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About town

Alcoholism topic of library talk

The first of a helpful series of free lectures sponsored by the Jamestown Medical Fund will be an informative talk by Dr. Santi Meunier and Dr. Joe England on alcoholism.

"Dying for a drink" covers the facts, stages, characteristics, medications and treatment options for alcoholism.

The talk will take place at the Jamestown library on North Main Road tonight — Thursday, Feb. 8 — from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Barnacles Quartet sings this Sunday

The Friends of the Library will present the second in their annual music series on Sunday, Feb. 11, at 2 p.m. in the Jamestown library meeting hall.

The Barnacles Quartet will perform in 18th-century music in period costumes. The group features Everett Brown on vocals, accordion, mandolin, fiddle, and banjo. Tim Reilly is featured on percussion, whistles, bouzouki, and vocals. On guitar, concertina, percussion, and vocals is Priscilla Malone, and Mary Audette sings and plays keyboards, flute, recorders, and bouzouki. This quartet sings a variety of music, including nautical, Celtic, and traditional songs.

The concert is free. For more information, call the library at 423-7280.

Chamber hosts breakfast seminar

The Jamestown Chamber of Commerce will host a breakfast seminar on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the Bay Voyage from 7:30 to 8:45 a.m.

The seminar topic will be "Local & National Real Estate Trends," featuring Jennifer O'Hara Lawrence, president of the Newport Country Board of Realtors, as speaker.

Lawrence will discuss the real estate market in Newport County and how it compares to what is happening throughout the country.

The cost is \$10 for Jamestown chamber members and \$15 for nonmembers. Seating is limited and registration is required. Call 423-3650 or register online at www.jamestownRIchamber.com.

This is the second seminar in the Jamestown chamber's Winter Breakfast Series. The third and final seminar will be Tuesday, March 20, on "Financing for Small Businesses."

Valentine sing-along for preschoolers

The children's department of Jamestown library will present a sing-along for babies and preschoolers and their caregivers with Kathy Fitzgerald on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 10:30 a.m.

This free program will be held in the library's meeting hall at 26 North Main Rd.

Guitarist Kathy Fitzgerald is a Jamestown resident, author, librarian, and she has an excellent repertoire of songs for children in both English and Spanish.

Teens invited to see 'Invisible Children'

On Monday, Feb. 12, the Newport County Youth Council will present the first of a four-part documentary series, "Change Starts Now," in the auditorium of the Newport Community College of Rhode Island campus. The first documentary to be screened is "Invisible Children" beginning at 6 p.m.

This film depicts the reality of children in Uganda, Africa, showing how they are kidnapped from their homes and trained as child soldiers to fight in the Northern Uganda Civil War.

Truly compelling and provocative, the film will be presented by local youth organizers and the 2007 Invisible Children team followed by a discussion session.

The screening is open to the public and admission is free, with donations going to support the children of Africa. For more information about the film, visit www.invisiblechildren.org

New book titles arrive at the library

New books this week at the library include:

"On The Wealth Of Nations" by P.J. O'Rourke.

"The Emotional Survival Guide For Caregivers: Looking After Yourself And Your Family While Helping An Aging Parent" by Barry J. Jacobs.

"The Sea Captain's Wife: A True Story Of Love, Race, and War In The Nineteenth Century" by Martha Hodes.

"Museum Of The Missing: A History Of Art Theft" by Simon Houpt, with a foreword by Julian Radcliffe.

"Patriot Hearts: A Novel Of The Founding Mothers" by Barbara Hambly.

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