

Upcoming

See "Fame" at high school

North Kingstown High School Music Department will present its production of "Fame the Musical" on March 9 and 10 at 7 p.m. and March 11 at 2 p.m. The production involves over 50 students on-stage, offstage, and in the pit. The students have worked hundreds of hours on this production.

The show is about the struggles that many teenage students encounter in high school while trying to become famous musicians, dancers, and actors at the School of Performing Arts in New York City during the 1980s.

The audience will see how both good and bad decisions can effect the lives of these young students. Because of the mature nature of this show, parental guidance is suggested.

Tickets can be purchased for \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

Advance sale tickets are available during all four lunches during the week of the show at Ryan's Market and at the High School front office. For more information, contact Norma Caiazza at norma-caiazz@nksd.net or 268-6274.

JYC welcomes new members

The Jamestown Yacht Club welcomes new members who share the club's purpose of enhancing the freedom its members seek through boating.

The JYC promotes boating, and encourages the exchange of ideas and information among boaters. The club seeks to provide an atmosphere for camaraderie among people who believe that time upon the water is an essential part of a free life.

It is not necessary to own a boat, and the club hosts several social events each year. Membership applications can be found on the club's Web site www.jyc.org under "download forms." Call Mary Brennan at 423-9946 for more information.

Shores association meets Wednesday

The Jamestown Shores Association will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the clubhouse at 222 Beacon Ave. at 7 p.m.

Final flick screens March 1 in library's foreign film series

The Friends of the Jamestown Library will show the final film in their 2007 Foreign Film Series on Thursday, March 1, at 7 p.m.

The film is "The Chorus." (Les Choristes) In this 2005 French film, the new teacher at a severely administered boys' boarding school works to positively effect the students' lives through music.

All films are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Mark Twain to visit the library

Richard Clark will perform "And now...Mark Twain!" a delightful look at the life and work of America's foremost humorist. This one-person play is full of wit and wisdom and the special brand of storytelling that made Twain a legend in his time. The performance will be on Sunday, March 11, at 2 p.m. at the Jamestown library and is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Richard Clark is a graduate of Clark University with a major in English and Theater. Clark has appeared in numerous New England regional theaters. He has worked professionally in New York Theater and on television. His film credits include "The Kennedys of Massachusetts," "Guiding Light," "As the World Turns," and "Saturday Night Live." For a number of years he has focused on presenting a series of one-person shows for community audiences throughout New England.

The theme tying together all the performances is "Keeping History Alive." Historical characters are brought to life in performances created from the lives and work of Mark Twain, Clarence Darrow, John Barrymore, Andrew Carnegie, and William Shakespeare.

Richard Clark lives in Boylston, Mass., with his wife and teenage son, two cats and Bailey the Bassetriever dog.

For more information about the program, call the library at 423-7280.

Book group chooses next book

The Afternoon Book Discussion at the Jamestown Library continues on Tuesday, March 13, with the book "The Floating Brothel: The Extraordinary True Story of an Eighteenth-Century Ship and Its Cargo of Female Convicts" by Sian Rees. The group meets at the library at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month.

This is the story of 237 female convicts who left England for New South Wales on the "Lady Julian" in 1789. The author says in the introduction, "Some of the women who arrived as frightened teenage criminals would become the founding mothers of Australia, settling into respectability and prosperity. Others would be lost along the way, recreating in the New World the misery they had left in the Old."

Sargent painting topic of lecture

Dr. Erica E. Hirshler will close the eight-week Winter Lecture Series with her "Cora Lee Gibbs Lecture" on the subject of John Singer Sargent and "The Daughters of Edward Darley Boit" on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 2 p.m.

"The Daughters of Edward Darley Boit," painted in Paris by John Singer Sargent in 1882, features the daughters of Edward Darley Boit, a fellow expatriate American Painter. Hirshler is the Croll Senior Curator of Paintings, Art of the Americas at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

The cost of the lecture, \$5 for museum members and \$10 for nonmembers, includes a reception after the lecture. Attendees should arrive early, as seating is limited.

For more information, call the museum at 848-8200 or go to "Calendar" at www.newportart-museum.com.

Latin and ballroom dance classes offered

The recreation department will start new sessions of its three adult dance classes on Thursday evenings at the Community Center on Thursday, March 1.

Latin Dancing will run from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. No partner is necessary. Students will learn how

to find the beat, and move to the beat. They should wear comfortable clothes and shoes that allow them to swivel and turn. They will learn the basic moves of the merengue, cha cha, rumba, and salsa.

The swing/ballroom class will run from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. This class is an introduction to salsa, swing, the foxtrot, the waltz. Learn basic steps and skill to lead and follow in partner dancing.

Finally, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., the tango will close out the evening. Tangoing is sweeping the country and the world. Connection and communication between the partners are a very important element in this dance. Students will start with walking, embracing, finding, and dancing to the beat. This is an introductory class for complete beginners.

All three classes at taught by Kana Kubota. Kana has taught at Dance New York, the New York Athletic Club, Greenwich House Music School, the Stevens' Institute of Technology, and Vassar College

In Rhode Island, she has taught at Narragansett Towers, East Greenwich High School, and Central Falls High School.

For more information, call 423-7260. Registration forms are available at the Community Center or can be downloaded from <http://www.jamestownri.net/rec/rec.html>.



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