

**About town**

**Blood drive this Sunday**

There will be a blood drive on Sunday, Jan. 28, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Holy Ghost Hall on Narragansett Avenue.

The drive will be sponsored by the Arnold Zweir Post 22 of the American Legion and Memorial Post 9447 of the VFW.

All donors will receive a free pound of Dunkin Donuts coffee as part of the Community Partnership program during the month of January, which is Blood Donor Month.

Blood donors should be at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds, and be in general good health.

For more information on being a blood donor, visit the Rhode Island Blood Center Web site at [www.ribc.org](http://www.ribc.org) or call 800 283-8385.

**Knitting circle at library**

The next Sunday Knitting Circle at the Jamestown library will take place on Jan. 28 from 1 to 3 p.m.

The Sunday sessions are free and open to all levels of expertise. Participants should bring their own needles and yarn. Registration is not needed for the Sunday sessions.

Knitting will take place in the children's area of the library.

For more information about this, or other library programs, visit the library at 26 North Main Road, call 423-7280, or look at the calendar of events at <http://www.jamestownri.com/library/>.

**Tuesday pajama storyhours**

The Friends of Jamestown Library are sponsoring a Pajama Storyhour series for children 3 to 8 years old, which began Jan. 9 and will run on Tuesdays through March 6.

Pajama Storyhour takes place in the children's room of the library from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and features many community helpers, including a post office employee, a firefighter, an EMT, a school principal, and many other community helpers who will entertain and read to the children.

Registration is not required for these free events.

**Teen skating night tomorrow**

All high school students are invited for a night of ice-skating at

the Newport Yachting Center in Newport on Friday, Jan. 26, from 6 to 10 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$7, or \$12 with skate rental. The van will leave the Community Center at 6 p.m. and return by 10 p.m. For more information and to reserve a seat, contact Melissa Minto at [jamestownteens@yahoo.com](mailto:jamestownteens@yahoo.com) or call 741-0562.

**Parents learning to live with teens**

The Jamestown Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force, the Jamestown Teen Center, the Jamestown PTO, & CODAC Behavioral Health Care present "Parent Survivor Night," on Tuesday, Jan. 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Melrose Avenue School.

Part II of CODAC's Community Empowerment Program will explore issues related to adolescent behavioral development, youth substance abuse, and violence prevention. Parents are invited to the following special presentation that considers "normal" adolescent behavior and talk about what to do if a child seems to be moving into the "danger zone." Learn how to talk with—and listen to—adolescents to develop more effective ways of communicating.

Bob Kendall, of Creative Options, Inc., is a behavioral specialist in the East Greenwich School District and has over 25 years of experience providing support services to youth and families.

Nora Santamour is a behavioral specialist and youth psychologist with the East Greenwich School District and a resident of Jamestown. She is also a member of the Jamestown Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force.

Refreshments will be served. For child care, which is available with a 24-hour notice, call Wendy Rafferty at 423-8080. Pizza and a movie will be provided for children in care.



**Land trust recognizes laborers**  
Nick DiGiando, Brian Dutra, and Archie Clark were recognized by the Conanicut Island Land Trust for the labor and equipment they provided to the effort to clear the brush along North Main Road.

**Conanicut Island Land Trust Volunteers honored**

Participants in the recent land clearing on North Main Road were honored by the Conanicut Island Land Trust at its year's end meeting.

Held at the home of Jim and Darcy Estes, the land trust honored the landowners and volunteers who have participated in the ongoing project. The project started in 2005 with the clearing of 1,800 linear feet along the farm of George and Martha Neale and continued this year on the opposite side of North Road on the Hodgkiss Farm owned by Gail and Harry Chase.

Quentin Anthony, president of the land trust, said, "The land trust board wanted to express its appreciation to the Neales and Chases for participating in this project. The clearing confers little or no benefit on the farming operations since it involves, for all intents and purposes, only the 3 or 4 feet on each side of the stone walls, but the Chase and Neale families support the goal of opening the fields and walls to our community and graciously invited us on their farms."

Also honored were Archie Clarke, Brian Dutra, and Nick DiGiando. Anthony said, "We would like to honor all the volunteers who have helped, but there are simply too many. Archie, Brian, and Nick have gone beyond what we could ever expect. Without the heavy equipment provided by Archie and Brian, we would still be there. They do in an hour what 10 men would do in a day. Nick has shown up for two years with as many as 12 of his crew and given us an enormous boost."

All were presented a framed photograph by local photographer Kate Petrie of the views opened up.

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