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## The Point Association

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; and promoting public policies that strengthen all of Newport's neighborhoods.

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As spring approaches, residents of the Point turn once again to a phenomenon that, along with its historic houses, appears to be a part of the neighborhood's DNA – its gardens. Park cleanups, plant sales, early blooms at times peeping through the snow, all harbingers of glories to come, begin to make their appearance. Without neglecting the many challenges facing neighborhood and city, the *Green Light* focuses this issue not only on plans already under way but on the continuity of this phenomenon throughout the life of the Point. Lisa Stuart, who in recent issues has told the history of the Point's "built space", now does the same for its gardens, with excerpts from a manuscript in the Point Association's archives, a list of historic plants dating back to colonial times, and an article written nearly 40 years ago by then Point Association president, William Fullerton.

The annual late spring Secret Garden Tour may be the "crown jewel" of this perennial effort for gardeners and tourists alike. For many years, one woman has played a central role in its organizational success, Donna Maytum. Donna's work as *Green Light* layout person for the past 12 years has been equally as crucial. Donna and Jack Maytum are moving to California now to be with their family. We thank them for their unstinting generosity to the Point and send them all good wishes for their new life. They will be very much missed.

*Alice Clemente*

## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am proud to report that The Point Association collected over \$13,440 in donations from members and neighbors in our Fourth Annual fundraising drive on behalf of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center! Since initiating the MLK Center holiday campaign four years ago, the Point Association has raised more than \$34,000 to help the Center continue and expand the services offered to Newport neighbors in need. Read more about this successful fundraising drive in this addition. This drive once again shows the community that the Point Association is an active contributor to our city. As Alyson Novick of the MLK Center said, "Because of the Point, our community is a better place for all. Thank you!" And I could not agree more!

Being involved and volunteering is an important element to the success of our neighborhood association. Many of you have asked how you can be of help, and I urge each of you to consider involvement in the association. There are many ways to be involved, including serving on our important committees:

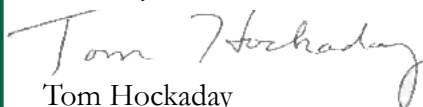
Our Beautification Committee has long been one of our most active committees. From helping beautify our parks and open spaces, to maintaining the many containers throughout our neighborhood parks, to the annual Plant Sale, and to our renewed tradition of holiday celebrations on the Point with tree lighting and carols, this busy committee needs your help.

We are known as a wonderful historic neighborhood! Our History and Archives Committee, works hard to ensure the Point's historic significance is maintained and our records are preserved for generations to come. The Point's Events Committee manages our neighborhood and community functions – our Spring and Fall meetings, the annual cocktail party in the summer, working with the Beautification Committee on our Holiday celebration, and the annual New Year's celebration.

There are other important committees that need help, including our Membership Committee, the Newcomers Group, and the *Green Light* Committee which works on our quarterly newsletter to provide valuable information on the news and activities of the Point. All of our Committees are important to our success, so we need your help! We are a strong neighborhood association, but we require volunteer support to be successful. I hope you will consider becoming involved and volunteering! If you have an interest in participating in any of these committee, or just being an "on call volunteer" for activities, please let me know by sending an email to [president@thepointassociation.org](mailto:president@thepointassociation.org)

An exciting year is ahead, so we invite you to become involved in our work and participate in our events. It's a great way to see your neighbors and help to continue the great traditions of the Point. I'm looking forward to seeing you this year – especially at our annual spring meeting!

Sincerely,



Tom Hockaday  
President



# A LETTER FROM YOUR FIRST WARD COUNCIL REP

February 17, 2018

As I write this I wonder how much will have changed by the date of publication. The issues that seem front and center on peoples' minds are in flux, from the "talking buses" to bike-share to the Pell Bridge ramp realignment – please note the working session to be hosted by RIDOT on March 1st and make your voice heard!

I would like to discuss these efforts through the prism of transparency in government. It's the principle that I consider my North Star since it is a necessary precondition to citizen participation. I continue to work on increasing public input in our civic decisions, because I trust the electorate for innovative ideas, and to understand that we seek solutions which provide for the greatest public good.

Representative Carson introduced a bill in the House which would prohibit the "talking buses" in residential neighborhoods, and in the hearing before the Corporations Committee, RIPTA was strongly urged to begin negotiations with Newport to resolve the problem. We are working on that, and I applaud Representative Carson and the Committee for moving this bill along with a public hearing, held promptly after introduction. I introduced a resolution with Councilor Bova to collect information from bike-share vendors, with a view toward setting up a program in Newport to expand the alternative modes of transportation available to residents and visitors. More and more tourists enjoy this method of getting around and seeing a destination from the view of a bicycle seat, instead of driving through town distracted by looking for a place to park. Even more important to our residents would be the availability of a bicycle for commuting or running errands, without the concerns attached to ownership. Newport's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission held an educational session for its members, and asked questions of five different vendors, resulting in a wealth of information. Again, I applaud one of Newport's most active commissions for responding promptly to collect information and lay the groundwork for a decision that is based on the best interests of our unique community.

On March 1st RIDOT will be hosting a workshop in the Council Chamber to provide information and seek public input on the Pell Bridge ramp realignment project. This is an essential part of the process. I would like to see the traffic engineers and planners who are working with the City's Office of Civic Development be a part of this forum, and of course it's critically important that our citizens turn out to demonstrate our interest and our support for this type of workshop as a hallmark of transparent government. Still looking through the prism of transparency, I was pleased with what we were doing with respect to the dinghy racks on the driftways, working collaboratively with the Point Association and the Waterfront

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Commission. In the last issue of the *Green Light* I described the Commission's recommendations as reported in September, regarding expansion of the dinghy racks to other driftways, with preference being given to mooring holders. The report took into account the input from our June meeting and the Commission made the effort to hear and incorporate citizen input. I was surprised when the press release came out to announce the application period in February, containing provisions that I didn't remember being discussed with either the Waterfront Commission or myself. The rationale for the new provisions is admirable; the lack of communication is regrettable. The new provisions favor Newport residents, consistent with the rationale for addressing the lengthy backlog with moorings in Newport. The allocation of dinghy racks for 2018 reflects this thinking.

I cannot close this update without addressing an issue of great concern to so many residents – the fate of the Armory. Transparency has been lacking. I see concern that negotiations may have taken place at a high level, with reports that a deal is near to fruition. From where I sit today, there is no deal that is near to fruition. At this time I am investigating the legal requirements when the City wishes to sell a property. I do want residents to know what I've observed on and off the record, that every councilor has expressed a firm commitment to public access to the waterfront, and a commitment that the maritime center and the beach access in front of it, including the pier, not be sold or contracted away. Moving forward, I would like to see a competent communications director for the City (a position which doesn't currently exist). In this case that person could have described the current condition of this historic building, as well as the history of rental agreements with the Armory Antiques. I do know that to preserve this historic property, it needs structural repairs that cannot be accomplished with the income generated by the current tenants in the building. I also know that Rogers High School is in dire need of repair which would be a significant capital expense. One traditional, and prudent, source of capital funding is the sale of capital assets no longer of essential use to the city. It's very difficult to think about the displacement of small business tenants who wish to remain in the Armory. However, there are competing concerns. My concern now is foremost with process, to ensure that the legal requirements are followed with regard to any sale, and with preservation of this building consistent with the covenants in place, and with making the most sensible financial decisions for the city's primary priorities.

With regard to the acquisition of the Navy Hospital property, we recently learned from BRAC that they are completing an investigation for possible lead contamination of the soil around the main structure, which would of course raise additional questions affecting the purchase price and the responsibility for any cleanup deemed necessary. We have no conclusions as yet.

Closing with an aspirational thought, I would love to see Newport looking at a "dark sky" approach to lighting. (please see Guest Editorial at Newport This Week on January 18, 2018) As always, and allow me to repeat, your comments are helpful and much appreciated!

Susan Taylor  
Newport City Council, Ward 1

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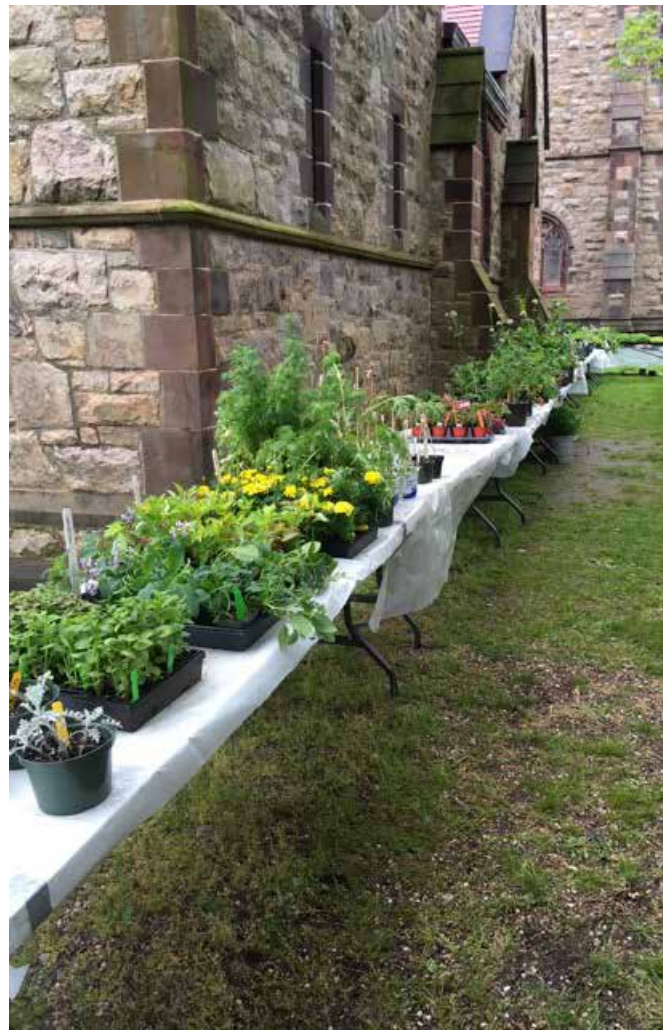
# PLANT SALE AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE UPDATES

by Nancy Abbinanti

**The Spring Clean Up** this year will be held on Saturday April 21st starting at 9am. Volunteers will meet at Storer Park to start the clean up and then proceed to the driftways, Battery Park up to the Van Zandt Pier and shoreline. The Spring Clean Up supports community involvement and focus on improving the environment. Youth participation is greatly encouraged and students can use their volunteer time towards service points.

**The Annual Plant Sale** will be held May 26th, the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend, at the St. John's Parking Lot. The plant sale runs from 8am to 12noon. Please contact Richard Abbinanti, Committee Chair (Rabbinanti@pace.edu) if you plan to donate plants, garden related bric a brac, baked goods and/or your time. We encourage volunteers to participate in the event and students can also earn service points as volunteers at the sale. If interested in joining the Plant Sale Committee, please also contact Richard.

The Beautification Committee is initiating in the spring of 2018 an **Adopt a Planter Program**. The planters are located at Van Zandt Pier, Storer and Battery Park. Please also contact Richard Abbinanti if interested in adopting one of the planters. There will be a meeting the first week of May for interested parties to work out the details of the initiative. The Adopt a Planter program will also encourage community involvement and beautification of our community.



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# Point Association has Successful Fourth Annual Fundraising Campaign for Martin Luther King Community Center

**Neighborhood Association raised \$13,440.  
for the Center**

The Point Association of Newport capped off its active 2017 year of activities with their fourth annual year-end fundraising effort to benefit the Martin Luther King Community Center in Newport. This fundraising campaign was once again chaired by John Broughan, who has wonderfully led this fundraising effort for the last four years. The neighborhood association collected over \$13,440 in donations from its members and neighbors on the Point to help the MLK Center. Since initiating the MLK Center holiday campaign four years ago, the Point Association has raised more than \$34,200 to help the Center to continue and expand the services offered to Newport neighbors in need -- \$4,700 in 2014, \$6,860 in 2015, \$9,200 in 2016, and \$13,440 in 2017. The Point Association was proud to show their support, pay tribute to the outstanding work of the MLK Center, and present their check to the center at the Point Association's annual New Year's Reception at the Newport Yacht Club. Three representatives of the MLK Center joined the Point residents to accept the donation -- Marilyn Warner, Executive Director of the MLK Center, Alyson Novick, Director of Development, and Heather Strout, Assistant Executive Director.

"Never doubt that the group of thoughtful, committed citizens that comprise the Point Association can change the world!" We're both thrilled and humbled by the success of the PA's 2017 fundraising to benefit the MLK Community Center" said Alyson Novick, Direc-

tor of Development of the MLK Center. "Your steadfast commitment to the MLK spurred other donors to give in large numbers. Every dollar gets right to work for the most vulnerable in our community -- feeding the hungry, providing high quality yet affordable education programs for children, engaging seniors and adults, and more. We continue to be amazed at your generosity and we're delighted to see so many members volunteering at the Center. Because of the Point, our community is a better place for all. Thank you!"

"Our members and supporters came forth with their enthusiastic support for the MLK Center and this fundraising drive. The MLK Center is a valued friend and neighbor to the Point, and we were excited to help with this fundraising campaign. We are strong supporters of the Center and the wonderful work they do for our community. Our members and neighbors were excited to participate, and show the importance of grassroots support in our community. A special thanks to John Broughan for his leadership and hard work over the last four years for this campaign," said

Tom Hockaday, President of the Point Association.



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## Interested in COMPOSTING?

**Food Cycle** will ride into the Point this Spring!

The Point has been selected for a 6 month, fee based, demonstration project called Food Cycle. It features weekly cargo bike pick-ups of kitchen scraps. If the program proves sustainable, Food Cycle will continue in this neighborhood and expanded to other Aquidneck Island communities.



Food Cycle will supply collection buckets to participating composters and will pick up the buckets on a designated collection date. Food Cycle will leave clean, empty buckets for the new week. Participating households will collect compostable materials in the buckets and place the buckets in a designated pick-up spot on their property.

The fee for the curb-to-compost service is \$180 for one bucket for the 6-month program. Neighbors will be able to add buckets or join the program mid-season at a pro-rated fee, provided there is capacity in the schedule.

Food Cycle calculates it needs a minimum of 30 participants to begin the service.

If you are interested in keeping your kitchen scraps out of the Rhode Island land fill look for sign-up opportunities this spring. For more information, email Jason Spitalnik at [jasonspitalnik@gmail.com](mailto:jasonspitalnik@gmail.com).

### WASTED!

The Aquidneck Community Table (ACT) will host a showing of the Anthony Bourdain movie "WASTED!" at the Jane Pickens Theater on Wednesday, March 14 at 7:30 pm.

The documentary chronicles the story of global food waste with the purpose of changing how people buy, cook, and eat food. A panel discussion will follow the movie. Ticket sales benefit ACT's Zero Waste Initiative. For more information see [www.janepickens.com](http://www.janepickens.com).

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## EXCERPTS FROM *The Gardens of Newport* BY VIRGINIA COVELL

One of the great pleasures of volunteering in the Point Association's Archives is coming upon a treasure that was long buried. And so it was when I discovered the unpublished manuscript of a book about Newport Gardens written by the beloved Point resident Virginia Covell. Virginia and her husband, King Covell lived in Villa Marina and brought many happy events and times to the Point.— Lisa Stuart

"The gardens of any period are among its most intimate expressions—the embodiment in living materials of its hopes, needs, fears, and foibles."  
Ann Leighton.

The history of Newport is unique in several respects. The basic colonial settlement was much like other English colonies; it was founded by religious dissenters, Roger Williams and Ann Hutchinson. Unlike many other persecuted sects, however, they did not turn the tables and persecute the non-conformists who followed them. ....The despised Quakers, the persecuted Jews from the Iberian countries (via the West Indies), the Sabbatarians, French Huguenots, members of the Church of England,—all were not only tolerated but were completely accepted as full-fledged members of the community; and, to the surprise of many tightly organized Church-State Colonies, they got along remarkably well together.

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This harmony with the Indians, together with the variety of religious and geographical backgrounds of her white settlers, may account for the unusual development of Newport and of its gardens.

In the first years of the colony's founding, the gardens reflected the plans and cultivating practices of England. In contrast to the French, who were primarily interested in design and symmetry, English gardeners concentrated on the plants themselves. Throughout its history, the favorable growing climate of the British Isles was conducive to experimenting with ever new and better plants; the cultivation of them became a tradition of the English gardener.

This practice was brought to New England and was given additional impetus with new types of climate and soil as well as strange new plants already in use by the Indians. Information about these comes from Roger Williams who kept a diary. His daily friendly contact with the Indians soon enabled the soloists to enjoy native vegetables: corn, beans, several varieties of squash and melons, and an unusual type of tobacco.

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The colonists soon began to add old English customs to their early Indian-type gardens. As early as 1645, one reads of Governor Coddington having an orchard and garden with pear, apple, cherry, quince and currant plants. These were all brought from England (as were flax and hemp seeds) and grew successfully in all parts of the island; they are mentioned in countless 17th century inventories.

Strawberries were evidently wild and plentiful because Roger Williams refers to them as "the wonder of all the fruits growing naturally in those parts." ....The wild grape found here was also used for wine making; but the English did not grow them until some French immigrants in South Country gave them the "know-how."

Growing wild also were cranberries, and they were among the rarities of the new world that the colonists sent back to England as a taste treat. The English custom of finding new plants began a lively exchange of gifts with their colonies. Almost every letter refers to a request or a gift of seeds and plants from one side of the Atlantic to the other.

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On one occasion some Newport colonists had contact with Dutch settlers in New York from whom they got tulip bulbs. This led to a "craze" for tulips throughout the colony which broke out every few years. The New England colonists, unlike their Indian neighbors, did not confine themselves to food raising.

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Another problem which faced the early farmers' wives was the need for herbs. These were necessary adjust to



any household for many needs: medicines (including special ones for child birth and the burying of the dead), dyes, flavorings, preservatives. The verbs grew in the woods, but it often required a long dangerous trek to find them, even in season.

Colonial women began cultivating them and, again, exchanging them with the English relatives. Before long the colonial gardens boasted of yarrow, gargle, hellebore, horehound—from the surrounding woods—and saffron, licorice, and angelica from England.



To sum up the effects of the colonial gardens, the words of Alexander Hamilton in his Itinerary seem particularly appropriate:

“Rhode Island is a pleasant open spot of land, being an entire garden of farms twelve or thirteen miles long and four to eight miles at its broadest part...It was the most delightful spot of ground that I have seen in America. I can compare it to nothing but one entire garden...

I found it the most agreeable place I had been in through all my peregrinations.”

*If you can identify any of the women next to Kay O'Brien in the photo, please let us know.*



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along with "Plant of the Month" by then PA president William H. Fullerton

Flowers before 1700

Clove Pinks – pink and white  
Columbine – yellow and blue  
Daffodil – single and double  
Carnations  
Grape Hyacinth

Hollyhocks – single  
Marigold  
Primrose  
Sedum  
Star of Bethlehem  
Tulip  
Heartsease (small pansies)  
Day Lily  
Anemone  
Crown Imperial – red

Flowers 1750 to 1800

Larkspur – single and double  
Narcissus  
Passion Flower  
Pink – China  
Snapdragon  
Balsam  
Geranium  
Hyacinth  
Iris – Persian  
Tuberose – white  
Gladiolus

Shrubs and Trees 1750 to 1800

Azalea  
Dogwood  
Judas Tree  
Myrtle  
Rhododendron  
Ivy – English  
Honeysuckle – yellow and red  
Magnolia  
Citron  
Limes, Apple, Pear, Quince  
Peach – Indian

Flowers 1700 to 1750

Bachelor Buttons – blue  
Campanula – yellow and orange  
Iris – old dark blue  
Lily of the Valley  
Tree Peonies – actually dates to 16<sup>th</sup>  
Century  
Vinca Minor – blue  
Striped Scotch Rose  
Iberis Amara  
Artemisia Abortanum  
Amaranth

Herbs before 1700

Balm	Mustard
Chives	Sweet Marjoram
Hyssop	Summer Savory
Lovage	Tarragon
Mint	Wormwood
Pepper Grass	Thyme
Sage	

Trees and Shrubs 1800 to 1840

Snowball  
Golden Chain  
Forsythia  
Mock Orange  
Hibiscus – rose color – Mallow  
Siberian Crab  
Snowberry  
Spirea  
Fringe Tree  
Lemon

# Plant of the Month

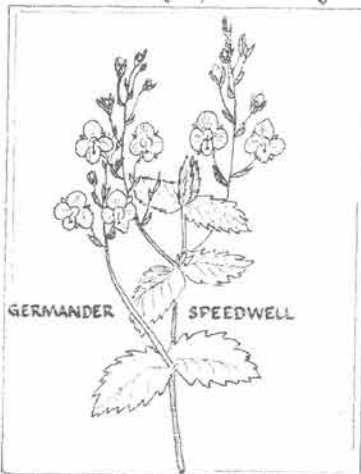
## Ground Covers

Now is the time to get a good ground cover started. The gardens on the Point are quite shaded due to the houses being so close together. Once the designed ground cover is put in it requires a minimum of care and will as well cover places where grass as a rule will not grow. You have a choice of a cover without blooms or one with a variety of colors.

Ivy is an old standby with no blooms. However, there are several other ground covers which I much prefer. Arabis is one which is very hardy, has silver grey leaves, is very low and compact and spreads rapidly. Arabis a cluster of white flowers resembling candytuff and is one of the first plants to bloom in the spring (In fact, I have had them in bloom with snowflakes on their leaves). It blooms during the time your tulips and spring bulbs are out. Arabis requires ordinary soil and no special care. Plantings maybe interspersed through the tulips and other bulbs, as they have no trouble coming up. Cuttings take root very easily in sand or peat moss.



ARABIS



Blue flowers are very hard to find but another ground cover and one having blue blossoms is Germander Speedwell (*Veronica chamaedrys*). It blooms from March until July. The leaves resemble mint but the Germander Speedwell grows only 5 to 10 inches high. The short-stalked flowers are about half an inch across and their bright blue lobes are marked with darker blue. The Veronica originated in Great Britain and there are 18 different species occurring there, but the Germander Speedwell is the most common here. This plant dies down to the ground during the winter but come spring and up it comes to spread around again. Germander Speedwell can be used as a border plant.

There are many others. Ajuga comes in lavender, white, pink, and with either mahogany or green leaves. Vinca or Periwinkle has blooms either the color of violets or white, which is rare. Vinca Minor, being a small edition of the species, makes the best ground cover.

We shall have plants of both the Arabis and Germander at the Plant Sale in May, but in limited number and they go fast!

If anyone is interested in Ivy I shall have a bushel basket of partially-rooted plants to share.

Also, for anyone interested in having a garden with only authentic Colonial plants, we are having a list copied of plants and shrubs dating from 1700 to 1840. This will be free at the Plant Sale.

Anyone having plants to share for the Sale please call Bill Fullerton, Rosalys Hall, Mary Rommel, or Theo Duncan and we shall make arrangements to pick them up.

See you at the Plant Sale, May 19, 1979, 9:00 A.M. till noon. Admiral and Mrs. Henry Eccles have given us permission to use their lovely garden at 101 Washington Street.

WILLIAM H. FULLERTON

## POINT CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING ~ DECEMBER 7, 2017,

### STORER PARK by Ann McMahon

The candles twinkled in the luminaria leading the way down the Storer Park path to the intrepid crowd of about 75 people who braved the wind and cold for the lighting of the perfectly shaped tree donated by the Aquidneck Land Trust. Tom Hockaday, president of the Point Association, lost no time in counting down to light it promptly at 6:30. With the live goats, Cornelius and William, from Gurneys Resort and Marina on Goat Island looking on, the Choirs from St John the Evangelist Church

began to sing. Choirmaster Peter Berton accompanied them on piano. This year there was a special "Point" twist to things. A poem written and set to music by former residents was arranged by Maestro Berton and intermingled with several traditional carols. Lisa Stuart who heads the Point Association historic committee had discovered the song while working in the Archives. The lyrics were based on a poem written by Edith Ballinger Price. King Covell, who led our annual caroling for many years, put it to music as a surprise for Edith. King Covell also played the organ at the Church. This

year's delightful rendition was a poignant link to other generations of Pointers.

We are fortunate to have new community spirited businesses involved in our Point neighborhood. Participants enjoyed hot chocolate donated and served by Rich Willis, our new neighbor at the Point Wine and Spirits on Poplar St. The hot beverage was very much appreciated on this brisk evening. Also,

Gurney's Resort and Marina, in addition to bringing their mascot goats for petting, also served large cookies with a big cursive "G" on them. These were a big hit with all from young to old. That hotel also donated \$500.00 to offset costs of the celebration. It was obvious from the enthusiastic response from those gathered that our

community is also grateful for the ongoing involvement and creative gifts from those at St John the Evangelist Church.

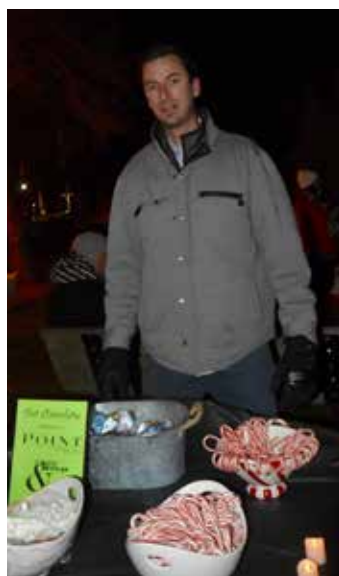
Volunteers from the

Point Beautification and Special Events Committees contributed to the ambiance of the evening by stringing charming and very effective lights so the musicians could read their music. They created cheery luminaria to mark the path by placing bags weighted down with sand and illuminated from within by a candle. These often un-sung heroes also arranged to have the tree put up and they put the lights on it to ready it for the festivities.

All attendees were brightened by the sweet faces of the children singing and by the festive sound of carols well sung.

After brief remarks by Newport Mayor Harry Winthrop and Tom Hockaday, the crowd disbursed into the frosty air to the sound of holiday greetings to friends and neighbors. The season was officially underway.

\*A link to a youtube recording of the 2017 Point carol sing can be found at: <https://youtu.be/JL9LJKKHat0>





WOULD YOU LIKE TO  
UPDATE YOUR  
CONTACT INFORMATION?  
OR “GO GREEN”  
YET IN FULL-COLOR  
ON *The Green Light*?

by Robin Gardner

Remember, the fastest and most accurate way to know your contact information is correct is to update it yourself. Has your contact information changed? Have you changed your email address? Given up your land line and just use your mobile now (if so, your phone number might be different)? Have you moved? Just log into your PA account, and update your profile to be absolutely certain that your contact information is what you want it to be! If you don't have a password, it's easy to get! Just follow these steps:

1. Go to [thepointassociation.org](http://thepointassociation.org)
2. Click on the gray Login button at the top of the page
3. Click on the Forgot password link you'll see in blue, and follow the steps.

IF YOU WANT TO “GO GREEN” ON THE  
GREEN LIGHT  
(i.e. receive electronic version only),  
FILL IN THE FORM ON THE HOME PAGE  
TO LET US KNOW.

**AND REMEMBER**  
You do **NOT** need a PayPal  
account to pay on line

Just go to section that says  
**PAY WITH CREDIT CARD**

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## THE POINT ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

*Please mail this form to: PO Box 491, Newport, RI 02840, with check made payable to: The Point Association*

*If you prefer, apply and pay online at: [www.thepointassociation.org](http://www.thepointassociation.org)*

\_\_\_ Individual \$10 \_\_\_ Family \$15 \_\_\_ Subscriber \$25\* \_\_\_ Patron \$40\*

*\*Subscriber & Patron levels support The Point Association's continued efforts to beautify and protect our special neighborhood.*

Please check membership status: \_\_\_Renewal \_\_\_New Member

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### POINT COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES

*Many hands make light work. Please check your volunteer interests.*

\_\_\_ Beautification \_\_\_ Waterfront \_\_\_ *The Green Light* \_\_\_ Plant Sale \_\_\_ Communications  
\_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_ Event Planning \_\_\_ History & Archives \_\_\_ Public Services

*Thank You !*

# SAVE THE DATES

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NEWPORT DAFFODIL DAYS, APRIL 14 – 22

SPRING MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 6:30 PM AT ST. JOHN'S GUILD HALL.

SPEAKER: BARI FREEMAN,

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BIKE NEWPORT

POINT ASSOCIATION SPRING PARK CLEANUP, SATURDAY, APRIL 21

BEGINS AT STORER PARK @ 9 AM

POINT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL PLANT SALE, SATURDAY, MAY 26, 8-12, ST. JOHN'S

AS YOU MAKE YOUR SPRING GARDEN PLANS KEEP IN MIND THE PLANT SALE  
FOR DONATIONS OF PLANTS AND GARDENING BRIC OR BRAC. CAN BE DROPPED OFF  
AT 30 SECOND STREET (DRIVEWAY), STARTING ON MAY 12TH.  
PLANTS ALREADY POTTED WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

## **REMEMBER HUNGER HURTS & YOU CAN HELP!**

MAKE IT A HABIT: Please bring a BAG OF GROCERIES  
to the MLK Community Center

Dr. Marcus Wheatland Blvd

MAKE IT EVERY QUARTER//ONCE A MONTH

## **APRIL VACATION AND SUMMER VACATION**

THE NEED IS EVEN GREATER

WHEN THE KIDS ARE OUT OF SCHOOL

There is no Breakfast or Lunch Program

THINK: Cereal, Tuna, Peanut Butter. . .

ADOPT an ELDER: One bag a wk: Cereal, crackers, Tuna,  
Spam, Pasta & Sauce, Peanut Butter, Jam, Pudding & a treat