

Upcoming

Central Baptist Holy Week events

A variety of worship opportunities will be available during Holy Week at Central Baptist Church.

A special reader's "theater interpretation" of Jesus' final days, as portrayed in the Gospel of Luke, will highlight the Palm Sunday worship service, Sunday, April 1, at 9:30 a.m. This service also will feature a procession of palms led by the congregation's children, two anthems by the CBC choir, and the celebration of communion.

A service of communion and Tenebrae will be held Maundy Thursday, April 5, at 7 p.m. The first portion of the service will center around remembering and reenacting the last meal that Jesus shared with his disciples. The second portion, adapted from the ancient service of Tenebrae, will make use of readings and the extinguishing of candles to recall the events of Holy Week.

A photographic interpretation of the stations of the cross will guide the Good Friday service at 7 p.m. This service will help participants focus on the final steps of Jesus, as well as imagine how people travel the way of the cross today.

A sunrise service at Beavertail Park will begin the congregation's celebration of Easter on Sunday, April 8. The brief service will begin at 6:30 a.m. and will be followed by a pancake breakfast at the church.

Easter music, readings, and a sermon on Hearing Our Name will be featured during CBC's Easter Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. A reception will follow.

Central Baptist Church is an American Baptist congregation with members from 28 denominations. For more information, call Kathryn Palen, pastor, at 423-1651.

Free hands-on abstract art class

Martha Milot will teach "Exploring Abstraction" for the adult novice on Wednesday, April 18th, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Focusing on reproductions of paintings, students will discuss theories of abstraction and create a collage of their own. There is no experience necessary, but scissors are required for the class. The class has changed location from Wellspring to the community center. Sign up at the recreation department, or call 423-7211 by April 11th. The class is free.

Weekly Storytimes at library

There will not be Mother Goose Time for babies on Monday, April 2. The program will resume April 9, at 11:15 a.m.

Storytime for 2-year-olds with their caregivers will be held the first Wednesday of the month from 10:15 to 11 a.m., followed by storytime for 3 to 5 year olds from 11:15 a.m. to noon.

Both preschool storytimes feature books, finger plays, action rhymes, music and a craft project.

Registration is not necessary for these free programs, which all take place in the children's room. For more information, visit the library, call 423-7280, or see the calendar of events on our website www.jamestownri.com/library.

Sing and dance with Toe Jam puppets

The Pennfield School will present The Toe Jam Puppet Band on Thursday, April 5, from 4 to 5 p.m., as the primary school celebrates "The Month of the Young Child."

The Toe Jam Puppet Band has emerged as the latest children's musical group to gain popularity and a very loyal following among their tiny fans. Dance songs like "Conga Line," "Barn Dance," and "Block Cheese Dance Party" and interactive songs such as "Car Wash," "The Flying Laundry," and the wacky "Bubbles Machine," make the performances lively and engaging.

Youngsters and parents are encouraged to sing and dance along with the band, as the group entertains with a unique combination of original songs, masterful shadow puppetry, storytelling and just good old-fashioned fun.

The program is geared toward youngsters ages 3 to 8 and is free of charge. For more information, call The Pennfield School, at 849-4646.

High school PTSO meeting April 10

The North Kingstown High School PTSO will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in the school's media center.

The focus of this month's meeting will be a report and discussion by the school district's modernization committee and finalization of the plans for the annual Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. Come prepared with any questions and comments about these two important topics of interest. Princial Gerald Foley will also give his monthly report, which keeps parents up to date on what is happening at the school.

Hospital starts heart failure program

The Vanderbilt Rehabilitation Center of Newport Hospital has scheduled a free outpatient congestive heart failure (CHF) program to help patients manage this chronic disease and improve their well-being.

Classes will be held in two 90-minute sessions each week for six weeks, and all sessions will include both an exercise and an education component. Classes will be taught by a cardiac nurse, a dietitian, an exercise physiologist and pharmacist, and the program includes pre- and post-testing.

This program aims to teach patients about their CHF, its signs and symptoms, and how to manage it.

The classes begin on Tuesday, April 3, at 10:30 a.m. in the Newport Hospital library. For more information and to register, call the cardiac rehabilitation program at 845-1179.

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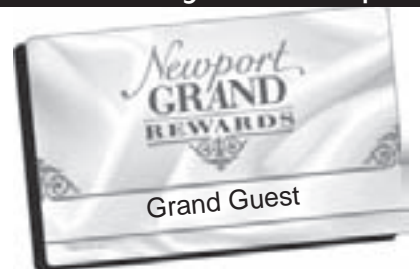
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