

About Town

Folk dances of India for kids at library

The Padam School of Indian Dance and Music will perform at the library on Saturday, March 18, at 2 p.m.

Students from the Padam School will perform classical and folk dances of India in the library's meeting hall. This free program is for all generations to enjoy. It is recommended for children age 5 and up and registration is not necessary.

Funding was provided by Friends of the Jamestown Library.

Knitting class for all this Sunday

A knitting session for all ages will take place at the Jamestown library on Sunday, March 19, from 1 to 3 p.m.

The Sunday sessions are open to all levels of expertise and take place in the children's room. Those participating should bring their own needles and yarn. Registration is not necessary.

For more information about this and other library programs visit the library at 26 North Main Rd. or call 423-7280.

Donate blood on Monday at PAC Club

The Jamestown Emergency Medical Services will sponsor a blood drive on Monday, March 20, from 2:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Portuguese American Citizens' Club.

Anyone 17 and up who is in general good health and weighs at least 110 pounds is eligible to give blood.

The PAC Club at 138 Narragansett Ave., Jamestown.

Library hours change with computer update

On Tuesday and Wednesday,

March 21-22, the Jamestown library, will be open limited hours due to updates that will be made to the Cooperating Libraries Automated Network or CLAN database.

On Tuesday, March 21, the library will be open from 2 to 9 p.m. and on Wednesday, March 22, the hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and then again from 7 to 9 p.m.

Further computer updates are expected to take place on Monday, March 27 and Tuesday, March 28.

CLAN is the consortium of Rhode Island public libraries that share a common database and pool resources for the benefit of all Rhode Island residents. The network anticipates that migrating the database to Millennium, a product of Innovative Interfaces Inc., will allow the network to continue to expand services and products to the library-using public.

"Millennium is the same database used at the University of Rhode Island and the libraries of the HELIN consortium so many

users will find it familiar and user-friendly," said Judy Bell, Jamestown's library director.

Contest underway to guess osprey arrival

Bird watchers and fans of the island's ospreys are encouraged to participate in a contest to guess the precise moment when the first osprey will land on the nest at Marsh Meadows.

Sponsored by the Conanicut Island Raptor Project, the Jamestown Press and the Jamestown Education Foundation, the contest asks participants to guess the month, day, hour, minute and second of arrival on an entry slip, which they can submit with a \$1 bill at several different locations.

The camera on the nest will record the exact time of arrival.

The winner will get to choose the location of a new osprey pole and platform and to have a plaque with their name attached to the new nest location. All proceeds from the contest will go to future nesting platforms.

Look for wooden birdhouses for contest entries at Slice of Heaven, McQuade's market, both school offices, the library, and at Jamestown True Value Hardware. Each birdhouse receptacle has small manila envelopes and entry slips that can be filled out and put in the birdhouse slot.

The winner will be announced on the raptor project Web site at www.conanicutraptors.com and

also in the Jamestown Press. Entry deadline is March 24.

Shores association meeting cancelled

The March meeting of the Jamestown Shores Association scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, has been cancelled to enable members to attend the state Department of Transportation workshop regarding demolition of the old Jamestown Bridge.

The DOT workshop has been set for the same evening. The next meeting of the Shores association is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse on the corner of Beacon and Frigate streets.

Members are urged to attend the DOT workshop to learn about the planned blasting phase of the old Jamestown Bridge demolition.


Summer playground program announced

The Parks & Recreation Department will offer its Summer Playground Program at Ft. Getty again this summer.

The program nows run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with the option of staying until 4 p.m. A half-day option is also available. The program is scheduled to run from Monday, June 26, to Friday, Aug., 18. The cost of the half-day option is \$40 per week. The 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. option will be \$90 per week and the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be \$110 per week. For people registering for more than four weeks during the month of April price breaks will be given.

Each week will feature a theme such as Arts and Crafts, Sports, the Environment, and Animals. The week's projects and activities will be centered around its theme. Some of the weekly field trips that have been planned include the Mystic Aquarium, Providence Children's Museum, and the Roger Williams Park Zoo.

Registration will begin on Monday, April 3. Forms are available at the Community Center, the Recreation Office and at the schools. Forms can also be downloaded at www.jamestownri.net/rec/rec.html. For more information, call 423-7211.



*In 1926 he came
A bouncing baby boy.
Three sisters and two brothers, first
The sixth, Russ was a joy.*

*A hunter he soon grew to be
Hunting pheasant here and there.
With Dutchess always by his side
They were an awesome pair.*

*He served his country during the war
And now his isle, the same.
To keep green spaces free and clear
Preserving charm and fame.*

*His family's grown; two boys, a girl,
Six grand kids for his knee.
These eighty years he's called 'town home,
No place he'd rather be.*

*His birthday's here, March seventeenth,
In case you weren't aware.
Perhaps a card, a note, a call,
To show him that you care.*

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