

ABOUT TOWN

Hunt turkeys on NESN show this weekend

On Kettlebottom Outdoor Pursuits, this week, Robb Roach is joined by John Longo and Mark Mingain on a springtime turkey hunt in Rhode Island. After seeing a lot of gobblers hanging up just out of range, the guys finally get a shot at a couple big Toms—filling Mark and Robb's tags with a couple of trophy birds.

Later, the Mingains host Roach at their home, where he prepares a delicious turkey dish with a red wine demi-glaze.

The program airs Saturday at noon on NESN.

Chamber scholarship deadline is Saturday

The deadline to apply for a Jamestown Chamber of Commerce scholarship is Saturday, April 26.

Each year the Chamber awards two \$500 scholarships to Jamestown residents pursuing business studies or taking continuing education classes for career development.

Students looking to take a college business program, or adults looking to take night classes for career development, are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available at Baker's Pharmacy or online at www.jamestownRIchamber.com.

Realtors offer college scholarships

The Newport County Board of Realtors recently announced it is accepting scholarship applications for two \$1,000 awards they will give to

college-bound students this year.

Eligible candidates must reside in Newport County and will be selected on various criteria, including financial need, academic standing and extracurricular activity.

Applications are available in the guidance offices at area high schools, and online at the Newport County Board of Realtors' website at www.newportrealtor.com, under the "Resources" menu. The deadline for submitting completed applications is April 30, 2008.

Ginny Prichett, of Island Realty in Jamestown, said that students must fill out the forms completely. "We want as many students to be considered as possible," Prichett said, explaining some past applications were disqualified because of missing information. Prichett is the chairwoman of the selection committee.

The application criteria include, among other things, the submission of a handwritten letter explaining why an applicant should be considered, and a letter of recommendation from a teacher.

For more than a half of a century, the Newport County Board of Realtors has been awarding scholarships to area students.

For more information about the scholarships or the application process, call or email Prichett, at 864-1360, or ginny@islandrealtyri.com.

Garden club plans plant sale for May 17

The Quononoquott Garden Club's spring plant sale is set for Saturday, May 17, at East Ferry from 9 a.m. to noon. Healthy native plants including unusual perennials,

vibrant geraniums, specialty annuals and some hanging baskets as well as small trees and shrubs will be available.

Jamestown gardeners donate perennials for the sale, which are potted by club members and then sold at a reasonable cost. Those gardeners who would like to donate some perennials to the sale can call Linda Warner at 423-1278. An appointment will be made for a team to come to the property to dig and pot. Digging will begin on May 1. Unusual perennials are always welcome, as are small trees and shrubs.

Proceeds from the sale fund the many civic beautification projects the club oversees. An ongoing project, "Daffodil Daze" has seen club members plant thousands of daffodils around the island over the past twenty years including those in front of the recreation center and at the town cemetery. The fire station garden restoration was a recent project of the club.

At the sale, gardeners will help children plant sunflower seeds in small pots to bring home.

Nautical gear donations sought

The North Kingstown High School Sailing Team is looking for donations of nautical items for its fund-raising yard sale. Clothing, boat hardware, electronics, small boats are welcome. All items should be in usable condition. Yard sale tables are also available for rent for anyone who would like to sell their own nautical gear.

Call 423-3167 or email zwickback@earthlink.net prior to May 10 to make a donation.

Volunteers needed for island shoreline cleanup this Saturday

The Jamestown Conservation Commission will host their annual Earth Day clean up to help keep Jamestown beautiful this Saturday, April 26. Teams will be sent to all of Jamestown's public shoreline access areas between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sites to be cleaned include East Ferry Town Beach, Potter's Cove, Park Dock, Jamestown Shores Beach, Fort Getty, Mackerel Cove, Hull Cove, Sheffield Cove and West Ferry.

Everyone should meet at the Jamestown Recreation Center around 8 a.m. for coffee and muffins, which will be generously provided by Slice of Heaven. Crews will then be assembled and dispatched to the various points on the island, armed with trash bags. Everyone should wear gloves, work clothes and waterproof shoes or boots.

The commission needs the help of everyone, including children, to address the never-ending stream of refuse that finds its way from the hands of a million different strangers to Jamestown's doorstep. The more volunteers the easier the job—there is a lot of ground to cover.

Volunteers with trucks would be especially appreciated as bags need to be collected along the roadside and deposited in the dumpster donated by Island Rubbish Services. A lunch will be served by the Conanicut Island Land Trust following the mornings' activities.

Garden club to donate tree for new forest

In celebration of Arbor Day, the Quononoquott Garden Club, of Jamestown, will support the Rhode Island Tree Council by donating one of the 100 trees that will be planted to create a new forest.

The mass planting will take place at Goddard Memorial State Park located at Ives Road in Warwick, on Arbor Day, April 26.

The goal of the tree council is to create one acre of shade in the "Oaks" section of the park. Planting of the trees will occur between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. and there will be an Arbor Day Fair.

Jamestown to celebrate Arbor Day

In celebration of National Arbor Day, the Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee will be planting a tree beside the Jamestown Museum at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 25.

The tree is a dogwood, *cornus x rutcan Constellation*. This cross between the native dogwood and the Japanese dogwood was developed by Rutgers University of New Jersey to resist dogwood anthracnose. This fungus disease was introduced into this country in the mid-1970s and is killing the native dogwood. The tree was selected by Betty Hubbard of Jamestown for the Museum site.



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