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Big CELT results: 145 contiguous acres of Cape land forever protected

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust now has the ability to forever protect 145 contiguous acres off Shore Road, known as Robinson Woods I & II, from development.

In mid-November, CELT finalized the purchase from Robinson Family, LLC., of the 63.6-acre Robinson Woods II parcel, which includes 12 acres of fields and five acres of ponds, as well as wetlands and woodlands that provide a home to a variety of birds, waterfowl, reptiles and mammals.

As a result of these purchases, most of the 7.5-mile greenbelt trail between Fort Williams and Kettle Cove is permanently protected from development as well.

"Five years ago, our board of directors established Rob-

inson Woods II as our No. 1 land conservation priority," said Chris Franklin, CELT's executive director.

"Eighteen months ago, we signed a purchase and sale agreement with the Robinson Family, LLC. After securing a \$350,000 donation from the town of Cape Elizabeth and contributions from over 250 individuals and private foundations, we raised the \$1.2 million necessary to purchase the property, to cover project-related costs and to provide ongoing stewardship for the property."

As part of the acquisition, CELT granted an easement to the town to assure permanent public access to the property and a town-authorized conservation easement to the Maine Coast Heritage Trust.

"We are fortunate to be living in a time when the desire of the town of Cape Elizabeth and its residents to preserve strategic conservation lands is matched by their willingness and ability to do so," said Franklin.

"The campaign to acquire this property is full of personal stories related to the importance of Robinson Woods to our community. We received some truly remarkable gifts over the past 18 months that have, in turn, brought in some significant support from private foundations."

Since it began in 1985, the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust has permanently protected about 660 acres. CELT purchased Robinson Woods I in 2001.

PBS documentary on Chewonki features Class of 2018 Cape students



Photos Betta Stothart

Cameras rolling! Above left: Recently departed then-Cape Elizabeth Middle School Principal Steve Connolly is interviewed at Chewonki by Visionaries, Inc. producer Bill Mosher, while a sound technician and cameraman record the moment. Above right: CEMS teachers Joe Doane, left, and Charlie Carroll have their photos taken during the early May 2012 filming.

**The film premieres at 7 p.m.
Dec. 11 at the Cape Elizabeth
High School auditorium.**

By Patricia McCarthy

The outdoor experience at Chewonki in sixth grade left such a huge impression on Emma Dadmun that she returned to Wiscasset during her junior year, enrolled in Chewonki Semester School.

"In sixth grade, we'd gone to school with

the same kids for seven years, and in that one week, I got to know people in my group really well that I'd never even had a conversation with before. We found we had a lot of common ground," said Emma, who is now a South Portland High School senior. "It was about making connections with kids that we probably wouldn't have made without being in that setting."

"I wanted to go back to experience that strong sense of community again. And

because we learned a lot that week about things like sustainability and our impact on the environment, but there was so much more to learn."

Emma, a clear Chewonki enthusiast, was thrilled to learn that a PBS documentary had been made about the environmental education camp – and that it will premiere in Cape Elizabeth on Dec. 11. The film is part of the acclaimed PBS "Visionaries" series that for the past 18 years, has been highlighting non-

profit organizations around the world that are making a positive difference.

The premiere is happening here because "Discovering the Natural World, Chewonki, Wiscasset, Maine" was made over three days in May, when Cape students were at Chewonki.

It marked the 26th straight year that Cape sixth-graders have spent a week there, con-

—see CHEWONKI, page 18

New rules for short-term rentals to be put to the test starting Dec. 14

By Bob Dodd

The newly adopted regulations on short-term rentals are described as a compromise between neighbors' rights to enjoy their own properties and the rights of property owners to enjoy rental incomes.

Town councilors, for the most part, see the rules as a work in progress.

Many on the Town Council were clearly ready to see the much debated rules finally put to the test. They could then be revisited after a learning period.

The changes were approved by a 5-1 vote at the council's Nov. 14 meeting. They go into effect Dec. 14.

The vote came after a public hearing. It also came after a year of study and public comment.

The changes were prompted by residents

in the Lawson Road area complaining of issues relating to rental properties, such as late-night noise and parked cars clogging narrow neighborhood roads.

The new regulations set limits on numbers of tenants and guests allowed. They establish requirements for off-street parking.

The rules also establish a "three strikes and you're out" process for revoking short-term rental permits for a year after three substantiated violations.

Nearly all who spoke at the public hearing were in favor of prohibiting short-term rentals outright. Jim Walsh, chair of the Ordinance Committee that drafted the new rules, said town attorney Tom Leahy advised against such an action. Leahy advised

—see RENTALS, page 18

After weighing traffic concerns, planners approve restaurant near high school

By Wendy Derzawiec

Plans for C's Gourmet Market, a 28-seat restaurant envisioned for the corner of Ocean House Road and the Cape Elizabeth High School entrance road, were unanimously approved by the Planning Board on Nov. 20.

Customers will be able to enter and exit the property from a main access off Ocean House Road, and also from a connector to the high school drive – a configuration also approved unanimously but seen by at least one board member as a possible traffic lightning rod.

"My main concern is people cutting through the parking lot," said board member Liza Quinn. "Impatient, teen drivers don't want to wait for the light, race

through the parking lot and then make a crazy left turn onto Ocean House Road. Or make a right turn," she said.

Traffic engineer Tom Gorrill, representing developers Michael and Stephanie Concannon, said his firm did consider the possibility of cut-through drivers, but the angles and turns needed to get through the lot likely would discourage them.

A traffic-impact study by Gorrill-Palmer Consulting Engineers graded the intersection's level of service as "A" even at peak school traffic hours after the restaurant opens. "There are certainly times when it doesn't seem like it's a very good level of service," Gorrill said. "Typically,

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Photo by Matt Whaley

Teachers grateful for books from Friends of TML

These (see photo above) are the fifth-graders of the Walsh-Whaley team at Cape Elizabeth Middle School, reading the books recently donated to their classroom libraries by the Friends of Thomas Memorial Library.

Once again, this marvelous group of volunteers has been extremely generous to the CEMS fifth-graders. During their recent annual Book and Bake sale, they gave

100 books to the classroom libraries of the Walsh-Whaley team.

This is the fourth year that this terrific group of women has offered the fifth-grade teachers the chance to choose books from their sale to be used/read by our students. We are most grateful for their kindness and generosity.

Kathy Walsh and Matt Whaley

Basket Drive a huge success, thanks to lots of help

We would like to publicly thank the very generous people that helped make our fourth annual Thanksgiving Basket Drive such a success. Through your donations of baskets, gift cards, money and time we were able to donate 120 baskets to families in need.

Aside from individual families putting together baskets, we also had Brownie troops, neighbors, classrooms and co-workers put together baskets that were overflowing with Thanksgiving goodies.

We are so grateful to those who enabled us to help 30 families right here in our own community! We also donated 10 baskets to My Sister's Keeper and the remaining baskets were delivered to Opportunity Alliance in Portland.

A big thank you to Penny Jordan and Jordan's Farm for donating the use of the blue bus to make our delivery to Portland and also to Scott Butterfield, who donated his time to drive the bus as well as help load and unload the baskets.

This truly was a community effort that



Photo by Jen Tinsman

Chris Tinsman, a junior at Cheverus High School, loads Thanksgiving goodies onto a bus bound for deliveries.

has become such a heartwarming tradition for all involved! Once again, thank you for your generosity!

Amy Lombardo and Jen Tinsman

MSPA applauds Flatbread for promoting literacy

On Nov. 20, CEMS fifth-graders received a special treat for lunch. In honor of their being the grade to purchase the most books at the Middle School Scholastic Book Fair, Flatbread Pizza of Portland donated 35 large cheese pizzas to help the grade celebrate a love of reading.

In just one week, fifth-grade students and their parents purchased 266 books and helped the Middle School Parents Association raise \$2,400 for their Teacher Grant Fund.

Many of the students and teachers frequent the Portland restaurant and were extremely excited about the event and the chance to enjoy Flatbread's wood-fired crust and natural ingredients in the middle of a "work" day. For Flatbread, it was a chance to give back to the community.

Thank you Flatbread, and thank you CEMS fifth-graders for being such enthusiastic readers!!

Middle School Parents Association

Re-elected Monaghan-Derrig thanks Cape voters

Thank you for re-electing me to be your state representative for House District 121 in Cape Elizabeth. It's been quite a journey, from the special election in August 2011 to now; I am grateful for this opportunity to serve a full two-year term.

Though the work of the 126th Legislature officially begins in January 2013, there is already a feeling among lawmakers that we are ready to get to work immediately. There is no question the priority of the Legislature will be to work on reasonable solutions that will help rebuild our economy so that people can get back to work, businesses can grow, education will strengthen and every Mainer will have the opportunity to succeed.

As your representative, I will work hard to stand for these ideals while representing the view and values of you - the people of Cape Elizabeth.

It is time for action, by both parties and the governor, to work together toward common ground to move Maine forward. We need a balanced approach with the main focus of improving Maine's economy and putting people back to work.

Please feel free to call or email me anytime with your comments, questions or concerns: 207-749-9443 or kmderrig@maine.rr.com. Thanks again.

**Rep. Kim Monaghan-Derrig,
House District 121**

Committee backing new library expresses 'deep appreciation'

The Committee for the New TML wishes to express its deep appreciation and thanks to:

- those who helped us financially to get out the YES vote
 - the multitude of Cape citizens who signed on to our endorsement ad in *The Cape Courier* and those who wrote such eloquent and heartfelt letters of support to the editor
 - our many volunteers who spent hours outside of the library, at the dump and other venues, handing out information and answering citizen questions
 - hosts who opened their homes so neighbors and friends could learn more about our vision for the Thomas Memorial Library of the future
 - many Facebook and Twitter users who spread the word and asked for support of the library bond referendum
 - everyone behind the scenes, who talked about the rare opportunity we had to build a new library without affecting the tax rate for our citizens
 - all of you who voted YES ... we will be forever grateful for your active commitment to invest in Cape Elizabeth's future by attempting to bring a 21st-century library to our community. We look forward to a continuing dialogue in the community on the next steps to realize the vision and bring that library to Cape Elizabeth.
- Committee for the New TML: Jessica Sullivan, Judy McManamy, Nancy Marshall, George Morse, Ed Saxby, Anne Swift-Kayatta**

Resident: It's time for town officials to stop 'forcing new library'

For some time now, several town officials have pursued a personal agenda to construct a new expansive library at the expense of Cape taxpayers.

In November, Cape voters sent a clear signal that we do not want to borrow additional funds to erect a new \$8,200,000 facility. We do not want to pay for a 132-seat lecture room, a café, staff lounge and kitchen. We do not want to pay more for a technologically outdated book storage facility or to store Historical Society memorabilia.

Recently, Councilor Jessica Sullivan said that we will "reassess our efforts thus far and then plan forward strategies for a new library building." I find this disappointing and against the spirit of the vote. It is clear that the council is intent on continuing its crusade of forcing the new library on the townspeople.

Most residents support a strong school system and are willing to accept higher tax burdens for a superior educational system. Even with a declining enrollment, Cape schools will require additional tax increases in the future.

Supporting our schools is a priority for Cape residents but adding thousands of dollars to our already high tax bills for a new and unwanted library is not appropriate. Councilors that stated our taxes would not increase with the new library are disingenuous at best.

Most of us originally were attracted to Cape by its good schools, scenic beauty and diversity. Unfortunately, now it is a place only doctors and lawyers can afford. It is time to put the personal agenda aside and focus on serving the will of the taxpayers.

Jonathan Cottrell

Council to consider Survey Zoning Amendment at its Dec. 10 meeting

By Town Planner Maureen O'Meara

At its Dec. 10 meeting, the Town Council will begin review of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance that requires standard boundary surveys for some building permits.

Currently, property owners are responsible for providing accurate boundary line locations as part of a building permit application. The code enforcement officer may, but is not required, to request a standard boundary survey to confirm property boundaries.

In February, the council took up an issue of property owners who had built a \$60,000 addition to their home that was later found to be encroaching on the required property boundary setbacks. Once an encroachment is discovered, it can cloud the title and make sale of the property problematic.

In this case, the property was not eligible for a variance. The remaining options were

to remove part of the addition or to file and then settle a lawsuit. The council agreed to the court solution, which kept the addition intact but resulted in thousands of dollars of cost borne by the property owner.

Councilors then tasked the Ordinance Committee with a review of the process so that similar situations could be avoided. The committee noted that in some situations portions of structures have been removed. The court process is not only expensive but stressful to property owners. Promoting a variance approach could diminish the integrity of zoning regulations, and reducing setbacks could negatively impact the community character of Cape Elizabeth.

The Ordinance Committee reviewed a variety of options from surveyors and decided to require that a standard boundary survey be provided to proactively address setback en-

croachments. A standard boundary survey is more substantial than the "mortgage inspection plan" typically used by property owners. A mortgage inspection plan is usually part of the financing to purchase property. It is mainly a visual inspection of the property. A standard boundary survey includes locating property pins and researching the deed, done by a registered land surveyor.

A standard boundary survey costs in the range of \$2,500, while a mortgage inspection plan costs about \$400. The Ordinance Committee was reluctant to burden property

owners with added costs, but noted the cost and stress involved when a property title is clouded. To mitigate costs, the proposed amendment requires a standard boundary survey for building permits for structures of \$10,000 or more in value when the building will be placed within five feet of the minimum setback line.

The Planning Board has completed its review of the Survey Zoning Amendment and referred it back to the council.

A copy of the amendment can be found online at www.capeelizabeth.com.

Town hopes to quickly replace codes officer

Bruce Smith has resigned as Cape Elizabeth's code enforcement officer after 15 years on that job – and others.

Over the years, Smith concurrently served as building inspector, plumbing inspector, electrical inspector, health officer and shoreland zoning administrator. During his tenure in Cape, Smith oversaw the construction of 360 homes and other projects, with a total value of more than \$150 million, said Town Manager Michael McGovern.

Smith was chosen by his peers to be president of the Maine Building Officials and Inspectors Association and is again serving as vice president of MBOIA. He helped lead an effort that resulted in the 2010 adoption of a

statewide building and energy code.

"Bruce Smith has many admirers in Cape Elizabeth, in the building trades and throughout the code enforcement community in Maine," McGovern said. "I join them in wishing him well."

McGovern said Smith's position has been advertised, and he hopes to have someone on board by Jan. 2.

In the meantime, Rich Stellar, a building inspector with the city of South Portland, and John Wall, the town's attorney on zoning matters, will assist the town. McGovern will hold the title of interim code enforcement officer and be responsible for determinations that need to be made.

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Featured Cape Trail: Highland Trail (Broad Cove trails network)

By Garvan D. Donegan
Conservation Commission chair

This article is part of an ongoing series about the greenbelt system of open space and trails in Cape Elizabeth. These trails are constructed and maintained by the Cape Conservation Commission, an all-volunteer, seven-member board that reports to the Town Council and is dedicated to preserving and promoting public access to the open spaces of Cape Elizabeth.



The commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Town Hall, and the public is always welcome.

The town owns more than 1,000 acres of open space. Much of this land is accessible to the public via 15 miles of greenbelt trails. Look for town greenbelt signs at all trailheads and throughout the system to help you navigate your way on and through the trails.

A complete description of the greenbelt trail system, including trails description, maps, and allowed uses can be found on the town website (under Most Viewed Links, to Maps, to Greenbelt Trail Maps).

Highland Trail

The Highland Trail is a quiet neighborhood parcel comprising the larger portion of the Broad Cove/Two Lights Trail system.

Approximately 1,400 feet from shoreline and .4 miles long, the Highland Greenbelt Trail offers great coastal wetland and wildlife features. This community trail is predominately used as open space and supports

activities such as jogging, hiking, and the opportunity to observe the surrounding nature.

Popular among residents and neighbors as a scenic neighborhood link, the Highland Trail serves as a great connector to the nearby Two Lights State Park, Kettle Cove and Crescent Beach coastline.

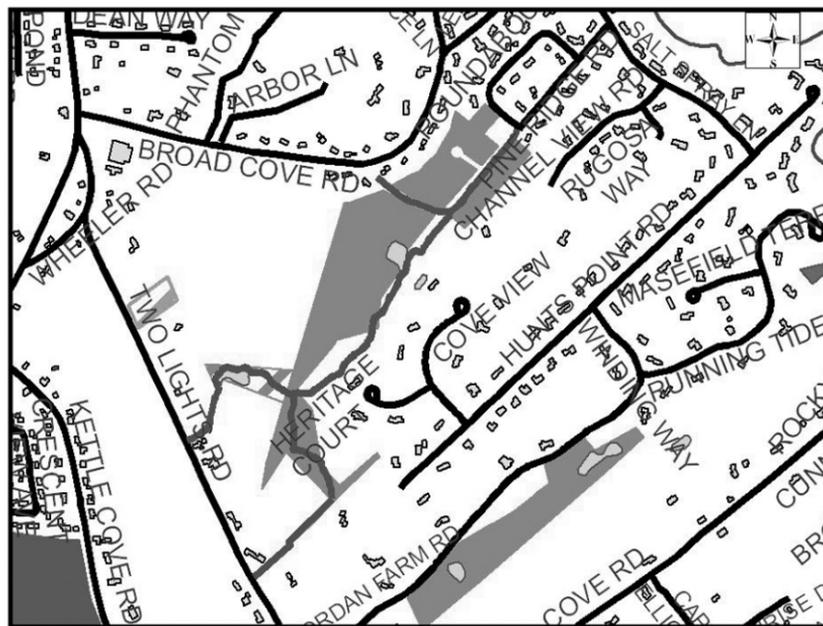
An important part of South Cape Elizabeth's 'Hub and Spoke' greenbelt system, the most direct entry point is located across from Maxwell's Farm, with trailhead signs visible from the roadside.

The town of Cape Elizabeth acquired what now makes up the Highland Trail in phases, in a piecemeal of land acquisitions in the early 1990's: the town purchased a portion of the parcel (6.72 acres), acquired a second larger section via development review (13.9 acres), and was the recipient of a donated public pedestrian easement.

The parcel containing the Highland Trail, within Broad Cove/Two Lights Trails, boasts a total of 20.62 acres, much in coastal forest and wetland. It also includes small water bodies with at least one pond. Much of the trail meanders through dense scrub growth, and gradually transitions into woodlands that border extensive wetlands.

With only slight changes in gradient, the Highland Trail makes for easy greenbelt walking and opportunities to see native flora and fauna.

The land has long been identified by the Conservation Commission as important in contributing to the rural character of the town, particularly with respect to the proximity of agricultural land use occurring across the street, as strawberries and other crops are grown yearly. This public access trail does traverse some backyards, so it is important to remain on the trail paths.



What to Watch For: New Bridging

Previous bog bridges have been replaced with wider and more robust bridges in a project that spanned November, in partnership with a local Eagle Scout troop and the Conservation Commission.

Workers on the project removed and replaced a series of dilapidated boardwalks through several swampy portions of the Highland Trail. Look for the new sections of approximately 250 feet of boarded greenbelt decking raised off the spongy moss and wetland soils.

Much of the new bridging should prove to be a delight to local residents, as many portions of the trail have been known to be constantly muddy and wet. The new bridging now consists of twenty interconnected 12-foot by three-foot sections, and are in many spots twice as wide as the previous bog bridges.

Access to trailheads for the public is available from Pine Ridge Road, Broad Cove Road Road and Two Lights Road.



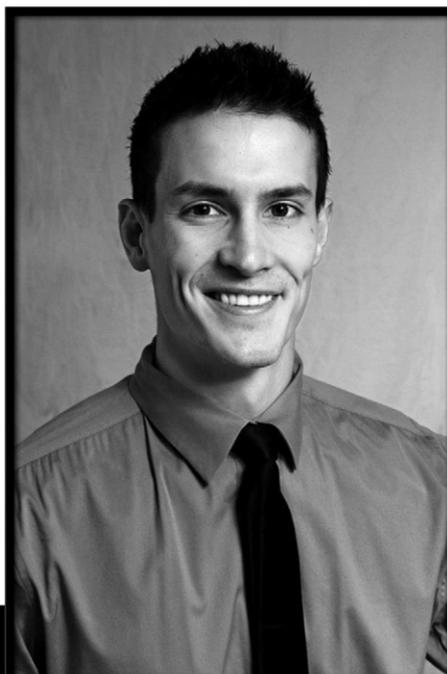
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Eagle Scout troop members, members of the Conservation Commission and residents help build a bridge along Highland Trail on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 24.

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Judy's Produce Pantry meeting its goals because of help from generous community

By Nancy Miles

On a recent Tuesday afternoon, Judy's Produce Pantry was filled with thanks from the 28 participants as they collected their brightly decorated Thanksgiving bags filled with locally grown produce and homemade treats.

Several Girl Scout troops added their artistic touches to bags filled with carrots, potatoes, onions, winter squash and apples, along with stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, homemade breads, and a jar of cranberry chutney. In addition, some families received overflowing baskets or boxes filled with food for Thanksgiving and beyond, donated by Cape families who wished to share their bounty with others.

One note of thanks from a participant was echoed by many: "To everyone who makes Judy's Pantry possible, thank you so much for all your kindness. From the Cape-grown veggies and flowers, canned goods, and smiles – it all means so much."

Although Nov. 20 marked the end of the 'produce' part of the weekly pantry for the year, the pantry offers nonperishables throughout the year that are donated by many Cape individuals and local businesses.

The pantry will be open again on Tuesday, Dec. 11, for a Holiday Gathering, and starting in January, nonperishables will be available to Cape residents twice a month on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church on Route 77.

The Pantry Committee acknowledges the generous contributions of many helping Cape neighbors who have limited resources. Participants include seniors living on fixed incomes, those who have lost jobs, single parents with children, and those facing high medical expenses.

Thanks go to the Methodist Church for offering such a welcoming space for the weekly pantry as well as coordinating the ongoing donations of boxed and canned food. Church members have been more than generous in supporting the pantry.

Profuse thanks also go to the growers of just under 5,000 pounds of locally grown produce offered to pantry participants every Tuesday since June 26. Produce came from five generous Cape farmers, Cape's two community gardens, and several Cape residents' backyard gardens. The participating farms were Jordan's Farm, Green Spark Farm, Alewife's Brook Farm, Imelda's Garden (Imelda and Dan Maxwell), and Maxwell's Farm. Many weeks, participants were also able to take home beautiful flower arrangements to brighten their tables.

The Pantry Committee wishes to thank

many others in the community who have helped support the pantry.

In addition to farmers and community gardeners who raised the healthy vegetables, our thanks go to the Lions Club and the Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth for their financial support, to the Coldwell-Banker office for their collection of canned goods, to The Cookie Jar for generous donations of bread and baked goods, and to the IGA for donations and for facilitating the purchase of nonperishables when donated supplies were low. And thanks to the many known and unknown contributors who wrote checks or left bags of canned goods at the church from time to time.

All of you play an important role in meeting the pantry's goal – "A community feeding itself." Although produce offerings will not resume until late June, the pantry will continue to help, and donations of food or funds will be most welcome.

Contact Nancy Miles at nmiles@maine.rr.com or 767-1031 for further information.

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Market

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like all school sites, they're kind of hectic for 15-20 minutes in the morning, 15-20 minutes in the afternoon, and then things are in pretty good shape after that," he said.

Access to side streets is desirable for corner businesses such as C's, Gorrill said, and providing both entrance and exit onto the high school drive would distribute traffic more evenly than would an exit-only. And, even at the busiest times, he said his observation was that the high school drive access would not be blocked.

The study estimates 46 vehicles either entering or exiting the site during the peak morning hour, and 54 at the peak afternoon hour, based on observations at a similar type of market in Raymond. Of those vehicles, 13 would be making left-hand turns from Ocean House Road in the morning and 11 in the afternoon. A similar number would be exiting onto the high school drive during those hours, Gorrill said.

While the board was concerned with traffic at that road, one speaker at the public hearing was more concerned with traffic and other impacts the new business will have on the house next door. Ivie Road resident Richard Blake, whose son and daughter-in-law now own the neighboring property at 351 Ocean House Road, said he was

"I just think it enhances the community feeling and the village-like feel that we're all sort of looking for."

—Cape resident Laura McGrath

concerned about lighting, buffering and the impact additional traffic will have on access to the young couple's home.

Blake said he had managed the two-acre property for previous owner Constance Reich for 30 years before his son bought the home this month.

"It's too bad we can't have 50 people here advocating for our positions, but that house has been there 150 years, well before this project," Blake said.

"It will be nice to have some economic development, but it will also be nice to make sure the place for this young family starting out is a nice place to live and not adversely impacted by a project that is going to create light, noise and a dangerous situation exiting the driveway," he said.

The property is in the Town Center zoning district, a district planned to accommodate a mix of commercial and residential uses with a "village feel."

Other speakers supported the project for its contribution to this vision of the Town Center. "I feel like it would really enhance the vibrancy of this town," said Heritage Court resident Laura McGrath. "I just think

it enhances the community feeling and the village-like feel that we're all sort of looking for," she said. McGrath was one of four residents who spoke to support the project's compliance with Town Center standards and for its potential contribution to the town's economic development.

The Concannons plan to sell gourmet deli items on the first floor of the new market, with a second floor office for a printing business the developers own in South Portland. Of the 28 seats included in the plan, 16 would be part of a seasonal outdoor patio.

Boundary surveys recommended as requirement for some additions

In other matters, the board voted 5-1 to recommend mandatory boundary surveys in cases where proposed additions come close to setbacks.

The Town Council had forwarded a proposal to require surveys, in cases where an addition is within five feet of a setback, for review and recommendation. The proposal stems from a case in the Oakhurst neighborhood where homeowners, on trying to sell their home last year, discovered they

had built an addition too close to the property line in 1999.

The only way to remedy the violation, short of ordering the addition dismantled, was to take the violators to court and then have the case dismissed, said Town Planner Maureen O'Meara. Requiring a survey in cases where additions are close, rather than relying on on-site monuments, could save both the town and homeowners time and money.

"If you're putting in an addition that's worth over \$100,000, you're looking at a very small percentage of that to verify that you're putting it where it can be legally constructed," she said.

In some cases, the code-enforcement officer may require a survey of only the closest property lines.

Board member Quinn voted against the recommendation.

Fort Williams upgrades OK'd

The board also approved proposed improvements to Fort Williams Park as outlined in the recently adopted master plan.

The improvements include expansion of the Ship Cove parking; upgrade of the Ship Cove picnic area slab; vehicular improvements at the intersection of Ocean Road and Wheatly Road; and vehicular and pedestrian improvements at the intersection of Powers Road, the Ship Cove parking lot entrance, and Ocean Road.



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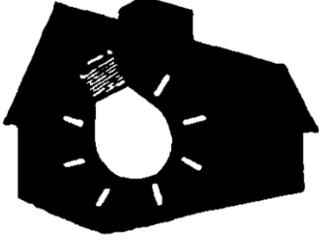
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Cape police busy handling an assortment of theft complaints

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-30 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Acres area about a possible missing person. The subject was located a short time later.
- 10-31 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a complaint of possible identity theft.
- 10-31 An officer met with a resident about a possible child abuse complaint.
- 11-3 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about possible criminal mischief to a lawn.
- 11-3 Two officers searched Crescent Beach State Park for reported parts of a snowmobile washing ashore. They located two pieces of a cowl from a Skidoo Rotax 700 Triple machine.
- 11-5 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about an unauthorized charge on his credit card.
- 11-6 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Acres area about damage to the mailbox caused by fireworks.
- 11-7 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area about a possible violation of a protection order.
- 11-7 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for a well-being check.
- 11-10 An officer met with a resident of the Oakhurst Road area about a fraud complaint. The resident had listed an item on craigslist and received an agreement to purchase. A check was received with an amount greater than the selling price. The complainant was asked to wire the excess amount to another subject. An Internet search for the address of the buyer showed a house for sale, and a search on the purchaser resulted in other matches.
- 11-11 An officer met with a resident of the Belfield area about the theft of an aluminum extension ladder.
- 11-13 An officer met with a resident of the

- Broad Cove area about the theft of a mailbox and post.
- 11-15 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area about possible fraud by a home repair contractor.
- 11-19 An officer met with a resident of Connecticut about a motor vehicle burglary that occurred at Fort Williams Park. Taken from the vehicle was a purse containing money, credit cards, personal ID, and a cellphone.
- 11-19 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a lost or stolen license plate.
- 11-19 Two officers responded to a residence in the Shore Road area for a reported domestic assault.

SUMMONSES

- 10-31 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (30/15) school zone
- 11-1 Westbrook resident, speeding (39/30 zone). Shore Road, \$119
- 11-2 Gorham resident, operating after license suspension, Bowery Beach Road
- 11-3 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$177
- 11-6 South Portland resident, speeding (51/35), Spurwink Avenue., \$185
- 11-7 Cumberland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$177
- 11-8 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70
- 11-9 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$177
- 11-9 Philadelphia resident, speeding (44/35 zone), Sawyer Road, \$137
- 11-15 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Bowery Beach Road, \$171
- 11-17 Gorham resident, speeding (62/45 zone) Ocean House Road, \$185
- 11-17 Cape Elizabeth resident, improper passing, Route 77, \$165
- 11-17 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171

ACCIDENTS

- 11-4 Paul Stefanko, hit a deer on Route 77.

- 11-7 Patricia Parks, accident on Scott Dyer Road
 - 11-8 Elizabeth Turesky, Michael Colello, accident on Route 77.
- ## FIRE CALLS
- 10-30 Oakhurst Road, carbon monoxide alarm
 - 10-30 Stonybrook Road, carbon monoxide alarm
 - 10-30 Scott Dyer Road, utility wire down
 - 10-30 Canterbury Lane, fire alarm
 - 11-1 Stonegate Road, water problem
 - 11-4 Two Lights Road, fire alarm
 - 11-8 Hill Way, wire down
 - 11-9 Delano Park, power line down
 - 11-9 Tote Road, chimney fire

- 11-10 Old Fort Road, cooking fire
- 11-10 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-10 Salt Spray Lane, investigation
- 11-13 Hunts Point Road, fire alarm
- 11-13 Concord Place, investigation
- 11-13 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-13 Cape Woods, fire alarm
- 11-14 Fernwood, CO alarm
- 11-17 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-18 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-19 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-19 Mountain View, investigation

RESCUE CALLS

There were 28 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were four patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

Citizen Oriented Police School finishes up



Twenty-two citizens from Cumberland County, including five Cape Elizabeth residents, completed an eight-week Citizen Oriented Police School that ran from Sept. 13 through Nov. 1.

The class met Thursday nights, and topics included Role of the Police Officer, Police and the Mentally Ill, Patrol Procedures, Criminal Investigations, Defensive Tactics, Canine Demonstration, and use of the Firearms Training Simulator.

Instructors consisted of law enforcement professionals throughout Cumberland County.

Kneeling in the photo above are Community Resource Officer Mark Dorval of the Cape Elizabeth Police Department and Community Response Officer Linda Barker of the South Portland Police Department, who facilitated the program.

Contact Dorval at 767-3323, Ext. 208, for more information on the next class.



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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. Portland 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.

Dec. 6, 1862: John Damery, in State Prison, for murdering a man in Cape Elizabeth, attempted, a week or two ago, to kill the little darkey sent into his cell to shave him. He snatched the razor and made a spring at the negro, but the Deputy Warden being fortunately at hand, he was disarmed before doing any mischief. The little darkey turned white with fear. Damery, who is in solitary confinement, appears to be insane. [Portland Transcript]

Stories having been rife that the Passamaquoddy Indians were about to rise and massacre the white people, John Francis, Governor of the tribe, comes out in the *Eastport Sentinel* and quiets the nerves of our Downeast friends by assuring them that the only wish of the tribe is to live on friendly terms with their "white friends and relatives." [Portland Transcript]

The President's Message: Congress assembled on Monday, and the President submitted to both Houses his annual message. It is a plain, frank, honest document, marked with a deep sense of the responsibilities of the hour, and an earnest desire to devise some method of escape from our national difficulties. It is calm and dignified in its tone, and singularly explicit in its statements and direct in its arguments. [Portland Transcript]

A translation of Longfellow's

"Hiawatha" into Latin has been published in London. [Portland Transcript]

With weeping skies and mud knee deep we can scarcely believe that we are in the first month of winter ... On Commercial and Portland streets it is "thick and slab," a bottomless abyss to men and horses. Both of these streets should be paved as there is much travel of heavy teams through them. [Portland Transcript]

The work on Galt's Grain Elevator is going rapidly forward. The foundations and lower story are very massive, standing upon 900 piles and supported by 100 oak posts 14 inches square ... It will contain 130,000 bushels of grain, taking it in from cars which enter the building, carrying it up 90 feet, distributing it into bins, weighing it and discharging it into vessels - all by steam. When it is completed the wheat of Canada and the Great West will run through this great outlet like a river. [Portland Transcript]

Dec. 13, 1862: On Monday morning last a house in Knightville, at the Cape Elizabeth end of the Portland Bridge, occupied by Mr. Burke, was destroyed by fire, together with the stable and shed. The timely efforts of Engine Co. No. 4, of this city, saved the neighboring buildings. Loss, \$1,800 to \$2,000; insured, \$1,200. [Portland Transcript]



Photo courtesy of Rossiter Johnson's "Campfire and Battlefield"

The battle for Marye's Hill was the last battle at Fredericksburg, Va., where 12,653 Union soldiers were killed, wounded, or missing, and the Confederate army lost 5,377. Despite huge losses during the course of the four-day battle, Union Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside continued to send divisions to fight.

The 17th Maine first participates in its combat at Fredericksburg. [Redman p. 118] where two men are killed and 19 wounded.

A fine bark of 300 tons, owned by Capt. Merrill York and others, was launched from the shipyard of B.F. Fickett, Ferry Village, Cape Elizabeth on Monday forenoon of the present week.

Dec. 20, 1862: The Movement at Fredericksburg - Well, our army has made a desperate advance upon the enemy, and escaped with but partial loss. Let us be thankful matters are no worse. The rebels had every advantage in position, and to attack them at all required great skill and boldness. [Portland Transcript]

Delay in the payment of the soldiers is becoming a serious evil which government ought at once to remedy. [Portland Transcript]

The President has concluded to hang 39 of the Minnesota Indians. This

ought to satisfy the Minnesotans. When we deal fairly with the aborigines, there will be no occasion for an exterminating war. [Portland Transcript]

Strong brown paper is now made from "cat-tails." The paper manufacturers are unflagging in their efforts to find new substitutes for rags. [Portland Transcript]

Our loss at the hour of going to press we have not a full list of the killed and wounded at Fredericksburg. A dispatch from Washington says, "Although our loss is heavy, it is far below some of the published statements, but the precise number cannot for days come to be ascertained." [Portland Transcript]

In the **Municipal Court** the other day a citizen was made to pay a fine and costs, amounting to \$5.17, for not clearing the snow from the sidewalk in front of his premises. [Portland Transcript]

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Cape Elizabeth High School seniors Emma Inhorn, left, and Allison Briggs, serve lunch to senior citizens, from left, Lorraine Staszko, Dorothy Vacca and Joan Graney, on Nov. 18 at St. Bartholomew Roman Catholic Parish during a "thank-you" luncheon and BINGO game for the senior citizens of that parish. Elizabeth Baillie of Two Lights Home Care, a geriatric care management and home care business in Cape Elizabeth, organized the luncheon with the help of Inhorn, Briggs, fellow CEHS seniors Petar Filipov and Francesca Governali, and Cape Elizabeth Middle School eighth-graders Rose Baillie and Caroline Coburn. In the Senior to Senior program, Cape Elizabeth High School seniors perform community service for the town's older residents.

Holiday scams to be topic of Dec. 6 Triad program for senior citizens at Cape fire station

Holiday scams will be the topic of a program planned for senior citizens from 2 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Cape Elizabeth Town Center Fire Station.

Community Resource Officer Mark Dorval of the Cape Elizabeth Police Department and South Portland Police Officer Robert Libby will discuss scams that have been reported recently, what people should do if they fall victim to one, and ways people can prevent themselves from becoming targets.

The officers also will offer tips on holi-

day shopping and how senior citizens can prevent themselves from becoming victims of both theft and identity theft.

Light refreshments will be served. The free event is sponsored by TRIAD, which is made up of Cape senior citizens, police, and community members who work together to offer ways of dealing with problems faced by older citizens.

Plenty of parking is available behind the fire station.

Contact Dorval at 767-3323, extension 208, for more information.

Free home-safety assessments available

Two Lights Home Care, a geriatric care management and home care business, is offering free home-safety assessments for Cape Elizabeth senior citizens during the month of December. Assessments will be performed by a certified geriatric care manager.

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CAPE CALENDAR

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Wednesday, December 5

Shop for Education Night, Nonesuch Books, Millcreek, 6-8 p.m.

Thursday, December 6

Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works

Monday, December 10

Town Council, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber
School Board Caucus, 7:15 p.m. -7:45 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Town Hall

Tuesday, December 11

Conservation Commission, 7 p.m., Assessing/Codes/Planning Conference Room, second floor Town Hall

Middle School/Chewonki Public Television Premiere, 7 p.m., High School auditorium

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

Tuesday, December 18

Planning Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall

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Al-Anon, Newcomers' meeting, 6:15 p.m., regular meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, at United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road. Regular meeting 7 p.m. Fridays at St. Alban's Episcopal Church.

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. Thomas Memorial Library.

Cape Elizabeth Lions Club, 6:39 p.m., first and third Tuesdays at the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights Road

The South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club, each Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. Purpoodock Country Club, Spurwink Avenue. 767-7388.

Cape Lions, Boy Scouts collect food for families in need in Cape Elizabeth; drop-off box at IGA



Photo by Julie Rieger

Darius Rieger, a Cape Elizabeth Boy Scout from Troop 30, recently collected a carload of food donations from his neighbors for food boxes for families in need in Cape Elizabeth. Each November, Cape Scouts and Cape Lions Club members hold a food drive. "The food at Thanksgiving and Christmas gets distributed to families in town whose names are provided through the town manager's office. If one of our club members or neighbors knows of someone in need, they are added to the list, too," Lions Club member Rich Brooks said. The rest of the year, the collected food goes to local food pantries. The Lions accept food donations at IGA throughout the year. Contact Brooks at 883-8810 or rich@brookscpmaine.com for more information.

Coldwell office collecting gifts through Dec. 15

Cape Elizabeth's Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office is collecting holiday gifts for children, adults and families served by Youth Alternatives of Maine. The organization provides families with services that range from child abuse and neglect pre-

vention to intensive intervention.

New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at the office, located at 295 Ocean House Road, through Dec. 15. Contact Roni Barbera at roni.barbera@nemoves.com or 799-5000 for more information.

All in community invited to attend Dec. 19 film on immigration, refugees' panel discussion

Cape Elizabeth High School's World Affairs Council, a student group that studies current world issues, invites community members to attend "The Whole World Waiting," a 43-minute film about immigration, followed by a panel discussion featuring local refugees, at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19 at the high school auditorium.

After the refugees speak about their transition to life in the United States, time will be allotted for audience members to ask questions.

"This is a great chance to get out and learn about how immigrants assimilate into

American culture, and at the same time, how they retain their original ways of life," said CEHS junior and World Affairs Council member Andrew Hollyday. "This event will help further the club's overall mission to help educate the community and school about global issues."

No admission fee will be charged, but donations will be encouraged to raise money for immigrant communities in the area.

Contact Hollyday at andrew.hollyday@capeelizabethschools.org for more information.

More Events & Organizations on page 13

Re/Max holding Dec. 6 open house, toy collection

RE/MAX Oceanside will hold its annual holiday open house, which includes a toy collection, from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, at 1237 Shore Road.

In addition to serving "food and cheer," agents will collect "stocking stuffer" toys for the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital's "Owwie Box," from which kids choose treasures after they have medical procedures.

Toys will be collected through Dec. 14.

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■ Both renewal and new licenses may be obtained online at www.capeelizabeth.com

Cape Garden Club's next meeting set for Dec. 12

Cape Elizabeth Garden Club members will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 12, in the Cape Elizabeth Community Center's Living Room. After an 11 a.m. business meeting, Kathy Savoie, an educator from the University of Maine Cooperative, will present a program, "How to Cook With Herbs." Handouts and samples will be provided.

Club members, who have readied the gardens at Thomas Memorial Library and the lighthouse area of Fort Williams for the winter, recently purchased wreaths to be placed at the Town Hall and town buildings.

The club continues to accept new members. Contact Betty Montpelier at 799-0229 for more information.

Displaying red ribbons demonstrates support for celebrating holiday season responsibly

Cape Elizabeth community members who want to demonstrate support for celebrating the holidays responsibly can do so by wearing red ribbons or tying them to their car antennas. Ribbons are available in town at the Cape Elizabeth Public Safety Building, the Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library, the Local Buzz, the IGA and Freshies.

Several organizations have teamed up to spread the message: Cape Elizabeth's community action group, Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Education; the Cape Elizabeth Police Department; and Peoples Regional Opportunities Program, a Cumber-

land County organization that seeks to help people better their lives.

Red Ribbon Campaign organizers remind Cape community members to designate drivers before parties, include nonalcoholic drink options for guests at celebrations and refrain from serving alcohol the last hour of a celebration.

"Help keep our holidays happy by remembering the health and safety of the entire community," HOPE member Julie Ewald said.

Contact Susan Leighton at sjeighton1@yahoo.com for more information about the program or about HOPE.

Rotary's annual Christmas tree sale under way

The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 50th annual Christmas tree sale is under way at Mill Creek Park in South Portland. The sale runs from noon to 8 p.m. weekdays, and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends. Trees range from tabletop size to 10 feet in length.

The fundraiser benefits community projects, scholarships, food pantries, and programs for veterans and families at risk.

"We all look forward to seeing our

friends, neighbors and first-time buyers and will do our best to make sure that this special purchase is a particularly enjoyable experience and becomes an annual tradition for your family," said Rotarian Ellie Speh, who is heading up the fundraiser.

At the sale, Rotary members also collect nonperishable food items to benefit the South Portland Food Cupboard. Contact Ellie Speh at elliespeh@yahoo.com or go to www.sp-ce-rotary.org for information.

'Miracle' to run through Dec. 16

The musical "Miracle on 34th Street" will run through Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Portland Players, 420 Cottage St. in South Portland.

In the play, based on the film of the same name, with music and lyrics by Meredith Wilson, a white-bearded gentleman claiming to be Santa Claus brings about a miracle in New York City. Joshua Chard directs.

Show times are at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$15 for students with identification.

Call 799-7337 or go to www.portlandplayers.org to make reservations.

Email info@portlandplayers.org for more information.



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Cape resident Erin Brassard Marengi, right, plays Doris Walker in "Miracle on 34th Street," in which she played Doris Walker's daughter, Susan, in a 1986 production of the musical. Marengi's daughter, Al-ice, left, performs in the ensemble.

Cape hockey players to pick up Christmas trees

Members of the Cape Elizabeth High School boys' ice hockey team will pick up Christmas trees on Sunday, Jan. 6, starting at 8 a.m. The annual fundraiser helps the team

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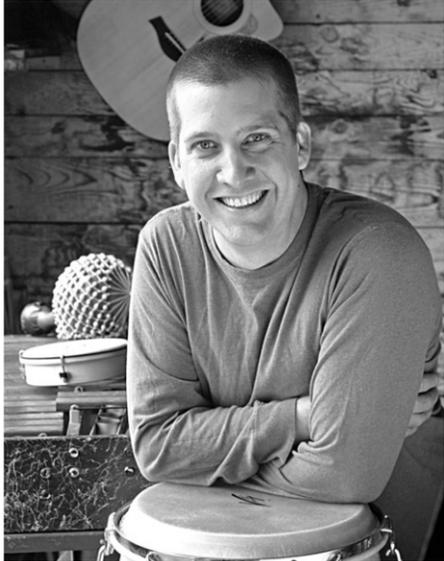
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World music concert for kids is Dec. 14



Children's musician Rob Duquette will present a "World Children's Music for Kids of All Ages" concert at 10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 14 at the library.

Musical Story Hour with Jud Caswell returns Dec. 6

The library's monthly musical story hour with singer/songwriter Jud Caswell will take place at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 6.

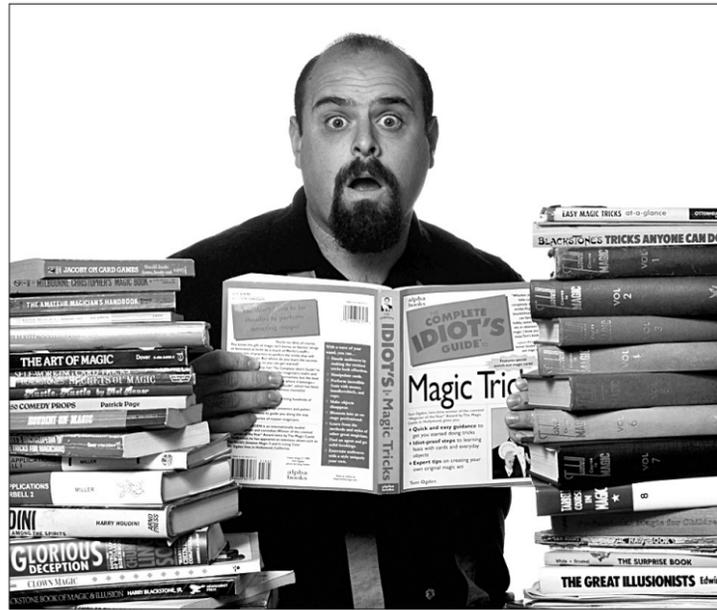
Children ages three and up are invited to sing songs, play musical games and hear Jud read stories with musical accompaniment. Next month's Musical Story Hour is set for Jan. 3.

Want fines erased? Donate canned goods through Dec. 19

The library is working with the Lions Club to collect donations of canned goods through Dec. 19.

If you have library fines, bring in a food donation and the library will waive your fines (this applies to late fees only, not charges for lost or damaged materials.) The Lions Club will distribute the donated food items to local families in need on Dec. 22.

Mark your calendars! Magician returns Dec. 28



Magician Carroll Chapman, a.k.a. "Conjuring Carroll," will present a magic workshop for kids ages 6 and up at 2 p.m. Dec. 28. Chapman will demonstrate a variety of illusions, reveal how they are done, and teach kids how to do them. Register by phone, in person, or on the library's website (below).

For program details: ThomasMemorialLibrary.org

Library offers family holiday programs

Regular weekly story times for fall will end on Dec. 1, but the library has a number of special programs for families planned throughout the month.

Holiday Lantern Workshop: Thursday, Dec. 13, from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. Children six and up, or younger children with a parent, will decorate a beautiful glass lantern to keep or give as a gift.

Rob Duquette: "World Children's Music for Kids of All Ages:" Friday, Dec. 14 from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Original songs and favorites, including some holiday tunes, with percussion instruments from around the globe, including guitar, ukulele and xylophone. For all ages!

Winter Tales: Puppet Show with puppeteer Nicola McEldowney: Saturday, Dec. 15, from 2 to 2:45 p.m. McEldowney is back to present two winter tales by Lio Lionni in her signature Storybook Puppet

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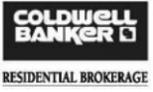
Snow Globe Picture Workshop: Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 10 to 11 a.m. Parents and children will use a child's handprint to make a winter tree captured inside a faux snowglobe! For ages three and up.

Family Gingerbread Workshop: Thursday, Dec. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. Families are invited to drop in to make a gingerbread house out of graham crackers, frosting, and decorations. All materials will be provided. The program will be ongoing during the afternoon: no registration necessary, just drop in.

For details on all of these special programs, including registration information, please visit the library's website at www.ThomasMemorialLibrary.org.

Regular weekly story times will resume in January.





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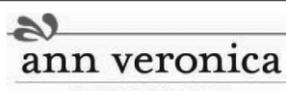




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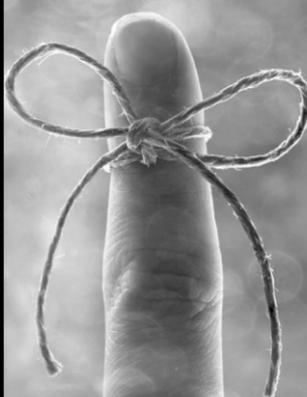
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Syd's Room, group for siblings of children with special needs, to meet Jan. 10-Feb. 14

Syd's Room, a "play and support" group for children who have siblings with special needs, will meet on six Thursdays in January and February at the Two Lights Home Care office in Cape Elizabeth.

The program, for kids who are 8 to 12 years old, will meet from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. every Thursday from Jan. 10 to Feb. 14. Paula Banks, a licensed social worker who owns Paula Banks Consulting and Two Lights Home Care, a geriatric care management and home care business in Cape Elizabeth, and fellow Cape Elizabeth resident Shannon Saxby, who is working on a master's degree in social work, will facilitate the program,

for which there will be no charge.

"We are excited about this group, because we feel kids at this age and in these circumstances are underserved in the community," Banks said. "It's tough to have a sibling with special needs and tough to have a 'voice' when you are a kid. This group offers fun, comfort and a place to be heard. We are asking educators, counselors and parents to spread the word."

Call Banks at 329-2766 for information or to register a child in the program.

Two Lights Home Care is located at 337 Ocean House Road in Pond Cove Plaza, next to Ocean House Pizza.

Lions serve up chowder, donate to pantry



Photos by Lee Taylor

Cape Elizabeth Lions, from left, Alec Boardman, Eric Knight, Judy Shedd, Bill Stressenger, and Dana Bruns take a break from serving chowder on Nov. 10 during a Lions dinner at the clubhouse.

Cape Elizabeth Lions Club members are in the midst of a busy fall.

The club recently donated \$1,000 to Judy's Produce Pantry. The pantry, which provides fresh, locally grown produce and nonperishable food free of charge to Cape residents with limited resources who want to eat healthy food, is a cooperative effort of the Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church, Jordan's Farm, Maxwell's Farm and two Cape Elizabeth community gardens.

In addition to hosting a chowder dinner on Nov. 10 at the clubhouse, Lions have been working with Cape Boy Scouts collecting and preparing holiday baskets to deliver to 12 families [see page 10].

The Lions will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 13, at the clubhouse, the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads. The breakfasts, to be held from 7:30 to 11 a.m., will include a choice of pancakes, French toast or scrambled eggs and toast, plus a serving of sausage, coffee and juice. The cost for the breakfasts is \$5, and \$4 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds will go to Lions' charities.

The club's next business meeting is planned on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the clubhouse.

The club is always seeking new members. Call Paul Gentilini at 470-7353 for information about membership and the club.

Ten Cape ballerinas to dance in Portland Ballet's 'Victorian Nutcracker' on Dec. 8, 9



Photo by Jennifer Malloy

Cape Elizabeth ballerinas, from left, front, Emma Wellins, Helena Rieger; Miryam Keller; back, Nika Johnson, Vanessa Van Deusen, Rachel Lockwood and Eleanor Crockett will dance in Portland Ballet's "Victorian Nutcracker" on Dec. 8 and 9 at Merrill Auditorium in Portland.

Ten Cape Elizabeth ballerinas will be among the dancers on stage at Merrill Auditorium in Portland on Saturday, Dec. 8, and Sunday, Dec. 9, when the Portland Ballet Company performs "Victorian Nutcracker."

Vanessa Van Deusen, 16; Rachel Lockwood, 15; Hadley Britt, 14; Emma Wellins, 10; Nika Johnson, 9; Miryam Keller, 9; Helena Rieger, 9; Eleanor Crockett, 8; Emma Halter, 7; and Bella O'Brien, 7 will join the company's professional dancers in the ballet, which will have 2 p.m. performances on both days, as well as a 7:30 p.m. performance the first day.

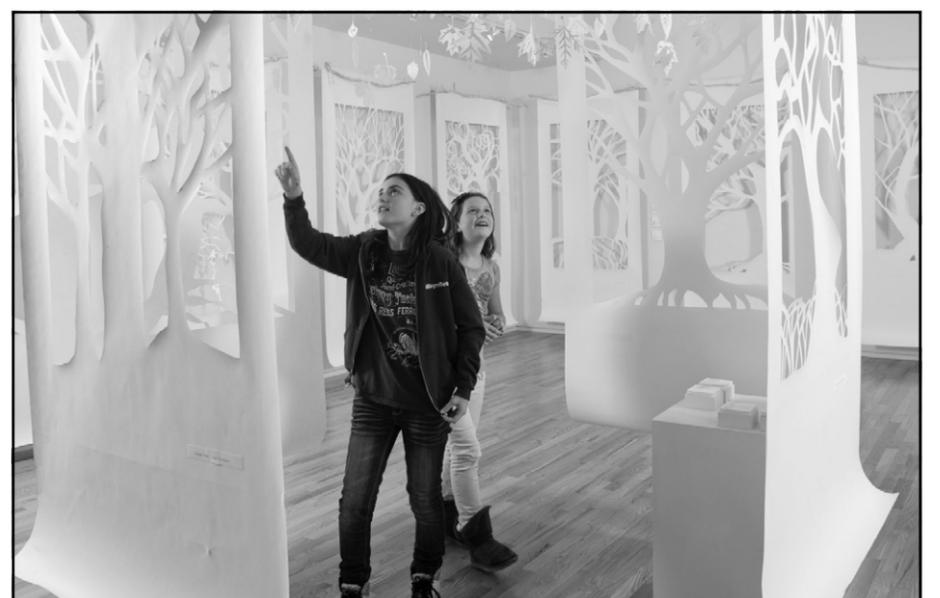
The show takes the classic Nutcracker story and sets it in Portland during the Victorian Period, with costumes of the era and stage sets based on rooms in Portland's Victoria Mansion.

This year's ballet features new choreography by Associate Artistic Director Nell Shipman for the "Battle Scene," where the Nutcracker and his soldiers take on the Mouse King and his army of mice. Joseph Morrissey, the director of Portland Ballet's performing arts high school program, has choreographed the "Ribbon Candy" variation, and PBC ballerina and instructor Katrina Smedal has choreographed a new "Chinese Tea" variation, featuring a dancing dragon.

Former Portland Symphony Orchestra concertmaster Lawrence Golan, now music director of the Yakima Symphony Orchestra in Washington, returns to Maine to conduct.

Go to www.porttix.com or call 842-0800 for tickets, which range from \$24 to \$54. Call 772-9671 or visit www.portlandballet.org for more information.

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'Nonesuch Night,' Dec. 5, to benefit school groups

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The event will include a bake sale, and parents will have an opportunity to shop during a story time for children.

Go to www.capepcpa.org, www.capehspa.org or www.capehsa.org for more information about the night, or contact Amy Lombardo at 767-4044 or amy.lombardo@pcpa.org.

'Madagascar 3' to be shown during Pond Cove Parents Association's movie night on Dec. 7

The Pond Cove Parents Association will show the animated movie, "Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted," at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7, in the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria.

The 93-minute PG-rated movie features the voices of Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, Jada Pinkett Smith, Sacha Baron Cohen, Frances McDormand and Bryan Cranston.

The doors will open at 6 p.m. Admission will be free, and popcorn and drinks will be for sale.

"Children are welcome to bring sleeping bags, pillows and blankets and wear pajamas," organizer Jeff Morris said.

Volunteers are needed. Go to http://capepcpa.org/movie_night.htm for information about volunteering.

New gift card program allows people to raise money for middle school while shopping

Community members can now raise money for Cape Elizabeth Middle School by dining out or shopping online at businesses that include L.L. Bean, the Gap, iTunes, Home Depot, Toys "R" Us, Dick's Sporting Goods and Target.

Participants in the Middle School Parents Association's Gift Card/Scrip Program buy gift certificates from national and local retailers through the MSPA, which gets a percentage of every purchase.

"We keep a percentage, from as little as 2.5 percent at Walmart to as much as

16 percent at Lands' End and L.L. Bean," MSPA member Pam Torre said.

Go to the Great Lakes Scrip website, www.shopwithscrip.com, and open an account with the MSPA code, 39282FC134786, to make online purchases, or download an order form off the MSPA's website, www.capehspa.org, and send order forms and checks to "Cape Elizabeth Middle School, 14 Scott Dyer Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107," or drop them off at the CEMS front office. Checks should be made payable to "MSPA" for the amount owed.

Preschoolers learn about Pakistani culture from New England's Consul General of Pakistan



During a visit to Ocean House at the Farm preschool last month, Barry Hoffman, the consul general of Pakistan in Boston, center; taught students about Pakistani culture. Standing with him are, left, Laurie Grant, co-owner of the preschool and head teacher Nick Wilson.

Preschoolers at Ocean House at the Farm in Cape Elizabeth got an in-depth lesson about Pakistani culture last month when the Consul General of Pakistan in Boston for New England, Barry Hoffman, visited the school, where his daughter Ava is a student.

In addition to learning Pakistanis' traditional greeting, "Salaam alaikum," which means, "Peace be with you," the children checked out woven textiles of the region, including hats, pillowcases and clothing.

Students also saw a model of a mosque and were introduced to a variety of foods from the region, including samosas with various chutneys, chicken masala, flatbread known as "naan," and rice and vegetables. Every student went home with a Pakistani flag.

"The children have been learning about various cultures from all around the world and were very happy to have the consul general stop by to share his knowledge with them," said Laurie Grant, the co-owner and co-director of the preschool.

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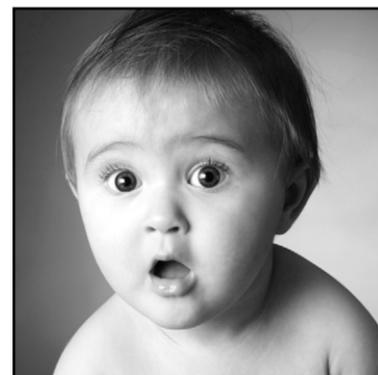
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Middle school's assistant principal, Doug Perley, serving as interim principal

By Wendy Keeler

Douglas Perley, who started working in Cape Elizabeth on July 1 when he became Cape Elizabeth Middle School's assistant principal, is now interim principal at CEMS. Perley's first day on the job was Nov. 26, when he took over from Steve Connolly, who left the district Nov. 20 after seven years as CEMS principal to become superintendent of Regional School Unit 60.

Perley will serve as interim principal through the end of the school year while the School Department searches for a permanent principal.

"I really am looking forward to the remainder of the year," Perley, 51, said on his first day as interim principal. "I have enjoyed my initial days here so much, and I like to think that I can help bridge this gap."

One of 20 educators who applied for the interim post, Perley, 51, "emerged as the strongest candidate," Cape Elizabeth Superintendent Meredith Nadeau said at the School Board's Nov. 13 meeting, where the board approved Perley's appointment.

"There will be no break in continuity," she said.

Perley, who has 11 years of experience as an administrator, previously was assistant principal for three years at the Paul School,

which serves 430 students in kindergarten through grade 8 in Wakefield, N.H. From 2008 to 2009, he was principal at the Easter Seals/Harbor Schools, Inc., special education high school in Amesbury, Mass., and for the prior seven years he served as assistant principal and athletic director at the Middle School of the Kennebunks.

A Newburyport, Mass., native, Perley spent a decade as a social worker at Wells Junior High School, where he worked from 1991 to 2001. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Bates College in Lewiston and a master's degree in education from the University of Southern Maine.

Perley was hired in the spring to succeed John Casey, who started teaching at CEMS in 1982 and served as assistant principal for 10 years. Casey now teaches at CEMS.

The superintendent and Perley met with CEMS faculty members on Nov. 26 to discuss filling the assistant principal's position.

"We will be proceeding to post the interim middle school assistant position - to begin sometime in January through the end of the school year," Nadeau said on Nov. 27. "The closing date for applications is Dec. 14, and I don't expect interviews to occur until early Jan. 2013. In the meantime, I'll be spending some additional time at the middle school to offer support."

Ads for a permanent principal will go out at the beginning of 2013, she said.



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Douglas Perley

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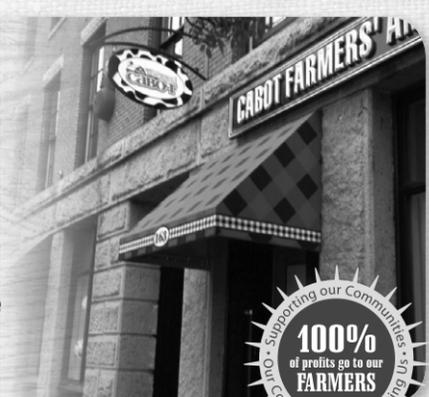
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Congregational Church announces Advent schedule

The First Congregational Church United Church of Christ on Meetinghouse Hill in South Portland has a busy Advent schedule planned.

The church's regular Sunday worship times – an 8:30 a.m. chapel service and 10 a.m. service in the sanctuary – will continue through Sunday, Dec. 9.

Vespers service

That day, a special candlelight Vespers service, which will include music, poetry and dance, is planned at 5:30 p.m. A reception will follow.

On Sunday, Dec. 16, Sunday school students will put on the church's annual Christmas pageant at 9 a.m., and sanctuary worship will follow at 11 a.m. with singing by the Meeting House Adult Choir.

On the fourth Sunday in Advent, Dec. 23, the church plans one service, at 10 a.m.

Three Christmas Eve services

On Christmas Eve, Monday, Dec. 24, three worship services will be offered. A 5 p.m. family service, which will be short and simple, will be followed by "Jesus' Birthday Party," with cake.

A 7 p.m. worship, which will include carols and readings, will be interpreted in American Sign Language. The final service, at 10 p.m., will include lessons, carols and candlelight, and music by the Meeting House Choir.

The church is located at 301 Cottage Road. Call 799-3361, go to www.fccucc.org, or email office@fccucc.org for more information.

Ultimate state champs!



Photo by Allison Landes

Cape Elizabeth's state-championship-winning ultimate team includes, from left, front, Peter Johnson, captain Jacob Brady, captain Henry Babcock, Petar Filipov, Mike Naseef; back, Sawyer Wood, Sierra Bates, Emma Landes, Noah Robinson, Izzy Brady, Izzy Clarke and Kyle Kennedy.

Cape Elizabeth High School's ultimate team won the mixed division state championship on Nov. 4 in Camden for the second straight year.

The main season for ultimate – also known as "ultimate Frisbee" – is spring, but teams also play a truncated fall season.

"The Cape team dominated the play in all games despite the fact that [we] were missing many of the players on the roster," said Tom Brady, who coaches the team with fellow Cape Elizabeth residents Tom Stoughton and Matt Bates.

This spring, Cape finished second in the state, but "the team is poised to make a



This fall, for the second straight year, Cape Elizabeth High School brought home the Maine ultimate trophy.

strong showing again in 2013 and welcomes any students who are interested to come out and play this spring," Brady said.

Plans are under way for an ultimate youth league for middle-schoolers to start up this spring, Brady said.

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Lax players Perkins, Steidl score big again, sign with Division 1 schools: BU, Princeton



Cape Elizabeth High School senior Talley Perkins, left, signed a "national letter of intent" to play Division 1 lacrosse at Boston University, and Lauren Steidl signed an "Ivy League Likely Letter" to play lacrosse at Princeton University on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at Cape Elizabeth High School.

By Wendy Keeler

Even in the offseason, Cape Elizabeth High School's girls' lacrosse program is winning.

Last month, while many of their CEHS classmates worked on their college applications, seniors Talley Perkins and Lauren Steidl were signing letters of intent to play Division 1 lacrosse, the highest level of intercollegiate athletics – the dream of many young athletes and no easy goal to reach.

Both mid-fielders on Cape's varsity team since freshman year, Perkins will play at Boston University and Steidl at Princeton University.

"For a small school like Cape Elizabeth to have even one athlete sign a letter of intent and plan to play Division 1 is a pretty significant accomplishment, but to have two athletes on the same team is very unique," CEHS Athletic Director Jeff Thoreck said.

Steidl, 18, who was named Cape Elizabeth's first girls' All-America lacrosse player last spring after earning 58 goals and 26 assists for CEHS, started playing lacrosse when she was 6 and living in Baltimore, Md.

In Maine, Steidl has played with the Maineacs lacrosse club in the off season since middle school. In the fall of her sophomore year, she joined Sky Walkers, a club team based in Maryland, traveling there every weekend in the fall and spending most of the past two summers there.

Two summers ago, lacrosse coaches from several D1 programs approached Steidl, who recently was named a Maine All State field hockey player, about playing lacrosse for them. "I loved the Princeton coach, and I had a great feeling and felt really at home at the school, and that's pretty much how I predicated my decision," said Steidl.

Perkins, an All State and conference all-star who scored 53 goals and had 14 assists for Cape, began playing lacrosse in middle school. Although she also has played for the

Maineacs, this is the first year Perkins has played lacrosse year round.

In March, she verbally committed to play at BU, her first choice since the start.

"I'm super excited. It was my number one choice all along so it has been my dream. I went to a lacrosse camp there the summer before my junior year, and I met the coach and the players and I got a good feel for the coaching style. I can't wait."

The BU Warriors have won the America East Conference's regular season championship eight of the 10 past seasons and will begin playing in the Patriot League next year.

Perkins, whose father Jeff was the girls' varsity head coach last year and was assistant coach for four years before that, can't say enough about her experience in Cape.

"It has been amazing, everything I could have asked for. I have had support from everyone, and I have loved having my Dad as a coach," Perkins said.

Steidl is also grateful for the CEHS lacrosse program.

"I think if I hadn't had the girls and the coaches on the Cape team, I wouldn't have realized that this is something I'm so passionate about," she said. "We're pretty much like a family, and that's pretty amazing considering we only play 11 weeks a year. The people on the team are my best friends. There's so much support, and that allows a lacrosse player to thrive and realize their potential."

The girls have had their own impact on CEHS girls lacrosse, Thoreck said.

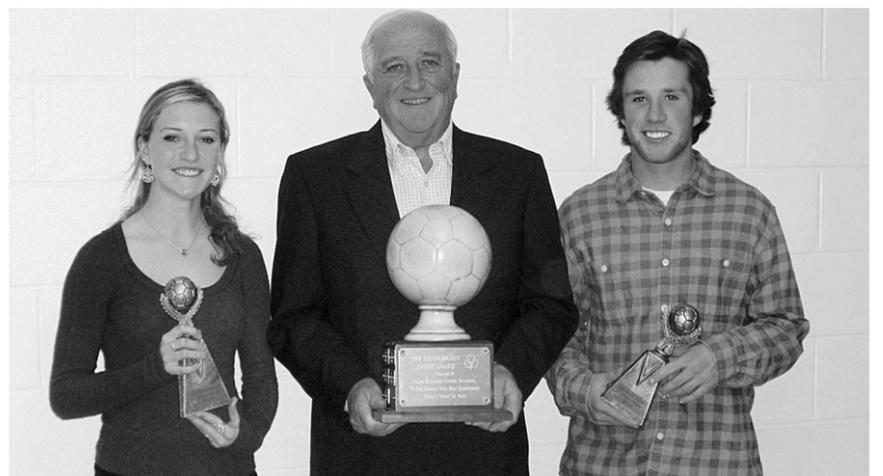
"Having two athletes like Lauren and Talley, who not only perform on the field but also lead on the field, has been great for the program," he said. "You hear those cliches about players – "first one to practice, last one to leave" – well, that's true about them. They're either doing extra sprints, or they're picking up loose balls around the field. They're always the last ones to leave the parking lot."

Football players receive conference honors



Cape Elizabeth High School seniors, Kyle Snowden, left, and Cameron Wilson, right, bookend their varsity football coach, Aaron Filieo, on Nov. 18 at the Italian Heritage Center in Portland, where the two players were named to the Class B Campbell Conference All Conference Team. Wilson played defensive back, and Snowden, who was also All Conference last year, was an offensive lineman. Three Cape players received honorable mentions: defensive tackle Jamie Hewes, offensive tackle Caelan Houle, and wide receiver Ethan Murphy.

Kevin Brady Spirit Award winners!



Cape Elizabeth High School soccer players Maddy Riker and Charlie Laprade are winners of the Kevin Brady Spirit Award, which honors the memory of CEHS soccer player Kevin Brady. John Brady, center, Kevin's father, presents the award each year.

Cape Elizabeth High School senior soccer players Charlie Laprade and Maddy Riker are the recipients of the 2012 Kevin Brady Spirit Awards, given each year to CEHS senior soccer players who exemplify qualities possessed by CEHS soccer player Kevin Brady, who passed away in 2000 when he was 17.

"Kevin was very intense on the field, but when he was off the field and the game was over, he could see the lighter side of things.

He had a great sense of humor," said Kevin's father, John Brady, who presents the award to students each year.

In June, Riker and Laprade also will receive \$1,000 scholarships at the CEHS seniors' awards banquet.

Riker and CEHS boys varsity player Stefan LaRose won the Cape Soccer Boosters' 2012 People on the Hill awards, given to seniors who have demonstrated sportsmanship, citizenship and spirit on and off the field.



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Councilor Caitlin Jordan voted against the new regulations, believing they were excessive.

"An overreaching fix is what we're putting on the town right now," she said.

Short-term rentals are rentals for periods between seven and 30 days. Rentals of more than 30 days (or for less than 14 days total in a year) do not require permits.

Rentals for less than seven days are prohibited.

Council OKs donation to complete Robinson Woods II

The council also authorized the town to complete its pledge of \$350,000 to the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust. (See story, page 1.) The donation makes possible the acquisition and preservation of the 63.6-acre parcel along Shore Road for public use.

The town's donation brought the amount raised by CELT to \$1.1 million, the total needed for the purchase of the parcel from the Robinson family.

Robinson Woods II consists of prized woods, fields, ponds and streams. The parcel's location adjacent to the original Robinson Woods conservation area creates a contiguous conservation parcel consisting of 145 acres and interconnects with the town's greenbelt system of trails.

"I'd just like to give a shout out to this moment," said council Chair Sara Lennon, "because this is just a wonderful example of the town partnering with CELT to get something done that is so exciting."

Chewonki

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necting with nature, learning, collaborating with classmates, making new friends, working in groups and challenging themselves.

"I think it's pretty perfect that this film is featuring Cape kids," said Emma – who will briefly speak on premiere night, along with her sister Maggie (who was in last year's group) about Chewonki experiences. "They've gone to Chewonki for so many years, and I think it's great that Cape students are still going there and that this will help ensure that they keep going each year."

She noted that Chewonki's outdoor classroom teachers commented frequently about how Cape teachers always have been extremely helpful and the students enthusiastic. In fact, Chewonki officials asked the film producers to come when they knew Cape students would be there, said Betta Stohart, the camp's director of communications – and they were delighted with the results.

"It's a really powerful little documentary," she said. "It shows the power of what can happen for a child when they spend time outdoors and the team-building that happens. It also has beautiful footage of the campsite. It's hard to capture what happens here in just a few days – a difficult challenge. But they found a way to get to the essence of why this place matters."

The film's producer/director Bill Mosher said Cape students and teachers made that task easier.

"All of us on the crew of 'Visionaries' were amazed by the impact Chewonki has had on a community like Cape Elizabeth," he said. "The students gave us a unique opportunity to be dazzled by the transformation that occurs in a young person when they

have the opportunity to experience nature in a way that both inspires and informs them."

"We think American viewers are going to be charmed by the kids of Cape Elizabeth."

Stohart said the documentary will be released to PBS stations nationwide in January and will air in Maine in February or March.

Documentary is a boost for those who arrange funding each year

Lisa Stevens, who co-chairs the Middle School Parents Association committee that raises money for all CEMS outdoor experiences (also including walking the Freedom Trail in Boston (fifth-graders), and one-day events at Camp Ketcha for seventh- and eighth-graders), said she and her fellow organizers also were thrilled about the film.

"Chewonki is a wonderful experience," "I've had one daughter (now a freshman) go through it, and it was great. She later wrote about being in the barn and walking the beam, with classmates cheering her on. She was nervous, but when she did it, she felt like she could do anything she set her mind to. She and her friends still talk about memories from Chewonki."

Knowing how much her daughter got out of the experience made Stevens want to ensure that all Cape students, including another daughter, could take part in the tradition.

But it's been a challenge to make sure the program continues, especially since deep budget cuts to the Outdoor Experience Fund budget were made in 2009, Stevens

explained.

She said the MSPA does a variety of fund-raising efforts throughout the year to cover that \$12,000 annual loss and all other costs associated with Chewonki. The annual goal is to raise \$90 per student to reduce the family contribution (about \$165 last year).

That includes sales of Sally Foster and Close Buy products, the Cape Challenge 5K, the Clynk bottle return program, the Hannaford gift card program, and many other fund-raising activities and programs.

That's needed in addition to donations from individuals and organizations like the Cape Elizabeth Education Foundation. One special donation came from last year's departing eighth-grade class.

"Eighth-graders typically give something back to the school at the end of the year," Stevens explained. "Last year's group decided to give \$500 from their last dance profits to the fifth-grade class to help make sure they could go to Chewonki. They didn't want that to be lost."

Efforts to sustain the program have gotten more creative over the years, said Stevens. For example, each grade from kindergarten through sixth grade has a Chewonki fund now, and specific fund-raising proceeds can be earmarked for each grade.

"Our goal is to make it sustainable," said Stevens. "As the years go on, and each grade builds up the funds, it'll be less of an emergency situation each year. It's totally doable."



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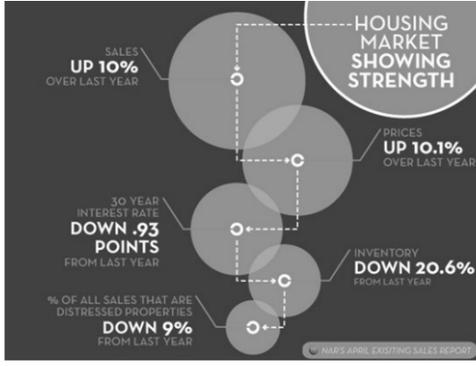
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Portia Wilson, a freshman at Cape Elizabeth High School, reads *The Cape Courier* in front of the Eiffel Tower last month during a trip to Paris over Veteran's Day weekend with Cape Elizabeth resident Peg Aikman. "Following this shot, we enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Le Jules Verne restaurant in the Eiffel Tower!" Aikman wrote in an email to *The Cape Courier*.

Cape Elizabeth resident and University of Connecticut graduate student **Clifford Vickrey** recently launched a new website, www.dimpledchad.info, with a University of Rhode Island professor and two UConn political science professors.

Dimpled Chad uses information from U.S. Census surveys and national exit polls to display the behavior of a wide range of specialized demographic groups in federal elections spanning as far back as 1972. Dimpled Chad specializes in small-group electoral trends. Results can be viewed in both tabular and graphical formats.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Dawn M. Harmon** recently was elected a director and shareholder at Perkins Thompson, PA, where she maintains an employment law and civil litigation practice with an emphasis on representing employers in discrimination and wage and hour disputes, commercial litigation, products liability and real property disputes. Harmon serves on the Cape Elizabeth Personnel Board of Appeals and on the board of directors for the Ronald McDonald House in Portland. She and her husband have two sons.

Cape Elizabeth resident **John Upton**, an attorney at Perkins Thompson in Portland, recently was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, a peer review guide to the legal profession. Upton, Perkins Thompson's president, has served on the firm's executive committee since 1996 and his areas of practice are business and energy law.

Cape Elizabeth resident **McKayla Dunfey**, a senior at Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y., has been selected as one of two seniors for a college program that allows academically outstanding students to pursue their own intensive independent research in lieu of regular course work. At the end of their senior year, fellows submit a thesis and present a lecture at the college.

For her project, titled, "The Bicycle's Influence: Changing Perceptions of Place and Space in Urban Environments," Dunfey will travel to six cities – Boston; Manhattan; Minneapolis; Portland, Ore.; and Jacksonville, Fla. – to experience various biking cultures and their effects on the urban landscape. She will meet with city officials, biking organization representatives, and cyclists to determine attitudes towards cycling in each area.

In the fall of 2010, Dunfey and fellow 2008 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, **Erin Hatton**, embarked on an 11-week bike tour through Europe.

What's your news?

New baby? Engaged or married? Have you or a family member received a promotion, award or recognition?

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Married!



Philip Aupperlee & Rebecca Curry Aupperlee

Rebecca Lynn Curry, the daughter of Dave and Sandy Curry of Brentwood Road, married Philip John Aupperlee on June 23 at the First Congregational Church in South Portland. The groom's parents are Connie Aupperlee of Grand Rapids, Mich., and her husband, the Rev. J. George Aupperlee, who officiated at the ceremony.

Rebecca, a licensed clinical social worker and a 1993 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, is a clinical supervisor at Wayside Youth and Family Support Network in Framingham, Mass., and Phil works for IPG Photonics in Oxford, Mass. The couple lives in Natick, Mass.

After the wedding, dinner and dancing followed on the *Bay Mist*, which cruised Casco Bay. The couple honeymooned in Stockholm for a few days before leaving on a cruise of the Baltic Sea during which the two visited Russia, Latvia, Poland and Finland.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Bruce Balfour** was named "Broker of the Month" for October for outstanding sales at **Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage** real estate. Balfour, who has worked in the real estate business since 1996, and his wife **Raye** have two daughters.

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