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CMP installs smart meters around town; McGovern clarifies council action

By Elizabeth Brogan

On Nov. 8, the Town Council adopted a resolution urging CMP not to install the so-called "smart meters" on Cape Elizabeth homes for a period of 90 days and until CMP has provided additional information about the devices.

As residents were reading about the resolution on the town website and in local newspapers, (in this newspaper referred to as a "moratorium," which CMP was "urged to honor"), CMP-hired electricians were installing the meters at Cape homes.

"Many citizens have called Town Hall regarding the installation of smart meters," Town Manager Mike McGovern said in a Dec. 2 announcement posted on the town website.

"Many of the callers believe that the Town Council enacted a moratorium on the installation of the meters...Please note that the operative language is 'urging CMP.' The resolution does not have the force of law," McGovern said.

"The town of Cape Elizabeth has no jurisdiction over the installation of smart me-

ters," said McGovern. "Utility regulation is undertaken by the state."

According to McGovern, the Maine Public Utilities Commission is considering a petition from Scarborough residents asking the PUC to review its earlier decision in favor of the program. That town was given 21 days to file additional information before the PUC considers whether to reopen the earlier approval, said McGovern.

But that process does not prevent the ongoing installation of meters in Cape Elizabeth.

"CMP has the right to install a smart meter replacing your current meter," McGovern said.

How to say no

McGovern also said that if residents do not want a new meter installed, they should be proactive in telling CMP not to install the meter. "CMP is honoring such requests at this time, he said. "You may wish to tape a small note to your existing meter

—see SMART METERS, page 18

Eighteen ring-tossing robots compete in Cape

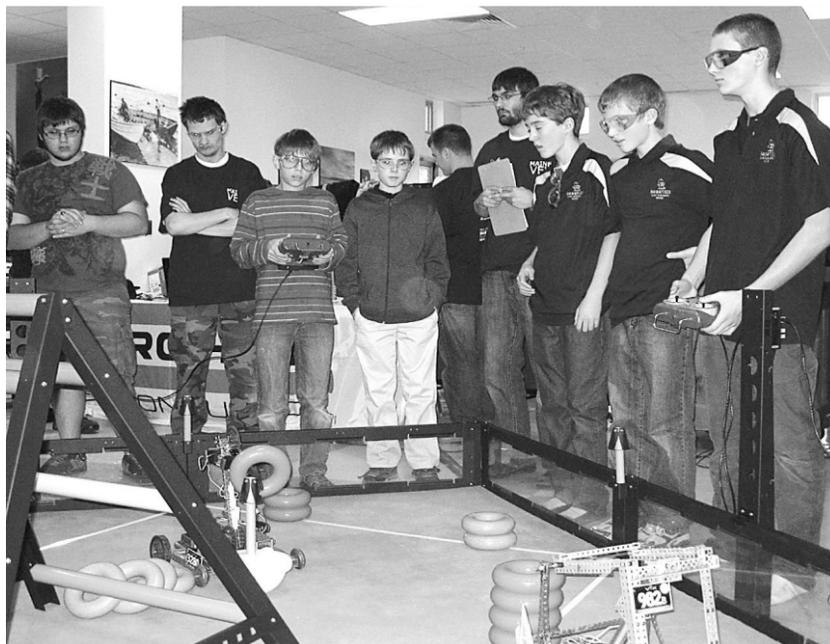


Photo by Kathy Barber

Cape seventh-grader Jasper Hansel, third from left, and freshman Trevor Gale, far right, drive their robots during a Dec. 4 robotics meet at CEHS as eighth-grader Andrew Volent, fourth from left, freshmen Liam Simpson, third from right, and Nick Shedd, second from right, watch the field with spectators.

By Wendy Keeler

A veteran of countless athletic competitions, Cape resident Marlene Bottomley thought she had seen it all from the sidelines. Bottomley's kids are stand-out athletes, and for years her husband has been a top runner in his age group in Maine.

But when she took her son, J, and his two friends to a Dec. 4 robotics competition at Cape Elizabeth High School, the first CEHS has ever hosted, she was in for a surprise. Robots from 18 teams from around the state faced off against each other in matches on fields in which two robots at a time are pitted against each other.

"It was really interesting and more com-

petitive than I thought it would be," said Bottomley, who was surprised by the drama of the competition. "I had no idea that teams could sabotage each others' efforts in order to gain points in the competition."

At the meets, robots, which students build out of VEX Robotics System components, attempt to score the highest number of points by the putting the greatest number of rings onto their team's post. Robots can score additional points by climbing ladders.

During the first 20 seconds of each round, when robots operate in a preprogrammed "autonomous" mode, teams can get bonus points. After that period ends, students driving

—see ROBOTICS, page 18

Cape wins state mock trial title



Photo by Colleen Taintor

Cape Elizabeth High School mock trial team co-captain Emily Taintor embraces coach Mary Page as co-captain Ben Berman and team member Emily Muscat look on, at the Cumberland County Courthouse in Portland on Dec. 9 when the CEHS team beat Hampden Academy to win Cape's first state title since 2002.

By Mary Page

Cape Elizabeth High School
Mock Trial Team Teacher/Coach

Cape Elizabeth High School won its first State of Maine Mock Trial championship since 2002 on Dec. 9, beating Hampden Academy in the final round of competition at the Cumberland County Courthouse in Portland. Leigh I. Saufley, Chief Justice of

the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, presided over the trial, which centered on a case involving criminal charges concerning a lobstering feud.

"The team was amazing," said attorney Richard O'Meara, a Cape resident who has helped coach the CEHS team since 2004.

—see MOCK TRIAL, page 18

Sherman to serve as council chair in 2011

By Elizabeth Brogan

Town Councilor David Sherman was unanimously chosen to serve as new Town Council chairman at the council's annual caucus held Dec. 6 and was sworn in as chairman at the first meeting of the Town Council year on Dec. 13.

Councilor Anne Swift-Kayatta served as council chair in 2010, while Sherman chaired the Ordinance Committee.

"I'm gratified to have been chosen by my peers to serve as council chair for the coming year," Sherman said. "The council has been a rewarding experience so far, and I'm looking forward to the challenges and opportunities we'll face in 2011."

Also sworn in on Dec. 13 were newly elected Councilor Caitlin Jordan and re-elected Councilor Frank Governali.

Two new School Board members, Michael Moore and Kimberly Monaghan-Derrig were also sworn in at that meeting.

Councilor Sara Lennon will continue to chair the Finance Committee, as she did in

—see COUNCIL, page 18



David Sherman

Mary Townsend to chair School Board

By Wendy Keeler

Mary Townsend, who joined the School Board in 2008, is the new board's new chair. The unanimous choice at the board's Nov. 16 caucus, Townsend takes over from Rebecca Millett, who stepped down from the board this month after serving for more than six years.

Townsend, who was to be sworn in at the board's meeting on Dec. 14, the day *The Cape Courier* was to go to print, lauded her predecessor and had admiring words for the board.

"I have so much respect for all that Rebecca has been able to accomplish in some

very trying years," said Townsend, adding, "It's an honor and a privilege to work with this extraordinary group. I have great faith in each member of this board."

John Christie takes over as both the board's vice chair and as chair of the Finance Committee, which includes all board members. Longtime board member Kathy Ray



Mary Townsend

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'Old Cape landmarks' remembered

Timothy Lunney wrote to *The Cape Courier* on Dec. 4 and Dec. 5 with some of his recollections of old Cape Elizabeth.

It's wonderful that the town has restored the [Spurwink] church to be a beautiful setting for many future Cape weddings.

Speaking of old Cape landmarks, I have attached a copy of an old post card of the Crescent Beach Inn, now gone, but not forgotten. (see photo above). I remember dining there with my family when I was a small child, back in the days when the rusty old Lobster Pound still loomed over Kettle Cove and Bette Davis and Gary Merrill walked the sands of Crescent Beach.

Back in the 50s, Crescent Beach was very different from today. The rusty old Lobster Pound perched on the rocks at Kettle Cove looked like a haunted relic to us little kids, but was a fun place to see all of the lobsters in the big saltwater tanks. A remnant of the old Ocean House (a restaurant) still existed

where the parking lot at Kettle Cove is today. The cove was filled with the sights, sounds and smells of a large fleet of fishing boats. A collection of dilapidated old buildings lined Crescent Beach. Crescent Beach itself was often covered with broken bottles, rusty cans and other debris from the fishing fleet.

Peter Howe (son of Frank and Muriel Howe of Orchard Road) was the lifeguard at the beach back then. Peter spent most of his time cleaning and bandaging kids' hands and feet cut by all of the sharp objects in the sand.



The Crescent Beach Inn, gone but not forgotten

Children's hospital gives 'heartfelt thanks'

The annual Holiday Open House at RE/MAX Oceanside was another huge success. It was such a great opportunity to visit with the community. I am writing to express our sincere thanks to everyone who generously donated to the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital.

Hundreds of toys for the hospital were dropped off at our office during the celebration. These "treasures" are additions to the hospital's "owie box," which allows a child to

choose a special something after undergoing a treatment at the hospital. These little trinkets give the children something positive to focus on and make their experience there just a little bit brighter. The heartfelt thanks from the hospital and the children was overwhelming! We thank you all for your contributions and your support throughout the year.

Vicki Kennedy
 RE/MAX Oceanside

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Rep. Eberle thanks citizens, has new coffee hour venue in SoPo

The 125th Maine Legislature has been sworn in, with new leaders elected by the new majority party. It's a different landscape in state government, and I look forward to hitting the ground running in what is simultaneously familiar and unknown territory. Since this is my fourth and last term, due to term limits, I feel confident in the skills, knowledge and experience I have garnered during the last six years. With a new administration and majority, the unknowns of policy and priorities are waiting to be revealed.

I thank the citizens of District 123, my friends and neighbors in Cape Elizabeth and South Portland, who entrusted in me the awesome responsibility of representing their interests in Augusta. I will work as I always have, with all my colleagues in the legislature, to assure that the interests of our community and the state will be protected and advanced. The challenges in front of us remain significant, and I am hopeful that we will find the solutions needed for the health of our people, businesses, and environment—which all depend on each other for our prosperity.

Please stay in touch with me as we embark on the new session. I want your ideas, suggestions, inspirations and advice. Please remember my monthly Constituent Coffee Hour on the second Saturday of every month, from 10:30 to 11:30. After years of holding these gatherings at J.P. Thornton's, they are now closed for breakfast so we will meet at Ocean House Market, at the corner of Sawyer and Ocean. Thanks to Tom Howard at Thornton's for his years of support and to Dan Levecque at Ocean House Market for welcoming us to his shop. Or just contact me anytime with any issue, at 776-3783 or Eberleja@earthlink.net.

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Donating is a rewarding form of recycling

By John Kane

As an exercise in reducing clutter, try picking up something you really like in your right hand. Then find something else of similar monetary value and put it in your left hand. Then decide which one to keep and which to donate. Here are a few suggestions for donating those less wanted items.

The Preble Street Resource Center is especially in need of slightly worn men's pants and jeans and men's winter clothing, including coats, hats, scarves and gloves. According to Melanie, women's clothes are also accepted, and used towels are always welcome, (5 Portland St., Portland, 775-0026).

You know those clothes you were planning to return that still have the tags on them? The dedicated staff and volunteers at The Root Cellar will gladly accept them. Once you realize the joy that someone will feel at getting something brand new for a change, you may never return anything again, (94 Washington Ave., 774-3197).

For construction materials, there's the ReStore, which sells donated items to ben-

efit the construction of affordable housing by Habitat For Humanity. Steve and Alexa will arrange a pickup of larger items. I recommend a visit before you renovate in case you might use some donated material instead of buying new. You will also be able to see the type of materials they accept, (Wed. to Sat. 10-4; 83A Bell Street, Portland, off Reed Street and Forest Avenue, 221-0047).

What about that spare vacuum and the double lifetime supply of bags you bought at Sam's Club? The Salvation Army on Warren Avenue has a loading dock manned by Mark, whose enthusiasm for usable items always makes me feel the trip is worthwhile, (30 Warren Ave., Portland, 878-8555).

Goodwill also has a manned drive-up donation facility that accepts a large variety of salable items, (1104 Forest Ave., Portland, 878-1763).

And don't forget to get a receipt for your donations because feeling better on tax day can be priceless!

John Kane is a member of the Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee.



Photo courtesy of Preble Street Resource Center

Slightly worn clothing is always appreciated at the Preble Street Resource Center. Above, customers at the day shelter look over donations for something suitable.



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Assessor's review lessens impact of state valuation increase, says town manager

An increase in the town's state valuation will impact Cape Elizabeth's county tax for next year—and school subsidy in 2013—but not as much as it might have.

The final state valuation and its impact on Cape Elizabeth, as well as other "odds and ends," were reported by Town Manager Mike McGovern in a memo dated Nov. 24. The text of the memo is as follows:

State valuation

The Maine Bureau of Revenue Services has determined the state valuation for 2011. The final figure is \$1,789,750,000 or an increase of \$5.6 million from a year ago. This 0.31 percent increase compares to a county-wide average decrease of 4.97 percent. Therefore, our Cumberland County Tax will increase more than 5 percent this coming year or about \$44,600. The education subsidy is also based on the state valuation although there is a lag of a year. We do not

know the statewide change in valuation yet and our amount is determined in part by our valuation share of the total statewide valuation. If our statewide valuation increases more than the statewide average, our state school subsidy is negatively impacted.

We first received a preliminary state valuation in early October. The first amount had our valuation increasing by \$12.3 million. Assessor Matt Sturgis worked with the state to review the preliminary valuation. As a result of Matt's efforts, our county tax will be \$6,711 less than it would have been if we had not taken up the issue with Augusta. Again, we do not know the effect on the education subsidy, but I would guess that Matt's efforts will result in about \$10,000 more in FY 2013 than we would have otherwise received. The combined benefit to Cape Elizabeth from Matt's intervention is estimated at \$16,700.

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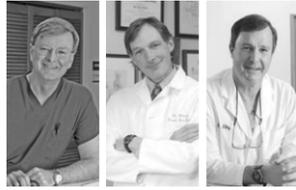
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Cape volleyball players assist at Food Network's whoopie pie 'throwdown'



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

Members of CEHS volleyball teams before filming at Grace restaurant in Portland.

By Elizabeth Brogan

Want to skip practice and, instead, sample whoopie pies from Cranberry Island Kitchen and be filmed by the Food Network for a national television show?

This was the question presented to members of the Cape Elizabeth High School volleyball teams on Sept. 29. Nineteen players rushed off to Grace restaurant in Portland for the filming of a holiday whoopie pie "Throwdown with Bobby Flay" episode which aired on the Food Network on Dec. 8, 9 and 11.

The girls did not know that Flay would be on hand. The premise of the popular show is to surprise a regionally renowned chef, or chefs, with a challenge in the form of an alternative version of a specialty, prepared by celebrity chef Flay. It's about "perfecting their signature dish," says Flay.

In the whoopie pie throwdown, Karen

Haase and Carol Ford, owners of Cranberry Island Kitchen, put their gourmet Maine-themed whoopie pies to the test. Haase and Ford prepared tiny pumpkin cakes stuffed with a maple cream cheese filling. Flay prepared ginger cakes stuffed with a lemon curd and molasses frosting.

The winner was Cranberry Island, according to the Grace pastry chef and a Down East writer who served as the show's "secret judges." The crowd seemed to agree.

"I love Bobby Flay; I love the Food Network," said Cape sophomore volleyball player Ana Kouros, "but the [Cranberry Island whoopie pie] was way better."

Cranberry Island whoopie pies can be sampled at the company's retail store at 52 Danforth Street, in Portland.

Flay's whoopie pies? Well, as Kouros says, "He needs some more practice."

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Valid insurance card in your vehicle? 'Failure to produce insurance' can result in a summons

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 11-22 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area who had found a paper bag containing rolling papers and what appeared to be marijuana. The material tested negative for marijuana.
- 11-22 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area about harassing phone calls. The caller is believed to have been trying to scam the plaintiff. The plaintiff hung up and did not provide any personal information.
- 11-23 An officer met with a subject who reported a theft of an iPhone at the high school.
- 11-24 An officer met with a South Portland resident about a well-being check. The subject in question was later located.
- 11-24 An officer responded to an unattended death in the Spurwink Avenue area.
- 11-24 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a complaint of unlawful sexual touching. The case is under further investigation.
- 11-28 An officer met with a resident of the Two Lights Road area about the plaintiff's mailbox post being uprooted and the mailbox stolen.

12-2 Two officers responded to a Mitchell Road area residence for a domestic dispute.

SUMMONSES

- 11-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, unregistered vehicle, Spurwink Avenue, \$241
- 11-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 11-23 Orono resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 11-23 Massachusetts resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, speeding, Ocean House Road
- 11-24 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Scott Dyer Road, \$171
- 11-25 Cumberland resident, speeding (47/30 zone), Shore Road
- 11-25 Utah resident, speeding (74/45 zone), Bowery Beach Road, \$263
- 11-26 Hollis resident, failure to produce insurance, \$171
- 11-28 Portland resident, failure to stop for stop sign, Mitchell Road, \$131
- 11-30 South Portland resident, negotiating a worthless instrument, operating without a license
- 12-1 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171

- 12-2 Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 12-2 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Sawyer Road, \$171
- 12-2 Portland resident, attaching false plates, Shore Road
- 12-2 Rangeley resident, failure to produce insurance, Cottage Road, \$171
- 12-2 Portland resident, failure to produce registration, Shore Road, \$137
- 12-4 South Portland resident, speeding, seatbelt violation, Shore Road, \$255
- 12-4 Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, failure to produce insurance, \$304
- 12-4 Brunswick resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 12-5 Limington resident, speeding (47/35 zone) Bowery Beach Road, \$137

JUVENILE SUMMONSES

- 11-24 Failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 12-2 Failure to stop for a stop sign, Route 77, \$131
- 12-3 Possession of tobacco, Shore Road
- 12-3 Failure to maintain control of a vehicle, Shore Road, \$119
- 12-5 Failure to produce insurance, Shore Road, \$171

ARRESTS

- 11-24 Massachusetts resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, (refusal to take test) Ocean House Road
- 11-30 South Portland resident, fugitive from justice, negotiating a worthless instrument, operating without a license.

ACCIDENTS

- 11-24 Ogden Williams, hit a deer on Route 77
- 11-27 Roland Collomy, accident on Mitchell Road

FIRE CALLS

- 11-23 Greenview Drive, fire alarm
- 11-24 Oakhurst Road, line down
- 11-27 Preble Street, smoke investigation
- 11-27 Mitchell Road, vehicle fire
- 11-27 Spurwink Avenue, fire investigation
- 11-28 Pilot Point Road, brush fire
- 11-29 Shipwreck Cove Road, unpermitted burn
- 11-29 Longfellow Drive, CO investigation
- 12-1 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 12-3 Broad Cove Road, mulch fire

RESCUE CALLS

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Favorite photos of 2010



Photo by Ann Kaplan

Andrew Dickey reaches for the ball during the Western Class B boys' basketball semifinals Feb. 18 at the Cumberland County Civic Center. Cape beat Greely High School in the semifinals by a score of 51-43, but two nights later failed in its bid for a third straight regional Western Class B title.



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

David Steinbrick is all business about his digging on a gorgeous, warm day in March at Kettle Cove.



Photo by Bethany Angle

Trees await a future Christmas at the Old Farm Christmas Place.



Photo by Jenny Campbell

To the piano accompaniment of class member Nell Britton, not pictured, singers, left to right, Hannah Doss, Laura Catsos, Liz Brewington and Lily Kalikow perform "Sail Away" at the 2010 Cape Elizabeth High School graduation.



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Cape Elizabeth Little League Opening Day was held Saturday, May 1, at Plaisted Field. Above, Dodgers and Cardinals run around the diamond.

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Bob Beith of the Lions Club holds the Garrison Flag at the Memorial Day ceremony.



Photo by Noah Whittenburg

Victoria Poole reaches out to Joan Benoit Samuelson at the Beach to Beacon 5K.



Photo by Mary Hart

Sam Dell'Aquila stands in front of her photograph, one of four pieces of work by Cape Elizabeth High School students selected from the high school art show last spring to be part of the school's permanent collection.



Photo by Jack Kennealy

Portland Head Light in its seasonal finery



Photo by Gail Osgood

Cape Elizabeth Middle School Principal Steve Connolly gets creamed by fifth- and sixth-graders who collected the most Box Tops for Education coupons. The photos above show Connolly before, during and after pies were thrown Jan. 29.



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CALENDAR

Reported by Wendy Derzawiec

Tuesday, December 21

Planning Board meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Friday, December 24

Christmas Holiday. Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center open 8 a.m. - noon, Pool, Fitness Center hours TBD.

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Holiday. Thomas Memorial Library, Recycling Center closed, Pool, Fitness Center hours TBD.

Monday, December 27

Recycling Center open two hours early, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.,

Tuesday, December 28

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

Friday, December 31

New Year's Holiday. Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center open regular hours, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Pool, Fitness Center hours TBD.

Saturday, January 1

New Year's Holiday. Thomas Memorial Library, Recycling Center closed. Pool, Fitness Center hours TBD.

Monday, January 3

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

Wednesday, January 5

Community Services Advisory Commission, 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center

Friday, January 7

School Board Teaching and Learning Committee, 8:30 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Monday, January 10

Town Council, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Tuesday, January 11

School Board Wellness/Coord School Health Committee, 3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Town Center Fire Station

School Board Business Meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Wednesday, January 12

High School Parents Association Book Discussion - "The Price of Privilege," 7 p.m., high school library

Thursday, January 13

Middle School Variety Show, 2:30 p.m. & 7 p.m., middle school cafetorium

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 (Route 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 Road, South Portland; 7 p.m. Wednesdays, St. Bartholomew Church, 8 Two Lights Road; 7 p.m. Fridays, St. Alban's Church, 885 Shore Road.

Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society, 9 a.m.-noon Thursdays, except holidays, storm days, Thomas Memorial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road. Volunteers assist with information searches. Public welcome.

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 president, Steve Hayes, 799-4610, or Bruce Balfour, 831-0166..

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.

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. Contact John LoBosco, club president, 799-1842 for more information.

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.

Rotary Club's Christmas tree sale under way



Santa Claus waves at last year's South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club Christmas tree sale at Mill Creek Park in South Portland.

The annual South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 48th annual Christmas tree sale is under way at Mill Creek Park in South Portland. The club, which this year ordered about 2,200 Maine-grown trees, has sold Christmas trees to raise money for local charitable causes since 1962.

Because of demand in past seasons, trees will continue to be primarily in the 6- to 8-foot

range, but 5- to 6-footers, 9- to 10-footers, and tabletop trees also will be available.

All money raised through the sale goes to Cape Elizabeth and South Portland scholarships, local improvement projects, and donations to needy charitable programs.

"We appreciate the support of the community," Rotary Club President and Cape resident John LoBosco said.

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Town Council replay

Dec. 18 - 9 a.m.

School Board replay

Dec. 18 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Dec. 19 - 9 a.m.

Planning Board (live)

Dec. 21 - 7 p.m.

Planning Board replay

Dec. 22 & 23 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Dec. 25 - 9 a.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals (live)

Dec. 28 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board replay

Dec. 29 & 30 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Jan. 1 - 9 a.m.

Town Council (live)

Jan. 10 - 7:30 p.m.

Town Council replay

Jan. 12 & 13 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Jan. 15 - 9 a.m.

School Board (live)

Jan. 11 - 7 p.m.

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Jan. 14 & 15 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

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Items for sale include jewelry, stoneware, greeting cards, ceramics, paintings, stained glass, ornaments, handbags, photography, knitted items, scarves, fiber art and hand-made journals and albums.

Artascope is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Call 799-5154, e-mail info@artascope.com, or visit www.artascope.com for more information.

'Mousetrap' mystery to run Jan. 14-30 at Portland Players

Agatha Christie's "Mousetrap" will open at the Portland Players on Friday, Jan. 14, and run through Sunday, Jan. 30, at the theater, 420 Cottage Road in South Portland.

At Monkswell Manor, five stranded guests, two innkeepers, and a detective try to figure out who among them is a murderer.

Mary Meserve directs the play, which will have 8 p.m. show times on Fridays and Saturdays and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m.

Contact the box office at 799-7337. Visit www.portlandplayers.org for more information.

Cape resident to sing with Renaissance Voices in Christmas concerts

Cape Elizabeth resident Eric Kawamoto and fellow singers in the 21-voice a cappella ensemble, Renaissance Voices, will perform in two Christmas concerts in December at the Cathedral of St. Luke in Portland. The first "Christmas with Renaissance Voices" concert is planned at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18, and a 2 p.m. concert is scheduled the following day. The audience is invited to a reception after the concert.

Directed by Harold Stover, the singers will visit Christmases past, from the 13th century to the 20th century. The centerpiece will be "Quatre Motets pour le Temps de Noël" by Francis Poulenc. Works by Hassler and Scarlatti, early plainsong, and a set of French carols by Gevaert, will round out the program.

Go to www.renaissancevoices.org to buy \$12 discount tickets, or buy them at Starbird Music or Longfellow Books in Portland, or at Books, Etc., in Falmouth. Tickets will be \$15 at the door, where student admission will be \$5 with valid identification. Call 729-4958 for more information.

The church is located at 143 State Street.

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Cape boys ice hockey players to collect Christmas trees Jan. 2

The Cape Elizabeth High School boys' ice hockey team will collect discarded Christmas trees as a fundraiser on Sunday, Jan. 2.

Proceeds raised will help defray overall costs for the hockey season, including ice time and equipment. Contact Mary Pat Sweeney at marypats@maine.rr.com or 799-5592.

WE Team to hold annual New Year's Dip

The Cape Water Extrication Team will hold its annual WET Dip at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, at Kettle Cove. The fundraiser, held each New Year's Day, benefits Project Graduation and other causes.

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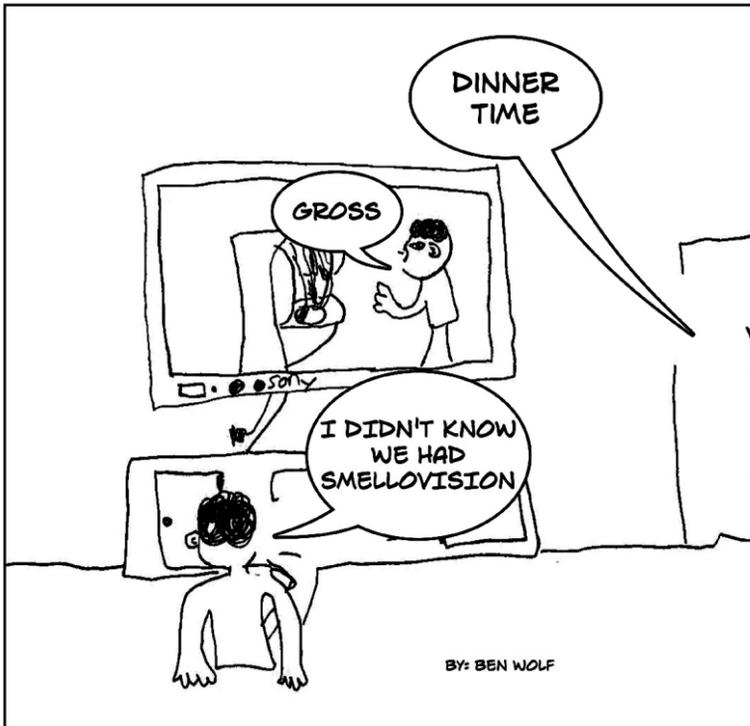


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Who's Bill Watterson? Garry Who? Cape boasts its own cartoonists



In Cape sixth-grader Ben Wolf's comic strip, "Smellovision," the ability to smell dinner by watching television isn't always a good thing.

By Wendy Keeler

Fast forward to the future. Daily readers of newspaper funny pages someday may ask, "Garry who? Bill who?" when asked about Garry Trudeau's "Doonesbury" or Bill Watterson's "Calvin and Hobbes." While munching corn flakes at the breakfast table every morning, Capers may be reading the latest "Peacock" cartoon strip by Tony Inhorn, Ben Wolf's "Smellovision," or "Blackberry of the Future" by Samuel Roberts.

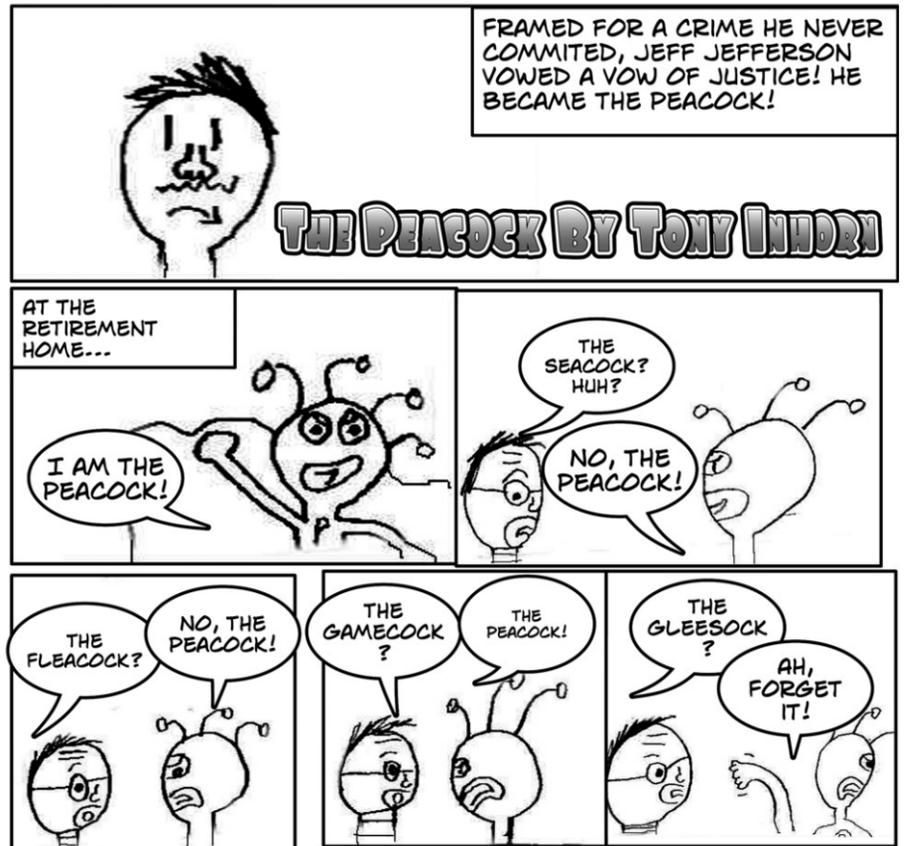
Roberts, Wolf, and Inhorn, middle school students in Cape Elizabeth School Department's November after-school "comics class," taught by Jack Duffy, computer technician, got an A-to-Z lesson in the comics-writing process.

"We had a lot of fun formulating ideas, drafting them onto paper, cleaning them up on the light table, scanning them into the computer, cleaning them up at www.pixlr.com, importing them into Comic Life [and] exporting [them]," Duffy wrote in an e-mail to *The Cape Courier*.

The students are now veterans of the submission process. All three sent their comics with e-mail cover letters to *The Courier* — great ex-

perience for the students, Duffy said.

"We really appreciate you taking the time to respond to the students with either a rejection or acceptance of the comic they've sent," Duffy wrote in an e-mail to *Courier* Editor Elizabeth Brogan, who sent e-mails back to the three boys. "I've explained to them that they won't often get a response from publications and that any word back should be treated as a success."



Fifth-grader Tony Inhorn created "The Peacock" in Jack Duffy's comics class.

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Lighted trees once 'rare' in Cape

Editor's note: This is one of a periodic series, "Historical Snippets," offering readers a glimpse into Cape's past. Anyone wishing to share information about Cape Elizabeth history or their experiences growing up in Cape Elizabeth may contact Ellen Van Fleet through The Cape Courier.

By Ellen Van Fleet

Lighted outdoor Christmas trees used to be a rarity in Cape Elizabeth. During World War II, when the town was in total blackout, all windows had to be covered so no light would show outside. Right after the war, Cape got its first and, for a while, only lighted tree, thanks to a man named Phil Cobb.

A chemist and a professor, Cobb lived alone in "the Cobb house," located diagonally across from Alewife Brook Farm on today's Old Ocean House Road. Known then simply as Ocean House Road, it was the only way to get to Two Lights and what we now call Crescent Beach. People would drive out just to see the decorated tree. Cape Elizabeth resident Ann Strout's husband, Frank, Sr., grew up next door to Cobb. Frank spoke of "people coming from everywhere to see the tree," Ann said. "It was such a rare thing on the Cape."

Arnold Murray was just a teenager when

his brother Jim, an electrician, was hired to decorate the 20- to 25-foot spruce tree. Because nothing was available ready-made, the string of lights had to be made, Arnold said.

"We had to buy sockets and regular outdoor wire to create the string," he said.

The bulbs were regular lamp-sized bulbs, but colored. Cobb had purchased the colored bulbs on his travels. Being young and agile, Arnold or another boy would climb to the top of the tree, and a person on the ground would guide the string of lights over and around the branches while others were testing and laying out the strings on the ground. Cobb was very meticulous, and the process could take several days, Arnold recalled. In the early years, Arnold was precariously perched high in the tree with Cobb telling him to adjust the placement of the bulbs.

"He knew what he wanted. He wanted all the bulbs to look proper," Arnold said.

Over the years, the Murray team got to know just what Cobb wanted and needed little direction. The lights went up just after Thanksgiving. Cobb continued the tradition for 10 to 15 years until he sold the house and moved to a house the Murrays built for him across the road.

Editor's note: Elizabeth Peterson tracked down sources for this story.

Historical society to launch newsletter in 2011; 'Culinary History of Cape' available

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society will soon launch its inaugural newsletter, "The Keeper," which will include information and pictures from Cape's past from the society's collection.

All who join the historical society will receive "The Keeper," as well as invitations to historical outings and discounts on historical society publications.

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morial Library, 6 Scott Dyer Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107.

"A Culinary History of Cape Elizabeth," the cookbook that CEHPS published last year, is for sale for \$20. The book includes photographs, background stories, and family observations and anecdotes related to the recipes, which span the past to the present. To buy the book, send \$20 and your name and phone number to CEHPS and members will contact you about pickup before the holidays.



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New program links freshmen with seniors

By Trish Brigham

"Can we have lunch together tomorrow?" Cape Elizabeth High School freshman, Tyler Stephen, e-mailed to senior, Wes Richards.

"Sure," Richards responded.

A freshman asking a senior to lunch? In the social hierarchy that exists in high schools today and "back in the day," a freshman taking this sort of initiative might seem a bit odd. But debunking these types of stereotypes and breaking down barriers between young freshmen and more seasoned upperclassmen is exactly what the new FreshLinks program at CEHS was created to do.

Troy Henninger, Cape Elizabeth High School's assistant principal and the program's champion and administrative coordinator, shares some perspective on the reason for the program.

"When the freshmen arrive at the high school in September, they come with all of these preconceived — usually negative — thoughts, rumors, etc. It can be emotionally overwhelming for them. The key to FreshLinks is to smooth this transition and paint the clearest picture that CEHS is a place for all students to excel socially and academically."

Wes Richards is Tyler's "link," an upperclassman who serves as a resource for Tyler as he deals with the challenges and opportunities inherent in the transition from middle school to high school. Similar pairings are in place for every member of the freshman class, involving nearly 300 students. In addition to the freshmen, there are 150-plus

members of the junior and senior classes who have volunteered to serve as the "Upper-Links."

"That represents more than half of our student population — pretty impressive for the first year of the program and a testament to the level of interest in, and desire to welcome and assist, the newest members of the high school community," Henninger commented.

FreshLinks has the lofty goal of positively impacting the culture and climate at the high school, making it feel more inclusive and friendly. Yet the program's structure is quite simple, out of necessity, due to student and administration schedule and resource constraints, and by design.

"It should be fun for the students involved," Henninger said.

FreshLinks participants began the year with simple one-to-one introductions, followed by periodic "check-ins" between the "Upper-Links" and the freshmen. The entire group had lunch together in October, providing another opportunity to strengthen connections between the "links." Additional activities are planned: a movie night, small group lunches, and a Valentine's week raffle; all aimed at improving and cultivating communication between students, so that all freshman will feel comfortable enough to approach a senior and ask for advice ... or just some company at lunch.

The High School Parents Association is currently providing funding for FreshLinks activities and events.

Calendars for sale in Class of 2011 fundraiser

Cape High seniors are selling calendars to raise money to help cover costs for graduation, the senior banquet, and a class gift.

The Beth Rand calendar comes in a larger size for walls for \$27 and a desk size for \$15. A set of her five note cards is \$7.

Kate Libby calendars and frames are also for sale. The larger calendar costs \$28, and

the smaller desk size is \$15. Three frame types are available: 11-by-14-inch for \$9, 5-by-7-inch desk frames for \$4.50, and 5-by-7-inch magnetic frames for \$4.50.

The calendars are available at the CEHS front office and at Community Services. Contact Class Advisor Joan Moriarty at jmoriarty@capeelizabethschools.org.



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'Price of Privilege' book talk planned

Cape Elizabeth High School social worker Bill Kueck will facilitate a discussion about the book, "The Price of Privilege," by Madeline Levine, Wednesday, Jan. 12, in the CEHS library. The High School Parents Association is sponsoring the discussion.

"This year, the HSPA is focusing its attention and resources on stress management and reduction," HSPA Co-president Trish Brigham said. "We know that stress levels are pretty high for the students, school staff and parents in our community. We'd like to raise awareness of this issue."

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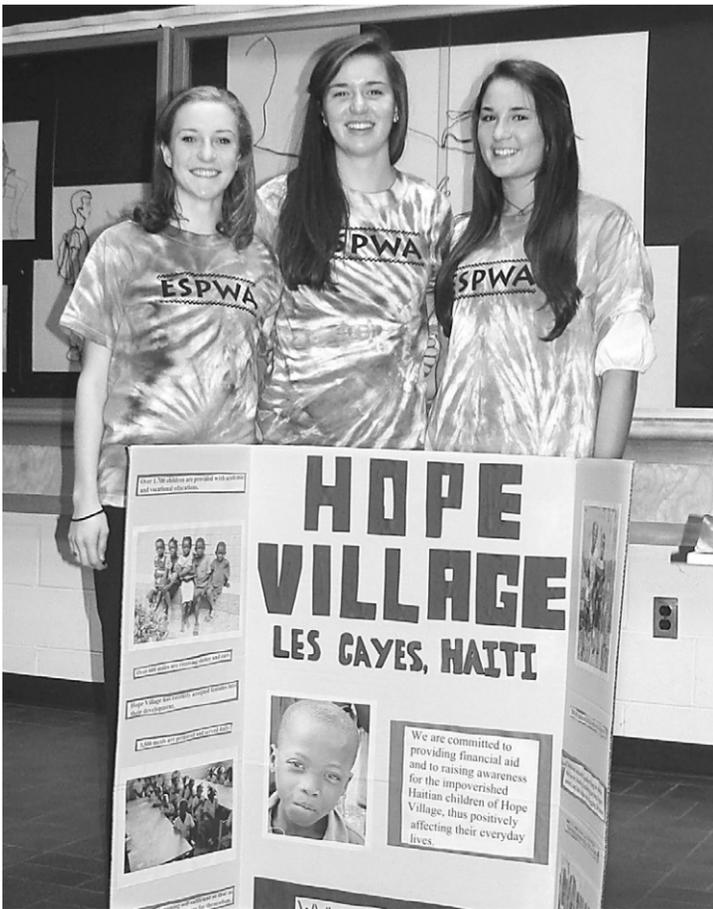
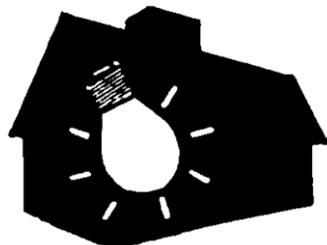


Photo by Wendy Keeler

Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's Hope for Haiti Club, left to right, Maddy Riker, Abby Armstrong, and Kisa Tabery sell tie-dyed "Espwa," or "Hope," T-shirts Dec. 7 at CEHS. The club, which seeks to raise money for and awareness about the Hope Village orphanage outside Les Cayes, Haiti, is selling the shirts for \$10 apiece. Contact club advisor Erika Blauch at blauch@capeelizabethschools.org for more information.

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Cape High School athletes score highs on fields, courts, links, in classrooms



Standing with field hockey coach Darci Holland, Cape Elizabeth High School senior Kelsey Maguire displays her All-State and All-Academic awards at a Dec. 5 field hockey banquet in Augusta.

By Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth High School's traditionally strong athletics program proved as robust as ever this fall, with 280 students — 51 percent of the student body — playing on high school teams.

The girls' and boys' cross-country teams finished in the top three in the state and went on to compete in the New England championship.

Both the football and boys' soccer teams made it to Western Maine Conference semifinals, and the girls' soccer and field hockey teams to quarterfinal games.

A senior golfer came in fourth in the individual state championship. Of the only 10 freshmen boys who competed in the New England High School Cross-Country Championship in Vermont, three were Capers.

Many Cape senior athletes received All-Star recognition this fall, and a whopping 27 made the WMC All-Academic team, surpassing the number at other WMC schools.

"That's a huge number," Cape Athletic Director Jeff Thoreck told the Cape Eliza-

beth School Board last month. "That was almost double the other schools in the conference. In general, 10 to 12 is about average per school."

The girls' soccer team even received academic recognition from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

The senior class played a part in Cape's athletic success this season, Thoreck said.

"What the senior class has been doing, not only on the field but also in the classroom and outside of school, has been instrumental in the success of athletic teams," he said.

Girls' cross-country

The girls' varsity cross-country team, coached by Mary Ann Doss and Derek Veilleux, finished first in the Western Maine Class B regional championship, second in the state championship, and qualified for and competed in the New England High School Cross-Country championship on Nov. 13 in Thetford, Vt.

Captains Kelsey Barton and Rachel Nichols made the WMC All-Stars' first team, along with junior Catherine Tierney and

sophomore Emma Inhorn. Freshman Emily Lobosco was named to the second team.

Kelsey Barton, Lydia Berman, Camille Braun, Skyler Dunfey and Rachel Nichols were named to the senior All-Academic team.

Boys' cross-country

The boys' varsity cross-country team, coached by Derek Veilleux, finished second in the Western Class B championship and third in the state meet.

Senior captains Reid Douty and Leo Ledman were named to the WMC second team, and Douty to the All-Academic team. Freshmen runners Liam Simpson, Julian Pelzer and Peter Doane were among 10 ninth-graders who competed in the boys' division at the New Englands.

Field hockey

The varsity field hockey team, coached by Darci Holland, made it to the Western Maine Class B quarterfinals, losing 4-3 to Greely. Senior captains Ally Boyington and Kelsey Maguire were named to both the Western Maine All Stars' first team and the Western Maine All-Academic team, and Maguire to the Maine Field Hockey Coaches Association's All-Star team for Class B and the Maine Field Hockey Coaches Association's All-Academic team.

Sophomores Jane Coffrin and Lauren Steidl were selected for the Western Maine All-Stars' second team.

Football

The football team, coached by Aaron Filieo, lost a Western Maine Class B semifinal game against Wells 45-3.

Senior captain Jack McDonald, who was named to the Campbell Conference All-Academic team, was also selected as a Campbell Conference Class B All-Star along with senior Connor McAleney and juniors John Harrison and Andrew Lavallee.

Seniors Patrick Tyler and Cyrus Wolfinger received honorable mention.

Golf

The boys' golf team, coached by Bill McGary, came in seventh at the Class B state championship.

Senior captain Wil Laprade, who golfed to a fourth-place finish in the state individual meet, was named a WMC All-Star.

Girls' soccer

The girls' varsity soccer team, coached by Gary Newell, lost a WMC Class A quarterfinal game against Class A state champ Scarborough 2-0.

Senior captain Karyn Barrett scored many honors. She was named to the Maine Soccer Coaches Association's All-State and regional All-Star teams, and along with captains Anna Darling and Lexi Weatherbie, she was selected for the WMC first team. Barrett and fellow seniors Abby Armstrong, Sydney Banks, Sarah Cummings, and Tory Etzel were named to the WMC All-Academic Team.

Cummings won the 2010 Cape Elizabeth Soccer Boosters' People on the Hill Award. Each fall the soccer community votes on a girl player who has displayed sportsmanship and citizenship on and off the field.

Boys' soccer

In overtime, the CEHS boys' varsity soccer team, which Ben Raymond, Charlie Carroll and Dave Croft coached, lost 2-1 to Portland in a Western Maine Class A semifinal game.

Senior captains Cam Brown and Jack Queeney and fellow senior Tim Takach were named to the Maine Soccer Coaches Association's Western Maine Senior All-Star team. Takach and Queeney made the WMC All Stars' first team, and Brown and junior Tim Lavallee were named to the WMC All-Stars' second team.

Six seniors—Will Bollenbach, Alex Diaz, Andrew Lynch, Ben Richardson, Takach and Queeney — were named to the WMC All-Academic team.

Volleyball

In its third year as a school-sanctioned varsity-team sport, the girls' volleyball team, coached by Rob Thompson, boasted a roster of 50 players.

Seniors Tori Downer, Lena Castro, and Lucy Hewitt were named to the Volleyball State Academic All-Star first team, and Annie Murphy and Nicole Yim to the second team.

Downer, Castro and Hewitt were also named to the Maine Volleyball Coaches Association's Academic All-Star first team.

Softball, field hockey booster groups selling 'Cape' flip flops

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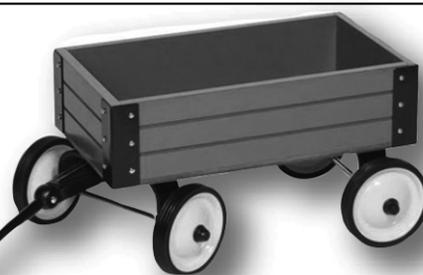
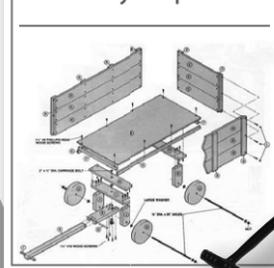
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The annual Christmas Candlelight Celebration will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22. Sunday School classes will not be held on Sunday, Dec. 26. The church's annual "Service of Lessons and Carols" is planned at 10:45 a.m. that day, with a Boxing Day celebration.

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Christmas Eve services planned at St. Alban's Episcopal

St. Alban's Episcopal Church will hold three Christmas Eve services on Saturday, Dec. 24. The first, an informal service planned at 4 p.m. and suitable for families with young children, will include Holy Eucharist, a children's sermon and the singing of familiar Christmas carols.

A traditional Christmas Eve service, which also will include a sermon and the singing of Christmas carols, is planned for 6 p.m.

Choirmaster Jim Strand and the Saint Alban's Chancel Choir have prepared a musical feast for the 10 p.m. service, which will include Eucharist, the singing of Christmas carols, and special organ music. The choir will begin festivities at 9:40 p.m.

Childcare will be available in the nursery during both the 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. services. The church will not have a service on Christmas Day.

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Children's pageant, birthday cake planned at First Congregational

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The church will have three services on Christmas Eve. To celebrate Jesus' birthday, cake will be served after the 5 p.m. service for family worship. The 7 p.m. service will include the telling of the Christmas story with American Sign Language interpretation. The 10 p.m. "Lessons and Carols" service will feature the Meetinghouse Choir.

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Jan. 8 bean supper at Cape Methodist

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host a public supper from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8. The price for the supper, which will feature casseroles, beans, salads, breads and desserts, will be \$7.50 for adults, \$4 for children and \$20 for families (two adults and children). Takeout will be available.

The church is located at 280 Ocean House Road. Visit www.ceumc.org for more information.

'Do we need more Christ in Christmas?' to be topic of discussion

The Rev. John Balicki of Saint Alban's Episcopal Church will lead a discussion on the place of Christmas in today's world titled, "Do We Need to Put More Christ in Christmas? Reflections on the Sacred and Secular in Today's World," at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 22.

All will be welcome at the talk, which will focus on questions such as, "Do you wish people 'Merry Christmas' or 'Happy Holidays'?" "Do your Christmas cards have a religious theme?" "Does your approach to these questions vary on whether you think the other person is religious or not?"

The church is located at 885 Shore Road. Call 799-4014 for more information.

Methodists plan two Christmas Eve services

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will offer two Christmas Eve services, beginning with a 6 p.m. family service. The 11 p.m. candlelight service will include communion.

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Smart meters

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stating ‘Please do not install a smart meter.’” McGovern suggested signing and photographing the note to prove it was there, but asked residents to please not block the meter readout dials.

What to expect if meter is installed

On Dec. 6 John Campbell, a CMP-approved contractor from VSI Meter Services was in the Stonegate neighborhood of Cape Elizabeth installing new meters.

Campbell confirmed that some Cape residents were turning away the meters and that requests not to install the meters were being respected. If turned away, Campbell says he will document that he was on the property with a quick photograph and will, if the resident is home, ask for a reason why the new meter is being refused.

“Last week there were eight refusals,” in Cape, Campbell said, with health concerns given as reasons.

Campbell demonstrated the installation of a new meter, which took several minutes and began with his donning heavy gloves and head gear, to protect himself from the high electrical voltage at the meter site.

“A lot of these meters have not been opened in years,” Campbell said. “Basically it is getting a mechanical going over,” including a voltage test.

Assuming all is well, the new, similarly sized meter is put in place of the old meter. “It is an equipment upgrade,” and “more accurate,” Campbell said.



Photo by Elizabeth Brogan

The electrical voltage is tested at a Stonegate Road home before installation of a smart meter.

If a problem is detected at the old meter, the new meter will not be installed, and the resident will be advised to contact an electrician.

A brief power interruption will occur during the minutes when the meter is being changed. If residents are at home, they may be asked to turn off computers and television sets during those minutes.

An informational card will be left on the doorknob of the home, advising that a smart meter was successfully installed and advising that more information about the meters is available online at www.cmpco.com/smartmeter.

Robotics

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the robots seek to add points or decrease opponents’ points by removing hoops from the opponent’s post. At the end of the day, winning teams compete their way to a final match.

Teams from three schools — Jay High School, Portland Arts and Technology High School and the Cape Elizabeth Middle School team comprised of seventh-grader Jasper Hansel and eighth-grader Andrew Volent — won their divisions. CEHS junior Ethan Di Ninno is the CEMS team’s programmer.

Cape Elizabeth High School’s team 56A, which includes freshmen Anthony Castro and Luke Dvorzaniak and senior programmer Jack Queeney, won the meet’s Excellence Award, the highest award given at a VEX competition. Judges give it to the team that exemplifies overall excellence.

World Championship

The four teams now qualify for the VEX World Championship, to be held April 14-16 at the ESPN Sports Complex in Orlando, Fla. Four-hundred teams from around the world will compete at the three-day event.

VEX judges also reward teams for special skills. A Yarmouth High School team won the Robot Skills Award for scoring the highest number of points in one minute when the robot is being “driven” by a team member. The CEHS

team that won the Excellence Award won another award for having the robot that scored highest in the preprogrammed “autonomous” mode.

An Erskine Academy team won the competition’s Judge’s Award.

VEX is the fastest growing middle and high school robotics competition in the world, featuring 200 events with more than 2,600 teams representing 20 countries.

CEHS math and science teacher Evan Thayer, who introduced robotics to Cape students in 2005, praises robotics programs.

“VEX Robotics turns academic lessons into hands-on, real-world experiences. You immediately see the results of your theories and designs,” Thayer said. “Sometimes it works; sometimes it doesn’t. There is immediate value to these events, whether you win the match or not.”

Fairchild Semiconductor

Fairchild Semiconductor in South Portland has provided major funding for robotics programs in Maine schools, including Cape, which received \$3,000 from Fairchild this year, and will receive \$2,000 in 2011 and \$2,000 in 2012.

Bottomley, who could not stay for the whole meet, said she could have spent the afternoon watching the competition.

“I found it fascinating that these kids had put together such thoughtfully engineered pieces to accomplish specific required tasks. I was interested to see that they had many different designs to accomplish the same task,” she said. “I think it’s great that we were able to host this.”

Council

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2010. Councilor Jessica Sullivan will chair the Appointments Committee, joined by Lennon and Jordan. James Walsh will chair the Ordinance Committee, joined by Governali and Swift-Kayatta.

The Finance Committee will continue to be a committee of the whole council.

Other appointments include Sherman, Sullivan and Governali to the Thomas Jordan Grants Subcommittee; Swift-Kayatta to the MMA Legislative Policy Committee and as MMA convention delegate; Jordan, along with Town Manger Mike McGovern, to the ecomaine board of directors; McGovern to PACTS Policy Committee; Walsh to the Council of Governments Executive Committee; Lennon to the Council of Governments

General Assembly, with Jordan as her alternate; Sherman as Portland Head Light chair, with Lennon as vice chair; Sullivan as representative to the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation; Lennon as representative to the Alternate Energy Committee; Sullivan, Jordan and Governali to the Future Open Space Preservation Committee; and Walsh to the Greater Portland Economic Development Commission.

Board

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now heads the Human Resources Committee, which includes Christie and new board member Michael Moore. Ray also chairs the Policy Committee, on which David Hillman and newly elected board member Kim Monaghan-Derrig, serve, and she is the board’s representative to the Portland Arts and Technology High School general advisory board.

Hillman, Moore and Monaghan-Derrig are members of the board’s Teaching and Learning Committee, which Kate Williams-Hewitt heads. Williams-Hewitt is also the board’s representative to the town’s Alternative Energy Committee.

Michael Moore is the new board representative to the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation. Hillman is the board’s legislative liaison, and Monaghan-Derrig and Moore will serve as needed. Christie is the board representative to the town’s Technology Committee.

Williams-Hewitt chairs both the Wellness and Positive Action committees.

Mock Trial

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“Everyone on the team improved by leaps and bounds since September, and they turned in their best performances at the state finals. The team responded brilliantly to the pressure of facing a truly excellent opponent in Hampden, which won the state tournament every year from 2003 through 2009, and [CEHS] truly shone on the biggest stage of the competition.”

Winning the state title earns the Cape team the right to participate in the national high school mock trial competition, which will be held May 5-7 in Phoenix, Ariz.

In mock trial competitions, student teams prepare both the prosecution and defense sides of a criminal case. Teams face off in an actual courtroom, and the trials are presided over by local judges and attorneys. The Cape team had to defeat four other high school teams in earlier rounds to reach the state finals.

Each round of the mock trial competition requires the team to try the case twice. In one trial, one school’s team defends the person charged in the case, while the other school’s team prosecutes the person charged. After a break, the teams reverse sides and try the case again.

Students, who perform as attorneys and as witnesses, must absorb all of the facts of the case, including inconsistencies in evidence, as well as master rules of evidence and appropriate case law. Practices are rigorous



Photo by Colleen Taintor

Above, the Mock Trial team awaits the judges’ scoring. Below, the team’s three seniors, from left, Ben Berman, Olivia Babine and Emily Taintor with Mary Page and Dick O’Meara.

academic exercises, and students come away with knowledge of the U.S. legal system as well as honed presentation skills.

In this year’s case, dubbed “Lobster Wars,” a young lobsterman from a coastal Maine family with a long lobstering tradition is accused of physically assaulting a student lobsterman and sinking his skiff.

To help the team understand terminology and techniques of lobstering referred to in the case, CEHS alum Lincoln Jordan of Alewives Farm in Cape Elizabeth demonstrated the tools of his trade before students while wearing his lobstering gear.

CEHS Principal Jeff Shedd assisted



O’Meara. Student captains were seniors Olivia Babine, Ben Berman and Emily Taintor.

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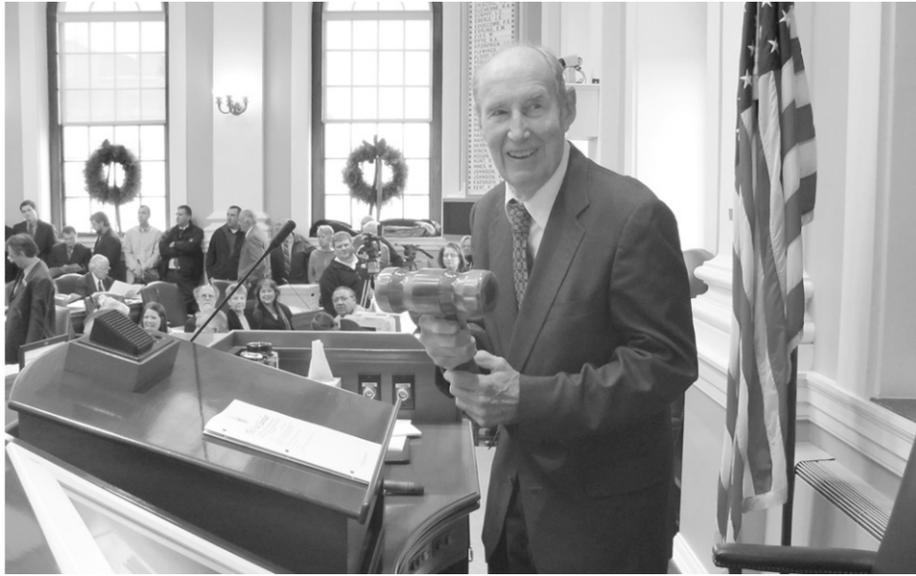


Photo by Jay Finegan



At top, Cape resident Richard Hewes, the last Republican to serve as Speaker of the Maine House, stands at the House rostrum in Augusta on Dec. 1, swearing-in day for the new Legislature. At left, Hewes, who served as speaker from 1973 to 1974, wields the gavel in 1974. During the Dec. 1 proceedings, the new House Speaker, Rep. Bob Nutting, recognized Hewes, 84, for his service to Maine in the House and Senate and for his military service during World War II, including taking part in the occupation of Japan when the war ended. Hewes represented Cape in the House from 1966 to 1976 and in the State Senate from 1977 to 1978. He also served as a Cumberland County commissioner. His daughters, Cape resident Anne Hewes, and Nancy Hewes Barry of Walpole, Mass., accompanied their father to the ceremony.

Students host chess tournament at Lions Dec. 4



Photo by Peter Hatem

Matthew Reale-Hatem, who helped organize what may have been Maine's first student-run U.S. Chess Federation-rated chess tournament, held Dec. 4 at the Lions' clubhouse, considers his next move.

A group of 19 kids and adults pushed their pawns Dec. 4 at the Cape Lions clubhouse in what is believed to be the first student-run United States Chess Federation-rated chess tournament in Maine.

Assisted by Cape Elizabeth High School freshman Matthew Reale-Hatem, CEHS junior Ethan DiNinno organized the tournament, earning the two official recognition as "Tournament Director" by the USCF, the organization responsible for rated chess play in the United States.

In the tournament's Open section, seventh-grader Matthew Fishbein tied for first with his former coach, Philip Lowell Jr. Tournament director Matthew Reale-Hatem, who also played in the tournament, took third place. In the U1200 section, freshman Danny Brett came in first. His brother, junior Brian Brett, tied for second.

Sophomore Brett Parker, sixth-grader Wesley Parker, freshman Colin Smith, junior Ian McInerney, sophomore Ben Hansel, and other students and adults also competed.

Cape resident **Gregg Frame**, a partner at Taylor, McCormack and Frame in Portland, has been named 2010 Maine's "Rising Star" for the second year in a row in the field of employment litigation by "New England Super Lawyers."

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Denise T. Turcotte, a 1971 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, received this year's Lois B. Bundy Exceptional Service Award for Administrative Support from the U.S. Department of Justice. Turcotte joined the department as a human resources specialist in 1994 and was honored for 15 years of service to the criminal division.

Denise, who lives in Springfield, Va., graduated from the University of Maine and The Citadel. She is the daughter of **Connee Turcotte** and the late **Guy Turcotte**.



Denise Turcotte, center, with Amy Pope, chief of staff for the assistant attorney general of the U.S. Department of Justice's criminal division and Lanny Breuer, assistant attorney general for the division, after Turcotte was honored earlier this month in Washington, D.C.

Cape Elizabeth native **Noelle Miliard** was recently named to the Center for New American Security's Next Generation National Security Leaders' Class of 2010-11.

CNAS, an independent, nonpartisan research institution that seeks to develop strong, pragmatic and principled national security and defense policies and engages policy-makers, experts and the public with research, ideas and analysis to shape and elevate the national security debate. The CNAS Next Generation National Leaders' Program has a mission of fostering bipartisanship and developing a shared understanding of the nation's security interests and international priorities.

Noelle is program coordinator for Space Activities at European Aeronautic Defense and Space Company in Washington, DC. As a member of the Leaders' Class, she will work with representatives of various disciplines throughout the Capitol and contribute to collaborative writing projects with the goal of promoting sound U.S. national security policies.



Noelle Miliard

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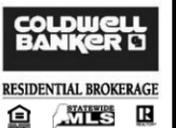
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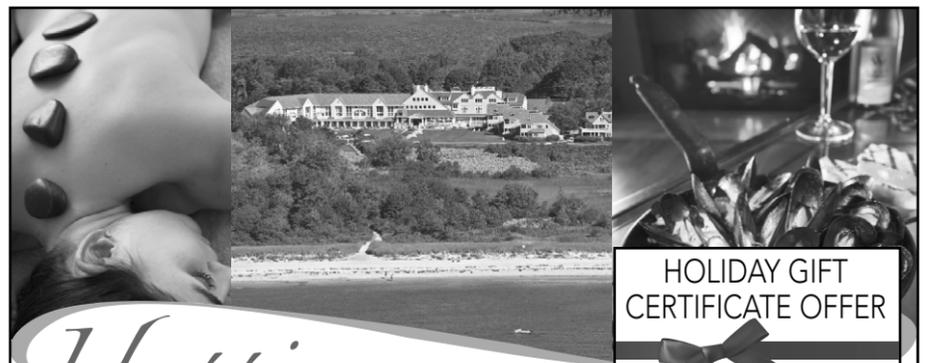
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