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Dog days fill Cape grad's gap year



Photo by Barry Rosen

Recent Cape Elizabeth High School graduate Delaney Ratner and her border collie Kelso compete in an agility competition.

By Wendy Keeler

Delaney Ratner may not be cracking as many books this fall as fellow members of Cape Elizabeth High School's Class of 2011, but the time that Ratner, 18, devotes daily to studying and preparation may rival that of some of her friends who are college freshmen.

While her peers learn to balance the demands of college life, Ratner, who is taking a year off before en-

tering the University of Massachusetts next fall, is working on a more specific form of agility – the four-legged variety.

Ratner, her border collie Kelso and her miniature schnauzer Jonesy are currently in Louisville, Ky., competing in the U.S. Dog Agility Association's Cynosport World Games, the final qualifying event

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Farm out!

Above: Madelyn Tierney, a student at Our School preschool in Scarborough, feeds chickens during a recent field trip to Alewife's Brook Farm in Cape Elizabeth. The children checked out lobsters in tanks, fed the chickens, and harvested vegetables. **At right:** Bob the Builder, aka Nathanael Drake, and Emery Rideout walk through a field picking carrots and potatoes.

Photos by Kate Hamden



Top concerns for council candidates: library, open space

Both of the candidates for Town Council are running unopposed. Kathy Ray would be new to the council and David Sherman is seeking a second term. The Cape Courier asked them to answer a few questions to help voters know more about them before the Nov. 8 election. They were asked not to exceed 600 words. Here are their responses:

Kathy Ray:

What do you feel is the most pressing issue facing the town and why? And how do you propose to deal with this issue?

I've started to attend Town Council meetings as well as committee meetings. So far I see that the library project is one of many important issues facing the Town Council.

I'm planning on meeting with Jay Scherma to gather the current information on the project so I can come up to speed.

It's likely that the council will be asked to decide on whether to put a bond referendum on next year's ballot for a library renovation and expansion. Do you believe this is needed?

As I come up to speed on this important town issue, I will be better able to understand what renovation/expansion is needed. My understanding is that the plans are currently with the architects.

How do you determine what amount is reasonable to spend on
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Kathy Ray

David Sherman:

What do you feel is the most pressing issue facing the town and why? And how do you propose to deal with this issue?

Although development pressures have subsided recently as a result of the slowing economy, I believe that preserving open space (including farmland) will be a challenge for years to come. Along with our school system, our town's incredible landscape is what attracted most of us to move here. We therefore need to take steps now to encourage land preservation in the future.

We can preserve open space through zoning amendments and land acquisition in partnership with private landowners or the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust. For example, recent ordinance changes have expanded the types of business that can occur on farmland. That helps farms survive and preserves our agricultural heritage.

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David Sherman

Cape Courier board chair steps down after serving 16 years

By Patricia McCarthy

Gene Miliard, a member of *The Cape Courier* board of directors for the last 16 years and its current chairman, has resigned.

Miliard, a vice president at TD Insurance, said he's been asked to serve on a church finance board and that will require much of his time available for volunteering, although he added that he's going to miss working with *The Cape Courier*.

Miliard said the late Bill Wadman, a neighbor who was serving on the board, suggested he take a seat on the board. At the time, the



Gene Miliard

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Citing other ways to communicate, candidates say no to posting signs

The undersigned candidates for the upcoming Town Council and School Board elections have agreed not to use campaign signs.

We have made this decision for two reasons. First, we would rather avoid the unsightliness of signs. Second, we don't believe that signs enhance the electorate's understanding of the issues facing our town or schools.

We have several ways to communicate with voters, including through *The Cape Courier* and "Candidates' Night," and we don't believe that signs add value to the process.

During the time leading up to the November election, we will do our best to communicate with voters about the issues facing Cape Elizabeth. However, we will not be posting campaign signs around town.

Katharine Ray and David Sherman,
 Town Council candidates
 and

Joanna Morrissey, Elizabeth Scifres and Mary Townsend,
 School Board candidates

Coach to dog owners: Please clean up pet messes at Gull Crest

For all of you who walk your dogs at Gull Crest Fields, I understand that it's a wonderful place for your dogs to run and walk.

However, please remember that these fields are athletic fields, primarily for football during the fall. Teams range from the high school down to 2nd-graders playing flag football on Sundays.

As I am sure you are all aware, the act of playing football requires that the players spend a fair amount of time on the ground. As such, I respectfully request that when you walk your dog(s) on the Gull Crest Fields, please clean up after them.

I can assure you that all the players and coaches will appreciate it.

Thank you.

Glenn Daukas
 5th-grade football coach

Sherman: 'Thoughtful, caring, intelligent' in serving this town

We are lucky to live in a community where so many people volunteer their time in so many different ways.

A perfect example is Dave Sherman, who is up for re-election to the council. Dave has served on the council since 2008 and before that served for six years on the Planning Board.

He has sacrificed his personal energies, time, and attention to focus on our town's concerns. He has done so in a thoughtful, caring, and intelligent manner. I am thankful that he has agreed to run for re-election.

I look forward to voting for him on Election Day, and I urge you to vote for him, too.

Peter G. Cary

Shore Acres resident wants council to rethink plans for new library

Have you been to the Thomas Memorial Library lately?

The only time I've been there that it was somewhat crowded was when there was an opening of some kind; usually the art exhibits.

There has always been a place to sit quietly and read. The lighting is good. The computers work and the employees are helpful in finding whatever information one needs. I would like to know what services are lacking.

I am told that the building needs repair and maintenance. I haven't seen the estimates, but I'm sure the number is well below the \$40,000,000 I've seen kicked around for a new upscale library depicted in this publication and other places.

In addition, the town is spending thousands to find out how to raise thousands. Is this a full-employment act for consultants and architects?

In my opinion, that is money down the drain in these times when budgets are tight and there is a constant fight to keep essentials funded.

With the advent of the Kindle and the Nook, and who-knows-what's down the road, less shelf space will be needed.

I think the council should rethink the whole idea of a new library. What do you think?

Bob Tripler

Lifelong resident Ray called cooperative, 'diligent, hardworking'

I am writing to endorse Kathy Ray for the Cape Elizabeth Town Council.

I have known Kathy since she joined the South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club in 1994. She served as club president the year after I was president. Working with Kathy I have learned that she is a diligent and hardworking individual.

As a lifelong resident of Cape Elizabeth, Kathy cares very much about our town, as she has demonstrated with her eight years of service on the School Board (serving two years as chair). In this position Kathy has demonstrated her ability to work effectively with others in dealing with many difficult issues – a trait that will be very valuable in serving the citizens of this town.

Kathy has also spent time as a member of The Iris Network, an organization that advocates for the blind and visually impaired. She devotes much of her time advocating for the causes she believes in – the town of Cape Elizabeth is one of them.

Adrienne Murphy

Notice about publication of letters during election season

The Cape Courier will not be able to publish all letters received in support of candidates for the November election. No more than one letter of support for any particular candidate, received by deadline, will be published in any single edition of *The Cape Courier*.

Letters should be no longer than 250 words.

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Clerk: Election Day registration still OK

Voters will still be able to register on Election Day this year, despite a law eliminating same-day registration, Town Clerk Debra Lane said.

Because a people's veto of the legislation is on the Nov. 8 ballot, the new law is stayed until after that referendum is decided, Lane said.

If the referendum to overturn the legislation is approved, same-day registration and voting will continue, but if the referendum fails, the new law will require voters to register no later than the Thursday before Election Day in order to vote in that year's election.

Lane is reminding voters that they will need proof of identity and residency to register. She also asked that voters seeking to make changes to their registration, such as a name change or change of address within Cape Elizabeth, do so prior to Election Day

to save time.

Another law affects absentee voting, Lane said. Voters may still vote absentee for any reason up until the end of business on Thursday, Nov. 3. After that period, however, a voter will need to fill out a "special circumstances" application for an absentee ballot. Permitted circumstances are an unexpected absence from town during the entire time polls are open; a physical disability, incapacity or illness that will prevent a voter from getting to the polls; or an inability to travel to the polls because the voter is a resident of an island.

The clerk's office in Town Hall is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays and from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays through Fridays.

Voting on Election Day will be in the Cape Elizabeth High School gymnasium from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Deadline Nov. 4 to apply for eight town boards

The Town Council's Appointments Committee is looking for volunteers to fill vacancies on eight boards and commissions.

The vacancies are on the Arts Commission, the Board of Assessment Review, the Conservation Commission, the Fort Williams Advisory Commission, the Personnel Appeals Board, the Planning Board, the Thomas Memorial Library Trustees, and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The terms on all the boards and commis-

sions will begin Jan. 1.

If interested in applying, an application form is available online at http://www.capeelizabeth.com/government/rules_regs/forms/form.htm.

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Planning Board sets Oct. 18 hearing to review Golden Ridge plans

By Wendy Derzawiec

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, on a proposal to add a fifth lot to the Golden Ridge subdivision near the southern end of Great Pond.

The developer, Golden Ridge LLC, was before the board in August to ask for a 90-day extension on approval of a fourth lot that was granted in May. Golden Ridge was originally approved in 2003 as a three-lot subdivision.

John Mitchell, a consultant representing Golden Ridge, presented plans for a fifth lot at the Sept. 20 meeting of the Planning Board. Board members tabled the item, not only to schedule a public hearing but also to allow the Conservation Commission time to decide whether to recommend that the developer donate 25,000 square feet of open space to comply with town regulations.

The town requires developers to either donate public open space or pay a fee to make up for the impact the development will have on community open space.

Mitchell said his client, Sheldon Goldman, would rather pay the fee than convey a pedestrian easement that would ultimately encroach on one of the proposed new lots.

"I would hate to impose something like this if the Conservation Commission thinks it is something that is not important," said board Chairwoman Elaine Falender. The trail the board is eyeing would run from a proposed extension of Golden Ridge Lane, a private way off Route 77, behind Rudy's of the Cape and the business district that fronts Route 77. Its proximity to the business district and to existing trails makes it a prime location for extending pedestrian access.

If the board does not require the land donation, the impact fee would amount to \$8,640 for the two new lots. The money would go into the town's land-acquisition fund and would be returned to the developer if not used to purchase open space within 10 years.

Open-space fee due for refresh

In a related matter, the board on Sept. 20

continued its debate on whether to recommend an increase in the open-space impact fee charged developers.

Ultimately, the board avoided recommending a fee amount, but by a 6-1 vote did advise the Town Council to update the figures used to calculate the fee. Board member Henry Steinberg, who has opposed a fee increase because of the current economy, voted "no."

The fee is based on what it would cost to buy enough open space to maintain the current ratio of public open space to developed land in town. New census figures, coupled with a recent townwide revaluation, means the cost has gone up.

The current fee of \$4,320 for each new lot was set in 2002, when open space was valued at \$15,000 an acre and there was .288 acres of public open space per Cape Elizabeth household.

Using 2010 census data and the 2011 valuation of \$19,850 per acre, the new fee would be \$6,729 per lot. That would pay for .339 acres, which is the amount of public

open space currently available to each Cape Elizabeth household.

The new figures would also increase the required amount of donated open space – if the Planning Board prefers that kind of compensation – from 12,545 square feet (.288 acres) to 14,767 square feet (.339 acres) for each new lot or housing unit.

Let them 'RB'

A second recommendation formulated for the Town Council Sept. 20 was also related to open space, but the advice was probably not what the council was looking for.

By a unanimous vote, the Planning Board approved a recommendation to the Town Council that two parcels – Turkey Hill Farm, 120 Old Ocean House Road, and the Loveitt Heirs property off Locksley Road – not be removed from the Residence B zoning district.

Residence B is the zoning district targeted for residential growth under the town's comprehensive plan. The council, on advice from its ordinance subcommittee this summer, forwarded to the board a recommendation to remove these parcels from the zone because they are protected from development by conservation easements.

The Planning Board, however, saw the RB zone as the most appropriate place for the parcels. "They are in the district that gives the town the greatest toolbox for preserving open space," said Chairwoman Elaine Falender.

While designated as a growth area, the RB zone also requires cluster development, whereby 40 percent of the development's land area must be set aside for open space. These mandatory open-space requirements are missing from the other residential zoning districts in Cape Elizabeth, Falender said.

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Arboretum open house set for Oct. 15 & 22

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The first phase of the work, with new pathways and a tiered, natural amphitheater, has been completed, and the foundation wants the public to take a look.

The open houses will be from 11 a.m.

to 1 p.m. both days, rain or shine, and refreshments will be served.

Representatives of the Arboretum's steering committee will be on hand to answer any questions and with information about the next phase of the project.

Cliffside is at the northern end of Cliff Walk and can be accessed from either end of that trail.

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Ray

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the project?

The amount of money that is reasonable will be easier to determine once all the facts are reviewed.

Do you feel the town needs new rules to deal with short-term rentals of houses? If so, what kinds of restrictions would you favor?

I recently attended the Ordinance Committee meeting as they are looking at this very issue. When all the information is gathered and reviewed, I will be better able to comment on this issue.

The town and school department have passed very tight budgets for several

Katharine N. Ray
Education: B.A. in communications, University of Maine
Occupation: Retired from banking career
Age: 52
Political experience: Eight years on Cape Elizabeth School Board

years now because of the economy. How long do you think this can continue?

The school budget is passed by the voters, so it will depend on what the citizens of Cape Elizabeth want for a budget. The town manager will propose the town budget and it will then be approved by the Town Council. During that process, I know the citizens of

Cape Elizabeth will also weigh in with their thoughts about the budget. Whatever budget is passed, it will represent the work of many people and will require the majority vote of the Town Council.

What significant cuts or increases would you favor in upcoming budgets?

Until I see the budgets, it is impossible to comment on cuts or increases.

Why do you want to serve on the council?

I'm running for Town Council as I'm a life-long resident of Cape Elizabeth and care very much for my town. I've thought about serving on the Town Council for a number of years and feel it is time to make that change. I've served on the Cape Elizabeth School Board for eight years, including two

as chair and several as finance chair. I have a background in finance having retired from Maine Bank and Trust, where I was a vice president, branch manager and commercial lender. I also worked as a partner at Goodrich and Ray recruiting. I'm committed to community service as I currently am a member of the South Portland Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club, the board of the Iris Network, and the clerk of the Squirrel Island Village Corporation.

Why should Cape voters elect you?

I am very committed to Cape Elizabeth and will spend the time needed to research the issues and make the most informed decisions I can. I consider myself to be a good listener and will do my best to represent the citizens of Cape Elizabeth.

Sherman

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bond referendum on next year's ballot for a library renovation and expansion. Do you believe this is needed?

Our current facility is inadequate in several respects, including ADA non-compliance, poor air circulation, and an outdated heating system. Many citizens use the library. Especially in this economy, it is an important resource and gathering place. We can limp along with what we have, or we can plan a new building that will serve us for decades to come.

How do you determine what amount is reasonable to spend on the project?

Because a new library would be a substantial investment, the council will seek a lot of public input before deciding whether to proceed and how much to spend. If the project moves forward, we will need a substantial portion to be raised privately, with the rest to be financed by a bond.

Do you feel the town needs new rules to deal with short-term rentals of houses? If so, what kinds of restrictions would you favor?

Yes. Some neighborhoods are experiencing

David S. Sherman Jr.
Education: B.A., University of Texas; J.D., University of Michigan Law School
Occupation: Attorney at Drummond Woodsum & MacMahon, Portland
Age: 49
Political experience: One term on Town Council (2008-11), current chair; two terms on Planning Board (2000-06), including two years as chair

a large increase in short-term rentals, with tenants hosting large gatherings that can be disruptive. I do not favor regulating short-term rentals if the home is rented only a few times a year or does not abut a neighborhood. If, however, the rental property is leased more than twice a year and is located near other homes, we should require compliance with health and safety codes.

The town and school department have passed very tight budgets for several years now because of the economy. How long do you think this can continue?

I believe the town and school department have planned well and will continue passing

responsible budgets.

What significant cuts or increases would you favor in upcoming budgets?

On the municipal side, I don't foresee any large increases or cuts. We should consider the addition of a paid EMT to supplement the services provided by our rescue volunteers.

Why do you want to stay on the council?

I enjoy working on issues facing our town and trying to develop the best approach. It

is also gratifying to hear from citizens who appreciate my service. Doing this work has introduced me to some amazing people.

Why should Cape voters re-elect you?

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Chair

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paper was still being led by Ellen Van Fleet, who founded *The Cape Courier*.

"We just pretty much went along with what she wanted to do," Miliard said of his early days on the board.

During his time on the board, Miliard said, the biggest change has been the technology involved in producing the paper.

Initially, Miliard noted, the paper was "pasted up" – with the type printed out on glossy strips and then affixed to paper outlines of a page with wax. Then those pages would be

taken to the printer to produce a printing plate for the presses. Now, he said, all of the layout and pre-press operations are done on a computer and transmitted electronically to the printer.

"I think it's a great newspaper and a great service to the town and I've been happy to learn the inner workings of it," Miliard added, and the board has "always been a very cordial and hardworking group."

At its Sept. 29 meeting, the board of *The Cape Courier* named current member Bill Springer as chairman to replace Miliard. Also, Elizabeth Brogan, former editor of the paper, was elected unanimously to the board as a new member.

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Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 9-9 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a taxi driver who had stopped at the residence and was possibly involved in a scam.
- 9-10 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area about a burglary complaint. It was established that the burglary was due to a domestic situation.
- 9-12 An officer met with a resident about a telephone harassment complaint.
- 9-12 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area about a lost or stolen purse. The purse was later located by the owner.
- 9-12 An officer met with a resident of Pennsylvania who reported a motor vehicle burglary at Fort Williams. A window had been broken and a purse taken. The purse contained money, personal ID, credit cards and jewelry.
- 9-15 An officer met with a resident of New Zealand at Fort Williams who reported a motor vehicle burglary. A window had been smashed out and a purse was missing. It contained personal ID, passport, credit cards and cash.
- 9-20 An officer met with a resident of the Spurwink Avenue area about fraudulent charges against checking and credit card accounts. The fraudulent activity had occurred in Florida and Russia.
- 9-22 An officer met with a resident of the Wells Road area about a possible burglary complaint. Nothing appeared to be missing.
- 9-22 Two officers responded to a residence in the Fowler Road area for a well-being check.
- 9-23 An officer met with a resident about harassing phone calls.
- 9-24 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a criminal mischief complaint. The house was egged sometime during the night.
- 9-26 An officer met with a contractor about the theft of some staging at a local job site.
- 9-26 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area about a found cell phone. The owner was identified and property returned.
- 9-27 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area about a criminal mischief complaint. A window had been shot with a BB gun.
- 9-27 An officer met with another resident of the Shore Road area about a criminal mischief complaint. A window had been damaged by a BB gun.

ARRESTS

- 9-16 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Route 77

ACCIDENTS

- 9-20 Abby Hunter, Trish Brigham, accident on Route 77
- 9-24 Christopher Wellman, deer, Fowler Road

FIRE CALLS

- 9-14 Mutual Aid, South Portland
- 9-15 Mutual Aid, South Portland
- 9-16 Watercraft rescue, Hannaford Cove
- 9-17 Philip Road, carbon monoxide investigation
- 9-19 Mare’s Hollow, alarm
- 9-19 Spurwink River, water rescue
- 9-19 Spoonrift Lane, electrical problem
- 9-23 Cross Hill, fire alarm
- 9-25 Mutual Aid, South Portland
- 9-26 Mountain View Road, power line down

RESCUE CALLS

There were 17 runs to Maine Medical Center.



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SUMMONSES

- 9-14 Portland resident, speeding (48/40 zone) Sawyer Road, \$119
- 9-15 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171
- 9-15 Portland resident, speeding (39/25 zone), Sawyer Road, \$137
- 9-16 South Portland resident, unregistered vehicle, Scott Dyer Road, \$70
- 9-16 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Route 77
- 9-16 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171
- 9-18 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Route 77
- 9-19 Portland resident, speeding (63/35 zone), Route 77, \$265
- 9-19 South Portland resident, speeding (44/30 zone), Shore Road, \$137
- 9-22 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Sawyer Road, \$177
- 9-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Scott Dyer Road, \$177
- 9-22 Massachusetts resident, unregistered vehicle, Fort Williams, \$70
- 9-22 Auburn resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$177
- 9-23 South Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Scott Dyer Road, \$133
- 9-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of alcohol by a minor, Dennison Drive
- 9-25 New Hampshire resident, operating without a license, Route 77
- 9-26 Scarborough resident, failure to provide license, Sawyer Road, \$137

JUVENILE SUMMONS

- 9-23 Possession of alcohol by a minor
- 9-23 Possession of alcohol by a minor



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Stepping into the Sesquicentennial



A 2011 Cape Courier series by Ellen Van Fleet follows the development of the Civil War through the eyes of people who lived in Cape Elizabeth 150 years ago. Cape Elizabeth author Paul J. Ledman's book, "A Maine Town Responds," is the main guide. Small entries in the Courier capture the news and concerns as events unfolding outside of Cape Elizabeth thrust their way into the local consciousness. News items from the Portland Transcript are printed verbatim.

October 12, 1861 – Col. Goddard's Calvary Regiment goes into camp at Augusta next week, where it will remain for a few weeks for thorough drill. [Portland Transcript]

The total expenses of the war amount to over 8 millions a week. [Portland Transcript]

The two armies in Virginia are now face to face for a distance of nine miles. [Portland Transcript]

The iron steamer *Bermuda* has slipped into Savannah with a valuable cargo of contraband goods. [Portland Transcript]

One of our prisoners escaped from Virginia, reports the sufferings of our men taken prisoners as great, and their treatment barbarous. One was shot from the street by a woman. [Portland Transcript]

The Cherokees, it appears, are divided – John Ross, with 8,000 Cherokees, declaring for the Union, and Reed, a half-breed, raising the secession flag. In a skirmish Ross's body guard were victorious. [Portland Transcript]

The gunboat *Kineo*, built by Mr. Dyer at Cape Elizabeth, was to be launched on Wednesday afternoon. [Portland Transcript]

The dry and fancy goods stores now close precisely at 7 o'clock, Saturday evening excepted. [Portland Transcript]

Capt. Staples' Company of Home Guards, at Fort Scammel, have been paid off, having been in service two months – about \$180 were disbursed. [Portland Transcript]

The police have been visiting the liquor stores of late and have made some large hauls. Liquor to the amount of \$1,600 were seized in the store of Mr. Samuel Cadwick, Market Square. [Portland Transcript]

Howard S. Griffin, a private of the Tenth Maine Regiment, was drowned on the passage from Fall River. Every regiment loses one on its way to Washington. [Portland Transcript]

There is a report of a slave insurrection in Missouri, about three weeks ago in which 85 negroes were killed. The plot was wide-spread. [Portland Transcript]

A murderous rebel in Baltimore poisoned a soldier of the 9th Maine Regiment by selling him a piece of watermelon charged with arsenic. [Portland Transcript]

October 19, 1861 – Maine's full quota of the half million troops to be called out is 16,250. The quota of Cumberland County

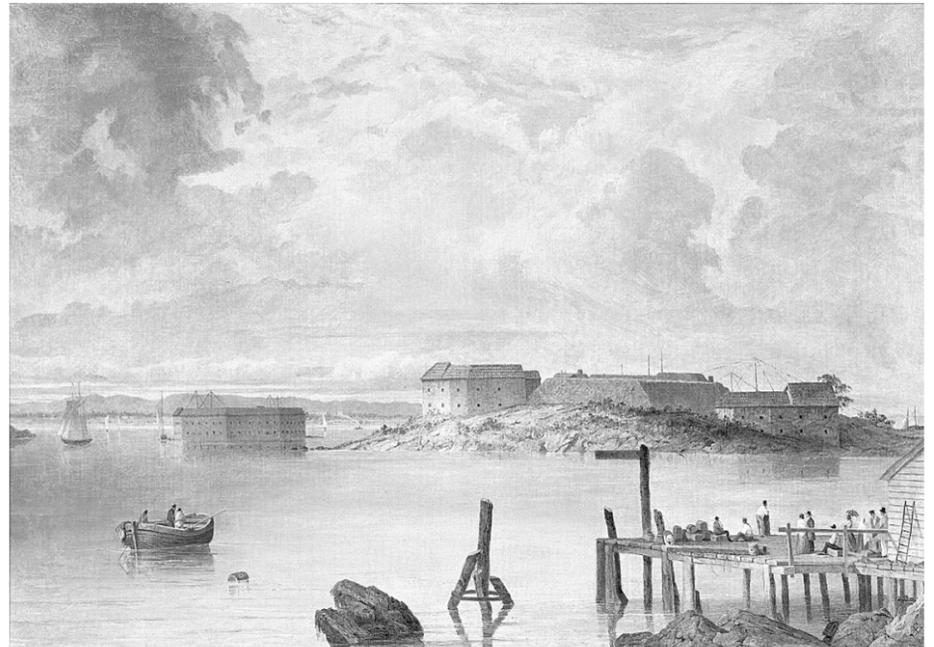


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"Fort Scammel and Fort Gorges," a painting by Seth Eastman, was completed in 1872 just before all work on Fort Gorges was stopped by the government.

is 1,957. The Government has requisitions for three more regiments which will make our force in the field 16,000 men. [Portland Transcript]

A few nights since a flock of sea ducks dashed against the glass lantern of the outer light house, at Cape Elizabeth, with such violence as to break the thick plate glass and admit three of them inside the lantern. [Portland Transcript]

The color of the horses for the Cavalry Regiment is required to be either bay, brown, black or sorrel; for one company the horses are to be iron-grey in color. [Portland Transcript]

Gen. McClellan has now entire control of the army of the Potomac, said to number 240,000 men. [Portland Transcript]

No less than a dozen regimental postmasters have been detected purloining letters belonging to soldiers. The rascals ought to be shot. [Portland Transcript]

Those who have blankets, stockings, etc., which they can bestow upon the soldiers are requested to send them to the Ladies Committee room, new City Building, which is open daily from 2 to 5 p.m. [Portland Transcript]

The Widow's Wood Society ... during the past year has distributed 336 cords of wood and 13 tons of coal among 438 poor widows and destitute families, thus preventing a vast amount of suffering. [Portland Transcript]

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The manufacture of tents for the army is now giving employment to a large number of men and women in the city. [Portland Transcript]

Our government has taken the first step towards an exchange of prisoners, having determined to release a number of rebel prisoners equal to those recently released at Richmond, on taking an oath not to bear arms. [Portland Transcript]

Oct. 21, 1861 – The Battle of Ball's Bluff, near Leesburg, was lost to the Confederacy. The South captured 553 prisoners and suffered fewer than 200 total casualties while a total of 223 Federals were killed, 226 were wounded, and 553 were captured on the banks of the Potomac. The only U.S. Senator to be killed in battle, Edward Dickinson Baker from Oregon and a friend of Lincoln's, died that day. [Wikipedia.com]

Historical society plans Oct. 17, 22 programs

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society plans two programs next month.

'Beginner Genealogy in the Internet Age'

Wayne "Alex" Brooking, Jr., a member of the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society, will present "Beginner Genealogy in the Internet Age" at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 17, in the Cape Elizabeth Community Center's community room. Brooking will give basic tips on searching for information on the Web.

'Bus tour'

CEHPS members Wayne Brooking and Norm Jordan will offer a historical bus tour of the southern end of Cape Elizabeth on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

The historical society's quarters on the bottom floor of Thomas Memorial Library are open to the public every Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Email cehps@thomas.lib.me.us for more information about the society or about becoming a member.

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If you would like a copy of the Homestead Exemption application, please call me, or visit <http://www.maine.gov/revenue/forms/property/apps/homesteadapp.pdf>.



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Kelsey Harrington, a member of the Class of 2015 at Elmira College in Elmira, N.Y., earned the college's "Founder Scholarship" at a Sept. 22 convocation. The scholarship is valued at \$48,000 over four years. Kelsey is the daughter of **Kim Ottesen** and **Jeff Harrington** and a member of Cape Elizabeth High School's Class of 2011.

Brittany Fisher, a member of the Class of 2012 at Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill., is studying abroad in Wellington, New Zealand with the American Institute for Foreign Study Program during the fall semester. She is a graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School.

RE/MAX Oceanside realtors **Vicki Kennedy** and **Mark Brown** recently completed training in foreclosure avoidance and are now certified as "distressed property experts." A big part of the training focused on "short sales," which allows a cash-strapped seller to repay a mortgage at the price at which the home sells, even though the price is lower than the amount owed on the property. Short sales help save people from foreclosure and even bankruptcy. In late September, Brown also attended a two-day symposium in Denver, where Re/MAX agents from around the world addressed the state of the commercial real estate market and forecasts for the future.

Courier on Como!



Cape resident **Diane Brakeley** takes a peek at *The Cape Courier* last month on the shore of Lake Como in Varrena, Italy, during a trip that combined fun with genealogical research. Brakeley, whose maiden name was "Dellamano," may call Cape home but her roots in Varrena go back at least 900 years. "The oldest record of Dellamanos I have found was from Isola Comacina, an island on Lake Como, from the 1100s," said Brakeley, who also had the chance to visit with two of her father's cousins and some of her second and third cousins.

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Birgit Pols, a member of Cape Elizabeth High School's Class of 1979, was recently named director of the New York University Health and Wellness Center on NYU's Abu Dhabi campus. Additionally, Pols has taken on the newly created role of director of health and wellness for NYU Global Sites. A lead physician at NYU's Student Health Center in New York for the previous four years, Pols holds bachelor and medical degrees from Brown University in Providence, R.I., and is certified by the American Board of Family Practice, the American Society of Addiction Medicine, and the American Academy of Family Practice. She is the daughter of **Henk and Etta Pols** of Cape Elizabeth.

Cape resident **Sheila Mayberry** has been appointed to the Maine Board of Arbitration and Conciliation as a neutral arbitrator. Mayberry has been an arbitrator in numerous matters in Maine and around the country in management and employee-grievance arbitrations and in commercial disputes. She is on the labor arbitration rosters of the American Arbitration Association and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. She also handles fact-finding matters and mediates private and public disputes. She has been on the Maine Labor Relations Board Panel of Mediators and is a hearing officer and mediator for the Maine Department of Education. Mayberry was an attorney for the National Labor Relations Board before moving to Cape Elizabeth with her husband, **Alan**, and their two children, **Emily** and **Sam**.



Sheila Mayberry

Cape resident **Katherine Mowles** was named to the spring-semester dean's list at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., where she is a member of the Class of 2013.

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CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 12

Town Council, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall chamber, 320 Ocean House Road

Saturday, October 15

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Geology Walk, 9 a.m., beginning at 330 Ocean House Road.

Field Hockey Pumpkin Sale, 9 a.m.-noon, Community Center

Lions Club Lobster Dinner, 5-6 p.m., Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights Road

Monday, October 17

"Genealogy in the Internet Age," Cape Elizabeth Historic Preservation Society, 7 p.m., Community Center.

Tuesday, October 18

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

Wednesday, October 19

Municipal Candidates Night, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Future Open Space Preservation Committee, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Thursday, October 20

Fort Williams Advisory Commission, 6:30 p.m., Public Works

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

Saturday, October 22

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Introduction to Robinson Woods walk, 1:30 p.m., Robinson Woods Kiosk, Shore Road

Tuesday, October 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

Wednesday, October 26

Town Council Ordinance Committee, 8 a.m., Town Hall

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. 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. 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. For information contact Marge Barker, president, 838-8129.



At left, daughter and father, Lisa and Tony Kostopoulos, the owners of The Good Table restaurant on Route 77, which is celebrating 25 years in Cape Elizabeth. This photo was taken 10 years ago.

Good Table invites public to milestone party

The Good Table restaurant will host a public party to mark its 25th anniversary on Oct. 16.

The party is "our 'thank you' for the years of support, friendship and goodwill we have been blessed with," said Lisa Kostopoulos, who owns the restaurant with her father, Tony.

The party, which is free, will be from 6 to 8 p.m., she said.

The Good Table opened on Oct. 13, 1986. It was destroyed by fire in August 2001, but the owners decided to rebuild. The new building, which was slightly larger but had the same amount of seating as the original,

opened in March 2002.

Lisa Kostopoulos said the restaurant has frequently supported charities with fundraisers for organizations such as the Kidney Foundation, the Leukemia Foundation, Portland Ovations, the Cape Elizabeth Farm Alliance and Maine College of Art. She said the restaurant hosted a "Greek Night" at the restaurant last year, with the entire family cooking and serving to raise \$3,000 for Feeding America.

The restaurant also supports local farms, buying 85 percent of its produce from Cape Elizabeth or nearby farms in season, she said.

Cape Lions Club to host lobster dinners on Oct. 15, Nov. 12

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club will host lobster dinners from 5 to 6 p.m. on Saturdays, Oct. 15 and Nov. 12, at the Lions' clubhouse, the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

The dinners, which will include baked potato, corn and blueberry cake, will be \$13 for one lobster and \$19 for two lobsters. Diners can bring their own alcohol and eat in or take out their dinners.

Club members meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:39 p.m. and are always looking for new members. Contact Mark Fleming at 899-3654, Bruce Balfour at 831-0166, or Bill Stressenger at 767-5257 for information about joining the Lions.



Photo by Lee Taylor

Lions Club member Bob Bothel transfers a cooked lobster from the pot to an ice chest at a lobster dinner last month.

CABLE GUIDE CHANNEL 3

Town Council (live): Oct. 12 - 7:30 p.m.

Town Council replay: Oct. 13 & 14 - 2 & 8 p.m.; Oct. 15 - 9 a.m.

School Board replay: Oct. 15 & 16 - 2 & 7 p.m.; Oct. 16 - 9 a.m.

Healthy Aging - Nutrition: Oct. 23 - 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Healthy Aging - Depression and Anxiety: Oct. 24 - 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Healthy Aging - Memory: Oct. 25 - 11 a.m., & 5 p.m.

Healthy Aging - Osteoporosis and Osteoarthritis: Oct. 26 - 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

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

Zoning Board replay: Oct. 26 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Municipal Candidates Night (live): Oct. 19 - 6:30 p.m.

Municipal Candidates Night replay: Oct. 20: 10 a.m. & 11 p.m.; Oct. 21: 2, 6 & 10 a.m. and 2, 8 & 11 p.m.; Oct. 22: 2 & 6 a.m. and 2, 8 & 11 p.m.; Oct. 23: 2, 6 & 9 a.m. and 2, 8 & 11 p.m.; Oct. 24: 2, 6 & 10 a.m. and 2, 8 & 11 p.m.; Oct. 25: 2, 6 & 10 a.m. and 2 & 11 p.m.; Oct. 26: 2, 6 & 10 a.m. and 11 p.m.

Maine Bottle Bill Debate: Oct. 17 - 2 & 8 p.m.

Planning Board (live): Oct. 18 - 7 p.m.

Planning Board replay: Oct. 19 & 20 - 2 & 8 p.m.; Oct. 22 - 9 a.m.

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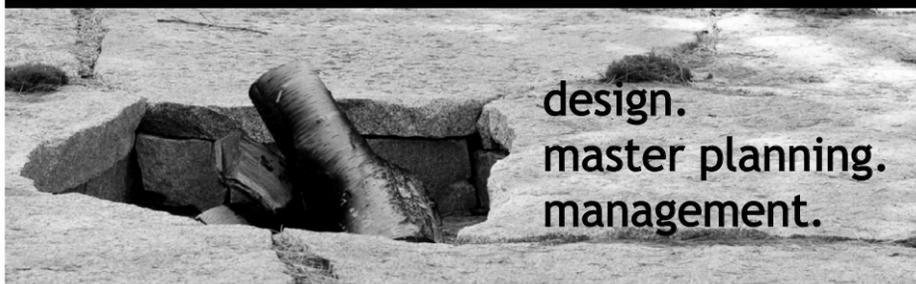
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Farmers, actors collaborate in upcoming 'Of Farms and Fables' production



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Bib Jordan of William H. Jordan Farm talks with, center, "Of Farms and Fables" Director Jennie Hahn and playwright Corey Tamler about farming in August 2010 at Jordan's Farm.

By Mary Townsend

Once upon a time, South Portland artist Jennie Hahn dreamed of bringing actors and farmers together to tell a story about local food and the farmers who grow it. In Hahn's dream, actors worked as farmers, and farmers worked as actors, so they could learn about each other's lives and create a story that would help people appreciate farms and how hard people on them work to grow good food for others to eat (so they can live happily ever after).

That dream may sound like a fairy tale, but that fairy tale has turned into a three-year project, the culmination of which will be the play, "Of Farms and Fables," which will open at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, at Camp Ketcha in Scarborough.

The play, which Hahn directs, is a collaboration among actors from Open Waters Theater in South Portland and farmers and farm workers from William H. Jordan Farm in —see 'OF FARMS & FABLES', page 13

Medication drop-off set for Saturday, Oct. 29

Cape citizens can help protect the environment, prevent thefts, and possibly save a life by dropping off old or unused medications, unwanted and unused prescriptions and over-the-counter medications any time between 10

a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at the Cape Elizabeth Police Department.

Contact Cape Elizabeth Community Liaison Officer Mark Dorval at 767-3323 for more information.

Geology, Robinson Woods walks planned soon

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust plans two 3½-hour guided walks this month. Some hiking experience is recommended for both.

CELT board member Sheldon Smith will lead an Oct. 15 walk that will focus on the geological history of Cape Elizabeth. The group will meet at 9 a.m. at the CELT office at 330 Ocean House Road and take a shuttle to Two Lights State Park. Snacks and water will be provided, but participants should bring their own lunches.

CELT volunteer Ang Foley will lead an introductory walk to Robinson Woods at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22. The group will explore Robinson Woods' wildflower trail, observing how plants and animals adapt to the changing seasons. Group members, who will meet at the Robinson Woods kiosk on Shore Road, will receive a "CELT Trail Passport" that includes a scavenger hunt for Robinson Woods and four other CELT trails.

The cost for each walk is \$6 per person, or \$12 per family.

Register for the walks at Community Services' office in the Cape Elizabeth Community Center at 343 Ocean House Road or online by going to www.cape.k12.me.us and clicking on the "Register now" link on the "Community Services" page. Call 799-



Photo by Chris Franklin

Land Trust volunteer Ang Foley will lead a walk through Robinson Woods on Oct. 22.

2868 for more information.

CELT permanently conserves and provides stewardship for lands cherished by the community. Go to www.capelandtrust.org for more information about CELT.

Cape ballerina to dance in 'Hansel and Gretel'

Cape Elizabeth High School sophomore Maddie Miele and other young dancers from southern Maine will perform on Saturdays, Oct. 15 and 22, in the Maine State Ballet's "Hansel and Gretel." The performances will be the first shows in the ballet company's recently renovated theater in Falmouth.

Shows are planned at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on both days, and tickets are \$15. Go to www.mainestateballet.org or call 781-3587 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to buy tickets. Tickets are also for sale at the Maine State Ballet offices at 348 U.S. Route One in Falmouth.

Red Cross blood drive in Cape on Oct. 27

The American Red Cross will hold a Cape Elizabeth community blood drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, at St. Bartholomew Parish.

All donors will receive a \$5 gift card to Panera Bakery in South Portland. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to www.redcross-blood.org to schedule an appointment.

Field hockey pumpkin sale planned Oct. 15



The Cape Elizabeth field hockey boosters' annual pumpkin sale will be held at the Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon, or until all pumpkins are sold. Baked goods and hot apple cider also will be for sale.

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Friends' Book & Bake Sale Oct. 27-29

The Friends of the Thomas Memorial Library Annual Fall Book & Bake Sale is set for Oct. 27-29.

It kicks off with an Early-Bird Sale from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, where you'll find the best selection, including recent bestsellers, nearly new children's books and much more. The fee for this event is \$10, but free if you are a Thomas Memorial Library Foundation donor.

The sale continues from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29.

If you are interested in making something for the bake sale, please stop by the library to add your name to a sign-up sheet or call Edna Krull at 799-0277.

Proceeds benefit the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation in its mission to support the library.



Boys pore through many books at 2009 sale.

File photo by Patricia McCarthy

No story time sessions during preparations for annual sale

There will be no story time from Oct. 16 to 29 as the Friends of the Thomas Memorial Library prepare for their annual Fall Book & Bake Sale, to be held on Oct. 27, 28 and 29.

Story time will resume as usual the week of Oct. 30.

Because there will be no story time the week before Halloween, children and parents are invited to come to story time in costume during the week of Oct. 9-15, when the theme will be Halloween stories.

Visit www.thomasmemoriallibrary.org for a complete story time schedule or information about the book sale at the library's website.

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'Heathy Aging' series to return to Channel 3

CETV, Cape Elizabeth's public-access Channel 3, will broadcast the series "Healthy Aging" at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. during the week of Oct. 23.

Originally recorded in 2006 and featuring expert discussion of topics ranging from bone health to brain fitness, the series was sponsored by the Thomas Memorial Library and Community Services, with funding from the Lebensfeld Foundation.

CETV will air the following segments: "Nutrition" on Sunday, Oct. 23; "Depression" on Monday, Oct. 24; "Memory" on Tuesday, Oct. 25; "Bone Health" on Wednesday, Oct. 26; "Urinary Health" on Thursday, Oct. 27; "Brain Fitness" on Friday, Oct. 28; and "Medicare" on Saturday, Oct. 29.

The videos are also available for loan at the Thomas Memorial Library.

Maine Bottle Bill Debate

CETV will also present a two-hour debate on the cost and effectiveness of the Maine Bottle Bill, the legislation allowing deposits on beverage containers. Experts' opinions of the bottle bill ranged from "expensive" and "inefficient" to "convenient" and "successful" in this debate hosted by ecomaine, the waste management agency that processes Cape Elizabeth's solid waste.

The Maine Bottle Bill Debate will air at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 17. Check the program guide on Channel 3 or at www.capeelizabeth.com for future broadcasts.

Get out the sneakers: Indoor walks have resumed

Community Services has started up its indoor walking program for senior citizens in 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.

'Of Farms & Fables'

Cont. from page 11

Cape Elizabeth, Maine Benson Farm in Gorham, and Broadturn Farm in Scarborough.

Jordan's Farm co-owner Penny Jordan warmed up to the project right away.

"My willingness to collaborate goes back to my passion for live theater," said Jordan, who was recently featured in *Maine* magazine because of her activism on behalf of local farms. "Theater tells a story, and what better story to tell than how your food is produced, who the people are who produce it, and what it takes to produce it?"

Hahn, along with actor Keith Anctil, playwright Cory Tamler, and theater manager Claire Guyer, spent the summer of 2010 working on the three farms. Over a 12-week period, the three worked side by side with farmers and farm workers, planting, weeding and harvesting to experience what goes into operating a family farm.

Once a week, the actors provided lunch for the farmers and farm hands, who shared their thoughts, ideas and experiences. Material for the script was gathered during the lunchtime story circles and personal inter-

**'Theater tells a story, and what better story to tell than how your food is produced ...?'
—Penny Jordan**

views with the farm workers.

In addition to the Oct. 27 show, performances are planned at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28; at 2 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29; and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30. Camp Ketcha is located at 336 Black Point Road in Scarborough. Tickets are \$15, or "pay what you can." Go to www.brownpapertickets.com/event/203840 to reserve tickets.

The project is funded by The MAP Fund, the Maine Arts Commission, the Maine Humanities Council, and the Ella Lyman Cabot Trust. Additional support has been provided by R.O.I.L., Cape Farm Alliance, Maine Farmland Trust, Scarborough Land Conservation Trust, Cultivating Community, and Threshold to Maine.

Contact Hahn at 899-5208 or info@open-waters.org, or go to www.open-waters.org for more information.

Cape Memory Cruisers!



Members of the Cape Memory Cruisers, a team of employees, family members and friends of residents of Cape Memory Care, an assisted living center for people with Alzheimer's and other memory problems, gather Sept. 24 at Payson Park in Portland during the Walk to End Alzheimer's. The team, which included, left to right, musician Ann Sparling; CMC employees Debbie Gilbert, Bri Johnston and Cape resident Jackie Price; friends Emily Harvey and Kathy Spizzuoco; and, front, Kitty Gross, daughter of CMC Executive Director Olga Gross, raised more than \$800 for Alzheimer's research. CMC will celebrate its first anniversary on Nov. 4.

Nov. 9 trip to include 'Legally Blonde,' lunch

A Community Services excursion to Danvers, Mass., on Wednesday, Nov. 9, will include a stop at the North Shore Music Theater to see "Legally Blonde, the Musical," after lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club.

The group will travel on a custom coach, which will leave from the back of the Cape Elizabeth Community Center at

8:30 a.m.

The cost, \$99 per person, includes ticket, lunch and transportation.

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- Planning Board
- Thomas Memorial Library Trustees
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Terms will begin January 1, 2012. 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. Applications are available at Town Hall or by contacting Debra Lane, Assistant Town Manager at 799-7665 or debra.lane@capeelizabeth.org.

Applications must be submitted to Debra Lane no later than Friday, November 4, 2011.

Fifty-five CEHS students earn AP awards

Fifty-five Cape Elizabeth High School students – 38 from the Class of 2011 and 17 from the Class of 2012 – earned AP Scholar Awards from the College Board for exceptional achievement on advanced placement exams they took this spring. Students take AP exams after completing college-level courses, and the College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of courses and exams taken.

National AP Scholars

Eight students qualified for both the National AP Scholar Award and the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of 4 or higher on a five-point scale on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams: Alex Diaz, Reid Douty, Peter Governali, Lucy Hewitt, Matt Miklavic, Jack Queeney, Ben Richardson and Brendan Stewart.

Scholars with Distinction

Eighteen students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams: Abigail Armstrong, Sydney Banks, Kelsey Barton, Will Bollenbach, Theo Bowe, Camille Braun, Allison Chase, Will Daly, Ethan DiNinno,

Kelsey Krull, Joe Long, Rob Macdonald, Kelsey Maguire, Jack Roos, Ross Sherman, Emily Taintor, Hannah Wallace and Paul Wennberg.

Scholars with Honor

Ten students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams: Karyn Barrett, Ben Berman, Paul Hamerski, McClaran Hayes, Ian McNerney, Ned Melanson, Rachel Nichols, Maggie Rabasca, Delaney Ratner and Melissa Stewart.

AP Scholars

Nineteen students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Exams with grades of 3 or higher: Max Aronson, Blake Barritt, Lydia Berman, Ally Boyington, Brian Brett, Victoria Brigham, Lena Castro, Olivia Cooper, Sarah Cummings, Emily Donovan, Forest Hewitt, Julia Hintlian, Gregory Howard, Sage Hunt, Wil Laprade, Andrew Lynch, Maria Morris, Claire Muscat and Lynn Tarbox.

Members of the Class of 2012 will have the possibility of achieving higher AP Scholar recognition upon completion of AP courses being taken this school year.

HSPA's annual citrus fundraiser under way

In the Cape Elizabeth High School Parent Association's annual citrus fruit sale fundraiser, now under way, freshly picked citrus is delivered from Florida Indian River Groves in Vero Beach within a few days of harvesting. All proceeds raised in the sale benefit teacher grants, enrichment activities and college scholarships for CEHS students.

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Orders must be received by Nov 11. Delivery for senior citizens is free.

Contact Susan Leighton at sjleighton1@yahoo.com or 799-2156 for more information.

CEHS has seven National Merit semifinalists; five students commended for performance

By Wendy Keeler

For the second straight year, Cape Elizabeth High School has more National Merit Scholarship Competition semifinalists than any other Maine public or private school.

Semifinalists

Seven seniors, the same number as last year, have been named semifinalists for their performance on the PSAT – the Preliminary SAT – which they took in October 2010 when they were juniors: Ethan N. DiNinno, the son of Julia Beckett and A.J. DiNinno; John A. Harrison, the son of Margo and Craig Harrison; Julia G. Hintlian, the daughter of Martha MacAuslan and Varney Hintlian; Gregory M. Howard, the son of Michelle and Michael Howard; William C. McCarthy, the son of Candee Kaknes and Terry McCarthy; Maggie C. Rabasca, the daughter of Kristie and Steve Rabasca; and Charlotte W. Ruty, the daughter of Alison Morton and Lee Ruty. The seven will continue in the competition for National Merit Scholarship awards to be offered in the spring.

Cape resident Chris W. Burke, a senior at Waynflete School in Portland, is also a 2012

National Merit semifinalist.

Commended students

An additional five CEHS seniors have been commended for their performance on the test: Vanessa R. Blair-Glantz, the daughter of Marti Blair and Larry Glantz; Victoria L. Brigham, the daughter of Trish and Tom Brigham; Paul C. Hamerski, the son of Lisa Cotter and Tom Hamerski; Claire L. Muscat, the daughter of Sarah and Paul Muscat; and Melissa L. Stewart, the daughter of Josalind and Timothy Stewart.

About 1.5 million juniors in 22,000 high schools entered the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the PSAT, which served as an initial screen of program entrants. The nationwide pool of semifinalists, which represents less than 1 percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest-scoring entrants in each state. The number of semifinalists in a state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors. Commended Students, placing among the top 5 percent of students, are recognized for their exceptional academic promise.

Games, hay maze, trebuchet, scarecrow contest, rides to be part of Oct. 22 Harvest Festival

The 2011 Harvest Festival, set for 4-8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, at Pond Cove School, will include the first annual scarecrow contest, games, train rides, a hay maze, a trebuchet and a cake walk. Both inside and outside activities are planned, weather permitting.

Cape residents across town are invited to create and display scarecrows outside homes and businesses. Then they can vote for their favorites in five categories: traditional, funny, whimsical, spooky, business, and Cape spirit. Wooden scarecrow stakes are for sale

for \$5 apiece seven days a week at Alewife's Brook Farm and Jordan's Farm.

At the event, the Maiden Cove Children's Center will run a "wee witches and wizards area" for younger children.

Co-sponsors of the events are the Pond Cove and Middle School parents associations, the Cape Farm Alliance, Arlington Restorations, and the Cape Business Alliance.

Contact Tara Simopoulos at tarasimopoulos@gmail.com or 939-9766 for more information about the festival.



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Harvest Lunch!

Pond Cove School third-graders, left to right, Maya Bloom, Anna Cornell and Lucy Kenniston, pose on Sept. 22 in front of some of the decorations that adorned the cafetorium during Pond Cove's and Cape Elizabeth Middle School's annual Harvest Lunch. "Over 80 percent of the delicious harvest meal came from Jordan's Farm and Alewife's Brook Farm, and many parents helped the cafeteria prepare and serve the lunch," Pond Cove Parents Association Co-President Amy Lombardo said about the lunch which she called a "positive" event "uniting our schools and farms." Parents also decorated the cafeteria with hay bales, scarecrows and mums.



Photo by Kristine Eremita

'Gold in the Hills' to open on Nov. 10

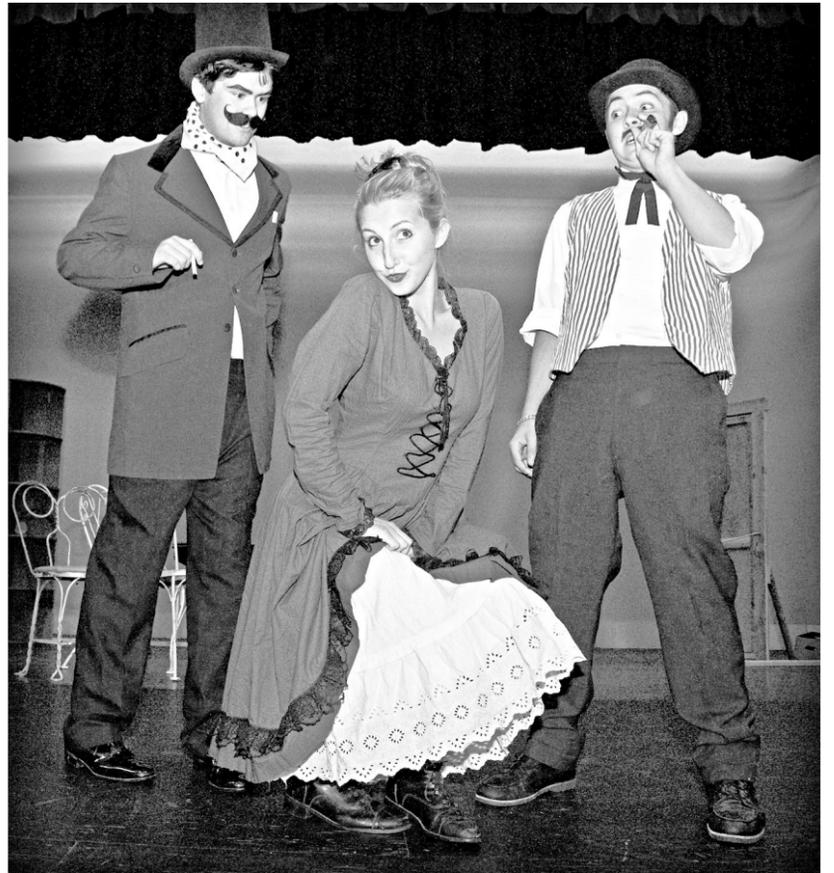


Photo by Jenny Campbell

"Gold in the Hills" cast members include, left to right, Alexander Enna, Emily Ham and Luke Sisselman.

A cast of 40 – including Cape Elizabeth High School students and faculty members, senior citizens and children – will bring to the stage the melodrama, "Gold in the Hills."

The musical, which includes dancing, will open on Thursday, Nov. 10, and run through Thanksgiving Eve in the CEHS auditorium.

The play is set in 1891 in a place where "you could trust people who worked in the soil, but you had to be wary of city slickers," CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen said.

Sam Barksdale plays the hero, Alexander Enna plays the villain, and E.B. Coughlin is the heroine in the production. Luke Sisselman brings to life the tough beer hall manager, and Emily Ham the knowing old woman.

"Gold in the Hills" has all the types from the 1890s," Mullen said.

Flash Allen is music director, and songs include "Sidewalks of New York" and After the Ball."

Contact Mullen at rmullen@capeelizabethschools.org for more information about the production.

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CEHS Class of 2012

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Cape police to hold forum about youth trends

Cape Elizabeth police officers will discuss current youth trends in town at a forum planned from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center. Police will offer tips and answer questions.

The event is sponsored by Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Education, a Cape Elizabeth organization that encourages students to make wise lifestyle choices.

Go to www.capehope.org or email hopeincape@gmail.com for more information.

Cape Little League's annual meeting on Oct. 25

Cape Elizabeth Little League will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the Pond Cove/Middle School cafeterium.

The board will present an overview of the 2012 season, including a summary of the league's financial status, and board members will vote on the approval of the 2012 board

members recommended by CELL's nominating committee. Absentee ballots must be picked up in person by the person requesting them. Email secretary@cape-ll.com to request a ballot.

Contact Mike O'Connor at 767-5860 or president@cape-ll.com for information.

MSPA's Scholastic Book Fair to run Oct. 20-28

The Cape Elizabeth Middle School Parents Association will host its annual Scholastic Book Fair from Thursday, Oct. 20, through Friday, Oct. 28, in the area between the fifth-grade wing and the middle school gym.

The sale will include books for middle-schoolers, young teens and adults, including mystery and adventure novels, fantasy trilogies, sports guides, and bestsellers from more than 150 publishers. Hours for the sale, which will not be open on the weekend, will be 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. except on Friday, Oct. 28, when the sale will end at noon.

'Survivor' winner Bob Crowley

The fair will also be open from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25 – "Family Night" – when South Portland resident and retired teacher, Bob Crowley, winner of the 2008 reality show, "Survivor," will visit from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Crowley will tell stories and answer questions about his "Survivor" adventures.

For the first time, people will be able to buy books online during part of the sale at scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs.

This year, the MSPA challenges each student to donate \$1 to the "One for Books" program. Scholastic will match the dollars to buy books to replace classroom libraries that were destroyed by tornadoes in Springfield, Mass., in June. Book fair patrons also can help build CEMS classroom libraries by buying books for teachers in the "classroom wish list" program.

All are welcome to attend the fair, where cash, credit cards and checks made payable to "MSPA" will be accepted. Contact Book Fair Chair Amy Bates at bates7994@gmail.com or 767-3458 for more information, or to volunteer.

PCPA's Scholastic book fair set for Oct. 20-27

The Pond Cove Parents Association's annual Scholastic Book Fair will run from Thursday, Oct. 20, to Thursday, Oct. 27, in the Pond Cove "knuckle," located between the fourth-grade wing and the media center.

Money raised through the sale will benefit the PCPA, which directly supports programs and events for Pond Cove kids. Sales in last year's fair totaled more than \$17,000 and enabled the PCPA to purchase more than \$6,500 worth of books and materials from

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Book fair hours will be 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21, and Monday, Oct. 24; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 25; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26; and 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27.

Parents and kids are invited to don costumes during evening sale hours on "Family Night" Oct. 25, when prizes for costumes will be awarded.

Visit www.bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/pondcove for information about the sale. Go to www.capepcpa.org to find out when classes will visit the fair. Contact Erin Salvador at salvadorfamily@maine.rr.com or call 799-0478 to sign up to volunteer.

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Arico will speak at a free supper, to which the public is invited, at 5:30 p.m. on Friday.

The following day, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., he will present "Taste of Silence: A Retreat on Centering Prayer." The \$50 fee for the retreat will cover lunch and coffee. Reservations are recommended. Arico will be the guest speaker at St. Alban's 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday.

Go to www.stalbansmaine.org or call 799-4014 to make reservations for the retreat. St. Alban's is located at 885 Shore Road.

First Congregational joins hunger mission

By Wendy Keeler

The First Congregational Church United Church of Christ in South Portland will join other United Church of Christ churches in November in an 11-day effort aimed at putting an end to world hunger. In the "Mission: 1" effort, congregations will work together to donate 1 million healthy food items to food pantries, send 11,111 letters to Congress in support of more effective U.S. foreign aid, and raise at least \$111,111 in online donations for UCC's Neighbors in Need mission, which seeks to support ministries of justice and compassion.

The effort is named "Mission: 1," because of "the oneness to which Jesus calls us," said Elsa Peters, associate minister at First Congregational. "On Meetinghouse Hill, we will dream with our whole denomination that it is possible to end hunger within our lifetime. In these 11 powerful days, we will face the

reality of hunger in our world and in our local community so that Jesus' prayer might truly come true."

Parishioners plan to donate 111 nonperishable food items to the Cape Elizabeth-South Portland Emergency Food Pantry, which is housed in the church. At a potluck dinner set for 6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 3, church members will write 111 letters to legislators, "because we believe that our faith requires advocacy," Peters said.

Donna Yellen of Preble Street Resources and the Maine Hunger Initiative will speak at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the church.

"Donna will challenge us by asking, 'No more food pantries and soup kitchens?'" Peters said. "... We know that this dream seems impossible, but we believe that we can do it together."

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Church to hold rummage sale on Oct. 15

The First Congregational Church United Church of Christ will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15, in the church's Guptill Hall and

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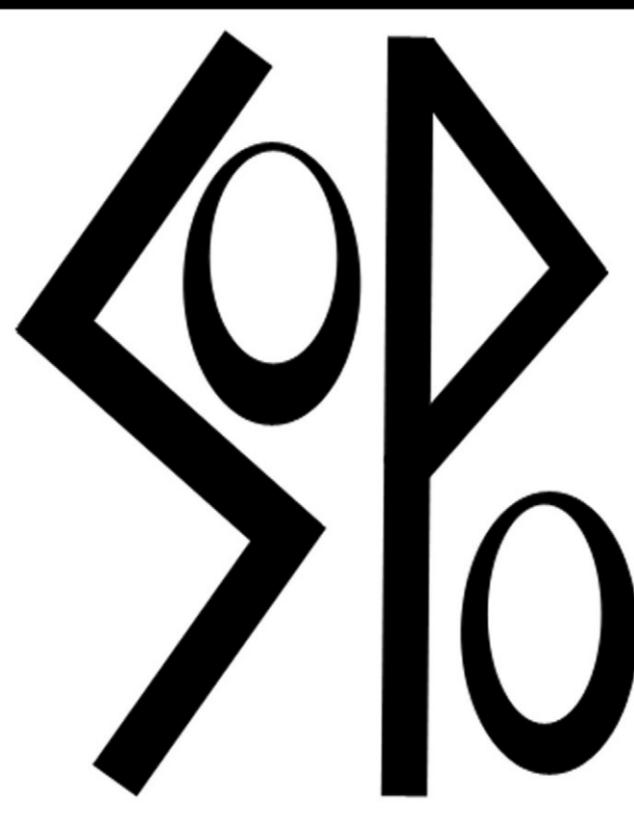
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Ratner

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for the International Federation of Cynological Sports 2012 World Agility Championships, which will take place in May in Forth Worth, Texas.

In dog-agility events, handlers such as Ratner direct a dog through a complicated obstacle course in a race for accuracy and time. Dogs compete off leash without the incentive of food or toys. Handlers are not allowed to touch their dogs or the obstacles and have to rely on voice, movement, and various body signals to control their dogs. Dogs compete in various height classes and earn points for their performance.

“The whole premise of agility is steering your dog around an obstacle course against the clock without any errors,” Ratner said at home in late September, surrounded by the Ratner family’s four dogs.

Kelso and Jonesy are performing in different height classes in this week’s competition, the outcome of which will determine which handlers and dogs make it onto the United States team to compete at the world competition.

Kelso entered the competition with middling scores from the past three qualifying competitions, so it’s unlikely that Ratner



Photo by Kate Harnden

Delaney Ratner and her dogs, Jonesy, left, and Kelso, take a break from backyard-agility training on Oct. 3.

and Kelso will make the world team, she said.

But Ratner and Jonesy stand a chance. In qualifying competitions in Texas, Georgia

and New York this spring and summer, the duo earned scores that put them at No. 11 in the United States in Jonesy’s height class. They need to score in the top four this week to make it to the world competition.

If not for Jonesy’s transportability – he is small enough to fit inside a carrier that can be stowed under an airplane seat – he would not be competing this week for a spot on the world team. This spring, Ratner intended to compete only with Kelso at qualifying competitions in Texas and Georgia.

“But Jonesy can fit in a carrier that slides under the seat in front of you on a plane, so we put in a form for Jonesy. He ended up doing really, really well,” Ratner said.

Typically, border collies are more bid-dable than schnauzers, Ratner said.

“Border collies really like work. They really like having a job,” Ratner said. “But Jonesy is complicated. He doesn’t want to work just to work, so you really need to re-inforce him in training with food and toys. I mean, how long would you stay at your job if you weren’t being paid?”

‘Bombproof’

Ratner has been competing in agility events since she was six years old, inspired by her mother Cindy, a longtime dog handler and trainer, who teaches agility classes around Cumberland County.

Ratner’s first agility teacher?

“Our border collie Shane,” Ratner said. “He was (like) the horse you would put your kid on if you didn’t want them to fall. He was bombproof.”

Ratner’s second dog, Page, another border collie, taught her another skill: how to lose.

“She was humbling and funny, and sometimes she just wanted to have fun. She would smoke a class and crush everyone, or she would just jump on the judges and lick them in the middle of the competition,” Ratner said. “She taught me how to lose, because I won a lot with Shane, and I like winning. With Page, I didn’t win so much.”

Dog agility may look cute and fun – dogs run through tunnels, jump over hurdles, weave through closely spaced poles and jump through rings – but dog handling and training is not for wimps.

Throughout the year, Ratner competes two to four weekends a month at two- or three-day competitions. Because there are

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– Delaney Ratner**

no USDAA events in Maine, Ratner has to travel out of state to compete. “That’s why I chose UMass over the University of New Hampshire,” said Ratner, who plans to continue competing next year. “I need to find dog-friendly housing or file (for) an off-campus exemption.”

‘All-encompassing’

Ratner spends no more than 20 minutes a day running through agility events with her dogs, but training is “pretty all-encompassing,” she said.

In addition to attending weekly agility classes in Portland and Buxton, Ratner teaches classes and attends intensive three- to five-day camps, where top trainers from around the world lead seminars. She also spends time each week watching training videos and footage from agility competitions.

Handlers have to be in prime physical condition, so Ratner works with a personal trainer and devotes time to working out regularly.

But she has no complaints about the time she puts into training and competing.

“I have always been pretty athletic,” said Ratner, who played field hockey, basketball, baseball, and ran cross country during her years in the Cape schools. “I love sports and I love dogs, and agility is a really good opportunity to combine them.”

The agility community is also a big draw, said Ratner, who has made friends from all over the world during competitions and at training camps.

‘Fifty moms’

“I have made a lot of really good friends who love sports and are crazy dog people,” Ratner said. “It’s a definite community, and I have 50 moms.”

Cindy Ratner loves that fact.

“If she puts something about someone on Facebook, all these people will put stuff on (Delaney’s Facebook wall), saying, ‘Who is this person? Does your mom know?’” Cindy said.

Ratner, who has made a name for herself regionally, is one of the youngest handlers at the national championships and has no plans to quit competing in the near future. She can’t imagine a life without dogs – thank goodness, she said.

“My entire resume is dog trainer, dog walker, and then I have a month as a Cape Rec Camp counselor,” she laughed.

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Seven family members run in 65 Roses Race



Left to right, Danielle Speckman Sterling, Nate Speckman, Tony Nappi, Josh Nappi, Meghan Gildart Nappi, Johnny Speckman, and Tyler Sterling ran the 65 Roses Race on Sept. 25.

Aaron Sterling may have been 30 years old when he died in August from complications resulting from cystic fibrosis, but in his three decades Sterling had a life-changing impact on the lives of others.

After Sterling had a lung transplant in 2003, his sister-in-law, Danielle Speckman Sterling, who grew up in Cape, quit her job and went back to school to get a degree in respiratory therapy. The wife of Sterling's brother, Tyler, who donated a lung to his brother for the transplant, Danielle is now a respiratory therapist at Southern Maine

Medical Center in Biddeford.

"... Aaron was the reason why she changed careers and why she has the compassion for what she does," said Danielle's mother, Cape resident Donna Nappi.

A group of family members honored Aaron Sterling on Sept. 25 by running in the 65 Roses Race in Portland, which was dedicated to him this year. The runners included Danielle and Tyler Sterling; Donna Nappi's sons, Nate and Johnny Speckman; her husband Tony; and his son and daughter-in-law, Josh and Meghan Gildart Nappi.

Although Aaron and Tyler Sterling did not grow up in Cape, the family has Cape roots: their great-grandfather, Robert Thayer Sterling, was the last civilian keeper of Portland Head Light.

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Ann Zeigler and Justin Unger

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The daughter of the Rev. Luther and Pat Zeigler of Newton, Mass., Ann is a 2004 graduate of the National Cathedral School in Washington, D.C. She graduated from Bowdoin College in Brunswick in 2008 and works as a marketing and social media manager for the Boston Red Sox.

The groom, the son of Lynne and David

Unger of Cape Elizabeth, is a 2004 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School. He graduated in 2008 from Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., and works as a marketing analyst at Digitas in Boston.

The couple resides in Boston.

Five generations

Five generations united recently when Cape resident Norma Sweetsir, rear row, left, got together with, center, grandson Dan Morin; right, daughter Marie Morin; front row, her mother Lillian Ronfeldt; and grandson Tyler Morin. "My son (Dan) just had his first child," Marie Morin, a Kennebunk resident who grew up in Cape, wrote in an email to *The Cape Courier*, "making my mother (Norma) a great grandmother and her mother (Lilian) a great-great grandmother!" Dan, who now lives in Kennebunk, attended Cape schools until he was 13. Ronfeldt lives in Scarborough.



More Neighbors on page 9

Easton Peter Ney is the newest grandson of Cape residents Jackie and Peter Coy. Born July 15 and weighing 6 pounds, 9 ounces, Easton is the son of Brian and Karen Ney of Portland, and the brother of Crosby Ney. Brian is a 1992 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School. Easton's maternal grandparents, Bruce and Susan Felmy, live in Manchester, N.H.



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Laurie Inness