	9:51 a.m. 10:28 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:18 p.m.
Wed., June 1	4:31 a.m. 5:07 p.m.	10:47 a.m. 11:31 p.m.	5:38 a.m.	8:18 p.m.

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tinue on Wednesday, June 15 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and conclude on Wednesday, June 29 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The training course will be held at the Coastal Hospice Volunteer Offices, Philmore Commons, 224 Phillip Morris Dr., Suite 202, Salisbury, on the northwest corner of U.S. Rte. 50 and Phillip Morris Dr., in the building west of M&T Bank.

Along with information about opportunities for volunteering with Coastal Hospice, the course will include discussions about end-of-life changes, the hospice philosophy, admission criteria, and patient rights.

For more information or to register for the course, call Sally Rankin, manager of volunteer services, at 410-543-2590.

Just Good Business...**Passion and fun rolled into one**By **Jean Marx**

Crazy Ladyz! owners, Jan Patterson and Louise Reardon, and their seasoned sales staff of dear friends, embody the joy of loving what you do. No matter the weather outside, as you step into either of their two boutiques at 12449 Ocean Gateway in West Ocean City or at 9 Atlantic Avenue in Ocean View just outside Bethany Beach, Delaware, you will find warmth and laughter inside.

The stores are artfully arranged to display the vibrant colors of their clothing, handbags, hats, shoes, and accessories. As you arrive, you will be greeted warmly and offered complimentary coffee, tea, or a glass of wine. You will also hear a mix of music that is sure to evoke fond memories of your past. The music is hand-picked with selections from Pandora Radio ranging from the 1970s,

to Reggae, to Frank Sinatra, and others. Jan fondly describes her workplace, "I used to play dress-up as a little girl and loved it. I feel like I work in my closet every day."

In Jan's career, the entrepreneurial life was always appealing. At the age of 18, she was recruited by an employment agency. As she walked into the agency, she said she knew this was what she wanted to do. She worked for five years placing legal secretaries in the Washington, DC area. In that time, she recognized the long-term potential of the technology business, so she learned all she could about the technology industry in preparation for opening her own placement agency. She opened J. Parks & Company that primarily recruited for the high-technology industry. Because of Jan's expertise in high-tech recruitment, she met her business partner, Louise Reardon, who was the vice president of a communications systems and software development company. A year later, Louise left her company and joined Jan in her headhunting business. Twenty years later, the two have developed a lasting friendship and business partnership that continues to thrive.

Crazy Ladyz! started out as a hobby due to Jan's love for clothes. Jan and Louise bought an existing boutique in Chincoteague, Virginia in 2005. Two years later, they opened their second store in Ocean City. The ladies love the sense of community in their two locations. Jan describes, "This area is like no other. People really pull together to help each other." Crazy Ladyz! helps others each year in a unique way. In addition to fashion shows for a variety of causes, Crazy Ladyz! picks a charity to support via putting together an all-inclusive trip for customers, friends, and

family. Six years ago the first group "of 40 women and a few brave men" went on a cruise with the funds raised to support Women Supporting Women. Last year, the group of over 90 traveled to an all-inclusive resort in Mexico with their donated funds supporting Coastal Hospice. Crazy Ladyz! sets the donation amount, of which they match half and the travel agency also matches half. Last year's trip raised \$7,600 for Coastal Hospice. This year's trip will benefit the Alzheimer's Association.

Crazy Ladyz! has a simple and effective recipe for success. In her words, Jan "eats, sleeps, and breathes customer service." She keeps in the forefront of her mind the motto of consistent, high quality. Crazy Ladyz! scrutinizes every piece of clothing in their daily shipments and they never sell anything damaged. They proudly sell merchandise from all over the world. Most of it comes from the U.S., but they also offer clothing from Canada, Mexico, Italy, Indonesia, and Guatemala, among others.

The future continues to be bright for Crazy Ladyz!. The company is expanding its website to offer online purchases. As Jan says, "It's a whole different kind of business, but we're getting this together." Jan imparts her words of wisdom from over 30 years as an entrepreneur. "Be dedicated to your customers and be passionate about what you do." When people ask which is the crazy one at the store, the sales team responds that they all are. "We always say that there's a little bit of crazy in all of us." The adventure awaits you as you step into one of their stores because "something's always bound to catch your eye!"

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techniques.

Apace with Scout launches, activities at Wallops in all things aerospace continued at a feverish pace. Sputnik was viewed as the USSR "throwing down a gauntlet" – a declaration of a race for technical superiority. American hubris following the end to WWII had contributed to a lazy pace of space exploration and suddenly the US had an opponent again.

Jet aircraft and guided missiles were urgent needs again and Wallops was the place where vital and unique tests were carried out. Sonic booms hammered the island town of Chincoteague (with NASA routinely paying to replace broken windows).

The rockets intended to 'pull' a Mercury capsule away from its Atlas rocket, in case of a rocket failure, were tested and proven at Wallops using a rocket called, Little Joe.

On a more prosaic note, wind tunnels, launch pads and blockhouses were constructed to support a growing array of missiles and rockets. The construction projects combined with increasing staff numbers at Wallops Station contributed to economic growth over the lower Eastern Shore.

The next historical article (which will publish in July) will examine the history of Wallops from 1973 – 1981, an era marked by many changes.

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Memorial Day has meaning beyond mourning

Nearly 150 Memorial Days ago this nation was tending to its wounds while mourning the thousands in blue and gray that gave their lives in the Civil War. Many stories exist with regard to the actual beginnings of Memorial Day. Dozens of towns and cities claim to be the site of the first celebration. There is proof that women's groups in the South decorated the graves of the fallen soldiers prior to the official start of the national holiday.

General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in publishing his General Order No.11, officially proclaimed Memorial Day on May 5, 1868 and it was first observed on May 30 of that year.

The day was celebrated by placing flowers on the graves of the Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. The South refused to recognize the day. They honored their dead on separate days until after World War I, when Memorial Day began to honor all the dead in all the wars, not just the Civil War. However, several Southern states continue to have an additional day on which they honor the Confederate war dead.

Since 1968 Memorial Day has been observed on the last Monday in May, a measure passed by Congress to ensure a three-day weekend for federal workers.

The red poppy tradition had its be-

ginning in the mind of Moina Michael, in 1915, after she wrote a poem inspired by the poetic work, "In Flanders Fields." The lines of her poem are:

*We cherish too, the Poppy red
That grows on fields where valor
led,
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies.*

She implemented her idea of wearing a red poppy on Memorial Day to honor those that died serving the nation in wartime by being the first person to actually wear the poppy. She began selling the poppies to friends and acquaintances and donated the

money to help servicemen in need. Her tradition spread to several countries. In 1948 the U.S. Post Office honored Ms. Michael for her part in founding the National Poppy movement by printing a red 3-cent stamp with her image on it.

In hundreds of locations around the nation the day is celebrated with parades, wreath presentations at memorials and ceremonies at the national cemeteries, not only at Arlington National Cemetery, but also at the cemetery just off the Normandy beachhead, the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in the hills

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Mon. & Tues.

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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

Tuesdays and Thursdays

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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

Rotary Club

Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meetings are held at 5:45 p.m. at the Captains Table in Ocean City. Contact Stan.Kahn@carouselhotel.com.

Square Dancing

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

AL-Anon/OP-West OC-Berlin

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

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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.

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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.



Getting ready for summer

- The Kindergarten classes at Ocean City Elementary School are participating in an ABC Countdown to Summer. B is for bubbles and C is for crazy socks. Pictured is **Madisyn Imschweiler** from Laura Black's kindergarten class enjoying Bubble Day.

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above Honolulu, HI and many others.

If you wish to experience the full impact of Memorial Day, visit Arlington as early as the Thursday before the holiday and observe 1,200 soldiers of the 3d U.S. Infantry Division (Old Guard) placing small American flags before the more than 260,000 gravestones, a tradition continued since the late 1950s. These soldiers will patrol the cemetery 24-hours a day on the weekend to ensure the flags remain in place.

So it is a day of mourning, at least in part, but it is a day of celebration also. Parades and picnics mark the occasion in thousands of backyards and parks across the land. These are ceremonies celebrating family and comradeship on a different, yet similar plane to those previously mentioned.

Making the holiday the last Monday of May has allowed people more time to join in the various festivities or just visit each other. Some believe it should be moved back to May 30 to make Memorial Day more meaningful. If a person is going to reflect on the meaning of the day, the date may not be significant. If you observe the "National Moment of Remembrance," a resolution passed in December 2000, which takes place at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day and asks citizens to share a moment of silence and listen for the sound of "Taps," then you have participated in the memorial to the fallen.

-Excerpts from an article written by Bob Adair in May 2003



Dems meet — *The Democratic Women's Club (DWC) meeting on May 16 featured Dr. Diana Wagner, assistant dean for Assessment & Accreditation at Salisbury University. Dr. Wagner talked about the Holocaust, and featured filmed interviews of Holocaust survivors. Her talk gave insights not only into the Holocaust as it pertained to the actual persons who suffered and died in concentration camps but the political actions taken by different governments as the Holocaust was taking place.*

The next DWC general meeting is June 20 at Ruth's Chris Steak House in Riddle Farms. Tickets are \$25. Contact Vicky Wallace at 410-208-2969 for ticket information. The speaker will be Dr. Brent Zaprowski talking on "Changing Water Levels."

Above are Women's Club Vice President Vicky Wallace, Dr. Wagner, and Club President Em Hench. Photo by Ted Page.





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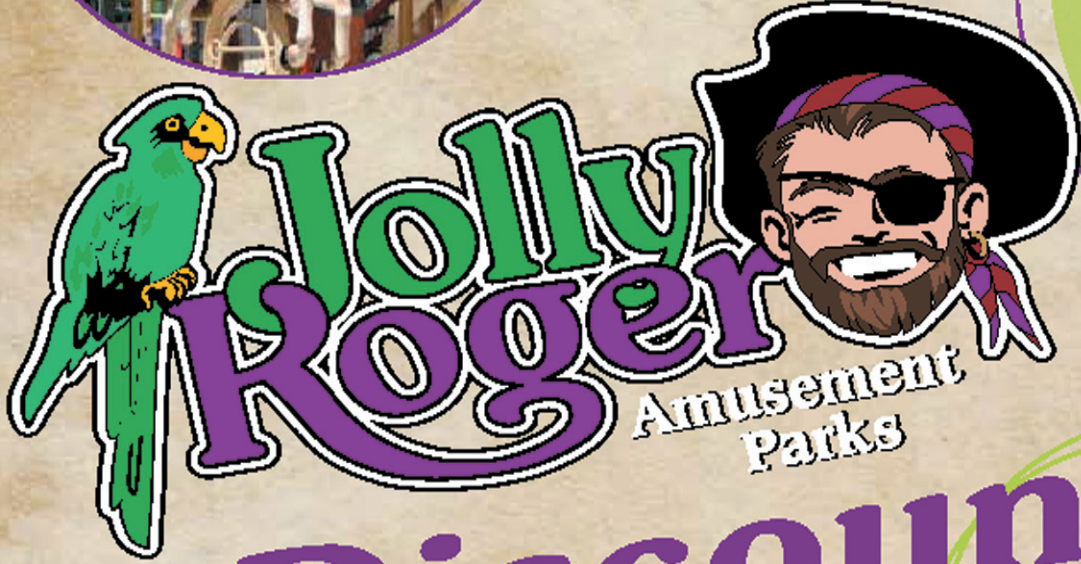
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