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Event planned to benefit historic school

Germantown School Community Heritage Center will host "Dancing under the Stars" on Friday, June 9 between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m.

Enjoy a night of Blues and Jazz, fellowship and fun under the big tent in the spacious yard. Back by popular demand is music provided by "The Vibratones." Tickets are \$25 per person. Call 410-641-0638 for reservations.

The fundraiser benefits the ongoing expenses of maintaining the historic Germantown School which was built by the community and the Rosenwald Foundation in 1923 to educate African American students in grades one through seven. Many former students will participate in the event.

"The Vibratones" began at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore in the early 1960s and played well into the 1970s throughout the Eastern Shore at clubs, graduations and other community and social events. The music of the group will have participants up and dancing much of the night.

Basketball tournament to be played in Worcester

Worcester County Recreation Center will host the King of the Court Basketball Tournament Saturday, July 15.

The tournament will feature 3 versus 3 game play. Open to co-ed teams of ages 18 and older, the community is encouraged to form their own teams and register for this fun-filled competition.

The tournament will run as double elimination, and teams must have three players to start with a maximum of four players on each roster. Games will last 20 to 21 minutes on a half court. The cost per team is \$50, with a \$200 first place cash prize.

A minimum of 16 teams are sought to register by Monday, July 10. Get your friends and family together for a fun weekend activity this summer. If you have questions or are interested in registering, please contact Program Manager Myro Small at 410-632-2144 extension 2512 or msmall@co.worcester.md.us or visit our website at www.WorcesterRecAndParks.org.



Memorial - The the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines again hosted the annual Memorial Day Ceremony Monday. Above are **Kassie Herbert, Elena McComas** and **Mary Pat Carozza** (Kassie's sister). Photo by Chip Bertino.

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Church fundraiser scheduled

The Community Church at Ocean Pines will host a Shorebirds fundraiser on Saturday, June 10. Tickets are \$11. The game starts at 6:35 p.m. For more information and tickets call Maude at 410-641-5433, Dennis at 410-600-0221 or Larry at 443-831-1791.

Volunteer Spirit nominees sought

Volunteers make Worcester County a better place to live, work and visit. To honor volunteers whose contributions help improve the quality of life here locally, Worcester County residents are invited to nominate individuals, organizations and businesses for the 2017 Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County Awards. The deadline to submit nomination forms is June 16. A recognition ceremony for all nominees will take place August 24.

Nominations will be accepted with one winner chosen from each of the following 15 categories: youth, emerging leader, individual, lifetime achievement, member of the board, national service participant, AmeriCorps alum, exemplary service-learning, faith-based, group/team, non-profit volunteer program, small/large business, community of service, first responder, and veteran.

Nominees should reside in and represent the volunteer spirit of Worcester County. Nomination forms are available online at

worcestervolunteer.org.

Hard copies will be available at the following locations: Human Resources in the Worcester County Government Center in Snow Hill, all five Worcester County branch libraries or by contacting Worcester County Volunteer Services Manager Kelly Brinkley at 410-632-0090 or kbrinkley@co.worcester.md.us.

Dance scheduled

An Ocean City Dance is being held at the Elks Lodge No. 2645 banquet hall on Saturday, June 17. The hall is located at 138th Street and Coastal Hwy (behind the Fenwick Inn) in Ocean City. The event is open to the public. Cash bar available. There will be swing, Latin, disco, ballroom and country dancing to the music of DJ Mike T. El Paso lesson given by dance instructor John Brilantes between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Open dancing from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is \$14 per person and includes lesson. For information call 443-474-0015 or www.DancingAtTheBeach.com

Monday

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

Sweet Adelines

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

Monday/Tuesday

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.

Tuesday

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.

Tuesday/Thursday

Poker Players wanted for Gentlemen's Poker in North Gate area Ocean Pines. Game played every Tuesday & Thursday evening 5:45 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. on Pinehurst Rd. Ocean Pines. Call 410-208-0063 for more information.

Wednesday

Kiwanis Club Meeting
Weekly meetings at 8 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Doors open 7 a.m.

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@delmarvahand-dancing.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.

Thursday

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.

Friday

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.

First Saturday

Creative Writing Forum

Every first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Berlin Library. Novice and established writers gather to share their fiction, non-fiction, and creative writing projects. Program includes critiques and appreciation, market leads, and writing exercises.



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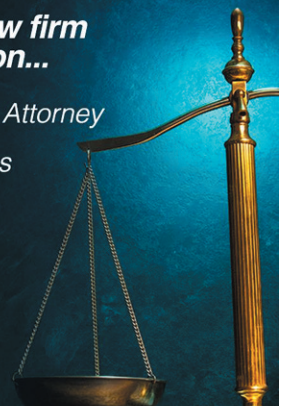
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A cancer survivor shares her story about life, death and healing

By **Gloria Dietz**

Nearly everyone has been touched by cancer in some way, either through the battle of someone you love, a friend or in your own personal fight. What if you dealt with all three and more by losing your mom, the love of your life and having cancer yourself?

Meet Sarah Cooper, 47-year old server at Phillips Crab House and DeNovo's who lives in Ocean Pines. Her story began in 2010 after a routine mammogram was rescheduled because she didn't have the correct paperwork for processing. Out of the blue, she decided to do a self-examination in the shower the next morning since her sister was diagnosed with breast cancer the previous year. Sarah discovered a lump on her left breast and her rescheduled appointment confirmed



Sarah Cooper

that she indeed had breast cancer.

To say that Sarah has been through a lot is an understatement. She lost her boyfriend, Chris (the love of her life), in 2008 and her mom in 2011 also due to cancer. One thing Sarah was thankful for is that her mom made it long enough to see her and her sister in remission. After Sarah recovered from her mastectomy, she was back in the hospital for lymph node surgery when they noticed she needed her appendix taken out. The appendectomy couldn't be performed until after her treatment was complete. Then, in 2012 an annual OB/GYN appointment showed she had severe dysplasia and decided to undergo a hysterectomy to avoid

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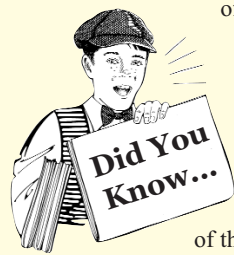
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2012 Business of the Year

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According to the U.S. Census Bureau, only about one-quarter of those working in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, widely referred to as STEM, are women. The percentages of women working in STEM are even lower in Canada, where Statistics Canada notes the percentage



of women working in STEM has increased from just 20 percent in 1987 to 22 percent in 2015. Perhaps in recognition

of those statistics, numerous organizations are working to promote women in STEM. One such organization is the National Girls Collaborative Project (ngcproject.org), which works to bring together organizations throughout the United States that are committed to informing and encouraging girls to pursue careers in STEM. Another organization with similar goals is the Women in Engineering Proactive Network (wepan.org), which works to promote the inclusion of women in the field of engineering. Female students in high school or college who are interested in STEM fields should make their interest known to teachers or advisors; they can even contact certain organizations to learn about the opportunities and resources available to them.

Hogan wants compromise on paid sick leave

Governor Larry Hogan reaffirmed his commitment to providing common sense paid sick leave for Maryland workers, while vetoing House Bill 1 (HB1), a deeply flawed, job-killing paid leave bill passed by the Maryland General Assembly, and making an impassioned appeal to legislative leaders to work with the administration on a compromise by January, when the bill was set to take effect. The governor also signed three executive orders expanding paid leave benefits at the state level and creating a task force to gain insight from Maryland workers and businesses to further assist with developing a common sense compromise.

The governor began by outlining the administration's common sense paid sick leave proposal, unveiled in December 2016, which would provide benefits that hardworking Marylanders deserve without hurting the state's economy and costing jobs. It requires companies with more than 50 employees to provide paid sick leave and encourages small businesses, as defined by the widely accepted federal standards, to offer paid sick leave by providing tax incentives to offset the costs of these additional benefits. In direct contrast to HB1, the governor's proposal has the potential to cover 100 percent of Maryland's workforce.

In a process rife with political opportunism, the legislature never considered the administration's common sense, balanced plan. Instead, they moved forward with a poorly written and deeply flawed bill that is more harmful than legislation previously rejected by the Democrat-controlled legislature four years in a row. If allowed to go into effect, this legislation would severely jeopardize the economic progress Maryland has made under Governor Hogan, including creating nearly 100,000 new jobs, reducing the unemployment rate, and providing \$700 million in tax, fee, and toll relief for Marylanders. This bill puts Maryland's gains in jeopardy, and studies show it would cost thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in lost economic activity.

"We cannot afford to turn back to the failed job-killing policies of the past. Our administration fully supports paid sick leave benefits for Marylanders, but we cannot and will

not support this job-killing bill passed by the legislature, which would hurt the very workers that they are pretending to want to help," said Governor Hogan. "The refusal of legislative leaders to meet us halfway, to negotiate with us, or to try to reach a compromise represents the very kind of politics that people are completely fed up with."

The overly-burdensome, job-killing provisions in HB1 are as numerous as they are problematic for Maryland's small businesses. It creates a one-size-fits-all approach that does not allow for flexibility or take into account the needs and structure of a 21st-century workforce. It requires the state to mandate specific

procedures that businesses must follow or else be found in violation of the law, which carries with it heavy civil penalties. The bill gives courts extremely broad discretion to award damages in a civil action – including forcing businesses to pay three times the value of unpaid sick and safe leave.

Perhaps most egregiously, the notification provision in the bill creates an extremely intrusive situation where workers could be required to provide a reason – and obligated to offer proof – in order to use sick leave, including divulging sensitive personal and medical information to an employer.

The governor, noting that HB1 does not take effect until January, renewed his call for a common sense compromise with the legislature, stating that today marks the beginning – not the end – of negotiations and vowed to submit a compromise bill as emergency legislation on the first day of the 2018 legislative session.

"We still have time to work together to get this right. We can and we must come together by January to make this happen. I am again calling on our legislators to put the partisan politics aside and work with us to pass a better bill," said Governor Hogan. "Let's reach a compromise to ensure that our small business job creators aren't forced to lay off workers or shut their doors in order to



comply with overly-strict, burdensome, and costly regulations. Let's make sure that hardworking Marylanders don't end up paying the price for a politicized legislative process. We owe it to the citizens of Maryland to work together and get this right by January."

To take immediate action to advance the cause of common sense paid sick leave in Maryland, the governor executed three executive orders:

Executive Order 01.01.2017.08 creates a task force, headed by Maryland Labor Secretary Kelly Schulz and including the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs, the Department of Commerce, and the Department of Human Resources, to conduct a comprehensive field study to further and formally determine how a better paid sick leave plan can be implemented, with a report to be submitted in December. Executive Order 01.01.2017.09 provides paid leave benefits to all contractual employees in the executive branch, which totals over 8,000 workers. The governor called on leaders in the legislative and judicial branches to join the administration in leading by example and providing these benefits to their contractual employees. Finally, Executive Order 01.01.2017.10 authorizes all state procurement authorities to begin giving preference to contractors who offer paid sick leave to their employees.

Relics of my past

Walking somewhat aimlessly through an antique shop recently I discovered something I hadn't expected to find: artifacts of my early years. I've apparently arrived at a point in my life when things I re-

spent time watching coffee brew.

Throughout the store were boxes of old LPs. Fingering through the covers I saw many I remember from childhood. Two brought back memories of the upstairs bedroom in my grandparents' Philadelphia row home. One was Engelbert Humperdinck "Spanish Eyes." The other was Tony Bennett "I Left My Heart in San Francisco." My grandfather had a small portable record player he kept in



It's All About. . .

By **Chip Bertino**

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member from my childhood and early adult years are now considered antique shop worthy. It was quite an eye opener and just a little disconcerting to find familiar items I recall so vividly and once used so regularly now stocked as relics on racks and shelves to be viewed as curios by those younger than me.

As a child I peddled around the driveway in a little light blue car. It was made of metal not plastic. I would zoom down the driveway and quickly turn onto the sidewalk before reaching the street. I really liked that little car and eventually learned to parallel park between my brother's tricycle and a neighbor's Big Wheel (remember those?). I even vocalized signal sounds when turning, "dink donk, dink donk." Whatever happened to that little car I do not know but I found a similar one in the antique shop. It cost nearly as much as my first real car.

Down one of the aisles, on a shelf near the back, were some odd dishes that had the pattern of the plates we had when I was growing up. They were brown with a blue flower pattern. I remember when we got those dishes. Not far from the dishes was a coffee pot. It was a white Corning Ware percolator with a flower pattern on the sides and a glass bulb at the top through which you could watch the coffee percolate. One similar to this sat on our stove for years. Although I never drank coffee I do recall my childhood fascination watching the coffee bubble up. We didn't have video games so I

an upstairs closet along with his records. When I was supposed to be taking a nap, I would go into the closet and look through his albums. Looking back, his taste in music varied greatly from Country to Elvis, Dinah Shore to Don Ho. The other thing I remember about that closet was the overwhelming smell of moth balls and cedar.

There were several displays that contained memorabilia from the Bicentennial. There were plates, figurines, buttons and glasses emblazoned one way or another with "1776-1976" or etchings of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin. Although that anniversary occurred 37 years ago, looking at some of these mementos now made me think it was only yesterday when I went with my class to Independence Hall to see the Liberty Bell. How time flies and how interesting that the trinkets of that period are now items to collect or collect dust depending on one's interest.

The experience of the antique shop shouldn't surprise me too much I guess. Although I don't feel it, it could be said that I'm now in my middle age years. My children are for the most part grown and I'm a grandfather. Yet I know the things I use regularly with no thought at all will someday be considered ancient relics by my granddaughter. I just hope she won't think of me the same way.



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OPA hires new CFO

The Ocean Pines Association has announced the hiring of John Viola, the former chairperson of the Ocean Pines Budget and Finance Advisory Committee, as its new chief financial officer.

Viola, who began his employment with Ocean Pines on May 22, will be responsible for the Association's budgeting, forecasting and accounting practices, maintenance of its fiscal records and the preparation and interpretation of financial reports.

Viola will direct and have overall responsibility for internal controls, forecasts, finan-



John Viola

cial reporting and budgetary controls. He will also assist the general manager in the day-to-day operation of the association.

With more than 30 years of financial experience, Viola most recently worked for Avon Products, Inc., an American international manufacturer and direct selling company in beauty, household and personal care products, as the global assistant controller and executive director.

In addition, he has worked for Elizabeth Arden, Inc., a major American cosmetics, skin care and fragrance company, in a similar financial role. His responsibilities included budgeting, transaction processing, reporting, internal controls and financial systems. Viola led major financial transformation teams at Avon Products, Inc. and Elizabeth Arden, Inc., achieving significant cost savings and controls.

As a resident of Ocean Pines, Viola is a familiar face. Having served as the chairperson of the Budget and Finance Committee, Viola and other committee members have advised the Board of Directors and assisted the general manager in the preparation of budgets, both operating and capital.

Viola is a CPA who received his Master's in Taxation from Pace University and Bachelor of Science in professional accountancy from Manhattan College.

He succeeds Mary Bosack, who resigned from the Association May 19.



Taking a break - Attached is a picture of many members of the Ocean Pines Line Dancers group. This picture was taken at the end of season luncheon on May 24 at The Dunes in Ocean City. The group will resume dancing at the Ocean Pines Community Center on Monday, Wednesday and Friday starting September 11. The dances are limited to beginner and intermediate levels. Contact Lynn Gibbons for more information at 410-713-9929.

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any chances of cervical cancer. Sarah is not only a survivor, but an inspiration and advocate that encourages others. "Cancer is not a death sentence and treatment is not as bad as one may think," conveys Sarah.

After her mastectomy she got a tattoo to cover her scar. "It's amazing and I love it; it is lilies across the top with a hummingbird in the center with the word 'believe' written above it," bellows Sarah. Did you ever notice that billboard on Route 50 West after turning right off of 589 heading towards Berlin; the girl with a big smile, dark glasses, and making the

shape of a heart with her hands? That is Sarah! She was selected by Atlantic General Hospital to appear in their ad campaign since she was the first patient to get treated in their new fusion center at the time.

Sarah also has a Facebook page that chronicles her diagnosis, treatment, and survival that articulates other repercussions of cancer. Each year in March she celebrates another year of being cancer free. This is her seventh year in remission and she feels blessed for every single day. "My motto is Positivity=Strength=Power and all you have to do is believe," rejoiced Sarah. She still has to have annual check-ups that include MRI's which she tends to dread since it can take very long in a position that is uncomfortable. She is so grateful for her life and the people who have treated her during her journey.

According to the U.S. Breast Cancer Statistics, about 1 in 8 women in the United States (about 12%) will develop invasive breast cancer over the course of her lifetime.

When you get Sarah as your server, you would never know her plight and what she has endured with this disease. Her smile will light up any room and her positive attitude is infectious. Sarah loves to spend time with her cats, friends and family while spreading the message to keep living life to the fullest.



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What to know before going camping

Comedian Jim Gaffigan often jokes that camping is a tradition in his wife's family, but he's what people would consider "indoorsy." Gaffigan notes that the idea of burning a couple of vacation days sleeping on the ground outside is not his idea of fun. But the comic may be in the minority.

Camping is one of the most popular outdoor recreational activities in North America. The statistics resource Statistica says the revenue of campgrounds and RV parks was estimated at \$5.8 billion in 2015.

More than \$2.5 billion was relegated to camping equipment spending. In Canada, National Park attendance is typically indicative of camping stays. Parks Canada said there was a 4 percent increase in overall visitation between 2009 and 2014.

Camping takes many forms. Some purists equate camping to minimalist survival N eking out an existence for a few days with nothing more than a tent, a single roll of toilet paper and a fishing pole. Others enjoy the creature comforts of home and would readily consider camping something done from their climate controlled RV.

Camping ranges between sleeping under the open stars and glamping N a style of camping with amenities and potentially resort-style services. No matter how one defines camping, information is the key to becoming the proverbial "happy camper." The following list is a general starting off point for planning a camping adventure.

Not all campsites are equal. When choosing a campsite, seek an area that offers the amenities you desire. Popular places like lakeside spots or those close to trails tend to book up early. Also, consider proximity to bathrooms, showers and ingress/egress spots. People who desire solitude will pick different campsites than those who want to be near the family action.

Choose a tent for the weather. Supplies will differ depending on the temperatures when you plan to camp. Select a tent with a sun-protection sealant to prolong its longevity. Opt for a location with partial afternoon shade to keep the campsite and tent cool. Face the tent door into the wind for a breeze (and also to keep mosquitoes from camping alongside you).

Speak with a camping supply retailer about your camping needs.

Bring along low-salt, high-protein snacks. Low-salt, high-protein snacks will keep you fueled for day trips along the trails without making you thirsty. Dried berries and high-fiber trail mixes also can keep energy levels up.

Invest in an insulating pad. A good insulating pad will keep you comfortable when sleeping on the ground. Such a pad also will serve as an extra moisture barrier and will help keep you warm or cool.

Use the moon. If this is your first time camping, schedule the night out to coincide with a full moon. There will be extra light at night to chase away any fears and make navigating a



bit easier.

Be an early bird. To see wildlife, hit the trails as early as possible. Early morning hours also are cooler for working.

Remember that camping involves getting in touch with nature. Leave the campsite how you found it, taking trash along with you.

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Events begin on Thursday, June 8 from 5-7 p.m. with an opening reception on the rooftop of the Monte Carlo Hotel where the public will be able to meet the filmmakers and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

The Film Festival continues through the weekend with screenings running from morning until evening at the four locations. A panel of judges will review the films and present awards on Saturday evening at the Arts Center, followed by screening of the award winning films.

The event concludes with a closing party on Sunday, June 11 from 4-6 p.m. at Touch of Italy.

The diversity of films includes short subjects, feature-length films, student and professional work, and also internationally produced films.

Tickets are \$10 for a one-day pass, \$45 for a three-day all-access pass that

includes the opening reception, or \$25 for just the opening reception. Tickets are available at ocmdfilmfestival.com or by visiting the Arts Center on 94th St. or by calling 410-524-9433. Tickets are also available at participating venues the day of the screenings on a cash only basis.

More information about the Film Festival and a complete schedule of screenings and events is available at ocmdfilmfestival.com and also at artleagueofoceancity.org.

In addition to the films, the Festival includes workshops geared towards current and future filmmakers. The workshops are free for the participating filmmakers, and \$10 for the public.

On Friday, June 9 at 2 p.m., film industry professionals Dan O'Hare and Jeremy Mather will present a workshop on creating films on a "micro budget."

A script pitching workshop will be held on Saturday, June 10 at noon at the Arts Center. Screenwriters will have the opportunity to pitch their scripts to judges and an audience.

The Film Festival is the brainchild of Stephen Decatur High School graduate and current Towson University student filmmaker William Strang-Moya, fellow TU student Kristin Helf, and Rina Thaler, executive director of the Art League of Ocean City.

The theme of the inaugural festival is "The Many Faces of Film." The goal is to bring creative visual media to the resort, expose attendees to the diversity of visions among filmmakers, and encourage the artistic endeavors of Shore residents. The trio intends the Film Festival to become an annual and long-running tradition.

"There's a lot of interest in Ocean City for this project from a tourism point of view, from an artistic point of view, and from a community point of view," Thaler said. "This is going to jell into an event that we grow over the years."

The students and Thaler recognized the opportunity for a film festival after Strang-Moya taught a class in January on filmmaking to local high school students that received a positive reception. They set up a website soliciting free submissions of films and received more than 700 submissions, not only from fellow TU students but from around the world. Strang-Moya and Helf screened the submissions and chose the best of the submitted work. Filmmakers, who are encouraged to attend, will have the opportunity to interact with audience

members and receive their comments.

"We were looking for films that are purposeful and personal to the filmmaker," Strang-Moya said.

"I am constantly amazed by how readily this community embraces filmmaking and allows for individuals such as ourselves to come in and work on our films," he continued. "We're really motivated by the idea of establishing a culture for filmmakers in the region and awakening the local artists so that a network can be established."

The films that will be shown have not been rated, and viewer discretion is advised.

The Ocean City Center for the Arts at 502 94th Street is the home of the Art League of Ocean City, a non-profit or-

ganization dedicated to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects. Financial support comes primarily through membership dues from individuals and corporate sponsors. Funding for exhibits is also provided by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, the Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, organizations dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

More information is available at 410-524-9433 or www.artleagueofoceancity.org.



Lineage - Member Mary Riva recently briefed the General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) on the genealogy and life of Brigadier General John Gunby. Riva and her sister Nancy Barrett are lineally descended from the distinguished Revolutionary Patriot who is buried in Gunby United Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Stockton. The chapter subsequently appointed a committee that will pursue requesting permission to place a DAR marker at his grave site.

The DAR is a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education. The General Levin Winder Chapter meets on the third Wednesday of the month at noon. For more information, visit www.dar.org or <http://GeneralLevinWinder.marylanddar.org>.

Above are **Mary Riva** and **Nancy Barrett**.

GM to hold town hall meeting

Acting General Manager Brett Hill has announced he will hold a town hall meeting to provide the latest update on all the capital projects and improvements the Ocean Pines Association has accomplished over the past several months.

The meeting is set for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 1, on the second floor of Mumford's Landing in Ocean Pines, located at 1 Mumford's Landing Road. All are invited to attend and participate.

A brief presentation will outline past efforts and present opportunities for the public to comment. The public

is encouraged to come with questions, concerns and ideas. Membership participation and feedback is very important. Questions may be submitted in advance via email to info@oceanpines.org.

The acting general manager will be joined by department directors of the Ocean Pines Association.

Those unable to attend the meeting may view it live at www.OceanPines.org or on Mediacom channel 78. It also will be posted on the Ocean Pines website and will air on channel 78 afterward.

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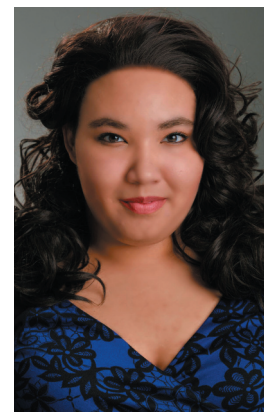


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Rising Star concert scheduled

An evening of music will be presented by Katerina Burton of Newark, MD and a graduate of Towson University who has been accepted for a Master's degree program at the Juilliard School of Musical Arts.



Katerina Burton

Miss Burton has received many awards during her years at Towson. In 2015 she was awarded the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions Encouragement Award for the Mid-Atlantic region. She has performed in many operas while at Towson securing leading roles in "Gallantry" and Mozart's "Die Zauberflöte."

Successive concerts will be presented on Friday evening, June 16 at 7 p.m. at Bethany United Methodist Church located at 8648 Stephen De-

catur Hwy. (Route 611 and Snug Harbor Road), in Berlin and on June 17, 7 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church located at 10301 Coastal Highway in Ocean City. A reception will follow both concerts.

Jeffrey Todd, grandson of June Todd who is the well-known director of the Pine Tones chorus and music director and organist of Atlantic United Methodist Church in Ocean City, will also participate in the concerts. Jeffrey is a vocal performance major at Salisbury University. He has won first place at the state and regional levels of the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NAT) student auditions for two consecutive years in classical music and was given the honor of being deemed "the most outstanding college male, (classical)" at the 2017 Mid Atlantic NATS honor's recital.

The concert will feature selections from Puccini, Faure, Menotti, Rachmaninoff and others. While admission to the concerts is free, donations toward school expenses for Miss Burton and Mr. Todd will be accepted. For further information about these two concerts, contact Lyn Burr at 410-641-0772.



History lesson - On May 25, the Republican Women of Worcester County (RWWC) held their monthly general meeting and luncheon at the Captain's Table Restaurant in Ocean City. The guest speaker was Bill Jarmin, executive director of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Visitor Center in Church Creek in Dorchester County. Jarmin talked about the life of Harriet Tubman and the recently opened visitor center and garden, which were designed to acknowledge her accomplishments. Pictured are **Bill Jarmin** and **Beverly Bigler**, president of the RWWC.

Ocean Pines to host free seminars

The Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department will offer free seminars this June. The seminars, which are open to the public, will be held at the Ocean Pines Community Center, located at 235 Ocean Parkway in Ocean Pines.

On Tuesday, June 6 from 11 a.m. to noon, Home Instead Senior Care will host a seminar on the importance of vitamins and minerals as we age. Participants will learn about the suggested intake of those supplements and how they can affect health.

Then on Thursday, June 29, Todd Peenstra with Peenstra Antiques Appraisals will return with his popular an-

tiques appraisal show. Peenstra, a nationally known antiques and art appraiser, specializes in appraisals for estate settlements, tax donations, estate planning, downsizing and insurance issues.

Participants may register up to two items each for appraisal including jewelry, furniture, glass, porcelain, art work, silver and coins an hour before the shows. Show times are scheduled for 3-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m.

Although there is no cost to attend these seminars, spaces are limited and advance registration is required. To register, call the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052.

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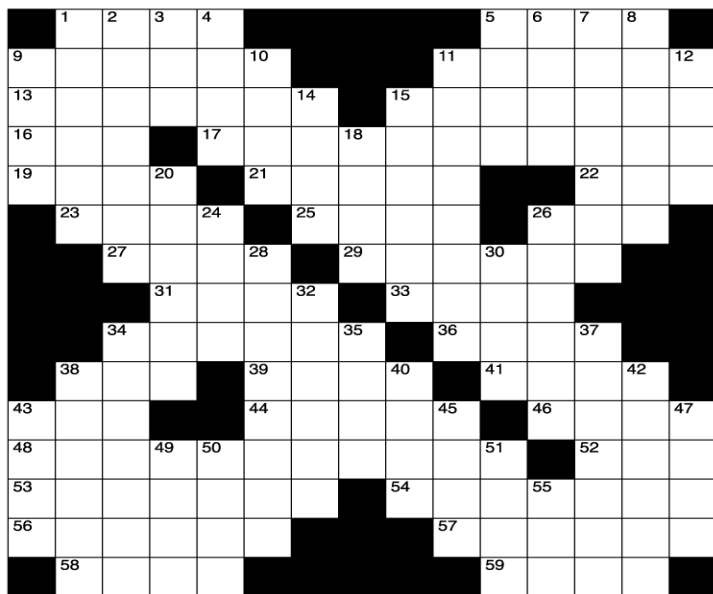
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- 13. Proof you paid
- 15. Immobile
- 16. Type of drug
- 17. Traveling from place to place
- 19. So
- 21. Los Super Seven member Cesar
- 22. Small insect
- 23. Ancient Hebrew measure
- 25. Beginner
- 26. Consumeda
- 27. Fruit of the true service tree
- 29. Part of Congress
- 31. Needlefishes
- 33. Blood serum of an animal
- 34. Ancient measure of length
- 36. Concubine
- 38. One billion years
- 39. Not false
- 41. Vienna (German)
- 43. Short-term memory
- 44. Actresses Meg and Jennifer
- 46. Clothed
- 48. Basketball's "Zen Master"
- 52. Irish bar
- 53. Age-old
- 54. Pride
- 56. Niger's capital
- 57. Makes amends
- 58. Sound made by horses
- 59. Russian river

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Cut the baby teeth
- 2. Reflexes
- 3. Midway between east and southeast
- 4. Beat
- 5. Sign of aging
- 6. Goidelic language of Ireland
- 7. Raise public concern
- 8. Make new again
- 9. Something unpleasant
- 10. Roman orator
- 11. Flavored
- 12. Subdivision
- 14. A pace of running
- 15. Allows to live
- 18. Terrorist organization
- 20. Feudal Japanese commander
- 24. Type of horse
- 26. Uncoordinated
- 28. Deceased actress Murphy
- 30. Get into __ __: fight
- 32. Inflexible
- 34. Amusing
- 35. Be morose
- 37. Reviewing online
- 38. Denoting origin
- 40. In addition
- 42. The state that precedes vomiting
- 43. Ballplayer Denard
- 45. Spiritual discipline
- 47. Database management system
- 49. Fancy car
- 50. Off-road vehicle
- 51. __ bene: observe carefully
- 55. Jerry's pal



Answers for May 31

Dogs and water safety

Dogs have solidified their places in many families. Nowadays, more and more dogs accompany their pet parents on trips to the store, vacations and various recreational pursuits including trips to the beach or the backyard pool.

Many people assume all dogs can swim and swim well. But WebMD advises that not all dogs are natural-born swimmers, and some may be more skillful than others. Unfortunately, there is no way to gauge a dog's swimming prowess until the animal is introduced to water. That is one reason why dog owners must make water



safety a priority when taking their pets near water.

Introducing water. Make dogs feel comfortable in the water by gradually introducing them to it. Start in an area that can be controlled, such as a kiddie swimming pool. That is shallow enough to help dogs if they struggle. Show the dog that the water can be enjoyable. Get in with the dog and let him or her get acclimated to the feeling of water on its paws. Let your pet set the pace, being certain not to force the issue.

If you are at the beach or lakeside, throw a stick progressively further from the shore. This can help the dog incrementally adapt to the feeling of deeper water. Tossing your dog into the water or submerg-

ing his head can be traumatic. Recognizing poor swimmers. Dogs that have large bodies and short legs often do not swim for fun. American Bulldogs, for example, may not be as skilled or as enthusiastic about swimming as Labradors. If your dog gives you a hard time about swimming or struggles to stay

afloat, you may not be able to share laps together. Instead, watch him or her carefully around the water to prevent accidents should your pet wander in.

Watching for currents. At the beach, the same currents and rip tides that can pose a threat to humans can threaten dogs. Even strong swimmers can be affected in rough surf, and dogs may not have the intellect to escape currents, so it is best to avoid the situation.

Washed-up fish and seawater also can be threatening to dogs. Dogs may be enticed by the smell of dead fish, but become ill if they consume decomposing marine life. The same is said for drinking seawater. Bring fresh water along to quench the dog's thirst so he or she will not be tempted to lap up the saltwater.

Life preservers. Dogs riding in boats should be fitted with canine life preservers. These will help dogs stay afloat should they fall in the water, while also making dogs more visible in the water.

Water and dogs may seem like a natural fit, but individuals should test their dogs' swimming abilities and exercise precaution whenever their pets are around water.

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Control mosquito-borne illnesses

Enjoying the great outdoors means sharing the environment with nature. Although sharing space with various backyard or neighborhood birds and small animals is acceptable for many people, insects that seem to multiply when the weather warms up are another issue entirely.

Mosquitoes can be both a nuisance and a threat to human and pet health. Depending on where in the world they are located, mosquitoes may carry and transmit many different illnesses. According to the American Mosquito Control Association, more than one million people worldwide die from mosquito-borne diseases every year. From malaria to dengue to Zika to West Nile virus, mosquitoes carry scores of diseases. Even when mosquitoes do not transmit illness, their bites can cause severe skin irritation through an allergic reaction to the mosquito's saliva.

The U.S. Military Health System says controlling the mosquito population and protecting against mosquito bites remain the most effective ways for people to safeguard themselves against mosquito-borne illnesses.

Avoid mosquito bites. The following are some preventative methods to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes.

- When practical, wear long-sleeved shirts and pants outdoors.
- Rely on closed doors and screened-in areas to keep mosquitoes outside. When sleeping outdoors in areas where mosquitoes are present,

- sleep under a mosquito bed net.
- Keep window and door screens in good repair, replacing any with holes large enough for mosquitoes to get through.

-The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency registers insect repellents. When used as directed, these insect repellents are safe and effective, even for

pregnant and breast-feeding women. The Cambridge Public Health Department notes that alternatives to DEET include Picaridin (a chemical repellent) and oil of lemon eucalyptus (a plant-based repellent).

Reduce mosquito populations. Homeowners and business owners can take several steps to limit local mosquito populations.

- Empty items that hold water, such as birdbaths, pool covers, buckets, and flower pots, as mosquitoes lay their eggs in still water.

-Clean out rain gutters and downspouts to prevent pooling water.

-When standing water cannot be removed, it can be treated to control mosquito larvae. A bacterial insecticide called *Bacillus thuringiensis israeliensis*, or BTI, targets mosquito and black fly larvae without harming the water or other animal life.

Mosquitoes can make people and animals very sick. Controlling their populations and preventing bites can help prevent the spread of mosquito-borne illnesses.



Anniversary - Kiwanis celebrated its 37th anniversary of their chartering on Wednesday May 17 in the Ocean Pines Community Center. It was homecoming for widows of former members of the club. Pictured (L-R) **Annette Bery**, Club President-Elect **Ralph Chinn**, visiting Secretary of the Seaford Kiwanis Club **Jim Thompson**, **Marjorie Hargood**, **Margaret Rehkemper**, Seaford Kiwanis visitor **Cheryl Weber**, club President **Barbara Peletier**, **Joan Schafer** and Seaford Kiwanis visitor **Doug Figgs**. Photo by Anna Foutz.



Fundraiser success - On May 16, Ocean City Elementary students, faculty and staff supported the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life by donating \$1 to wear pajamas to school to "Put Cancer to Rest." Kara Dzimiera's third grade class had the most participation, followed by Jen Spicer's third grade class. These two classes led our Purple Chain Memory Lap Ceremony honoring those who have been touched by cancer. Students and staff also purchased purple bracelets and tootsie roll lollipops to raise money for the cause. With great pride, Ocean City Elementary School donated \$1,538.12 to this year's Relay for Life event.



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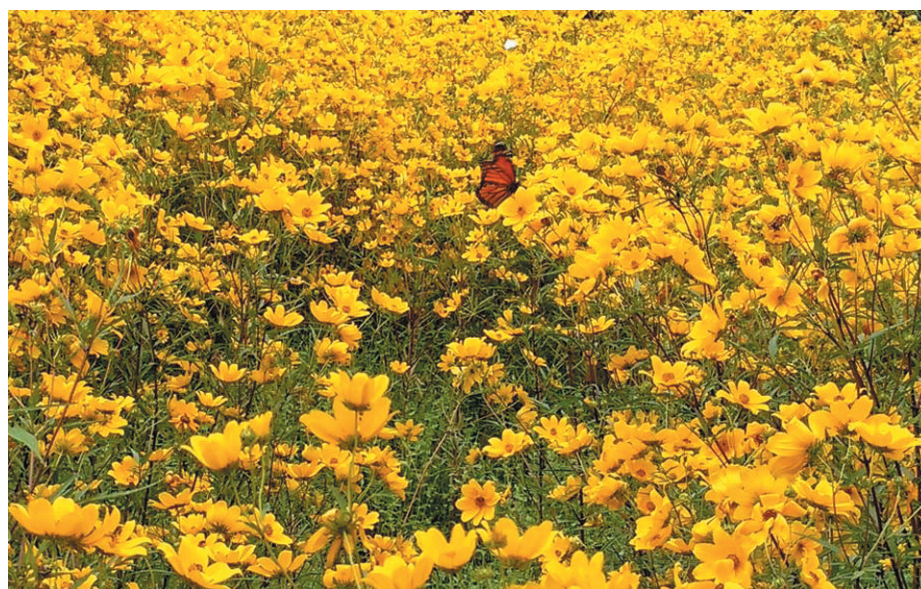
Chorus places, readies for competition

On April 29 four male singers from Talbot County and one from Caroline County traveled to Reading PA. to sing in contest. They were joined by 19 other singers from across The Delmarva Peninsula. They sing with The Pride of Delmarva Chorus. These singers were competing in the Central Division Contest against other choruses from Eastern Pa., the entire Delmarva Peninsula, a portion of Maryland that includes Baltimore, and one chorus from New York State.

“The Pride” has won awards in each of the past six years. This year they outscored, for the first time, Five Towns College N. Y. and won the back and forth battle with Lansdale, PA., “The Pride” finished second only being outscored by the chorus from Baltimore. Much of the credit for the continuing success is the chorus director, Glenn Phillips. Glenn is originally from California and has advanced vocal degrees from The University of Southern California. He has also studied under some of the best directors in the country and sang in a chorus that won the International Chorus Championship.

The next step for “The Pride of Delmarva Chorus” will be The Mid Atlantic District Contest on September 29th. On stage will be other qualifying choruses from western Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and the entire state of New York. For The Pride rehearsals will resume on May 31. These are held at the Avenue United Methodist Church in Milford, DE. on Wednesdays. There are 13 scheduled rehearsals. Milford has been chosen because of its central location for all Pride members. Interested male singers are welcomed to come and listen and possibly start learning some of the techniques and skills required to sing at the expected level. Current members from our immediate area are: Bill Hosker from Oxford, Dr. Bill Katz and Ed Wadley of Easton, John Webster of Denton, Carson Andrew of Trappe, Paul Yannuzzi and Donald Wann from Ocean Pines and Dr. Stephon Pavlos from Salisbury.

For additional information please call Carson Andrew 410-253-5772 or go on line. www.prideofdelmarva.weebly.com or email us at prideofdelmarva1@gmail.com.



MCBP celebrates birds and butterflies

As birds and butterflies are now emerging everywhere, the Maryland Coastal Bays Program (MCBP) want to encourage and remind you to both enjoy and respect our migrating visitors.

Bird nesting season is here. Please be advised that tampering or disturbing bird nests is a federal offense under the Migratory Bird Treaty. All but three bird species, house sparrows, pigeons, and starling, are protected by this federal regulation. Once an egg has been laid in a nest, you are not allowed to remove the nest or birds.

A local hotel was fined last year by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources for removing nests and gathering gull eggs, which were sadly well established with some beginning to hatch.

Maryland Coastal Bays Programs is asking business owners and homeowners that find bird nests on their property to refrain from tampering with the nests. Should you have any questions or concerns in regards to a nesting event on your property, please contact either MCBP or the OCPD Animal Control Unit should the event be in Ocean City.

The US department of Agriculture USDA wildlife management services are allowed to destroy a certain amount of eggs and nests a year of certain species such as the herring and black back gulls. They will send their biologist to access a situation and remove eggs and nests. The number for this agency is 1-877-463-6497.

Colonial birds are beginning to nest on bay islands. The islands are now

posted with signs to keep boaters off to protect disturbing nests. These islands are the only places left for certain species to nest.

The Maryland Coastal Bays watershed enjoys over 360 different types of birds. The watershed is also home to over 150 species of butterflies and skippers.

Butterflies and moths are indicators of a healthy ecosystem. Areas rich in butterflies and moths are rich in other invertebrates. These collectively provide a wide range of environmental benefits including pollination and natural pest control.

Although we can't offer a strong message that butterflies and moths are protected, we would like to encourage you to help our butterflies and moths by planting beneficial plants. Common milkweed is one of the many beneficial plants for pollinators, especially the monarch butterfly. Milkweed is the only plant that the monarch caterpillar will eat. To help monarch populations, MCBP is offering a limited quantity of free common milkweed. Please contact Katherine Phillips at 410-213-2297 ext. 109 or kphillips@mdcoastalbays.org if you are interested.

The Maryland Coastal Bays Program works with local, federal and state agencies to help protect bay species. Should you have a question or concern in regards to our local wildlife, contact Sandi Smith at sandis@mdcoastalbays.org or call 410-213-2297 ext. 106, and she will connect you to the correct organization to address your concerns.

Volunteers sought

Looking for something fun to do this Summer? The Worcester County Arts Council is offering volunteering opportunities for students (15 years old and older) who would like to help during our Summer Arts Camp for children to be held June 19 through 23 at Berlin Intermediate School.

Volunteers will be involved in assisting art instructors during various visual and performing art workshops. Students will receive community service hours for their time volunteering.

Interested students should submit volunteer application along with volunteer guidelines form, available on the Arts Council website: www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org.

For additional information, please call Anna Mullis, Executive Director at 410-641-0809.

Anglers to meet

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club will meet on Saturday, June 10 at 9:30 a.m. in the Ocean Pines Library. The speaker will be Zack Greenberg a Senior Associate at The Pew Charitable Trusts, focusing on marine conservation issues as a part of their U.S. Oceans, Northeast team. At Pew, Zack is raising awareness about the importance of forage fish like menhaden, also known as bunker or poggy, and river herring and shad. How these species are managed in the future has huge implications for the ocean food web and many of the sportfish, marine mammals and birds we enjoy today. His theme will be “If you love big fish, protect small fish.” All are welcome.

Alternative media to be featured

The First Friday opening at the Ocean City Center for the Arts features artwork produced in nontraditional media, including silkscreen printing, window screen painting, and body art. The public is invited to the free opening reception on June 2 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Galleria will feature "The Art of Ink," showing the works of tattoo artist Matthew Amey, anatomy artist Jess Cross, and silkscreen printer Brian Robertson through July 1.

Amey, an Eastern Shore native with a BFA from the University of Delaware, has been tattooing since 1991, and is part owner of Independent Tattoo and Ancient Art Tattoo in Delaware. He continually experiments with new concepts, materials and techniques, whether working on skin, paper or canvas or with glass and sculptural media.

Cross, a contemporary realist painter and printmaker, received her BFA in painting from Salisbury University and her MFA from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. Her work focuses on the anatomy of the human body using a variety of media including etchings, paintings, serigraphy, and fused layers of glass. Cross currently teaches at SU.

Robertson is a graphic artist and printmaker residing in Parsonsburg. Born in Baltimore and raised in Ocean City, he attended Stephen Decatur High School and Salisbury University. He currently is creative director at a local Ocean City marketing agency and is also owner and operator of The Berlin Printery, a small letterpress and printmaking studio.

The Thaler Gallery will host the Art Center's annual photography and digital media group show, running through June 24.

Painter Stewart Emmerich occupies Studio E in June. A native of suburban Baltimore, he graduated from the Maryland Institute College of Art with an undergraduate degree in graphic design and painting and, later, a masters degree in arts education. He continues teaching elementary school art in the Baltimore area, and is a member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society.

John Iampieri is the Spotlight Artist for June. He continues the long Baltimore tradition of hand painting window screens, a 104-year-old folk art, and is a member of the Baltimore Painted Screen Society. He is also a roster member with MSAC and Young Audiences of Maryland, and teaches in schools throughout

Maryland, Virginia, and Delaware.

Artisan Dot Truitt, who moved to the Eastern Shore at age 22, is showcased through June. She uses high-fire stoneware clay to make objects for the home including lampshades, fan pulls, bottle stoppers and bells. She is a member of the Clay Guild of the Eastern Shore.

During the opening reception, the Art League of Ocean City will present five scholarships to Worcester County students who will be pursuing a degree in the arts. The scholarships are funded in part by the Katherine Ellen Brown Fund at the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

To coincide with the scholarships, two murals will be on display during First Friday on the tennis court fence next to the Arts Center. Created by students of Darlene Idoni, French teacher at Stephen Decatur High School, with help from former SDHS student and scholarship winner Ian Postley, and funding by the Art League, the murals will move back to SDHS for permanent display after the opening.

More information is available at 410-524-9433 or www.artleagueofoceancity.org.

Summer camp registration underway

The Worcester County Arts Council is now accepting registrations for the annual Summer Arts Camp for children to be held June 19 through June 23, 2017 at Berlin Intermediate School.

This camp is designed for students entering third through eighth grades in fall 2017 and last year over 100 children attended.

The cost is \$100 for the week-long camp which is held from 9 am to 2:30 pm. Bus transportation from Pocomoke and Snow Hill for an additional \$15.00 for the week will be offered.

Registration form, including selection of various visual and performing art workshops offered this year, is available on the website www.worcestercountycouncil.org and the Arts Council's office, located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin. Deadline for registration is June 9.

For details how to apply, please call our office at 410-641-0809.



Memorial Day - Bev Bigler, former County Commissioner Judy Boggs and Bill Boggs just before the start of the Memorial Day ceremony at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines. Photo by Chip Bertino.



Memorial Day 2 - Mary Adair, Carol Ludwig and Marie Gilmore following the Monday's Memorial Day ceremony. Photo by Chip Bertino.



Memorial Day 3
Ray Bieber and Bob Gilmore coordinate shuttle service during the Memorial Day ceremony. Photo by Chip Bertino

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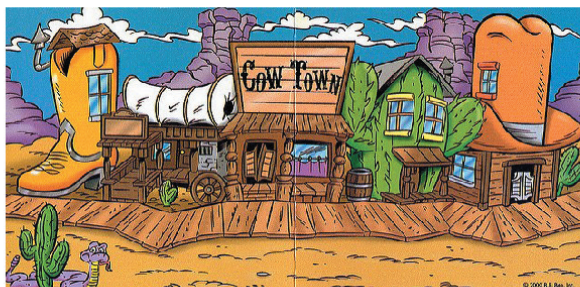
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TIME: 9:00am-4:00pm, with before & after care included in fee. Campers may be dropped off as early as 7:30am & be picked up as late as 5:30pm.

NO. OF DAYS: 5 Days **OR** 3 Days

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FEE: 5 Days: OP Resident \$150; Non-Resident \$175

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