

ABOUT TOWN

Garden club holds meeting on Monday

Quononoquott Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Nov. 10, at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Parish Hall.

President Jill Meyer will convene the business meeting, at which the club will discuss business including the May 2009 plant sale and June 2009 garden tour—both requiring months to plan. Proceeds from the two events fund the many Jamestown civic beautification projects the club spearheads.

Daffodil Committee chairwoman Flora Simeone will report on the club's bulb planting efforts in the downtown area.

This month's program is a hands-on workshop conducted by club member Suzi Andrews, who will help members create a Christmas-themed ornament.

Learn organization tips at the library

The Friends of the Jamestown Library will host a talk today, Thursday, Nov. 6, at 7 p.m., by Susan Scott, owner of Clear Spaces, who will clue participants in on how to organize themselves, their homes and their kids for the holidays.

Susan Scott is an artist and professional organizer who recently moved here from Charlottesville, Va.

She created Clear Spaces Consulting to share her love of

beauty and order in the home and office, and brings to her clients years of experience in de-cluttering, organizing, moving preparations, and creating pleasing environments.

This fun program will introduce people to some of the skills and tricks that will make this holiday season the best ever, as they focus on what's important. Clear the clutter on every level, mental and physical with this gifted speaker. Susan is a member of the National Association of Professional Organizers.

Refreshments will be served. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 423-7280.

Housing topic of church forum

Increased mortgage expenses, rising heating costs, and unexpected repair bills can place homeowners in a housing "bind."

Rhode Island Housing staff members will provide tips and strategies to avoid such binds during a forum on Sunday, Nov. 16, at 11 a.m. at Central Baptist Church. The program, which is free of cost, is open to all residents of Jamestown and surrounding areas.

Rhode Island Housing works to ensure that all people who live and work in Rhode Island can afford a safe, healthy home that meets their needs. The organization provides low-interest loans, grants, education, advocacy and

consumer counseling to help customers buy and retain their homes.

Cathleen Paniccia, the organization's director of administration and home ownership, and Elaine Hebert, assistant director of alternative lending, will lead the forum.

Forum participants will be able to sign up for private consultations on what to do when facing trouble with housing-related expenses or the risk of losing a home to foreclosure.

Central Baptist Church is located at 99 Narragansett Ave. For more information about the forum, call 423-1651.

Teens to make college visit to RWU

The Jamestown Teen Center tour of Roger Williams University has been scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 11, with transportation departing at 10:30 a.m. On the tour there will be university students available to answer questions from participating teens.

North Kingstown High School students will be out of school in observance of Veterans Day. Transportation will leave the Teen Center and will return at 3:30 p.m. Space is limited, and advance sign ups are required. All high school juniors and seniors are welcome to attend the tour.

For more information, contact Debbie at 423-7261 or email jamestownteens@yahoo.com.

Veterans' service honored in ceremony Tuesday

The island's veterans' groups will commemorate Veterans Day on Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. at East Ferry Veterans Memorial Square.

The keynote speaker will be former Gov. Bruce Sundlun, who will discuss the history of the day that was initially established as Armistice Day, which remembered the signing of the treaty that ended World War I.

The veterans will give a rifle salute, play Taps and cast a memorial wreath into the bay to honor Jamestown veterans.

Volunteers are needed to help the veterans put up more than 100 American flags, each donated by the family of a Jamestown veteran. Flags go up at 7 a.m. and come down at 3 p.m.

Library closed for Veterans Day

The Jamestown Philomenian Library will be closed in honor of Veterans Day on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

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 to 9 p.m., Thursday, noon to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 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.

Many islanders help at Save the Bay event

Jamestown resident Aidan Petrie is co-chairman of Save The Bay's The Bay Bash: The Light at the End of the Tunnel, which will be held on Friday, Nov. 15, at The Foundry in Providence.


The event honors the Narragansett Bay Commission and celebrates the completion of Phase 1 of the Combined Sewage Overflow (CSO) project. The CSO is a three-mile tunnel constructed under Providence that will capture storm water and untreated sewage that for decades has made its way into Narragansett Bay any time more than a half inch of rain falls in Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls. Essentially, the tunnel is a 65-million gallon holding tank where storm water and raw sewage is stored until it can be pumped to the Fields Point Wastewater Treatment Plant for processing.

The Bay Bash dinner-dance and auction features a performance by the Los Angeles-based band The English Beat as well as Providence's The Cobra-Matics. Tickets can be purchased online at www.thebaybash.com.

Other Jamestown residents on the event committee include Bruce Craven, Julia Richardson, Patrice Kilroy, Kathleen Brown, and Fud and Karen Benson. Jill Townsend, who moved from Jamestown this fall, also is on the committee. U.S. Senator Jack Reed in an honorary chairman.

Proceeds from the event will support Save The Bay's efforts to improve water quality in Narragansett Bay through its advocacy, restoration and preservation programs.

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