

MAYOR: 'This isn't the Wild West' Town cracks down on 9 'illegal' businesses inside 27 Mill St.

By RORY SCHULER

Future Case Corp. has been there long enough for rust to form and leak from the bracket and onto the business's white sign hanging in front.

The mill building's been there for about a century. At least one of the businesses inside has been open 20 years or more — eight more occupy various corners of the factory building at 27 Mill St.

Until last month, none of them were licensed by the town of Johnston.

The town may now seek back license fees from the businesses, and each operation will now be subject to Johnston's rules of business operation.

The business owners say they didn't know they needed a license. Town officials claim they didn't know the businesses

were there, operating without licenses.

According to Johnston Mayor Joseph M. Polisena, the businesses at 27 Mill St. have been "operating illegally."

"They all got caught operating illegally," Polisena said during public session of the November Town Council meeting, where Future Case's owner Alan Jaswell and five other business owners pleaded their case for tardy business licenses.

"We didn't know we needed one," Jaswell said last week, referring to a town-issued business license, as he stood inside the offices linked to his operation. Jaswell went to the window-sill and picked up a sample of his work from a large pile of small cases — the sort that typically contain commemorative coins or souvenir knives.

"We've been here at least 20 years," Jaswell said. "We didn't know we needed to get a license from the town. I don't want

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GRAVE RESPONSIBILITIES



CEMETERY 43:

At left, in the middle of Salisbury Farm, a tiny graveyard survives — the former resting place of Col. Israel Angell, and final resting place of Arnold Fenner, who was struck by lightning. For this tiny plot's full story, turn to the Rhody-Life section, starting on Page 21. (Sun Rise photo by Rory Schuler)

ORIGINAL RESTING PLACE:

At right, Israel Angell's first place of interment at what's now known as Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Johnston 43, in this photo from 1918. (Historical photo courtesy Varnum Continentals)



'Big Al' Savage honored for 55 years as a Lion

By PETE FONTAINE

Added Al Savage's name to the list of people who have been honored with the prestigious Lions Club International Lifetime Membership Award.

Few members, in fact, have compiled the resume that "Big Al" Savage has since he joined the Johnston Lions Club back in 1967.

"Al Savage became a member of the Johnston Lions Club in February of 1967 and has remained active for each of the past 55 years," said King Lion-President Joe Swift. "Not many people have ever done that round here."

Johnston Mayor Joseph Polisena, Town Councilman Robert Civetti and State Sen. Frank Lombardo were among the many officials who helped make the presentation of his award extra special.

Polisena, in fact, gave Savage an official Town of Johnston Commendation, while Lombardo offered a special recognition citation from the State of Rhode Island Senate.

The Lions Club bestowed the well-deserved honor

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CLASSIC COUPLE:

Lion "Big Al" Savage proudly displays his Lifetime Membership Award with his wife Carol by his side at the recent recognition dinner held at Luigi's Restaurant in Johnston. (Submitted photo)

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TALENTED TROUPE: Above, JHS undergrads Sofia Rose, Neriah Nhar-Matko, Juliana Pires, Destinee Costa, Madison DeCosta, Chantel DeJesus and Shyla Soto will be singing various selections during the annual Winter Concert next Wednesday night.

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QUALITY QUARTET: Below, Joshua Edward Sanford, Johnathan Guilmette, Anthony Vendetti and Miguel Quintanilla are just four of the talented vocalists who'll perform in next Wednesday's Winter Concert.



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JHS hosts Winter Concert Wednesday

By PETE FONTAINE

There will be a special seasonal showcase of talent next Wednesday night — December 7 — inside the 500-seat auditorium at Johnston High School.

For a small general admission fee of \$5, people will have an opportunity to listen to holiday selections and songs played by musicians and sung by vocalists who rank among the best of their craft not only in Rhode Island but throughout the entire northeast.

Attest, the JHS Music Department — which is under the dynamic direction of Ron Lamoureux — has earned elite national status since performing at the highly-acclaimed Music in the Parks national competition held each spring in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

The Johnston High School Music Department's "Winter Concert" show — which will begin at 7 p.m. — will feature Matt Gingras leading the concert chorus, select choir and the triumphant return of the A Cappella group that has been rehearsing afternoons following their sometimes-hectic scholastic studies.

Likewise, Lamoureux's Concert Band — whose members have received rave reviews following the JHS Marching Panther Band's performance at the prestigious Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Massachusetts — will close out what promises to be an exciting and entertaining evening.

Lamoureux also announced there is a small jazz combo that has been working independently after school that will do one or two turns, and possibly an Appalachian rendition of "Jingle Bells."

"We have specialists that have been coming in to work with our kids and are preening two groups for the show," Lamoureux noted. "There will be a brass group coached by Gary Vallee and a clarinet ensemble coached by Kathy Vallee. They too are excited about the show."

Show? The Holiday Concert is a tradition unlike any other on Cherry Hill and as Lamoureux pointed out: "I've been at this for the past 25 years."

As the highly respected music director offered: "Sometimes it felt like we have been running to keep step this year, but the kids have been working really hard all along. They are amazing students and incredibly fun to work with and we extend an invitation to Johnstonians to come and hear (these) super ... songs."

Members of the Johnston School Music Association, which is the JHS Music Department's official booster club-like support group, will be on hand to welcome music enthusiasts as they continue raising funds to send the band and vocalist groups back to the Music in the Parks Festival this spring.

The JSMA volunteers, many of whom are either student musicians or vocalists, will begin welcoming people to JHS at 6 p.m., with the doors to the auditorium scheduled to open at 6:30 p.m.



APPALACHIAN STRINGS: JHS senior Domenic Whitten will be strumming his banjo next Wednesday night during the JHS Holiday Concert. (Submitted photos by Steve Turten)

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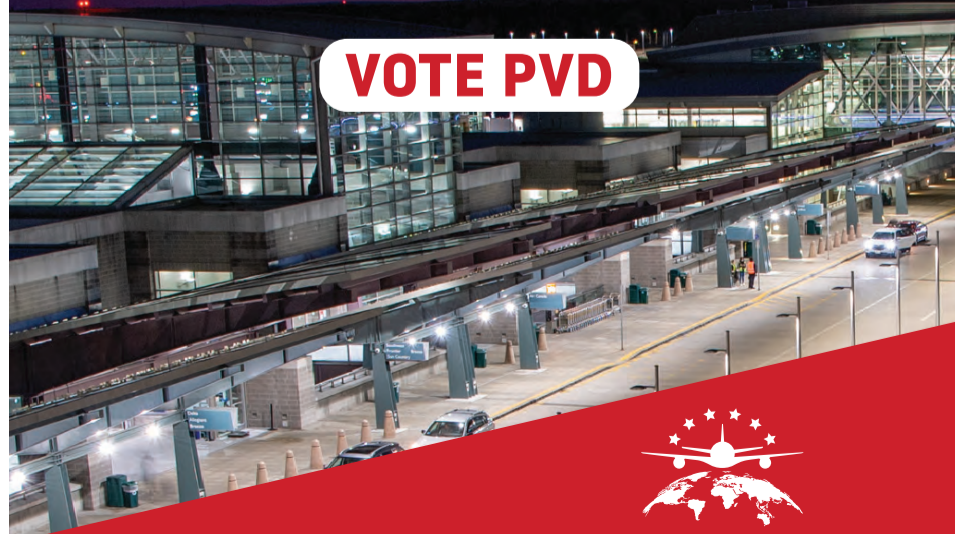
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LOCAL COO: Johnston resident Jim Florio Jr., MBA, has been promoted to Chief Operating Officer of South County Psychiatry. (Submitted photo)

South County Psychiatry welcomes Johnston's Jim Florio Jr. as COO

South County Psychiatry has announced the appointment of Johnston resident Jim Florio Jr., MBA, as Chief Operating Officer. South County Psychiatry is a full-service outpatient psychiatric practice serving patients throughout its three locations in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

The practice recently announced the opening of The Weight and Wellness Center, a South County Psychiatry-operated program opening in December of 2022 with a goal to help patients lose weight in a healthy and sustainable way.

"I am thrilled to have someone with the knowledge-base, work ethic, and character of Jim Florio join our team," said Dr. Anthony Gallo, founder of South County Psychiatry. "Having worked with and known him for over a decade, there is no one better who can help lead South County Psychiatry, including its new Weight and Wellness Institute, to its full potential."

Florio previously spent 20 years working at Lifespan in various capacities, working his way up from a financial analyst to the vice president of adult psychiatry and behavioral health. A graduate of Rhode Island College and Providence College, Mr. Florio has spent his career working with some of the best psychiatry and behavioral health clinical leaders in the world including Dr. Richard Goldberg, Dr. Mark Zimmerman, Dr. Gabor Keitner, Dr. Gregory Fritz, and Dr. Deb Lobato to lead the cultivation of a robust psychiatry and behavioral healthcare system.

"I am honored to join South County Psychiatry as the Chief Operating Officer," Florio said. "I look forward to partnering with Dr. Anthony Gallo and everyone on the team to lead South County Psychiatry in a direction that allows us to be the largest and the best ambulatory psychiatry and behavioral health program in the region. Under our leadership we will focus on family culture, being the best place to work for all employees, equitable access to all consumers in the region, and delivering the highest quality of psychiatry, behavioral health, and weight and wellness services."

Florio joins a team of healthcare professionals at South County Psychiatry and the Weight and Wellness Institute including Dr. Vincent Pera, the director

of the Weight and Wellness Institute, and a dedicated team of nurses, physicians, registered dietitians, exercise physiologists, and behaviorists who specialize in mental health as well as weight management and overall wellness.

South County Psychiatry focuses on the treatment of mental health disorders, including depression, anxiety, ADHD, and bipolar disorder. The Weight and Wellness Institute is located in Cranston, at 1170 Pontiac Ave., and will provide patients with weight loss solutions including exercise prescription, weight loss medications, lifestyle coaching, and more.

The Weight and Wellness Institute begins accepting patients on Nov. 1, and is slated to open on Dec. 1. Future patients can call 401-895-9937 to schedule an appointment.

"As the Chief of Weight and Wellness at South County Psychiatry and the Director of our Weight and Wellness Institute, I am happy to join in the announcement of Jim Florio, Jr. as our organization's chief operating officer, as he brings exceptional experience from his distinguished career in the healthcare industry," said Dr. Pera. "His expertise and dedication to his profession have resulted in the improvement of healthcare for thousands of Rhode Islanders over the past years. We are very fortunate and excited to have Jim joining our team as we strive to build an organization that will provide exceptional integrated health services in the areas of psychiatry, behavioral health, weight management, and wellness."

South County Psychiatry is a full-service outpatient psychiatric practice with five locations across the region. The clinic is staffed by psychiatrists and other mental health providers who specialize in treating a variety of mental health disorders, such as anxiety, depression, and bipolar disorder. The clinic offers individual therapy, medication management, and couples counseling. South County Psychiatry's five locations can be found in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

Rhode Island locations include 420 Scrambletown Road, Suite A, North Kingstown (401-268-5333); 47 Danielson Pike, North Scituate (401-268-5333); and 1170 Pontiac Ave., Cranston (401-895-9937).

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Johnston native joins Ocean-Point Investment Solutions

OceanPoint Investment Solutions is pleased to announce that Johnston native Bradford C. Corbett has joined LPL Financial as a financial advisor. A wealth manager with over 20 years of financial service industry experience, Corbett works with each of his clients to create a customized financial plan that best speaks to their individual circumstances, goals, timeline, and risk tolerance. Through its relationship with LPL Financial, OceanPoint Investment Solutions has the strategic support to provide access to a broad range of competitive investment advisory services to customers that addresses their distinctive needs in an effort to help bring them to the next successful chapter of their lives, in addition to access to industry-leading, independent investment research and tools, resources and technology that includes an online self-guided Wealth Portal. Prior to his new position, Corbett was most recently a financial advisor with Santander Investments. He also served as a branch manager for TD Ameritrade in Providence. Corbett holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Rhode Island. A native of Johnston, Corbett currently resides in Warren.



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 by Rochelle Rhodes, D.M.D. and David McFarland, D.D.S.
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BENCH WARRANT

Around 9:10 a.m., Oct. 18, Johnston Police Patrolman Thomas Santurri was on a fixed post at 1074 Plainfield St., when he noticed a woman he "knew from previous encounters as Nicole Fraser walking in the roadway."

"Ms. Fraser appeared to be unsteady on her feet, and she kept bending down to pick up what appeared to be cigarettes butts from the roadway," Santurri wrote in the arrest report.

Police spoke to Fraser to "check her wellbeing."

They identified the woman as Nicole M. Fraser, homeless, of Cranston.

"Ms. Fraser appeared to be in good health, and stated that she was just attempting to gather cigarettes and change," Santurri wrote.

A check through the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS) revealed Fraser was wanted on two bench warrants. The first warrant was out of Fourth District Court for failing to appear at a pretrial conference, following a DUI charge filed by Westerly Police. The second bench warrant was issued out of Providence Superior Court for failing to appear at a pretrial conference connected to a charge of Passing Counterfeit Bills filed by Cranston Police.

The warrants were confirmed and Fraser was arrested, transported back to Johnston Police Headquarters, processed and taken to the ACI Women's Intake Facility.

DUI

Around 12:44 a.m., Oct. 15, Johnston Police Patrolman Patrick Gendreau alleges he spotted a vehicle traveling south on Killingly Street at a "high rate of speed upwards of 60 MPH."

Gendreau attempted to initiate a traffic stop, but the driver turned right onto Ruth Street, allegedly without using a turn signal, before coming to a stop.

Gendreau approached the vehicle, a 2004 Dodge Ram 1500, driven by a man later identified as Cotey M. Vasconcellos, of 80 Oregon Ave., North Providence.

While speaking with Gendreau, he noticed a "strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from his breath as he spoke to me with slurred and mumbled speech."

Police asked Vasconcellos to consent to a series of standardized field sobriety tests. He consented.

Following the tests, Vasconcellos was arrested for "suspicion of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor and/or drugs," Gendreau wrote in the arrest report.

His vehicle was towed from the scene. Vasconcellos allegedly refused to submit to a chemical test at the Johnston Police Department.

A DMV check revealed Vasconcellos' driver's license had been suspended following a prior DUI charge. He was issued Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal citations for Speeding (11+ MPH in excess of Posted Speed Limit, first offense), Operation of Vehicle When Registration is Suspended, as well as Refusal to Submit to Chemical Test.

Vasconcellos was criminally charged with DUI of Liquor (BAC unknown, second offense).

EXPIRED LICENSE

Around 10:50 a.m., Oct. 15, Johnston Patrolman Eli McGuire Krueger spotted a vehicle traveling north with window tint on all four windows and the rear windshield. He subsequently detained the vehicle near 663 Killingly St.

Police identified the driver as Richard P. Paquin, of 44 Victor Ave., Apt. 1, Johnston. DMV files revealed Paquin's license had expired and the vehicle registration was suspended. A check through RILETS revealed that Paquin had an active bench warrant for Attempted Larceny and Malicious Damage charges filed by Cumberland Police.

Paquin was taken into custody and transported to Johnston Police Headquarters. Police issued citations for Driving with Expired License (second offense) and Operation of Vehicle When Registration is Suspended. His vehicle was towed from the scene.

POSSESSION

Around 3:15 p.m., Nov. 15, Johnston Police Patrolman Thomas Santurri spotted a blue Audi traveling west on Plainfield Street. Santurri "clocked the vehicle traveling 35 MPH in a 25 MPH posted zone," according to the arrest report.

The vehicle was detained near the intersection of Plainfield Street and Maple Avenue. Santurri spoke to the driver, William Wolfe (no address provided by police), and identified a passenger as Ashley B. Brogno, of 50 Murray St., Apt. 30, Coventry.

Santurri ran checks on both and discovered Wolfe had an active arrest warrant out of the Pawtucket Police Department, for Larceny Under \$1,500 and Habitual Shop-lifter. He was taken into custody without incident and transported to Johnston Police Headquarters.

Wolfe was processed and later turned over to the Pawtucket Police Department. Wolfe was also issued a traffic citation for Speeding (1-10 MPH in Excess of Posted Speed Limit).

"While conducting DMV checks on Ms. Brogno it was revealed that she did not possess a valid driver's license, therefore Precision Towing was called to the scene," Santurri wrote in the arrest report. "I then approached the passenger's side door of the vehicle and had Ms. Brogno step out of the vehicle so I could conduct an inventory search of the vehicle prior to it being towed."

After she stepped from the car, police say something hit the ground.

"While Ms. Brogno exited the vehicle, I observed several loose oval shaped pills fall from her groin area onto the asphalt paving," Santurri wrote. "I also observed a glass pipe which from my training and experience is used to smoke narcotics."

Brogno was wearing a dress.

"I clearly observed the items fall from concealment within the dress onto the ground," Santurri wrote. "This led me to believe Ms. Brogno had additional narcotics concealed in her groin. While the items were scattered on the ground, Ms. Brogno attempted to stomp on several of the pills as well as the glass pipe."

The pipe broke into pieces, but the pills remained undamaged.

Police determined the pills were Buprenorphine, a narcotic analgesics under the opioid family, used to treat an opioid addiction, but requiring a prescription. Brogno was transported back to the station where Johnston Police Patrolwoman Ashley Vanbemmelen conducted a "strip search."

Vanbemmelen said she located three more pills between Brogno's legs and 21 pills concealed in her bra — 24 more pills total (35 including those discovered at the scene of the traffic stop).

Brogno was later charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedule Five and Obstruction of an Officer in the Execution of his Duty. She was held pending arraignment.

RISP make 12 DUI arrests over holiday weekend

During the course of Thanksgiving and the holiday weekend, the Rhode Island State Police (RISP) report that 12 individuals were arrested for Driving Under the Influence (DUI), according to a press release. Rhode Island State Troopers said they also investigated 82 motor vehicle crashes and issued 598 citations for various traffic violations.

Opinion

EDITORIAL

Election security is worth waiting for

Rhode Islanders likely recently saw headlines touting the state as the fastest in the country at posting and verifying its election results for the most recent midterm elections — and in elections going back to 2016.

This is not only because Rhode Island is an outlier in its tiny physical size geographically speaking, but because since that election, the state has been utilizing voting machines that transmit election results wirelessly over internet modems to the state's election headquarters in Cranston.

The obvious advantage to that system is the speed at which results can be tallied, transmitted, and posted to the Board of Elections website. As a news organization, we benefit from the speed of that system significantly, and it allows us to report on results and provide post-election analysis faster than any other state in the country.

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However, we are also wary of the potential risks involved with using such a system, no matter how small they might be.

According to the state, the voting machines only connect to the internet for about 30 seconds, once voting has concluded, in order to send the results over the web to the Board of Elections. However, it cannot be guaranteed that during this short period of time that those transmitted results are completely safe from potentially bad actors seeking to hijack or alter the data.

It is important to note that the state also defends the system due to the presence of an analog redundancy — physical USB sticks that also bank the data and could be used in the event of any hacking to provide accurate, untampered results. But we have to wonder, why even risk such an episode of interference simply for the benefit of a few hours of advanced notice for results?

It may sound counterintuitive coming from an organization that benefits from the rapidity of the current system, but we find the reward of receiving results faster does not outweigh the potentially huge risk of having our elections interfered with, even if the results of that interference doesn't pan out into serious consequences. We would argue that, should such an incident occur at all, the damage that could cause to public perception of the security of our elections would be catastrophic, even if the legitimate results are protected by the USB backup.

At the end of the day, it would take an insignificantly longer amount of time to have elections volunteers or employees run the physical data sticks to Cranston from wherever they originate in the state. It takes no more than an hour to get to Cranston from anywhere in Rhode Island, and it seems prudent to take the little bit of extra time to compile the data, rather than risk a scandalous tampering with one of our most sacred democratic functions.

We strongly advise the newly-elected Secretary of State to consider bucking speed for assured safety in our elections. We don't mind the wait when it comes to ensuring faith in our elections.



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RHODE ISLANDERS READY THEMSELVES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

GUEST OPINION

Some holiday gift giving ideas for aging parents

By DOLORES CASEY BERGERON

The Holidays are quickly approaching. It's time to make a gift list. When choosing a gift for your parents or grandparents, put some extra thought into it. Gift giving can be a satisfying and meaningful experience when it is done with generosity, joy, sincerity, and thoughtfulness.

Talk to your parents before selecting their gift. They may have a suggestion. Although, many are too polite to tell you what they want. Resist buying more flannel nightgowns, PJs, or wool sweaters. Forget the trinkets, most seniors are trying to downsize.

You are not going to change their lifestyle by giving them gifts they will never learn how to use. This type of giving frustrates the giver and receiver. Ex-

amples: trying to convince parents to use a cellphone, iPod, VCR or other up-to-date electronics. Most seniors are set in their ways and refuse to accept change. An elderly man I know listens to the radio every day. He enjoys the talk shows and baseball games. His radio is bound together with black electrical tape. His son bought him a new radio. He made him take it back to the store. His logic was, "I'm too old for a new radio".

I have some gift giving ideas. My list is probably more expensive than what you intend to spend. Remember, you can't put a price on a gift for those you love. You are fortunate to still have them with you!

PRACTICAL GIFTS:

- Pay for an oil fill
- Comforter set
- Pay Decembers utility bills

- Food store certificate
- Fleece lined boots
- Car wash coupons
- Paint/Wallpaper a room
- Prepaid gas card
- Electric Blanket
- Prepaid visa card
- Weekend get-away
- Salon/Barber certificates
- Lounge chair
- Prepay pharmacy

Many elderly will be "home alone" for the holidays. Make time to visit with them. Invite them to dinner. Take them to visit their friends and family. This is a sad time and stressful for most elderly. Growing old gracefully is not easy. Coping with loss of loved ones, especially during the holiday season, is what is most difficult. You can make a difference.

Editor's Note: Dolores Casey Bergeron is a Warwick resident who obviously gives a lot of thought to what she gives.

LETTER

Dear Johnston High School community, thank you

As the wonderful holiday season approaches, the Student Council would like to write this letter thanking everyone for all the time and effort that has been put into making all of our events and activities successful. This is for those who have supported and continued to support us in all we have accomplished this year. From homecoming season, to movie nights, fundraisers, and for all those participating in our upcoming Winter Ball, we truly thank each one of you for making all our events possible. We can't wait to see what lies ahead in the upcoming year.

We would like to express our gratitude to those who have lent a helping hand in all we have undertaken. Our school cannot be more thankful for all our administrators, faculty, staff, and our students who are the purpose of all we do. We would just like to take a moment to be thankful for all the memories we shared individually or together this year. As your Student Council, we strive to make your high school years one that you will look back to as a wonderful part of your life. We look forward to making new memories for the remainder of the year! We would like to wish the JHS community a wonderful Thanksgiving and a happy holiday. Furthermore, we send blessings and goodness to you and your families.

Sincerely,

Editor's Note: This letter was written by JHS Sophomore Class Representative Sarah Vazquez, on behalf of this year's Student Council.

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FERRI MIDDLE SCHOOL Q1 HONOR ROLL

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LEGAL NOTICES

Johnston Planning Board Meeting
 Tuesday December 6th, 2022;
 6:00 P.M.
 Johnston Senior Center
 1291 Hartford Ave., Johnston, RI 02919

Agenda

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- III. OLD BUSINESS

PB 17-36 – Residences at Hopkins Pond – Request to Modify Final Approval of a Major Land Development. Public Meeting to discuss the request of the Association to modify the Final plan by eliminate and/or relocating guest parking. A.P. 44 Lot 26 located between 620 Central Avenue and I-295. Applicant: Residences at Hopkins Pond condominium Association.

PB 21-47 – Central Avenue Solar/Residential – A Public Hearing on a Preliminary Plan application to create seven road frontage lots for residential development and one larger lot for a solar field. The property is located at 1252 – 1262 Central Avenue AP 43 Lots 70 & 95 - Zoned: R-40. Applicant: Revity Energy LLC.

PB 21-30 – Hartford Ave Self Storage I - Public Hearing for a proposed Major Land Development and Unified Development Review for a self-storage facility. Located behind 1357 Hartford Avenue AP 20 Lot 25. Property is zoned - B-2. Applicant: National Development Group. The Applicant is seeking a Special Use Permit to allow the self-storage facility, dimensional variances to the yard requirements and possibly other variances.

PB 21-44 – Hartford Ave Self Storage II - Public Hearing for a pro-

posed Major Land Development and Unified Development Review for a self-storage facility. Located behind 1347 Hartford Avenue AP 20 Lot 81. Property is zoned - B-2. Applicant: Commonwealth Investments Group LLC The Applicant is seeking a Special Use Permit to allow the self-storage facility and may seek dimensional variances to the yard requirements and possibly other variances.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

PB 22-60 – Bird's Eye Vue – Public Meeting on a Master Plan submission for a Major Subdivision creating 8 lots. Located westerly of 17 Wynchwood Place AP 38 Lots 310 & 338. Property is zoned R-10 and R-15. Applicant: Robert E Moll.

PB 22-59 – Advisory Opinion to the Town Council on the Petition of Robert Cardillo to rezone 180 & 184 Shun Pike from R-40 to Industrial. Council Petition 2022-CP-167. Assessor's Plat 33 Lots 27 and 84.

V. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – Discussion
PB 22- 57 The Johnston Comprehensive Plan – Presentation and discussion by/with Weston & Sampson, plan consultant.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT & SPECIAL ITEMS
VI. ADJOURNMENT

• The Planning Board Agenda and Minutes are available for review at ClerkBase on the Town's web page or Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Planning Office, 100 Irons Avenue, Johnston.
 • Items not heard by 9:30 p.m. may be continued to the next Regular Meeting or a special meeting at the discretion of the Board.
 • Facilities are handicap accessible. Interpreter services may be requested from TTD (401) 792-9642 at least 72 hours in advance.

11/17, 11/24, 12/1/22

JHS STUDENT COUNCIL 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS December 25th - January 5th

<p>25 1) Starbucks Gift Bag & \$25 Brewed Awakenings Gift Card 2) \$20 Gift Certificate to Cindy's Diner & \$15 Target Gift Card</p>	<p>26 1) Free Adult Haircut at Fantastic Sam's & \$15 Dunkin' Gift Card 2) \$25 Gift Certificate to Buono's Bakery & \$5 Dunkin' Gift Card</p>	<p>27 1) \$25 Gift Certificate to This Guy's Pizza & \$10 PlayStation Gift Card 2) \$25 Gift Card to Wicked Fresh Cafe & \$25 Brewed Awakenings Gift Card</p>	<p>28 1) \$20 Amazon Prime Video Gift Card & \$1 Dunkin' Gift Card 2) \$20 Target Gift Card & \$15 Starbucks Gift Card & \$15 Chipotle Gift Card</p>
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SAVE THE DATE: The JHS Student Council Christmas Fundraiser has begun. Get your calendar now!

JHS Student Council kicks off Christmas Calendar Fundraiser

By **JOSEPHINE OLAGUNDOYE**
 Special to the Sun Rise

The Holiday season is right around the corner, and the JHS student council will be hosting their annual 12 days of Christmas Calendar Fundraiser.

Each day, from Dec. 25 to Jan. 5, three winners will be chosen to receive a prize package that includes many gift cards and certificates.

These gift certificates include donations from local businesses and companies like Bar 101, This Guy's Pizza, The Thirsty Beaver, Anthony's Auto Body, and Atwood's Grille.

However, there are also gift cards to many of your favorite fast food restaurants, coffee shops, and stores like Dunkin' Donuts, Brewed Awakenings, Chic Fil A, Panera Bread, Chipotle, Target, Walgreens, Burlington, and Barnes and Noble.

Profits will be utilized in order to cover the expenses of the high school's spectacular Winter Ball event, to which every student is counting down the days.

If you are interested in purchasing a raffle ticket, you can email the student council president, Charlie Curci at ccurci@johnstonschools.org. In addition, you can contact student council officers, Talia Laflamme, Alexia DiLorenzo, Raylin Santos, Michelina Irons, or any other member of the student council to retrieve a ticket for a chance to win many amazing prizes.

Each ticket will be sold for \$10 until Dec. 19, so get one today before it's too late and join us as we kick-start the holiday season!

Editor's Note: Josephine Olagundoye serves as JHS Senior Class President. The Johnston Sun Rise regularly publishes stories submitted by the Johnston High School Student Council.

PTSO hosts Holly Fair on Dec. 3

By PETE FONTAINE

Now that much-ballyhooed Black Friday and Cyber Monday are in the books, if you're still looking for unique gifts and bargains for that someone special — or yourself — think about taking in the Johnston High School PTSO (Parent Teachers and Student Organization) Holly Fair this Saturday, Dec. 3.

The 11th annual Holly Fair will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in and around the spacious JHS cafeteria and promises to feature fun, food and more.

Moreover, if you enjoy helping support student grants, the 11th Annual PTSO Holly Fair is the event to visit, as proceeds will be used for two scholarships, as well as providing special gifts for members of the Class of 2023.

In addition, the classes of 2023, 2024 and 2025 will be represented, as well as members from the Johnston Prevention Coalition.

"Our committee as well as business owners are looking forward to Saturday," offered Lance Niles, who is in his second year at PTSO president. "Personally, I'm very much excited about what could be one of our biggest and best Holly Fair's in recent memory."

Niles reported earlier this week that by the time Saturday rolls around, "We could have as many as 45 plus vendors. There will be something for people all ages — from Avon to Beadcraft Bracelets, Joan's Beachy Jewelry, to Sweet Deliveries, Organic Homemade Elderberry Syrup, macramé, Angels Around Us, Cards by Susi and Teri's Treasures."

Added Niles: "We want to thank everyone in advance for coming to previous Holly Fair's and we welcome those many generous people as well as folks who've never been here before."

When asked for a hint — or preview — of other vendors, Niles smiled, then offered: "There will be everything from Christine's \$5 Bling Boutique and Touchstone Crystal by Swarovski."

He said the list could go on-and-on, but did confirm there could be a special visit from Jolly ol' Saint Nick, who the children "absolutely adore and who has been to Cherry Hill in past years."



CLEVER CREATIONS: The Johnston High School's 11th Annual Holly Fair will be hosted by the Johnston High School PTSO (Parent Teachers and Student Organization) this Saturday, Dec. 3. The 11th annual fair will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in and around the JHS cafeteria. (Photos submitted by Carolyn Thornton Iannuccilli)



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Celebrate the Season

Highland Memorial Park's 21st Annual Christmas Remembrance Service

Sunday, December 4, 2022

6:00 pm • Highland Memorial Park

One Rhode Island Avenue, Johnston, RI

This non-denominational event offers an opportunity for families throughout Rhode Island to join in the holiday spirit of giving and pay respect to the memory of their deceased loved ones no matter where they are laid to rest.

...Giving —

Families are encouraged to bring an unwrapped new toy for needy children.

Remembrance...

Beginning November 28, 2022, families can bring in their pewter ornaments and they will be hung by cemetery staff. The cemetery staff will hang all pewter ornaments saved by the cemetery, which is approximately 1,000 family ornaments which will remain displayed on the trees until January 3, 2023.

The event will feature:

- The Meaning of Christmas by: Reverend John P. Soares, Pastor of: St. Thomas Church
- Special presentation by: **Johnston High School Concert Choir**
- Holiday Group Singing
- Ceremonial lighting of Christmas trees

All ages are welcome

Ceremony to be held inside Chapel Mausoleum

Refreshments available immediately following the ceremony.

If you have not been vaccinated please wear a mask

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— Thank you



■ Mill St
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any more trouble. We pay all of our taxes. We had all our inspections. We'll be making some changes."

The town has allowed for temporary provisional licenses, pending a 90-day review, for each of the six businesses that appeared before them on Nov. 15. Three more are expected to request licenses at December's Town Council meeting.

Jaswell confirmed there are nine businesses operating inside the building at 27 Mill St. A "For Rent" sign on the front door advertises more available space.

Town Council Vice President and Mayor-elect Joe Polisena Jr. said the town plans to pursue fees that the businesses neglected to pay.

"DBR (Department of Business Regulation) has (a) three-year look-back precedent, so any business caught operating without a license, the town will seek a full, three-year maximum, reimbursement," Polisena said following the November meeting. "Additionally, as a council member, when a business operating long-term without a license subsequently applies for one, as a deterrent, I would be more inclined to grant a temporary provisional license rather than a full one due to the illegal operation."

District 1 Town Council member Linda L. Folcarelli said she received complaints from constituents regarding loud noises emanating from the building during the night at 27 Mill St. She asked Jaswell about the noise during the November meeting. He said it was caused by exhaust fans.

"The exhaust?" Folcarelli asked. "Then why are they using it at night? I've been there at night, and I've heard it."

Folcarelli said she witnessed the noise at 12 and 1 a.m.

"I've had some complaints also; that the fans run in the middle of the night," Mayor Polisena added. "So they forgot to turn the switch off or they're operating the business after hours ... This is a residential area. People are calling and complaining ... You're here tonight because you didn't have a license. Well that's why. We didn't know you were even there... now you're going to be legal, which is good."

Jaswell asked Carlos Miranda, owner of Modern Jewelry, LLC, in Unit 8 of the Mill Street building, to join him before Town Council. Miranda profusely apologized to the town and said his business has been operating for "almost two years."

"I'm so sorry," he repeated. Jaswell and Miranda told the council the exhaust fans are used to clear the air at Modern Jewelry when the business is operating.

"What time do you want them off and we'll make sure that they're off?" Jaswell asked Town Council.

"Well, they're not supposed to be working those hours," Folcarelli replied.

Johnston Building Official for Special Projects Ben Nascenzi informed the business owners: "Town ordinance is 6 o'clock (p.m.)."

The other four businesses appearing

before Town Council on Nov. 15 included B & B Jewelry Company, Luna Polishing Inc., Tiki Epoxy and Maryann Jewelry.

Folcarelli played video demonstrating the level of noise leaking from the building. A grating sound filled the courtroom.

"I can recommend to the council, when he comes up for his license, that it be contingent with the issue with the fan, with the noise," Mayor Polisena said. "It's not fair to the residents."

Johnston's Assistant Town Solicitor Dylan Conley explained the provisional license Town Council could grant the nine businesses. He said the town could revoke the license or refuse to grant a full license without holding a show-cause hearing.

"So everybody gets penalized because he's got (inaudible)?" Jaswell asked.

"Well, excuse me if I may," Mayor Polisena interrupted. "Keep in mind, there's one, two, three, four, five — there's six businesses (here) that are operating without a license. Which is unfair to the taxpayer... There's people in here that are waiting to get a license. That's not fair. Now, because of the noise that he was making, and the complaints you got, this all came to light. Quite frankly, I'm concerned. There's three more of your tenants coming in December. None of them have licenses. This isn't like the Wild West."

The mayor paused for a second. He leaned on the lectern.

"I should have prefaced my remarks by saying, this is one of the most business friendly towns in New England," Polisena said. "Take it to the bank. We've got \$2 billion in new business in the past 16 years. This isn't right. There's six businesses out of this building that are here tonight because they got caught — all of them — without a license."

Folcarelli said she gave herself a tour of the building.

"I walked in," she said. "I didn't know what I was walking into. God what is this? It's dark. I walked into this big room with all machines, and there was just one lady sitting there working. I ran out of there so fast. I have no idea what I'm walking into. So I just skedaddled out... I said I don't know if I want to go anymore in this building."

Nascenzi asked a question.

"You have two businesses here that are epoxying and gluing," said the building official. "What happens to the noxious fumes?"

Both sides agreed more inspections will be likely at the site.

"No one knew that the businesses were running," Polisena said. "That's why you're here tonight. Because they all got caught operating illegally."

Jaswell said the Fire Marshal and a town building official have inspected safety precautions at the building and gave the businesses a clean bill-of-health.

One-by-one, Town Council voted unanimously to give all six businesses 90-day provisional licenses, subject to passing all inspections. The businesses will be asked to reappear before council in three months.

"I'll keep checking," Folcarelli warned. "I don't live far from there."

THE CASE:

Future Case Corp. owner Alan Jaswell holds a sample of the many cases he says his business at 27 Mill St. manufactures and sells. His building, above and below right, actually houses nine different businesses. Town Officials say the businesses had been operating illegally.
(Sun Rise photo by Rory Schuler)



PINK OUT



PRETTY IN PINK: The Early Childhood Center was a sea of pink on Friday, Oct. 7. A Pink Out Day was held to help raise awareness of breast cancer and breast cancer research. All students and staff wore pink and also received a pink ribbon to show their support for breast cancer awareness and research. All together, \$302 was raised and donated to the Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation, which provides free programs and support services to breast cancer patients, survivors and their families. The Early Childhood Center is proud to be able to help the Gloria Gemma Foundation and all affected by breast cancer. (Submitted photos)



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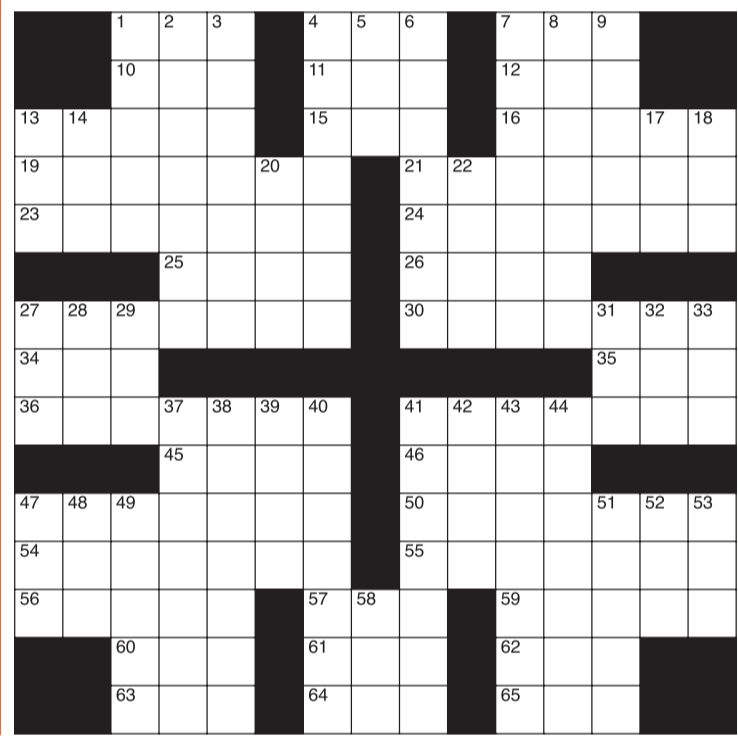
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- Single Lens Reflex
- People of southern Benin
- One who is learned (abbr.)
- Neckwear
- Solid water
- A way to work the soil
- Inspiring
- Pick up
- It wakes you up
- Parcel
- Popular dog breed
- Lets out a sigh
- Embedded into the surface
- Hard liquors
- One from Scotland
- Satisfy
- Used to introduce a contrasting statement
- Antidepressant drug type (abbr.)
- Similar
- Winged horse
- Soft drink maker
- One who doesn't live up to expectations
- Nursemaid
- Inheritor

- Hot, often dusty wind
- Serves as an introduction
- Earned top billing
- Mansion
- A partner to a carrot
- War-horse
- Midway between northeast and east
- It checks the heartbeat
- Aquatic salamander
- CNN's founder
- Being precisely suitable and right
- Strongly alkaline solution

CLUES DOWN

- Pinochle trick
- A system of connections
- Emblems of royalty
- Work with a soft hand
- Plant cultivated in Peru
- A timid man
- Lacking intellectual depth
- A way to order
- Intoxicating
- Mimic
- Surfers use it
- Small Eurasian deer
- Popular Miller beer
- Finds out about
- Unusual
- Small European viper
- Indicates before
- Birth swine
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JHS Class of '72 holds 50th reunion

By Donna DiSanto
Special to the Sun Rise

When I, Donna (Cagno) DiSanto, took on the task of planning a 50th reunion for the JHS Class of 1972, I had been doing little mini reunions for the past 10 years until Covid hit.

Since 2022 marked 50 years, I said: "I'm going to go for it, plan a 50th. It's no easy task locating classmates after 50 years, but I'll do my best, through Facebook, and Google. It could work."

After months of searching and planning, it turned out to be worth every second.

The evening was truly magical, and everyone in attendance remarked that the night far exceeded their expectations and were happy they made the decision to come. We were honored to have among the guests, Mr. Jsparro (a former teacher) and his lovely wife attended the event, along with classmates that traveled from Florida.

To honor our classmates who have passed, we had a Memory Board with their names, surrounded by twinkling lights so their presence would never be forgotten, many took a moment to look at it and remember their friends.

A guest speaker, Harold Hemberger from the Class of '71, attended our event to talk about the "Soul of '71 Scholarship Fund" initiated by the Class of '71, which established a permanent scholarship fund at The Rhode Island Foundation in honor of their 50th reunion held in 2021.

The Class of '72 had a surplus of \$2,500, which was transferred to "The Soul of '71" fund at the Foundation. In 2012, the Class of 72 gave a scholarship in the amount of \$1,972 recognizing its graduation year to a senior along with a gift card to purchase dorm supplies.

With the help of a few other classmates that met with me on a regular basis, this night would not have been the success it was, and I owe many thanks to them. The celebration and seeing classmates that I had never really got to know in high school was worth all the time and effort.

For anyone unable to attend, update your contact info by writing to donna1054@live.com.



TOGETHER AGAIN: The Johnston High School Class of '72 held its 50th reunion recently. Former school chums reunited after a half-century; and some new friendships were forged. (Submitted photos)



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■ Lion
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upon "Big Al" during a fun-filled and delicious dinner inside Luigi's Restaurant on Hartford Avenue in Johnson.

Thus, the citation and commendation read in part: "Sincerest congratulations to Lion Big Al Savage for recognition of your hard work, dedication to the Johnston Lions Club for over 55 years, and serving the Johnston community and your achievement in becoming a lifetime member with Lions Club International."

Civetti, who doubles as the Johnston Lions club Treasurer, spoke on behalf of Savage.

"Big Al has always been a fixture at all Johnston Lions Club functions," Civetti explained. "He has and continues to do it all. Back when we'd go to nursing homes and sing Christmas Carols, he was always there at three different local facilities. But he did more than sing; he spread good cheer to each and every resident by dressing up as Santa Claus. Big Al was a friend to all!"

Lion David Civetti said: "Big Al loved singing the carols and he had a pretty good voice, too."

Perhaps a shining example of who and what Big Al has always been came back on a recent Saturday when he and his wife arrived at the Johnston High School cafeteria and joined fellow Lions in preparing, cooking and sponsoring the annual Homecoming Breakfast.

"Big Al has always worked the breakfast," Robert Civetti wanted it known. "He was right there helping serve more than 300 people!"



MEMORABLE MOMENT: Above, after receiving his prestigious Lions International Lifetime Achievement Award, Lion "Big Al" Savage is joined by his wife Marie and fellow JLC brothers David Slinko, Richard Boscia, Joe Sabetta, King Lion Joe Swift, Robert Civetti, Mike Vigliotti, Paul Buono and David Civetti. (Submitted photos)



HONORED: At right, King Lion Joe Swift and Town Councilman Robert Civetti take a photo with the man of the evening – "Big Al" Savage, a Lion for 55 years.

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By JENNIFER COATES

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This is a dynamic scene that plays out every day in Johnston's Dreamland Learning Center on Hartford Avenue. Here, attentive caregivers are tending to a room of infants while elsewhere, toddlers are toddling, preschoolers are exploring, and rooms await the busy before & after-school crowd which arrives here every day. Each day at this sparkling clean and whimsically decorated center is filled with activity, learning, discovering and yes, even dreaming!

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The after-school room is complete with long tables for homework time and everything that one would want for their child when they can't be home. Every space in this center is thoughtfully planned and designed to be developmentally



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appropriate and purposeful. The curriculum also includes ample time for outside play, exercise and healthy recreation. The outside playgrounds, divided for children of different age groups, make one feel like they are at an amusement park

The curriculum and staff-to-child ratio requirements here meet the strict guidelines of the RI Early Learning & Development Standards while all staff are licensed; many are also CPR certified. The staff work as a team with one goal in mind, to enrich the lives of the children over whom they have been given this very special stewardship.

If you are looking for childcare for your child, come take a tour

of this busy learning center. The center is open all year round, Monday through Friday. The day begins at 7:00am and ends at 5:30pm. For your peace of mind, every room in the center is equipped with security cameras.

The Dreamland Learning Center is located at 1253 Hartford Avenue. For more information, call them today at 401-280-1400 or visit their website at www.dreamlandlearningcenter.com. Accepting RI state subsidies!

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Sports

Salvatore commits to St. Joseph's

By ALEX SPONSELLER

Johnston standout basketball player Derek Salvatore made his college decision official, committing to play for Division III St. Joseph's in Maine.

Salvatore has been one of the Panthers' most productive players since his freshman year and was key in getting the Panthers back to the playoffs last winter. His performance earned him a spot on the Division II Second Team.

Salvatore was happy to make his decision final and was impressed with the campus at St. Joe's.

"It's exciting, I was choosing between two different schools so to make the decision is relieving. I really wanted to get it out of the way before my high school season started, I wanted to be able to enjoy my senior season," said Salvatore. "One of the factors is that I want to be a phys. ed. teacher and they have a really good physical education program. I also liked the coach and



MAINE BOUND: Johnston's Derek Salvatore, who just committed to play basketball for St. Joe's in Maine. (Sun Rise file photo)

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No surprises on Thanksgiving

There were no surprises on Thanksgiving with our football teams. Not to toot my own horn, but I was pretty close in my assessments.

To start, Pilgrim got a win over Toll Gate to take a 3-2 Thanksgiving lead. My prediction last week was 34-13 and the final wound up being 32-14. Pretty darn close.

The star of the day was Matt Santos. The senior running back paced Pilgrim and was simply too much for the Titans' defense. He's a big bodied back that runs north to south and is not afraid to lower his shoulder to burst through the line.

Pilgrim relied on him early and grabbed the lead, then veered off for a bit to try a few new things on offense. The Toll Gate defense responded well and kept things close heading into halftime. In the second half, though, Pilgrim turned back to Santos and boy did he have a big finish.

I was thrilled for him. Pilgrim did not have a big senior class this year, so to see one of them finish the fall with an outing like that was special. What a way to wrap up his high

My pitch



by ALEX SPONSELLER
SPORTS EDITOR

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school career.

Although the Titans were on the losing side of the battle, Zach DeCorpo was phenomenal for the Titans and produced in all three phases once again.

As much as I love the Pilgrim-Toll Gate rivalry, this game served as another reminder of what things could look like if they ever decided to co-op. The numbers were pretty strong for each team this year so I don't think it's realistic, but a Warwick co-op football team could be one of the best in the state. Imagine an offense with both Santos and DeCorpo? That would be quite the 1-2 punch.

In Cranston, West took home the 35-26 win. Although my 28-18 predic-

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Knights enjoy historic run

By ALEX SPONSELLER

For the first time in school history, the Community College of Rhode Island's men's soccer team reached the NJCAA National Tournament after winning the Region XXI title last month.

Although the Knights came up short at nationals, they enjoyed a big run in 2022 and became the most successful team in program history.

"All year we've been on them. We saw glimpses of what they were able to do but it was just staying consistent. We'd see eight, 10 minutes of unbelievable play but then they would just shut it off. I think toward the end of the season and then when we were one and done, that is what turned it on for them," said CCRI coach Gabe Toro, who was also named the NJCAA Northeast District Coach of the Year.

Matt Gibeau agreed with Toro, feeling that he and his teammates

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MAKING HISTORY: CCRI's Wilson Penafiel looks to make a play this season. (Photos by Rosmari Ribera)



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Narragansett Surfcasters 9th Annual Surf Day

By CAPT. DAVE MONTI

The Narragansett Surfcasters will hold its 9th Annual Surf Day on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2023 at the Narragansett Community Center, 53 Mumford Road, Narragansett, RI from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The event will feature forty-five tables of used and new fishing equipment for sale, including rods, reels, plugs and tackle.

Some of the region's best lure builders will be on hand for you to meet. There will be an award-winning antique plug collection on display, along with plenty of great food.

The \$5 contribution at the door (kids under age 15 free) will be used to support the Club's community events such as Kid's Fishing Day, Disabled Veterans Fishing Outing and Holiday Gift Cards to needy families in the Narragansett area.

For information contact Bruce Bain at brucebain123@hotmail.com.

Public hearings on striped bass

The Atlantic coastal states of Maine through North Carolina have scheduled hearings to gather public input on Draft Addendum I to Amendment 7 to the Atlantic Striped Bass Interstate Fishery Management Plan, which considers allowing voluntary transfers of striped bass ocean commercial quota between states that have ocean quota.

The Rhode Island webinar hearing will be held Wednesday, Dec. 14, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For information contact Jason McNamee at 401.222.4700, ex. 2772414.

The Massachusetts webinar hearing is Thursday, Jan. 5, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For information contact Michael Armstrong at 978.619.0012.

With the adoption of Amendment 7 earlier this year, the Board re-initiated discussions on Draft Addendum I to consider voluntary ocean quota transfers, which could provide some relief to states seeking additional quota. The Draft Addendum proposes a range of options that would permit voluntary transfers of ocean commercial quota, including options based on stock status and options allowing the Board to set criteria for transfers on a regular basis.

Many in the recreational fishing community believe that striped bass is primarily a recreational species and that quotas should not be allowed to transfer in the commercial community as it takes large fish with great spawning potential out of the water. And, if the fish are not being caught to begin with there is a reason.

The other side of the argument, primarily from commercial fishers, is that these are predetermined quotas and to extract these fish from the water is in keeping



STRIPED BASS: Capt. Dave Monti with a plump striped bass caught in Narrow River, Narragansett at the end of last week with fishing guide/instructor Ed Lombardo. (Submitted photo)

with sustaining the fishery and utilizing the resource as we should.

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Where's the bite?

Striped bass fishing is still good in our estuaries, ponds and from

shore in certain places. I fly fished Narrow River last week with fly guide/instructor Ed Lombardo. We caught about five bass to 23 inches and hickory shad. Elisa Cahill of Snug Harbor Marina, South Kingstown said, "Anglers are still catching bass in the ponds and from shore. Members of the Narragansett Surfcasters caught multiple school bass from the Pt. Judith Light area this past week."

Tautog fishing is still very strong. John Littlefield of Archie's Bait & Tackle, Riverside, said, "Customers are catching their limit at Kettle Point dock in East Providence on some days and other days they are catching shorts. The bite has been pretty good all around. Customers are arriving at Beavertail at 4:30 a.m. to get a good tautog spot as many are still fishing. And, fishing off Newport is still good for anglers too." "The Island Current had a 15.3 pound tautog this weekend. The fish are in deeper water for the most part but still some in

lower water too." said Elisa Cahill of Snug Harbor Marina. "Customers are catching tautog, black sea bass and cod at the East Fishing Grounds off Block Island. And off Pt. Judith Light they are still catching tautog with an occasional cod mixed in."

Squid fishing was good last week. "Customers were able to fill five gallon pails with some very nice squid. The Ft. Wetherill, Jamestown area was working well for customers." Anglers David Dube and Greg Vespe fished for squid last week and said, "Nothing came easy last night but the company was perfect, the stars over the Bay were beautiful and we managed to fight through the mackerel for a decent pick of squid. Home by 1 a.m."

Freshwater fishing for trout and salmon is still good at area ponds that were stocked this fall. In Rhode Island, the Department of Environmental Management (DEM) stocked 24 waterways with rainbow and brook trout.

DEM is providing stocking updates via its website at dem.ri.gov/fishing. A 2022 fishing license is required for anglers 15 and older and a trout conservation stamp is required to keep or possess a trout. Fishing licenses can be purchased online on the DEM'S Rhode Island Outdoors (RIO) portal.

Over 63,000 trout have been stocked across Massachusetts. Stocking locations are updated daily on the map at www.mass.gov/service-details/trout-stocking-report. Don't forget your fishing license—buy online at MassFishHunt.

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tion was a whiff, my 10-point differential was pretty close and it was another tough battle for each squad as the Falcons flew to take the 25-24 series lead.

Marcus Chung put on another show and finished his career on a high note. As I said time and time again this fall, he is one of the best players in the state and now that it is all said and done, I don't think anyone would deny that.

As for the Bolts, you have to respect their effort. All season long, the one thing that was consistent with East was that it never gave up. I know that it is cliché to play that card, but East was in nearly every game that it played. It was only blown out a couple of times.

If the ball bounced the Bolts' way one or two more times, then we could be having a totally different conversation. On Thanksgiving, the Bolts gave it their all and had West on its heels until the very end.

It was another fun day of Thanksgiving football and I was thrilled to be in the middle of it once again.

One last shout out to the Johnston Panthers as well. Last year, they swooped in to save the day in Warwick and walked away with the Beacon Bowl trophy. They could have been bitter seeing the Titans jump back into the mix and no one would be able to blame them. They weren't, though, and were very gracious in returning the prize. Hopefully one day they'll have an annual game to play.

On a down note, there was a pair of high school football hazing situations in the state in the past few weeks. West Warwick and Coventry were each in the middle of the controversy. Very few details emerged of what actually happened, but it's a shame to see hazing happen, especially at the high school level.

Coincidentally, those two schools battled on Thanksgiving as they do every

year. The Oakers pulled off the 34-0 upset, which is beside the point.

Should the two teams have been allowed to carry on with the game? That has been a hot topic of discussion.

Those who feel yes have been saying that it was not every player and that until the true details emerge, we can't just assume it was anything crazy. Those who say no believe that the teams were let off the hook, despite some kids being suspended and investigated.

In my opinion, the game should not have gone on. Again, I don't know what truly happened. If it was just some locker room shenanigans where the kids got a little out of hand, then fine. I am assuming it went beyond that considering there is still an investigation going on.

Bullying and hazing can't be tolerated even one percent. Sure, it seems like the kids will be facing discipline, but how can you reward them by allowing the game to go on? It would have been unfortunate for the innocent kids, but that is all part of the discipline process. Those kids involved let their teams down and needed to be shown it.

It's easy for me to say that when I am nowhere near the situation. I just don't know how two teams could be in the center of hazing controversies then be allowed to play one another on Thanksgiving just days later. It's just a poor example being set.

Lastly, the Patriots dropped another winnable game against Minnesota on Thanksgiving night. For the first time all season, the New England offense showed up. This time, the defense could not come up with the stops and the special teams were a disaster between the returned kickoff touchdown and the egregious running into the punter penalty.

I am off the Patriot bandwagon this season. I never believed they were true Super Bowl contenders, but I thought that they may be able to make things interesting late in the season. Not anymore, this is just a mediocre team, no way around it.

Locals make LEC All-Academic Team

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Twenty-two Rhode Island College student-athletes were named to the 2022 Little East Conference Fall All-Academic team as announced by the league office.

Student-athletes earned recognition on the all-academic teams based on the following criteria: at least a sophomore in academic and athletic standing and a minimum cumulative grade point average of a 3.3. The conference office honored student-athletes in the following sports that RIC sponsors: men's and women's cross country, men's golf, men's and women's soccer, women's tennis and women's volleyball.

The following Johnston student-athletes were recognized: Sophomore Delaney LaRose (Johnston, soccer). Sopho-

more Megan Philbrick (Johnston, volleyball).

Others were:
Women's Cross Country: Johnna Gallo (West Warwick).

Men's Golf: Cameron Mello (Somerset).

Men's Soccer: Ryan Moniz (Riverside)
Women's Soccer: Alexandra Amore (Saunderstown), Makayla Estrela (Warren), Serena Forte (Hope).

Women's Tennis: Serena Bobola (Cranston), Amara Devine (Greenville), Jenna Lisi (Cranston) and Lauren Macera (Cranston).

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DEFENSE: Derek Salvatore defends a guard last year.

■ Salvatore
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got along with the team. It's a small campus that I feel fits me very well."

When visiting the campus, Salvatore had an opportunity to talk hoops with St. Joe's coach Tyler Ackley. Ackley was excited to have him on board and expects Salvatore to be a seamless fit when he arrives next winter.

"Another reason why I chose St. Joe's was that I talked to Coach Ackley and he explained what their offense was like, and it is very similar to what my high school team and AAU team do. He thought that I would be a perfect fit since I already know their offensive schemes," Salvatore said.

In the next year, Salvatore will be focusing on the pace of play on the court.

"The biggest difference will be that college is played at a quicker pace than Rhode Island Division II basketball. I think that I will be able to adjust to it because I have been playing on my AAU team which competes at a competitive level," said Salvatore.

With his final high school season set to tip off in a couple weeks, Salvatore hopes that he and the Panthers will make one last run at a title.

"I can't wait for this season. Me, my teammates, my coaches, we have been looking forward to it since last year ended," Salvatore said. "We have a good team and our goal is to win the Division II championship. We'll take it one game at a time, but we're looking forward to it."

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PHYSICAL BATTLE: Juan Galvis battles a Roxbury defender for the ball.

Knights

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turned it on when the lights were their brightest.

"Being in the playoffs, you need to have another gear that switches on and that is what happened with all of us. That switch flipped and it all kind of happened at once," said Gibeau.

The Knights finished the regular season with the No. 3 seed for its regional playoff run. CCRI rolled in the post-season and beat Holyoke in the district championship, 5-1. CCRI entered the national tournament with a 7-6-1 overall record.

The entire CCRI roster is made up of Rhode Islanders, and members of the team feel that this season's success shows that the local soccer scene is on the rise.

"(Rhode Island) soccer is growing, the talent is getting better, and it shows that CCRI can do it and be as good as anyone else," said Gibeau.

Toro added: "It shows that the development in the state is getting better. A lot of these guys come from different academies and they know each other. They've competed against each other in those AAU type levels and we're seeing the end product here."

Sophomore Jake Petrucci was also thrilled to make history with a group of guys that he has become close with this fall.

"We knew that we wanted to come down here, impact the school and make history. We have a bunch of talent on this team and it all connected," Petrucci said. "When the team came together, we had a lot of late players come in. We were a family instantly and now we're somebody to be reckoned with."



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By Joel Bohy
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For those who collect early muskets and fowling pieces, they sometimes forget an important piece of the original kit, the ball or bullet mold. With military arms and issuing cartridges, the mold for the individual soldier wasn't as important. But for those hunting, in the militia, or both, it was important to be able to cast the ball that would fit in the bore of your gun.

There are single ball molds in iron or brass, but the most common seems to be the gang mold. Made from iron or brass, many have four or more cavities to cast a variety of ball sizes, and some also for small shot for fowling or birding.

There are a few extant examples made by Josiah Miller (Millard) which survive. One mold we have studied is brass with its original wooden handles. It's engraved with the ini-

tials "IM" on one side and had four cavities from .54" to .70" which would accommodate a fowling piece as well as most military arms of the mid-to-late 18th century. There are also purportedly sundials and sundial molds that survive made by Miller, but there is some confusion as to whether he was living in Connecticut, Massachusetts, or even Rhode Island when he was working. The name Miller/Millard is known for mold making, and one of them, a Noah Millard, was producing ball molds for the Massachusetts Committee of Supplies in 1775 and 1776.

Many do not have any names associated with them but are similar to the examples made by Josiah. Pictured is a brass gang mold with wooden handles with six cavities from .60" to .71" which would again cover many sizes of available hunting or military arms.

Another style of mold is the larger gang mold made in iron with twelve cavities which are all approximately .67" which when cast would fit a British-type musket or a larger bore fowling piece. It has a locking key to hold the two mold sections together while casting to keep it tight. It also has "XVI" marked on the handle which may have been there to show

the appropriate ball per pound when the ball were cast so they could be separated to fit the bore of the correct guns. The British manuals list 16 ball per pound as .663" which is fairly close to this mold.

Molds are also affordable to purchase whether you own the original musket or not. They come to the market occasionally and offer a chance to own an important component of an early firearm. By the way, did I mention these molds as well as others are offered in our December 10th live and online Historic Arms & Militaria auction?

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CEMETERY 43: In the middle of Salisbury Farm, a tiny graveyard survives – the former resting place of Col. Israel Angell, and final resting place of Arnold Fenner, who was struck by lightning. (Beacon Communications photo by Rory Schuler)



Grave Responsibility

Salisbury Farm's cemeteries packed with stories

By RORY SCHULER

Arnold Fenner and a horse dropped dead, struck by a lightning bolt in 1796. His father, standing nearby, was unharmed. Their Johnston barn burned to the ground. The only evidence, "a little hair burnt on the top of his head," according to a copy of the 18th Century periodical *New York Magazine*, or, *Literary Repository*, on-file in the Oxford University archives.

Fenner's gravestone, broken and repaired at its center, stands in a small burial plot — known as Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Johnstons 43 — surrounded by sprawling autumn wonderland Salisbury Farm in Johnston.

Thunderstruck

The inscription on his tombstone reads: "Arnold Fenner, whose death was caused by lightning, Aug. 9, 1796, aged 39 years."

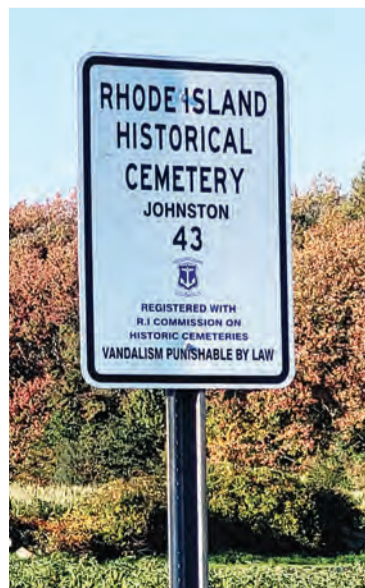
Initially, the Johnston Historical Society Cemetery Committee took on the task of restoring Cemetery 43 in the summer of 2016. Johnston Historical Society President Elise Carlson noted the inscription and did a little research.

She found a reference to Fenner's death in the Aug. 13, 1796 edition of the *New York Magazine*.

"While working with the cemetery committee on many family burial grounds over the years, I often think about the people buried there, how they lived and how they died," she wrote, following the discovery. "This stone answered the question of how he died, but it made one wonder about the details."

The tiny dispatch with a Providence dateline recorded the tale (accessed via Google books):

"A remarkable instance of the destructive effects of lightning happened at Johnstons on Thursday last, about 4 o'clock, PM Mr. Arnold Fenner, of that town, being at work in his field,



ELECTROCUTED: Arnold Fenner was struck by lightning. According to a 1796 news report, the bolt also killed his horse, but spared his father, who was standing nearby.

ANIMAL TALK

By Karen Kalunian



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ORIGINAL RESTING PLACE: Israel Angell's first place of interment at what's now known as Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Johnston 43. (Historical photos courtesy Varnum Continentals' website)



DIGNIFIED PLOT: Prior to relocation, Israel Angell's remains were readied for Removal



FUNERAL REDUX: On May 4, 1918, the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (RISSAR) held a ceremony at Israel Angell's new grave site.

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near his barn, entered it, accompanied by his father, two children, and a young man that lived with him, to shelter themselves from a shower of rain. They seated themselves on the floor; the wind rising, they shut all the doors except one, which opened to an alley that led by the stable, at the west end. The father rose from the floor, and took a seat on a cask standing in the alley, near the door, sitting there some time; his son left the floor, coming out through the alley; the passage being narrow, the father rose from his seat and stood up, the son pressing against him to pass by. At the instant, when the father and son were close together, a flash of lightning struck the roof, at the western gable end, parting all the planks from the rafters, and striking the son lifeless in an instant, leaving no other mark than a little hair burnt on the top of his head. His father caught him in his arms, having himself received no injury. His horse, standing in the stable, about three feet from him, was also struck dead at the same instant; some other horses that were in the barn were not hurt. The barn was left on fire and consumed, together with about twelve tons of hay and oats, some flax, about twenty bushels of rye, and all the farming utensils."

Dignity Lost & Found

"The lot was in poor shape and had been encroached upon by years of farming tools and animals," Carlson recalled. "This burial ground, located on present-day Salisbury farm, contains principally members of the Fenner family."

When the Historical Society started, the cemetery was in rough shape; literally neglected for centuries.

"Restoring that cemetery was one of the toughest we have ever done," Carlson recalled. "It was so hot that summer. Many of the stones were plowed underground."

However, despite the details of Fenner's death by heavenly execution, Cemetery 43's actually best known for a man who's no longer buried there.

More than a century ago, after the small burial plot had crumbled into the surrounding agricultural environment, the historic Johnston cemetery was the semi-final resting place of Col. Israel Angell, a Rhode Island Revolutionary War hero.

A 1934 Ocean State burial ground survey said the cemetery was "almost destroyed, the stones badly broken."

Prior to the survey, more than 100 years ago, the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (RISSAR) exhumed Angell's body and re-interred his remains in a prominent Providence cemetery.

"He was moved to North Burial Ground in 1918," Carlson said.

Practically Immortal

The exhumation and relocation were well documented, and detailed in a story posted on the Varnum Continentals' website ("The Final Resting Place of a Hero of the American Revolution: Col. Israel Angell" by Brian Wallin, May 6, 2017).

RISSAR not only moved the remains of Angell, but his first wife Martha (his second cousin), who died in 1793 (according to a May 26, 1826 edition of the Northern Star and Warren and Bristol County Gazette, at age 86 Col. Angell remarried Sarah Angell, age 56; no word on the ultimate resting place of Sarah).

Angell was born in Providence in 1740, and has been identified as the great-grandson of Thomas Angell, one of five men who settled Rhode Island in 1636 with Roger Williams, according to Wallin's research.

"He was a relatively young 35 years old when the first shots of the Revolution were fired," Wallin wrote. "Angell began his distinguished wartime career early in the war being commissioned as a major in the 11th Continental Infantry. He served at the Siege of Boston, and starting in August of 1776 spent con-

siderable time in the Hudson River Valley of New York and in New Jersey at the Battles of Brandywine, Monmouth, Springfield, and Red Bank. After retreating across New Jersey, the unit was renamed the 2nd Rhode Island Regiment and fought at Assunpink Creek and Princeton in early January."

A monument to Angell and his regiment, located at the Rahway Bridge in Union, New Jersey, immortalizes a letter from then Gen. George Washington to Rhode Island Gov. William Greene following the Battle of Springfield on June 23, 1780:

"The gallant behavior of Col. Angell's regiment ... at Springfield reflects the highest honour upon the officers and men ... They disputed an important pass with so obstinate a bravery that they lost upwards of forty killed, wounded and missing before they gave up their ground to a vast superiority of force. —Your Excellency's Most Obedient Servant George Washington."

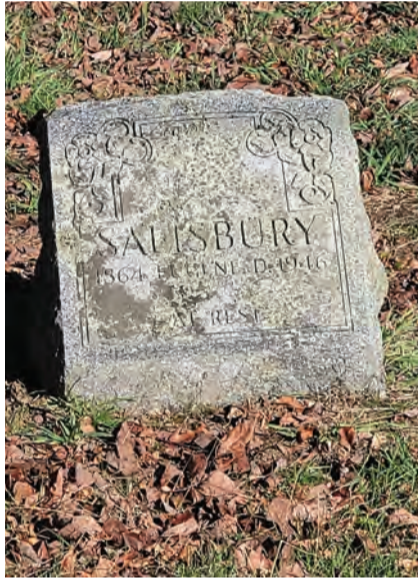
Valley Forge Frost

Eventually, "Angell was promoted to lieutenant colonel and eventually assumed command of the 2nd Rhode Island Regiment following the death of Colonel Daniel Hitchcock in 1777," according to Wallin's research, which was aided by the Varnum Armory and RISSAR members and archives. "The 2nd Rhode Island Regiment became part of a brigade under General Nathanael Greene. In September 1777, the regiment was recalled to the main army for the Philadelphia Campaign. In company with the 1st Rhode Island Regiment, Angell and his men achieved a victory over the British at Red Bank in October of 1777."

Angell was with "Washington and the Continental Army during the terrible winter spanning 1777 to 1778 at Valley Forge, returning to participate with his unit at the Battle of Rhode Island," Wallin wrote.

In 1781, Angell retired from the Continental Army and returned to

Salisbury Plot



Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Johnston 42 is located along Peck Hill Road, north of Route 14 in Johnston, bordering the fields and corn maze at Salisbury Farm. The tiny burial ground is fenced by wrought iron and now protected from the scourge of development and three centuries of stray grazing cattle. Notable Salisbury family descendants are buried there, including Squire William Salisbury, who died Nov. 13, 1859, at age 39 (the site is often referred to as the Squire Williams Salisbury Cemetery). (Beacon Communications photos by Rory Schuler)

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Rhode Island where he settled in Johnston (and later Smithfield). He was heavily decorated with service medals, and well known as a Revolutionary War hero, until he died at the age of 92.

He worked as a farmer and a cooper, obtained a tavern license and operated a public house in Johnston.

"It was an apparently popular place and well known for its hospitality," Wallin wrote. "He married three times and fathered 17 children with his first two wives. Thirteen of his children reached maturity."

Angell married three times, and was rumored to be contemplating a fourth, when he died in 1832.

In 1918, as RISSAR was planning the organization's 125th anniversary, the organization decided to relocate Angell's remains from his rural burial plot to "a place of honor."

'Several Tufts of Hair'

The 125th Anniversary Edition of the RISSAR Manual documented the exhumation and relocation.

"There, on Pippin Orchard Road near the town lines of Johnston ... and Scituate ... they located the grave site," Wallin wrote. "While the farm buildings were, according to the RISSAR's report, in good condition, the family cemetery was not. There was no protective fencing and over the years, time and the ravages of roaming cattle had resulted in Angell's headstone being broken and toppled although the inscription was still legible. Working with cemetery sextons, the team exhumed the remains of Colonel Angell and Martha."

The RISSAR report described their findings:

"The outlines in dust only of the coffin of Col. Angell could be distinctly traced. The glass which had covered the face was found, though broken into several pieces ... The bones were removed with the greatest care and placed in a suitable box for the purpose. The condition of Mrs. Angell's remains was much the same as that of her husband's except

that the bones were much firmer due undoubtedly to the fact that Mrs. Angell was but forty-six years old at the time of her death while the Colonel was in his ninety-second year. An interesting feature in connection with the remains of Mrs. Angell was the presence of several tufts of hair adhering to the skull notwithstanding the fact it had been in the grave for one hundred and thirty-five years. The original raven black color was distinctly discernible."

Model T Hearse

The remains were sealed in a container, covered in an American flag, and transported in a "funeral cortege of a Model T Ford hearse and several vehicles."

The RISSAR report called the new burial place "a commanding site surrounded by memorials to other celebrated public and historical characters ... eminently fitting and appropriate that one of Rhode Island's early heroes should be thus surrounded in his last long sleep."

Approximately 99 years later, the Johnston Historical Society stepped up to rescue Cemetery 43.

The burial ground is one of 100 surviving historical collections of plots in town. Keeping them all pristine is a logistical nightmare; impossible with the society's all-volunteer Cemetery Committee.

Although Cemetery 43 no longer contains the remains of its most famous former corpse, the site has been cleared, several tombstones restored, and the decorum returned to the final resting place of the Fenner family, and Arnold, "whose death was caused by lightning."

Visitors to Salisbury Farm — a popular fall destination for pumpkins, produce and a corn maze — can stop by the cemetery and pay their respects amid modern agricultural relics, like soil-caked tractor tires and a horizon packed with massive white windmills.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *The Johnston Historical Society needs help maintaining these burial grounds. Anybody interested in volunteering to help maintain an old cemetery in town, by mowing the grass and/or clearing weeds and debris, is urged to contact the Society's Cemetery Committee by calling 401-231-3380.*

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Burbage's 'Sense & Sensibility' – shades of Molière

Theatre Review by JOYCE FOWLER

(A note from Don: After over 45 years of theatre reviewing, I hit a brick wall. My hearing aids died, I was in a bad mood, and I just wasn't into the play I needed to review. Joyce, who has been my constant companion through all these years, has always helped me find a word or a phrase and correct my grammar and spelling. Never, ever, has she had the foggiest notion of writing a review. Until last night, as I was "sleeping on it," and she came to her husband's rescue.)

Burbage, under the direction of Madison Cook-Hines, has produced an original farce by Kate Hamill, based on Jane Austen's stately novel.

Be prepared for a fun, frantic, fast-moving evening.

The actresses playing the three Dashwood sisters stay in character throughout the two-hour, two-act play. The rest of the ensemble play multiple roles, relying on a simple addition or subtraction of a costume or accessory to distinguish them.

There are multiple scenes with only the barest change of scenery (stools, chairs and tables) to suggest a location change. Actors run across the stage with a sign denoting the passage of time.

The play opens with the death of Mr. Ashwood. The daughters have lost their home to a distant cousin, moving in with various relatives and friends with different results.

In their society, the purpose of a woman's life is to get married. There are various sincere and insincere suitors, most of whom seem attracted to the middle sister, Marianne (Marina Tejada), leaving the oldest, Elinor (Catia) to be the voice of reason.

The entire cast is excellent, but I must single out Aaron Blanck as Mrs. Dashwood. He is priceless with his five o'clock shadow and bustier.

"Sense and Sensibility" gets its Rhode Island premiere at Burbage Theatre, 59 Blackstone St., Pawtucket. The play will show now through Dec. 11. Call 484-0355 for reservations or go online to burbagetheatre.org.



Aaron Blanck, Mary Mullane, and Tanya Anderson Martin in Burbage Theatre Company's 'Sense and Sensibility.' (Photo courtesy of Maggie Hall Photography for Burbage Theatre Co.)

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