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## Changes in effect at Recycling Center

By Elizabeth Brogan

Residents will no longer back up into the compactor building at the Recycling Center to drop off their trash.

Effective Jan. 21, there will be no vehicle access to the compactor building at all. All vehicles with trash will form a single line and wait to turn into one of four diagonal drop-off lanes and parking slots near the compactor building. Trash will be carried, or carted in town-provided carts, the short distance from the back of the vehicles to the hopper. Vehicles will then proceed forward into a compactor exit lane. A separate bypass lane will direct visitors to the recycling bins. Commercial haulers will take their trash directly to ecomaine.

The new traffic pattern is detailed in an illustrated mailing sent to every homeowner in Cape Elizabeth on Jan. 12.

The changes are consistent with recommendations made by the engineering firm of Woodard and Curran. The town requested an assessment and recommendations from the firm in November, following the fatal accident on Nov. 24, in which Herbert Dennison was struck and thrown into the compactor by a Ford Explorer backing into one of three parking spaces in the compactor building.

Three alternate traffic patterns were suggested by Woodard and Curran, but this one was preferred by the engineering firm, as well as by Town Manager Michael McGovern, Public Works Director Bob Malley and the Town Council, which reviewed the recommendations at a Jan. 5 workshop.

An alternative recommendation in Woodard and Curran's Dec. 22 report was for continued back-in access to the compactor, with installation of a stop light and physical barriers. This proposal had the disadvantage of a longer wait time, possibly creating a long vehicle queue extending down Dennison Drive during busy times. Another alternative was for drive-along access to the compactor, which would still require pedestrians to cross vehicle traffic lanes.

Woodard and Curran favored the diagonal parking proposal because it will eliminate congestion of vehicles and pedestrians both within the compactor building and along the loop road and will also eliminate the identified risk of a resident falling into the compactor from a standing position in an adjacent pickup truck. The diagonal parking will increase the number of residents able to

—see RECYCLING, page 14

## Town Council approves 2015 goals

By Elizabeth Brogan

The Town Council adopted a set of goals for 2015 at its Jan. 12 meeting.

Municipal infrastructure goals include monitoring the library project, due to be completed near the end of the year; study of the Recycling Center with extensive opportunity for public participation; finding longer term uses for the former Spurwink School after its temporary use as a library this year; finding opportunities for grants to improve pedestrian pathways on roadsides; consider-

ation of options to improve intersections at Spurwink Church and in the Town Center; and seeking input on the future of Goddard Mansion.

Policy goals include working with the School Board to review community services; seeking improvements for access to Crescent Beach and Kettle Cove; review of the appointments process; ordinance review; Town Center speed limit review; library planning review; and a look at how the town

—see TOWN COUNCIL, page 14

## Mock trial team takes fifth state title in a row!



Photo by Jennifer Rooks

The Cape Elizabeth High School mock trial team won the team's fifth straight state title on Dec. 17, when the team beat Freeport High School to capture the 2014 Maine State High School Mock Trial Competition championship at the Maine Supreme Judicial Courtroom in Portland. Team members plan to compete at the National High School Mock Trial Championship in Raleigh, N.C., in May 2015.

## A walk in the woods



Photo by Martha Agan

Walkers in Robinson Woods on Jan. 11 keep their dogs on leash, as newly required after 9 a.m. The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust will hold community meetings on the new rules, from 7 to 9 p.m. on Jan. 20 and Jan. 22 at the Community Services Building. See details on page 3.

## Planning Board work on land-use amendments nearly done; completion date set for March

By Wendy Derzawiec

The Planning Board is finishing its work on zoning ordinance land-use amendments and expects to have a final recommendation ready for the Town Council in March.

"It has been a large and arduous task; we are almost there," Peter Curry, representing the Planning Board, told the council at its Jan. 12 meeting.

The board voted at its Dec. 16 meeting to forward a status report to the Town Council, outlining the board's progress and timeline for having a recommendation ready.

The amendments are the last step in completing implementation of the 2007 comprehensive plan. Work on the amendments, which govern Cape Elizabeth land use and are considered the heart of the comprehensive plan, began in 2010 but was postponed to allow a citizen committee, the Future Open Space Preservation Committee, to research issues and make its own recommendations to the Town Council.

"The Planning Board has made tremendous progress and is nearing completion on the amendments," the Dec. 17 status re-

port says. A 28-page package of proposed amendments to the sewer-service area map, subdivision ordinance and zoning ordinance has been developed. "At this time, the board is waiting for a consultant to report on Cape Elizabeth's position in the multifamily-unit market as part of revisions to the multiunit housing regulations," the report says.

The board plans to hold a public forum in January or February, the second to be held since work resumed in 2013, before submitting final recommendations to the council.

The Town Council voted Jan. 12 to extend the deadline for the board to submit a final recommendation on the land-use regulation amendments to March 31.

### Rule changes may allow some votes at workshops

In other matters, the board also voted on Dec. 16 to recommend changes to its rules so that the board may vote on procedural matters, such as scheduling a public hearing or deciding whether a board member has a conflict of interest. Other rule changes

—see PLANNING, page 14

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### School board hopes superintendent will stay

As of Jan. 9, we heard that Superintendent Nadeau is a finalist in the Weston, Mass. superintendent search. The Cape Elizabeth School Board would like to assure the good citizens of Cape Elizabeth that Ms. Nadeau enjoys the full support of the Board and we would very much like her to remain at her post.

This announcement reminds us of Ms. Nadeau's talent and innovation and we are not surprised that her work has attracted the attention of other high performing districts in the region. Ms. Nadeau is in a pool of candidates from outstanding districts. We are so fortunate to have her lead our schools. In or-

der to meet the needs of 21st century learners, we have asked for, and she has delivered, a mission, vision, and strategic plan to bring innovation and a whole child approach to the daily lives of our students. The board knows of her dedication to excellence for our students, faculty and staff and we hope she will stay in Cape Elizabeth. Ms. Nadeau is intelligent, thoughtful, and keeps current in her profession—a true asset to our schools and to our community. Regardless of her decision, she has our full confidence.

**Jo Morrissey,**  
**Cape Elizabeth School Board Chair**

### Resident questions town's spending on study and suggestions for Recycling Center

Indeed, the accident that killed Mr. Denison was tragic. However, considering that, to my knowledge, it is the first of its kind in the 25 years that I have been going to the transfer station, I think that spending whatever was spent hiring Woodard & Curran to come up with "solutions" was a waste of Cape's limited resources.

The suggestions for changing the approach to the hopper will cause delays, frus-

tration and not solve the accident problem. What will protect the garbage-carrying pedestrian from a distracted driver? An errant driver can cause tragedy anywhere, any time. Just read the newspaper.

What about those of us who can't carry the weight of some of the refuse we bring to the dump? Shall there be valet service?

**R.H. Tripler**

### Resident commends Cape police department

I write this letter as a commendation of, and congratulations to, the Cape Elizabeth Police Department. In these trying social times with various difficulties between police departments, individuals, groups and governments, one notices that the Cape Elizabeth Police Department has desirable low visibility but is highly efficient, highly professional and highly effective.

Various problems such as child, spousal and elder abuse do exist, but under the able long-term leadership of Chief Neil Wil-

liams, the officers in the department work long and hard to provide round-the-clock efforts to protect and assist us all.

Having been transported by local EMS more than once, I know well the importance of our local EMS and the police officers who are always the fast first responders.

The citizens of Our Town can be thankful that we have such a fully functioning, helpful police department in Cape Elizabeth.

**William H. Marshall**

### Kindness of friends is appreciated by bereaved mother

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all the friends and classmates of my son, Bobby Coombs, who contributed in his memory to make the holidays better for his children. Without Sherie Bowns and Sandy Jones, this wonderful act of kindness would never have happened.

Another classmate, who chose to remain anonymous, wrote a wonderful, touching letter remembering how Bobby treated everyone with respect and kindness. His generous donation made the holidays a little easier. All this, almost five months since the death of my son, is so overwhelming and a reminder of how much Bobby touched the lives of so many. Thank you, thank you.

**Melinda Coombs**

### Resident reminds all drivers to respect handicapped signage, even in snowy lot

It's that time of year again. You know what I mean. That time of year when the handicapped spots in the Pond Cove shopping center and elsewhere get obscured with snow so your friends and neighbors can conveniently justify and rationalize parking there illegally. You would never do that, but lots of people do. Isn't it just like a four-year-old who closes his eyes and thinks he's invisible? It's not OK. It's arrogant and lazy and the next time you're tempted, consider that a wounded veteran who has earned the right to use that space may be right behind you.

**Benson Dana**

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WILLET MICHAEL J	BLACK KENNETH F & CHAUDHARI SONAL K	15 STARBOARD DRIVE	\$189,000	CONDOMINIUM
LAPRADE SARA F	ALBEE DEBORAH L	7 MANOR WAY	\$622,500	SINGLE FAMILY
BRUCE PATRICIA M	MAYBERRY WARREN P & JOHNSON BART A & SPENCER STEPHEN D	16 MERRIMAC PLACE	\$120,000	CONDOMINIUM
TE BOEKHORST PAUL F OLIVIER	GUARE THOMAS R & MACDONALD MICHAEL J & JACOBSON DAVID	588 SHORE ROAD	\$538,000	SINGLE FAMILY
LARKIN MARY F	PACLAT CHARLES	3 JULIE ANN LANE	\$543,000	SINGLE FAMILY
SOCH MATHEW	BISOGNI JARED J	41 STONYBROOK ROAD	\$484,500	SINGLE FAMILY
BROWN CURTIS J JR	BRATTON JAMES T	301 FOWLER ROAD	\$255,000	SINGLE FAMILY
JACOBSON DAVID	KAIN ANDREW	3 ROBINHOOD ROAD	\$635,000	SINGLE FAMILY
PACLAT CHARLES	SAWYER DOUGLAS B	8 PINE POINT ROAD	\$399,500	SINGLE FAMILY
BISOGNI JARED J	DEWDNEY EVAN	8 LYDON LANE	\$579,000	SINGLE FAMILY
BRATTON JAMES T	CONNOLLY MARY J	89 WELLS ROAD	\$550,000	SINGLE FAMILY
KAIN ANDREW	GIROUARD TIMOTHY E	28 STONE DRIVE	\$253,000	SINGLE FAMILY
SAWYER DOUGLAS B	RUDDY THOMAS M	5 SILVA DRIVE	\$689,000	SINGLE FAMILY
DEWDNEY EVAN	DIAMOND AARON G	7 LINDENWOOD ROAD	\$306,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CONNOLLY MARY J	POLTAK JUSTIN M	15 MCAULEY ROAD	\$440,000	SINGLE FAMILY
GIROUARD TIMOTHY E	FED HOME LOAN MORT CORP	31 VALLEY ROAD	\$320,000	SINGLE FAMILY
RUDDY THOMAS M	ZERIKLY RAHFA K	14 LAWSON ROAD	\$405,000	SINGLE FAMILY
DIAMOND AARON G	SAHRBECK JOHATHAN T	161 MITCHELL ROAD	\$478,000	SINGLE FAMILY
POLTAK JUSTIN M	RZESZUTKO CHARLES P	5 OCEAN VIEW ROAD	\$495,000	SINGLE FAMILY
FED HOME LOAN MORT CORP	MONAGHAN-DERRIG KIMBERLY J	36 COLUMBUS ROAD	\$256,822	SINGLE FAMILY
ZERIKLY RAHFA K	WARNER LINDA J	55 STARBOARD DRIVE	\$161,600	CONDOMINIUM
SAHRBECK JOHATHAN T	DARLING ALISON LAW	60 LONGFELLOW DRIVE	\$277,500	SINGLE FAMILY
RZESZUTKO CHARLES P	NEY BELINDA R	6 WAUMBEC ROAD	\$479,000	SINGLE FAMILY
MONAGHAN-DERRIG KIMBERLY J	TWO PENGUIN PROP LLC	6 RUSSET LANE	\$0	SINGLE FAMILY
WARNER LINDA J	RAND JEANNE G REV TRUST	45 STARBOARD DRIVE	\$153,500	CONDOMINIUM
DARLING ALISON LAW	STROUT ANN R	5 GRAYSTONE ROAD	\$510,000	SINGLE FAMILY
NEY BELINDA R	DYER WILLIAM R	22 STONEGATE ROAD	\$545,000	SINGLE FAMILY
TWO PENGUIN PROP LLC	HARVEY JAMES B	12 HILL WAY	\$915,000	TWO FAMILY
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HARVEY JAMES B	CONCANNON STEVE	18 JORDAN FARM ROAD	\$1,000,000	SINGLE FAMILY
FUSCO GERALDINE	BELLINO FRANCIS A	53 STARBOARD DRIVE	\$159,500	CONDOMINIUM
DEXTER HANNAH P	BARRETT ROBERT	11 ANGELL POINT ROAD	\$270,000	VACANT LAND
DAVIS JEFFREY P	LOWE JACK R	279 MITCHELL ROAD	\$269,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CONCANNON STEVE		12 BEVERLY TERRACE	\$180,000	SINGLE FAMILY
BELLINO FRANCIS A		20 BEACON LANE	\$675,000	SINGLE FAMILY
BARRETT ROBERT		3 FRANKLIN CIRCLE	\$479,900	SINGLE FAMILY
LOWE JACK R		35 HUNTS POINT ROAD	\$339,000	SINGLE FAMILY
		3 SWEETSIR ROAD	\$135,000	SINGLE FAMILY
		OLD SEA POINT ROAD	\$450,000	VACANT LAND

## Land Trust to host two community meetings on Jan. 20 and 22 to discuss new rules for dogs

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust (CELT) will be hosting two facilitated community working sessions from 7 to 9 p.m. at Cape Elizabeth Community Services on Tuesday and Thursday, Jan. 20 and 22.

Over the past few weeks, the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust has received many comments about the new policies at Robinson Woods, including the new leash requirement. The purpose of the working sessions is to provide community members with more details regarding recent policy changes in Robinson Woods, to encourage community input, and to collaborate to address the challenges related to the balanced management of Robinson Woods. More information and resources are available on CELT's website, [cape-landtrust.org](http://cape-landtrust.org).



Photo by Martha Agan

## Town's flood insurance rating goes up

Cape Elizabeth has been upgraded from Class 9 to Class 8 by the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System. The program is a point system designed to reward communities that regulate their floodplains well and will mean a 10-percent discount on floodplain insurance for residents in a Cape Elizabeth floodplain.

"I realized that we were leaving points on the table with regard to open space and limitations on development of floodplains," said Cape Elizabeth Code Enforcement Officer, Benjamin McDougal. "The program awards points if floodplains are deed restricted to be open space or if our zoning prohibits the development of floodplains ... Cape Elizabeth has a lot of preserved open space and also strict resource protection zoning."

McDougal received confirmation of the upgrade from the Insurance Services Office, which administers the rating system, on Dec. 31. He said that the town was able to produce the necessary maps and tables to demonstrate the amount of preserved floodplain acreage in town by using Geographical Information System data.

"ISO has very strict reporting requirements. In fact, they denied our data submission twice before we got it right," McDougal said. "Without our GIS program," for which McDougal gave Town Planner Maureen O'Meara credit, "these benefits would not have been attainable."

Cape Elizabeth will be among 11 municipalities in Maine with a Class 8 rating; none are rated higher.

## Dog license grace period extends to Jan. 31

It is time to license dogs for 2015. Dog licenses for 2014 expired on Dec. 31. Dogs licensed after Jan. 31 will be assessed a \$25 per dog late fee.

Prior to Jan. 31, fees for registrations at Town Hall are \$11 for an intact male or female dog and \$6 for a spayed or neutered dog. Online registrations are an additional \$1.

When registering a dog, bring a current Maine rabies certificate and proof of spaying or neutering if applicable.

Maine law requires all dogs to be licensed. Up to 90 percent of registration fees go directly to the State of Maine Animal Welfare Program to support investigations of cruelty to animals. Call 799-0881 with questions.

Classifieds in *The Cape Courier* work! See page 15 for details.

## Town looking for safety evaluator for gun club

The town is currently soliciting qualifications for someone to evaluate the outdoor shooting range owned by the Spurwink Road and Gun Club. According to the request, the evaluation will be by permission of the club and will include "all aspects related to shot containment and gun safety practices," but

will not include noise evaluation. Qualifications should be provided to Town Manager, Michael McGovern by Jan. 28.

The club, partially open, is in the process of updating and modernizing the range, according to a press release issued by club president Tammy Walter on Jan. 12.

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# Power tools, jewelry and mail reported stolen and scams continue

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

## COMPLAINTS

- 12-14 Two officers responded to a residence in the Two Lights Road area for a domestic disturbance.
- 12-14 An officer met with a resident of the Old Ocean House Road area about a residential burglary. Power tools were missing.
- 12-15 Two officers responded to a residence in the Oakhurst area for a well-being check.
- 12-16 An officer spoke with a resident who reported the theft of a ring from the residence in the Scott Dyer Road area. The value of the ring is \$1,200.
- 12-16 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area about a theft of mail from the victim's mailbox.
- 12-22 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area about a letter and check for \$4311.70, claiming to be from Publisher's Clearing House. The resident called the number listed in the letter and was told to cash the check and send back some of the money. The resident became suspicious and called police.
- 12-22 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area about a phone scam. The resident had received a call saying he had won a large sum of money but had to transfer money before he would receive the prize money.
- 12-26 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area about unauthorized charges on a credit card.

## ARRESTS

- 12-18 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating after license suspension
- 12-29 Cape Elizabeth resident, outstanding warrant, Preble Street
- 1-1 South Portland resident, operating under the influence of alcohol

## SUMMONSES

- 12-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 12-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to stop at stop sign, Route 77, \$131

- 12-11 South China, ME resident, uninspected vehicle, Scott Dyer Road, \$133
- 12-12 Scarborough resident, speeding (45/25 zone), Scott Dyer Road, \$215
- 12-15 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding in school zone (28/15 zone), \$264
- 12-16 Scarborough resident, speeding (57/30 zone), Sawyer Road, \$263
- 12-17 Buxton resident, speeding (65/45 zone), Route 77, \$215
- 12-18 Scarborough resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 12-18 Scarborough resident, speeding (51/30 zone), Sawyer Road, \$215
- 12-19 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to obtain Maine license, Old Ocean House Road, \$137
- 12-20 Portland resident, speeding (63/45 zone), Route 77, \$185
- 12-27 Westbrook resident, speeding (44/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, \$119
- 12-30 Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Avenue, \$133
- 12-30 Windham resident, failure to produce insurance, Sawyer Road, \$171
- 1-1 South Portland resident, operating under the influence
- 1-02 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Avenue, \$133
- 1-02 South Portland resident, speeding (46/30 zone), Spurwink Avenue, \$137

## JUVENILE SUMMONSES

- 12-15 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding in school zone (30/15 zone) Scott Dyer Road, \$360
- 12-19 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (60/45 zone) Route 77, \$185
- 12-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, violation of interim license, Ocean House Road \$370
- 12-28 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to stop for stop sign, Old Ocean House Road, \$131

## FIRE CALLS

- 12-9 Starboard Drive, investigation
- 12-9 Spurwink Avenue, water problem
- 12-9 Ocean House Road, water problem
- 12-10 Ocean House Road, car accident

- 12-12 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 12-12 Spurwink Avenue, electrical problem
- 12-15 Sea View Avenue, fire alarm
- 12-16 Manor Way, fire alarm
- 12-16 Wells Road, fire alarm
- 12-17 Summit Road, wires down
- 12-18 Scott Dyer Road, investigation
- 12-19 Tide's Edge Road, fire alarm
- 12-21 Shore Road, fire alarm
- 12-23 Humphrey's Road, fire alarm
- 12-24 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 12-26 Park Circle, carbon monoxide alarm
- 12-26 Starboard Drive, structure fire
- 12-27 Pheasant Hill Road, fire alarm
- 12-27 Pheasant Hill Road, fire alarm

- 12-28 Ocean House Road, investigation
- 12-29 Scott Dyer Road fuel spill
- 12-30 Ocean House Road, motor vehicle accident
- 12-31 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-1 Starboard Drive, water problem
- 1-2 Cragmoor, fire alarm
- 1-4 Wells Road, structure fire
- 1-5 South Portland Mutual Aid

## RESCUE CALLS

There were 26 runs to Maine Medical Center. There was one run to Mercy Hospital. There were 9 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

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## Stepping into the Sesquicentennial



Edward I. Woodbury

*A Cape Courier series by Cape Elizabeth resident Ellen Van Fleet follows the Civil War through the eyes of people who lived in Cape Elizabeth 150 years ago, when the Civil War was in its third year. Using Portland author Paul Ledman's book, "A Maine Town Responds," as the main guide, the series includes both short entries from the Portland Transcript, a newspaper, and letters from a local soldier who served on the western front. Items from the Portland Transcript and from soldiers' letters are reported verbatim.*

**Jan 21, 1865** – The Bethel correspondent of the *Oxford Democrat* is astonished at the number of wild animals found in Maine. He says load after load of furs goes out of Oxford County alone, among which are lynx skins, minks, sables, fishers and the like caught in the vicinity of Umbagog Lake. Only think of six dollars for a mink skin no bigger than your hand! [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – Capture off Fort Fisher – Gen. Grant has given the country a pleasant surprise. Disgusted at the failure of Butler's expedition to capture Fort Fisher, he has tried again and handsomely succeeds. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Feb. 4, 1865** – Gen. Chamberlain is now

at home in Brunswick, suffering much from his wound. [*Portland Transcript*]

The Legislature, on Tuesday, ratified the constitutional amendment abolishing slavery; in the Senate unanimously, in the House by a vote of 103 yeas to 15 nays. One hundred guns were fired, and the bells rang in honor of the event. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – A pine tree was cut in Monmouth, last week, which measured nineteen feet in circumference, and one hundred and sixty-five in height. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – The President's son Robert is to take the rank of Captain on Gen. Grant's staff, but without pay. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – There is a terrible destruction of human life going on just now outside of army operations. Railroad accidents, steamboat explosions and collisions at sea, were never more frequent or disastrous, and yet excite little comment. War, the great destroyer, has made us almost indifferent to the loss of life. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – The four years of continued suffering which the people of Savannah have endured have left an expression of pain upon their faces. Men have remained in their houses for months without ever going into the street, for fear of being conscripted; and an instance is mentioned of one man who had not gone outside of his door for three years. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – The Oyster Case, in which Mr. James Freeman brings suit against the owners of the barque *Hebron* for damage done to his oyster bed by petroleum pumped from the hold of the barque, is on trial before the Supreme Judicial Court. [*Portland Transcript*]

**Jan 21, 1865** – A white pennant with the letters "S.P." is now displayed under the flag on the City Building when there is good skating on the Park. [*Portland Transcript*]

Editor's note: From 1847 to 1853, Cape Elizabeth resident Scott D. Jordan, a mariner, plied trade routes in New England, England, the West Indies, the Caribbean, and the southern coast of the United States. In 1863, he left his wife Judith and their three children to serve as a naval ensign in the Civil War. After the war, he farmed and served for a while as the superintendent of Cape Elizabeth Poor Farm. Jordan wrote the following at the start of 1864:

*U.S. Steamer Carondelet  
Eastport, Miss.*

*Jan 24, 1865*

*We left here three days ago for Paducah. We took three young women and their husbands and four children down with us. They were going up into Ohio to live until everything is quiet in Tennessee. People up North can have but a vague idea of the suffering among the people of the South in consequence of the war.*

*It is frequently the case that we see families that have been brought up in affluence, and with servants to attend to all their wants, entirely destitute of the necessities of life, their homes all gone, their husbands in the rebel army. And everything taken by the Guerrillas except the empty buildings which they occupy. How they manage to exist is to me a mystery.*

## Cape police to be presentation topic on Feb. 2

A Cape Elizabeth police officer will speak about the Cape Elizabeth Police Department at a free Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society presentation set for 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 2, in the Cape Elizabeth Community Center's Community Room.

Topics will include "police activities and procedures, how 911 works, police staffing, and information on how the police cover our town to keep us safe," CEHPS President Dorothy Higgins said.

Photographs of the Cape Elizabeth Police Department from past years will be shown at the event, which will be open to all and will include refreshments.

In March, CEHPS members plan an open house in the society's new office at the Public Safety building at 325 Ocean House Road. More information will be included in a future issue of *The Cape Courier*.

Contact Higgins at [dmhig@maine.rr.com](mailto:dmhig@maine.rr.com) for more information.

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## Group: Look out for Cape senior citizens who are friends, neighbors during winter months

By Wendy Keeler

During the winter, Cape Elizabeth senior citizens may benefit from a little help from their friends, say members of the Cape Elizabeth Senior Citizens Advisory Commission.

The seven-member group, established in 2014 to advise the Town Council on the needs of town residents 60 years and older, has tips for friends, family members and neighbors of Cape Elizabeth senior citizens.

"The season and short sunlit days can be extremely challenging to any of us, but particularly for seniors," SCAC Chairman Brett Seekins stated on behalf of the commission. "In the spirit of our town and the need to communicate frequently, differently and effectively about these matters, the CESCAC would like to promote a few simple ways to assist our neighbors that may be in need during these long winter months."

Doing visual checks of seniors' houses can make a difference, Seekins said.

"If normal patterns in the household just don't look right – window shades closed all day or the lights left on at unusual hours – maybe it's time for a knock on the door, if you know someone well enough, or a call to the police department might be in order if those neighbors are new acquaintances."

During and after winter storms, make sure to help, he said.

"Clear the driveway and sidewalk and don't forget to make a path to the oil tank

reservoir and mailbox," Seekins said. "Dig, sand and salt your neighbor out."

Always think about senior citizens before doing errands.

"When you head out to the grocery store, pharmacy or transfer station, ask your neighbor if you can pick up or drop anything off for them," Seekins said. "They probably won't call you for help. A gentle 'ask' might go a long way. As trust builds up in your relationship you'll soon hear, 'You know, I could use a half-gallon of milk.'"

Encourage senior citizens to organize their most important information so it's "readily accessible to trusted family and friends," Seekins said.

Information should include names and phone numbers of doctors, relatives, caregivers, home health and agencies on aging, police, fire, attorneys, insurance agents and helpful neighbors, as well as prescribed medications and the locations of important insurance documents, investments, bank accounts, wills, advanced directives and other important personal information.

Everyone – senior citizens and their family, friends and neighbors – should be aware of the increased risk of abuse among senior citizens, Seekins said.

"If you experience or witness signs of emotional, physical or financial abuse ... contact the police department immediately," he said. "Over 11 percent of people age 60 and over will experience some form of



## George Baker celebrates 102 years

Cape Elizabeth resident George Baker displays his partially eaten chocolate 102nd-birthday cake at home on Dec. 26, when neighbors and family members visited him throughout the day and partook of cake. "When the weather permits, my father takes his daily 10-minute walk on his street," his son, George Baker II, said. "During inclement weather, he walks inside for 10 minutes, doing laps from one end of the house to the other. Talk about self-discipline!" Born Dec. 26, 1912, in Portland, Baker has lived in Cape Elizabeth since the 1950s. He worked at Portland Copper & Tank Works in South Portland as a master machinist, and then at Bancroft-Martin in Scarborough. He and his wife Alberta have two children, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

abuse this year. Social media and targeted email scams also prey on our elderly."

Loved ones, friends and neighbors should always remember to respect seniors' privacy, however.

"Please know who you're reaching out to," Seekins said. "Most people probably don't want help, but trust will soon take over false pride. It's all about knowing how to connect. And, if there's ever any concern or question on how best to reach out, don't. Contact the police department."

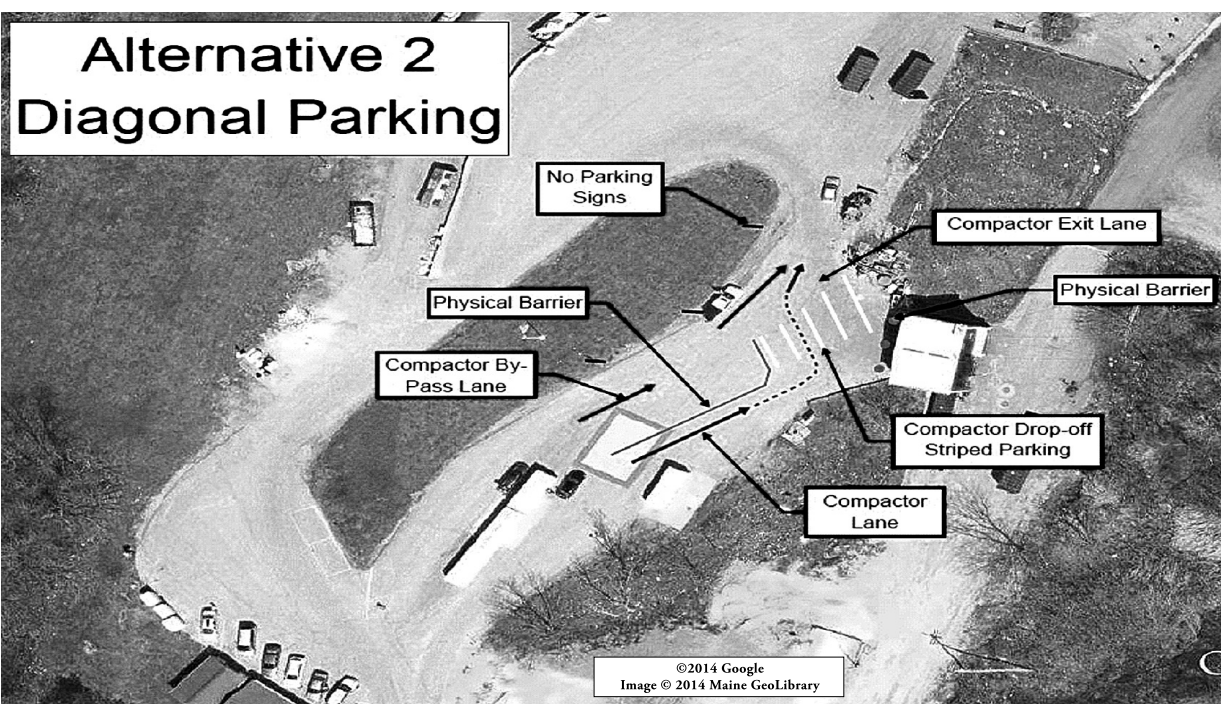
### Please send us senior news & photos!

The Cape Courier welcomes ideas and submissions about Cape Elizabeth senior citizens, from news and upcoming events to profiles, features and photographs.

Please email Wendy Keeler at [communityeditor@capecourier.com](mailto:communityeditor@capecourier.com) or call 767-3853.



## Town of Cape Elizabeth Notice to Residents Update to Traffic and Use Changes at the Recycling Center Effective January 21, 2015



After the tragic accident in November, the town commissioned an engineering firm to look at short term changes to the building housing the compactor in order to be confident that it is safe and to assist citizens in feeling comfortable using the facility. Effective January 21, 2015, there will no longer be vehicle access into the floor of the compactor building. All vehicles will form one line and then wait a turn to take one of four drop off lanes as shown in the sketch to the left. They will be coned off so their location will be clear. After proceeding to your drop off lane, you will then walk the short distance from the back of your vehicle with your trash to the hopper.

There will also be carts available in the compactor building if you wish to roll your trash from your vehicle to the compactor. We believe this system will be faster, will end vehicles backing up and will have everyone moving in the same direction. If you need to speak to one of the attendants, please park during quiet times in the drop off lanes or in busier times in spaces that will be clearly marked for five minute parking. If you are visiting for purposes other than using the compactor, follow the compactor bypass lane shown in the sketch. Both lanes will have access to the recycling bins. One other change is that the few commercial haulers who are not already going directly to ecomaine with their trash will now be doing so, thus further reducing congestion and wait times.

We will watch how it all works and make changes as needed. The town council has also established a citizen committee that is looking at our solid waste and recycling practices for the long term. Please watch the Cape Courier and our town website at [www.capeelizabeth.com](http://www.capeelizabeth.com) for more information on this committee's deliberations and how you can provide input.

Thank you all for working with us as we move ahead, for cautiously using this site as we share responsibility for safety and for all your support following the recent tragedy.

Michael K. McGovern, *Town Manager*, [michael.mcgovern@capeelizabeth.org](mailto:michael.mcgovern@capeelizabeth.org)  
Robert C. Malley, *Director of Public Works*, [robert.malley@capeelizabeth.org](mailto:robert.malley@capeelizabeth.org)

You may also email the town council on this change or on any issue at [cetowncouncil@capeelizabeth.org](mailto:cetowncouncil@capeelizabeth.org)



### Cape Courier floats in Dead Sea



While visiting Ein Gedi, a kibbutz by the Dead Sea in the Judean desert in Israel, Cape Elizabeth residents, from left, Eric Dinnerstein and his children, Isaac, 11, and Zoe, 8, read *The Courier* while floating in “the salty waters – so salty that one cannot sink!” Eric wrote in an email.

### Courier takes in view of Cape Town



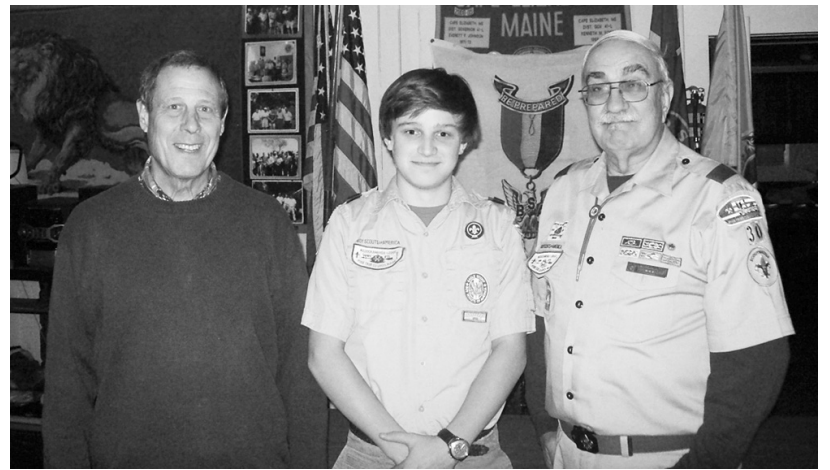
Cape Elizabeth resident Theo Bowe reads the *Courier* last month on a friend's balcony in Cape Town, South Africa. Behind him are, left, Table Mountain, and, right, Lion's Head, two of the three iconic mountains that frame the city. Theo spent five months doing biology research at the University of Cape Town. With him in Cape Town was Sydney Banks, a fellow 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate who also attends Northeastern University in Boston. Sydney had an internship at Heart Capital, an impact investment firm in Cape Town. After returning to Cape Elizabeth for the holidays, the two are now back in Boston.



### CC vacations in Macedonia

Cape Elizabeth was well represented recently in Skopje, Macedonia, where vacationing Cape Elizabeth High School alumni far left, Butch Fabish; center, Alex Fabish; and, second from right, Cape Elizabeth resident Joe Henrikson read *The Cape Courier* with their friends, from left, Ivana Petreska and Martina Neshovska. Alex and Joe are 2002 Cape Elizabeth High School graduates, and Butch graduated from CEHS in 2006. The group is standing in front of the “Warrior on a Horse” monument, which is believed to depict Alexander the Great, although not officially named for him.

### Cape's newest Eagle Scout



Cape Elizabeth High School sophomore Drew Harrington, 16, recently received the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank of Boy Scouts of America. With him are his Boy Scout Troop 30 leaders, left, Steve Bates and Moe Black. For his Eagle service project, Drew worked on the Children's Garden at the Arboretum at Fort Williams. Drew planned and led an effort to remove brush from the site of the garden and clear it of exotic and invasive species.

### Brownies sing for Cape Memory Care residents



Members of Brownie Troop 1169, who sang carols for residents at Cape Memory Care last month, are, from left, front, Moira Concannon, Phoebe Altenburg, Scarlett Strunk, Kierith Gentilini, Charlotte Miller; Caroline Black, Fae Kinsella, Lucy Berman, Ava Corbin, Ellie Mainville and Kate Korrup. Brownie Alemnesh Sesselberg is missing from the picture.

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## 'Furniture friends' make difference to needy families every night, every day

By Wendy Keeler

Five Cape Elizabeth residents – a father, his two daughters' and the girls' two friends – delivered gifts before the holidays that will have a lasting effect on the health and well-being of three families in need: beds. Until then, the families had been sleeping on the floor.

Cape Elizabeth Middle School sixth-grader Sasha Garland-Doré and Cape Elizabeth High School freshmen Sophie Garland-Doré, Julie Derzawiec and Anna Torre delivered furniture with the Garland-Dorés' dad, Jon Doré, director of operations for Furniture Friends. The nonprofit organization delivers used furniture to people in need in Greater Portland.

"The girls were able to ... make the Christmas of three families brighter," said Doré, adding that during one delivery, a young boy turned to the girls, smiling, and then asked, "Can we keep it, Mom ... forever?"

The volunteer-based organization delivered furniture to more than 325 households in 2014, the nonprofit's first year with paid staff.

Recipients include refugees and asylum-seekers, veterans returning from service, Mainers trying to get back on their feet, and people dealing with chronic illnesses or physical or mental disabilities.

"It is common for interactions with recipients to be deeply touching," Doré said. "In one instance, our crew lacked the right hardware to assemble a bed frame for some women newly arrived from Burundi. We had to make multiple visits and they were very patient, reserved and polite. On our third visit, though, we were successful, and as we slid the mattresses into place, the two women burst into tears of happiness. It is nice to play a part in helping people to build new lives. The idea is simple – getting furniture to people – but the impact can be profound."

The organization has a need for beds, blankets, living room seating and dressers,



From bottom, Anna Torre, Sasha Garland-Doré, Sophie Garland-Doré and Julie Derzawiec get ready to carry a mattress into an apartment last month.



The girls and Jon Doré stand outside the delivery truck.

but beds are the biggest need, Doré said.

Donated furniture must be in excellent condition and cannot be excessively heavy, because all lifting is done by volunteers, Dore said. Go to [www.furniturefriendsportland.org](http://www.furniturefriendsportland.org) to donate furniture or money, or for information about volunteering.

## Cape Elizabeth High School grad in Maine with husband for 'Our Man in Havana'

By Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth High School alumna Katie MacNichol, who grew up on Southwell Road and graduated in 1985, is back in Maine with her family – but not just for a visit.

MacNichol and her husband Bruce Turk, actors who live in Los Angeles, are leads in "Our Man in Havana" at the Portland Stage Co. through Sunday, Feb. 15. During the show's run, their two children are being home-schooled while staying with their grandmother, Loreen MacNichol.

MacNichol and her father, Alexander, who has since passed away, acted in Maine productions decades ago – her father at the Portland Players and MacNichol under current CEHS Theater Director Richard Mullen during her high school years.

In addition to performing in numerous



Photo by Aaron Flacke

Cape Elizabeth native Katie MacNichol and her husband Bruce Turk, are now performing in "Our Man In Havana."

theater productions, MacNichol has had roles in movies and in TV shows that include "Medium," "Law & Order: Criminal Intent" and "The Practice." Turk has ap-

—see ADULT OFFERINGS, page 13

## Three months of C Salt



C Salt Gourmet Market, which features baked goods, prepared meals, sandwiches, soups, salads, specialty food items, breakfast and coffee in a new building at 349 Ocean House Road, just turned three months. Cape Elizabeth residents Mike and Stephanie Concannon, pictured with daughters, far left, Moira and Katherine, also own Port Printing Solutions. The commercial printing company moved from its location in South Portland into offices above C Salt. Mike Concannon said he was inspired to open C Salt by Eddie's Gourmet Market in Baltimore, which he frequented while attending Loyola University.

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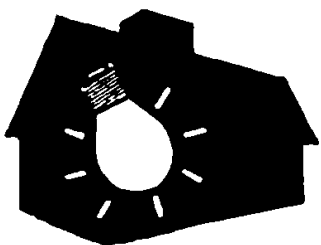
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## Disruption expected at library, as new phase of construction begins



Photo by Elizabeth Brogan

Library users will temporarily have to enter through the porch of the children's library.

### By Rachel Davis

As final construction on the library's temporary space comes to a close and construction of the new library begins, library users should expect some disruption to normal service.

Most immediately, as the new entrance to the temporary library is being completed, library users will have to enter the library through the front porch of the children's library. Because the porch has stairs, those library users with accessibility issues will not

have easy access during this brief time.

If you find that entering the library using stairs will be an issue for you, please contact the library at 799-1720 and staff members will arrange to deliver materials to you.

The library staff asks for the public's patience and understanding during this time of transition. If you encounter any other difficulties accessing or using library services, please let library staff know so they can find a way to meet your needs.

## New schedule of children's programming will begin in February

### By Rachel Davis

Beginning Monday, Feb. 2, the library's children's staff will try out a new schedule of children's programs, which may be adjusted in March after staff has a chance to see how the programs work in the new, temporary program space.

Children's programs used to take place in the library's Community Room. While the new library is under construction, the adult library has been relocated to the Community Room, and a smaller program space has been created in the picture book area of the library.

This smaller, nondedicated, space may present challenges for running effective programs. The schedule for February is intended to be a trial to see what works and what needs to be adjusted.

During the month of December, while library staff was preparing for renovations to begin, the library replaced regular story times with "Stay & Play" programs; families were invited to drop in and let their children play with a variety of toys set out for this purpose. Because of the popularity of those programs, the library will be following its morning slate of story times with a few hours of "Stay & Play" in which a variety of additional toys will be set out for children and families. Story times will be shorter, 20 to 30 minutes, and more of them will be offered in the hope of spreading out attendance.

The schedule for February will be:

#### Baby Time, for birth to 18 months

Wednesdays at 11 with Rachel  
Fridays at 9:30 with Rachel

#### Toddler Time, for 18 months to 3 years

Mondays at 9:30 with Kiah  
Tuesdays at 9:30 with Rachel  
Wednesdays at 9:30 with Kiah

Thursdays at 9:30 with Rachel

#### Preschool Time, for ages 3 to 5

Mondays at 10:30 with Kiah  
Tuesdays at 10:30 with Rick  
Wednesdays at 10:30 with Kiah  
Fridays at 10:30 with Rick

#### Family Story Time, for all ages

Saturdays at 10:30 with Rachel

#### Stay & Play, for all ages

Mondays from 11 to 2  
Tuesdays from 11 to 2  
Wednesdays from 11:30 to 2  
Thursdays from 11:30 to 2  
Fridays from 11 to 2  
Saturdays from 11 to 3

#### Musical Story Hour returns

Also returning in February, is Jud Caswell's Musical Story Hour. The first program will take place from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Thurs., Feb. 5, upstairs in the children's library picture book area. This program is best suited for ages 3 to 5, but younger children who are able to listen to longer stories are welcome to attend.

#### Read-to-a-Dog program continues

Winston and Maddie, the library's two therapy dogs, will continue to meet with young readers on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons after school. Winston, a golden retriever, is available on Wednesdays from 3:15 to 5:00 p.m., and Maddie, a black Lab, is available on Thursdays from 3:30 to 5:15. The dogs will meet with readers in a quiet corner upstairs in the children's library. Children must register in advance to read to the dogs; registration can be done in person, on the phone, or online at the library's website.

## Socrates Café will meet Tuesday, Feb. 3

The library's monthly philosophy discussion group, Socrates Café, will resume from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3 in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School Learning Commons.

The program will take place regularly at

the middle school while the new library is under construction, due to the lack of a suitable adult program space in the temporary library. For help finding the Learning Commons at the middle school, please visit the library's website.

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### Three Maine writers to do readings on Jan. 24

Three Maine writers – a nonfiction author, a poet and a fiction writer – will read from their own work from 4 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24, at The Local Buzz coffee house and wine bar. The free event is part of a monthly series sponsored by the Local Writers at The Local Buzz group. Portland Poet Laureate Marcia F. Brown, who is a Cape Elizabeth resident, cohosts the events along with poet Linda Aldrich.

Novelist Lewis Robinson is the author of the novel “Water Dogs,” a New York Times “Editor’s Choice” book, and the story collection, “Officer Friendly,” the winner of the PEN/Oakland Josephine Miles Award and a Whiting Award. A 2010 recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts grant, his short stories and essays have appeared in The New York Times Book Review, Tin House, Sports Illustrated, The Missouri Review, and on National Public Radio’s “Selected Shorts.” He lives in Portland.

Kittery Point poet Kimberly Cloutier Green won the Aldrich Poetry Prize, which included the publication of her chapbook, “What Becomes of Words.” She is a recent

Pushcart Prize nominee, was selected in 2005 for the Maine Community Foundation’s Martin Dibner Fellowship in Poetry, and is a MacDowell Fellow. Her first full-length collection of poems, “The Next Hunger,” was released in April 2013 by Bauhan Publishing/UPNE. She is currently Poet Laureate of the city of Portsmouth, N.H.

Brooklyn-born Jim Donnelly, who currently drives a bus for a Portland senior citizen home, has worked as a journalist, an essayist and a literary critic for The Aquarian and Downtown magazines. Donnelly has held a number of blue-collar jobs since boyhood and said he found his voice through music and writing. His poetry has appeared in Portland’s Cafe Review, and his poetry collection, “Rifles, Rumors, Gin and Prayer,” was published by Moon Pie Press in 2013. He serves on the board of Maine Poetry Central and is co-curator of Lowry’s Lodge monthly poetry series featuring Maine poets of diverse regions.

The Local Buzz is located at 327 Ocean House Road. Go to [www.capelocalbuzz.com](http://www.capelocalbuzz.com) or call 541-9024 for more information.

### Cape Lions to host spaghetti dinner on Jan. 24

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club plans an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner on Saturday, Jan. 24, at the clubhouse, the old Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

The dinner will run from 5 to 7:30 p.m. and also will include garlic bread, salad, des-

sert and soft drinks. Diners may bring their own alcoholic drinks.

Proceeds raised from the event will benefit maintenance of the clubhouse and Cape Elizabeth Lions Club charities. The Cape Lions welcome new members. Call Paul Gentilini at 470-7353 for information.

### Robinson Woods snowshoeing outing on Jan. 24

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Executive Director Chris Franklin and Cape Elizabeth resident Brian Guthrie will lead a snowshoe outing through the Robinson Woods trail network on Saturday, Jan. 24, from 2 to 4 p.m.

During the program, designed for winter outdoor enthusiasts, the group will explore the woods on and off the trails. Group members, who will meet at the Robinson

Woods kiosk on Shore Road, should bring their own equipment. The outing is dependent on weather conditions.

The program has a \$6 fee. Register at the Cape Elizabeth Community Services’ office at 343 Ocean House Road; by calling 799-2868; or at [www.capecommunityservices.org](http://www.capecommunityservices.org). Call 767-6054 or go to [www.capecelandtrust.org](http://www.capecelandtrust.org) for information about CELT.

## CAPE CALENDAR

By Wendy Derzawiec

### Thursday, January 22

**Library Building Committee**, 4-7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center

**Firing Range Committee**, 6 p.m., Public Safety Building

### Tuesday, January 27

**School Board Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

**Zoning Board of Appeals**, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

**Special Planning Board Workshop**, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**School Board Finance Committee**, 8 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

### Monday, February 2

**School Board Policy Committee**, 7:30-8:30 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

**Town Council Workshop**, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall.

### Tuesday, February 3

**Planning Board Workshop**, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

## CABLE GUIDE

## CHANNEL 3

**Planning Board replay**  
Jan. 21 & 22 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Jan. 24 - 9 a.m.

**Words of Peace**

Jan. 24, 25, 31 & Feb. 1 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.

**CE Church of the Nazarene**

Jan. 24, 25, 31

Feb. 1 - 11:30 a.m.

**Zoning Board of Appeals (live)**

Jan. 27 - 7 p.m.

**Zoning Board of Appeals replay**

Jan. 28 & 29 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Jan. 31 - 9 a.m.

### Portland Players to present ‘Calendar Girls’

“Calendar Girls” will open Friday, Jan. 30, and run through Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Portland Players, 420 Cottage Road in South Portland.

Based on the 2003 film of the same name, the play tells the story of a group of women who persuade one another to pose in the nude for a charity calendar. Overcoming their modesty, the friends pose with strategi-

cally placed objects. As media interest rises, the women find themselves exposed in ways they had never expected.

Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$15 for children and students with identification. Call 207-799-7337 or go to [www.portlandplayers.org](http://www.portlandplayers.org) to buy tickets.


The next *Courier* deadline is **Friday, Jan. 23.**



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## SERVICES

### Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene

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Sunday School for all ages: 9:30 a.m.  
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### Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church

280 Ocean House Road  
799-8396

[www.ceumc.org](http://www.ceumc.org)

Chapel Service: 8 a.m.  
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Second Friday: 6:30 p.m.

### First Baptist Church of South Portland

879 Sawyer St., South Portland  
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Awana Clubs (Grades 3-8): Tues., 6:20 p.m.

### First Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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Sanctuary worship: 10 a.m.  
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### Promised Land World Reach Center

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Family Bible Studies:

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Nursery: Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

### Saint Bartholomew Roman Catholic Church

8 Two Lights Road  
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[www.saintbarts.com](http://www.saintbarts.com)

Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m.

## First Coder Express week not only educational but also 'extraordinarily fun,' principal says



Photo by Kelly Hasson

About 350 parents, students and teachers filled the Pond Cove School cafeteria last month during Pond Cove's first annual Coder Express event, when kindergartners through fourth-graders taught their families how to code on school iPads. Pond Cove Technology Integrator Tom Charltray led the event.

### By Wendy Keeler

Last month, Cape Elizabeth's computer programming demographic grew by a few hundred people, thanks to Pond Cove School Technology Integrator Thomas Charltray and the "Coder Express" event he organized the night of Dec. 16 for Pond Cove students and their families.

This December in a national initiative, many schools across the country offered an "Hour of Code," an hour devoted to teaching students about coding, or "the language of computers," in Charltray's words. Pond Cove expanded the program to an hour of coding every day for a week and capped off the week with a family event, which drew about 350 people to the school cafeteria. That night, students used their new knowledge to teach family members how to code.

Throughout the previous week, Charltray had visited classrooms.

"To help students understand the concept of coding concretely, Mr. Charltray had each class 'code' a 'student robot' with specific commands that they wrote in code before they learned how to code with apps on school iPads," said Pond Cove Principal Kelly Hasson, who observed Charltray working with students in several classes. "Students had to problem-solve collectively how many floor



Photos by Kelly Hasson

Pond Cove third-grader Kevin O'Sullivan, second from left, teaches his mom Nancy, far left, how to code on an iPad using the app, Lightbot, while second-grader Atticus Richard teaches his mom Marie how to code using the app Scratch, Jr.

tiles their 'robot classmate' had to cross and which directions he or she had to turn. If students miscalculated, they simply revised their code and also learned technology terms such as 'debugging' when computer codes need to be revised."

Soon after, students began coding on secure school iPads using apps of increasing difficulty.

Students benefit greatly from learning how to code, Hasson said.

—see CODER EXPRESS, page 13

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## Cape Elizabeth School Department Annual Notification of Asbestos-Containing Building Materials

The Cape Elizabeth School Department has inspected all school buildings for the presence of suspect asbestos-containing building materials in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) EPA 40 CFR 763. A written plan for the management of these materials has been maintained by Safe Environmental of South Portland, Maine

The AHERA Management Plan is available for inspection by the general public at the Town Office of Cape Elizabeth, Cape Elizabeth, Maine. The plans may be inspected during normal office hours by appointment.

Copies of the plans can be provided at a cost of 25 cents per page.

The Management Plan is a guidance document outlining operational procedures designed for the proper maintenance and safety of all people who work, study, or are otherwise present in any of the following facilities:

### Cape Elizabeth High School

The materials are bi-annually inspected for change in condition during six month periodic surveillances conducted in December and June.

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### All-State honors



Cape Elizabeth High School senior Mary DiPietro was honored as a 2014 all-state athlete by the Maine Field Hockey Association at a Dec. 7 awards banquet in Augusta. A goalie, she is pictured with, from left, her parents, Michael and Jane DiPietro, and coach Darci Holland.

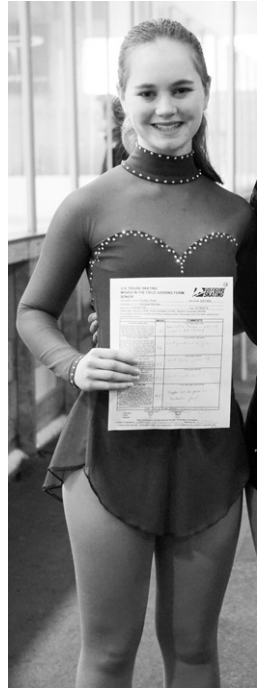
### Hoops champs



Cape Elizabeth's sixth-grade boys' travel basketball team won the 17th annual Holiday Hoops Tournament at Scarborough High School last month. Pictured are, from left, Hiryu Hagos, Will Thornton, Jake Tinsman, Chris Cloutier, Archie McEvoy; back row, Coach Tom Cloutier, Noah Pillsbury, Nate Mullen, Finn McQueeney and Coach TJ McEvoy. Players Andrew Conley, Will Altenburg and Nick Clifford are missing from the picture.

### Punsky passes test, rises to junior level

One week before her 16th birthday last month, Cape Elizabeth High School sophomore Rose Punsky, who began taking ice skating lessons as a preschooler, earned testing distinction from the United States Figure Skating Association. On Dec. 18, Punsky passed a test that moves her from USFSA's novice ladies' freeskate level to the junior division, the second to highest level.



Rose Punsky

Since 2005, Punsky has been competing in freestyle shows as a soloist and group number performer, but she doesn't limit her athleticism to skating. A member of the 2014 CEHS volleyball team that won the Maine championship this fall, Punsky also plays for the Boom Volleyball Club.

### Adult Offerings

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peared in "Numb3rs," "ER," and "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" in addition to films and theater productions.

"They are very accomplished actors working with the best of the best, and we are very lucky to have them here and to have Katie back in her home town," said Eileen Phelan, Portland Stage's marketing director.

The play centers on a bumbling vacuum cleaner salesman who makes up informants when he is recruited to be a spy. In the thriller, which conjures up 1950s Cuba, four actors change accents and costumes to play more than 30 characters.

Tickets are \$37-\$47, with discounts for seniors and students. Go to [www.portland-stage.org/tickets/](http://www.portland-stage.org/tickets/) or call 774-0465 to reserve tickets. The theater is located at 25 Forest Ave.

### Coder Express

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"Not only is it extraordinarily fun for children, but coding also helps build logic and analytical skills, problem-solving stamina, and helps children learn the importance of working collaboratively within a team. These are skills ... that will help them along their educational journey here in Cape and, ultimately, to be college and career-ready down the road," Hasson said.

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## Smoky weather



Photo by Martha Agan

Sea smoke shrouds a lobster boat at Kettle Cove on Jan. 8.

## Town Council

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can address poor cell coverage.

Council goals will also seek to improve citizen engagement with establishment of a mediation program for local disputes, to be staffed by volunteers; a review of note-taking responsibilities for citizen boards and committees and establishment of templates for notes and minutes; continued review of new opportunities for citizen involvement and contribution to goal setting; and development of an action plan for orientation of

boards and committees.

Other miscellaneous goals include review of the report of the Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee and plan development; receipt of a composting report from the Recycling Committee; continued work with the town manager to enhance best practices between manager, council and staff; and enhancement of budget documents and processes to identify appropriate service levels and to minimize tax increases.

The goals were unanimously approved with no discussion, all goals said to have been previously discussed at length.

## Recycling

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access the compactor at one time, with the increase from three parking spaces in the compactor building to four parking spaces near the compactor building.

The new traffic pattern is not without pre-identified disadvantages. Pedestrians will be required to cross a single lane of traffic, and the distance users will be required to carry trash will be increased, but the new system is like other parking lot scenarios, according to Woodard and Curran.

### SafetyWorks! report received

The town also received a Jan. 7 report from SafetyWorks!, a division of the Maine Department of Labor providing free consultation, upon request, for public sector workplaces. The report was briefly reviewed by McGovern at the Jan. 12 Town Council meeting.

The report, which was requested by Malley on Dec. 5, identifies workplace hazards for citizens visiting the Recycling Center, as well as for employees, and makes recommendations for improvement.

Addressing citizen safety, the report notes that speed limits at the Recycling Center are not observed, particularly as vehicles enter the facility and as they pass the Swap Shop. Speed bumps are recommended.

Both vehicular and foot traffic is noted to be "unorganized." Designated routes, relocation of recycling containers, direction of traffic by an employee, and changes to how the compactor is accessed are recommended.

The report identifies the Swap Shop as a popular Recycling Center destination and notes that, although located just inside the entrance to the Recycling Center, citizens must drive the entire one-way loop to get to the Swap Shop parking area. Relocation of the Swap Shop, or alternate access to it, is recommended.

It is noted that children and pets are asked, but not required, to be kept in vehicles when

near the compactor. It is recommended that safety measures be required of citizens.

### Long-range plan to come

The new traffic pattern is intended to be a short-term measure to improve safety at the Recycling Center in 2015.

A new five-member Solid Waste and Recycling Long-Range Planning Committee has been formed to consider long-term improvements and to provide a report to the council by June 30. Town Councilor Jessica Sullivan is chairing the committee, which also includes Jamie Garvin, representing the Recycling Committee, and William Brownell, Anne Swift-Kayatta and Charles Wilson. Public Works Director Bob Malley is providing staff support.

The committee met for the first time on Jan. 13 and set a fast-paced initial timeline of meetings to take place Wednesdays at 2 p.m. on Jan. 28, Feb. 11, Feb. 18, March 11 and March 25. All meetings will be held in the Public Works Building on Cooper Drive and will be open to the public with brief opportunities for comment.

Engineers from Woodard and Curran reviewed their report with the committee on Jan. 13 and were asked to provide information for the next meeting about other local transfer stations and Americans with Disabilities Act requirements for transfer stations, as well as a site plan of the current transfer station showing abutting town property.

### Bottle Shed change delayed

In other recycling news, implementation of the newly-approved bottle-shed system has been delayed.

The Town Council on Dec. 8 approved a new, no-sort system to be handled by Madden Beverage beginning Jan. 1, but Madden has now indicated it does not yet have the required equipment. The Lions Club will continue to man the shed in January until a new contractor can be found.

"We are very appreciative of the [Lions Club] stepping in on such short notice," said Town Manager Michael McGovern, in a Dec. 31 email to town councilors.

## Planning

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recommended to the Town Council govern board procedures at site walks and how board members should share findings from internet research with the public and the rest of the board.

The Town Council considered the proposed rule changes and approved them unanimously after some brief discussion at its Jan. 12 meeting.

### Permit OK'd for boardwalk

The Planning Board Dec. 16 also voted to approve a permit for a 2,046-foot boardwalk to be constructed through wetland at 20 Rams Head Road, off of Charles E. Jordan Road. The boardwalk includes a 34-foot long bridge and impacts 9 square feet of wetland, said landscape architect Stephen Mohr, representing property owners John Higgins and Nancy Chatfield. The project also requires permits from the state Department of Environmental Protection and Army Corps of Engineers.

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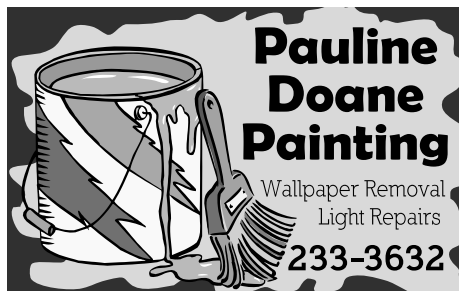
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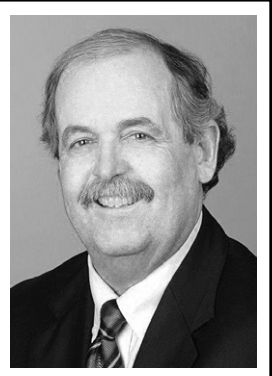
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## The birdman of Cape Elizabeth



Last month, when Cape Elizabeth resident Todd Brydson and his friend, Palermo resident Andrew York, were skiing at Saddleback Mountain in Rangeley, a friendly gray jay, or "Canada jay," paid Todd a visit. "We decided to take a break, (and) this gray jay suddenly dive-bombed my head and made his presence known!" Todd wrote in an email to The Cape Courier. "I've seen this type of bird before and knew it was related to the 'camp-robbing' blue jay, so I decided to see if it liked almonds. It did! I had a small bag in my pocket as an easy ski-food snack, so I decided to try to hand feed it. The bird landed on my hand, took the snack in its beak, flew into the trees for a minute and came right back. I did this five or six times with my new bird friend and left him a small pile for his friends and relatives to enjoy."

**Karyn Barrett**, a 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate who is now a senior at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., recently earned All-New England Small College Athletic Conference honors.

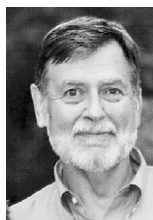
Named to the Second Team All-NESCAC, Karyn led the team in goals (seven), assists (five), points (19) and game-winning goals (three).

She was named NESCAC "player of the week" on Oct. 13 after scoring a goal apiece in two league wins for Trinity. She ranked fifth in the NESCAC in goals and fourth in points.

Karyn, who is majoring in economics at Trinity, is the daughter of **Daniel and Debbie Barrett**.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Richard Cass** recently won the national Trout Unlimited "Be Steelheaded" essay contest. The essay was read as part of a kickoff event in Seattle for the launch of TU's Wild Steelhead Initiative, a project to protect and restore wild steelhead in their native ranges in Alaska, California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

He is the author of a book of stories titled "Gleam of Bone" and "Solo Act," a novel slated for release in October 2015. The prize-winning essay can be read at prizewinning essay at [www.tu.org/blog-posts/be-steelheaded-essay-winner-dick-cass](http://www.tu.org/blog-posts/be-steelheaded-essay-winner-dick-cass).



Richard Cass

## Married



Lukas and Erin Huebener

United States Air Force Capt. **Lukas Huebener**, the son of **Elizabeth and Jim Huebener** and a 2004 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, was married on Oct. 11 to Erin Johnson, daughter of Cheryl and Alan Johnson of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, at the Glover Mansion in Spokane, Wash.

**Reid Smith**, a fellow 2004 CEHS alumnus, was best man. Stephanie Johnson was matron of honor, and the bride's sister, Jennifer Johnson, was maid of honor. **Michael Beling**, another 2004 CEHS graduate, was a groomsman, and Luke's sister, **Mary-Katharine Huebener**, a 2006 CEHS graduate, was a bridesmaid. The couple was regaled

in celebration by several Cape Elizabeth and Portland-area friends.

A 2009 graduate of the University of New Hampshire in Durham, Luke is a KC-135 pilot stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington. He is currently deployed overseas in Qatar. Erin is a 2003 graduate of Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene, a 2008 graduate of the University of Idaho in Moscow, and she earned a master's degree in Spanish in 2010 from Washington State University in Pullman.

The couple lives and works in Spokane, Wash., where Erin is a professor of Spanish at Spokane Community College.

**Rebecca O'Neill** was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Bridgewater College in Bridgewater, Va. A 2014 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, she is majoring in political science.

**Elizabeth Robinson** was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Keene State College in Keene, N.H. She is a 2012 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate.

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Average/Median Sale Price:	\$591,266/\$435,000	\$513,421/\$420,000	- 13.2% / - 3.4%
Average/Median Days on Market:	63/24	62/31	- 1.6%/+29.2%
<b>CONDOS:</b>			
Number Sold:	29	30	+ 3.4%
Average/Median Sale Price:	\$261,374/215,000	\$290,951/216,500	+11.3%/+0.7%
Average/Median Days on Market:	87/44	75/23	- 13.8%/-47.7%

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