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Dear Margaret,

We have a lot of great networking and educational events coming up, including the Wareham Committee's seminar on April 7th entitled "You Have A Website, Now What?" Be sure to register soon to ensure your seat!

Thank you,
Marie Oliva
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MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Arts Foundation of Cape Cod is hosting its third annual Creative Collaborative on Thursday, March 25th, from 12:30-8:00pm at the Cape Codder Resort and Spa in Hyannis. This is an opportunity for arts and cultural organizations to receive training, connect with the media & legislative leaders, and celebrate the best of arts and culture on Cape Cod. Registration for conference and evening reception is \$20 for Arts Foundation members, \$30 for non-members; \$15 for awards reception only. For more information, call 508-362-0066 or visit www.artsfoundation.com.

Cape Cod Life Publications has moved from North Street, Hyannis to a more energy efficient office space located at Mashpee Commons. "The move from an older, less efficient building to a brighter, smaller, and more environmentally friendly space has reduced our operating costs and will also reduce our carbon footprint," said Brian Shortsleeve, CEO, publisher, and founder. The move to Mashpee Commons happened at the end of February. Their new contact information is 13 Steeple Street, Mashpee, MA 02649, 508-419-738.

As part of the company's commitment to going green, the 2010 April edition of Cape Cod Life will be the company's first ever green issue. The entire issue, which will be on newsstands at the end of this month, will be printed on recycled paper and will focus on all aspects of green living, building, and buying on the Cape and Islands.

Cosi Restaurant in Wareham Crossing believes in giving back to the community. Periodically, they host a "Community Benefit Night," fundraising events promoted in the restaurant with a portion of the proceeds benefiting a local non-profit organization. The Friends of Wareham Free Library was their most recent recipient, receiving a donation to help buy books, equipment and pay for programs at the library.

OpenCape Corporation announced it will receive \$32 million in federal funding as part of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA) Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP). With \$8 million dollars in matching funds from state and local resources, a total of \$40 million dollars will be available to build broadband network access from the South Coast to the tip of Cape Cod. Healthcare providers and patients in Southeastern Massachusetts will be major beneficiaries of expanded access to broadband services. "The benefits to patients and consumers include improved safety and quality of care, while improving efficiency and reducing healthcare costs," says John Campbell, Chief Information Officer for **Rehabilitation Hospital of the Cape and Islands (RHCI)** and the Spaulding Rehabilitation Network. Campbell is the OpenCape Corporation Board of Directors representative for the healthcare sector and led efforts to marshal support from the region's health care providers.

The grant will fund construction of a 350-mile fiber optic network, wireless microwave network, and regional data center that will provide the technological capacity for business development and have significant implications for enhancing health care delivery. "Increased network capacity is vital to addressing the needs of 21st century healthcare delivery. OpenCape is a significant leap forward that will enable the entire healthcare continuum to work together seamlessly to ensure that patients receive the best possible care while reducing the cost burden for everyone," says RHCI President and Chief Executive Officer Carol Sim.

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