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USWatercraft Commission Coordinator Tiberio Borges poses with the boat of the year, the Alerion 41, at the Warren plant on Tuesday.

Warren's USWatercraft has doubled its workforce and is still hiring

BY TED HAYES

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Red Sox cap pulled down tight over his head, Randy Borges is moving fast, pointing as he goes.

Here's the mold room, he says, where classic J-Boats, center consoles and sleek racers take shape. Up the stairs is the veneering area — "You should see it!" Down in back is boat storage — for now, anyway. Come summer, more building will be going on there too.

"We're pretty busy," says the Middletown resident, moving the whole time. Around him, workers — fiberglassers, engineers, carpenters and electricians — focus on the job at hand, which today involves getting the former Pearson plant at 373 Market St. ready for a big open

house on Saturday.

Mr. Borges is the president of USWatercraft LLC, which has become a bright spot in an otherwise poor Rhode Island economy. While boat building has always been a powerful part of the Ocean State's business, the company that moved from Portsmouth to Warren 16 months ago is doing better than most. The company has hired more than 40 new full-time employees over the past year, and they're not stopping.

"We're hiring as fast as we can," Mr. Borges said, estimating the current work force at about 70.

The company now turns out several marquee brands, includ-

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Watercraft boat technician Raymond Gutierrez works on the Alerion 41 on Tuesday.

Warren finds \$2 million 'error'

Warren leaders say school funding is flawed; change would save Warren taxpayers \$2 million

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The Town of Warren believes it discovered a mistake that will save its taxpayers more than \$2 million.

The Town of Bristol doesn't know what to think, because that \$2 million would shift right over to its taxpayers.

Thus the first Bristol Warren Joint Finance Committee meeting of the year got off to a rocky start after Warren dropped its bombshell.

The disagreement centers around the current formula for sharing state monies with school districts. Warren town leaders claim that the Bristol Warren Regional School District has been using that formula improperly, essentially giving too much of the state money to Bristol and not enough to Warren. They made their case public last Thursday, March 6, just as members of the joint finance committee were getting their first look at the school district's budget request for fiscal year 2014-2015.

Under the current system, the school district gets a big contribution from the State of Rhode Island each year to help pay for the public schools. It is expected to be \$16.7 million next year. The school district looks at how much it plans to spend (about \$54.7 million), deducts the state's money, and then the towns pay the difference. They currently pay based on the percentage of students coming

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Spelling with heroes

Annual spelling bee celebrates heroes in our community



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ing Alerion day sailers, North Rip center consoles, Waterline Systems J-Boats, C&C-line performance sailers and downeast-style boats by True North.

Big change

It is quite a turnaround for a plant that not long ago had an uncertain future. Prior to December 2012, the former Pearson Marine Group was still in control of the property but was not doing well, Mr. Borges said.

“They were still kind of fighting through the tail end of the economic downturn.”

The company’s owners had a long relationship with US Watercraft, which for years had built Pearson boats for the Warren company at its Melville, Portsmouth, location. That location was small, though, at only about 35,000 square feet. When Mr. Borges and others were pre-

sented with the opportunity to buy out the Pearsons’ operation, they jumped.

“We wanted to diversify, and try to provide a lot more than we were,” he said.

USWatercraft ended up acquiring Pearson’s assets while entering into a long-term lease for the property (half of the building is still leased to an unrelated firm that builds wind turbine blades).

They got the Pearsons’ boat molds, records and fine, long-standing reputation for top notch boats. Just as importantly, they got a much larger plant and the ability to focus on service for Pearson boats and their other lines. All of it was part of a clear strategy — diversify and insulate the firm from tough times.

“Everybody learned their lesson last time, thinking (the good times) were never going to end,” he said. “That’s why being diverse is a big part of our business plan. Different sizes, price points. And



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Watercraft boat technicians (from left) Tiberio Borges, Peter Farrier and Raymond Gutierrez work on a new boat on Tuesday.

the service end is very important.

Ultimately, we want to be the kind of place where people can come back to the mothership, for service or work.”

By the time they had taken over, all of the former Pearson Marine Group’s 15 to 20 employees had been let go. USWatercraft brought in its own staff, hired many of those former Pearson employees, and started to building the business. It was a big shift, as prior to the takeover US Watercraft was more of a strict building firm than one focused on marketing, sales and other areas.

“I’m not the smartest person in

the room,” Mr. Borges joked, but he said he made sure to bring in smart people who knew different parts of the business.

“I really didn’t have a lot of expectations when we started, but things have been happening pretty fast,” he said. “We had to really beef up our engineering and production, our support staff. But it’s been good. Everybody’s really excited.”

Apart from service, the company turned out 50-odd boats last year and expects to do more this year.

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Spelling with heroes — and raising \$50,000

Education foundation holds annual spelling bee, celebrates heroes in our community

Guimpe: a blouse worn under a jumper or pinafore.

With that, the proper spelling of this noun of French origin, the sixth annual Bodacious Bee came to a close. It was the Medical Associates of RI team, led by their 91-year-old Queen Bee, that stood alone onstage hoisting the champions' trophy.

The 'Queen of the Queen Bee and Associates' team is Frances Dennison, mother of teammate Dr. Allen Dennison who, along with Dr. Grace DaSilva, out-spelled a field of 18 teams to reign supreme.

Ms. Dennison attended last year's Bee as her son's guest and, while spelling along as a spectator, got hooked. So she and her 'Associates' returned this year with purpose. "I've slept in one," Ms. Dennison said, referring to a guimpe, as the final word was revealed.

The evening was designed to be a celebration of heroes in the community and included teams of first-responders from Bristol and

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Warren. The emotional highlight came as teams of firefighters and police officers, along with their respective chiefs, were joined onstage by the event's honorary chairwoman, Sandy Hook Elementary School survivor Kaitlin Roig-DeBellis. Ms. Roig-DeBellis and her husband, Nick DeBellis, were in town as a part of the Bristol Warren Education Foundation's (BWEF) weekend-long celebration of heroes and great teachers (see separate story).

The celebration took place on the campus of Roger Williams University, where the transformed fieldhouse welcomed 400 guests to a night of food, fun and of course spelling. "Providing a quality education to our children through supporting the outstanding work of our teachers is an important priority for Roger Williams University," said Peter Wilbur, Associate Vice President, University Relations. "Experiential education is what we do, and by hosting the Bodacious Bee, the university is able to assist in bringing the community together in both support and celebration of this most important endeavor."

The Bodacious Bee serves as the foundation's signature fund-raiser and draws a diverse crowd, which this year included the aforementioned first-responders, teachers, parents, business leaders and politicians. "We're thrilled to host such a robust event in celebration of high-quality public education and the heroes in our community," said event co-chairwoman Heather Harley. "To have this level of participation really enhances our ability to support innovative programs in the classrooms of Bristol and Warren."



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ABOVE: Members of the Warren Police Department 'Duck Dynasty' team Jason Canario, Roland Brule and Tim Blank enjoying themselves at the Bodacious Bee on Saturday night. **BELOW:** Bodacious Bee champs 'Queen Bee and Associates' team Dr. Grace DaSilva, Dr. Allen Dennison and Frances Dennison pose with their trophy.

At its core, the Bodacious Bee is a fundraiser for BWEF, and the 2014 edition raised more than \$50,000 for the foundation. "We immediately turn our focus to putting the money to work," said Ms. Harley. "Our grants committee is set to begin assessing funding requests for next year. We are committed to converting tonight's energy into positive impacts for the students."

It's working, according to Melinda Thies, superintendent of the Bristol Warren Regional School District. "I am proud to be a part of this wonderful organization that does so much for the district and the community. From Friday afternoon's reception honoring

educators, to Kaitlin's words of inspiration and hope on Friday night, to the professionally executed signature fundraising event on Saturday, the 'Bodacious Bee,' it is clear that the members of BWEF are heroes to BWRSD. Over the seven years of its existence, BWEF has provided over \$175,000 in grant funding for our students and teachers.

"These grants have encouraged creativity, risk-taking, and experimentation in our educators, allowing for an incubator of innovation to grow in our community. Our students have benefited from this culture in countless ways, and for that, the district is most grateful."



Sandy Hook survivor spreads message of hope

Kaitlin Roig-DeBellis considers herself to be very lucky. "'Hero' is a term I don't accept for myself," Ms. DeBellis said during her weekend-long visit to the community.

Having endured one of the worst tragedies the world has ever seen, Ms. DeBellis takes nothing for granted. The heroic teacher is credited with saving the lives of all 15 of her students by acting quickly upon hearing the sounds of gunfire and locking them all in a small bathroom until the 'good guys'

came to let her know that it was over and they were now safe.

As a response to the tragedy in Newtown, Conn., Ms. DeBellis founded the non-profit Classes 4 Classes, Inc., realizing that positive social change was needed, and that it should begin with the youngest members of our society, K-5 students.

Ms. DeBellis was welcomed to the community at a reception honoring local teachers, after which she delivered an hour-long presentation that

encompassed the Newtown shooting and her message of hope and empowerment.

"You all have the power to create change, but you have to do it," she implored the crowd of hundreds gathered at the First Congregational Church in Bristol. "Be the change!"

The Friday evening event was a collaborative effort between the Bristol Warren Education Foundation, Bristol Warren Education Association and the Bristol Warren Regional School District.



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Sandy Hook Elementary School teacher Kaitlin Roig-DeBellis speaks at the the First Congregational Church on Friday evening.

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Mt. Hope students honored among state's best musicians

BY CHRISTINE O'CONNOR

Percussion

Michael Contente, snare drum, grade 10.

Winds

Elisabeth Iacono, trumpet/second, grade 12; Nicholas Kirby, French horn/second, grade 11; Jonathan Medeiros, trombone/third, grade 11; and Ryan Shorey, tuba, grade 12.

Classical Guitar

Daniel Arruda, grade 12; John Bracone, grade 12; Matthew DeWolf, grade 12; Taylor Foster, grade 12; Jennifer Kulak, grade 12; Bryce O'Brien, grade 10; Kayla Placido, grade 10; and Justin Slocumb, grade 11.

Junior Band

Samuell Campanella, trumpet; Emily Cupolo, flute; Morgan Kane, mallets/percussion; Luke Cabral, trombone/winds; and Laura Iacono, flute/winds. All are in Grade 9.



Twenty-five students were named All-State.

Vocals

Brenden Barboza, bass, grade 11; Kristin Brzozowy, alto, grade

12; Carl Gerhard, bass, grade 11; Anthony Murgo, tenor, grade 12; Alexandra Brassard, soprano,

grade 10; Rose Pansa, alto, grade 10; and Sara Slusarski, alto, grade 10.

Students still hoping to leave early for prom

Mt. Hope seniors want to get out of school early on Prom day; no decision yet

BY TED HAYES

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With the prom coming up in 10 weeks, there is still no word whether Mt. Hope High School seniors will be allowed to leave school early on the big day.

Students lobbied the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee for a policy change earlier this winter, saying they needed more time off in the afternoon to prepare for the dance.

The expectation at the time was that students were going to talk to Mt. Hope's administration before reporting back, but that hasn't

happened yet, committee members said Wednesday evening. They're due to meet with the school improvement team on Tuesday, March 18.

Until then, policy and curriculum subcommittee chairman Bill O'Dell said, he feels uncomfortable giving his opinion on the matter one way or another.

"I don't think it's appropriate to give opinions until we hear from the administration at the high school," he said during a meeting of the subcommittee Wednesday evening.

Not all were as guarded. Subcommittee member Lynn Wainwright said she's all for it, at least for now:

"I would like to try it out on a trial basis," she said.

Since 2007, students have been required to stay until the end of their fifth period at 1:37 p.m. to receive full credit for the day. Ms. Wainwright said she is in favor of letting students in good standing leave at lunch, thereby missing that fifth period.

"I would like those students who have Cs or better to be able to leave at lunch," she said. "This is the day of prom. This is a big deal. How much work is going to get done (after lunch), realistically?"

Apart from that, she said, there is an issue of fairness. She said letting students leave for the prom one time is not much different than allowing athletes to leave school early so they can get to afternoon meets.

"We do it for them," she said.

Students who lobbied the district two months ago said they desperately need the time off. With everything they need to do to get ready for the dance, there's not enough time.

"From a girl's point of view, by the time you get out of the senior parking lot, and people who live in Warren get home by 3, or 3:30, (prom preparations) are more rushed than it should be," student Morgan Chaves told the school committee earlier this year.

Ms. Wainwright said that in an ideal world, proms would be held on Saturdays. But since it's harder to reserve venues for Saturdays than for Fridays, students said they don't see that changing.

"A Saturday night is hard to snag because they're not making money off of us," class president Ross Hogan told the school committee earlier this year. The venues "would rather book a \$40,000 wedding, and serve alcohol."

Mr. O'Dell said the subcommittee would review the situation again after students meet with administrators next week, and then come up with a plan of action to recommend to the full school committee.



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Jamiel to be inducted into RI Hall of Fame

The late Morphis Jamiel passed away in January 2013



The late Morphis Jamiel has been chosen for the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame.

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One of Warren's favorite sons will be honored in perpetuity, when he is inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame late next month.

The late Honorable (Major General) Morphis Jamiel died last January at age 91, leaving behind a legacy as a proud patriot, attorney, town official and local boy who loved his town and never left. He was nominated for one of the state's highest honors by Warren's General Richard Valente and Bristol resident Patrick Conley, both members of the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame.

Jamiel was honored to have been a friend and associate of Mr. Jamiel, and it gives me great pleasure to induct him into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame, Gen. Valente wrote in a draft of his induction speech.

A highly decorated World War II veteran who continued his military service for decades after, Mr. Jamiel was known by many as a fair and kind attorney who dearly loved his hometown and was always quick with a joke. His perpetually messy office, in a tiny building on Market Street, was the

stuff of legend, and he continued to work until shortly before his death.

The late Mr. Jamiel, Gen. Valente wrote, "truly exemplifies the very best of America."

His brother, Francis Jamiel, will represent the Jamiel family at the induction ceremony and dinner, scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at Rhodes-on-the-Paw-

tucket in Cranston.

Other notable Rhode Islanders will be inducted that night. They include Elizabeth Lyon Beisel, Catherine O'Reilly Collette, John R. Dionne, Albert T. Klyberg, Ambassador J. William Midden-dorf, and Thomas A. Verdi. Posthumous inductees include Brig. Gen. Jamiel, Warren Alpert and Bernard Thomas "Slick" Pina.

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EDITORIAL

Let them leave early for prom

It's easy to mock the idea of letting kids out of school early on prom day so they can get ready on time. Introduce the concept, then insert a plethora of jokes about the state of public education in this country — or better yet, hear the grownups complain that they never got out early for prom, why should the kids today?

Yet a standing request from the Mt. Hope High School junior class to do just that (get out of school about an hour earlier than normal) is not deserving of ridicule, nor rejection. The Bristol Warren Regional School Committee should give the kids permission to leave early, if they choose.

Consider the circumstances. For many of these teens, prom looms as the biggest night of their lives. On a Friday afternoon in the spring, with the gala just hours away, they sit in a classroom, contemplating the hair appointment they're rushing off to, their dress and how it will fit, their makeup, their shoes, their date, the photos ... everything but whatever that teacher at the front of the class is talking about.

It sounds trivial, yes, but also realistic. How many of the grownups, sitting in their cubicles and offices on a Friday afternoon in the spring, are fully engaged in their work? And they don't even have the biggest night of their lives hours away.

If the school department allows the students to leave early without repercussions, that will not automatically lead to an exodus from school. It would apply only to students attending the prom, who are in good academic standing — and, we suggest, who have their parents' permission.

School leaders have to worry about public perception ("this school department is a joke!") and the 'slippery slope' (first this, what's next??). They needn't. One hour, over the course of a four-year high school career, will not alter the quality of that student's education. And we can't imagine a flood of early-dismissal requests that would hold the same significance as prom.

Let the kids leave an hour early. Ignore the cynics. It's really not a big deal.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New school funding would help Warren

To the editor:

Once again, against an ominous backdrop, the Town of Warren's budget cycle quickly gathers lightning speed. The town council, keenly aware of the mounting economic problems and concerns, sits down in its chambers laboring to build a municipal budget that will likely not meet Warren's needs. Recently, the town has struggled to survive the wounds sustained by a significant loss of state aid.

Improving deteriorating roads, fixing crumbling sidewalks, repairing leaky sewer lines and ensuring public safety all while keeping costs down are the council's main objectives. Unfortunately, the choice to hold the school budget in check is a decisive, albeit contentious, keystone to controlling the Town of Warren's overall municipal budget.

However, there is hope! Several members of the Joint Finance

Committee have emphatically stated that they are willing to assist the Town of Warren. In fact, the treasurer, manager and members of the council have carefully reviewed the funding formula for the local contributions from member towns and discovered a startling revelation (see story on page 1).

The new state funding formula and the district's enabling legislation indicate the proper proportional allocation of state aid shall be divided on a per pupil basis. This approach meets the legislative intent of assisting communities on the basis of real need. In the past, the Bristol Warren Regional School District simply threw all the state aid into a large pot and split in half.

Instead, the funding formula analysis for 2015 points out that the Town of Warren shall receive \$5,442 per student and the Town of Bristol shall receive \$2,897 per student.

The adoption of this will afford the Town of Warren not only the opportunity to meet our basics need, but flourish.

If the school district abides by the law and incorporates this model into building the school district's budget, it will relieve the Town of Warren of burden — approximately \$2,054,790. This first step will allow us to effectively manage the tax rate while also enriching our children's education.

Ultimately, incorporating the new funding formula will allow Warren to bear witness to a renaissance wherein we can expand our local economy, reinvest in our infrastructure and improve our quality of life.

Chris Stanley
Market Street

Mr. Stanley is president of the Warren Town Council.

Last chance to eliminate Sakonnet Bridge toll

To the editor:

As the 2014 legislative session moves forward, the General Assembly's East Bay legislators are providing another practical solution to a very complex unfunded statewide transportation and bridge infrastructure issue.

We need cooperation and constructive input from the House leadership, Senate leadership and governor to make this bold move and implement a 10-year plan that addresses our transportation infrastructure and stimulates our business economy.

The bills (S2335 & H7432) state no Sakonnet River Bridge toll! We welcome open dialogue for modifications to these transportation infrastructure fund bills and make Rhode Island a leader in addressing this urgent need.

The other bills (S2697 & H7569)

submitted will extend the 10-cent toll from April 1, 2014, to July 1, 2014, and restrict the RITBA from implementing the ridiculously higher toll, comparable to the Newport bridge toll. These bills are requisite to allow meaningful discussion and implementation of the first bill, which eliminates the Sakonnet River Bridge tolls.

Your East Bay delegation has fought diligently against tolls on the Mt. Hope and Sakonnet River bridges. Unfortunately, our local East Bay representatives and senators were outnumbered the last few years. We have spoken previously on the Senate and House floors about this unfair tax on our Bristol and Newport County constituents, who go over the bridge for work, appointments and family obligations. This toll is a barrier for all East Bay residents. Make no mistake;

this is a tax aimed at the East Bay residents, who pay enough taxes without a high priced toll on this commuter bridge. Our bill shares the burden with all Rhode Island residents.

RIDOT never initiated or completed an economic impact statement on how this fully implemented excessive toll will affect businesses in the East Bay. This is our last opportunity to eliminate the toll. Now is the time to act. Tolls are not the answer, just a barrier to economic development. Residents should contact the governor's office and ask them to be a part of this solution.

Sen. Walter S. Felag, Jr.
Warren

Senator Felag represents District 10, Tiverton, Warren and Bristol.

Thanks for BEEing great supporters

To the editor:

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

On behalf of the Bristol-Warren Education Foundation, that is our message to everyone who had a hand in the tremendous success (we raised over \$50,000) of Saturday's sixth annual Bodacious Bee at Roger Williams University Field House.

Thank you to Kaitlin Roig-DeBellis, of Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., who served as Honorary Chair of our adult spelling bee fundraiser. She exemplified our 2014 theme of Bee a Hero.

And thanks to our community

heroes, the first responders from the Bristol and Warren Police and Fire Departments and Rescue Squads.

Thanks to all teachers, volunteers, parents, sponsors, donors and all those who strive to protect, serve and inspire the children of Bristol and Warren. You are our heroes too.

Thanks to our local business community. Your tremendous support continues to humble us. Please know that all of your giving furthers academic excellence in the Bristol Warren Regional School District. Your generosity means more music, more theater, more science, more arts and culture, more robot-

ics, and more enriched learning in our classrooms.

The Bristol Warren Education Foundation is a non-profit organization that relies solely on volunteers to accomplish our mission. If you would like to get involved, we welcome your interest. Please contact us at info@bwedfoundation.org.

Thank you again to all for another unBEElievable night.

Heather Harley and Kirsten DiChiappari
Bristol and Bristol

The writers are co-chairwomen of the 2014 Bodacious Bee.

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100 YEARS AGO

Taken from the pages of the Warren and Barrington Gazette this week in March 1914:

Sidewalks jammed

The sidewalks in front of Bander's store, Main street, have been heaped with cases the past week, and everybody has wondered why. Look on another page of this paper and you will learn. Crowded out of stores in another town, he has brought his immense stock here to be disposed of, and Warren people are having the chance to reap the harvest. In Providence, nearly everyone buys their clothing at Barnaby's.

From March 8, 1914: All in vane

Through some hand of chance or fate, the vane on the town hall has never, since the day it was put in place done its duty. Like all vain things it took freaks. It has never been known to move, but only when there was a gale or hurricane. Many have been the remarks passed about its utility or futility. Many the queries as to why it did not move; and as many more why it was not made to move. But all in (vane). It were as well for a sea port town, or a village by the waters to be without its wharves and boats, as to be without a weather vane. As regularly as we look upon the skies and note the drifting clouds, do we look

Deja vu all over a vane

If the accompanying century-old blurb about Warren's weathervane sounds familiar, it should. That same weather-vane, reinstalled after repairs in 1914, survived intact until 2012, when it became so damaged during a storm that it had to be taken down, DPW Director John Massed said.

It looked heavy and imposing, but when workers went up with a cherry picker to get it, "it was light! We were surprised. We thought it was going to kill somebody."

As in 1914, the vane was in tough shape, and local artist and metal worker Jonathan Glatt of Warren's O&G Studio volunteered to do some restoration work on it. He's been working on it on and off ever since, and said it's been an involved project — much of the old vane had to be replicated. Still, he is hopeful that he'll be done in a month or so. After that? Back atop town hall, hopefully for another century.



for that long finger to point us fair weather or foul. Shall we go — or stay? Well, find out which way the wind blows. As unconsciously as we look at the clock, we peep at the weather vane. It is an essential part of our every day going and coming. And so, thank kind fortune and the fates, the vane on the town hall is to be lifted out of the rusty groove into which it has settled, though to be sure after some years of resting in one spot it took advantage of this last gale and came out of the east and

turned to the west. With the Methodist spire decapitated, it is well that the burden of telling the weather shall be taken up by the vane on the town hall, where surely a vane can never be accused of ecclesiastical denomination. Of all the (vane) things.

Saloon break

For the second time within three months, thieves gained entrance to Martin Burke's saloon on Market Street. Whoever did the job was not unfa-

miliar with the business. A keg was placed beneath the rear window on the south east corner of the building. A pane of glass in the upper sash was cut in half with a glass cutter and deftly removed. A block of wood, which had been used to hold the sash down was pushed aside. The upper part of the window was lowered. The remainder of the task was easy. With the upper window lowered, the thief or thieves crawled in with but little difficulty. Mr. Burke, however, had

taken a lesson from his previous experience with such nocturnal visitors, and the cash register was empty. The only thing disturbed in the place was a box of brass checks which were evidently at first mistaken for pennies. They were found on the sill of the window, where the thief entered. The break was discovered early Monday, when the saloon was opened for business, and Mr. Burke lost no time in reporting the facts to police headquarters. Chief Walsh came to the scene and made an investigation, and the police are now at work on the case. They have an idea or two about it, and feel confident that they will be able to locate certain parties that can throw some light on the affair. It is the opinion that this and the previous job were the work of the same parties. In the first one, Mr. Burke lost quite a sum of money; this time nothing was taken. Money seems to be the only object in view. Developments are quite likely.

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New rescue, paid paramedics, with 3.9% tax hike

Preliminary town budget would raise taxes, buy new rescue and hire EMTs

BY ERIC DICKERVITZ
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The Town of Warren would buy a new rescue truck, spend \$2 million to study its wastewater treatment plant and hire a paid paramedic service for the first time in its history — if its current 2014-15 budget plan does not change. But it usually does change between now and May, when it becomes final.

The first step in the process took place Saturday morning, when one by one, town leaders stood in front of the Warren Town Council and pitched their requests for money next year. By early afternoon, the town council approved a preliminary

budget that would raise property taxes 3.9 percent. However, that tax hike assumes the town will give no additional money to support the schools. This preliminary budget level-funds the school district.

Included within the budget are two capital expenses. One is \$2 million for a study (not actual construction, just the study and planning) to develop a plan to bring the town's wastewater treatment facility into compliance so that it will better process nitrates. The actual cost of the full project has yet to be determined, but is estimated at \$10 million to \$20 million. All of it would be paid for through municipal bonds (loans).

The council also approved \$245,000 to buy a new rescue truck,

in addition to \$225,000 to hire an outside paramedic service for 12 hours a day, five days a week. Town Councilor Scott Lial voted against the added expense to the fire safety, while the four other members approved it.

Among the areas discussed on Saturday, but ultimately left on the cutting-room floor, is additional money for road repairs. The harsh winter damaged roads throughout town, and Warren has little money set aside for road repairs or repaving.

The budget will be discussed in a public hearing on Tuesday, March 25, when residents can voice their opinions on the town's financial matters.

POLICE REPORT

Police make arrests for assault, forgery

Monday, March 3

Police responded to a Water Street residence at 11:41 p.m. after neighbors reported that they could hear a man and woman arguing inside. When police arrived, they could hear the couple involved in a heated argument and knocked on the door. When they asked the woman, **Jennifer A. Warner**, 43, of 82 Water St., if anyone else was inside, she said no, and invited the officers to search the premises. When they found a man hiding in an upstairs room, they escorted him out. Police said that Ms. Warner stepped in front of them to prevent them from leaving and began to yell at the officers. As police attempted to speak with the man, Ms. Warner allegedly placed her hands on an officer's chest and pushed him back. Ms. Warner was charged with simple assault or battery; disorderly conduct; resisting arrest; and obstructing an officer in execution of duty.

knocked on her door and ran away before she answered. The same resident called police on Wednesday with the same complaint.

At 9:48 a.m. police responded to Metacom Avenue, where a caller said that they locked their keys inside the car with a baby inside. Police used a tool to unlock the door, and the child was fine.

Friday, March 7

A Rehoboth man who works in Warren reported that personal checks had been stolen and cashed for the amount of \$10,000 in Warren. Police reviewed bank surveillance video and identified **Rinn Hay**, 38, of Providence, who the victim identified as a former co-worker. Mr. Hay was arrested and charged with two counts of forgery.

Sunday, March 9

A man reported to police that while his pick-up truck was parked on Water Street between midnight and 9:30 a.m., someone stole two gas cans from the back of his truck. The cans, he told police, were filled with water. The same man said that two weeks prior, someone stole a bag of quahogs from his truck.

Saturday, March 8

While on patrol at 8:30 a.m., an officer recognized a passenger in a passing vehicle as **Kaitlin Martel**, 21, of Bristol, known to have an active warrant. Police stopped the vehicle and arrested Ms. Martel on the warrant issued by Sixth District Court for failure to appear in court. She was taken to the ACI.

At 2:41 p.m., police arrested **William McGloin**, 38, of Providence after he allegedly damaged a door and entryway at a Market Street residence. According to police, a woman who lives at the residence would not open the door for Mr. McGloin. He allegedly used his shoulder to ram his way in, causing the damage. Mr. McGloin was charged with domestic vandalism and domestic disorderly conduct.

Tuesday, March 4

A Buffalo Avenue resident called police at 6:52 p.m. to report that a juvenile had

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FORMULA: Warren makes argument to shift \$2 million bill from Warren to Bristol

From Page 1

from each town — 62 percent from Bristol, 38 percent from Warren.

A new way of splitting the bill

Warren leaders now say that's the wrong way to do it. Instead of taking that state money off the top of the bill, it should first be split between the towns based on a formula recognizing socioeconomic factors. Under that formula, Warren gets \$5,442 per student (it has 1,304 students) and Bristol gets \$2,897 per student (it has 2,120 students). If you use the new Warren methodology, more than \$2 million would shift from the Warren side of the bill to the Bristol side.

"We wondered if state aid was being applied appropriately," Warren Town Council chairman and finance committee member Christopher Stanley said. "If you look at the funding formula legislation, it was to help the less fortunate communities. The funding formula is rather clear. The money should follow the pupil."

In this year's budget request

as presented, Bristol would owe \$21.7 million and Warren would contribute \$13.4 million. Using Warren's methodology, Bristol would owe \$23.8 million, compared to Warren's \$11.3 million.

"What we'd like at this point is for the school department to recalculate and re-balance the budget," Mr. Stanley said. "Give us the aid the way it was supposed to be given."

According to Mr. Stanley, Warren's methodology is also used in other regional districts, such as Foster Gloucester, where he is a teacher. The Chariho district uses yet another methodology, suggesting that how the formula is applied may be open to interpretation.

Warren vs. Bristol, Part Two

The timing of Warren's discovery added another wrinkle to the already troubled relationship among members of the joint finance committee. The committee, whose sole responsibility is to set the school budget, including the share that each town must pay, has more Bristol representatives than Warren, leaving some Warren members feeling powerless in the voting

process.

Last year, the Warren Town Council ignored the Joint Finance Committee and voted against a school budget increase, instead choosing to level-fund the district. The school district, in an attempt to force Warren to pay its mandated share, filed suit in Superior Court against the town. A decision on that matter is pending.

Now the finance committee and the school department are left to contemplate Warren's latest effort to cut their school funding bill.

Finance committee Chairman Nathan Calouro said Warren's argument may be valid, but he is disappointed they waited until the eleventh hour to present it. "If we had this information earlier, we could have had open dialogue about it," Mr. Calouro said.

"I understand where they are coming from," Mr. Calouro said of the latest proposal. "Just because you've been doing it one way, doesn't mean it is the right way."

The fact that other regionalized systems use different calculations in their budgeting process is also a concern, said

Imagine two couples went out to dinner ...

Here's a simpler way to understand the school funding formula dilemma. Let's say two sisters and their husbands go out to dinner every year at a posh restaurant. One couple has deep pockets; the other lives more middle class.

The deep-pocketed couple orders more lavishly, with two extra cocktails and a rich dessert at the end. The sisters' Mom (the State of Rhode Island) gives the two couples a \$50 gift card for Christmas every year to help with the bill. Under the current system, the two couples give the gift card (state aid) to the waitress, who takes \$50 off the bill and brings it back to the table.

The two couples then split the remaining bill about 60/40, with the rich folks (Bristol) paying more because they consumed more. These couples have been going out to dinner every year, under the same circumstances, for the past 20 years.

This year, the middle class couple (Warren) has a new idea. Instead of using Mom's gift card equally, they want to split the gift card unequally (they would get more of it), and then split the remaining bill under the same 60/40 system. As a result, the rich folks pay more, and the middle class couple pays less.

— By Scott Pickering

Mr. Calouro. "It says to me that there is no mandate. Is there some edict or mandate that we can follow? This starts a potentially slippery slope."

Mr. Stanley said this is part of a "long-term struggle."

"We're subsidizing the Town of Bristol. That's where I'm frustrated. Will it wind up in court? I hope not," he said.

The finance committee will meet again on Thursday, March 27.

Harbormaster hosts free boating exam

Want to become a safer, smarter boater? The Warren Harbormaster's Office can help. Harbormaster Ed Cabral will host three Rhode Island Boating Safety Challenge exams over the next two months, giving Warren residents the chance to get their Rhode Island Boating Safety Certificate free of charge.

The 60-question challenge

exam will be given on Saturdays, March 22, April 19 and May 17, at the Warren Fire Department Training Room, next door to the harbormaster's office behind Town Hall. Exams start at 9 a.m. and run until 11 a.m., and no one will be admitted after 10:30 a.m.

The exam is meant to be taken after reading a course booklet available at the harbormaster's

office Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. It covers rules, safety procedures, law, weather and other important aspects of boating safety. Note that class size for all three exams is limited to 20 Warren residents, and residents must bring a photo ID to be admitted. For more information, call the harbormaster's office at 245-6341.

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Popular 'Portuguese Fireman' badly hurt in fall

Tiverton native who does comedy routine falls from roof fighting fire

With fellow firefighters at his bedside in an around-the-clock vigil, Westport firefighter and Tiverton native Steven Lopes is fighting his way back from a frightful fall and subsequent surgery.

Mr. Lopes, 47, also widely known as the comedian creator of the 'Portuguese Fireman' and other characters, fell from an icy Westport roof last Thursday evening and was initially listed in critical condition.

Robert Manchester, 41, also fell from the roof while trying to

save his fellow firefighter. He was treated and released from the hospital.

Deputy Fire Chief Allen Manley said that, over the weekend after his surgery, Mr. Lopes' condition was upgraded from critical to serious.

He declined to specify the injuries suffered but said, "He faces a long, long, road to recovery" and is in the prayers of all at the Fire Department.

"Firefighters have been with him around the clock," the deputy chief said. All are volunteering their time — "they've set up a schedule so that someone is always there by his side."

The two firefighters plunged

from the roof of a house at 153 American Legion Highway Thursday night. They were there with others from the Westport and Tiverton department to fight a chimney fire.

"During the operations on the roof of the 2.5 story house, Firefighter Steven Lopes, 47, a seven-year veteran of the Westport Fire Department, slipped on ice and fell approximately 30 feet to the ground," Fire Chief Brian R. Legendre said Friday morning.

"He was treated on scene by Westport firefighters and transported to Rhode Island Hospital with multiple traumatic injuries in critical condition."



RICHARD W. DIONNE JR.

Firefighter Steven Lopes at the Westport station two years ago.

Chief Legendre said later Friday that Mr. Lopes was conscious and alert "with his family around him" before surgery that was expected to take about six hours.

Known throughout the region for his Portuguese Fireman comedy act and fund-raising efforts, Mr. Lopes is "an all around great guy," the chief said.

"He is a very dedicated father of two — they are his life" — a 10-year-old son Joseph and a 13-year-old daughter Briannah.

Mr. Manchester, "also fell during his selfless attempt to stop firefighter Lopes from falling," the chief said.

Firefighter Manchester fell approximately ten feet and landed on a dormer at the first floor level. He was pulled to safety through a second floor window. A Tiverton rescue crew took him to Charlton Memorial Hospital where he was evaluated and released. A call firefighter, he is doing well and has been able to return to work, Deputy Chief Manley said.

A joint investigation by the Westport Fire and Police departments is ongoing however the chief said the likely cause of the fall was ice on the roof which caused the men to slip.

Water had been sprayed onto

the roof "by a well-meaning tenant of the house in an attempt to extinguish the fire," and that water may then have frozen.

The owner of the house has been identified as Michael O'Conner.

Tiverton was called to assist in fighting the blaze. The fire was extinguished quickly and damage was said to be limited primarily to the chimney area along with some smoke and water damage.

Portuguese Fireman

Mr. Lopes, a Tiverton native and 1985 graduate of Tiverton High School, lived in Alaska for nine years before moving back and landing a job as a Westport firefighter.

Firefighting is his career, he told these newspapers a few years ago; comedy more of a hobby.

"I love doing both," he said. "Being a firefighter is in my blood, but if I can make people laugh a little bit as a comedian, that's good."

He has produced five CDs, which includes his trademark "Da Portuguese 12 Days of Christmas" (as sung by Manny Claus), "Da Portuguese Night Before Christmas," "Weather Manny," "Pootuguese On Star," "Customer Service," "Manny of War" and "Dr. Gil."

These have made Mr. Lopes a big draw at fund raising events around the region.

"I do have a serious side, believe it or not," Steve said.

Still, his funny side often comes in handy when dealing with people under duress.

"My humor translates into my bedside manner. It helps them feel a little bit more relaxed," he said.

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2nd Story Theatre presenting 'A Bright New Boise' through March 30

'Le Dindon or The Dupe' opens Friday

2nd Story Theatre has two venues — DownStage and UpStage — at the theater at 28 Market St.

DownStage this month is "A Bright New Boise" by Samuel D. Hunter. It is directed by Mark Peckham. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays to Saturdays and at 3 p.m. Sundays through March 30.

Discussion Sunday is on March 16, with a humanities discussion immediately following the 3 p.m. performance. Tickets are \$25 (\$20 for those 21 and under).

Will, who fled his hometown after a scandal at the evangelical church, heads to Boise, Idaho, not only for employment, but also to rekindle a relationship with his teenage son. In this quirky comic

gem, Will and the other lost souls at The Hobby Lobby touchingly explore the always-thorny issues of faith, family, forgiveness and second chances.

The play won the 2011 Obie Award for Playwriting and was nominated for the 2011 Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Play.

The Washington Post said it "marches in the footsteps of Sam Shepard's acid comedies." And Time Out New York said "This clear-eyed comedy will lift your heart."

"Le Dindon or The Dupe" by Georges Feydeau is UpStage from March 14 to April 13. The comic masterpiece of mistaken identities, illicit assignations, frenzied libidos, laughter and *l'amour* is directed by Ed Shea.

Previews are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 14 and 15, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March

16. Preview tickets are \$20.

Regular performances are from March 20 to April 13 at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays to Saturdays and at 2:30 p.m. Sundays (with an additional performance on Monday, March 24). Regular ticket prices are \$25; \$20 for age 21 and under.

Discussion Sunday is on March 30, with a humanities discussion immediately following the 2:30 p.m. performance.

For more information or tickets, visit the box office, call 247-4200 or e-mail boxoffice@2ndStoryTheatre.com. Check the website at www.2ndStoryTheatre.com.

The remaining season includes: "Time Stands Still" by Donald Margullies is DownStage from April 24 to May 18 (with an additional performance on Sunday, April 27, at 7 p.m.). Previews are April 18 to 20. Sarah and James, a photojournalist and a foreign correspondent, try to find happiness in a world that seems to have gone crazy. Theirs is a partnership based on telling tough stories and making a difference. But when their own story takes a sudden turn, the adventurous couple must confront the prospect of a



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Nathanael Lee as Will and Tray Gearing as Anna in "A Bright New Boise" now DownStage at 2nd Story Theatre, with performances through March 30.

more conventional life. Discussion Sunday is on May 4, with a humanities discussion following the 3 p.m. performance.

"Psycho Beach Party" by Charles Busch is UpStage from May 8 to June 1 (with an additional performance on Monday, May 12). Previews are May 2 to 4. An

irreverent shotgun marriage of Hitchcock-style psychological suspense and Beach Blanket Bingo antics. Is it Gidget goes berserk? Or Marnie goes Maui? Discussion Sunday is on May 18, with a humanities discussion immediately following the 2:30 p.m. performance.

RELIGION NEWS

Meet & Greet evening

Join the Chamber of Commerce for an evening of networking on Wednesday, March 12, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Wing-n-it in Bristol at 549 Metacom Ave. Refreshments will be served.

The event is a fun, affordable way to network with fellow Chamber members and their guests, and to get a view inside the workings of a fellow member's business.

Sign up for this monthly opportunity to break the ice, put names with faces, chat, exchange business cards and gain new allies in the local business community.

Registration is required. The cost is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for guests. Call the office or sign up online.

Women's winter series

A women's winter series will bring harmony, life-balance, education and resources to women at the Chamber of Commerce offices. The weekly Brown Bag Lunch is hosted by WEBOND (Women's Empowerment and Business Owners Networking Development) on Tuesdays from noon to 1 p.m.

Admission is \$5 weekly. Each week, they present a guest speaker (20 minutes), networking, a raffle and more. Visit www.meetup.com/webond for more information or call 245-0750. The winter series is sponsored by RE/MAX River's Edge.

Coffee & Commerce

Save the date! The next Coffee & Commerce is on Friday, March 28, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Trafford on Water Street in Warren. The Chamber's networking initiative is geared toward the early-morning crowd. The cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

This month's featured speaker is Seth A. Goodall, New England regional manager for the Small Business Administration.

Free counseling

Anyone interested in a free, confidential mentoring session can contact the East Bay Chamber

of Commerce to meet with a SCORE business counselor. Appointments are available on Fridays at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. at the Chamber office.

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SCORE retail counselor

A SCORE retail counselor is available to advise retail business owners on how to generate additional sales and improve customer service. The counselor will conduct an onsite visit in your store and consult with owners and managers.

The SCORE counselor has 42 years of experience with management, merchandising and store layout/design. To take advantage of this free service, call the Chamber office or e-mail smunroe@eastbaychamberri.org.

The East Bay Chamber of Commerce is at 16 Cutler St., Suite 102, Warren. For more information, call the office at 245-0750 or visit www.eastbaychamberri.org.

RELIGION NEWS

Friday Mission at St. Thomas for Lent

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 500 Metacom Ave., will have a Lenten Mission each Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m., beginning with the Stations of the Cross followed by a Lenten reflection.

There will be an opportunity for sacramental confession until 8 p.m.

Malassada sale at St. Thomas this weekend


There will be a malassada sale on Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church hall, 500 Metacom Ave.



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Lion's Den is open Wednesday, Saturday

The Lion's Den Thrift Shop at 16 Miller St. is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. There is brand name clothing for the entire family. During March, there is 50 percent off all green tags/green clothing.

They are now accepting bric-a-brac. Dropoff hours are during regular hours.

Try Zumba classes and support animal shelter

Zumba, a Latin-inspired cardio workout, is offered at 426 Fitness for free on Thursday nights to raise funds for the Warren Animal

Shelter. Non-members and members are welcome at 7 p.m. on Thursdays at the fitness center at 426 Metacom Ave. in the Parker Mill.

Donations are collected during the free classes and go toward improvements to the shelter and day-to-day operations. For more information, call Mark Lombardi at 247-7440.

2nd Story performance to benefit health group

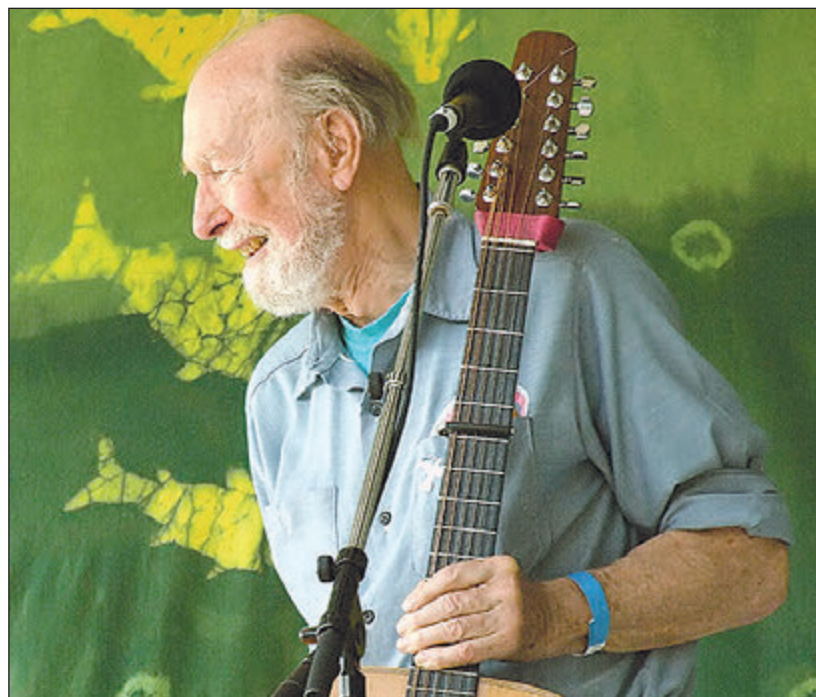
A preview performance of "Le Dindon or The Dupe" is at 2nd Story Theatre, 28 Market St., on Thursday, March 13, at 8 p.m. The French farce is the perfect antidote to the winter blues.

Tickets are \$20, with all proceeds to benefit Riverwood Mental Health Services on Railroad Avenue, a statewide provider of behavioral health services. To reserve tickets, call Riverwood at 247-4278 or visit Riverwood mhs.org.

Reception for new exhibit at Imago Friday

Imago Foundation for the Arts (IFA) will feature artwork by founding member artist Mary Dondero in a new group exhibit from March 6 to April 12 at Imago Gallery, 36 Market St.

The public is invited to a free reception on Friday, March 14, from 6 to 8 p.m.



The East Bay Citizens for Peace will present "Sing Out!", a concert to remember the music and spirit of Pete Seeger, on Sunday, March 16, from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St.

Other artists whose work will be featured in the exhibit include guest artists Ellen Ferrin and Paul Clancy, and IFA artist members Eileen Siobhan Collins, Rose Esson-Dawson, Lisa Legato, Pascale Lord, Eileen Mayhew, Linda Megathlin and Lenny Rumpier.

Ms. Dondero will present new works from three portfolios, "Waterfalls," "Cut Flowers" and "Meandering Drawings." All three projects are inspired by her experiences in the natural environment and then created while reminiscing about those experiences.

Ms. Ferrin is a painter with a studio in Warren. Her works explore the ephemeral nature of water.

Paul Clancy is a self-taught artist and photographer whose work includes photographs of walls in decaying buildings.

Regular gallery hours are from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday and from noon to 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

For more information on the IFA, visit www.imagofoundation4art.org.

Al-Anon meeting each week on Thursday

Hope for Today, an Al-Anon group, meets at 10 a.m. on Thursdays at the youth center on Joyce Street.

Acoustic open mic at Coffee Depot on Fridays

An acoustic open mic is on most Fridays (except holiday weekends) from 7 to 10 p.m. at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St. Open mic starts at about 7 p.m. Featured artists perform from 8 to 8:40 p.m., followed by open mic until 9:50.

On March 15, the featured performer is Bob Fitzgerald.

Bring a nonperishable food donation to benefit the Bristol Good Neighbors soup kitchen in support of "Singing Out for Food" for the Artist Hunger Network. Check out www.singingoutforfood.org.

Elks and Broadway Merrill holding raffles

Once again, the Bristol County Elks are holding their winter to

spring raffles at the Broadway Merrill, 535 North Broadway, East Providence. The raffles are open to the public and are from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays through March 15, with chances to win prizes like giant lobsters and flat screen TVs.

Funds raised benefit charitable causes of the Elks, including the East Bay Cares Program, scholarships, veterans and more.

Concert to remember spirit of Pete Seeger

The East Bay Citizens for Peace will present "Sing Out!", a concert to remember the music and spirit of Pete Seeger, on Sunday, March 16, from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St.

Featured will be Barry Brown, Keith Daniel and Nancy Hood. Donations will promote the work of East Bay Citizens for Peace, a grassroots organization committed to peaceful solutions to conflict, and social and economic justice through open, respectful dialogue.

For more information contact 247-9738, info@eastbaycitizens4peace.org or www.eastbaycitizens4peace.org.

Annual corned beef, cabbage dinner Monday

The annual corned beef and cabbage dinner of Warren Unit 11 of the American Legion Auxiliary is on Monday, March 17, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 500 Metacom Ave.

Tickets for the 6:30 p.m. dinner are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 6 to 10, and free for children 5 and under. Tickets are available from Auxiliary members or by calling 245-5431 and leaving a message.

Beside corned beef and cabbage, the dinner includes potatoes, carrots, roll and butter, and dessert. Soda and water will be sold. Take-out also will be available.

"This is the Auxiliary's only fund-raiser of the year," Auxiliary President Judy Fardig said. "We have no overhead and we're all volunteers. Every penny we raise goes back into the community or to help veterans."

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Enjoy a Winter Wonder Walk at the Audubon, a seal watch on Prudence

A 'Lil Peeps' series for ages 18 to 36 months begins next Thursday

Discover those natural wonders found only during the winter months at the Audubon Society of Rhode Island's Environmental Education Center at 1401 Hope St. on the Bristol/Warren town line.

The center also features a life-sized model of a Right Whale, harbor seal display, marine and freshwater aquarium exhibits, tide pool tank, along with trails and a boardwalk to the bay on the 28-acre wildlife refuge. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The usual admission fee is \$6 for

adults, \$5 for seniors and \$4 for children 4 to 12 years (under 4 are free). However, it is waived on the first Saturday of each month for Free Family Fun Day courtesy of a grant from the Citizens Bank Foundation.

For more information, call 245-7500 or visit www.asriec.org. To register for programs call 949-5454, ext. 0, or register online at www.asri.org.

■ **Winter Wonder Walks** are from 1 to 2 p.m. on Sundays through March 30. Take a brisk walk and explore the great outdoors at the Environmental Education Center.

An Audubon educator will highlight winter plant and animal adaptations and talk about how weather affects the local land-

scape. Walks are for all ages and are free with admission. Register online at www.asri.org.

■ **A Prudence Island Seal Watch** is from 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 15. Come explore Prudence Island with a chance to see seals at one of the best haul-out spots in Narragansett Bay. Also learn about ecological research happening through the Narragansett Bay Research Reserve. The seals will be viewed using spotting scopes and a brief presentation will provide you with information about the seals' life cycle and migration.

Participants will also tour the island by van with stops to visit several unique historical and natural features. The cost is \$15 adults and \$8 children (\$12/\$6 mem-

bers). Registration is required. For more information on Prudence Island trips, visit the program calendar at www.asri.org.

More seal watches are coming up on March 26 and April 9.

■ **"Lil Peeps"** is from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Thursdays, March 20 and 27, April 3 to 17 and May 1 (no class April 24, school vacation week). The popular program introduces children ages 18 to 36 months old to the delights of nature through age-appropriate, hands-on activities. Along with a nature lesson, activities may include a nature walk, crafts, songs and stories. It's also an opportunity to make new friends with other children and parents.

Registration is required as space is limited to 12. In order to main-

tain an age-appropriate program, older siblings cannot accompany the parent/child team. The fee for the six-week series is \$65 a child, \$82 for two siblings and \$60/\$76 for members. Adults must accompany children and there are no refunds for missed classes.

■ **A "Look, See" photography exhibit** by Caren Prideaux is open through April 30 during regular hours. It is free with admission. Ms. Prideaux has been passionate about photography for 35 years. She also recently marked 20 years as a clinical social worker.

The two disciplines are not that different as each requires one to look past the surface to the essence; to look closely and to cherish the stories that aren't so obvious at first glance.

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The Auxiliary will be assisted by members of American Legion Post 104.

Annual Saint Patrick's Day dinner on Monday

The Jeanne Jugan Residence Little Sisters of the Poor will hold its sixth annual Saint Patrick's Day dinner on Monday, March 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Wharf Tavern, 215 Water St. Upstairs and downstairs seating will be available.

The cost of the corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the fixings is \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children under the age of 12. For tickets, or more information, call 723-4314 or visit www.littlesistersofthepoorpawtucket.org.

There also will be a Pot of Gold raffle, with \$1,000, \$500, \$300 and \$200 prizes. Tickets are \$2, \$10 for six or \$20 for 12. They will be available at the dinner.

Proceeds from the dinner are used to offer the neediest elderly a home. Medicaid and Medicare cover only about 60 percent of the home's operating expenses. The Little Sisters of the Poor have

been in Rhode Island since 1881 to provide a home for the elderly poor.

Rotary Club meets every Tuesday evening

The Warren Barrington Rotary Club meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday at The Wharf Tavern, Water Street, Warren. Presented are interesting speakers and programs. Interested parties are welcome. A full-course dinner is \$16.

Want to make a difference in the community? For more information, call J. Metaxas at 254-3927 or e-mail jametaxas@hotmail.com.

Lions Club hosting first College Fair, breakfast

On Sunday, March 23, the Bristol County Lions Club will conduct its first College Fair from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Mt. Hope High School, Chestnut Street, Bristol. Colleges, universities, junior colleges and trade schools will be represented, along with information on financing. It is free and open to the public.

In conjunction with the College Fair, the club will host its 14th annual scholarship breakfast to raise funds for students who are applying for scholarships.

Donations for the breakfast are \$8 for adults or \$5 for children under 8. On the menu are eggs, pancakes, bacon, ham, home fries sweetbread french toast, pastry, juice and coffee. And, there will be raffles and prizes.

All high school students living in Bristol County who have been accepted into an accredited school are eligible. Applications can be picked up at the local high school guidance department. In the last 14 years, the Bristol County Lions Club gave out over 40 scholarships to well-deserving local students. All net proceeds from this event will go toward awarding these scholarships.

Call for art from R.I. artists for juried exhibit

In celebration of its 50th year, the Bristol Art Museum is accepting entries for an open-themed, statewide juried exhibition to be

held from May 2 to July 6, with a reception on May 2. The juror is John Udvardy, professor emeritus at R.I. School of Design.

R.I. residents and museum

members are eligible to apply. Work in all media is encouraged. The deadline to apply is March 24. The fee is \$45 for three images. There will be cash

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DAR awards scholarships to three local high school students

The local Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) held its annual Good Citizens Award Program at Riverside Library on March 10.

Awards were presented to three local students: Hazel B. Kress of Mt. Hope High School, Kasey Carden of Barrington High School and Madeleine Carroll of East Providence High School. Each winner will receive a certificate and pin and a \$100 scholarship.

Good Citizen Awards are given to students based on dependability, service, leadership and patriotism in the community and their schools. Students had to obtain three letters from people in their community to attest to their worthiness and write an essay.

The speaker for the evening was Roberta Mudge Humble, an English professor at CCRI, whose topic was "The right to crow — Rhody Facts and Trivia."

ON THE MOVE

KERRY CHAFFER of Warren has been accepted as a member of the Rhode Island Chapter of the Women Presidents' Organization. The peer advisory organization for women business leaders of multi-million dollar companies "is highly selective, a testament to her incredible success in business." Ms. Chaffer is partner at HCC Marketing in Barrington, a full-service marketing communications company. She joined HCC Marketing in 1989 after working at several other New England agencies and was named a partner in 1994.



Students named to fall dean's list at RIC

Rhode Island College has named Warren students to the fall semester dean's list.

Included are Fiona C. Adams, Edward A. Borges, Alexandra S. Brodeur, Tracy L. Costa, Kayla-Lee Dallaire, Nicholas S. Dasilva, Susan Duarte, Courtney M. Fer-

reira, Benjamin N. Francis, Trevor M. Goglia, Nathan F. Keesee, Margaret K. Lopes, Christine Parks, Heather A. Ray, Robert Sanchas, Jason J. Schneider, Alyssa N. Stuart, Derrik L. Trombley and Nicholas Whitmore.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Warren native **MARISSA MONIZ** traveled to California the week of March 9 to take part in Stonehill College's annual H.O.P.E. Alternative Spring Break Program. A member of the Class of 2016, she volunteered with other Stonehill students at the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, a nonprofit housing development corporation dedicated to helping low-income families improve their living conditions.

LILLY DEACON of Warren, a student at Miss Porter's School, along with other dancers in Dance Workshop recently participated in three events in the community. On Feb. 12, the group participated in a Dance Slam, a gathering of dance students from Porter's, Westover, Taft and the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts. On Feb. 22, the dancers performed during a children's program at Farmington Library. On March 1, students attended the Connecticut High School Dance Festival at Central Connecticut State University. The festival included master classes with dance faculty and ended with an adjudicated student concert during which the group performed a collaboratively created modern piece, "Convergence," and Katya Lazor's "Tide."

AT THE SCHOOLS

Open house for incoming 9th-graders at Mt. Hope

Mt. Hope High School will hold its annual open house for incoming ninth-grade students on Thursday, March 13, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the high school, Chestnut Street, Bristol.

Students and families will learn about the courses offered and meet the guidance counselors, department leadership and administration.

Dinner to benefit Mt. Hope High Robotics Club

A pasta dinner and silent auction is on Friday, March 21, at 5 p.m. to benefit the Mt. Hope High School Robotics Club. It is at the high school cafeteria, Chestnut Street, Bristol.

Tickets are \$10 per person, \$35 for a family of four, and \$7 per student (ages 6 to 18). Children 5 and younger are free. Contact Ryan Garrity at 230-7504 or Garrityr@bw.k12.ri.us.

AT THE LIBRARY

Lego free play hour is on Wednesdays

It's Legos at the Library on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the children's room at the library. The Lego free play hour is for children in kindergarten to Grade 5 with an adult.

Show off your skills and let your imagination flow during the weekly play hour. Lego creations made during free play will be photographed for the library's Face-

book page and displayed for a week in between sessions.

Legos will be provided by the library. For more information, e-mail ghchildrensroom@gmail.com or call Peggy at 245-7686.

George Hail Library is at 530 Main St. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information, call 245-7686 or visit www.georgehail.org.

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Community school has courses on organizing photos and drawing, and trips

If you have accumulated years of photos that are sitting in boxes and bins, a Barrington Community School workshop will help you get them organized.

The class is on Wednesday, March 19, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Atria Bay Spring Village, 147 Bay Spring Ave. Leave organized and thrilled with your memories neatly categorized.

Students should bring a big bag of loose photos. A photo box will be provided to each student by instructor Karen McCann. The fee of \$29 for BCS members and \$34 for non-members includes tuition and the cost of a photo box.

Bernadette Pace will teach a six-week course, "Beginners Draw-

ing," from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning March 19 at Barrington Middle School. Working from still life and handouts or photos, students will start to develop an eye to see and interpret value, color and shape. A review of tools, techniques and examples make this course easy and fun. Tuition is \$75 BCS members/\$85 non-members.

In trip news ...

There are still openings in many upcoming trips, including the Sunday, March 16, matinee performance of "4,000 Miles" at Long Wharf Theater in New Haven, Conn. Prior to the performance, the group will enjoy an Italian

menu served family-style at a popular restaurant just steps from the theater. Barrington departure is at 9:45 a.m., with a return at about 6. The trip is \$130 BCS members/\$140 non-members.

Also available is the Sunday, March 23, trip to Boston for a Boston Lyric Opera production of Verdi's "Rigoletto." Set in a rich and decadent Renaissance Italy, this work features some of opera's most famous arias including "La Donna e Mobile." The opera is sung in Italian with projected English translation. An Italian lunch served family-style is at a popular Boston restaurant.

Departure from Barrington is at 10 a.m. with a return at about 7:30.

The fee is \$129 BCS members/\$139 non-members.

BCS is Broadway-bound on Saturday, March 29, to see the world premiere production of "Bullets Over Broadway," the musical adaptation of Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath's 1994 film. Featuring music of the 1920s, the musical includes a new book by Woody Allen.

The comedy is directed by five-time Tony Award-winner Susan Stroman. Zach Braff, star of the long-running TV series "Scrubs," will be making his Broadway debut.

The trip includes highest-priced seating for the matinee performance and dinner in Manhattan at an Italian restaurant on the East

Side before departing for home. Morning departure from Barrington will afford a few hours on arrival to shop, visit a museum or sightsee before the matinee.

Barrington departure is at 7 p.m. (followed by a Warwick pickup) and a return by 11 p.m. The trip fee is \$215 BCS members/\$225 non-members. BCS is also offering round-trip motorcoach to New York for those who wish to select their own entertainment or visit a museum for \$58 round-trip.

For more information on courses, trips and scholarships, visit www.barrcommschool.com or call 245-0432. Printed copies of the winter brochure are also available at area libraries and businesses.

SENIORS

Kickemuit Village bingo is every Wednesday

The Kickemuit Village weekly bingo is at 1 p.m. on Wednesdays at Andreozzi Hall, 20 Libby Lane. Game cards are on sale from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. There is a new digital bingo machine, and all bingo games have payouts of \$20 to \$50 a game.

Deposit due Friday for trip to '42nd Street'

The Warren Senior Center, 20 Libby Lane, is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and has a variety of ongoing activities. For more information, or to sign up for programs, call Betty at 247-1930.

A French meat pie luncheon is on Thursday, March 13, at noon. On the menu is French meat pie, potato log, mixed vegetable, cookie, and decaf coffee or tea. Suggested donation is \$3. Sign up by Wednesday, March 12, at noon.

"Baking: Delicious and Nutritious," a cooking demonstration with Bonnie Rendine, a licensed nutritionist and chef, is on Thursday, March 13, at 1 p.m. She will present tips using whole grains and fruits to make baked goods more nutritious. Come and enjoy samples of the recipes. Chef Rendine is director of food services at St. Elizabeth Manor in Bristol. Sign up with Betty.

A trip to see the Ocean State Theatre Company's "42nd Street" is on Wednesday, May 7. Enjoy lunch before the performance at the Greenwood Inn in Warwick. The Tony Award-winning musical features a hit parade of popular songs. School bus transportation leaves the St. Thomas the Apostle Church parking lot at 10:30 a.m., with a return at 4:45. The cost is \$57 per member. A \$20 deposit is due by March 14, with the balance due by April 4.

A shingles clinic by the Wellness Co. is coming up on Tuesday, March 18, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Vaccinations are covered, less patient deductible, by a number of Medicare Part D prescription drug plans, as well as by BC/BS of Rhode Island. To check your coverage and schedule an appointment, call 490-0942.

A St. Joseph's Day luncheon is on Wednesday, March 19, at noon. On the menu is pasta e fagioli soup, Italian sausage on a roll,

peppers and onions, shells with sauce, biscotti, and decaf coffee or tea. Suggested donation is \$3. Sign up by Tuesday, March 18, at noon.

A trip to Wright's Chicken Farm and Bakery is on Thursday, March 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. After a chicken dinner, browse the gift shop and visit the bakery before returning home. The cost is \$24 per member.

The birthday celebration luncheon is on Thursday, March 20, at 11:30 a.m. Celebrate all those with a birthday in March. On the menu is turkey rice soup, chicken marsala, mashed potatoes, broccoli, frosted cupcake and decaf coffee or tea. Suggested donation is \$3. Sign up by Wednesday, March 19, at noon.

AARP tax assistance is available for those age 60 and older and for those with low and middle incomes on Tuesday afternoons. It is free. Call 247-1930 for an appointment.

New applications are being taken at the senior center by the East Bay Community Action Program for heating assistance. Households of one with a yearly income of \$27,392 or households of two with a yearly income of \$35,820 are eligible. Call 437-5102 for an appointment. If you received heating assistance in the past, you will have received an application in the mail.

Lunch is served in the dining center on weekdays at 11:30 a.m. for a suggested donation of \$3. Reservations must be made by noon the day before at 245-8140. Call between 8:30 a.m. and noon.

Crocheting and crafts are at 6 p.m. Mondays.

Cards are played at 9 a.m., with bridge on Tuesdays and Fridays, pinochle on Wednesdays, Hi-Lo-Jack on Thursdays and cribbage on Fridays.

Join Rachel and friends for whist at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesdays. Refreshments are served. New card players are always welcome.

Aerobics classes are on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. Join Sue for a workout that focuses on the key posture muscle groups and cardiovascular system. The cost per class is \$1.50.

Crocheting and knitting is at 1 p.m. on Tuesdays. Crochet and/or knit for yourself or for charity. The group is working on hats and mittens for underprivileged children.

Ceramics is at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays with June. There is no charge for the class, just the piece you

work on.

A craft class is at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays with Joan. Beginners are always welcome.

Bingo is at 1 p.m. Fridays. Come for an afternoon of bingo, with a variety of games and cash prizes. Refreshments are served.

Harbor Lights hosting a trip to Foxwoods

Harbor Lights of St. Mary's, in conjunction with Conway Tours, will offer a bus trip to Foxwoods on Monday, April 7. Departure is at 7:30 a.m. from St. Mary's Church, Wood Street, followed by a pickup at Benjamin Church Manor on Chestnut Street; with departure from Foxwoods at 3:30 p.m.

The cost is \$25 (with \$15 bonus slot play and a free full buffet coupon or \$10 for food). You do not need to be a member of Harbor Lights to participate. Call Rose Arpaia at 253-6525 for information and reservations. The deadline to register is March 21. If there are not 32 people signed up by March 21, the trip will be canceled.

AT THE YMCA

The Bayside YMCA offers a variety of programs for all ages at the Y at 70 West St., Barrington. Stop by or call 245-2444 for more information or to register. Online registration is available for YMCA members at www.gpymca.org.

Financial assistance is available for many programs.

Livestrong class

Livestrong, A 12-week exercise program for adult cancer survivors, will begin a new group on March 18. Individuals who have recently become deconditioned or chronically fatigued from their disease and/or treatment are encouraged to join.

Classes are Tuesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. at the Riverside Healthy Living Center, 660 Bullocks Point Ave., Riverside.

To register, contact Judy Cerrito at 828-0130 or jcerrito@gpymca.org. The class is offered free of charge to everyone.

Managing a fear of falls

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends

because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, "A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls" is from 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays, April 2 to May 21, at Riverside Healthy Living Center, 660 Bullock Point Ave., Riverside.

Many older adults also experience increased isolation and depression when they limit their interactions with family and friends. The program can help people improve their quality of life and remain independent. It is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple exercises to increase strength and balance.

The eight-session program is \$15. A workbook is provided and refreshments are served. Non-YMCA members are welcome. Space is limited and registration is required. Call the YMCA to register or for more information. The program is limited to 12 participants.

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"We were not looking necessarily at possible All-Staters or super stars, but more towards unsung heroes."

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Huskies lose in Division Finals, begin state playoffs Wednesday

Mt. Hope gets blown away by Juanita Sanchez charter school

BY ERIC DICKERVITZ
edickervitz@eastbaynewspapers.com

After completing a 15-3 regular season, the Mt. Hope boys' basketball team fell short of a division championship on Sunday, when they lost 82-66 in the division championship game to Juanita Sanchez, a Providence charter school.

Jared Ramos got the Huskies started early with an opening three-pointer, but Juanita Sanchez took control of the game early, dominating the boards and forcing turnovers throughout.

Kyle Valenzuela led the Huskies in scoring with 18 points, while Alex Francis chipped in 16 points and four rebounds.

The Huskies struggled to stop the Juanita Sanchez offense all night. Mt. Hope was down by 11 points at halftime, and Juanita Sanchez continued to make plays to frustrate the Mt. Hope players.

The Huskies hit five three-point shots, but Juanita Sanchez stayed behind the arc to hit nine treys.

Ramos hit three three-pointers toward his 13 point game, to go with five rebounds and two steals.

The Huskies will now play in the state's Open Tournament on Wednesday, March 12, when they face West Warwick. That game will be played at CCRI in Warwick with tip-off scheduled for 8 p.m. The top 16 teams in the state compete for the Open Championship.



PHOTOS BY RICHARD W. DIONNE JR.

Mt. Hope senior guard Kyle Valenzuela drives hard to the hoop.



ABOVE: Mt. Hope head coach John McDonough attempts to rally the troops during a time-out in the second half. RIGHT: Senior guard Matt Scott moves in for a layup.



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Mt. Hope goalie to be inducted to 'Unsung Heroes' by RI Reds Society

Matthew Wilson will be honored for grace in face of adversity



RICHARD W. DIONNE JR.

Matthew Wilson blocks a shot in a recent game.

The Rhode Island Reds Heritage Society and the Rhode Island Interscholastic League will recognize Mt. Hope student Matthew Wilson, goalie for the school's hockey team, as an "unsung hero" for his efforts during the 2014 season. The ceremony will be held during the league's championship game at Brown University's Meehan Auditorium on Friday, March 14.

The recipients are selected based on their contributions to high school hockey; demonstrated acts of sportsmanship, leadership and community involvement; academic performance; talent and ability; challenges coping with personal obstacles and hardships.

"We were not looking necessarily at possible All-Staters or super

stars, but more towards unsung heroes," said Tom Mezzanotte, the interscholastic league's executive director, in making the announcement. "It is a different approach to

honor what you might call a silent MVP."

In announcing the award, organizers said of Wilson:

"Win-Loss records don't always tell the whole story of a goalie's effectiveness. Mt. Hope's Matt Wilson is proof of that. On a team enduring a down season, Wilson has earned the respect of opponents in all divisions of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League. His performances in losing games illustrate his talents: 44 saves against Prout; 53 saves against Lincoln; 47 saves versus undefeated Cumberland.

"He has amassed more saves

that any goalie in the state in Divisions II and III. Despite his team's record, Wilson has established himself as a symbol of strength for the young Mt. Hope team and its 'no quit' attitude."

Other recipients include: Olivia Lucas, Barrington co-op, Women's Ferny Flaman Award; Kelly Kraunelis, Barrington co-op, Women's Chuck Scherza Award; Abbey Torres, Cranston Co-op, Women's Gil Mayer Award; Dylan Gastel, Wheeler, Men's Ferny Flaman Award; Rudy Branca, Cranston co-op, Men's Chuck Scherza Award.

OBITUARIES

Grew up in Warren's Touisset

Stephen Leonard Hibbert, 65, of Warren, passed away at Pawtucket Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2014, after a short illness.

Stevie was born in Fall River, MA and lived his whole life in the area including in Swansea, Barrington and Warren. Steve worked for years as a self-employed landscaper. Although he faced his own struggles, he maintained enduring relationships with his childhood friends from Touisset and with those he met during his 30 years in Warren, through many group associations.

Mr. Hibbert was predeceased by his parents, Albert E. and Jane Gifford Hibbert, his maternal grandparents, Rev. Clarence and Gladys Gifford of Assonet, and his paternal grandparents, Frank and Margaret Hibbert of Somerset. He is survived by brothers, Albert B. Hibbert and wife Pat of Illinois, and Andrew P. Hibbert of California; his sisters, Alison Hibbert Salinas and her husband Fred of Texas, and Beverly F. Fleming of Florida; and many nieces and

Stephen L. Hibbert

nephews. He also leaves behind his beloved cat Junior.

In lieu of immediate services, a private burial will be held at Oak Grove Cemetery in Fall River. A memorial service to celebrate Steve's life will be held at a future date. All friends are welcomed to remember Steve's contributions to the Warren community and to the many stories there are to

share about his adventures.

The family expresses its appreciation to Steve Dickinson of Rumford for the constancy of his friendship to Steve and for his many forms of assistance to the family in past weeks. Donations in Steve's memory may be made to benefit the work of local animal shelters.

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(CAPITAL ITEMS)

	REQUEST	RECOMMEND	COUNCIL
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One and a Half-Ton Dump Truck (1)	60,000	0	0
One-Ton Pick-Up Truck (1)	42,000	0	0
Transfer Trailer (1)	65,000	0	0
Used Cab & Chassis for Sander (1)	40,000	0	0
Exterior Upgrades - Transfer Station	85,000	0	0
Electrical Upgrade - Government Center	25,000	0	0
Jamie's Park Electrical Service Replacement	56,000	0	0
ADA Accessible Bathrooms-Town Beach	40,000	0	0
Softball Field - Jamie's Park	50,000	0	0
Expansion Restrooms - Pete Sepe Pavillion	20,000	0	0
Jamie's Park Lightes & Surface Hockey Rink	63,000	0	0
DPW SUB-TOTAL:	546,000	0	0
Road Paving	400,000	0	0
TOTAL PAVING:	400,000	0	0
Curbs & Sidewalks	275,000	0	0
TOTAL CURBING & SIDEWALKS:	275,000	0	0
Drainage:	98,000	0	0
TOTAL DRAINAGE:	98,000	0	0
TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	1,319,000	0	0
Police Department			
Three (3) Marked Police Vehicles	137,500	0	45,833
Computer Work Station Replacements	12,000	0	0
Animal Shelter Building Repairs and Upgrades	20,000	0	0
Protective Ballistic Vests	15,000	0	0
TOTAL POLICE	184,500	0	45,833
Town Clerk			
Document Preservation	10,000	0	0
Laptops: Council	5,000	0	0
Indexing	5,000	0	0
Sound System Upgrade: Chambers	4,000	0	0
TOTAL TOWN CLERK	24,000	0	0
Municipal Court			
Computer Software System	14,000	0	0
TOTAL MUNICIPAL COURT	14,000	0	0
Planning Department			
Jamie's Park - Phase 3 (DEM REC Match)	400,000	0	0
Jamie's Park - Facilities (DEM REC Match)	150,000	0	0
TOTAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT	550,000	0	0
Fire Department			
Code Red Reverse Telephone Notification System	15,000	0	0
Self Contained Breathing Apparatus	80,000	0	0
New/Used Vehicle	12,000	0	0
Laptop Computers (3)	15,000	0	0
Communications - New Repeater System	50,000	0	0
New Rescue Truck	245,000	0	245,000
Fire Hose	20,000	0	0
TOTAL FIRE	437,000	0	245,000
Wastewater Treatment			
Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Utility Truck with Electric Crane	80,000	0	0
Fork Lift	20,000	0	0
Replace Existing lift station/access hatches	25,000	0	0
Napoleon Street Extension	30,000	0	0
Variable Frequency Drives	95,000	0	0
TOTAL WASTEWATER	2,250,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Harbor Management			
Commerical Dock Repairs / Maint.	20,000	0	0
TOTAL HARBOR MANAGEMENT	20,000	0	0
Zoning/Planning			
Large Format Scanner	20,000	0	0
TOTAL ZONING/PLANNING	20,000	0	0
Tax Assessor			
Full Revaluation	245,000	245,000	245,000
TOTAL TAX ASSESSOR	245,000	245,000	245,000
Recreation			
Inline Rink - Jamie's Park	55,000	0	0
Dog Park	20,000	0	0
TOTAL RECREATION	75,000	0	0
TOTAL CAPITAL BONDS	5,138,500	2,245,000	2,535,833
Open Space Acquisition			
Bond Issue Approval	500,000	0	0
TOTAL OPEN SPACE BOND	500,000	0	0
TOTAL BONDS	5,638,500	2,245,000	2,535,833

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Probate Judge, Steven Minicucci

Mercier, Helen G., Est. #08-54
Miscellaneous petition to Sell Stock & Attorney Fees to be heard on March 13, 2014.
February 26 & March 5 & 12, 2014

D'Amico, Jillian Marie, Est. #14-05
Petition for Name Change to Van Pell, Tessa to be heard on March 13, 2014.
February 26 & March 5 & 12, 2014

Maylor, Alan I., a/k/a Alan Isherwood Maylor, Est. #14-03
Cynthia A. Maylor has qualified as Executrix of the estate. Creditors must file their claims in the Clerk's Office in the time required by law beginning March 5, 2014.
March 5, 12, & 19, 2014

Frerichs, Ernest S., Est. #14-06
Petition Probate of Will to be heard on April 10, 2014.
March 5, 12, 19, 2014

Silva, Craig James, Est. #14-08
Petition for Guardianship to be heard on March 27, 2014.
March 12, 19 & 26, 2014

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Applications may be obtained in the Town Clerk's Office or on the Town Website www.townofwarren-ri.gov. Applications must be filed in the Town Clerk's Office, 514 Main Street, Warren, RI, no later than Friday, March 28, 2014 by 3:00 PM. Interviews will be held at the Town Council Meeting on April 8, 2014 at 7pm in the Council Chambers.

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Julie A Coelho,
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March 5, 12 & 19, 2014

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Hunger games

Bristol resident the latest to enter the booming food truck market

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Her electric blue truck has a fresh coat of paint, the interior is sparkling clean, and all systems are go. Heather Zoller is ready to hit the road in the next few weeks with her Z Food Truck, the newest entrant in an industry that has exploded locally and nationally in the past few years.

Heather, a self-taught chef with a love of food and hospitality and an appreciation for cuisine that “will fill you up without weighing you down,” has always been drawn to the restaurant industry, but at the same time wary of staff management, overhead, and other complications that come with running a brick-and-mortar establishment.

A food truck, with its mobility, flexibility, and staffing simplicity dictated by its tiny footprint, seemed to be the perfect fit for Heather’s lifestyle. She found her truck in Ohio, already outfitted with professional grade appliances that would be the envy of most home cooks, and drove it back to Rhode Island.

Her menu of salads and wraps is a deft blend of old standards with enough twists to satisfy someone with an adventurous palate. Her Philly cheesesteak is updated with a smokey chipotle sauce; flavor profiles run the gamut from falafel to fajita to a caprese with roasted red peppers and pesto aioli. Daily specials and your requests are welcome, too — if Heather can make it from what she has on hand, she will.

Heather will be driving into an fleet of competition, including established, popular vendors like Billy’s, Rocket Fine Foods, Mijos Tacos, Mama Kim’s Korean Barbecue, and Plouf Plouf. But that’s part of the beauty of this corner of the food service market. The flexibility that is the hallmark of food trucks allows for a festive, the-more-the-merrier approach to drawing customers. It’s what makes food truck festivals, and other events that invite several trucks to participate, so successful. Many trucks’



Heather Zoller, ready to hit the road with her Z Food Truck.

RICHARD W. DIONNE JR.

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STRAIGHT UP THE MIDDLE

Getting out of our potholes

While elected officials have the ability to enact laws, institute policies and make regulations, sports stars and actors can make the media, and the masses, pay attention to the issues that they care about. As the debate over legalizing marijuana in Rhode Island has sparked up — primarily with the help of Governor Chafee’s “pot for potholes” interview — I was fascinated to read about a Houston Astros player, Jon Singleton, who talked about his addiction to marijuana and how it almost ruined his professional



Cara CROMWELL

career. While Chafee waxed on about the amount of revenue marijuana could bring from users, Singleton gave a sobering interview about what the drug almost cost him.

We don’t need to hear from a long line of celebrities or read the many studies on the health impacts of marijuana to know that legalizing it is a bad idea. Let’s face it, smoking pot is not good for you and it never will be. I’m tired of hearing people say that marijuana is no worse than cigarettes or alcohol. No, marijuana is not heroin, but it’s not harmless either. Remember that “pothead” from high school? Where’s he now? We have plenty of proof that pot is harmful and addictive and cracking open the Pandora’s box of regulating it and

taxing it is shortsighted and irresponsible. Marijuana is an “entry level drug” that hampers one’s ability to think straight and can lead to more serious drug use. According to the NIH, 61% of persons under 15 entering rehab reported marijuana as their primary drug of abuse. What more do we need to know?

The truth is that we wouldn’t be having a conversation about legalizing marijuana if there weren’t many millions of dollars in tax revenue attached to the proposal. Governor Chafee and others looking to “regulate” marijuana are not interested in controlling the drug trade or acting in the best interests of public health, they simply want to add more money to the pile that they get to spend, leaving Rhode Islanders

with less. The message to children is horrible: “Just say no to drugs, but Mommy should have a bong hit before breakfast because it will fund our roads and bridges.” It’s a sad day when we look to fill government coffers by selling drugs to our citizens.

While we don’t have a sports star like Singleton to make the case in Rhode Island, I am hopeful that former Congressman Patrick Kennedy will use his considerable clout to battle this unfortunate proposal. As an addict and someone who spent his fair share of time in rehab, his perspective and his passion will be valuable if clearer heads are to prevail.

Rhode Island has some serious problems. Our economy needs to grow, people need jobs and we need to make sure that all of our

children have the best shot at a successful adulthood. Debating the relative harm of marijuana versus alcohol or analyzing the potential revenues that could be gleaned from this predatory proposal is a waste of time and misses the big picture. Let’s get our heads out of our potholes and get back to the issues at hand.

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PET OF THE WEEK



Hi, I'm Smokey

The staff and volunteers at the shelter think I am a great dog and would make a great addition to a family with no other animals. I am a Staffordshire Bull Terrier, gray with white markings. I am about two and a half years old and I weigh 50 pounds. I am very friendly and love to play and go for walks, up to date on all my shots, and ready to go home! If you are interested in giving me a home please call the Warren animal shelter at 401/245-4569.

TRASH OR TREASURE

A wringer from Woonsocket

Q. I own a small wringer-style clothes washer that I bought at a yard sale. It is 7 inches wide, 8 inches tall and about 4 inches deep. It has a 10-inch-long metal handle with a wooden grip. The words "American Wringer Company, N.Y." are stamped on the wood. It's also marked with a horseshoe and the initials "AWC." Can you tell me anything about it and what it might be worth?



Karen WATERMAN

A: The first mechanical clothes wringer was invented by Selden A. Bailey in 1859 in Connecticut. In 1863, Simeon Cook saw in a store window a contraption that he believed every home could not live without: a clothes wringer. Cook found the manufacturer, and persuaded Bailey to move to Woonsocket where Cook was able to help garner financing for building a factory. Cook envisioned manufacturing on the Blackstone River comparable to what Samuel Slater accomplished in Pawtucket. In 1860 the factory started producing wringers. The rubber ringers were being produced elsewhere and when they were found to be unsatisfactory, Cook helped launch another business called Woonsocket Rubber Company. Both companies prospered and in 1899, Bailey Wringer changed its name to American Wringer and later expanded manufacturing to a plant in New York. Woonsocket Rubber Company grew to be one of the largest rubber companies in the country. The American



Wringer Company's years of prosperity ended in the 1920's when the electric washing machine was invented.

Your wringer was most likely made for lingerie and would sell for around \$75.

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MARTIN'S MUSIC MONTAGE

Catching up with Brian Guy, drummer, Ones Will

Ones Will is a Pawtucket-based progressive rock band with a unique sound, destined to stand out among the local scene. You have to hear them deliver a progressive, funky blend of powerful and soulful modern progressive rock jams. I was



Brian MARTIN

blown away by their dedication to perfection and their obvious joy at the act of musical creation. I had the chance to speak with Drummer, Brian Guy.



WHO ARE YOUR INFLUENCES? Neil Peart, John Bonham, Mike Portnoy, Mike Mangini, Buddy Rich. His style with how he held the sticks. Traditional grip — it became something I'm really comfortable with.

WHAT ARE THE PLANS FOR ONES WILL CD RELEASE? We are actually in the studio right now recording at least 12 originals. I would say some time in the spring of 2014. It will be self-released. Leo has a recording studio so we are doing it ourselves. I'm not sure if it will be physical cds or just digital. I would like to get t-shirts and stickers made, but it's costly and we all have bills.

YOUR GIG SCHEDULE SEEMS TO BE MORE ABOUT QUALITY THAN QUANTITY. IS THAT SOMETHING YOU PLANNED? We all want to get out there but first impression is crucial. We want to be really tight. Nothing worse than going out to see a band that is sloppy. we want to be polished, for both the fans and for us.

WHAT CAN THE BRAND NEW FAN OF ONES WILL EXPECT AT A SHOW? They can expect a lot of energy. A rock

and roll progressive, funky show, all mixed into one. Mario, the guitar player — he brings the rock into it. He's a big Slash fan. Scott the bass player has got a lot of funk bass in him. Leo, his vocals are powerful soulful. A lot of Plante and Chris Cornell style. I get a lot of influence from Mike Portnoy and that type of progressive sound. We like to keep it interesting and not the same old thing.

ANY BAND YOU WOULD LOVE TO PLAY WITH? (Laughs), That's a tough one. Alter Bridge would be one. Or dream Theater. Something progressive. Planet x.

DO YOU VIEW SOCIAL MEDIA AS A POSITIVE OR A NEGATIVE? I view social media as a positive. I would like to promote the band more. To do it constantly it gets to be an expense. We do a lot through reverb nation. I would like to get some more tracks on there.

ANY ADVICE TO ASPIRING MUSICIANS? Yeah. Just practice. Every day. When I was a kid I would practice every day, even if it's just fifteen minutes. Keep pursuing your dream.



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Warm water brings warm water fish

Climate change and global warming continue to change the fishing environment around the world and right here in Rhode Island.



Capt. Dave MONTI

Greenhouse gas emissions contribute to global warming, which is an increase in the average temperature of earth's near-surface air and oceans. Global warming has been tracked

since the mid-20th century and is projected to continue. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) asserts that most of the observed temperature increases since the middle of the 20th century were caused by increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases resulting from human activity such as fossil fuel burning and deforestation.

Climate change has a direct impact on Narragansett Bay and nearby coastal waters and fishing, and can have a positive, negative or neutral effect on species with different tolerances. URI Bay temperature studies confirm that Narragansett Bay has warmed approximately two degrees Fahrenheit, depending on time of year in past 45 years, and there are signs of a rising ocean in Rhode Island with beach erosion occurring along our coastal shore.

How are fish being impacted?

Last week Dr. Jonathan Hare, director of the National Oceanographic & Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Narragansett Laboratory, spoke about climate change and marine fisheries at a Rhode Island Saltwater Anglers Association (RISAA) meeting. Dr. Hare spoke about ocean water warming along the northeast continental shelf, saying "We have had peaks and valleys over the years with a decade of warming water (like in the 1940's and 50's), and then decades when the water was on the cool side. However, long term over the course of time (since 1854), there is no doubt the water is warming."

Dr. Hare shared a time lapse illustration that showed how yellow-tail flounder and summer flounder (fluke) are actually migrating north toward Rhode Island and other northern coastal states as the water warms. This time lapse illustration showed fish leaving waters to the south and moving northward. So in addition to much anecdotal information about cold water fish moving out of our area and warm water fish moving into the area, Dr. Hare's work provides proof of warming water and species movement in and out of our region.

Another study by NOAA related that rising water temperatures are also helping to drive many of New England's fish populations farther from shore and into deeper water.

In this study NOAA biologists analyzed water temperature trends from North Carolina to the

Fishing with Live Bait

Capt. Blaine Anderson of Anderson Guide Service, who fishes the Connecticut River and Long Island Sound for stripers, bluefish, fluke, blackfish, false albacore and bonito, will be the guest speaker. Learn how and when to use live bait for the most effective results.

WHERE: VFW Post, 500 Anthony Road, Portsmouth

WHEN: 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 19

COST: \$5; Aquidneck Island Striper Team members free

MORE INFO: dclgolf@cox.net

Canadian border off Maine from 1968 to 2007. They then looked at fish survey data collected each spring and assessed where the fish were caught and how abundant they were.

Some fish species experienced a lot of movement while other species exhibited little movement to the north, but rather they moved to deeper waters where temperatures are lower.

Fishermen in Rhode Island and Massachusetts used to catch most of their haddock, flounder, and cod in waters close to shore. Nowadays, fishermen often have to travel as far 100 miles offshore to find those same fish.

At the same time, we are catching more fish here that are traditionally found in warmer southern waters like Atlantic croaker which is caught off Virginia and North Carolina, or Cobia (a warm water fish) which migrate along the Atlantic coast on a seasonal basis. In spring, they move from southern Florida, to the Carolinas as water temperatures rise. However, they are being caught more often in our waters in the past couple of years.

This year Mason Sherman, a URI engineering student from North Kingstown, RI, caught a 32 pound, 46 inch cobia when he was bottom fishing for fluke (summer flounder) just south of the Jamestown Bridge. Greg Vespe of Tiverton landed a 17 pound cobia fishing north of the Newport Bridge this summer when fishing with Atlantic Menhaden chunks for striped bass.

A technical report prepared for a 2013 National Climate Assessment for NOAA relates that the nation's ecosystems and marine resources are being affected by a changing climate. The report, titled "Oceans and Marine Resources in a Changing Climate", produced by sixty-three experts from NOAA and other federal, academic and non-governmental organizations, concluded that marine ecosystems will likely continue to be affected, in most cases negatively, by anthropogenic-driven climate change and rising levels of atmospheric CO2.

As fishermen, we know the water is warming and I believe we need to do everything we can to curb global warming.



Live bait yields big bass: Capt. Blaine Anderson caught this 74.75 pound bass last May with a live scup. He will be the guest speaker March 19 at the Aquidneck Island Striper Team meeting.

Live bait yields big bass

Capt. Blaine Anderson is a striped bass hunter. He has put many of his clients onto 50 pound trophy bass over the years. Last year, he landed a huge 57.5" striped bass just as he was checking on conditions for one of his early season charters in May. The 74.75 pound bass (with a 32.25" girth) was caught while using live bait... a scup. Capt. Anderson said, "It didn't take long for my scup to get nervous. A few seconds of frantic dancing was quickly followed by a solid THUMP! The fish didn't scream line off the open spool like some do, she just slowly and steadily swam away... I lightly thumbed the spool and let the fish take the line for a 5 count and pushed the lever drag forward, fish on!"

"I felt a slight pop as the line pulled free of whatever it had been hung on and suddenly, the line changed direction and went screaming past me. I jumped off the bow platform and followed the fish to the back of the boat. I told Bob that this was a real big bass and that we may want to break out the video camera... After changing direction, the fish again made another run of almost 100 yards. This time, as most big fish do, she headed towards the surface. I was fairly confident that this was now a caught fish."

Capt. Anderson's monster striper was caught with live bait

just like the world record striped bass (an 81-pounder caught by Greg Myerson from Connecticut) that was caught on a live eel. Most large fish caught on the Southwest Ledge of Block Island are often caught with live bait as well.

With all these big fish being caught on live bait, The Aquidneck Island Striper Team decided to hold a seminar titled "Fishing with Live Bait" at 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 19 at the VFW Post, 500 Anthony Road, Portsmouth. None other than Capt. Blaine Anderson of Anderson Guide Service will be the guest speaker. Learn how and when to use live bait for the most effective results. Capt. Anderson fishes the Connecticut River and Long Island Sound for stripers, bluefish, fluke, blackfish, false albacore and bonito. Members admitted free, guests are asked for a \$5 donation. Contact Richard Laurie at dclgolf@cox.net for information.

Environmental bond issues deserves our support

Last week an environmental bond referendum came before the Rhode Island House Finance Committee and this week it was scheduled to go before the Senate Finance Committee. The bond issue addresses clean water, open spaces and healthy communities. Last week DEM director Janet Coit and representatives from the Audubon Society, the Rhode

Island Saltwater Anglers Association, Save the Bay and a host of other conservation and water quality advocates testified on behalf of the bond referendum. Of particular importance to fishermen are funds for marine infrastructure, including a fishing pier at the new Rocky Point State Park. I testified on behalf of the bond issue and believe it deserves the consideration and support of fishermen.

Where's the bite

Fresh water ice fishing is taking place on select ponds and lakes that are frozen to safe standards. Visit www.dem.ri.gov for ice safety standards and call your local police department to make sure ice is safe before going out on it.

Cod fishing slowed this week but is expected to pick up once weather conditions improve. Reservations are important so captains can plan their trips. Three boats sailing include the Frances Fleet at www.francesfleet.com, the Seven B's at www.sevenbs.com, and the Island Current at www.islandcurrent.com.

Captain Dave Monti has been fishing and shell fishing on Narragansett Bay for over 40 years. He holds a captain's master license and a charter fishing license. Contact or forward fishing news and photos to Capt. Monti at dmontifish@verizon.net.

The Tides*

	HiAM	HiPM	LoAM	LoPM	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday, March 12	6:11 (3.3)	6:25 (3.4)	11:54	11:41	6:59	6:50
Thursday, March 13	6:53 (3.5)	7:07 (3.7)	—	12:27	6:57	6:51
Friday, March 14	7:28 (3.7)	7:44 (3.9)	12:25	1:00	6:55	6:52
Saturday, March 15	8:02 (3.8)	8:19 (4.1)	1:06	1:32	6:54	6:53
Sunday, March 16	8:35 (4.0)	8:54 (4.3)	1:47	2:04	6:52	6:54
Monday, March 17	9:10 (4.0)	9:30 (4.3)	2:26	2:36	6:50	6:55
Tuesday, March 18	9:48 (4.0)	10:08 (4.4)	3:03	3:08	6:48	6:56
Wednesday, March 19	10:29 (3.9)	10:50 (4.3)	3:39	3:42	6:47	6:58
Thursday, March 20	11:14 (3.8)	11:37 (4.2)	4:16	4:18	6:45	6:59

Full Moon March 16 — New Moon March 30

* Information is based on tides in Bristol Harbor.

Load gun, shoot foot

Two candidates have made self-inflicted wounds to their respective gubernatorial quests. Perhaps it is early enough for each of them to recover from the shot to the foot. Then, again, maybe not.

Victor Paul Alvarez wrote a recent GoLocal Prov story documenting that Mr. Pell didn't vote in half of the elections for which he was eligible. GoLocal Prov also reported that his wife, Michelle Kwan,

only voted once in California during the last 15 years for which she was eligible. The articles feed into the perception that neither has lived in Rhode Island long enough to understand the issues, and that Pell seems to have dropped in to become Governor, as though it were some divine right. Coca Cola ads starring Kwan and referring to her as a resident of Washington, D.C. also do not help the Pell cause.

Some might think it is unfair to go after wives but when that spouse is in the middle of the campaign, she becomes fair game. Ms. Kwan spoke at his announcement and often travels

on the campaign junket with him. The exodus of Bill Fischer, his political operative, doesn't bode well for the organization either. In an earlier column I wrote that this campaign is Pell's to lose. He's on the road to doing so.

General Treasurer Gina Raimondo has her base of support among those who recognize her courage in promoting pension reform. Ironically, many of the public sector employees who should be throwing her a ticker tape parade for saving their pensions are too blind to see the benefit. So instead, Ms. Raimondo took a left turn to woo the unattainable, managing to turn off constituents who were supporting her in the process. Here's what she did.

The State Investment Commission, which she heads, invested pension funds in January, 2012, in Daniel Loeb's Third Point, LLC. Some \$50 million was placed there in order for the state to meet its 7.5 percent return target. Third Point has been a star, returning 24.7 percent, while its competitors as a class averaged 17.1 percent, and the State's total return was 14 percent. It was Raimondo's turn to throw Loeb a ticker tape parade, but instead she and the commission she controls fired him.

The heave-ho came as a result of teacher union pressure. Mr. Loeb and his wife contribute copious amounts of money to charter schools, particularly in poor neighborhoods. That has provoked the ire of Randi Weingarten, The American Federation of Teachers (AFT) President, who tries to torpedo these efforts. The AFT leaned on Ms. Raimondo to pull the funds from Mr. Loeb's company, and she complied.

The Treasurer's office has given a weak excuse, claiming that it was to remove the "beta risk" (sensitivity to equity market moves). The fact is that the Treasurer's office knew this risk back in 2012. A decreased investment in exposure to equities would normally follow such a reasoning but the Commission instead increased its equity exposure, underscoring what a fig leaf the "explanation" is.

Ms. Raimondo will not have union support since, as the Wall Street Journal accurately points out, they will have to make an example of her lest other democrats follow suit and seek pension reform. Her losing gamble also will cost the votes of some previous supporters who see her now in retreat.

Another reason to beware Instagram abuse

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If you haven't yet heard (or heeded) the warnings to be wary of what you post on social media, you must be living under a rock. Or maybe you don't care. There are countless stories of people whose indiscriminate postings have cost them jobs, spots in prestigious schools, and in some cases, money.

Lots of money, as in the case of Dana Snay, a should-have-known-better 20-year-old daughter of a former prep school headmaster in Florida who recently sued and settled an age discrimination case against his former employer.

The \$80,000 settlement carried a confidentiality clause. And it became clear that Daddy Snay violated that clause when his li'l darling blasted the following to her 1,200 Facebook followers: "Mama and Papa Snay won the case against Gulliver," she posted. "Gulliver is now officially paying for my vacation to Europe this summer. SUCK IT."

Oops. I'm going to go out on a limb here and guess that Daddy Snay has revoked Dana's passport.

While that's a pretty dramatic outcome, people post reputation-damaging and defining things on social media every day. I know — I'm one of those mothers who snoop, and not just a little. I do it a lot. If you are a friend of a minor who lives in my home and whose device I technically own, just go ahead and assume I know exactly what you did last weekend. And I am still deciding if I am disgusted or just jealous.

Looking back at adolescence adds a whole new level of insight and clarity to this life we're all making our way through. The truth is, you have something far more than your dream job or that Ivy League scholarship on the line.

Call it "The older I get the better I was" factor.

If you are at an age where you have some adventures in the rearview mirror, you know how epic they were. The movie "Hot Tub Time Machine" may have offered a glimpse of your sheer awesomeness. Maybe.

You skied like Bode Miller, had the abs of Matthew McConaughey, and could sink a basketball from mid court. Backwards. Which you remember doing once, in a game. Or

was it the championship game? Yes, you are pretty sure it was.

Of course you sound like Al Bundy, regaling shoe shoppers with stories of his glory days on the gridiron. But the brilliant part of it is that Al could have been telling the truth. There was nobody to provide evidence to the contrary. You know if Peg had YouTube video of Al bench-warming, she would have used it to destroy what was left of his self-confidence.

Now, with every moment of their lives pasted to Instagram and Vine, in a world where even grandma is on Facebook, how will today's teens ever someday bask in glory that never was?

When they are in their 40's, photographic evidence of every teenaged misstep, moment of mediocrity, bad choices made in worse outfits, horrific hairdos and tragic dance moves will be archived and at the fingertips of all 1,200 of their ninth grade BFFs.

No worries, kids. Your friends have got your back.

I used to feel a little sad that I didn't have all this technology when I was younger. All the swim meets at the old Bristol YMCA, summers spent sailing on Bristol Harbor, waterskiing on the Sakonnet River — all the intricate details of those memories, memories spent with many of the same friends I still have, are lost to time.

But when I think of how much fun we had, how great it was to be 16 and spend our days not at a desk but running around and having a great time; and when I "remember" how I swam like Dara Torres and how great we all looked in our favorite acid-washed jeans, and how cool we were, driving around town in a VW rabbit, and...

Yeah.

The older we get the better we were. And I am grateful that we were so great — if only in our own minds.

Today's kids will want to look back at these days sometime in the not-so-distant future. When they are whitening their teeth and paying taxes and coloring their hair and comparing health insurance plans and listening to their kids fight, they will look back on their teens and, instead of perfectly edited, airbrushed, and surgically enhanced memories, they will have photographic proof of what complete dorks they were.

Enjoy your 40's, suckers.



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LOOKING UP

An Equinox, Zodiacal light, and a rare event a few hours west

Skywatching highlights through the end of March

Tuesday, March 18 through Tuesday, Apr. 1, after evening twilight
Zodiacal Light

The faint glow of the zodiacal light, reflected from millions of tiny interplanetary particles, will be visible from northern latitudes in the western sky right after evening twilight ends. Fainter than the Milky Way, this is only visible in really dark skies. The Milky Way arches from southwest to northwest, while the zodiacal light rises straight up from the western horizon underneath Jupiter.

Tuesday, March 18, 10 p.m.
Mars, Spica, and the Moon

Look towards the eastern horizon around 10 p.m. and you'll see the moon, two days past full, rising with the planet Mars to its left and Spica to its right.

Thursday, March 20, 2:07 a.m.
Asteroid Erigone occults Regulus

Asteroid 163 Erigone will pass in front of the first magnitude star Regulus, causing it to blink out of sight for a few seconds. This will be visible only on a narrow path starting over Long Island, New York, through Kingston, Ontario, Algonquin Provincial Park, and the western part of Hudson's Bay. A map of the predicted path is shown here www.asteroidoccultation.com/observations/RegulusOcc/. Erigone itself will not be visible to the naked eye.

Thursday, March 20, 12:57 p.m.
Equinox

The sun crosses the equator heading north, marking the official beginning of Spring.

Thursday, March 20, midnight
Saturn and the Moon

Saturn and the moon rise together just before midnight in the southeastern sky.

Saturday, March 22, 4 p.m.
Venus at greatest elongation west

Venus will be at its farthest westward from the sun, which means that it will also be in perfect "half-moon" phase, lit exactly from its left side.

Sunday, March 23, 10:08 p.m.-10:32 p.m.
Double shadow transit on Jupiter

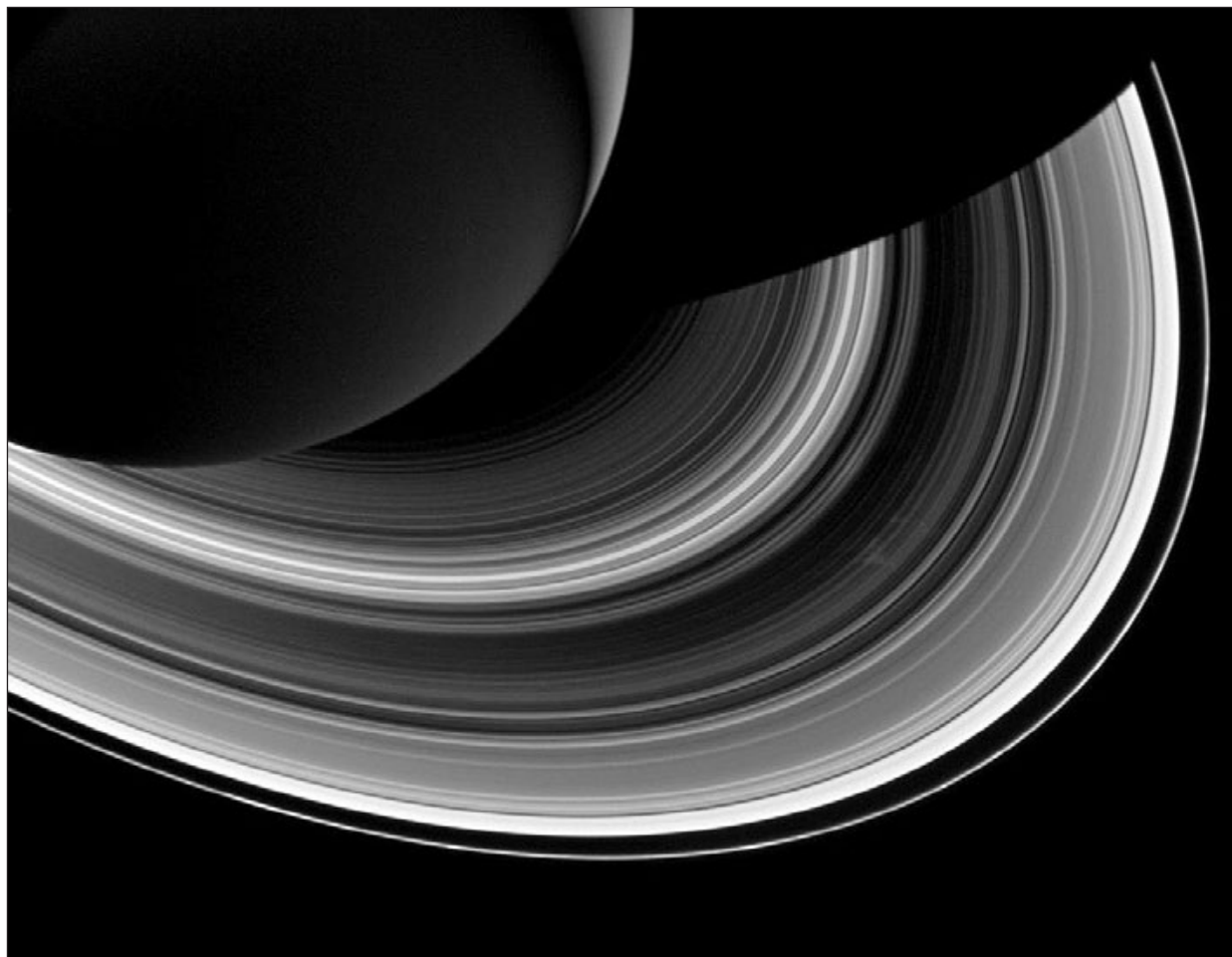
The shadows of two of Jupiter's moons, Io and Ganymede, will cross Jupiter's face simultaneously, visible to observers all across North America.

Thursday, March 27, sunrise
The Moon close to Venus

The slender crescent moon will be just to the left of Venus, which will appear as a miniature crescent in small telescopes.

Planets

Venus is now a "morning star," rising in the east just before the sun. It reaches greatest elongation



NASA/JPL

A new image captured by a NASA spacecraft shows Saturn's famous rings, with one of the planet's many moons shining in the distance.

west on March 22.

Mars continues to brighten close to Spica in Virgo. It rises in the east in mid-evening and is visible the rest of the night.

Jupiter shines brightly in the south most of the night. The Great Red Spot is easier to see than in many recent years, showing a dis-

tinct orange color.

Saturn rises in the eastern sky around midnight in the constellation Libra.

The Moon

The Full Moon of March, known as the Worm Moon, Crow Moon, Sap Moon, or Lenten Moon. It ris-

es around sunset March 16 and sets around sunrise, the only night in the month when the moon is in the sky all night long. The rest of the month, the moon spends at least some time in the daytime sky.

Credit: Space.com

New application gives kids a weapon in the fight against cyberbullying

StopIt is a new application that gives students — and schools — a proven tool that will help them fight cyberbullying in the way they are most comfortable communicating.

The school purchases the program and distributes access codes to the students, who download StopIt from App Store free of charge (to the student) and enter their code. The app will automatically personalize with the school name, and program the School Cyberbully Contact.

From there, operation is simple. A student experiences or witnesses bullying, and he or she needs to only go to the site, click a button, and choose whether to send a report to the school anonymously or with a name attached. The anonymity empowers kids to stand up for themselves and their friends.

According to Det. Sgt. Tom Rich, a Cyber-safety expert (alwaysconnected.com) and part of the development team for StopIt, who also has served 17 years on a municipal police force, StopIt makes it easy for kids to come forward. "This is the easiest way ever to capture info and send to adults. Bullying is happening and kids want the resources to stop it, but they want anonymi-

ty," Rich says. "They don't want to be seen going into the principal's office, or putting notes in the "bully box."

Rich also points out a unique feature: the "Help It" button. "Its a hotline, built right into the app, that is manned 24/7 for kids who are looking to harm themselves. They can text or speak with trained professionals any time of day or night. It's customized to connect with a local crisis center, or the closest one, if one is unavailable locally. "I have actually spoken with kids who were engaging in harmful behaviors night before," says Rich, "and they suggested they might have welcomed help, had it been available."

Sgt Det. Rich and the rest of the development team spent thousands of hours, and conducted over 150 presentations with the app in beta form. Rich reports that the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.

The price makes it accessible, too. It depends on the community, but works out to roughly \$1.50 per student. Schools can visit the contact page at stopitcyberbully.com to learn more about StopIt.

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Food & Dining

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Pancake breakfast in Westport

The Westport Middle School Association is holding its annual pancake breakfast / vendor craft fair / student art show on Saturday, March 15, from 8-11 a.m. at the Westport Middle School, 400 Old County Road.

Tickets at the door are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 13 and under. For advance tickets, contact WMSAinformation@charter.net.

'St. Patty-Cakes' at Buttonwood Park Zoo

Buttonwood Park Zoo will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 16, offering zoo visitors an opportunity to delight in delicious pancakes while also celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Members \$8/\$5; non-members \$13/\$10; includes zoo admission. Participants must pre-pay at www.bpzoo.org or by calling 508/991-4556 x18.

Pasta dinner

A pasta dinner and silent auction is on Friday, March 21, at 5 p.m. to benefit the Mt. Hope High School Robotics Club. It is at the high school cafeteria, Chestnut Street, Bristol. Tickets are \$10 per person, \$35 for a family of four, and \$7 per student (ages 6 to 18).

Children 5 and younger are free. Contact Ryan Garrity at 401/230-

750 or Garrityr@bw.k12.ri.us.

Kosher wine tasting at United Brothers

Would you like to serve Kosher wine other than Manischewitz or Mogen David for Passover? This class and tasting will feature quality Kosher wines from the Southern Hemisphere paired with appropriate cheeses; it will teach you how to analyze the color, aroma and flavor of each wine, and pair each wine with food. Held from 4-6 p.m., Saturday, March 22; at the United Brothers Synagogue, 205 High Street, Bristol. The cost is \$15/person for UBS members, and \$20 for non-members. Space is limited and is by reservation only; please reserve via email to ubsbristol@gmail.com.

Blues Brunch

With the Matt Stubbs Band featuring Dennis Brennan, catered by Pranzi Catering, on Sunday, March 23. Narrows Center for the Arts, 16 Anawan St., Fall River; 508/324-1926.

Breakfast buffet at the senior center

A breakfast buffet to benefit the Portsmouth Multi-Purpose Senior Center will be sponsored by the Portsmouth Rotary Club on Sunday, March 23, from 8 to 11:30 a.m.; at the center at 110 Bristol Ferry Road. There will be pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausages, juice, and coffee or tea. Tickets may be pur-



Historic Foodways & Hearth Cooking workshop

Coggeshall Farm's Historic Foodways & Hearth Cooking workshops are continuing all winter long. Leave the kids at home, and grab your spouse or friends and come spend an evening on the farm, by candlelight. You'll get to experience cooking several 1790's recipes from Amelia Simmons' American Cookery, the first American cookbook, originally published in 1796. It's a night out paired with farm-raised meat and produce cooked over the hearth — it doesn't taste any better than this! Held every Saturday beginning at 4 p.m. Space for this workshop is limited, and reservations are required. Ages 16 and up; \$60 for non-members, \$50 for members.

chased at the door and the senior center office, and are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 10.

Lions Club scholarship breakfast

The Bristol County Lions Club will host its 14th annual Scholarship Breakfast on Sunday, March 23, from 8 to 11:30 a.m., at Mt. Hope High School, Chestnut St., in Bristol. Donations for the breakfast, which includes eggs, pancakes, bacon, ham, home fries, sweetbread French toast, pastry, juice and coffee, are for \$8 for adults, or \$5 for children under 8. All high school students living in Bristol County who have been accepted into an accredited school are eligible. All net proceeds from this event will go towards awarding these scholarships. For more information call Bette Walpole at 401/301-4301.

'Tea with Abigail' at Carpenter Museum

Join the Carpenter Museum for "Tea with Abigail" from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, March 23. Abigail Adams (re-enacted by Sally Gruber) will visit. Born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, Abigail served as unofficial adviser to her husband President John Adams throughout his career. Tea and homemade refreshments will be served. Cost is \$8 (members \$3). Seating is limited, so please reserve in advance: Carpenter Museum, 4 Locust Ave., Rehoboth; 508/252-3031; carpentermuseum.org.

A night with Fluke, for the birds

Fluke Wine, Bar & Kitchen is the place to be on Wednesday, March 26, as they create a sumptuous 3-course menu to benefit the Norman Bird Sanctuary. Located at 41 Bowen's Wharf, Fluke's award winning modern American cuisine continually receives rave reviews from critics near and far. For \$45 (plus tax, tip, & beverages) you can support one of Aquidneck Island's most treasured natural places, while dining at one of Newport's best bistros. For reservations, beginning at 5 p.m., please call Fluke at 401/849-7778, or visit www.flukewinebar.com.

Paradise Farmhouse Lunch Tours

If you've driven by the Norman Bird Sanctuary on Third Beach Road in Middletown, you've noticed the big old farmhouse

undergoing renovations the last few years. Paradise Farmhouse will soon be offering multi-day programs for visiting ornithologists, naturalists, health & wellness groups, eco-conscious travelers, environmentalists and artists on this breathtaking and historical property. Pre-opening events every Friday through March 28, will include guided tours with a farmhouse lunch of hot organic soup, warm crusty bread, garden salad, beverage and yummy treats. Lunch will be offered from noon-1 p.m. at \$12 per person. To reserve a group tour (max. 12 guests) contact Paradise Farmhouse Director, Lisel Woods at farmhouse@normanbirdsantuary.org, or call 401/846-2577 x18.

Mad Hatter Tea at the Maxwell House

A Mad Hatter Tea with scones, sandwiches, and sweets is on Saturday, March 29, at The Maxwell House, corner of Church and Water streets,

Warren. Hats are encouraged, but not required. The first seating is from 12:30 to 2 p.m. The second seating is from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Seating is limited and you must reserve and prepay for a seat. The cost is \$15. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 401/245-0392.

Senior Luncheon

Join us as we enjoy lunch prepared by some of the finest cooks in Little Compton, who volunteer to prepare delicious meals for senior citizens every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Don't miss this opportunity to share good food with good friends at the Little Compton Community Center. A \$3 donation for the disabled and seniors age 50 and over, or \$6 under age 50 is suggested. Please call to reserve at least 48 hours in advance, 401/635-2400.

Thursday night beer tastings at DeWolf Tavern

Spend your winter Thursdays at the DeWolf Tavern's upstairs bar with Luc. Each week, he'll have a special tasting menu paired with some of his favorite beers, from local craft IPAs to German pilsners. Each pairing will balance the best elements of the beer with the delightful flavors of Chef Sai's culinary selections. For more information call 401/254-2005.

Community Cuisine by Marie — Afternoon Tea

Come enjoy a refreshing repast in our cafe-style dining room or al fresco under the shady maple tree overlooking the Common. Community Cuisine is open each Tuesday from 1-4 p.m., offering a variety of hot and cold teas and a selection of petite savory and sweet delectables. The chef is Marie O'Loughlin Jenkins. At the Little Compton Community Center.



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Unfortunately, all breakfasts are not equal. What you eat for breakfast is just as important as how much you eat. A recent study looked at what happened when people were given 50 percent of their daily caloric needs for breakfast or 50 percent of their daily caloric needs for dinner. People who ate the larger breakfast had greater weight loss as well as better levels of triglycerides and HDL (the "good" cholesterol) compared to the people who ate the larger dinner.

Try one of these quick, balanced breakfast options and see how great you can feel:

- Whole grain toast with an egg
- Low fat Greek yogurt with berries
- Whole grain English muffin with all natural peanut butter.
- Oatmeal with almonds
- Low fat cottage cheese with pineapple
- Fruit smoothie: low fat Greek yogurt, almond milk, and frozen fruit

Mini Quiche "Muffins"

Servings: 12 servings of 2 "muffins" per serving
 1/2 pound ground turkey
 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, low fat, shredded
 4 eggs
 4 egg whites
 4 green onions, thinly sliced

- 3/4 cup skim milk
- 1 1/2 cups broccoli, chopped
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper
- Cooking spray
- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Spray 12 cup muffin tin with non-stick cooking spray.
- 3. In a medium saute pan, brown the

- turkey meat. Drain off excess liquid.
 - 4. Combine all ingredients in a large mixing bowl.
 - 5. Divide mixture evenly between 12 muffin cups.
 - 6. Bake for 20-25 minutes, or until set.
 - 7. Serve warm or cold.
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FOOD TRUCKS: Mobile food finds traction

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focus on a certain regional or ethnic cuisine mean that customers are greeted by a wide variety of options when trucks congregate in one area, or event.

Licensing of food trucks varies from town to town, which can cause some challenges for vendors. While health licensing is state-regulated and to the same standard required of all food-service establishments, permission, as well as where a truck can park and sell remains a somewhat contentious issue for some communities. While Providence permits food trucks to operate in several locations throughout the city, and you will find them in number migrating between Kennedy Plaza and College Hill, other towns are less eager to roll out the welcome mat.

While all towns in the area welcome food trucks under the umbrella of special events, and Barrington is looking into the possibility of establishing a park on the site of the former police station on County Road where food trucks would be welcome on a regular basis, most towns, like Bristol, restrict them.

According to Bristol Town Councilman Halsey Herreshoff, the Council has been reluctant to welcome food trucks. "We owe respect for Bristol establishments serving food, over those from here or elsewhere wishing license to roam our streets selling food," says Herreshoff. "Bristol has fine restaurants and quite sufficient coffee/snack places; they are a vital part of our citizen service done by hard working owners and employees. So, why sponsor outside competition?"

While an argument can be made that restaurants that pay property taxes and employ residents are contributing more to the community, an argument could also be made that that approach simply favors larger businesses over sole proprietorships. Others argue that larger, established restaurants con-



RICHARD W. DIONNE JR.

Heather Zoller in the Z Food Truck kitchen.

tribute more to the tax base. But should that justify preferential treatment on the part of local government?

Mike Stenhouse, CEO for the RI Center for Freedom & Transparency, a nonpartisan public policy think tank, thinks this is a big problem across a number of industries in Rhode Island, and it is impacting our ability to prosper. Stenhouse's organization will discuss licensing practices at length in a soon to be released non-essential spending report.

"It is common insider politics in Rhode Island for incumbent professionals to use regulatory boards to prevent newcomers from joining their ranks by demanding steep fees and rigorous educational requirements, squelching competition and protecting their own turf," said Stenhouse. "These crony practices often result in fewer choices, higher prices and poorer quality for consumers and usually do not result in enhanced public safety."

As for Heather and the rest of

Want to find the Z Food Truck?

- www.zfoodtruck.com
- [twitter: @zfoodtruck](https://twitter.com/zfoodtruck)
- [facebook: zfoodtruck](https://facebook.com/zfoodtruck)

her fellow travelers, they will continue to do what they do best and bring their delicious offerings to communities where and when they are welcome, often en masse, and generally with great results. "I'm looking forward to offering a satisfying, affordable experience," Heather says. She is also looking forward to giving back to the wider community as well, pledging 20 percent of profits to charity; the National MS Society being the first recipient of the Z Food Truck's first month in business. The regulatory process is the last thing on Heather's mind as she looks forward to her opening. She just wants to get her new business on the road, for one reason: "I like making people happy through food."

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Wednesday

March 12

Dealing with cancer

Cancer is the second leading cause of death, accounting for nearly one in every four deaths. In this presentation the cancer personality profile will be discussed along with methods for healing these emotional traumas and balancing the body systems.

WHERE: Barrington Middle School, Middle Highway, Barrington
WHEN: 7-9 p.m.
COST: \$20 BCS members/ \$28 non-member
MORE INFO: 401/245-0432; www.barrcomm-school.com

Audubon, just for seniors

Are you interested in learning something new and meeting other seniors with similar interests? Come to Audubon for educational programs on a variety of topics. This week: Landscaping for Birds.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol
WHEN: 10 to 11:30 a.m.
COST: \$12/member, \$15/non-member
MORE INFO: www.asri.org

Thursday

March 13

'Dirty Wars'

Weaver Library and the East Bay Citizens for Peace invite you to a film screening of "Dirty Wars," the critically acclaimed documentary by investigative reporter Jeremy Scahill. Nominated for Best Documentary by the Academy Awards, Dirty Wars follows Scahill into the hidden world of America's covert wars being carried out around the world.

WHERE: Weaver Library, 41 Grove Avenue, East Providence
WHEN: 6:30 p.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/434-2453

Reading and book signing with author Rosemary Mahoney

In the tradition of Oliver Sack's "The Island of the Color Blind", Rosemary Mahoney reveals the fascinating mysterious world of the blind and changes the very way we see, with her book "For the Benefit of Those Who See." Author of several notable books, Mahoney was a 2011 Guggenheim Fellow and is the recipient of a Whiting Writer's Award.

WHERE: Island Books, 575 East Main Rd., Middletown
WHEN: 6:30 p.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/849-2665

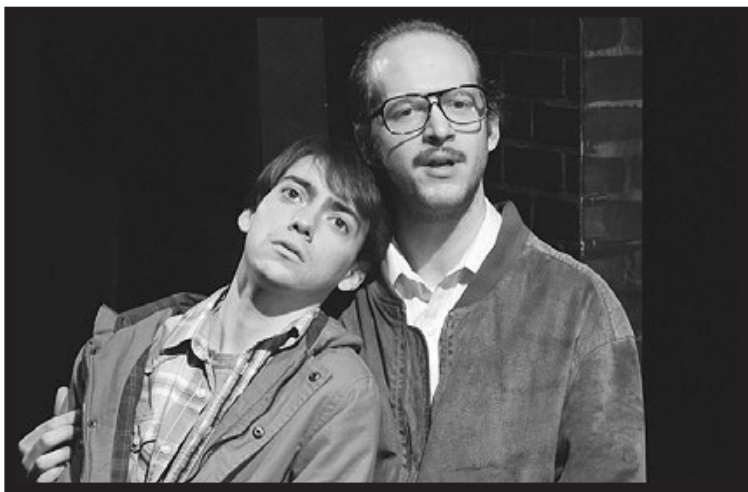
Friday

March 14

Opening of new group exhibit at Imago

Imago Foundation for the Arts is opening a new exhibit featuring artwork by founding member artist Mary Dondero, and the public is invited to a free

SPOTLIGHT



RICHARD W. DIONNE, JR.

'A Bright New Boise' in Warren

After a scandal at the Evangelical church, Will flees his hometown and heads to Boise, Idaho to find employment and to rekindle a relationship with his teenage son. In this quirky comic gem featuring (l-r) Patrick Saunders as Alex and Nathanael Lee as Will, the lost souls at The Hobby Lobby explore the always-thorny issues of faith, family, forgiveness and second chances.

WHERE: 2nd Story Theatre Down-Stage, 28 Market St., Warren
WHEN: Through March 30
COST: \$25
MORE INFO: 401/247-4200; 2ndstorytheatre.com

reception on Friday, March 14 from 6 to 8 p.m. Dondero will present new works from three portfolios: Waterfalls, Cut Flowers and Meandering Drawings.

WHERE: 36 Market St., Warren
WHEN: 6-8 p.m. Exhibit open through April 12. Gallery hours are 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday and noon to 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday
COST: Free
MORE INFO: www.imagofoundation4art.org

Rehoboth Contra Dance

All dances will be taught by caller Will Mentor. Music will be performed by Riptide, with Alden Robinson, Glen Loper, and Owen Marshall. Beginners welcome. Partners not necessary.

WHERE: Goff Memorial Hall, 124 Bay State Road, Rehoboth
WHEN: 8 p.m.
COST: \$8
MORE INFO: 508/252-6375; http://www.contradancelinks.com/rehoboth.html

Saturday

March 15

Murder at the Museum

The Newport Art Museum and Marley Bridges Theatre Co. host Murder at the Museum "Something Wicked This Way Comes," an interactive, all-ages murder mystery set during the 1890s and held in the Museum's historic Griswold House.

WHERE: Newport Art Museum 76 Bellevue Ave., Newport
WHEN: 7 p.m.
COST: \$25 for adults (\$15 members), \$20 for seniors and active military (\$10 members), \$15 for youth 17 and under (\$8 for members).
MORE INFO: Reservations recommended.

401/848-8200; NewportArtMuseum.org

Opening: 'The World of Landscapes'

Featuring artists (by jury) from around the New England area, as well as represented artists. Many mediums of original fine art and fine craft will be display.

WHERE: Hope Gallery, 435 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 6 to 8 p.m.; on exhibit through April 4.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/396-9117; www.hopegalleryfineartfinecraft.com

The woodcock's 'sky dance'

Join NBS staff for an indoor slide show on woodcocks, followed by an evening interpretive walk to witness the wonderful "sky dance" of this amazing, aerial acrobat. This program is appropriate for ages 8 and older. Space is limited, so please preregister in advance.

WHERE: Norman Bird Sanctuary, Middletown
WHEN: 6 to 7 p.m.
COST: \$6 members, \$8 non-members
MORE INFO: www.normanbirdsanctuary.org

Third Monthly Scrap Booking Crop

Have pictures sitting in a box that you are going to "Get around to some day"? Come enjoy space to spread out without your daily interruptions, meet new friends or bring an old one with you, be creative and share ideas.

WHERE: St. Jean the Baptist Church hall, Warren
WHEN: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
COST: \$20 lunch, drinks, snacks, and prizes every hour with a final raffle at the end of the day.
MORE INFO: 401/245-8938

Animalia making!

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SPOTLIGHT



Eyes on Owls in Westport

Eyes On Owls presents a live owl program in conjunction with the Westport Land Conservation Trust. All who attend are in for some fun with educational close-up views of these secretive birds of prey. Naturalist Marcia Wilson will introduce the audience to owls found in New England as well other parts of the world. After a hooting lesson and much audience anticipation, Marcia brings out the live owls one at a time, including this Eastern Screech Owl, pictured.

WHERE: Westport Middle School, 408 Old County Road, Westport
WHEN: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Saturday, March 15
MORE INFO: 508/636-9228; www.westportlandtrust.org

WHERE: 1740 Main Road, Westport Point
WHEN: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
COST: \$30
MORE INFO: www.WestportArtGroup.com

the film.
WHERE: Barrington Public Library, County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 6:30 p.m.
COST: Free

Sunday

March 16

Sing Out!

A concert to remember the music and spirit of Pete Seeger, Featuring Barry Brown, Keith Daniel and Nancy Hood.

WHERE: The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St., Warren
WHEN: 3-5 p.m.
COST: Donations will promote the work of East Bay Citizens for Peace
MORE INFO: 401/247-9738; www.eastbaycitizens4peace.org

RWU Talking in the Library Series: Archiving the Nation's History

Pamela Wright, chief innovation officer at the National Archives, will discuss her work, her ideas for creating an internal "Innovation Hub," digitization, and how public access to the Archives has evolved over the years. Wright previously served in the National Archives as the first chief digital access strategist, where she led the launch of social media platforms, as well as the crowd-sourcing project, the Citizen Archivist Dashboard.

WHERE: RWU University Library, 1 Old Ferry Road, Bristol
WHEN: 4 p.m.
COST: Free

Monday

March 17

St. Patrick's Day

Tuesday

March 18

The original 'Muppet Movie'

Celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the original Muppet Movie by watching the 1979 classic on our big screen! Enter our raffle to win a copy of the book "Jim Henson: The Works, the Art, the Magic, the Imagination" to be raffled off after

Wednesday

March 19

Got Photos? Get Organized!

Have you accumulated years of photos that are sitting in boxes and bins? This hands-on class offered by Barrington Community School will teach you the ABC's of organizing your photos. You will leave organized and thrilled with your memories neatly categorized.

WHERE: Atria Bay Spring Village, 147 Bay Spring Ave., Barrington
WHEN: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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COST: \$29 BCS member; \$34 non-member
MORE INFO: 401/245-0432; www.barrcomm-school.com.

RWU Great Films Series: "Rashomon"

Akira Kurosawa's 1950 film is arguably the finest ever made about the philosophy of justice. Through an ingenious use of camera and flash-backs, Kurosawa reveals the complexities of human nature as four people recount different versions of the same story: the murder of a man and the rape of his wife.

Where: RWU Global Heritage Hall Building, Room G01, 1 Old Ferry Road, Bristol

When: 7:30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contra Dance at Sandywoods

Join us on the third Wednesday night of every month for a contra dance at the beautiful Sandywoods Center for the Arts. All dances are taught and feature live music and experienced callers. Partners not necessary. Beginners and children welcome! Our March dance features caller Paul Wilde and old-time string band Sundial.

WHERE: Sandywoods, 43 Muse Way, Tiverton
WHEN: 7 to 10 p.m.

COST: \$8 adults, \$4 children, \$18 families
MORE INFO: www.sandywoodsmusic.com

Music**Aidan's Irish Pub**

John St., Bristol; 401/254-1940

Sunday: An Irish seisiun, 5-9 p.m.

Atlantic Sports Pub

70 Shove St., Tiverton; 401/816-5996

Wednesdays: Pro Karaoke by Rick & Joan

Benjamin's Sports Club

4 Stafford Road, Tiverton; 401/624-3899

Saturdays: Pro Karaoke with Rick & Joan

Bluewater Grill

32 Barton St., Barrington; 401/247-0017

Saturdays: live music

Custom House Coffee

600 Clock Tower Square, West Main Road, Portsmouth

Sunday: Open mic with Gary Fish, 2-5 p.m., guest musician 3 to 3:45 p.m.

The Coffee Depot

501 Main Street, Warren; 401/608-2553

Open Mic starts about 7:00 pm and follows the featured artist's 8:00-8:40 pm performance until 9:50pm., Fridays excluding holiday weekends. Bring a nonperishable food donation to benefit Bristol Good Neighbors.

DeWolf Tavern

259 Thames St., Bristol; 401/254-2005

Wednesdays: The Rick Costa Trio (jazz).

Federal Hill Pizza

495 Main St., Warren; 401/245-0045

Federal Hill Pizza features live music

every Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.

Fins

198 Thames St., Bristol; 401/253-2012

Thursday: DJ Richard Fraioli; Friday: House Music w/ DJ Andy Reed; Saturday: St. Patrick's weekend party; Monday: Irish Party.

The Knights of Columbus

28 Fish Rd., Tiverton

Karaoke every Friday night with Mari-ozations Studio; from 6:30-11 p.m.; Computer karaoke or BYO CD. Free admission. 50/50 raffle, hosted by Jesse Bertholde 401/297-6604.

LePage's Seafood

439 Maritime St., Fall River; 508/677-2180

Fridays: Karaoke with Cal Raye at 9 p.m.

Mulhearn's Pub

507 North Broadway, East Providence; 401/438-9292

Sunday: Karaoke with Cal Raye.

Narrows Center for the Arts

16 Anawan St., Fall River; 508/324-1926

Thursday, March 13: Royal Southern Brotherhood; Friday, March 14: singer songwriter extraordinaire Richard Shindell and his top notch band; Saturday, March 15: British blues guitar phenom Matt Schofield Band.

One Pelham East

270 Thames St., Newport; 401/847-9460

Friday: Them Apples; Saturday: 7 Day weekend; Tuesday: DJ Blacklist.

133 Club

29 Warren Ave., East Providence; 401/438-1330

Wednesdays: Karaoke with Big Bill; Thursdays: Mac Odom Band; Friday: Rory & The Hounds; Saturday: Off the Hook; Sunday: Vintage Soul.

Oriental Pearl

576 State Rd., Westport

508/675-1501 or 401/435-6565

Karaoke every Wednesday and Thursday night with Cal Raye. 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

Scampi

657 Park Ave., Portsmouth; 401/293-5844

Fridays: Andre Arsenault; Saturdays: Alissa Musto.

2 Paul's City Grille

315 Waterman Ave., East Providence; 401/228-7285

Theater & Stage**'The All Night Strut!' at Ocean State Theatre**

This classy, sassy musical celebration of the 1930s and '40s, carries audiences through the Depression, World War II

SPOTLIGHT**Mike + Ruthy at Sandywoods**

Indie folk roots duo Mike + Ruthy (Michael Merenda and Ruth Ungar) have established a reputation for breathtaking delivery and intimate performance, with exquisite songs that combine catchy folk-pop choruses with honest, organic traditional folk and roots elements, played out on guitars, fiddle, banjo, ukulele, and a single microphone.

WHERE: Sandywoods, 43 Muse Way, Tiverton
WHEN: 7:30 p.m.; Friday, March 14
COST: \$17 advance, \$20 at the door
MORE INFO: 401/241-7349; www.sandywoodsmusic.com

and the post war boom. The show is filled with jazz, blues, bebop and standards that thrill the heart, tickle the funny bone and raise the rafters. This international hit is a slick slice of yesteryear

WHERE: Ocean State Theatre, 1245 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick
WHEN: Through March 16
COST: \$39-\$54
MORE INFO: 401/921-6800; www.OceanStateTheatre.org

'The Great God Pan'

Epic Theatre Company presents the Rhode Island Premiere of a haunting work about memory and family secrets in a remarkable new drama by Amy Herzog.

WHERE: Artists' Exchange, 50 Rolfe Square, Cranston
WHEN: 8 p.m.; Fridays & Saturdays, Through March 22
COST: \$15 General Admission, \$12 Seniors & Students
MORE INFO: 401/490-9475; www.artists-exchange.org

'A Bright New Boise'

In this quirky comic gem, Will and the other lost souls at The Hobby Lobby touchingly explore the always-thorny issues of faith, family, forgiveness and second chances.

WHERE: 2nd Story Theatre, Warren
WHEN: Through March 30
COST: \$25
MORE INFO: www.2ndstory.org

'Macbeth' at the Gamm

The Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre stages Macbeth, William Shakespeare's classic tale about the lust for power, guilt and destiny.

WHERE: The Gamm Theatre, 172 Exchange St., Pawtucket
WHEN: Through April 13
COST: \$38 and \$48
MORE INFO: 401/723-4266; gammtheatre.org.

Wednesday night at the movies

With Peter Weldy. This Wednesday, March 12: "The Butler." March 19: "Enough Said"; April 2: "Captain Phillips"; April 16: "American Hustle"; April 23: "Blue Jasmine"

WHERE: Rogers Free Library, 525 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 7 p.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: www.rogersfreelibrary.org

Sunday Nature Flicks

Looking to get out of the house this winter? Take a trip to Audubon for an afternoon of fascinating nature documentaries on the big screen. March 16: What Plants Talk About: Explore the "secret world of plants" and learn how different species behave and communicate with each other and their environment so that they can survive and thrive. March 23: Wings of Life: Meryl Streep narrates this beautiful film that celebrates the creatures that are responsible for a third of the world's food supply and are also in critical need of our help for survival. March 30: Ocean Frontiers II: This film is second in an award-winning series that highlights historic and modern uses of New England waters and introduces the idea of collaborative ocean planning in the Ocean State.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol
WHEN: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
COST: Free with Admission
MORE INFO: www.asri.org

Festival Ballet presents 'Boundless Plotnikov'

Festival Ballet Providence brings The Vets stage alive once again with "Boundless Plotnikov", an evening pushing the boundaries of human motion and anatomy. In addition to an encore of last season's hit premiere ORCHIS, the program features the Rhode Island premiere of SURRENDER and a brand-new work.

WHERE: The Vets
WHEN: Friday to Sunday, March 14-16
MORE INFO: thevetsri.com

'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum'

Newport's Swanhurst Chorus announces its 20th Annual Tribute to Broadway with Burt Shevelove and Steven Sondheim's 1966 comedy "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

WHERE: Fenner Hall, 15 Fenner Avenue, Newport
WHEN: 6:30 p.m., March 8, 14, 15, 21, 22; 1:30 p.m., March 9, 16
COST: \$29 and \$35
MORE INFO: 401/682-1630; www.Swanhurst.org

'Le Dindon' or 'The Dupe' by Georges Feydeau

A comic masterpiece of mistaken identities, illicit assignations, frenzied

libidos, laughter and l'amour.

WHERE: 2nd Story Theatre UpStage, 28 Market St., Warren
WHEN: Through April 13
COST: \$25
MORE INFO: 401/247-4200; 2ndstorytheatre.com

Kids & Outdoors**Children's story hour**

Miss Margie reads several theme-related story and picture books geared towards the pre-school set, followed by craft time allowing the children to express their creativity based on the fun facts and stories they just heard.

WHERE: Barrington Books, Barrington Shopping Center, County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 10 a.m. Thursdays
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/245-7925; www.barrington-books.com

Young children's story hour

Bring your little ones for stories geared for 3- to 5-year-olds. Includes a craft and light snack.

WHERE: Baker Books, Route 6, Dartmouth
WHEN: 10 a.m. Thursdays
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 508/997-6700; www.bakerbooks.net

Children's Reading Circle

Partners Village Store children's reading and activity hour is geared for preschool children. Come join the fun every Thursday as we read stories, enjoy snacks and a craft activity.

WHERE: Partners Village Store, 865 Main Road, Westport
WHEN: Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 508/636-2572; www.partnersvillagestore.com

Winter Wonder Walks

Take a brisk walk and explore the great outdoors at Audubon's Environmental Education Center. An Audubon educator will highlight winter plant and animal adaptations and talk about how weather affects our local landscape. So get outside, discover nature in the winter months, and just maybe spot some amazing local wildlife.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol
WHEN: 1-2 p.m.; every Sunday through March 30
COST: Free with admission
MORE INFO: Register online www.asri.org

New after school activity group

Be one of the founding and guiding members of this new group. Possible activities include zine making, vinyl listening, comic drawing, book discussing, green screen shooting, joke telling, creative writing.

WHERE: Weaver Library, 41 Grove Avenue, East Providence
WHEN: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Mondays, March 17, 31
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/434-2453

Nature Quest Club

Audubon combines nature and science exploration in this discovery club for young naturalists ages 7 to 10. Kids gain knowledge and understanding of current environmental topics and build a passion for the natural world through fun, hands-on discoveries and outdoor exploration.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 3:45 to 4:45, Wednesdays, Through April 9
COST: \$60/member child, \$76/member two siblings; \$65/non-member child, \$82/ non-member two siblings
MORE INFO: Register online at www.asri.org

DIAGNOSED WITH OCD? HIC#10424,3626

Is your current OCD medication not enough?

Interested in a trial of an investigational medication for OCD or other research?

Ages 18-65 only
Compensation may be provided.
Please call us to learn more.

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(203) 974-7523 • ocd.yale.edu

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Prudence Island Seal Watch

Come explore Prudence Island with a chance to see seals at one of the best haul-out spots in Narragansett Bay. Participants will also tour the island by van with stops to visit several unique historical and natural features.

WHERE: Prudence Island
WHEN: 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; March 12, 15, 26; April 9
COST: \$12/member adult, \$6/member child; \$15/non-member adult, \$8/non-member child
MORE INFO: Register at www.asri.org

Learn to sail at Herreshoff

Learn to sail this summer at the Herreshoff Marine Museum in Bristol. Youth, adult and family classes; all levels welcome. Family lessons available on weekdays & weekends. Learn the lifelong skill and love of sailing with us this summer!

MORE INFO: www.herreshoff.org; 401/253-5000

Weekly storytimes

No advance registration is necessary. Half hour storytimes include stories, songs, crafts, and other activities. Storytimes will not meet during April (Apr. 20-26) school vacation week.

Tuesdays, 1:30pm, ages 3 - 6 @ Riverside

Wednesdays, 9:30am, ages birth - 36 months @ Riverside

Wednesdays, 6:30pm, ages 2 - 6 @ Weaver

Thursdays, 9:30am, ages birth - 36 months @ Weaver

Thursdays, 10:30am, ages 3 - 6 @ Weaver

Saturdays, 10:00am, ages 2 - 6 @ Weaver

WHERE: Weaver memorial library, 41 Grove Ave., East Providence; Riverside branch library, 475 Bullocks Point Ave., Riverside
MORE INFO: 401/434-2453; 401/433-4877
WHEN: Through May 17, 2014
COST: Free

Love LEGOs?

Show off your skills and let your imagination flow during our weekly Lego free play hour! Lego creations made during free play will be photographed for our Facebook and displayed for a week in between sessions. LEGOs will be provided by the library.

WHERE: George Hail Library, Main St., Warren
WHEN: 3:30-4:30 p.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: For children in grades K-5 with an adult. Email ghchildrensroom@gmail.com.

Li'l Peeps

This popular program introduces children ages 18 to 36 months to the delights of nature through age-appropriate, hands-on activities. Along with a nature lesson, activities may include nature walks, crafts, songs and stories.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol
WHEN: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, May 1
COST: six week series: \$60/member child, \$76/member two siblings; \$65/non-member child, \$82/non-member two siblings
MORE INFO: www.asri.org

My First Movies

My First Movies is a playdate designed expressly for toddlers and their parents. It transforms a movie theater into a joy-filled, high-energy place where entertaining and educational films are shown and interaction is highly encouraged. The lights are left on while preschoolers can sing and dance along with movies that have been specially made for them. Adding to the festivities, every movie event is emceed by BabyFirst star, Mitten the Kitten, who appears live and in-person to encourage audience interaction.

WHEN: The fun continues on an ongoing basis every Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday at 10 a.m.
MORE INFO: www.myfirstmovies.com; 800/315-4000



Songs of the Celtic Soul

Elizabeth Walsh, a soprano with a strong interest in early music spanning the 10th through the 18th centuries, will perform Songs of the Celtic Soul with pianist Jacob Stott. The program will include some of Elizabeth's favorite Traditional Celtic pieces and songs in the Traditional Celtic style, including some from the Baroque and Classical eras. Featured pieces include "My Lagan Love," "Where e'er You Walk," and "The Lark in the Clear Air."

WHERE: Church of the Holy Name of Jesus, 99 Camp St., Providence
WHEN: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 15
COST: Free admission, donations accepted

WHEN: Saturday, March 29. Barrington departure will be at 7 a.m.; return by 11 p.m.
COST: \$215 BCS members/\$225 non-members
MORE INFO: 401/245-0432; www.barrcomm-school.com

Wadsworth Atheneum & Mark Twain House

The trip, hosted by the Newport Art Museum, includes a curator-led tour of the Wadsworth's Hudson River School paintings, a docent-led tour of the Twain house, transportation, admission to both museums, lunch and a pre-trip discussion "Know Before You Go: Hudson River School Preview" on Saturday, March 22.

WHERE: Wadsworth Atheneum & Mark Twain House
WHEN: Thursday, March 27
COST: \$85 for Museum members and \$100 for non-members
MORE INFO: NewportArtMuseum.org; 401/848-2787

New Haven Theatre Trip

Join Barrington Community School on a trip to Long Wharf Theatre this winter, which features a moving, funny play and a great lunch at a local Italian restaurant.

WHEN: Sunday, March 16. Departure from Barrington Town Hall will be at 9:45 a.m., return approximately 6 p.m.
COST: \$130 BCS members/\$140 non-members.
MORE INFO: 401/245-0432; www.barrcomm-school.com

Boston Lyric Opera

Journey to Boston with Barrington Community School for a Boston Lyric Opera production of a long-awaited, new production of the Verdi favorite, Rigoletto.

WHEN: Sunday, March 23. Departure from Barrington Town Hall at 10 a.m.; return will be approximately 7:30 p.m.
COST: \$129 BCS members/ \$139 non-members.
MORE INFO: 401/245-0432; www.barrcomm-school.com

Arts & Antiques

'Look, See Photography'

Photography exhibit by Caren Prideaux; "Look, See Photography" will be on exhibit through April 30.

WHERE: Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol
WHEN: 1 to 3 p.m.
COST: Free
MORE INFO: www.asri.org

'Encaustica' at Van Vesse Gallery

"Encaustica," an exhibition of encaustic paintings by Arthur Moore, will be on display at Van Vesse Gallery.

WHERE: Van Vesse Gallery, 63 Muse Way, Tiverton
WHEN: Through March 16
MORE INFO: Regular gallery hours are 1-5 pm Thursday through Sunday, and during performances at the adjacent Sandywoods Center for the Arts.

'Show Us Your Best' juried exhibit

The Bristol Art Museum presents a juried exhibit, "Show Us Your Best," in the lower gallery at the library. Featured artist is Jay Egge, painter, who won Best in Show. The other featured artist, Candis Dixon, has 3D artbooks in the vestibule.

WHERE: Rogers Free Library, 525 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday through April 2
MORE INFO: www.bristolartmuseum.org

Trips & Tours

Bullets Over Broadway

Starring Zack Braff (Scrubs) and Marin Maizzie (Ragtime, Kiss Me Kate) the show is a musical adaptation of the Woody Allen film and is directed by 5-time Tony Award-winner Susan Stroman. This trip will include highest-priced seating for the matinee performance and dinner in Manhattan before departing for home.

'Oliver!' extended through the end of March

In response to high demand and praise from critics and patrons alike, Trinity Rep announces additional performances of "Oliver!" Tickets are now on sale for Saturday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m. Co-directors and choreographers Richard and Sharon Jenkins bring classic Trinity Rep style to this boisterous, high energy tale of the kind-hearted orphan boy.

WHERE: Trinity Rep, 201 Washington St., Providence
WHEN: Through March 30
MORE INFO: 401/351-4242; www.trinityrep.com



MARK TUREK

and other treats. The Acacia Cafe food truck serves breakfast and lunch. There will also be live music, demonstrations, kids' activities, knife-sharpening, clothing and electronics drives and more.

WHERE: Mt. Hope Farm barn, 300 Metacom Ave., Bristol
WHEN: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays
MORE INFO: mounthopemarket@gmail.com.

Rogers Free Library book sale

Ongoing sale featuring adult, young adult and children's books. Also available are DVDs, audio books and puzzles. All items are reasonably priced with proceeds benefiting the library.

WHERE: Rogers Free Library, 525 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday
MORE INFO: 401/253-6948

Portsmouth Senior Center thrift shop

Winter sale on clothing and accessories starts March 1; special hours on Saturday, March 8.

WHERE: 110 Bristol Ferry Rd., Portsmouth
WHEN: 9:30 to 1:00; Regular hours are Mon. thru Fri. (sale continues) 9:30 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00
MORE INFO: 401/683-4106

Clubs & Classes

Evaluating the Need for Judicial Review of NCAA Enforcement Actions

Some have accused the NCAA of engaging in witch-hunt investigations and unfair hearings of players and coaches accused of violating its rules, thereby recklessly destroying careers. This symposium asks: Should there be some form of judicial - or other independent

- review of NCAA enforcement actions?

WHERE: RWU School of Law, 10 Metacom Ave., Bristol
WHEN: 8:30 a.m.; Friday, March 21; registration required by March 17
COST: \$75-\$100
MORE INFO: 401/254-4659

Betsy Williams, Herbalist and author of 'Mrs. Thrift's Cupboard'

Betsy Williams is from Andover, Mass. Trained as a florist in Boston and in England, she is a teacher, gardener, herbalist and author, focusing on how herbs and flowers can be a part of people's lives. Betsy will speak at the Barrington Garden Club's monthly meeting, and demonstrate how to include herbs in butter, vinegar, mustard, nuts, salt and pesto.

WHERE: Barrington Public Library, 281 County Road, Barrington
WHEN: Noon
COST: \$5
MORE INFO: 401/245-2676, or 401/246-2114

Reading Across Rhode Island: 'Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore'

Clay, a RISD graduate, finds a job at an unusual 24-hour bookstore where mysterious patrons borrow obscure texts in the middle of the night. Clay's curiosity compels him to unravel clues with the help of friends, unwittingly leading to the sudden closing of the shop and the disappearance of Mr. Penumbra himself! Join us for a discussion of this year's Reading Across Rhode Island title Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan, facilitated by librarian Jane Granatino.

WHERE: Barrington Public Library is located at 281 County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 7-8:30 p.m.; March 31
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/247-1920; www.barringtonlibrary.org

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NEWPORT GRAND SLOTS
 401-849-5000 newportgrand.com
Wednesdays at 7pm

Karaoke CONTEST **\$1,000 GRAND PRIZE**
 Sponsored by Cathryn Jamieson Salon & Day Spa

\$10,000 Trivia Challenge **weekly prizes \$500**
Recent Jackpot Winner \$149,000
Thursdays at 7PM

Markets

Mt. Hope farmers' market

This farmers' markets showcases many local vendors selling fresh produce, meat and fish, along with baked goods

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Art Education classes

Classes include Creative Drawing, Portrait and Figure Drawing, Watercolors and more.

WHERE: Portsmouth Arts Guild Center for the Arts, 2679 E. Main Rd., Portsmouth
WHEN: Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. March 31-April 21; registration open
COST: \$110/100 members (\$40 model fee)
MORE INFO: 508/523-2411; www.PortsmouthArts.org

Memoir Meetup

Each of us lives a story that is unique and many of us feel a strong desire to get our stories down, and to share them. Join other "Lifers" at Barrington Public Library for "Life on the Page: A Memoir Writers Meetup." There you can explore and find expression for your stories. This meetup will look at how different authors approach memoir; use writing prompts and exercises to inspire and focus; the option to share your work; and participate in feedback and other group discussion within a supportive environment. Drop-in and introduce yourself and come ready to write.

WHERE: Barrington Public Library, 281 County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 1-3 p.m.; every other Tuesday from Feb. 18 to May 13
MORE INFO: www.barringtonlibrary.org; 401/247-1920

Great Decisions

Great Decisions, the annual foreign policy discussion series returns to Barrington Public Library. The group will meet biweekly on eight Tuesdays through May 6 and is led by John Proctor Braica. Meeting dates and topics include Energy Independence, March 25; Food and Climate, April 8; China's Foreign Policy, April 22; U.S. Trade Policy, May 6.

WHERE: Barrington Public Library, 281 County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 10 a.m.
COST: \$18
MORE INFO: www.barringtonlibrary.org; 401/247-1920

Kripalu Yoga

a restorative yoga program steeped in the Kripalu tradition of compassion and non-judgment. Located in the beautiful setting of the Dedee Shattuck Gallery, find yourself surrounded by inspiring art installations - an ideal setting for meditation and self-care. Open to the public, this donation based class series welcomes people of all levels of ability and practice. Please bring your yoga mat and water; ages 16 and over please.

WHERE: The Dedee Shattuck Gallery, 865 Main Road, Westport
WHEN: 9-10 a.m., Saturdays
COST: Contribute what you can

MORE INFO: 508/636-2572; www.partnersvil-lagestore.com

Ballroom & line dancing

Every Tuesday afternoon; singles welcome.

WHERE: Liberal Club, 20 Star St., Fall River.
WHEN: 12:30-3:30 p.m., every Tuesday.
COST: \$7.
MORE INFO: 508/857-7734.

Ballroom dance lessons

Learn all the social dances from a certified instructor in a relaxed environment. Adults of all ages are welcome. Great for beginners and more experienced dancers. Help with wedding dance preparation also available.

WHERE: East Providence Senior Center, 610 Waterman Ave., East Providence.
WHEN: 2-4 p.m. Mondays.
COST: \$3.
MORE INFO: 401/434-0080.

Choreographed ballroom dance classes

Mike and Joyce Alexander will teach choreographed ballroom dancing (round dancing) every Monday evening. Modern social round dancing is pre-choreographed with a "cuer" telling the dancers what to do as they all progress around the dance floor. Rhythms taught will be foxtrot, waltz, cha-cha and rumba.

WHERE: Portsmouth Senior Center, 110 Bristol Ferry Road, Portsmouth.
WHEN: 6-7 p.m. (advanced), 7-8 p.m. (beginners) and 8-9 p.m. (intermediate) on Mondays.
COST: \$10 per couple.
MORE INFO: 508/672-0259; jta440@msn.com.

BCS registration

Registration for Barrington Community School's winter/spring courses, trips and students activities is in progress. Courses in finance, crafts, cooking, foreign language, fine arts, music, literature, sports, and fitness are offered. College bound programs include Preparing for the S.A.T. and college visits. Parent-child workshops and classes for teens and pre-teens are available, as well as numerous day trips to museums, theater, gardens, historic sites, ski resorts, concerts and more.

MORE INFO: www.barrcommschool.com; 401/245-0432.

East Bay Toastmasters Club

A program for professionals, students, stay-at-home parents or retirees who wish to improve their oral communication skills. Membership open to all.

WHERE: United Methodist Elder Care, 30 Alexander Ave., East Providence
WHEN: 5:30-7:30 p.m., first and third Thursdays of each month
MORE INFO: http://9556.toastmastersclubs.org

Open Knit Night at Sisters of the Wool

Sisters of the Wool hosts a free knitting night, every Thursday, at their Westport location.

WHERE: Sisters of the Wool, 782 Main Rd., Westport.
WHEN: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays
MORE INFO: 774/264-9665

SPOTLIGHT

Shakespeare's timeless 'Macbeth', at the Gamm

Unchecked greed leads to an ambitious couple's downfall in the Bard's tale of absolute power that corrupts absolutely. Plagued by paranoia on their bloody path to glory, the seemingly untouchable Lord and Lady Macbeth (played by Jeanine Kane and Tony Estrella, pictured) get everything they ever wished for...but nothing they ever expected. Shakespeare's darkest tragedy moves at the pace of a thriller and will keep you riveted to your seat!

WHERE: The Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre, 172 Exchange St., Pawtucket
WHEN: Through April 13
COST: \$28-\$48
MORE INFO: 401/723-4266; gammtheatre.org



PETER GOLDBERG

Gardening volunteers at Veterans Home

Rhode Island Veterans Home Master Gardener volunteers meet for general gardening activities to beautify the R.I. Veterans Home.

WHERE: R.I. Veterans Home greenhouse, 480 Metacom Ave., Bristol
WHEN: 9 a.m. to noon, Mondays and Thursdays
MORE INFO: 401/245-4845; margehardisty@yahoo.com

Live model figure drawing

Take part in unguided figure drawing in a relaxed, informal and supportive setting. All experience levels — new artists included — are welcome. Bring your own materials and easel or other preferred work surface. Model and chairs provided.

WHERE: Sandywoods Center for the Arts (Yellow Building), 73 Muse Way, Tiverton.
WHEN: 6-9 p.m. Mondays.
COST: \$14 general, \$10 for college-level art students.
MORE INFO: www.sandywoodsfarm.org.

Networking breakfast

Community businesses are invited to attend a business networking breakfast sponsored by Service By Referral (SBR) networking's Bristol chapter. Both formal and informal networking exercises will be conducted to help business owners. As part of Service By Referral, members have access to networking meetings, training and events and other opportunities throughout Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts.

WHERE: Raymour & Flanigan Furniture, 100 Highland Ave., Seekonk.
WHEN: 8 a.m. on Thursdays.
COST: Free, but guests are responsible for their own breakfast costs.
MORE INFO: newengland@sbrnetwork.com.

Ocean State Bridge Club

A free lunch is served once a month by Sakonnet Bay. Visit the website for schedule, results and more information. Call or e-mail if you need a partner. Beverages and snacks served. Air conditioned room is quiet and comfortable. All are welcome.

WHERE: Sakonnet Bay Manor, 1215 Main Road, Tiverton.
WHEN: 12:30 p.m. Fridays, Mondays.
COST: \$6.
MORE INFO: 401/253-2383; www.oceanstate-bridgeclub.com.

Operation Shower knitting circle

Aquidneck Chiropractic will host a weekly knitting circle. The group will make baby articles to be sent to Operation Shower, an organization that sup-

plies items to expectant families of soldiers deployed overseas.

WHERE: Aquidneck Chiropractic, 1272 West Main Rd., Middletown.
WHEN: 2 p.m. Tuesdays.
COST: Free.
MORE INFO: 401/849-7011.

Portsmouth Multi-Purpose Senior Center

A variety of weekly activities are available, from zumba and line dancing to bridge, computer classes and support groups. Thrift shop open weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Blood pressure clinics are held every 4th Wednesday of the month from 11 a.m. to noon. Must be aged 55 or older to join; Portsmouth residency not required.

WHERE: 110 Bristol Ferry Rd., Portsmouth
MORE INFO: 401/683-4106

Senior fitness classes

Seekonk Total Fitness Club offer a free senior fitness class.

WHERE: Seekonk Total Fitness, 1301 Fall River Ave., Seekonk
WHEN: 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 508/336-4545; www.totalfitnessclubs.com

Social duplicate bridge

"Tea Time at the Table," duplicate bridge for newcomers and intermediates. All are invited for an afternoon of food, fun and friends.

WHERE: St. Mary's Church parish house, 378 East Main Road, Portsmouth
WHEN: 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays
MORE INFO: 401/624-1723 or e-mail viking-bridgeclub@verizon.net

Toastmasters Island Foghorns

Toastmasters International is a non-profit organization that helps people develop and improve their public speaking abilities through local club meetings.

WHERE: Middletown Police Department, 123 Valley Rd., Middletown
WHEN: 5:30-6:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays of each month
MORE INFO: e-mail vpres-mem@islandfoghorns.org

Viking Bridge Club

Offers games and lessons for players at every level. Partners are guaranteed.

WHERE: St. Mary's Parish House, 278 East Main Road, Portsmouth.
WHEN: 6:30 p.m. Mondays, 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Fridays, 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays.
MORE INFO: 401/624-1723; www.vikingbridgeclub.com.

Self Help & Support

Al-Anon meetings

Hope for Today, an Al-Anon meeting offers help for families and friends of alcoholics.

WHERE: Youth Center, Joyce St., Warren.
WHEN: 10 a.m. Thursdays.

Loving hearts Al-Anon meeting

WHERE: St. James Lutheran Church, Middle Highway, Barrington.
WHEN: 11 a.m. Saturdays.

Food Addicts in recovery

A long-term solution to food addiction whether you are anorexic, bulimic, an overeater or otherwise food-obsessed. No dues, fees or weigh-ins. Membership open to anyone who wants help with food. Meetings in East Providence and Bristol.

— East Bay Manor, 1440 Wampanoag Trail, East Providence; 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays
— Columban Fathers, 65 Ferry Road, Bristol; 8 a.m. Saturdays
— St. Michael's Rectory, Providence; 6:30 p.m.; Tuesdays
— St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Newport; 7 p.m.; Wednesdays
MORE INFO: www.foodaddicts.org

Marijuana Anonymous

Support group works to help people recover from marijuana addiction. The program uses the basic 12 steps of recovery founded by Alcoholics Anonymous. If using public transportation, take RIPTA bus 60 to the church.

WHERE: Barrington Congregational Church Education Building (room 8), 461 County Road, Barrington
WHEN: 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays
MORE INFO: 401/369-6518 or BillW15@aol.com (Bill W.); www.facebook.com/RIMABored-NoMore

Parenting support group

This group, for parents to discuss the challenges of raising children today in a demanding society, is open to all parents, single and partnered, traditional and non-traditional and to parents in blended family situations. Child care is available but parents must call Jennifer DeWolf at 401/935-3359 by the Friday before the meeting to let her know how many children will attend and their ages.

WHERE: Tildsley Building, St. Michael's Church, 399 Hope St., Bristol
WHEN: 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month
COST: Free; donations of non-perishable food for Bristol Good Neighbors Soup Kitchen or paper goods for the East Bay Food Pantry welcome.

OCD Support Group for Parents

Bradley Hospital is currently enrolling for its new OCD Support Group for Parents, a mutual support group for parents, families, friends and others raising or caring for children and adolescents with obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD).

WHERE: Bradley Hospital, Room 301, 1011 Veterans Memorial Parkway, East Providence
WHEN: 6:30-8 p.m., every third Wednesday of the month
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/432-1205

Men's cancer wellness group

The Miriam Hospital offers a Men's Wellness forum for men recently diagnosed with prostate, bladder, testicular, penile or renal cancers, to learn more about treatment options. The Men's Wellness group provides a comfortable setting among peers for discussion, education and support through the treatment and recovery process.

WHERE: The Comprehensive Cancer Center at The Miriam Hospital Fain Building, 3rd Floor, 154 Summit Avenue, Providence
WHEN: 6-7:30 p.m., every third Monday of the month
COST: Free
MORE INFO: 401/793-2078

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East Bay Real Estate

MEET **SAM BUTTERFIELD**: GOLFER, FATHER, ROWER, BOATER, REALTOR

BY JOAN D. WARREN
Sam Butterfield of RE/MAX River's Edge moved to Barrington from Coventry in the mid 1970s. He went through the Barrington school system before attending the University of Rhode Island. He is the father of two children. His son, Sam, is a carpenter, and daughter Katherine is an education/special education major attending Salve Regina University. He is the owner of two Wheaton Terriers - Mulligan and Wilson. Although he has been a Rhode Islander his entire life, Sam has a love/hate relationship with the state. He appreciates the coastal communities and can't imagine living away from the ocean. What he doesn't care for is the way his wonderful state has been put in a bad way by some state leaders.

WHY A CAREER IN REAL ESTATE? "Real estate seemed like a logical choice. From a very early age I worked for myself. As a kid I cut lawns, shoveled snow, had a paper route and did all kinds of odd jobs. When I was a little older I painted houses, tended bar, bought a boat and became a commercial fisherman and worked independently for various contractors. I guess I had already become a person that liked to work for myself.

My mother (Caroline Butterfield) has always worked in real estate. When I started in the field, her broker at the time was a really great guy and he said I could work with him ... that was 27 years ago."

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BEING A REALTOR? "I have several answers to this question. First, I really enjoy the relationships with the people that I work for and those that support my business. I can't thank them enough. I also really enjoy working with agents and brokers in the area. The majority of agents and brokers in the area are a pleasure to work with.

"I like the fact that I have independence, self determination and it's always interesting. As a realtor you can really take your profession in any direction and to any level you choose.

"Being in real estate is a challenging career. Selling real estate is not much like what is depicted on cable TV shows. It is not all glamour. More often these days we are helping people with difficult or emotional situations. Some are upside down on a mortgage, job changes or loss, deaths, divorce, etc. Yes, we help people find their first home, or their dream home, but we really spend much of our time providing support, advising and problem solving. I enjoy that

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aspect of the job."
BEST VACATION EVER? "Easy. We spend a week on Frye Island in Maine every summer. It is a family reunion vacation week my late grandparents started some 30 years ago. Some years as many as 60 or 70 relatives spend the week boating, playing tennis and golf and spending time together. It is great to get three or four generations together in one place for a week."

DREAM DESTINATION? "I would love to take a long sailing trip from Nova Scotia to the Florida Keys with stops along the way ...and wouldn't forget to bring the golf clubs."

FAVORITE LOCAL RESTAURANT AND MEAL? "The Square Peg in Warren. They hired my

daughter for a summer job and they have a fantastic Fish Reuben. Please stop in, and tip well!"

HOBBIES? "Everything beach and boating. I have recently joined a rowing group that gets together around sunrise a couple of days a week. Rowing is the perfect way to start the day. I also enjoy golfing, hot yoga and exploring beautiful places in Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts."

WHATS A TYPICAL DAY IN YOUR LIFE? "My day always starts with a pot of coffee and a lot of news, both on TV and talk radio. A half-mile swim at the YMCA most days, then to the office or appointments. In real estate, every day is different ... work with first-time

buyers, retirees, house flippers, investors and institutions."

HOW HAS THE MARKET CHANGED OVER THE YEARS?

"The simple answer is everything has changed and will continue to change. In 25 short years we have gone from typewriters, pagers and pay phones to all the technology we embrace today. What has not changed is that realtors sell the houses. There was concern for years that computers and technology would replace realtors. To date, technology has enhanced realtor services."

MARKET PREDICTIONS:

"The real estate market has been unpredictable for years. The market seems to be very 'local.' Some segments of the market are going up as others fall. We do have some very major issues that will likely impact the real estate market this year. Final resolution of flood insurance legislation, short sale debt forgiveness (or not) and monetary policies that will likely affect interest rates. All big issues that the government has not managed well so far. What many people do not realize is that it is a very good market for changing houses. If you are in a house that does not suit you well now or in the near future, make a move before rates change."

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NEW PRICE
Rumford: Totally updated from top to bottom is this 2 bed, 6 room Ranch boasts beautiful new kitchen, dining, new bath, roomy living, laundry on first, new windows and garage. **\$159,000 Jean Clarke 401-374-5039**



READY TO MOVE IN!
Tiverton: Charming, well-maintained Colonial features large living room with gorgeous fireplace and hardwoods, beautiful updated kitchen opening to dining area. Enjoy outdoor living with a large sunroom, deck, patio and pool. Bonus room in basement. Just move in! **\$249,000 Rockwell & Pierard Team 401-954-1159**



OPEN SUN 12-2
64 Highland Avenue Barrington: Charming 3BR Ranch walking distance to beach & school. Features family room w/ cathedral ceilings and skylights, living room w/ fireplace & large eat in kitchen. Finished basement & large fenced backyard. **\$325,000 Ted Friedman 401-864-0269**



MULTI-FAMILY DOWNTOWN
Bristol: Waterviews from this spectacular 2-family home w/ inlaw on 3rd flr! Walking distance to downtown & bike path! Hardwoods, master bed w/ bath. Central air on 1st & 3rd. Fireplaced sunroom overlooking the beautifully. **\$559,900 Lori Gardiner 401-265-2594**



NEW PRICE
Rumford: Sparkling 3 bed, 1.5 bath Ranch boasts open floor plan of eat-in-kitchen, dining and living room/fireplace, hardwoods. Enjoy great finished basement with bar and playroom features new roof, covered patio, fenced yard. **\$219,000 Jean Clarke 401-374-5039**



NEW LISTING
Barrington: Want to get away? With its completely renovated open floor plan this home offers relaxing water views from all levels. This private oasis offers the ultimate lifestyle for those who appreciate the water. **\$349,000 Rockwell Pierard Team 401-954-1159**



SOLD
Barrington: Beautiful lot with frontage in a great neighborhood, plenty of space to build your dream home and great schools! **\$90,000 Jane Marshall 401-486-4847**



NEW LISTING
Tiverton: Adorable 2 bed ranch, updated kitchen, new boiler, hardwood floors, one car detached garage, lots of potential! **\$174,900 Deb Almeida 401-556-5017**



NEW PRICE
East Providence: Move right in 3 bedroom, finished lower, utility room, dead end street, hardwoods, garage, open floor plan, easy up keep, laundry room, fenced back yard, home-stead discount. Welcome home! **\$189,000 Jane Marshall 401-486-4847**



NEW LISTING
Cumberland: Super clean ranch w/ open floor plan! Large master bed, hardwoods, laundry on 1st and possible 2nd bed or office. Boasts a nice yard & heated outbuilding perfect for artist studio or gym. Move in ready! **\$149,900 Michelle Cartwright 401-663-5677**

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House of the Week

Waterfront living just minutes from Providence

Enjoy southerly views of Narragansett Bay at this spacious Seaview Estates home in East Providence. An open floor plan makes entertaining a pleasure in a quiet setting. The 12-year-old colonial with farmers porch is immaculate and boasts hardwood floors throughout.

The light-filled kitchen flows into the living area with fireplace that overlooks Bullock Cove. Imagine watching the sun rise and set year round from the newly added Florida room with a warming gas fireplace.

Just minutes away from Providence, the convenience of the four-bedroom is like being on vacation every day with the water views and close to 3/4 of an acre for a private retreat. A patio and deck off the back of the home make fair-weather entertaining easy and memorable. The property has an underground sprinkler system.

The home was thoughtfully designed to have comfort and efficiency in mind. A pantry off the granite and stainless steel

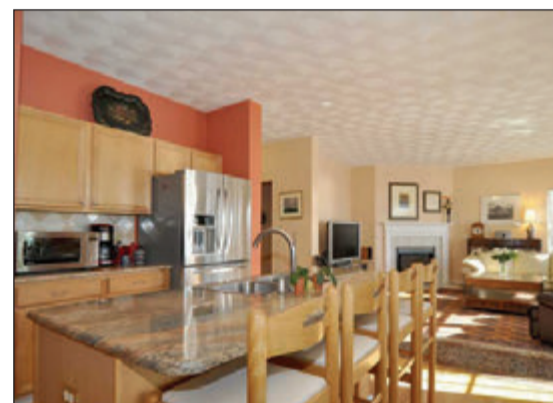
kitchen, central air conditioning an eat-in dining area make staying home a pleasure. A formal dining room and living area add to the square footage. The development, in the Riverside section of the city, has underground utilities.

Last year, the owners added a lovely bright Florida room with gas fireplace.

The second floor has a master bedroom suite with spa bath and sweeping water views from a large deck. Three good sized bedrooms, a full bath and laundry room are conveniently located on the second floor. Stairs to the attic make storage handy.

This home is move-in condition.

- \$599,000
- 36,000 sq. ft. lot
- 2,538 sq. ft., living space
- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 1/2 baths
- 2 fireplaces
- 401-714-4446, Patty Deal, Residential Properties



NEW LISTING

BRISTOL - WATERVIEWS

Nantucket inspired coastal residence at the beginning of Bristol Harbor. Refined rooms, exceptional kitchen & 4 bedrooms including master suite. Additional amenities include wrap around porch, stone fireplace and a shared dock with 145' pier and mooring. \$1,395,000 401-848-2101



NEW LISTING

PORTSMOUTH - UNION STREET

Immaculate home coveted in rural setting on 1.5 acres. Features inviting light filled rooms, living room with fireplace, exposed beams, hardwoods and a studio with full bath. Beautifully landscaped grounds with blue stone terrace. \$615,000 401-848-2101



NEW PRICE

TIVERTON - WATERVIEWS

Beautiful, well appointed home offering exquisite views of Mt. Hope Bay. Spacious living room with fireplace. Gourmet kitchen with French doors to the deck. Master suite with fireplace & walk-in closet. 2 car garage. New Price \$818,800 401-848-2101



NEW LISTING

PORTSMOUTH - WATERFRONT

Charming cottage with spectacular views of the Sakonnet River. The interior offers 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths and hardwoods. The waterside deck lends to easy entertaining. Legal two family use and ample parking. \$335,000 401-848-2101



NEW PRICE

WARREN - TOUISSET

Lovely home, fully modernized offering 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths, A/C, hardwoods throughout and in-law suite with separate entrance. Updates include new roof and paint. Close to town, mall and shops. New Price \$434,900 401-274-1644



PENDING

BARRINGTON - HAMPDEN MEADOWS

Delightful 4 bedroom, 2 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac. Formal living room, dining room and family room. Features a front porch and deck overlooking a half acre yard and Johannnis Nature Preserve. Walk to water. \$599,000 401-848-2101



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ADDRESS	BUYERS & BUYERS' AGENT	SELLERS & SELLERS' AGENT	SALE PRICE
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53 Clarke Rd. 390 Maple Ave.	Luc E. Anselin & Emily Talen – B. Bishop/Residential properties, Ltd. Alan & Sherri A. Cantara – C. Wicks/Century 21 Access America	Clarke Road LLC – K. Chwalk/Residential Properties, Ltd. Marie L. Spicer – C. Wicks/Century 21 Access America	\$640,000 \$203,000
BRISTOL			
16 Thompson Ave. 11 King Philip Ave. 36 Bourne St. 345 Thames St. #501	Jason M. Dieni – S. Sullivan/C21 Rondeau Associates Olenda E. Johnson – A.M. Clarkson/C21 Rondeau Associates JRM Properties LLC – L. Gardiner/RE/MAX River's Edge Michael A. Ahearn – A. Wright/Lila Delman Real Estate	Steven & Rosemarie Carreiro – J. Silva/C21 Rondeau Associates NCD Developers, Inc. – R. Fonseca/C21 Rondeau Associates Conceicao P. Darosa Est. & Maria Darosa-Medeiros Frank L. Jacobs & Lynn M. Southerly – C. Woodard Team/Keller Williams Realty	\$231,000 \$415,000 \$216,000 \$1,370,000
EAST PROVIDENCE			
363 Brown St. 46 Middle St. 22 Austin Ave.	Steven M. Ortiz – P. Gallant/Dibiase Associates, Inc. Xinxia Cai & Ruiyang Yang – M. Escaler/Carrington RE Services Frank J. & Abigayle B. Nolan – R. Paiva/Paiva Realty Group	Jeanne L. Dias Trust & Matthew D. Sleprow – M. Moschella/RE/MAX River's Edge Deutsche Bank Natl. T. Co. – A. Escaler/Carrington RE Services Wells Fargo Financial RI – R. Hobert/Williams & Stuart Real Estate	\$110,000 \$122,800 \$122,000
PORTSMOUTH			
142 Locust Ave. 122 Dighton Ave. 8 Quail Rd.	Michael J. & Marketa Cortigiano – C. Kritzas Team/Keller Williams Rlty Newport Jonathan B. Norman & Katherine M. Butler – L. Upham/William Raveis Sheri Normandin – D. Karousos/Prudential Prime Properties	Mary J. Laraway Est. & Patrice Spingam – C. Kritzas Team/Keller Williams Rlty. FHLM – Mass Alliance Partner Robert L. Risko – C. Kritzas Team/Keller Williams Rlty Newport	\$247,000 \$210,000 \$240,000
TIVERTON			
105 Evergreen Ave. 41 Doris Ave.	Michelle M. Chouinard & Patrick Morrison – S. Andrade/Century 21 Trend Rlty Joao P. Rodrigues – C. Laureanno/East Shore Properties	Marc Desrosiers – Mass Alliance Partner Kerry Daigle – C. Laureanno/East Shore Properties	\$160,000 \$160,000



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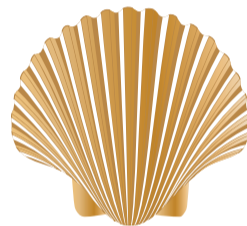
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64 Highland Ave.	Sunday, March 16	12-2 pm	Ranch	3	1	\$325,000	RE/MAX River's Edge	Ted Friedman	401-864-0269
18 Winsor Drive	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Colonial	3	1.5	\$410,000	Coldwell Banker Residential	Coldwell Banker Residential	401-247-0202
420 Sowams Road	Sunday, March 16	12-1:30 pm	Cape Cod	4	2	\$329,900	Residential Properties	Janet Maloy	401-245-9600
5 Sherbrooke Road	Sunday, March 16	12-1:30 pm	Cape Cod	4	1	\$309,900	Residential Properties	Michelle Hardman	401-245-9600
4 Buckingham St.	Sunday, March 16	12-2 pm	Contemporary	3	2	\$499,900	Residential Properties	Lisa Schryver	401-245-9600
4 Milton Road	Sunday, March 16	12-2 pm	Cape Cod	4	2	\$325,000	Residential Properties	Stephanie Nickerson	401-245-9600
20 Briarfield Drive	Sunday, March 16	1-2:30 pm	Colonial	4	2.5	\$829,000	Residential Properties	Joyce Hughes	401-245-9600
53 Richmond Ave.	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Bungalow	2	1	\$264,900	Residential Properties	Laurie Fletcher	401-245-9600
48 Richmond Ave.	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Bungalow	3	1.5	\$299,000	Residential Properties	Elizabeth Kirk	401-245-9600
24 Evergreen St.	Sunday, March 16	2:30-4:15 pm	Colonial	4	2.5	\$629,000	Residential Properties	Joyce Hughes	401-245-9600
BRISTOL									
46 Seal Island Road	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Townhouse	3	2.5	\$469,000	Century 21 Topsail	Mary Jo Fidalgo-Tavares	401-297-1399
52 Seal Island Road	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Townhouse	3	2.5	\$479,900	Century 21 Topsail	Michelle Serbst	401-258-7293
134 Berry Lane	Sunday, March 16	1-2:30 pm	Contemporary	4	3.5	\$349,000	Residential Properties	Morgan Lewis	401-245-9600
EAST PROVIDENCE									
62 Summit St.	Saturday, March 15	12 - 2 pm	Other	4	2	\$149,900	Coldwell Banker Residential	Patsy Peterson	401-965-7364
PORTSMOUTH									
88 Freeborn St.	March 15 & 16 Sat.	12-2, Sun. 1-3	Other	2	1-2	\$228,000	Coldwell Banker Guimond	KathyRobinson	401-835-2492
RUMFORD									
32 Don Ave.	Sunday, March 16	12-1:30 pm	Colonial	3	2.5	\$395,000	Residential Properties	Lisbeth Herbst	401-245-9600
TIVERTON									
281 Village Road	Sunday, March 16	1-3 pm	Townhouse	3	3.5	----	Waters Edge Properties	Meg Little	401-245-4098
11 Spotted Owl Court	Sat. & Sun., March 15 & 16	1-3 pm	Other	2	2	138500	Prudential Prime Properties	Caroline Slee	401-862-0881
136 Lark Lane	Sat. & Sun., March 15 & 16	1-3 pm	Other	3	2	114000	Prudential Prime Properties	Caroline Slee	401-862-0881

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WARREN: 1 bed, historic waterfront, \$600/mo, updated kitchen no pets, no utilities, nice apartment 401-247-2530

WARREN: 1 bedroom, \$495, 3 bedroom \$750, stove, refrig, water. Sec. deposit required. No pets, no smoking 401-254-1036

WARREN: 2 bed 3rd flr. \$625-\$650 includes appliances and water, other utilities separate, lease and sec, no pets 401-253-9277

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LITTLE COMPTON: Beautiful "Winslow Farm" 2bd, 2bth, guest quarters. Spacious & fun. \$1300/mo. Mar-June. Ellie: 508-494-4545.

MIDDLETOWN: 1.5 bed, fp, wood stove, pine fls, laundry near beach/ bird sanc, includes rubbish, \$1175 401-846-4547

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Commercial Rental

BARRINGTON: Commercial/Retail store front space. 2000 sq ft, also warehouse space, 2000 sq ft, will subdivide, Call 401-837-2354

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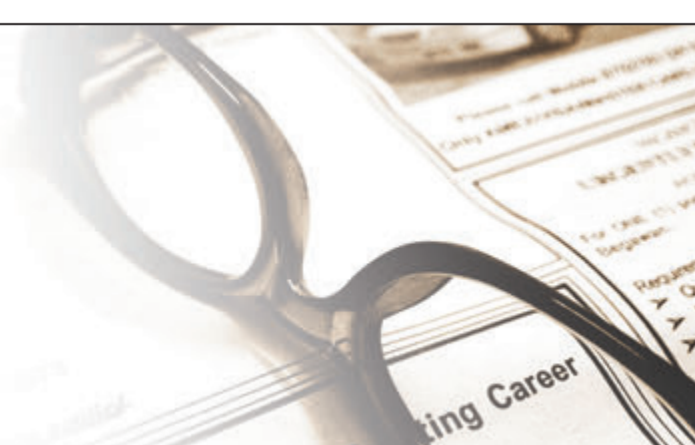
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