

# Upcoming

## Lighthouse to hold annual clambake

The Rose Island Lighthouse will hold their 22nd annual clambake this Saturday, Aug. 20.

The Parallel String Band, featuring musicians Matt Bolles, Lisa Schmitz, Phil Smith, and Chris Heinzmann, will be the musical accompaniment to the feast.

On the menu are salad, corn bread, mussels, littlenecks, sausages, lobster, corn on the cob, watermelon, and blueberry cake. Lemonade is served with dinner, and there will be a cash bar for soda, bottled water, beer and wine.

Prior to the clambake, participants can tour the lighthouse and the remains of Fort Hamilton, which will be restored over the next few years.

The event begins with a boat cruise to the island at 11:20 a.m. from Fort Adams. Return trips begin at 3:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$80 for adults, \$35 for children ages 6 to 12, and must be purchased by today. Call 847-4242.

## Author series continues at library

The Jamestown library will continue its Meet the Authors series with a talk tonight by novelist Whit Johnston.

Johnston is the author of "80," published by Carroll & Graff in 2004.

Besides being a writer, Johnston has had some of his video work shown at both the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum in New York City. He is the author of the "History of Country Music," which was written for the Grand Ole Opry. Next summer, Johnston is scheduled to be a fellow at the Helene Wurlitzer Foundation in Taos, N.M. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 424-7280.

## Local dance classes now forming

The Jamestown recreation department's popular dance classes for children, taught by Mary Beth Murphy, will resume Sept. 12 at the golf course.

Creative Dance for age 4 will meet on Wednesday mornings from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m. Pre-Ballet for 5-year-olds will meet on Mondays from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.

Ballet Basics for 6 and 7-year-olds will meet on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Classical Ballet for 8 to 10-year-olds will be held on Wednesdays from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Jazz class for children ages 10 to 12 will meet Mondays from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m.

The fee for the fall term, which runs from Sept. 12 to Jan. 20, is \$200 per child. Class size is limited, so pre-registration is strongly recommended. Register at the Planning Office on West Street. Call Murphy at 423-2691 for more information.

## Maden to talk on history of houses

On Friday, Aug. 26, at 1:30 p.m. join local author Sue Maden at the Jamestown library for an enlightening discussion called "This Old House: How to Research the House in Which You Live."

A house is more than bricks, stone, wood, or steel. It is also the product of the people who designed the house, built it, and lived in it over the years. When was your house, old or new, built? Who built it, and who has owned it since it was constructed? How can you obtain biographical information about these families? Can you find out who built the house and how it has changed over time?

This slide lecture offers practical advice on how to find answers to these questions and others. Potential resources for researching your house include town records, newspapers, directories, censuses, maps, photographs, the Internet, and individuals. Examples from the project "The Building Boom in Jamestown, 1926-1931" will be shown.

Sue Maden lived in New York City for over 25 years, working as a nurse and later as a librarian. After moving to Jamestown in 1982, she began to explore the history of her community. She has written books and columns for the Jamestown Press and has compiled accounts of Jamestown from newspapers and newsletters. In-depth studies, with the help of RICH grants, have included the Jamestown Bridge and Dr. Bates' Sanitariums in Jamestown and Providence.

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