

News of the VIP
October, 2019

What's Happening

Vineyard Independence Partnership
P.O. Box 1204, West Tisbury, MA 02575
www.vipmv.org



VIP Dine to Donate Fundraiser

The Wharf, Edgartown

Monday, Oct. 21

5:00-9:00 PM

Reservations suggested but not required
(508) 627-9966.



VIP contact is Debbi at 508 955-9159 or dzetterberg1@comcast.net.



Alexander, Tony and Ally at Featherstone

VIP Bowling

Saturday, Nov. 2 at noon

The Barn in Oak Bluffs

Call or text Ann Baird to sign up by

Wednesday at 508-287-2847.

\$10. includes bowling and lunch!

This is the first of six monthly sessions. Thanks to the Vineyard Golf Club Foundation.

October Art Classes

Featherstone Center for the Arts,
Oak Bluffs

Saturday October 19th 2:00-4:00
and

Monday October 28th 2:00-4:00

All are welcome to one or both, no experience necessary. In these classes we will:

Practice and explore our drawing and painting skills. Learn to make sculptures and household items out of Sculpy clay. Design a collective VIP mural inspired by summer!

For more info contact an instructor: Tessa at tessabpermar@gmail.com or 508-221-3630 or Judi jads60@comcast.net or 508 494-2433

VIP Potluck Dinner and Dance
Saturday, Nov. 9th
6—9 pm
Chilmark Community Center
Costumes encouraged; we will
be in a spirited mood!

Our next board meeting is Wednesday
October 30 at 6:30 at the Y.



VIP Co-president Tony Palmer in his Chilmark volunteer firefighter uniform, after attending the town party for retired fire chief David Norton.

The next general meeting is Wednesday, November 13
at 6:30 at the high school.
This is our annual "Thanks and Giving" meeting.

Please bring:
***Money to count and donate**
to our chosen cause
***Items for the food pantry**
***\$10.00 dues**

An Exciting Show by Tony Palmer

Andy (my dad) and I went to the Rolling Stones concert at Gillette Stadium, with 40,000 people. It was a huge stage. It was a 3-hour show with very good music. They played the songs: Street Fighting Man, Midnight Rambler, Start Me Up, Jumping Jack Flash, Sympathy for the Devil, You Can't Always Get What You Want and more! The stage had huge lights and a double screen. The show ended at 11 and we got out of the parking lot around midnight.

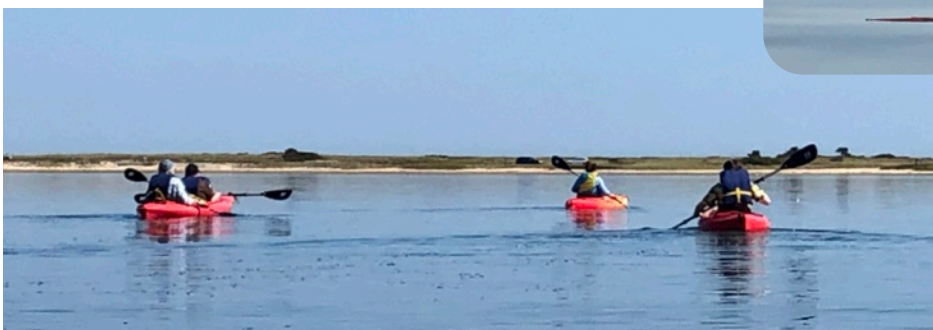
Kayaking at Felix Neck

A small group made the most of a beautiful Saturday in late September kayaking in Oak Bluffs. The morning was still and glorious.



Brendan Rome above

*Andy Palmer and Mark Baird
Felix Neck instructor Liz
Brendan Rome*



photos by Judith Schubert on her birthday!



Greg, and Amanda prepare their bows while Debbi coaches.

Cheers to Amanda who celebrated her September birthday at her family's home in Maine. She was toasted at a local pub.

News from Greg

Lots of people came to celebrate my 50th birthday with me in August. I got many presents including a puzzle, head light, and gift certificates to Cumberland Farms and Waterside Market.

Stoney and I went to the Vineyard football game on Sept. 20 and the Vineyard beat Southbridge 22--8. I like going to games, eating burgers and cheering on the team.

The Island Disability Coalition (IDC) will be hosting the Rural Scholars from U. Mass to research living with a disability on Martha's Vineyard. The IDC requests that the focus be on recreation and leisure. For more information contact Beth Wike at MV Community Services bwike@mvcommunityservices.com

Ida Bailey's a Gem! Interview by Martha Keenan and Richard Toole
We caught up with Ida at the September VIP meeting.

How was your summer Ida? I understand you did some traveling.

My summer was great! In July, I went with my family to California to visit family in Santa Rosa. Then we went to our cabin in the Tahoe area. To get there you have to drive down a long dirt road. Then you park the car and hike in about ½ mile carrying everything! In the cabin we cook on a wood stove. We did a lot of hiking. One night I had a bat in my bedroom!

Sounds exciting! Then we went to Seattle and took a ferry from downtown to Bainbridge Island. The ferries are well run. The ride is smooth and it only takes 45 minutes. We went to Bainbridge Island to go to my cousin Seth's wedding. It was in my Aunt and Uncle's backyard. It rained in the morning, but the sun came out for the ceremony. It was beautiful!

Did I hear correctly that you also got an award this summer?

Yes!!! I work at the 'Y.' I had only been an employee for a year and I got this award! It's called the Gem Award. I got it for being a hard worker.

What is your job? I am a maintenance cleaner. Part of my job is cleaning the locker rooms. I like my job. I got the award in May with a VISA gift card and a book "Rarely Seen." They know I like to travel so the book is pictures of beautiful places around the world.

Congratulations Ida! Job well done!



Keen Eyes Keenan Movie Reviews and more

Greg, Robb, Sonya and I went to a good-bye reception for our friends Kathy Fitzgibbon and David Ayres. They moved to Boston. Lots of people came to wish them well. Their son Tim Cantwell was my classmate and co-worker. He died a long time ago. Kathy and David, we will miss you. I am sure you will be taking Tim with you wherever you go.

Peanut Butter Falcon *** *I noticed the credits included Ila Briggs Halby who grew up in Vineyard Haven!*



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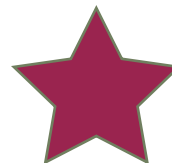
The MV Playhouse presents:

Our Town by Thornton Wilder, directed by MJ Bruder Munafo

October 11 - November 3,

Thursdays*, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm Sundays at 2:00 pm *No show on Halloween

508 696-6300 mvplayhouse.org



Featuring VIP members Martha Keenan, Ida Bailey and Laura Jahn as townspeople, Laura as Professor Willard and Gene Johnson as the funeral director.



Working at the Island Grown Initiative (IGI)

by Erin Doyle, interviewed by Allison Burger

I love planting at the IGI. I work on Wednesdays and Fridays from about 9--1. I plant lots of lettuce and also basil and micro greens. Picking is another job and I wear gloves then. I picked a lot of tomatoes in September! Working at the greenhouses is a lot of fun but it gets hot inside. I am very independent at my job. Taz tells me what to do that day and I can do it on my own.