

THE DOWNTOWNER

GREETINGS FROM YOUR ASSOCIATION

May 2009

A Note From the President

As I look around, one of the most reliable signs that winter is over is seeing folks sprucing up their buildings with the sound of hammers pounding nails, the smell of fresh paint and flowers being planted. Come join us as we kick off the season at our 5th Annual, White Marlin Festival and Crab Soup Cook Off on May 2, 12 Noon to 3:00 PM at Somerset Street Plaza. Happy Spring!



Memorial Day

Memorial Day is much more than a three-day weekend that marks the beginning of summer.

To many people, especially the nation's thousands of combat veterans, this day, which has a history stretching back all the way to the Civil War, is an important reminder of those who died in the service of their country.

God Bless!



Boardwalk Cottage

In cooperation with the Town of Ocean City the Downtown Association will be using the Boardwalk Cottage on the Boardwalk and North Division Street to distribute our members brochures, coupons etc. We are asking volunteers to help between the hours of 4-8, on weekends in May and September, excluding Memorial and Labor Day weekends and June through August on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

In this tough economy it's another opportunity to get more bang for your advertising buck. If you would like to volunteer some time, in the cottage this summer call the

Downtown Association at 410-289-1413 or email at ocdowntownassociation@verizon.net

If you or your business or organization would like to sponsor a monthly newsletter we will mail approximately 190 of your flyers for \$65.00. For more information, please call the Downtown Association office at 410-289-1413

Summer Office Hours

May 1, 2009 to Memorial Weekend

Thursday thru Saturday

Memorial Day to Labor Day

Monday through Saturday

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Members Renewed

Thank you for renewing your membership

**Joseph & Sheryl Mitrecic
Royal Plus, Inc
OC Weekly Rentals**

AFTER DARK

Network, Network, Network!!!

Come join the fun and network with other members at our After Dark event on May 13, 2009 at Pickles Pub on 8th Street and Philadelphia Ave. Enjoy complimentary Hors d'oeuvres and Happy Hour drink prices.
See you there.

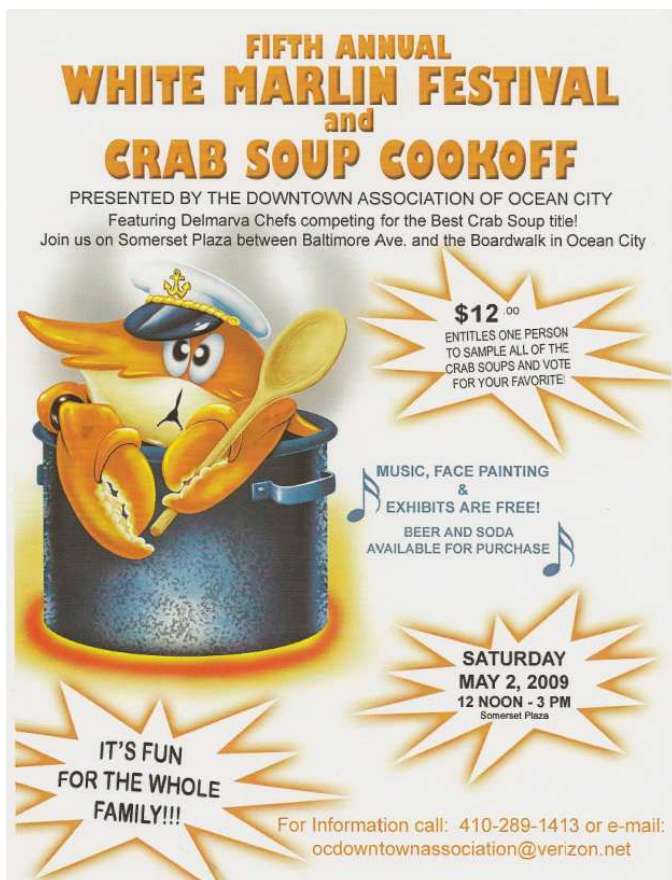
Thank You!!!

A huge thank you to Greg Shockley and his wonderful staff for hosting our 12th Annual James Sapia Spaghetti Dinner at Shenanigan's Pub once again.

Thanks to all that volunteered their time and donated food and items to our silent auction because of you our event was a success!


Lisa Parks, our Events Coordinator, once again gave her all and whipped up the best Spaghetti Dinner ever!

And finally, thanks to the folks who came out to the dinner to support the Downtown Association!



**FIFTH ANNUAL
WHITE MARLIN FESTIVAL
and
CRAB SOUP COOKOFF**

PRESENTED BY THE DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION OF OCEAN CITY
Featuring Delmarva Chefs competing for the Best Crab Soup title!
Join us on Somerset Plaza between Baltimore Ave. and the Boardwalk in Ocean City



\$12⁰⁰
ENTITLES ONE PERSON
TO SAMPLE ALL OF THE
CRAB SOUPS AND VOTE
FOR YOUR FAVORITE

MUSIC, FACE PAINTING
&
EXHIBITS ARE FREE!
BEER AND SODA
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

**SATURDAY
MAY 2, 2009
12 NOON - 3 PM
Somerset Plaza**

**IT'S FUN
FOR THE WHOLE
FAMILY!!!**

For Information call: 410-289-1413 or e-mail:
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Springfest

Start the season enjoying live entertainment including local, regional & nationally known favorites. Crafters in big-top tents & food vendors of every variety. Springfest serves up a continuous variety of musical performances on two stages. Admission to the four-day event is free! All entertainment is free with the exception of this year's headline acts. On Thursday, May 7th The Fabulous Hubcaps take the stage at 8 p.m. Tickets for this show are \$5 & \$10. On Friday, May 8th, Randy Travis performs at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20, \$35, \$40, \$45, & \$50. On Saturday, May 9th, at 8 p.m. watch Gary Puckett of the Union Gap & The Association perform their legendary hits. Tickets are \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35. Tickets for headline entertainment on sale at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center Box Office, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by calling TicketMaster at 1-800-551-SEAT. www.ticketmaster.com On Sunday don't miss free shows the Zim Zemarel Orchestra at 3 p.m. & Jesse Garron's Tribute to Elvis on Sunday at 4:30 p.m. 800-626-2326. WWW.OCOCEAN.COM.

Cruisin' Ocean City

May 14-17

Convention Center, Parking Lot

Popular car show features 3,000 hot rods, customs, classics, street machines, muscle cars & more. Live entertainment, celebrity guests, special attractions, boardwalk parades, manufacturers, vendor midway & more.

Thurs.-Sat. 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. and
Sun., 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

For more information call
Meredith Hennen, 410-798-6304.
www.cruisinoceancity.com, or visit
infoevent@aol.com.

Play It Safe

May 31-June 19

High school graduates from the class of 2009 are invited to participate in fun, free activities including karaoke, beach volleyball, windsurfing, kayaking, rock climbing, midnight bowling, basketball, mini golf, laser tag, access to health & racquet club, paintball & much more. All events are alcohol & drug free, encouraging responsible fun while celebrating. As a bonus, participants of events receive wristbands entitling them to free Town of Ocean City bus transportation. For more information call Lois Twilley, 410-632-1100 or visit www.playitsafeoceancity.com. or www.ococean.com.



Salute to the Services

May 16-June 17 Salute to the Services

Town wide-Ocean City

Special discount program honoring those serving community & country. Participating hotels, motels, restaurants & attractions offer discounts during this time to military, police, EMS and fire personnel showing their credentials. Some restrictions apply.

If your business would like to give a "Salute to the Services" special pricing please call Ocean City Hotel-Motel- Restaurant Association, at 410-289-6733 or visit www.salutetothetimes.com