

ABOUT TOWN

Organic farm stand opens Saturday

The Stearns Farms Organic Produce farm stand will begin its fifth season at East Ferry this Saturday, July 5.

Islanders will be able to purchase a variety of island-grown, certified organic produce and cut flowers until the end of October. The farm stand, located across from the Bay View Condominiums, will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 3 to 6 p.m.

For more information, call Jennifer Stearns Talancy at 423-0729.

JEF cruise benefits student programs

Help the Jamestown Education Foundation continue to provide enrichment programming for Jamestown students by joining them for a Sunset Dinner Cruise aboard the elegant 85-foot luxury yacht Harbor Queen. Enjoy a beautiful evening sail along Narragansett Bay and bid on some of the unique and fun auction items.

The cruise boards from Conanicut Marina on Friday, July 11, at 7 p.m. The evening begins with live music provided by local Jamestown students. Once aboard, there will be a cash bar, followed by a buffet dinner, dancing and an exciting silent auction. Auction items include a week-long timeshare at the destination of the buyer's choice; Red Sox tickets; a four-hour off road Land Rover driving session; art and photographs from local artist and

much more.

Jamestown Education Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing educational and cultural enrichment for all students in Jamestown. JEF works in partnership with community organizations to support innovative programs that inspire young minds, encourage academic excellence and promote healthy lifestyle choices.

Tickets are \$75 per person, with proceeds funding more programming for the youth of Jamestown. Seating aboard the Harbor Queen is limited, so get tickets early. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Lisa Carlisle at 423-3353.

Library book sale begins July 10

The annual book sale at the Jamestown library will open this year on Thursday, July 10, at 7 p.m. with a paid preview. The admission will be free for paid-up members of the Friends of the Library or \$10 for non-members. The sale will continue until Saturday, July 25, at 2 p.m. during regular library hours.

Some little used and much loved volumes will be available at great prices. Prices are \$2 for hardcover books, \$1 for paperback, \$1 for children's hardcover books, and 50-cents for children's paperback books. There are special priced books available including a table of Jamestown and Rhode Island history.

The regular hours of the Jamestown Library are Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.,

Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday, noon to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and summer Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fitness classes for teens offered

The Jamestown Recreation Department will offer two new fitness classes for teens starting Monday, July 7, at the Recreation Center, 41 Conanicut Ave. All teens entering grades 7 through 12 are invited to participate. Both classes will be taught by Jamestown resident and personal trainer Jason Vieira.

Classes will run for two sessions; Session I is from July 7 to 31 and Session II will run Aug. 4 to 29.

"Fitness FUNDamentals" will meet on Mondays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Recreation Center. This class is designed to offer teens the road map to a long, healthy life. Each class will promote fun and fitness through a variety of games, obstacle courses, and exercise. This is a free program but space is limited and registration is required.

"Youth Sports Performance Camp" will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. This class provides age and skill appropriate sport-specific conditioning programs designed to develop strong, fast, agile, well balanced, injury free athletes. Each eight class session is \$80 and teens are welcome to register for both. Space is limited and registration is required. To register, call Melissa or Debbie at 423-7261 or e-mail jamestownteens@yahoo.com.

Pendragon is first for summer concert series

Summer music in Jamestown kicks off its 2008 season with one of New England's best known Celtic bands bringing its unique style to the East Ferry Memorial Square on Sunday evening, July 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Pendragon, who celebrate their 25th anniversary in September, has embraced the New England Celtic tradition and created a timeless sound of its own, performing roots music with an unmistakable contemporary edge. Pendragon's music celebrates the lives and lore of generations of New Englanders who brought traditions from Ireland, Scotland, French Canada and other distant shores to the banks of the Blackstone River.

Pendragon fashions the music of tradition into the music of tomorrow, performing their original songs and dance tunes on an exciting combination of fiddle, flute, bouzouki, concertina, banjo, guitar, whistle and percussion. In performance, Pendragon elaborates on the cultural and historical context of the music while projecting a relaxed and humorous stage presence that comes from over two decades of performance together.

Pendragon is comprised of step dancer and percussionist Kevin Doyle, Bob Drouin on bouzouki, fiddle and tenor banjo; Russell Gusetti on guitar and concertinas; Josh Kane on flute and whistles; and Mary Lee Partington on vocals and bodhran. Past tributes include three straight Boston Music Award nominations for Outstanding Celtic Act and a Governor's Tourism Award. Pendragon has been voted Rhode Island's Best Celtic Act in the 2007, 2006 and 2005 MOTIF Magazine's Best Music Poll.

Bring a chair or blanket, sit back and enjoy the free concert. The event is sponsored by the East Ferry Market & Deli, the Secret Garden and the Jamestown Press. In the event of rain, the concert will be held in the Recreation Center.

For more information on the Summer Concert series, visit the Town of Jamestown Web site at www.jamestownri.net and click on the Parks and Recreation Department link.

Adult beginner ballet offered

The Jamestown Recreation Department's Modern Dance with Mary Beth Murphy is a class for anyone who has ever wanted to dance. This ballet-based class is designed for the beginner, but is also appropriate for anyone who may have danced as a child and has always dreamt of trying it again.

A thorough warm-up, which is great for toning the legs, is followed by simple steps across the floor and small jumps. The class is taught in a supportive environment and laughter is encouraged.

Classes meet Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the Jamestown Golf Course. Registration forms are available at the Recreation Center or at the golf course before class. The cost is \$60 for 5 classes. Call Murphy at 829-8186 for more information.



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Computer assistance for community members

The Jamestown Library has an on-going program of computer assistance to members of the Jamestown community.

The program takes place on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon, and has been running since May.

Robert Edgar, a retired information technology specialist, is available at the library to provide help with information about computers. From the basics of getting started, to signing up for an e-mail account, to downloading software, Edgar can guide people through most problems. The service is free on a first-come, first serve basis.

For more information, call the library at 423-7280.



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