"Rose"
by Tony Gill
The Point Association is a group of neighbors working together to improve the quality of life in our neighborhood by getting to know each other • preserving our historic heritage • maintaining the Point’s residential character • beautifying our parks, streets and piers • promoting public policies that strengthen all of Newport’s neighborhoods.

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The President's Letter

Dear Neighbors, Near and Far,

The best good-byes, I believe, are brief and sincere. In my last letter as your Point Association president, I will try to meet both of these criteria.

Initially a daunting prospect, the multi-faceted task of leading the Point Association during the past year and a half has been possible for me only through the continuing assistance and support of the Executive Committee and members of the Association. Because of colleagues, friends, and neighbors, a job that initially appeared too big gradually shrank in size; tasks that at first seemed too many and too complex eventually became doable; and a store of talents that I have always known to be far too modest increased when supplemented by the able assistance of others.

Working with representatives of other neighborhood associations and our City Councilor Rick O'Neill, your Point Association Executive Committee has been monitoring city initiatives on traffic, parking, entertainment licensing, taxation, a new Gateway Center, park beautification, waterfront use and access, and the re-paving of Second Street. In addition, we have participated with other organizations and agencies in welcoming a new C&FS group home, supporting Star of the Sea's Harbor Point project, and staying informed about the expansion plans of Eastern Resorts.

Within the neighborhood, we have hosted our annual picnics, parties, and plant sale, as well as several new events: tours of historic sites, lectures, our own Antiques Rhode Show, and a summer program for painters that climaxed in a successful evening exhibit and sale. Through it all, we have continued to bring you The Green Light. The names of all the planners and participants who labored to produce these consistently successful results on your behalf are far more than would fit on a single page, but each and every one has my heartfelt gratitude.

Representing the oldest, largest, and most active neighborhood association in our city has been a distinct honor — one I will long remember. I could not have done it without you — all of you.

Sincerely yours,

Suzanne
The response to the Paint the Point program was overwhelming. In fact a dozen people had to be turned away. The series started with fifteen painters ranging in age from thirteen to seventy plus!

Our first location was Battery Park, followed by Storer Park, Bridge Street, Willow Street, Elm Street Pier (and The Hunter House) and finally Second Street between Elm and Bridge. It was interesting to see so many different interpretations of the same location. Some artists included the entire landscape, while others focused on minute detail, as shown in the wonderful flower paintings by Hilary and Abby Magruder, granddaughters of Marjorie Magruder. Angela Vars consistently turned out fine pastel renditions while Bill Cartier was fearless in his bold executions!

The attendance was excellent and everybody had a fun time, producing many paintings, drawings and watercolors that capture the uniqueness of our wonderful neighborhood.

All in all, the experience was profitable for all concerned. The tuition collected, totaling $430, went directly to The Point Association and the artists profited artistically throughout the sessions and with the end results.

In celebration of this summer’s eminently successful painting program initiated by Tony Gill, a reception and art show, followed by the sale of art work, was held in the Guild Hall on August 29. All who attended (and there were many!) were impressed by the quality of the work and charmed by special guest, well-known artist Tom Deininger, who doubled as bartender. Sales were brisk, with a percentage going to the Point Association.

We are all most grateful to Tony for his leadership and his efforts, and we hope this is just the beginning of a new and absorbing neighborhood activity.
Point Association Annual Membership Meeting

Thursday, October 26
7:00 p.m.
St. John’s Guild Hall
61 Poplar Street

Business Meeting – Reports of Committees
Election of Officers

Featured Speaker:
Mayor Richard Sardella
He will discuss the City and the Point

Fall Cleanup
Saturday, October 28
9 a.m.
Storer Park
(Washington and Bridge streets)

Please bring rakes, trowels, clippers, etc.
We plan to clean and spruce up Storer Park and other areas of the Point.
Coffee and donuts will be provided for all the hard workers.

Our Cleanup is a wonderful way for us to get to know each other better and, at the same time, make our contribution to the beauty of the neighborhood we all love.

For further information, call Coles or Marcia Mallory, 849-5659.

In case of rain, meet the following Saturday, Nov 4.

All Smiles at the Membership Cocktail Party

Our thanks to Anne Cuvelier for once again hosting the Membership Cocktail Party at the beautiful Villa Marina and to Membership Chair Judy Leet for coordinating the wonderful event.

Enjoying themselves at the party: (l.r.) Donna Carter, Bruce Carter, Christa Dahl, Steve Burke and Erik Dahl.
Beautification Efforts for Storer and Hunter Parks

Some members of the Beautification committee met in July with Scott Wheeler, the city’s Tree Warden, to discuss the appearance of Storer and Hunter parks and ways the city and the Point Association might work together to improve them. At its August meeting, the Point Association’s Executive Committee voted to spend the $1,400 raised from last spring’s Plant Sale for beautification projects in these two parks.

Improvements to Storer Park include an ornamental tree to be planted in the southeast corner of the park, (the Kay O’Brien garden). Scott Wheeler is looking for a large rock, which would be located next to the tree and help define the corner. An elm tree will be planted in the northwest corner of the park to replace three dying pine trees in that area.

For Hunter Park, five evergreen trees will be planted along the east fence as an extension to the row of trees which were planted earlier. Two deciduous trees will be planted in the vicinity of the play area as an eventual source of shade and as a buffer to the area to the north.

The Point Association will buy the trees and the city will plant them.

Welcome to Our New Members

Steve & Beverly Burke & Family
Bruce & Donna Carter
Willard Hall
William Murphy

A Picture Perfect Picnic

Chairs and blankets were placed around the lawn, picnic suppers were eaten and old friends and new neighbors chatted at the Point Picnic in June. Anne Reynolds was once again our gracious hostess in her beautiful Washington Street garden. Capping off the evening was a fireworks display which officially started the Tall Ships Celebration.
Point Road Show Begins

The promise of repaving has meant a summer of upheaval on Second Street. Previous layers of asphalt reached curb tops, frequent utility cuts left humps and bumps and lakes formed in poor drainage spots. So now the big dig.

City engineers have checked their drawings and left spray can messages on the sidewalks. For weeks neighbors have watched the wonders of the complicated world of underground utilities unfold. City workers have replaced ancient water pipes and lowered manhole covers and valve boxes. ProvGas has used this window of opportunity to tackle tasks.

On August fourth the contractor brought in the heavy equipment. An asphalt-recycling machine devours pavement at one end and spits out pieces at the other into a line of waiting trucks. Houses shake as the machine lumbers along. It’s a real road show.

So playing the role of sidewalk superintendent with a positive attitude helps living through these noisy days. By the end of September Second Street will be sensational!

Kay O’Brien

West Nile Virus Precautions

On Monday evening, August 28, the Point section was sprayed with a pesticide to combat the West Nile virus. It was detected in a dead crow found on Cliff Terrace on August 16.

Around 10 p.m., a police car went through the neighborhood, advising residents that spraying would begin shortly. The Department of Environmental Management advised that family members and pets should stay inside during the spraying, windows closed and air conditioners shut off, outside tables and equipment covered, toys and clothes brought inside and all fruits and vegetables from the garden washed before cooking, storing or eating.

Steps should be taken to avoid mosquito bites, such as using insect repellent with DEET, wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants and getting rid of stagnant water where mosquitoes breed.

In rare cases, West Nile virus can be fatal. But most people who contract it will experience flu-like symptoms and recover.

For more information you can call 846-1398.
A Familiar Sight on the Point

The ever cheerful mail carrier Tommy Lalli chatting as he goes on his appointed route - this time with John and Rowan Howard.

Elm Street Pier Dinghy Docks

Early this year Bart Dunbar offered the City 80 running feet of surplus floating dock to be attached to the south side of the Elm Street Pier and used as a transient loading/unloading dock for private boats. Dinghies were not to be stored on the docks, and stops by water taxis were to be allowed by request only. A wheelchair accessible ramp would connect the dock to the pier. As it happened, the docks were installed before all the necessary permits were obtained, so they were removed.

Point residents had previously expressed concerns about possible misuse of the dock, increased traffic problems, increased recreational use of the area, and the commitment of the City to the added maintenance load.

Councilor Rick O’Neill called a workshop meeting on August 16, attended by representatives of the City Council, City Manager, Recreation Department, Waterfront Commission, Point Association, Friends of the Waterfront, Mr. Dunbar and city residents, mostly from the Point. The residents’ concerns were heard, as were those of Point boaters, who would benefit from an accessible loading dock, as opposed to using the driftways.

The City Council will have two readings of the ordinance specific to the Elm Street Pier at their September meetings. For more information, or to comment on the proposal check the Daily News for meeting times.
A Traditional Christening and Launching on the Point

The bright red eight-man dory *Savage* was finally re-christened on Saturday morning, August 26 on the Elm Street Pier boat ramp. Ilse Nesbitt did the honors by breaking a bottle of champagne on *Savage*’s starboard gunwhale.

*Savage* was extensively rebuilt to Bristol condition in Rupert Nesbitt’s barn by Bob Bozikowski, David Burlingame, Myles Byrne, Mike Carr, David Carbonneau, Tom Garraway, Rupert Nesbitt, Sandy Nesbitt and Trip Wolfskohl.
The Mystery of the "5"

By Erik Dahl

When most of us think about historic buildings in Newport, the many famous homes and mansions in our area most likely come to mind. But many other less glamorous buildings have interesting stories behind them — including the building at the north end of Third Street known to long-time Point residents as the Gum Factory.

Although not on the Point itself, this three story red brick building is familiar to many Green Light readers because of its prominent location, at what is now 221 Third Street. Currently occupied by offices of the high technology company SAIC, the building has been the source of a minor mystery over the years: why is the number "5" displayed so prominently on the front of the building? This question was posed in a Green Light article in April 1986, but it has never been satisfactorily answered.

Peggy O’Rourke, Office Administrator for SAIC, recalls hearing the building referred to as “building 5” while she was growing up in the Newport area — so-called because of the numerals on the front. She and a number of others have long believed that the number represents the five flavors of Wrigley’s chewing gum that used to be made in the building. But early photographs from the Newport newspapers and in the files of the Newport Historical Society show that the symbol of 5 inside a triangle was on the building from its earliest days, long before the factory was (briefly) taken over by the Wrigley Company.

Another possibility was suggested in 1986 by John Harris, whose father helped build the gum factory: the number may have represented the number of factories that the company owned at the time. But this, too, does not seem to be the case. Although the Common Sense Gum Company, which originally opened the factory in 1912, no longer exists, newspaper articles from that time mention only the company’s original factory in Boston in addition to this one. Instead, the answer is found in an examination of the history of the building, and its place in the history of American chewing gum manufacturing.

The Common Sense Gum Company of Boston bought the land at the north end of Third Street in 1908, but construction of the building did not begin until 1910. The Newport City Directory lists the “Newport Gum Co.” at that location in 1911, but the factory actually opened for business on January 15, 1912, as the Common Sense Gum Company. Newspaper photos show that the original building was approximately half the length of the current structure. The opening was accompanied by a great deal of fanfare and publicity in the several Newport newspapers that were published at the time, and a special car was attached to one of the morning trains from Boston to bring stockholders and dignitaries in for the opening.

The president of the company, Everett C. Tarr, announced that “Newport will be able to boast of the finest chewing gum factory in the world,” and he bragged that “no expense has been spared” to make the factory the finest equipped and most hygienic of its kind. “No people more deserve prosperity and success than do those who have a God-given privilege of calling Newport ‘home,’” Tarr said in a letter to the citizens of Newport.

The Newport newspapers reported that the company had encountered numerous difficulties in getting the factory up and running separate from “the gum trust.” At that time most of the large gum companies were grouping together into a single large organization, but the Common Sense company determined to remain on its own. Some 200 local girls applied for the 60 positions available at the factory, and Tarr announced that the Newport girls were the cleanest and most ladylike he had ever seen.

The Newport Daily News reported at the time that the building’s location was considered a bit remote: “Located at the outer end of Third Street, it is practically in the open country, thus enjoying free air while it also is conspicuously located, which is a material factor from the advertising point of view.”

The company produced what it called Listerated Gum—the name apparently chosen to suggest purity and cleanliness. In 1915 an ad in Cosmopolitan Magazine claimed that Listerated Gum “contains aromatic antiseptic oils” which produce “clean teeth, sweet breath, easier digestion, and allayed nervousness.” Later the company produced Orbit Listerated Gum, and as early as 1921 the factory’s name had changed to Listerated on
city maps. In 1925 the building was doubled in size, with a power house and smokestack added behind the main building.

But the factory seems to have never been completely successful. In her book In Living Memory: A Chronicle of Newport, Rhode Island, 1888-1988, Eileen Warburton writes that “The gum factory was destined to become something of a Newport joke, an industrial effort which . . . opened, closed, and changed hands repeatedly during its history.” At some point the plant had been purchased by Artemas Ward, a large shareholder in the Common Sense Company, who changed the name to Listerated. Upon his death the factory was willed to his alma mater, Harvard University, which sold it to a former New York police commissioner, Mr. Collier, who in turn sold it to the Wrigley Company.

The Wrigley Company bought the plant in July 1925, only a month before the building’s expansion was completed, and an article in the Newport Mercury reported it was bought “merely to kill competition.” The factory was closed in late 1925, and then in January 1926 it was sold by Wrigley’s to the Newport Industrial Development Company, an organization begun by the Chamber of Commerce in order to foster industry and generate employment. Plans were to lease the building to candy or gum manufacturers, but results appear to have been less than the city fathers desired. The building was listed in 1926 as being occupied by the Apple Gum Corporation and Everybody’s Chewing Gum Corporation, but in 1927 it was shown as a “vacant factory.” The 1932 City Directory shows a Larson L.P. jr. Chewing Gum Company at 185 3d Street — probably the same building—but the factory never again seems to have regained its status as a national producer of chewing gum. Orbit Listerated Gum was produced in Chicago in the early 1930s, and the Orbit brand name was later adopted by Wrigley’s, but Newport was no longer in the picture.

As Florence Archambault described in a previous article in the Green Light (August 1986), the building was refurbished in the late 1980s and given its current address. The current occupant, SAIC, first occupied a small portion of the building in 1984, eventually expanding to fill the entire structure. While SAIC is a worldwide corporation providing high technology and information systems to business and government, the Newport office specializes in maritime and navigation systems.

But what about the “5” symbol? It was the company’s trademark, and appears to have been chosen because five cents was for many years before and after the First World War the standard price for a pack of gum! The Common Sense company used a red triangle with a yellow border and a “5” in the center as a trademark as early as 1911, before they began production in Newport. The trademark can also be clearly seen in the 1915 Cosmopolitan ad. (see page 12)

Photos of the Third Street building show the symbol on the first section of the plant to be built, and early photos of the enlarged building show the “5’s” across the entire front of the building, with a new logo over the central entrance announcing it as “Listerated Gum Corporation Orbit Gum.” Although the number 5 could possibly have been chosen for some other reason, there is no evidence that Listerated ever made five flavors, while the trademark was later occasionally used by the Orbit Listerated Gum Company of Chicago along with a “cents” mark, clearly showing that it indicated the price.

One avid collector of chewing gum wrappers, Rick Kaczur, even has a wrapper from a stick of the later Orbit Listerated gum with “1c” in the triangle, instead of the 5.

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The current SAIC building is widely known as the Gum Factory, but as Paul Harvey might say, the most interesting part of the building's history is "the rest of the story." The next time you drive north on Third Street, remember that the building looks the way it does because of the price of gum nearly one hundred years ago!

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Copy of the 1915 Listerated Gum ad from Cosmopolitan Magazine showing the 5 in a triangle.

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Battery Park Benches
The following inscriptions have been placed on the new benches that are now in Battery Park:

My Very Best Friend
Barbara Beuchemin

Celebrating the Memories
George and Gwen Behan

In Loving Memory
Det. Sgt. George W. Watts, Sr.
“Chief”
Safely Home

A familiar site each afternoon at Battery Park are the “Point Hummers”, who gather to chat with their friends and enjoy the water views. Their routine was shaken up this summer when their favorite bench was replaced by a stone one. The City has announced that a long wooden-backed bench will be returning to the spot and hopefully this will restore peace to the park.

Local Author looking for House Stories

For the past nine years Eileen Nimmo, a longtime Pointer, has been writing a book about historic houses on the Point. And, although a large number of homes have been photographed and chronicled, she feels there are still many that should be included. She points out that there are things about a house that only an owner knows, and always something that makes a house special.

At present the photographs are of exteriors only, but interiors could be included if the owner so wishes. Each owner will be shown the story of his or her home before the book is published.

If you would like to have your home included, please contact Eileen at 846-0173 or 847-1304 and give her a bit of information about your house – an incident – a photograph – a story – a bit of history. You can also write to her at 99 Third Street, Newport.

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People and Places in the News

Tony Gill received 23 awards as creative director, including Best of Show, for his work on television advertisements for the Roger Williams Park Zoo. The awards were part of the Mary T. Holland Competition for Creative Excellence, which honors the best in advertising, design and communication. (Daily News, July 29)

A new addition to the Newport Dinner Train is a 1955 Pullman car from the Long Island Railroad. The 85-foot, 180,000-pound rail car was carried on a flatbed over the Pell Bridge and then down Farewell Street to the railroad tracks on America’s Cup. It will be refurbished for use as a parlor car and possibly a downtown tourist shuttle. (Daily News, July 21)

CODAC III, the methadone and drug counseling clinic, opened on the corner of Thames and Marlborough streets 11 years ago. At the time there was considerable resistance by the neighbors to the location of the facility and worries about addicts in the area. Happily, as reported in the Daily News this summer, there have been no problems. The clinic is providing a needed service and the neighbors are comfortable with its presence.

New Neighbors on the Point

Bridge Street - James Hagen
Cross Street - Mary Crookall Hudson
 Elm Street - David Stern
             Robert & Karen Thompson
 Guerney Ct. - Christopher &
               Jacqueline Ivory
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Secret Garden Tour

The 2000 Secret Garden Tour was a great success. It ran very smoothly and was well appreciated. The Benefactors of the Arts would like to extend warm thanks to all the gardeners on the tour, and to the Point, for making the neighborhood look so special. We are also grateful to all the volunteers for doing such excellent work.

The Board of Directors will be making grant awards to the school systems for new arts programming in November of this year.

Congratulations to all on a job well done!

Sculpture by Point Artist Erected at Perrotti Park

Sculpture by Point Artist Erected at Perrotti Park

Where Did He Go?

In the Spring issue of the Green Light, Monica Bailey and Rowena Burke introduced us to Mr. Pineapple Potato Head – a symbol of Newport's hospitality. When some of you went looking for him outside the Visitor's and Convention Bureau – he was nowhere to be found! Depending on when you were there, he was either being repaired from vandalism or had moved to a new location.

He now greets visitors from the safe confines within the bureau, no longer fearing for his arms or mouth, as he had while standing outside.

We also neglected to identify the two women who posed with him in the last issue. No, they aren't Monica and Rowena – they are Anna and Eva, two Spanish tourists who visited the Point in April.

Point artist Roberto Bessin poses by his sculpture Joie Maritime erected this summer at the newly redesigned Perrotti Park.

The nearly one-ton bronze sculpture features four seals, each 7-feet long. They are joined to a 9-foot kiosk that will eventually have informational signs and an interactive computer screen.

The inspiration for his work came one day as he was traveling across the Newport Bridge and on the north end of Rose Island the sunlight was silhouetting the bodies of 35 seals. Each seal in the sculpture is made from quarter-inch diameter silicon bronze that was hand bent in a filigree style. He worked seven days a week for six months to complete the work, which was commissioned by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
From Charlotte Johnson:

A ROSE ISLAND UPDATE

Have you wondered what is going to happen to Rose Island now that the Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation (RILF) owns it? The answer is NOTHING and, for the most part, that is what will continue to happen. RILF’s priorities are to protect the environment (specifically the bird nesting habitat), to preserve parts of the nation’s first “Fort Hamilton” that are nearest the lighthouse, and to provide education and access to the public. Balancing these four elements is the tricky part. As many of you know, RILF purchased 17 acres of Rose Island in June of 1999 and saved it from being developed. For $500,000 DEM purchased a deeded conservation easement that protects the bird-nesting habitat FOREVER. Prince Charitable Trusts and the Alletta Morris McBean Charitable Trust provided the balance of the $629,750 purchase price. What does the conservation easement mean in terms of YOUR ability to visit Rose Island? This can be confusing because there are different rules for individuals and for groups, and for the lighthouse property (which RILF manages, and the City of Newport owns) and the wildlife area (which is privately owned by RILF). We hope the following helps answer that question:

The lighthouse is open to individuals and small groups year-round. For the 10 months from Labor Day to June 30 it is open by appointment, based on the availability of staff and our boat. During the summer, from July 1 to Labor Day, the Jamestown Ferry provides transportation to the lighthouse, which is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. every day. The wildlife areas, clearly identified by signs, are closed to all visitors during bird nesting season - from April 1 to August 15. No one can beach his boat or walk around the island on the beaches until AFTER August 15 during daytime hours from 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. This may sound a bit arbitrary, but like fishing season, you have to draw the line somewhere, and this line is drawn consistently with the other protected islands in the Bay.

Anyone wanting to visit Rose Island this fall is welcome to join in a volunteer work group that will be organized and trained to clear walking paths along the old railroad tracks and to work on the barracks and northwest circular bastion of Fort Hamilton.

Upcoming Events:

We Rows for Rose
Saturday, September 16
Sign up now and row or paddle your boat to benefit Rose Island Lighthouse.

Columbus Day Home Tours
Saturday and Sunday, October 7 & 8
Don’t leave town! Stay home and tour some of our fair city’s lovely homes. The Newport Historical Society and the Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation are offering home tours to raise funds — and awareness — of the Colonial, Victorian and modern homes Newport has to offer.

For more information about the Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation or any of these events call 847-4242 or visit their website at www.roseisland.org.

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British Cathedral Choir to Visit St. John’s

From the 19th to the 22nd of October, St. John’s Church will once again host a British Cathedral Choir, this year from the Cathedral at Ely. Begun in 1083, the Cathedral was finished 268 years later. Today the choir, under the direction of Dr. Paul Trepte, consists of twelve men and twenty boys. Scott Farrell is the organist.

Their repertoire includes German, English and Italian sacred music, and in the Daily Offices they will sing plain chant.

The full schedule is listed below - we hope you will come and enjoy this glorious music.

Thursday, October 19
10:00 a.m. and 6 p.m. at St. John’s

Friday, October 20
10:00 a.m. at St. John’s
5:45 p.m. at St. George’s School Chapel
10:00 p.m. at St. John’s

Saturday, October 21
7:30 p.m. at St. John’s

Sunday, October 22
9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at St. John’s

The Newport Historical Society Announces Two Exciting Events

Step into the Past
Saturday, October 7
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
A family celebration in Washington Square

Wanton Lyman Hazard House Forum
Saturday, November 4 & Sunday, November 5

In celebration of the restoration work being done to the Wanton Lyman Hazard House and garden, the Society will sponsor a two-day forum in the Colony House. All phases of past and ongoing restoration work will be discussed.

Phone the Historical Society at 846-0813 for more information or check its website at:
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Greetings Neighbors:

By now, the re-paving of Second Street should be moving toward completion. The cobblestone border will certainly enhance the charm and historic character of the Point. Additionally, a problem area off Third Street (Dyer Road) will finally be paved and the drainage concerns addressed.

Also, a stone bench was donated to the city and placed in Battery Park. The bench replaced a favorite of park regulars. After discussion with city administration, a long wooden-backed bench will return and a more suitable location will be found for the stone memorial bench. I hear many issues were discussed on the old bench, especially during the fall season.

On August 10, Mayor Sardella, Mike Mallinoff and I met with Bill Ankner, DOT Director, to discuss various highway related matters facing Newport. The meeting was productive. We asked for the intersection at Farewell and America’s Cup to be widened to allow for right turn only; surplus land swap on Connell Highway, handicapped access on sidewalks along America’s Cup Avenue, re-connection of Connell Highway, signage programs and traffic signal improvement. Dr. Ankner seemed receptive to our concerns.

On August 16, I sponsored a public workshop with Point Association, Waterfront Commission, Friends of the Waterfront, City administration and residents to discuss the Elm Street pier use. Mr. Bart Dunbar had generously donated floating docks to the city to be used as dingy/loading docks attached to the south side of Elm Street pier. Discussion was open and frank from several individuals addressing access to the water, safety concerns, increased traffic, monitoring/use regulations, need, types of crafts using the pier, etc. The intent of the Waterfront Front Commission is to accommodate a need for short-term (no overnight storage) personal use in a safe, controlled environment. The city must submit an application to CRMC for approval; there will be opportunity for more open debate on this matter.

The Potter School on Elm Street, currently the welfare office, may be vacant soon. The state has been given approval by the State Properties Committee to enter into negotiations with property owners to move the office to Middletown. I will keep you posted as this develops.

Other projects ongoing: Gateway Center use, privatization of the city’s treatment facility, new garbage contractor and north end development. (I will be traveling to Washington, DC to meet with HUD officials on September 7 to discuss funding sources.)

As always, I am available to discuss any issues affecting the First Ward and the City. Call me at 847-9122 or e-mail rickfirstward@aol.com.

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