

Letters

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Thanks for caring EMS volunteers

This letter was sent to the Jamestown Emergency Medical Services and copied to the Jamestown Press.

I stumbled on the Narragansett Avenue sidewalk just outside of Chopmist Charlie's early Saturday morning, July 26.

Luckily my right hand broke my fall, though the ensuing wound was ultimately considered serious hand trauma requiring many stitches.

The Jamestown EMS was called at 12:57 a.m. and arrived promptly. Charles Thompson and Lee Engle were calm, thorough and highly professional as they tended my hand on the way to the Newport Hospital emergency room.

I had the opportunity to chat with Charles and discovered that we both graduated from the same small high school, though 23 years apart. It was clear that he is a caring, intelligent person dedicated to teaching and helping others.

I remain fortunate on several levels to have been looked after by Charles and Lee. Please know that my wife and I are grateful for their service.

Jamestown is in good hands courtesy of your EMS volunteers.

**F. Scott Conant
Jamestown**

Property owners thank legislators

The East Passage Lot Owners Association's Board of Directors would like to thank Senator M. Teresa Paiva Weed and Representative Bruce J. Long for their efforts on our behalf.

East Passage Estates was originally created by Commerce Oil and includes two man-made ponds. These ponds and the dams that form them are owned and maintained by the association. One of these ponds is used by the town for water to fight fires in the northern part of the island.

Last year Rhode Island enacted legislation aimed at improving the safety of dams within the

state. However, other legislation threatened to restrict our ability to raise the money needed to maintain the dams.

We met with Sen. Paiva-Weed and Rep. Long. They took the time to understand our needs and worked with us to draft and introduce legislation in the Rhode Island Senate and House. The Jamestown Town Council unanimously supported this legislation.

Throughout the legislative process Sen. Paiva-Weed and Rep. Long closely followed these bills and kept us informed of progress. Thanks to their efforts, last month legislation was enacted that allows us to continue to maintain these dams at no cost to the town.

**Ann Deffley, chairperson
John McCauley
Scott Olsen
James Rugh
Evan Smith
East Passage Lot Owners
Association**

Fed up with self-interest groups

Jamestown was once a seemingly unique community where people did not act only out of self-interest. As I witness the continuing 'It's all about me' and 'NIMBY' mentality we are in danger of losing what is best about this island - our collective sense of community.

First, the north enders were able to persist in having the highway barn moved to an ill-advised, too small location. Now we have a group who only seem to care about 'their' view, perhaps literally and figuratively. They seek to form a golf course oversight committee, but have no apparent interest in the greater good, only their own sense of what is best for them.

These folks seem to have no concern with the architectural merits or safety reasons for the trees. It does not seem to matter that trees were there well before they were.

They do not seem to realize this is not their property and that the golf course was purchased by the town to preserve open space and to provide recreational op-

portunities for all.

The golf course was not purchased, nor should it be maintained, for the sole goal of providing scenic views for the abutters. At the same time, they have stated that their concerns go beyond views and trees. If this is indeed the case, a committee should be formed with the caveat being that views/trees cannot be discussed.

Oh, by the way, I am not a boater so could we please remove the moorings as my view of the water is obstructed? And while we're at it, is there a more perfect location for a wind turbine than between the fourth and sixth holes of the golf course?

**Cliff Hamm
Jamestown**

Sticker enforcement needed at Head's beach

As a resident of Jamestown Shores for the last 10 years, for the first time, I begrudgingly marched down to the recreation department and handed over \$15 for the formerly free right of using the neighborhood beach, Head's Beach.

I have used the beach a total of three times this summer, thus costing me \$5 per ocean dip so far.

Last week, I arrived at the beach with my shiny new orange sticker prominently displayed on the dashboard, only to find that I was in fact, upon inspection, the only citizen to be upholding this new community law. There were a total of eight cars, the same thing the following week.

In fact, the police car that sauntered by in tandem with myself did not even stop to check for stickers.

I realize some dastardly citizen has stolen the official signs that declared to all that we can no longer use the beach without the sticker, but the signs have never been replaced. Does that mean the beach is now free for everyone but me?

When town introduces a new ordinance, it should be enforced at all costs. Right now, it looks like it was only at my cost, as every week numerous beach-goers pull up to Head's Beach with no Jamestown sticker of any sort.

Unfortunately, I shall be vacating the island next week for a sunnier financial climate in Massachusetts. I have paid dearly for my last summer in Jamestown.

**Martha Holmes
Jamestown**

It's nice to have friends

I would like to thank all of my friends and neighbors for their expressions of sympathy. They were most comforting.

**Isabelle Verducci
Jamestown**

Island Calendar

Thursday Aug. 7

Pilates, Jamestown Country Club, 8:30 a.m., fee
Teen center, grades 7 - 12, 2:30 - 6 p.m., recreation center
Alcoholics Anonymous, St. Matthew's Church, 5:30 p.m.
Beach Boot camp exercise class, Mackerel Cove, 6 to 7 p.m.
Functional training, Jamestown Country Club, 6 to 7 p.m.
Ida Lewis presentation, library, 7 p.m.
Men's Chorus rehearsal, senior center, 7 p.m.
Gamblers Anonymous, St. Lucy's Church, Middletown, 8 p.m.

Friday Aug. 8

Beach Boot camp exercise class, Mackerel Cove, 7 to 8 a.m.
Storytime, ages 2 to 5 years, 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m., library
Gentle Yoga, Jamestown Country Club, 10 a.m., fee
Teen center, grades 7 - 12, 2 - 8 p.m., recreation center
Alcoholics Anonymous, St. Matthew's Church, 5 p.m.
Gamblers Anonymous, St. Lucy's Church, Middletown, 8 p.m.

Saturday Aug. 9

Alcoholics Anonymous, Senior Center, 9 a.m.
Thrift Shop, St. Matthew's church, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., 423-1762
Functional training, Jamestown Country Club, 10 to 11 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation, St. Mark Church, 3:30 - 4 p.m.
Weekend Mass, St. Mark Church, 4 p.m.

Sunday Aug. 10

Sunday Eucharist, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 8 and 9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship, Central Baptist Church, 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Mass, St. Mark Church, 8:30 and 10 a.m.
Jamestown Chapel, Senior Center 9:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, St. Matthew's Church, 4:30 p.m.
Summer Concert Series, Greg Abate, East Ferry, 6:30 p.m.
Talent Show auditions, Recreation Center, 7 p.m.

Monday Aug. 11

Beach Boot camp exercise class, Mackerel Cove, 6 to 7 p.m.
Mellow Vinyasa Yoga, Jamestown Country Club, 8:30 a.m., fee
Teen center, grades 7 - 12, 2 - 8 p.m., recreation center
Computer assistance, library, 10 a.m. to noon
Fitness FUNDamentals, recreation center, 3 to 4 p.m.
Youth Sports Performance, recreation center, 4 to 5 p.m.
Pilates, Jamestown Country Club, 6 p.m., fee
Alanon meeting, PAC Club, downstairs, 6 p.m.
Talent Show auditions, Recreation Center, 7 p.m.

Tuesday Aug. 12

Beach Boot camp exercise class, Mackerel Cove, 7 to 8 a.m.
Pilates, Jamestown Country Club, 8:30 a.m., fee
Alcoholics Anonymous, St. Matthew's Church, 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday Aug. 13

Alcoholics Anonymous, PAC Club, 7 a.m.
Storytime, ages infant to 24 months, 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m., library
Storytime, ages 2 to 5 years, 11:15 a.m.-noon, library
Holy Eucharist, St. Matthew's Church, 9 a.m.
Youth Sports Performance, recreation center, 4 to 5 p.m.
Teen center, grades 7 - 12, 2 - 8 p.m., recreation center
Donna Perry fund-raiser, PAC Club, 5:30 - 8 p.m.
Talent Show, Recreation Center, 7 p.m.
Modern Dance, Jamestown Country Club, 7 p.m., fee
Bible study, Jamestown Chapel, 7:15 p.m., 423-0617

Thursday Aug. 14

Pilates, Jamestown Country Club, 8:30 a.m., fee
Teen center, grades 7 - 12, 2:30 - 6 p.m., recreation center
Library Harbor Cruise, East Ferry, 3:45 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, St. Matthew's Church, 5:30 p.m.
Beach Boot camp exercise class, Mackerel Cove, 6 to 7 p.m.
Functional training, Jamestown Country Club, 6 to 7 p.m.
Jamestown Historical Society annual meeting, library, 7 p.m.
Men's Chorus rehearsal, senior center, 7 p.m.
Gamblers Anonymous, St. Lucy's Church, Middletown, 8 p.m.



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