



THE SANDPAPER

"FOR AND ABOUT THE EMPLOYEES OF OCEAN CITY"

Monthly Employee Newsletter - October 2015

Farewell to Russell Jones and Del Baker



ENGINEERING MANAGER RUSSELL JONES RETIRES AFTER 25+ YEARS

"Congratulations to Russell on his retirement. Many don't know Russell worked for the town before he worked for the Town. I first got to know Russell when he worked for his dad, Norman Jones. They performed many surveys for the Town of Ocean City. When Norman retired, it was a windfall for the town to be able to hire Russell as the Town Surveyor. Russell literally knows the town from the ground up. Thank you Russell for your dedicated service to the Town of Ocean City and best of luck in retirement. (see you on the golf course)"

-Councilman Dennis W. Dare



FIREFIGHTER/EMS LIEUTENANT DEL BAKER RETIRES AFTER 32 YEARS

"Congratulations Del on your retirement. I cannot express how much we will miss you. Your guidance and encouragement have helped countless members of both sides of the Ocean City Fire Service. Your work on the Ocean City Dive Team has helped mold it into the States most respected dive unit. You have exemplified everything that is good, and have thrived in what can only be described as a fast paced high stress environment. The people of Ocean City are both fortunate and grateful for your over 30 years of service. I know I speak for the entire Ocean City community when I say thank you for all that you have done for us. And as you hang up your cape we can only hope the next phase of your life brings you all that you seek and more.."

-Worcester County Commissioner Joe Mitrecic

October Events

- O.C.toberfest - Beach Maze 17-18 & 24-25th
- O.C.toberfest Howl-o-ween Pet Parade 17th
- Drive in Disguise & Halloween Parade 24th
- Halloween Spook-Out at Northside Park 25th
- Employee Benefits Workshop 29th

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Nominated by his peers for his selfless contribution to the Community Youth Programs, the Ocean City Chamber of Commerce named Hondo...

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



AL "HONDO" HANDY, Recreation Manager

"No disrespect to anyone, but I have never been this proud to give a key to the city than to Hondo. He puts spirit, soul and everything into his job."

Mayor Rick Meehan



HAT'S OFF TO CATRICE & PAM!



Congratulations to Catrice Parsons, Procurement Manager for obtaining the Certified Public Procurement Buyer (CPPB) credential and Pam McMillan, Procurement/Supply Supervisor, for obtaining the Certified Public Procurement Officer (CPPO) credential through Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC). As stated by UPPCC, "this can only be achieved by meeting high standards of proficiency in public procurement as demonstrated by substantial professional experience, procurement related coursework and superior examination performance."

WELCOME ABOARD!

After conducting a national search, which resulted in several qualified candidates, the Town of Ocean City is pleased to welcome William (Bill) Neville to the position of Planning and Zoning Director. Neville brings over 30 years of community planning experience, including recent experience as Planning Director for the nearby coastal town of Chincoteague, VA.

As Planning and Zoning Director, Neville will oversee the planning and zoning department. The planning division, along with the planning commission, is responsible for preparing and maintaining the town's Comprehensive Plan, to which Neville brings local expertise and the ability to integrate design and regulatory solutions with comprehensive plan policies. In addition, Neville brings decades of experience in land use planning and design, implementation of land development codes and ordinances, as well as community participation in the planning process.

Bill's professional experience includes work in the public and private sectors. Before joining the Town of Chincoteague in 2010, Neville was the Director of Land Planning Services for Daft McCune Walker/DMW and Senior Land Entitlement Manager for Centex Homes. With bachelor's degrees in Environmental Studies and Landscape Architecture from Syracuse University, Neville's career dates back to 1984 where he began developing his expertise in land planning, land development and a balanced background of residential and mixed use community planning in rapidly growing jurisdictions and small towns.



BILL NEVILLE
Director of Planning & Community Development

CONGRATULATIONS

LIEUTENANT ERIC BORNEMAN!

Eric Borneman began his employment with the department in April 2005 as a part-time firefighter/paramedic. He was appointed to a full-time position in February 2006. Prior to working full-time for Ocean City, Eric was employed as a paramedic for Sussex County (De.) EMS.

Eric was promoted to the rank of lieutenant effective 09/07/2015. Eric was selected for the promotion by through the department's promotional process. The promotional process involved a written test, a written assignment, and a series of interviews.



THE ROBERT T. ADKINS, MD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Left to Right: Hal Adkins, Parker Shandrowsky, Jay Knerr, Ryan Bolger, Buck Mann, Ryan Whittington, Nancy Howard, Travis Hearn, and John Gehrig

Earlier this year The Ocean City Paramedic Foundation created the Robert T. Adkins, M.D. Memorial Scholarship that provides financial assistance, for educational purposes, to those wishing to enter the field of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and for those currently employed in the field of EMS desiring to advance their certification, inclusive of a Management Degree in a related field of Study.

The Foundation is pleased to announce that scholarships have been awarded to four applicants. The total value of these scholarships is \$13,000. This year's recipients

are Ryan Whittington, Parker Shandrowsky, Ryan Bolger and Travis Hearn. All four scholarship award winners are affiliated with the Ocean City Fire Company and have a strong desire to pursue the field of Emergency Medical Services.

Foundation President Buck Mann said that "the Foundation is delighted with the response to this new effort. Our mission includes the training of Ocean City Paramedics and what better way to do that than assisting in their education. This is certainly an excellent start to the scholarship program, one that will continue for many years going forward."

Dr. Adkins was very active in the

development of the local emergency medical services system for the Eastern Shore, and was instrumental in the education and training of the medical personnel "in the field", our Paramedics. He served as Medical Director for Region IV for MIEMSS EMS for many years and was awarded "EMS Physician of The Year in 1995". He was a very active member of the Ocean City Paramedics Foundation, acting not only as a liaison between the Foundation and the Ocean City Paramedics (OCFD), but also providing guidance to the fiscal operation of the Foundation. He served as the President of the Foundation in 2000-2001. We are proud to honor his legacy by naming this scholarship after him.

The Ocean City Paramedic Foundation is comprised of volunteers focused through fund-raising efforts on training of Ocean City Paramedics and the purchasing of equipment thereby ensuring the best possible life saving capabilities for our families, friends and neighbors.

Learn more about the Paramedic Foundation and the Dr. Adkins M.D. Memorial Scholarship program by visiting our website at www.ocpf.org.

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2015 Holiday Schedule

Columbus Day	10/12/15	Monday
Veterans Day	11/11/15	Wednesday
Thanksgiving	11/26/15	Thursday
	11/27/15	Friday
Christmas Day	12/24/15	Thursday
	12/25/15	Friday
New Year's Day	01/01/2016	Friday

Benefits Corner

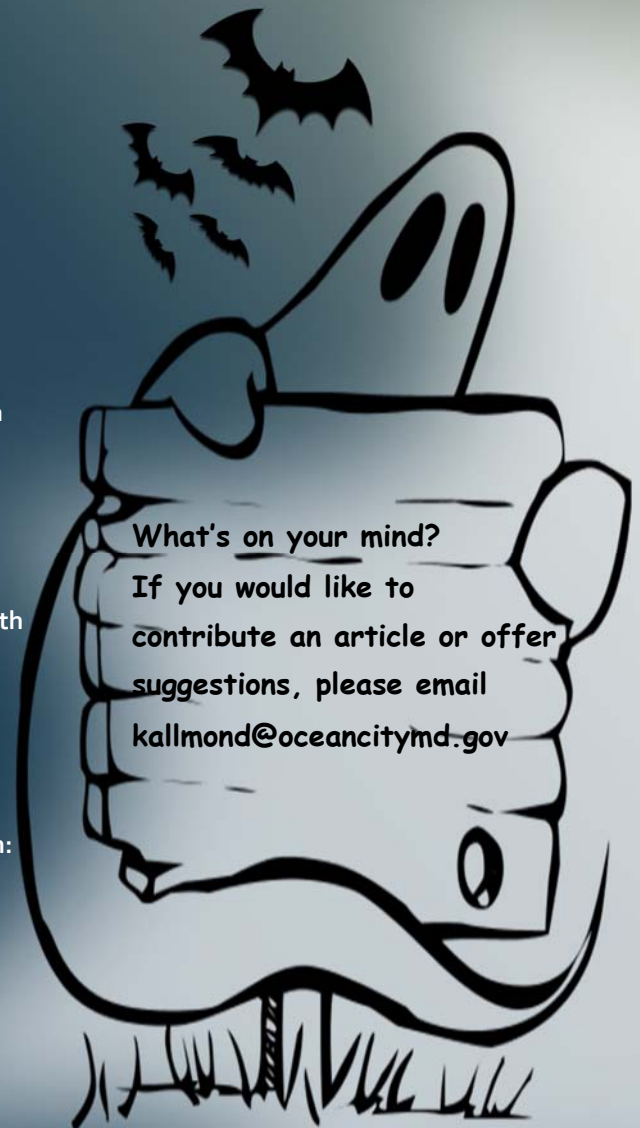
'Mark your Calendar'

Health & Benefits Workshop – 10.29.2015 Convention Center

Employee Reminder: (you can reduce the size in displaythis is an item to repeat MOST of the time)

Keep Human Resources, at City Hall, up-to-date on personal information such as:

- Name change – validating legal documents required.
- Marital status – validating legal documents required; must report change marriage/divorce within 30 days of event for health insurance coverage purposes.
- Addition of dependents; newborns must be reported within 30 days of birth for health insurance coverage.
- Address and telephone numbers
- insurance beneficiary changes
- Other health insurance coverage cancellations or additional secondary coverage.
- Tax withholding assignments for Federal, State and Local
- Call the following numbers directly to update your personal file with them:
Assurant - Dental 1 800 442 7742;
CareFirst - 410.742.3274 or 1.877.691.5856;
ICMA - 1 800 669 7400 ; www.icmarc.org
SECU - 1 800 TRY SECU
TASC/ Flex and Health Savings Account 1.800.422.4661



What's on your mind?

If you would like to contribute an article or offer suggestions, please email kallmond@oceancitymd.gov

Department Heads, please post this flyer in an area visible to all staff.



(This year AGH welcomes donations to defray costs of vaccine)

FREE FLU SHOTS

10:00 a.m. Until 1:00 p.m. for

ONLY Town Of Ocean City Employees/families & Retirees/spouses

(includes Children Ages 13 and over only)

OCTOBER 29, 2015 – Thursday

(This Clinic is NOT for the general public-AGH will announce free clinics separately)

Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Hwy

Room 203 – Second Floor



Courtesy of
ATLANTIC GENERAL HOSPITAL

Questions about vaccine

Call 410-641-9FLU (9358).

NOTE: See local papers for AGH's Free Flu Shot Clinics they are holding at other locations/times.



IN MEMORY OF WENDY J. BUNTING

Wendy passed away suddenly on September 3, 2015 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband Blaine and son Hayden.

In 2007, Wendy resigned from her position as Front Desk Associate to become a full-time mother to her son Hayden, whom she adored with all her heart.

We will miss you Wendy.



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