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Bothels seek OK to clear near wetland for 'pick-your-own' blueberry farm

By Wendy Derzawiec

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, on a proposal to clear trees and to plant blueberries at Fox Run Farm, off Ocean House Road near Windmill Road.

The farmers, Stephen and Patt Bothel and Robert Bothel, are applying for a permit to clear a portion of their property located in a critical wetland buffer. The clearing would remove 36 hemlock, oak, beech and pine trees, allowing enough sunlight to cultivate another area in the buffer where they plan to plant blueberries.

If granted, and planted, the Bothels plan to run a "pick-your-own" blueberry operation during part of the harvest season.

John Mitchell, of Mitchell and Associates, said the trees to be cleared are currently shading the blueberry growth area.

"The clearing is critical in order to grow the blueberry bushes," Mitchell told members of the Planning Board at their Oct. 18 meeting. "If these trees can't be removed, it's going to eliminate a very large area of this overall 1.3 acres of operation because

—see BLUEBERRIES, page 6

LIFE AT 3



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

Mia Haley and Dora Hurt, both 3 and from South Portland, talk up a storm on the sunny afternoon of Nov. 1 at the Fort Williams playground. Their stories to each other included many trips to a "fake grandmother's house" and several encounters with scary monsters.

Who knew? Scarecrows hold power to spark community spirit

By Patricia McCarthy

The Wood family didn't have to spend a lot of time thinking of a theme for the scarecrow they entered in a townwide contest last month.

The family quickly settled on a "Jaws" approach, with a shark surfacing in the front yard of their Crescent View Avenue home and a surfer nearby, with a big bite missing from his surfboard.

"We're from California originally, and our son is a big surfer, so we thought it was appropriate," said Tania Wood, who created the scarecrow with her husband, Bruce, and their children, Sawyer, 14, and Saylor, 10.

"My husband is really good with tools so he just jigsawed a bite out of the surfboard, and it was his idea to have the shark coming out of the ground," she said. "We just did this from the heart and with little time to spare because of a full weekend of soccer."

Their last-minute entry, nicknamed "Calicrow" by a friend, won the family bragging rights for "funniest scarecrow" in the contest, run by the Pond Cove Parents Association.

—see SCARECROWS, page 18

Pretty spiffy



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

The transformation of the front of Town Hall was essentially complete, except for some touch-up paint, as of Nov. 4 before The Cape Courier was printed. The porch's four round columns were replaced with two to replicate the original look. Also, new decking, railings and the building's sign were installed. Most of the work was done by the town's facilities department staff to save money.

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• **Note to readers:** This issue was printed before the Nov. 8 election. Please see capeelizabeth.com for results.
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Cape performer Peter Campbell has 'done it all' — and he's 17



Photo by Kenn Gonneville

In the short film, "The Barn," Cape Elizabeth High School senior Peter Campbell, pictured here in a film still, plays a bully in a town rocked by a supernatural force. The movie opens Dec. 5 at The Nickelodeon in Portland.

Editor's note: This is part of an ongoing series of profiles about Cape Elizabeth residents and their lives.

By Wendy Keeler

Around the halls of Cape Elizabeth High School, the red-haired 17-year-old dynamo, Peter Campbell, has a reputation for being funny and friendly and for not taking himself too seriously.

But make no mistake. The affable, laid-back senior does not lack discipline or passion, proof of which is evident in

the length and breadth of his performing arts résumé.

A professional bagpiper, Campbell played his first funeral at age 8 and has since piped at weddings, graduations and ceremonies that include Cape Elizabeth's annual Memorial Day dedication and an event honoring former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell.

At the high school, Campbell has been ubiquitous. In 2010, he played the lead in the musical, "Oliver!" and he also has written plays, including "The Meaning of

Life ... Finally," which he co-wrote and acted in this spring. He is the designer and chief of lighting for the upcoming high school musical "Gold in the Hills," as he has been for several school productions. A piano player, Campbell has played trombone, trumpet and drums in school jazz combos and orchestral bands, also earning honors at speech meets during high school.

Audiences will have a chance to see

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Reader apologizes for letter on library costs

My last letter regarding the possible cost of a new library has raised some questions. Was the \$40,000,000 in the letter a typo that should have been \$4,000,000?

What I know is that my wife read me an article from another local paper which stated that the cost of the project would be \$40 million. I don't know if that was a typo or whether I made the error.

I know that *The Current* mentions the fig-

ure of \$8,000,000.

In either case, I apologize. One shouldn't always believe what one reads.

Councilman (David) Sherman has assured me that the estimates have run from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000. His source was a report by the library committee in 2009.

Still too much, in my opinion, for the same reasons I wrote in my previous letter.

Bob Tripler

Council chair welcomes citizen input on library

As chair of the Cape Elizabeth Town Council, I am privileged to work on behalf of all our residents.

An important responsibility of the council is to review our municipal facilities to insure they meet our needs and provide the services we expect. As the Thomas Memorial Library approaches its 100th anniversary, the time has come to determine how we maintain this facility for the next century.

There have been a number of letters to the *Courier* commenting on the TML Study Committee's recommendation that the town replace the existing structure. Some have said that libraries are obsolete or that we can't afford it. Others counter that the library is important and will remain relevant to our community for decades to come.

The TML Study Committee has identified hundreds of deficiencies in the TML buildings. More important, the committee has offered us a vision for a new facility: a place where patrons of all ages will have access to books and computers.

They foresee new meeting facilities where large groups can enjoy movies, debates and lectures. They see an efficient building with no barriers to the handicapped or elderly, where all residents may come and go with ease. They see a thriving community gathering place for learning and sharing experiences.

I encourage all citizens to read the Study Committee's report on the TML website. I also welcome your input as the council explores a library for the 21st century and beyond.

David Sherman,
Cape Elizabeth Town Council chair

Reader takes issue with letter writer's points

Bob Tripler (10-12-2011 issue) might wish to check his facts. He states that he has seen \$40 million "kicked around" as the cost for a new library.

This figure is totally unfounded and, more importantly, totally undocumented. Never has that number or anywhere near it ever been presented in any official documents.

Second, there is substantial documented evidence on the library's major physical plant problems: (1) an antiquated, obsolete and inefficient HVAC system; (2) lack of adherence to federal regulations of the Americans with Disabilities Act; (3) below building standards for floor load-bearing; (4) serious air circulation, leaking and mold issues; (5) a single lift system which is prone to failure with parts no longer manufactured.

Mr. Tripler believes that with the advent of the Kindle, Nook and other such devices, the need for library collections and, therefore, library use will diminish.

On the contrary, the TML is not alone in the nation to report a continuing rise in circulation, interlibrary loans, and visitor statistics.

As to those e-devices, they are simply another tool among many for access to information, not a replacement for library collections. Not everyone has a Kindle, nor does everyone even want one.

This spurious argument reminds me of when television came upon the scene. The naysayers were vocal in their belief that this heralded the demise and doom of radio. Not so then, and not so now.

Nancy H. Marshall

PCPA appreciates Harvest Festival support

The PCPA would like to thank the many community members who rallied together to build scarecrows, help prep for the Harvest Festival, and attend the event – whether to vote for their favorite crows, eat our delicious local harvest food or just partake in a little fall fun!

We are already looking forward to seeing more scarecrows all over Cape Elizabeth next fall! Congrats to the winners, but we consider all who participated winners because each and every scarecrow was a joy to see!

Julie Merriam and Amy Lombardo,
PCPA co-presidents

At close of Season 2, food pantry committee thanks pastor, residents

Judy's Produce Pantry finished its second season with grateful thanks from those Cape residents with limited resources who were able to obtain fresh, locally grown produce and beautiful flowers for themselves and their families.

Open each Tuesday afternoon from late June through October, the pantry welcomed approximately 34 participants. A group of 15-20 regular visitors included seniors living on Social Security, others who had lost jobs or had significant health issues, and parents with limited resources trying to feed their families healthy food.

As one participant noted in her thanks, "Please know what a profound difference you made for us and, clearly, all the other people we saw there. The variety of produce was wonderful! But perhaps THE most wonderful part of the pantry was how good it felt to be so warmly welcomed and also to feel a sense of 'we are not the only ones.'"

The pantry committee wishes to thank Ruth Morrison, pastor at the United Methodist Church, for hosting us in such a welcoming space.

The committee greatly appreciates all those Cape residents who grew the produce at the community gardens or in their backyards and the Cape farmers who contributed.

The pantry made available over 2,300 pounds of fresh produce and beautiful flowers; 900 pounds from the community gardens, 950 pounds from our wonderful farmers, and 475 pounds from generous residents who donated from their home gardens.

Together, Cape shared its bountiful harvest with our neighbors in need.

Nancy Miles
Judy's Produce Pantry coordinator

Reader lays out reasons to charge fees at fort for buses, trolleys

Citizens of Cape Elizabeth, are you interested in helping support the maintenance, preservation and restoration of our beautiful Fort Williams Park? We have the opportunity to help.

On Nov. 14, the Town Council is holding a public hearing for citizens to speak on charging a fee to the hundreds of buses and trolleys that visit the park every year. Following is why we should charge a nominal fee:

(1) The tour buses and trolleys are selling tours that include a visit to the world-famous Portland Head Light. Tours of the Portland area without a visit to this lighthouse would be a hard, if not impossible, sell. Therefore, we have no fear of losing the tour buses.

(2) Passengers on the buses have elected to buy the tour, which gives them a driver, guide, easy access (a few footsteps) to the lighthouse, museum, museum shop, and magnificent views of Casco Bay.

There are those who raise a moral issue, saying it is not fair to charge the buses when we voted against all "fees" last year. The facts are, we didn't. We voted only against requiring cars to pay a fee (pay/display parking tickets). These private cars are not using the park as a moneymaker. The buses are.

I encourage citizens to attend the Nov. 14 hearing, and speak in favor of charging buses and trolleys.

Impossible to attend? Please email our town councilors that you want the buses and trolleys charged a fee. Thank you.

Betty Crane

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Town funds daytime coverage by paramedics

The town has agreed to hire paramedics to make sure someone is available to handle rescue calls during the day.

The decision means a paramedic will be stationed at the Town Center Fire Station 10 hours a day, seven days a week, beginning Jan. 1.

Fire Chief Peter Gleeson told the Town Council at its Oct. 12 meeting that volunteer responders have more demands on their time and it's becoming harder for the Rescue Department, which is a division of the Fire Department, to make prompt responses to rescue calls, particularly during the day.

The Rescue Department currently has responders scheduled to work nights, from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., but the rest of the time, it has to rely on whoever might be available when a call comes in.

About half of the rescue calls come in between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., department statis-

tics show.

The Rescue Study Committee, which was formed to assess the needs of the department, had recommended hiring a paramedic on a per-diem basis because of the difficulty of relying on volunteer responders during the day.

Gleeson said the program will start by scheduling day shifts for, and paying, the six paramedics who currently are on the rescue squad. He added that he expects to hire more paramedics during the first few months of next year.

The staffing is expected to cost nearly \$77,000 a year. The money will come from a special rescue revenue fund for the first year and the cost will likely be included in the department's regular budget in subsequent years.

Gleeson said the paramedics will have other duties when not responding to calls.

Councilors revise policy on budget surpluses

A new policy on surplus revenues adopted by the Town Council last month is designed to give the town more financial flexibility.

Currently, the town maintains an unassigned fund – money not designated for a specific program – equal to a month of revenue, or 8.33 percent of annual revenue. Money in excess of that amount was, under the former policy, to be carried forward into the next year's budget to ease any increase in taxes.

The new policy maintains that general

policy, but adds that a surplus that totals 115 percent of the one-month figure may be spent on capital expenditures, unanticipated needs, or for future property tax relief.

Any amount between the one-month surplus and the 115 percent figure would still be rolled over into the following year's budget for tax relief.

The new policy would not have come into play this year because the town's unassigned fund was at 113 percent of a one-month surplus when the fiscal year ended on June 30.

School Board streamlines its committees

The Cape Elizabeth School Board has streamlined its committee structure, eliminating two standing and five advisory committees and reducing the number of members assigned to represent the board before other groups.

The goal is to provide a greater focus on finance and policy issues, Mary Townsend, board chair, said at a meeting last month.

The board decided to drop the Human Resources and Teaching and Learning committees, while retaining the Finance and Policy committees. Townsend said the two main goals of the committees being dropped – writing job descriptions and developing a curriculum-management plan – are either complete or nearly done.

The board decided to keep two advisory

committees, Legislative Liaison and Positive Action, and added a new Building and Grounds Committee. The Communication, Extracurricular, Sports Done Right, Strategic Planning, and Wellness committees are being dropped.

Finally, the board will continue to appoint representatives to the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation; the Maine School Management Association; the board of the Portland Arts and Technology High School; and the Technology Steering Committee.

However, instead of appointing a board member, the district's facilities director will serve as a liaison between the School Board and the town's Alternative Energy Committee.

Townsend said the streamlining plan was developed at the board's midyear retreat.

Recycling Center, pool open on Veterans Day

Town Hall and the Thomas Memorial Library will be closed for Veterans Day on Friday, Nov. 11.

Schools will also be closed for the fed-

eral holiday.

The Recycling Center and the Donald L. Richards Pool will be open regular hours.

– Patricia McCarthy



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Town Council adopts message-board rules

The town's electronic message board, recently positioned on Route 77 near Town Hall to remind residents of the Nov. 8 election, should be used primarily for public-safety announcements, the Town Council decided recently.

In October, the council approved a policy for use of the board and said messages about road closures and other safety issues are the top priority, but messages about elections also are allowed.

The policy adopted by the council said the board shouldn't be used for fundraising

or notices about meetings, athletic or cultural events except when those events require road closures.

The overall policy calls for the board to be used sparingly to maintain its effectiveness as a way of communicating public safety information to the public.

The message board, which cost \$18,000 and was purchased with a grant from the Department of Homeland Security, is on a trailer and can be moved to various parts of town. It runs on a rechargeable battery and a small solar panel.

Turkey Trot 5K is Nov. 20 (no turkeys required!)

Want to work up an appetite a few days before Thanksgiving? The Turkey Trot 5K will probably do the trick.

The annual race will be held on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 9 a.m., beginning and ending at Cape Elizabeth Middle School. The first 350 entrants will receive T-shirts.

A kid's run will be held at 8:30 a.m.

The entry fee is \$17 for those preregistering and \$20 on race day. Runners can register online at mainetrackclub.com/page/show/maine-running-company-turkey-trot.

A pdf version of the entry form for those who prefer to print it out is also available at the same site.

There is no entry fee for the kid's run.

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Blueberries

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of the sunlight, or lack of," Mitchell said. The Bothels are asking to disturb 7,100 square feet in the wetland buffer. The town requires a permit to disturb land within 250 feet of a critical wetland.

As a mitigation measure, the Bothels also are proposing to permanently protect a 50-foot wide strip of land around the blueberries. The remainder of the farm is dedicated as cattle pasture, Mitchell said.

More trail access to Great Pond

The Planning Board also approved the addition of two lots to the Golden Ridge subdivision, located between Great Pond and Route 77, as long as the developer grants an 870-foot pedestrian easement along the northern border of the new lots.

The easement eventually would provide additional pedestrian access to Great Pond

from Route 77 and would not be used until there is a Route 77 connector.

The board voted 6-1 to require the easement as a way to meet town standards for maintaining open space. Opposing the requirement was board member Carol Anne Jordan, who said she agreed with the developer that the easement would lower the market value of the property.

John Mitchell of Mitchell and Associates, representing developer Sheldon Goldman of Golden Ridge LLC, said he and his client strongly believe a pedestrian easement within the 30-foot property line setback would not only have an environmental impact, but greatly reduce Goldman's ability to sell the property.

"Who wants a pedestrian public easement right in their backyard?" Mitchell said.

Board members, however, pointed to studies showing the value of a property can increase by as much as 10 percent when located in proximity to greenbelt trails and open

space. The board included this in the "findings of fact" portion of the approval.

Some board members also pointed to trail systems in areas such as Broad Cove, trails that crisscross neighborhoods but do not lessen their value.

"It's a choice," said board member Victoria Volent. "People walk through my yard all the time, and I don't mind it. I choose to live there," she said.

Jordan, however, said there was a difference between "proximity" to a greenbelt trail and having a trail cross your property.

"I see too many people abuse private property," she said. She also said she did not like the idea of forcing a developer to donate land rather than money.

The town requires developers to compensate for the impact new housing will have on townwide open space by either donating land for public access, or paying a fee equal to the value of that land.

The amount of compensation is based on the amount of public open space already available to each Cape Elizabeth household. Because Goldman would be adding two households to the town, he would need to donate 20,050 square feet of land to maintain the town's current open-space ratio, or pay an \$8,640 fee.

Mitchell said his client would much rather pay the fee. "The applicant wants to retain the overall character of the property," located in a wooded, secluded area off the private Golden Ridge Lane, Mitchell said. "A public trail would change the private element," he said.

The board's preference for an easement was based on a recommendation from the town's Conservation Commission, which saw the path as a connector between the existing Great Pond Trail and property owned by Rudy's of the Cape on Route 77. Town Planner Maureen O'Meara said Rudy's owners have agreed to consider a connecting easement when their application for site renovation comes to the board in the next few months.

The board discussed different options for easement for more than 90 minutes, which included a public hearing. The one speaker, Golden Ridge Lane resident Leslie Young, said she and her family oppose the easement because walkers often fail to stay on the trails that are there now. "They don't honor or respect people's property; that's our main concern," Young said.

Board members said they would press

the Conservation Commission for more and clearer trail signage to address Young's concerns.

Because most trespassing occurs as a result of dead-end trails, the stipulation for a connecting trail to Route 77 should minimize encroachment on private property, board members said.

Hearings set on inn renovation, permit for road construction

In other matters, the board also set public hearings for Nov. 15 on a proposal from the Inn by the Sea to demolish and rebuild the "600 cottages," located behind the inn and on a permit requested by Colin Powers to fill wetland near Sunrise and Lighthouse Point roads to construct a single-family home.

The Inn by the Sea's plan for the cottages was approved by the Planning Board in December, but owners have since decided on a different design. Changes include moving an inside stairwell to the outside and adding an elevator, said architect Scott Teas, representing the inn.

The square footage of the project remains the same and expands the area 25 percent, as limited by town ordinance.

The Lighthouse Point Road application, made by Eoin LLC, proposes to fill 669 square feet of wetland to build a single-family home. Board members said they were concerned about drainage and wanted more detailed descriptions of proposed stormwater runoff.

The lot is located between Hannaford Cove and Two Lights roads.



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Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-7 An officer met with a resident of the Spurwink Avenue area about possible violation of a protection order. The case was forwarded to the district attorney's office for review.
- 10-11 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a motor vehicle burglary report. Missing from the vehicle was a canvas tote bag containing a cell phone and several dozen CDs.
- 10-17 An officer met with a registered sex offender from California who was expected to be living on Two Lights Road until Oct. 24.
- 10-21 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area about a possible criminal-threatening complaint. The suspect is known to the plaintiff. The subject was contacted and advised to cease.
- 10-22 An officer responded to a report of a loose dog bothering people in the Two Lights Road area. The dog was located, restrained, and the owner was identified.
- 10-23 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for a reported domestic verbal altercation.

- 10-23 An officer met with a resident of Biddeford about a dog-bite complaint. The officer contacted the owner of the dog, who provided contact information for the dog's vet, and the owner was also issued a quarantine notice.

SUMMONSES

- 10-12 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Scott Dyer Road, \$171
- 10-12 Lisbon resident, failure to produce insurance, Scott Dyer Road, \$171
- 10-12 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, operating with expired license, Ocean House Road, \$447
- 10-14 Scarborough resident, uninspected vehicle, Scott Dyer Road, \$133
- 10-14 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of marijuana, Scott Dyer Road
- 10-15 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Avenue, \$133
- 10-15 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (59/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, \$215
- 10-17 Yarmouth resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 10-19 Scarborough resident, unregistered vehicle, Shore Road, \$70
- 10-20 South Portland resident, unregistered vehicle, Ocean House Road, \$70

- 10-21 Portland resident, operating with expired license, Fowler Road, \$137
- 10-21 Boston resident, uninspected vehicle, Pine Point Road, \$133
- 10-21 Portland resident, speeding (49/35 zone), Ocean House Road, \$137
- 10-21 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Spurwink Road, \$171
- 10-21 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Spurwink Road, \$171
- 10-21 Scarborough resident, speeding, Scott Dyer Road, (35/15 zone), \$420
- 10-21 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Scott Dyer Road, \$171
- 10-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, dog at large, Two Lights Road
- 10-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70

JUVENILE SUMMONSES

- 10-20 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding, violation of interim license, \$352

FIRE CALLS

- 10-11 Hunts Point Road, investigation
- 10-12 Killdeer Road, C.O. alarm
- 10-13 Scott Dyer Road, fire alarm
- 10-16 Brentwood Road, water problem
- 10-16 Resolution Place, fire alarm
- 10-17 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 10-20 South Portland mutual aid
- 10-21 Scott Dyer Road, structure fire
- 10-21 South Portland, mutual aid
- 10-22 Mitchell Road, fire-police call

RESCUE CALLS

There were 25 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 2 runs to Mercy Hospital. There were 2 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.



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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.

Nov. 9, 1861 – The steamer *Nelly Baker* will run during the winter between Portland and Bangor or Winterport. [*Portland Transcript*]

An Army on horseback – The government has now nearly fifty thousand cavalry in the field and under marching orders. [*Portland Transcript*]

Engagement in Western Virginia – On Friday week Floyd's forces attacked [Union] Gen. Rosencranz at Gauley Bridge but were repulsed with great loss. Gen. Rosencranz then sent a force across the river to cut off Floyd's retreat, and it was thought his whole force would be captured. [*Portland Transcript*]

The Great Expedition – News brought by the *Monticello*, of the blockading fleet, renders it certain that the naval expedition escaped the storm without material damage, though some of the transports were obliged to put back. The fleet was seen on Saturday night moving along finely within 80 miles of Bull Bay, an arm of the sea running up near Charleston S.C. [*Portland Transcript*]

Nov 15, 1861 – Joshua Chamberlain, Bowdoin College professor, is going "to spend the winter in Europe in the prosecution of his studies." [*Portland Advertiser*]

Nov. 16, 1861 – Portland as Naval Station – The committee appointed by Gov. Washburn to consult with the national authorities in regard to our coast defences [sic] has been favorably received at Washington. ... It is in contemplation to urge on the government the plan of making Portland a great naval station and strongly fortified military point against attack by land and sea. [*Portland Transcript*]

Col. Goddard has decided to march his Cavalry through New England, and probably as far as Harrisburg, Pa. The regiment will take its baggage in transportation wagons, pitch its tents nightly and preserve the war order when on its march. This method, while it will allow thousands to witness a grand military display, is the most economical manner of getting to the place where the services of the regiment are required. It will, however, be severe for the man and horses. [*Portland Transcript*]

Home guards are rather falling into contempt. The only kind of soldiering worth going in for is that which goes abroad to seek the enemy. [*Portland Transcript*]

Good Example – President Lincoln has invested \$8,300 of his salary in the National Loan. [*Portland Transcript*]

The Union men in East Tennessee have been burning bridges and tearing down telegraph wires to prevent the transportation of rebel troops. [*Portland Transcript*]

The storm which the rebels hoped would scatter our fleet caused them as much anxiety as it did us, for it blew down the telegraph poles between Charleston and Savannah, thus leaving the rebels' generals in doubt as to where the blow was to be struck. [*Portland Transcript*]

Capt. Nath'l Gordon, a native of this city, has been convicted in New York of being engaged in the slave trade. The penalty is death and it is said the President will not pardon him. [*Portland Transcript*]

Skirt lifter – Yankee ingenuity is up to every emergency. A New York ge-



Photo courtesy of Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society

The caption for this illustration, from the book, "The Soldier in Our Civil War," published in 1884 by J.H. Brown Publishing Co., reads "Grand Corral or horse depot, near Washington, D.C., for the requirements of the Army of the Potomac. ... Sketches drawn by... eyewitnesses to the Strife." The book belongs to the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society.

nius has invented an apparatus for raising ladies skirts when walking over muddy places. It is operated by pulling a tape at the waist. Wouldn't it be less trouble to cut the dresses off at a proper length? [*Portland Transcript*]

The 11th Regiment Col. Caldwell passed through this city on Wednesday morning on its way to Boston. Col. Shepley's Regiment gave it a salute at the Cape Elizabeth depot. Maine now has 10 regiments in the field and five more forming. [*Portland Transcript*]

Loss of steamer Governor – The steamer *Governor*, of the naval expedition, sunk off Charleston. The 400 mariners on board were taken off by another vessel. The *Governor* was owned by Col. John Goddard. [*Portland Transcript*]

The boys of the 10th Regiment are to have a Thanksgiving dinner sent them by their friends in this city. All who can contribute turkeys, chickens, geese, pies, etc., properly cooked, should send them to the store of Hall L. Davis, Exchange Street, by Saturday of the present week. Winslow's Express will forward them free of charge. [*Portland Transcript*]

Two hundred and forty recruits

for the 17th regiment, regular army, are now stationed at Ft. Preble. An excellent band, 26 in number, conducted by Mr. Albert Poppenberg, one the best musicians in the country, has recently arrived at the Fort. [*Portland Transcript*]

Nov. 13, 1861 – The fifth Maine Regiment is now very comfortable, having received winter blankets and under clothes and new tents. They are also to receive new rifle brigade. About 500 recruits are needed to fill up the ranks of the regiment. [*Portland Transcript*]

The 10th Maine Regiment is now stationed at the Relay House, about 15 miles from Baltimore, where it will probably remain during the winter, doing guard duty. [*Portland Transcript*]

The ladies of the State are determined to give all our brave soldiers the mitten. The soldiers won't object to this, for they know the ladies' hearts go with the mittens. [*Portland Transcript*]

—see SESQUICENTENNIAL, next page

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A New Name – Ralph Waldo Emerson said in a recent lecture, “The South call slavery an institution. I call it a destitution.” [Portland Transcript]

Bread riots, which the rebels thought would be rife in all northern cities, now threaten their own towns of Macon, Nashville and Memphis. [Portland Transcript]

Indications are that the United States are to be well represented in the World’s Fair of 1862 – free of cost. [Portland Transcript]

The Battle of Port Royal – ... The result is hailed throughout the loyal States with the greatest enthusiasm. At last accounts the pillage by the slaves had nearly ceased. [Portland Transcript]

Death of Maine Soldiers – Lieut. E. H. Hall, of the 9th Maine Regiment, writes us from on board the U.S. Steamship *Coatzacoalcas*, one of the navel expedition, that Edward K. Eaton, of Brunswick, a member of Co. B, 9th Maine Regiment, died on the 30th ult. [abbreviation for the Latin word, “ultimo,” or “last,” meaning “last day of the month”], off Cape Hatteras and was buried with honors. John Bodge, of Co. C., also died, of congestive fever, on the 4th inst. [abbreviation for “instante mense,” or “current month”] off Fort Royal, and was buried in the sea. [Portland Transcript]

The Georgia troops were the first to run at Port Royal, the South Carolina troops next, and a German artillery company, who served the guns, stayed till the last. [Portland Transcript]

Thank goodness, Gen. McClellan is not a speech-maker. Not even the great torch-light demonstration at Washington could draw a word from him. Some of the Colonels ... would do well to take a hint from the reticence of their commanding officer. [Portland Transcript]

Capture of the Arch Rebels: Slidell and Mason! – The Navy has rendered the country another good service. Following on the heels of the Port Royal victory comes the electrifying intelligence of the capture of those haughty aristocrats and high priests of treason, Slidell and Mason, while on their way to further the interests of the Rebels in Europe They were taken from the British Mail Steamship *Trent*, in the Bahamas channel. [Portland Transcript]

The new rifled gun made by the Portland Company, was tried last week with great success. The shot was a new projectile, the invention of Mr. J.B. Johnson of this city. [Portland Transcript]

The Maine Regiments – In the battle of Port Royal the 8th Maine regiment was on board the *Ariel*, in the right column of attack – the 9th Maine, in the left column, on board the *Coatzacoalcas*. [Portland Transcript]

‘I remember (reading my *Courier* at) the Alamo’



Cape resident Sydney Roberts, a Pond Cove School fourth-grader, reads The Cape Courier outside the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas, during a trip there with her family.

Inn by the Sea pumpkin carving



Photo by Rauni Kew

Some of the 300 Cape residents who turned out for the Inn by the Sea’s Oct. 29 pumpkin-carving contest, included, left to right, front row, Cooper Sherman, Katie Bozek and Heather Chase, winners of the 10-years-and-older category; back row, State Rep. Jane Eberle, the contest judge; and carver Matthew Yim. Six younger children also received carving honors at the event, where hot cider and cookies were served.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Gregg H. Ginn**, a lawyer with Verrill Dana in Portland, has been recognized in the latest edition of *New England Super Lawyers* in the field of employee benefits. Recognition is based on peer-review surveys.

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Town Council Appointments Committee, 6 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Thursday, November 10

Town Council Appointments Committee, 6 p.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Musical "Gold in the Hills," 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth High School

Friday, November 11

Veterans Day Holiday, Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library, schools closed. Recycling Center open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, November 12

Musical "Gold in the Hills," 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth High School

Monday, November 14

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

Tuesday, November 15

School Board Policy Committee, 9:30 a.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Town Council Appointments Committee, 6 p.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

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

Wednesday, November 16

Town Council Ordinance Committee, 8 a.m.

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

Thursday, November 17

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

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

Friday, November 18

Musical "Gold in the Hills," 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth High School

Saturday, November 19

Musical "Gold in the Hills," 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth High School

Tuesday, November 22

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

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

Fire-Police meetings, 7 p.m. third Thursday of each month except July and August at the Cape Elizabeth Police Station, 325 Ocean House Road.

The South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club, each Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. at the Purpoodock Country Club on Spurwink Road in Cape Elizabeth. Contact Marge Barker, 838-8129.



Cast members in the Portland Players' upcoming musical, "White Christmas," include, left to right, Erin Marengi, Justin Stebbins, Bob Gauthier and Jamie Lupien Swenson.

Musical 'White Christmas' to open on Nov. 25

The musical "White Christmas" will run from Friday, Nov. 25, to Sunday, Dec. 11, at the Portland Players, located at 420 Cottage Road in South Portland. Performances are scheduled at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

The show, with music by Irving Berlin, chronicles the trials and travails of two

army buddies as they attempt to save the country inn of their old army commander. Jon Miele directs.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$15 for students with identification. Call 799-7337, email info@portlandplayers.org or go to portlandplayers.org for more information or to make reservations.

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CHANNEL 3

School Board replay
Nov. 9 & 10 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Nov. 12 - 9 a.m.

Words of Peace
Nov. 12 & 13 - 1 & 1:30 p.m.;
7 & 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 19 & 20 - 1 & 1:30 p.m.;
7 & 7:30 p.m.

Town Council (live)
Nov. 14 - 7:30 p.m.

Planning Board (live)
Nov. 15 - 7 p.m.

Town Council replay
Nov. 16 & 17 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Nov. 19 - 9 a.m.

Planning Board replay
Nov. 18 & 19 - 2 p.m.
& 8 p.m.
Nov. 20 - 9 a.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals (live)
Nov. 22 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board replay
Nov. 23 & 24 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Nov. 26 - 9 a.m.

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Police, Fire Appreciation Day planned Nov. 17



Photo by Kim Gillies

A young Cape resident at last year's Cape Appreciation Day enthusiastically checks out firefighter Ollie Ellis' "Guest of Honor" tag.

By Wendy Keeler

Community members will have an opportunity to express their thanks to volunteers and employees of the Cape Elizabeth Police Department, Fire Department, Rescue Team, and Water Extrication Team at the second annual Cape Elizabeth Community Fire and Police Appreciation Day on Thursday, Nov. 17.

The event, set for 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the Community Room at the Town Center Fire Station on Jordan Way, will include refreshments.

"This is a nice way to remind the community of all the things the fire department and police department do for our town. It also fosters a sense of community between young people and adults," said Kim Gillies, one of the organizers. "We would love for Cape residents and businesses to stop by, share some refreshments, and say thanks."

More than 100 people turned out at last

year's event, from octogenarians and Boy Scouts to toddlers and the entire Cape Elizabeth High School football team.

"There was an older gentleman who came to the event and brought boxes of cookies," Gillies said. "He said that he fell off his roof last winter, rescue responded, and he ended up needing brain surgery. He said if not for the incredible care and quick response of the rescue, he would have died."

Volunteers are needed to provide treats and beverages and to help with setup and cleanup.

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 Kim Gillies at 767-2734 for more information about the event. Contact Julie Ewald at julie.ewald@myfairpoint.net or 767-3949 about volunteering for the event.

Farm Alliance to hold Nov. 11 potluck dinner, annual meeting

The Cape Farm Alliance will celebrate the organization's fourth birthday at a Harvest Potluck planned at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, at Sprague Grange Hall. CFA's annual meeting, which will be held during the evening, will include highlights from 2011 and a discussion of plans for the future.

"Come enjoy a potluck feast of local foods and pay tribute to another bountiful harvest and to our growing agricultural economy in Cape Elizabeth," said Tina Harnden, a member of the board of CFA, which seeks to ensure Cape Elizabeth's farming future.

No reservations are required for the event. The price of admission will be a potluck dish that can serve six people: an appetizer, salad, soup, casserole or dessert.

"Please use local foods as much as possible. Our farm stands are still open," Harnden said.

Diners can bring their own alcohol to the event. Sprague Grange Hall is located at the corner Route 77 and Charles E. Jordan Road. Call Mary Ellen Chadd at 799-4784 for more information.

Cape Nordic auction planned on Dec. 4

Cape Nordic will host the ski club's annual auction at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4. Proceeds from the auction will benefit all Cape Nordic programs, including the middle school and high school Nordic ski teams.

The end of the Jingle Fest fundraiser at the high school [see page 14] will overlap the start of the auction.

Contact Ann Barksdale at 332-9438 or ahbarksdale@earthlink.net for more information about the auction.

'Meet Me in St. Louis' at Lyric Music Theater Nov. 18-Dec. 3

The musical, "Meet Me in St. Louis," will open at the Lyric Music Theater in South Portland on Friday, Nov. 18, and run through Sunday, Dec. 3. Performances are scheduled at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and on Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

Based on the 1944 film of the same name, the play is set in 1904 at the World's Fair in St. Louis. Songs include "Trolley Song" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

All tickets are \$21.99. Call 799-1421, or go to www.lyricmusictheater.org to make reservations or get more information. The theater is located at 176 Sawyer St.

Eight-session SAT prep class starts Nov. 29

Cape Elizabeth Community Services will offer an eight-session SAT preparation course taught by Maine Prep, which will start on Tuesday, Nov. 29. The weekly two-hour sessions, to be held at Cape Elizabeth High School, will prepare students for the Jan. 28, 2012, SAT test.

Call Community Services at 799-2868 to register. Go to www.maineprep.com for more information about the class schedule. Call 798-5690 or email maineprep@gmail.com for more information about Maine Prep, the largest college test preparation company in the state.

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Tax-Aide program needs Cape volunteers

The American Association of Retired Persons Foundation's Tax-Aide program is looking for volunteers to help low- and middle-income taxpayers, primarily those 60 and older, prepare their returns for next year.

Barbara Schenkel, a Cape resident and Tax-Aide volunteer, said many in town help out with the free service at tax time, and neither clients nor volunteers need to be members of AARP. Tax-Aide sites will

be located throughout Cumberland County, including Scarborough and South Portland, she said.

Classes for preparers are held in January, but are not mandatory. However, volunteers do need to pass an open-book Internal Revenue Service test to be qualified to help clients with their taxes.

Call Schenkel at 799-9621 for more information.

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The Thomas Memorial Library Gallery is managed by the Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission.

Friends' Book & Bake Sale always a hit



Photos by Jenny Campbell

The Friends of the Thomas Memorial Library held another successful Book & Bake Sale Oct. 27-29. Money raised from this sale, the spring mini-sale and continuing book sale in the lobby, all goes toward library needs not funded in the town budget. Left: Amy Lombardo, bake sale organizer, looks over the goodies on the last day. Top: Cape resident Susan L'Hommedieu is clearly delighted with her Saturday bargains - \$3 for a large paper bag of books.

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Christmas Prelude Fair set for Nov. 19

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The \$50 rental fee for crafters includes a 6-by-2.5-foot table and lunch, and crafters are expected to contribute an item for a church raffle.

The church is located at 8 Two Lights Road. Contact Judi Logue at judi.logue@portlanddiocese.org or 799-5528 for more information.

Jolly Snowman Fair on Dec. 3 to include lobster roll luncheon

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host its annual Jolly Snowman Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fair will feature holiday crafts, knit products, cakes and candies, wreaths, hidden treasures and a silent auction for get-away weekends, dinners, artwork and a variety of special gifts. A lobster roll luncheon will begin at 11 a.m.

The church is located at 280 Ocean House Road. Go to www.ceumc.org or call 799-8396 for more information.

Cape Methodist to host Nov. 19 Asian food festival

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host an Asian food festival on Saturday, Nov. 19. Church members will serve foods from different countries at the event, which will have a 5:30 p.m. seating.

Festival organizers hope the evening will also provide "a bit of education and culture ... and fun and community awareness," organizer Stephen Bither said.

A portion of proceeds will go to the United Methodist Church's relief efforts in Asia.

Tickets are \$10. Call the church office at 799-8396 or Bither at 774-7241 to make reservations.

Holly Daze Bazaar to be held on Nov. 19

The First Congregational United Church of Christ will hold its annual Holly Daze Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19. The event will feature wreaths, gifts, knitted goods, a "Christmas room," a "Grandma's Attic," "Trash n' Treasures," a "Mission Mall," and books.

Lunch, which will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., will include haddock chowder, lobster and crab meat rolls, chicken salad rolls, and apple crisp.

Contact Sally Hinckley at 799-2235 or hhinck11@maine.rr.com.

'Jingle Fest' fundraiser on Dec. 4 to include jingle bells, bonfire, hot chocolate, cookies

Members of the 2012 Project Graduation Committee invite community members of all ages to make merry on Sunday, Dec. 4, at Cape Elizabeth's first-ever "Jingle Fest."

The event is set to begin at 3 p.m. at Cape Elizabeth High School, where participants will be given "jingle bells" to attach to their shoes. Then the group will take a "short, but festive walk out Route 77 and into the entrance to Pond Cove School," organizer Heidi McInerney said. "From there, luminarias will light the way to the back of the high school for a bonfire, hot chocolate and homemade cookies."

The start of Cape Nordic's annual auction at 4 p.m. at the high school [see page 11] will overlap the Jingle Fest.

Tickets to the event are \$10 per person, with a \$40 family limit, for people who buy tickets before Dec. 1. People who purchase tickets after Dec. 1 will pay \$15 per person, and the family limit will be \$50. Go to <https://sites.google.com/site/capejinglefest>

to register through Community Services or for more information.

All proceeds will benefit Project Graduation, a postgraduation mystery trip organized by senior parents to give newly graduated seniors a safe night of fun.

Community members can support 2012 Project Graduation in other ways.

Freshies will donate 10 percent of profits from sales of large pizzas bought through the end of April to Project Graduation if buyers mention Project Graduation. The Maine high school that tops all others in pizza sales will receive double the dollars that it raises in the program.

Contact Project Graduation Committee member Kathleen Pierce at kathleenop@maine.rr.com or 767-5741 for information about the Freshies fundraiser.

Contact 2012 Project Graduation Committee Chair Debbie Allen at debnsteve@maine.rr.com or 799-6210 for more information about 2012 Project Graduation.



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CEHS Volunteer/Interact Club collecting shoes



Photo by Christine Newell

Cape Elizabeth High School Interact-Volunteer Club executive officers, left to right, Co-president Tori Brigham, Vice President Emma Inhorn, Secretary Jessica Allen and Co-president Tori Russell are holding a shoe drive with fellow club members.

Cape Elizabeth High School's Interact/Volunteer Club is holding an ongoing drive to collect gently used and new shoes for children and adults who live in third-world countries. South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club members will deliver the shoes, along with medical supplies, in March or April.

"When [Rotary members] realized how much of a difference the shoes made, they

came to us with this idea," CEHS senior and Interact/Volunteer Club member Tori Brigham said.

Shoe collection boxes are located in the main offices of all three Cape schools.

Contact club advisors Courtney Ferrell at cferrell@capeelizabethschools.org or Christine Newell at cnewell@capeelizabethschools.org for more information.

Interact/Volunteer Club members, who also mentor Pond Cove students, will volunteer at Rotary's annual Christmas tree sale at Mill Creek Park in South Portland, which raises money for scholarships, local improvement projects, and charitable programs.

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Harvest Festival organizer 'We were ecstatic'



Photos by Tara Simopoulos

At top: At the Harvest Festival held Oct. 22 at Pond Cove and Cape Elizabeth Middle schools, Sandy Farris welcomes younger children to the Wee Witches and Wizards area, which included pumpkin soccer, a graveyard lollipop pull, and a lemonade stand game. At right: Pond Cove third-grader Zoe Evans clowns around at the event, which drew a crowd of more than 500 people. "We were ecstatic about the turnout. It was a wonderful family event," said Tara Simopoulos, one of the organizers. Other amusements included a fairy-house building area, mini-golf, a haunted hallway, train rides, a hay maze, a trebuchet, games, a cake walk, and a scarecrow contest (see story on page 1, and pictures on page 18). Seventeen local businesses and 12 Cape Elizabeth nonprofit and community groups sponsored the event.



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Garden to be dedicated to memory of longtime Pond Cove teacher



Photo by Karen Abbott

After releasing a monarch butterfly that emerged from one of the caterpillars that Pond Cove first-graders had collected for a science project this fall, students in Karen Abbott's class, left to right, Thomas Leopold, Finnley Bridge and Amelia Tennyson take a break on a bench in a garden that will be dedicated to longtime teacher Rindi Martin-Weigel.

By Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth High School graduate Rindi Martin-Weigel lives on in the minds of students she taught during her 20 years as a second-grade teacher at Pond Cove School.

Now, thanks to a memorial garden that her colleagues and family created this summer to honor her memory, future Pond Cove students also may have lifelong memories connected with Martin-Weigel, who passed away in December 2010. Soon a granite plaque will be installed in the Rindi Martin Memorial Garden, located outside the breezeway connecting Pond Cove's third- and fourth-grade wings.

"Her friends and colleagues wanted to create a lasting tribute to her which would capture the essence of her spirit, her love for children, and her love for all things beautiful," Cape resident Nancy Rallis, a retired Pond Cove first-grade teacher, wrote in a letter to the School Board.

In addition to the plaque, which will include Martin-Weigel's name, her years of teaching and a short description of her teaching career, the garden features not only plants

and flowers but also a "butterfly bench." The plaque will be placed under the bench.

"The garden and the whimsical bench create a space that is peaceful and joyful for adults and children alike," Rallis said.

Martin-Weigel retired in 2005, but stayed closely connected to Pond Cove.

"Despite her declining health, she continued to touch the lives of her colleagues and students after she retired," Rallis said.

Students in Julie Robbins' second-grade and Karen Abbott's first-grade classes will water the garden, and Martin-Weigel's colleagues will weed and maintain it. Pond Cove students will be able to enjoy a part of the garden inside every winter, when the butterfly bench will be moved into the Pond Cove Media Center.

Community members who knew Martin-Weigel are delighted about the garden dedication, School Board member Kate Williams-Hewitt said at the board's Oct. 11 business meeting.

"It's a really nice tribute to a teacher who gave a lot to the children of this town," School Board Chair Mary Townsend said.

'Gold in the Hills' cast spans the ages



Photo by Jenny Campbell

Cast members in the musical "Gold in the Hills" include left to right, seated, Lisa Melanson, Priscilla Schwartz, Nathan Paterson, Dick Banks, William Depke, Joan Moriarty, and standing, Donald Clark, Courtney Ferrell and Nick Breed.

By Wendy Keeler

"Gold in the Hills," the musical set to open Nov. 10 in the Cape Elizabeth High School auditorium, may be a high school theater department production, but the show is to be a community-wide effort. The cast includes not only high school students but also elementary-school-age children and adults of all ages.

Audiences who turn out for the melodrama will get a chance to see senior citizens Priscilla Schwartz and Dick Banks; Pond Cove students William Depke and Nathan Paterson; and high school faculty members Lisa Melanson, Joan Moriarty, and Courtney Ferrell on stage.

The musical will open at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10, and 7 p.m. performances are also planned on Friday, Nov. 11; Thursday, Nov. 17; Friday Nov. 18; Tuesday, Nov. 22; and Wednesday, Nov. 23. Sunday matinees are scheduled at 2 p.m. on Nov. 13 and 20.

"We expect 'Gold in the Hills' will appeal to all age groups, from Pond Cove to our elders, who will remember the songs of their youth," CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen said. "The show features old songs of the 1890s such as 'She's Only a Bird in a Gilded Cage,' 'Bicycle Built for Two,' and 'Two Little Girls in Blue.'"

Audience involvement during the play, a melodrama, will be welcomed, "with hisses for the villain, Alexander Enna; cheers for the worthy hero, Sam Barksdale; and sympathy for the innocent heroine, E.B. Coughlin," Mullen said.

The show will be appropriate for all ages. Tickets, which will be available at the door, are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. Audience members should arrive 15 minutes before showtime.

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Middle school cross-country teams finish memorable season



The middle school girls' cross-country team was first among Cumberland County teams.

Members of the Cape Elizabeth Middle School cross-country team completed their season with a strong performance at the Cumberland County Championship held Oct. 20 at Twin Brooks in Cumberland.

The girls' team finished first among the 13 Cumberland County teams that competed at the event. The boys ran to a third-place finish.

The teams had two overall first-place finishers: Samantha Feenstra, who won the girls' race in a time of 13:36, and Justin Guerette who won the boys' contest with a

time of 12:25.

During the regular season competition, the girls went undefeated, and the boys ran to three first-place finishes.

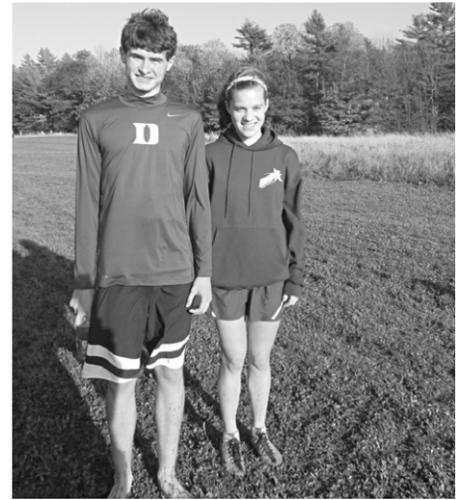
The team celebrated their year with an ice cream social at the end of October, where each runner received a trophy and every three-year veteran of the program received an engraved plaque with a photo attached. Coaches Joe Doane and Paul Casey spoke about the individual achievements of every runner.

— Paul Casey



The CEMS boys' cross-country team finished third of Cumberland County teams.

Cape Elizabeth Middle School eighth-graders Justin Guerette and Samantha Feenstra finished first among Cumberland County cross-country runners at the regional championship held Oct. 20 at Twin Brooks in Cumberland. Feenstra finished with a time of 13:36, and Guerette won the boys' contest with a time of 12:25. The double wins are the first in CEMS teacher Joe Doane's 25-year career as the middle school's cross country coach.



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Clowns vs. jailbirds



Photo by Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth Soccer Club players, Maisie Perkins, left, and Mo Lavallee, punch out some team spirit on Oct. 28 before their clown-clad team played in a coed under-14 tournament on the high school soccer field. Eight five-player teams, including Lauren Holmes, far right, and her jailbird team, faced off against each other.

Dressage!



Cape Elizabeth resident Abbott Philson, second from left, is a member of a dressage team from Carlisle Academy Integrative Equine Therapy and Sports in Lyman that recently competed in horse shows in Kennebunk and Madbury, N.H. The team is made up of students with special needs and able-bodied riders.

Stressenger named America East's 'Performer of Week'

Boston University cross-country runner Marita Stressenger was named the America East Conference's Performer of the Week during the last week of October, after she led the BU Terriers on Oct. 23 at the Mayor's Cup at Franklin Park in Boston, Mass.

Stressenger posted a time of 19:31, eighth among collegiate runners in the race, which was comprised of both collegiate and non-collegiate runners.

A junior at BU, Stressenger also earned honors in cross country and track during her years at Cape Elizabeth High School.

In 2009, she won the mile run at the Maine indoor championship, and in spring 2009, she placed second in the 3,200-meter run at the Maine outdoor championship. At CEHS, she was also a member of three state-winning 4 by 800 meter relay teams.



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From left, a uniformed scarecrow at the Cape Elizabeth Police Department took top honors in the Business category of the townwide Scarecrow Contest this year; Annie Guimond's scare-athlete on Ocean House Road won the Most Cape Spirit award; the Wood family's Cali Crow, a shark-threatened surfer on Crescent View Avenue, was deemed Funniest; Ginny and Roger Bishop's friendly pair on Leighton Farm Road won in the Traditional category; and, bottom right: A creepy mama and baby in the Wainwright neighborhood off Spurwink Avenue took the Spookiest prize.

Scarecrows

Cont. from page 1

The idea of encouraging Cape residents, businesses and organizations to put up scarecrows was the brainstorm of Amy Lombardo and Julie Merriam, co-presidents of the PCPA.

Merriam said the goal was more to generate some autumn community spirit than to raise money, and it clearly struck a chord with 180 entries. For \$5, entrants got a stake to build a scarecrow on, along with an official entry in the contest.

Merriam said the Cape Business Alliance and Cape Farm Alliance got on board, helping to spread the word. Alewife's Brook Farm and Jordan's Farm distributed the stakes, which were prepared by Arlington Restoration, a Cape Elizabeth construction company owned by Jack Pilk, who donated the labor.

Merriam said once the stakes sold out, some

Scarecrow Contest winners

- Traditional:** Ginny and Roger Bishop, Leighton Farm Road
- Funniest:** Wood family, Crescent View Avenue
- Business:** Cape Police Department
- Spookiest:** Wainwright neighborhood
- Winning Spirit:** Annie Guimond, Ocean House Road

residents made their own and sent in \$5 to be entered in the contest.

The scarecrows were photographed for display at the Harvest Festival, where residents could vote for their favorites.

The festival returned to the elementary and middle schools this year after a couple of years as the "Haunted Harvest" at Turkey Hill Farm, Merriam noted, and the scarecrow balloting helped spark increased interest.

Merriam said the Haunted Harvest was popular, but it required a lot of volunteer time to run and the outside location put the event at the mercy of the weather. Many people also didn't realize the event was a fundraiser for the elementary and middle school parents' groups, she added, and moving it back to the schools made that clear.

Overall, the Harvest Festival raised more than \$7,000 for the PCPA and Middle School Parents Association, she said.

Merriam said the scarecrow stakes can be kept and used again or dropped off through Nov. 12 at the Recycling Center, where they will be collected, then redistributed next year.

Merriam expects them to be needed because as successful as the first scarecrow contest was, she expects it to get even bigger next year.

"We can't wait to do this again," she said. "Our feedback has been phenomenal. So many people were so excited about this and we have a lot of people saying they're already planning for next year. It's a great Cape spirit thing to do."



Photo by Jennifer Scarpitti-Nelson

Campbell

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Campbell act again when the short film, "The Barn," opens Monday, Dec. 5, at The Nickelodeon in Portland.

In the film, a coming-of-age story, Campbell plays the part of a bully in a small town rocked by a supernatural force that has claimed lives for 20 years.

Despite the busy filming schedule this fall - 10-to-12-hour Saturdays and Sundays along with Friday afternoons and nights

on location in Cornish, Hiram, Hollis and South Portland - Campbell has enjoyed working on the film, directed by filmmaker and Southern Maine Community College theater professor Corey Norman.

"This is the first time I have ever played a really aggressive part, so it was definitely a learning experience," Campbell said.

Campbell will appear in another short film, "The Crew," which is scheduled to open this winter. Kate Kaminski, a video production and film teacher at the University of Southern Maine, directed the film,

which offered Campbell a different film experience.

"We shot improvisational scenes," Campbell said. "Kate Kaminski is a cool director because she lets actors go their own way."

Campbell's favorite gigs may be his film projects with his brother Thomas, 19, a theater major at USM who also made a name for himself in theater and speech at CEHS.

In June, the brothers produced the comedic period film, "Ye Apprenteth," for the 48 Hour Film Contest in Portland, in which

small teams of filmmakers are assigned a genre, a character, a prop, and a line of dialogue, and have two days to create a short film including those elements.

The Campbells' film company, 8mufnz, is their special baby. Since 2009, when the brothers began uploading their films onto their YouTube site, www.youtube.com/user/8mufnz, the two have written, produced, directed, edited and acted in about 20 short films, from westerns to animated movies and music videos. Most have a comedic element. The Campbells started making movies long before 2009, however.

"I got a small camcorder when I was 10 or 11, and Thomas and I started making films then," Campbell said. "We collaborate equally. There's a chemistry between my brother and me that I haven't found with anyone else. It's just this creative vibe."

Campbell plans to apply to USM, Syracuse University and Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, for next year. He will work toward a career as a film director but also plans to study music composition.

"I think that music is one of the most important aspects of film. It can change viewers' emotions and suggest things subliminally," Campbell said. "Some films don't capitalize on music as much as I would like to do myself. I would like to write soundtracks or at least collaborate with someone for my films."

Considering what he has accomplished in 17 years, Campbell stands a good chance of making his plans a reality.

"In four years of theater at the high school, Peter has done it all, from performance to tech," CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen said. "Like his whole family, he understands the process of art making. I am pleased that he has found another niche in film - and pleased that our theater has been a part of his artistic development."

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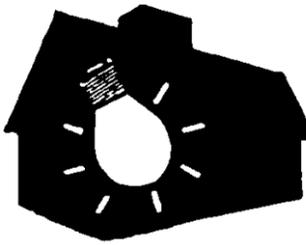
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Wedding bells!

Peter Van Fleet, a member of Cape Elizabeth High School's Class of 1997, married Suzanne Conyne-Rapin on Sept. 10 in the Garden of Old Roses at Ault Park in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The two met in 2001 as undergraduates at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. After graduating, Peter worked for three years in Cleveland before moving with Suzanne to Cincinnati, where he attended the University of Cincinnati and earned master's degrees in business and information systems. Since 2008, he has worked at Chiquita Brands International, where he is a senior systems analyst.

Suzanne went on to earn her doctoral degree in pharmacy at the University of Cincinnati and completed two years of residency at University Hospital in Cincinnati. She is now the clinical pharmacist in the intensive care unit of West Chester Hospital in Cincinnati, where the couple lives.

Peter is the son of **Ellen and Jeff Van Fleet** of Cape Elizabeth. Suzanne is the daughter of physicians, Robert Conyne and Lynn Rapin, residents of Cincinnati.



Suzanne and Peter Van Fleet

Peter's sister, Ty, and Suzanne's brother, Zack, as well as Peter's fellow CEHS graduate, **J. Stephen Follayttar**, were members of the wedding party.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Gerald Petruccelli**, an attorney with the firm, Petruccelli, Martin & Haddow, LLP, has been recognized in the 2012 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for his work in appellate practice; arbitration; mediation; and bet-the-company, commercial, construction, and personal-injury litigation. Recognition is based on peer-review surveys.

Two Cape Elizabeth residents are members of the board of directors of the United Way of Greater Portland. **Mary Ellen Fitzgerald**, the president of Critical Insights, Inc., just joined the board. **Vicki Loring** was recently named vice chair of the board.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Alison Hickey** has joined United Way of Greater Portland as vice president of fundraising and resource generation. Previously, she was director of distribution-center operations at Acklands-Grainger Inc. in Toronto, Ontario.



Alison Hickey

Cape resident **Jonathan Shapiro**, regional managing partner of the New England office of Fisher and Phillips in Portland, has received recognition in several peer-review publications for his work in labor and employment law. For the fifth straight year, he was recognized in *New England Super Lawyers* magazine in the field of labor and employment law.

He also was named to the 2012 edition of *Best Lawyers in America* guide and recognized as a leader in his field in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business 2011*. In the 2012 edition of *Best Lawyers*, he was named "Lawyer of the Year" in Portland for his management-side labor and employment litigation practice.

Sister and brother, **Jamie S. Anthony** and **Kristofer E. Anthony**, are serving in the United States military.

Airman 1st Class Jamie Anthony recently graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. Graduating in the top 10 percent of her unit, she received the "First Airman Award" for outstanding achievement out of 661 graduates in her unit. Out of 39,000 recent graduates, she is the only female to receive the award. Now studying to be an Air Force medic in the aerospace medical technician program at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, she will be stationed at the Pease Air Refueling Wing in Portsmouth, N.H.

United States Navy Seaman 1st Class Kristofer Anthony is an aircraft technician currently on tour aboard the aircraft carrier, *USS George Bush*, which will return to its homeport in Norfolk, Va., in mid-December.

Both are 2007 graduates of Cape Elizabeth High School. Their parents are **Ernie and Paula Anthony** of Cape Elizabeth and Kathy Anthony of Balston Spa, N.Y.



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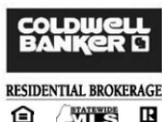
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