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Councilors likely to decide whether Cape builds a new library

By Patricia McCarthy

With a presidential campaign, a hot contest for the U.S. Senate and other races and issues on the ballot, Cape Elizabeth voters will face a lot of decisions when they step into voting booths in November.

But one issue they're unlikely to be asked about is whether to rebuild Thomas Memorial Library.

Many people thought the project, which has a current price tag of about \$8.5 million, would be sent to a referendum, but the Cape Elizabeth Town Council has informally agreed to decide the issue itself, most likely in October.

The council has the authority, under the town charter,

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— Jay Sherma, library director

to vote to issue a bond without a referendum. And there is precedent for the council making a decision on a major project without a citizen vote – the construction of the new police station is a recent example.

"When you look at the town charter and policies, they provide for the council to do this," Town Manager Michael McGovern explained.

All major school projects have to go to town residents for a vote, but that's mandated by state law.

Council Chair Sara Lennon said the idea of having the council decide the fate of the library without a referendum was raised during a late February meeting that included her, Councilor Jim Walsh and Bob Stier, who chairs the library's the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation.

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Holy Technology! CEHS students now using Apple iPad tablet computers

By Wendy Keeler

Thanks to a one-and-a-half-pound device, Cape Elizabeth High School junior Emma Inhorn's recent school days lack some of the paper, poundage, pencils, pens and hassles of school days before March 7.

That's the day Inhorn and every CEHS student in grades 9-11 received an Apple iPad 2 touch-screen tablet computer in a program funded through the school district's technology budget and the nonprofit Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation.

"At first I was a little skeptical, but now I really love it," Inhorn said six days after getting her iPad.

In the course of one school day, Inhorn used the 7.3-by-9.5-inch device to take notes and a quiz in biology class, read *New York Times* articles for her English class, highlight and annotate a policy paper for her American history class, and watch a video about the standard equation of a hyperbola after which she took a

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Photo by Patricia McCarthy

From left, Cape Elizabeth High School freshmen Rachel Seekins, Lindsay Stewart and Kirsten Rudberg start figuring out their new school-issued iPads during an instructional session on March 6 at the high school.

Town budget proposal keeps taxes the same

By Patricia McCarthy

The Cape Elizabeth Town Council got its first look at an \$8.8 million municipal budget for the next fiscal year at its March 12 meeting.

The budget proposed by Town Manager Michael McGovern would keep the tax rate for town services steady at \$3.37 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Spending will decrease by about \$92,000, or roughly 1 percent, due to shifting the responsibility for the town swimming pool from the municipal budget to Community Services, which operates via a separate fund.

Without that change, McGovern said in a memo to the council, both spending and the town's tax rates would have risen by about 3 percent. The tax rate for Community Services will go up to reflect the cost of operating the pool, McGovern said, so taxpayers' bottom line will remain the same.

The budget proposal calls for modest increases in capital spending, payroll and costs associated with the November election, with decreases expected in the cost

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Northern New England champs in science and state champs in chess!

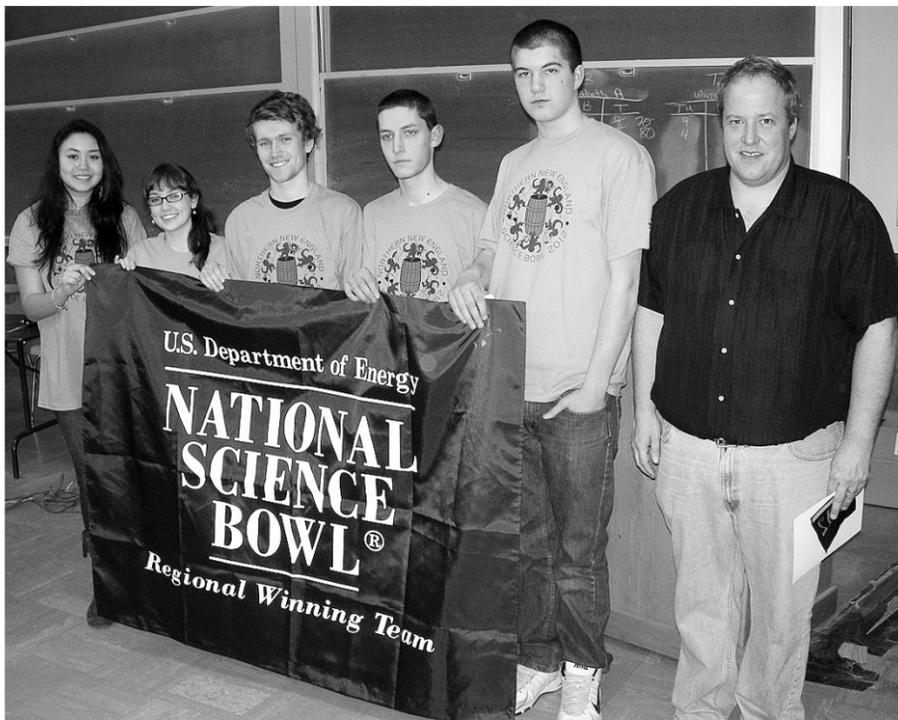


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At left, the Cape Elizabeth High School science team defeated Waynflete to win the 2012 Northern New England Science Bowl March 3 in Portland, earning an all-expenses-paid trip to the National Science Bowl next month in Washington, D.C. From left are Melissa Stewart, Charlotte Rutty, Ian McInerney, captain Ethan DiNimmo, Paul Hamerski and Coach Shawn Guerrette. Above, the CEHS chess team beat Bangor High School to win its first-ever state title in the State Scholastic Chess Championships March 3 at the University of Maine at Orono. Playing the final round are Cape players, at right from front to back, Matthew Reale-Hatem, Brett Parker, Ben Hansel and Colin Smith. See page 2 for more about both winning teams.



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Cape student chess teams come in first, second in state



Cape Elizabeth Middle School's chess team, which came in second at the Maine State Scholastic Chess Championships on March 3 at the University of Maine at Orono, includes, left to right, front, Wesley Parker, Kyle Russell and Matthew Fishbein; middle, Jasper Hansel and Matthew Yim; and, back, Noah Olsen.

Photo by Dan Fishbein

By Ilene Schuchman

Cape Elizabeth High School's chess team brought home the state title from the team's third Maine State Scholastic Chess Team Championship, held March 3 at the University of Maine at Orono. Cape Middle School also performed well, taking second place in the middle school tournament and finishing one point behind the winner. More than 250 students throughout the state participated in this year's tournament.

The high school tournament was a white-knuckle affair from start to finish. The day started out at 5:30 a.m. with a long drive on icy roads in bad conditions and ended at

night with sole possession of the state title for Cape Elizabeth, dependent upon the last few seconds of the last player's game in the last round.

After decisive wins in matches against John Bapst, Westbrook and Orono high schools, Cape Elizabeth had already secured at least a tie for the title, but to win it outright rather than face the possibility of a three-way tie for first, the team needed at least a draw in the final round against Bangor High School. Four of the five games in the final round against Bangor had ended with

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Science team to compete in National Bowl next month

By Wendy Keeler

How to win an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., in April: know the name for the symbiotic association between a fungus and the roots of a vascular plant ("mycorrhiza"); be able to rank acids in order from strongest to weakest; be the first to hit the buzzer and correctly answer rapid-fire questions about physics, chemistry, biology, earth sciences, astronomy and math in a "Jeopardy"-style competition.

Cape Elizabeth High School's science team did all of the above on March 3 and beat nine schools to win the 2012 Northern New England Science Bowl at the University of Southern Maine in Gorham. Cape's five-member team, made up of captain Ethan DiNinno, Melissa Stewart, Charlotte Rutty and Ian McInerney, hopes to prevail again at the U.S. Department of Energy's National Science Bowl April 26-30 in Washington.

Team members will not be idle between now and then.

"We're going to need to practice a lot more than we have in the past because of the stiffer competition in Washington," said DiNinno, who was also a member of the CEHS team that came in second in the Northern New England Science Bowl last year.

Practice will not involve a lot of hitting the books between now and the competition, said team adviser Shawn Guerrette, who teaches physics at CEHS.

"The Science Bowl is a competition that awards students who have retained a lot of information. In my opinion it doesn't make sense to have students start memorizing textbooks. Either the information is there in their noggins or it isn't," Guerrette said.

DiNinno, who has a knowledge of science and math that former science teammate Jack Queeney calls "astounding," said that the bowl's competition rules pose their own challenges.

"We will run practice matches because the rules are the hardest part of the game and unnecessarily complicated. You can get penalized for doing silly things. The one that everyone gets nailed on is if you buzz, you

have to wait for the judge to recognize you. If you talk before the judge recognizes you, the other team gets free points."

Learning to recover after making mistakes also will be a focus of practice sessions, Guerrette said.

"Just because they get one question wrong doesn't mean they have lost," Guerrette said. "Hopefully, by the time we get to D.C., each student will be able to contribute immediately after incorrectly answering a question."

Although this year's CEHS science team is the first to win a Northern New England Science Bowl, the trip will be the high school's second to the national bowl. In 2007, a team made up of Dan Shedd, Libby Cummings, Morgen Alden, Liam Sullivan and Anna Tranfaglia came in second in the regional bowl. After the first-place team opted out of going to D.C., the CEHS team not only competed in the national bowl, but went on to place second.

When *The Cape Courier* went to print on March 16, the CEHS science team was in second place in the Massachusetts-based North Shore Science League, which holds monthly meets six times a year. CEHS is the

CEHS students thank community for iPad2s

On behalf of the students of Cape Elizabeth High School, we'd like to thank the town of Cape Elizabeth for our iPads. There are so many wonderful uses for them, and we are finding new ways to achieve every day.

"There is a note-taking program called Notability where students can take notes and draw pictures and diagrams to help solidify the information. We can read articles from *The New York Times* instead of printing, saving lots of trees and money. In precalculus, there is an application that provides math videos and practice problems to help us master the subject matter." — Emma Inhorn

"I absolutely love the addition of the iPads! These have changed the way many of my classes function, in a good way! In English, we're reading "The Great Gatsby" on our iPads; in biology, we're able to take notes that include pictures of the textbook, recordings of our teachers' lectures, and drawings of diagrams. Our teachers are doing a great job of putting all of our lessons online, making it almost unnecessary to print them off." — Piper Otterbein.

As you can see, the buzz of excitement in the high school has yet to cease.

The iPads have brought CEHS to a whole new technological level. There is nothing that the student body could possibly say to express how grateful we are, but I guess a good place to start is just to say... thank you.

Chelsey Whynot

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South Portland's Hamann to seek Eberle's House seat

Scott Hamann of South Portland, a Democrat, is running for House District 123, which covers South Portland and the northwestern corner of Cape Elizabeth.

The seat is currently held by state Rep. Jane Eberle, also a Democrat, who can't run for re-election due to term limits.

Hamann, who runs a video production company, said he wants to strengthen Maine's economy by attracting and supporting small businesses. He also said he wants to create a healthy and supportive environment for children and protect safety net programs, such as Maine-Care.

Eberle said she supports Hamann's campaign and is serving as his treasurer.



Scott Hamann

Deadline to reserve last year's Labor Day art show spot, April 2

It may be March, but Engine One Company is already planning for Labor Day.

The fire company will hold its 45th Annual Labor Day Art Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2, at Fort Williams Park. The alternate date is Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3, rain or shine.

Registrations for the 2012 show are now being accepted, and forms and information are available by clicking on the Labor Day Art Show item at http://capeelizabeth.com/government/rules_regs/forms/.

The fee for a site is \$60, and those wishing to reserve their site from last year will have first priority but must submit or have their request postmarked by April 2.

The end-of-summer event draws more than 100 artists, many from Cape Elizabeth. A craft area will again be featured at the show.

For more information, please call 799-1662 and leave a message. Questions can also be emailed to CEFDENG1@maine.rr.com.

Still time, if you race a little, to register for TD Bank B2B 10K

You might need to race, but there's still time to get in on the 2012 TD Bank Beach to Beacon 10K, to be held this year on Aug. 4.

Registration for 600 Cape Elizabeth residents and 4,000 general public entrants was held last week, but lottery registration is open until March 22, with the drawing held March 23 for the final 1,850 spots in the race. Lottery registrants can enter as either individuals or groups.

Lottery results will be sent to registrants by email within 24 hours of the drawing, and winners' names will also be posted on the website.

Registration for the Kids Fun Run began at 7 a.m. on March 16 and will close at the end of the day on Saturday, June 30. Kids Fun Run registration also will be available at the race expo or on race day.

B2B organizers win excellence award for environmental efforts

The organizers of TD Bank's Beach to Beacon 10K road race have been recognized by ecomaine for efforts to reduce waste and minimize the environmental impact of the race.

The race organizers won an eco-Excellence Award, which is presented annually by ecomaine, a nonprofit recycling and waste-to-energy operation owned by local municipalities.

The race was nominated for the award by Cape Elizabeth Town Manager Michael McGovern. ecomaine cited the race's "Green Team" of volunteers who work to separate food for composting and recyclables from other waste; the use of online registration and electronic communications to runners to cut down on paper use; ride-sharing to and from the race; the collection of used running shoes to be recycled into playing surfaces; and the use of nontoxic paints and portable toilets that use nontoxic chemicals.

Family Fun Day plans rolling; helpers needed

By Ted Smith

Spring is just here, and planning for this year's Family Fun Day is already well under way.

Family Fun Day celebrates our spirit of community as well as our love and appreciation of Fort Williams itself.

Considered the "unofficial" kickoff to summer in Cape Elizabeth, Family Fun Day is a nonprofit event that is meant to encourage and support the numerous groups and organizations in our town — groups like the sports and music boosters as well as the many community service and religious groups that rely upon contributions and fundraisers such as this.

Supporting Family Fun Day is, in effect, supporting them by providing a chance to raise much-needed revenue while encouraging the spirit of caring and community that is New England. The date for this year's event is June 16.

As always, a committee is working hard on the day's events. Local groups are encouraged to contact Steve Culver at 767-9072 if they are interested in participating. Booth space is ample and free; however, you will be responsible for your own setup.

If you are a local artist or craftsperson, this is your chance to get the jump on this summer's art shows and have a fun day besides. Artisans interested in participating in this year's event should contact Rose Kennealy at 799-1674.

The event is the culmination of months of planning and organization by a very small group of volunteers. The Family Fun Day committee always welcomes assistance in a variety of areas, including the parade, games and cleanup, particularly on the day of the event.

We are also looking for people to serve on the committee who are interested in planning and organizing the event itself.



File photo by Jenny Campbell

Your level of involvement is up to you.

The commitment is a small amount of time and it is a great way to get involved in the town while having fun doing it.

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Library

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Lennon said that meeting was focused on whether to try to raise donations for the library project privately before seeking town funds in a referendum, but Stier questioned why the councilors didn't just decide themselves whether the town would appropriate money for the library proposal.

Walsh brought this up in a subsequent council workshop, and he and Councilors David Sherman, Jessica Sullivan and Kathy Ray said that they saw no reason for the council not to act.

Sherman said later that the issue is an appropriate one for councilors, as elected representatives, to decide. If every difficult issue is sent to the voters for a decision, he said, there's no need to have a representative form of government.

Lennon and Councilors Caitlin Jordan and Frank Governali, however, said they'd rather have the weight of votes behind a decision.

"I was really looking at this as a golden opportunity to involve residents in this exciting project," said Lennon. "I think people see items on the ballot and then educate themselves."

A referendum vote could have led to a greater consensus on a matter of importance to the town's future, Lennon said.

The council took the issue up again at a March 12 workshop, with the same split resulting. Four councilors continue to favor a council decision on the project, while three prefer a referendum.

Given that majority, Lennon said the council as a whole decided to move forward and follow a timeline set out by McGovern for informational hearings in May, a public

hearing in September and then a council vote in October.

Lennon said that the council will work with the library foundation to put forward a public education plan on the proposal between now and the council vote.

"I thought that the best way to get the word out was to put it on the ballot so people would get engaged," she said. "But the next best choice we have is to get together and educate the public this way."

Lennon pointed out that if voters really want a say, there's a mechanism in the town charter that allows citizens, after the council vote, to start a petition drive to require a referendum. The petition would need to be signed by 10 percent of Cape's registered voters to force a referendum.

If the council votes in October, there wouldn't be enough time to get a referendum on the November ballot. Instead, a special election would be scheduled.

Jay Scherma, the library director, said that the public needs to learn about the project regardless of how the final decision on town funding is made.

"This is bringing up the questions of what is the role of government, something that leaders have debated since our founding fathers," he said. "I have every faith that

we have elected a group of conscientious and committed leaders and that they will find a solution that is in the best interest of the town."

The current library has a host of deficiencies, from wiring that is out of date and an inadequate heating system to a failure to meet accessibility codes and floors that aren't built to support the weight of thousands of books. The library trustees hope to address those problems while also creating a new space that could serve as a cultural center for the town.

Scherma said it's time for the town – either the council or the voters in a referendum – to think about and understand what the library could become for the community.

"We're at a point where we can get into what the possibilities are and what it (the library) can be. We need to communicate to the citizenry why this is in their interest," he said.

And, he said, with a timeline for decision-making set out, "the board is happy to feel that there's some traction on the project."

"I'm certainly thrilled that the project is being considered," Scherma added. "It's wonderful that the council is engaged. It's been theoretical up until this point, so I'm thrilled to be moving forward."

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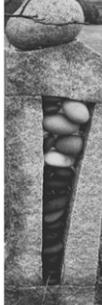
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Cape resident 'thrilled' by national honor for work as a SCORE mentor

By Patricia McCarthy

Nancy Strojny of Cape Elizabeth was honored earlier this month at the White House as a "Champion of Change" for her volunteer work with entrepreneurs.

Strojny, who chairs the Portland chapter of SCORE (Service Corps Of Retired Executives), a nonprofit organization of volunteers who help small businesses, was one of 11 people recognized for leadership in entrepreneurial mentoring, counseling and training.

She owns Beauty Vantage, a consulting firm that focuses on building brands for businesses, and is also a member of the SCORE National Advisory Board.

"Entrepreneurial mentors help American business owners fulfill their dreams every day," Small Business Administration Deputy Administrator Marie Johns said at a ceremony honoring Strojny and the others. "These mentors are true Champions of Change, and I am pleased to have the opportunity to celebrate their success."

The Champions of Change program is part of President Obama's Winning the Future initiative. Each week, a different sector is highlighted, and groups of leaders, from educators and entrepreneurs to community leaders, are recognized for their work to serve and strengthen their communities.

Strojny, who has two grown children, moved to Cape Elizabeth two years ago and lives in Broad Cove with her husband, Ted.

After she moved to Cape, Strojny said, she was "shopping around for volunteer opportunities where I could make a contribution" when a friend suggested she become a mentor with SCORE. Strojny quickly came to relish the experience of helping other entrepreneurs.

"I know this sounds hokey, but you really can make a difference in an entrepreneur's

life, and you just get back as much as you give," she said. "Helping someone succeed is a pretty big deal!"

Strojny, whose expertise is in sales, marketing and social media, says she devotes about 40 hours a week to SCORE and does her "paying work" in the evenings.

She said the timing of the White House honor was auspicious.

"President Obama proclaimed March, Entrepreneurial Month, and when I went to Washington, they were honoring mentors. It was very exciting!" said Strojny, who was one of 170 nominees for the "Champions" honor and the only honoree from SCORE.

At the White House event, Strojny talked about her involvement with SCORE while on a panel with the other honorees. She also wrote about the organization and its work for a White House blog: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2012/03/07/life-your-business>.

"We are proud of Nancy and the great work she's done," said Ken Yancey, SCORE's chief executive officer. "As an organization, we appreciate Nancy's passion for creating small business growth in her community and value similar efforts by thousands of volunteers throughout the country. Nancy's commitment to the American entrepreneurial spirit is an inspiration to us all and fully deserving as a White House 'Champion of Change.'"

Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, also praised Strojny. "Whether it's helping clients access critical start-up resources such as an SBA loan or providing advice on marketing strategies, Nancy has been an indispensable leader for Portland-area business owners," Snowe said. "I applaud Nancy's efforts as a SCORE volunteer, and congratulate her on this well-deserved recognition."



Nancy Strojny, second from left, discusses how she got involved with SCORE during her time on a panel with fellow honorees at the White House on March 7.

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Chess

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Bangor ahead 2 1/2 to 1 1/2.

Cape sophomore Matthew Reale-Hatem played on the first board, where senior Ethan DiNinno usually plays. DiNinno, who captains the CEHS science team, had to bow out of the chess tournament to compete in the Northern New England Science Bowl,

which the science team won (see page 1). As 20 spectators anxiously crowded around the board, Reale-Hatem made his winning move, checkmating his opponent with just 17 seconds of the original 60 minutes left on his clock, winning the game and the title.

Reale-Hatem won all his games, achieving a perfect score of 4. On boards 2-5 were Brett Parker, who scored 3.5 points; Ben Hansel and Robert Freccero, who both scored 3 points; and Colin Smith, who fin-

ished with 2 points.

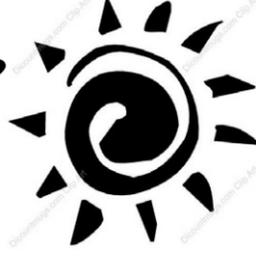
The CEMS team also ended up in a close battle for the championship. The middle school tournament uses the total score, added together, of the top five scorers on each team. Cape finished with 13 points, one point behind champion Deer Isle-Stonington. The team consisted of Matthew Fishbein and Wesley Parker, who both had perfect 4-point scores; Jasper Hansel and Kyle Russell, who both had 2 points; Matthew Yim, who fin-

ished with 1 point; and Noah Olsen, playing in his first tournament.

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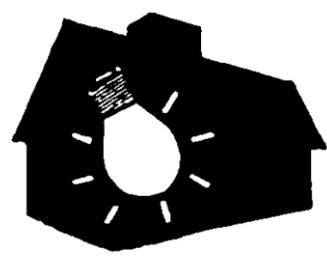
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COMPLAINTS

- 2-21 An officer met with a married couple at the police station regarding a domestic disturbance involving their adult son.
- 2-23 An officer was checking a seasonal residence and found an unsecured door. The interior had been rummaged through. The owner was contacted.
- 2-26 Two officers responded to a residence in the Scott Dyer Road area for a well-being check.
- 2-28 Two officers met with a subject in the Old Ocean House Road area about a residential burglary. Missing from the house were a TV and jewelry.
- 3-1 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area about a harassment complaint.
- 3-4 An officer responded to a residence in the Shore Acres area for a well-being

check.

SUMMONSES

- 2-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Road, \$133
- 2-22 South Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Bowery Beach Road, \$133
- 2-22 Nantucket, Mass., resident, speeding (46/30 zone), Shore Road, \$185
- 2-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Mitchell Road, \$133
- 2-23 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70
- 2-23 Portland resident, speeding (69/50 zone), Route 77, \$185
- 2-24 South Portland resident, unregistered vehicle, Ocean House Road, \$70
- 2-26 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$70
- 2-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (50/35 zone), uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Avenue, \$318
- 2-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (47/30 zone), Shore Road, \$185
- 2-28 South Portland resident, possession of drug paraphernalia, Sawyer Road
- 2-29 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to stop for stop sign, Broad Cove Road, \$131
- 2-29 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (53/30 zone), Shore Road, \$215
- 3-3 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to yield, Spurwink Avenue, \$139
- 3-4 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia Bowery Beach Road

ACCIDENTS

- 3-3 Sigrid Austin, Robert Berg, accident on Ocean House Road

FIRE CALLS

- 2-21 Phantom Farm Road, fire alarm
- 2-23 Old Ocean House Road, carbon monoxide alarm
- 2-26 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 2-29 Tiger Lily Lane, fire alarm
- 3-1 Wabun Road, investigation
- 3-3 Ocean House Road, car accident

RESCUE CALLS

There were 15 runs to Maine Medical Center. There was 1 run to Mercy Hospital. There were 2 patients treated by Rescue personnel but not transported.

Veteran's Benefits

April 4, 2012, 5 p.m.

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Fire chief: Cape has one of the best fire protection ratings in Maine

Cape Elizabeth has maintained its fire protection rating of 3 from the Insurance Services Office, Fire Chief Peter Gleeson told town councilors on March 12.

The independent reviewing agency inspected the town's fire facilities and equipment, assessed Cape Elizabeth's water supplies, analyzed training programs and looked over response records, Gleeson said, and completed its review in February.

The rating is used by insurance companies to help determine fire insurance premiums for residential and commercial structures.

The ISO uses a 10-point scale to rate fire coverage, with 1 being the top rating. Gleeson noted that Maine has no towns or cities with a rating of 1 and only two have a rating of 2. Both of those, he said, have paid firefighters.

Cape Elizabeth is one of only seven municipalities in the state with a rating of 3, he said.

Gleeson said his review of the ISO's finding suggest that the only way to substantially improve the town's rating would be to increase training requirements. The town complies with state laws on training, he said, but it would be difficult to require more training with a volunteer department.

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Stepping into the Sesquicentennial



Edward I. Woodbury

A 2011-2012 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.

March 22, 1862 – The War Department refused to accept the resignation of Lt. Col Hight of the Cavalry, and he will accordingly rejoin the Regiment. [Portland Transcript]

The Cavalry commenced moving from Augusta in detachments, on Friday week. Two cars, each containing eight men and eight horses, were thrown from the track between Gardiner and Richmond and very badly smashed. Neither the men nor the horses sustained the slightest injury. [Portland Transcript]

The annual proposition to remove the capital to Portland has been introduced in the Legislature, causing quite a

commotion. [Portland Transcript]

Sgt. Fernald of the Maine 12th, who was injured by a fall on board the Constitution, is rapidly recovering. [Portland Transcript]

From 15-20,000 persons are engaged in the manufacture of hoop skirts in New York city. [Portland Transcript]

Now that the Rebels have gone, all Washington is flocking out to gather relics from the battlefield of Bull Run. [Portland Transcript]

March 29, 1862 – The Legislature endorsed the President's Emancipation Resolve without a division in either branch. [Portland Transcript]

Florida is now to be added to the list of recovered States. [Portland Transcript]

The Federals killed, wound-

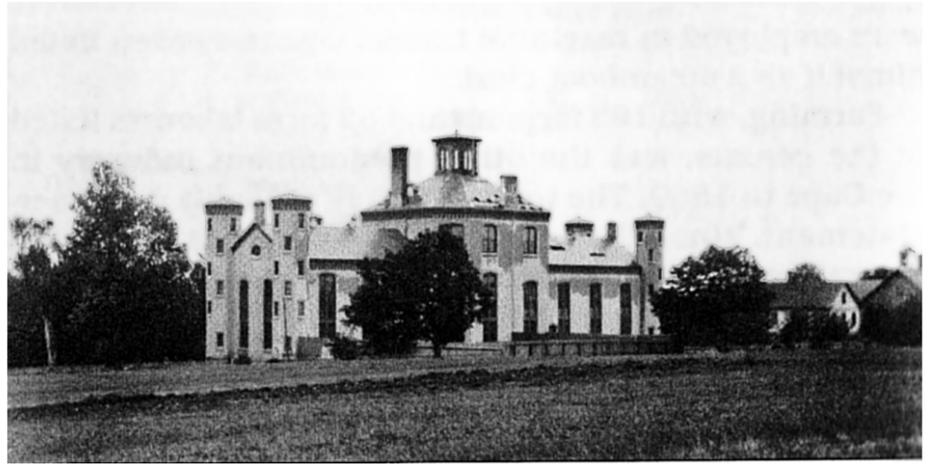


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The Reform School, pictured here during the 1850s and later named the Maine Youth Center, sent a large number of boys to serve in the Union armies, and some were credited against Cape Elizabeth's quota. The school was located on the current-day site of the Maine Youth Center in South Portland, then part of Cape Elizabeth.

ed and missing at the battle of Pea Ridge amounted in all to 1812. [Portland Transcript]

The Navy Department has ordered the construction of six more iron-clad vessels, similar to the Monitor, but more formidable. [Portland Transcript]

Two of the boys in the Reform School attempted to burn the building on Tuesday week by setting fire to beds in three different rooms. The fire was ... discovered in season to prevent much damage. [Portland Transcript]

The Sanitary Commission has called ... for hospital supplies of woolen shirts, slippers, bed ticks, pocket handkerchiefs, cotton drawers, lint, bandages and jellies. [Portland Transcript]

The mast of the Cumberland, sunk by the Merrimac, projects about 30 feet above the water, and an American ensign still floats from the masthead. [Portland Transcript]

April 5, 1862 – Miss Sarah J. Prentiss, formerly of Paris, in this State, has been appointed matron of the brigade hospital at Ship Island. [Portland Transcript]

Maine has sent one in every 29 of her inhabitants to the war. [Portland Transcript]

Owners of slaves in the District of Columbia are removing them as fast as

possible in view of the probable passage of the act abolishing slavery there. [Portland Transcript]

A vessel arrived at Newburyport on Friday last, from Philadelphia, with a black captain and crew – not a white person on board. This is the first case of the kind in that city. [Portland Transcript]

Failure of the Kerosene Oil Co. – We regret to learn that the Kerosene Oil Co. suspended the transaction of business in their own name on Monday week. The works, stock and accounts have been assigned over to the principal mortgagees, Messrs. J.B. Brown and St. John Smith, under whose names the works are at present conducted, continuing in operation, with the force reduced about one third. This reverse has been brought about chiefly by the competition of the Rock Oils or Petroleum. [Portland Transcript]

The plank sidewalk to Woodford's Corner has been shoveled off and now furnishes the best walking to be found anywhere about. [Portland Transcript]

Gen. Grant, though hardly 40 years of age, has been in 17 battles, in three of which he commanded, and was in the Mexican War. [Portland Transcript]

The Maine Cavalry paraded in Washington on Friday week, and was highly complimented on its fine appearance. [Portland Transcript]

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Murder of four Newfield residents in 1900 topic of April 7 Genealogical Society meeting

Newfield resident and author Ruth Bridges Ayers will present "Four Murdered One Night in Newfield" on Saturday, April 7, at a meeting of the Greater Portland Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The talk will begin at 1 p.m. and will be preceded by a 12:30 p.m. coffee hour.

Ayers, the author of "Early Families of Newfield, Maine," will discuss the brutal murders of Civil War veteran George W. Goodwin, his adopted son Scott, housekeeper Elsie Horne and hired hand Fred

Bertsch in 1900.

The aftermath resulted in a manhunt through New Hampshire and into Massachusetts. The trial of George Champion, a former Newfield resident, brought crowds of spectators to the York County Courthouse in Alfred.

GPCMGS meetings are free and open to all. The church is located at 29 Ocean House Road. Contact Carol McCoy at cmc-coy3333@aol.com or 373-0318 for more information, or go to www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~megpcmg/.

Cape Robotics' Home-style Dinner March 28

The Cape Robotics Boosters will host their annual Home-style Dinner and Silent Auction fundraiser from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, in the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria.

The event will include robotics demonstrations by students. All are invited.

All proceeds from the auction and dinner will help fund Cape robotics team members' trips to the VEX Robotics U.S. National Robotics Championship in Omaha, Neb., in March and the 2012 VEX Robotics High School World Championship in Anaheim, Calif., in April.

Tickets for the event, available at the door, are \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids and \$25 for families.

Contact Kathy Barber at 767-1007 or kbarber@maine.rr.com or Audrey Castro at 799-3948 or castro614@yahoo.com for more information about the dinner and auction or about Cape Robotics.

Urban Runoff 5K to raise money to support clean-water education in Cape, 13 other districts

The inaugural Urban Runoff 5K race and walk is planned on Saturday, April 21, at Deering High School on Stevens Avenue in Portland. The event, which will be held rain or shine, will raise money to support clean-water education in 14 school districts in southern Maine, including Cape Elizabeth.

Registration will open at 7:45 a.m., and the race will begin at 9 a.m. A festival planned from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. will in-

clude kids' obstacle courses and activities, live entertainment, and face painting.

Participants can register the day of the race for \$20 or in advance for \$15 at www.urbanrunoff5k.com.

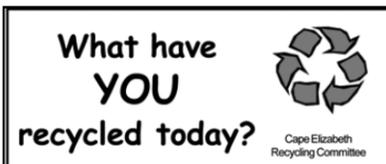
The Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District is coordinating the event on behalf of 14 municipalities in Southern Maine, collectively known as the Interlocal Stormwater Working Group.

Senior nutrition, fitness to be topics on April 12

Health instructor Patty Medina, who teaches Community Services' Fit to Live program, will talk about nutrition and fitness for senior citizens on Thursday, April 12, in the community room at the Cape Elizabeth Town Center Fire Station. The program is sponsored by TRIAD, a group of senior citizens, police, and community members who

work together to find solutions to problems that senior citizens face.

Lunch will be prepared by Cape Elizabeth Schools' food services department and will include lasagna, salad, bread, dessert and a beverage. The cost for lunch is \$6, payable at the door. Call 799-2868 to make reservations, which are required.



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<p>Wednesday, March 21 Middle School Basketball Bonanza, 6-8 p.m., Middle school gym One Act - "Find Me," 7 p.m., High school auditorium Thursday, March 22 "The Music Man Jr.," 7 p.m., Middle school cafeteria Owl Walk, 7 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Land Trust, Ocean House Road Friday, March 23 "The Music Man Jr.," 7 p.m., Middle school cafeteria Saturday, March 24 Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7:30 p.m., Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights Road "The Music Man Jr.," 2 & 7 p.m., Middle school cafeteria Sunday, March 25 "The Music Man Jr.," 2 p.m., Middle school cafeteria Tuesday, March 27 School Board Workshop and Finance Committee, 6:30 p.m., High school library Zoning Board of Appeals, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber Wednesday, March 28 Future Open Space Preservation Committee, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall Thursday, March 29 School Board Budget Workshop (if needed), 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber Friday, March 30 Jazz Cabaret, 7 p.m., High school cafeteria</p>	<p>Sunday, April 1 Jazz Cabaret, 2 p.m., High school cafeteria Monday, April 2 Town Council Finance Committee, 7 p.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall Tuesday, April 3 Planning Board Workshop, 7 p.m., Jordan Conference Room, 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 at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, head of Two Lights Road. Contact Mark Fleming, 899-3654, 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 Purpoodock Country Club on Spurwink Avenue. Contact Marge Barker, club president, 838-8129.</p>
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CABLE GUIDE CHANNEL 3

<p>Planning Board replay March 21 & 22 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. March 24 - 9 p.m. Words of Peace March 24 & 25 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m. March 31 & April 1 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Zoning Board of Appeals (Live) March 27 - 7 p.m. Zoning Board replay March 28 & 29 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. March 31 - 9 a.m. <i>Schedule subject to change. Please check Channel 3 for up-to-date listings.</i></p>
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Cape firefighters to play boys' ice hockey team

The Cape Elizabeth Fire Department will face off against the Cape Elizabeth High School boys' ice hockey team in their fifth annual fundraiser on Saturday, March 31, at 6:15 p.m. at the Portland Ice Arena. The event will include a raffle. Proceeds will benefit Engine 2 Company. Tickets, \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, can be bought at the door the night of the game, in advance at the Town Center Fire Station, or through Sean Donegan, 272-2369 or sdonegan2@yahoo.com.

Cape actor Tom Campbell to perform one of leading roles in 'Hedda Gabler' at USM

Cape Elizabeth actor Thomas Campbell will play Eilert Lövborg in the University of Southern Maine's production of "Hedda Gabler," which is set to open on Friday, April 20, at Russell Hall on USM's Gorham campus.



Photo by Jenny Campbell

Written in 1890 by Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen, the play centers on Hedda Gabler, who has recently married academic George Tesman. Gabler is bored by her life and feels trapped by the limits society places on women. The appearance of Tesman's academic rival, Lövborg, throws the couple's lives into disarray. Lövborg, a writer and a recovered alcoholic who has wasted his talent until now, shows signs of rehabilitation and has just completed a best-seller in the same field as Tesman.

At Cape Elizabeth High School, Campbell, a 2010 graduate, was involved in 10 productions, both acting and directing. At USM, he has appeared in two shows this year: as Mike in "A View from the Bridge," and as "The Lord of the Underworld" in "Eurydice." He also does scenic construction for USM theater.

In addition to acting in several local films, Campbell makes his own films with his brother Peter Campbell for their production company, 8mufnz.

Cape Elizabeth actor and filmmaker Tom Campbell will play Eilert Lövborg in "Hedda Gabler."

"Hedda Gabler" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. on April 20, 21, 26, 27, and 28; and at 5 p.m. on April 22, 25, and 29. Go to www.usm.maine.edu/theatre to buy tickets or get more more information, or call the box office at 780-5151. The theater is located at 37 College Avenue.

Nonfiction, fiction, poetry readings by Maine authors planned on March 24 at Local Buzz

Three Maine writers will read from their work from 4 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 24, at The Local Buzz. Cape Elizabeth resident Penelope Schwartz Robinson will read nonfiction. Cape Elizabeth native Douglas "Woody" Woodsum, who now lives in Smithfield, will read poetry. Winterport resident James Sprouse will read fiction at the free event.

Sprouse, who writes both fiction and poetry, has had work published in *Puckerbrush Review*, *New Delta Review*, *Wisconsin Review*, *Cincinnati Review*, and *Abraxis*. His stories, "Cuba" and "Mushin Bites an Apple," were finalists in the *Glimmer Train* Short Fiction Awards for New Writers.

Schwartz Robinson's essay collection, "Slippery Men," was selected by Katha Pollitt for the Stonecoast Book Prize and published by New Rivers Press in 2008. Schwartz Robinson is the recipient of the Maine Arts Commission's 2009 Individual Artist Fellowship in the Literary Arts. She teaches nonfiction writing and literature at Southern Maine Community College in South Portland.

Woodsum, who has taught at two universities and five public schools, is a former Ruth Lilly poet, a two-time Avery Hopwood Award winner and a winner of the Bread Loaf Poetry Prize. He teaches English in rural Maine, and he and his students have published 10 anthologies of oral history and folklore.

The Local Buzz is located at 327 Ocean House Road in the Pond Cove Shopping Center. Go to www.capelocalbuzz.com or call 541-9024 for more information.

Bruce Poliquin to speak at March 28 meeting

Maine State Treasurer Bruce Poliquin will be the guest speaker at the Wednesday, March 28 meeting of the Cape Elizabeth Republican Town Committee at the Purpoodock Club. Poliquin will discuss the fi-

nancial state of Maine at the meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

Contact Committee Chairman RuthAnne Haley at rahaley@maine.rr.com or 617-435-8608 for more information.

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Cape Elizabeth Garden Club to meet April 4

Members of the Cape Elizabeth Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4, at the home of Dorothy Ingalls, 20 Canterbury Way.

Following a business meeting, professional florist and club member Hilda Lewis will present a program demonstrating how to create a terrarium.

“Club members look forward to a busy spring, with a district meeting in Falmouth

in April and a Garden Club Federation of Maine convention taking place in Freeport in June,” club members stated in a press release. “When the gardening season begins, members will again be working on the gardens at the Thomas Memorial Library and at the keeper’s quarters at Fort Williams.”

CEGC welcomes new members. Contact Barbara Anderson at 767-2898 or anderson-cape@aol.com for more information.

Coastal Wellness plans egg hunt on March 31

Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic will hold its fourth annual Easter Egg Hunt at noon on Saturday, March 31, at 1231 Shore Road.

The event is open to children of all ages, but parents should call 799-9355 to reserve

spaces.

At the event, practitioners also will be available to talk about services offered at Coastal Wellness: chiropractic care, naturopathic medicine, massage therapy and acupuncture.

Nighttime owl walk set for Thursday, March 22

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust member Tony Owens will offer town residents an opportunity to learn more about some of Cape Elizabeth’s nocturnal inhabitants when he leads a nighttime owl walk from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22.

The outing will begin at the CELT office at 330 Ocean House Road, where participants will view slides and listen to taped owl calls. The group will carpool to several sites in town, including Robinson Woods and the Crescent Beach entrance.

Using an audiotape, walkers will stroll quietly and attempt to locate owls by sound and sight. Participants, who are asked to bring a flashlight and wear quiet walking shoes or boots, should be prepared to stand outdoors quietly for 10 to 20 minutes at a time.

Space is limited for the walk, and participants must be 12 years or older. The registration fee is \$6 per person. Call 799-2868 to register through Cape Elizabeth Community Services.

Lions Club plans spaghetti dinner on March 24

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club will host an all-you-can eat spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 24, at the Lions’ clubhouse, located on Wheeler Road near the intersection with Route 77.

The dinner, which will include garlic bread, salad and dessert, is set for 5-7:30 p.m. Soft drinks will be served, and diners

may bring their own wine or beer. The cost is \$10, and \$5 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds will benefit maintenance of the clubhouse, formerly the Bowery Beach schoolhouse.

Contact Lions’ President Mark Fleming at 899-3654 for more information.

Cape resident Leslie Sewall to dance in ‘Giselle’

Cape Elizabeth resident Leslie Sewall will perform in Portland Ballet’s production of “Giselle” at the Westbrook Performing Arts Center on Saturday, March 24. Performances are planned at 2 and 8 p.m.

Sewall, who is co-president of the Portland Ballet’s board, will dance the role of a member of the royal court in the production.

The ballet tells the story of a peasant girl named Giselle whose ghost, after her premature death, protects her lover from the vengeance of a group of evil female spirits. The ballet was first presented in 1841.

Go to www.porttix.com or call 842-0800 to buy tickets. Visit www.portlandballet.org for more information. The arts center is located at 471 Stroudwater St.

Six Cape dancers to perform in ‘Swan Lake’

Six Cape Elizabeth dancers will perform in Maine State Ballet’s “Swan Lake” at Merrill Auditorium in Portland on Saturday, March 31, and Sunday, April 1. Faith Buckley, Lily Mackenzie, Michael Mackenzie, Madeline Miele, Alexandra Weissbach and Katarina Weissbach will dance in the performances, which are scheduled at 2 p.m. both days.

The Maine State Ballet production of Tchaikovsky’s first ballet, which premiered in Russia 135 years ago, will feature 85 students and professional dancers. It is the largest production staged by a ballet company in Maine, said Maine State Ballet Director Linda MacArthur Miele.

“Swan Lake” tells the story of Princess Odette, who has been transformed into a swan by the sorcerer von Rothbart. Prince Siegfried falls in love with Odette in a moment by the lake when she has temporarily regained her human form. A battle ensues between the prince and evil magician. While many variations of “Swan Lake” end in tragedy, Miele chooses to model a Russian version of the ballet that has a happily-ever-after ending.

The show, appropriate for all ages and levels of interest in dance, will be presented in two acts, with one intermission and a running time of approximately two hours.

Tickets are \$20-40, and discounts are available for groups, seniors and children. Call 842-0800, visit www.porttix.com, or go to the Merrill Auditorium box office from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, to buy tickets.



Photo by Trevor Maxwell

Cape Elizabeth High School sophomore Madeline Miele will perform in Maine State Ballet’s production of Tchaikovsky’s “Swan Lake” March 31 and April 1. Miele recently was selected to be a member of the professional-level Maine State Ballet Company.

‘A Few Good Men’ to run through April 1

“A Few Good Men” opened at the Portland Players on Friday, March 16, and will run through Sunday, April 1. Performances are planned for 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

A military drama, the story follows young Navy lawyers who uncover a high-level conspiracy during the murder trial of

several Marines who claim to have been acting under orders. The play is written by Aaron Sorkin, who also wrote “The Social Network” and “The West Wing.”

Call 799-7337 or email info@portland-players.org for ticket information or requests. The theater is located at 420 Cottage Road in South Portland.



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April exhibit at Thomas Memorial features Cape Art League members

For about 20 years, members of Cape Elizabeth Art League have been painting together.

Every Tuesday morning, they gather in the Community Services building to share skills, critique each others' work and enjoy good fellowship as they paint and draw. Watercolors, acrylics, oil, pencil and pastels are used.

Over the years, some professional artists have joined them to teach classes in drawing and painting. At other times, this group has enjoyed working outdoors during warm weather.

Most weeks, a casual atmosphere prevails, with each artist pursuing his/her own subject matter.

Anyone interested in joining the group is welcome (beginners through advanced). There is no registration required and the cost is \$3 to cover use of the room. Contact Community Services at 799-2868 for more information.

Nearly every year, the Art League presents an exhibit of members' work at the Thomas Memorial Library. This year the show will be April 2-30.

An open house is to be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, April 6. Exhibiting this year are: Ellen Knight, Sophie Kourakos, Susan Fisher, Marty Clark, Bob Crane, Sue Martin and Deanna Robishaw.



"Twisted Trees," a watercolor pencil drawing by Marty Clark, is part of an April exhibit at Thomas Memorial Library featuring members of the Cape Elizabeth Art League.

Library offers tour of England's National Trust Gardens, then tea on March 24



Photo by Josh Meyer

Josh Meyer will present a slideshow tour of England's National Trust Gardens from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 24, and a traditional English tea will follow at Thomas Memorial Library. Above: Cliveden Gardens in Buckinghamshire.

Thomas Memorial Library's newest staff member, Josh Meyer, will present a slideshow and talk about his recent visits to many of England's beautiful National Trust gardens from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at the library.



Josh Meyer

Meyer has a background in landscape ar-

chitecture, and he spent three years living and working in England before returning to the United States to pursue a degree in library and information science.

During that time, he visited many of the gardens preserved and maintained by England's National Trust. Meyer will present photos of the gardens, as well as brochures he collected during his visits, and will discuss the gardens from a landscape design perspective.

The program will be followed by a traditional English tea. Visit www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org for details.

New Evening Book Group starts March 22

If you're interested in joining the library's new Evening Book Group, you can attend an informational meeting at 7 p.m., on Thursday, March 22.

The group will be led by Josh Meyer. At this first meeting, participants will dis-

cuss the types of books they're interested in reading and choose a title for the April discussion. If you can't attend the first meeting, please give the library your name and contact information and someone will be in touch with you.

Story Time continues, with a few changes

Story times for winter are set to end on March 24 and the spring session will follow immediately without a break.

There will be some disruptions to the normal schedule in April because of a few special events happening on Thursdays that month.

Tales for Tots programs in April will be offered on Wednesdays only, and the Thursday programs will resume in May.

Children's librarian Rachel Davis will

participate in Pond Cove Arts Day on the first Thursday of the month and be part of a panel discussion on children's programming at a library conference the following Thursday. The library's annual Zimpritch poetry symposium also falls on a Thursday, and the April (school) vacation week also will cause a disruption in regular story times.

The changes are listed at the library's website, or you can pick up a copy of the library's April calendar.

Talk on wealth transfer planning set for April 5

Cape Elizabeth resident and Certified Financial Planner Tak Suppasettawat will discuss basic wealth transfer planning at an informal session from 7 to 8 p.m. April 5 at the Thomas Memorial Library Community Room.



Tak Suppasettawat

She will talk about financial strategies

to help people minimize taxes, protect and preserve assets for their future generations and philanthropic goals at the session.

Suppasettawat will also discuss how tax law changes on the horizon could have negative impacts on financial flexibility and existing goals, as well as important issues to consider when making gifts so that they will be used as intended.

The session is free and will be followed by a question-and-answer session. Refreshments will be served. Visit the library's website at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org for more information.

Kids: Library offers Russian early literacy contest

Children in Cape Elizabeth have an unusual opportunity to have their work exhibited at the Timiryazev State Museum of Biology in Moscow during the book festival "Beasts, Birds, and Others on the Pages of Children's Books."

This comes about thanks to Elizaveta Prudovskaya, daughter of Cape residents Igor and Svetlana Prudovsky, who is a journalist and translator working for Papmambook, a website designed to support family literacy.

Over the past year, she has been helping to develop the Papmambook site. While in Cape, she consulted with children's librarian Rachel Davis about strategies for promoting early literacy that are common in the United

States. Through that relationship, Prudovskaya has invited the library to be a partner in Papmambook's Readers' Marathon.

Children can participate by compiling and illustrating a collection of favorite poems about animals, by writing and illustrating a list of favorite books about animals, or by creating and photographing a puppet show based on a book about animals.

The contest runs through November. The best works will be chosen for the Timiryazev State Museum of Biology's exhibit. Winners of the marathon will be awarded diplomas and souvenirs.

Entry forms and details can be found at ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

LIBRARY SCHEDULE	799-1720 (for more info) rdavis@thomas.lib.me.us ThomasMemorialLibrary.org
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<p>Mother Goose Story Time Rhymes, songs and finger plays for babies up to 18 months. Wednesdays, 11-11:30 a.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Tales for Tots Songs, stories and movement for toddlers 18 to 36 months. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10 a.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Story Garden Songs, stories & movement for pre-schoolers 3 to 5 years. Tuesdays and Fridays, 10:30-11:15 a.m. <i>*Note: No Story Garden on March 23</i></p> <hr/> <p>Family Story Time Songs, stories & movement for toddlers & preschoolers. Saturdays, 10:30-11 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Library Hours</p> <p>Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday..... 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Closed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Story Time Themes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Week of March 18-24 <i>Home, Sweet Home</i> Stories about the different places we live!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Week of March 25-31 <i>Spring is Here!</i> Stories We'll celebrate springtime through stories and songs!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Week of April 1-7 <i>Ducks</i> Stories and songs about lovable ducks.</p>
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Cape Methodist, Nazarene churches to share services

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church and Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene will share three Easter week services and a breakfast.

A 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service on April 5 at the Methodist Church will be preceded by a 6:30 p.m. "Fellowship and Appetizers" gathering. A Good Friday service is planned at 7 p.m. on April 6 at the Church of the Nazarene.

An "Easter Sunrise Service" is set for 6 a.m. on April 8 at Two Lights Point and will be followed by a 6:30 a.m. breakfast at the Church of the Nazarene.

Additional Easter services at 10 a.m. are also planned at both churches. The Methodist Church is located at 280 Ocean House Road. Church of the Nazarene is located at 499 Ocean House Road.

Contact Cape Church of the Nazarene at 799-3692 or visit www.capenazarene.org for information, or contact Cape Methodist at 799-8396 or visit www.ceumc.org.

Passion story symbols are focus of Sunday services at First Congregational Church

During Lent, the Rev. John McCall and the Rev. Elsa A. Peters of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in South Portland are focusing on a different symbol of the Passion story during Sunday sermons, addressing what each symbol reveals about God's love, a church press release states.

The following symbols will be discussed

during upcoming Sunday services: "sword" on March 25; "palms" on April 1; and "empty tomb" on April 8.

Services are at 8:30 and 10 a.m., and the church is located at 301 Cottage Road in South Portland.

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Students speak!



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A group of Cape Elizabeth Middle School sixth-graders dedicated to the idea of promoting self-expression by students recently launched "Students Speak" at <https://sites.google.com/a/capeelizabethschools.org/student-s-speak/home>. On the site, the students invite others to submit "poems, photos, drawings, opinions, personal essays, stories, jokes, reviews, and book suggestions." Pictured here are the creators, left to right, front row, Christie Gillies, Georgia Wood, Susie Graham, Chloe Chapin, Katie Gilman, Abigail Caswell; rear, Myra Diehl, Tony Inhorn and Adeline Hayes. Katie Gilman explained the birth of the site: "We all love to write, so we all sort of smooshed our ideas together and created one website."

Cape Challenge 5K organizers seek sponsors

On Sunday, June 3, Cape Elizabeth's schools' three parent associations will host the Cape Challenge 5K, which replaces the race formerly sponsored by the Pond Cove Parents Association. As in the past, the event will include not only the 5K but also a 1-mile dash for kids in sixth grade and below and a Fun Run for children in second grade and below.

The event will benefit all three schools and will help fund programs such as Project

Graduation at Cape Elizabeth High School, Cape Elizabeth Middle School's outdoor experience program, Pond Cove's visiting artist program, and grants for teachers at all three schools.

Organizers are seeking companies to sponsor the race. Contact Andie Mahoney about corporate sponsorship at andiema-honey@maine.rr.com or 741-2482, and Biz Brewer at ejbrewer@maine.rr.com for information about volunteering for the event.

'Find Me' wins technical, acting awards; moves on to state festival after Cape performance



Cast and crew members of Cape Elizabeth High School's one-act "Find Me," will perform the play on March 21 at CEHS and during the state finals of the Maine One-Act Festival at March 23 and 24 at Falmouth High School.

The judges loved Cape Elizabeth High School's one-act play, "Find Me," which won both technical and acting honors at the Regional One-Act Festival in Windham earlier this month.

The CEHS production, which centers on a family trying to cope with a disturbed child, received ensemble and general technical excellence awards in Windham and now moves on to the state finals of the One-Act Festival, set for Friday, March 23, and Saturday, March 24, at Falmouth High School.

Each year, the CEHS Theater Department, along with 80 other high school theater programs across the state, produces a show for the festival, a showcase for high

school theater work of the highest level.

Cape audiences have a chance to catch the play before the state festival. A performance is planned in the CEHS auditorium at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21.

CEHS also produced "Find Me" for last year's one-act festival. The play, which seeks to investigate in depth the personality of a troubled young girl and the effects of her behavior on her family, has mature themes appropriate for adults and high school students, CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen said.

Admission to the show is \$5. Contact Mullen at rmullen@capeelizabethschools.org for information.

— Wendy Keeler

Good Table fundraiser to benefit mock trial team

A fundraiser benefiting Cape Elizabeth High School's mock trial team will be held at The Good Table restaurant in Cape Elizabeth Sunday, March 25, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Dinner that night will be \$10. Tickets must be bought in advance for one of three time periods: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., or 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Diners have to arrive during the first half hour of the time slot they have specified.

The restaurant will donate 10 percent

of sales to the state-championship-winning team, which seeks to raise \$9,000 for the team trip to the National Mock Trial Championship in New Mexico in May.

Tickets are available through team members and at the high school front desk and IGA. Contact coach Mary Page at mpage@capeelizabethschools.org for more information.

To make a donation, make checks out to "Cape Elizabeth Mock Trial-Nationals," and send to Page at CEHS, 345 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth ME 04107.

Buy large pizzas to help keep graduates safe

Freshies will donate 10 percent of profits from sales of large pizzas bought through the end of April to Cape Elizabeth High School's Project Graduation, a graduation-night trip organized by senior parents to give newly graduated seniors a safe night of fun.

The Maine high school that tops all oth-

ers 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 more information.

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High school, middle school jazz bands to perform at 2012 Jazz Cabaret on March 30 at CEHS



Photos by Tim Queeney

Cape Elizabeth High School's concert jazz band, pictured here on March 10 at the Berklee Jazz Festival in Boston, will perform on March 30 during the Jazz Cabaret at CEHS.

Cape Elizabeth High School and Cape Middle School musicians will perform at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 30, in the CEHS cafeteria during the 2012 Jazz Cabaret.

The event will feature seven high school jazz groups: the Three Matts Combo, the Tuesday Evening Jazz Ensemble, the Terry White Combo, the Repertory Jazz Ensemble, the Don Doane Combo, the Willie Maiden Combo and the Concert Jazz Band with guest artist Dave Demsey. A special guest band, the Cabaret All Stars, will feature Demsey.

The Eighth-Grade Jazz Ensemble also will play.

Tickets, which will be for sale at the door, are \$5 per person, \$15 per family and \$3 for seniors and students. Refreshments will be available.

Contact Cape Music Booster Nancy



Musicians, left to right, Trevor Ewald, Justin Cary, and Daniel Epstein, performing here during the Berklee Jazz Festival on March 10, will play their saxes again on March 30.

Gunn at 939-8897 or nancy.gunn@maine.edu for more information.

'Music Man Jr.' opens March 22 at CEMS



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

Cape Elizabeth Middle School students will present "The Music Man Jr.," March 22-25.

Cape Elizabeth Middle School's Drama Club will open its spring musical, "The Music Man Jr.," based on Meredith Willson's enduring Broadway show, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, in the CEMS cafeteria.

Additional performances are planned at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 23; 2 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 24; and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 25.

Set in a small town in Iowa in 1912, the show follows fast-talking salesman Harold Hill as he cons the townspeople of River City into forming a boys' band.

The play features musical classics such

as "Goodnight, My Someone," "Till There Was You," and "Seventy-Six Trombones."

"It is a show that everyone will enjoy," said Eileen Phelan, a parent volunteer helping out with the production. "The many talented and energetic fifth- through eighth-grade CEMS performers and backstage crew have been rehearsing for weeks and invite you to share the experience of live theater with them."

The show runs about an hour and a half and is appropriate for all ages. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for students, and tickets will be sold at the door. Call 799-8176 for more information.

Cape musicians to perform April 12 at USM

Seven Cape Elizabeth musicians will perform with the University of Southern Maine Youth Ensembles on Thursday, April 12, in Portland.

Helen Gray-Bauer, who attends Waynflete School, plays violin with the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Cape Elizabeth High School violinists Charlotte Ruddy and Madeline Kraft are members of the Portland Youth Symphony Orchestra.

CEHS student William Britton plays oboe with both the Portland Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Portland Youth Wind Ensemble.

CEMS violinist Natalie Gale is a mem-

ber of the Portland Youth Junior Orchestra. Remy Delva, who is homeschooled, plays clarinet and Hazel Pine, a Cape Elizabeth Middle School student, plays flute with the Portland Youth Wind Ensemble.

Students have to audition for the ensembles, which offer young musicians an opportunity to practice and perform with peers from throughout the region.

Donations of \$6 for the general public and \$3 for students and seniors will be accepted at the door. Call the box office at 780-5555 for more information.

Merrill Auditorium is located at 20 Myrtle St.

'Coffee chat' now to be held March 24

Cape Elizabeth Superintendent Meredith Nadeau will hold an informal "coffee chat" to discuss educational topics with parents, students, residents and staff members from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 24, at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center.

The gathering, postponed from the week before, will have no planned agenda. Call 799-2217 for more information.

Register kids now for kindergarten

Parents of children who will turn five before Oct. 15, 2012, should contact Pond Cove School immediately about kindergarten registration for the next school year.

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

Birth certificates and immunization records are required at registration. Call Pond Cove School at 799-7339 for more information.



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Cape hockey players and their team prevail



Three Cape Elizabeth hockey players and their Casco Bay Black Tier III Peewee Hockey team won the Maine Amateur Hockey Association state title after beating the Bangor Freeze 7-2 last month at the Lewiston Colisee. Seventh-grader Andrew Pellechia is pictured holding the trophy. Sixth-grader Alex Glidden, No. 35, is in the front row, third from right, and fellow sixth-grader Ryan Collins, No. 6, is second from right.

Matty Pierce wins Jim Spaulding Award while father Ken honored for volunteerism



Photo by Donna Liimatainen-Peterson

Cape Elizabeth High School senior Matty Pierce displays the 2012 Jim Spaulding Award, which he received from Jamie Spaulding, far right, on March 8 at a CEHS boys' basketball banquet. At the event, Matty's father, Ken, far left, was honored for volunteerism. Mother and wife, Kathleen, is also pictured.

Now, that's a season



Photo by Karen Hare

Cape Elizabeth's sixth-grade travel basketball team finished the season with a 25-9 record. The team, which competed in two leagues, tied for first in the Boys and Girls Club League and second in the Freeport Travel League. Team members include, left to right, front row, Val Murphy, Jacob Brydson, David Hare, Brendan Tinsman, Finn Bowe, Tate Perkins; back row, Andrew Lockwood, Tony Inhorn, Sulayman Shir and Ryan Weare.

Cape Elizabeth High School senior Matty Pierce won the CEHS Boys' Basketball Boosters' 2012 Jim Spaulding Award at a March 8 boys' basketball banquet in the CEHS cafeteria. The award, named after a longtime Cape basketball supporter, youth coach and booster who passed away in 2004, is given annually to a senior boy who exemplifies character, commitment and leadership. Spaulding's son Jamie presented the award to Pierce.

Senior Max Gore won the Coach's Award, junior Henry Babcock was named Most Valuable Player, and junior Kyle

Snowden won the Kevin Brady Award.

Matty's father, Ken, went home with an award honoring his years of volunteerism and commitment to Cape basketball. The Boosters gave Pierce and parent Kris West burgundy jackets embroidered with "Cape Elizabeth Basketball" for their service to the boosters.

Some younger Cape basketball players also got some glory.

Finn Bowe won the Boosters' 2012 Shoot-A-Thon free-throw contest in the fifth/sixth-grade division by sinking 67 out of 100 shots.

Eric Barber won the third/fourth-grade division by nailing 63 out of 100 shots.



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practice quiz on the device.

The same day, around the halls of CEHS, other students were using their iPads to take French quizzes and English vocabulary tests; record class lectures; and download, read and take notes on documents that in the past teachers had to print and pass out to students.

On their iPads, sophomores were reading "Othello," and juniors were reading "The Great Gatsby." Students in all three grades were taking notes in a way that CEHS students haven't been able to before. Now they can highlight text and write in margins, big no-no's in school-owned books. They can type or "write" their notes, or do a combination of both, and they even can import diagrams, photos, videos and documents directly into their notes.

Faculty members also are exploring new possibilities. Through one iPad application, teachers now have the ability to find out immediately whether students understand a concept, CEHS Principal Jeff Shedd said.

"In a traditional classroom, a teacher calls on a handful of students and finds out what they know, but the teacher doesn't know what everyone knows," Shedd said. Now with iPads, "if teachers want to know whether kids have really gotten a concept,



they can ask kids a question, and the kids' answers are immediately visible to the teacher, so the teacher knows when to move forward or slow down and whether a couple of students need help or if everyone gets it."

Students and teachers who like the new technology have a man and an organization to thank for making the iPad program possible.

Last year, while Cape Elizabeth Technology Director Gary Lanoie was planning the budget for the current school year, the benefits of iPads over laptops hit him. This school year, the high school was scheduled to replace its 200 high school laptops, but Lanoie realized that for the same amount of money, the district could buy 405 iPad 2s – one for each freshman, sophomore and junior this school year.

Using the funds that would have gone to laptops during the 2012-2013 school year, the district could buy 150 additional iPads so every CEHS student would have an iPad

at the start of the 2012-2013 school year.

Shedd not only embraced the idea of every CEHS student having a computer, as Maine seventh- and eighth-graders have had for a decade, but he also saw the potential of iPads, which "have all kinds of educational applications that open worlds of possibilities."

The district had neither the money to buy CEHS teachers iPads nor the funds to teach them how to incorporate iPads into curriculums and classrooms, however.

Enter the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation, which funds programs that fall outside the regular school budget. CEEF awarded CEHS a grant of about \$44,000, which enabled the district to buy about 55 iPads for teachers and fund three full teacher-training days. Teachers got their iPads and training at the start of this school year, giving them half of a school year to learn how to integrate them into their teaching before students in grades 9-11 got their iPads.

Tablet computers have some big benefits over laptops, both Shedd and Lanoie say. In addition to being smaller, lighter, and more durable than laptops, iPads have longer-lasting batteries. Students can charge iPads at home and the batteries will stay charged for at least a day, whereas laptop batteries usually don't last the day, Lanoie said.

Downloading software onto laptops has to be done by members of the district's Technology Department, but students

download apps onto iPads themselves. More than 1,000 educational apps are available on iPads, and the apps that aren't free cost less than software for laptops, Lanoie said.

For Shedd, the uniformity the iPad program offers is also a big plus.

"We have upwards of 1,000 mobile devices walking into school in students' pockets every day: 500 smartphones, at least 300 iPods and probably a good many more, and some kids had laptops, and a few had iPads already," he said. "Now because students have the same thing, it allows teachers to take advantage of the educational possibilities."

Not every student is happy about the advent of the iPad program at CEHS.

"I learn in a very particular way, and I think what the school is trying to do is use the iPads in more and more subjects and refocus the curriculum around the iPads," sophomore Emily Wasserman said. "I'm not sure I'm going to be able to learn the way I always have with these iPads."

Many students, however, say iPads have great potential to improve the educational experience of CEHS students.

"As people get used to having them in class and transitioning from paper and everything we were doing before, to using the wonderful qualities of iPads, I think iPads will enhance our learning and also save a lot of trees and money," Emma Inhorn said.

Council

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of health insurance for employees, debt service caused by refinancing some bonds, and reduced ecomaine waste disposal fees because of increased recycling by town residents.

The council referred the budget proposal to its Finance Committee. The committee is expected to review the proposal early next month, and a public hearing and vote by the full council is tentatively scheduled for April 26.

The Finance Committee expects to hear from the School Board on April 11 about its budget for the next fiscal year. A final council vote on the school budget is also scheduled for April 26, with a referendum on school spending set to coincide with the June 12 primary election.

Shore Road Pathway progress

McGovern also told the council that the town has gotten preliminary federal approval for its plans for the Shore Road Pathway.

The council approved the pathway last year, but has been waiting for a go-ahead from the Federal Highway Administration, which has been reviewing the overall design, specifications, environmental impact, and other items associated with the trail.

McGovern said the preliminary approval will allow the town to move ahead with advertising for bids on the work late next month, about two months behind schedule.

Although the town still needs to get final federal approval, McGovern said, "the good news is it looks like it's finally happening."

Perhaps the biggest downside of the delay, he said, is that the pathway won't be done before the Aug. 4 TD Bank Beach to Beacon 10K road race, the route for which heads along Shore Road on the way to the finish line at Fort Williams Park.

McGovern said the construction contract will call for no work to be done on the afternoon of Aug. 2 or all day on Aug. 3, when runners head into town to pick up their numbers.

Hearing set for cemetery plan

In other action, the council set an April

9 public hearing on a new master plan for Riverside Memorial Cemetery.

The new master plan for the town-owned cemetery, located next to Spurwink Church, is the first since 1993.

It calls for a range of improvements and additions, including installing cremation "niche walls" around the flag circle at the cemetery.

The plan calls for six walls, with 40 niches per wall, along with a beautification effort around the flagpole, including additional plants and benches.

The plan also suggests extending the stone wall along Route 77, additional plantings elsewhere in the cemetery, and buff-

ering around the maintenance shed, where plots have been difficult to sell.

The plan also notes that other towns charge more for burial and cremation lots than Cape Elizabeth's prices of \$650 for a burial plot and \$300 for a cremation lot.

Although the master plan says a price increase at Riverside Memorial is needed, it didn't suggest specific figures.

Capital needs study announced

The meeting also included a report from Councilor Frank Governali, who met recently with town and school officials to discuss upcoming capital needs.

Governali said officials would do a study

this coming year of capital needs to try to come up with a list of major projects that are likely to be needed, which would allow the council to start to set priorities.

He said the studies shouldn't interfere with ongoing plans for a renovation and expansion of the Thomas Memorial Library.

The town and schools will retire a total of about \$8 million of Cape Elizabeth's \$20 million in debt over the next five years, Governali said, creating an opportunity for officials to borrow some money without increasing taxes for debt service.

"The important question is what our priorities are and how this debt capacity should be utilized," he said.

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For the third year in a row, **The Good Table** restaurant won the “Incredible Breakfast Cook-Off” with its “Crème Brûlée French Toast” entrée. At the event, held March 9 at the Sea Dog Brewery in South Portland, nine area restaurants competed. The annual contest is held the last day of Maine Restaurant Week, a statewide celebration of culinary talent and a fundraiser for the Preble Street Resource Center.

Kendall Cooper, the daughter of **Craig and Jennifer Cooper**, was named to the fall-semester dean’s list at Syracuse University, where she is a senior majoring in visual and performing arts.

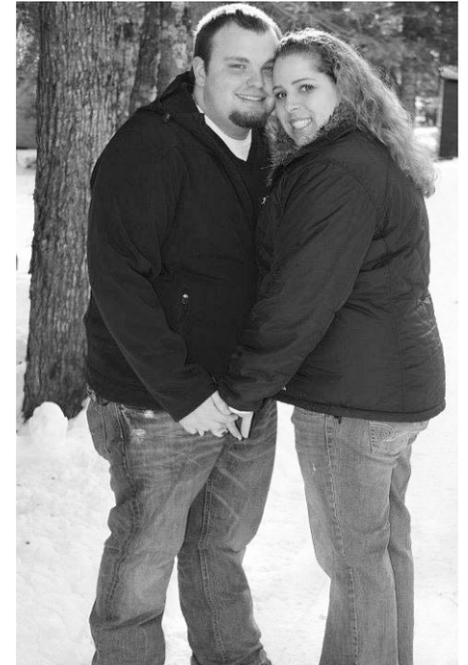
Molly Rogers was named “Broker of the Month” at **Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage** for superior sales during the month of February. She lives in Scarborough.

Helen Gillis was named to the fall-semester dean’s list at Merrimack College in North Andover, Mass.

On March 14, U.S. Senator Olympia J. Snowe testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary in support of the nomination of Cape Elizabeth resident **William Kayatta Jr.** to be a circuit court judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

If confirmed, he will replace former Cape resident **Kermit Lipez** on the bench. Kayatta was joined at the hearing by his wife, **Anne Swift-Kayatta**, and their daughter, **Katherine**. A trial attorney, Kayatta currently serves as a partner at Pierce Atwood in Portland.

John and Lisa Moulton of Eastman Road announce the engagement of their daughter, **Ashley Nicole Moulton** of Stoughton, Mass., to Paul Terran Chamberlain, also of Stoughton, Mass. Ashley is a 2005 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School and a 2009 graduate of Mount Ida College in Newton, Mass., where she earned a bachelor’s degree in veterinary technology. She is currently working as a neurology technician at VCA South Shore Animal Hospital in South Weymouth, Mass. A late-summer wedding in 2013 is planned.



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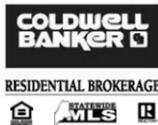
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After a corporate career, Pols, a Yale and Columbia Business School graduate, returned to school to study nutrition and dietary theory, and stress management, and became a personal trainer and indoor-cycling coach.



Inger Pols

Go to www.nehealthadvisory.com to read the advisory.

Correction: *The Cape Courier* misspelled the name of Cape Elizabeth resident Deke Andrew in a recent issue. Andrew runs elite lacrosse programs for high school students, youth, and adults at the new Riverside Athletic Center on Riverside Avenue in Portland.

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