

## Man breaks leg on photo safari at Ft. Wetherill

A Barrington man in town to take pictures Monday fell on the rocks at Ft. Wetherill and suffered what appeared to be a broken leg. Rescuers said that the man, in his 40s, was walking alone on a trail behind the state Department of Environmental Management's fisheries lab when he apparently lost his footing and fell. From his cell phone he managed to call rescuers, who carried him from the trail and took him to Newport Hospital, the rescuers said.

### Police Log

#### Driving without a license

William G. Androozzi, 33, of 64 Capstan St. was charged Dec. 31 with driving without a license after a traffic stop on North Main Road. Androozzi is scheduled to appear Jan. 13 in Newport District Court, police said.

#### Windows broken

A resident of Norman Road told police Jan. 1 that some window panes were cracked and a screen broken, possibly from rocks thrown in the area.

### Fire and EMS Runs

#### Fire runs

2:23 p.m., Dec. 28, Car 1 and Engine 3 were sent to Clarke Street for a fuel spill.

10:31 a.m., Dec. 29, Tanker 15, Engines 2 and 3 went to Route 138 eastbound for a vehicle fire.

8:00 p.m., Dec. 29, Engines 1 and 2 were dispatched to Highland Drive for a faulty smoke detector.

7:30 p.m., Dec. 29, all units turned out for a training drill.

8:27 a.m., Dec. 31, Unit 10 and Car 2 went to Route 138 to assist the police.

8:30 p.m., Dec. 31, Car 1 was dispatched to Bayview Drive for a faulty smoke detector.

9:30 a.m., Jan. 1, Tanker 6, Unit 11, Car 3 and the special services team were sent to Beavertail Road for a public service call.

10:50 a.m., Jan. 2, Car 3 and Engine 3 went to Fort Wetherill Road to rescue a man who fell on the rocks.

#### EMS runs

8:55 p.m., Dec. 25, Unit 10 was sent to Conanicus Avenue to take a person to Newport Hospital.

11:58 p.m., Dec. 25, Unit 10 went to Howland Avenue for a person who was transported to Newport Hospital.

8:30 p.m., Dec. 26, Unit 10 went to East Shore Road to standby for a fire.

8:24 a.m., Dec. 27, Unit 10 was dispatched to Hammett Court for a trauma victim who was taken to Newport Hospital.

2:40 p.m., Dec. 28, Unit 10 went to Clarke Street to standby for the fire department.

4:09 p.m., Dec. 28, Unit 10 was sent to Mt. Hope Avenue for a person in need of medical help.

10:30 a.m., Dec. 29, Unit 10 went to the Newport Bridge toll plaza to standby for a fire.

7:59 p.m., Dec. 29, Unit 10 was dispatched to Highland Drive to standby for a smoke investigation.

7:30 a.m., Dec. 30, Unit 10 went to Stern Street for a person who was taken to Newport Hospital.

12:11 p.m., Dec. 30, Unit 10 was sent to Conanicus Avenue for a person in need of medical assistance.

8:27 a.m., Dec. 31, Unit 10 went to the Jamestown Bridge to standby.

7:34 p.m., Dec. 31, Unit 10 was sent to Pemberton Avenue for a person who was dead on arrival.

8:30 p.m., Dec. 31, Unit 10 was dispatched to Bayview Drive to standby.

## Suspicious death

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dents of the apartment building at 21 Pemberton Ave., and will continue to follow up on any leads that arise.

A preliminary autopsy was performed on Sunday, Watson said, but police are still waiting on toxicology and other reports.

Watson stressed that they have not determined whether the death was accidental or a homicide.

No further information could be released while the investigation is underway, Watson said.

Jamestown has not had a murder for more than three decades.

Watson said that walkers found a body at Beavertail State Park about a dozen years ago. The man had been shot, and the body was burned and dumped at the park, but it was not determined where the man was actually killed, Watson said.

Prior to that incident, Watson said, Ralph Motyka was murdered in Jamestown in the 1960s. While he did not know for sure, Watson said he believed that Motyka's head was smashed by a rock.

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A corollary question also arises: when describing a person who gathers quahogs, should you double the letter "g", as in "quahogger"?

Since the language of the Narragansetts was not a written language, there are no answers to these profound questions.

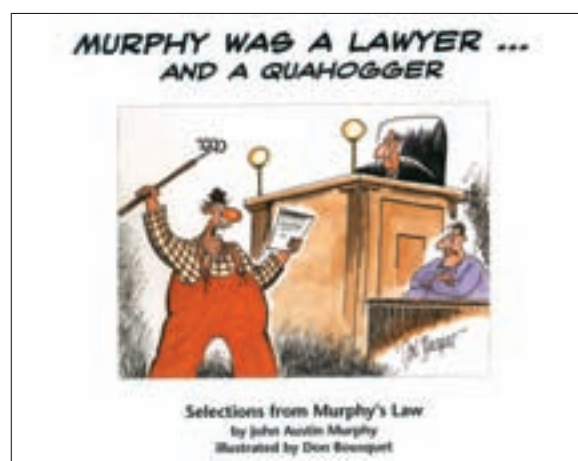
Unless, of course, one turns to the white man for answers. That usually would be a mistake, since the Narragansett word for white man appears to be translatable as "he who speaks with forked tongue". Not exactly a reliable source of information about matters concerning the Narragansetts.

But our quest for accuracy compels us on. Roger Williams (1603-1683), who was, in fact, a friend of the Narragansetts and other indigenous peoples, did assemble a dictionary of the Narragansett language. In that useful volume, one finds the term for our beloved mollusk spelled, phonetically, *poquaubock*.

Keep in mind that in the seventeenth century even learned persons were often poor spellers.

Webster's Dictionary lists *quahog* as the preferred spelling, but also says that *quahaug* is acceptable. With the spelling question resolved to the full extent possible, we shall now rest. We leave for another day the pronunciation debate which always elicits enormous passion.

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The passenger's personal representative sued the company, claiming it was negligent in providing alcohol to the minor.

The South Carolina Supreme Court affirmed the company was liable because of the significance of allowing a minor to become intoxicated.

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