

Meet the canine cop

deMedeiros: Town operating in good faith with Teamsters

Tiverton Town Council president responds to critical letter sent by local union secretary

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Tiverton Town Council president Denise deMedeiros responded Monday to a letter critical of the town sent in July to both town officials and the Sakonnet Times by the Teamsters Local 251, which represents public works employees, including those who work for Tiverton's Department of Public Works.

deMedeiros, who read from a prepared statement, said that while contract talks have stalled and the union has rejected the town's most recent offer, "the town has been and will continue negotiating in good faith in these negotiations, just as it does with all our unionized employees."

"Workers want to be treated with dignity and respect, while also being compensated fairly for what they do," Matt Taibi, the local's secretary-treasurer, wrote in the July letter. "While Tiverton DPW workers scrape by in these tough economic times, the town and its council continue to drag their feet."

But deMedeiros took issue with that, saying the town is negotiating in good faith and has proposed a "generous" compensation package that contains "significant" pay increases and restructures the health plan to the town's, and residents', financial benefit.

Apart from offering an immediate raise of five percent, plus a three percent wage increase in the second year of the contract, deMedeiros wrote that the town has also proposed to move employees out of a Teamsters-run health plan and into the same health plan provided to other municipal employees. Doing so will benefit employees and residents, she said, as the town's proposal "will save both our employees and our taxpayers thousands of dollars per year in health care contributions ... it is a solid plan."

"Although we disagree on this issue, we will continue to negotiate in good faith until we reach an agreement that is fair to both the employees and the taxpayers that we serve," she said.



Blue, the newest member of the Tiverton Police Department, with Officer Shawn Wilson.

Tiverton police welcome Blue, a comfort dog, to their ranks

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The Tiverton Police Department is about to welcome a new recruit to its ranks. Blue, an English Labrador retriever, will report for duty as a comfort dog the first week of September, when he turns eight weeks old.

Police Chief Patrick Jones told the Tiverton Town Council Monday that he became sold on the benefits of bringing a comfort dog program to his department after being pre-

sented with a proposal by Officer Shawn Wilson.

Jones asked Wilson to meet with councilors this week to highlight the details of that proposal. Joining Wilson was school resource officer Keith Medeiros of the Bristol Police Department, who brought along Brody, a handsome chocolate lab who is a beloved presence within the Bristol community and its schools.

Brody became part of the Bristol PD as a

pup in 2020 and has worked alongside Medeiros, who is his trainer and handler, ever since. Medeiros is considered his owner and takes him home at the end of the work day. When Medeiros retires from the force, Brody will retire as well.

Comfort dogs like Blue and Brody are becoming increasingly common as law enforcement agencies look for ways to

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BLUE: Officer dog's beat will be Tiverton public schools

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enhance community policing efforts and intensify their focus on the mental health struggles of citizens as well as their own personnel. The dogs do exactly what their name implies – they are a calming presence that bring a measure of peace to individuals experiencing anxiety or depression or emotional distress.

Having the dog in the schools also helps break down communication barriers between students and police officers, said Wilson. Often, kids are a bit shy and reluctant to engage with law enforcement personnel. It was an eye opener for him when Brody attended a field day at Tiverton's Pocasset Elementary School.

"Every single kid stopped what they were doing to come running over and ask if they could pet the dog," he said. Jokingly, he added, "I was like, 'Wow, they don't do that when I walk into the hallway.'"

Medeiros echoed Wilson's comments on the dog's positive impact on students.

"Since I've gotten Brody, I can 100 percent tell you that my career as an SRO has changed," he said.

He has seen first-hand how learning for certain students has improved with Brody in the building. If kids are in crisis, he said, just getting them to enter the classroom can at

times be a challenge.

"There are children now who just come to my office for two minutes. They pet Brody, get their fix, and go to class. They are not walking the halls. They are not getting into trouble. Their reward for getting through a class and learning is to see Brody...This is probably the best thing that the Bristol Police Department has done when it comes to community-based policing."

Jones told councilors that costs associated with acquiring Tiverton's puppy are nominal. Blue is expected to be donated by its breeder, Boonefield Labradors of Rindge, NH. The majority of associated costs, he said, have also been donated.

The next step is introducing Blue to Wilson, who like Medeiros, will be the dog's primary handler and trainer. Wilson will be working the day shift and intends to bring Blue to Tiverton's schools as often as possible.

Blue will need to get acclimated to the department, Jones said, at which point a swearing-in ceremony with the council will be scheduled. Presumably, Blue will stay awake for the event. Brody, who was 12 weeks old at the time and clearly unimpressed by the significance of the occasion, slept through his entire ceremony at the Bristol Police Department and achieved a measure of fame after the fact, when a video of the event went viral.



Though there are certain age requirements for joining the police force, Tiverton is making an exception for Blue, who turns eight weeks old in early September.

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Farmer: Using crop cannons is my right

Ian Walker said no means more effective than propane cannons; cites Right to Farm Act.

BY PAIGE SHAPIRO

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Farmer Ian Walker tells town that crop cannons like this one in Little Compton are necessary to keep birds off his sweet corn.

The co-owner of a popular Little Compton farm stand has come forward and claims that the crop cannons he uses to deter birds from his sweet corn crop are necessary and protected under the state's Right To Farm Act.

Ian Walker, owner of Walker's Roadside Stand along with his father Coll, made his case for the cannons in an open letter to town officials mailed Monday, August 14, four days after the town council voted to send a cease-and-desist order following complaints that cannons near Old Main Road were disrupting the quality of life.

Until the letter was received, the identity of the farmer who own the cannons had been unknown.

"I would like to acknowledge that there were propane cannons used by Walker's Farm to control birds in sweet corn on property owned by Ferolbink Farms on Old Main Road as well as on West Main Road in Little Compton," he wrote.

"Other methods of bird control that we have tried, some of which we still use, include balloons, bird repellent spray, screechers and lasers. Of all these methods, propane cannons are by far the most effective, and are indeed a necessity when growing sweet corn."

"I believe my right to use them is protected under the Right-to-Farm Act, which was created to protect farmer's rights in situations like this."

Following receipt of the letter, the town issued the cease-and-desist order to the farm, informing the Walkers that the cannons were being operated "at a level of unreasonable noise."

"You are hereby order to cease and desist using crop cannons in this manner."

When the issue initially came to a head in July, the cannons were reportedly firing off every couple of minutes to a degree that Councilor Patrick McHugh and others found unac-

ceptable.

The sentiment was not unshared — more than a handful of residents who live within ear-shot of the cannons made informal complaints of their own. Since then, as the sweet corn season wanes, so too have the frequency of the blasts.

Though the use of cannons is winding down, Mushen said the issue remains and will not be shelved during the off-season.

Instead, the town is inviting experts from URI and DEM to discuss the science behind bird control in farming, the use of crop cannons and other bird-scaring devices and, he added, "what Little Compton might encourage our farmers to do different so that we may have a different year in 2024."

That meeting will take place Thursday, Oct. 19.

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There are 14 candidates on the ballot, including 12 Democrats and two Republicans. They include:

- Gabriel Amo (D)
- Stephanie Beate (D)
- Walter Berbrick (D)
- Sandra C. Cano (D)
- Donald R. Carlson (D)
- Stephen M. Casey (D)
- Spencer Dickinson (D)
- John Goncalves (D)
- Sabina Matos (D)
- Ana Quezada (D)
- J. Aaron Regunberg (D)
- Allen R. Waters (D)
- Terri Flynn (R)
- Gerry W. Leonard Jr. (R)

The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

In Little Compton, vote in the Wilbur McMahon School gymnasium, 28 Commons.

In Tiverton, school is in session so the usual voting locations have changed. If your usual voting place is the Pocasset Elementary School, vote at The VFW at 134 Shove St. If you normally vote at the Fort Barton Elementary School, vote at Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road. If you normally vote at Tiverton High School, vote at Countryview Estates, 213 Hurst Lane. And if you normally vote at the Ranger Elementary School, vote at Amicable Church, 3736 Main Road.

Early voting began on August 16 and will continue until primary day on Mondays through Fridays. In Little Compton, early voting runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Town Hall council chambers. In Tiverton, early voting will take place in the Town Hall, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

— Paige Shapiro



TED HAYES

RedFish closes out folk festival

RedFish, a Southcoast-area duo made up of former commercial fisherman Gary Fish (left) of Little Compton and Stephen Redfern of Dartmouth, closed out the day at the Rhode Island Folk Festival Sunday afternoon. During their short set on the Songbird Stage, they sang about lobsters in the woods — and running pot sets between trees to get them — drinking whiskey and the perils and fun of doing so, the polar ice caps, and other matters dear to those close to the water.



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Though the Sakonnet Times did not publish the Teamsters' letter, Town Administrator Chris Cotta was quoted in a news story written about it published in late July.

"There is a fair and equitable process for labor negotiations; the tactic the Teamsters have taken is just untoward (and) I'm not going to follow the same tactics," Cotta said. "I don't think it's appropriate to comment through the media" on contract negotiations."



MLS

An aerial shot of the recently sold land in Tiverton. At top is the Pardon Gray Preserve and to its left, the West Place Animal Sanctuary.

Second highest land sale ever in Tiverton recorded

A large undeveloped stretch of land across Main Road from the Pardon Gray Preserve has sold for \$1.225 million, the highest land sale in Tiverton since 2017 and the second highest land sale ever recorded in the town.

The property at 3407 Main Road, Tiverton, sold to an as-yet unknown buyer; former owners were Winston J. and Carole J. Bumpus, trustees.

While the land sold for \$153,125 per acre, the Town of Tiverton assessed the property

at its most recent revaluation at a collective \$372,300, or just over \$46,537 per acre.

Mimi Whitmarsh, of Residential Properties Ltd., represented the buyer. Erica Arruda of Keller Williams Coastal represented the seller.

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EDITORIAL

Why we endorse Gabe Amo

Former U.S. Rep. David Cicilline put Rhode Island in a precarious position when he left office months after winning re-election to take another, more lucrative job. The result is an important federal post being filled by an off-cycle, special election that is under the radar for most voters.

Complicating matters is a vast field of 14 candidates, most of whom had very little name recognition until a few months ago — and probably still don't for a majority of voters. Twelve candidates will appear on the Democratic Primary ballot less than a week from now, and two on the Republican Primary ballot.

This is an important election at an important time. Congressman Seth Magaziner is now the senior member of Rhode Island's delegation in the U.S. House of Representatives, and he has been on the job for less than a year. To help voters sort through this crowded field, we spent time evaluating each of the Democratic candidates and invited four of them to meet with our editorial board. We chose the four based on our belief that they were both qualified and electable.

We met with Don Carlson, the Jamestown investor who was considered a viable candidate until a few days ago. Carlson has an impressive and diverse background, with full command of the issues, and he's a great communicator. However, a WPRI 12 investigation into his past damaged his campaign, and he formally withdrew from the race on Sunday.

We met with Walter Berbrick, a retired Navy officer and professor at the Naval War College in Newport. Berbrick is a lifelong public servant who has served both overseas and in Washington, D.C. He has energy and great ideas, and he would fight for the right things, including a better future for the environment and this country.

We met with Sandra Cano, the state senator from Pawtucket who chairs the Senate Education Committee. Cano has a great story to tell about immigrating to America, learning English, completing higher education and winning multiple elections to serve on her school committee and city council, before making a name for herself in the General Assembly. Cano is a naturally optimistic and passionate individual, with a pragmatic side that wants to get things done. She is as impressive as anyone we met, and we expect she will be a leader in this state for many years.

Finally, we met with Gabe Amo, the candidate we are endorsing in the Congressional District 1 Democratic Primary. Amo has an impressive story to tell as well. His parents were immigrants from Ghana and Liberia who met in Pawtucket and started a family. Amo is one of eight siblings who grew up without wealth and privilege. Today his father owns a liquor store in Providence, and his mother is a nurse working in nursing homes.

Amo graduated from Moses Brown, then Wheaton College, before receiving a scholarship to study policy at Oxford.

He has spent most of his adult life in the political arena, serving on multiple campaigns and working for two presidents (Obama and Biden) and one governor, Gina Raimondo. Until leaving his post to run this campaign, Amo was Deputy Director of the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and Special Assistant to President Joe Biden. He spent most of his time as the president's liaison to the nation's mayors and elected officials, but his most important job was "problem-solver."

Amo was a leader in the implementation of Covid policy and stimulus funding across the country. He figured out how to move Monkeypox vaccine from one part of the country to another. He negotiated with Republican politicians, convincing them to support the president's stimulus bills.

Amo's command of the issues, knowledge of the political arena, and experiences in both government and leadership are outstanding. Beyond that, he is a likable, well-spoken and polished communicator, with a practical sense of the world. He is not likely to get stuck in an ideological stalemate if a compromise is best for the nation, or Rhode Island.

This district and all of Rhode Island would be served well by several of the candidates in this race, but we put Amo at the top of that list.

Editor's note: We recorded our interviews with the four candidates and are posting them for viewing. To view them, go to eastbayri.com and look for this editorial in the Opinion section.

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Say hello to Joyce Andrews the next time you're at Fogland.

Cheers to Joyce Andrews, Tiverton beaches' unsung hero

To the editor:

Much has been made lately of the deplorable conditions in regards to litter at Tiverton's two main beaches: Grinnell's and Fogland. This sad fact has been obvious to me after 17 years of residency here (and its attendant property tax rate) and many years prior, as a visitor. The things I've found dumped on our shores, either deliberately or accidentally, is disgusting if not mind-boggling.

At the risk of sounding elitist or worse, my observations over the years confirms the primary offenders are non-resident fisher people. My experience, nine times out of 10, is watching a large familial group in a Massachusetts-registered vehicle arrive at a clean stretch of beach and then observing plastic bags, water bottles, bait boxes, fishing tackle (including snelled multi-hooks) and used diapers left behind. This is a partial list. Indifference or ignorance seems the only explanation.

Enter our town's great unsung hero.

For years, just about every day and espe-

cially Monday mornings in the aftermath of trash-disaster weekends, Joyce Andrews can be found trash bag and trash picker in hand, scouring almost all of Fogland for the copious amounts of garbage left behind from the previous two days. This woman deserves recognition (if not a medal) from our town. She's unpaid for her service, doing it purely out of the goodness of her heart for the sake of Tiverton.

So if you see her, say thanks and try to take some trash home each time you visit one of our beaches. Gently and diplomatically remind those who you may encounter in the act of littering that we, as citizens of the planet, can do better in our treatment of it ... if only for the sake of our great-grandchildren.

Finally, consider joining Joyce and many others on the Tiverton Litter Committee — let-stalktrashiv.wixsite.com/home.

Chris Clarendon
Tiverton

Time to lawyer up as development tsunami approaches

To the editor:

Does Tiverton need a very experienced land use lawyer now? You bet we do! There are several developments on the horizon which will add 600 new residential units to the area just north of Route 24 on Souza, Main and Fish roads. Because of this looming tsunami of development, Tiverton needed an expert land use and zoning lawyer years ago.

Almost four years ago, Tiverton hired two lawyers from one firm, Louis Brisbois, to represent Tiverton: Michael Marcello for town solicitor and zoning board and Todd Romano as lawyer to the planning board. Neither Marcello nor Romano is an expert in land use and zoning.

Historically Tiverton has had two separate legal firms representing the town at the same time: A town Solicitor from one firm and expert in land use and zoning law for the planning board and zoning board from another.

Tiverton's funds for legal services are allocated in two separate "buckets" — general and land use. This year additional money, for land use purposes, was approved and allocated in the 2023-24 fiscal year budget.

By hiring an expert land use/zoning lawyer from a different firm, Tiverton would simply be compensating two different law firms, with the already allocated funds, instead of the single law firm we are now employing.

Realizing the huge development issues confronting Tiverton and the dire need for an experienced land use solicitor, town councilor Jay Edwards, at the August 15 Tiverton Town Council meeting, made a motion for the council to advertise an RFP for land use lawyer. As the town councilors were discussing the issue, town administrator Chris Cotta interjected, saying that hiring a land use lawyer is premature. Wait, what? There is enough money in the pot to hire lawyers from two separate firms. So why, at this critical time, would Chris Cotta put the damper on hiring a land use expert?

Given the many zoning missteps Tiverton seems to have made in the recent past, it is hard to understand why Mr. Cotta is against having the best legal expert to represent the town in all matters of land use and zoning.

Barbara Martin
Tiverton

COMMENTARY

Help the animals, consider volunteering at West Place

BY PATRICK COLE

In the early morning hours, the farm is a peaceful place. The sun shines on the lawn and the flowers, a gentle breeze wafts over the hilltop, and the pond shimmers as rescued turtles swim carefree. The animals — cows, sheep, alpacas, donkeys, horses, and a goat named Sadie — graze together in one of the nine pastures. Suddenly a peacock lets out an ear-splitting screech from within his secure house. The barn doors are opened and three pigs emerge and eagerly await breakfast along with ducks and geese who greet the humans who will soon be feeding, cleaning, grooming, and lavishing kindness and love on them. This is West Place Animal Sanctuary in south Tiverton, a safe haven for farm animals rescued from cases of cruelty, neglect, and abuse, among them Westport's infamous "farm of horrors." Founded more than 16 years ago by attorney Wendy Taylor following a devastating fire in which she lost her house and her nine beloved pets, the nonprofit sanctuary has grown steadily but has never lost sight of its mission to save farm animals who have experienced physical and emotional trauma. Now, West Place is seeking to expand its volunteer team with dynamic hard-working people who truly want to make a difference.

If you are looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity and are able to commit one morning or afternoon per week, we want to talk to you. Both weekday and weekend shifts are available and we will fully train you, so no experience is necessary — just dedication to showing up and working hard. Most chores are outdoors or in the barn and can require walking over the eight-acre property or carrying water buckets or other heavy objects. But our farm is beautiful and our animals are gentle,



Jack the Pig spends some time with a volunteer.

curious, and always good for a smile. You will love it.

We need volunteers in animal care, gardening and landscaping, special cleaning, facilities maintenance, and more. Are you a retiree wanting to get involved with a wonderful community of people and animals, or a nine-to-five

er stuck in a cubicle Monday through Friday? Give us a call! We also welcome local high school or college students ages 16+ through our Educational Internship programs, and we can work around your class schedule.

Please consider volunteering at West Place Animal Sanctuary. For more information or to

obtain an application or donate, call 401-228-6800 or visit our website at westplace.org/volunteer.

Cole is director of outreach at the West Place Animal Sanctuary in Tiverton.

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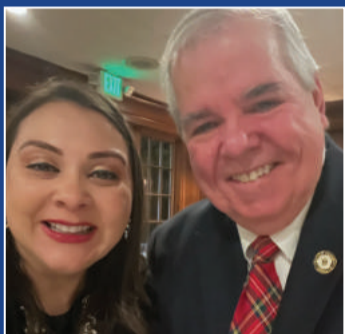
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COURTESY FRED MELNYK

This faked photos purportedly shows a brown bear at Bootleg BBQ over the weekend. Though it's not real, there was a sighting of a black bear at the transfer station Thursday.

Bear spotted at Westport Transfer Station

Meanwhile, viral photo of brown bear at Bootleg BBQ is a fake

BY TED HAYES

thayes@eastbaymediagroup.com

About a month after first making its appearance in Westport, a black bear forced the closure of the Westport Transfer Station for about half an hour early last Thursday morning.

Animal control officer Nicholas Vidmar said he got a call from his boss about it and went down to have a look. He got about 20 to 40 feet from it, he said.

"They were trying to open up and the bear walked across the driveway," said Vidmar. "They delayed opening about 30 minutes and the bear moved on."

The black bear was the same species that was seen near the Oriental Pearl and Bittersweet Farms in late July to early August, Vidmar said. And as he stressed a month ago, the public has nothing to fear but should leave it alone.

"These bears are just trying to find their area here," he said. "They're moving through. They're going to be starting to hibernate in mid-November, early Decem-

ber. Now they're just trying to find food."

Though sighting the bear might alarm some, Vidmar said there's no need to call animal control unless the situation escalates. Instead, he said residents should just keep their distance and use common sense: "Don't go near it. Just let it be. Don't leave anything out that he can eat. Lock your trash bins."

Meanwhile, the bear that wasn't there

Thursday's sighting was real. But another sighting reported by Bootleg BBQ on Sunday was anything but. In a photo posted to the restaurant's Facebook page, a large brown bear is shown just left of the restaurant's door. Two patrons peer out of the open doorway, and a man shields a child behind an open SUV door in the parking lot.

It looked convincing but "it was totally fake," Melnyk said Monday. "The whole thing was staged. I have a very talented friend" who photoshopped the image and a few other friends helped out to stage the photo.

Melnyk said he thought staging the bear photo would be fun, and he was right — the post immediately went viral and as of Monday morning had been viewed more than 30,000 times.

Sunday evening, Melnyk called up his friend and asked how they could set the record state and come clean in a fun way. The result was another photoshopped image that he also posted to the restaurant's Facebook page — the bear was gone, but Sasquatch had taken its place.



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Garden clubs planning 'Autumn Joy' flower show at farm

SAKONNET AREA — “Autumn Joy,” a flower show, is on Tuesday, Sept. 19, from 1 to 4 p.m. and Wednesday, Sept. 20, from 9 a.m. to noon at Round the Bend Farm, 92 Allens Neck Road, South Dartmouth. It is hosted by the Little Compton Garden Club and The Garden Club of Buzzards Bay and is free and open to the public.

The club members invite gardening enthusiasts, flower lovers, photographers and all who appreciate the beauty of nature to attend “Autumn Joy,” a flower show sanctioned by the Garden Club of America (GCA).

It will be an exhibit of floral arrangements, plant and flower specimens, conservation initiatives, and photographs of nature. A GCA show shares beauty with the public, as well as garden club members, sets standards of artistic and horticultural excellence, and broadens knowledge of floral design, horticulture, photography and other related areas.



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Round the Bend Farm (<https://roundthebendfarm.org>) is a 94-acre working farm, field trip destination, educational nonprofit organization,

and center for restorative community.

Both garden club are dedicated to stimulating the love of gardening,

conserving and protecting these unique seaside communities, and fostering lifelong friendships among their members. For more informa-

tion, visit littlecomptongardenclub.org or gardenclubbuzzardsbay.org.

Nominations sought for Joan C. Arnold Award

The Newport County League of Women Voters is seeking nominations for the Joan C. Arnold Award, which honors the life of the late Joan C. Arnold, a member of the League of Women Voters, who passed away in February 2011.

Joan was a great admirer of Mar-

garet Mead who said, “Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world.” Joan believed in her power to change the world.

The award, given annually since 2012 (with the exception of 2019 and 2020), commemorates her life and

work by recognizing individuals whose work has resulted in bringing relief to those in need or to improving the quality of life in Newport County.

The recipient must be an organization or individual in Newport County. The honoree’s work should

have demonstrated measurable impact or results, long-term and high-level commitment and a wide reach in the county.

To nominate a person, group or organization for the award, complete an application form and mail it to Kathy Gallagher, LWV Newport

County, 484 Riverside Drive, Tiverton, RI 02878 or email to lvnnewportcounty@gmail.com (Subject line: Arnold Award).

The application deadline is Sept. 30.

You can request an application form from the email address above.



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Weekend tours at the Wilbor House

LITTLE COMPTON — The Little Compton Historical Society gives tours at Wilbor House, 548 West Main Road, on Saturdays and Sundays through Oct. 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Last admission is 4:30. Admission is \$10; free to members.

Tours also are available year-round by appointment.

Food bank open on Fridays and Saturdays

LITTLE COMPTON — The Little Compton Food Bank is open and welcomes Little Compton and Tiverton residents to shop; proof of residency is all that is required.

Distribution hours are on Fridays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Little Compton Wellness Center, 115 East Main Road.

Family Pet Advocates joins them the first weekend of every month providing free pet food and supplies.

Food donations (unopened, unexpired) can be left in the bin outside the downstairs door at the Wellness Center any time. Donations can be sent to the L.C. Food Bank, P.O. Box 590, Little Compton, RI 02837. More information is on Facebook (@LCFoodBank), call 592-0403 or email littlecomptonfoodbank@gmail.com.

Group for compulsive gamblers on Fridays

TIVERTON — If you're seeking help and support for compulsive gambling, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church hosts the East Bay Gamblers Meeting, moderated by a facilitator, on Fridays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This closed group meeting is for those directly affected by gambling issues.

It is in the upper level function room at the church at 1956 Main Road. It's a group of men and women sharing their experience, strength and hope with each other to address their common problem.

For more information, call 624-4759. The group is sponsored by the Newport County Prevention Coalition.

Bliss fall yard sale is on Saturday

TIVERTON — Bliss Four Corners Congregational Church will hold its annual fall yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 2, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church at 1264 Stafford Road.

Hazel's Kitchen will be open inside with burgers, hot dogs, drinks and chips.

The raindate is Monday, Sept. 4.

Space is available for \$15 a space; table not provided. All church proceeds will support the Bjarne Erickson Memorial Scholarship Fund.

For more information or to reserve a space, call 508/678-9235 or 624-4113 and leave a message or email them at blissfourcornerschurch@gmail.com.

Thrift shop open Thursday, Saturday

TIVERTON — The Amicable Church Thrift Shop (ACTS) at 3736 Main Road is open on Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In anticipation of the fall change-

over, clothing is \$1 each and hard goods are half-price with a few exceptions.

Masks are recommended, but not required in the shop. Donation can be dropped off anytime in the bins outside the lower and upper church entrances. All proceeds support the church.

Trinity Trader open Thursdays, Saturdays

TIVERTON — The Trinity Trader Thrift Shop, 1956 Main Road, is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays and Saturdays. All proceeds benefit Holy Trinity Church.

Thursday Thrift open Thursdays, Saturdays

LITTLE COMPTON — The Thursday Thrift Shop of the United Congregational Church is open on Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

They are now accepting appointments for fall clothing. Call the shop to schedule an appointment at 635-2519.

Farmers' market is outdoors on Sundays

TIVERTON — The Tiverton Farmers' Market is outside through Oct. 22 at the Town Farm Recreation Area, 3588 Main Road (on the southernmost part of the Town Farm on the grassy area). Hours are from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sundays. A new parking area is behind the grassy lot. Watch for parking signs.

Vendors include, but are not limited to, seafood and meats, artisanal foods and prepared meals, vegan options, micro greens and vegetables, herbs and plants, baked goods, flowers, pottery, ceramics, jewelry, artists and makers, pet foods, treats and leashes, outdoor furniture and more.

Visit www.tivertonfarmersmarket.com for events, details and the weekly vendor lineup.

Classes, programs at wellness center

LITTLE COMPTON — The Little Compton Wellness Center at 115 East Main Road offers affordable programs and services to promote healthy living in the community.

Massage is by appointment only.

Dr. Alan Lechan, podiatrist, and visiting nurse Nan Haffenreffer see patients on the last Thursday of the month. Call Dr. Lechan to set up an appointment at 508/679-6169 or call the wellness center for more information.

Chace-Cory House is open for the season

TIVERTON — The historic Chace-Cory House, an early 18th-century dwelling, is headquarters of the Tiverton Historical Society. With its early outbuildings, flax and flower and herb gardens, it is open with tours on Sundays from 2 to 4:30 p.m. through Sept. 3.

The society's collection of early American antiques and furnishings are displayed in restored period rooms, as well as documents and artifacts from Tiverton's rich past. This season, a special exhibit of antique quilts is throughout the rooms.

Outbuildings include the wash house, corn crib and outhouse. The entrance is through the museum shop where there are historical books, Tiverton mugs and ornaments, Tiverton Revolutionary militia placemats, copies of early Tiverton maps, and other items.

The Chace-Cory House is at 3908 Main Road, over the wall from Gray's Ice Cream at Tiverton Four Corners. It is also open by appointment. There is a preservation donation for non-members of \$3 and \$2 seniors (55 and older). Members and children 12 years and younger free. For more information, visit www.tivertonhistorical.org.

Al-Anon holding meeting on Mondays

TIVERTON — Al-Anon is holding in-person, weekly meetings on Mondays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the upper hall at Amicable Congregational Church, 3736 Main Road. They observe Covid protocols.

Navy Choristers seeking new singers

SAKONNET AREA — The Newport Navy Choristers are seeking new singers in all voice ranges for their 2023-24 musical season. The group performs concerts in December, March and May to benefit local nonprofit charitable and civic organizations.

Membership in the chorus is extended to active duty, reserve and retired personnel of all the Armed Services, civilian employees of the Department of Defense, Naval War College students and staff, and their spouses and children (over the age of 16). There are no auditions, and an ability to read music is not required.

Rehearsals are on Tuesdays from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in Room 100 of Perry

Hall (Bldg. 440) aboard Naval Station Newport. The first rehearsal of the season is on Sept. 5.

For more information, call Pat McGue at 835-2550 or Musical Director Lori McDowell at 862-3334.

Crafting classes offered for adults

LITTLE COMPTON — The Little Compton Historical Society will host "Inspired Craft Nights" on select Tuesdays this summer from 6 to 8 p.m. at 548 West Main Road. It's a series of lighthearted crafts and camaraderie. Participants are welcome to BYOS (bring your own snacks).

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, it's 3-D needle felting with Marjory O'Toole. Create a perfect pumpkin while learning the basic techniques of dry needle felting. No previous experience required. Excellent preparation for the felted fairy class on Sept. 26.

Classes are recommended for adults, but crafty young people 12 and up are welcome. They are \$25; \$20 for society members. Call 635-4035 to register.

High-Low-Jack League to begin soon

LITTLE COMPTON — A High-Low-Jack League starts on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 7 p.m. at the Little Compton Rod & Gun Club, 88 John Dyer Road.

Call Jerry at 635-0026 for information.

Community chorus seeks new members

TIVERTON — The Greater Tiverton Community Chorus will resume rehearsing for its upcoming December concert. Membership is open to anyone interested in singing. No audition is required; however, proof



A concert by Wilkins is on Friday, Sept. 8, in Fall River and will benefit Light a Candle in the Dominican Republic. It is sponsored by Acoaxet Chapel. He also will be at The Victory Church in Tiverton on Sunday, Sept. 10.

of vaccination is required. Masks are recommended but not required

Concerts are presented in December and May. The chorus sings classical music as well as a mixture of lighter contemporary music. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7 to 9:15 p.m. at Amicable Congregational Church, 3736 Main Road. The first open sing rehearsal for the December concert is on Sept. 7.

There are three open sing rehearsals where you can decide if you want to continue as a member of the chorus. All are welcome.

Free benefit concert by Wilkins

SAKONNET AREA — Wilkins, executive director of a Dominican Republic not-for-profit agency called

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Light A Candle, will perform in concert on Friday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 282 Rock St., Fall River.

This is a free concert to raise awareness about Light A Candle's work in the sugar cane villages of the Dominican Republic. Join them for some great music. All are welcome. A free will offering will be taken.

For more information, visit www.lightacandle.org.

Wilkins will also be presenting at The Victory Church, 91 Crandall Road, Tiverton, on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 10 a.m.

All events are sponsored by The Acoaxet Chapel in Westport. For more information, call 603/703-6790.

Fingerstyle guitar concert at 4 Corners

TIVERTON — The Four Corners Arts Center Autumn Concert Series will kick off with Paul Columbino bringing his intricate fingerstyle guitar to The Meeting House on Saturday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30.

Paul has been playing guitar and singing since he was about 10. It started out as an attempt to meet and impress girls. By the time junior high rolled around, he was frequently being asked to bring his guitar to parties and perform.

He continued through high school and beyond to perform music in the folk tradition, both as a solo artist and in various duos, trios and small groups.

By the time he was 20, he had become a regular performer in clubs throughout Southern New England, opening for acts such as Dave Van Ronk and Aztec Two-Step.

Being introduced to the music of Leo Kottke led to an intense immer-

sion into the intricacies of fingerstyle guitar that continues to this day. The study of classical guitar during his college years added to his perception and understanding of the instrument.

Tickets are \$20 at the door and \$15 in advance at FourCornersArts.org.

LGBTQIA+ chorus calling new singers

SAKONNET AREA — The Choral Collective of Newport County is welcoming new singers to join its newest chorus, QUORUS, Newport's first LGBTQIA+ chorus for teens and adults. QUORUS (pronounced "KWOHR-uhs," a "queer chorus") amplifies and empowers the LGBTQIA+ voices of Newport County and provides a safe and inclusive environment that welcomes singers from all backgrounds, races and genders.

QUORUS learns and performs a variety of music including pop, jazz and music from all over the world. QUORUS will be led by Elizabeth Woodhouse, CCNC founder/artistic director, and meets on Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Florence Gray Center, 1 York St., Newport.

The first meeting is on Monday, Sept. 11. There is no fee to join and no audition is required. Register at www.newportsings.org/join.

Aquidneck Singers calls new singers

SAKONNET AREA — Aquidneck Singers, a teen and adult women's chorus on Aquidneck Island that was established in September 2019, is welcoming new singers to join them this fall.

Aquidneck Singers is conducted by Elizabeth Woodhouse, the founder and artistic director of the Choral Collective of Newport County, which offers community singing programs

across Aquidneck Island (www.newportsings.org). There is no audition required.

The fall session will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 12, and will culminate with a winter concert on Saturday, Dec. 9. The chorus meets weekly on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Common Fence Point Community Hall, 933 Anthony Road, Portsmouth.

You do not need to audition or have previous choral experience. The semester fee to join is \$20 (\$75 per semester). For more information, and to register, visit www.newportsings.org/join.

Tiverton Arts Council exhibit at Town Hall

TIVERTON — The Tiverton Arts Council invites everyone to stop by the Tiverton Town Hall during regular hours. Once again, they are featuring the talented members of the watercolor painting group at Tiverton Public Library, under the guidance of Madeleine Diogenes.

Annual fish bake at Bliss Four Corners

TIVERTON — The annual fish bake is on Friday, Sept. 15, at Bliss Four Corners Congregational Church, 1264 Stafford Road. Meals will be served eat-in or take-out from 4 to 6 p.m.

The meal includes fresh fish breaded and baked, potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, rolls and dessert for \$15.

Call 624-4113 for preferred pickup time between 4 and 6 p.m. For more information, call 508/678-9235. Fish is compliments of Cape Quality Seafood in South Dartmouth.

Visit them at www.blissfourcornerschurch.org.

Grange to hold a Car Show on Sept. 20

LITTLE COMPTON — A Car Show by Little Compton Grange 32 is on Wednesday, Sept. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Earle's Country Store, 35 Meeting House Lane.



Paul Columbino will bring his intricate fingerstyle guitar to The Meeting House at the Tiverton Four Corners Arts Center on Saturday, Sept. 9. It's the first concert in the center's Autumn Concert Series.

Any Little Compton resident and Grange members are invited to bring their antique, special, new, car, truck, tractor, bike, or your different vehicle. You only need to call the Grange President Douglas Waite at 624-6936 to register what you will bring to the car show.

The public is invited to come and vote for their favorite. The Grange will be giving free sodas, punch and refreshments to all.

Fall Fest benefit is seeking host homes

LITTLE COMPTON — Join generous community members who volunteer to open their homes and host a dinner in support of the Little Compton Community Center.

Fall Fest is on Saturday, Oct. 14, with dinner at hosts' homes from 6 to 8 p.m. and dessert and an auction at the Sakonnet Point Club from 8 to 10 p.m.

If you would like to host, contact the community center or event co-chairs by Friday, Sept. 1: Diane Mac-

Labor Day holiday will change news deadlines

Labor Day is on Monday, Sept. 4, so the deadline for community news will be at noon on Friday, Sept. 1.

To submit community news —
 ■ Email your news to lrego@eastbaymediagroup.com

■ Mail it to Lynda Rego, Sakonnet Times, Community News, P.O. Box 90, Bristol, RI 02809

For more information, call 253-6000, ext. 107.

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Gregor at themacs12@aol.com or 635-8964, Terry DeChiaro at t.dechiaro@yahoo.com or 868-8089, or Little Compton Community Center at lccc@lcccenter.com or 635-2400.

Meals are available; drivers are sought

SAKONNET AREA — Each week-day, Meals on Wheels of Rhode Island provides a nutritious meal, well-being check and social visit to 1,500 homebound seniors statewide.

For more information about the meal program or how to volunteer to deliver meals, visit www.rimeals.org or call 351-6700.

Blood center is still in need of donations

SAKONNET AREA — At this time, the R.I. Blood Center is in need of blood and platelet donations. Donor centers around the state are open and you can make an appointment to donate blood at your convenience. All types are needed; but, there is an additional need for blood types O, O-, A-, B-, AB-.

To schedule an appointment, visit donate.ribc.org or call 453-8360. The closest center in the East Bay is the Aquidneck Donor Center in Middletown.

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Rock, Rhythm & Blues Fest kicks off with a chicken barbecue

WESTPORT — The 28th annual Westport Rock Rhythm & Blues Festival to benefit A Wish Come True will be held on Friday to Sunday, Sept. 8 to 10, at the Holy Ghost Grounds, 171 Sodom Road.

On Friday, Sept. 8, the Jimmy Thibault Memorial Chicken BBQ is from 5 to 10 p.m. A classic barbecue plate will include a half chicken, sweet corn, potato salad, baked

beans and a dinner roll for \$20 per person. A limited number of tickets will be sold in advance only. Entertainment is also included, with the festival's favorite party band, The Basics.

On Saturday and Sunday, the main gate opens at noon. A donation of \$20 each day includes entertainment by local bands.

Saturday lineup

1 p.m.: Louie Leeman & Cheap Sneakers
2:30 p.m.: Shot in the Dark
4 p.m.: Paul Petit Double Shot
5:30 p.m.: Steve Puccio with Hot Potato

Sunday lineup

1 p.m.: Likk

2:30 p.m.: All Horn'd Up
4 p.m.: Wild Nites performing two shows.

The festival also features a cash bar open from noon to 7 p.m. each day and an open air pavilion with a savory oasis of foods from the kitchen including hot dogs, burgers, chouriço and pepper grinders, sausage sandwiches, French fries, pastries and more.

Each day, there will be a raffle and auction to help raise money for the kids. Kids 12 and under attending the festival get in for free.

All proceeds go to A Wish Come True, the oldest wish granting organization in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

For tickets, text or call 508/493-0915 or email holidaytravel1@wmconnect.com.

AT THE LIBRARIES

Tiverton services

TIVERTON — Tiverton Public Library, 34 Roosevelt Ave., is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Union Public Library, 3832 Main Road, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Available services at both libraries include materials pickup and dropoff, collection browsing, and public computer use. For more information, to check your library account, or for details on services and events, visit tivertonlibrary.org.

Programs for adults

TIVERTON — There are programs for adults each month at Tiverton Public Library, 34 Roosevelt Ave. Visit tivertonlibrary.org or call 625-6796 to learn more and to register.

- The weekly watercolor group meets on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Whether you are still learning or are a seasoned pro, drop in and work on your own watercolor

painting projects while socializing with fellow enthusiasts. You must bring your own projects and supplies.

- One-on-one tech help is available to everyone, regardless of your skill level. Come with specific questions, or just chat about what these devices are capable of and how you can better use yours to improve your daily life. Call 625-6796, ext. 8, to make an appointment or visit the website.

Can't make it during the week? Drop-in on Saturdays, Sept. 2, 16 or 30, for quick troubleshooting. Drop-in is first-come, first-served. Check the website for drop-in hours.

- The Crafters Circle will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the community room. It meets on the first Wednesday of every month. Knitters, quilters and crafters are invited to socialize with fellow crafters, get project ideas, ask questions, and share tips and advice. You must bring your own projects and supplies.

- The library Book Group will meet on Friday, Sept. 8, at 10:30 a.m. or on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6 p.m.

for a discussion of "Soul of an Octopus" by Cy Montgomery. All are welcome. Copies of the book are available at the library for check-out.

- The Sakonnet Writers Group will meet on Saturday, Sept. 9, from 10 a.m. to noon. This is a drop-in, prompt-driven writing group that supports writers of all levels. Membership is free, open to the public, and is appropriate for writers ages 18 and older.

- "Charles Dickens' Great Expectations: A Community Conversation" is on Saturday, Sept. 9, from 2 to 3 p.m. The URI Department of English presents "A Moveable Feast of Ideas," an itinerant discussion about books and culture led by English Department faculty. It is free and open to the public at locations across Rhode Island.

On Sept. 9, Professor Carolyn Betensky will lead a community conversation about Dickens novel. Copies of the book are available for check-out at the information desk; however, you do not have to have read the book ahead of time to attend the discussion.

- Bajah's Book Club is on Monday,

Sept. 18, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Join fellow cat fans and feline friends in the cat room at Bajah's Cat Cafe, 137 Main Road. This month, they will read "What the Cat Saw" by Carolyn Hart. Copies of the book are available at the library and Bajah's Cat Cafe. All are welcome.

- The YA Book Club for Adults will meet on Monday, Sept. 18, from 6 to 7 p.m. to discuss "Last Night at the Telegraph Club" by Malinda Lo. Open to both adults and teens. Copies of the book are available at Tiverton Public Library. Space is limited; registration is required.

- The Union Public Library Book Group will meet on Thursday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Union Public Library to discuss "Miss Julia Takes Over" by Ann B. Ross. All are welcome.

Brownell Library events

LITTLE COMPTON — The Brownell Library is open Monday and Wednesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday from noon to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They offer curbside pickup for those who prefer it. For more infor-

mation, contact the library at 635-8562 or info@brownell-libraryri.org.

Watch here each week for updates.

- Free meditation classes with Rosa Bella Volpe are on Mondays from 9 to 10 a.m. at the library pavilion.

- Tech Help is offered on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Stop by with your device, passwords and questions to this first come, first served drop-in program.

- Drop-in playtime is every Wednesday at 11 a.m.

- Museum passes are available for Boston's Museum of Fine Arts, the New Bedford Whaling Museum (which has a 3D experience theater showing two 3D short films each day). Battleship Cove, Buttonwood Zoo and even witches. Stop by and see what they have.

- The Library of Things has a badminton set, Kan Jam set, giant Jenga set, tennis racquets, pickleball equipment, portable corn hole games and bocce ball set. Or, borrow a metal detector (good for lost keys at the beach), an electric drill, socket set, laser level, food dehydrator, cake pans and more.

RELIGION

First Baptist

TIVERTON — The Sunday morning service is at 10 a.m. at First Baptist (Old Stone) Church, 7 Old Stone Church Road.

For more information, call the church office at 624-4155.

Holy Trinity

TIVERTON — The Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 1956 Main Road. All are welcome.

The 10 a.m. Sunday Eucharist is streamed live on Facebook for those who are unable to attend in person.

Bliss Four Corners

TIVERTON — Services are at 10 a.m. on Sundays at Bliss Four Corners Congregational Church, 1264 Stafford Road. Sunday school is held at the same time in the church hall.

Or, watch the church service on the church's YouTube, posted after the Sunday service.

Visit www.blissfourcornerschurch.org.

St. Andrew's

LITTLE COMPTON — The Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Sunday at 10 a.m. at St. Andrew's by-the-Sea, 182 Willow Ave. A Zoom service is available. Call the office at 635-2452.

United Cong.

LITTLE COMPTON — Sunday worship is at 10 a.m. at United Congregational Church on the Commons. All

are welcome. Childcare is for ages 5 and under, and Sunday school is available up to age 12.

For more information, call 635-8472.

Acoaxet Chapel

WESTPORT — The Acoaxet Chapel, 36 Howland Road, holds Sunday services at 9:30 a.m. This service is interactive with praise music, a morning sermon for adults and a Sunday school session for children and youth.

You can join the 9:30 service on Zoom, and you can visit their website to see past services.

During the summer, Acoaxet adds a Sunday evening service at 7 p.m. that will culminate with a Singspiration Service on Sept. 24. The service is a more traditional hymn and reading service with time for reflection on the subject being discussed.

All are welcome. The pastors are Steve and Sarah Terrell. They can be reached at 774/309-3200.

Future events and more information can be found at www.AcoaxetChapel.org.

Amicable church

TIVERTON — Amicable Congregational Church holds worship services at 10 a.m. on Sundays at the church at 3736 Main Road just north of Tiverton Four Corners. On the first Sunday of each month, they share in Holy Communion. The service is also live-streamed on Facebook at "Amicable Congregational Church, UCC." All are welcome.

Masks are optional at services. For more information, call 624-4611 or visit www.amicablechurch.org.

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**on the dates specified in notices below
at 8:30 a.m. for hearing of said matters.**

SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Estate of DONNA LOUISE DUGGINS a/k/a DONNA DUGGINS. Probate of Will. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Estate of LEO H. BERUBE. First and Final Account. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Estate of BURTON MURRY GERSTENZANG. Probate of Will. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Estate of JULIETTE ANDREA GREGORY a/k/a JULIETTE A. GREGORY. Probate of Will. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Estate of EILEEN M. AGUIAR. Probate of Will. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Estate of STANLEY E. ZERAMBY a/k/a STANLEY EDWARD ZERAMBY a/k/a STANLEY ZERAMBY. Notice is hereby given that Judith M. Zeramby has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of STANLEY E. ZERAMBY a/k/a STANLEY EDWARD ZERAMBY a/k/a STANLEY ZERAMBY. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of SIDNEY J. AUBREY. Notice is hereby given that Glynis Lemelin has qualified as Administratrix C.T.A of the Estate of SIDNEY J. AUBREY. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of LYDIA E. ANDERSON. Notice is hereby given that Susan E. Anderson Earley has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of LYDIA E. ANDERSON. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of FREDERICK E. STANDISH. Notice is hereby given that Joan A. DeNardo has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of FREDERICK E. STANDISH. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of BARBARA A. KEISLING. Notice is hereby given that Earl A. Keisling has qualified as Executor of the Estate of BARBARA A. KEISLING. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of PATRICIA A. FERREIRA. Notice is hereby given that Melissa Ferreira has qualified as Executrix of the Estate of PATRICIA A. FERREIRA. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 17, 2023.

Estate of RONALD AMOS CARREIRO, JR. a/k/a RONALD A. CARREIRO. Ancillary Petition. Hearing scheduled for September 1, 2023.

Richard P. D'Addario, Esq., Judge of Probate Court
Joan B. Chabot, Probate Clerk



The Tiverton Senior Center's Knitters & Quilters for Charity are now featured at the Tiverton Farmers' Market on Sunday mornings. Or, to see their entire inventory, don't miss the center's next Craft Fair on Saturday, Sept. 9, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SENIORS

Senior transportation for Little Compton

LITTLE COMPTON — The Town of Little Compton provides senior busing Monday to Friday. The senior van is available for rides to and from senior lunches at the community center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; shopping at Market Basket, Walmart and CVS on Thursdays; shopping at Lees and Westport Apothecary on Tuesdays, and the Little Compton Wellness Center on Tuesdays and Fridays. On the first Monday of the month there will be a trip to the Dartmouth Mall.

To reserve a seat on the bus, or if you have a question or a request, call 777-9700. A representative will call with confirmation and pick-up times. Make reservations by 4 p.m. on Fri-

day of the preceding week.

Hot lunches, fitness, transportation, more

TIVERTON — The Tiverton Senior Center at 207 Canonicus St. is open on Mondays to Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Class fees are doubled for non-members.

Hot lunches are served each day the center is open. Meals are \$3 each and must be ordered at least 24 hours in advance. For more information, call the office at 625-6790.

Former Tiverton teacher Paul Anderson is the new bus driver. He provides bus service for Tiverton seniors on Tuesdays to Thursdays. (Later start on Thursdays for folks to attend bingo). Call 625-6790 to reserve a spot. Bus trips are not individualized. Shopping bags are limited to four bags per person. The bus also provides transportation to and from the center.

A large variety of medical equipment is available for free loan through the senior center. Check with them before you buy.

Ongoing

Members pay \$3 for classes; non-members pay \$6. Become a member for \$5 a year.

Exercise with Deb is on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets on Mondays at 9 a.m. in the game room.

Quilting for charity meets Mondays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A Pitch League, High Low Jack meets Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Chair yoga with Shirley is on Tuesdays at 9

a.m. It is \$3.

Mahjongg is at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Drums Alive! with Jessica Shea is on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. It is \$3.

Chorus will resume in September.

Cribbage is on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. They are looking for players.

Live music is every Wednesday beginning at noon. Come two-step along with the tunes by the talented JamBalaya Jammers.

Balance class with Jess is on Thursdays at 9 a.m.

Bingo is on most Thursdays at 1 p.m. sharp.

Knitters for Charity meet on Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Zumba with Jessica is on Fridays at 8:45 a.m. It is \$3.

Game Day is on Fridays from noon to 3 p.m.

Enjoy lunch indoors or continue to get it to go

LITTLE COMPTON — Those attending the senior luncheon program at the Little Compton Community Center can choose to sit inside or get their lunch to go.

Tables are set Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and self-serve coffee and tea are available.

To learn more about the senior luncheon program or to register, contact the community center at 635-2400 or lccc@lcccenter.com.

All new senior luncheon guests are asked to fill out a guest information and release form. Meal delivery is available to those who are homebound.

LEGAL NOTICE

**TIVERTON, RI
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the following Public Hearing will be held by the Tiverton Town Council at the Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road, Tiverton, RI, on **Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 7:00 PM**

**Town Code of Ordinances – Chapter 74
TAXATION,
ARTICLE II – PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS
DIVISION 5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
REAL ESTATE EXEMPTIONS and
DIVISION 6. VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS**

This proposed ordinance will delete the existing ordinance Chapter 74 Division 5 Economic Development Real Estate Exemptions (Sections 74-79 through 74-85) and amend Division 6 Section 74-90 related to the tax exemption for visually impaired persons and increase the tax credit from \$300.00 to \$330.

Anyone wishing to be heard on the proposed matter should be present at the aforementioned date and time. At the public hearing, opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter of the proposed amendment. The proposal may be altered or amended before the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study, or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any such alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of said hearing.

All amendments shall take effect upon passage. Copies of the proposed amendment are available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM, and on the town website at www.tiverton.ri.gov. The Town Hall is handicapped-accessible. Persons requiring assistance should contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 625-6703 at least three business days before the hearing date.

Joan B. Chabot, Town Clerk

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**Town Code of Ordinances – Chapter 58
PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS,
ARTICLE II – PEDDLERS AND HAWKERS**

This proposed ordinance will amend the existing ordinance Chapter 58, Article II PEDDLERS AND HAWKERS Section 58-39 Expiration. The change will move the annual renewal date from the current May 1 annually to one (1) year from the date of its issuance.

Anyone wishing to be heard on the proposed matter should be present at the aforementioned date and time. At the public hearing, opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter of the proposed amendment. The proposal may be altered or amended before the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study, or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any such alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of said hearing.

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TIVERTON TOWN HALL
343 HIGHLAND ROAD**

Estate of HELEN CHRUPCALA. Notice is hereby given that Carol A. Ryan and JoAnn Gettings have qualified as Co – Executors of the Estate of HELEN CHRUPCALA. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 24, 2023.

Michael J. Marcello, Esq., Judge of Probate Court

Joan B. Chabot, Probate Clerk
8/24, 8/31, 9/7

LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PROBATE COURT OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON, RI
TIVERTON TOWN HALL, 343 HIGHLAND ROAD**

Estate of GERALDINE L. JONES. Notice is hereby given that Patrick W. Jones has qualified as Executors of the Estate of GERALDINE L. JONES. Creditors must file their claims in the office of the Probate Clerk within the time permitted by law beginning August 31, 2023.

Richard P. D'Addario, Esq., Judge of Probate Court

Joan B. Chabot, Probate Clerk
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Come see why Nelia and her students are having so much fun

Ballroom and Latin Dance instructor Nelia Lawton invites the public to her annual Open House. Meet Nelia and her students and enjoy a fun evening of cocktails, food, music and dancing. Nelia will also be giving a Free Introductory Dance Lesson. If you've ever wondered what it feels like to float across a ballroom dance floor or experience the art of Latin dancing, join experienced dancer and instructor Nelia Lawton.

Whether you're a complete novice or have been dancing for years, DanceNelia has something for everyone. Nelia offers students group class instruction, as well as twice monthly dance parties to practice their dancing skills on a live dance floor among their fellow classmates. "The dance parties are a wonderful tool to not only practice their new dance steps but allow students of all levels to mingle and laugh together as they move forward on their journey of learning how to dance with a partner."

Group class students are also welcome to join Nelia and other students on field trips to dance with others across the state. Enrollment is currently open for the upcoming Fall session, beginning this October. After attending an open house, or

for those looking for more structured lessons, join a seasonal group session. Attendees will learn two traditional ballroom and Latin style dances as they move through three, four-week, beginner level sessions. After completing a beginner season, students are encouraged to move up to more advanced group classes, where they will improve upon the skills they've developed and gain more confidence and experience through different dances.

Each class and dance party is taught by Nelia herself, who has been dancing both Latin and ballroom styles since she was 21 years old, and has been teaching for decades. While Nelia herself has experience in showcase – one of the arenas of dancing – she decided that the social arena would be the most enjoyable and impactful to teach as she evolved in her career. She strongly values the enjoyment her students are getting out of her classes, and takes deep pride in the three main values of DanceNelia: fun, ease, and affordability!

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Greg Vespe at the stern, with his father Ric Vespe at the helm, as cousin Stephano Leoni reels in a thresher shark. Greg's son Shawn Hayes Costello was also part of the crew.

POLI-TICKS

Mommy, can that man in the mug shot be president?

The slight rumble which you may have heard on Wednesday evening during the Republican Presidential debate was former governor and U.S. Senator John Chafee, former Secretary of State Susan Farmer, former Minority Leader Lila Sapinsley, and my father, former Providence Alderman Henry "Mickey" Violet, rolling over in their respective graves.



Arlene VIOLET

What occasioned this nether world event was the six out of eight presidential candidates voicing their support for a convicted felon to serve as the nation's top executive. Mind you, none of them modified their position to say that these indictments were just at

the allegation stage and unproven. They were just asked point blank by the Trump network, I mean Fox network hosts, if they would support him if he were elected.

To think that the wimps up on that stage would bow in obeisance to someone convicted by a jury of violating that same Constitution he'd be swearing to uphold, conspiracy to obstruct justice, and conspiracy to defraud the U.S. government for the corrupt purpose of holding onto power is beyond imagination as to the depths to which the national Republicans have sunk.

Their answer was testimony to the damage that Mr. Trump has inflicted on his own party. He has been making the argument that the nation's criminal justice system is corrupt. To have them join in to this attack is a flashcard that the justice system is being undermined by Republicans.

Apparently these Republicans think indictments returned by three separate grand jury (plus a fourth in New York) are all citizens in three separate jurisdictions who have been putty in the hands of those prosecutors. In effect, these wannabe "leaders" of our nation have dissed its very foundation as a country based on a rule of law.

Their moral cowardice in not calling out these actions if they prove true in a court of law is a disqualification for them to hold the office. If they believe they should support him if convicted, then they are incapable of sorting out right from wrong so should be shown the door. If they raised their hands out of political expediency, their self-serving agenda should prevent them from representing this country since it is all about them.

Mr. Trump's 91 charges are not rooted in civil disobedience or crimes of conscience. They are rooted in grave felonies that tried to move this country into a

Sharks stealing your fish?

Anglers have reported (more than usual) sharks attacking their catch before they are able to bring it to the boat. Anglers are urged to use caution when reaching in or near the water to bring in their catch, particularly off the Sakonnet River, Newport, Jamestown and Narragansett, where numerous reports have come from.



Capt. Dave MONTI

"We fished at the mouth of the Sakonnet River Sunday and around 4 p.m., and we hooked onto a nice fluke. So I get the net ready, and it's about 10 feet from the boat, and out of nowhere, a big six-foot shark attacks the fluke, cuts it in half and swims off. Pretty crazy!" said angler Eric Duda of Tiverton.

Angler in awe of thresher sharks

"When the shark surfaced its tail slapped the water into a froth a few times," said Greg Vespe, former Rhode Island Saltwater Anglers Association executive director, who is in awe of thresher sharks.

This is the second thresher he caught this year on his 19-foot center console he custom built. Vespe, of Tiverton, caught a couple of threshers last year too. One was 325 pounds and eleven feet, four inches long.

"These fish are majestic. Just so beautiful. They do not normally come up to your boat like other sharks do when fishing. So, to see them up close you have to catch one. And



Dave Dube, Greg Vespe, Phil Duckett Jr. and Todd Corayer caught this 11' 4" thresher shark when fishing southeast of Newport last summer.

VIOLET: GOP candidates lack the intestinal fortitude

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banana republic where those in power stayed in power by manipulating the voting system and precipitated a riot. He is no martyr for a good cause, if convicted.

It is despairing for moderate Republicans to see this spectacle where would-be candidates don't have the intestinal fortitude to tell their own party the full truth that Mr. Trump continues to lie about the election outcome and then baptizes the former president's attack on the integrity of the justice system.

Fortunately, candidates Chris Christie and Asa Hutchinson did the right thing by eschewing any support until all the evidence is in. For that, they were roundly booed, thereby proving just how fallen the Republican Party has tumbled.

As children learn about the fealty expressed by the presidential contenders, I wonder if their Republican parents will or won't lionize the man in the mug shot.

Arlene Violet is an attorney and former Rhode Island attorney general.



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DIG IN

La cocina povera / The poor kitchen

Note: This is the first feature in a series of cultural meals aimed to highlight history, nutrition and simplicity.

BY PATRICIA BAILEY

Polenta – derived from the Roman word *pulmentum*, used to describe coarse gruel or millet or cereal. The Romans have eaten it since the days of Pliny the Elder.

Today polenta is served from mostly yellow or white ground corn. Evidence has been found dating the cultivation of corn more than 6,500 years ago in Peru, although it didn't reach the European continent until Columbus brought back seeds after 1492. Polenta was known as the “meat of the poor.” In fact, this meal was prepared during difficult times, as it was cheaper than wheat.

It can be served in a multitude of ways and simply begins with water. It can be served cool or warm. It can be sliced, toasted, baked, fried, sautéed or grilled, and it makes a surprising substitute for mashed potatoes.

I like it best as porridge — the way my Nonna made it in her kitchen.

She served me polenta since the days I was weaned, to the days spent home from school with the common cold. She would serve it in a cereal bowl with milk and honey or sometimes with a spoonful of creamy butter.

Springtime was best, when the wild fennel puts forth its shoots, letting us know that warm weather is near. My Nonna and I would go into the garden and pick the tender sprigs scattered along the backyard fence. Our hands were coated in the sweet licorice scent as we filled our shirts that served as our baskets.

Back in the kitchen we would snip the feathery plumes away from the newborn shoots, adding the tender stems to a pot of salted water. Once the water began to boil we slowly added polenta. I was in charge of constant stirring, making sure there were no lumps, until it turned to a smooth silky consistency. When ready, she would take the pot off the heat and slowly add our favorite grated cheese. It was served into little bowls with a drizzle of olive oil or pats of butter, salt and pep-



PATRICIA BAILEY

The author mixes polenta with fresh sprigs of fennel, grated cheese and salt — much as her grandmother did.

per. This hearty anise flavored comfort food takes me back to her kitchen.

It is this meal that reminds me that my Nonna's kitchen was not the poor kitchen. My grandmother's meals were born out of a labor of love and creativity.

Today I like to prepare this dish for my family or close friends as a first course. I always reserve a portion to be cooled on a baking sheet or wooden board. Later, cut into bite size pieces, grill or pan fry for another time.

I prefer the finely ground polenta or corn meal sold in bulk during the

autumn season. This is when it's the freshest. During the other seasons, or when I can only find the pre-packaged types, I will pick the coarser grades. Their cooking times vary slightly.

If well wrapped, polenta will keep for three to four days in the refrigerator.

Try preparing it in summer with zucchini or mushrooms, and consider it as a stand in for cakes and pizza crust.

Patricia Bailey is a horticulturist who retired the spade and picked up the pen. She shares her love of gardening, food and storytelling.

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MONTI: Sharks on the Sakonnet, plus stripers and bluefish are biting

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each one is different. The fish we caught this week was down deep and it stayed down for the first 15 minutes. Then it leaped into the air clear out of the water," said Vespe.

"We caught and successfully released this fish due to the good work of the crew. My father Ric Vespe was at the helm, my son Shawn Hayes Costello and cousin Stephano Leoni here visiting from Italy were on the reel. They did a great job," said Vespe.

Recreational fishermen must have an Atlantic HMS permit to harvest Atlantic common thresher sharks in federal waters.

Vespe said, "What you really must watch is the thresher's tail (they are also known as Whiptail sharks). They use their tail as a weapon to stun prey. When the shark we caught last week came to the boat it whacked the engine housing with its tail. If that tail swung higher it could have cleared anyone on the stern right off the boat."

According to NOAA, "U.S. wild-caught Atlantic common thresher shark is a smart seafood choice because it is sustainably managed and responsibly harvested under U.S. regulations."

Congratulations, Greg and crew, and thanks for the great fish story.

Fishing and transiting near South Fork Windfarm

Fishermen headed for the Dump or Canyons from Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut or Montauk, may plan on a transit through South Fork Wind Farm, currently in construction midway between Block Island and Martha's Vineyard. Over 13 monopile foundations (supporting 12 wind turbines and one offshore substation) will be installed, in two stages.

This summer just the lower 70 feet of each foundation will be built and extend above the ocean's surface, with a Quick Flashing Yellow light installed. Later this fall, the full turbine towers will be installed, with AIS and Sound Signals added to some towers. Each tower is marked with a four digit name, in a grid pattern one mile apart, North to South, and East to West. For example, AN06 is one mile to the east of AN05.

Navigation in South Fork Wind is open, but mariners should exercise caution, as over a dozen construction vessels, several scientific buoys, and newly installed foundations are in the area. Boaters should update their charts, checking the U.S. Coast Guard and Ørsted Mariners updates (us.orsted.com/mariners), and speaking with project safety vessels on VHF 16/13. At key points in the construction sequence, the Coast Guard is enforcing safety zones.

Where's the bite?

Striped bass and bluefish: "We have school bass being caught in the East and West Passages of Narragansett Bay. The Green Island, Warwick area has been good, as well as Greenwich Bay, with monster bluefish popping up on the surface," said Tom Giddings of

the Tackle Box, Warwick.

East End Eddie Doherty, Cape Cod Canal fishing expert and author, said, "The new moon did its job, as schools of striped bass rode the east tide in from Buzzards Bay last week. At one part of the Ditch or another they were chasing squid, peanut bunker, silversides, sand eels and adult macks."

Declan O'Donnell of Breachway Bait & Tackle, Charlestown, said, "There has been a good number of striped bass being caught from the Breachway and back in the salt pond. Live eels have been producing well, and they are also being caught on soft plastics and spooks. Snapper blues have been caught, but there seems to be low numbers of them around this year."

Fred DeFinis of Middletown said, "A mix of school bass and bluefish were in the lower Sakonnet River this week. Feeding on very small silversides — barely over an inch long. Smallest bait I have ever seen. My guess is that the striped bass are just vacuuming them up so they are very fussy."

Tautog

Fishing off Pt. Judith has been good with anglers catching their limit close to shore. "Few reports on keeper size fish being caught off Newport or in Narragansett Bay," said Tom Giddings of the Tackle Box.

Fluke, black sea bass and scup
Declan O'Donnell said, "There are a few nice fluke around, and those putting in their time have been finding fish up to around 8 pounds off of the local beaches. There seems to be a slight pickup in fluke bite out at Block as well. Sometimes we can have a really good fluke bite at the end of the season. Black sea bass fishing continues to produce quick limits, and there are plenty of nice sized scup around."

"Fluke are being caught in from of Warwick Light right near the red can," said Tom Giddings.

Bonito, false albacore, tuna
Declan O'Donnell said, "There have been reports of a few green bonito caught locally, but no one has reported catching false albacore yet. Bait is starting to school up in the salts ponds. Tuna fishing has been very good south of Block Island for both bluefin and yellowfin."

Freshwater

"Freshwater fishing is good, with anglers using bait and drop shot from boats for large-mouth bass. Warwick Pond and Gorton Pond are producing, with a nice six-pound large-mouth caught by a customer fishing Little Pond behind Warwick Vets," said Tom Giddings of the Tackle Box.

Dave Monti holds a captain's master license and charter fishing license. He serves on a variety of boards and commissions and has a consulting business focusing on clean oceans, habitat preservation, conservation, renewable energy, and fisheries related issues and clients. Forward fishing news and photos to dmontifish@verizon.net or visit www.noflukefishing.com.

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The Tides*

	HiAM	HiPM	LoAM	LoPM	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday, Aug. 30	7:53 (5.0)	8:19 (5.6)	1:19	1:19	6:08	7:23
Thursday, Aug. 31	8:44 (5.4)	9:09 (5.6)	2:04	2:16	6:09	7:22
Friday, Sept. 1	9:34 (5.6)	9:58 (5.4)	2:47	3:12	6:10	7:20
Saturday, Sept. 2	10:24 (5.6)	10:47 (5.1)	3:27	4:03	6:11	7:18
Sunday, Sept. 3	11:15 (5.5)	11:39 (4.7)	4:06	4:53	6:12	7:17
Monday, Sept. 4	—	12:08 (5.2)	4:44	5:45	6:13	7:15
Tuesday, Sept. 5	12:32 (4.3)	1:03 (4.8)	5:24	6:54	6:14	7:13
Wednesday, Sept. 6	1:28 (3.9)	2:00 (4.5)	6:10	8:47	6:15	7:12
Thursday, Sept. 7	2:24 (3.6)	2:59 (4.1)	7:06	10:03	6:16	7:10

New Moon Sept. 15 — Full Moon Aug. 31

* Information is based on tides in Bristol Harbor.

HEALTHY EATING

Infuse your water with some healthy flavors

Summer is not over yet, nor is the heat in New England. These are the hottest months of the year. So drinking water is extra important this time of year. If you don't enjoy the taste of water, it can be hard to drink enough throughout the day. Good news, drinking a variety of beverages can increase your total water intake.

Infused water has become more popular over the last few years. Here are a few tips to help you try this cool and delicious trend.

Be sure to use clean produce.

■ Protect yourself from foodborne illness by choosing produce with a rind or peel. Always wash fruits, vegetables, and herbs before use.

No infuser bottle? No problem.

■ Try using Mason jars or regular pitchers to store your flavored water.

■ Try freezing your infusions into ice cubes. Then add them to the water bottle you use everyday.

Try a variety of flavor combinations.

■ Consider herbs and spices such as basil, rosemary, mint, thyme, or anise. Even flowers like rose, hibiscus, and lavender pair well with fresh fruit.

Information gathered & adapted from: <https://www.webmd.com/diet/health-benefits-infused-water>

Cucumber, Strawberry and Lemon Infused Water

Ingredients

- 6 cups cold water
- 1 small cucumber, sliced thin
- 4 strawberry, top removed, sliced thin
- The juice of 1 fresh lemon

Directions

1. In a large pitcher or jug add cold water, sliced cucumbers, sliced strawberries, lemon juice, stir gently, cover and refrigerate overnight for the best results.
2. Enjoy!

Recipe makes: 6 servings

Nutrition Information:

We believe focusing on numbers can harm our relationship with food. If your medical condition requires you to know of specific nutrition information, please contact us at info@evolutionrd.com.

Recipe adapted from:

<https://cookeatshare.com/recipes/cucumber-strawberry-lemon-rehydrate-cold-water>

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BOOK REVIEW

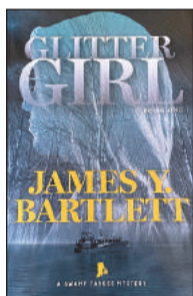
The one constant this summer? Lots of good books

BY LYNDA REGO

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It's been a strange summer — too wet, too dry, too hot, cool nights. The one constant has been a variety of fabulous books for summer reading. Hope you enjoy some of these before fall sets in. Especially the series set in the fictional town of Little Penwick (masquerading as Little Compton).

“Glitter Girl” (2022) by James Y. Bartlett is the first book in his Swamp Yankee Mystery Series. It's set in Little Penwick, R.I., modeled after the smallest town in the smallest state. (Anyone familiar with Little Compton will recognize all the places and touches from the church on the town common to the



Stone House Club), with side trips to Portsmouth, Providence's strip clubs, restaurants like Evelyn's and the Capital Grille, New Bedford, Brockton and more familiar landmarks.

I wouldn't mind spending more time with Police Chief Gus Haddock. After working as a policeman for five years under his father, Chief Julius Haddock, Gus joined the military and served in the Rangers for three tours of duty in Afghanistan.

Upon his return, he's named interim chief

of Little Penwick because the R.I. DA got his father sent to the ACI for contempt of court in a case involving a local trouble-making family, the Ferros. The patriarch of the family has disappeared and his sons claim Julius killed the old man.

Gus will have his hands full with his new job, Special Master Maggie Wells, sent by the DA to keep an eye on the department, and with the case itself. What really happened? Who's the beautiful young woman staying at the Ferro compound? What is the DA trying to hide?

The second book, “Cold Secrets,” follows Julius in his new career, as a private investigator (he decided to retire once freed from the ACI). His first case is a 30-year-old Little Penwick cold case involving a murdered teenager. And, he wants revenge for those who railroaded him into jail.

The third book, “Rainbow's End,” returns to Gus and Maggie and the final chapter in the case involving the Ferros and the “Glitter Girl” and has a very satisfying resolution.

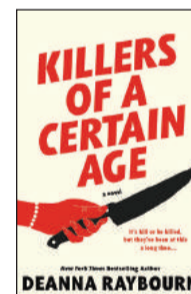
The series reminds me of two other police procedurals I especially like. Small town cop who's a former vet with high standards, small town politics and, in this case, also shenanigans at the state level in Providence. And, of course, a romantic entanglement.

All the Rhode Island tropes are there ... how it's the “I know a guy” state, the corruption (in this case, pretty much everywhere), and how everyone knows everyone.

Bartlett lives in Tiverton and knows the territory. He's worked in journalism most of his life, writing hundreds of pieces for all types of magazines, but also penned the Hacker Golf Mystery Series and books about golf (he was the golf columnist for Forbes FYI and Hemispheres). His historical novel, “Year of the Sheep,” about the Scottish Highland clearances, was a quarter-finalist for the BookLife Fiction Book of the Year competition in 2021.

I think he has another winner with the Swamp Yankee series. The fourth book, “Family Affairs,” just came out, and there is a prequel novella, “Rum Row,” featuring Julius' grandfather during Prohibition in 1924.

“Killers of a Certain Age” (2022) by Deanna Raybourn. Billie Webster is part of a quartet of female assassins called Project Phoenix. The book jumps between their first assignment in 1979 and 2018, when Billie, Helen, Mary Alice and Natalie are on a luxury cruise as part of their retirement plan after 40 years on the elite assassin squad.



The Museum, as the organization that employs them is called, was created after World War II by members of elite organizations whose skills were no longer needed, but still wanted to make a difference. After hunting down the remaining Nazis, they moved on to dictators, arms dealers, drug smugglers and sex traffickers.

“We kill who we're told and only who we're told... We're not sociopaths,” Billie makes clear. But, on board the ship, Billie recognizes a Museum agent. Why is he there? For them. But, why?

The 60-somethings will have to use all their skills (and the wiles that come with being older women, who are underestimated and overlooked) to get to the top of the organization and find out the truth.

I loved this book and have discovered a new author to explore.

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WHAT: Art Night Bristol Warren
 WHEN: Thursday, Aug. 31, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
 WHERE: Venues in Warren and Bristol
 COST: Free and open to the public
 MORE INFO: Full schedule at artnightbristolwarren.org



Music series presents Roomful of Blues

The Herreshoff Marine Museum will conclude its annual Summer Sunset Music Series with a concert by Roomful of Blues on the waterfront overlooking Bristol Harbor. They have tables, chairs and picnic tables or bring your own chairs. Food and drink from local vendors, or bring your own.

WHAT: Summer Sunset Music Series
 WHEN: Thursday, Aug. 31, from 6 to 8 p.m. rain or shine
 WHERE: Herreshoff Marine Museum tent, Hope and Burnside streets, Bristol
 COST: \$35; \$25 for members
 MORE INFO: Tickets at herreshoff.org



Roscommon Soles to perform at King Park

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WHAT: Waterfront concerts
 WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 2, from 3 to 6 p.m.
 WHERE: King Park, Wellington Avenue gazebo, Newport
 COST: Free and open to the public

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WHAT: Outdoor Sculpture Park Exhibition
 WHEN: During daylight hours (except during private events) through Oct. 31
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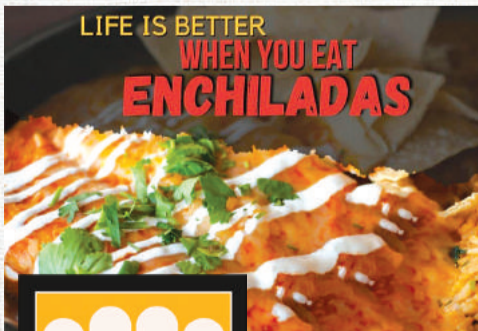
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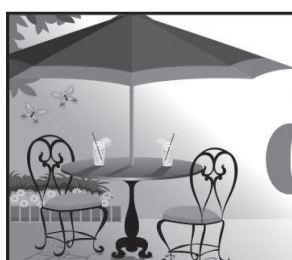
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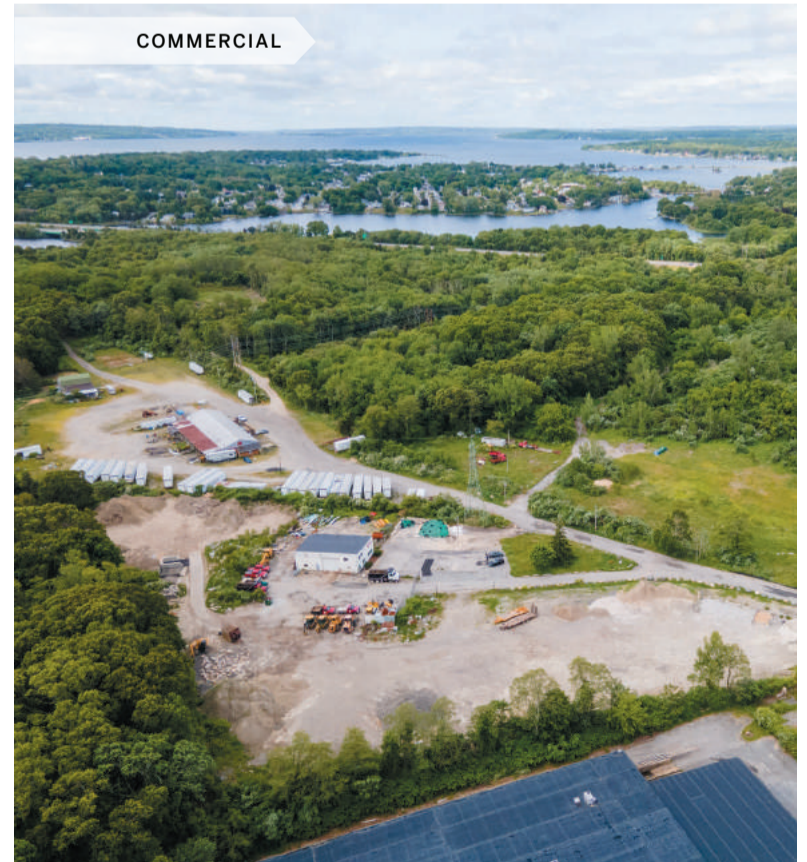
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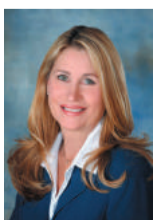
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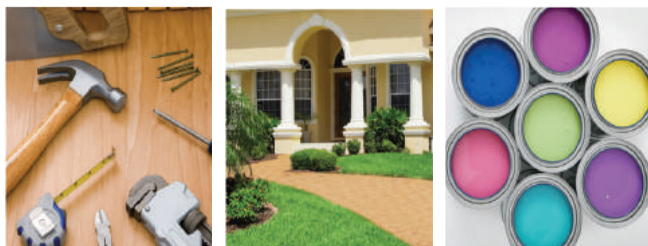
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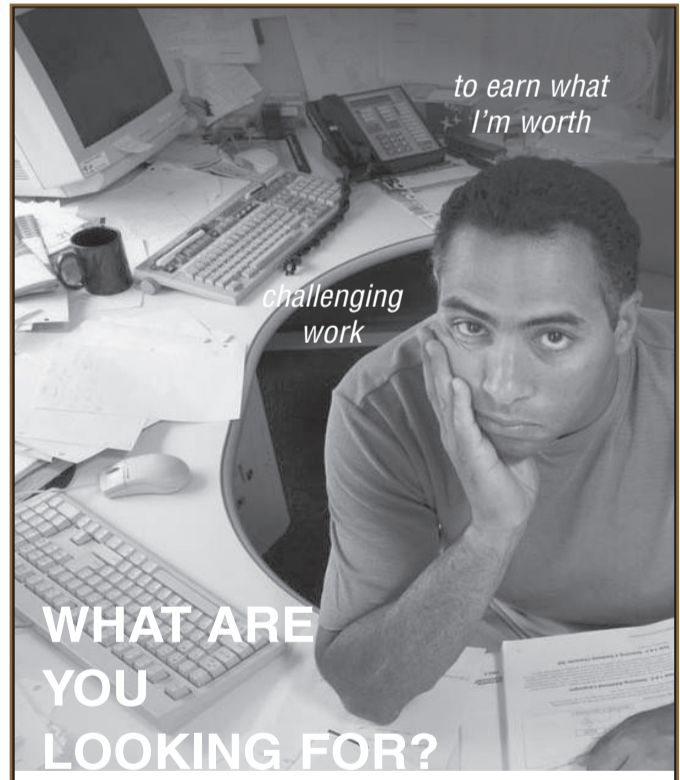
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