

Upcoming

Swing band to play benefit

The Fort Adams Trust and First Night Newport announce the Sunset Fun-Raiser scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 26, from 6 to 11 p.m. at Belle Mer, on Goat Island.

This event is a benefit for both organizations and the honorary chairmen are Senator Sheldon Whitehouse and Newport Mayor Stephen Waluk.

Tickets are \$75 per person and include hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, exotic food stations, desserts and music by Bellevue Cadillac Swing Band.

A silent auction will be held, which will feature items from area art galleries; tickets to Rough Point, the home of Doris Duke; an overnight stay at Rose Island Lighthouse; theater tickets and many more fabulous items.

For tickets and information, call 841-0707 or visit www.fortadams.org. Tickets can also be purchased on line at www.firstnightnewport.org.

Concession stand meeting Monday

A special meeting will be held on Monday, Aug. 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the recreation center to discuss further plans and solicit help regarding the Glow Ball tournament on Sept. 15 to raise funds for concession stand repairs at the soccer and baseball fields. Members of baseball and soccer committees/coaches as well as other interested persons are invited to attend.

Vintage clothing sale in Newport

Child & Family Services will host two new and unique events

to benefit its Ophelia Programs for girls and young women in Newport County.

Ophelia's Wardrobe will be a sale of gently-used designer and vintage clothing and accessories.

Two events are planned. The first, a preview cocktail party, will be held tomorrow evening, Aug. 17, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Young Building, 370 Bellevue Ave, Newport. Tickets are \$50 per person and include an open bar and hors d'oeuvres.

The other event is a full-day sale of clothing and accessories on Saturday, Aug. 18, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., in the same location. Admission is free for the second event.

For further information about both events or to reserve tickets for the preview event, call 848-4150. Both events will benefit Child & Family's Ophelia Programs.

End of summer fun at soccer camp

Challenger British Soccer has a few openings at their camp starting on Monday, Aug. 20, at Tuckertown Park in South Kingstown.

The camp is available from 9 a.m. to noon for half-day camp and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for full-day camp.

Challenger camps utilize coaches from the United Kingdom to take a fun approach to learning and advancing the game of soccer.

Fall soccer is just around the corner, so take this opportunity to have the kids brush up on their skills.

For more information or to register, visit the Web site at www.challengersports.com.

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Bruce Keiser called it an "absolute award-winning building." He said the town had wanted to consolidate its municipal offices for a long time, and the space would be multi-functional. "We will line the walls with local artwork. The historical society will have important photographs on display," he said.

The town administrator experienced an extra rush of auspicious timing when his birthday was announced by Long. The crowd paused from the dedication for a round of "Happy Birthday" to the surprised Keiser.

Keiser went on to read a message from Governor Donald Carcieri, who extended his best wishes for the occasion, and also read a Rhode Island Senate citation received in recognition of the pur-

chase of Conanicut Island. Rep. Bruce Long also stepped forward, offering recognition from the House of Representatives.

U.S. Senator Jack Reed spoke a few words at the gathering. "This is a new chapter in the history of Jamestown. It has come a long way since the sheep herders that inhabited the island long ago," he said.

Tree Preservation and Protection Committee member Jim Rugh stepped forward and presented six trees, secured with a grant from the Rhode Island Tree Council.

Rosemary Enright, president of the Jamestown Historical Society, handed a pair of scissors to the council president. The officials lined up in front of the entrance for the symbolic ribbon cutting, and cheers erupted again.

Karen Dionne, the mother-in-law of the builder, came down

from Johnston to witness the event. "The turnout in this small town is phenomenal," she said, adding that Pezzuco had been excited about the ceremony for a while. Dionne noted that the cupola on top of the building was a present from Pezzuco and his brother Ronald, who dedicated it in the name of their late mother.

Paula Cogswell, a friend of Dionne and a summer resident of Jamestown for the last 70 years, beamed with pride. "It's the most wonderful, amazing, greatest building," she said.

Mary Hutchinson of the Land Trust also marveled. "It's exciting, it's fresh. Finally we're going to have everybody under one roof. The town will be more efficient," she said.

The historic Conanicut Island Land Agreement will be on display in the Wright Museum in the Jamestown Philomenian Library



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