

Register now for OC University fall semester

Learn more about your municipal government and the services it provides by attending Ocean City University, a series of courses that provides citizens with a diverse educational background on municipal government and services.

Classes are free and are offered in two semesters.

The goals of Ocean City University are to provide a better understanding of government's role and relationship with citizens; that government and citizens can work together to improve quality of life; to give citizens a sense of ownership in



government actions, and that informed citizens can make a difference in the community.

Classes are held on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

To sign up for the fall semester, which begins Wednesday, Sept. 15, fill out registration form printed here and send to Ocean City University, PO Box 158, Ocean City,

MD 21843.

Space is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information, visit www.oceancitymd.gov.

Applications now being accepted for Citizens Police Academy

The Ocean City Police Department is currently accepting applications for the 2010 Citizens Police Academy. The Citizens Police Academy will begin classes on Sept. 7, from 7 to 10 p.m., and will continue every Tuesday for 10 weeks.

The Ocean City Police Department has been offering the citizens of Ocean City the unique opportunity to see the inner workings of the department for nearly 12 years. The Citizens Police Academy was created to enable citizens to learn more about the Ocean City Police Department and build the relationship between the police and the community.

The 10-week course meets for three hours one night a week. During this course, students will meet a variety of officers and listen as they discuss issues such as criminal law, traffic enforcement, evidence collection, firearms, arrest procedures, nar-

cotics enforcement and many other topics. Students also participate in practical scenarios, which afford the citizens a hands-on opportunity to understand various law enforcement realistic applications.

OCPD Chief Bernadette DiPino states, "Educating citizens about their police department and illegal activity in their community is one of the best forms of crime prevention."

The Citizens Police Academy has a limited class size of 25 participants. All interested persons must complete a written application and give permission for the Ocean City Police Department to conduct a background check to determine if they have a criminal record.

For more information about the Citizens Police Academy Program, please contact the OCPD Public Affairs Office at 410-520-5395.

REGISTRATION FORM

Ocean City University
P.O. Box 158 • Ocean City, MD 21843
Attn: Kathleen Mathias, City Clerk
410-289-8824

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street/Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Alternate/Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please register me for Ocean City University General Session Classes _____

Please register me for Ocean City University CERT Program _____

Please register me for the Citizens Police Academy _____

Are you an Ocean City resident? _____ Yes _____ No

Are you an Ocean City property owner? _____ Yes _____ No

Have you completed OC University General Session Classes? _____ Yes _____ No

Have you attended the Citizens Police Academy? _____ Yes _____ No

Have you attended the CERT Program? _____ Yes _____ No

Free Community Emergency Response Training in September

Citizens can make a difference for their families by enrolling in the Community Emergency Response Training courses planned to begin in September at the Ocean City Public Safety Building.

Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) is designed to help citizens help themselves and their families in the event of a catastrophic disaster.

Due to the fact that emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately following a disaster, CERT is a free training course that aims to provide citizens with basic information for preparedness and techniques when dealing with emergencies.

Training covers basic skills including CPR/AED, first aid, recognizing natural and man-made hazards in our local communities, disaster preparedness such as emergency plans and disaster

supply kits, hazardous material emergencies and basic fire suppression.

CERT courses are being offered by the Ocean City Emergency Services Department.

The courses are now offered as part of Ocean City University. Citizens who complete a 16-week general studies program through OC University as well as the Citizens Police Academy can earn a Ph.D by completing the CERT program.

CERT classes begin Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 6:45 p.m. and will run each Wednesday evening for seven weeks, ending Nov. 10.

To register or for more information, call Kathy Mathias, City Clerk, at 410-289-8842 or e-mail kmathias@oceancitymd.gov.

Additional information can also be found at www.oceancitymd.gov.



Automatic payment option for water and sewer bills

Convenient • Easy • No Checks to Write • Time-Saver

In order to better serve our customers, the Town of Ocean City offers an automatic payment option for water and sewer bills. There is no fee for this service and you'll still receive a quarterly statement showing the amount to be deducted from your checking account.

To enroll in this service, please complete the form below and mail to:

Town of Ocean City • Attn: Collections
P.O. Box 5000 • Ocean City, MD 21843-5000

Enrollment in Town of Ocean City's Pre-Authorized Transfer Program

Name (as shown on utility bill) _____

Billing Address _____

Utility Account Number _____

Ocean City Service Address _____

Bank Name _____

Bank Account Number _____

Financial Institution 9-Digit Routing Number _____

***Please enclose a voided, blank check so that we may verify your bank account number and the other bank routing information we need to process your enrollment.**

Authorization Agreement

I authorize the Town of Ocean City to automatically debit my bank, savings and loan or credit union checking account for the payment of the Town of Ocean City water and sewer bills. I have the right to suspend the transfer of funds up to three business days before the transfer date by notifying the Town and will then make other payment arrangements. I understand that the automatic transfer would resume the following month or the Town reserves the right to limit participation to customers whose accounts are in good standing. If I wish to end my participation in the program, I may do so at any time by notifying the Town.

Signature of Bank Account Holder: _____

Date _____ Phone Number _____

Questions? Call 410-289-8833 or e-mail sadkins@oceancitymd.gov