

# The Courier

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**Look Twice - Motorcycles are Everywhere!**



Thursday kicks off **Bike Week** which attracts upwards of 200,000 bikers to the area. See related story on page 8

## Star Charities celebrates anniversary

By Gloria Dietz

Star Charities, which raises funds for local and national causes is celebrating its tenth successful year. The charity will host a VIP social dinner at the Ocean Pines Community Center on Friday, September 15 to thank volunteers, donors and supporters.

Anna Foultz, 91, founder and organizer, has run these events for a long time. In 2007, when making very large weekly deposits at a local bank, one of the managers asked about her business. Anna replied that she did not own a business; that it was all for charity and worthy causes. The bank employee decided to guide her into turning it into a non-profit organization and that is how Star Charities was born. After they went through the legal process and joined the Chamber of Commerce, things started to take off and there has been no slowing down.



**Anna Foultz**

Since then, Star Charities has raised funds for more than a dozen charities including Alzheimer's awareness, the Girl Scouts, Diakonia, the Humane Society and more. The organization is volunteer based with no memberships or dues. Anna organizes many events for veterans because her husband was in the military and the effort is very near and dear to her heart. "Mainly soldiers are my interest since my husband was a veteran. After his passing, I've dedicated my life to soldiers and veterans in the community," said Foultz.

There is one big event that takes place every year known as the Beef and Beer to support wounded soldiers in Maryland. Anna has been doing this one for over 20 years. "We do holiday gifts for soldiers over-

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### Winner

The Worcester County Art Council announced that **Emily Sandt**, who participated in this year's Summer Arts Camp for children, has been named a winner of the T-shirt logo design contest.

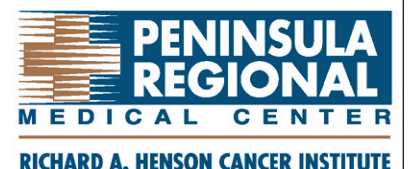
Emily's creative design was selected out of 25 entries submitted for the contest. Her design will be printed on t-shirts and worn by all campers who participate in 2018 Summer Arts Camp for children.

She is pictured during the Second Friday opening reception, held on September 8, proudly holding her winning logo design.



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**Community Calendar**

# September

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## Kiwanis pancake breakfast set

Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City will hold its annual Fall Pancake Breakfast on October 14 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Assateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. Enjoy hot pancakes, sausages, super fresh scrambled eggs (made on the serving line) and coffee or tea, all for only \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Children under 5 eat free. Contact Ralph Chinn at 410-208-6719 for information and tickets. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Carry out will also be available.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4 <small>Labor Day</small>	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 <small>Patriot Day</small>	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 <small>Fall Begins</small>	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## Boating course offered

Ocean City Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons, will present America's Boating Course. The boating course will be given at the Ocean Pines Community Center, in the Marlin Room. The first class will begin on September 26.

This is an eight-hour course and will be given on three consecutive days starting on Wednesday September 26 and continuing on September 27 and 28. An exam will also be given on the last day. On the first day registration will be at 5:30 p.m., followed by the class starting at 6:00 p.m. the same evening. The course will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each evening. There is a minimal \$15 fee for the course and material. Middle School and High School students are free.

Anyone born after July 1, 1972 must satisfactorily complete a safe boating class to operate a recreational vessel or personal watercraft in the State of Maryland.

This course covers basic boat handling, navigation, Federal and State regulations, rules of the road, aids to navigation, required equipment and much more.

For more information and a recommended early registration call 410-641-6535 or 410-641-8040.

## Art classes, workshops offered

Looking for a creative challenge or simply a way to express yourself? The Worcester County Arts Council is now enrolling students in fall art classes to be held at their Gallery located at 6 Jefferson Street in downtown Berlin.

The Arts Council is excited to launch a whole new series of art classes and workshops for youth and adults in a variety of different media to help you develop new skills or discover hidden talents.

The classes are taught by professional artists and art instructors.

To register online or to view the full class schedule, please visit [www.worcestercount-yartscouncil.org](http://www.worcestercount-yartscouncil.org)

Space is limited and advanced registration is required. For more information, please call: 410-641-0809.

## 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](mailto: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 or Kate at 410-524-0649 for more activities. [BeachSingles.org](http://BeachSingles.org).

## 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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**Giving Back** — Once again this year, the Delmarva Chorus has gathered school supplies that will be donated to Worcester GOLD.

## Out of the Darkness Walk returns

Take the first step towards saving lives this September at Out of the Darkness on the Boardwalk in Ocean City. On September 23, hundreds of walkers from across Maryland and beyond, will gather in Ocean City to memorialize the victims of suicide, offer support to friends and family, and to raise funds for suicide awareness and mental health first aid through the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. This year, the Worcester County Health Department (WCHD) will also host a new "Celebration of Life" event the night before the walk, to memorialize friends and family lost to suicide.

Several local organizations, including staff from the WCHD, use the funds generated by walkers to spread suicide awareness and prevention education in Maryland and Delaware's coastal communities, where suicide rates are historically high. As in years past, walkers will gather at the band shell, at Caroline Street and the Boardwalk, with registration beginning at 9 a.m. After opening remarks by Senator Jim Mathias, the procession will walk solemnly to 10th Street, turn and walk to the Inlet, then back to Caroline Street.

Pledges collected by walkers and other Walk supporters contribute to the work of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, the leading national organization doing suicide research and suicide prevention outreach. A portion of the funds raised in Ocean City comes back to the local community in the form of grants. Leading up to Out of the Darkness, participants are encouraged to share

their stories on social media with the hashtag "Why I Walk," to put a spotlight on the fight against suicide.

"These walks mean so much to the families and friends who have lost loved ones to suicide, as well as those who have had their own thoughts and struggles," said Jessica Sexauer, director of the Core Service Agency for Worcester Health and Chair of the Walk. "The community walk provides an opportunity for families, friends, and loved ones to come together to honor a loved one lost to suicide, as well as resources to support those struggling. One life lost to suicide is one too many, and this is just one of the ways we rally to reduce suicide and spread awareness in our community."

The five previous Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention Walks held in Ocean City have brought in over \$170,000 to support local and national efforts to reduce suicide. Planning for the 6<sup>th</sup> Out of the Darkness Walk has already begun with the event scheduled for September 23, 2017 at Caroline Street and the Ocean City Boardwalk. Volunteers are welcome to join the Planning Committee and assist on the day of the event. Individuals interested in volunteering can contact Jessica Sexauer at [jessica.sexauer@maryland.gov](mailto:jessica.sexauer@maryland.gov). To learn more about the Ocean City Out of the Darkness Walk, to raise your personal pledge team, or to pledge on behalf of an existing team, visit [worcestershealth.org](http://worcestershealth.org). For information on the Celebration of Life event hosted the night before the walk, contact Monica Martin at 410-629-0164 ext.147.

## Hope and healing event scheduled

Coastal Hospice invites children who have lost a loved one to Hope & Healing with Horses, a free children's bereavement day camp, on Saturday, October 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Kindred Spirit Farm, 31191 Johnson Rd. in Salisbury.

This event is for children ages six to 14 who live in the four Lower Shore counties and have experienced the death of a parent, grandparent, sibling, or other close loved one in the past two years. It is open to both hospice and non-hospice families.

"Children who have lost someone dear to them grieve in very different ways than adults," said Alane Capen, president of Coastal Hospice, which hosts the event. "They may find it harder to express what they are really feeling. Hope & Healing with Horses gives them a chance to connect with other children who have experienced a similar loss."

Counselors from Coastal Hospice, who are trained in grief support, conduct Hope & Healing with Horses and guide the children and their families through their feelings, teaching them strategies to express grief and reduce

stress and isolation. The day camp uses horses as a tool for emotional growth and learning; the children ride, groom the horses, and talk to them.

A responsible adult must accompany each child, and the counselors also provide the adults with grief support activities. No previous experience with horses is required. Children should wear closed-toe shoes for riding. Lunch is provided. The rain date for the event is October 21.

This event is free, but registration is required by September 29 by calling Melissa Dasher at 443-944-5846. Coastal Hospice asks all persons to honor registrations once they have been made.

## Art grants available

The Worcester County Arts Council Grants Review Committee is seeking applicants for local art projects to be held in Worcester County between January 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2018.

Proposed project must be sponsored or presented by a not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization and be open to the public. Grant amount requested must be matched one-for-one by organization funds.

Funding will support a wide variety of creative and innovative projects that are of outstanding artistic quality and demonstrate community benefit enhancing the lives of everyone living and visiting the Worcester County.

Applications must be received no later than 2 p.m. on October 16 at the Arts Council's office located at 6 Jefferson Street in Berlin.

Application forms and guidelines are available on the Arts Council's website: [www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org](http://www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org).

Last fiscal year, the Arts Council awarded a total of \$30,000 to local organizations through this grant assistance program. The Worcester County Arts Council's Community Arts Development Grants program is designed to assist local community based groups produce and present arts activities in Worcester County and is funded and supported by the Maryland State Arts Council.

For additional information, please call our office at 410-641-0809.

## Museum, gardens bus trip offered

The Worcester County Arts Council is taking registrations for the bus trip to the Brandywine Museum of Art and Longwood Gardens. The bus will depart on Monday, December 4 at 8 a.m. from the Walmart parking lot on Route 50 and return approximately around 8 p.m. in the evening.

Registration fee is \$80 for Arts Council's members and \$85 for non-members and includes deluxe motor coach transportation, admission and guided docent tour of the Brandywine Museum of Art (Chadds Ford, PA), admission to a self-guided tour of the Longwood Gardens (Kenneth Square, PA), snacks and beverages on the bus.

Bus Registration form and a full trip schedule are available on the Arts Council's website: [www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org](http://www.worcestercountyartscouncil.org). Deadline to register is November 20.

Seats are limited and early reservations are highly recommended.

For additional information: Please call the Worcester County Arts Council: 410-641-0809 or email: [curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org](mailto:curator@worcestercountyartscouncil.org).

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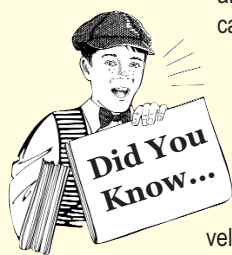
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According to the American Cancer Society, certain viruses, bacteria and parasites are now recognized as risk factors for cancer. While the percentage of cancers linked to infections is higher in developing countries than it is in first world countries such as the United States, between 15

and 20 percent of cancers across the globe can be connected to infections. Infections can increase a person's risk of developing cancer in various ways. In some instances, a virus can insert its own genes into an otherwise healthy cell, causing the cell to grow out of control. In other cases, infections cause long-term inflammation in a particular area of the body, leading to changes in the affected cells and in immune cells that are nearby. Those changes can eventually lead to cancer. Certain infections can compromise the immune system to such a great extent that it is no longer capable of fully protecting the body from some cancers. While infections can increase a person's risk for cancer, the ACS notes that many people who develop the types of infections that have been linked to cancer do not ultimately receive a cancer diagnosis.



## Fundraisers scheduled to help education

The Worcester County Education Foundation (WCEF) announces an Evening at the Cotton Club to be held Friday, November 3 at 7 p.m.

Seacrets Morley Hall will be transformed into a New York City Prohibition Era Jazz Club, featuring authentic 30s, 40s and 50s era music by Manhattan's own Tavern on the Green band, "Fleur Seule." Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased online at [www.wced.foundation](http://www.wced.foundation) under "events" or at Seacrets boutique, in Ocean City. A limited number of tickets are available.

Leighton and Rebecca Moore, honorary chairs of the Cotton Club event are excited to host this entertaining inaugural benefit for education. The community is encouraged to come out fully dressed in their Prohibition, WWII or Rat Pack-Sock Hop era evening attire and show their support for teachers, students, school administration and staff of Worcester County schools.

Prior to the 7 p.m. Cotton Club show, 60 VIP event sponsors will be given the password to a Seacrets Distillery "Backroom" dinner, prohibition style. Beginning with a Seacrets Distillery libation tasting, guests will sit down for an authentic Prohibition era five-course dinner prepared and served by Phil Cropper and his Worcester Tech High School Culinary students. Following the Prohibition dinner, VIPs will join the general public next door at the "Cotton Club" (Morley Hall) for music and entertainment, a Chinese auction, and Happy Hour drink prices.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Worcester County Education Foundation, which to date has funded over \$6,500 in teacher grants, has contributed to a program that has provided over 1,000 laptops and protective covers, one for every ninth grade student to use through graduation in all three high schools. This program assures an equal opportunity for every student to succeed. In addition, the WCEF has donated over \$75,000 to accelerate important infrastructure upgrades in all 14 schools. The WCEF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

The WCEF will also host a second benefit for education the next evening, Friday, November 4 at the Ocean City Performing Arts Center. See details at [www.wced.foundation](http://www.wced.foundation). For those planning to attend Friday night's Cotton Club and/or Saturday night's Performing Arts benefit, special room rates of \$79 and \$129 are available by contacting 1-800-476-9253. You must reference "Weekend of Entertainment".

For more information contact Patti Miller at 443-880-7795 [patti@peckmiller.com](mailto:patti@peckmiller.com).

## Volunteers serve a vital role in hospital and health system

The Auxiliary of Atlantic General Hospital and Health System will be holding a volunteer recruitment fair on September 19 at the Atlantic Hotel starting at 10 a.m. While 239 active volunteers currently comprise the AGH Auxiliary, membership has declined in recent years. More volunteers are needed to continue to provide vital assistance within the rapidly growing organization.

Help is greatly needed in the AGH Thrift Shop as well as the Emergency Department, the We-Care Program, Information/ Registration, Concierge Services, and the Retired Nurses Program.

AGH Thrift Shop. Currently undergoing a major expansion that will increase the footprint of the store three-fold, the AGH Thrift Shop is a significant source of revenue for the

Auxiliary, which in turn, donates the funds to the Atlantic General Hospital Foundation. The AGH Thrift Shop is staffed and operated solely by Auxiliary members, with opportunities to sort and stock goods, run the register, and design and set up the displays.

Emergency Department. Emergency Department volunteers provide much-needed support to the hospital's doctors, nurses and technicians by performing tasks that allow the clinicians to help resolve the health concerns of the patients who come through the doors. They supply warm blankets and check on patients' comfort, clean and prepare stretchers, escort family members and transport patients to other departments for further testing.

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## charity

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seas filled with toiletries and other items. This year we had a truck load of stuff where the National Guard had to pick it up," beamed Anna.

Every day is busy for Anna as she stays active throughout the year. She also assembles teams in various areas to collect what is needed for upcoming events or causes. Meetings are held once a month at the Ocean Pines library and Anna enjoys giving volunteers a platform. "It makes them feel good about themselves," said Anna. Known as the oldest active Girl Scout in the world, Anna is currently writing a book about her life experience.

If you would like to be part of the tenth anniversary celebration of Star Charities, please contact Anna Foulz 410-641-7667 or Irmey Heinelke 410-208-3754. Tickets are \$10 and include dinner and entertainment.

## Bertino to hold town meeting

Worcester County Commissioner Chip Bertino will host a town meeting on Saturday, September 30 at 10 a.m. at the Ocean Pines library. He will discuss issues and developments impacting the Ocean Pines district.

Commissioner Bertino's guests include Superintendent of Schools Lou Taylor and Board of Education member Elena McComas.

Since assuming office, Commissioner Bertino has worked hard to help improve relations between the Commissioners and the Board of Education. "Lou has been an excellent partner to work with. He cares deeply about our students and our school system," said Commissioner Bertino.

Mrs. McComas represents District 5 and was elected to the school board in November 2016. "As an educator herself, Elena brings a knowledgeable perspective to the board. I look forward to hearing her comments," said Commissioner Bertino.

Commissioner President Jim Bunting will join the meeting as well.



# The Bucket List

Like many people I have a Bucket List of things I'd like to do before moving on into the Great Beyond. The list changes from time to time. Some items that were of major importance to me at one time in my life



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By **Chip Bertino**

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have fallen off the list. Other entries have been added.

Not long after I started driving, legally, I had a dream of one day owning a Lincoln Town Car, black on black. To me the vehicle was the epitome of class and elegance. This was back when Town Cars were squared off and hadn't yet bowed to curved design. I'm not exactly sure when that idea fell off the list. It could have been when our first child was born. I now drive a pick-up truck and have no interest in driving anything else. So much for the Town Car.

Another item on my list was to parachute out of an airplane. Yes, I know, why would anyone want to jump out of a perfectly good airplane?

Nonetheless, it was something I wanted to do. As someone who has a fear of heights or "high anxiety" I guess I felt such an experience would be a bold step in overcoming my fear. The opportunity to prove something to myself came several years ago.

A friend and I signed up to jump. After signing and attesting to all sorts of disclosures and releases, we found ourselves in the back of a small plane at the Ocean City Airport. As we climbed to optimum jump height, 11,500 feet, the Eastern Shore below shrunk. When the plane door opened and I was sitting on the threshold just before the jump, many thoughts ran through my mind, many of which are not suitable for publication. Out the door I went at-

tached to an instructor, plummeting to the Earth. Once I opened my eyes, the serene vista of the ocean, bays and land were awesome. Once the chute deployed, we glided to the landing area. It was an experience I won't forget and one that I will not repeat. Check that one off the list.

Learning to ride a motorcycle was also an entry on my list. When the kids were small, there was no time to move forward with this desire. But when they got older, time became more of my own and so I signed up for the instructional course at Chesapeake College. It was the beginning of January and as you might expect, very cold.

When I was an early teenager I had a moped that I rode to and from work. It was an affordable and fun means of transportation. Riding a motorcycle couldn't be that much different. Could it?



Yes, it could. The four-day course included two classroom sessions and two practical sessions on the riding track. Prior to enrolling, I had purchased a preowned Yamaha 1100. It was significantly larger and bulkier than the Honda 250s used in training. Attending the first class, there were about 18 people. By the first day on the track, the number had dwindled to 12. And on the last day, the day of testing, only six of us graduated. I had earned my motorcycle license. I felt like I did when at age 16 I got my driver's license, except this time my mother didn't take me out for ice cream.

What's remaining on my Bucket List? Well, forgive me if I don't share. Suffice to say I won't be parachuting out of another airplane.

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# WBOC-TV owner dies after bicycle crash

The man who built WBOC-TV in Salisbury, Maryland into one of the most dominant television stations in America has died from injuries sustained in a bicycle accident near his home in Delaware. Thomas H. Draper was 76.

Draper was struck by a pick-up truck Thursday morning while out for his daily bicycle ride. According to Delaware State Police, after calling 911, the driver stayed with Draper until help arrived. No charges have been filed in the accident. Draper was initially taken to Bayhealth Milford Memorial Hospital and then airlifted to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore where he underwent surgery Thursday afternoon but did not survive the night.

Craig Jahelka, president, Draper

Media, says Draper had just celebrated his fiftieth anniversary in broadcasting on Sunday, September 3. His broadcasting career began with the purchase of his first radio station WTHD, which bore his initials as its call letters, in 1967. Five years later Draper signed on WAFL-FM in Milford, Delaware. Draper's broadcasting career would take a big turn in the late 1970s when WBOC's then-owner, the A.S. Abel Company - which also owned the *Sun* papers in Baltimore - put the station up for sale. But Draper was outbid twice.

Draper and his group of investors were asked to make a third bid for WBOC-TV and its two radio stations. After the deal was done, Draper sold off the two radio stations to focus on TV. Draper would go on to buy and sell other TV stations in Kansas and Texas. But WBOC always remained his first love.

"Tom wanted to serve the people of Delmarva with high quality news and information," says Jahelka. "He and his family continually poured money back into the station. And that passion was rewarded as WBOC-TV grew to become one of the most dominant local stations in the nation. He was one of the few remaining single, independent owners nationwide who truly cared about his viewers and community and invested in WBOC. It's why WBOC is the smallest market station in the country to fly a news gathering helicopter, operate three bureaus, produce both local news and a daily local talk show as well as a local outdoors show, and broadcast from a multi-million-dollar NewsPlex."

Using digital technology Draper expanded his CBS affiliate to include FOX and Antenna TV on sub-channels. He launched a separate digital

division, and in 2015 got back to his roots with the purchase of a 50,000-watt radio station, WBOC-FM. Draper was poised to announce the launch of Delmarva's newest television station, Telemundo Delmarva.

Baker says his legacy will live on through his children, who with others, formed the board of directors for Draper Holdings.

"Tom was adamant that WBOC live on past him," says Baker. "Although we are a private company, he did have a Board of Directors and made sure all

four of his kids knew about the business. All of them have worked at WBOC over the years, and they share his dedication."

Baker says daughters Molly Draper Russell and Mariah Calgione both worked in News; Bill Draper worked in Creative Services and Hank Draper worked in Sales. Mrs. Russell is now co-President of Draper Holdings, and Chairman of the Board, and Hank is a Vice-President of Loblolly, L.L.C, the farming and land division of the company.



**Personalized** - Ocean City Elementary School students from Monica Piern's third grade class personalize their Writer's Workshop Notebook. Students used family photos, inspirational quotes, and pictures of things close to their hearts to decorate their notebooks. Pictured sharing their notebooks are **Miley Cabello-Vargas, Lewis Takacs and Miriam Glick.**

## St. Luke's to host events

On September 24, someone will drive away a brand new 2017 Chevy Cruze or Kia Soul which have been donated by Jim's Berlin Chevy, Berlin Jeep and Ram and Holly Kia. The tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Tickets can be bought at St. Luke and St. Andrew after weekend mass, at the parish office (14401 Sinepuxent Ave., Ocean City), or by calling 410-

250-0300 to have them mailed to you.

The 9th Annual Parish at the Beach Golf Open will again be held at Bayside Resort Golf Club on Wednesday, October 11 with a noon registration and 1 p.m. shotgun start. The cost for golfers is \$125 which includes a goodie bag, range balls, 18 holes of golf with cart and a dinner banquet.

On November 11, the annual Christmas bazaar will be held at St. Andrew Catholic between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.



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# Worcester honorees recognized for volunteer spirit

Volunteers are the heart of our community, and in late August the Commissioners joined Volunteer Services Manager Kelly Brinkley for the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County awards dinner to recognize nine individuals and groups whose contributions add to the outstanding quality of life here. Those present were nominated by their peers in May in the youth, individual, member of a board, faith-based, group/team, nonprofit, community of service, veteran spirit, and lifetime achievement categories.

"Once a year, we honor volunteers who are making a positive difference in the community," Brinkley said. "That's what this program is all about. We'll be seeking nominations for the 2018 Volunteer Spirit Awards next spring."

Pasquale D'Ascoli received the Youth Award for his work at Diakonia, where his kind words and compassionate actions make a difference.

Libby Davis received the Individual Award for her work with the Worcester County Developmental Center where she has participated in every activity throughout the year, helping all 94 clients live richer, fuller lives.

Susan Buckle Pusey received the Member of a Board Award for her work with the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum (DDCM).

Missions at the Community Church of Ocean Pines, 56 members strong, including the Shepherd's Nook, Sarah's Pantry, and Flea Market, received the *Faith-Based* Award for providing financial support for electric bills, rent, medications, and veterans' needs, and for

providing services that meet many other immediate needs, including serving food to 1,200 families and providing bags of clothing.

Mary and Mike Evans received the *Team Award* for their work with Star Charities, where they support events for 4Steps Therapeutic Riding Program, Coastal Hospice Palliative Care, and Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake.

The Kiwanis of Greater Ocean Pines and Ocean City received the Nonprofit Award for faithfully improving the world one child and one community at a time for more than 37 years. Their 51 members contribute 3,000 hours each year, raising funds to provide \$13,000 in scholarships and to lend a hand to Worcester GOLD, Diakonia, St. Peter's Lutheran Church Shelter, and numerous other area nonprofits.

Town of Berlin Welcome Center Volunteers received the Community of Service Award. With eight volunteers ages 47 to 74 increasing foot traffic, sales, and attendance at special events, and directing visitors to shops, restaurants, and attractions, it's no wonder Berlin is the Coolest Small Town in America.

Justin Pusey received the Veteran Award for his work at Diakonia. "His dedication to helping others is truly remarkable, from his military service, to his future plans, and the time and effort he gives to Diakonia," Diakonia Volunteer Coordinator Degan Allen said when nominating Pusey. "He is a remarkable young man."

Barbara Tull received the Lifetime Achievement Award for her work with



the DDCM, where she has logged more than 10,000 volunteer hours and traveled thousands of miles over the years to visit other museums for ideas and inspiration.

Learn about volunteer opportunities that might be right for you in Worcester County by contacting Brinkley at [kbrinkley@co.worcester.md.us](mailto:kbrinkley@co.worcester.md.us) or at (410) 632-0090.

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## Crab feast scheduled

The Church of the Holy Spirit is having a crab/chicken feast on October 8 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the church. (food will be served until 5:30.)

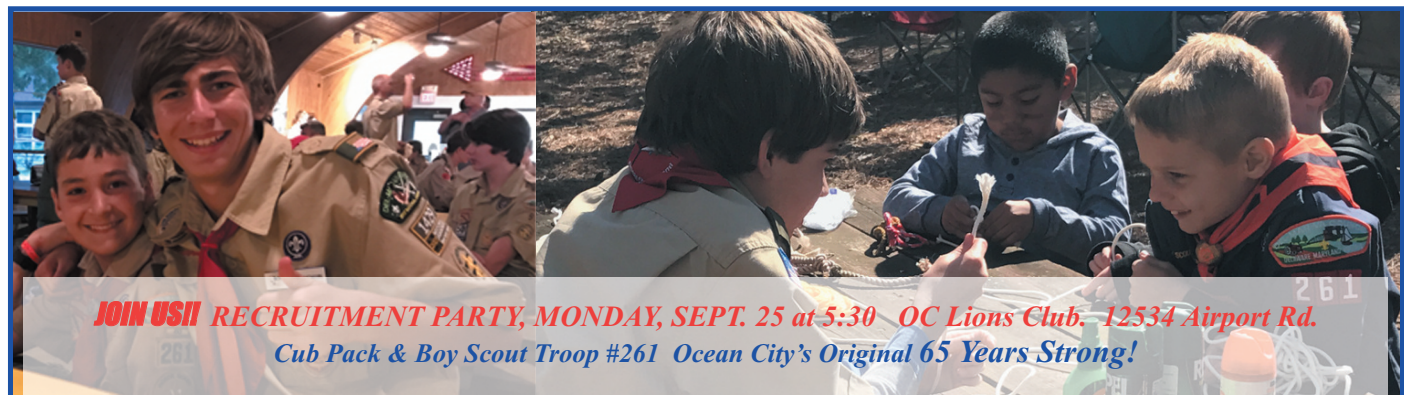
The feast includes crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. Do bring your own mallets!

Desserts will be available for \$1.

There will also be a chance auction, with lots of interesting things to bid on.

Tickets are \$35 for people over 10, and \$15 for those 10 and younger. Tickets, available at the church, are limited.

The church is located at 100<sup>th</sup> St. and Coastal Highway in Ocean City; call the church office at 410-723-1973 or Monica at 443-235-8942 for further information.



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# Safely share the road with motorcycles

Thursday kicks off Bike Week, a Delmarva tradition that attracts upwards of 200,000 bikers to the area.



deadly such accidents can be compared to those that involve just automobiles. According to the National Highway Safety Administration, the fatality rate per registered vehicle for motorcyclists in 2015 was six times the fatality rate for passenger car occupants.

While some people may be quick to blame rider error as the leading cause of multiple-vehicle accidents, the failure of motorists to detect and recognize motorcycles in traffic also contributes heavily to motorcycle accidents. Nearly two-thirds of accidents involving motorcycles are caused by the other vehicle violating the motorcycle's right of way.

Drivers must respect the rights of motorcycle riders, and riders would be wise to acknowledge their own vulnerabilities to cars and trucks. In addition, motorists can heed the following tips to reduce their risk of being involved in accidents with motorcycles.

Carefully check vehicle mirrors be-

fore changing lanes, as motorcycles are often obscured behind larger automobiles.

Drivers should be on even higher alert at intersections and turns, actively looking for motorcycles. Forty-four percent of two-vehicle, fatal motorcycle accidents in 2013 were the result of cars trying to turn left while the motorcycle went straight, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Allow for greater passing distance when passing a motorcycle. The gust of wind that results as cars accelerate and pass motorcycles could cause the bike to become unstable. Signal all intentions to pass and allow several car lengths before returning to the lane.

Direct Auto and Life Insurance advises drivers to give motorcycles the entire lane. It is not alright to pass a motorcycle in the same lane even though they take up less room. Many bikers ride tandem in lanes for this reason.

Drivers driving behind bikes

should increase the distance between the back of the motorcycle and their own vehicles. Increasing this safety cushion makes drivers more able to react to the unexpected.

Be mindful of changes in the weather. Driving in the rain or other adverse conditions can be challenging for cars and trucks, but inclement weather is even more hazardous for bikers. Allow for a little extra breathing room and drive slowly when sharing slick roads with motorcycles.

Check blind spots often, as motorcycles can be hard to spot, especially when attempting to pass other vehicles.

Exercise extra caution at night, when riding can be especially treacherous for motorcycle riders. Cars should refrain from passing and avoid using their high beams unless it is necessary.

All motorists, whether on four or two wheels can navigate safely when they are courteous to others.

With the inundation of riders, it is important that drivers and riders alike share the road responsibly and safely.

Motorcycle accidents can be deadly, and statistics indicate just how



## Welcome

On September 7, Worcester Preparatory School (WPS) Parents' Association hosted a New Parent Coffee to welcome families who are new to the school. Founded in 1970, WPS is an independent Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 School, located in Berlin, Maryland. More than 500 students attend from Maryland, Delaware and Virginia.

Above: Head of Middle School **Megan Wallace**, Director of Admissions and Marketing **Tara Becker**, **Kristen** and **Ed Zajde**.



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**CLASS STARTS:**  
**Mon, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. at**  
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## Graduation

Twenty jail and correctional officers from Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset, Talbot and Caroline counties graduated in the 99th entrance-level class of the Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Academy (ESCJA) operated by Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury.

Officers from the Worcester County Jail and Detention Center who graduated in the 99th entrance-level class of the Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Academy operated by Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury are shown, from left, **Angela J. Morris** and **Teron C. Tyre**.

## Dem women to meet

The Democratic Women's Club will meet Monday, September 18 in the Asateague Room of the Ocean Pines Community Center. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held between 10 a.m. and noon. Al-

lison Galbraith, candidate for the First Congressional District seat, will be in attendance.

## Soldier gift program to start

The Holiday Gifts for Soldiers Oversees program sponsored by Star Charities will take place between October 1 and October 31.

The effort, launched in 2003 was the brainchild of Carl Foultz, co-founder of the charity. Foultz, a veteran who passed away in 2010, served in China, Burma and India. His widow Anna recalls that Carl "remembered just how much the small comforts of home meant to all serving and [he] wanted to do something.

Black containers will be available at Worcester County Library branches. Suggested donation items include chewing gum, hard candy, Slim Jims, telephone calling cards, games and puzzles, paperback books, women's and men's toiletries, sunscreen and socks. No glass or perishable items can be accepted.

For questions, contact Anna Foultz at 410-641-7667.

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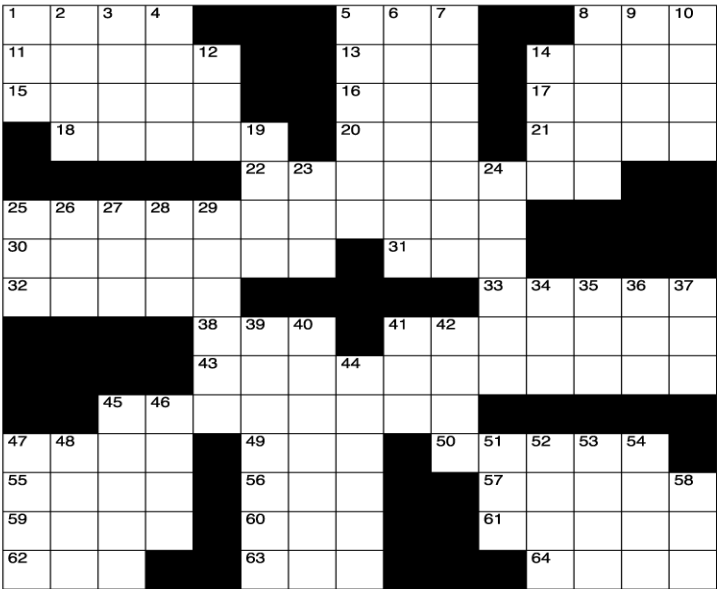
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Cereal grain

5. Small constellation

8. Pouch

11. Beef comes in these

13. Chest muscle

14. Maine city

15. Salian

16. Int'l fraternal organization

17. Greek god of war

18. Canadian harbour

20. Firearm

21. Deities

22. North, Central and South

25. After the 16th

30. Used in herbal medicine

31. Whale (Norwegian)

32. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
33. Insect appendages

38. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)

41. Small Arab monarchy

43. Former U.S. President

45. Short-lived, slender insects

47. Forms after a cut

49. Fuel

50. Made of wood

55. Whale ship captain

56. Small bed

57. Supreme being

59. NY Giants owner

60. Consumed

61. Jewish spiritual leader

62. Promotional materials

63. Business term

64. Famous cartoonist

CLUES DOWN

1. Former CIA

2. Expression of sorrow or pity

3. Rhythmic patter in Indian music

4. Invests in little enterprises

5. Highest point

6. Incomes

7. Poisonous plant

8. Period in astronomy

9. Passed with flying colors

10. Professional certificate

12. Dublin college scholar

14. Heroic tale

19. Satisfy

23. \_\_\_ student, learns healing

24. Beloved golfer Rodriguez

25. Car mechanics group

26. Not the start

27. Engage in a contest

28. Energy-saving module
29. Within reach

34. Forms adjectives

35. Snitch

36. Data executive

37. Hostelry

39. Helps people see

40. "MASH" actor Gould

41. Bridge building degree

42. Moreover

44. Spoke

45. Volcanic craters

46. Swedish rock group

47. \_\_\_ Veda: liturgical chant

48. Former footballer Ochocinco

51. Swiss river

52. Klu Klux \_\_\_

53. Italian Island

54. Catches

58. Baseball stat



Answers for Sept. 6



Chinese wines & how about Tibet?

In our China travels, we were excited at the prospect of tasting some of their local wines. One of our first surprises in this search was that many local Chinese people don't go out to eat dinner or out to a local bar or pub. During the day, there were always throngs of people milling about, but by 8:00 pm, it appeared the most families were in for the evening as there was never much nightlife going on. When we did find some establishments open at night with customers, we could have ordered wine, but these would not have been wines made in China. Where we found some Chinese wines to try was in, of all places, Walmart.

Walmart definitely has a foothold in China, as we saw signs for it in each of the towns we visited. Inside the stores, it is quite different from what we're used to. The prices are still very reasonable, and as in the U.S., the stores are equally as busy. Many of the product choices are very different, however. As an example, in the U.S. stores during the summer, there are lots of tanning products such as sunless tanning lotion or bottles of spray-on tan. Chinese people don't want the effects of the sun at all, so their lotions often contain bleaching to undo any harmful effects of the sun. From all the umbrellas we saw Chinese people carrying outside in the hot and humid days while we were there, it was evident that my freckled skin was a real outlier.

A very nice saleslady in Walmart came over to ask my husband and me if we could use help picking out a good wine. Of course, this is what we surmised that she said. She only spoke Chinese, and the only Chinese words we'd picked up were the words for hello, thank you, yes, no, and a couple of numbers. Therefore, as we did so often in China, we simply smiled and shrugged that we didn't know what she said. She did help us in one regard. We made the gestures for a wine opener, and that gave us all a good laugh. She found us a corkscrew, and we soon picked out some wines to try.

We bought two wines labeled as dry reds. One was made by Great Wall, and the other was made by Grand Dragon. I couldn't tell more about the vintners because the rest of the labels were in Chinese characters. We also bought a Vee Vip Red Wine. We had to buy that one due to its odd name. Our fourth wine was the Yunnan Mildred. It had a pretty pink label with an image of a Chinese woman on it. The wines were very inexpensive, ranging from 9 Yuan to 60 Yuan. With the money exchange rate of approximately 7 Yuan to 1 U.S. dollar, the cheapest bottle only cost us \$1.30. That was Vee Vip and it turned out to be the best-tasting wine of the lot. We found it tasted better cold. The wines were pretty bad on the whole. All were extremely sweet, especially the Yunnan Mildred. Perhaps the percentage of added sugar was an ingredient on the wines' labels, but there was no way to tell. The most off-putting facet to the wines was their nose; I would describe their smell as sour. It appeared to us that they are very inexperienced at making wine and they heavily load them with added sugar to try to mask the poor taste.

Fortunately in our wine search, all was not lost. We stopped at a small café while in Beijing that served Tibetan food, and we surprisingly found a Tibetan wine. It was a white wine with the name Barley Wine, and it came in a can that they'd had refrigerated. The can had a few English words on it, so we discovered that the alcohol content was only 3%. It was very light-tasting and rather good. Combined with the delicious food we had of curry potatoes and chicken in peanut sauce, it tasted refreshing. It also made for a nice complement to our lunch after touring the nearby Lama Temple and its small museum chronicling the history of the temple (with thankfully some English translations). While our wine journey wasn't completely fruitful in China, it was definitely interesting and we were glad to try the experience!





Pictured (L-R) are President –Elect **Ralph Chinn**, President **Barbara Peletier**, President of the County Commissioners **Madison J. Bunting, Jr.** and the local club’s Past President and Lt. Governor-Designate-Capital District Kiwanis **Carolyn Dryzga** with the award presented by **Kelly Brinkley**, Volunteer Services Manager, who chaired the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County Awards.

## Kiwanis receives award

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City Maryland was honored to receive the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County Award 2017 at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin on Thursday August 24. The club, founded in 1980, has been serving their community for 37 years. Its members are a close-knit group of volunteers who enjoy one another and eagerly work together to better their community. Presently there are 51 members. The club’s primary focus is “Serving the Children of the World.” The local club sponsors five student leadership clubs in elementary, middle and high schools in addition to an Aktion Club at Worcester County Developmental Center.

Fundraisers are frequent and diverse including three pancake breakfasts, numerous hot dog sales at many Ocean Pines events, ethnic dinners and holiday fruit sales. The funds raised go to community youth as well

as many organizations focused on youth, among which are Worcester Gold’s prenatal to age 4 food and supplies pantry, United Way, Ocean Pines Parks and Recreation summer camp, Ocean City Girls Basketball League, Ocean City’s “Play It Safe” program and more.

Community service is also important. The Kiwanis Club donates to Diakonia and volunteers hours to work at some of their projects, volunteers at the Berlin Nursing Home to run twice to three times a month bingo for the residents and makes companion dolls for those in the Alzheimer’s Unit, donates toys to Worcester GOLD, collects and donates winter coats to local organization, donates 35 gift baskets to Meals On Wheels recipients on Valentine’s Day, Easter and Christmas. The club is always looking for members to share in the fun and effort.



## Kiwanis Duck race supports scholarships

On August 25 little plastic ducks hit the water for the annual race for the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City, held at Frontier Town. Prizes of \$1000, \$300 and \$200 were won and the proceeds went to the local club’s Scholarship Foundation which annually awards scholarships to local senior graduates. The event was chaired by Dick Clagett and Jim Spicknall.

## Tips for novice composters

The United States Environmental Protection Agency notes that food scraps and yard waste account for between 20 and 30 percent of what we throw away. But thanks to composting, such waste can be put to work rather than discarded.

Compost is organic material that helps plants grow when added to soil. Benefitting the planet in myriad ways, compost enriches the soil by helping it retain moisture. The EPA notes that composting also reduces the need for chemical fertilizers

while also suppressing plant diseases and pests. In addition, when homeowners compost, they inadvertently reduce methane emissions from landfills, thereby lowering their carbon footprints.

Homeowners who do not know how to compost can consider the following tips as they start compost piles on their properties.

Choose an accessible spot on your property. When looking for a spot on your property for your compost bin, choose a location that is easily accessible. The less accessible the bin is, the less likely you are to stick with composting over the long-term. The EPA also recommends placing a compost bin or pile in a dry, shady spot near a water source.

Add the appropriate materials. Animal waste, cooked foods, diseased plants, and fresh weeds from perennial

plants should not be added to a compost pile. The EPA recommends moistening dry materials as they are added and adding brown and green materials as they are collected. Examples of green waste include grass clippings, weeds from annual plants and plant trimmings. Brown materials include dead leaves and shredded cardboard. Chop or shred large pieces before adding them to the pile.

Give the pile structure. Layering materials can give compost piles better structure. The EPA suggests burying fruit and vegetable waste under 10 inches of compost material, including brown and green waste.

Turn and aerate the pile. Using a garden fork, periodically turn the compost pile. This aerates the heap and provides oxygen that can accelerate the decomposition of the pile. Piles that are not periodically turned and aerated may grow malodorous, which can be unpleasant for homeowners who hope to add materials to their piles on a regular basis. In addition, without the heat produced by aeration, composting piles will break down very slowly.

Recognize when the material is ready. The EPA notes that compost is ready to use when materials at the bottom of a pile are dark and rich in color. According to the EPA, this can take anywhere from two months to two years, so composters must be patient.

More information about composting can be found at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.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
Thur., Sept. 14	2:26 a.m. 3:08 p.m.	8:39 a.m. 9:41 p.m.	6:41 a.m.	7:10 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 15	3:34 a.m. 4:15 p.m.	9:44 a.m. 10:45 p.m.	6:42 a.m.	7:08 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 16	4:40 a.m. 5:16 p.m.	10:48 a.m. 11:44 p.m.	6:43 a.m.	7:07 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 17	5:39 a.m. 6:10 p.m.	11:49 a.m.	6:44 a.m.	7:05 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 18	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	12:37 a.m. 12:45 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	7:03 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 19	7:20 a.m. 7:46 p.m.	1:23 a.m. 1:35 p.m.	6:46 a.m.	7:02 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 20	8:06 a.m. 8:30 p.m.	2:05 a.m. 2:22 p.m.	6:47 a.m.	7:00 p.m.



# Recognize flood damage before purchase

The devastating aftermath of hurricanes Harvey and Irma could impact residents of Delmarva in ways that may not first come to mind. The number of vehicles damaged or lost during these events is likely to approach one million. A number of these vehicles could wind up for sale on used car lots or on-line listings.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, flooding is one of the more common types of natural disaster across the globe. In

fact, 40 percent of all disasters around the world can be attributed to flooding which is responsible for deaths and millions of dollars of property damage each year.

After a particularly damaging storm, an influx of used cars may be available for purchase. Many of these vehicles have suffered some type of water-related damage. According to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, a federal database that tracks and reports vehicle title histories, after Hurricane Katrina scores of flooded vehicles were taken out of Louisiana to other states, where they were dried out, cleaned and readied for sale to unsuspecting consumers in states that do not brand the titles of flooded vehicles. Similar situations no doubt unfold after other catastrophic weather events, and it is often up to buyers to ensure they are not purchasing a vehicle with water damage.

Recognizing whether a car or truck has been damaged by flooding is not always easy and can take a trained eye. However, certain indicators can alert prospective buyers that a vehicle was once submerged in water.

**Excessive rusting:** Certain parts of a vehicle's undercarriage will rust over time, especially after exposure to weather and salt products used on roadways to combat slick surfaces. But excessive rust or flaking metal that would not normally be associated with a late-model vehicle suggests water damage. While examining the undercarriage, look for sediment, mud and plant matter that may indicate the car was once submerged in water.

**Discolored carpeting:** Check for water stains on mats, on carpeting and throughout the interior of the vehicle. Another warning sign is a used car with brand new upholstery, which may

indicate the interior of the vehicle was replaced due to water damage.

**Strange odors:** Water damage can make a car smell like mold and mildew, not unlike a musty basement. A strong odor in the car or trunk may be a strong indicator of water damage. Also, a heavy aroma of cleaning solutions or air freshener is another telltale sign of past damage.

**Brittle wiring:** Wiring that has been exposed to water and then dried often becomes brittle. Check to see if interior wires in the dash are flexible. Turn on vehicle signals to verify they are working properly.

**Fogging or water droplets:** Water damage often leaves condensation behind in headlights and taillights. Fogging or droplets of water where they don't belong may indicate water damage.

**Water lines:** Inspect under the hood for evidence of water. Rising water may stain metal components or



leave behind a noticeable line after receding. Further evidence is diluted or milky motor oil or engine fluids that have been compromised by water infiltration.

Upon receiving insurance compensation for flooded cars, vehicles may be refurbished and resold to unsuspecting buyers. While problems associated with vehicles damaged by water may not be immediately apparent, they can present themselves over time, potentially leaving new owners with an unreliable, possibly dangerous vehicle.

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**We-Care.** This program is in need of pleasant, considerate, tactful and caring volunteers. We-Care requires only a small amount of time at the telephone. Designed for seniors but meant for anyone who lives independently, the We-Care program is a safety net that provides a way for participants to check in on a daily basis to let someone know they are OK. The program has saved lives and allowed many in the community to continue to live independently.

**Concierge Services.** Concierge volunteers provide patients with companionship and act as an extra set of eyes for the nursing staff. It is an environment where Auxiliary members have the opportunity to directly help patients, while making beds, filling water pitchers, and delivering food trays.

**Retired Nurses Program.** The At-

lantic General Hospital Auxiliary's retired nurse volunteers serve as an extension of the nurse. They make calls to patients before and after surgery or after a hospital stay, review charts, and assist with the community flu clinics. Their goal is to make a patient's hospital less stressful by keeping the line of communication open between patients and their families and the care team.

Volunteers support Atlantic General Hospital and Health System by donating their time and expertise in every aspect of the hospital and health system as well as in the community, providing approximately 28,000 hours of service to the hospital annually. Please consider attending the AGH Auxiliary Recruitment Fair to learn more about how you can contribute.

To learn more about becoming a volunteer, visit the AGH Auxiliary website at [www.atlanticgeneral.org/volunteer](http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/volunteer) or call 410-629-6859.

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**Donation** - The Republican Women of Worcester County (RWWC) recently presented a check for \$300 to Showell Elementary School for the Paper Back Book Library Project established by their club. Pictured in the school's lobby are Principal **Diane Shorts**, (right), **Sharon Byerly**, RWWC Literacy chair, (center) and **Kate McCabe**, Showell Media Specialist.

## Fun facts about stamp collecting

In the age of modern technology, the idea that a remnant of a popular mode of communication from the not-so-distant past would be popular might seem far-fetched. However, according to "StampWorld," stamp collecting is in the midst of a rebirth that began in 2005 and is still going strong. The following are some stamp-related facts that might compel even more people to begin collecting stamps.

Congress authorized United States postage stamps on March 3, 1847, and the first general issue postage stamps went on sale in New York City on July 1, 1847. A five-cent stamp featured Benjamin Franklin, while a ten-cent stamp depicted George Washington.

Postage stamps did not initially come with an adhesive back. People needed to use their own glue or paste to keep the stamp on. Some sewed them on.

An estimated 20 million people collect stamps in America. Philately is the study and collection of stamps and is considered the world's oldest formal collecting hobby.

Products were once advertised on the back of three-cent stamps in the United States.

Great Britain was the first country to

issue stamps, though their stamps do not feature the country's name printed on them.

Stamp collecting, not unlike numismatics (coin collecting), is a hobby in which errors are a cause for celebration among collectors.

Graphic designers, artists and photographers are involved in the production of new stamp designs. Old stamps were printed using an engraving process.

The first stamp collector is believed to be John Bourke, Receiver-General of Stamp Duties in Ireland.

The "Inverted Jenny" stamp is one of the world's rarest stamps. These stamps were produced in 1918 with an airplane printed upside down.

The most popular U.S. postage stamp design was a 1993 stamp featuring an image of Elvis Presley.

Aviator Amelia Earhart, actor/comedian Charlie Chaplin, Queen Elizabeth II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and legendary musician John Lennon are some famous people who collected stamps.

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## Parkinson's support group to meet

The Worcester County Parkinson's Education and Support Group now meets in the Sunroom at Gull Creek on the second Tuesday of each month from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Subjects have included but are not limited to medication, movement disorder specialists, finding local Parkinson's resources, Tai Chi, Zumba,

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