School chief recommends $21 million school budget

By Wendy Kooler

On March 22, School Board members will adopt a 2011-2012 school budget to send to the Town Council. Since March 8, board members have been at work reviewing Interim Superintendent Ken Murphy’s recommended $21 million budget.

The proposed budget, which is 2.2 percent, or $448,000, higher than this year’s, would increase the school property tax by 1.9 percent. The owner of a median-valued Cape home of $254,000 would pay about $85 more a year in taxes under the budget, which Murphey believes strikes a balance between school needs and residents’ financial realities.

“The recommended budget will continue to improve teaching and learning at each of our schools, and yet it is sensitive to the financial climate that surrounds each homeowner in our community,” Murphy states in his introduction to his budget proposal.

The loss of state aid and the end of federal stimulus funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will add up to a projected $268,146 reduction in revenues for the district in the 2011-2012 school year.

“The story of this budget is the evaporation of federal stimulus money, but the other story of this budget is that almost every other line that we can possibly control is at funding levels of previous years,” Murphy told School Board members at their March 8 business meeting.

The superintendent’s proposed budget calls for a spending increase of about $790,000.

“We’re continuing to try to manage with less and to keep up buildings and roads that need a lot of maintenance,” Murphy said on March 8.

“That account normally would be $600-700,000, but we have a tentative agreement

Proposed town budget includes tax-rate hike

By Patricia McCarthy

Cape Elizabeth’s tax rate for municipal services would rise for the first time in four years under the 2011-12 budget proposed by Town Manager Michael McGovern.

McGovern’s proposed budget, which will be reviewed by the Town Council’s Finance Committee beginning this week, calls for spending $8.9 million in the coming year. Spending would increase nearly $357,000 over last year, partially offset by an increase of $208,000 in non-property tax revenues.

The tax rate for town services would rise by 5 cents per $1,000 of assessed value, or $12.70 for a median-valued Cape home worth $254,000. With the superintendent’s proposed school budget (see story at left) calling for a tax rate increase of 34 cents, overall taxes would increase $99.06 on that median-priced home, if both budget plans are adopted unchanged.

The current Cape Elizabeth tax rate is $17.86 per $1,000 of assessed value. It would rise to $18.28 under the proposed municipal and school budgets, including a 3-cent rise in the county tax rate.

McGovern said his spending plan represents an approach of “stewardship” — maintaining town assets and responsibilities rather than embarking on major new initatives.

“We’re continuing to try to manage with less and to keep up buildings and roads that need a lot of maintenance,” he said.

Two of the larger spending increases reflect that stewardship approach, with more money allocated for maintenance at Fort Williams and ongoing capital needs. For instance, McGovern’s plan includes an in

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Boys’ basketball team shows skill, yes, but also loads of character

I’d like to commend the Cape Elizabeth High School boys’ basketball team on its performance in the recent state playoff tournament and not just because of their outstanding play. True, they came close to beating a very big, very talented, undefeated, and probably heavily favored Camden Hills team. I am writing, however, to compliment their character.

In today’s world, kids are often bombarded with negative messages from the world of sports. So much of what they see from professionals is self-centered showmanship, and over the years we have all seen it creep into youth sports. It was a privilege to watch a CEHS team that epitomized the opposite of that ethic. These kids played incredibly hard and with peerless sportsmanship. They respected their opponents, the officials, and the game. The four seniors set an outstanding example for the younger teammates, which will serve them well in future years.

Congratulations, and thanks for representing the community so well.

Chris Taintor

“Next to excellence is the appreciation of it.”

– William Thackeray

Dear Elizabeth,

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December 2010 real estate transfers

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Photo by Anne Curley

Marcus Cloutier completes his top to win the 200-freestyle relay event at the state swim meet Feb. 22 at Bowdoin College. The relay foursome of Cloutier, Paul Wennberg, Wes Richards and Evan Long set a school record time of 1:30.93, breaking the time of 1:31.18 set by their Coach Dave Croft and his team! The boys’ team came in second in the state meet. And in breaking Croft’s record, they also won a bet that leaves Croft needing to shave his legs.

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Worms reduce waste, and ... what else? Share what you do

By Patricia McCarthy

When Steve and Patty Salve Bothel went to the Common Ground Fair a few years ago, they split up to explore the event a little. Patty went into the gardens, while Steve circled the building.

When they met back up a few hours later, each had bought the other a gift, and it turned out to be the same thing: a book called “Worms Eat My Garbage.”

Maybe not the most romantic of gestures, but they each appreciated it and soon had vermicomposting operation up and running, with worms eating two suitcases’ worth of food per week, keeping the Keno couple’s home waste-reduction effort.

“Between our chickens and the worms, we throw away very little,” Patty said. “The worms eat everything except meat.”

The Bothels’ devotion to practicing environmental-friendly living—their house features passive solar heating and a windmill to produce electricity—made Patty a perfect choice for the Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee, which she was appointed to in January.

The committee’s key goal is to reduce the amount of waste that’s collected at the Transfer Station, while directing more to the recycling bins. That’s because the town has to pay ecomaine, the regional trash-to-energy incinerator, for all garbage.

“We want more in the bullets (recycling containers), and less in the hopper,” she said. “And the biggest way to do that is through education.”

Patty said she’s already learned a few things about recycling, like the need to separate the plastic inner liner that’s found in many dog food bags so the bags can be re-used. She’s also been told that cat owners can buy litter made from corn cobs, instead of heavy clay, that can then be buried and will decompose.

The committee wants to learn of other new and creative ways residents have come up with to reduce, reuse and recycle. Have an idea? Send it in! Send to recycling@capeelizabeth.com or call 799-4854.

Confession (with a little guilt): It can feel good not to compost

By Gregory Walsh

With winter receding, I feel it is time for a confession: We have not been composting—our snow has been left to melt and the meltwater turned into tea. I feel pleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile.

Abandoning composting for the snow season, we have cultivated a pleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile. The cold makes it difficult and unpleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile. The cold makes it difficult and unpleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile. The cold makes it difficult and unpleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile. The cold makes it difficult and unpleasant to walk the 50 yards out back to the compost pile.

There has indeed been guilt over these long winter months, but not all that much, because we have been vermicomposting, turning food waste into soil fertilizer.

“Whenever you’re 8 years old and you put a sheet of paper in the silo, the animals eat it and the result is this: you’re hoo, the food is hoo, the soil is hoo,” Kennealy said.

Physics first

His father bought him a Kodak Brownie camera, and Kennealy enjoyed taking photos as he grew up. But a career in science led him to labs and executive suites in at least three states and finished his master’s degree by 1985.

In 1993, Kennealy remarried, and he and Rose had a son John in 1995 (now a freshman at Phillips Exeter Academy). A subject, landscape photography. He especially likes taking shots in June, after Maine has a list of retailers who will accept unbroken compact-fluorescent light bulbs for recycling. The list of participating retailers in Cumberland County can be found by going to www.environcammaine.com and clicking on the At Home and Residential Lighting page.

The bulbs will also be accepted at the town’s next Household Hazardous and E-Waste Collection Day on May 14.

April 4 deadline to reserve previous art show spots

Engine One Company is gearing up for its fourth Annual Labor Day Art Show from Sunday, Sept. 4 at Fort Williams Park. The alternate date is Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5, rain or shine.

Registration fees are accepted for 2011 exhibits. Registration forms and information may be downloaded at www.capeelizabeth.com/government/rules_regattas/laborday_artshow.pdf. The fee is $55.

The exhibit is an annual end-of-summer favorite and attracts more than 100 of New England’s top artists, including many from Cape Elizabeth.

Exhibitors who wish to reserve their site from last year will have first priority. To qualify, requests must be postmarked by April 4.
Town uses lottery for boat racks at Great Pond

By Patricia McCarthy

Town officials used a lottery to allocate 32 available boat-storage permits at Great Pond this year.

The Conservation Commission decided to institute a lottery for issuing the permits this year after receiving 50 applications for the 30 spots that were available last year. Two additional boat storage spaces were provided this year. A lottery was determined to be the fairest way to issue the permits, given the demand for space. Last year’s permits were issued on a first-come, first-served basis.

Permit applications were accepted through March 14. The lottery was conducted after The Cape Courier went to press, but the town will conduct a second lottery to distribute any permits that aren’t claimed by March 25.

The $20 permits allow owners of boats, kayaks and other watercraft to store them on the rack next to Great Pond (accessible via Fenway Road) from the end of this month to the beginning of December. Residents and visitors who want to bring watercraft to Great Pond for day use are allowed to do so without a permit.

The commission will monitor use of the storage rack this year with periodic visits before determining whether to expand the available storage space for next year. Adding another boat rack would require an amended easement from the property owner, the Sprague Corp.

The committee expects to meet in December to review the use of the boat rack this year and then decide what, if any, changes to the permitting process should be made and whether the town should pursue the easement amendment to add another rack for 2012.

First Future Open Space meeting is March 24

The Future Open Space Committee will hold its first meeting March 24.

The committee was formed by the Town Council in December. It is supposed to develop a report for the council with recommendations on how to preserve, protect and enhance critical parcels of open space in the town, along with funding sources available to act on those recommendations.

The first meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the William H. Jordan conference room at Town Hall.
Stepping into the Sesquicentennial

About 150 years ago, on the eve of the Civil War, the people of Cape Elizabeth were going about their daily business, unaware of the trials to come. Certainly there were signs of trouble brewing, but except for the recent election, it all must have seemed very far away. In coming months, The Cape Courier will run a series by Ellen Van Fleet that follows the development of the war through the eyes of people who lived in Cape Elizabeth in 1861. Cape Elizabeth author Paul J. Ledman’s book, “A Maine Town Responds,” will be the main guide. Small entries in the Courier will capture the news and events unfolding outside of Cape Elizabeth thrust their way into the local consciousness.

One-hundred-fifty years ago ...

March 9, 1861: The elegant carriage presented to Mrs. Lincoln by citizens of New York, on its arrival at Washington, was much defaced by some malicious person, who had scratched the doors, and otherwise injured the beautiful work on the vehicle. [Portland Transcript]

Our sleighing left us on the first of March. We have had three months of excellent sleighing. [Portland Transcript]

Declines the honor

The Missouri convention has informed the Georgia Commissioner that Missouri emphatically declines to share the honors of New York, on its arrival at Washington. [Portland Transcript]

March 14, 1861: The Rev. John Gibson, who lives with the Wheeler family on the southern part of the Cape, was honored by his friends at the house of Elihu Hasty. After enjoying a rich repast they presented the reverend gentleman with $20 as the token of their esteem with the remark that it was not to be included in his salary.

A few weeks earlier, the 27-year-old reverend had attended another supper, this time at the Ocean House, and had also been given a present “in specie” which was not to be considered part of his salary. [“A Maine Town Responds,” Paul Ledman]

March 16, 1861: The singing school of Cape Elizabeth gave a concert on the 25th, the proceeds of which, amounting to $22, were given to continue the school.

The performances on the occasion gave great pleasure to all who were present. [Portland Transcript]

The Store of Mr. Stover, in Cape Elizabeth, was broken into on Saturday night, and goods to the amount of $30 or $40 were stolen. [Portland Transcript]

There are about 45,000 fugitive slaves in Canada. One of them is worth $100,000. [Portland Transcript]

A bill has been introduced into the Italian Parliament making Victor Emmanuel King of Italy. [Portland Transcript]

President Lincoln rises early and takes horseback exercise before breakfast. It is said he bears the fatigue incident to his position wonderfully. [Portland Transcript]

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**Shattered windows, phone scams, lots of summonses keep police busy**

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

**COMPLAINTS**

2-9 Two officers responded to a residence in the Fowler Road area for a well-being check. The subject was located and arrangements made for further assistance.

2-9 An officer met with a resident in the Sawyer Road area about criminal mischief to a motor vehicle. Person(s) unknown had smashed out the rear window.

2-10 An officer met with a resident in the Fowler Road area about a criminal mischief complaint. The rear window of the plaintiff’s van was broken. The plaintiff had contacted a local repair agency, who advised that it is possible for windows to break due to cold weather.

2-11 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about fraudulent charges on the plaintiff’s credit card. Charges to the card totaled more than $2,000 and had occurred at a business in North Carolina.

2-12 Two officers responded to a residence in the Old Ocean House Road area for a domestic disturbance.

2-13 While operating on Sawyer Road, an officer observed a juvenile male known to him and known to have conditions of release from a criminal violation. The subject was in violation of those conditions of release and was returned to the police station. His probation officer was contacted.

2-14 An officer met with a resident of the Spurwink Avenue area about a criminal mischief complaint. The plaintiff had found the rear window of a vehicle shattered.

2-15 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area who reported that the rear window of his van had been shattered by a BB or pellet.

2-18 An officer met with a resident regarding information about a subject believed to be shoplifting from a local business.

2-18 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a telephone scam.

2-18 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a fraudulent charge on the plaintiff’s credit card. The bank had been contacted and account closed.

2-18 An officer met with a resident of the Old Ocean House Road area about a domestic issue.

2-18 An officer met with a resident of the Old Ocean House Road area about a telephone scam. The plaintiff had received a call from a subject (with a Jamaican accent) advising that he had won a $1 million prize. The phone number on the caller ID had a Jamaican area code. The plaintiff was advised not to respond to these calls.

2-21 An officer met with a representative of a local business regarding a broken lamppost that appears to have been struck by a motor vehicle.

2-22 An officer responded to Fenway Road for a report that three subjects had unloaded a snowmobile and accessed the “Pedestrian Only” trail (town easement). The subjects were gone when the officer arrived, but were contacted later and warned.

2-23 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, $171

2-24 Saco resident, operating vehicle after habitual offender revocation, Fowler Road

2-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of drugs, operating without a license, Ocean House Road

**FIRE CALLS**

2-8 Spurwink Road, traffic control

2-8 Deerfield Road, furnace problem

2-9 South Portland Mutual Aid

2-11 Cottage Farms Road, hazardous condition

2-13 Thrasher Road, hazardous condition

2-13 Meadow Way, carbon monoxide alarm

2-15 South Portland Mutual Aid

2-16 South Portland Mutual Aid

2-17 Scott Dyer Road, cooking fire

2-18 Cragnook, Shore Road, fire alarm

2-19 Captain Stout Circle, watercraft rescue

2-21 South Portland Mutual Aid

2-22 Broad Cove Road, investigation

2-22 Reef Road, fire alarm

2-23 Two Lights Road, fire alarm

**RESCUE CALLS**

There were 9 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 3 runs to Mercy Hospital. There was 1 patient treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

**SUMMONSES**

2-17 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninsured vehicle, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, $171

2-18 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninsured vehicle, Route 77, $133

2-18 Standish resident, illegal transportation of drugs, Ocean Street

2-19 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Spurwink Road, $171

2-19 Vassalboro resident, speeding (45/30 zone) Shore Road, $185

2-19 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Ocean House Road, $70

2-19 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean Street, $171

2-20 Southwest Harbor resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean Street, $171

2-20 South Portland resident, speeding (51/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, $185

2-21 Conn. resident, speeding (51/35 zone), Bowery Beach Road, $185

2-21 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Spurwink Avenue, $171

2-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, $171

2-22 South Portland resident, speeding (46/30 zone) Fowler Road, $185

2-23 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Shore Road, $171

2-24 Saco resident, operating after license suspension, Ocean House Road

2-28 Brunswick resident, uninsured vehicle, Bowery Beach Road, $133

**JUVENILE SUMMONSES**

2-16 Possession of marijuana

2-16 Possession of marijuana

2-26 Failure to produce insurance, Route 77, $171

**ARRESTS**

2-9 Portland resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Bowery Beach Road

2-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, domestic assault, Running Tide Road

2-12 Saco resident, domestic violence, operating vehicle after habitual offender revocation, Fowler Road

2-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of drugs, operating without a license, Ocean House Road

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At the top of their game

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Nationally ranked Cape ski-cross racers Devon Lathrop, left, and Jon Fiutak, compete last month at Sunday River in Bethel in races sponsored by the United States of America Snowboard Association. Lathrop won on Feb. 19, and Fiutak won the next day. When The Cape Courier went to press on March 11, Lathrop, a Pond Cove fourth-grader, was ranked fourth among 10- to 12-year-olds in the U.S., and Fiutak, a Cape Elizabeth Middle School sixth-grader, was ranked 12th. In ski cross, also called skier cross, racers compete in groups of four. The two skiers who place first and second in each round advance to the next race.

Spring dance, auction planned on April 2

All in the community are invited to attend the third annual Cape Elizabeth Baseball and Softball Boosters Spring Dance and Silent Auction from 7 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, April 2. The event, which will feature deejay Aaron Filieo, the Cape Elizabeth Middle School teacher who is also coach of the Cape Elizabeth High School varsity football team, will be held at Camp Ketcha, 336 Black Point Road in Scarborough.

Proceeds raised by the dance will help cover such expenses as coach stipends for the freshman and junior varsity teams and equipment.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for $30 per couple or $20 for a single ticket, or at the door the night of the event for $35 a couple.

Contact Debbie Allen at debssteves@gmail.com or 799-6210, Ken Pierce at kpierce@monaghanleahy.com or any Boosters member for more information.

Cape Middle School skiers abound this year

Gathering Feb. 17 at Shawnee Peak in Bridgton are members of Cape Elizabeth Middle School's Alpine and Nordic ski teams. From left, front row: Kinnon McGrath, Hannah Bosworth; second row: Katie Zajkowski, Brynn Hickey, Grace Stoughton; third row: Eli McGinn, Mac Huffard, Parker Dinsmore, Noah Bates, Schuyler Black; and, back row: Jon Fiutak, Tucker Wanzer, Andrew Thomas, Kathy Barber and Laura McGrath. Emma Landis and Caroline Paclat are missing from the photograph.

More Cape Elizabeth Middle School students participated this year in the school's Alpine ski program than ever before, racing slalom and giant slalom at Shawnee Peak in Bridgton on six consecutive Tuesday nights and at the Western Maine State Championships on Feb. 17.

The CEMS girls' Alpine team placed third in the state meet, with seventh-grader Emma Dvorzniak coming in seventh in giant slalom and eighth in slalom, and eighth-grader Kinnon McGrath coming in eighth in slalom. The CEMS boys' Alpine team placed sixth in the state competition.

Seven CEMS students participated in the Skimeisters program, in which racers compete in both Alpine and Nordic events throughout the season.

Among girls, Dvorzniak came in fourth, sixth-grader Hanson Bosworth was 10th; sixth-grader Grace Stoughton was 12th; and sixth-grader Katie Zajkowski was 13th. Eighth-grader Andrew Thomas came in fifth among boys.

Sixth-grader Noah Bates and eighth-grader Parker Dinmore, also participated in Skimeisters, but did not compete in the state meet.
Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation chairman to present sermon, seminar, workshop

The Rev. Robert V. Taylor, center, gathers with the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu at a conference in Seattle.

The Rev. Robert V. Taylor, the Episcopal priest who chairs the Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation, will present a sermon, lead a workshop and retreat, and speak at a supper the weekend of April 9-10 at St. Alban’s Episcopal in Cape Elizabeth and the Cathedral Church of St. Luke in Portland.

Originally from South Africa, where he was an anti-apartheid activist, Taylor served as dean of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Seattle, Wash., from 2008-2009.

The Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation, a nonprofit organization in New York City, has a mission to support and promote the creation of a culture of peace throughout the world in the spirit of Nobel Peace Laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa.

Taylor will speak at a free supper Friday, April 8, at St. Luke, 143 State St. in Portland.

The supper will start at 5:30 p.m. Taylor’s talk, “Spiritual but Not Religious: Is There a Meeting Place?” will begin at 6:31 p.m. The event will be free, but donations (v.i.e. be accepted. Visit www.cathedralsofstluke.episcopalmaine.org for more information.

Taylor will lead a retreat and workshop, “Pathways to Becoming Fully Alive,” from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the following day at St. Alban’s. The cost for the event, which will include lunch, is $40 before April 1, and $50 after April 1 and at the door. Go to www.stalbansmaine.org to register. Call 799-4014 for more information.

Taylor will present the sermon at St. Alban’s 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday, April 10. Visit www.robertvtaylor.com for more information about Taylor and the Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation.

Cape Elizabeth United Methodists parishioners, left to right, Peter Dunphy, John Battis, Tom Wilbur and Roger Snow, add a touch of New Orleans to the service on Sunday, March 6. At Cape Methodist, the last Sunday before Lent is always “Jazz Sunday.” A pancake luncheon followed the service.

Taking advantage of the several feet of snow surrounding Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church in late February, parishioners, left to right, Nancy Irving, Kay Young and Carol Haider mix snow with tempera paint and splatter the colorful mixture across long, narrow strips of felt, to be used as altar cloths during Lenten services. “Now that’s an approach to snow no other Methodist church in New England will be talking about today,” the Rev. Jim Young said during the 8 a.m. service on Feb. 27.

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**Lions to host spaghetti dinner on March 26, pancake breakfasts on April 10, May 8**

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club will host a spaghetti dinner this month and pancake breakfasts in April and May.

**Spaghetti dinner**

The spaghetti dinner is set for 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, the Lions' clubhouse located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

The dinner will include all-you-can-eat spaghetti, bread and salad. Soft drinks will be served, and diners may bring their own wine or beer. The cost will be $10, and $5 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds will benefit maintenance of the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse.

**April, May pancake breakfasts**

Lions' pancake breakfasts are planned from 7:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturdays, April 10 and May 8, Mother's Day, at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse.

The breakfasts will include a choice of pancakes, French toast or scrambled eggs and toast, plus a serving of sausage, coffee and juice. The cost will be $5, but children 12 and younger pay $4. Proceeds will go to Lions' charities.

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**Boys’ hockey team face Cape firefighters in April 1 benefit game**

The Cape Elizabeth Fire Department will face off against the Cape Elizabeth High School boys’ ice hockey team in their fourth-annual fundraiser on Friday, April 1, at 7:20 p.m. at the Portland Ice Arena.

Tickets, which are $5 for adults and $3 for students, can be bought at the door. Proceeds benefit Engine 2 Company.

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March 23 lottery allots remaining B2B spots

Cape Elizabeth residents had 24 hours to snatch up 600 spots for this year’s TD Bank Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race. Online registration for the general public ended March 15.

Race organizers will hold a lottery on March 23 to allocate spots for those who did not get one for the Aug. 6 race through online registration.

See beach2beacon.org for more information.

Organic gardening class set for April 6

The Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association will present a free, one-night workshop on organic gardening from 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, in the Community Room at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center.

While there is no fee, registration is required. Call 799-2686.

Three Cape girls to perform in benefit for ACC and Cancer Community Center

Three Cape fifth-graders, Brooke Cotrell, Rachel Conrad and Molly Stone, will sing and dance at the Perform for a Cure Variety Show fundraiser, set for 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at the South Portland auditorium.

The event, which will benefit the American Cancer Society and the Community Center in South Portland, will include youths performing music, musical theater and all forms of dance.

Cotrell, Conrad and Stone will do a tap dance to Tina Turner’s “Proud Mary,” which the three recently performed at a Maine Red Claws game. They also will sing and do jazz dancing.

The event will include a raffle, a silent auction and refreshments during intermission. The doors will open at 1:30 p.m. for the raffle and silent auction. Tickets, $12 for adults and $10 for students, will be available at the door.

Nighttime owl walk led by CELT member planned on March 30

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust member Tony Owens will offer town residents an opportunity to learn more about some nocturnal inhabitants of Cape Elizabeth when he leads a nighttime owl walk from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30.

Participants will begin at the CELT office at 330 Ocean House Road, where they will view slides and listen to taped owl calls. The group will carpool to several sites in town, including Robinson Woods and the Crescent Beach entrance. Using an audio-tape, walkers will stroll quietly and attempt to locate owls by sound and sight.

Participants, who are asked to bring a flashlight and wear quiet walking shoes or boots, should be prepared to stand outdoors quietly for 10 to 20 minutes at a time.

Space is limited for the walk, and participants must be 12 years and older. The fee is $6 per person. The group will meet at the CELT office at 7 p.m. Call 799-2868 for more information.
‘Nearly vertical’ exhibit continues

This bird’s-eye view of Portland Head Light is an example of the new take on familiar sights that Cape Elizabeth residents can see in this month’s art exhibit at the Thomas Memorial Library. Scarborough photographer James Shields specializes in low-level aerial shots that he calls “Nearly Vertical Photography.” The approach gives viewers unusual perspectives of landmarks, such as Portland Head Light; events, such as the start of the Beach to Beacon race; and other places and sights around Maine. The exhibit is curated by the Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission and is on display throughout the month of March.

Library welcomes Portland’s Tricky Britches bluegrass band for free concert on March 19

The musicians in the Tricky Britches bluegrass band of Portland, from left: Tyler Lienhardt, fiddle and vocals; Nick Wallace, guitar; Seth Doyle, mandolin and vocals; Jed Bresette, bass and vocals; and Ryan Wilkinson, banjo.

By the Library Staff

The Thomas Memorial Library will offer a free concert at 3 p.m. March 19, featuring Tricky Britches, a talented, young bluegrass band from Portland.

With banjo, fiddle, bass, guitar, mandolin and harmonica, these five young musicians bring an unrivaled energy and enthusiasm to traditional as well as original bluegrass tunes.

In 2009, Seth Doyle, Tyler Lienhardt and Nick Wallace, three longtime friends from Gorham, sought to turn back-porch jam sessions and local-street-corner busking into a means of traveling the country. Soon their friends Jed Bresette and Ryan Wilkinson joined them on bass and banjo.

Since then, the band has traveled to Europe, playing in such diverse places as the street corners of Venice, Italy, and pubs in Arklow, Ireland.

Tricky Britches’ first CD, “Hop on a Train,” came out in 2009; their second CD, “Hard Fought Day” will come out in May of this year.

For more information about the concert, and to listen to music samples and watch videos of the band in action, visit the library’s website at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

Rotary funds purchase of educational DVDs

The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club has awarded a grant to the Thomas Memorial Library to purchase the complete series of “Families of the World” DVDs for children.

This multiple-award winning series features 24 DVDs, each profiling two families in regions as diverse as Australia and Vietnam.

An additional DVD based on the award-winning book, “If the World Were a Village: A Story about the World’s People,” by David J. Smith, will also be purchased with the grant.

Children’s librarian Rachel Davis, who applied for the grant, hopes that this set of DVDs will expand children’s understanding of other cultures and help them develop a sense of their own place within the global community.

John Lobosco of the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club noted that it is through the group’s annual Christmas tree and wreath sales that it is able to fund this and so many other worthy projects in the community.

For the complete list of titles included in the grant, please visit the library’s website at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

Reception for Rose Kennealy exhibit set for April 1

In April, the Thomas Memorial Library will feature a painting exhibit titled “Contemplative Spaces” by Cape Elizabeth artist Rose Kennealy.

An opening reception is set for 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, April 1, in the library gallery. Everyone is welcome.

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Seniors’ luncheon with Buttered Biscuit food, bingo, set for March 18

Cape seniors are invited to attend Community Services’ upcoming bingo luncheon, which will be catered by the Buttered Biscuit in South Portland at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, March 18, at the Community Center. The lunch menu will include chicken pot pie, tossed salad, homemade biscuits, dessert and beverages. The bingo game will begin after lunch, and winners will get prizes.

The cost for lunch is $9.50 per person. People who plan to play bingo can pay $1 at the door.

Please call 799-2868 before March 18 to make reservations.

Trip to Canada planned in April

Community Services plans a trip to Canada April 27-29 that will include a guided tour of Montreal, a visit to the Montreal Biodome, lunch at and a tour of Le Cep d’Argent vineyard, time in Old Montreal and a visit to St. Benoit Abbey. Most meals are included in the trip price, which also will include two nights of lodging, admissions to attractions and transportation via a custom coach.

The cost for the tour is $479 per person based on double occupancy. Call Community Services at 799-2868 for a detailed itinerary.

Dietitian to speak to seniors at free event in Cape on March 24

Registered dietitian Susan Gay will be the featured speaker at a free presentation for senior citizens planned from 2 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, March 24, at the Town Center Fire Station. Gay, who works for Hannaford, will present a talk, “Eating to Maintain Health and Energy as We Age.”

The event is sponsored by Cape Elizabeth and South Portland Triad, which is made up of senior citizens, police and community members who work together to find solutions to problems faced by older citizens.

Light refreshments will be served. Parking will be at the rear of the fire station.

Please contact Dorval at 767-3323 for more information.

Research Night!

Pond Cove third-grader Meredith Hetrick shows off her research project on lobsters the evening of March 2 during Research Night, when more than 100 third- and fourth-graders presented projects on a wide variety of topics. Because of the popularity of the independent research opportunity, Research Night founder Shari Robinson, Pond Cove’s Media Center specialist, decided to split presentations into two events this year. Students in kindergarten through second grade will present their projects on June 1.

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The Maine high school that tops all others in pizza sales will receive double the dollars that it raises in the program. Visit www.freshiesfordfunds@rhfoster.com or contact Project Graduation Committee member Kerri Berman at kberman@maine.net or 799-5336 for more information about the program.

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Proceeds from the event will help fund Cape robotics team members’ April trip to Orlando, Fla., for the VEX Robotics World Championship, which will be held at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Center.

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Thirteen Cape students receive writing honors

Parents of 2011-2012 kindergartners need to contact Pond Cove about enrollment

High school, middle school jazz musicians to perform at Jazz Cabaret April 1 and 3

Gathering March 4 at the University of Southern Maine in Portland at a Maine Scholastic Writing Competition ceremony are student writers, left to right: William Steidl, Johanna Freedman, Sasha Kohan, Haley Fawcett (holding certificate), Charlotte Ratty and Maddie Bowe.

Nineteen Cape students recently received honors in the 2011 Maine Scholastic Writing competition. The Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, the Southern Maine Writing Project, and The Betterment Fund, sponsors of the competition, held an awards ceremony March 4 at the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine.

Four students won Silver Key awards: Sasha Kohan, 17, a student of Lisa Melanson at Cape Elizabeth High School, and three of Alison Hawkes’s language arts students at Cape Elizabeth Middle School: Haley Fawcett, 13; Eva Miele, 14; and William Steidl, 13.

Nine students earned honorable mentions for their work: Melanson’s student Charlotte Ratty, 17; and Hawkes’s students, Maddie Bowe, 12; Mo Lavallee, 14; Britney Newman, 12; Lily Norris, 12; and Caitlin O’Sullivan.

Two of CEMS teacher Aaron Filieo’s students also earned honorable mentions: Johanna Freedman, 12, and Justin Grecoret, 13. McKenna Wood, 12, a student of CEMS teacher Carrie Newton, also earned an honorable mention. Established in 1923, the Scholastic Awards competition is the longest running recognition program in the U.S. for teen writers and artists.

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

Parents of kindergartners 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.

The Cape Elizabeth High School's Thursday Combo is among the CEHS and Cape Elizabeth Middle School musical groups slated to perform in Jazz Cabaret events planned Friday, April 1, and Sunday, April 3, in the CEHS cafeteria. Group members gathering March 5 at the Hines Auditorium in Boston during the Berklee College of Music’s annual High School Jazz Festival, are, left to right, Mackenzie Leighton, Ryan Ayers, Reid Douty, Tom Robinson, Jack Roos, Will Douty, Delaney Ruter, and director Ralph Norris, who will retire at the end of the school year.

Cape Elizabeth High School and Middle School musicians will play at two Jazz Cabaret performances next month in the CEHS cafeteria. The first event is planned for 7 p.m. Friday, April 1, and the second for 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3.

Six groups

The events will feature six high school music groups: the Concert Jazz Ensemble, the Tuesday Evening Jazz Ensemble, the Tuesday Combo, the Thursday Combo, the Repertory Jazz Ensemble and the Cannonball Adderley Combo.

The eighth-grade jazz band will perform at the Jazz Cabaret on Friday night. Tickets, which will be for sale at the door, are $5 per person, $15 per family and $3 for seniors and students. Refreshments will be available.

Ralph Norris dedication

The Jazz Cabaret on April 1 will include a dedication to Ralph Norris, who will retire after 14 years with the Cape jazz program. A saxophonist and retired civil engineer, Norris, a Falmouth resident, conducts the Tuesday, Thursday and Cannonball Adderley combos, also writing music for the ensembles. A former member of the Don Drumm and Terry White big bands, he has also recorded with pianist Tom Snow.

Call Dore Douty at 767-4727 for more information about the Jazz Cabaret events.
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‘Sight to behold’

Clad in white, Cape Elizabeth High School students cheer on the boys’ basketball team at the state championship game against Camden Hills on March 4 at the Civic Center in Portland. Cape lost the game, but student fans were winners. “I have never been prouder of the behavior, spirit and attitude of CEHS student fans,” Principal Jeff Shedd wrote in a March 7 e-mail to students. “Our team put on an incredible effort worthy of our admiration and support. I have no doubt that they drew much positive energy from you. You were loud, organized, spirited, and positive. The sea of white was a sight to behold. Awesome job.” The first 100 students who arrived at the game got “Cape Superfan” T-shirts that senior Ben Berman designed and had made.

First in Maine, second in region

Gathering at the Northern New England Science Bowl at University of Southern Maine in Gorham on March 5 are, left to right, Cape Elizabeth High School science team coach, Shawn Guerrette, and team members Brendan Steward, Ethan DiNinno, Jack Queeney and Alex Diaz. Cape, which came in first among Maine teams, placed second after Phillips Academy in Exeter, N.H., out of the 24 teams from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont that competed in the “Jeopardy”-style event. Brian Burke and Kieran Hanrahan, Cape students at Waynflete School in Portland, were members of the team that came in third.

At the award ceremony, DiNinno displayed his lucky jar of Jif Peanut Butter, which he plans to take to the Maine Science Olympiad April 9 at USM.

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Chess team earns second in state

Cape Elizabeth High School chess players study their boards during the Maine State Scholastic Chess Team Tournament held March 5 at the University of Maine at Orono. In the CEHS chess team’s second year competing in the tournament, the team came in second, despite lacking key players Ethan DiNinno, the highest rated high school chess player in the state and freshman Danny Brett. Matthew Reale-Hatem, Brett Parker, Ben Hansel, Anthony Freccero, Colin Smith and Ethan DuPerre competed.

Photo by Ted Smith

Cape musicians, Douty, Roos win awards; jazz ensemble earns honors at Berklee festival

Cape Elizabeth High School musicians upheld Cape’s proud tradition at the Berklee College of Music High School Jazz Festival on March 5, bringing home two Judges Awards and an honorable mention from the Hines Auditorium in Boston.

Judges Awards
Trumpet player Jack Roos, a CEHS senior, received a Judges Award for outstanding musicianship for his performance with the Thursday Combo, which Ralph Norris directs.
Senior Reid Douty won a Judges Award for outstanding musicianship for his saxophone performance with the Concert Jazz Ensemble, which CEHS Band Director Tom Lizotte directs.

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The Concert Jazz Ensemble won an honorable mention in the festival, which draws students from across the country. Along with Douty and Roos, the group includes Aubrey Landsfeld, Jessie Morgan, Rebecca Strout, Aurelio Reyes, Ryan Ayers, Dan Epstein, Thomas Robinson, Ross Sherman, Ben Morse, Rebecca Hayes, Will Alexander, Joe Long, Ned Melanson, Andy Lynch, Brett Parker, Julianne Ayers, Griffin Carpenter, Will Daly and James Monroe-Chaussé.

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crease of more than $80,000 budgeted for the fort. The money would be used to repair buildings, stone walls and fences and start a five-year plan to address major maintenance needs at the town park.

Capital needs include upkeep on town buildings and buying new and replacement equipment, McGovern said — taking care of “everything from rotting boards at Town Hall to cracks in roads.”

The budget proposal also allocates more money for heating town buildings, reflecting increasing energy costs.

Town employees would receive a 2 percent cost-of-living raise under McGovern’s proposal. The last raise for most of the town’s 50 full-time employees and its part-time employees was 2 percent in July 2009. The proposal includes eliminating a half-time position in the tax office.

McGovern’s budget forecasts savings from that position, a reduction in debt-service costs, and lower waste-disposal fees because of an increase in recycling by Cape Elizabeth residents.

On the revenue side, McGovern’s plan would shift $140,000 from the undesignated fund, in keeping with a town policy of capping the amount in the fund. He is also forecasting an increase of $74,000 to $622,000 — in state revenue sharing, based on Gov. Paul LePage’s proposal to provide set amounts of aid to Maine towns and cities, rather than having the amount vary annually based on the economy.

Excise taxes are forecast to increase by about $37,000 after dropping for three straight years, but McGovern called the outlook “bleak” for income from town investments and building permit revenues because of the economy. Those two areas are budgeted to decline by $51,000.

McGovern, who has been working on this budget proposal since last July, notes that the budget also doesn’t address a few matters that the town will have to resolve soon, such as what to do about the aging Thomas Memorial Library.

“The library desperately needs a major updating, but there seems to be no community consensus on what to do with it,” he said.

Overall, McGovern said, Cape Elizabeth is operating smoothly, despite a national economy that is only slowly bouncing back from a deep recession.

“Nothing’s keeping me up at night with this town. I don’t worry about the roads being plowed well, for example,” he said. “My job is to do things well in advance to make sure the resources are there and to look at the big picture, and I don’t worry about things like that because I have so much confidence in the people who work in this town.”

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with the teacher’s association … for a very modest salary increase, so that allows that line to be about $300,000 less than it would be in most years,” Murphy said.

Under the proposed budget, $109,000 would go to facilities and buildings, an area “we really don’t have that much control over,” Murphy said March 8. In the budget, $66,000 is earmarked for heating oil, and $7,000 is allocated for property and auto insurance. About $13,000 would be used to pay off the first installment of the School Department’s $150,000 loan for a new high school boiler.

Other expenses in the proposed budget include $47,000 for out-of-district tuition for special education and $21,471 for transportation, of which the lion’s share, $15,540, would go toward diesel fuel.

Athletics expenses next year would increase $18,000. Of that, $6,300 would go to uniforms and equipment for girls’ teams, to make “sure that we’re in compliance with Title IX regulations” relating to equal opportunity for girls and boys in athletics, Murphy told the board. The amount allotted to the district’s athletic trainer would increase by $9,000 under the budget.

... It is imperative that our student athletes compete in a safe environment with qualified personnel managing the treatment, rehabilitation and prevention of athletic-related injuries,” Cape’s Athletic Director Jeff Thoreck states in his overview of the Athletic Department’s proposed budget. At the high school, about 70 percent of students participate in athletic teams, and 85 percent of middle school students play on teams.

The proposed budget calls for the elimination of one and a half teaching positions.

Because of an enrollment decline, Pond Cove would lose one classroom teacher. Pond Cove also would lose a half-time position related to reading intervention.

School Board Chair Mary Townsend called Murphy’s proposed budget “very responsible, given the economic climate.”

“We’re fortunate to be able to offset some of the lost federal stimulus funds with the money that the School Board put in contingency last year in anticipation of the loss,” Townsend said March 8. “I think this budget will maintain Cape’s commitment to upholding excellence in our schools while recognizing that the economy is in a delicate recovery.”

A budget adoption meeting is scheduled Tuesday, March 22, in the CEHS library immediately after the School Board’s monthly finance committee meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Superintendent search
In other action at the March 8 meeting, Townsend said 15 educators from nine states have applied to be Cape’s next superintendent. The board should announce the name of the next school chief in mid-April, she said.

Since Alan Hawkins stepped down as superintendent on Dec. 31, Murphy has served as interim, but his name is not among applicants for the permanent post. At the meeting, Murphy said that under other circumstances, he would have been “delighted” to serve.

“It’s a terrific community, and if I were seven to 10 years younger, I would love to be at the head of the line of the application pool,” he said.

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Coming up
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More photos from the state title game
Photos by
Noah Whittenburg

After earning the Western Maine Class B title by defeating Yarmouth 61-47, the Cape Elizabeth boys basketball team moved on to the Class B state title game against Camden Hills on March 4. It was an evenly matched game, but the Capers were defeated, 68-59. From upper left, clockwise, senior tri-captain Joey Doane deftly maneuvers past a Windjammers player; senior tri-captain Cam Bronz dribbles fast and away; senior tri-captain Theo Bose shares his disappointment with Coach Jim Ray; and Cape players, from left, sophomores Harrison Clarke, junior Sam Donnelly and sophomore Kyle Snowden tensely watch the action from the bench.
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Cape photographer’s pictures ‘go yard’

Photo by Ann Kaplan

A photograph that Cape Elizabeth photographer Ann Kaplan took during a Sea Dogs game lived up to its title, “Going Yard” — a baseball term synonymous with “hitting a home run” — by earning a blue ribbon in a juried photography competition sponsored by the Maine Professional Photographer’s Association. Another photo, which she took during a Maine Red Clans game, also earned a blue ribbon, and a picture she took of the Beach to Beacon 10K road-race runners in August earned a red in the competition. An MPPA board member, Kaplan has been photographing Cape Elizabeth children, sports and families for 18 years.

Seaside nuptials

Kathryn Wainwright Toye and Peter Clinton Blake

Kathryn Wainwright Toye and Peter Clinton Blake, who married Aug. 14, had their ceremony and reception at a private seaside cottage in Cape Elizabeth. Cape resident Kevin Guimond, the bride’s cousin, officiated.

Kathryn is the daughter of Thomas A. Toye III of Cape Elizabeth and Barbara W. Keller of Scarborough. Peter is the son of Richard and Katharine Blake of Cape Elizabeth. Naomi DelliBianco of Scarborough was matron of honor, and Andrew Blake of Cape Elizabeth, the bridegroom’s brother, was best man.

The bridesmaids were the groom’s sister, Katie Blackburn, Christine Roy, Brooke Welch, Laura Griss and Kirsten Cisowski.

The groomsmen were the bride’s brother, Tom Toye, Joe Higgins, Jonathan Riley, Rob Russell and Jeff Overman. Ushers were the bridegroom’s cousin, Geoffrey Nicker-son, and the groom’s brother-in-law, Cade Blackburn. Katharine Blackburn, Addis-son Toye and Delaney Toye, nieces of the bride and groom, were flower girls.

The bride was escorted by her father to the mu-sic of harpist Eleanor Reich, the groom’s cousin.

A graduate of Scarborough High School and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where she received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism, the bride works as an editorial assistant at Maine Home+Design and Maine magazines.

The groom is a graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School and St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y., where he received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology. He is an associ-ate broker for Remax by the Bay, where he is a member of the David Banks Team. The newlyweds enjoyed a honeymoon on Nan-tucket and live in Cape Elizabeth.

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Nine students from Cape Elizabeth were named to the fall-semester dean’s list at the University of New Hampshire in Durham. Emily Croft, Matthew Dickinson, Andrew Gibson, Katherine Hall, Elizabeth Hobbs, Hannah Johnson, Jillian Smith, Danielle Steinman and Sawyer Theriault.

Cape resident Kendall Cooper was named to the fall-semester dean’s list at Syracuse University, where she is a junior majoring in Visual and Performing Arts. Kendall spent the fall semester studying at the Globe Theatre in London.

She is the daughter of Craig and Jen-nifer Cooper.

Jed Archille Bucci  the son of Cape residents Tara and Jeff Bucci , was born at 3:51 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, at Maine Medical Center in Portland. At birth, he was 21 inches and weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Carolyn Riker was named to the first-semester dean’s list at Merrimack College in North Andover, Mass.

AnnMarie Rosenfield was named “Broker of the Month” for February at the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage real estate office. She lives in Cape Eliza-beth with her husband, son and daughter.

Fourteen Cape students were named to the fall-semester honor roll at the University of Southern Maine: Molly Antonio, Conor Casey, Lauren Caterina, Abigail Dibiase, Bryon Gallant, Julia Inreglia, Ashley LalRose, Patrick Moulton, Benjamin Philbrick, Kristi Pisani, Jennifer Rose, Catherine Wise, James Wise and John Wise.

Will Hall, a senior at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., earned dean’s list status for the recently ended fall term.

Two Cape Elizabeth students, Maxwell Pulifer and Meagan Winker, were named to the fall-semester dean’s list at the Univer-sity of Maine at Farmington.

Cape Elizabeth resident Helen M. Gillis was named to the fall-semester dean’s list at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass., where she is majoring in nursing.

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