

**Obituaries**

**Stephen Bruce Murray, 65**



Stephen Bruce Murray, 65, died Wednesday, March 28, 2007, at his home in Jamestown. Born in Newport, he attended Rogers High School and the University of Rhode Island before receiving his bachelor's and master's degree in music from the University of California at Los Angeles.

He was manager of the Des Moines Symphony in Des Moines, Iowa, from 1976 to 1979 and associated manager of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra in Providence from 1979 to 1989. Bruce was a founder of Concerts on the Island, an organization that provided a venue for classical musicians in Newport from 1979 to 1993, and was its musical director throughout its existence. His musical compositions were performed by a number of orchestras, including the Rhode Island Philharmonic, New Music Ensemble, the Brockton Symphony, and a variety of solo artists. Until his retirement in 2002, he was a lecturer in music, film, and art history at Providence College and Stonehill College in North Easton, Mass.

An anti-Vietnam War activist, Bruce served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Chile from 1965 to 1967. He came to love the country and returned in later years for

pleasure and to maintain his fluency in Spanish.

A Jamestown resident since 2002, he was a volunteer docent for the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association and for the Jamestown Historical Society and played keyboard with Tres Moutarde, a group of local musicians who specialize in early 20th century dance music.

He is survived by his adopted son, Edor Kabashi, of Montreal, Canada. The funeral will be private. A memorial service is planned for April 14.

**Police**

**Stolen goods arrest**

Ian O'Neill, 19, of 29 Clarke St., was charged March 29 with receiving stolen goods. An April 13 court date is scheduled at Newport District Court, police said.

**Suspended license**

David M. Wilson, 27, of 105 Lonsdale Ave., Pawtucket, was stopped for speeding on Route 138 and charged with driving with a suspended license, according to police. Arraignment is scheduled for April 13 at Newport District Court.

**Bench warrant**

Russell Kellock, 23, of 29 Spanker St. was picked up March 31 when police spotted him in his yard. Police said they were aware of a bench warrant for Kellock from Newport District Court. Kellock was taken to the Adult Correctional Institutes, police said.

**Fire and EMS Runs**

**Fire runs**

6:45 p.m., March 18, Car 1, EMS 1, and Special Services 1 were dispatched to Route 138 eastbound to search for a person in the water.

10:55 a.m., March 19, Ladder 1, Car 3, and Engine 3, responded to an unintentional smoke detector call on Narragansett Avenue.

10:55 a.m., March 19, Engine 3 answered an emergency medical (EMS) call on Hawthorne Road.

7 p.m., March 22, All units responded to a service call at the Fire Station on Narragansett Avenue.

6:37 a.m., March 24, Ladder 1, Tanker 1, Engines 1, 2 and 3 were sent to a smoke scare on Yawl Avenue.

6 p.m., March 25, Car 2 assisted in a police matter on Seaside Drive.

5:39 p.m., March 26, Cars 1 and 3, Engine 1, answered a citizen complaint on Lawn Avenue.

7 p.m., March 29, Ladder 1, Tanker 1, Engines 1, 2, and 3 went to a service call at the Fire Station on Narragansett Avenue.

1:03 p.m., March 30, Cars 1 and 2, Engine 1 were sent to a malfunctioning smoke detector call on Pennsylvania Avenue.

9:26 a.m., March 30, Ladder 1, Engines 1, 2 and 3 were dispatched to an unintentional smoke detector activation on Highland Drive.

5:02 p.m., March 30, Special Services 1 answered a water evacuation call on Seaside Drive.

10:09 a.m., March 31, Engine

2 was sent to a cover assignment and standby on Post Road in North Kingstown.

9:14 a.m., March 31, Car 1, Engines 1, 2 and 3 answered a chemical hazard call (no spill or leak) on North Main Road.

**EMS runs**

5:15 p.m., March 25, EMS 1 went to an MVA/Pedestrian accident on Conanicus Avenue in Shoreby Hill and transported a patient to Newport Hospital.

8:09 a.m. March 26, EMS 1 answered a trauma call on Summit Avenue. A person was transported to Newport Hospital.

2:49 p.m., March 26, EMS 1 responded to a medical emergency on Lawn Avenue. Patient refused assistance.

11:41 a.m. March 27, EMS 1 answered a medical emergency on Pemberton Avenue and transported a patient to Newport Hospital.

1:42 p.m., March 28, EMS 1 went to a medical emergency on Capstan Street and drove a patient to Newport Hospital.

11:01 a.m., March 29, EMS 1 answered a medical emergency on Pemberton Avenue. Transport was not required.

9:28 a.m., March 30, EMS 1 was sent to an alarm standby on Highland Drive.

9:17 a.m., March 31, EMS 1 was dispatched to a smoke investigation at South Reservoir on North Main Road.

12:33 a.m., March 31, EMS 1 went to a medical emergency on Neptune Street and transported a patient to Newport Hospital.

**Farm Kids at Watson Farm.**

This six-week outdoor after-school program, for kids in grades 5 and 6, begins on Friday April 27. The program offers the opportunity to explore and experience the various habitats that make up the 265-acre Watson Farm. Woodland, wetlands, shoreline, farm fields and barnyard are all parts of this working historic farm.

"Farm Kids" will get a chance to see life on the farm through the change of seasons, and at the same time develop nature observation skills. It is an exciting time on the farm with Sheep Shearing Day, gardens being planted and the birthing of lambs and calves. Most importantly the children will become a part of the farm community while learning about the history and future of agriculture on Conanicut Island.

The Watson Farm is a working farm owned by Historic New England a museum of cultural history managed by Don and Heather Minto. The "Farm Kids" program is a wonderful chance for students to wrap up the school week and begin the weekend with an adventure at Watson Farm. The program is on Friday afternoons from 3 to 5:30 p.m., on April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1. The registration fee is \$ 40 for members of Historic New England and \$60 for non-members. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. For more information, contact Heather Minto at 423-0005.



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**Toast of the town**

Mary Wright, at left, was honored at a weekend roast sponsored by the Jamestown Education Foundation. With her is Hannah Cordes, one of many island children who have performed in the Jamestown Community Theatre under Wright's direction.

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