

Letters

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step back and appreciate what they really have at their front door. During the National Governor's Conference held in Rhode Island two years ago, Governor Holton of Missouri visited Beavertail Lighthouse and upon departure said, "If this was located in my state, we would place a glass bowl over it."

The Town Council and the Affordable housing Committee should reverse any "use" decision that compromises this public treasure and abide by the legal agreement executed with the USCG.

**Varoujan Karentz,
Jamestown**

Postcard thanks

We would like to extend our gratitude to Baker's Pharmacy, Conanicut Marine Services, Jamestown Golf Course, Jamestown Hardware, Ocean State Scuba, McQuade's Marketplace, R&R Gallery, and Xtra/Mart for their contribution and for making "Postcards of Jamestown," Series 1, available in their stores.

We would also like to express our sincere appreciation to Bill Bucklin, Stephen Fasano, Nancy Mason, Victor Richardson, Walter Schroder, Maribeth Traer, and Catherine Willingham for providing their beautiful personal photographs of Jamestown.

The limited supply is almost exhausted. If anyone has not seen the set of eight cards in Series 1, may I suggest you stop in at one of the above merchants soon.

**Marilyn Dennis,
CBC-Fidelis
postcard co-ordinator**

Relief for pets

The Humane Society of Jamestown has made a \$1,000 donation to the Disaster Relief Efforts of the Humane Society of

the United States. Since Hurricane Katrina, thousands of animals have been displaced and are in need of food, shelter, and medical attention. We urge our fellow Jamestowners to join us in supporting this cause. Please send donations to the Humane Society of the United States, Disaster Relief Fund, 2100 L. Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20037 Please specify on your checks to Disaster Relief Fund.

**Nancy Crawford,
Humane Society of
Jamestown**

Enjoyable visit

I thoroughly enjoyed visiting Horsehead a few weeks ago. Experiencing one of this island's special properties was a rare treat.

I would particularly like to thank the owners, the Wrights, for their generosity and tolerance. It must have taken a great deal of time and effort to prepare for hordes of visitors. I'm sure it was very difficult to have so many of us parking on your lawn, hiking about your grounds, peering at your family photographs, and passing through the very personal spaces that are your home.

How kind you were to welcome us, and to raise funds for the Jamestown Historical Society.

**Karen Krider
Jamestown**

A special place

I would like to congratulate the Jamestown Historical Society and Jane Bentley for another successful house tour and beautiful day. I would also like to send a special thank you to Harry and Josie Wright for so generously sharing their home. I think we all need to remember that unlike the houses owned by the Preservation Society, the homes on the Jamestown house tour are private homes that have voluntarily opened to the public by their owners. We are very lucky to have so many people on the island who have maintained these historic homes and are willing to share them with the public. Horsehead is truly a special place — thank you for inviting us.

**Martha Yates
Jamestown**

Thanks for help

I would like to thank all the people who helped me make the house tour at Horsehead last Saturday a huge success. First, a

big thank-you to Harry and Josie Wright for opening their lovely home and grounds. We had a wonderful turnout and everyone was excited to roam the 20 acres on such a beautiful day. Thank-you to the docents David and Allison Bentley, Mary Jane Murphy, Emily Chamberlain, Lynn Bell, Chris Shippee, Dick Hines, Nancy and Bill Pollock, Mary and Dennis Webster, Karen Estes, Carroll Pruell, Janie Harris, Linnea Peterson, Rosemary Enright, Jane Miner, and Sue Maden. I could not have done it without them. Finally thank-you to all the people who turned out and supported this fund-raiser for the Jamestown Historical Society. A great day was had by all!

**Jane Bentley,
programs chairwoman,
Jamestown Historical
Society**

Lively discussion

Recently the Jamestown library orchestrated an opportunity for the eighth-grade class at Lawn Avenue School to meet with R. A. Scotti, the author of "Sudden Sea."

The students engaged in a lively discussion with the author who graciously encouraged our students on multiple levels. The impact of this opportunity is immeasurable, and we truly appreciated Ms. Rowena Burke's facilitation of this program and a number of programs that have enabled the island's youth and community to access information from experts in the fields of meteorology, criminology and biology. Our students and staff truly appreciate how the library extended its resources to our students.

We are truly fortunate to live in a community that works together to provide such wonderful opportunities and services.

**Maureen McGuirl,
Eighth-Grade Team,
Lawn Avenue School**

Fund-raiser walk

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is a 5-mile non-competitive walk to raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer. This year it will be held on Sunday, Oct. 16.

Funds raised support American Cancer Society breast cancer research, education, advocacy,

and patient service programs because this disease touches too many women we love. People of all ages are welcome to participate.

Take as long as you need to finish, or walk only as far as you can. Rain or shine, the event will go on — with opportunities for the whole family to have fun and make a difference.

Last year, 27 Jamestowners joined my daughter Cara and me on the Walking With Robin team to help find a cure for breast cancer. Cara lost an aunt at age 36 to breast cancer. Robin Kall, talk show host of Reading with Robin, lost her mother to cancer. Two island friends who are cancer survivors — Betty Gulley and Candy Langan — walked with us last year. So please join us this year for those you love. Wear your favorite shade of pink, loud and proud,

because hope starts here.

For information about signing up, car pooling to the event, or to make a donation, call me, Mary Ann Liberati, at 423-0611 or e-mail me at liberatm@verizon.net.

**Mary Ann Liberati,
Jamestown**

Pleasant experience

Our forefathers told us: "Taxation without representation is tyranny."

This past week I experienced taxation *with* representation from Tax Assessor Ken Gray, and it made a difference.

Because a thank-you sometimes seems inadequate, I write this letter to Ken Gray and our Town Hall staff, where I left with encouragement, kind words and three tomatoes!

**Arlene Seraichyk,
Jamestown**

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