

The Ferry is here!....The Ferry is here!

“Island Home”, the Nantucket Steamship Authority’s new \$32 million passenger and vehicle ferry has replaced the Islander, which is half the new ferry’s size. At 255 feet long with a 64 foot high beam, she will hold 1200 passengers and 76 vehicles, and can travel at top speeds of 16 knots. The Island Home has an out door seating capacity of 300, two elevators, and runs between Woods Hole and Martha’s Vineyard. The ferry trips will average about 45 minutes.

Cape Cod Melody Tent announces early schedule

The Hyannis concert venue has announced the upcoming summer schedule. Here is who’s comin’ to perform: John McDermott on June 16-The Charlie Daniels Band on June 23-Hootie & the Blowfish on July 1-The Robert Cray Band with James Hunter on July 7-Los Lonely Boys on July 12-Trisha Yearwood on July 15-George Carlin on July 29-The Steve Miller Band on August 4&5-The Beach Boys on August 12-The Saw Doctors on August 16-LeAnn Rimes on August 26. These are 11 performers for the 2007 season, but expect more announcements to follow, as the Tent typically hosts about 40 events a season. For more information on times and tickets, call 508-775-5630 or visit www.melodytent.org. Enjoy the show!

Congratulations to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

After so many years, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe has been given federal recognition by the United States Government. The tribe’s sovereign-nation status will become permanent 90 days after the decision is published with the Federal Register. The Mashpee Wampanoag tribe will then be the 564th federally recognized tribe in the United States. Does that mean casinos on Cape Cod? It has been reported their intention is to acquire land within the required fifty mile radius, for a first class casino, off Cape.

JetBlue expands airway services to Cape Cod

The New York based airline, JetBlue, has teamed up with Cape Cod’s own Cape Air to offer smoother connections for airline travelers. Starting in March, JetBlue will coordinate flights with the Hyannis based airline which will make it easier for passengers flying in and out of Logan Airport. JetBlue also plans to add a seasonal route between John F. Kennedy airport to Nantucket beginning around Memorial Day. This partnership allows travelers to their book trips, and get one ticket, by just logging onto either airlines’ websites or calling their ticket offices. See you in the skies!