

## ABOUT TOWN

### Around-the-Island race Sunday

The Conanicut Yacht Club will host its annual Around-the-Island Race on Sunday, Aug. 31, starting with the small boats at 11 a.m.

There will be an informal barbeque and awards ceremony for sailors and their guests following the race at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$20, payable by cash or check, at the door.

Registrations are required by 5 p.m. today — Thursday, Aug. 28.

For more information or race rules, visit the CYC Web site at [www.conanicutyachtclub.org](http://www.conanicutyachtclub.org).

### New choral season getting started

New voices are invited to join the Jamestown Community Chorus

for their 2008-2009 season.

Rehearsals for the holiday concerts begin Sept. 15 at the Central Baptist Church, at 99 Narragansett Ave., from 7 to 9 p.m., and continue each Monday thereafter. There are no auditions; everyone is welcome.

Current membership includes some 50 women and men of all ages from Jamestown and surrounding areas.

There is an annual membership fee of \$10 and the cost of music per concert is expected to run between \$10 and \$20.

For further information, call 423-1574 or visit [www.jamestownri.com/chorus](http://www.jamestownri.com/chorus).

### Town Beach closes Monday

The Town Beach at Mackerel Cove will close officially on Monday, Sept. 1 — the last day the beach

will be staffed with lifeguards. There will be lifeguards on duty for Labor Day on Monday, Sept. 1.

After the beach closes, residents may still swim, but should plan to do so at their own risk.

### New school year hours for Teen Center

The Jamestown Teen Center will begin its school-year hours starting Monday, Sept. 1 at the Recreation Center, 41 Conanicut Ave.

School-year hours will be Monday through Thursday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Fridays from 2 to 9 p.m.

All teens in grades 7 through 12 are welcome to register with the program. For more information, contact Teen Coordinator Debbie Tungett at 423-7261 or e-mail [jamestownteens@yahoo.com](mailto:jamestownteens@yahoo.com)

### Men's chorus takes the stage on Saturday

The Men's Chorus of Jamestown will present its 16th annual summer concert, "The Men's Chorus Greatest Hits!" this Saturday, Aug. 30. The 20-voice chorus is directed by B.J. Whitehouse.

The family-friendly concert will feature music from Russia, barber-shop, glee standards and arrangements of folk songs.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center across from the East Ferry waterfront at 41 Conanicut Ave. Tickets are available at the door at \$5 for general admission.

Call 423-1574 for ticket reservations and further information or visit the Web site at [www.jamestownri.com/ifdss/men](http://www.jamestownri.com/ifdss/men).

### Get books today: library closed this weekend

The Jamestown library will be closed for the entire Labor Day weekend from Saturday, Aug. 30 to Monday, Sept. 1.

Reopening will be on Tuesday, Sept. 2, at 10 a.m.

The library's regular hours 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 Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, call the library at 423-7280 or visit the Web site at [www.jamestownri.com/library](http://www.jamestownri.com/library).

### Computer help by appointment at library

The Jamestown library has an ongoing program of computer assistance to members of the Jamestown community.

Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Robert Edgar, a retired information technology specialist, is available at the library to provide help with questions regarding home computers. From basic information on getting started with a computer, signing up for an e-mail account to downloading software, Edgar can guide people through most problems.

Beginning Monday, Sept. 8, the service will be available by appointment only. Those with computer questions will need to call the library by the previous Friday and a meeting time on Monday will be reserved.

When making an appointment, tell the staff what program or problem is being experienced so Edgar can better prepare for the appointment.

For more information or to make a reservation, call the library at 423-7280.

### Storyhour at library begins next week

Weekly Preschool Story Times will resume at the Jamestown library on Wednesday, Sept. 3.

Preschoolers and their caregivers are invited to meet for Mother Goose Time and Story Time in the children's room on Wednesday mornings and most Friday mornings.

Mother Goose Time is a half-hour program featuring finger games, nursery rhymes, and music for children from birth to 2 years old, along with a parent or caregiver, and will be presented from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Story Time, a 45-minute long program featuring picture books, finger games and crafts for 2 to 5 year olds, will be presented from 11:15 to noon on Wednesdays and from 10:15 to 11 a.m. on most Fridays.

Story times at Jamestown library are free and open to all preschoolers and their caregivers, no registration is required.

Library assistant Dianne Edgar will be filling in while Children's Librarian Rowena Burke is away.



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Stop by this weekend to find out who wins. Which is the tallest? Which has the largest bloom?

### ATTENTION SUNFLOWER GROWERS

Drop off your Sunflowers at the Secret Garden Saturday, August 30, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Winners announced 3 p.m. that day!



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