



The PBA Holiday Party

PBA members and their guests are invited to the Portsmouth Business Association's Annual Holiday Party.

Please join us for complimentary beer, wine and appetizers at The Portsmouth Art Guild, 2679 East Main Rd., Portsmouth, RI.

\$15 per person or \$25 per couple before December 10; \$20 per person at the door



Please RSVP online at www.portsmouthbiz.org. Checks should be sent to Kelly White, PBA Treasurer, P.O. Box 314, Portsmouth, RI 02871

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Are you in the ZONE? Are you REGISTERED?

Bill Clark – Town of Portsmouth

These are two simple questions that I have posted in my office and are a standard part of my display anytime I have a booth at a business expo.

Portsmouth is fortunate to have a portion of the Town in a RI designated Enterprise Zone. There is often a misconception that programs like the Enterprise Zone only apply to large companies and special economic deals you read about in the news. Not so!

The State Enterprise Zone program has application for all sizes of business from a one person startup to our largest employers. The most widely available benefit in the Enterprise Zone program is the potential for State income tax credits.

All a business has to do is register through my office. There are no fees, no quotas, no commitment to hire. Any business that has, or may have in the future, full time employees (min.30 hrs.) can be eligible.

Town Council Approves Arts and Culture Committee Members

By Eric Broudy, president, The Portsmouth Arts Guild

At its Oct. 30 meeting, the Portsmouth Town Council approved 12 proposed members of a new Portsmouth Arts and Culture Committee to explore establishing a permanent center for the arts in town for the region. Eric Broudy, president of The Portsmouth Arts Guild (PAG), has been appointed temporary chair of the committee until its first scheduled meeting when the committee will elect its officers.

The purpose of the Center would be to provide a permanent venue for the visual and performing arts in Portsmouth and the surrounding area in order to support exhibitions, performances, classes, lectures and events that nourish and enhance the artistic and cultural life of Portsmouth and the region.

The mission of the committee is to assess the need for an Arts and Culture Center in town and determine its desirability and degree of public support. Ultimately, it will make recommendations regarding an appropriate location for such a Center, what programs and services it will offer, what it might look like and cost to construct, and what might be possible sources of funding for its construction and management.

The committee membership, in addition to the temporary chair, includes: Izabella Casselman, painter and mixed media artist, former co-chair of Portsmouth's Arts for Life Committee, PAG member; Malcolm (Mac) Chrupcala, musician, educator; Lois Erhartic, grant writer, business woman, artist, PAG member; George Furbish, PAG board member, painter, treasurer and chair of finance committee of Newport Art Museum; Janis Gordon, president of Jan Gordon Marketing International; Michael W. Miller, PAG board member, photographer, real estate attorney; Mark Nickel, director of university communications at Brown University, vice chair of Providence Singers, PAG member; Tom Perrotti, manager of Common Fence Music; Laurie (Davidson) Spaner, actor, singer, director; Jill Wilson, art teacher, antiques and art dealer; Priscilla Wimpres, board member of Portsmouth Community Theater and Glen Manor House. Serving ex officio are Robert Driscoll, Portsmouth town administrator; Leonard Katzman, liaison to Portsmouth Town Council; and William Clark, Portsmouth director of business development.

Clements' Marketplace

Clements' Marketplace, established 1980, has long been Aquidneck Island's hometown market. With a friendly atmosphere and a wide variety of services and specialties available, our store separates itself from many others.

With the busy holiday season just upon us, Clements is ready to meet all of your needs. Planning on entertaining guests? Order from our full service catering department, which includes items from tasty appetizers to delicious pastries. If you don't want the work of preparing a holiday dinner from scratch, try a turkey or ham dinner from our Chef's Corner, which include all of your traditional fixings.

There are many upcoming events in the next couple of months our customers can enjoy. One in particular is our "Home for the Holidays" Open House. On Saturday, November 29th, from 10:30am – 4pm, customers can enjoy many samples, take a chance at winning great give-away items, and view holiday demonstrations throughout the market. See how easy holiday entertaining can be, with just a little help from Clements!

Need more time to yourself and less running around, especially during the holidays?

Let Groceries 2 Go, our online shopping program, help you! Curbside pick-up is available seven days a week, just drive up to our market and one of our friendly staff will bring your groceries right to your car! Or, try our home delivery service, available to Portsmouth, Middletown and Tiverton on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays! G2G is a great way to save time!

As always, many of our services are available year-round. UPS, free notary service, free knife sharpening, DVD rentals, rug doctor rentals, full service florist (We DO deliver!), free lobster steaming and so much more! Looking to eat healthy? Stop in and take a copy of the latest recipe from our "fresh facts" nutritionist Kristin Niessink, available at our Courtesy Desk.

Coming soon...our new recipe kiosk! Simply search for and print out a great recipe while you shop! Pick up all the ingredients you need in one stop! Clements' is always ready to assist you with anything you need, and our friendly staff will go above and beyond your expectations.



For Sale

Commercial building

4800 sq. feet. Enterprise Zone.
Contact Keith Humphreys
683-4121.

Filing Cabinets

Seven, tan, 4-drawer, letter size,
full suspension. \$40 each.
Two or more \$35 each.
683-3553

Drafting table with base

60" x 37 1/2", glass top with Ulano
X290 Glide-Liner. New over \$900,
like new for \$250.
683-3553

Patricia A. Conklin

Local professional earns accredited staging professional (ASP) designation



The softening Real Estate market in Rhode Island is increasing homeowner demands for tools to help bring a profit in the sale of their homes. Home Staging has become one such tool. By properly cleaning, de-cluttering and preparing a house before it is listed on the market, homeowners have a better chance of selling their home at or above list price.

Patricia A. Conklin and Signature Staging have been serving the Portsmouth and Aquidneck

Island area as an Accredited Staging Professional (ASP™) for over a year. Mrs. Conklin is among the network of more than 15,000 Real Estate Agents and professional Home Stagers worldwide, who are providing sellers with the knowledge and tools they need to sell their homes faster and/or for more money. Mrs. Conklin has completed the Accredited Staging Professional Course provided by StagedHomes.com, where she received hands-on instruction and was required to and demonstrated techniques by Staging a home that was listed on the market.

In a 2008 study conducted by StagedHomes.com ASP Real Estate Agents and ASP Stagers reported data across the United States that homes that are Staged sell in 31 days or less on the average in today's market. A same study revealed that homes not Staged in the market for sale take 161 days or longer to sell in today's market. On average, Staged homes sell 80% faster than homes that are not Staged.

To have your property Staged to Sell, Staged to Live, or Staged to Rent, please contact Patricia A. Conklin at Signature Staging at 401-714-4467 or www.signaturestaging@astagedhomesells.com

Thomas C. Roskelly

Roskelly Inc. wins a record 42 graphic design and branding awards in 2008



Thomas C. Roskelly has had a banner year. As creative director of Roskelly, Inc., he received a record 42 national and international awards for branding and design and was published in five prestigious industry books that recognize graphic-design talent.

"These awards validate that we are creating work above a high national standard," said Roskelly. "To be published in five books is spectacular. We are honored. It is a result of our commitment to our clients, for whom we do

our best and most professional work every day."

Roskelly received recognition for his exceptional logo and design work in the industry standout books Really Good Logos Explained, Creativity Book 37, The Big Book of Logos 5, Logo Lounge Book 5, and American Corporate Identity Book 24.

Among his many awards were 13 from the American Graphic Design Awards, which selected his work from more than 10,000 entries nationwide. In addition, two NYNE fashion catalogs created by Roskelly for Capital Mercury of New York City were cited by the Creativity Annual Awards, one of the longest-running international advertising and graphic-design competitions in the world.

"Visual branding is key," said Roskelly. "Without it, you don't get the message across."

To view more of the award winning work visit www.Roskelly.com

Thank you to Tom for putting together the "NEW" PBA Newsletter



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Portsmouth calendar

Nov. 1 - 30

Free activation for Lifeline Personal Medical Alert Systems. Usually \$50. Assistance is available 24/7 with the press of a button. Call 682-2100, ext. 635.

Nov. 1 - Jan. 2009

Flu Clinics.

Visit www.vnsri.com for a schedule.

Nov. 12 - Dec. 3

Outpatient Diabetes Education. 6 - 8 pm. VNS of Newport & Bristol Counties office, 1184 East Main Rd., Portsmouth. 4-week program starts Nov. 12. Call 682-2100, ext. 781.

Nov. 19

Building Bridges: Getting Through the Holidays. 6 - 7:30 pm Learn coping strategies for "facing the empty chair." Call 682-2100, ext. 485.

Nov. 20

Book signing "You Can't be President" by John MacArthur. 6:30 pm. Green Valley Country Club. Presented by Preserve Portsmouth.

Nov. 20-Dec. 21

Portsmouth Arts Guild has its Annual Holiday Show & Sale. *Free*

Nov. 23

A Catered Affair, 3 - 5 pm. OceanCliff. Fund-raising event for VNS of Newport & Bristol Counties. Samplings from area caterers, restaurants, local vineyards and breweries. \$45. Call 682-2100, ext. 455.

Nov. 23

Portsmouth Arts Guild Opening Reception: 2-4 pm. *Free*

Nov. 25

Tree Lighting Ceremony. 4 pm. VNS of Newport & Bristol Counties office, 1184 East Main Rd., Portsmouth. Time to remember loved ones. Refreshments will be served. Call 682-2100, ext. 612.

Dec. 3

Building Bridges: Bereavement Support Group. 6-session support group helps people who have lost a loved one to share feelings and learn coping strategies. Call 682-2100, ext. 485.

Dec. 6

Portsmouth Arts Guild One-Day Holiday Gift Gala of smaller art items. 11 am to 5 pm. *Free*

Visiting Nurse Services



November is National Home Care and Hospice Month

Because November is National Home Care and Hospice Month, Visiting Nurse Services of Newport and Bristol Counties will celebrate by thanking its staff and by holding several events throughout the community.

Each year, our nurses, physical, occupational and speech therapists, social workers, dietitians and volunteers provide home health care and hospice services in homes throughout Portsmouth and in surrounding towns in Newport and Bristol Counties and Southeastern Massachusetts. Our experienced and caring staff makes it possible for people with health concerns to stay at home safely and independently.

Our month-long celebration includes the following:

Nov. 1 - 30: Free activation for Lifeline Personal Medical Alert Systems. Activation fee is usually \$50. Lifeline subscribers enjoy active, independent lives, knowing that assistance is available 24 hours a day, with the press of a button. Lifeline personal medical alert systems provide peace of mind to the subscriber, their families and friends. Lifeline medical alert systems make great gifts! For info, call 682-2100, ext. 635.

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Bristol Counties office, 1184 East Main Rd., Portsmouth. This four-week course teaches people with diabetes to better monitor and control their disease. Starts Nov. 12. For info, call 682-2100, ext. 781.

Nov. 19: Building Bridges: Getting Through the Holidays. 6 - 7:30 pm. Middletown Public Library. 700 West Main Rd., Middletown. People who are grieving the loss of a loved one will learn coping strategies and share ideas for "facing the empty chair." For info, call 846-0350.

Nov. 23: Catered Affair, 3 - 5 pm. OceanCliff. Fund-raising event for VNS of Newport & Bristol Counties. Marvelous samplings of the finest foods from area caterers and restaurants while tasting samples from local vineyards and breweries. \$45. For info, call 682-2100, ext. 455.

Nov. 25: Tree Lighting Ceremony. 4 pm. VNS of Newport & Bristol Counties office, 1184 East Main Rd., Portsmouth. Take a little time out of your busy schedule to reflect and remember your loved ones during this meaningful service. Refreshments will be served. For info, call 682-2100, ext. 612.

Dec. 3: Building Bridges: Bereavement Support Group. This six-session support group helps people who have lost a loved one to share feelings and learn coping strategies.

Visiting Nurse Services of Newport & Bristol Counties provides health care where you want it - at home.

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