

AROUND THE ISLAND

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TED HILLS PHOTO

Roundup at police headquarters: Five Tiger Cub Scouts (and one interested bystander) pay attention to Officer Walter Richards' "quiet signal" during a visit to the police station and a close-up look at a police car. Earlier they learned some things about give and take and how to handle being angry. Not to be left out, the Daisies had their turn earlier this year.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

REVERSE MORTGAGES

The Shelter Island Public Library will host a free seminar on reverse mortgages on Tuesday, March 16 at 2 p.m. John Clarke, a 19-year veteran in the mortgage industry, will lead the hour-long program. He will cover eligibility, benefits, costs, various options and safeguards and will clear up some common misconceptions about reverse mortgages. Reservations are suggested; call 749-0042.

LIP SYNC RESCHEDULED

The PTSA's popular Lip Sync show, postponed because of weather last week, will take place this Friday, March 5 in the Shelter Island School auditorium. Faculty, students and parents will all get into the act. Tickets are available at the door and cost \$7 for adults, \$3 for students. Light refreshments are included.

COMMUNITY STEAK DINNER

It's that time of year again — the Shelter Island Fire Department's popular annual Steak Dinner will be held at the Heights firehouse on Saturday, March 13 from 5 to 8 p.m. The per person cost is \$25, which includes beer, wine or soft drinks. Plan ahead; there is a limited number of tickets. Take a chance on the 50/50 raffle, too.

NEW AT THE YOUTH CENTER

The Youth Center's new Island Running Club is up and running on

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. The club is open to kids in grades 3 through 12 (and parents are welcome to run, too). Registration forms and log sheets are posted on the Youth Center website: siyd07.tripod.com. For more information contact Jenn Wissemann at smanor@optonline.net.

SILLY PUTTY FROM SCRATCH

Kids in kindergarten through 5th grade will get to make their own silly putty at the Shelter Island Library on Saturday, March 6 at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call 749-0042.

CIVIC CONVERSATIONS

The League of Women Voters of Shelter Island is sponsoring a series of "know your town government" meetings. The next one will be a conversation with Superintendent of Highways/Commissioner of Public Works Mark Ketcham on Saturday, March 13 at 2 p.m. on the lower level of the Shelter Island Library. Everyone is welcome; bring your questions for the Q & A. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call Linda Holmes at 749-1202.

HOUSEKEEPING IN THE 1800s

Mac Griswold, Sylvester Manor historian, will host a program at the manor on Saturday, March 13 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Her topic is "Julia's Century: Housekeeper 1811 to 1909." The

program is free and open to the community. Check the website for up-to-date information, sylvestermanor.wordpress.com.

RED CROSS MONTH

Hear colorful stories from the past about the Red Cross Chapter on Shelter Island and pick up some recommendations for future disaster preparedness from the experts — CEO Joy Bausman and fellow volunteers Jack Thilberg, Peter McCracken and Art Williams. This program, "Shelter Island's Red Cross: Past, Present & Future," is sponsored by the Shelter Island Library as part of its Friday Dialogue series, and will take place on Friday, March 12 at 7 p.m. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served.

ACROSS THE MOAT

CALLING ALL ARTISTS

The Retreat, the non-profit domestic violence agency serving the East End, has announced its second annual juried art show. The show is open to artists who work in photography, painting, 2D, 3D and sculpture (no video art) with size not to exceed 24 by 36 inches. The limit is three entries per artist with an entry fee of \$50 each; the deadline for submission is March 12. Twenty-five works will be selected for a group show in May at the Rich-

ard J. Demato Fine Arts Gallery in Sag Harbor. For more information, visit hamptonsjuriedartshow.com.

FILM SHOWING

"Why are we in Afghanistan?" is the title of a film written and directed by Michael Zweig. It will be shown at the Floyd Memorial Library in Greenport on Friday, March 5 at 7 p.m., followed by a Q & A with the director. The film "looks at domestic pressures and geo-strategic interests that keep the U.S. in the region" It is a resource for "anyone who wonders why we are Afghanistan and what to do about it."

HAYGROUND OPEN HOUSE

The Hayground School in Bridgehampton will host an open house on Saturday, March 6 at 10 a.m. for prospective parents and students. A Q & A with teachers and students will follow the program. For more information, and to RSVP, contact Cheryl Buck at 537-7068, extension 100.

QUIT SMOKING!

Greenport's Floyd Memorial Library will host a free seven-part series of smoking cessation classes, beginning on Tuesday, March 9 and continuing on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. through April 27 (no session on April 20). The program, "Learn to be ... Tobacco Free," is sponsored by the Suffolk County Department of Health. To register, call 477-0660.