

AARP to meet in Newport

The next meeting of the Newport County Chapter of AARP will be held on Monday, April 21, at 1:30 p.m. at the Fenner Avenue Hall in Newport.

The guest speaker for the session will be Dennis Taber, who is a retired Rhode Island State Police Lieutenant. Lt. Taber will speak on Constables and their role.

The membership committee will be on site at 12:45 p.m. for those who wish to pay their dues or to join the organization. New members should bring their national AARP card to register at the local chapter.

Members are reminded to bring non-perishable food for the on-going pantry project.

Still pretty raw and windy out there, but there are definite signs of spring, that cannot be overlooked – daffodils, crocuses, green sprouts here and there, and visible buds on trees. Can't get better than that for the annual promise of springtime!

There are new things happening in the senior world as well. We have a bus trip coming up in June, with registration taking place now. We're going to the Hu Ki Lau on June 8, a place where for a little while you'll feel like you're in Hawaii—with a Hawaiian show and music and a great meal to enjoy, either chow mein or prime rib. There are very few seats left on the bus, but if you contact Josephine at 423-3719, you can join us for a fun day out. Total cost, including bus ride, lunch, and show is \$59 payable by May 27. There are only five seats left, so give Josephine a call soon, and come on along!

On Wednesday, April 22, and Friday, April 24, from 1 to 5 p.m.



The Senior Times

By Charlotte Richardson

at the Jamestown Senior Center, Vern Stromberg, an AARP volunteer, will conduct the AARP Driver Safety Class—an education class designed for folks 50 years of age and older, and a chance to sharpen their knowledge of the rules of the road. You may be eligible for savings on automobile insurance costs after completing the program. Fee for both sessions is only \$10, which is payable by check at the first session. Most insurance companies in Rhode Island allow discounts of 5 to 15 percent to those who present certificates received on completion of the two sessions.

Please call Charlotte at 423-1026 to register.

Now that the winter blues and unpredictable weather are behind us, why not come down to the Senior Center, to meet and greet your friends and neighbors, along with a nice hot and tasty meal. Call and make a reservation by the Thursday of the week prior to the reservation date. You'll find it very tasty and well worth the trip, and maybe you'll make it a pleasant habit. Included in the programs at the Senior Center are bowling on Fridays, and Art Group on Thursdays, and there are a couple of card playing groups who would welcome new players. Bingo is held every Tuesday and Wednesday, sponsored by Jamestown Senior Citizens Association, and held in the very pleasant surroundings of the Pemberton Apartments Community Room. Perhaps you might have some suggestions for other things to try out. Come on down and take part.



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Senior chorus movie winning raves nationwide

The Newport International Film Festival will host an exclusive screening of "Young@Heart," an uplifting documentary about a group of senior citizens from Massachusetts and their stories of friendship and life told through contemporary music artists, such as the Clash, Coldplay, the Ramones, Outkast, and more. Immediately following the screening, guests will be treated to a concert by the famed Young@Heart chorus, the only appearance before the movie hits theaters nationwide.

The documentary follows this unlikely group of performers, whose average age is 80, and shares their personal stories, rehearsals and shows. The inspiring story of these performers brings to light their friendships, sense of humor, creativity and youthful attitudes.

The screening will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 27, at the Jane Pickens Theater and Event Center in Newport, with tickets now on sale. For more information, call 846-5252.

TOWN HALL RECORDS

- Building permits**
Bill and Kira Greene received a permit April 1 to add a new addition, rebuild a rear deck and construct a new front deck at 50 Cole St., work estimated to cost \$74,300.
William Hancur received a permit April 2 to add a bath and closet at 375 West Reach Drive, work estimated to cost \$5,000.
Al and Susan McKibben received a permit April 3 to build a porch, straighten a south side sill beam and add new footings at 1031 East Shore Rd., work estimated to cost \$11,000.
William McCarthy received a permit April 7 to install vinyl siding at 18 Bryer Ave., work estimated to cost \$32,277.
- Electrical permits**
Sherry Kaplan received a permit April 2 to complete rough and finished wiring of a single family guest house at 42 Orient Ave., work estimated to cost \$20,000.
Elizabeth Cregan received a permit April 3 to install 200 amp service at 151 Cedar Hill Drive, work estimated to cost \$6,100.
Bruce Callahan received a permit April 3 to revamp electrical service and add outlets and lights at 10 Fairview St., work estimated to cost \$4,500.
- Mechanical permits**
Eric Cote received a permit April 2 to install a wood-burning fireplace with a pipe chimney at 64 Columbia Ave., work estimated to cost \$1,500.
Steve Enus received a permit April 3 to install a hydro air system, boiler ductwork, two air handlers and a hot water maker at 67 Cole St., work estimated to cost \$8,000.
Elena Rembijas received a permit April 4 to replace an oil fired burner with an oil fired hot water boiler at 66 Howland Ave., work estimated to cost \$4,000.

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