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## The pure joy of being a kid outdoors in Maine



Photo by Katherine Urbanek

Sam Urbanek, 2, happily jumps in his favorite Cape puddle during a very short-lived thaw on Jan. 14.



Photos by Sarah Beard Buckley

After a fresh batch of snow a few days later, Analise Gordon and her brother Ben, above left, and Michael Buckley, above right, have a ball sliding down a hill at Fort Williams.

## CELT: still making great connections in town and grateful for help

By Patricia McCarthy

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust continues piecing its intricate puzzle together.

CELT has just acquired a trail easement next to its Robinson Woods II property that provides another link within a 7.5-mile cross-town trail system running between Fort Williams and Kettle Cove.

The easement was donated by Cape Elizabeth residents

Kirk and Nancy St. John Pond for an approximately 1,000-foot trail that runs through their property between the Methodist Church on Route 77 and the Robinson Woods properties off Shore Road.

CELT will be seeking permits to modify the existing trail so that it can run along the edge of the property instead of bisecting part of it, said CELT Executive Director Chris Franklin. He said he hopes that approvals from the Maine

Department of Environmental Protection and the town can be gotten with ease and that the modification work can be done this spring so that the trail can be open to the public this summer.

“These trail connectors are essential links in the town Greenbelt as they literally stitch together a network of con-

—see CELT, page 14

### A family that spells together ... wins bees

By Patricia McCarthy

For the fifth straight year, Cape Elizabeth residents Glenn and Nancy Jordan and their three ace-speller children are bound for the Cumberland County Spelling Bee.

Jacob Jordan, an eighth-grader, won the Cape Elizabeth Middle School bee Jan. 15, earning him a spot at the county bee Feb. 12 in Falmouth. His twin brother Nat will be competing there, too. He was runner-up at CEMS.

This is all familiar territory for the Jordans. This is the second trip to the county bee for both boys (2011 for Jacob, 2012 for Nat), and their sister Lily, a Cape High School sopho-

more, took part there three times.

Lily went on to win the Maine State Spelling Bee twice and represented Maine twice at the Scripps National Spelling Bee. In 2011, she tied for 10th in the nation. On national TV, the twins barely contained their enthusiasm and excitement during Lily's runs.

Then, Nat won the county and state bees last year and advanced to the national bee as well.

The Spelling Jordans have a streak to maintain, for sure. How will Jacob and Nat handle the pressure this time? How tough will their toughest words be? Will one of them make it to the national bee this year? Stay tuned!

### Rule requiring more costly surveys aims to prevent future problems

By Patricia McCarthy

If you're planning to seek a building permit for a project valued at \$10,000 or more and located within 5 feet of a setback, plan on adding about \$2,500 to your budget.

That's what it will cost to get a Standard Boundary Survey done – now required by the town. The Town Council recently adopted this requirement to prevent further costly problems that inadequate surveying can lead to.

Town Planner Maureen O'Meara

explains that while having a Standard Boundary Survey done is more expensive, it is a much more accurate way of determining property boundaries than a Mortgage Inspection Plan, which is most commonly prepared when applying for financing to purchase a home.

A Standard Boundary Survey is map of a property prepared by a professional land surveyor. The surveyor does extensive research about bound-

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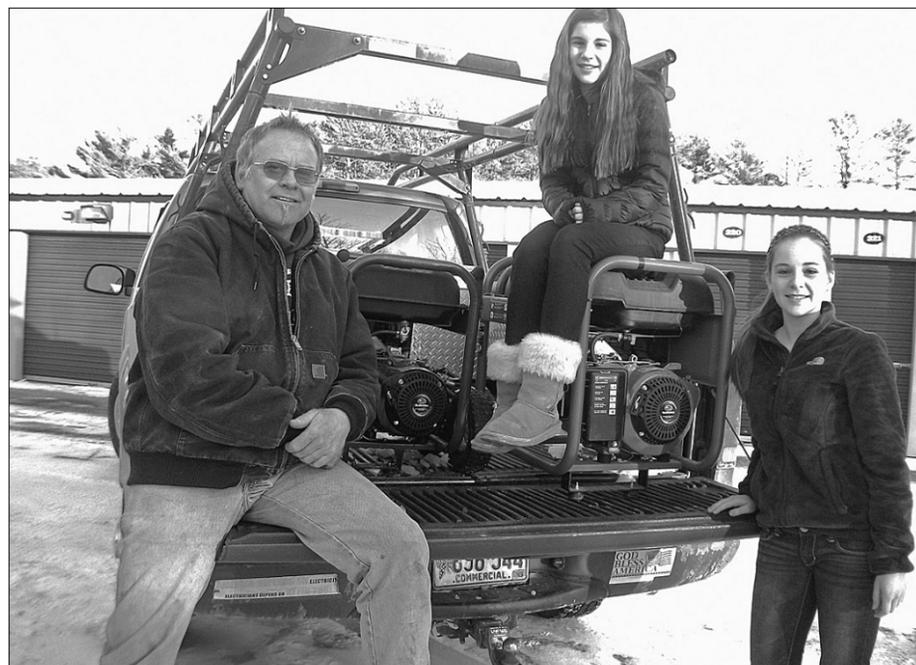
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**Volunteer shares experience, says help still needed in Superstorm Sandy's aftermath**



*Hurricane Sandy cleanup volunteers Bob Bauman, and his daughters, Madeline, middle, and Haley, with items they donated at Staten Island, N.Y.*

In November, my daughters Haley and Madeline and I – with three generators, tanks of gas, bags of clothing – drove to Staten Island, N.Y., to volunteer our help after the devastation left by Superstorm Sandy.

Since our return home, we've heard from the families who received our generators, and all made sure they were moved on to someone else in need.

I continue to get requests for help from the Red Cross. The need is not over! If you can, please register online through www.newyorkcares.org.

The experience in Staten Island was especially meaningful to Haley and Madeline, who were an essential part of what we were able to contribute. Using her phone GPS, Haley navigated our way through the dark

roads and debris. An organizer told the girls how much their help was appreciated and said, Keep smiling. The thing people need most is knowing that someone cares. Smiles were most important now.

Our most heartwarming experience was our stop at the home of an elderly couple caring for three disabled people. They needed power for heat and refrigeration. We were greeted with hugs, ran cords into the house, got the machine started, and explained how to use it. The people were very thankful, and we headed to the next home.

The people there still need help, and it's so easy to volunteer. It's great for young people in our fortunate situations to experience helping others.

**Bob Bauman,**  
**Bauman Electric Inc.**

**Reader: Having armed police officers stationed at schools is best way to keep students safe**

I read with great interest the article on the proposed school security measures that are being considered and/or planned (*The Cape Courier*, Jan. 16-29 issue).

It seems to me the best, and simplest, way to keep our students safe is to have a police officer stationed during school hours at the joint entrances of Pond Cove School and Cape Elizabeth Middle School, and at the high school.

Education, drills, buzzers, walkie talkies and security cameras are no match for a mentally ill individual with a weapon

and intent to do harm. In fact, Sandy Hook School had an entry buzzer system in place, and it did nothing to stop that horror.

The presence of an armed police officer is the best defense against preventing someone with a weapon and intent to injure someone from gaining access to our school.

I would hope the committee investigating this issue would at least take the step to look into the cost of this measure, versus the measures that are already being considered.

**Julie McDonald**

**Want Chewonki program to stay afloat? Hannaford gift cards make it so easy to help**

For the past 26 years, Cape Elizabeth sixth graders have enjoyed a significant rite of passage through the middle school's spring trip to Chewonki.

Chewonki is a remote retreat in Wiscasset, Maine. During this week, students have the unique opportunity to live and work together in the outdoors, and to establish lifelong bonds with classmates and the land.

We have heard from countless participants from years past, many of whom are now adults with their own children, about how this Cape Elizabeth Middle School milestone has made a significant impact on their lives.

In late 2008, during a statewide budget curtailment, the school district was forced to cut funding for this beloved program. Par-

ents have worked tenaciously since then to ensure the continuation of the program.

A major funding source is the Middle School Parents Association Hannaford Gift Card Fundraiser. Participants buy gift cards from the MSPA and use them to purchase their groceries. The result: the MSPA earns 5 percent of the gift card proceeds. Participants raise money by doing their regular shopping (in other words, free money).

If you feel strongly that Cape's Chewonki tradition should continue, we encourage you to participate in the Hannaford gift card program.

Important note: You don't need to have a current middle-schooler to be a part of this effort. The next gift card orders are due Feb. 12. Please contact me for more information.

**Amy Stanley**

**Closing after a great 10-year run, owners of Buttered Biscuit express gratitude**

The Buttered Biscuit and the Castro family would like to extend a special THANK YOU to all of our employees, customers, friends and extended family.

We can hardly believe it, but it has been 10 years since we first opened our doors at 347 Cottage Road. We have had the privilege of being welcomed into this community and sharing so many stories and occasions with our customers and their families.

We will miss the updates over the counter, the laughs. The glimpses into the lives of our wonderful customers.

It is with heartfelt gratitude that we close the door on this chapter of our lives, And, with that, we will carry so many beautiful memories with us.

We wish you all the best!

**Byron, Audrey, Lena and Anthony Castro**

**Dill thanks residents for chance to serve as elected official**

This year will be the first since 2005 that I will not have the honor and privilege of serving as an elected official for Cape Elizabeth. I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to our community for the tremendous opportunity.

The highlights are numerous. As chair of the Road Safety Committee for the Town Council, we urged the study of the feasibility of a Shore Road path. Thanks to the hard work of numerous committed people thereafter, we all enjoy a fabulous path.

As your state representative, I worked to prevent the consolidation of Cape Elizabeth schools. Thanks to the tremendous effort of teachers, students, the School Board and volunteers, Cape schools continue to uniquely lead.

As chair of the Broadband Strategy Council, we worked to connect rural Maine communities to the Internet. Thanks to the effort of many people, businesses, elected officials and investors, the Three Ring Binder project is touted nationally as the best business infrastructure in America.

My experience in politics was overwhelmingly rewarding because of the opportunity it gave me to work with others, from all walks of life, to make positive things happen.

I wish our new elected leaders the very best and encourage everyone to stay engaged. We are blessed. I am blessed and deeply grateful.

I will miss marching in the Memorial Day parade. My opportunity to participate in our democracy is due to the sacrifice of our men and women in uniform, and I extend heartfelt gratitude to all who have served.

**Cynthia A. Dill**

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## Local legislators to hold community forum Feb. 6 about governor's proposed budgets

State Sen. Rebecca Millett (D-Cape Elizabeth) will host a community forum from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 6 at Town Hall.

The focus will be on Gov. Paul LePage's proposed supplemental and two-year budgets and other issues facing the 126th Legislature.

"The governor's proposed two-year budget contains seismic shifts in costs from the state to local communities," Millett said. "It is important that the residents of Senate District 7 (which includes Cape Elizabeth,

parts of Scarborough and South Portland) understand what is being proposed and how it will affect them, and have the opportunity to share their thoughts and concerns."

The forum will be cofacilitated with state Reps. Kim Monaghan-Derrig (D-Cape Elizabeth) and Scott Hamann (D-Cape Elizabeth/South Portland).

Millett also offers a legislative update by email. To subscribe and stay informed about what is happening in the Legislature and around District 7, go to [www.mainesenate.org/contact-us/contact-senator-millett/](http://www.mainesenate.org/contact-us/contact-senator-millett/).

## Cape's Thompson, Bruzgo lead fundraiser Feb. 1 for Center for Grieving Children

Two Cape Elizabeth residents have big roles in Portland-based Center for Grieving Children's biggest fundraiser of the year on Feb. 1.

Nancy Thompson is president of the center's board of directors, and Gail Bruzgo is a board member and co-chair of "Love Really Counts: The 2013 Auction and Dinner Gala."

Last year, the annual event and a related, communitywide raffle grossed \$190,000 in

support for the center.

This year's event begins at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction and cocktail hour at Portland's Holiday Inn By the Bay, followed by a dinner program and live auction.

The Center for Grieving Children serves more than 4,000 grieving children, teens, families and young adults annually through peer support, outreach and education.

## Deadline for submissions from artists is March 27 for 'Paint for Preservation 2013'

The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust is accepting artist submissions for "Paint for Preservation 2013," the organization's sixth annual juried Wet Paint Auction and one of Maine's premiere art auction events.

The deadline for submissions is March 27.

Artist entries will be juried by Jean Maginnis and Wes LaFountain, founders of the Maine Center for Creativity.

The Wet Paint Auction will be held on Sunday, July 14. During the day of the event, selected artists will paint en plein air at designated public and private locations chosen to highlight Cape Elizabeth's natural

beauty. That evening, the new artwork will be auctioned live at a cocktail reception at Ram Island Farm in Cape Elizabeth.

Proceeds are shared with participating artists and benefits the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust's Saving Cape's Great Places initiative to preserve local conservation lands.

Interested artists are invited to submit two images of original paintings in any medium. Samples must be submitted as digital images on CD or electronically via email. The submission form and more information can be found at [www.capelandtrust.org/paintforpreservation/2013/](http://www.capelandtrust.org/paintforpreservation/2013/).

## Great Earth Day opportunity on April 20: 'Urban Runoff 5K' benefits schools

The second annual Urban Runoff 5K will be held April 20 - Earth Day - at Deering High School in Portland. It's sponsored by a consortium of 14 southern Maine communities that are working to meet the standards and requirements of the federal Clean Water Act in their communities.

Cape Elizabeth is a charter member of this group - the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District's Interlocal Stormwater Workgroup.

Race proceeds go toward the group's

educational outreach programs in local schools. In Cape Elizabeth, educational outreach has contributed to Community Services' "yardscaping" program, and clean-water education programs have been delivered to fifth-graders at Cape Elizabeth Middle School.

Runners and walkers can register at [www.urbanrunoff5k.com](http://www.urbanrunoff5k.com). Also, see the Urban Runoff 5K website or contact Cape Elizabeth Public Works Director Robert Malley at 799-4151 for more information.

## Cape real estate transfers: October 2012

NEW OWNER	PREVIOUS OWNER	PROPERTY LOCATION	SALE PRICE	TYPE / USE
FROST, DIANE	FITZPATRICK, EDWIN	28 PEABBLES COVE RD	\$ 480,000	SEAS. WATERFRONT
SHEPHARD, EUGENE S.	KIRKPATRICK, BARBARA A.	2 SHAW FARM ROAD	\$ 522,500	SINGLE FAMILY
PHAN, ANDREW T	WYLEY ENTERPRISES LLC	3 AUTUMN TIDES LANE	\$ 242,500	VACANT LAND
LEEN, THOMAS M	SAMENFELD-SPECHT, ELIZ.K.	325 MITCHELL ROAD	\$ 330,000	SINGLE FAMILY
LETOURNEAU, RON	FISHER, JEAN K. ESTATE OF	41 WOODLAND ROAD	\$ 271,000	SINGLE FAMILY
SHOMAKER, KENT E.	BELL, SUSAN B.	600 PREBLE ST.	\$ 238,000	SINGLE FAMILY
WEBBER, CHRISTIAN	PEABBLES, CATHY J.	121 OLD OCEAN HOUSE	\$ 147,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ESTES, JOSEPH C.	MELLOR, ARTHUR REV TRUST	7 EASTFIELD ROAD	\$ 259,900	SINGLE FAMILY
GILBERT, KRISTINE R.	ROBIDEAU, SCOTT	5 STAR ROAD	\$ 270,000	SINGLE FAMILY
FORCIER, ABAGAIL B.	PARRISH, BERNARD KYLE	26 GROVER ROAD	\$ 255,000	SINGLE FAMILY
LANDING DESIGN & DEV	KAHN, RAKEFET	24 FOREST ROAD	\$ 255,900	SINGLE FAMILY
COULOMBE, MICH. TRUST	COULOMBE, PAUL G.	17 REEF ROAD	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
HARMON, DAWN M.	TREMBLAY, CAROL A.	16 HILLCREST DRIVE	\$ 450,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ROBERTS, DANIEL T.	LORING, WILLIAM J.	509 OCEAN HOUSE ROAD	\$ 244,900	SINGLE FAMILY
PILLSBURY, MARSHALL	HEWEY, BARTLETT G	092 TWO LIGHTS ROAD	\$ 245,000	SINGLE FAMILY
TURNER, KEVIN W.	TREISTER, RONALD L	8 ALEXANDER DRIVE	\$ 442,500	SINGLE FAMILY
MORIN, KEVIN	WALLETT, DEBRA L.	526 MITCHELL ROAD	\$ 235,000	SINGLE FAMILY
LEOPOLD, DAVID E.	CAMP, WALLACE E. SR. TRUST	25 PILOT POINT ROAD	\$1,227,500	WATERFRONT
RAFTICE, ROBERT M. JR	HARMON, DAWN M.	9 BLUEBERRY ROAD	\$ 329,625	SINGLE FAMILY
ZHANG, RENCHI	BLUMENFELD, BARRY H.	3 APPLE TREE LANE	\$ 780,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ROOKS, KARIN MARTINSON	WHEELER, HEN. REV TRUST	39 WILDWOOD DRIVE	\$ 290,000	SINGLE FAMILY
VILES, GEORGE H. II	MEHLSAK, MORRIS J.	12 ELMWOOD ROAD	\$ 369,815	SINGLE FAMILY
KOZA, ROBERT A.	NYCE DORIS N.	7 PHEASANT HILL ROAD	\$ 310,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CULVER STEPHEN F.	PAINTAIN, JOHN P.T.	116 TWO LIGHTS ROAD	\$ 576,300	SINGLE FAMILY
WARD-BROWN, JEAN	ZAVODNI-SJOQUIST, ELAINE.	11 OLD SEA POINT ROAD	\$ 727,000	SINGLE FAMILY

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NEW OWNER	PREVIOUS OWNER	PROPERTY LOCATION	SALE PRICE	TYPE/USE
BLAKE, RACHAEL Y.	REICH, CONSTANCE TRUST	351 OCEAN HOUSE ROAD	\$ 368,000	SINGLE FAMILY
C.E. LAND TRUST	ROBINSON FAMILY LLC	SHORE ROAD	\$1,100,000	VACANT LAND
ANDERSON, ROBERT J.	ANDERSON, ROBERT TRUST	65 HUNTER PLACE	\$ 0	CONDOMINIUM
POWERS, COLIN P.	EOIN, LLC	7 LIGHTHOUSE POINT	\$ 0	VACANT LAND
EOIN, LLC	POWERS, COLIN P.	7 LIGHTHOUSE POINT	\$ 0	VACANT LAND
KMM REALTY TRUST	MULDOON, KATHLEEN M.	51 WOODLAND ROAD #3	\$ 0	CONDOMINIUM
EOIN, LLC	ISOM, NANCY	LIGHTHOUSE POINT	\$ 20,000	RIGHT OF WAY
FLEISHMAN, ILYA I.	BURNS, PAUL	42 KETTLE COVE ROAD	\$ 990,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ROBICHAUD, JUNE M.	ROBICHAUD, CLIFFORD L.	514 MITCHELL ROAD	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
ALDRICH, JONATHAN TRUST	ALDRICH, JONATHAN	41 OAKHURST ROAD	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
BIRLEM, MARGARET E.	BIRLEM, MARGARET E.	2 STEPHENSON ST.	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
BELISLE, KATHRYN A.	TURNER, KEVIN	283 SPURWINK AVE.	\$ 220,000	SINGLE FAMILY
MCPHEE, TANYA	BOYINGTON, ELAINE	4 GROVER ROAD	\$ 195,000	SINGLE FAMILY
PERCIVAL, ROGER TRUST	PERCIVAL, ROGER B.	21 CRESCENT VIEW AVE.	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
LYLE, MICHAEL A.	LYLE, MICHAEL A.	4 BERMAN ROAD	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
POOLE, VICTORIA	VSP LAND, LLC	OLD MILL ROAD	\$ 0	VACANT LAND
JUMBO ROCK, LLC	STRUNK, JUSTIN R. III	12 TIDES EDGE ROAD	\$ 0	WATERFRONT RES
BABCOCK, PATRICK	LEE, CANDICE THORNTON	6 PHANTOM FARM ROAD	\$ 895,000	SINGLE FAMILY
JAZLOWIECKI, STEPHANIE	ROYAL RIVER DEV. CO	42 SCOTT DYER ROAD	\$ 165,900	SINGLE FAMILY
DEVOU, CANDACE BALFOUR	JEPSON, ANNE B.	25 STARBOARD DRIVE	\$ 133,000	CONDOMINIUM
GOODEILL, TODD M.	MCCARTHY, PATRICIA L.	3 CARRIAGE HILL ROAD	\$ 287,000	SINGLE FAMILY
MOHAN, SRINIDI	SCHAFFNER, WILLIAM S.	11 BAYBERRY LANE	\$ 288,200	SINGLE FAMILY

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# New Planning Board Chair Volent starts off with a few new procedures

By Wendy Derzawiec

Victoria Volent was elected to a two-year term as chairwoman of the Planning Board at the board's Jan. 15 meeting. Liza Quinn was elected vice chairwoman.

One of Volent's first actions was to announce three new procedures the board will follow during televised meetings:

- A new Planner's Report will highlight Planning Department news of interest to the board and to the public. The report will be similar to the Town Manager's report delivered at Town Council meetings.

- Agenda items will be announced in order before the start of business.
- Town Planner Maureen O'Meara will summarize agenda items in the context of town regulations before applicants make their presentations to the board.

I hope these adjustments will be effective at promoting and improving communications, Volent said.

Volent served as vice chairwoman last year and has been on the board since 2010. She succeeds Elaine Falendar. Quinn has also served on the board since 2010.

## Shift in building envelope for Cross Hill lot approved

In the board's only business item Jan. 15, it approved a request from Joseph and Michelle Kane to move the building envelope away from the eastern property line at 10 Cross Hill Road.

The envelope is the area within which a house can be constructed. The envelope was originally skewed to the east to preserve a view of the Spurwink Marsh from an open-space area within the subdivision, O'Meara said.

In the 15 years since the subdivision was

first approved, however, the view has been obscured by vegetation. At a site walk Jan. 2, board members observed that even in winter, what was intended to be a view corridor was in effect, not, said Falendar.

To the extent there is a view, the placement of a house in this new building envelope really would not obscure such view that there is, she said. There are other places in the open space where you can see a little bit of the view corridors.

The approved building envelope of 9,762 square feet is larger than the 7,540-square-foot envelope it is replacing on the half-acre lot.

# Monaghan-Derrig has grave concerns about LePage's budget proposal

*Editor's note: This is the first in a series of ongoing updates from state House District 121 Rep. Kim Monaghan-Derrig. On Jan. 24, she was named to the bipartisan Joint Select Committee on Maine's Workforce and Economic Future.*

Over the next several months, I'll be writing about issues lawmakers will face in the first regular session of the 126th Maine Legislature. Each article will include an overview of current bills being considered, with a focus on the most important issues facing Mainers and our communities.

These issues were often mentioned in my campaign as The Four Es: Economy, Education, Environment and Equal Rights.

This first installment, however, will address a glaring issue coming out of Augusta – Governor LePage's proposed budget. On Jan. 11, he released his proposal for the next two fiscal years, along with the proposed supplemental budget for the current FY 13.

In short, his proposed budget is a \$425 million tax shift to Maine's communities and middle class. With a two-year hold on state and town revenue sharing, municipalities will

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be forced to close the financial gap by raising property taxes.

Cuts to local services and property tax increases will undoubtedly be a result if the governor's proposals become law. I consider his budget an attack on Maine's middle class.

The proposed cuts are not limited to a certain demographic. Instead, a wide range of Mainers would be affected. The repercussions would be felt by the elderly, small business owners, working- and middle-class families and the poorest Mainers.

Among the many cuts, the governor has eliminated the Drugs for the Elderly Program. Many elderly individuals rely solely on their monthly Social Security payments and would be unable to afford their medication.

They will be faced with a predicament – do they pay for heat, food or drugs this month – a choice no Mainer should have to make.

The Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee will take up the governor's proposed budget in early Febru-

ary. All proposed items will be reviewed and options will be weighed. There will be many opportunities for the public to ask questions.

For those of us lawmakers who do not like what is in this current budget, we will have to come forward with alternatives.

We need solutions that truly reform government and make it work better for the people. We need a budget that invests in education, job creation, healthy families, and lowering our energy costs. This is what will get our economy back on track. This is real fiscal responsibility, and it's just common sense.

The challenges before us are great, and it is imperative that Democrats work with Republicans in the Legislature and the governor to craft a sensible budget.

In the words of House Speaker Mark Eves, the challenges we face are too big for one party to solve alone.

While we may not always agree, we must seek common ground to strengthen the economy, strengthen the middle class, and strengthen Maine.

As always, if you have questions about the governor's budget and any other issue, please email me at [kmderrig@maine.rr.com](mailto:kmderrig@maine.rr.com). Until next time, thanks for reading.

**Rep. Kim Monaghan-Derrig**



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Reported by Debbie Butterworth

Spurwink Road

### COMPLAINTS

- 1-3 Two officers responded to a residence in the Spurwink Avenue area for a well-being check.
- 1-5 Two officers responded to a residence in the Scott Dyer Road area for a reported domestic disturbance.

### SUMMONSES

- 1-2 Lewiston resident, uninspected vehicle, Sawyer Road, \$133
- 1-7 Portland resident, speeding (46/35 zone), Route 77, \$137
- 1-9 Hollis resident, failure to produce insurance, Shore Road, \$171
- 1-9 Falmouth resident, uninspected vehicle, Ocean House Road, \$133
- 1-12 Scarborough resident, speeding (50/35 zone), Route 77, \$185

### ARRESTS

- 1-2 Cape Elizabeth resident, warrant, Pulpit Rock Road
- 1-6 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of alcohol,

### JUVENILE SUMMONSES

- 1-4 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating after license suspension, Scott Dyer Road
- 1-4 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of marijuana, Scott Dyer Road

### ACCIDENTS

- 1-4 Steven McGrath hit a deer on Ocean House Road
- 10-5 William Laidley, David Fisher, accident on Route 77

### FIRE CALLS

- 1-4 Bowery Beach Road, cooking fire
- 1-6 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-6 Mitchell Road, overheated motor
- 1-8 Two Lights Road, carbon monoxide alarm
- 1-12 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-13 Scott Dyer Road, fire alarm
- 1-13 Wood Road, oven fire

### RESCUE CALLS

There were 19 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were two patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

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Snow decorates pine needles – and everything else – at Fort Williams on a recent January day.

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*Repeat performance*



Beth Babcock, president of the Cape Elizabeth High School basketball boosters, accepts a \$300 check from Bob O'Brien, left, and Dave McKenna of Noyes Hall & Allen Insurance in South Portland, at a Jan. 14 game at CEHS. In a repeat performance of 11 months ago, Cape Elizabeth Middle School student Jessie Robicheaw, whose name was drawn during the insurance company's halftime "Cape Booster Shoot," asked fellow CEMS student Marshall Peterson to shoot for her, and he won, sinking a free throw, a three-point shot and a half-court half shot in 30 seconds to win a \$600 jackpot. Half of the jackpot, which grows by \$100 each game until it's won, went to the boosters, and Robicheaw and Peterson split the other half.

**Stepping into the Sesquicentennial**



Edward I. Woodbury

A Cape Courier series by Cape Elizabeth resident Ellen Van Fleet follows the Civil War through the eyes of people who lived in Cape Elizabeth 150 years ago, when the Civil War was about to enter its third year. Using Portland author Paul Ledman's book, "A Maine Town Responds," as the main guide, the series includes short entries from the Portland Transcript, a newspaper, and letters from a local soldier who served on the western front. Items from the Portland Transcript and from soldiers' letters are reported verbatim.

Oliver O. Howard, born in Leeds, Maine, was colonel of the 3rd Maine Infantry regiment at the start of the Civil War, and participated in First Battle of Bull Run. On June 1, 1862, while commanding a Union brigade in the battle of Fair Oaks, he was wounded twice in his right arm, which had to be amputated. As commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau after the war, he had charge of integrating freed slaves into American society. Howard helped found Howard University in Washington, D.C., and served as its president from 1869 to 1874.

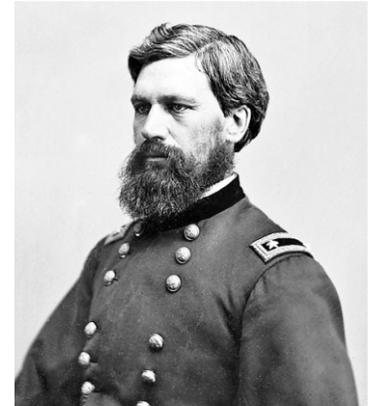


Photo from "Campfire and Battlefield," by Rossiter Johnson

**Jan. 31, 1863** – With men and means in abundance, why have we not yet received the success so essential to the very existence of the nation? Simply, as we believe, for the want of superior military genius on the part of our commanding Generals.

☞ The Independent Telegraph Line to Boston was finished on Saturday last, when several messages were transmitted over the wires. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ The factory for the manufacture of dessicated food, in which potatoes are dried, ground, and put up in cans, for the use of the army, is now in operation again. ... When in full operation [the army consumes] ... from 3,000 to 5,000 bushels daily. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ The two gunboats being built in this city for the government are nearly completed and will be ready to launch as soon as the engines are ready for them.

**Feb. 7, 1863** – Our Legislature: The members of the House of Representative have compiled some statistics ... [of] the members of the popular branch of our Legislature. There are 60 farmers in the House. The class next numerous is that of the merchants, 26 ... There are also nine lumbermen, eight lawyers, six ship builders, four clergymen, four house carpenters, three physicians, two teachers, two mariners, and one each of editor, shoemaker, caulker, painter, jeweler, bleacher, manufacturer of lumber, cabinet maker, inn keeper, cattle broker, mason, carriage maker, tailor, druggist, and wool puller. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ The rebels seem disposed to treat our officers captured by them less like felons and more like prisoners of war now that we have more of their officers in our hands as they of ours. [*Portland Transcript*]

– see SESQUICENTENNIAL, next page

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## Cape Historical Preservation society covers farms to fairs at meetings this winter



Photo by Ellen Van Fleet

At the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society's January meeting, Cape resident Carol Anne Jordan points to an aerial map while discussing the land in Cape Elizabeth where her ancestors settled in the 1600s.

By Ellen Van Fleet

In New England, roots grow deep, and that is especially true for the Jordan family of Cape Elizabeth, and their farm, Jordan's Farm on Wells Road. The Jordan family and their land trace their lineage all the way back to the Rev. Robert Jordan and his son, Dominicus. The first European family to settle this area, the Jordans put down roots in Cape Elizabeth in the 1640s.

At a January meeting of the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society, Cape Elizabeth resident Carol Anne Jordan used an aerial map to show how the original boundaries drawn by Dominicus still outline the borders of today's farm. Jordan presented a look at the progression of owners on what was once simply called "the road" to today's farm located on the road now named after the Wells family, whose farm was located at the corner of current-day Wells Road and Spurwink Avenue.

Today, earning a living from farming is complex, requiring contributions from all four members of a generation of the Jordans to make a living from the land. Bill Jordan, Jr., does the planting and growing, Penny

oversees the farm help, farm stand and community outreach, including the colorful farm bus that travels to senior centers and locations in nearby cities.

Carol Anne oversees the sale of compost and soils. Pam handles business and accounting jobs, and her son is involved in working the compost at the town's Transfer Station and also the family's wood business.

A digital audio recording of the talk is available at the historical society. Call 619-6793 or e-mail CEHPS@thomas.lib.me.us to get the recording.

The historical society will shift its attention from farms to fairs on Monday, Feb. 4, when Bruce Thurlow, a former Cape Elizabeth school superintendent who is now an active member of the Scarborough Historical Society, shares his knowledge on the topic of the Scarborough-Cape Elizabeth Fair, one of the most important agricultural fairs in Maine and a major event in town.

The talk will be held in the Thomas Memorial Library's Community Room at 7 p.m. Call 619-6793 or e-mail ceahps@thomas.lib.me.us for more information.

Both of these officers went to the war as Colonels of Maine Regiments and have earned their promotion by skill and courage displayed on the battlefield. Col. F. S. Nickerson, of the Maine 14th, and Col. E. C. Mason, of the Maine 7th, have also been promoted to be Brigadier Generals. [*Portland Transcript*]

## Sesquicentennial

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**☞ Maine Generals** – In the new batch of Major Generals sent to the Senate last week for confirmation, Maine has two, Gens. O.O. Howard and Hiram G. Berry.

## Professional genealogist to speak on Feb. 2

Genealogist Fred Boyle will talk about his experiences crafting books of genealogy on Saturday, Feb. 2, 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.

A Springvale resident with a bachelor's degree from Colby College in Waterville and master's degrees from Boston University and Harvard University, Boyle taught at Lexington High School in Lexington, Mass., for years and has been a certified genealogist since 1985. A professional genealogist specializing in searches of families in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts,

he has written eight books on genealogy, including his most recent, "Early Families of Waterborough, Maine," published in 2012. From 1985-2011, he was a trustee of the Springvale Public Library, where he served as an advisor for the library's genealogy collection.

Boyle is a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, the Maine Historical Society and the New Hampshire Historical Society.

GPCMGS meetings, held the first Saturday of the month, are free and open to all. The church is located at 29 Ocean House Road. Contact Linda Aaskov at aaskov@myfairpoint.net for more information, or go to www.gpcmg.org.

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# CAPE CALENDAR By Wendy Derzawiec

## Saturday, February 2

Public Supper, 4:30-6 p.m. Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road. \$8; \$5 children, \$20 families

## Monday, February 4

Book Discussion, 'Cabin: Two Brothers, a Dream, and Five Acres in Maine', 7-8:30 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Office, 330 Ocean House Road

School Board Policy Committee, 7:30-9 a.m., Superintendent's Office, Town Hall

## Tuesday, February 5

Planning Board Workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

## Wednesday, February 6

Planning Board Site Walk, 3 p.m., 10 Clinton Road

## Thursday, February 7

Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works

## Friday, February 8

Town Council Ordinance Committee, 8 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

## Sunday, February 10

Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-11 a.m., Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights and Wheeler roads. \$5; \$4 children

## Monday, February 11

Town Council, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

## Tuesday, February 12

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

## Ongoing each week

**Al-Anon**, 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.

## 'Arsenic and Old Lace' runs through Feb. 10



Photo by Kristen Peters

"Arsenic and Old Lace," which will run at The Portland Players through Friday, Feb. 10, includes cast members, left to right, Paula Price, who plays Martha Brewster; Helene Quint, who plays Abby Brewster; John McLaughlin, who plays Dr. Einstein; and Garvey MacLean, who plays Jonathan Brewster.

The comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace" which opened at The Portland Players on Friday, Jan. 25, will run through Sunday, Feb. 10.

In the play, directed by Paul Bell, drama critic Mortimer Brewster debates whether to go through with his recent promise to marry the woman he loves.

Meanwhile, he finds out that his two spinster aunts have been busy serving elderberry wine and arsenic to lonely old men. The aunts aren't the only eccentric relatives in the play,

written by Joseph Kesselring: Brewster's brother thinks he is Teddy Roosevelt.

Showtimes will be 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and \$15 for students with identification.

Call 799-7337 or go to [www.portland-players.org](http://www.portland-players.org) to make reservations. Email [info@portlandplayers.org](mailto:info@portlandplayers.org) for more information.

The theater is located at 420 Cottage Road in South Portland.

# CABLE GUIDE | CHANNEL 3

**Words of Peace:** 1 p.m. & 7 p.m. Feb. 2, 3, 9 & 10  
**Town Council (Live):** 7 p.m. Feb. 11  
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## 'Once Upon a Mattress' to run from Feb. 15 through March 2 at Lyric Music Theater

The musical, "Once Upon a Mattress," will open at the Lyric Music Theater on Friday, Feb. 15 and run through Saturday, March 2.

In the comedy, based on the fairy tale "Princess and the Pea," with music by Rodgers and Hammerstein, a royal decree forbids all marriages in the kingdom until a maiden proves herself to be a true princess. Princess Winifred must convince Prince Dauntless

the Drab's mother, the Queen, that she is a princess worthy of her son.

Michael Donovan directs. Showtimes are planned at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$21.99.

Go to [www.lyricmusictheater.org](http://www.lyricmusictheater.org), email [ticketslyric@gmail.com](mailto:ticketslyric@gmail.com), or call 799-1421 to make reservations. The theater is located at 176 Sawyer St. in South Portland.

## Cape Land Trust to hold Feb. 4 book discussion

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust members will discuss the book, "Cabin: Two Brothers, a Dream, and Five Acres in Maine," by Lou Ureneck on Monday, Feb. 4. All will be welcome at the event, planned for 7-8:30 p.m. at the CELT office, 330 Ocean House Road.

After enduring the loss of his job, his mother's death, a health scare and a divorce, Ureneck bought five acres in the woods in western Maine and asked his brother Paul to help him build a simple post-and-beam cabin. As Ureneck raises the cabin with Paul and Paul's sons, he experiences insights

into the richness and complexity of family relationships, the healing power of nature, and the need to root oneself in a place one can call home.

Book copies are available through Thomas Memorial Library in both hard copy and eBook form.

Contact discussion facilitator Ingrid Stressenger at 767-5257, or call the CELT office at 767-6054 for more information.

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## Register for Cape Little League through Feb. 25



Photo by Noah Whittenburg

A member of the 2012 Cape Elizabeth Little League team, the Padres, gets a low-five congratulations after a hit against the Rockies in late-May Little League action at Fort Williams.

Registration for the 2013 Cape Elizabeth Little League season is open through Monday, Feb. 25, at [www.cape-ll.com](http://www.cape-ll.com). CELL provides T-ball, softball and baseball opportunities to Cape Elizabeth children, ages 4-14.

"Please register early to avoid significantly increased late fees," CELL President Jeremy Lombardo said. "Early and on-time registration is critical to helping our league assemble the teams and divisions properly." Assessments are planned in the middle

of March, and league-wide clinics and team practices during the month of April. Opening ceremonies are planned for Saturday, April 27. The season runs through June.

CELL also participates in the annual summer Little League All-Star Tournament, in which players compete against other towns within the state and potentially beyond.

Visit [www.cape-ll.com](http://www.cape-ll.com) or contact Lombardo at [president@cape-ll.com](mailto:president@cape-ll.com) or CELL Information Officer David Leopold at [info-officer@cape-ll.com](mailto:info-officer@cape-ll.com) for more information.

## Cape Lions plan pancake breakfast on Feb. 10, spaghetti dinner on Feb. 23, at clubhouse

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club plans four pancake breakfasts and two spaghetti dinners, all fundraisers, in coming months at the clubhouse, the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

The Sunday breakfasts, to be held from 7:30 to 11 a.m. on Feb. 10, March 10, April 14 and May 12, 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 will be \$5, and \$4 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds from the Feb. 10 breakfast will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The Lions will host spaghetti dinners from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturdays, Feb. 23 and March 23, at the Lions' clubhouse.

Dinner will include all-you-can eat spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and dessert. Soft drinks will be served, and diners may bring their own wine or beer.

The cost will be \$10, and \$5 for children 12 and younger. Proceeds will benefit maintenance of the Bowery Beach Schoolhouse.

The club's next business meeting is planned at 6:39 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the clubhouse. The club is always seeking new members.

Call Paul Gentilini at 470-7353 for more information.

## Two Cape residents organizing Feb. 1 auction, dinner for Center for Grieving Children

Cape Elizabeth residents Gail Bruzgo and Nancy Thompson are helping plan the "Love Really Counts" auction and dinner, the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Center for Grieving Children in Portland.

The event, set for Friday, Feb. 1, at Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland, will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction and cocktail hour, followed by a dinner program hosted by WCSH6 News Anchor Cindy Williams, and a live auction.

Bruzgo, a board member, is co-chair of the event. Thompson is president of the center's board of directors. As volunteers and board members, the two have a combined total of more than 10 years of service to the

center, which serves more than 4,000 grieving children, teens, families, and young adults annually through peer support, outreach, and education.

"It is so important to me to help ensure that children and families continue receiving the kind of love and support my family did at the center," said Thompson, whose family sought the center's services in 2004, after the death of her son Timothy L. Thompson II. "The gift of comfort and healing is priceless."

Tickets, \$90 a head, include wine with dinner.

Call 775-5216 or visit [www.cgmaine.org](http://www.cgmaine.org) for more information.

## Free stress-reduction clinic planned on Jan. 31

Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic plans a free stress-reduction workshop from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31. The evening will include talks by wellness practitioners about life coaching, massage, chiropractic, energy healing, and acupuncture.

"[We] recognize that this can be a stressful time of year," Coastal Wellness Life

Coach Polly Betton said. "The holidays are over, and reality has set in again: too much to do, too little time and too few resources."

The event will be open to the public. Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic is located at 1231 Shore Road.

Call 799-9355 for more information.

## Cape Elizabeth Land Trust member Bob Cash to lead Feb. 23 walk focusing on winter birds

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust member Bob Cash will lead a nature walk focused on winter shore birds at Pond Cove from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23.

The walk will be held rain or shine, so participants should dress appropriately and wear footwear geared to wet trekking. The group will meet at Robinson Woods parking area on Shore Road. The cost per person is \$6.

Register at Cape Elizabeth Community Services' office at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road; by phone at 799-2868; or online at [www.capecommunity-services.org](http://www.capecommunity-services.org).

Participants registering at least 48 hours before the program will receive notification

of changes or cancellations. Call CELT at 767-6054 or Community Services for more information.

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### Pahigian to read, sign mystery novel, 'Strangers on the Beach, on Feb. 9

Maine author Josh Pahigian's latest book, "Strangers on the Beach," has been getting great reviews from readers and critics alike, and Publishers Weekly recently picked it as one of its "Indie Sleeper Titles to Watch."

Pahigian will read from his book, answer questions and sign books at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, in the library's Community Room.

Pahigian previously published books on baseball and baseball history. "Strangers on the Beach" is his first work of fiction.

Set in Old Orchard Beach, this mystery/suspense novel crosses the story lines of affluent summer tourists and struggling year-round residents when a famed and wealthy adventurer gets stranded in town after an incident at sea.

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Josh Pahigian will discuss his new mystery/suspense novel at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, in the library's Community Room.

will change the fate of all involved.

Visit the library's website for more information on Pahigian, his books, and the library program.

### Socrates Café discussion group meets Feb. 5

Thomas Memorial Library's monthly philosophy discussion group, Socrates Café, will have its regular meeting from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5.

The meeting will be held in the adult library reading area.

All are welcome - no advance knowledge or reading required.

More information, including a list of all the questions discussed at previous meetings, can be found on the Socrates Café page of the library's website.

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The next deadline for The Cape Courier is noon Friday, Feb. 1.

## Feb. 7 Valentine's party for senior citizens planned

Senior to Senior, a community service organization of Cape Elizabeth High School seniors who perform services for Cape senior citizens, and Community Services will cohost a Valentine's party for senior citizens on Thursday, Feb. 7, at the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria. The event, which will include a pasta dinner and entertainment, will run from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

"High school students will work together to plan and prepare every aspect of this event, from the decorations and menu to

cooking, serving, and providing the entertainment," said Community Services Adult Program Coordinator Jen DeRice. "This will be a special Valentine's Day party we hope to continue for years to come."

The fee for the evening is \$10, and when registering, people should inform Community Services about dietary restrictions.

Register at the Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road; online at [www.capecommunityservices.org](http://www.capecommunityservices.org); or by phone at 799-2868.

## Soccer, volleyball, basketball offered this winter

Community Services has several adult programs going on this winter for sports-loving Cape residents who want to stay active during the cold months.

### Indoor soccer

Veteran Cape Elizabeth High School soccer coaches Charlie Carroll and David Peary have organized an indoor soccer program for adults 30 and older. Games are scheduled for Sunday nights through April 7, with no program planned on March 31. Players can sign up to play at 5-6:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. Games will be played in the high school auditorium. The cost is \$60 for residents, and \$65 for nonresidents.

### 'Over-40' basketball

Community Services is also offering a pickup program for basketball players who are "over 40, or just play like it," Community Services' winter-spring catalogue states. Residents pay \$4, nonresidents pay

\$5, and games are played in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School gym from 8 to 10 p.m. on Wednesdays through April 10. No program will be held on Feb. 20. Sal Deschino heads the program.

### Coed volleyball

Adult and high school volleyball players of all abilities have a chance to play pickup volleyball on a regulation-size court every Wednesday through April 10 except on Feb. 20. The program, offered at the Cape Elizabeth High School gym, is on a drop-in basis.

Playing time runs from 7:45 to 10 p.m. through Feb. 13. Starting Feb. 27, games will begin at 7 p.m. The fee is \$4 for residents and \$5 for nonresidents. Bryan Connelly supervises.

Registration is available at Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road, online at [www.capecommunityservices.org](http://www.capecommunityservices.org) or by phone at 799-2868.

## Older Cape adults can see Portland Stage Co. play, tour Haven's Candy, eat lunch at SMCC

Cape Elizabeth Community Services is offering a variety of programs for adults 55 and older this winter.

### Free financial-planning course

A free course that will cover basic financial- and retirement-planning strategies will be offered from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, and Thursday, Feb. 7, at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road.

Liz Winfeld, a financial advisor, will teach the financial-planning class, which is designed for all ages and is not intended as a sales promotion for any organization.

is planned on Thursday, Feb. 14, for a performance of "Greater Tuna," a comedy that celebrates and satirizes the quirks of small-town life in Tuna, the "third smallest town in Texas." Performers Tom Ford and Dustin Tucker, who are both West Texas natives, team up in the production to play more than 20 of Tuna's eccentric inhabitants, from gunslingers to church ladies, in a quick-changing two-man tour-de-force.

A bus will leave from the parking lot behind the Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road, at 1:15 p.m. and return at approximately 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$32 for residents and \$37 for nonresidents.

### 'Greater Tuna' at Portland Stage

A trip to the Portland Stage Company

—see ADULT OFFERINGS, page 13

## Cape Robotics to host Feb. 2 tournament

Cape Robotics will host the Maine VEX Championship on Saturday, Feb. 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School cafeteria. Student-built robots from all over New England will compete at the event. Robotics boosters will serve a home-style lunch as a fundraiser for Cape's robotics club.

In VEX competitions, robots, which students build out of VEX Robotics System components, face off against each other in matches on 12-by-12-foot fields. In this year's game, "Sack Attack," robots are

teamed up for each match randomly, with two per side. During the first 15 seconds, robots compete in a preprogrammed, autonomous mode, and then students drive their robots for two minutes. The objective is to score as many sacks as possible in floor goals, 18-inch trough goals or 30-inch-high goals. The highest scoring team wins the match. Later in the day, top-seeded teams partner up with another team for elimination rounds to determine a tournament champion.

Contact Kathy Barber at [kbarber@maine.rr.com](mailto:kbarber@maine.rr.com) for more information.

## Craft Night planned on Feb. 6 at Pond Cove

The Pond Cove Parents Association's annual Craft Night is planned from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6, in the Pond Cove School cafetorium.

At the event, which is geared to younger children and their families, kids make crafts, do art projects, and create Valentine's Day gifts.

New this year, Community Services staff members will host hip-hop dance lessons for kids in the Pond Cove gym. The evening also will include a baked goods sale.

Last year's Craft Night, which drew a crowd that exceeded 180 children and their families, raised more than \$500 for the PCPA.

Admission will be \$5 per person or \$10 per family.

Contact Co-chairs Sonya Gorman at [sonyaodg@gmail.com](mailto:sonyaodg@gmail.com) for more information, or Andrea Garlock at [andrearizona13@aol.com](mailto:andrearizona13@aol.com) about volunteering at or baking for the event.



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A girl works intently on a creation at last year's Pond Cove Parents Association Craft Night fundraiser.

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Alexander Ernst, the son of Cape Elizabeth residents David and Laura Ernst, married Johanna Miller, the daughter of Marge and Don Miller, formerly of South Portland, in August. After a honeymoon in Acadia, the two returned to the Farmington area, where Alex teaches third grade and Johanna is the first grade teacher at Mallet Elementary School.

## Two brothers ... two weddings



Nichol Ernst, the son of David and Laura Ernst of Cape Elizabeth, married Katie Van Horn in July at The Barn at Walnut Hill in North Yarmouth. The two met hiking in the White Mountains. Katie is the daughter of Mary and Frank Van Horn of Delaware, N.J. Nichol is the clinical director and therapist at Summit Achievement, a wilderness therapy program in Stowe, Maine, and Kate is a science teacher at Massabesic Middle School. The couple lives in West Baldwin.

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Cape Elizabeth Middle School eighth-grader **Quinn Hewitt** was named to one of the United Soccer Leagues' All Tournament teams for the Super Y North American championships that took place in December in Bradenton, Fla.

USL staff members make selections based on tournament statistics, U.S. Youth Soccer Olympic Development Program nominations submitted by tournament coaches, and recommendations from USL technical staff.

Hewitt, a striker on Seacoast United Maine soccer club's team, the Mariners, was named to the Under-13 Boys' All-Tournament team, scoring two goals and three assists at the finals.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Tori Howe** was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Norwich University in Northfield, Vt., where she is a senior nursing student. Tori has been accepted to perform her preceptorship in neuroscience at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H. A graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School's class of 2009, she is the daughter of **Bob and Kathy Howe**.

Seven Cape Elizabeth students were named to the fall-semester dean's list at the University of New England in Biddeford: **Samuel Casey, Rose Jacobson, Alicen Johnson, Lauren Long, Owen Pearson, Trillium Rintel and Michael Wilson**.



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Cape Elizabeth resident **Maggie Darling** was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Bryant University in Smithfield, R.I., where she is a senior majoring in international business. The daughter of **Alison and Ted Darling**, she is a 2008 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate.



Maggie Darling

Cape Elizabeth resident **Alexander J. Frustaci** was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Western New England University in Springfield, Mass.

### What's the news in your neighborhood?

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

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### Courier's mission trip



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### Public supper featuring casseroles planned on Saturday, Feb. 2, at Cape Methodist Church

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host a public supper from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2, featuring casseroles, salads, breads and pies. Vegetarian offerings will be available.

adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for families (two adults and children). Takeout will be available.

Call 799-8396 or go to [www.ceumc.org](http://www.ceumc.org) for more information.

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### Adult offerings

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#### Lunch at SMCC

Senior citizens can enjoy lunch prepared and served by culinary students in Southern Maine Community College's dining room, which overlooks Casco Bay, on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Community Services will provide transportation via bus to the South Portland campus. The group will leave at 11:45 a.m. from the parking lot behind the Community Center, and return around 2:30 p.m.

The cost, \$20 per person, will include lunch – soup and salad, an entrée, and dessert – as well as gratuity and transportation.

#### Haven's Candy tour, lunch

Community members have an opportunity to take a guided tour of Haven's Candies on Forest Avenue in Portland and watch chocolate being made, followed by lunch at a Portland restaurant on Thursday, Feb. 28. A bus will leave the lot behind the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return at 2 p.m. The fee, which will cover transportation and the tour, is \$15.

dies on Forest Avenue in Portland and watch chocolate being made, followed by lunch at a Portland restaurant on Thursday, Feb. 28. A bus will leave the lot behind the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return at 2 p.m. The fee, which will cover transportation and the tour, is \$15.

#### Games Days

Free "Game Days," when adults 55 and older gather to play new games such as Mexican Train and Left, Right, Center, along with classics such as Scrabble, chess, and cribbage, are planned from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, Feb. 19 and March 19, in the Community Center's Community Room. Registration is required.

Registration for all programs is available at Cape Elizabeth Community Center, 343 Ocean House Road, at [www.capecommunityservices.org](http://www.capecommunityservices.org) or by calling 799-2868.

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ected and complementary conservation properties," said Franklin. "We are grateful to Kirk and Nancy for this opportunity and trust that visitors will continue to respect adjacent private property and will appreciate this wonderful gift for generations to come."

Franklin noted that walkers, runners, bikers and others have enjoyed access through the Ponds' property for years,

"but this agreement is designed to ensure carefully managed, and continued public access along a new trail corridor connecting to our recent purchase at Robinson Woods II."

The new trail corridor would be accessible in daylight hours for nonmotorized uses including walking, jogging, skiing, snowshoeing, scenic conservation, non-motorized bicycling and hiking and to provide access for education activities. Dog walking would be permitted as long as dogs are kept on a leash while on the trail.

This gift and others to CELT are "amazingly generous," and wonderful for the town and its residents, Franklin

said.

"To me, the neat thing is that, back in the '70s, somebody came up with this cross-town trail idea that passes through some of the most beautiful parts of Cape Elizabeth - some of the real highlights of our town," he said.

"And now we've also been able to protect the land adjacent to it, which adds a lot to the character of the trail.s These efforts are linking together the trails and also conservation properties, so it's not an isolated effort. It's really interesting to see how a very bold yet simple vision has played out."

### SURVEY

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ary locations and conducts field work, then prepares a map that includes boundary lines, easements and rights of way, and existing structures.

Why is this needed in Cape? O'Meara points to a situation that arose last February that caused a lot of expense and upset for the residents of a house in the Oakhurst neighborhood.

The owners had built a \$60,000 addition after applying for and receiving a building permit from the town. The permit was based on a Mortgage Inspection Plan.

All seemed fine until the homeowner's next-door neighbors decided to sell their house. The sellers had a Standard Boundary Survey completed, and it revealed that their neighbor's addition was not, in fact, inside the required setback.

"This happened because the homeowners had relied on poor property boundary survey information, and it put a cloud on the title," O'Meara said.

She said homeowners ordinarily have three options to remedy such a situation, but in this case, none of them was viable:

- They could try seeking a variance from the Zoning Board, but that

board can't grant a variance that would reduce any of the setbacks to less than 10 feet from the property line, and in this case, it would have.

- They could tear down the part of the building that was too close - an option O'Meara called "especially unappealing to almost everybody."
- Or they could enter into a consent agreement with the Town Council.

Given the first two options, the homeowners had to go with No. 3, which required them to bear the cost of the council hiring an attorney to file a suit, to the tune of \$3,000 to \$4,000.

"It was an unfortunate situation all the way around, especially because these homeowners had no idea that this was the case and had plenty of room on the property to shift the addition," O'Meara said. "It caused a lot of angst and stress" for the homeowners and the Ordinance Committee, which wrestled with recommending something to the council that would add to construction costs.

But this isn't the first time this kind of situation has happened - "people usually never find out until someone decides to sell property" - O'Meara said, noting this new requirement will keep it from happening

again.

She noted that the town's code enforcement officer has the discretion in some cases, depending on the positioning of a

project on the property, to allow a Standard Boundary Survey to be done on a portion instead of the entire property, thus reducing the cost.

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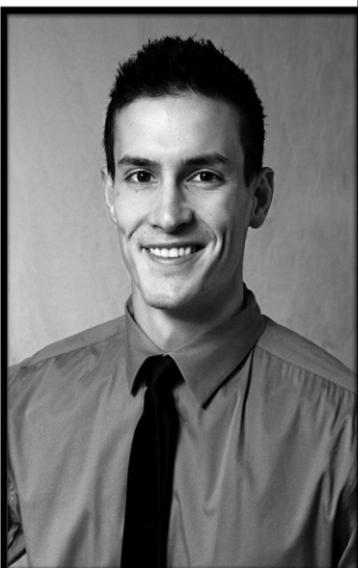
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Cape Elizabeth resident **Karen Burke's** home boutique at 100 Commercial Street in Portland recently changed its name to K Colette from Anniebells.

The shop, which Burke opened in 2012, carries "unusual or beautifully made artisan home goods for every room in the house," Burke said, from ceramic, linens and glassware, to frames, stained glass, garden items.



Karen Burke

Cape Elizabeth resident **Elena Castro**, the daughter of **Audrey and Byron Castro**, was named to the fall-semester dean's list at St. Mary's College of Maryland in St. Mary's City. A sophomore, she was a member of Cape Elizabeth High School's class of 2011.

**Abigail M. Armstrong**, the daughter of **Julie and Tony Armstrong**, was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y. A sophomore, she is a 2011 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Emma Kast**, a junior majoring in environmental studies at St. Michael's College in Colchester, Vt., is studying in Costa Rica this semester. The daughter of **Ellen Kast** and a 2010 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, she is enrolled in the Sustainable Development Studies program at the School for Field Studies in Atenas.

Cape Elizabeth real estate agent Bruce Balfour was named **Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage's** highest seller in 2012.

Balfour, a Cape Elizabeth Lions Club member who has been in the real estate business since 1992, and his wife Raye have two daughters.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Chris Lynch**, president of Legacy Properties Sotheby's International Realty, recently was elected to the Board of Corporators of the nonprofit organization, MaineHealth. As a board member representing business leaders in the community, he will act in an advisory capacity and represent community interests.

The Board of Corporators serves many purposes, including the election of governance leaders for MaineHealth, an integrated healthcare system that includes hospitals such as Maine Medical Center, home care agencies, long-term care facilities, physician practices, and other services.



Chris Lynch

Life coach **Polly Bennell** recently joined **Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic**. In her practice, Bennell, who completed training in 2007 through the Coaches Training Institute and also holds a certificate of advanced graduate study in family therapy from the University of New England in Biddeford, focuses primarily on people "eager to close the gap between where they see themselves now and where they want to be in life," she said.

Also a writer and filmmaker, Bennell was a visiting assistant professor in the graduate film program at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, from 2007 through 2009. From 2001 through 2006, she was director of writing for the Salt Institute for Documentary Studies in Portland. She has taught at the University of Southern Maine; Maine College of Art in Portland; and at Vermont College/Norwich University in Montpelier, Vt. She also served as director of continuing studies for the Maine College of Art and executive director of the Maine Alliance of Media Arts.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English literature from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in film and television from New York University in New York City. She has written, directed and produced several films, including "Helen Nearing: Conscious Living/Conscious Dying," which was featured by the Portland Museum of Art Biennial in 2001.



Polly Bennell

## Happy 100th birthday!



Cape Elizabeth resident **George William Baker** prepares to blow out the candle on his 100th birthday cake on Dec. 27, the day after he reached the century mark, at a dinner party at Inn by the Sea's Sea Glass restaurant hosted by his daughter **Judy Baker Merrill** of Tennessee and his son **George William Baker II** of Virginia. In attendance were, far right, **Alberta Baker**, George's wife of 68 years; two great-grandchildren, including, far left, **Kendall Jarrard** from Georgia; four grandchildren; friends; neighbors; and Sea Glass staff members, including, second from right, waitress **Mary Jane Lowe**. Guests traveled from as far away as Oregon for the party. Baker received 141 cards from well-wishers that included a class of first-graders in Florida and a girls' basketball team in Tennessee. "To say the least, my dad was thrilled to get all of these well-wishes from so many people," his son, **George W. Baker II**, said.

**John Valley**, a 2006 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, was a groomsman in the September wedding of his sister, **Doria Young Valley**, to **Cameron Michael Habib**. The Habibs' wedding was held at Ram Island Farm.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Tara Pinette** was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where she is a freshman studying foreign language and international relations.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Anne Sinclair Johnson** was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Keene State College in Keene, N.H.

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