School may trim shop, auto classes

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The vocational education program at Nantucket High School could see a transformation next year, as some classes such as construction technology and automotive mechanics will probably be cut back, and new paths such as nursing and aviation could be introduced.
**Conde Nast Traveler honors island, hotels**

Nantucket has once again been recognized as one of the best islands in the world, this time by Conde Nast Traveler’s “Top 25 Islands in the World: Reader’s Choice Awards.”

Nantucket came in at number 19 ahead of the Seychelles and beyond Lanai, Hawaii. Top five on the list were Maui; Hawaii; Kauai; Hawaii; the Maldives; Kiawah Island, S.C.; and Bonaire. Additionally, Nantucket earned the eighth spot among the Top 10 Islands in the United States.

Criteria included scenery, friendliness, atmosphere, restaurants, lodging, activities and beaches. Conde Nast Traveler readers were asked to weigh in by submitting comments as to why they love Nantucket.

Nantucket Island Resorts’ Waquoit and the White Elephant hotels were also recognized in the 2013 Readers Choice awards, ranking fifth and sixth respectively, among the Top 15 Hotels in New England. The Waquoit and the White Elephant are the only Nantucket hotels in the roundup.

The Waquoit received an overall score of 93.7 out of 100, and the White Elephant trailed closely behind, with an overall score of 91.7. Over 80,000 readers were polled this year to determine the scores, which are based on a number of criteria including service, location, dining, accommodation and activities.

Old Nantucket residents’ photos of Nantucket’s beauty or to submit your own, log on to www.ask.net and click on “Ask of the Beloved Galley.”

**Breast cancer lecture Monday at hospital**

In recognition of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Nantucket Cottage Hospital will host a lunchtime lecture by nurse practitioner Jane Kean, MD. entitled “Breast Cancer: What You Should Know,” at noon Monday, Oct. 28 in its Founders Building, 67 Prospect St. She will be joined by Dr. Richard Benson, the medical director of the Mass General Hematolg/Oncology Service and a radiation oncologist at NTH.

Breast cancer is among the most common forms of cancer for women in the United States. One in eight women will face a breast cancer diagnosis in their life-time, according to the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

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benefit the Nantucket Public Schools’ Culinary Arts Program.

Led by Bob Buscio, students from the culinary-arts group will be at the festival vol-

on-untiring.

Participation in the chowder contest has declined over the years, and Bartlett’s event co-

ordinator and restaurant liaison Amy Zelinski admitted a few entrants dropped out this year as well.

“We were never involved in the past. I just never had some people come up to me and say you should think about holding the chowder festival this year,” Zelinski said, “I told them sure, let me look into it. As the restaurant liaison here, I’ve de-

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