



Math league competes in state event

Seventh-grade teacher Nick Alfred led the Jamestown Math League to a top 10 finish in their first-ever entry into the Math Counts state competition at CCRI last Saturday. Students competed as individuals and in four-person teams. In the individual competitions, Jake Garbelotti tied for 14th in the state and Nick Lee tied for 30th place. Competitors, here with Alfred included, from left: Catie Matley, Eric Holtzman, Wes Barber, Nick Lee, Mike Brendlinger and Jake Garbelotti.

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1,000 boats in the Jamestown area will be affected and will require inspection, a task that is impossible to accomplish without the exorbitant expense of employing and training adequate personnel, de Angeli said.

"The harbormaster can't be expected to inspect over 1,000 boats before they are issued permits," he said. "He wouldn't have time to perform his regular duties, like patrolling the town waters," the harbor committee chairman noted.

In his letter to the council, de Angeli explained that the new laws make it mandatory for all boats operated or moored in state waters for more than 30 days display "an approved 'no discharge certificate decal'." The only exceptions are open boats without sleeping accommodations and vessels for hire licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard to carry six or more passengers.

The letter continues to say, "these decals are to be issued only after inspection of all marine toilets and associated equipment by a certification agent, and, presumably, after any necessary repairs or modifications have been effected. Fees of \$10 per decal and \$25 per toilet are to be collected. The decals are to remain effective for four years, after which the inspection process will have to be repeated. The certification agents include marinas and boatyards capable of installing marine sewage disposal equipment, certified pump-out facilities, the Coast Guard and its auxiliary, the Narragansett Bay Power Squadron, and harbormasters and assistant harbormasters."

De Angeli orally noted again that every four years over 1,000 boats will be required to go through this process in a short period of time.

The letter also questions the requirement of pump-out logs, as well as a final concern that the law puts the harbormasters in the business of inspecting boats, which has historically been the role of the Coast Guard. The harbor commission considers this a dangerous and undesirable precedent, in addition to being unfund-

ed and unworkable, the letter noted.

State Representative Bruce J. Long (R-Jamestown, Middletown) said that he and state Senator M. Teresa Paiva Weed were working to have the effective implementation date of the mandate postponed.

Ball field maintenance

Town Administrator Bruce Keiser reported that benches and backstops have been repaired or replaced as needed on the town baseball fields. The improvements and repairs are taking place in a timely manner to be ready for the upcoming season, he said. He noted that School Superintendent Katherine Sipala said that school funds are available to help with the maintenance and repairs since the school uses the facilities.

Keiser also said that if issues can be worked out with the Narragansett Tribe, irrigation can improve the fields a great deal. He felt optimistic about resolving the issues.

Weaver's Cove LNG project

A letter from Paiva Weed and Bruce Long to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission concerning Weaver's Cove requesting that the FERC require the preparation of a supplemental environmental impact statement for the Weaver's Cove Liquid Natural Gas project.

The letter says that taking this action is appropriate and needed because Weaver's cove energy has proposed changes to the manner in which LNG would be brought to the proposed facility, and the proposed changes could have a significant cumulative impact on the environment, which has not been evaluated.

Weaver's Cove is proposing to use smaller vessels to transport the LNG because the smaller ships could be accommodated without making any navigational improvements. The proposal raises serious concerns and new issues that merit full analysis pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act.

The use of smaller vessels would substantially increase the number of ships carrying LNG into the bay. Furthermore, the

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