

Small business help topic at next chamber breakfast

The Jamestown Chamber of Commerce will continue its Winter Breakfast Series on Thursday, March 23, with "RI Small Business Assistance" as the topic.

Featured speakers will be Mark Hayward, district director for the U.S. Small Business Administration and John Collins of SCORE: Counselors to America's Small Business. Open to the pub-

lic, the session will be held at the Bay Voyage, 150 Conanicus Ave., from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

"This is a wonderful topic for the current business owner or person thinking about starting a new business," said John McCauley, chamber board member and breakfast series co-ordinator.

"There are many resources out there" for financial assistance, networking, business counseling,

"but people don't know what they are or how to access them. This meeting will help guide business owners through the resources available both on the local and national levels," he said.

The breakfast session is \$7.50 for chamber members and \$15 for non-members and includes a buffet breakfast. Registration is required. Payment, by cash or check, may be made at the door.

For more information, visit www.JamestownRiChamber.com or call the chamber at 423-3650 to register.

Business students eligible for scholarships

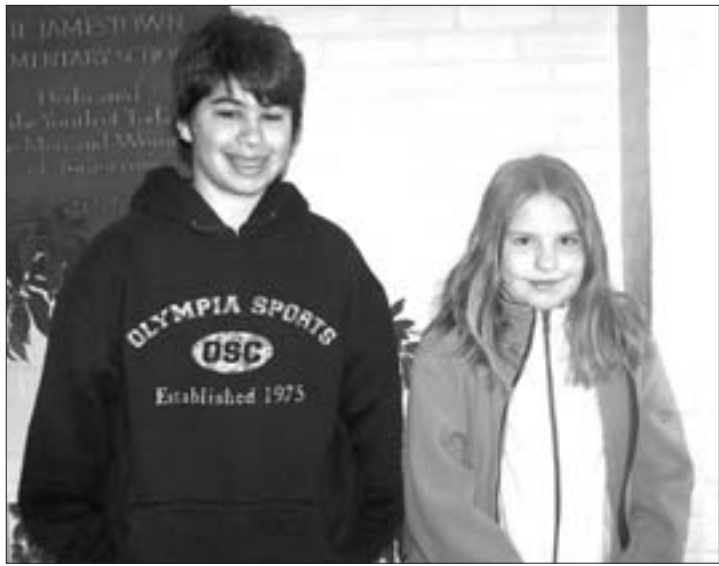
The Jamestown Chamber of Commerce is offering two \$500 scholarships to any Jamestown resident who wants to study business.

Students who want to take courses for career advancement and those who are studying a business curriculum are eligible to apply. High school students who plan to study business next fall are also eligible.

An application is available at Baker's Pharmacy, on Narragansett Avenue, or at BankNewport Insurance Services on Ferry Wharf.

Applications should be accompanied by a letter explaining the applicant's goals in education or career development.

The deadline is May 20, and applications should be returned to Jamestown Chamber of Commerce, c/o Baker's Pharmacy, 53 Narragansett Ave., Jamestown, RI 02835. Write "JCC" on the bottom left corner of the envelope. For additional information, call Tim Baker at 423-2800 or Matthew Clarke at 423-1111.



Sailing lessons ahead!

The Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation has announced the two winners of the Learn to Sail Program. Kaan Kurt and Lucy Jones will attend the Conanicut Yacht Club's Junior Program this summer. The Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation is a tax-exempt, charitable organization established in 2001 by Bradford N. Swett to promote sailing and racing at every level, for the benefit of Jamestown residents of all ages. The goals include providing opportunities to: foster competitive sailing on the island, encourage an appreciation of the natural beauty of the Island shoreline, compete in regional, national, worldwide and Olympic regattas and competitions, as well as to provide for the acquisition of boats and equipment. Contact John Quinn 423-0738 or Kim Ferguson

Saints honored at parish supper

The St. Mark Knights of Columbus, Council 9197 will sponsor its second annual Saints Patrick and Joseph Parish Dinner on Saturday, March 18, in the St. Mark Church Hall, on Narragansett Avenue, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The fare will be a traditional New England boiled dinner, including corned beef, cabbage, carrots, and potatoes. Also

included will be pasta, Italian bread, tossed salad, coffee, punch, and dessert.

At \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under, tickets will be available after all St. Mark Masses this weekend and also at the door. There is no charge for children under 3 years old.

For information and tickets, call David LeDoux at 423-1068.

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To understand the present, one needs to study history.



If you are looking for consistency or fairness in governmental conduct, or in human relationships for that matter, you will probably end up disappointed. Hypocrisy and self-interest seem to overcome good intentions and declarations of high moral purpose. Best to be prepared for it.



But the motto of The Christophers has enormous value as a guiding principle: "Better to light one candle than to curse the darkness".



Now, more than ever, given mankind's enormous destructive potential, we need to seek accommodation and reconciliation. And that starts on the personal level. Indeed, it may only be achievable on a person-to-person basis.

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