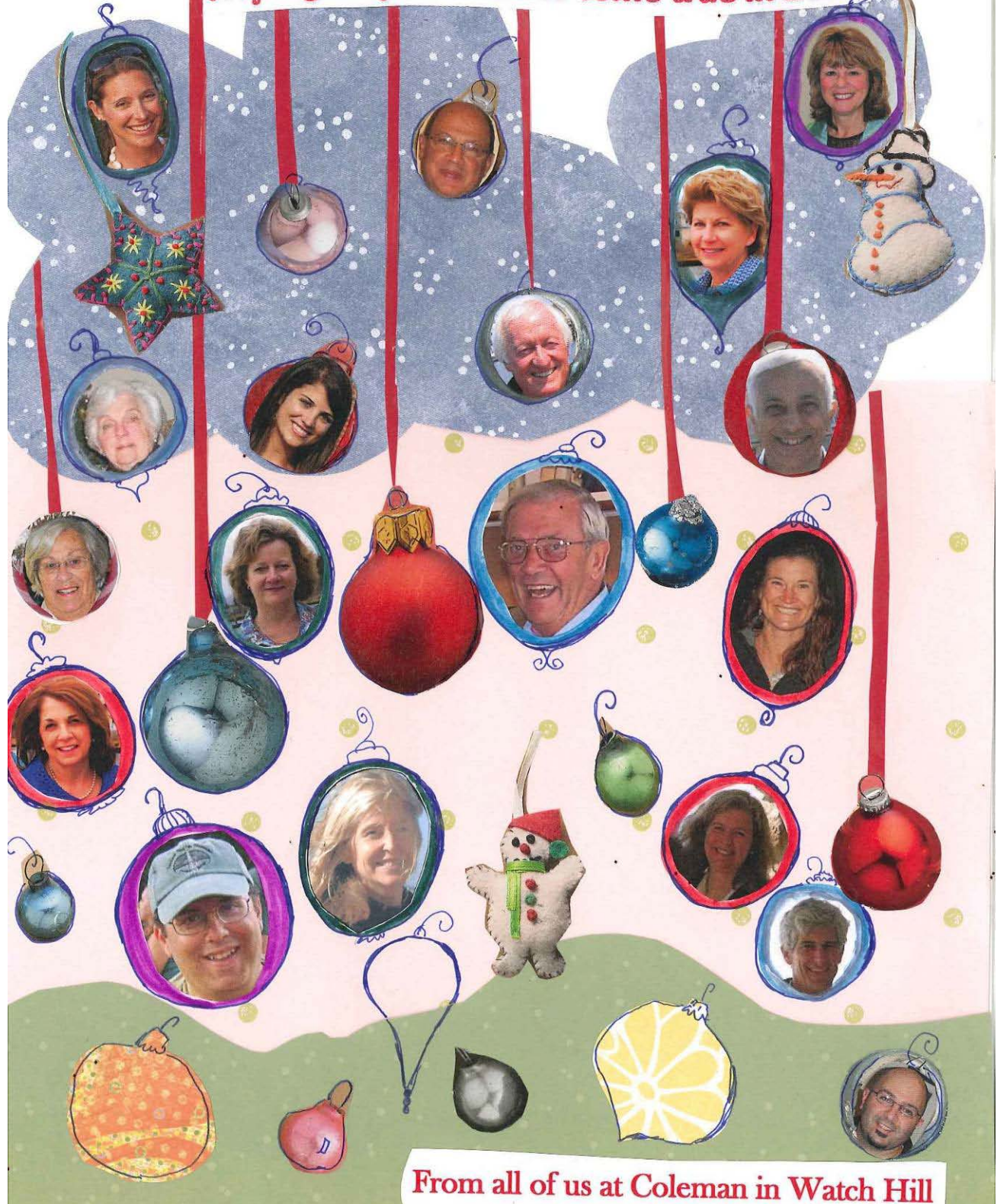


Hoping all your wishes come true in 2011



From all of us at Coleman in Watch Hill

Goings on About Town and Beyond



A Note From Bob

This Christmas

Mend a quarrel.
Seek out a forgotten friend.
Share some treasure.
Encourage youth.
Keep a promise.
Find the time.
Forego a grudge.
Forgive an enemy.
Listen.
Apologize if you are wrong.
Try to understand.
Flout envy.
Examine your demands on others.
Think first of someone else.
Appreciate.
Be kind; be gentle.
Laugh a little.
Laugh a little more.
Deserve confidence.
Express your gratitude.
Go to church.
Welcome a stranger.
Gladden the heart of a child.
Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth.
Speak your love.
Speak it again.



Nov 26-Jan 2 Christmas By The Sea @ Mystic Seaport experience an old fashioned Christmas while strolling through the village.

Dec 1-31 Tree of Nations www.PequotMuseum.org

Dec 13,14,15 A Tour de Force...David Jepson's rendering of **A Christmas Carol** @ The Granite Theatre

www.GraniteTheatre.com or 596-2341 for reservations

Thru Dec 19 Ethan Claymore – a new holiday classic @ The Granite Theatre

Dec16-19 The Gift of the Magi - The Contemporary Theater Company brings their musical version to The Towers in Narragansett - 35 Ocean Road

www.TheContemporaryTheater.com

Dec 17-19 Seussical The Musical Courthouse Center For the Arts - 3481 Kingstown Road West, Kingstown 782-1018 - Horton hears a small dust speck speak, then makes friends with the folks who live there. www.CourthouseArts.org

Dec 18 Johnny and the East Coast Rockers at The Knickerbocker Café, 35 Railroad Avenue. TheKnickerbockerCafe.com or 596-4225

Dec 19 Christmas Pops Concert - Chorus of Westerly 596-8663

www.ChorusofWesterly.org

Dec- Jan 2 Christmas at the Newport Mansions

www.NewportMansions.org 849-1000 ext 154

Dec 21 Egg Nog Recipe competition and tasting at The Ocean House OceanhouseRI.com

Dec 22 Cookie decorating workshop at The Ocean House (888) 552-2588

Dec 26 Holiday Train Rides 11:45-1:45 at Old Colony Railway Depot, 19 America's Cup Avenue, Newport www.ocnrr.com

Dec 29 URI Rams Basketball team plays the Boston College Eagles at The Ryan Center www.GoRhody.com

Dec 31 First Annual New Years Eve Gala at The Ocean House \$150.00/person

Dec 31 New Years Eve Celebration featuring The Duke Robillard Band at The Knickerbocker Café. Purchase tickets at the Knick, online at TheKnickerbockerCafe.com or call 315-5070.

Jan 7-Jan 9 A Celebration of Twelfth Night @ The Chorus of Westerly 596-8663 www.ChorusofWesterly.org

Jan 28-Jan 30 Mohegan Sun Wine Fest – More info at SunWineFest.com.



A Beautiful Sunset over Stonington Harbor
Photographed by Ray Uzanas

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NEW LEGISLATION FOR HOME OWNERS

Congress has extended the 1099 form filing requirements to any person or entity that receives rental income.

Beginning January 1, 2011, all owners of commercial and residential property are required, by law, to provide a 1099 Form to all service providers if their payments equal or exceed \$600.00. These service providers include maintenance workers, landscapers, plumbers, and carpenters. In preparation for this new law enforcement, owners should require those they employ to fill out a W-9 Form. If a W-9 is not submitted, the landlord is required to withhold 30% of all payments exceeding \$600.00.

Contact David Ogilvie at dogilvie@kahnlitwin.com or 401-274-2001. He is happy to answer any questions.



A little bit of Faith...

In these tough real estate times, people may resort to some old folklore to draw attention to the properties that have been lingering on the market for some time. Back in the late 1800's Brother Andre Bassett desired a parcel of land, in Montreal, to build a small church. After many years, when the owners were not willing to sell, he buried medals adorned with St. Joseph along the property. Finally in 1897, the owners relented and allowed Brother Bassett to purchase the property and build his oratory.

Some say the European Nuns would bury St. Joseph medals on parcels of land where they hoped to acquire convents. German carpenters would bury St. Joseph statues in the foundations of the houses they built and say a prayer in his honor. Whoever started the trend, St. Joseph has brought some special powers, or maybe even just a little hope and "intention", to selling homes. Some ask, Why St. Joseph and not another saint? St. Joseph is the "earthly father" of Jesus and the husband of Mary. He is known as the patron saint of home and family, married couples, carpenters, and workmen in the Roman Catholic Religion, seemingly the logical saint for the job.

In order to reap the rewards of the St. Joseph statue, the homeowner must follow a few instructions. The statue must be buried upside down in the front yard with his feet pointing toward heaven. He can rest near the "for sale" sign or in a flower pot. Some others say he should be in the back yard three feet from the rear of the house (so there is room for interpretation here), others say he needs to be buried 12 inches deep. After the statue is buried, a prayer is to be said for the following nine days. When the house is quickly sold, the statue needs to be dug up and put in a place of honor in the new home.

Though the agents in the Coleman office currently don't have any St. Joseph statues, rumor has it, that Santa will be delivering us some just in time for the New Year! Get them while they last!

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Johnny Cake Center

The Johnny Cake Center of Westerly has provided unparalleled services to Westerly, Charlestown, Richmond, and Hopkinton since 1975. The nonprofit organization provides clothing, food, educational and financial assistance to those in need in the community and could not exist without your support. Recently with the job losses, foreclosures, the spring flood, and the weakened economy, more and more people are looking for assistance from the Johnny Cake Center. Between October '09 and September '10, 184,000 meals were served, over \$ 70,000 in financial assistance was given and 1,100 people received help of some kind. The Johnny cake now offers GED courses, job seminars, computer seminars, and other workshops to help individuals help themselves. Your help is greatly appreciated at any time throughout the year and is 100% tax deductible. www.jonnycake.org or call 401-377-8069.



Weekapaug Inn Update

Recently, Lang Wheeler, the new owner of the Weekapaug Inn along with Chuck Royce, sent an update to those on the Inn email list. If you would like to be updated on the Inn's progress, you can email innkeeper@WeekapaugInn.com and they will gladly add you to their list.

Those venturing over to Weekapaug towards the end of the summer, may have noticed the demolition of the Elks and the Pagoda, the two outbuildings that housed employees at the Inn. This is the only destruction that has occurred to date and Lang explains that he will continue with the renovations when all the approvals are in place, anticipated to begin early in 2011. The revised plans will be sub-mitted in the next several weeks. All involved in the project are very excited as the changes keep getting better and better. The regulatory agencies are enthusiastic, as well, appreciating the downsizing of the project and the positive effect it will have on the Westerly economy.

Lang is conscious of the community concerns regarding noise and traffic when construction begins and will be sensitive to this especially in July and August.

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Literacy Volunteers of Washington County

As Joyce Ahern said in 1987 upon retiring from the Westerly Public Schools and joining the Literacy Volunteers of Washington County board, "As a kindergarten and first grade teacher, I know firsthand how sad it is for children, when their parents can't read and feel out of place working with the teachers and schools. I want to do something to help these adults learn to read, become role models as lifelong learners for their children, earn better wages, and participate more fully in the wonderful community activities Westerly has to offer."

Joyce Ahern believed that providing free instruction for basic literacy skills contributed to our collective quality of life. She often said we are all better off with neighbors who can communicate with us and understand the referenda on the ballot, who can come to terms with public health and safety issues, and who make informed decisions for their families. She took pleasure in the number of participants who passed the driver's test in English, passed the citizenship examination, and worked on their credentials for advancement in the workplace.

At Literacy Volunteers of Washington County, participants commit to 100 instructional hours annually, take standardized pretests on the computer to inform instruction, and take the appropriate form of a post tests, again on the computer, for accountability purposes. In the year ending June 2010, 138 participants accrued 7,241 instructional hours or an increase of 36% over the prior year. Participants that year were 2% Black, 18% White, 40% Asian, and 40% Hispanic. Of 55 who set and met their instructional goals, 36 passed through two grade levels on the standardized assessments.

We are proud to continue the work supported for so many years by Joyce Ahern and other founders. In this bleak job market, many adults need additional skills just to compete for entry level jobs, and all participants enter the program with a reading or math score that places them below the eleventh grade on their standardized tests. The orientation for volunteers and the next tutor training program is on January 6 at 1:00 p.m. Please join us to learn more about Literacy Volunteers of Washington County and find out whether volunteering in 2011 is for you.

Donations are now accepted through PayPal via this link:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=DW6MTZNWNWHJS

Pet Care during the Holiday Season

The weather has turned bitter cold in a very short time. While we are not adjusted to the sudden change, neither are our pets. Be sure to give them shelter in these frigid temperatures. If you keep water for them outdoors, remember it will freeze. A special word of caution for those animals living in garages, Anti-freeze is lethal to our pets. Do not allow them to spend time where there could be leaks. The product is sweet smelling and tasting and attractive to dogs and cats.

Coats are not for wimps. An otherwise wonderful walk can be pretty unpleasant for a short coated dog if he or she is cold. I am not saying much about cats because I hope they live indoors where they are safe from inclement weather, predators and automobiles.

Toys are wonderful under the tree. Be sure that bells and squeakers are safely imbedded in the toy. Dogs love to attack the toys to release the squeaker, chew it up and swallow it - causing unfortunate results - even surgery. Avoid tinsel on the tree if you have cats. Cats love to ingest long stringy things like tinsel with unpleasant results.

Holiday food is fatty and too rich for our animal friends. Do not feed or dispose of leftovers where animals can get them. Use their regular treats for healthier pets.

A reminder that heart worm medication should be continued throughout the year to prevent the often deadly infestation of heart worms which can be costly to treat and even cause death. Winter fleas have been observed this year so flea medication should also be continued.

JOAN A. MCCORMICK



Don't Forget to check us out online at ColemanRealtors.com and WatchHillRentals.com as well as our agent's websites: WeekapaugLife.com, PropertiesByDottie.com and JAMccormick.com.

HOMES FOR SALE

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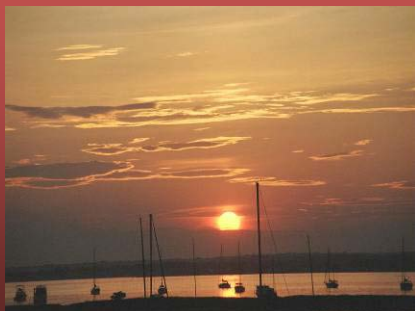
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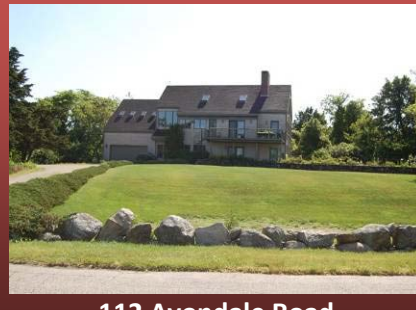
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18 Meadow Avenue

WAKEFIELD



422D South Road

SOME OF OUR STAR LISTINGS ON OUR CHRISTMAS TREE OF OUTSTANDING HOMES FOR SALE IN OUR GALAXY OF PROPERTIES. PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL US FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE AND ANY OTHER LISTINGS WE MIGHT HAVE FOR YOU. HAVE A JOYOUS HOLIDAY AND VERY HEALTHY NEW YEAR. BOB

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