Planning Board recommends allowing more multifamily units for Town Center

By Wendy Derzawiec

The Planning Board will recommend that the Town Council change the town’s zoning ordinance to allow more multifamily dwell- ing units in the Town Center zone.

The board voted unanimously on Sept. 15 to recommend the change to increase the density of multifamily dwelling units from 7,500 square feet of lot area per unit to 3,000 square feet of lot area per unit. The proposed amendment would also allow residential use for more than 50 percent of a building in the Town Center, as long as the building has more than one story and the first floor is not residential.

The lone speaker at a public hearing Sept. 15 agreed that the change was a good idea. Peter Konstantino, representing Slick Rock LLC, owner of the property at 349 Ocean House Road, said that without the density changes for multifamily units, properties in some areas of the Town Center won’t be developed. The kinds of multiuse projects that are feasible in the Town Center vary, based on the market different areas support, he said. “I can’t deliver all office,” Konstantino told the board. “The market’s not there to fill the building. So the residential part of this is going to be big in making this project work,” he said.

The property is located at the corner of Ocean House Road and the entrance to Cape Elizabeth High School.

Earlier this year the board had recommended, and the Town Council approved, similar density changes for multifamily units in the Business A Zone.

While the board supported increased density for multifamily units, it stopped short of changing the density for boarding and room- ing houses in the Town Center. Current pro- visions allow one bed per 5,000 square feet of gross lot area.

“I think that rooming and boarding hous- ing can go into residential neighborhoods,” said board member Barbara Schenkel. “The multifamily housing in a mixed-use building cannot. So, I would keep a lesser density in the residential areas and allow in the Town Center and in the Business A District higher density in a mixed-use building in order to create more affordable housing,” Schenkel said.

—see PLANNING page 18

Cape students take regional assessment test this month instead of MEA in May

By Wendy Keeler

October may have a March bite this year for Cape kids in grades 3 through 8, who are taking standardized tests this month instead of in March, as they have for the past 25 years. For the first time, Maine students are taking the test that Rhode Island, Vermont, and New Hampshire kids take.

The New England Common Assessment Program, or NECAP—pronounced “knee cap”—replaces the Maine Educational Assessment, or MEA, except in science. Mid- dle school students will take the MEA sci- ence test in May.

For students used to the MEA, the NE- CAP isn’t an enormous departure, principals of both schools said.

“The format won’t be a surprise to stu- dents, but we did notice a difference in the number of steps in the open-ended math questions,” said Pond Cove Principal Tom Eismeier. “The rules are slightly different. The MEA we were able to do in slightly shorter blocks—45 minutes to an hour—but now we have been told to allow 90 minutes for everyone to finish,” Eismeier said. “What we can do in elementary school is have two 90-minute sessions in one day, so we looked at the schedule, and the friendliest way to do it for elementary students is in six days: three for math and three for reading. The MEA took four days.”

The biggest differences between the tests, which are contracted by the same company, Measured Progress, will be for teachers and administrators, the principals said.

“The good news is we’ll have the results back mid-year. That to me is the biggest dif- ference,” said Pond Cove Principal Tom Eismeier.

—see NECAP/MEA page 18

Harvest Festival-goers, triathletes brave rough weather to raise Land Trust funds

By Elizabeth Brogan

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Harvest Festival and Noyes, Hall & Allen CELT Challenge Triathlon and Duathlon took place on Sunday, Sept. 27 under rainy skies. Above, at left, a girl jumps across haystacks. At right, Scott Richards competes in the triathlon. Please see page 4 for an additional photograph and information about the events.

School Board candidate withdraws

By Elizabeth Brogan

Ruth Anne Haley has withdrawn her can- didacy for the School Board. She will not appear on the ballot in the Nov. 3 municipal election.

Citing “family reasons,” Haley submitted a notarized statement requesting the removal of her name from the ballot to Town Clerk Debra Lane on Sept. 22.

Haley’s request came 43 days prior to the Oct. 3 election. State law provides for with- drawal of a candidate from an elective race at least 45 days before an election. Lane, who consulted with an attorney from the Maine Municipal Association, determined that Haley’s candidacy could still be withdrawn because final approval and printing of the ballots had not yet taken place. State law gives municipal clerks discretion, within the 45-day period before an election, to allow withdrawal of a candidate, provided ballots can be produced to reflect that withdrawal.

“My name may be a good thing for voters that her name will not appear… It did work out,” said Lane, “If she had been elected [but declined to serve], then we’d have to declare a vacan- cy to be filled by special election.”


The Nov. 3 election will also fill four seats on the Town Council. Two candidates, Frank J. Governali and Michael S. Jordan, will vie for an unexpired one-year term. Five candi- dates will vie for three three-year terms. They are Sara W. Lemon, Kimberly J. Mon- aghan-Dettig, Christopher M. Straw, Jessica L. Sullivan, and James T. Walsh.

A seat on the Portland Water District Board of Trustees, representing Cape Eliz-abeth and South Portland for a five-year term, should also be filled in the Nov. 3 election. However, no one from either community returned nominating papers for this seat. Names may be written on the ballot for this seat. To write in a candidate for this seat, a voter must include both the name of the write-in candidate and the town in which the candidate resides, either Cape Elizabeth or South Portland.

The Nov. 3 election will be held at

—see ELECTION page 4

Cape records huge recycling boost: 50 percent increase over two years

By Gregory Walsh

Cape Elizabeth, still with its traditional voluntary system of garbage disposal and recycling centered at the town Transfer Sta- tion, increased its recycling rate by 50 per- cent over the past two years and continues to rank among the best recycling towns in Cumberland County on a month-by-month basis, according to recently compiled statis-}

ics.

The amount of recycled waste sent from Cape Elizabeth to ecomaine, the nonprofit waste-processing center with 37 member towns in the Portland area, increased by 50.7 percent during the two-year period ending July of this year, according to ecomaine. That increase represents an increase of 386 tons of recyclable material over the prior- year period. The increase was the highest of all member towns, with the next closest numbers being posted by Yarmouth, up 41 percent over the two-year period, and Scar-borough, up 35.5 percent.

Both Cape Elizabeth and Yarmouth achieved these results without resorting to pay-per-bag systems or municipal curbside pickup, although Cape has more recently en- acted an ordinance change making it manda- tory for residents to recycle materials being brought to the Transfer Station.

Cape Elizabeth residents also managed to decrease by 21 percent the amount of gen- eral residential waste brought to the Trans- fer Station during the past two years. This decrease was second only to Scarborough among the ecomaine member towns, ac- cording to its report. Like all towns partici- pating, Cape Elizabeth pays a higher fee for residential waste brought to ecomaine than
Resident questions town reporting on Shoreland zoning amendment process

I write to point out an error on the town Web site. The site reports the Town Council adopted a reduced buffer for Olde Colony Lane/Cranbrook on Sept. 14, 2009. The tape of the session shows the opposite.

About 50 minutes into the session, Councilor Sherman said: “I am not inclined at this setting to vote for any other motion but to approve the Shoreland Zoning Amendments that have been put forth by the Planning Board.” He then moved: “to adopt the Shoreland Zoning Amendments that have been proposed to us by the Planning Board and as set forth in the memorandum we received at tonight’s meeting.” Another councilor said “including the maps.” Councilor Sherman said: “including the maps.”

About 1 hour and 19 minutes into the session, Sherman requested the vote on the motion presented by Councilor Sherman. The Planning Board’s proposal and memorandum regarding the Shoreland Zoning Amendments do not include the reduced buffer for Olde Colony Lane/Cranbrook. The council did not vote to include the changes for Olde Colony Lane/Cranbrook, which reduce the buffer approved by the Planning Board.

I asked that this ‘News’ item be changed to reflect what actually occurred. I was told that changes cannot be made without the approval of the Town Manager. As I write, the incorrect item remains, suggesting the Town Manager declines to correct it even when he has been shown the error.

I have asked council members to confirm the obvious facts. As I write, they have not responded.

Mary Esposito

Sullivan: ‘capability, tenacity and desire to represent us well’

The Cape Elizabeth Town Council has been blessed with strong capable volunteers over the years who have given their time to make our town a better place to live. In many respects it can be a thankless endeavor. Jessica Sullivan is a candidate who has chosen to seek a seat on the Town Council in November. As a long time Cape citizen, Jessica Sullivan is a very well informed, thoughtful and well-versed volunteer. She cares deeply about the school system and the well-being of our children.

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Electing Walsh will ‘pay lasti…”

We write to express our enthusiastic support for Jim Walsh as he pursues his goal of becoming an elected member of the Cape Elizabeth Town Council. During our years of friendship with Jim, we continue to be impressed by, and appreciate, the unbridled energy he focuses on giving back to his community. His desire to collaboratively participate in town governance is sincere. The lessons he has learned through his many life experiences and achievements will serve him, and us, well. Whether the issue of concern involves the challenges faced by local business owners, the price of food, the increasing costs of living, or the need to balance tight budgets, or the ever-increasing demands placed on our school system, Jim has “been there and done that.”

Please consider voting for Jessica Sullivan on Nov. 3.

David Griffin
Sullivan: ‘enthusiasm and willingness to work hard will be a real asset’

This letter is to endorse as a Cape Elizabeth Town Council candidate, Jessica Sullivan. Jessica Sullivan is a resident whose family roots date back generations to almost the beginning of our town. She is an individual who has devoted extensive volunteer time to our town, currently serving on the Thomas Memorial Library Board of Trustees. She has long been a supporter of our very fine school system, from which all of her children benefited. She has extensive knowledge of the health care delivery system in our state with management experience of her husband’s medical practice. This experience has given her firsthand knowledge of the challenges facing small businesses in our current economic environment. Jessica uses a practical approach to solving problems. We have always found her to be friendly and willing to listen to other people’s ideas before forming a decision. You will find her to be someone who will always be professional and courteous in all of her dealings, which is important in working with others to solve our town’s future problems. We strongly endorse Jessica’s candidacy for Town Council, as we feel her enthusiasm and willingness to work hard for our town will be a real asset. Thank you.

Timothy and Nancy Thompson

Goverali: a ‘roll-up-the-sleeves work ethic’

We enthusiastically endorse Frank Goverali in the Cape Elizabeth Town Council election. As parents of two young children, we are focused on sustaining the vibrancy of our community for future generations. Frank is a tireless worker experienced in community leadership and knowledgeable of Cape Elizabeth’s needs and resources. We are convinced Frank’s dedication and community leadership experience, coupled with a roll-up-the-sleeves work ethic, will ensure that Cape Elizabeth maintains its natural beauty, rural charm and high quality, affordable schools.

We have known Frank for nearly 15 years, working with him in both professional and volunteer capacities. Most recently, we worked with Frank on St. Albans’ vestry. As the leader of the vestry for three years, Frank was responsible for overseeing the operations and strategic direction of the operations and strategic direction of the vestry. Frank has dedicated himself to sustaining our community for future generations.

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Please join us in electing Frank Goverali in the upcoming Town Council elections.

Michael and Gwen Moore

CHRISTOPHER STRAW

As a candidate for Town Council, I promise to work towards ensuring that Cape Elizabeth becomes a model for all Maine communities in the areas of:

- **Transparency** – I will seek to ensure the public is fully informed of all aspects of Town business.
- **Consistency** – I will apply a consistent approach to all decisions, regardless of the parties involved.
- **Attention to detail** – I will thoroughly review all materials to the best of my ability and seek an adequate explanation for all proposed changes.

Regards,

Christopher M. Straw

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Children and adults alike were fascinated by the Chewonki Foundation’s live owl display at the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Harvest Festival, held Sept. 27 at the middle school fields. To view additional pictures from the Harvest Festival and the Noyes, Hall & Allen CELT Challenge Triathlon and Daathlon, go to www.capelandtrust.org. Complete results from the athletic events, and from the festival’s Best Tasting Pie Contest and Photography Contest are also listed on the site. Net proceeds from the events will benefit the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust and its mission to conserve distinctive lands cherished by the community.

Photo by Claudia Dricot

Jessica Sullivan

for Town Council

November 3, 2009

A Common Sense Approach for Cape Elizabeth

I am committed to Cape Elizabeth as a whole, and will listen respectfully to the concerns of all citizens. As a “team player,” I will work congenially with other council members for the good of our town.

An independent thinker, I am not pursuing the Town Council for any special interest. My desire to serve our community stems from a deep love and respect for our unique heritage, remarkable resources and outstanding citizen community.

With my Cape family legacy and small business management experience, I offer a thoughtful yet practical approach to the challenges we face. I will work hard to balance the competing needs of budget and services, and of growth and heritage.

Jessica Sullivan

Cape Elizabeth real estate transfers: June 2009

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Election

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Cape Elizabeth High School gym, with polls opening at 7 a.m. and closing at 8 p.m. Absentee ballots will become available about 30 days before the election. Requests for absentee ballots may be found online at www.capeelizabeth.com, by calling Lane at 799-7665, or by visiting Lane’s office in Town Hall at 320 Ocean House Road.

No reason is needed for absentee voting. For updated election information, go to the town Web site at www.capeelizabeth.com.

Recycling

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does for recyclable waste. A combination of reduction in one with an increase in the other yields a double benefit to taxpayers.

The two-year numbers were great news for Cape Elizabeth residents, but on a month-to-month basis the town recycles at a rate similar to many other towns, yet still well above average.

During the month of August, 2009, for example, Cape residents recycled at a rate of 30.4 percent, meaning that 30.4 percent of total refuse brought to ecomaine was recycled materials. Of the 25 towns reported in August, six had higher recycling rates than Cape Elizabeth, including Falmouth at 46 percent, North Yarmouth at 42 percent, and Windham at 38 percent. The average recycling rate for all 25 towns in August was 25.9 percent, according to ecomaine.

Governanli brings needed ‘critical skills’

We endorse Frank Governanli for Town Council. The primary challenge our town faces is the increasingly difficult financial picture. Frank brings extensive experience and excellent problem-solving skills to solving budget issues. He is an advocate for developing revenue sources in Cape Elizabeth and understands that we must consider non-property-tax sources of revenue as well as expense reductions in order to manage our town’s financial future. Having scrutinized municipal and school budgets in recent years, Frank has strenuously argued that a town spending plan needs to match residents’ priorities.

Frank’s career in finance and his hands-on approach to our town finances are absolutely critical skills moving forward. We urge you to vote for Frank Governanli for Town Council.

Randi and Bollie Bollenbach
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**Kennealy earns third place in Boston Globe photo contest**

Cape Elizabeth photographer Jack Kennealy won third place in The Boston Globe national parks photography contest. The contest was planned to coincide with the premiere of Ken Burns’s PBS production “National Parks: America’s Best Idea,” on Sept. 27.

Documentary filmmaker Ken Burns personally selected the top three photos from among the finalists. The contest drew about 1,000 entries from across the country. Kennealy was the only finalist from Maine. Kennealy’s photograph, at left, “Misty Morning – Maine Coast,” was shot in Acadia National Park on Mount Desert Island.

—see KENNEALY page 4

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Hillman: ‘pragmatic,’ with ‘tireless work ethic’

I am writing to urge the voters of Cape Elizabeth to elect David Hillman to the School Board on Nov. 3.

David has long been a supporter of the schools and the Cape community. He formed a citizens’ group to fight school consolidation, resulting in an exemption from that policy for Cape Elizabeth, which otherwise would have been consolidated with South Portland schools.

As a lawyer specializing in the restructuring of financially-troubled corporate organizations, David knows how to cut waste in a practical and non-ideological manner.

David has spent a great deal of time reviewing the school budget the last three years and made public suggestions to the School Board on cost savings as well as areas of improvement.

He is pragmatic, able to work with people of all viewpoints to reach consensus, and has a tireless work ethic. He would be an unparalleled asset to the Cape Elizabeth School Board. Please vote for David Hillman on Nov. 3.

Claudia Dricot

Governali: a ‘blend of professional and personal strengths’ coupled with commitment

We are very happy to support the candidacy of Frank Governali for Town Council. We believe that Frank’s blend of professional and personal strengths coupled with his demonstrated commitment to service and to our community make him a very strong candidate for a leadership position in our town.

Frank spent twenty-six years in the financial industry, retiring as a managing partner from Goldman Sachs in 2005. This financial background will benefit our town as we try to find a workable balance between the limited resources of a small community and the increasing demands for those resources. He has the interest in and ability to delve into problems, gather information from many points of view, and find reasonable and balanced solutions.

Frank has a strong history of service in our town. He has been an active volunteer, including treasurer, at St. Alban’s. He has been a supporter of our schools through the CEHS Parents Association, the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation, and the Great Schools Partnership, and in each organization has taken on the responsibility of a leadership position.

Before Frank takes a stand on an issue, he will have solicited relevant information, listened to what interested parties on both sides have to say, and investigated in depth possible solutions.

We know that Frank will creatively seek new resources, bring thoughtful insights to issues, and help the town make informed and balanced decisions about meeting the needs of all citizens.

Martha Palmer and Jay Evans

More letters on pages 2, 3 and 4

Pumpkin Carving & Fun Day

Sunday, October 18, 12:30-2:30pm

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9-3 Portland resident, failure to produce
9-3 South Portland resident, speeding (56/45
9-2 Scarborough resident, possession of

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ACCIDENTS
9-2 Christian Moyer, Jean Bugbee, accident
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FIRE CALLS
9-1 Mutual aid, South Portland

RESCUE CALLS
There were 2 runs to Maine Medical Center.
There were 2 runs to Mercy Hospital.

Medication drop-off set for Saturday, Oct. 17, at Cape Elizabeth Fire Station

Cape citizens can help save the environment, prevent theft, and possibly save a life on Saturday, Oct. 17. Community members will have an opportunity to discard unused prescription and over-the-counter pills, ointments, drops, veterinary medications, and needles at the drop-off in Cape or at the South Portland Community Center, where a collection will be going on at the same time. Medications should be delivered in their original, labeled containers.

The event is a collaboration of the town of Cape Elizabeth, the city of South Portland, comain, CVS stores at Millcreek and Pond Cove, the South Portland Community (SP-CASA), Cape Elizabeth Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Education (HOPE), Cape Elizabeth/South Portland TRIAD, and the University of Southern Maine College of Nursing and Health Professions.

For more information, please contact Cape Elizabeth Community Liaison Officer Mark Dorval at 767-3323 or mark.dorval @capeelizabeth.org or HOPE member Pam Richards at 799-3804 or sricha1 @maine. rr.com.

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Field hockey boosters to hold second annual pumpkin sale Oct. 17 at Community Center

Cape Elizabeth High School’s field hockey teams will hold a Halloween pumpkin sale at the Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, or until all pumpkins are sold. The boosters hope to duplicate the success of last year’s pumpkin sale, the first held by the boosters.

The pumpkins are provided by a locally owned Maine farm. All proceeds will benefit the three field hockey teams at CEHS, helping to pay for the first-team coach, new goalie equipment, and other items that are needed but not covered by the budget.

For more information about the sale, contact Jody Boyington at jody-boyington@aol.com or 767-8461.

CEHS alum named football ‘Player of Week’

Kyle Toot

Former Cape Elizabeth High School running back, Kyle Toot, a senior at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, was named North Coast Athletic Conference Player of the Week on Sept. 21 after scoring four touchdowns for his team in a game against Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio.

Last year, Toot, a 2006 CEHS graduate, led the Kenyon football team in rushing with 1,280 yards, finishing first in the North Coast Athletic Conference in rushing yards per game. This season Toot leads his team in rushing with 1,280 yards, finishing first in the North Coast Athletic Conference in rushing yards per game. This season Toot leads his team in rushing with 1,280 yards, finishing first in the North Coast Athletic Conference in rushing yards per game.

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CELL’s annual meeting set for Tuesday, Oct. 6

Cape Elizabeth Little League will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria. All members of the CELL community are invited to discuss the previous 2009 season and the 2010 season.

“CELL is always looking for volunteers, and the annual meeting is a great time to get involved,” CELL President Mark Hare said.

Each year Cape Elizabeth Little League serves more than 470 boys and girls aged 5-14. Anyone seeking more information can contact Hare at 767-1838 or president@cape-il.com.

Pancake fundraiser for volleyball team planned Oct. 3

The Cape Elizabeth High School volleyball team will host a pancake breakfast fundraiser from 8 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at Applebee’s Restaurant, 200 Running Hill Road in South Portland.

Tickets, which are $5 each, buy pancakes, butter, syrup, and a cup of juice and coffee. Proceeds raised at the breakfast will help the team purchase a volleyball net, referee stands, and team uniforms.

To buy a ticket or get more information, contact Amy Powell at amywent@gmail.com or 767-3311.

Cape volleyball players plan Oct. 17 car wash

Members of the Cape Elizabeth High School volleyball team will hold a car wash from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17, at Bob’s Auto Service on Route 77.

Players are raising money to purchase a volleyball net system and uniforms. Donations will be appreciated.

For more information, please contact Amy Powell at amywent@gmail.com or 767-3311.

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Public Supper, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road
Tuesday, October 6
Riverside Country Club Trustees, 3 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Cape Elizabeth Little League Annual Meeting, 7 p.m., High School cafeteria, 345 Ocean House Road
Planning Board workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Wednesday, October 7
Cape Elizabeth Garden Club, 11:30 a.m., For location and more information, Betty Montpellier, 799-0229
Community Services Advisory Commission, 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road
Thursday, October 8
School Board Human Resources Committee, 8 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
School Board Teaching and Learning Committee, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Superintendent’s Office, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Fall Book & Bake Sale, Foundation Donors preview night, 5 p.m.-8 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road
Friday, October 9
Fall Book & Bake Sale, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road
Saturday, October 10
Fall Book & Bake Sale, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road
Lions Club Lobster Dinner, 5-6 p.m., Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights and Wheeler Roads. Cost: $15, to benefit Cape Elizabeth Lions local and international activities. Participants should arrive by 5 p.m.
School Board business meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Wednesday, October 14
Town Council, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall chamber, 320 Ocean House Road
Thursday, October 15
Fort Williams Advisory Commission, 7 p.m., Public Works, Cooper Drive
Thomas Memorial Library Board of Trustees, 7 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road
Town Council workshop, 7:30 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Town Council Finance Committee, 7:30 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall, 320 Ocean House Road
Friday, October 16
Fund Cope Parent Association ‘Haunted Harvest’ 6-9 p.m., Turkey Hill Farm, Old Ocean House Road
Saturday, October 17
Fund Cope Parent Association ‘Haunted Harvest’ 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Turkey Hill Farm, Old Ocean House Road
“Bubble in Paradise,” 7:30 p.m., St. Alban’s Church, 855 Shore Road
Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society, 9 a.m.-noon Thursday, 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 Baloff, 799-4221.
Fire-Policemeetings, 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 Saturday 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 their 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 Parapdeoeck Country Club on Sparrow Rd in Cape Elizabeth. For more information on the SPCE Rotary Club, contact club president Joan Frustaci, 767-2490.
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.
Longtime Cape residents invited to share memories at ‘I Remember Cape’ classes
The Cape Elizabeth photographer and writer Jan Reale-Hatem invites longtime Cape Elizabeth residents to the final two sessions of “I Remember Cape Elizabeth: Senior Stories, Extraordinary Memories,” which will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesdays, Oct. 6 and Oct. 13, at the Community Center.
A member of the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society, Reale-Hatem encourages people to turn out for one or more of the informal sessions to share personal stories about life in Cape.
“Those informal sessions will give participants an opportunity to record their memories and make memory postcards to help preserve Cape Elizabeth history,” she said.
Although sessions are free, participants should register in advance through Community Services, located at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road. Community Services can be reached at 799-2688.
For more information, please contact Reale-Hatem at 799-2457 or realehatem@maine.rr.com.

The program is supported by a grant from the Maine Humanities Council and Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society.

Cape pianists to perform in Oct. 18 concert
Thirteen pianists, who include Cape Elizabeth residents Mark Braun and Steve Bluemethal, will perform at a Portland Rossini Club concert planned for 3 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Cathedral of St. Luke, 143 State St., Portland. In celebration of the club’s 1939 Steinway Concert Grand, which is returning from a complete rebuilding, the club’s pianists and guests will perform all 24 of the Op. 28 preludes of Chopin.
Parking is behind the church and is accessed from Park Street. The suggested donation for admission is $10, and $5 for seniors. Students attend for free. For more information, contact Phyllis Leake at 774-2525 or phyllis@phylissaleke.com.
Land Trust’s annual meeting set for Oct. 18

Community members are invited to join the board and staff of the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust for their annual meeting on Sun-
day, Oct. 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Turkey Hill Farm. During the meeting, committee chairs and staff will review accomplishments of the past year and formally elect organizational officers for the coming year. Recognition will be given to departing board members Dan Redmond and Frank Strout.

The evening event will include light re-
freshments and a brief talk by featured speaker David Buchanan, board member of Kitchen Gardens International and active member of Eat Maine Foods! Buchanan will share his passion for local foods, farmland protection, and school gardens, as well as his experiences as a gardener at Turkey Hill Farm in Cape Elizabeth.

Earlier in the day CELT will host a “Vol-
unteer Appreciation BBQ” for friends and community members who have contributed their time in support of CELT in the past year. All interested in attending either or both events should contact CELT at 767-6654 or e-mail to info@capelandtrust.org.

Celt Plans Cape geology discussion, walk

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust will present a discussion and walk for people interested in Cape Elizabeth geology on Saturday Oct. 3. CELT volunteer Sheldon Smith will dis-
cuss the glacial history of Cape Elizabeth and then lead a walk to view Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough formations. The group will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the CELT office, 330 Ocean House Road, and the walk should end at about 1 p.m. Snacks and water will be provided, but group members should bring a lunch. The cost is $12 per family or $6 per person. Registration is through Cape Elizabeth Community Services, 799-2868.

Irises to be the topic of Garden Club meeting

The Greater Portland Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society plans a “work-
ing meeting” at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 29 Ocean House Road. “Bring your most troublesome relatives and your brick walls, and we’ll sit down and help each other work towards a solution,” members state on the chapter’s Web site, www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~megpcmgs. “Be sure to bring with you whatever infor-
mation you already have.”

A social time will be held at 12:30 p.m. Meetings are free and open to all. For more information, call Linda Aukov at 490-5709.

‘College Survival Boot Camp’ to be held at Community Center

Information about the current college fi-
nancial landscape and about college admis-
sions will be the topic of Community Servic-
es’ upcoming “College Survival Boot Camp,” planned from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Community Center.

Tricia Weyand, a faculty member for the New England Association for College Admission Counseling, will cover topics that will include how to reduce anxiety sur-
rounding the college application process, appropriate involvement by parents, how a student can choose a focus of study based on personal strengths, and how to find a school to accommodate exceptional learning styles.

Andy Stickney, a chartered financial con-
sultant who specializes in college funding strategies, will cover the current financial aid process and provide an overview of investment strategies to help minimize a family’s expected contribution.

The cost will be $25 per person or $35 per couple. For more information, call Com-
munity Services at 799-2868. To reserve a seat, please call 767-2733.
Fall Book & Bake Sale begins with Oct. 8 preview night, regular sale Oct. 9-10

The Friends of the Thomas Memorial Library will host their annual Fall Book & Bake Sale from Oct. 9 to 10. The sale will take place Friday, Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a preview night on Thursday, Oct. 8 from 5 to 8 p.m. for donors to the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation. (If you like, you can donate 5$ at the door!)

This annual book sale is truly unique. All of the books are categorized, and most arealphabetizedforeasyshopping.Choosefromthousandsofnewchildren'sbooks,aswellasahugeassortmentofrecent bestsellers in “like-new” condition. You’ll be amazed at the quality and selection of fiction as well as nonfiction, including travel, history, foreign language, nature, parenting, politics, and more.

The Friends of the Library are still accepting donations of books, DVDs, videos, and audio books for the sale. They are also seeking donations of baked goods. Sign-up sheets for bake-sale items are located at the library’s circulation desk, or e-mail ajlombardo44@yahoo.com.

All proceeds from the sale benefit the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation. Be sure to come by to get great deals on books, videos, and other items, and bring home desserts as well! For more information, please visit the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation Web site, www.TMLFDTN.org.

Lonely Books Club reviews are now online

During the long story time hiatus due to the mold problem in the community room, children’s librarian Rachel Davis has had an opportunity to get some things done that she has been wanting to do for a long time. One of those projects was to post online the hundreds of book reviews that Lonely Books Club members have written since the program began two and half years ago.

The Lonely Books Club began in 2007 with the support of a grant awarded to the library by the South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club. The Rotary Club funded the program again in 2008, and the Lonely Books Club continues today still supported by those funds. The program was designed to encourage kids to read books that no longer circulate very much. Club members read books from a list of these “lonely books.” Many of the books on the lonely books list are award winners or are otherwise distinguished, but because their covers are dated, or somehow unattractive, they had lost their appeal. Once participants have read and reviewed three books on the Lonely Books Club list, they receive a T-shirt and a gift certificate to NonieSuch Books. Participants may continue to earn gift certificates for every three books read and reviewed. Many club members, however, seem more interested in making the books happy than in earning rewards. From the beginning, there have been many kids who choose to read the books—and even come to the meetings—but don’t turn in reviews. Some kids simply want to read the “loneliest” books, ones that haven’t been read in the longest amount of time, or the ones with the “ugliest” covers.

As a result of the Lonely Books Club, nearly 200 books on the list have been read and reviewed, many of them multiple times. Even more books have been read but not reviewed. Books such as Elizabeth Janet Gray’s “The Adams of the Road,” which won the Newbery Award in 1943, and Hugh Lofting’s “The Story of Doctor Dolittle” have found a new and appreciative audience. Other more recent titles on the list, like Kimberly Wil- lis Holt’s “When Zachary Beaver Came to Town,” which won a National Book Award in 1999, had sat on the shelf unread for five years until a club member found it on the list and read it. At the end of her review she wrote, “...in the beginning, Zachary is seen as a rude pig, and selfish, too, but by the end of it, you come to sympathize with Zach- ary and see that he’s actually a great person. That right there shows an example of how you ‘should never judge a book by its cov- ers’—and isn’t that really the purpose of the Lonely Books Club?”

In 2008, the Thomas Memorial Library won the Esco ExCELlence Award, a national award that honors one small public library per year for excellence in library programming. Rachel Davis traveled to Anaheim, California last summer to accept the award.

The program was also honored with a Greater Portland Council of Governments Recognition Award last year. All the Lonely Books Club reviews received to date can now be read and enjoyed on the library’s Web site at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org/LonelyBookReviews.

The next meeting of the Lonely Books Club is October 14 from 3:15 to 3:45.

Membership in the Lonely Books Club is unlimited. Current club members range in age from 7 to 14. The only requirement is reading ability as most of the books are chapter books from the older children’s fiction section. To register, stop by the children’s library reference desk.

Ann Bennett exhibit continues through month of October

A showing of the art of Ann Bennett, ti- tled “Emergence: a Collection of Botanical and Nature Portraits,” will continue at the library through October 21.

Using, among other media, watercolor, graphite and other natural substances, Ben- nett describes her work as “evolving beyond traditional botanical artistry into the creation of a new contemporary vision.”

Some of her watercolors are the “old Eng- lish two-brush method,” applying paint with one brush and watercolor with the other. Bennett is a member of The American Society of Botanical Artists and has taught botanical watercolor at Maine College of Art and the University of Southern Maine, Con- tinuing Studies.

She resides in Cape Elizabeth.

Mold abatement at library completed, fall story time to start up week of Oct. 11

With the mold abatement complete in the library’s community room, the fall children’s program schedule is set to begin after the Friends of the Thomas Memorial Library’s Fall Book & Bake Sale which takes place October 8 to 10.

The schedule will be as previously published, with one baby story time, two preschool story times, three toddler story times, and one family story time per week. Please see the schedule below for complete details. For all complete details, visit the library’s Web site at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

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Mother Goose Story Time
Rhymes, songs and finger plays for babies up to 18 months.
Wednesdays, Nov.-11:00-11:30 a.m.

Tales for Tots
Songs, stories and movement for toddlers 18 months to 3 years.
Wednesdays, Nov.-9:30-10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, Nov.-9:30-10:00 a.m.
Fridays, Nov.-9:30-10:00 a.m.

Story Garden
Songs, stories and movement for preschoolers 3 to 5 years.
Tuesdays, Nov.-10:30-11:15 a.m.
Thursdays, Nov.-10:30-11:15 a.m.

Family Story Time
Songs, stories and movement for toddlers and preschoolers.
Saturdays, Nov.-10:30-11:00 a.m.

Book Club Meetings

Hidden Magic Club:
Oct. 7, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
Lonely Books Club:
Oct. 14, 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Book & Bake Sale Oct 8 - 10
Donations being accepted
Bakers still needed!

For complete program details, please visit the library’s Web site at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

All the library programs are free, and preregistration is not required.

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Library Hours
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Themes
Oct. 11-17:

Frost is on the Pumpkin
Time to celebrate the beautiful season of fall.
Cape Elizabeth High School junior Hannah Wallace will dance in the Portland Ballet’s Halloween-themed “Spooktacular” at 2 p.m. on Halloween, Oct. 31, at Portland High School’s John Ford Theater, 284 Cumberland Avenue. All ages are encouraged to attend the concert and to come in costume. A costume parade will be held during intermission.

Dancers will present six pieces choreographed by Nell Shipman, the company’s resident choreographer, who is a principal dancer and instructor for Portland Ballet. Musical selections will include works by Shostakovich, Berlioz, Puccini, and others. Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com. For more information, please contact Portland Ballet at 772-9671 or visit www.portlandballet.org.

Chinese medicine class to be offered Oct. 6

Licensed Acupuncturist Lynn MacDonald-Webber of Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic will offer a free Chinese medicine and women’s health class at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6. All are invited.

The class will offer basics about how Chinese medicine works and can be used to maintain and promote women’s health.

Coastal Wellness, located at 300 Ocean House Road, offers free classes at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month. To register or get more information, call 799-9355.

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By Wendy Keeler

To raise money, members of most churches pass the basket. They host church suppers, hold annual campaigns and white elephant sales. On your typical Saturday night parishioners don’t put on a 14-song musical, never mind one with script, music, and lyrics created by a member of the congregation.

But that’s what a group of 12 parishioners at St. Alban’s Episcopal Church will do when they perform “Bubble in Paradise,” at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17, at the church’s Bonoff Hall. After writing the two-act musical comedy, St. Alban’s parishioner Mary Lancey, a South Portland resident, got an idea.

“I decided … this show would be a good vehicle for a church fundraiser,” Lancey said in September. “Everyone connected with the show is from St. Alban’s, and the audience is sure to get a kick out of seeing fellow parishioners, staff and clergy ‘treading the boards.’” Everyone in the community is welcome to come and enjoy the performance.

They may get a kick out of watching cast members who include Jay Houghton, Barbara Hall, Gordon Gayer, David Morrill, Dave Abbiati, Robin Legere, Lori Schnieders, Gloria DeCapua, Erik Olsen, Jim Strand, Audrey Delafield, and John Balicki.

The year is 1971. A woman learns her journalist husband George, embedded with the Army in Vietnam, has been declared legally dead. At a surprise birthday party to console her, George’s widow, Cordelia, meets Mal, an eligible, exotic man from a South Pacific island. The two are instantly attracted to one another. In the meantime, the “deceased” husband returns, by chance, to the same city. The head wound he sustained overseas leaves him with total amnesia. By another coincidence, he ends up working for Mal. When Cordie and Mal decide to get married, Mal asks George to be his best man.

A theater veteran, having performed in summer stock at theaters in Calumet, Mich., Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and South Falsburg, N.Y., Lancey has acted and directed in Chicago and New York. She composed the music and wrote lyrics for two plays, “Previously Unproduced” in 2001 and “Power Surge” in 2005, and wrote the script, music and lyrics for “Holmes’ Spring Break” in 2002.

The show is a fundraiser for Saint Alban’s. A $10 donation is suggested. For more information, please contact Lancey at rdmarel@maine.rr.com or 799-4802.
School book fairs to open on Oct. 15

The parents association’s annual Scholastic Book Fair for Pond Cove and the middle school will open on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

**Middle school fair**
The middle school fair will run through Friday, Oct. 23, in the middle school “knuckle,” located between the fifth-grade wing and the gym. Students will visit with their language arts classes, and organizers encourage parents to visit at any time.

Daytime fair hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on weekdays from Thursday, Oct. 15 through Thursday, Oct. 22, and from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday, Oct. 23. The fair will also be open from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22.

For more information about the book fair or about volunteering, please contact Susan Leighton at sjleighon@yahoo.com or Kate Stewart at stewartk@us.ibm.com.

**Pond Cove fair**
The Pond Cove Parents Association’s annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held Oct. 15 through Oct. 22 in the Pond Cove “knuckle,” located between the allied arts and fourth-grade wings.

During the day classes will visit the fair, which will also be open to the public. Opening time every day will be 8 a.m., and on Oct. 15, 16, 19, and 21 the fair will close at 4:30 p.m., reopening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, and Tuesday, Oct. 20.

On the last day, Oct. 22, the fair will be open from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Pond Cove students will collect loose change to earn books for Pond Cove and local charities. For every dollar raised in the One for Books program, Scholastic will donate a book to local chapters of Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc., the National Center for Family Literacy, and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. For more information, contact Jane Anderson at jane4@maine.rr.com.

‘Diary of a Wimpy Kid’
The next book in the popular “The Diary of a Wimpy Kid” series will be released in hardcover on Oct. 12, three days before the opening of the fair, where it will be sold for $6.99 in paperback.

“We know some people will want to run right out and get it, but we hope most will wait the three days. “We can guarantee stock right out and get it, but we hope most will wait the three days.” book fair co-chair Christine Mackenzie said.”

For more information, contact co-chair Mary Ellen Carignan at 799-2878 or mcari-gna@maine.net or visit http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/pondcove.

Haunted Harvest Oct. 17 at Turkey Hill Farm

The Pond Cove Parents Association will hold its first Haunted Harvest, featuring games, a haunted hayride, a costume parade, a dunk tank, food and prizes, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Turkey Hill Farm, 120 Old Ocean House Road.

The event, which will be open to all ages, replaces the PCPA’s Fall Fest, traditionally held at the school each October, and is geared to kids 10 years old and younger.

All who are interested in volunteering time or talent at the event can contact Eileen Hetrick at eyeball26@gmail.com or Karen Holmes at sholmes3@maine.net.

Anyone interested in making a monetary donation can contact co-chairs Loralee Schaedel at lischaedel@gmail.com or 767-1792, Janelle Deschino at deschino@qwest.net or Impy Alfznauersaltz@yahoo.com.

Hundreds of students take part in flu clinic

Registered nurse Cathy Patnaude, a supervisor with HomeHealth Visiting Nurses of Saco, sets Pond Cove kindergartner Helena Rieger touch the top of a flu vaccine mist dispenser during a flu clinic Sept. 25 at the Cape Elizabeth Fire Station.

Patricia McCarthy
Photography

Easy-peasy ... Patnaude gives Helena a painless dose of flu vaccine. “It’s been a steady flow of kids throughout the day, and that’s fabulous,” said Patnaude. “Hopefully, it’ll prevent outbreaks of the flu and help keep kids healthy.” Nearly half of Cape students—817 of 1709—received vaccines.

A thumbs-up and a smile from Helena a moment later. Dora Ann Mills, director of the Maine Center for Disease Control, also gave a thumbs-up to Cape education officials. “She commended us for our community efforts and successful clinic,” Middle School Nurse Cindy Tardif said.

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Cape Elizabeth Middle School students, left to right, Isabel Roberts, Lydia Ingalls, and Heath- er Chase wash potatoes after school on Sept. 16, the day before the lunch.

By Wendy Keeler

Students at Pond Cove and Cape Middle School harvested, cleaned, shucked, created, prepared—and finally got to eat—Cape-grown vegetables in mid-September, when the schools had their second annual Harvest Lunch on Sept. 17.

To help raise awareness and get students excited, staff and students dressed as fruits and veggies and greeted buses in the days leading up the event.

The middle school even had a poster contest, and winning posters created by sixth-grader Nikki Penley and seventh-grader Marsha Some were reproduced and displayed around both schools. Some sixth-grade and seventh-grade classes helped harvest food at Jordan Farm, and a fourth-grade class made salsa from vegetables grown in the raised beds at Pond Cove.

What really counted in the end was the menu: whole wheat veggie calzones, cheese quesadillas with tomato salsa, maple-roasted root vegetables, corn on the cob, fresh fruit and vegetables, and blueberry crumble made from Maine blueberries.

HSPA plans breakfasts, discussions, speakers

What are the characteristics of an inclusive, welcoming school community? How can members of the Cape Elizabeth High School community cultivate and support school spirit? These are some of the questions on the agenda for a meeting of the Cape Elizabeth High School Parents Association, or “HSPA,” set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the high school library. All are invited to participate in the conversation.

HSPA members are also excited to sponsor a guest speaker on post-high school gap-year experiences. Joanna Lazarek, vice president of the Center for Interim Studies in Cambridge, Mass., will talk about opportunities for students at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5, in the CEHS library. Students and parents interested in hearing about this option for high school graduates are encouraged to attend.

The first of several upcoming monthly breakfasts with CEHS Principal Jeff Shedd and/or Assistant Principal Troy Henninger is planned for 8 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the school cafeteria. Current events and topics of interest will be discussed at the gatherings, and all parents are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Susan Spagnola at jspagnol@maine.rr.com or Trish Brigham at pbrighams@maine.rr.com.
Box Tops fundraising under way at schools

Pond Cove and Cape Elizabeth Middle School have set a goal of earning $3,700 this school year by collecting 10-cent Box Tops coupons found on many grocery products. By buying groceries, purchasing books online at the Box Tops Reading Room, or shopping for a variety of products online at the Box Tops Marketplace, school supporters have the potential to earn $60,000 for the two schools this year.

Anyone who wants to participate should clip Box Tops from grocery products and deposit them at collection bins located at the IGA, the Community Center, the Transfer Station Swap Shop, Thomas Memorial Library, and the two schools’ main lobbies. To raise money for the program online, sign up to support either of the schools on the Box Tops Web site at www.boxtops4education.com and then shop online at the Box Top Marketplace or Reading Room. A percentage of purchases will go toward either school’s fundraising efforts.

For more information, contact the school’s Box Tops coordinator Joanne Sullivan at jssl@maine.rr.com.

Education Foundation bee set for Nov. 17

After more than a two-year hiatus, the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation’s community spelling bee is back. All are welcome to field a team of spellers or cheer on contestants in the bee, slated for Tuesday, Nov. 17, in the Pond Cove cafetorium. In previous years, the bee, which raises money to support innovative programs in the Cape Elizabeth public schools, has welcomed more than 30 teams of students, teachers, lawyers, doctors, clergy, college alumni, librarians, real estate agents, and teams made up of School Board, Rotary, Town Council, book groups, exercise groups and neighborhood members. The most recent winner, The Cape Courier Buzz, won on the word “schadenfreude” in May 2007.

Text We Can raises more than $52K of $60K sought to help replace outdated textbooks

Members of the group, Text We Can, need to raise $8,000 to meet their goal of raising $60,000 to buy new textbooks for Cape Elizabeth Middle School. The group has raised $58,000 since the start of the summer.

Text We Can members encourage parents to make contributions of $100 or more, which a group of anonymous donors will match up to a total of $20,000. The Cape Elizabeth school district committed $60,000 to modernize the school’s textbook collection, a total $120,000 is needed to replace all of the outdated books, which prompted parents to form Text We Can, to raise the other half.

As in the past, the spelling bee will be organized into rounds, with teams of three adult or student members competing in each. The competition will lead to a final championship round. The bee will not involve “solo spelling”; team members consult to decide on a team response. Participating teams are encouraged to wear costumes and to “bee” creative.

To participate, each team must pay a tax-deductible fee of $300. Nonspellers who would like to contribute may sponsor a team or make a donation, which will enable high school and community service teams in need of funding to participate. For more information about the event, please contact CEEF at 799-2333 or at info@ceef.us.
First in series of ‘Bean Suppahs’ set for Oct. 3

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will hold the first of four “Bean Suppahs” from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at the church, 280 Ocean House Road. The supper will feature dishes made from locally grown foods as well as historical information about Maine heirloom beans and bean supper traditions. Church members will prepare baked beans, casseroles and salads with products from local farms.

The event is being cosponsored by the Maine Council of Churches (MCC) through a grant from Communities Promoting Health Coalition of the People’s Regional Opportunities Program, and the Maine Department of Agriculture.

For more information about the “suppahs,” contact: Eric Smith or Martha Stein at 772-1918 or mstein@mainecongmc.org.

The cost will be $7 for adults, $3 for children and $20 for families (two parents and children), and each adult ticket will be donated to the South Portland Food Pantry.

Oh, my ... now that’s mighty cold!

Brooke Lomma’s tennis ball makes contact with the dunk-tank bull’s eye, plopping Msgr. Michael Henchal into icy water at the St. Bartholomew Festival on Sept. 12. “We wanted to bring together people in our own community at the start of our Faith Formation year, and also reach out to the town to provide a fun way to bond together,” said Pastoral Associate Kathy Williams.

“It went very well, especially considering the rain! We hope to make this an annual event.”

The event is being cosponsored by the Cape Shore Assembly of God.

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meier, who is pleased about the timing of the NECAP. “I would rather have the data in the beginning of the year. The kids used to take the MEA in March, and the results would come back in July.”

Cape Elizabeth will have no NECAP score comparisons among Cape students until scores from the 2010 NECAP are available in winter 2011. But Maine educators for the first time will be able to compare Maine kids’ scores with those of students in other states.

“I’m glad we will have a broader comparison,” Connolly said, “but I’ll have to wait to see what we get back before determining how useful this assessment is.”

The Maine Department of Education anticipates saving $1 million per year by switching to the regional assessment.

2009 MEA

In general, Cape Elizabeth Middle School students who took the MEA this past spring fared better or the same as students who took the test the previous year. Math and reading scores went up for students in grades 5, 6, and 8. Sixth-graders’ math scores went down two points, and their reading scores didn’t change from the previous year.

A turnover in students that in grade may be the reason for the downturn, Connolly said.

“Prior to the last school year, we had a substantial turnover in that grade. Seven stu-
dents moved out of the district, and 18 joined the district,” Connolly said. “The seven stu-
dents who left the school had either met or exceeded the standards, and we saw a mix of students of all different ranges come in, and some had never taken the MEAs or any standardized assessments.”

Adapted Yearly Progress

This year, for the first time, Pond Cove did not make Adequate Yearly Progress, or AYP, a 10 percent gain in reading and math scores over the previous year. Under the No Child Left Behind Act, every school must make AYP, and every subgroup in a school must meet the required target. This year, the subcategory of Pond Cove students with identified disabilities did not make the 10-percent gain in math. Cape educators are analyzing the data to make adjustments to instruction, but they are not panicking.

“I wouldn’t take this year as a trend. The state says to look at averages over a three-year period as a trend,” said Eismeier, who always downplays the significance of scores on one assessment test, even in years when Pond Cove has been named “high-performing” by the state Department of Education.

“Because the bar is set higher each year, at some point every school is going to fail. For years I have been saying that this would happen at some point,” Eismeier said.

In 2005, Cape Elizabeth High School did not make AYP, and CEMS did not meet the required target in 2007. In both cases, a subgroup failed to make AYP in one subject area.

In 2014, 100 percent of students are expected to meet standards.

“That doesn’t take reality into account,” Eismeier said.

Planning

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Peter Hatem, chairman, added that the board had not studied what kinds of unintended consequences might arise from increasing the density for a rooming house in the Town Center.

The amendment for multifamily housing is a recommendation of the town’s most recent comprehensive plan.

Winnick Woods parking expanded

In other matters, the board approved a application from the town of Cape Eliza-
abeth to expand a gravel parking lot currently serving visitors to the trails and open space at Winnick Woods.

The expansion will increase parking ca-
pacity from four vehicles to eight, and allow a turnaround exit rather than backing out onto Sawyer Road.

Bruce Moore, who has been the closest abuter to the town-owned open space since it was formally dedicated in 2008, asked if the town could plant more trees between the lot and his property, as well as publish restrictions on hours of use and on dogs running without a leash.

Board members agreed that hours of use for the parking lot should be limited to one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, and to post a reminder that all dogs must be leashed on town property outside of Fort Williams Park. They did not set the extra buffering as a condition of approval but accepted Moore’s offer to have plantings installed at his expense.

Additional buffers were promised if the lot expanded closer to the house at 1108 Sawyer Road, but the expansion approved Sept. 15 goes to the left of the property and behind the building.

Wetlands disturbance permitted after the fact

On Sept. 15 Planning Board members also granted a Hunts Point Road couple a re-
source-protection permit to fill part of a wet-
land that had already been filled and reveg-
etated after construction of a sport court at their home.

Jeff and Houri Edwards, 59 Hunts Point Road, were granted the permit to fill approx-
imately 152 square feet of an area designated as R2 wetland, which can be altered by per-
mit.

The filling, however, was done by the previous owner of the home at the time a sport court was constructed, without benefit of a building permit.

Considering the small amount of wet-
land, and that removing the fill would dis-
rupt the wetland even more, the board voted unanimously to grant the permit.

“But, I’m concerned about the precedent of it,” said board member Thomas Dolan. He said he agreed that the permit should be granted, but that the board at the same time was sending a message that it will be OK for anyone with prior disturbance of a wetland to get a permit after the fact.

Hatem agreed. “This is the second one we’ve granted in a little less than two years. I’m getting a little nervous about what other issues are out there,” he said.

Wells Road driveway moves without meeting

In other matters, the board also approved a request from Wells Road resident Juan Per-
ez-Febles to move the property line between 53 and 57 Wells Road so that a driveway serving 53 Wells Road would rest entirely on that lot. Currently part of the driveway encroaches on the lot next door.

Perez-Febles, who owns both properties in the Cross Hill subdivision, told the board that he had built the driveway before surveyors set pins defining the lots. “I guess it was just a lack of foresight on my part,” Perez-Febles said.

He said he was seeking the property-line adjustment so that both lots will be independ-
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Bill and Jean Holt were blessed this summer with the arrival of two new grandchildren. Finnegan Shepard Holt arrived June 27. His parents are Casey and John “AJ” Holt of Portland. His other grandparents are Diane and Wayne Barney of Westbrook, and Robert Walter of Kennebunk. Casey and AJ graduated from Greater Portland Christian School in 2002 and 2001.

Finn’s little cousin, James Stanley Holt, joined the family on Labor Day, Sept. 7. James’ parents are Odessa and Jordan Holt, whose mother Mary Holt-Wilson graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School in 1988. Their other grandparents are Tom and Janet Reinhart of Wellfleet, Mass., and Stanley Grabowski Petaluma, Calif. Finn and James were happily anticipated by their cousins, Alanna and Sam Haslam of Saucy, whose mother Laura Holt-Haslam was a 1985 CEHS graduate, and Jordan, Noah and Lara Wilson of Westwood, Mass., whose mother Mary Holt-Wilson graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School in 1988.

Cape Elizabeth High School graduate Christian H. Carson was recently deployed to the Middle East for one year. He is a member of Port Security Unit 301 based in Cape Cod, Mass., which has trained with the Army and the Navy. Christian has also completed a special training for water retrieval and is a rescue diver and an Army Combat Lifesaver certified by the Professional Association of Diving Instructors. As a Coast Guard reservist, he was activated in 2005 in support of Operation: Enduring Freedom. In 2006-2007, he was again activated and deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, in support of Joint Task Force GTMO. The son of former Cape residents Penny and Bob Carson, Christian holds an associate degree in law enforcement from Southern Maine Community College in South Portland and a bachelor of science degree from the University of New England in Biddeford. An emergency medical technician, he serves as a part-time member of Monmouth Rescue. A police officer for 18 years, Christian served in Bridgton and in Cape Elizabeth and is currently a full-time police officer in Winthrop, where he lives with his wife, Lauri and their two teenage sons, Thomas and Matthew.

Cape Elizabeth resident Mary Chris Bulger paid it forward after winning a shed raffled off by the Cape Elizabeth Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office as a fundraiser for a Cape Elizabeth High School scholarship. She turned over the shed to Habitat for Humanity. The raffle raised more than $1,100, which will be given to a Cape graduate pursuing a career in a field related to homebuilding.

In a patron drive during its 2009 season, the Lobster Shack raised more than $2,400 for the National Scholarship Fund, which raises money and support for area youth with college dreams who have aged out of foster care in Maine. Restaurant owners allowed the organization to hang up an information poster and “giving cup” to collect change this summer.

Jennifer DeSena was named broker of the month for August for superior sales at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage. DeSena was also July broker of the month.

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For more information please feel free to contact:
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