# The Courier

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Board of Education candidates Elena McComas and Tom **Terry** present their positions on school issues.







#### FOPL seeks members

The Friends of the Ocean Pines Library extends an invitation to join them on Monday, October 17 at the library, for its membership meeting. Coffee and tea will be served at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will start at 10 a.m.

The guest speaker will be Rina Thaler, executive director of the Art League of Ocean City. Thaler will talk about recent and future activities of the Center for the Arts. The Center itself is located at 502 94th street in Ocean City.

The Friends of the Ocean Pines Library is a non-profit organization formed to support the library. Among its many activities is the annual book sale held in July of each year. At the meeting, attendees will have an opportunity to join the Friends and volunteer at the library.

### Craft club to meet

The Pine'eer Craft Club will meet October 20 at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Refreshments will be served at 9:45 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 10 a.m. Following the business meeting there will be an artist demonstration with Claudia Ford Cianci of Art-C. She will demonstrate wine glass painting and display some of her custom art. She specializes in acrylic and watercolor painting classes, painting parties, murals, and custom art. For more information contact Sharon Puser at 410-208-3032.



Crab fundraiser - The Ocean City Elementary School PTA held a fundraiser at Hooper's Crab House on September 27. The event raised \$1,500 for the school. Above are Ocean City Elementary School students Samantha and Lucas Ruppert with their parents.



#### Passing of the gavel

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Every October the new Kiwanis year begins, and so, the gavel of the president of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines - Ocean City was passed from outgoing President Mark Joseph to incoming President Barbara Peletier. Peletier had been the president in 2012- 2013 and decided to serve again.

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# BJ's membership to help Veteran Memorial

BJ's Wholesale Club is once again partnering with the Ocean Pines Association to bring a special membership offer, effective October 14 through 28, to benefit the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines Foundation.

In addition to offering special membership benefits, BJ's will donate \$5 of each membership fee to the foundation. The offer, which is available to new and renewing members, is not available for purchase online or at any BJ's location.

Other benefits include receiving \$15 off the BJ's \$50 Inner Circle membership fee or \$25 off the \$100 BJ's Perks Rewards membership fee, one additional free month of membership and a free second membership card for a household member. With this offer, 13 months will be added to the expiration date of a current BJ's membership, regardless of when membership was last renewed.

This special promotion is only offered through Ocean Pines two times a year. The next promotion will be in April of 2017. Current BJ's members whose memberships will expire before then are encouraged to renew during the fall offer.

BJ's operates over 200 clubs in 15 states from Maine to Florida, including a location in Millsboro, Del. The wholesale club offers a large assortment of products for home and business, savings of more than 30 percent off supermarket prices and acceptance of all manufacturers' coupons and BJ's store coupons.

BJ's membership applications are available at the Ocean Pines Administration Building at 239 Ocean Parkway and online at OceanPines.org.

Applications must be returned with payment by Oct. 28. They may be dropped off at the administration building or mailed to Ocean Pines Association, Attention: Teresa Travatello, 239 Ocean Parkway, Ocean Pines, MD 21811.

Dazzle to celebrate anniversary

To commemorate its second anniversary on Friday, November 4, Dazzle Gift Shop's will host Hunter Bunk Mann, author of "Vanishing Ocean City" for a book signing and meet and greet with the author. This special event is scheduled from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mann will sign his popular book "Vanishing Ocean City" and discuss what motivated him to write it. Refreshments will be served and a special Customer Appreciation Sale will take place on November 4, 5 and 6.





Patriot Day - The eighth annual Patriot Day honoring America's suffragettes was held on Tuesday September 27 at the Clarion Resort Hotel in Ocean City. It was organized by the Republican Women of Worcester County. (L-R) RWWC members Pat Addy, guest speaker Maryland Delegate Mary Beth Carozza, President Beverly Bigler, Sandy Zitzer and Ann Lutz. Photo by Anna Foultz.

Fall festival scheduled
The Family Fall Festival will be held Friday October 21 from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, located at 11242 Racetrack Road in Berlin.

The festival will feature carnival style kid's games, face painting, hay rides, pumpkin painting, and much more. There will also be a trunk-or-treat contest. A variety of food and refreshments will also be available for sale during the event. For more information about the event, contact Pam Houck at phouck@mbscs.org.

### Pines to host Halloween events

Area residents will find a few tricks and a lot of treats at Halloween activities sponsored by the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department.

Pumpkin artists are invited to Family Fun Night Pumpkin Painting on Friday, October 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Ocean Pines Community Center. Attendees may bring their own pumpkins or purchase one at the event for \$6 (limited quantity available). All decorations and is \$5 for Ocean Pines residents Don LaFond. and \$6 for nonresidents.



The haunted hay ride is a popular attraction at the paint will be provided. The cost Halloween Fall Festival in Ocean Pines. Photo by

Then on Saturday, October 29 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Ocean Pines will celebrate the holiday in spooky style with its annual Halloween Fall Festival in White Horse Park. Admission is free and open to the public.

Costume contests, carnival games, face painting, pony rides, candy, a haunted hav ride, crafts, refreshments for sale and more will be part of the fun. Admission and games are free; there will be a fee for some attractions.

The event will also include a chance

to vote for the contestants in the "Pup of the Pines" dog and puppy photo contest. The winner of the contest will be the 2017 face of the Ocean Pines Dog Park and will receive a free dog park registration. The winner will be announced at the Hometown Christmas Tree Lighting on November 26.

Volunteers and candy donations are needed for the Halloween Fall Festival. Please contact the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 for more information.

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- Passes and monitors extensive budgets
- Assures support for the entire education team
- Approves and oversees construction projects
- Authorizes contracts
- Establishes personnel and academic policies
- Manages relationships with regulators and elected officials

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of the world. In various countries, travelers may not be required to tip. Countries in which gratuities are unnecessary include Australia, Belgium, China, France, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, and Vietnam. Travelers who want to avoid offending local workers can refer to travel guides before visiting foreign countries to determine whether tipping is de rigueur or unexpected.

Perspective

# Local support helps rare and endangered bird

By **David Curson**, Ph.D.

This year has been a good year for rare and endangered waterbirds, such as black skimmers and royal and common terns nesting on islands behind Ocean City, thanks to the tremendous support shown by so many Ocean City businesses and Eastern Shore residents. These folks recognize the value of these iconic coastal birds to Ocean City's tourist economy.

In 2015 waterbirds around Ocean City suffered disturbance caused by boaters and other tourists who were unaware of the importance of these nesting islands.

However, in 2016 local residents, restaurants and tackle shops stepped up to post signs and use social media to educate tourists about the birds' need for undisturbed nesting beaches. Audubon created the signs from wonderful artwork produced for this purpose by Assateague Coastal Trust's Coast Kids and featuring herons, egrets and seabirds. The general lack of disturbances this summer was a testament to the success of this outreach. as well as to the continuing efforts of Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Natural Resources Police, and Maryland Coastal Bays Program

whose job it is to protect and manage the birds and their islands.

We at Audubon Maryland-DC very much look forward to working with these great partners to keep these iconic waterbirds in Maryland in the years to come.

David Curson, Ph.D. is director of Bird Conservation at Audubon Maryland-DC. His E-mail address is dcurson@audubon.org.

# Flu clinics scheduled

The Worcester County Health Department urges all residents age 6 months and older to get vaccinated for the 2016-2017 seasonal flu.

This year's vaccine provides protection against four strains of flu virus expected to circulate this season. All people, including pregnant women and those with medical conditions, are strongly recommended to get a flu vaccine each year.

People age 65 years and older have a choice of two flu vaccines available to them at the Worcester County Health Department. They can choose to receive a regular flu vaccine or a high dose flu vaccine which may result in a stronger immune response against the flu.

Flu vaccine is available for Worcester county residents at the health department locations in Pocomoke, Snow Hill and Berlin. Community clinics will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates. Appointments are strongly encouraged to avoid delays, but walk-ins will be accepted.

-Mondays, October 17, October 24, and October 31 at the Pocomoke Health Center. For an appointment call 410-957-2005.

-Fridays, October 21, October 28, and November 4 at the Berlin Health Center. For an appointment call 410-629-0164.

-Fridays, October 21, October 28, and November 4 at the Snow Hill Health Department. For an appointment call 410-632-1100.

Worcester County Health Department will bill Medicare and Medicaid for flu vaccine. Medicare or Medicaid cards must be presented at the time of service. For all others, the suggested donation for the flu vaccine is \$15. No one will be denied service due to inability to pay.

For more information visit the Worcester County Health Department's website at www.worcesterhealth.org or call us at 410-632-1100.



**Birthday fun** - Having a great time at Sheila Harris' 70th B=birthday celebration at Taylor's Restaurant in Ocean Pines are (L-R) **Carol Ludwig, Candy Gusst, Sheila Harris** and **Perry Frey**. Photo by Anna Foultz.



**Town meeting -** Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino held his town meeting on October 1 at the Ocean Pines library. (L-R) guest speaker **Steve Price** security officer for the Worcester County school system, **Commissioner Bertino** and guest speaker **Ed Tudor**, director of Development Planning and Review, Photo by Susan Bertino.

# There's talent in all of us

Mozart, Brahms or Beethoven. There will never be another Martin, Merman or Brice. Sinatra's gone.



It's All About. . . By Chip Bertino

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Lennon too. Cole Porter's still the same. Picasso, Monet and Rockwell will never be forgotten. There was DiMaggio, Unitas and Lombardi who showed the crowd always how to get things done. Kate Hepburn and Cary. James Stewart and James Dean. Flickering images always; stars to say the least. Hemingway. Shaw. London and Poe. Stories for the ages, better off are we.

I am always in awe of creative. talented individuals. Artists, musicians, craftsmen, comedians, actors, dancers, singers, writers, it doesn't matter. They really take my breath away because they make what they do so well look so easy, as if anyone could do what they do. Of course that certainly isn't the case.

Some people have innate ability while others learn to develop their talent over time. We are all good at something. It's just a matter of figuring out what talent we possess and developing it. Some people have the gift of gab. Others can sew a silk purse out of a sow's ear while still others are able to fix anything mechanical.

When I was a kid I wanted to learn to tap dance (think Fred Astaire). It was something I really regret not learning when I was young. My mother told me I had the feet of an elephant and there was no way she was going to pay for tap lessons. In an effort to prove her wrong I remember performing in our kitchen, giving it all I had, not finishing until every glass had fallen out of the cabinet and crashed to the floor. Needless to say my mother remained unconvinced and stood by her decision. Instead I took piano lessons. Boy did I hate them. It was agony sitting there, in the living room, attempting to learn the major scales. In time, after many tears and many years, I grew to love playing the 88s.

There will never be another I wouldn't necessarily call it talent, but at least I can play the C scale with both hands simultaneously.

From an early age I knew that

any talent I may have had nothing to do with sports. Growing up my brother was the athlete of the family. He could quickly master any sport: hockey, football, baseball, golf, you name it and he could do it proficiently. Not

me. I had trouble dribbling a basketball much less throwing it through a hoop. It could have been I was too distracted by my pocket protector that kept falling from my shirt pocket. It's hard to play a sport when you're constantly retrieving three retractable pencils, a Bic multi-color pen, a six-inch ruler and a laminated membership card to the Audio-Visual club.

Someone doesn't have to be a super athlete or singer to impress me. I am amazed by people who have the talent to make animals and other figures out of balloons. You know, the ones usually made by a clown at a child's birthday party. Several times I've attempted to make something, anything, only to get as far as tying off the end of the balloon so the air wouldn't escape. There are only so many balloons I can stand to burst before giving up.

My grandfather was a cabinetmaker, a real craftsman. It seemed he could build anything out of wood, children's toys, a house, furniture, anything. He even built several boats. He was an artist. He attempted to teach me some of what he knew. His talent was innate I guess because to this day, about the best I can do is build a bird house. And even that is iffy at best.

Talent lies within each of us. Some people are good at making other people feel better about themselves (usually these people go by the name "Mom"). Whether it's singing or dancing or writing or something else, we can always tell when we're in the presence of a talented person. No, we may never achieve the recognition of an Olivier, Van Gogh, Petty or Frank Lloyd Wright. It matters little. If just one person finds pleasure in something we do, then its talent well used.

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# Discovery Center celebrates heritage days

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venders will offer freshly shucked oysters, oyster sandwiches, hotdogs and hamburgers.

Delmarva Heritage Days will take place at the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum at 2 Market St in Pocomoke City. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. Two-day tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children. Members are free. Call (410) 957-9933 or e-mail amy@DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org to register or for more information.

# GOP to show 'Hillary's America'

Join your friends and neighbors for a free showing of "Hillary's America" by New York Times number one best-selling author and celebrated film-maker Dinesh D'Souza at the Worcester Republican Headquarters located on Rte. 50 E (behind Sherwin Williams) on Tuesday, October 18 at 4 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Please bring a chair for your comfort. For more information, call 410-208-6018 or the GOP Headquarters at 443-735-0765, or email at bevbiglef619@a791.com.

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Wednesday

Meatloaf with mashed potatoes and a vegetable **\$6.95** Add a soup or a salad **\$9.95** 

Thursday

Steak Night! **\$13.95** 

Friday

Fried Shrimp with French Fries & cole slaw \$14.75

Saturday

Crabcake Platter with 2 sides and a choice of a soup or salad \$15

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Ocean Pines residents recently toured the Southwest of Ireland for one week with Ireland RnR Tours, a local veteran-owned company based in Ocean Pines.

The Ocean Pines Ireland tour group visited Killarney on the County Kerry Ireland Wild Atlantic Way.

# Hospice seeks volunteers

As part of the services they provide, Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care offers grief support and education to families, friends, care providers and others following the death of a loved one. The hospice is seeking volunteers to assist in bereavement support throughout the four Lower Shore counties: Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester.

Bereavement support volunteers make calls to bereaved families, help with support and social groups, write notes, prepare mailings, enter data and help with other administrative tasks. They also support children's bereavement events including Camp Safe Harbor in the summer and Hope and Healing with Horses in the fall.

According to Howard Travers, Bereavement Services Manager for Coastal Hospice, "Bereavement volunteers are vitally important to our provision of grief support and recovery. They provide an invaluable resource not only to our organization but especially to those who lack a solid support network in the wake of the death of someone they love."

Other volunteer opportunities are also available with Coastal Hospice, including patient care and Thrift Shop work.

Training will be held on Wednesday, November 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Coastal Hospice Volunteer Offices, Philmore Commons, 224 Phillip Morris Dr., Suite 102, Salisbury, on the northwest corner of U.S. Rte. 50 and Phillip Morris Dr.

For their convenience, volunteers can take the remainder of the training on-line on their own time and in their own homes. Arrangements can also be made for those who don't have a computer at home.

Anyone interested in volunteering for Coastal Hospice bereavement support can call Volunteer Services at 410-742-8732 or emailvolservices@coastalhospice.org.

Founded in 1980, Coastal Hospice is a nonprofit health care organization that cares for individuals facing life-limiting conditions but who want to remain as active and engaged as possible. Coastal Hospice cares for patients in their home, nursing home, assisted living facility or at Coastal Hospice at the Lake.



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# Board of Ed. candidates present positions

*County District 5, which is comprised* the form of a one on one partnerships. of most of Ocean Pines, will elect a new representative to the Worcester County Board of Education. Elena McComas and Tom Terry are running to fill the position currently held by Jonathon Cook who did not seek reelection.

In order to provide voters with insight into the candidates and their positions The Courier invited both candidates to answer a series of questions that will appear in this edition as well as the October 19 and 26 editions. The candidates' answers have not been edited. Additionally, each candidate was asked to provide a brief biography. This too was not ed-

#### **Elena McComas**

My name is Elena McComas and I am a candidate for the Worcester



Elena McComas

County Board of Education, District 5. I'm a wife, mother, grandmother and above all, a committed educator. As a Wicomico High School graduate, I have a BS in Science Education from the University of Maryland and an MS in

Interdisciplinary Science from Johns Hopkins University. I have taught in public schools for 25 years in both Montgomery County, Maryland and Temecula, California, opening two high schools, serving as the Science Department Chair and working on School Leadership Teams and District Standards and Curriculum Committees. I also taught for 5 years in the Science Education Department at California State University Long Beach and served as a Student Teacher Supervisor. I have truly seen all sides of public school education.

#### **Tom Terry**

Mr. Terry holds a Masters in Technology Management from the University of Maryland University College where he also taught Marketing. His 30-year career as a business leader includes representing Verizon in many varying efforts. One of these efforts was developing relationships between

Editor's Note: Voters in Worcester hundreds of businesses and schools in



Tom Terry

In these alliances. the participants are equal professional partners sharing their knowledge and experience focused on supporting the teachers, students and parents. His professional experience includes vari-

ous positions covering engineering and construction, to media and public relations, to product design and development, to marketing, and state and local economic development. Tom has had a lifetime of volunteer efforts supporting communities including serving as the President of Pastoral Church Council, President of Chamber of Commerce, President of Home Owners Association, Treasurer of Home Owners Association, and Leader of the Partnerships in Education Program.

What motivated you to seek a seat on the Board of Education?

#### Elena McComas

My concerns started when I sat down to help my granddaughter with her 5<sup>th</sup> grade homework a few years ago. It was my first introduction to the new standards called Common Core. Realizing that my granddaughter was struggling because she hadn't had the foundation needed to do the 5<sup>th</sup> grade work or allowed to use other approaches, and also realizing that despite all my "help", she received and F on that homework assignment, I started researching. I uncovered a Standard mentality of "one size fits all" particularly in approaching problem solving. It appeared to be the antithesis of how we have taught for the last 25 years in tailoring our lessons to the different learning styles of our students. After attending School Board meetings for last two years, I also realized that as well intended as many decisions have been, how these decisions would impact the actual classroom seemed to be missing. As an educator, I understand the perspective of many teachers in the classroom and what works best for students. Our Worcester County School Board truly needs a teacher's perspective in the making of future major decisions which will impact the classroom.

#### **Tom Terry**

I want to listen to, and work with, a broad range of people to assure their investment in education is used properly. While many people no longer have an immediate connection to an educational system because their children are no longer in the classroom, they still understand the need to provide support for educational efforts.

My primary issues as a member of the Board will be:

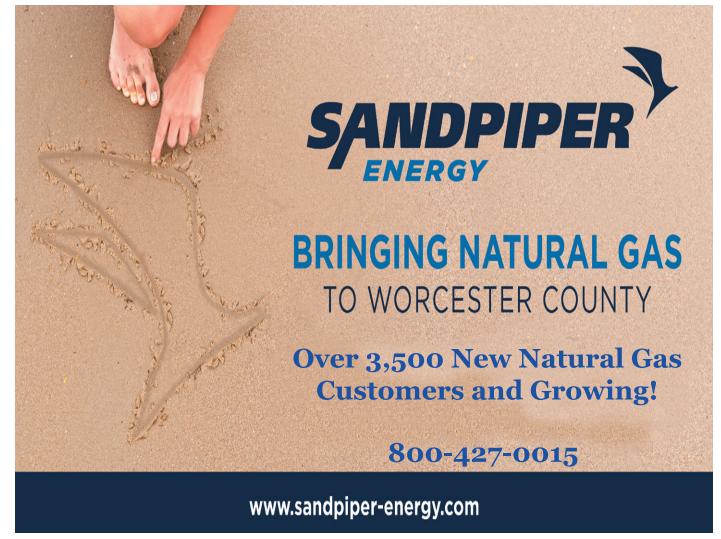
-Listening to Parents, Teachers, Students, Citizens, and Employers

-Assuring Students Achieve College and Career Readiness

-Overseeing Budget, Staff and Salary step allocations

-Optimizing the use of the Technical High School

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# PRMC becomes partner in Medicare advantage plans

ninsula Regional Health System of pocket costs and make it much easier (PRMC) announced that it has become an equity partner in Johns Hopkins Medicine's Medicare Advantage Plans. The agreement makes PRMC a minority owner in the Hopkins Medicare managed insurance plans Advantage MD and Advantage MD Plus, the fastest growing Medicare Advantage plans available in Marvland.

The plans offer Medicare-eligible beneficiaries in 11 Maryland counties more comprehensive coverage, cap out to budget for healthcare expenses. "These are exciting times in healthcare. and we are always looking for innovative ways to provide exceptional care while helping people, particularly those of Medicare-eligible age, manage their associated costs," said Dr. Peggy Naleppa, President/CEO of the Peninsula Regional Health System. "Joining with Hopkins and others in this insurance product allows us to help people get the most from their Medicare

healthcare dollars while reducing additional expenses."

Peninsula Regional Health System ioins Adventist Healthcare, Frederick Regional Health System, LifeBridge Health, Anne Arundel Medical Center and Mercy Medical Center as investors in the products.

This partnership is not a financial purchase of one healthcare system by another; the Peninsula Regional Health System and Peninsula Regional Medical Center will continue to function independently of the other partners, including Hopkins, in the day-to-day delivery of healthcare services locally. The agreement is solely focused on providing a quality, cost-effective Medicare supplement option for people on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Advantage MD and Advantage MD Plus were designed to cover those costs that Medicare does not. Traditionally, Medicare will reimburse for just 80% of healthcare costs, which could result in thousands of dollars of out-of-pocket expenses. Advantage MD and Advantage MD Plus provide subscribers not only the full complement of physicians at all participating health systems and

hospitals across Maryland, but also essentials like prescription drug, vision, hearing and dental coverage that other Medicare supplement plans do not pro-

Peninsula Regional Health System will be working with local physician offices during the open enrollment period of October 15 to December 7 to make information on Advantage MD and Advantage MD Plus easily available.

"With these plans or any other Medicare supplement plan, it's important to remember that you can keep vour doctor and still continue to use your preferred hospital, nothing there changes," added Dr. Naleppa. "This is a partnership by the leading healthcare systems in Maryland to make available what we consider to be the best Medicare supplement option and to provide the most cost-effective and cost-efficient solution to closing the Medicare insurance gap for our friends and neighbors."

To learn more about either the Advantage MD or Advantage MD Plus plans or to enroll, please call the Advantage MD open enrollment hotline at 1-866-280-4387.

#### candidates

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In addition, I was recruited by the current President of the Worcester County School Board and others to bring my experience to support our school system. Directly or indirectly, all are impacted by the successes and challenges of our school system. You do not need to have children in school to know the importance of a high quality educational system. Education is a cornerstone for individuals and communities having a high quality of life. Citizen and community interest in and attention to education is critical to the system having access to the tools and resources it needs. Further, I maintain the conviction that an educational system requires diversity of direction and input from those outside its professional educational circles, to assure its success and linkages to the community and resources to support students and par-

#### What do you believe is the role of a board member?

#### **Elena McComas**

Our first responsibility should be to represent the parents and community in our District. To that end, quarterly town halls will be planned. Also increasing transparency between the School Board and the public by having all meetings videoed and posted would address this. Wicomico Board of Education just unveiled their video and live streaming system this week. Other ideas include occasionally moving meeting times to the evening to accommodate working parents. Other important board responsibilities are revisiting an overview of educational policies being implemented and establishing and adopting an annual budget that reflects all the county educational needs including promised salaries.

#### **Tom Terry**

Primarily it is the job of the Board members to represent the community and dedicate their time and skills to supporting the entire school system. As has been recently seen, the Board appoints the Superintendent. The Board also must monitor the Superintendents performance and provide an annual performance appraisal. It also must determine educational policies and assure all students are provided an education which enables them to be college and career ready.

The School Board also has a broader range of responsibilities such as:

- -Overseeing construction projects
- -Developing and monitor budgets
- -Negotiating and approving contracts
- -Setting personnel policies
- -Managing relationships with regulators and elected officials

In addition, there are many business centric responsibilities such as assuring appropriate audits are performed and reported as well as appointing personnel and setting salaries.

In next week's edition, the candidates will discuss the issues they believe are impacting our county students.

### Remembrance walk is Saturday

Peninsula Regional Medical Center's STAR (Special Treasures Are Remembered) Pregnancy and Infant Loss Bereavement Program will host a remembrance walk on October 15, 2016, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The event begins at the Avery W. Hall Educational Center Auditorium at Peninsula Regional Medical Center. Families will have the opportunity to design a sign to carry along the route if they wish. The walk around the perimeter of the Medical Center will be followed by a gathering in the auditorium with light refreshments, and guided tours of the new STAR Memorial Room at PRMC.

National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day is observed annually in the United States on October 15. It is a day of remembrance observed with ceremonies and candle lighting vigils throughout the nation. The Medical Center's entrances will be lit in pink and blue for the evening as part of the observance's "Wave of Light," in which people in all time zones are encouraged to light a candle at 7 p.m. as an act of remem-





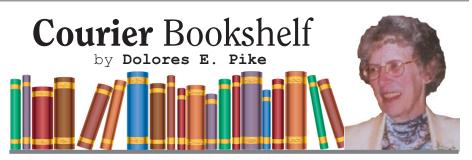
**Sound of music** - The performance by the MidAtlantic Symphony Orchestra of "Tragedy, Love, & Victory" was held Sunday October 2 at the Ocean City Performing Arts Center. (L-R) **Dr. Jennette Jones,** violinist **Salvatore Amada**, guest organist **Felix Hell** and Conductor **Jilien Benichou**.



**OPA directors** - The Ocean Pines Board of Directors meeting was held on Saturday September 24 in the Ocean Pines Community Center. (L-R) **Doug Parks, Slobodan Trendic, David Stevens, Tom Herrick, Patricia Supik** and **Brett Hill.** Photo by Anna Foultz.



In step - The Pinesteppers Square Dance Club welcomed new dancers at their workshop in September. The new dancers, under the direction of Club Caller Dennis O'Neal, will progress through the various steps in the choreography of Modern Western Square Dancing. The Pinesteppers dance every Wednesday evening at the Ocean Pines Community Center. For information contact Louise Lassiter (410.430.0284). Pictured are: (front row) Nancy Roisum, Carole McClay, Cathy and Dave Winslow, Walter and Deborah Stolz, and (back row) Andrew Cupp and Kyla Jester.



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**Miller's Valley**By Anna Quindlen

Home is the place where, when you have to go there, they have to take you in.

- Robert Frost

Reading Anna Quindlen's book "Miller's Valley" is like pulling on the sweats you slip into after a hectic day at work – the both are quite comfortable and you've come home to chill. So settle in and let Ms. Quindlen

take you to visit with the folks in the Valley, where people "played, married, died and lived. ...they were originally from Germany or the Slavic countries but they'd been Americans long enough to have flat vowels and madeup minds." (Though some in this definitive year of 2016 might opt instead for flat minds and made upvowels.) Narrator Mimi

(Mary Margaret) Miller documents it all for us from age 11 to a winding down bringing us to the present. It is a saga, as we used to say when books ran to 758 pages. Now the saga has dwindled to a novella where all is laid out for us in a mere 258 pages instead.

The town of Miller's Valley is doomed and we know that right at the outset as we meet a government representative trying to buy up homes to effect proper flood management. Mimi has lived through a series of floods including ones where the family had to abandon their home for temporary shelter. During one disastrous storm Aunt Ruth survives by retreating to the attic of her little cottage.

Mimi has grown up on a farm in the Valley built by her grandfather, over three generations back on the genealogy tree. Aunt Ruth, her mother's sister, lives in a cottage on the property and refuses to venture beyond the lintels of the doorway. Will we eventually learn why - and maybe one of the reasons we keep reading? The family waits on her and Mimi's mother, Miriam, is harshly critical of Ruth. Again, will Ms. Quindlen provide an answer? So, among other burgeoning personal stories in the book we encounter some puzzles along the way.

Since childhood Mimi recalls the federal government's push to buy property as the valley flooding worsens through the years. Later, when researching a science project for high school Mimi believes she might have discovered deceit on the part of the government. Noticing that the storms

brought ever rising wa-

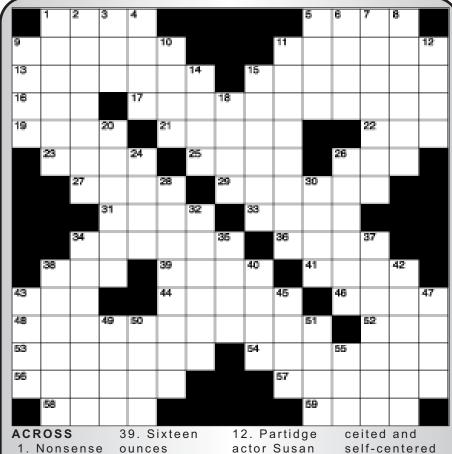
ters she muses, "The way to convince people to leave was to drown them little by little."

Ms. Quindlen has the ability to cast her line and reel you in to the middle of the lives of her characters. Her prose is good if not spectacular. But she plies her line in such a way as to heighten your interest by

degrees. She weaves into the Valley's residents' lives the precise descriptions she accords them. "He wore his charm like a three-piece suit" and "Charm is like tinsel without the tree – shredded tinfoil" (Steven). Or "A face all balled up in a battle against tears" (Mimi), and "he walked like the right side of him was the sidecar on a motorcycle" (Bud). Even the animals merit a clever nod, "an old beagle who breathed like she was gargling gravel."

Everybody has plans for Mimi's future: mother – nurse; father – farmer; brother Eddie – teacher; except brother Tom who just tells her to have a plan firmly in place. But Tom is a Viet-Nam vet with PTSD, a man who has no plan of his own and sadly drifts between disasters.

In the end Ms. Quindlen answers most questions that she has raised from the beginning. She brings you up to date on the lives of the residents of Miller's Valley - what has become of



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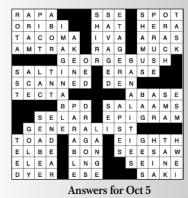
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### **Bully Hill Vineyards has quite a history**

With this being the third and last article chronicling my road trip to the Northeast over this past summer, it seems fitting that the article feature a winery with a fascinating history. The final state where my family and I stopped to do some wine shopping on our vacation was New York. The winerv is Bully Hill Vinevards of Hammondsport, which is a small town located along Keuka Lake in the southern end of the Finger Lakes region. In fact, Hammondsport (like another small town we know), was also voted as "America's Coolest Small Town" by "Budget Travel."

I did not realize the history I was in for when I reached for their bottle of semi-dry white wine called "Goat White Wine" with a goat prominently displayed on the label. Always one to enjoy a great tale. I feel obliged to share the tale as well as information about several of their over 40 selections of wines for sale. As you peruse the company's website at www.bullyhillvinevards.com, you will discover that all of the wines have bright and alluring labels.

The family legacy behind Bully Hill Vineyards actually began nearly a century ago when the grandfather in the family founded the Taylor Wine Company on a foundation of honest winemaking with all-natural ingredients. When grandson Walter Taylor joined the Taylor Wine Company as executive vice president in the 1960s, he grew increasingly concerned that under New York state laws wineries were allowed to add water, chemicals, and juices from outside the state's borders to the wines without disclosing these additives on the labels. Some wineries would even receive overnight deliveries of juice from California in vehicles called "tank cars" that they could add to their wines while still being allowed to consider the wines made in New York.

Walter began to publicly speak out against what he called these "Tank Car Wineries." In 1970, he was terminated following a public address he made to the Wine, Spirit, and Whiskey Wholesalers of America. He had said, "When the wineries of Keuka Lake bottle their

product, the water level of the lake drops several inches!" Undeterred and with a firmer purpose, Walter formed his new company, Bully Hill Vinevards, that produces wines naturally and with 100% juices from New York state. He even bought an old tank car. painted in pink, and displayed it on the vineyard grounds with a sign proclaiming, "A tank car at a winery delivering juice is like a pink elephant in the vineyards!"

Not surprisingly, there is a story with the goat on the Goat White Wine as well. In 1977, Coca-Cola acquired Taylor Wine and the company filed an injunction against Walter and Bully Hill Vineyards. When the injunction was settled, there were many stipulations that were imposed as to things Walter could and couldn't say about his affiliation with Taylor Wine, and he was required to surrender labels and promotional materials that were deemed to violate the court order. Walter assumed he was ruined because he was being prohibited from claiming his family's legacy in winemaking. One day as his supporters checked on him in an old barn on the vineyard grounds, they heard him scream with excitement, "They didn't get our goat! They didn't get our goat!" And with that, the Goat White Wine was so named and continues to be revered. The goat is so revered, in fact, that there are three wines with a goat on the label. The other two are "Le Goat Blush" and "Love my Goat."

With such an interesting character at the company's helm, the wines are definitely worth trying in my estimation. The "Goat White Wine" was true to its description as a semi-dry wine, pairing nicely with our dinner of fresh fish and vegetables. Two of the driest white wines are the "Skin Fermented Vidal Blanc" and "Fusion Blanc" with tastes of hazelnut and green apple. On the opposite end of the white spectrum are some sweet wine choices, "Ravat 51" and "Niagara 1.5." These wines are recommended to be served with fruit. cheeses, or desserts. Two of the driest reds are the "Bulldog Baco Noir" and



Having fun - Having a great time at the Widow and Widowers Club picnic on September 20 in White Horse Park in Ocean Pines. (L-R) Third from the left 50/50 chair Phil Rittershofver, Activities Chair John Willmuth and fifth from the left is President Anna Eickenberg plus members. Photo by Anna Foultz.

## Heroin, opiod drug treatment available

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### **Roost holding** bull, oyster roast

The Ocean City Ravens Roost #44 is holding a Bull & Oyster Roast on October 29 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the American Legion, 23rd street in Ocean City. The cost is \$40 which includes pit beef, raw and fried oysters, sausage with peppers and onions, salads, beer and soda. Entertainment includes music by "The Stims" as well as plant and money wheels, 50/50 and door prizes. Profit from the roast will be used to assist local charities and causes. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Eric Waterman at 410-598-4597 or eric\_waterman@comcast.net.

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them. Or almost. She does leave a bit of unfinished business to keep you pondering long after you have finished the book. She has left questions ripe enough for book club members who like to chase around the mulberry bush of discussion.

And after you have finished reading "Miller's Valley" you might decide you like the storytelling ways of Ms. Quindlen. If so, her previous novel "Still Life With Breadcrumbs," in my eyes like the one I have just reviewed, is another good read and awaits you on the Ocean Pines library shelves.

Narconon reminds families that to recognize the signs of heroin abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk.

> Visit www.narcononnewliferetreat.org/blog/naloxone-availability.html to learn about the overdose reversing drug known as naloxone and find out its availability in your state.

> Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 1-800-431-1754.

#### **Retired nurses to meet**

The Retired Nurses of Ocean Pines will have a presentation by Kathy Sanderson, Life Care Consultant for the Continuing Care Retirement Community at Heron Point in Chestertown, MD on October 19, 2016 at 3 p.m. at the Ocean Pines library. For information call 302 436 4378.

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"Meat Market Red," recommended with bold, spicy dishes. "Love my Goat" is a middle-of-the-road red that can go with most anything and "Sweet Walter Red" is a very sweet red recommended to be served chilled.

To further heighten an excursion to Bully Hill Vineyards, there is a Greyton H. Taylor Wine Museum, a Replica Cooper Shop, and the Walter S. Taylor Art Gallery. You should have plenty of entertainment in visiting this winery.

#### Fire company to hold yard sale

The Bishopville Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold an Indoor yard sale at the main station on Saturday, October 15. The event will be from 7 a.m. to noon. Tables are \$15 each or 2 for \$25. Call 443-235-2926 to reserve your table.

#### Legion auxiliary to meet

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 166 monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, October 18. Beginning at 6 p.m. there will be a pizza party social hour. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and will be held at the American Legion Synepuxent Post 166 located at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street in Ocean City. Current members and those interested in becoming a member are encouraged to attend.

### Vintage vehicle boardwalk parade to be held

For the sixth year, residents and visitors with a vintage Ocean City license plate will be allowed to ride down the Boardwalk during the annual OC Vintage License Plate Rally, which will take place Saturday, October 22. Continuing with the Drive in Disguise theme anyone wishing to decorate their car also will be allowed to ride down the Boardwalk.

"The rally has grown," said Mayor Rick Meehan. "The Halloween theme has really broadened the event. There's a real competition in decorating the cars.'

Decorated cars will join the OC vintage plate cars during the rally, which will roll-off at 27th Street at 3 p.m. Vehicles will drive off the Boardwalk at the Inlet Parking Lot. The public will be able to vote for their favorite decorated car. Each vote is one dollar. A People's Choice trophy as well as additional trophies will be awarded. In addition, various local organizations will have information booths set up and a DJ will play music. Several local businesses will offer a 15% discount to participants for the weekend.

"We are still working on other possible components to the day," said event organizer Nancy Howard. "The entire event is an attempt to create a weekend that will bring visitors to join in the fun. If you want to join in and don't want to drive, get out your Halloween finest and join us at 13th St. for a walk.'

There is a \$25 donation fee for non-vintage license plate participants and those vehicles and bicycles must be decorated. There is no fee for those with an Ocean City vintage license plate (these are not vintage car tags but the special Ocean City plate). Proof of insurance is required for all participants. Proceeds from the event will be benefit the Ocean City Downtown Association. Registration forms are available at www.downtownassociation.net. For additional information, contact Nancy Howard at 443-235-4405 or e-mail neffiehoward@comcast.net. If you do not have a City vintage plate and would like to obtain one visit the city web site at www.oceancitymd.gov

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				
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Fri., October 14	6:48 a.m 7:13 p.m.	12:27a.m. 12:51p.m.	7:09 a.m.	6:23 p.m.
Sat., October 15	7:38 a.m. 8:02 p.m.	1:15 a.m. 1:44 p.m.	7:10 a.m.	6:22 p.m.
Sun.,October 16	8:28 a.m. 8:52 p.m.	2:02 a.m. 2:36 p.m.	7:11 a.m.	6:20 p.m.
Mon.,October 17	9:19 a.m. 9:42 p.m.	2:49 a.m. 3:28 p.m.	7:12 a.m.	6:19 p.m.
Tues.,October 18	10:10 a.m. 10:34 p.m.	3:37 a.m. 4:21 p.m.	7:13 a.m.	6:18 p.m.
Wed.,October 19	11:03 a.m. 11:26 p.m.	4:27 a.m. 6:16 p.m.	7:14 a.m.	6:16 p.m.

### WPS students commended

Dr. Barry Tull, Headmaster of Worcester Preparatory School, announced that Sambina Anthony, Nikhil Moondra, Rayne Parker, Jordan Welch, and Zachary Wilson have been named Commended Students in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. Dr. Tull presented these scholastically talented seniors a Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program.

Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2017 competition by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," com-

Dr. Barry Tull, Headmaster of mented aspokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key

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lence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."



**Get together -** Democrats from across the Shore gathered Saturday, October 1 at the Hyatt Chesapeake in Cambridge for the Eastern Shore Democratic Summit IV. The Summit is held each election year as a way to bring together Democratic activists from across the Shore and prepare for the last sprint to the election. Summit IV had more than 125 Democrats in attendance.

From left, Maryland State Senator **Jim Matthias**, business owner **Sara Hambury**, former Salisbury Mayor **Jim Ireton**, Salisbury University Associate Professor **John Wesley Wright**, First District congressional **candidate Joe Werner**, Senate candidate **Chris Van Hollen**, and educator and community activist **Dr. Kirkland Hall**. Photo by Ted Page.

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# Community Calendar

When submitting items for the calendar please include the event name, date, where held, time and a little about the event. Items being considered for the calendar need to be in by noon on Friday. E-mail to thecourier@delmarvacourier.com

#### **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: jean-duck47@gmail.com

### Tuesdaysand Thursdays

Poker players wanted for Gentalmen's Poker in North Gate

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

#### **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.

## 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 Rte. 611 and Sunset Ave. Open 10 - 4. Call 410-213-0243.

### 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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#### Pink Ribbon golf tournament scheduled

The Ewga/Eastern Shore Chapter in partnership with the American Cancer Society will host a golf tournament at Ocean City Golf Club from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, October 14. Included are 18 holes (\$100) or 9 holes (\$75) of golf, breakfast, lunch, prizes, and silent and Chinese auctions. For more information contact Nancy Dofflemyer at 410-251-6555 or ewgnancy @aol.com or Judy Kight at 410-591-929 or judykight1968@gmail.com.

#### Roost seeks members

Ravens Roost 58 is seeking new members, a treasurer and members to serve on the board of directors. The group meets the first Tuesday of every month and for the Sunday NFL games to raise money for local families in need. The group is currently holding a food drive for Sheppard's Crook. All activities take place at the 28th Street Pit & Pub in Ocean City. Dues are \$20 per year.

#### Financial planning workshop scheduled

On Saturday, October 15, the Worcester County Commission for Women will hold a financial planning workshop at the Community Church at Ocean Pines located at 11227 Racetrack Road in Berlin. The event is sponsored through their Suddenly Single program and is open to all women coping with the loss of a partner's support through illness, death, separation or divorce. The workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is a \$5 registration fee and refreshments will be served. To register or for more information, please contact Cindy Roman at 240-882 2950 or chroman1954@gmail.com.

#### Shark expert to speak at boat club meeting

Shark expert Mark Sampson will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Ocean Pines Boat Club. Sampson manages an Ocean City marina, captains a charter boat and is founder of the Ocean City Shark Tournament. The meeting will occur on Wednesday, October 19 at the Ocean Pines Community Center and begin at 6:30 pm. For more information contact Pat at 410-208-6933.



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**Creations** - The Pine'eer Craft Club of Ocean Pines features monthly craft projects for clients of the Berlin Senior Center. Pictured are **Betty Jerman**, **Janet Cash**, **Cathy Willey** and **Mary Drelick** with the clay and shell trinket dishes they created in September.



**GOP HQ** - Republican Women of Worcester County (RWWC) members hope you will come out to the Worcester County GOP Headquarters to pick up yard signs and other materials about your favorite candidates. The headquarters is located at Rt. 50E (Ocean Gateway) in West Ocean City behind the Sherwin Williams. Call the headquarters at 443-735-0765. For information about RWWC, contact membership chair Joyce Piatti at 410-302-0559. Shown (left to right) are **Gloria Moyer**, President **Bev Bigler**, **Deanna Lowe**, **Gail Schuler**, **Dottie Toms**, **Pat Addy**, **Sandy Zitzer**, and **Leith Clinton**.



**Donation** - American Legion Auxiliary Unit #166 recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Worcester G.O.L.D. Pictured (left to right) are **Mary Dale Craig**, Worcester G.O.L.D. director; **Chris Hawkins**, Unit #166 fundraising chair and **Marie Gilmore**, auxiliary unit president.

#### Ravens Roost holding bull, oyster roast

The Ocean City Ravens Roost #44 is holding a Bull & Oyster Roast on October 29 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the American Legion, 23rd street in Ocean City. The cost is \$40 which includes pit beef, raw and fried oysters, sausage with peppers and onions, salads, beer and soda. Entertainment includes music by "The Stims" as well as plant and money wheels, 50/50 and door prizes. Profit from the roast will be used to assist local charities and causes. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Eric Waterman at 410-598-4597 or eric\_waterman@comcast.net.

#### K of C schedules events

The Knights of Columbus have scheduled several events including a Simple Supper and bingo.

The Simple Supper will take place October 26, November 30 and January 15. The cost is \$7 for a full meal. The meal for October is an Italian sausage sub and a salad bar. Dinner will be served between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. There will a cash bar.

Bingo will be called on Fridays nights, October 14, 21 and 28. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the games begin at 6:30 p.m.

The events will occur at Columbus Hall located at 9901 Coastal Highway in Ocean City. For more information, call 410-524-7994.

#### Retired nurses to meet

The Retired Nurses of Ocean Pines will have a presentation by Kathy Sanderson, Life Care Consultant for the Continuing Care Retirement Community at Heron Point in Chestertown, MD on October 19, 2016 at 3 p.m. at the Ocean Pines library. For information call 302 436 4378.

#### **OBITUARY**

#### **Mary Stevens**

Mary Margaret Stevens, age 77, passed away on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury. Born in New Jersey, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Anna Cullen Has-



Mary Stevens

son. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, David M. Stevens, and children David G. Stevens and Jennifer L. Austin and her husband Christopher. There are three grandchildren, Christopher, Nicholas, and Blake. Also surviving are her brothers, Edward Hassan and his wife Judy, William Hassan and his wife Terry, and a sister Anne Tyrpak and her husband Richard.

Mrs. Stevens was a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Patterson N.J, received a B.S. degree in nursing from the University of Maryland and a Masters Degree from The Catholic University of America. She

worked in hospital nursing at NIH and Montgomery General and home health care nursing for the Montgomery County Department of Health from which she retired. After retirement she remained active in nursing as a hospital volunteer, membership in the Ocean Pines Retired Nursing Association and as chair of the Worcester County Health Planning Advisory Council. She also pursued a wide range of interests outside of nursing serving as president of Friends of the Ocean Pines Library and director, secretary of the Mid Atlantic Symphony Association. She liked book clubs, memoir writing and duplicate bridge and was a faithful member of Holy Savior Catholic Church.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, October 11 at Holy Savior Catholic Church, 17<sup>th</sup> and Philadelphia Ave. Letters of condolence may be sent via www.burbagefuneralhome.com. are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

# I Love to Cook! by Bev Wisch

With Halloween just around the corner, it is time to bake some cookies. My three little great grand girls will surely be ready as they love to cook. Recently they went apple picking with my daughter, Wendy and made applesauce and apple pie. Aunt Mary gave them aprons with their names on them

which they bring with them when they come to see me as they know we can always cook something. Usually we make the sugar cookie recipe and cut out pumpkins, witches and ghosts and then decorate them with colorful icing. Let's see what we can come up with for this year. Their Mom, my oldest granddaughter, Heather, is a great cook and we all have a good time and make a big mess in the kitchen. Now the girls are big enough to help clean up. Savannah, the seven-yearold, loves to clean and is the

first helper to jump right in. You know I'm a recipe collector so I dug into my stash and came up with this fun recipe to make with kids. Why don't you try it too?

Marshmallow Witches

1/2 cup vanilla frosting
36 semisweet chocolate chips
12 large marshmallows
12 chocolate wafers
12 miniature peanut butter cups

12 milk chocolate kisses Small icing tubes (from grocery store) in light green and orange

Directions: For the face of each witch, place a dab of frosting on the bottom of 3 chocolate chips. Press 2 eyes and 1 for nose onto each marsh-



mallow. For the hair, make strings of hair with the green icing. For hats, spread frosting in center of chocolate wafers; press peanut butter cups upside down into frosting. Lightly spread bottoms of kisses with frosting and place on peanut butter cups. Squeeze orange frosting around the base of each peanut butter cup. Secure a hat to each witch with a dab of frosting. Makes 12 witches.



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