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Happy New Year, Cape Elizabeth!



Photos by Anne Carney

New Year's Day revelers take a quick dip in the ocean at Kettle Cove at the annual WET Dip. The fundraiser, organized by the Cape Water Extrication Team, is held each New Year's Day to benefit Project Graduation and other local causes.

MDOT says 'no' to reducing Route 77 speed limit by Rudy's

By Bob Dodd

The town's hope to locate a crosswalk across Route 77 near the Broad Cove Road intersection has been dashed by the Maine Dept. of Transportation's refusal to lower the speed limit there.

At the Dec. 13 meeting of the Town Council, councilors voted 7-0 to accept the MDOT report and send it on to the Planning Board.

The board will need to reconsider its requirement for a crosswalk.

In March, the Planning Board acted to require that a crosswalk be painted across Route 77 as a condition of approving a request by Rudy's of the Cape to change from a 38-seat restaurant and convenience store to an 80-seat restaurant.

The crosswalk requirement related to another condition that Rudy's owner obtain an agreement from St. Bartholomew Church to allow 15 of its parking spaces to be used for restaurant overflow parking. The crosswalk would have provided pedestrian access to the church parking lot.

However, crosswalks are not allowed by the state across roads with speed limits over 35 mph. The speed limit on that section of Route 77 is 40 mph.

In April, the Town Council voted to ask MDOT to reduce the speed limit to 35 mph to allow the crosswalk.

In a Nov. 29 letter to Town Manager Mike McGovern, MDOT ruled that the existing speed limits would remain.

The letter states that the recommendation is based on engineering standards that include test runs, crash history and engineering judgment among others. Municipal input is also listed as a consideration.



Above, a young dipper takes the plunge. See more pictures from the WET Dip on page 2.

Planning Board tables rooster rules

By Wendy Derzawiec

To crow or not to crow?

The question went unanswered Dec. 21 as the Planning Board discussed how the town, by regulating properties with roosters, could balance the rights of residents with the town's commitment to agriculture and rural character.

After a public hearing, the board tabled a recommendation to limit roosters to properties of at least 40,000 square feet, pending further discussion at its Jan. 4 workshop. [There was no resolution of the issue on Jan. 4, and discussion will continue in February].

At the hearing, Beacon Lane resident Gib Mendelson recounted how a neighbor's newly acquired rooster suddenly woke him and his wife at 3:30 one morning, crowing incessantly thereafter and disturbing the quiet he and his neighbors had come to know in Cape Elizabeth.

The Town Council had forwarded a similar complaint to the Planning Board in hopes of a recommendation on whether a minimum lot size for housing roosters should be established. At a subsequent workshop, the board proposed a minimum of 40,000 square feet - about one acre. "What this would do is pretty much eliminate the opportunity of having roosters in the compact neighborhoods of Cape Elizabeth," Town Planner Maureen O'Meara explained. "It is an attempt, I believe, of the board to balance the desires of the Cape Farm Alliance to promote agriculture and the desires of residents to not necessarily have a rooster crowing next to them," she said.

The Cape Farm Alliance, a consortium of Cape Elizabeth farmers, came out against that the problem should be addressed instead through nuisance or noise ordinances.

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Council actions make open space preservation a town priority

Applicants sought for new Future Open Space Preservation Committee

By Bob Dodd

As part of its plan to focus on open space preservation recommendations of the town's Comprehensive Plan, the Town Council has created a new committee to guide its efforts.

The Future Open Space Preservation Committee (FOSP) will include three citizens appointed by the council. Residents can apply online www.capec Elizabeth.com or at Town Hall. The deadline for applications is Jan. 19.

FOSP will also consist of two town councilors, a member of the Ordinance Committee, one Conservation Commission member and one Planning Board member. In addition, a town staff person will be assigned by the town manager to work with the committee.

The Cape Farm Alliance (CFA) and the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust (CELT) will also be asked to designate one representative from each organization to serve on FOSP.

The Town Council voted unanimously to form the committee at its Dec. 13 meeting.

FOSP was created as part of an overall

—see OPEN SPACE, page 18

Town website gets a makeover

By Elizabeth Brogan

The town website, www.capec Elizabeth.com, has a new look for the new year.

Unveiled Jan. 1, the website offers all the same content and features, but with a more user-friendly, and colorful, presentation.

The site opens with four tabs: Home, Government, Services and Visiting.

The Home section offers general information about the town, a meetings calendar, news archive, online services, job openings and links. A new feature under this tab is "hot topics," which pulls together detailed information, links, and even some video, on topics like pay-per-throw waste disposal, the Shore Road Pathway and open-space management.

The Government section of the website covers elected officials, departments, boards and commissions, rules and regulations, and related links.

The Services section includes subsections relating to arts and education, elections, human services, property and land use, online services, recreation, permits, public safety, utilities, and related links.

The Visiting section features subsections about the attractions of Cape Elizabeth, events, places of worship, restaurants and accommodations, directions, and related links.

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Cape Lions grateful for help with food drive

The project started in early November when we received, sorted, and boxed the food collected by the Scouts, and ran right through the Thanksgiving and Christmas distributions.

We were able to brighten the holidays for nine families at Thanksgiving and seven at Christmas through club members' efforts and through the generosity of Jodie Jordan (potatoes and vegetables), and Hannaford Bros. (banana boxes).

The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts were, of course, heavily involved in the collection of the food, and the town manager's office helped out in coordinating all of our efforts.

Thanks also to club members who brought bags of food to the clubhouse to supplement what the scouts collected.

Over a dozen club members were involved in the project coordinated by Richard Brooks, club treasurer.

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club

Good Samaritan brings keys, owner together

Thank you to the person(s) who found my car keys. They were lost at Gullcrest Field and I searched several times but did not find them. Some wonderful person(s) found them and took the time to bring them to the police station. I was thrilled when I contacted the police station, and they had been found!

I wanted to thank you personally, but due to privacy rules, the police dispatcher said he was unable to provide me with the name of the person(s) who found my keys.

So, thank you again. I hope you read this and know how much I appreciated your efforts!

Theresa Fox

Shore Road Pathway 'not the best plan'

It is my opinion that the present Shore Road Pathway is not the best plan for our community. I express these thoughts as an active walker, bicyclist and long term resident.

Although a five-foot wide path will serve walkers and runners quite well, it would be of benefit to only the young and inexperienced bicycle riders, and not at all to the increasing number of serious cyclists.

Building the path as planned will be experience and environmentally disruptive. Also, maintaining the path year-round will be an

additional and continuing expense.

If our town's planners and present decision makers honestly want to plan our future transportation needs, then Shore Road should have paved shoulders.

This would have less environmental impact, and maintaining them would just fall in with regular services, with little or no additional cost.

If the Shore Road path is build as planned, I fear that there will be no future hope for what is really needed: paved shoulders.

Gary Beckwith



Photo by Anne Carney

A scene from the annual New Year's Day WET Dip. See more photos on page 1.

A call to reduce idling

I would like to call upon our community to voluntarily reduce our carbon footprint by not idling. It is particularly disturbing to me to see schoolchildren waiting for the bus outside our house with three or four cars idling, despite the kind intentions of parents. The same situation exists at bus stops all over town, at both pickup and drop-off. Add this to the cars idling at all three schools.

Health impacts. Exposure to vehicle exhaust increases the risk of cancer, heart and lung disease, asthma, and allergies, (according to the American Cancer Society).

Effects on children. Breathing pollution produced by idling has a greater effect on children than on adults. Children breathe 50 percent more air, have lungs that are still developing, and have narrower airways. Additionally, vehicle exhaust increases many children's asthma symptoms.

Other sensitive groups. Besides children, several other groups are vulnerable as well to the air pollution produced by motor vehicle exhaust. People with respiratory diseases (such as asthma), the elderly, and adults who are active outdoors may experience adverse health symptoms as a result of poor air quality.

At school. A single vehicle dropping off and picking up kids at one school puts three pounds of pollution into the air per month.

We are a town that places great emphasis on children and quality of life. We are environmentally concerned citizens.

We should not sit idly by. Please consider our children, our neighbors, our town, our planet. Please turn off your engines, or better yet, bundle up and walk to a bus stop near you.

Alison Morton

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Park bench is dedicated to Ansel 'Tup' Tupper

By Elizabeth Brogan

The Commodore of Fort Williams. A kind and gentle man who loved his dog. A gentleman of an era gone by.

These words were used in letters to describe Ansel "Tup" Tupper, who passed away unexpectedly in August, leaving a lasting impression upon the many friends he made as part of a dog-owners group which informally met at the off-leash area at Fort Williams Park.

Members of that group, referred to by some as DOG (dog-owners group), requested permission from the Fort Williams Advisory Commission in October to install a granite memorial bench in the off-leash area. That request was granted, and the bench was installed in November.

The bench was dedicated during a New Year's Day ceremony at the park which drew a large crowd of Tup's friends, both two- and four-legged, and family.

"It was a very moving ceremony," said Theresa Fox, who with Janet Villiotte spearheaded the DOG group effort to memorialize Tup at the park. "Tup was truly a special gentleman..." The DOG wanted to do something to honor this great man... There were many friends and family members who at-

tended, including four-legged friends. We toasted our dear friend Tup and presented his wife Ginny with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. Several people spoke. It was amazing: lots of tears, smiles and love all around. We miss him."

The Tupper family, in a statement prepared by son Nat Tupper, said:

"Our whole family is very touched by the kindnesses and remembrances by so many of the friends and acquaintances our father made at Fort Williams. We appreciate all the support and friendship that they have shared with Dad and all of us. We also appreciate the wonderful park that is provided by the town of Cape Elizabeth and the way they have made a significant separate space for people with dogs to visit and build such a community of friendships. The bench is a beautiful and thoughtful way to share all that the park has meant to us and to our dad, and all that such caring and warm people meant to him. Together, with the dogs, it is a very special and meaningful place. We are all so very grateful to all who helped make this possible."

The bench reads:
Ansel "Tup" Tupper 1928-2010
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The bench dedicated to the late Ansel 'Tup' Tupper at the off-leash dog area at Fort Williams Park. Photographer Lloyd W. Alexander's photos from this event, including the photos above, may be viewed at his website at www.lloydsjourney.com.

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Committee invites public comment during drafting of open-space management plan

The Open Space Management Committee, established by the Town Council in April, has prepared an outline for its pending report and is beginning to draft sections of the plan for council approval.

The committee allows public comment at every meeting and is encouraging the public to submit written comments during the drafting process. The Open Space Management Committee has already held one public forum in June 2010 (meeting notes and video available at www.capeelizabeth.com) and will be holding another public forum in the spring.

As draft sections of the plan are completed, they will be posted to the town website. However, members of the public do not need to wait for a draft to make comments.

At this time the committee is working on Section V, Property Management and Maintenance Policies. Policies ranging from hours of operation to hunting and fishing to public property boundary encroachments are being discussed.

For more information, please contact Town Planner Maureen O'Maura at 799-0115.

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Photo by Lloyd W. Alexander

Winter trees at Fort Williams Park

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McGovern reports year-end 'Odd and Ends'

By Elizabeth Brogan

Town Manager Mike McGovern issued his final "Odds and Ends" memo of the year on Dec. 22. The memos, new in 2010 and directed primarily to the Town Council, are a way of sharing information with the public also, according to McGovern.

Credit cards

McGovern reported that, in addition to offering citizens the opportunity to use credit cards to pay taxes (see story on next page), "We are piloting a program to pay many of our monthly invoices by credit card."

"This has the potential of saving hundreds of check disbursements each month," McGovern said. "It also entails raising our credit limit to pay the monthly invoices. As one example, during the prime season at Portland Head Light, we pay about 150 invoices to vendors each month. If we can drop this to paying most of these vendors with a single card, much processing work is saved. We will have controls in place to ensure that the cards are properly used."

Smart meters

McGovern also reported that CMP "took a few weeks off" in December from installing smart meters in town, but that a "smart meter was installed at my home on Monday [Dec. 20] so the program is once again active in Cape Elizabeth."

Snow

Reporting before the "Blizzard of 2010," McGovern noted that the town's plowing

following the Dec. 20 snow squall (which snarled traffic in the Portland area with its quickly falling three inches of snow) represented an end to a record break in snow plowing in Cape Elizabeth. "It was eleven months to the day since we last plowed," McGovern said. "We do not have records going way back, but believe this exceeded the previous record for not plowing by about two months."

Edward Jones lease

Finally, McGovern reported that the currently held lease of the investment firm of Edward Jones on the town-owned building in front of the Community Center may be extended, but at a lower rent. The lease is set to expire on Feb. 29, 2012.

"They wish to have with us an amended lease extending to Feb. 28, 2017," McGovern said. "As part of the draft agreement, the lease amount is proposed to change for the entire six-year, two-month period. For the 14 months in the old agreement, the lease amount would decline from a total of \$20,900 for the period to \$17,500. This is an average of \$1,492.85 per month to \$1,250 per month. Beginning March 1, 2012, the monthly lease under the amended agreement would increase 3 percent annually to \$1,449.09 per month on March 1, 2016. The current lease provides a total of \$20,900 in income. The new lease would provide \$99,524, or an average of \$1344.91 over the term."

Review of the lease will be on the Town Council agenda on January 10 (after the Cape Courier goes to print).

Fees for disposal of microwaves, TVs, computers and carpeting now in effect

Recycling Center customers looking to dispose of microwaves, TV sets, computers and large amounts of carpeting will be charged a fee.

The Town Council approved new fees for the Recycling Center, effective Jan. 1, at their Dec. 13 meeting.

Robert Malley, Public Works Director, said the charges for previously free disposals are being implemented to recover handling costs and processing.

Fees will be charged after the New Year for:

- Microwaves\$10
- Televisions:
- Console TVs.....\$15
- Non-console TVs.....\$ 5
- Computer-related items:
- Computer Monitors.....\$ 3
- CPUs & laptops.....\$ 3
- Desktop Office Equipment...\$ 3
- Carpeting (rolls).....\$15/roll

In many cases there is no cost to the town to dispose of these items, but they still require staff time and handling, Malley said. For example, the Recycling Center has recently been inundated with TVs. "I don't know if it's the Christmas season, football season or the impending Super Bowl, but we're getting in a number of televisions," he told town councilors. The Saturday before the meeting saw 21 television sets dropped off at the Recycling Center, all of which need to be moved and stored, then loaded onto the consolidator's truck every two weeks.

A console TV is defined as a larger model in a wooden enclosure. Projection TVs will cost \$15 to dispose, and non-consoles in a plastic casing will cost \$5. The definitions of the items is consistent with those used at Riverside Recycling Facility in Portland. In all cases the new disposal fees are the same or below what Riverside charges, Malley said.

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Planning Board rules expand opportunities for public comment on formal applications

New Planning Board rules adopted by the Town Council expand opportunities for public comment on formal applications, but still limit comment at workshops on preapplication proposals to letters and e-mails.

The council voted 6-1 to adopt the new Planning Board rules, but also asked the board to revisit the restriction on public comment at workshop meetings.

Rules adopted by the council Dec. 13, 2010, allow the public to comment on agenda items as they are considered at regular Planning Board meetings. Previously the public could only comment at meetings designated as public hearings. The new rules also encourage written comment on proposed projects before they are formally reviewed by the board.

All of Cape Elizabeth's municipal boards and commissions are revising their rules for public comment at meetings, with guidelines for recognizing speakers and for decorum. They follow similar Town Council rules and reflect the communications strategy adopted

by the council this year.

The difference with the Planning Board, however, is that the board will still only allow written comment on projects until the board has ruled the project's application is complete. The reason, according to Planning Board Chairman Peter Hatem, is that a dialogue with citizens might become a "substantive review" of a project, at which time the board would be bound by law to meet certain deadlines for the project's consideration.

"People should understand, it's not 'no public participation in the workshop session,' it's just the method of communicating is slightly different because of that statutory restriction," Hatem said.

The exact meaning of "substantive review," however, was unclear to some councilors and to some who spoke at the Dec. 13 council meeting.

David Plimpton and Mary Esposito, residents of Sawyer Road, said they have been frustrated listening at Planning Board work-

shop without being able to speak. "Why is going back and forth with the applicant not substantive review, and that's fine, but going back and forth or allowing citizen comments, is substantive review, and that's bad?" Esposito asked. Plimpton said the restriction on public comment creates an unlevel playing field, where developers become "buddies" with the Planning Board. "This is a travesty," Plimpton said. "If you are going to have a workshop, then you're going to have a risk of a substantive review ... If you don't want to have that risk, don't have a workshop."

Hatem said the informality of the workshops is somewhat unique to Cape Elizabeth and saves municipal time and resources by allowing developers to see if they are on track with their application before they submit. "It is a valuable tool that I would hate to see evaporate," Hatem said.

A Maine Municipal Association attorney's opinion also advised that public comment on Planning Board projects be limited to writing until the application is deemed complete

by the board.

The council approved the new rules 6-1, with Councilor Anne Swift-Kayatta opposed. Before the vote, Councilor Sara Lennon echoed other councilors' opinions that the new rules were an improvement over current practice. "In the spirit of moving this forward, because it feels like it is great progress, I'd like to propose that we adopt this with the request that (the Planning Board) continue to examine it and feel out what might work for increasing participation in a workshop," Lennon said.

The council had tabled the rules at its November meeting until a representative of the board could be present to explain the changes.

Riverside Cemetery trustees' rules

In a related matter, the council also adopted revised rules for public participation at meetings of the Riverside Cemetery board of trustees meetings.

--from www.capeelizabeth.com

Town planning to accept credit, debit and electronic fund transfer payments for property taxes in 2011

Beginning in February, 2011, the town of Cape Elizabeth is planning to accept credit card, debit card and electronic fund transfers for payment of property taxes.

The planned launch of the electronic invoice and payment system in Cape Elizabeth coincides with the printing of tax bills due in early April, 2011, and fulfills a Town Council goal to expand the use of credit cards for town business.

Residents should be aware, however, that transaction fees will be passed on to the user.

This fall the Legislature passed a bill allowing Maine communities to pass fees for credit card transactions on to consumers. "For example, if tax bills are 20 percent paid (by credit card) and we didn't pass the fee along, we could be stuck with an expense of about \$140,000, which is quite a bit of money," Town Manager Michael McGovern said at the council's meeting Dec. 13.

At that meeting, councilors approved the fee system, establishing the policy that the fees are passed to the customer.

Cape Elizabeth has contracted with Northern Data Systems, the company that already provides the town billing and payment system, for a new "Invoice Cloud" electronic billing and payment system.

Residents will have the option to receive tax bills online and pay by credit card, debit card or electronic funds transfer. Fees for the services are:

Electronic funds transfer with electronic check: 40 cents

Credit Card: 2.95 percent of value of transaction

VISA Debit Card: \$3.95 per transaction.

The credit card transaction fee could be a shock to customers, McGovern said. "A \$10,000 tax bill is going to be a \$295 fee," he said. The online, electronic payment will not go through until the customer clicks to agree to the fee, he said.

Cape Elizabeth is the first Maine community to use the Northern Data electronic presentation and payment system, which is fully integrated with its tax-billing and accounting system, McGovern said. As more communities join the system, Northern Data may be able to offer lower fees, he said.

Cost to the town for using the system

is roughly \$1,200 a year, in addition to staff time for processing transactions. But, McGovern said, the option for paperless transactions and the integration with billing and accounting could save operating costs in the long run.

--from www.capeelizabeth.com

Reminder: dog licenses now overdue

Dog licenses for 2011 were due Dec. 31, 2010 but are still available at Town Hall, without a late fee, until Jan. 31. Thereafter, a late fee of \$25 per dog will be assessed.

When registering, you must bring your dog's current Maine rabies certificate and proof of spaying or neutering if applicable.

Fees for registration are \$11, or \$6 if spayed or neutered.

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From stolen papers to snowblower to truck, many theft complaints round out 2010

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 12-15 An officer met with a resident about an ongoing theft of the daily newspaper in the Mitchell Road area.
- 12-15 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area about a possible criminal threatening complaint.
- 12-17 An officer met with a local business representative about an attempted theft by an employee.
- 12-17 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area about a theft of gold earrings.
- 12-19 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a possible violation of a protection order.
- 12-22 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a violation of a protection order.
- 12-23 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area about the theft of a magnetic sign from a vehicle. The sign was valued at \$30.
- 12-23 An officer met with a resident of the Two Lights Road area about the theft of a cell phone.
- 12-23 An officer met with a resident of Scarborough who turned over some found checks that belonged to a Cape Elizabeth resident. The owner was contacted and property returned.
- 12-24 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area about the theft of a snowblower.
- 12-25 An officer met with a resident from Vinalhaven who was visiting in the Scott Dyer Road area where the plaintiff reported the theft of a car. The theft occurred sometime during the night. The vehicle was found in a ditch in Yarmouth a short time later.

- 12-25 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area who reported the theft of K2 skis, bindings and poles from his vehicle. Police had recovered these items from a stolen truck earlier that morning. The property was returned to the owner.

SUMMONSES

- 12-14 Portland resident, speeding (48/35 zone), failure to produce insurance, Spurwink Avenue, \$308
- 12-14 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Bowery Beach Road, \$171
- 12-15 Limington resident, failure to stop for stop sign, Two Lights Road, \$131
- 12-16 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Bowery Beach Road, \$171
- 12-16 Scarborough resident, uninspected vehicle, Ocean House Road, \$133
- 12-16 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Sawyer Road, \$171
- 12-16 South Portland resident, speeding (75/35 zone) Ocean House Road, \$215
- 12-17 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, operating without license in violation of restrictions
- 12-21 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 12-22 Portland resident, speeding (39/30 zone) Shore Road, \$119
- 12-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to stop for stop sign, Mitchell Road, \$131
- 12-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, leaving scene of accident with property damage, failure to report accident, operating without license in violation of restrictions, operating under the influence of alcohol, Hill Way
- 12-26 New York resident, failure to produce

- insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 12-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (47/35 zone) Ocean House Road, \$137

- Road/Route 77
- 12-23 Josh Nappi, accident on Spurwink Road
- 12-24 John McDonald, accident on Ocean House Road

ARRESTS

- 12-17 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, operating without license in violation of restrictions (alcohol)
- 12-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, leaving the scene of accident with property damage, failure to report accident, operating without license in violation of restrictions, operating under the influence of alcohol

FIRE CALLS

- 12-14 Mutual Aid, South Portland
- 12-14 Appliance fire, Scott Dyer Road
- 12-16 Structure fire, Farm Hill Road
- 12-17 Water problem, Running Tide Road
- 12-17 Arcing wires, Sunny Bank Road
- 12-21 Fire alarm, Humphreys Road
- 12-21 Arcing wires, Reef Road
- 12-22 Fire call, Arrow Point Road

RESCUE CALLS

- There were 8 runs to Maine Medical Center.
- There were 2 runs to Mercy Hospital.

ACCIDENTS

- 12-23 Adam Moyer, accident on Ocean House

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June 1	May 20
June 15	June 3
June 29	June 17
July 20	July 8
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Cape resident **Dave Perry** recently retired from his job as vice president of sales for Nappi Distributors, Inc., in Gorham, where he worked for 16 years after a career working for brewing companies that included Schlitz, Pabst and Coors.

"Dave has been a big part of the 400-percent growth of the company and the building of a great sales team," Nappi President, Frank Nappi, Jr., said. "Dave is a class act, taking the blame when things went wrong and giving the credit to others when they went right. He will be missed by all."

Perry, 72, lives in town with his wife **Barbara**.



Dave Perry

Cape Elizabeth native **Miles Kelley** has started a one-year training program in carpentry at the North Bennet Street School in Boston, one of the country's oldest schools for craftsmanship training. Known for promoting the preservation of traditional crafts skills, the school turns 125 this year.

Miles is a 2008 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School.

Peggy Pineo was recently hired as administrator of Piper Shores in Scarborough, the first and only nonprofit retirement community in the state. Pineo works with Executive Director Michael Bierley managing the day-to-day operations of Piper Shores, which has more than 190 employees in nine different departments. Pineo is primarily responsible for overseeing Holbrook Health Center, the assisted living and skilled nursing care component of Piper Shores. Holbrook provides long-term care, short-term rehabilitation and respite-care services to residents at Piper Shores as well as to those from outside Piper Shores.

Prior to joining Piper Shores, Pineo was the administrator of a 96-bed nursing and assisted living facility, where she managed more than 100 employees. She also teaches health-care regulation at programs throughout the U.S., has more than 15 years of experience in the health-care industry, and holds master's degrees in both public health and health administration.

After being laid off from her longtime job as a nurse more than a year ago, Cape resident **Betty-Jane Shreve** decided to let her career go to waste ... baskets. Shreve now designs and makes vintage-style waste paper baskets, which are oval and feature gold rims.

Shreve also makes a stainless steel bucket she calls the "Maine lobster pot," which features a decoupage illustration of a lobster tail and meat painted by local artist, Dominic White.

"You toss your shells in the pot when you serve your lobster," said Shreve, whose "Yankee bucket" is a retired sap bucket with a decoupage 1865 black and white lithograph of lobsters.

For more information, visit www.design-erwastebaskets.com.

Attorney **Jamie Wagner** has opened a law office at 343 Ocean House Road in Cape Elizabeth. He has a general litigation and general counsel practice. A member of the Maine, New York, and Washington, D.C., bars, Wagner has 19 years of legal experience.



Jamie Wagner

Readers of "Travel & Leisure" magazine selected **Inn by the Sea** as one of the Top 500 hotels in the U.S., in the magazine's 15th annual "best of the best in travel" poll.

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In a multimillion dollar renovation in 2008, the inn added a fireplace lounge, the Sea Glass restaurant, and a full-service spa.

Poll results, based on 2010 reader surveys, are included in the magazine's January issue. Visit www.travelandleisure.com/tl500/2011/region/us.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Tom Downing**, director of the Maine Medical Center Lifeline Workplace Wellness Program, recently launched a new website, www.mmc.org/lifelinewellness. Lifeline serves the wellness needs of employers throughout southern Maine.

Cape resident **Jennifer DeSena** was named November "Broker of the Month" for outstanding sales at **Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage** real estate office.

A graduate of the University of New Hampshire and DePaul University College of Law in Greencastle Ind., she has lived in the Oakhurst neighborhood since 1990 with her husband, **Danforth**, and their three children.

Cape resident **David Barber** will take the helm as president and chief executive officer of Barber Foods in Portland on Feb. 11.

Since graduating from Babson College in Boston in 1981, Barber has worked for the family company, which his father, Gus, a Cape resident who passed away in 2008, founded in 1955. Over the years, Barber has been involved in all areas of the business, most recently serving as the company's vice president.

During the next two months, Barber and outgoing president and CEO Bruce Wagner will work together during the company's transition to new leadership.

Barber Foods are sold throughout the U.S. and Canada and distributed overseas to the U.S. Military. The company has about 700 employees.



David Barber

Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic has relocated to 1231 Shore Road. The practice offers chiropractic care, family, naturopathic medicine, acupuncture, and massage therapy. Call 799-9355 or visit www.coastalwellnesschiro.com for more information.

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Having a neighborhood party? Has your spouse gotten a promotion at work? Kids put on a circus and invited the whole block?

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Photos are welcome.

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CELT to offer two nature programs in February

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust members plan two programs in the next month.

Cape Elizabeth resident Bob Cash will lead a nature walk focused on winter shore birds at Pond Cove from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5. The walk is planned rain or shine, so participants should dress appropriately and wear footwear geared to wet trekking. The cost is \$6 per person, with a \$12 maximum fee per family.

All are invited to join CELT members on a two-hour cross country skiing adventure through the CELT trail network. The outing is planned from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, conditions permitting. Participants will meet at the entrance to Robinson Woods on Shore Road.

The program is designed for intermediate

cross country skiers. All who plan to participate should bring equipment. The cost for the outing is \$6.

The nonprofit Cape Elizabeth Land Trust conserves and provides stewardship for lands cherished by Cape residents for the education, use and enjoyment of current and future generations.

People planning to participate in either program should register in advance by going to Community Services' home page, <http://www.cape.k12.me.us/commserv.htm>, and clicking on the blue ActiveNet.com box, or by signing up in person at the Community Services' office at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road.

Contact Community Services at 799-2868 for more information.

Sports programs, pickup games available for adults, families seeking to stay active in winter

Community Services has several adult programs going on this winter for sports-loving Cape residents who want to stay active during the cold months.

Indoor soccer

Veteran Cape Elizabeth High School soccer coaches Charlie Carroll and David Peary have organized an indoor soccer program for adults 30 and older who want to play games. Games are scheduled for Sunday nights from Jan. 16 through March 27, and players can sign up to play at 5-6:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. Games will be played in the high school auditorium. The cost is \$50 per session.

Pickup basketball

High school students through adults have an opportunity to play basketball from 7:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays through April 7. The cost for each game is \$4, and games happen in the high school gym. Steve LaRose runs the program, which operates on a drop-in basis.

'Over-40' basketball

Community Services is also offering a pickup program for basketball players who are "over 40, or play like you are," Community Services' winter-spring catalogue states. Residents pay \$4, nonresidents pay

\$5, and games are played in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School gym from 8 to 10 p.m. on Wednesdays through April 3.

Coed volleyball

Community Services is also offering pickup coed volleyball this winter from 7 to 10 p.m. on Wednesdays through May 25. Residents pay \$4 per game, and nonresidents pay \$5. John Woods runs the program.

Open gyms for families

Open gyms for families in the high school gym will be held from noon to 2 p.m. every Sunday from Jan. 23 through March 27 except Feb. 6. Athletes young and old can shoot hoops, play pass or play indoor soccer. The drop-in fee is \$2 per person, and families pay no more than \$5 at the door.

Community Services now offers online registration for programs, but residents also can sign up in person at the Community Services' office at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road.

Go to Community Services' home page, <http://www.cape.k12.me.us/commserv.htm>, and click on the blue ActiveNet.com box, to register online.

Contact Community Services at 799-2868 for more information.

Jan. 23 concert, 'Music for Maddie,' to honor Cape woman with Lou Gehrig's disease

Three singers will honor Cape resident Maddie Simpson at "Music for Maddie," a benefit concert planned at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23, in the sanctuary of First Congregational Church of South Portland United Church.

Simpson, who has amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, continues to work in her family's South Portland store, Shoppers True Value Hardware in Mill Creek.

All proceeds from the concert will support the ALS Association of Northern New England. ALS, also known as "Lou Gehrig's disease," affects the nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord that control voluntary muscle movement.

Maine House Rep. Emily Ann Cain, Kelly Caulfield, and Matthew Small, who were members of the University of Maine Singers years ago, will share the stage for the first time in more than a decade at the concert, which will combine musical theater and popular songs. The three musicians are friends of Maddie's daughter, Jessica Simpson Fulchino, who works in the family store with her mother, and her father and brother, Tom and Michael Simpson.

"Our family is excited for this special concert that my UMaine friends will present," Fulchino said. "Every day, many kind people ask how they can help us. Now we have a tangible answer: They can attend the concert to show support for Mom and help to fund the important work of our local ALS Association chapter."

Cain, of Orono, is the new Minority



Singers, left to right, Emily Ann Cain, Kelly Caulfield and Matthew Small will perform in a benefit concert on Jan. 23 at First Congregational Church of South Portland.

Leader of the Maine House of Representatives and a fundraiser for the University of Maine's Honors College. Caulfield, of Gray, has a Greater Portland musical theater resume that includes Good Theater's "The Judy Garland Songbook" and Portland Symphony Orchestra's "Magic of Christmas." Small, of Boston, Mass., is a career counselor for Emerson College's School of the Arts in Boston.

Portland musician Nicholas Place, who will play piano at the concert, is a graduate student in a dual-degree piano program at the Boston Conservatory and a former accompanist to the Windham Chamber Singers.

The ALS Association leads the fight to treat and cure ALS through global research and nationwide advocacy while also empowering people with Lou Gehrig's disease and their families to live fuller lives by providing them with compassionate care and support.

Concert tickets will be available at the door for \$10. The church is located at 301 Cottage Road in South Portland. Contact Small at 646-256-0865 or matthewblakesmall@gmail.com for more information.

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CALENDAR

Reported by Wendy Derzawiec

Monday, January 17

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library, Cape Elizabeth Schools closed. Recycling Center open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Richards Pool and Fitness Center will have adjusted hours.

Tuesday, January 18

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

Wednesday, January 19

Middle School Variety Show Snow Date, 2:30 & 7 p.m., cafetorium

Thursday, January 20

Thomas Memorial Library Board of Trustees, 6:30 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library

Fort Williams Advisory Commission, 7 p.m., Public Works

Tuesday, January 25

School Board Finance Committee, 6:30 p.m., high school library

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

School Board workshop, 7:30 p.m., high school library

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.

Cape Lions' pancake breakfasts, spaghetti and lobster dinners raise funds for charities



Cape Elizabeth Lions' Club members Sonja Orff and Bud Olsen present a \$1,000 check to Cape residents Patty Morris and Ron Baily, volunteers for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and the parents of a daughter who has CF. The money, raised at the Lions' Nov. 13 lobster dinner, will go toward CF Foundation efforts to find better treatments and, ultimately, a cure for cystic fibrosis, a genetic medical condition affecting the lungs and digestive systems of about 30,000 people in the U.S. Currently, the median age of survival is 37.



Diners at the Cape Lions' lobster dinner on Nov. 13 take a quick photo break.

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club has plenty of pancake breakfasts and spaghetti dinners planned in coming months, all of which will raise funds for charities.

Pancake breakfasts

Pancake breakfasts are planned on Sundays, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, March 13, April 10, and May 8, Mother's Day.

The breakfasts, which are held from 7:30 to 11 a.m. at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, include a choice of pancakes, French toast or scrambled eggs and toast, plus a serving of sausage, coffee and juice. The cost for the breakfasts is \$5, and \$4 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds will go to Lions' charities.

Spaghetti dinners

Spaghetti dinners, which are planned Saturdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 26 and March 26, run from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Bowery Beach

Schoolhouse.

Dinner includes all-you-can eat spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and dessert. Soft drinks are served, and diners may bring their own wine or beer. The cost is \$10, and \$5 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds from the spaghetti dinners will benefit maintenance of the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse.

Nov. 13 lobster dinner

The Lions' lobster dinner held Nov.13 was a success, with the clubhouse filled at times during the night. At the dinner 170 lobsters were sold, and the club was able to donate \$1,000 to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The clubhouse is located on Wheeler Road near the intersection with Route 77.

Contact Lee Taylor at jltaylormsu@gmail.com for more information about the Cape Lions Club.

CABLE GUIDE

CHANNEL 3

Town Council replay
Jan. 12 & 13 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Jan. 15 - 9 a.m.

School Board replay
Jan. 14 & 15 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Jan. 16 - 9 a.m.

Words of Peace
Jan. 15 & 16; 22 & 23 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Children's Dyslexia Center - Portland
Jan. 15 & 22 - 8:30 a.m.
Jan. 17 & 24 - 5 p.m.

Planning Board (live)
Jan. 18 - 7 p.m.

Planning Board replay
Jan. 19 & 20 - 2 p.m.
Jan. 22 - 9 a.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals (live)
Jan. 25 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals replay
Jan. 26 & 27 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

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Cape resident to perform at Jan. 21 Rossini Club concert

Cape resident and pianist Mark Braun will perform at a Portland Rossini Club concert planned at 3 p.m. for Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Cathedral Church of St. Luke, 143 State Street in Portland.

The January concert will begin with guitarist Tod Nelson performing "Two Waltzes" by Augustin Barrios Mangore. Next, pianist John Thorpe will perform "Allegro" from J. S. Bach's Keyboard Concerto in D Minor, assisted by Richard Roberts on piano.

Vocal duets from Beethoven's "Fidelio" and Haydn's "The Seasons" will be performed by soprano Margaret and tenor Norman Whiteside, accompanied by Lynn Lennox on piano.

Braun will conclude the program by performing two preludes and fugues from J. S. Bach's "Well-Tempered Clavier," and two Beethoven bagatelles.

This is the club's 140th season. The suggested donation for admission is \$10 for general admission and \$5 for seniors. Students are invited to attend free of charge. Parking, which is behind the church, can be accessed from Park Street.

Contact Richard Roberts at 797-8318 or visit <http://phyllisleeke.com> for more information.

'Mousetrap' mystery to run Jan. 14-30

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.

Call the box office at 799-7337 or visit www.portlandplayers.org for more information.

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Genealogical stories to be shared on Feb. 5

Members of the Greater Portland Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society will present stories based on family artifacts or heirlooms at the society's 1 p.m. meeting on Saturday, Feb. 5, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 29 Ocean House Road. The presentation will be preceded by a 12:30 p.m. social time. Meetings, held the first Saturday of each month, are free and open to the public. Go to www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~megpcmg for more information.

Historical society newsletter to be launched soon

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society will soon launch its inaugural newsletter, *The Keeper*, which will include information and pictures of 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.

Parents of 2011-2012 kindergartners need to contact Pond Cove

Parents of children who will turn 5 before Oct. 15, 2011, should contact Pond Cove School about enrolling their children in kindergarten for the 2011-2012 school year.

Parents of children now attending kindergarten at other schools should notify school officials if their children will attend first grade in the Cape schools next year.

Please call Pond Cove at 799-7339.

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New fees for group use of Fort Williams Park

New fees for use of Fort Williams Park went into effect Dec. 14, 2010, following Town Council approval of the fees for group uses of the picnic shelter, gazebo and bandstand at their meeting Dec. 13.

In a memo to the Town Council, Fort Williams Advisory Commission Chairman Maureen McCarthy said the commission made additional fee recommendations at its Nov. 23 meeting. "We looked at all of the current fees being charged and deliberated on how to maximize bookings and increase revenue for the park," she said.

"As a result, some fees have been raised and some have been lowered in an effort to recognize the value, the amount of time being reserved, and the affordability of the structure and/or location being reserved," the memo says.

Cape Elizabeth residents have been able to make reservations for group activities at the park since Dec. 1. Reservations from non-Cape residents began Jan. 3.

Picnic shelter rental fee schedule

Rental of the picnic shelter has increased from \$100 for a full day (nonbusiness use) for residents to \$150 for a full day. A half-day rental for nonbusiness residents, has increased from \$70 to \$75. A half day in the afternoon after Labor Day for nonbusiness residents has decreased from \$70 to \$50.

Nonresident, nonbusiness bookings have decreased from \$360 to \$300 for a full day, \$240 to \$150 for a half day, and from \$150 to \$125 for an afternoon half day after Labor Day.

Fees for businesses and groups for profit have increased from \$360 to \$400 for a full day and from \$150 to \$175 for an afternoon



Photo by Lloyd W. Alexander

half day after Labor Day, but have decreased from \$240 to \$200 for a pre-Labor Day half day.

Fees for nonprofit organizations have increased from \$240 to \$300 for a full day, but have decreased from \$180 to \$150 for a half day and from \$150 to \$125 for an afternoon half day after Labor Day.

Bandstand and stone gazebo rentals remain unchanged at \$15 per hour for residents and \$20 per hour for nonresidents, with a two-hour minimum.

Other major area fees, for Battery Knoll, the "meadow," parade grounds, etc., also remain unchanged at \$500 for a full day and \$300 for a half day.

Likewise, location fees for any use of the park as a site for commercial photography and/or filming remain unchanged at \$1,000 for a Maine-based company and \$2,500 for any other company.

For any filming activity that has a significant impact on the public's enjoyment of the park, a special fee must be negotiated with the town manager or his designee.

Wedding and partnership ceremony fees have increased from \$75 to \$100. If the picnic shelter is reserved in conjunction with a ceremony, there will be no added fee.

The security deposit for all bookings will remain at \$50.

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Why do anything to our library?

By the Thomas Memorial Library Board of Trustees

The Thomas Memorial Library Study Committee was charged with defining a library program to serve the Cape Elizabeth community for the next 30 years as well as developing a conceptual plan for any proposed improvements to library facilities. As a result of the substantial input from the Cape Elizabeth community, consultants, and engineers, the TML Design Concept Final Report (July 31, 2009) enumerates three design alternatives as detailed below. In addition, we also carefully considered the "status quo" as an alternative.

Why do anything to TML?

We concluded that the "status quo" is not a viable option! An article in *The Cape Courier*, Nov. 20, 2010, titled "TML Trustees Seek Comment," outlined the architectural and engineering shortcomings of the current library as well as key attributes that the Cape Elizabeth community wants in our library.

In order to prepare ourselves for our assignment, the study committee visited local libraries that have recently completed major additions or have newly constructed a replacement library. It was not apparent to us at the time, but we would soon be comparing TML's ability to safely, efficiently and effectively deliver services to that of neighboring libraries. We also came to realize that TML has found many ways to provide adequate service through resourcefulness and "work-around" techniques. However, there are practical limits to everything.

As characterized in the final report: *"The deficiencies of the current library complex are significant and in some cases pose unacceptable hazards. Furthermore, there are negative long-term cost implications of doing nothing. The fragmented nature of the existing structure wastes a very costly resource, i.e., staff time. In addition, the shortcomings of the current building seriously hamper the library's efforts to offer high-quality, 21st-century library services. Finally, interaction with a large number of community residents leads to the conclusion that many people want the library to play an expanded role as a center of community life in Cape Elizabeth. Doing so within the confines of the existing structure will be next to impossible."*

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these aging structures is not readily available. The next time you visit the library, stop and look at the exterior. Would you allow these conditions to exist at your home or business? Go inside and walk around the library with fresh eyes. Focus your attention on the structure, on the collections, physical access, work conditions, etc. If you were an advisor to those responsible for current and future operation of this facility, would you recommend remedial action? Yes, we think so too!

Alternatives considered

Reprogramming Existing Space:

The space reprogramming concept was rejected because well over \$1 million could be spent addressing some of the many structural, mechanical and accessibility issues with little gain in functionality.

Building an addition that reuses some of the existing structure(s):

Each of the members of the study committee desired the preservation of the Pond Cove School building, or its façade. However, this alternative does not correct the existing deficiencies due to "site" constraints. Additionally, the estimated cost range to implement this alternative fell in a range between \$5 million and \$7.5 million.

Building a New Facility ("Clean Slate" Scenario):

A new facility offers a number of significant advantages, including, but not limited to: lower ongoing maintenance costs, its open floor plan lends itself to repurposing in the future, and the possibility of preserving and moving at least the original 1849 structure to other town-owned property. The estimated cost range for implementing the "clean slate" concept was nearly identical to the cost of the addition scenario: clean slate costs (in 2009 dollars) would be between \$5.1 million and \$7.8 million.

After extensive deliberation, the study committee concluded that the third alternative, building a new facility, represents the best balance between providing the desired services, the flexibility to accommodate unknown future needs, and good stewardship of taxpayer dollars.

As always, it is our goal to maintain an open dialogue and ensure awareness of the challenges that we face so we can formulate potential solutions together. The board of trustees welcomes your comments.

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Newsletter details upcoming senior events



Photo by Janet Hoskin

Cape resident and volunteer Lisa LeTarte serves diners, Lou Pfeiffer, left, and Marilyn Sherrard at a Community Services luncheon for senior citizens at the Community Center. The luncheons are among the activities listed in newsletters that Karen Allen, Community Services' director of adult programs, sends out to senior citizens throughout the year.

Adults 55 years old and up can receive regular newsletter updates in the mail about a wide range of adult activities offered at the Community Center throughout the year, including luncheons, trips, theater performances, exercise programs, art classes, card playing, and more.

To get on the mailing list, residents pay \$8 and nonresidents pay \$10.

Call 799-2868 for more information.

Drop-in bridge games scheduled twice a week through end of April

Community Services is offering bridge players the chance to play at two different times each week through the end of April. The drop-in games are geared from beginning to intermediate-level players who prefer a less competitive, more relaxed environment.

Games are scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays through April 27 in the Community Center's Activity Room, and on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through April 29 in the Community Center's Living Room. The cost per game is \$5, payable at the door.

Players should bring lunch for a brief break midway through the game.

Games are usually held during Cape school vacations, but anyone planning to play during the third week of February, when schools will be on vacation, should call Community Services at 799-2868 first. Games will not be held when the weather is bad.

Indoor walking Tuesdays, Thursdays at Community Center

Community Services' indoor walking program for senior citizens is underway on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Community Center. Seniors can drop in any time between 9:45 and 10:30 a.m. to walk at any pace and for any length of time.

There is no fee, but participants are asked to sign in at the front desk.

Call Community Services at 799-2868 for more information.

Lunch at SMCC planned Feb. 17

Seniors have an opportunity to have lunch at Southern Maine Community College's dining room on Thursday, Feb. 17. Community Services will provide transportation.

The cost, \$16, will include lunch, dessert, a beverage, and transportation. Payment will be due when reservations are called into the Community Services' office at 799-2868. Checks, payable to "Cape Elizabeth Community Services," can be sent to 343 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107.

A bus will depart for SMCC at 11:15 a.m. from behind the Community Center.

Free program about spotting identity theft scams planned Feb. 8

Community Services will offer a free program for people interested in learning how to spot identity theft scam.

Jane Mullen of the Dignity Memorial Smart & Safe Living Program will discuss six rules for avoiding cons and scams in a talk planned from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 8, in the Community Room at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road.

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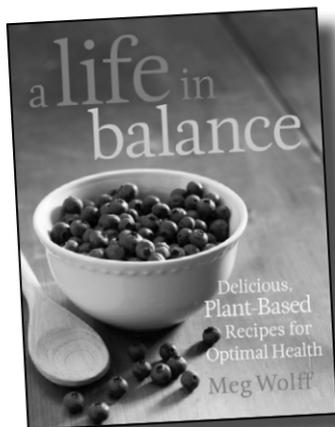
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Cape music students selected to perform in honors music festivals, special groups



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Members of the Cape Elizabeth High School choir and their teacher Larry Allen, at the piano, take a quick break Jan. 4. The chorus, which will perform March 17 at CEHS, plans a trip to New York City to perform in a festival in early May, for which chorus members seek fundraising ideas. Please contact Allen at lallen@capeelizabetschools.org with ideas.

By Wendy Keeler

Just shy of 40, Cape Elizabeth Middle School and Cape High School musicians have been selected to perform in honors festivals, in special musical groups, and at special events in coming months. First up will be a middle school chorus performance at 7 p.m. on Jan. 21 during a Portland Pirates game at the Cumberland County Civic Center in Portland.

Southern Maine Music Festival

Five Cape Elizabeth High School musicians will perform in the 2011 Southern Maine Music Festival on Jan. 28 and 29 at Noble High School in North Berwick. The festival will include high school musicians from Gorham south to the New Hampshire border.

Reid Douty, who plays tenor sax, will perform in the jazz ensemble. Rebecca Strout will play clarinet and James Yokabaskas will play trumpet in the concert band. Violinist Madeline Kraft has been selected to perform with the District 1 orchestra. Arianna Cogswell will perform with the District 1 chorus.

Middle School Honors Festival

Seventeen Cape Elizabeth Middle School musicians have been selected to perform at the Southern Maine Middle School Honors Festival March 4 and 5 at Scarborough High School.

The following students will play at a 3 p.m. concert on March 5: Jana Freedman,

Emma Landes, Caitie O'Sullivan, Hazel Pine and Rebecca Tarling on flute; Remy Delva, Julia Ginder and Hannah Preble on clarinet; Walker Grimes, Zach Vaughan and Leo Wing on alto saxophone; Aaron Dobieski on trumpet; and Lily Jordan and Noah Robinson on percussion.

Three members of the CEMS chorus will perform: Haley Fawcett, Kathleen Oberholtzer and Claire Zimmerman.

Sixth-Grade Honors Festival

CEMS singers Eleonora Giovine, Rachel Kriger and Alexa McAlister will perform in the District 1 Sixth-Grade Honors Festival at 3 p.m. on March 12 in the South Portland High School auditorium.

Ten sixth-grade band students also will perform in the concert: Emma Shedd on alto saxophone; Eli Babcock, Sean Raupe and Lauren Schonewolf on trumpet; Mac Brucker on bass clarinet; Zodi Chalot and Hannah Kobel on flute; Will Corsello on trumpet; and Chris Kobel and Declan McCormick on trombone.

All-State Festival

Three CEHS musicians will perform in the All-State Festival, set for May 19-21 at the University of Southern Maine in Gorham. Violinists Madeline Kraft and Charlotte Ruttly will perform with the All-State Orchestra. Aubrey Landsfeld will play French horn with the All-State Band.

NHS sweetly raises funds for resettled refugees



Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's National Honor Society gather on Dec. 16, when NHS raised \$448 for Catholic Charities' Maine Refugee Services by delivering more than 500 "candy-grams" to staff and students.

By Wendy Keeler

Through sales of poinsettias and "candy-grams," candy canes with personal messages delivered around the school, members of Cape Elizabeth High School's National Honor Society raised \$1,547 last month for Catholic Charities' Maine Refugee Services, the nonprofit that NHS is raising money for this school year.

Decked in Santa Claus caps, NHS members delivered more than 500 candy-grams to staff and students on Dec. 16, raising \$448 in the process. In December, NHS also sold poinsettias from Longfellow's Greenhouse in Manchester, Maine, adding \$1,099 to the \$285 that members had raised at a November bake sale.

Catholic Charities' Maine Refugee Services resettles refugees and assists them

with housing, English skills, jobs, and medical and mental health services that will help them to begin a new life.

The society's next fundraiser, a night of galactic bowling, is planned from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 23, at Yankee Lanes in Portland. The event will be open to CEHS staff, students and their families. The cost, \$12 per person, will cover shoes and unlimited games. Yankee Lanes will split profits from ticket sales with NHS.

At the suggestion of Aimee Bullard of Catholic Charities, some NHS members have participated in one of the organization's conversational English classes in Portland. NHS members Kelsey Barton, Kelsey McGuire and Rachel Nichols will share weekly tutoring duties to work with an immigrant they met at one of the classes.

Pond Cove first-graders get an owl education



Photos by Karen Abbott

At right, a representative from the Wiscasset-based Chewonki Foundation, which leads environmental educational programs, holds up a barred owl before Pond Cove students in mid-December in a program that the nonprofit Cape Elizabeth Land Trust funded for Pond Cove first-graders. Above, students, left to right, Nathan Brame, Ben Connolly, Abby Wolf, Maddie Mahoney, and Jack McKibben examine talons, feet, and beaks of different owls, lift boxes of a similar weight as owls, and compare the wings of an owl and an eagle feather to see how quiet an owl's flight is.



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Parents: Pay your children's school lunch bills, or your kids will pay the price

By Wendy Keeler

Parents, pay up. Cape students whose parents don't pay their school lunch bills will not only be denied hot lunch but also won't be able to register for school athletic and extracurricular activities and Community Services programs until their parents settle their accounts.

In their first business meeting, Cape's new School Board, which now includes board members Michael Moore and Kimberly Monaghan-Derrig, voted Dec. 14 to reaffirm a 2004 School Board measure to prevent students with delinquent school lunch accounts of more than \$40 from participating in extracurricular programs or getting hot lunch.

Students with outstanding lunch bills won't be denied food at lunch, however. They will get brown-bag lunches.

Students at all three schools pay \$2.85 for hot lunch. Cape high school students can buy food à la carte with cash. At the middle school, students can charge when they buy à la carte, but not if their accounts are delinquent.

After Bob Lyman, Cape's interim superintendent in 2004, sent a letter to parents outlining consequences resulting from delinquent lunch accounts, the School Department recouped more than \$10,000 in unpaid bills. Over time and with changes in staff, however, the penalties have not been enforced in recent years, and the deficit has risen.

"Those bills are up again. We have now almost \$9,000 that has not been paid yet," former Superintendent Alan Hawkins said on Dec. 14, his last business meeting before

retiring on Dec. 31.

Board members hope to put more teeth into the 2004 measure. The School Board Policy Committee, which Kathy Ray heads, is set to begin work on drafting a formal policy for the handling of outstanding lunch accounts.

The policy may include changes.

School Board Chair Mary Townsend would like the \$40 threshold on lunch accounts to increase, to equal the cost of a month and a half's worth of student lunches, she told the board on Dec. 14. That amount is roughly \$80, Cape Elizabeth Food Services Director Peter Esposito said.

Since Esposito took the helm in fall 2009, hot lunches have become more popular among students. Last year, Cape cafeterias served 10,000 more meals than they did the previous year, said Esposito, noting that there is one downside: More kids eating school lunches mean more bills and a higher likelihood of parents not paying those bills.

Wider-reaching policy

Cape Elizabeth Middle School Principal Steve Connolly would like any policy addressing school lunches to extend beyond the lunchroom.

"There are things that happen in the school that make me think about this ... in broader terms, not just about cafeteria and food services," said Connolly, who told the board he believes that families should face financial consequences when their children engage in willful destruction of computer and other equipment.

Cape Elizabeth Middle School 2010-2011 honor roll for the first trimester

Eighth grade

High honors — Mathias Barth, Sierra Bates, Haley Bauman, Madison Botelho, Eva Brydson, Isabel Clarke, Parker Dinsmore, Aaron Dobieski, Jack Drinan, Rhoeon Fiutak, Caroline Garfield, Julia Ginder, Walker Grimes, Robert Harrison, Taylor Herrera, Lily Jordan, Eamon Kelley, Hunter Kent, Emma Landes, Rachel Lockwood, Emily Lynch, Samuel MacDuffie, Devin Maguire, Daniel Menz, Ethan Murphy, Elizabeth O'Brien, Wyatt Page, Nicholas Pellechia, Mila Phelps-Friedl, Michaela Pinette, Monica Planinsek, Hannah Preble, Noah Robinson, Hannah Saturley, Hannah Sawyer, Acadia Stewart, Lindsay Stewart, Ashley Tinsman, Leo Wing, Claire Zimmerman, Sara Zucchero

Honors — Curtis Alexander, Timothy Brigham, Paul Calande, Cole Carpenter, Cole Caswell, Matthew Chipman, Kathryn Clark, Nicole Cloutier, Alexandra Coggeshall, Alicia Davis, Monica Dell'Aquila, Jack Demeter, Matthew Denison, Emma Dineen, Owen Doherty, Hayley Doss, Jacob Downer, Benjamin Duddy, Katherine Ewald, Emily Faria, Edward Galvin, Rachel Garrity, Luke Gilman, Thomas Gleason, Thomas Gleeson, Adam Godfrey, Curtis Guimond, Luke Harrison, Maygan Hatt, Noah Haversat, Yodit Herrmann, Barrett Hess, Andrew Kelly, Kyle Kennedy, Thomas Lalouche, Brette Lennon, Sarah Loring, Robert Mackay, George Mackenzie, Reese McFarlane, Jonathan Merritt, Mitchell Morris, Amelia Morrissey, Ethan Nestor Darling, Kirsten Rudberg, Melissa Rudberg, Maci Russell, Rachel Seekins, Josephine Spidle, Benjamin Stanley, Sadie Stiles, Conner Sullivan, Rebecca Tarling, Andrew Thomas, Griffin Thoreck, Zachary Vaughan, Andrew Volent, Haylee Walsh, John Williams

Seventh grade

High honors — Kelsey Allan, Alexandria

Bakke, James Bottomley, Montana Braxton, Katherine Breed, Victoria Diaz, Rachel Epstein, Haley Fawcett, Matthew Fishbein, Chloe Gillian, Federico Giovine, Hannah Glazier, Adara Graessle, Taylor Hansen, Carter Harvey, Mya Hodgdon, Joseph Inhorn, Ali Mohamedi, Sarah O'Connor, William Steidl, Allison Stewart, Natalie Vaughan, McKenna Wood

Honors — Sierra Aceto, Anna Ball, Stephen Bennett, Madeleine Bowe, Katherine Briggs, Thomas Buonaiuto, Joseph Carignan, Phoebe Coburn, Taylor Connell, Madolyn Connolly, Gregory Corsello, Brayden Crosta, Alexandra Demeter, Remy Dickinson, Eden Divney, Anna Doherty, Marcus Donnelly, Miles Dorrance, Dana Dufresne-Bonoff, Jared Duperre, Emma Dvorzaniak, Megan Ellsmore, Alexis Farrell, Samantha Feenstra, Jahanara Freedman, Tessa Goldstein, Matthew Graham, Lauren Grey, Justin Guerette, Teresa Haller, Logan Hansen, Ryan Harvey, Sophie Hewitt, Olivia Hintlian, Lauren Holmes, Lydia Ingalls, Nathaniel Ingalls, Gabe Jacobson, Anya Kohan, Maureen Lavallee, Gabrielle Lawrence, Grace Mahoney, Roman Medina, Sarah Merriam, Isaac Messerschmidt, Eva Miele, Eileen Misterovich, Andrew Mitchell, Samuel Moran, Reilly Morin, Sarah Morin, Alexander Mukai, Madeleine Murphy, Guillermo Narvaez, Wyatt Newhall, Britney Newman, Megan Nicholson, Lily Norris, Jack O'Rourke, Caitlin O'Sullivan, Kathleen Oberholtzer, Catherine Pellegrini, Nicole Penley, Maisie Perkins, Jillian Petersen, Lily Pillsbury, Riley Pillsbury, Hazel Pine, Harrison Queeney, Gabrielle Raymond, Matthew Riggle, Dylan Roberts, James Salerno, Erin Sewall, Cooper Siepert, Rosalie Stevens, Megann Sullivan, Vincent Tarpo, Natasha Thomes, Nikita Wallace, Hannah Walsh, Erin Whitcomb, Morgan Wight, Portia Wilson, Julian Wzyzkowski, Randy Zhou

Cape speech team has busy month ahead with Jan. 26 NFL Night, and home, state meets



Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's speech team, who have a full calendar this month, gather at Thornton Academy in Saco in December.

Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's speech team will spend a lot of time at the podium this month, when three events are planned.

January is "a busy month, indeed," CEHS speech coach Richard Mullen said. "Our team reflects the excellence that Cape Elizabeth prides itself in producing."

Cape tournament

Cape's 35-member team will host a tournament Saturday, Jan. 15, at which more than 200 participants from 20 schools, including some from Massachusetts, will compete.

Jan. 26 NFL Night

Members of the community are invited to attend the team's annual National Forensic League Night, which will begin at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 26, in the CEHS auditorium.

Students will be featured in 13 categories of public speaking, from humorous interpretation and extemporaneous speaking to current events, storytelling, original works, and poetry. The event will be free and will last about an hour and a half. Refreshments will be served.

Jan. 29 state meet

At the statewide meet, set for Saturday, Jan. 29, at Maranacook Community High School in Readfield, Cape, the defending state champion, will vie for top honors against 20 Maine high school teams.

Contact Mullen at rmullen@capeelizabethschools.org for more information.

—Wendy Keeler

'Price of Privilege' book talk planned Jan. 12

Cape Elizabeth High School social worker Bill Kueck will facilitate a discussion about the book, "The Price of Privilege," by Madeline Levine, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, in the CEHS library.

"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."

The High School Parents Association is sponsoring the discussion.



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

The AHERA Management Plan is available for inspection by the general public at the Town Office of Cape Elizabeth, Cape Elizabeth, Maine. The plans may be inspected during normal office hours by appointment. Copies of the plans can be provided at a cost of 25 cents per page.

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

Cape Elizabeth High School Middle School Complex

The materials are bi-annually inspected for change in condition during six month periodic surveillances conducted in December and June. Any questions or concerns should be addressed to Mr. Greg Marles, LEA Asbestos Coordinator at (207) 799-9574.

Pond Cove's annual Craft Night set for Feb. 10



A young craftsperson proudly displays her work at last year's Craft Night.

The Pond Cove Parents Association's annual Craft Night is planned from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 10, in the school cafeteria.

At the event, which is geared toward younger children, kids and families will make crafts, do art projects, and create Valentine's Day gifts. The evening will also include a baked goods sale.

Last year's Craft Night, which drew a

crowd of more than 128 children and their families, raised more than \$600 for the Pond Cove Parents Association.

Admission will be \$5 per person or \$10 per family.

All who are interested in volunteering should contact co-chair Marisa Haydar at marisahaydar@hotmail.com. Contact Haydar or co-chair Michelle Whitney at maisey@maine.rr.com for more information.

'Traveling bard' brings 'Odyssey' to life



Sebastian Lockwood performs at CEHS.

By Lisa Melanson
Master storyteller Sebastian Lockwood performed "Odyssey, Live!" for Cape Elizabeth High School's sophomore class on

Dec. 10 in the Cape Elizabeth High School auditorium.

Funded jointly by the high school and a grant from the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation, Lockwood's program brought to life the ancient Greek epic by Homer, with reenactments of scenes such as the blinding of the Cyclops and the avenging of the suitors who try to usurp King Odysseus' place.

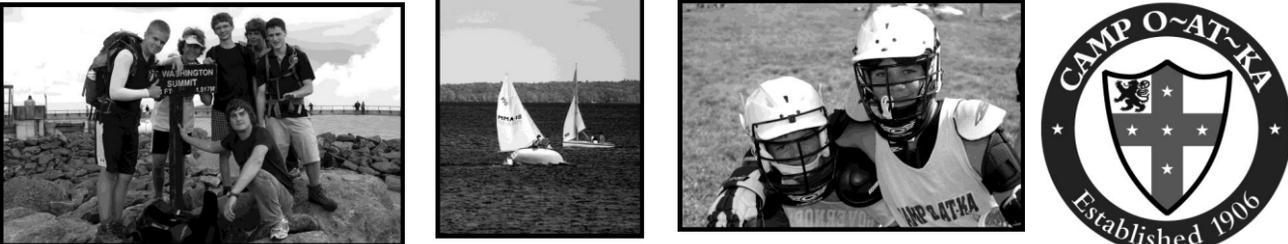
Lockwood, who calls himself a "traveling bard," performs storytelling programs in schools, universities and at conferences, in addition to teaching at Lesley University in Cambridge, Mass., Endicott College in Beverly, Mass., and the Boston Conservatory. He is the author of three novels, a book of poems, translations and articles.

During a 45-minute "talk-back" with his audience of CEHS 10th-graders, Lockwood fielded questions about memory, storytelling, and biographical experiences that inform his art.

Afterward, students wrote about their reactions to his performance.

"Seeing a live performance allows viewers to immerse themselves in the story," sophomore Ali Mohamedi commented. "Instead of just reading, you can picture the story in your mind more clearly. The liveliness of the performance also makes it as if you yourself are in the story. There is more emotion, and you can feel the anguish or happiness that the characters feel."

Added student Elizabeth Coughlin, "As a storyteller (on the Cape Elizabeth High School speech team), I felt that not only was this performance a wonderful way to learn about 'The Odyssey,' but I also learned quite a lot about storytelling, as well. There was a lot about his performance that amazed me! Just the fact that he held our attention for over an hour with a mere story is practically a miracle! It's hard to find a favorite part, but I loved how he used certain tones for each character. It was like a verbal epithet! I felt like that really captured Homer's style."



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Jamie Ross of Cape Elizabeth is one of three Fitzpatrick Trophy finalists



Photo courtesy of Portland Press Herald

In Deering High School's Oct. 29 Western Class A quarterfinal game against Thornton Academy, which Deering won 56-18, quarterback, kicker and punter Jamie Ross, a Cape resident, pictured here, completed seven of 10 passes attempted for 131 yards and one touchdown pass, rushed 15 carries for 101 yards and four touchdown runs, and kicked five extra points and one field goal.

By Wendy Keeler

Jamie Ross, a Cape student at Deering High School who broke four school football records this fall, is one of three finalists for the James J. Fitzpatrick Trophy, given to Maine's top high school football player each year. The trophy winner will be announced on Jan. 16.

Ross, the Deering Rams' starting quarterback for three years, was also the team's kicker and punter, and a team captain. Selected for the Southern Maine Activities Association's first-team Class A All-Conference as both a quarterback and punter, Ross also was named All-State as quarterback this year and *The Forecaster's* "Deering High School Male Fall Athlete of the Year."

He is the Deering team's two-time "Most Valuable Player," won the school's student/scholar athlete award, and was named MVP for Deering in the annual Thanksgiving Day game against Portland High School.

Although Deering sports records are not officially recorded, Ross currently appears to have broken at least four Rams football records: for total touchdowns in a season—41; total career touchdowns—79; total career passing touchdowns—45; and total points scored—583.

Ross' athletic prowess isn't limited to the football field. For three years, he has been a starter for Deering's baseball team, on which he pitches and plays outfield, and two of those years the Rams have won Class A state championship.

For three years, he has also been a starter on Deering's varsity basketball team.

When Ross leaves Deering, which he en-

tered after attending Cape schools through the end of eighth grade, he will have 11 varsity letters.

In the beginning of February, Ross will make a decision about where he will play at the collegiate level. Football coaches at several schools have approached him, and baseball coaches are also interested.

The Fitzpatrick trophy is named after Jimmy Fitzpatrick, a Portland High School coach who played for Boston College. The award was established in 1971.

Cape football player named as finalist for Frank Gaziano scholarship

Cape senior Conor McAleney, a defensive lineman on the Cape Elizabeth High School football team, has been named a finalist for the newly established Frank Gaziano High School Football Scholarship. McAleney, who was named to the Campbell Conference Class B All-Star team this fall, is one of 11 finalists, which include five offensive linemen and six defensive linemen, from high schools across the state.

Two winners, an offensive player and a defensive player, will be announced during a Jan. 23 banquet at the Augusta Civic Center. The new scholarship and awards program for Maine high school football linemen was created in memory of Gaziano, a former college All-American and professional football player with a lifelong passion for local sports.

The awards will go to players who epitomize the character, leadership and perseverance of Gaziano.

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The Town Council Appointments Committee is pleased to announce the following board and commission vacancies:

**Future Open Space Preservation Committee
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Planning Board
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The Town Council has established a new municipal committee known as the Future Open Space Preservation Committee (FOSP). The composition of the committee includes (3) three citizens. The Appointments Committee is now accepting applications for FOSP and openings on the Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. Applicants may apply on line at www.capeelizabeth.com. A description and meeting schedule of each board is also available on the town's website. Further questions may be directed to Debra Lane, Assistant Town Manager at 799-7665 or debra.lane@capeelizabeth.org.

Applications must be submitted to Debra Lane no later than Wednesday, January 19, 2011.

Future Open Space Preservation Committee (3) Openings
Conservation Commission (1) Opening, Term to expire 12/31/2013
Planning Board (1) Opening, Unexpired term until 12/31/2011
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Planning

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John Green, representing the Cape Farm Alliance, said the group believed that disturbing the peace should be addressed through a policing ordinance, not land-use regulation.

Mendelson added that a minimum lot size would be useless so long as chicken coops, which are not considered "structures" under Cape Elizabeth zoning and not subject to setback requirements, could be placed right next to a neighboring property regardless of size. "There just is no point for anyone other than a farmer who raises chickens for commercial purposes to own roosters in this community," said Mendelson.

A commercial farm in Cape Elizabeth needs at least 100,000 square feet, but board members were unsure whether limiting roosters to commercial farms would be fair. Green said the town does have some "microfarms" leased to smaller portions of commercial farms.

No one on the board, or present at the Dec. 21 hearing, claimed to be a chicken farmer, and board members admitted they

had heard little, if anything, from the community in defense of residential roosters.

Green said he would be sure members of the Cape Farm Alliance attend the Jan. 4 workshop.

Shore Road Path loses boardwalks

In other matters, the Planning Board on Dec. 21 approved a request from the town to replace two boardwalks planned for the Shore Road pathway with fill and solid material.

The boardwalks were proposed for two areas: a 170-foot long stretch across from the Delano Park entrance No. 4 and a 40-foot long area across from Tides Edge Road. Instead of boardwalk, the pathway will be completed with bituminous material and a retaining wall in the first area and a precast concrete structure in the second.

"This is truly just a logistics and maintenance issue," said Todd Gammon, civil engineer with AMEC Earth & Environmental, the Town's engineers.

Gammon said stormwater runoff would be the same in both areas and would be handled by culverts already in the plan. Replacing the boardwalk with solid surface will make the culverts easier to access for maintenance, Gammon said.

'600 Cottage' plan approved

The Planning Board on Dec. 21 also approved a plan for the Inn by the Sea, 40 Bowery Beach Road, to demolish one of the buildings on its property and replace it with a new structure for 10 hotel units.

The board in November found the application to replace the '600 Cottage' building complete, but some board members questioned dimension calculations that guaranteed the new building would not exceed zoning restrictions for expansion. Inn by the Sea representatives submitted revised calculations to reflect the portions of the building that count toward volume and square footage.

The inn also reported that noise from the air-conditioning unit would comply with town-noise regulations, and that the septic system had been repaired so that materials will flow through a grease trap.

"I just wanted to thank you for being really responsive to our concerns," board member Liza Quinn said to engineer Steve Bradstreet, who made the plan presentation for the Inn by the Sea. "I am sure the inn will continue to be an asset," Quinn said.

Former bank site now drop-off for dry cleaning

A change of use for the former Bank

of America space in the Pond Cove Shopping Center was approved by the Planning Board Dec. 21.

The board approved a plan for Duk Hee Cha of Portland Dry Cleaners to open a drop-off/pickup location in the shopping center at 329 Ocean House Road.

Flagpoles to stay where they are in the zoning ordinance

Finally, on Dec. 21, the Planning Board voted to recommend that regulations surrounding the placement of flagpoles remain unchanged.

Following a public hearing, the board voted to recommend the town keep its current regulations on flagpoles, in light of a ruling by the town's attorney that flagpoles are subject to setbacks spelled out in the zoning ordinance.

The request to review flagpole regulations came from a dispute between two property owners on Shore Road. One of those property owners, Bruce Nelson, told the board that the offending pole had been moved following the attorney's finding. "I'm surprised this is still here because this issue took place two years ago," Nelson said. "But I guess once something like this starts, it doesn't stop very easily," he said.

Website

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A more navigable website to enhance citizen participation in town government was a 2010 goal of the Town Council, and Town Webmaster Wendy Derzawiec worked on

the redesigned website for "over a year" to make the goal a reality.

"It turned into a very major undertaking," said Town Manager Michael McGovern. "It really shows the wealth of information that [Derzawiec] included on the website over

the years."

A banner across the home page features a sunrise image of Portland Head Light by Cape photographer Jack Kennealy. "He was so generous," said Derzawiec. "He is just so supportive of the town."

The banner also includes an advanced search bar, site map, text-size option and a newly designed contact feature, which allows the user to search for town staff members by name, position, or the building in which they work.

Open space

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plan by the council to set open space preservation as top priority in implementing the 2007 Comprehensive Plan.

"We felt that this [open space preservation] was such an important issue that would have an impact on the community for years to come," said Councilor Jim Walsh.

The council also authorized \$25,000 for the committee's use. A portion of the funds is expected to go toward a professionally administered public opinion survey.

The committee's charge from the council includes:

- *Coordinating with CFA and CELT and gathering information on their future open space preservation priorities

- *Professionally surveying town residents to identify open space priorities and preferences for funding methods

- *Working with a consultant to analyze the costs and benefits to the town budget of development versus retention of open space

- *Convening a public workshop with CFA and CELT on actions that would protect open spaces and promote sustainable farming

- *Identifying key parcels of land at highest priority for preservation

FOSP is expected to complete its work within 12 months of its first meeting. The council urged the committee to provide recommendations as individual tasks are completed during this one-year period.

Other related actions taken

Creation of FOSP was one of four actions taken by the council to set open space preservation as a priority over implementation of the land use recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan.

"Basically, we are resetting our priorities, and we are asking the Planning Board to reset its priorities to look at open space before

we look at land use," said Councilor Frank Governali.

Land use recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan include zoning changes and identification of growth areas to steer future development in town.

The council voted to send a memo to the Planning Board, directing it "to stop working on the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan as directed in the January 2008 memo from the Town Council."

The memo added that the "Planning Board may wish to note that the Town Council Ordinance Committee will be reviewing growth areas identified in the Comprehensive Plan. Any changes that will result in amendments to the Zoning Ordinance or Zoning Map will also be forwarded to the Planning Board in the future."

In addition to the Planning Board memo, councilors acted to direct the Ordinance Committee to review the growth areas designated in the Comprehensive Plan.

Several council members have expressed concerns regarding the growth areas recommended and identified by the Comprehensive Plan, especially in light of the drastically reduced projections for development as a result of the economic recession.

The council also voted to reaffirm the original vision statement of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan:

The vision represented by this Comprehensive Plan is to preserve Cape Elizabeth as a highly desirable community in which to live by the following: expanding open spaces and accessible trails; encouraging the preservation of working farms; continuing the current slow pace and pattern of development; maintaining excellent educational and municipal services; cultivating the Town Center as a mixed use commercial area; supporting the high levels of citizen involvement in town activities; and balancing services and costs.



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A snowy scene captured after the "Blizzard of 2010"

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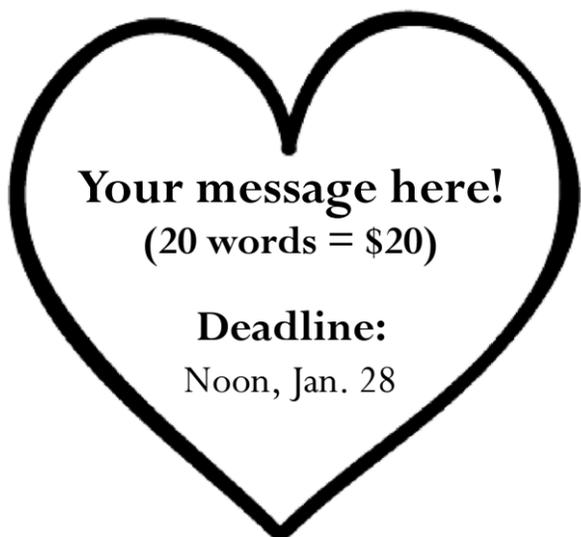
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During a visit to Krakow's Wavel Castle, Cape residents Liz Monaghan and Kurt Nielsen take a peek inside The Cape Courier. The two were in Poland to celebrate a friend's wedding on Christmas Day.

'Solstice Sunrise'



Paintings by Cape artist Holly Ready, including "Solstice Sunrise," pictured here, will be available at the Holly Ready Gallery in Portland from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 4, during the First Friday Art Walk in Portland. Twenty of Ready's gouache paintings, which will be matted and framed in either 10-by-10 inch or 8-by-10-inch frames, will be available for \$200 apiece. Ready's paintings focus on the changing light and patterns of the Maine landscape. The gallery is located at 609a Congress Street.

Meghan Clifford and **Leah Israel**, Cape residents and members of the Nor'Easters Synchronized Skating Team, competed in the Open Juvenile division of the Thanksgiving Classic in Pembroke, Mass., where the team placed fourth. The Nor'Easters also competed in the Cape Cod Classic in December in Massachusetts, where they earned a bronze medal.

After skating in the Colonial Classic in Lowell, Mass., this month, the team will compete in the Eastern Sectional Synchronized Skating Championships in Lake Placid, N.Y., in February. The team, comprised of eight girls from southern Maine, skates out of Family Ice in Falmouth.



Leah Israel and Meghan Clifford

Brennan Balfour, a senior at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pa., is serving an internship at Geisinger Medical Center, a hospital in Danville, Pa., this academic year. A 2007 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, Brennan is majoring in psychology. At the hospital, her responsibilities include assisting with clinical research, data collection and special projects. Her parents are **Bruce and Raye Balfour**.

Danielle Beaumont and Terence Moore were married Oct. 16 at Holy Cross Church in South Portland. A reception followed at the Woodlands in Falmouth.

The bride is the daughter of **Donald and Ann Beaumont** of Cape Elizabeth. The groom is the son of Kevin and Lynne Moore of Oxford, N. J.

Jennifer Madresh was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Slight, Alexis Campelia, Brittany Moore and **Kate Beaumont**, and Bailey Whitney was junior bridesmaid. Brian Anderson served as best man, and the groomsmen were Chris Masciarelli, Nick Johnson, Benjamin Primack and **Ryan Beaumont**.

The bride and groom are graduates of Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. A registered nurse, the bride works in the pediatric intensive care unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Md. The groom, who has a bachelor of science degree in toxicology, is currently working for Home Depot as a kitchen designer.

The couple live in Baltimore.



Danielle Beaumont and Terence Moore

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Rachel Seelye Sage Hunt, a member of the Class of 2012 at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., was named to the honor roll for the fall term.

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