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## Decision on business district changes tabled until June 8

By Bob Dodd

It's a tale of two business zones.

About 40 residents spoke for nearly two hours about proposed changes in the zoning ordinance pertaining to the town's two BA (Business A) zoned areas.

Councilors then voted unanimously to table any action on the proposed changes until the next regular meeting, June 8.

This will give the councilors time "to tweak where tweaking is appropriate, and accept where accepting is appropriate, and come back with a version in June that is modified based on the comments we've heard tonight," said Councilor David Backer.

The BA district consists of the area on Shore Road around the Irving service station and the small shops just north of the station, and also the area along Route 77 from around Rudy's of the Cape to Jordan's Lawn and Garden Center.

The updating of the town's zoning ordinance relating to the BA district was a recommendation of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan. The plan called for a review of BA regulations to "create neighborhood scale



The Shore Road business district

Photo by Jenny Campbell

commercial areas" including the creation of design standards, a review of setbacks to encourage pedestrian connections, reducing parking requirements and several other recommendations.

The Comprehensive Plan also called for

reducing the 250-foot wetlands buffer to 100 feet in the BA district where properties are served by public water and sewer.

Many of the plan's recommendations are addressed in the proposed amendments.

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## School budget validated by May 12 citizen vote

By Elizabeth Brogan

The 19.3 million school budget for 2009-2010, School Board-recommended and Town Council-approved, is now citizen-validated as well.

Official results of the May 12 budget validation vote have 1,348 "yes" votes and 952 "no" votes. An advisory question revealed that 988 voters felt that the budget was "too high," while 640 thought it was "acceptable" and 616 "too low."

Voter turnout, according to Assistant Town Manager and Town Clerk, Debra Lane, was 2,304, or 29 percent, with 404 absentee ballots cast.

The combined town budget will result in a 0.6 percent increase in the town's property tax rate, with 11 cents added to the tax rate of \$17.44 per \$1000 of assessed valuation.

### Relief, recognition of concerns

"Relief" sums up the reaction of School Board Chair, Trish Brigham. "Relief that the process is over. Pleased that the majority of the community has supported the budget. We are ready to move on and get back to business," Brigham said.

School Superintendent Alan Hawkins was also pleased to be able to move forward with planning for 2010. But Hawkins also noted that while the schools were "in the process of doing a lot of things right," there were "different layers of concern around the school budget in Cape Elizabeth."

"My job is to do the best job for Cape schools and Cape students," Hawkins said. "But it is important for the School Board and for me to understand what those concerns

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## Fort Williams Park entrance gets a new look

By Elizabeth Brogan

The main entrance to Fort Williams Park has a new look this spring.

Gone is the dilapidated chain link fence. In its place is black ornamental fencing, leading to stone pillars topped with distinctive lamps at the main entrance.

The project, with a cost of approximately \$131,000, was funded entirely by profits from the Portland Head Light gift shop, contributed to the town by the Portland Head Light Board of Directors.

The fencing and entrance project was be-

gun last fall, and, according to Public Works Director Bob Malley, was substantially completed by December, with the lamps installed on April 24. The fencing, made by Jereth and installed by Burns Fencing, is made of aluminum, which Malley said will be more resistant to corrosion. The gate is electronically operated, which Malley said would facilitate openings and closings for park rangers and public safety personnel. The lamps, manufactured by Hanover and part of the "Hyde Park" series, have a metal halide bulb.

The brightness of lighting at the entrance

was still being adjusted as this paper went to press. Town Manager Mike McGovern said that he anticipated a reduction in light intensity in the near future as wattage is reduced.

Also recently installed in the park with funds from the gift shop is a new interpretive display on Battery Knoll.

Malley said that the park projects were the work of a town-hired team including Rick Renner of Renner Architects, Brad Woodworth of Woodworth Associates, Tom Emery of Stantec and Paul Becker of Becker Engineering.



Photo by Jenny Campbell

New fencing, stonework and lamps now showcase the park entrance.



Photo by Tom Emery

The panoramic picture above, from April 2008, shows the former look of the park entrance.

## Cape juniors top all public school 11th-graders on Maine High School Assessment

By Wendy Keeler

A higher percentage of Cape Elizabeth High School juniors who took the Maine High School Assessment test last spring met or exceeded state proficiency standards than 11th-graders at any other Maine public high school.

An average 82.43 percent of the Cape students, members of this year's graduating class, met or surpassed Maine standards on the exam, which tests juniors in math, reading, science, and writing. The University of Southern Maine Center for Education Policy, Applied Research and Evaluation used state test scores at 130 high schools to determine composite scores in the four subject areas.

Public schools who followed Cape in percentages of juniors successfully meeting expectations were Yarmouth with 76.98 percent, Falmouth with 73.03 percent, Greely with 68.16 percent, and York with 65.54 percent.

On the test, sometimes referred to as the "Maine SAT," CEHS 11th-graders had the highest combined score among public school juniors for the third year in a row. Cape's

overall score was 4610. Yarmouth students ranked second with a combined score of 4608. Falmouth juniors' mean score was 4597, Greely's was 4595, and Scarborough 11th-graders had an overall score of 4584. The Maine School of Science and Math, a quasi-private school in Limestone, topped all Maine schools with an overall score of 4642. Nearly 90 percent of MSSM students met or exceeded expectations.

Pleased about the news from Augusta, Cape Elizabeth High School Principal Jeff Shedd attributed Cape students' success to three factors.

"We have a really good staff, we have kids who care and are smart, and we have very supportive parents. It's all of those things combined," he said.

On the math assessment, 82.43 percent of the 148 Cape students who took the test met or exceeded standards, 85.81 percent did so in reading, 86.49 percent met or surpassed expectations in writing, and 75 percent did so in science. Last year's juniors were

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**Maxwell's Farm is 'alive and well'**

The headline for your article on Nick Tammaro's approval to build a small "farmstead" off Dawe Road says that this will allow a "farming operation on Maxwell farmland again." [*The Cape Courier* April 4, 2009] This insinuated that farming has not been going on, and that is incorrect. When the family made the decision to close our retail store in the fall of 2006, Lois and I bought the business from Ken and Elsie and continued to farm. Although the largest portion of our operation is on Two Lights Road, we continue to farm the field off Spurwink Avenue as well. We have grown corn, leaf lettuce, and everbearing strawberries for both Jordan farms in town, as well as other local markets. We are also experimenting with growing straw for mulching our strawberries (tired of sending all that money to Canada), as well as growing hay for local farmers. Nick will be a welcome addition to the mix.

Maxwell's Farm is alive and well! See you in the berry fields in June.

**Bill and Lois Bamford**  
 Maxwell's Farm

*Editor's note: The Cape Courier apologizes for the unintended suggestion that Maxwell's Farm is not an ongoing enterprise and for any confusion which may have resulted.*

**Election results 'gratifying' and appreciated**

I would like to offer thanks to the School Board and Town Council for working together to put forth a compromise budget and for the councilors who voted to allow that budget to go before Cape citizens.

It is gratifying that an exceptionally strong turnout by the entire community once again delivered a resounding affirmation to our schools and a clear message to our elected officials: this community values education. The numbers tell the story: parents, grandparents, young adults, baby boomers, and senior citizens all went to the polls to cast a vote in favor of children and education. It was a profoundly unifying and uplifting event for our community. And it was heartening that the negative campaign run against our schools and teachers by a local anti-tax group was rejected by a majority of voters. While the outcome of this referendum will help keep our community strong, looking forward our support of quality education must continue in what will undoubtedly be difficult years ahead as the economy recovers.

Thank you to one and all who enthusiastically voted yes and supported our teachers, administrators, and most of all, our children!

**Frank Governali**

**'Just one try' passage of budget appreciated**

Thankfully, the school budget referendum passed in just one try this year as compared to three last year! The school department can now move forward with planning for the coming school year, and avoid the delays and interruptions for students that occurred as a result of last year's lengthy referendum process. Thank you to all of those citizens who were involved in this year's budget from the early workshop meetings to the voting booths. Your participation is appreciated and important!

The saying, "It takes a village to raise a child" is profound in its simplicity and its

truth. Threads of this theme were woven in many comments expressed during the school budget process. Our community cares about its youth; we nurture them and support them—financially and otherwise. While that support may be defined differently by each one of us, I believe that, like the Portland Head Light guides ships into the safety of Portland Harbor, our communal belief in the importance of education and investment in our youth, will guide us to a future, both in Cape Elizabeth and beyond, that is bright, welcoming and one we are proud of.

**Trish Brigham**

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## Seated at the seat of the Prince



A group of Cape Elizabeth High School and Cheverus High School students and teachers traveled together to Ireland, Wales and England in April for an EF Educational Tour. Above, a group of students and teachers pose with The Cape Courier during a visit to Caernavon Castle, seat of the Prince of Wales.

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Soon-to-be grads and parents should send the senior's name, plans, and the names of both parents by June 1 to Debbie Butterworth at [dbutterw@maine.rr.com](mailto:dbutterw@maine.rr.com) or 21 McAuley Road, Cape Elizabeth 04107. Only seniors and parents can send this information.

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## Farm Alliance seeks sponsors and volunteers for first annual Strawberry Fest

The Cape Elizabeth Farm Alliance is seeking local sponsors and volunteers for the first annual Strawberry Fest, a community event to be held Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27.

The free festival will kick off at 6 p.m. Friday with a potluck dinner and recipe contest at Sprague Hall. On Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., the public is invited to a celebration at the legendary picking fields of Maxwell's Farm.

Popular children's musician Wayne from Maine will perform, and there will be a kids' activity tent. The chefs from The Good Table and The Buttered Biscuit will sell strawberry treats, and 20 local artisans will be on hand to offer their goods.

In addition, other farms in Cape Elizabeth will open their doors for pony rides, lobster sales, tours and other activities. A complete listing of the Strawberry Fest events will be released soon and will be available online at [www.capeelizabethfarms.com](http://www.capeelizabethfarms.com).

The Cape Elizabeth Farm Alliance, now in its second year under the direction of local farmer Penny Jordan, is dedicated to the viability and sustainability of farming and fishing as ways of life in town. Leaders of the group created the Strawberry Fest in recognition of the important role the strawberry has played – and continues to play – in Cape Elizabeth's storied farming heritage.

"This is a very exciting time for the Farm

Alliance, and this festival represents the next big step for us," Jordan said. "It's going to be a lot of fun and we hope to see many of our neighbors there."

The Farm Alliance plans to market the event through flyers, posters, a festival map, news briefs in local media and Maxwell's Farm advertisements. Major sponsors so far are the Inn by the Sea, Re/Max Oceanside, and the William H. Jordan Farm.

The alliance seeks local sponsors at \$100, \$250 and \$500 levels. At the \$500 level, the sponsor's logo will be added to all marketing materials and the festival map. In addition, the logo and Web site will be featured on the Cape Elizabeth Farm Alliance Web site, which will be linked to news distribution services statewide. Sponsors will be invited to place promotional materials at a designated table. At the \$250 level, the sponsor's logo will be featured on posters, flyers and the farm alliance's 500-plus member e-mail list. Sponsors at the \$100 level can choose to support a specific activity at the festival, such as the children's tent. The sponsor's logo will be featured at that particular activity.

To sign up as a sponsor or volunteer, contact Suzanne Martin-Pillsbury at 207-799-2372, or by e-mail at [suzannepillsbury@yahoo.com](mailto:suzannepillsbury@yahoo.com).

To sign up for the potluck dinner and recipe contest, please contact Anne Upton at [annesupton@gmail.com](mailto:annesupton@gmail.com).

## Beekeeping is part of the Cape farming scene

By Louise Sullivan

Picture this: it's a beautiful still June afternoon in 1986. The backyard is brimming with parents, kids and dogs in picnic mode. The burgers are ready for the grill. The volleyball net is up. There's not a cloud in the sky... except that round black one about the size of a basketball that appears over the top of the house and begins to sink ever so slowly toward the crab apple tree. I realize with horror that it's a *ball of bees!* In fact it's a swarm of bees and it settles like a giant teardrop in the middle of the tree. This is a true story, and here's what happened next.

Screaming, everyone scrambled into the back porch, and I called the Cape Elizabeth police. They said we should "stay put." They'd "send someone over." A short time later an older gentleman appeared and introduced himself as Wes Martin, a Two Lights Road neighbor. He had come to collect our swarm. This next part still seems like a miracle to me. Mr. Martin asked to borrow a stepladder, which he climbed until he was level with the bees. Then he gently reached into the ball with his bare hand, directed the bees into a cardboard box and closed the flaps. He climbed down, thanked us, and went on his way.

Now, twenty-three years later, I have joined the ranks of beekeepers, and brought my first hive of beautiful golden honeybees through the winter. In fact, there are at least ten other beekeepers in Cape Elizabeth and, by my count, about 25 hives in our town. In season, you can purchase local honey, Hestia's Harvest, the overflow from Anne Upton's two home hives, at the IGA and Jordan's Farm Market.

Beekeeping is fascinating. My husband and I have always had both vegetable and flower gardens. Over the years, we have become more and more aware of the intricate interplay of weather, soil, amendments, and bugs that result in the bounty we experience. My own specific interest in bees began by reading the alarming reports of hive failure, and with encouragement from two beekeepers in my knitting group. Guided by them, I took a course, built a hive, and installed a "package" of 10,000 bees last April. Last spring and summer, I was thrilled to see a bee buzz around the lilacs at the kitchen window. I enjoyed working in the garden which became, as the poet said, a "bee-loud glade."

And my first harvest of gold-brown honey was a bonus from a summer of pleasure, observation, and learning.

Beekeeping has opened many doors for me. I have found that beekeepers, like the communal insects they study, are organized, cooperative, helpful, and dedicated to "the good of the hive." The Maine State Beekeep-



Louise Sullivan, beekeeper, at work

ers Association membership is comprised of commercial beekeepers, farmers, scientists and hobbyists. County chapters hold regular meetings and host active listserves. (My hive is bursting with bees and I began to wonder if conditions are right for my bees to swarm, so I posted a picture of a frame of bees from my hive and asked if I should divide the hive. I had many responses).

Is there a beehive near you? Are you curious but unsure about Bee Do's and Don'ts? Here are a few:

Do go look. But don't stand directly in the bee-line. That is, don't stand directly in front of the hive. Stand to one side of the hive.

The best time to visit is between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on a sunny, still day. The bees will be very busy. Look for bees with bright yellow pollen in the saddlebags on their legs.

Be quiet. Stay still.

Don't take your dog with you.

If the bees seem agitated, walk quietly away from the hive. Visit them another day. Go with someone who has visited hives before or, better still, keeps bees. If you would like to visit my beehive on Two Lights Road, don't hesitate to call me at 799-4419.

The Cape Farm Alliance supports beekeeping as a farming venture here in Cape Elizabeth. To learn more about the important role that bees play, read "Fruitless Fall," by Rowan Jacobsen which is available at the Thomas Memorial Library.

## Cape Farm Alliance launches second year of 'What's Fresh' alerts

The Cape Farm Alliance, originally launched as the Cape Elizabeth Farm Committee at the end of 2007, is now entering its second year of activities.

One of its primary services to both consumers and the farmers themselves is an e-mail alert that is sent twice each month throughout the growing season.

These "What's Fresh" alerts let interested locals know exactly what foods, products and services are fresh and available from the farms of Cape Elizabeth at any given time. The alerts are also a way for the farms to communicate more directly with their "markets." Anyone can join the "What's Fresh" e-mail list from the Cape Farm Alliance Web site: <http://capeelizabethfarms.com>.

At least one of the farms is considering the use of Twitter and other social networking tools this year to "tweet" produce avail-

ability right from the field.

The Cape Farm Alliance continues to find innovative ways to meet its mission of ensuring Cape Elizabeth's farming future by undertaking a ground-breaking inventory of "micro-farms" (usually two acres or less but there is no consistent definition of micro-farming at this time). In so doing, the alliance is seeking to understand the true range of agricultural activities of any size in town to ensure those activities are supported and valued into the future. Links to the surveys are also available on the group's Web site.

The Cape Farm Alliance is an organization made up of farmers, farm owners and farm supporters whose mission is to ensure Cape Elizabeth's farming future. Its innovative approach has been acknowledged at the local, state and national levels.

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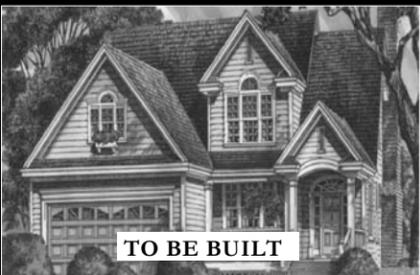
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## The wet and heavy stuff – food scraps – should be diverted from the hopper

By Gregory Walsh

There's a name for it: In recycling programs all over the country it is called "Food Scrap Diversion," or, on a broader basis, "Organic Waste Diversion." When professionals in the recycling business talk about "diversion rates" in their communities, they are talking about diversion of all the wet and heavy organic stuff that gets thrown into the garbage stream.

Here in Cape Elizabeth we don't have a diversion rate or a diversion program as such, but it's quite simple. An essential part of recycling is to divert all that heavy stuff from going into the hopper at the town transfer station. It boils down to keeping all those vegetable peelings, leftover salads and watermelon rinds out of the garbage can and out of the hopper.

Every month of the past year, our town has hauled away (at considerable cost) an average of about 250 tons of "solid waste" garbage from the Transfer Station to the ecomaine facility in Portland, according to public works reports. This is the stuff that gets thrown into the hopper. It does not include all the other materials that are recycled in the silver bullets and by other means.

Food scraps that get thrown into the hopper – typically in plastic bags – are burned along with about 175,000 tons annually of other solid waste items in a process that produces about \$5 million worth of electric-

ity, according to ecomaine reports. There's nothing wrong with making electricity out of garbage, perhaps, but there are more efficient ways to generate power. Also, some types of garbage – yes, the wet and heavy stuff – constitute a type of 'negative fuel' for the burning process, often requiring the use of blown-in natural gas to keep up the burning temperature.

Food leftovers are the single largest component of the waste stream by weight in the United States, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Americans are said to throw away about 96 billion pounds of food waste each year. It hard to say how much of the solid waste stream coming out of Cape Elizabeth is food waste, but the commonly used industry figure is that food scraps make up 10 to 15 percent of the waste stream. It's definitely the heavy stuff. The only thing heavier that can still be contained in a plastic bag or grocery bag might be used cat litter.

There's no easy answer for the cat litter problem, except for the obvious solution which can't really be discussed here, but reducing the flow of food scraps is easy. Here are the suggested techniques, direct from the experts at ecomaine:

- Prepare less food
- Consume all food prepared, or...
- Save leftovers for another meal
- Compost, compost, compost.

## Council sets recycling hearing on mandatory recycling for June 8

By Bob Dodd

Should recycling be made mandatory in Cape Elizabeth?

The Town Council wants to hear from residents about this recommendation. It has set a public hearing for June 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall chamber.

Mandatory recycling was the recommen-

ation of the council's recycling working group.

The proposed new ordinance states that no recyclables may be thrown into the hopper at the Recycling Center. The amended ordinance also states that no one will be allowed to salvage recyclables from the recycling bins unless he or she has approval.

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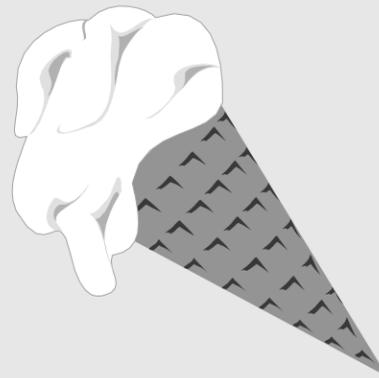
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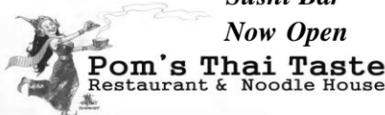
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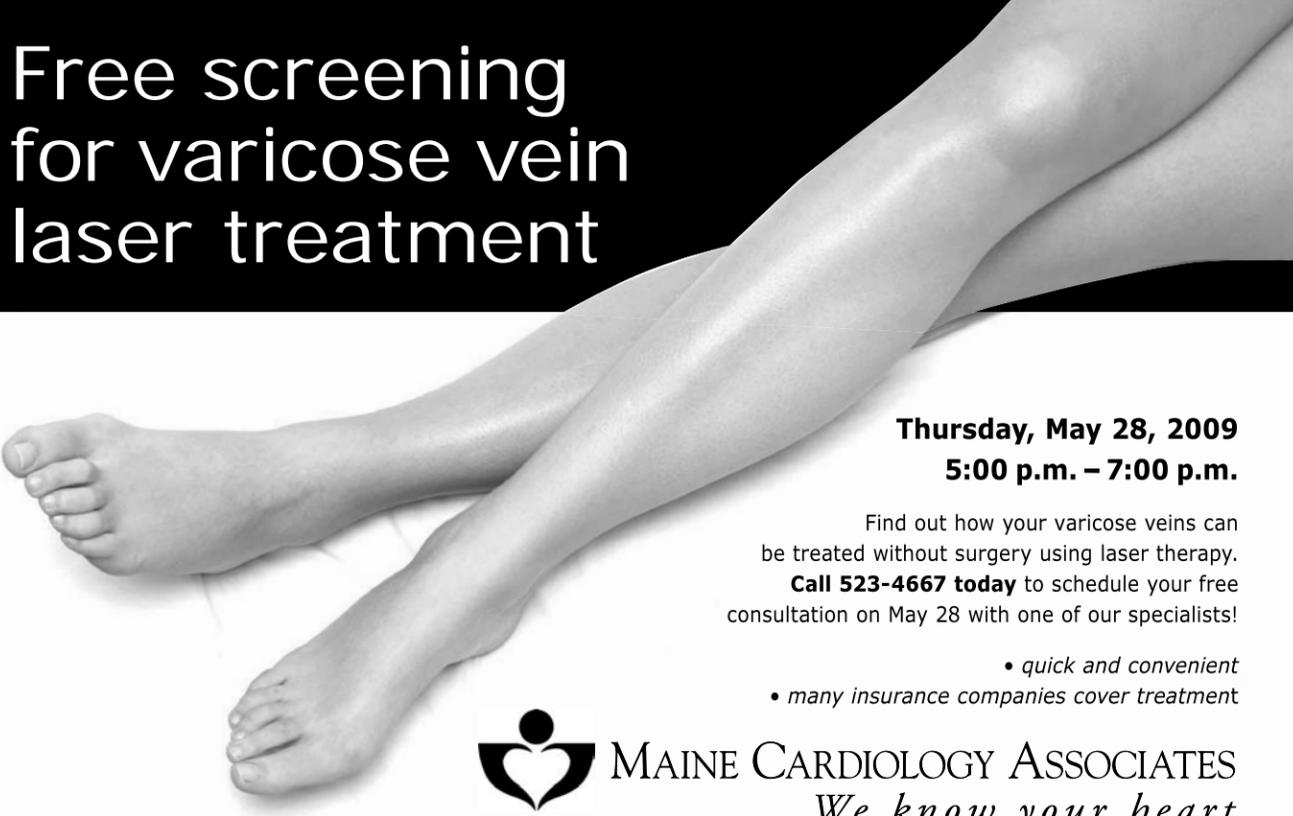
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## Town is accepting Employee Health Insurance Review Committee applications

The town is accepting applications for membership on the Cape Elizabeth Employee Health Insurance Review Committee.

The committee was established by the Town Council on April 30, 2009, to review the health-care coverage and benefits offered to municipal and school employees.

The committee will consist of seven members — one member of the Town Council, one member of the School Board, and five citizens.

Applications are available online on the town's Web site, at [www.capeelizabeth.com](http://www.capeelizabeth.com). Applications are also available from Debra Lane, assistant town manager, 799-7665. The deadline for applying is June 3, 2009.

According to the committee charge, the committee will prepare recommendations for opportunities for changes in coverages

provided to employees, in providers of coverage, and for employee/employer cost shares.

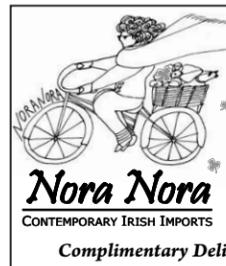
The committee report will include an analysis of how any recommendations may influence the ability of the local government/school department to recruit and retain quality employees.

The committee will meet for up to six months and its report will be submitted jointly to the Cape Elizabeth School Board and the Cape Elizabeth Town Council.

The council and School Board will collaboratively review the report and proceed thereafter to independently consider the recommendations.

Mary Townsend has volunteered to represent the School Board on the committee, and Penny Jordan will serve as the Town Council representative.

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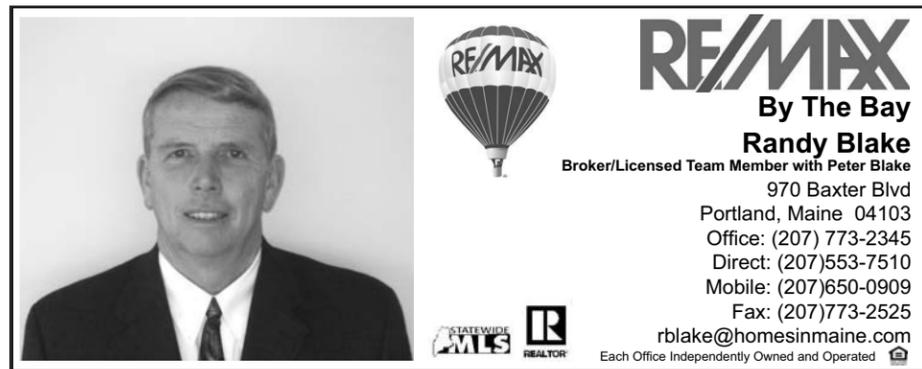
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## Memorial Day observed Monday, May 25

Memorial Day will be observed May 25 with the traditional parade and memorial ceremonies. This is an opportunity for the community to come together in remembrance of those who have died serving our nation.

The parade begins at 9 a.m. Parade participants are asked to gather on Fowler Road at 8:15 a.m. The parade route begins at the intersection of Fowler Road and Old Ocean House Road, continues north on Route 77, taking a left onto Scott Dyer Road ending at the War Veteran's Memorial.

A brief ceremony and laying of the wreath will be held at the monument.

The parade will include members of the Cape Elizabeth Police, Fire and Rescue Departments, the WETeam, Lions Club, Middle School Marching Band, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

Veterans of previous wars, as well as active duty personnel, are invited to march. Anyone with a family member serving in the

armed services is encouraged to notify Jim Huebener at 767-1754 (home), 831-3625 (cell), or [jhuebene@maine.rr.com](mailto:jhuebene@maine.rr.com), so the family member may be recognized.

Groups interested in marching, other than those mentioned above, should contact Jim Huebener as soon as possible so they can be included.

The 2009 Memorial Day Parade Marshall is Lee Humiston. Mr. Humiston, a Cape Elizabeth resident, is an Air Force veteran, served during the Vietnam War, and is currently director of the Maine Military Museum and Learning Center.

Following the ceremony, residents and guests are invited to an open house at the Town Center Fire Station.

In the event of inclement weather, a ceremony and laying of the wreath will be held at the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria. Parking for the cafeteria is at the back of the high school.

## Council opts to continue discussing intersection project, tables any action until November

By Bob Dodd

At the May 11 Town Council meeting, councilors voted 4-3 to table until November any action on plans for improvements to the intersection of Shore and Scott Dyer roads at Route 77 in the town center.

The plans include replacing the flashing yellow and red lights with a full traffic signal and to make other improvements at the site.

The council needs to decide whether or not it wants to implement the federal and state-funded design for the intersection. Rejecting the design will mean declining state and federal funding for the project.

Last November, public opposition to the redesigned intersection led the council to debate killing the project. However, councilors decided to postpone a decision and to try less intrusive and expensive traffic control measures. These included signage, greater enforcement by police, and pedestrian flags to aid in crossing the street.

Tabling any decision until November gives the town a full year to evaluate the effectiveness of the passive-control measures.

"I think this deserves a little more time to build an experience as to how these minor things are working," said Council Chair Jim Rowe.

## Real estate transfers January-February, 2009

| NEW OWNER             | PRIOR OWNER             | STREET              | SALE PRICE | TYPE / USE    |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|
| COX JAMES F LIV TRUST | COX EVELYN M            | 1068 SAWYER RD      | \$0        | SINGLE FAMILY |
| HAUGH JACOB A         | DORVAL M & J            | 21 TRUNDY RD        | \$279,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| AUSTIN ELIZABETH A    | RODENBERGER MATTHEW     | OAKHURST RD         | \$0        | VACANT LAND   |
| AUSTIN ELIZABETH A    | RODENBERGER MATTHEW     | 112 OAKHURST RD     | \$0        | SINGLE FAMILY |
| MESERVE JOHN D        | CRAGMOOR PARTNERS LLC   | 12 CRAGMOOR         | \$995,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| LIPSON THERESA M      | POSNER DONNA            | 178 MITCHELL RD     | \$255,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| CONLEY KAREN A        | CONLEY SARAH D          | 8 MCAULEY RD        | \$0        | SINGLE FAMILY |
| BROMAGE STEPHEN H     | CLOUTIER CONSTR INC     | 9 HAMLIN ST         | \$445,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| COBALT PROPERTIES LLC | IRVING OIL CORPORATION  | 560 SHORE RD        | \$0        | COMMERCIAL    |
| HARON JEAN 1/3 INT    | HARON JEAN              | 64 WOOD RD          | \$0        | SINGLE FAMILY |
| VALLE-BLAKE GAYLE     | BLAKE WILLIAM T         | 15 WINSLOW PL       | \$0        | CONDOMINIUM   |
| COX JAMES F LIV TRUST | COX EVELYN M            | SAWYER RD           | \$0        | VACANT LAND   |
| BERMAN T C LIV TRUST  | WEST FALMOUTH ASSOC     | 58 HANNAFORD COVE   | \$0        | SINGLE FAMILY |
| MESERVE ANKE          | WOGAN MATTHEW P         | 10 CRAGMOOR         | \$255,000  | VACANT LAND   |
| DOWD THOMAS           | HOOD ROBERT C JR        | 8 OTTAWA RD         | \$562,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| PERKINS T & H         | ALWARD BARBARA C ESTATE | 25 BEACH BLUFF TERR | \$154,500  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| SUTTON KATHLEEN M     | BALFOUR BRUCE           | 87 STARBOARD DR     | \$152,500  | CONDOMINIUM   |
| CONWAY BRENDAN M      | ANDRADA GUZMAN M        | 63 OCEAN HOUSE RD   | \$254,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| HORR JULIE A          | BROWN KELLY A           | 7 WINSLOW PL        | \$183,000  | CONDOMINIUM   |
| DOUGHTY CYNTHIA P     | DOUGHTY CYNTHIA P       | 60 SCOTT DYER RD    | \$147,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| MCGRATH LAURA H       | MCGRATH LAURA H         | 4 HERITAGE CT       | \$618,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| LEIGHTON C C          | 12 STEEPLEBUSH ROAD RES | 12 STEEPLEBUSH RD   | \$505,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| HORR PETER E          | HORR JULIE A            | 175 FOWLER RD       | \$123,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| WEYRENS DAVID A       | MACCABE LAURA I ESTATE  | 1 ROCK WALL LN      | \$262,500  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| OHEARN PHILIP M       | OHEARN PHILIP M         | 8 LEIGHTON FARM RD  | \$650,000  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| HANRAHAN CARSON       | HANRAHAN CARSON         | 2 ROCK WALL LN      | \$203,900  | SINGLE FAMILY |
| SCHUSTER NATHAN       | HEIDEMAN MAUD           | 77 STARBOARD DR     | \$129,000  | CONDOMINIUM   |
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**Reported by Debbie Butterworth  
COMPLAINTS**

4-21 An officer discovered a box of wire in the roadway on Route 77 by Charles E. Jordan Road. The box is labeled non-metallic support telephone drop wire.

4-21 Two officers responded to a residence in the Woodland Road area for a noise complaint. They met with the subject responsible for the noise who agreed to stop for the night.

4-22 Two officers responded to a residence in the Shore Road area for a domestic disturbance. They met with both parties; one appeared to be very intoxicated. One subject left for the evening.

4-22 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area regarding a possible missing person. The subject was later located.

4-23 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a noise complaint. They met with the plaintiff and the party believed to be responsible for the noise.

4-23 An officer spoke with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding a possible harassment complaint.

4-24 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area regarding the theft of a snowblower. It is described as a red and black Yard Machine, is 4 years old and valued at \$500.

4-25 An officer spoke with a resident of the Shore Road area regarding a possible criminal threatening complaint. A report and statement will be forwarded to the DA's office for review for possible prosecution.

4-25 An officer met with a resident in the Broad Cove area for a burglary complaint. At this time, it appears some jewelry is missing.

4-25 An officer met with a local business representative who reported the possible attempted use of a fake ID. A possible suspect was identified and the officer met with the suspect and parents.

4-27 An officer observed a Maine trailer registration plate on the side of the road in the area of Fox Hill Rd. The owner was identified and contacted.

4-27 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a noise complaint.

4-30 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area regarding a fraud complaint. The resident had listed an item for sale on Craigslist, and received an inquiry and agreed on a price of \$600. He received a check for \$2000 and contacted the buyer who asked the plaintiff to wire him the difference. The resident then deposited the check and later learned the account had insufficient funds.

4-30 An officer met with a representative from a local business regarding checks returned for insufficient funds. Plaintiff will send a 5-day notice to the defendant. If restitution is not made, defendant will be prosecuted.

4-30 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area regarding minor damage to a motor vehicle. Damage may have been unintentional and caused by a juvenile in the area. The officer made

5-1 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding a harassment complaint.

5-2 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a noise complaint. They made contact and monitored the area with no further complaints.

5-2 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area regarding a motor vehicle burglary complaint. Taken from the vehicle was a Compaq laptop valued at \$700.

5-3 Two officers responded to a noise complaint in the Mitchell Road area. They made contact and monitored the area.

5-4 An officer met with a resident of the Two Lights Road area regarding criminal mischief to a motor vehicle. Sometime during the night, a side window had been broken.

5-4 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area regarding a trespass complaint.

**SUMMONSES**

4-23 CE resident, OUI, Ocean Street

4-23 CE resident, speeding (49/35 zone) Route 77, \$137

4-23 SP resident., speeding (54/45 zone) Route 77, \$119

4-23 Portland resident, speeding (45/30 zone) Sawyer Rd., \$181

4-23 CE resident, speeding (44/30 zone), Shore Rd., \$137

4-24 CE resident, violation of conditions of release, operating beyond license restrictions, Broad Cove Rd.

4-26 Cumberland resident, failure to produce proof of insurance, Shore Rd., \$171

4-29 Portland resident, speeding (44/35 zone) Route 77, \$119

4-29 Portland resident, OUI, Ocean House Rd.

**ARRESTS**

4-23 CE resident, OUI, Ocean St.

4-24 CE resident, operating without a license, Two Lights Rd.

4-25 CE resident, disorderly conduct, Woodland Rd.

4-29 CE resident, OUI, Ocean House Rd.

**ACCIDENTS**

4-24 Anthony Welch, accident on Broad Cove Rd.

4-28 Dustin Powell, Mark Theriault, accident on Baker Rd.

4-30 Kristen Martin, James McKinney, accident on Route 77

4-30 Carol Christ, Samantha Yates, accident on Route 77

**FIRE CALLS**

4-26 Reef Rd., smoke investigation

4-26 SP Mutual Aid

4-29 Spurwink Ave., oven problem

**RESCUE CALLS**

There were 18 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 5 runs to Mercy Hospital. There were 2 patients treated by Rescue personnel but not transported.

**Police warn of recorded credit union phone scam; urge residents to 'just hang up'**

The Cape Elizabeth Police Department has received several calls over the past few days from concerned citizens in regard to a telephone scam.

Citizens have reported receiving calls from an automated service identifying itself as Evergreen Credit Union. The automated voice tells the recipient of the call that their credit card has been suspended and to reactivate their card they should enter their credit card number. Some citizens have reported that their caller ID shows a phone number that they have looked up that comes back to various businesses. The suspects are masking their originating number by using other business numbers to show up on the caller ID.

Evergreen Credit Union has been contacted and is aware of the situation.

If you receive a call like this just hang up the phone. Remember never to give any personal information or bank account information over the phone. If you receive any calls from a financial institution asking questions about your credit card account or bank account contact ask for a call-back number. Then contact your financial institution to check the validity of the call.

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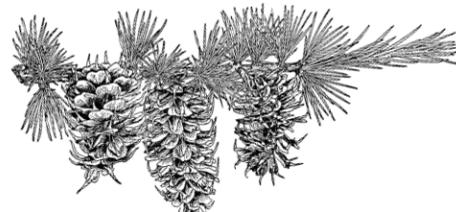
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### Family affair



Gathering at Cmdr. Craig Munson's retirement ceremony at the U. S. Navy Memorial in Washington, D.C., are family members from Cape Elizabeth, left to right, Gary and Carolyn Lawsure, Madison Mills, Greg Tobey, Kayla Munson, Michelle Tobey, Kyle Jones, Kathy Perkins of Atlanta, Ga., Dawn and Craig Munson, Kayne Munson, and Darryl Munson from Fresno, Calif. Not pictured are Joanne Kelton of Cape Elizabeth and Jesse Harris of St. Louis, Mo., who also attended. Munson, who managed a \$150 million program covering software for the Navy, was awarded his second Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding achievement in noncombat related service.

### Girl Scouts celebrate 12 years together



Gathering recently are Troop 1403 members, left to right, front, Caitlin Pomeroy, Tricia Thibodeau, Emily Richardson, Grace Stack, Ariana Kneeland, Meredith Sells; back, Mary Takach, troop leader, Katie Takach, Emma Logan, Rosie Hewitt, Paige St. Germain, and assistant troop leader, Dorothy Stack.

By Mary Takach

Members of Cape Elizabeth Girls Scout Troop 1402 celebrated their 132<sup>nd</sup> and last meeting with family and friends on May 3 at First Congregational Church in South Portland, where troop members received honors from Girl Scouts of Maine.

Now high school seniors, members have been involved in the troop for 10 or more years. At the celebration, seven won the Girl Scouts' highest possible honor, the gold award. To receive the honor, a girl must spend at least 65 hours planning, implementing and evaluating a community service project.

Rosie Hewitt and Emma Logan won for their work helping a team of special needs children prepare to participate in the Special Olympics. Girl Scouts Katie Takach and Caitlin Pomeroy were honored for their work as team leaders for a Safe Passage service trip to Guatemala. Emily Richardson helped organize a clothing closet for women recently released from prison. Meredith Sells worked with an organization that helps women overcome their fear of dogs, and Tricia Thibodeau helped on the addition and renovation of a children's clothing closet at First Congregational Church in South Portland.

Over the year, members cleaned beaches, did trail work, collected food for food pantries and animal shelters, cooked and served at a soup kitchen, worked at the Maine Veterans' Home and the Ronald MacDonald House, and more.

The troop's biggest accomplishment began when they were in the second grade, when they committed to a monthly donation and sponsorship of a young Kenyan girl's education through Save the Children. The girls corresponded regularly with Esther Ndungwa Musua and years later, when troop members learned that she was struggling with persistent eye infections that were seriously hampering her life, they raised funds, petitioned the U.S. embassy, and flew Esther to Maine to receive treatment for chronic conjunctivitis.

In Maine, Esther stayed with the girls and their families for two weeks, receiving needed ophthalmological and dental care while sightseeing and experiencing American life with the then sixth-grade girls. Following that visit, troop members helped Esther fulfill her dream of becoming a nurse by raising the money to cover her tuition and all of her expenses during her two and a half years in nursing school in Kenya. Today Esther, with whom the girls still correspond, works full-time as a nurse and supports her younger brother and sister.

The troop has camped nearly every year since first grade in places that range from Hermit, Cow, and Richmond Islands to Kandersteg, Switzerland, where they spent nine days in the summer of 2008 hiking, biking, paragliding, canyoning, zip lining, and rock climbing.

Cape Elizabeth High School sophomore **Olivia Babine** has been selected to attend the 2009 Global Leadership Summit at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and Pace University New York City. The summit is a college-accredited invitational leadership program for high school students with a record of academic achievement, extracurricular and community involvement.

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## For 105 Cape kids, F.I.T.'s a perfect fit



Photo by Amy Cochran

F.I.T. participants demonstrate how they feel about the after-school fitness program on May 12.

### By Wendy Keeler

She's only 10 years old, but Katie Zajkowski can talk running with the best of them. An award winner at last year's Pond Cove 5K Challenge, the fourth-grader can compare her running times in the past two 5Ks, her rate of improvement over a three-year period, and she can even discuss 10-mile bike rides, because she and her father took one earlier this spring.

But Zajkowski won't talk running or fitness without mentioning Pond Cove Friends In Training (F.I.T.), an after-school fitness program for Pond Cove students run by parent volunteers. A three-year veteran of the program, the 10-year-old gives F.I.T. much of the credit for her success.

"F.I.T. makes you want to feel healthy and run faster and do more activities," says Zajkowski, who has "improved a lot over last year."

In addition to participating in two weekly after-school sessions, where kids run, do exercises, and play games such as run down and freeze tag, F.I.T. members fill out daily logs at home, which "gets them to exercise at home, and also gets their parents involved," F.I.T. co-chair Molly Dall said.

### 105 kids

This spring, 105 Pond Cove students are participating in the program. For the first time since the program started, kids are broken into groups by grade, which has been a big success, Dall said.

"Kids feel more equal having it broken up. Also, it's a good way for kids in the grade to get to know other kids they might not have contact with," Dall said. "The other day my son Charlie sat next to someone at lunch he wouldn't have before doing F.I.T. this spring."

This year, 90 percent of the kids involved in F.I.T. have registered for the Pond Cove Challenge, which will be held the morning

of Sunday, May 31 [see adjacent story].

"These kids are almost ready to run a mile, which is amazing," Dall, who heads up F.I.T.'s first-grade group, said on May 12.

Kids younger than 12 can run in the one-mile race, which starts at 9:15 a.m., but some Pond Cove students run in the 5K. Kids eight years old and younger also have the option of doing the fun run, an event for younger kids that follows the one-mile dash.

### CEHS alums

About 17 parent volunteers help out at F.I.T. sessions, said Dall, a CEHS alumna. Cape coaches and gym teachers during the 1980s and early 1990s should pat themselves on the back: Dall's F.I.T. co-chair Courtney Thoreck and Pond Cove Challenge co-chairs Andie Mahoney and Amy Cochran, are also CEHS alums. Dall, who set a CEHS track record for sprinters while at the high school, graduated in 1989. Thoreck, a 1988 grad who is the wife of Cape Elizabeth Athletic Director Jeff Thoreck, also competed in sports at CEHS, and so did her sister Cochran, and Mahoney, who are members of the CEHS class of 1983.

"We are all firm believers in promoting fitness at a young age, because then it becomes part of their life, and they love it," Dall said. "This is an easy, fun, and comfortable environment."

For kids like Genevieve Depke, 7, who likes the pure act of running, F.I.T. is a great fit.

"My favorite part is when we run around the school, because I really like running," the first grader said.

For others, the fun is much of the draw.

"I like playing games, and I like the counselors," first-grader Ali Lynch said.

"We use freeze tag, run down, and other games to build their agility and speed, and the kids don't even know that's happening," Dall said.

## Pond Cove Challenge set for Sunday, May 31

Registration forms for the 11th annual Pond Cove Challenge 5K, which will be held at 8 a.m. on Sunday, May 31, are available at all three schools and at the Community Center. Online registration is open at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com).

Runners and walkers participate in the 5K, to be followed by a one-mile dash for kids 12 and younger at 9:15 a.m. A fun run for kids eight and younger will follow the one-mile dash, with a diaper dash starting off the fun run.

Bostwick & Co. and Southern Maine Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery are sponsors of the 5K, proceeds from which go directly to support Pond Cove. For information about corporate sponsorship or company donations of prizes for race and age-group winners, please contact Pond Cove Challenge co-chair Andie Mahoney at [andiemahoney@maine.rr.com](mailto:andiemahoney@maine.rr.com) or 741-2482.

To receive a race T-shirt, please register as soon as possible. Runners can pick up registration packets on race-day morning or the day before from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation's spaghetti dinner in the school cafeteria.

For more information, contact Mahoney or co-chair Amy Cochran at [cochran4@maine.rr.com](mailto:cochran4@maine.rr.com). All interested in volunteering should contact Michelle Spencer at 767-7066.

## Registration for youth, high school football, cheerleading May 28

Cape Elizabeth Football will hold registrations for youth football, high school football, and youth football cheerleading on Thursday, May 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. The youth football cheerleading programs are open to students in grades four through eight.

The fee for high school varsity and junior varsity football players is \$100, with a \$15 late fee after July 1. Parents also must work a shift at the bottle shed, or pay a \$35 donation.

Parents of middle school football players, for whom there is a \$125 fee, with a \$15 late fee after July 1, must also work a bottle shed shift or pay \$35.

The fee for cheerleaders is \$35, and after July 1 a \$15 late fee also will be added. Parents must work at the bottle shed or donate \$25.

Football and cheerleading registration forms can be downloaded at [www.capefootball.org](http://www.capefootball.org).

For more information about the programs or registration, please contact Chris Houle at 318-8340 or [choule@quantrix.com](mailto:choule@quantrix.com), or go to the Web site and click on his name at the bottom of the gold box located on the left side of the Web page.

## 'CE' merchandise now available at online store

Cape fans of all sizes and ages can now buy "CE" apparel, bags, blankets, chairs, hats, and items ranging from computer speakers to beach towels at [www.capeelizabeth.briangilbertassociates.com](http://www.capeelizabeth.briangilbertassociates.com). Cape softball boosters get a portion of each purchase

from the online store. All merchandise is sent directly to buyers.

For more information, or to make suggestions about merchandise, contact Diane Nicholson at [ledgemereschool@yahoo.com](mailto:ledgemereschool@yahoo.com).

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Agendas for town and School Board meetings  
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### Sunday, May 24

**Memorial Day Holiday.** Donald L. Richards Pool closed.

### Monday, May 25

**Memorial Day Holiday.** Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library, Richards Pool, Fitness Center, Cape Elizabeth schools, Recycling Center closed. Recycling Center will be open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, May 26.

### Tuesday, May 26

**School Board Finance Committee,** 6:30 p.m., High School library, 345 Ocean House Road

**Zoning Board of Appeals,** 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber, 320 Ocean House Road

**School Board workshop,** 7:30 p.m., High School library, 345 Ocean House Road

**Family Fun Day Volunteers,** 7:30 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road

### Wednesday, May 27

**Middle School Parents Association Book Fair,** Nonesuch Books, Mill Creek Shopping Center, South Portland

### Thursday, May 28

**Recycling Committee,** 7 p.m., Public Works, Cooper Drive

### Friday, May 29

**School Board Retreat,** 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Town Center Fire Station, Jordan Way

### Saturday, May 30

**CEEF Spaghetti Dinner,** 5:30-7:30 p.m., Pond Cove/Middle School Cafetorium, 14 Scott Dyer Road

### Sunday, May 31

**Pond Cove 5K,** 8 a.m. Pond Cove School

### Monday, June 1

**School Board Wellness Committee,** 3:15 p.m., Town Center Fire Station, Jordan Way

### Tuesday, June 2

**Planning Board workshop,** 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road

### Wednesday, June 3

**Community Services Advisory Commission,** 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road

### Ongoing each week

**Al-Anon,** Newcomers' meeting, 6:15 p.m., regular meeting 7:30 p.m. **Thursdays,** at United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road (Rt. 77). Regular meeting 7 p.m. **Fridays** at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 885 Shore Road.

**Alcoholics Anonymous,** 2 p.m. **Saturdays,** First Congregational Church, 301 Cottage Rd., So. Port.; 7 p.m. **Wednesdays,** St. Bartholomew Church, 8 Two Lights Rd.; 7 p.m. **Fridays,** St. Alban's Church, 885 Shore Road.

**Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society,** 9 a.m.-noon **Thursdays,** except for holidays, storm days, Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Rd. Volunteers assist with information searches. Public welcome. Meetings are **first Monday** of the month, 7 p.m., at the library.

**Cape Elizabeth Lions Club,** 6:39 p.m., **first and third Tuesdays** (except July and August) at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, head of Two Lights Road. For more information about the Club, contact Kim Brooks, 767-2733, or Bruce Balfour, 799-4221.

**Fire-Police meetings,** 7 p.m. **third Thursday** of each month except July and August at the Cape Elizabeth Police Station, 325 Ocean House Road.

**Scrapbooking Sessions,** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. **first Saturdays** except July and August, Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights and Wheeler roads. Cost is \$15, to benefit Cape Elizabeth Lions local and international activities. Participants should bring own supplies. For more information call Kim Brooks, Lions president, 767-2733.

**The South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club,** each **Wednesday** at 6:15 p.m. at the Purpoodock Country Club on Spurwink Road in Cape Elizabeth. For more information on the SP/CE Rotary Club, contact President Tony Wagner, 799-7997.

**American Legion,** 7 p.m. **second Monday** of each month, Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road. For more information contact Deb Schneider, 767-6109.

## Musical thriller, 'Sweeney Todd,' to run through May 31 at Portland Players

Performances of the Portland Players' final season production, "Sweeney Todd," will continue through May 31. Brian Swasey directs the musical thriller about the demon barber of Fleet Street. The show is appropriate for people 13 years old and above.

Show times are at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. To

buy tickets, drop in at the theater, located at 420 Cottage Road in South Portland, or make reservations by calling 799-7337. Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 4 to 6 p.m.; Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon; and 90 minutes before each performance. For more information about the play or theater, go to [www.portlandplayers.org](http://www.portlandplayers.org).

## CELT invites painters to participate in second annual wet paint auction on Aug. 30

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust (CELT) invites artists to participate in the second annual "Paint for Preservation" wet paint auction, which will be held August 30.

On the day of the event, juried artists will paint on site at designated public and private locations across town. That evening, the newly painted art work will be auctioned off during a cocktail reception at Apple Tree Hill, a private estate in Cape Elizabeth.

Interested artists are invited to submit two samples—slides or digital images on CD—of original paintings in any medium for juried consideration. Slides or CDs should be

sent to "CELT Paint for Preservation" at Cape Elizabeth Land Trust, P.O. Box 265 ccb, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107, by June 22. To receive a full prospectus, artists should send a self-addressed stamped envelope or get additional details by visiting [www.cape-landtrust.org](http://www.cape-landtrust.org).

A nonprofit, CELT permanently conserves and provides stewardship for lands cherished by the community for the education, use and enjoyment of current and future generations. Since 1985, the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust has permanently protected more than 560 acres.

## CELT to offer two nature outings this spring

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust will offer two outings—one for adults and one for children—this spring.

CELT member Tony Owens will lead a walk through Robinson Woods, where walkers will learn about vernal pools and wildflowers, from 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 28. The group will meet at the Robinson Woods kiosk on Shore Road.

The cost for the walk, which will be held rain or shine, is \$6 per person or \$12 per family. Walkers should register in advance through Community Services at 343 Ocean House Road. Group sizes are limited.

CELT volunteer Lisa Gent will lead a

walk for "little explorers," aged three to five, and their caregivers from 9 to 10 a.m. on June 10 at Robinson Woods.

"We will take a gentle hike through Robinson Woods, where we will explore the habitat around us as we search for birds, reptiles and amphibians, mammals and plant life. Our focus will be on signs of spring/summer and the approaching change of seasons," Gent says. The group will meet at Robinson Woods' parking lot located on Shore Road near the kiosk. The cost is \$12 per family. All interested should register through Community Services.

## Eight-week safe boating class to be offered from mid-June through Aug. 4

The Portland Head Sail and Power Squadron will sponsor an eight-week United States Power Squadron's Safe Boating Class from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays from June 16 through August 4 at the Community Center. The course will cover boat handling and seamanship, required and recommended safety equipment, federal and state boating regulations, rules of the water, lines and useful knots, how to use navigational charts and recognize aids to navigation, engine trouble-

shooting, boat-trailing and much more.

The cost of the course, \$48 per person, covers a book and navigational instruments. Those successfully completing the class will receive a wallet card good in any state that requires boater education.

Checks should be made payable to "Cape Elizabeth Community Services," and pre-registration is required. For more information, call the Community Services office at 799-2868.

## CEHS class of 1974 to hold reunion on Aug. 1

Cape Elizabeth High School's class of 1974 will hold its 35<sup>th</sup> class reunion on Aug. 1 at the Purpoodock Club. Tickets are \$45. To buy a ticket or get more information about the reunion, please contact Sally Barker at [sbarker64@hotmail.com](mailto:sbarker64@hotmail.com) or 767-4118.

## CEHS class of 1999 to hold Aug. 15 reunion

Cape Elizabeth High School's class of 1999 will hold its 10<sup>th</sup> reunion on August 15 at a private residence in Cape Elizabeth. For more information, please e-mail [cehs99@gmail.com](mailto:cehs99@gmail.com).

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## Garden Club Plant and Pastry Sale June 6

The Cape Elizabeth Garden Club will hold its annual Plant and Pastry Sale on June 6 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Pond Cove Shopping center. Plants from members gardens and food from their kitchens will be on sale. The public is welcome to take advantage of this once-a-year opportunity.

## Cape resident facilitates Parkinson's support group third Monday of each month



Fran Bagdasarian

A support group both for people with Parkinson's disease and people who have someone with Parkinson's in their lives is held the third Monday of each month at 4 p.m. at Village Crossings, 78 Scott Dyer Road. Cape Elizabeth resident Fran Bagdasarian, an interfaith chaplain, registered nurse, and wellness educator who holds master's degrees in professional studies and divinity, serves as facilitator of the group. Meetings, which are offered through the Parkinson's Information and Referral Center in Falmouth, offer group members a chance to participate in "an ongoing conversation about what it means to live well with a long-term condition," Bagdasarian states in a press release.

Meeting topics include self-assessment, medications, treatments, and therapies such as mindfulness meditation and energy management.

To register, please call Bagdasarian at 799-7832.

## CEEF spaghetti dinner set for May 30, night before Pond Cove 5K

The Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation (CEEF) will hold a spaghetti dinner from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 30, in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School/Pond Cove Cafeteria. Spaghetti, sauce, meatballs, salad, and bread from Willows Restaurant in South Portland and Market Fresh Produce in Scarborough will be served.

In addition to dinner—\$6 per person, \$15 for families, and free to kids five years and younger—the evening will include demonstrations of programs funded through the Pond Cove Parents Association, the Middle School Parents Association, and CEEF, a nonprofit organization with a mission of funding innovative programs that fall outside the Cape Elizabeth school budget.

Runners who plan to compete in the Pond Cove Challenge 5K race the following morning can pick up race packets at the dinner. Anyone who wants to register for the race can do so at the dinner.

## Bring gloves, chainsaws to Gull Crest 'Trail Maintenance Party' on Sunday, June 7

All Gull Crest trail fans are invited to a "Trail Maintenance Party" from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 7.

"We need you to help our diligent group of volunteers keep the trails clear and safe," organizer Carrie McCusker said.

Volunteers should bring gloves and bug spray and wear long pants and closed-toe shoes. Clippers, rakes and saws will be

welcomed. Volunteers with chainsaws and knowledge of how to use them will get a \$5 gift card to Dunkin' Donuts.

The group will meet at the kiosk visible on the left after turning into the Transfer Station road. For more information, please contact McCusker at 799-7708 or mccusker@maine.rr.com.

## Bruce Poliquin, candidate for governor, to speak to Republican Town Committee May 26

Bruce Poliquin, candidate for Maine governor, will be the guest speaker at the May 26 meeting of the Cape Elizabeth Republican Town Committee, to be held at the Community Services building, in the Community

Room, at 7 p.m. All registered Republicans are invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Jessica Sullivan at jessull999@aol.com or at 318-5001.

## Community Services to offer two sessions of SAT prep classes

Community Services will offer two sessions of classes—one in the summer and one in the fall—designed to help students prepare for the 2009 SAT. The courses are taught by instructors from Maine Prep, which is based in Brunswick and offers SAT prep classes throughout the state. Students will be assigned specific exercises from the "Ten for Ten" series, the official SAT study guide for the new SAT by the College Board.

Classes during the first session, which will be held Mondays and Thursdays from June 18 through July 20, will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Classes during the second session, which will run on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., will start on Sept. 3 and end on Oct. 1.

Both classes cost \$675 and will meet at the high school in room 207.

To register, go to the Community Services office at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road.

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## Gardening guru Paul Tukey to speak at library Saturday, May 30

By Rachel Davis

The Thomas Memorial Library is pleased to welcome Paul Tukey, America's Gardening Communicator of the Year for 2006 and author of the *Organic Lawn Care Manual*, for a special event on Saturday, May 30 at 3 p.m. in the library's Community Room. Paul will show us how and why to create landscapes without toxic products. A book signing will follow.

Tukey is the founder of SafeLawns.org, an international coalition of for-profit and nonprofit organizations promoting environmentally-friendly lawn care and resource conservation.

Tukey is well known to millions of Americans through his popular gardening program "People, Places & Plants" on HGTV and through his magazine of the same name. He brings many years of experience in both journalism and gardening to the SafeLawns.org campaign.

He was introduced to gardening during summers spent growing vegetables at his grandparents' dairy farm in Maine. After graduating from the University of Maine with a degree in journalism, Paul spent nearly a decade as a reporter and editor covering the Red Sox, Celtics, Patriots and Bruins. In the late 1980s, Paul followed his love of the outdoors and founded his own landscaping company. Like most commercial landscapers of the era, Paul used conventional techniques and supplies.

But in the early 1990s, Tukey started hearing about the links between 2,4-D, a synthetic weed killer, and numerous illnesses including cancer. Then his personal physician suggested that his recurrent headaches,



Gardening guru Paul Tukey

nosebleeds and blurred vision were attributable to exposure to those same chemical weed killers. His transformation to organic gardening and building healthy soil was underway.

In 1995, Paul founded *People, Places & Plants* magazine and the HGTV show followed in 2002. In March, 2006, Paul won the highest honor in gardening journalism and broadcasting when the American Horticultural Society named him the winner of the annual Horticultural Communication Award. He is the author of a book on organic lawn

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### Cape Anime Club

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**Wednesday, May 27, 3:15 - 5 p.m.**

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 Tuesday & Thursday..... 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
 Saturday .....9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
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## Zoe Goody and Chase Gaston to exhibit at library through May

Cape Elizabeth residents Zoe Goody, and her son, Chase Gaston, will continue to exhibit their arts and crafts work at the Thomas Memorial Library through the month of May.

Zoe Goody's works include acrylic paintings with multiple themes. Chase Gaston's work includes animal drawings, weavings and pottery.

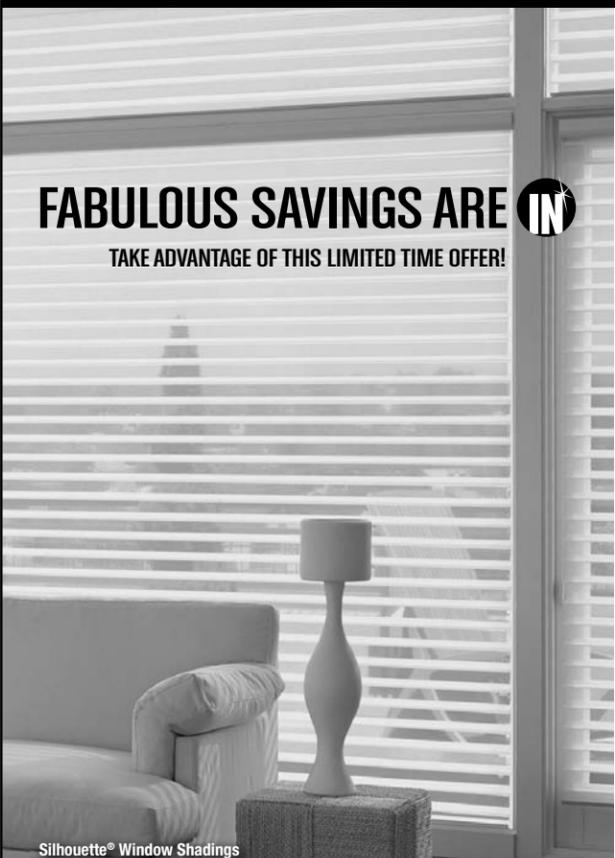
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## Lunch, 'Crazy about You' on docket June 26

Community Services will take a group to the musical, "Crazy for You," at the Maine State Music Theater in Brunswick after a lunch at the Muddy Rudder in Yarmouth on Friday, June 26. The story of Bobby Child, a well-to-do 1930s playboy whose dream in life is to dance, the musical comedy offers dance numbers and music by George and Ira Gershwin.

At the Muddy Rudder, trippers will have

a choice of three lunches: fried haddock sandwich, soup and sandwich, or lobster-cake sandwich. All three will include dessert and coffee.

The cost for the trip, \$63 per person, includes lunch, the theater ticket, and school bus transportation. When making reservations, people should specify which lunch choice they want. To make a reservation or get more information, please call 799-2868.

## Community Services to take group to Cole Porter show on July 15

Community Services will take a group to the North Shore Music Theatre in Massachusetts on Wednesday, July 15, to see Cole Porter's 1920s musical comedy, "Anything Goes." It is considered by some to be Porter's best and is packed full of high-energy, big tap dance numbers. The group will have

lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club before the performance.

The cost, \$99, includes a theater ticket, lunch and transportation via a custom coach. The group will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the back of the Community Center.

## Bridge games every Wednesday, Friday

Bridge players can enjoy games twice a week this summer at the Community Center. All who know bridge's bidding system and are interested in playing preplanned hands are welcome to go solo or bring a partner on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Fridays, players should bring partners to play from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost per day is \$5. For more information, please contact Community Services at 799-2868.

## Lunch on Great Diamond Island, harbor cruise planned

Community Services is offering a Thursday, June 18, harbor cruise on Casco Bay Lines followed by lunch at Diamond's Edge Restaurant & Marina on Great Diamond Island.

The cost, \$32 per person, will also cover bus transportation to and from Casco Bay Lines. For more details or to make reservations, please call Community Services at 799-2868.

## Community Services offers trip to the South

Community Services is offering a trip to Charleston and Beaufort, S.C.; Savannah and Jekyll Island, Ga.; and St. Augustine, Fla., from Oct. 11 to 17.

Ten meals, round-trip air from Portland, lodging in upscale hotels, services of a professional tour director and entrance fees are included in the cost of the trip. Detailed itineraries are available for pickup at the Community Services office. For more information, call 799-2868.

## Future financiers!



Photo by Susan Brendel

Cape Elizabeth resident Asa Wolfinger, a senior at Aucocisco School in Cape Elizabeth, gathers with Aucocisco teacher and stock market game advisor, Jennifer Jackson, middle and freshman Sarah Rogers-Moses of Cumberland Foreside. Wolfinger placed second and Rogers-Moses first in the Maine Stock Market Game.

Two students at Aucocisco School in Cape Elizabeth placed first and second in the 2009 Maine Stock Market Game, sponsored by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association and the SIFMA Foundation for Investor Education.

Sarah Rogers-Moses, a freshman from Cumberland Foreside, took first place. Her virtual portfolio earned 60 percent return above the Standard & Poor's 500 growth,

placing her at the top of all students in 78 high school teams in the state. Asa Wolfinger, a senior from Cape Elizabeth, placed second among all students, with a 52 percent return.

The two will be honored at a special awards ceremony May 27 at the Portland Club.

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## Twenty-seven CEHS students inducted into NHS



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Twenty-seven Cape high students were inducted into the National Honor Society on May 17. Students, selected on the basis of service, leadership, scholarship and character: are Rose Jacobson, Emily Attwood, Brockton Barritt, Devon Bottomley, Elizabeth Briggs, Peter Brigham, Laura Catsos, Jay Cushing, Gabrielle Donahue, Hannah Doss, Samuel Eisenberg, Abigail Flynn, Zachary Gavin, Alicen Johnson, Kristin Kerney, Katherine Lavallee, Emily Leighton, Rebecca Manning, Elizabeth Marcuse, John Menz, Samuel Naseef, Morgan Pillsbury, Madeleine Spagnola, Julia Springer, Kylie Tanabe, Colleen Thibeault, and Colleen Whitcomb.

## MSPA, Nonesuch to hold May 27 book fair

The Middle School Parents Association (MSPA) and Nonesuch Books will hold a spring book fair, which will include a free raffle, from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, at Nonesuch Books in the Mill Creek Shopping Center in South Portland.

Twenty percent of all purchases made

during the time of the book fair will go to the MSPA. Books from reading lists from all three schools, gift-wrap service and gift-wrap items will also be available.

For more information, contact Sue Harper at 799-2874 or harpersusa@maine.rr.com.

## CEEF awards \$20K in grants to Cape schools

By Sarah Price

The Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation, has awarded over \$22,000 in grants to Cape Elizabeth schools this spring. The focus of these awards is on professional development for educators. The nonprofit organization helps fund programs that fall outside the Cape Elizabeth school budget.

Pond Cove School received a grant for \$6,500 to bring Jennifer Jacobson, a well-known author and educator, to the school to train teachers on implementing a fiction-writing program for grades two through four. Pond Cove received a grant to have an author of the "Everyday Math Curriculum," train teachers on strengthening and reinforcing math instruction. A third award will allow four educators to attend a course on implementing a comprehensive intervention model for struggling readers.

Professional development grants of \$5,127 will allow middle school faculty to pursue instruction in Spanish immersion and culture, Broadway theater productions, and West African drumming and culture. With CEEF funds, middle school students will paint murals of local landscapes on school walls. A grant of \$1000 will provide materials for CEMS teachers to participate in professional development study circles, focusing on instructional strategies for writing and reading comprehension.

The high school received six grants including \$3,000 to implement a Lincoln-Douglas debate program. A \$448 grant will help send two U.S. history classes to the JFK Library and Museum in Boston to learn about the Cold War period and the Civil Rights Movement, with an emphasis on policy implementation.

The high school music department received \$549 to buy music software that will enable students to have more productive practice sessions through immediate feedback. With a \$500 grant, the high school will continue its Chef-of-the-Month program, which unites CEHS with local businesses, farmers, fishermen, local chefs, and Cape community members in wellness and healthy eating. A grant for \$150 will buy cooking, hygiene, budgeting and business supplies for students in the high school Life Skills program's cooking group. A \$1,400 grant will buy dry suits for physical education students and sailing-team members to conduct cold-water night rescues.

For more information about CEEF grants, visit the CEEF Web site, www.ceef.us.

## Body-image camp for girls June 6

GirlFormation, a Maine-based program designed to provide education, guidance and support to Maine girls between the ages of 9 and 17, will lead a body-image camp from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, at Cape Elizabeth Middle School. Topics will include the impact of the media on teenage girls and peer pressure. Space is limited to 10 girls in grades 6 to 8. Leaders will provide lunch, and there is no cost.

For more information or to receive an application, contact Gretchen Earle or Kim Sturgeon in the CEMS guidance department at 799-8176. For information about GirlFormation, go to www.girlformation.com.

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## High school mentors 'truly make a difference for Cape Elizabeth students'



Photo by Nancy Carroll

Cape Elizabeth High School senior Joe Atkins, left, plays a game of Candyland with seventh-grader Thomas Bourdeaux, whom he has mentored once a week for the past two years.

### By Wendy Keeler

Thanks to 37 trained student mentors at Cape Elizabeth High School, Pond Cove and middle school students who need a little support get extra social, emotional and academic help—and have a lot of fun in the process. Mentors and mentees, who usually meet for 40 minutes once a week, may eat lunch together, play a board game, toss a ball around, or work on a language arts or math activity.

"Mentor matches are dynamic interventions for the mentees," said Gail Schmadler, director of the Cape district's volunteer services and mentor programs. "Older role models make a measurable difference in the lives of kids who really need support."

### Both ways

Mentors aren't the only ones who make a difference. The relationship goes both ways, says CEHS senior Joe Atkins, who has spent two years mentoring seventh-grader Thomas Bourdeaux, who has Down Syndrome.

"Every time I walk into the special needs classroom, Thomas ... gives me high fives," Atkins said. "He has taught me about the importance and the meaningfulness of small gestures ... that while a high five or swooshing noises might not seem like much to most people, they can be very meaningful to others, making big, positive differences in their day."

Most often, the two play the board game, *Candyland*, which is a lot more involved than the moving of pieces across the board, Atkins said.

### Responsibility

"When we play ... Thomas is always polite and he even mimics some of my actions. I might make a swooshing noise as I move my game piece, and he will laugh. Then on his next turn he will make the same noise and laugh and smile at me," Atkins said. "Thomas's quickness to mimic some of my actions made me realize the responsibility that I have to exhibit correct behavior for him to follow and how easy it would be for someone less caring to encourage Thomas to behave in an embarrassing or negative way."

### Career path

Sometimes mentoring even sets students

on a career path. CEHS senior, Leah Fischer, who has spent two years working in the Pond Cove Math Lab delighted Pond Cove Math Teacher Leader Debbie Butterworth one day.

"It is always delightful to hear Leah interact with students as she does activities and plays math games ... Her constant and sincere praise has encouraged even the most reluctant student to smile and join right in," Butterworth said, "[so] imagine my joy when she announced one day that she had decided to become a teacher. It would be hard to imagine anyone more perfect to join this profession."

### 'Influential'

Atkins, who says his mentee Thomas has taught him "patience, humor and gratitude," hopes many CEHS students will take advantage of the opportunity to mentor. "These lessons proved to be influential to me, and I believe that they will also change the perspectives of other people," Atkins said.

Schmadler agrees.

"Mentors learn to make good choices and to become caring, responsible adults. They increase their self-confidence, their ability to take risks, and their resiliency, and they learn to set boundaries and to embrace diversity," Schmadler said. They also brighten lives. "The caring, committed high school mentors truly make a difference for Cape Elizabeth students."



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## Substance abuse in Cape to be topic of May 28 coffee house

Cape Elizabeth HOPE will host a "coffee house" from 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28, at the Community Center. The aim of the evening is to provide community members an opportunity for candid conversation about substance abuse among Cape youth. At HOPE's April 28 coffee house, a group of Cape high students attended.

Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Education is a one-year-old community action team with a goal to promote candid conversation about drug and alcohol use and abuse in Cape. All are welcome to attend meetings. For more information about the event, contact Susan Klopp at mklopp@aol.com.

## Sophomore research poster presentation set for June 4 at CEHS

Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's sophomore class will showcase their research on some of the world's many pressing conflicts at a poster exhibit which will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, in the high school's first-floor lobby, adjacent to the cafeteria, gym, and auditorium. The event precedes the high school's undergraduate awards ceremony, which will be held in the cafeteria.

The poster presentations are a culmination of extensive research and preparation. For more information, please contact CEHS Social Studies Teacher, Gretchen McNulty, at gretchen\_mcnulty@cape.k12.me.us.

## Box Tops receptacles at Recycling Center

During May, residents can help Cape Elizabeth Middle and Pond Cove schools earn money by donating Box Tops for Education coupons in bins placed at the town Recycling Center, in the Swap Shop, and the covered area

where residents dump trash. Coupons, which can be clipped from grocery products made by various companies, earn 10 cents apiece. For more information, contact Joanne Sullivan at jsull@maine.rr.com or 799-4525.

## Seniors, parents, send in post-grad plans!

High school seniors, do you want your post-graduate plans included with other seniors' plans in a June issue of the *The Cape Courier*?

Soon-to-be grads and parents should send the senior's name, plans, and the names of both parents by June 1 to Debbie Butterworth at dbutterw@maine.rr.com or 21 McAuley Road, Cape Elizabeth 04107. Only seniors and parents can send this information.

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# Waynflete

## Community Services plans June 2010 service trip to Safe Passage in Guatemala

Cape Elizabeth Community Services is planning a June 2010 mission trip to Guatemala to volunteer at Safe Passage in Guatemala City. Safe Passage is a Maine-based nonprofit organization that provides educational, medical, and social support for children who live in the Guatemala City dump neighborhood.

The trip is open to students who will have completed grades nine, 10 or 11 by the end of the 2009-10 school year. Students must have studied at least two years of Spanish and they must submit a letter, in Spanish, explaining why they'd like to be a team member. Support teams consist of a maximum of

12 people. Cape Elizabeth Middle School Spanish Teacher Susan Dana, who took a group of CEHS students to Safe Passage in June 2007, will go on the trip.

An informational meeting for interested students and their parents is planned Monday, June 8, at 7 p.m. at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center. Registration and application materials will be available at the meeting. Applications are due by Monday, June 23, and notification of acceptance will be on June 30. Anyone who would like to apply but cannot attend the meeting should call Susan Dana at 799-8176, extension 414, or e-mail her at susan\_dana@cape.k12.me.us.

**Addition:** Emily MacDuffie, a Cape Elizabeth High School senior, was named to the high honor roll for the third quarter.

## International affairs trivia contest!



Photo by Rone Vrynell

Conferring about topics ranging from Chinese currency and the embalment of Communist leaders to the name of Spanish Saharan rebels and the location of the 1984 Winter Olympics (Sarajevo), are students, parents, and brainiacs who turned out for the second annual Cape Elizabeth High School World Affairs Council International Affairs Trivia Challenge, held May 17 in the cafeteria. About 100 people comprising 13 tables competed in the fundraiser for the World Affairs Council. For the second year, a brainy group representing the Council on International Educational Exchange in Portland won. Second place went to an all-boys group from the class of 2011 that included Matt Miklavic, Will Daly, Joe Long, Kyle Danielson, Robert Macdonald, Wil Laprade, and Jack Queeney. Fish Net, a group of CEHS parents, came in third.

## Cape students celebrate World Language Week

By Marcia Chase

In mid-April, Cape Elizabeth Middle School students shared their knowledge of global cultures and displayed their abilities in French and Spanish during World Language Week, an annual spring tradition at CEMS.

With international music the theme of the week, several seventh and eighth grade classes created tour posters for French and Spanish performing groups. While on view at the school's recent Arts Night, the posters inspired praise for their humorous originality and for the cultural authenticity of ticket prices in Euros and show times using the European 24-hour clock.

Outside their classrooms, fifth-graders posted more than 100 colorful paper hands with greetings in languages from each continent, and, once again this year, patrons of Thomas Memorial Library received book-

marks inscribed by sixth graders with international motifs and sayings in either French or Spanish. A student speaker from Bulgaria, Petar Filipov, visited fifth-grade groups to talk and take questions about his native land. Students in Charlie Carroll's sixth-grade class served as world language envoys to Pond Cove School, where they taught Spanish greetings, songs, numbers and a game to enthusiastic kindergartners in Dawn Rioux's class.

Throughout World Language Week, students at each grade level compete to answer daily trivia questions about cultures, languages and geography of our global community, and hear the Pledge of Allegiance performed in a language other than English. This year, linguists from the CEMS staff and student body recited the pledge in French, Spanish, Italian and Icelandic.

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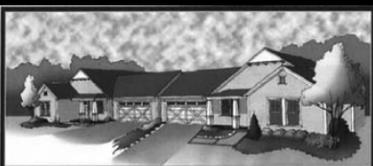


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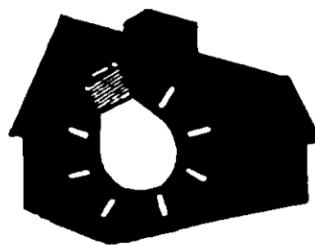
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## Arts Day!

Pond Cove first-grader Shane Kennedy, facing forward, and classmate Max Patterson paint watercolors in a session led by Cape watercolorist, Christine Morgan, one of 29 artists from the community who came to the school's sixth annual Arts Day, a school day fully devoted to the arts. Other artists who worked with classes included architects, fabric designers, a potter, painters, sculptors, a weaver, a jeweler, a dancer, a magician/illusionist, and more.

Photo by Karen Abbott



Photo by Janelle Deschino

Pond Cove School kindergartners and first-graders try yoga led by Deb Duryee at Arts Day on May 12. First-grade teacher, Karen Abbott, said she was "thrilled" when she heard that yoga would be the last session of the day for her class. "Ahhhh, I thought, 'a nice, calming way to end our wonderful, energetic morning,'" she wrote in a May 13 e-mail. "Riiiiiiiiight. Did you know that yoga for kids involves making dog noises when you do the downward facing dog position, meows for the cat pose, and hissing snake noises for another pose? Perfect for them!"

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## Election

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are within the community and to make what changes are necessary.”

Town Manager Mike McGovern noted that May 12 marked the “fourth school validation vote we have had in a twelve month period,” and that these were in addition to a presidential election and a special election to fill a vacant seat on the Town Council.

Last year, the school budget was rejected twice by voters before being approved on the third vote.

“I wish to thank Town Clerk Debra Lane, the election and custodial staff at the polls, and all those who processed the absentee voting procedure at the Town Hall for their dedication to the election process,” McGovern said.

### Election cost

Elections are expensive. “The town has spent, out of pocket, \$28,000 on elections this year and the budget for elections has an \$11,000 deficit,” McGovern said. “We have also devoted significant other personnel resources to elections and absentee voting where the cost is spent out of other budgets.

The expense of the May 12 vote is still being calculated but savings were made from avoiding programming costs for machine readable ballots, buying less expensive

paper ballots and hand counting.”

McGovern noted that the increasing popularity of absentee voting is having “a significant cost implication as we now staff polls for major elections for up to three weeks, instead of for a single day.” McGovern said that 58 percent of the total turnout in the November, 2008 election was by absentee ballot. According to McGovern, the expense for mailing ballots out was this year was \$700.

McGovern said that the election budget for fiscal year 2010 is up 89 percent, or \$15,566, while overall municipal spending is down.

### Upcoming elections

McGovern anticipates a continued busy election season, as this November will bring elections for three Town Council and three School Board seats and for a “statewide proposal to reduce excise taxes by 40 percent and a Maine citizen-initiated proposal to require, in the future, citizen votes on virtually all tax increases.” Also on the ballot will be the Maine Medical Marijuana Initiative and a citizen initiative to repeal the school district consolidation law.

McGovern also anticipates a likely statewide referendum on a citizen petition to overturn Maine’s same-sex marriage law. “Town staff anticipates this ballot issue will generate voter interest similar to that found in a presidential election,” McGovern said.

point. Traditionally, Yarmouth juniors outscore students at other Maine public schools in the writing portion of the test.

Cape juniors’ continuing success on assessments doesn’t mean CEHS can relax, Shedd said.

“We have been in this spot overall for quite a few years, but that could change, depending on the particular class, depending on how well we’re doing, and depending on how well other schools are doing,” Shedd said. “We view our rank as the top-performing public school in Maine as both terrific feedback and incentive to continuously support our students and improve on the teaching and learning that take place here.”

## Business

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Photo by Jenny Campbell

The house at 553 Shore Road, at right, above, sits across from the Irving station, and is a focus of attention. The owner of 553 wants the property included in the BA district, but some residential neighbors disagree.

### Shore Road area draws hottest comments

Of the two BA areas, the one at Shore Road clearly attracted the most comment and was the most contentious.

Most speakers focused specifically on a proposal to extend the district one lot to include the property at 553 Shore Road. The century-old yellow and white Victorian building with distinctive white pillars is owned by Cape resident Lee Wilson. It sits opposite the Irving station.

The building had fallen into serious disrepair by 2006 when it was purchased by Wilson and completely renovated. Her hope was to convince the town to have the BA district extended to include her lot allowing commercial use of the property.

Architect John Mitchell, representing Wilson at the council meeting, described the proposed businesses as consistent with the rest of the business district. He said that Wilson’s plan was to have a small retail store on the first floor, an office on the second floor and possibly an apartment on the third floor.

Several Cape residents spoke in support of the proposed change.

“Gift shops make wonderful neighbors,” said Kathy Johnson, who had owned the Presents of the Heart gift shop further down the road in South Portland.

Several neighbors disagreed. They felt any expansion of the business district was inappropriate and damaging to the neighborhood and to property values.

“People who are in favor of the rezoning do not live in the adjoining neighborhoods,” said Emily Materson.

David Sanford agreed, noting that it was irrelevant what type of business was being

proposed. He noted that the business could be sold and become a repair shop or some other type of enterprise.

“The entire neighborhood feels they are not being listened to,” said Harry Hardy. “They are feeling they are getting bullied a little bit.”

### Route 77 neighbors applaud proposed changes

In contrast, the neighbors adjacent to the Route 77 BA district generally spoke favorably of the proposed changes. They were especially appreciative of changes limiting hours of operation and instilling design standards.

“The BA zone should protect the integrity of the adjacent neighborhoods,” said Gail Schmader. She supported the proposed restrictions — such as 9 p.m. closing times — on businesses operating within 100 feet of a residential zone.

“These are residential areas first and foremost,” commented Carl Best in supporting the proposed zoning changes.

Julie Barnes did not agree with all of the proposed changes. Barnes, who is leasing the Rudy’s of the Cape business, urged the council to allow businesses to stay open until 10 p.m. She said that people often come in to watch a ball game and then have to leave before the end of the game.

Barnes also asked the council to reconsider the eight seats at a counter limit. She said that the limit, meant to discourage a bar atmosphere, did not make sense in a family eatery.

Jamie Wagner spoke in opposition to the BA district limitation restricting alcohol sales to 25 percent of total sales. He said this restricts the establishment of bars in the town.

“Cape Elizabeth could use one or two bars,” he noted.

## Maine SAT

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the first to be tested in science since Maine replaced the 11th-grade Maine Educational Assessment (MEA), with the SAT, a college entrance exam, in 2005-2006. Maine Education Commissioner Susan Gendron urged the switch, believing it might encourage more Maine students to apply to college. The belief that juniors might take the test more seriously than the MEA also factored into the switch.

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A different view: 553 Shore Road adjoins residential neighborhoods, as well as the existing business district.

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Schuyler Armstrong, left, and Megan Culver, 2004 graduates of Cape Elizabeth High School, pose after running the Boston Marathon on April 24. Schuyler ran to raise money for the Tufts University President's Club, and Megan for the New England Patriots Charitable Trust.

**Joanna Brown Tourangeau** has joined the environmental and land-use practice at Drummond Woodsum, where her practice focuses on local, state and federal permitting for new development and assistance with environmental compliance, with particular focus on hazardous waste and toxics issues. Previously she practiced environmental law for eight years at Pierce Atwood. Tourangeau received her law degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and is licensed to practice in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. She and her husband **Matt** have a daughter, **Celeste**.

**Melissa Kathleen Pisani**, a senior nursing major in the college of health sciences at the University of Delaware in Newark, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

**Ashley LaRose**, a junior majoring in business administration at the University of Southern Maine School of Business, has been selected as the 2009 William G. McGowan Scholar. The program, started by MCI's founder McGowan, provides scholarships to students pursuing business education. Students are selected who exhibit high academic achievements and excellence.

Ashley has been active in DEX, an organization that offers leadership opportunities to mold students into future leaders. She also volunteered for Make-A-Wish Foundation, for which she led fundraising drives. She is a member of the University of Southern Maine Honors Program.

**Michael Greer** was named to the dean's list at Flagler College in St. Augustine, Fla., where he is majoring in business administration. A 2007 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, he will start his junior year in September.

**Katie Bowen**, a 2000 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, received her master of arts in social sciences in May from the University of Chicago. She previously completed her undergraduate degree at Colgate University in 2004. She is the daughter of **Dan and Pat Bowen**.

**Miranda Hammond** and Seth Fernald were married Aug. 16 at Spurwink Church. Their reception was held at Inn by the Sea. Miranda is the daughter of **Lisa and Joe Hammond**. She is a seventh-grade teacher at Wescott School in Westbrook. Seth is the son of Ann and Richard Fernald of Farmington. He is employed by William A. Berry & Son, which has headquarters in Massachusetts, as a project coordinator.

**Carley Hammond**, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The best man was Tony Dominicus.

They returned to their home in Scarborough after a honeymoon along the Maine coast.

**David Brenner** earned a master's of science in education through the graduate and professional studies division at Saint Joseph's College in Standish, which offers distance education programs for working professionals. Brenner is a teacher at South Portland High School.

**Molly Rogers** was named broker of the month at **Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate**. She is a resident of Scarborough.

**Colin Wright**, a 2005 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, graduated on May 15 from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles with a bachelor of science degree in aerospace engineering.



Miranda Hammond and Seth Fernald

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