



John Cooke/Special to the STAR AND WAVE

Service with a smile

Green Creek resident Margaret Pinkie Candell, left, enjoys some clam chowder served by Lia Buggs of the Grand Hotel. The Grand served more than 25 gallons of its first-place chowder and another 25 gallons of chili, along with 1,500 lobster fritters and 1,500 hush puppies, during the 7th annual Chili Chowder Cookoff on Feb. 19.

Brunch at FiNS to benefit ELTC

CAPE MAY — Like last year, FiNS Bar & Grille is helping local nonprofit organizations with its Social Sunday events in February and March, and once again the Equity professional East Lynne Theater Company will be one of the recipients. The ELTC event is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Feb. 26. Enjoy brunch, listen to live music provided by FiNS and meet ELTC staff, board members, volunteers and friends. At 2:30 p.m., ELTC receives 50 percent of the earned revenue from the brunch. Raffle tickets will be available for the 2017 Great Escape Vacation: \$5 for one ticket or \$20 for five. The drawing will take place during the Nov. 6 fundraiser at Alethea's Restaurant; participants need not be present to win. This year, the "es-

cape" choices are Rome, a Royal Caribbean cruise, Napa Valley with a hot-air balloon trip, and Key West, Fla. The retail value for these trips for two is up to \$6,500. Also available will be 2017 season tickets: four for only \$88 to be used at any time and in any way. These are offered through June 30. The 2017 season opens with the return of the popular radio-style show "Detectives Holmes and Carter" at 8 p.m. March 17-18. In June, "Will Rogers' U.S.A." opens with Tom Byrn, who starred in ELTC's "Mr. Lincoln," portraying the Ziegfeld star, newspaper and radio personality. Eugene O'Neill's coming-of-age comedy, "Ah, Wilderness!" is in August. While James Rana's "A Year in the Trenches," a world premiere to commemorate the United States' entry

into World War I a hundred years ago, is in the fall. A special school matinee is planned for Wednesday, Oct. 11. In November, it's another radio-style show, "Sherlock Holmes Adventure of the Speckled Band," while "Louisa May Alcott's Christmas" is in time for the holidays. Information about the season and how to become more involved will also be available. ELTC's educational outreach involves a staged reading performance of "Revolution!" plays written and performed by fifth- and sixth-grade students at West Cape May Elementary School, at 5:30 p.m. March 15, and the Summer Student Theater Workshop in June and July. Students are already signing up for the workshop; applications will be available at FiNS.

Murder suspect caught

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in a triple homicide in Detroit. On Feb. 10, members of the Detroit Police Department homicide unit contacted the Cape May City Police Department, stating they believed Govett was staying at an acquaintance's home in Cape May. The next day, Cape May Detective Sgt. Shawn Austin observed Govett walking in Cape May and apprehended him without incident with the assistance of the other members of the participating agencies. At the time of his apprehension, Govett was found in possession of prescription legend drugs not prescribed to him. Dana Esbensen, 41, of the 1400 block of Pennsylvania Ave. in Cape May, who was walking with Govett

at the time of his arrest, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and released pending court proceedings. Govett was charged as a fugitive from justice who was in violation of parole and possession of prescription legend drugs, a crime of the fourth degree. According to CBS Detroit: "Police were searching for Govett in connection with the Feb. 4. deaths of three men in the 17000 block of Sherwood, south of 7 Mile between Mound and Van Dyke, on Detroit's east side. Police said all three — two white males and one black male — had been fatally shot." Michigan Department of Corrections records show Govett has previous convictions for involuntary

manslaughter, home invasion, drug and gun charges, according to CBS Detroit. Govett was lodged at

Car crashes into house in Villas

VILLAS — A driver lost control of his car and drove into a home at about 8:38 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, on McKinley Avenue in Villas, injuring one occupant and structurally damaging the house. Lower Township police, Lower Township Rescue, Erma Fire Department and Villas Fire Department immediately responded to the scene.

Upon arriving to the crash scene, officers observed a 2004 grey four-door Chevrolet Impala had struck the residence in the Bayside Village section of Lower Township.

Investigation revealed that the driver of the vehicle, Joshua Revak, 27, was traveling northbound on Bayshore Road when for unknown reasons he lost control of the vehicle and crossed the southbound lane. The vehicle left the roadway and struck a curb before driving across the property at 2 McKinley Ave., striking a wooden fence. The vehicle continued traveling across McKinley Avenue, across the lawn of 101 McKinley Ave. and finally into the front porch and living room of the home at that location.

Further investigation revealed that there were two occupants inside the residence, a 32-year-old woman and an 11-year-old boy. The woman reported no injuries. The boy was on the couch in the living room at the time of the accident and was transported to Cape Regional Medical Center for treatment. Preliminary reports from family members indicated he lost a tooth and had a possible concussion.

Revak was evaluated on scene by Lower Township Rescue and declined additional medical treatment.

The cause of this crash is pending further investigation. Witness statements were taken and the investigation continues. Wildwood's Regional Urban Search Team was sent to the scene to remove the car from the home. RUST is comprised of volunteer fire companies county-wide specializing in building collapses.



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Emergency workers respond to the scene of a car accident Thursday, Feb. 16, in Villas. A boy in the house was injured.



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