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Committee offers scaled-back plan to renovate, build addition at library

By Patricia McCarthy

After Cape Elizabeth voters voted down a plan to fund \$6 million for a proposed \$8.4 million building project at Thomas Memorial Library last year, residents were left to wonder what would happen next at the deteriorating facility.

In February, a Thomas Memorial Library Planning Committee was formed and charged with preparing a plan for “public library services and facilities to serve Cape Elizabeth for the next 25 years.”

For nine intensive months, the committee has looked into what to do about the library and forwarded its recommendations to the Town Council in late October, said LPC Chair and newly elected Councilor Molly MacAuslan.

In their report, committee members say their recommendations for the council “reflect both the concerns and enthusiasm expressed in several public-input sessions, meetings with key user groups, as well as the advice” from Reed & Co., a Portland-based architectural firm with extensive experience in library projects in Maine.

“The committee was dedicated to delivering our recommendations within a concentrated time-frame that would force great focus and attention

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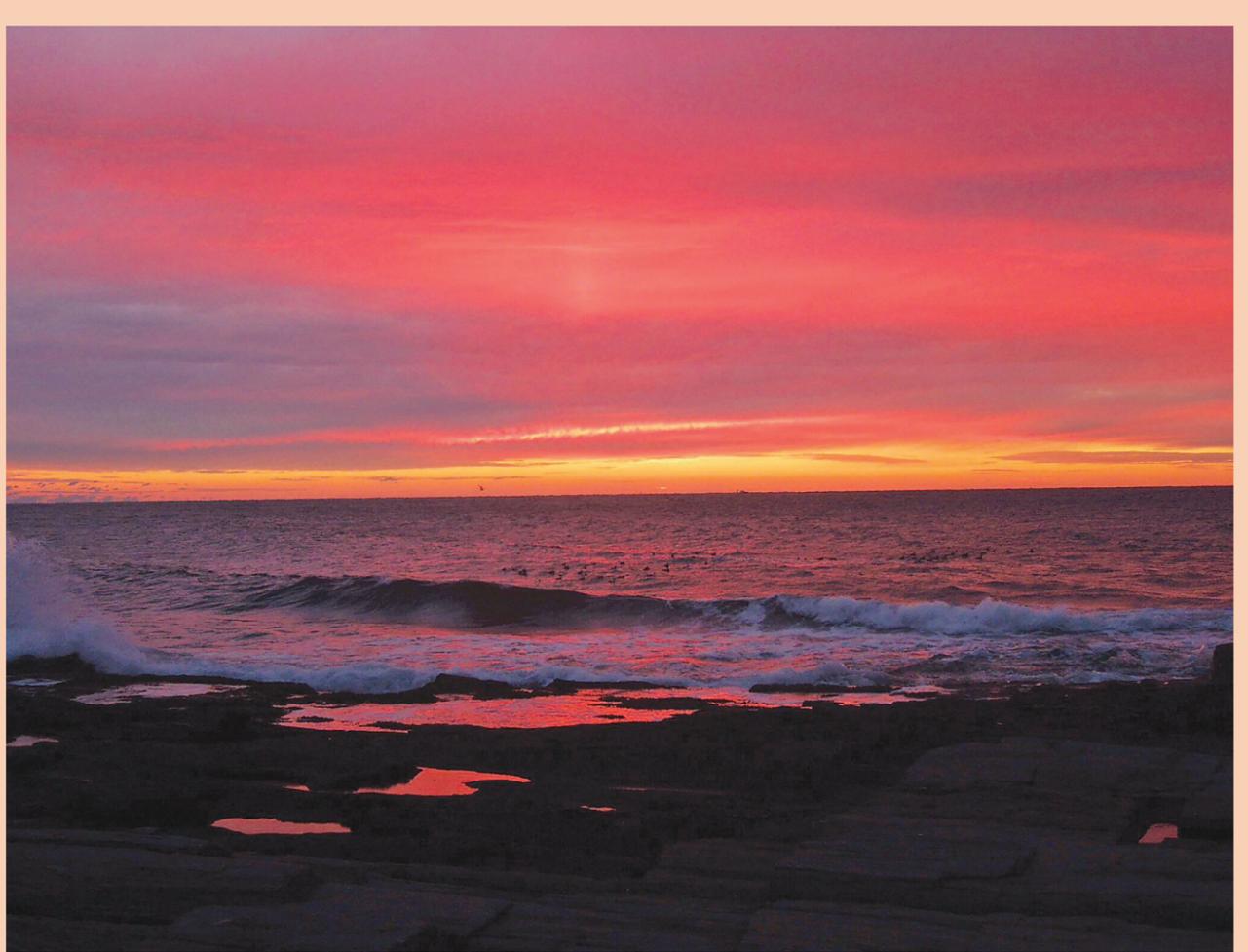


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RISE and SHINE!

Morning breaks with warm colors and winry winds on Nov. 14 at Two Lights in Cape Elizabeth.

Tammaro appreciates rewards — and award — while living his dream



Cape resident Nick Tammaro outside his Harvest Lane home and farm.

Photo by Patricia McCarthy

By Patricia McCarthy

Growing up in Cape Elizabeth, Nick Tammaro didn't have the typical aspirations of your average kid.

At age 12, he was actively involved in the local 4-H club. He raised a pig in his back yard and dreamed of raising more animals on his own farm. He spent his afternoons mucking out stalls and helping to take care of animals at Kelly and Andy Strout's Shady Oak Farm.

At age 23, Tammaro took the bold step of contacting Nate Maxwell, who had just closed his farm stand on Spur-

wink Avenue, to ask if Maxwell would ever consider selling him a piece of land.

“The long and short of it is that he sold me three acres of land to build my house, and I lease 60 more and work the rest for hay and pasture with Nate. He runs the hay, I run the beef. We sell hay to cover the costs. We own the equipment together. It's wonderful. He treats me like a son. Nate and Kathy Maxwell trusted some kid they didn't know well, and I will always be grateful for that.”

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School Board to ask Council to issue \$1.75 million capital improvements bond

By Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth School Board members on Nov. 12 voted unanimously to request that the Town Council issue a \$1.75 million bond for capital improvements to school buildings during the 2015-2016 school year.

The lion's share of the funding — about 65 percent — would go toward replacing sections of the roofs at the three Cape schools: \$800,000 for Cape Elizabeth High School and \$175,000 apiece for Pond Cove and Cape Elizabeth Middle schools.

Of the remaining portion, \$325,000 would be used for a rooftop heating recovery unit at CEMS, and \$275,000 for electrical upgrades at CEHS.

Michael Moore, who chairs the board's Finance and Buildings and Grounds committees, said he believes the bond plan offers the most cost-effective approach to completing the capital improvement projects. Requesting the bonds now, he added, will allow adequate time for project planning as well as for bidding.

“To plan all these projects — to coordinate all these projects so we don't have to interrupt the school year — that's the reason for bringing it forward tonight,” Moore said.

At the start of the meeting, two residents, Tom Dunham and William Gross, spoke out against requesting the council to issue the bond.

Starting in 2016, when the town's debt service will be reduced by \$700,000 after an outstanding bond is

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Seventeen Naval Sea Cadets from the Coast Guard Group Portland Division weeded and helped clear invasive plants from the Cliffside site at the Arboretum this fall.

Fort Williams Foundation wraps up productive season of arboretum work

By Ginger Jones

The Fort Williams Foundation is proud to announce that it has wrapped up a successful season at the Arboretum at Fort Williams Park project.

The arboretum is under way to restore the park's significant resources and give visitors more to explore. Fourteen landscapes have been chosen to showcase the park's unique natural and historic features. Native plantings, trees and ground covers will reverse damage done by invasive species to create open space and views, restore wildlife habitat, enhance the outdoor experience, and offer accessibility throughout the park.

The arboretum is a multiphase project, and it is fitting that restoration plans will coincide with the 50th anniversary of the park in 2014. The first site, Cliffside, was completed in the summer of 2012, and visitors are rewarded with reclaimed views of Casco Bay, stone walls for sitting, and a network of pathways among native plantings. Lighthouse View, adjacent to Portland Head Light, will be completed in 2014, and it is anticipated that the Children's Garden will be completed in 2015.

Saturday, Nov. 9, was the last volunteer workday of the season at Fort Williams. Boy Scout Drew Harrington gathered up a dozen other Boy Scouts, parents and leaders to help clear invasive species at the future site of the Children's Garden.

This was the second day the group had participated as part of Drew's community service project to become an Eagle Scout. Volunteers went on "Pod Patrol" to pick black swallowwort seedpods as a first step in eradicating this destructive plant, which fools and threatens monarch butterflies' life cycles.

Earlier this fall and summer, more than 150 other volunteers helped at Cliffside or at the future sites of the Children's Garden and Lighthouse View on 10 different workdays.

Several weddings were held at the year-old Cliffside Arboretum site this summer, and it was looking inviting and spiffy, thanks to Arboretum Project Manager James McCain, who has been expanding volunteer efforts.

Volunteers worked at the Cliffside site to help weed around last year's fledgling plants so they would thrive. They did some replanting and cleared new areas of invasive species.

One particularly spectacular clearing was on the north-end entrance of the Cliff

Walk near Ship Cove. Massive amounts of honeysuckle, poison ivy, bittersweet and black swallowwort were cleared, revealing expanded views, lovely old red oak, ash and apple trees, historic ruins from the forts, and ledge outcroppings.

Now visitors can see Ship Cove and across to Battery Keys. A new flagstone walkway was installed connecting the front-side walk up to "blueberry hill," and an irrigation system was installed to help plants until they are established. Once established, they will not need continued watering, but this protects donors' and volunteers' investment of time and money until then.

Here are some of the groups that assisted this summer and fall and contributed nearly 900 hours of labor.

Youth: Naval Sea Cadets of the Coast Guard, Portland Division spent two days weeding and helping clear invasive plants at Cliff Side.

Corporate Work Teams: Whole Food Market's produce team of 35 assisted as a team-building exercise one sunny October day, and an executive team from Idexx helped clear the Ship Cove entrance.

Landscape Companies- Lewis Brothers from Falmouth, Ram Island Home & Grounds of Cape Elizabeth, Bourne Landscaping of Gray, and Always Green Lawn & Landscape of Biddeford - offered their expertise and manpower.

Mike Duddy, the Cape Elizabeth tree warden, also donated his services to remove several Norway maples, an aggressive tree that crowds out other trees.

"Adopt-a-Plot" Families and Individuals: Twenty-three families and individuals have "adopted" certain garden plots at Cliffside for ongoing maintenance. In several cases, multigenerational families have pitched in on their plots named after specific features or species - Huckleberry Island, Tumbledown Blues, and Pitch Pine Point. Adopters have been overheard noting that "there's no better place to weed on earth" as they overlook Casco Bay.

Fundraising has also been successful this summer and fall. More than \$250,000 in gifts and pledges has been raised from individuals, foundations and businesses, including Bangor Savings Bank, Whole Foods Market of Portland, The Lighthouse Fund, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and numerous others. These funds will be used for the future arboretum sites, including Lighthouse View and the Children's Garden.

Resident: Learn from other states about effects of legalizing pot

Today an assertion has been made that legalizing marijuana will decrease youth's access to the drug. There was also an assertion that the revenue from taxation and regulatory fees would provide profit to the state of Maine.

Alcohol has been taxed and regulated for a very long time. Yet, according to the Maine Integrated Youth Health Survey, 65 percent of youth report alcohol as "sort of easy" or "very easy" to obtain. In the same survey, 58 percent of youth report "sort of easy" or "very easy" access to marijuana.

In addition, during two recent compliance checks on alcohol retailers in the city of Portland, 27 percent of off-premise retailers and 50 percent of on-premise retailers sold alcohol to a minor.

Youth also report easy access to alcohol in the home, from older friends, relatives, at parties, and adults who furnish it to them. There is no reason to think that legalized marijuana would not be similarly diverted.

A system which taxes, regulates, and enforces a marijuana market costs money, as does the treatment for those addicted. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the cost of alcohol abuse costs every Mainer about \$666 per person. Marijuana is addictive.

Colorado and Washington are interesting experiments in what can happen when marijuana is legalized. There are so many unknowns about the effect legalized marijuana would have on our community, our youth, and our fiscal state. Let's hit the pause button and learn from them.

Joanna Morrissey,
project manager, 21 Reasons

Affordable Care Act makes heath insurance 'unaffordable' in Maine

My health insurance plan from Anthem Maine was canceled. I've spent the last month studying the alternatives.

The least expensive Anthem plan will cost \$704 a month or \$8,448 a year. With the IRS deduction for medical expenses over 10 percent gross income, the final cost will be \$7,806/year or \$650 a month. This represents 12 percent of my gross income but 16 percent of my after-tax income, the money I depend on to pay my bills, buy food, housing, heating, etc.

By comparison, my canceled plan cost \$325 a month or \$3,900 a year, which represented 6 percent of my gross income, or 8 percent of my net income.

The identical plan costs more depending on where you live. If you live in Augusta, the cost, including IRS deduction, is \$8,955. If you live in Fort Kent or Ellsworth, the cost will be \$10,628 or 16 percent of gross income and 22 percent of net income.

Worst of all, you will not receive a penny of health care reimbursement from Anthem until you've paid for the deductible, which is \$6,350 as mandated by Obamacare requirements.

So, if you live in Fort Kent, and make \$65,000 per year, well above the income to receive any subsidies, you will pay 23 percent of your gross income and 30 percent of your living expenses and not receive any health care benefits.

This is just plain wrong. Who is looking out for us middle-class, self-employed Mainers? We'll remember this during the next election.

Scott Clark

Public hearing set for Dec. 9 to review Greenbelt Plan update

A public hearing to give residents a chance to weigh in on the proposed 2013 Greenbelt Plan will be held at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at Town Hall.

The plan, revised and recommended by the town's volunteer Conservation Commission, is a proposed update to the 2001 plan. The town's comprehensive plan recommends the Greenbelt Plan be updated every seven years. The draft plan can be reviewed online at the www.capeelizabeth.com.

Another Dec. 9 hearing will address rules for sandwich-board signs

The Town Council will hear comments about proposed changes to a sign ordinance that would allow sandwich-board signs in front of businesses year-round.

The public hearing is set for Dec. 9 at Town Hall.

The revisions were proposed in response to requests from business owners to display the signs all year, rather than just in three 30-day periods that are currently allowed.

Permits would be required for the signs.

From Inn by the Sea to Monastery Road, Route 77 to be repaved next year

The town has accepted an offer from the state to pave part of Route 77 – from the Inn by the Sea to Monastery Road, in 2014.

The Town Council agreed Nov. 6 to pay an \$86,000 local share – 15 percent of the \$574,200 estimated project cost – with money from the roadways and drainage account.

Public Works Director Robert Malley and Town Manager Michael McGovern called the offer "welcome news."

"Anyone who drives that section of

Route 77 knows it's a little bumpy," McGovern said, adding that it's been 40 years since some parts were last paved.

The Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System committee chose the project for funding from what McGovern called a "holding bin."

He said if the actual cost is lower than estimated, the town would ask the Maine Department of Transportation to extend the paving toward the Grange Hall at the intersection of Route 77 and Charles E. Jordan Road.

Zoning Board combines meetings; next one is Dec. 11

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. Dec. 11 at Town Hall after canceling its November meeting.

The deadline for submitting something for review for the meeting is 1 p.m. Nov. 27.

Contact Code Enforcement Officer Benjamin McDougal at 799-1619 or at benjamin.mcdougal@capeelizabeth.org for more information.

Committee considers smoking ban at Fort

The Town Council's ordinance subcommittee is considering a proposal to ban smoking at Fort Williams Park.

The idea was recommended unanimously in October by the Fort Williams Advisory Commission, which said prohibiting smoking would "reduce litter and mitigate the harmful effects of second-hand smoke on nonsmokers who are visiting the park."

The Town Council referred the recommendation to its ordinance committee at its Nov. 6 meeting.

The Town Council rejected a similar proposal five years ago, preferring to politely ask visitors to refrain from lighting up. Councilors opted for posting "Thank you for not smoking" signs instead of instituting a ban.

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Planning Board debates waiver on width of proposed Shore Acres road

By Wendy Derzawiec

Planning Board members on Nov. 19 said they wanted to visit the Shore Acres site where Stephanie Boggs might build before deciding what kind of road should lead to her property.

The board tabled Boggs's application for a private road to access a lot she owns behind existing homes on Overlook Lane. The road would include part of Elizabeth Road, a "paper street" in the 100-year-old subdivision.

The application is for a 14-foot-wide paved road flanked by 2-foot-wide grass shoulders, but the narrow width requires a

waiver from the town's 22-foot width requirement for private roads, something that gave the Planning Board pause.

"If we really think that our road ordinance is wrong, that we should not require 22-foot roads, then the way to fix that is by proposing an amendment to the ordinance," said board member Elaine Falender, who opposed granting the waiver. "I think to essentially do that lot by lot is not appropriate," she said.

The town's subdivision ordinance requires private roads to have the same 22-foot width as public residential roads. It

also allows the Planning Board to waive the requirement, but board members were torn as to whether saving existing trees was a good enough reason.

"I don't know if that's the only reason," said board member Josef Chalot. "Part of it is also, every time you make a wide street you get the sense that your neighborhood has a lot of paving in it," he said.

In recent years the board has granted width waivers for private roads to minimize intrusion as well as to cut costs for applicants. Town staff generally does not support waivers however, as Fire Chief Peter Gleeson testified. "I'm trying to be as understanding as I can be, but I have a rather narrow focus," he said. "I want to give myself the best odds of a successful outcome, and that's why I prefer the wider roads," Gleeson said.

A 22-foot-wide road allows two 10-foot-wide fire trucks to pass each other in an emergency, Gleeson said. A compromise proposed by Chalot to require sprinklers in the new home at the end of a 14-foot-wide road would suffice, Gleeson said, but only if one home were built. "Sprinklers are designed to contain a fire, not put it out," he

said. Multiple homes on the road would require more than one truck in an emergency, and a 14-foot-wide road would not accommodate that, he said.

Board members discussed changing the new road to a "private accessway," which under town ordinances, is narrower but can only provide legal access to one home.

Boggs ultimately asked the board to table the application to December so that a neighboring family, who could potentially use the proposed private road to access property they own, could be notified of the possible change. A site walk was scheduled for Nov. 23.

Throughout the review, Boggs and her husband Stephen Mette have said they do not plan to build the road immediately but wish to preserve access rights to their 4.5-acre property.

In other matters, the board voted to extend 2012 approval of C's Gourmet Market, proposed for 349 Ocean House Road near the entrance to Cape Elizabeth High School, for one year. The new approval for a 28-seat restaurant, retail and office space expires in November 2014.

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paid off, the town will have more money to cover capital projects, Gross said.

"There's no need at all to issue the bond," he said.

Dunham, who said he has familiarity with roofs, having owned more than "150,000 square feet of industrial properties," questioned the need to replace the school roofs immediately.

"Respectfully I ask that you defer this bond decision until we receive a more thorough assessment on the schools' roofs," he told the board.

In September, Moore presented the board with an overview of a 10-year capital improvements plan that calls for a \$13 million capital investment in school and Community Services facilities.

The 10-year plan is the product of two years of work by School Board members, who began working on the plan in October 2011.

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Happy Thanksgiving,

Martha "Molly" MacAuslan

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to the ultimate objective of a plan for the next 25 years that was economic, efficient and appropriate for the town of Cape Elizabeth. We believe we have achieved this and strongly urge the Town Council to adopt our recommendations summarized here.”

The committee recommends that:

- A building committee be appointed to develop a plan to renovate, with new construction, for the library that will yield a building with the same square footage as the current building and cost no more than \$4 million, funded with town resources.
- More exploration and development of funding sources for furnishings and fixtures for a renovated library (about \$400,000) be done.
- Shared services between the library and other town departments – and between TML and other nearby community libraries – should be explored further for the sake of efficiency.
- Councilors explore the needs of the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society separate from the library project.



Photo by Lauren Nicholson

Thomas Memorial Library, off Scott Dyer Road in the heart of Cape Elizabeth, has served residents for nearly 100 years.

In its summary, the committee notes that the library has served the needs of Cape residents for nearly 100 years since its beginnings in a one-room schoolhouse. At least every 20 years since 1944, TML has gone through major upgrades, expansions and renovations to meet evolving needs.

It's been 27 years since the last major

renovation at the library.

From 2005 to 2012, members of the community, the council and the library trustees worked with consultants and an architectural firm to develop a solution to the library's "limitations and deficiencies." That was the plan rejected by voters last year.

The new plan being recommended to the council would remove the 1985 connector between the Pond Cove School Annex which fronts on Scott Dyer Road and the

Spurwink School portions of the building.

In its place would be a two-story addition for a children's area.

The plan also calls for creating a pedestrian connection between the library and the elementary school, more parking, and a new stage for outdoor performances on the lawn area.

MacAuslan, who will relinquish her seat on the committee when she takes the oath of office as a councilor on Dec. 9, said she hopes residents will embrace the new recommendations for the library.

"This time around, we took a little bit different approach," she said. "We tried to think of the library for its functions rather than the building. We looked at what might be going on in a library for the next 25 years *first* and then tried to figure out what the building enveloping that would be. We thought a lot about how to make the space flexible and about how it would fit in our community."

The council is expected to take a look at the Library Planning Committee's report at a Dec. 2 workshop.

"My hope is that we'll get a building committee started and start discussing what it will take to make this happen," MacAuslan said.

The other members of the LPC are outgoing Councilor Frank Governali, Councilors Katherine Ray and Jessica Sullivan; and School Board member Kate Williams-Hewitt.

Library Director Jay Scherma and the town's facilities manager Greg Marles have been assisting committee members since February.

"Family dentistry in a relaxed atmosphere."



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From porcupines to theft to gun violation, police handle it

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-26 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about a dog and porcupine confrontation. The porcupine tested negative for rabies.
- 10-29 An officer met with a school bus driver about a vehicle that had passed his bus while discharging students on Mitchell Road.
- 10-29 An officer met with a resident in the Mitchell Road area about damage done to a tree by construction workers in the area.
- 10-29 An officer met with a resident regarding telephone harassment.
- 11-2 An officer met with a resident of Scarborough about a dog-bite report. A quarantine notice was issued to the dog's owner and the case was forwarded to the animal control officer for follow-up.
- 11-3 An officer responded to the Spurwink Rod & Gun Club for a report of someone discharging firearms before noon on Sunday morning, a violation of club rules. He made contact with the subject, who had forgotten to change his watch for the daylight saving time change and thought it was after noon.
- 11-3 An officer met with a resident about a telephone harassment complaint.

ARRESTS

- 10-30 Cape Elizabeth resident, violation of conditions of release, Cheverus Road
- 11-7 York resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, burglary,

aggravated criminal mischief, theft, Shore Road

- 11-7 York resident, burglary and possession of burglary tools, theft, refusing to submit to arrest, aggravated criminal mischief
- 11-9 Standish resident, operating under the influence of alcohol

SUMMONSES

- 10-29 Windham resident, speeding (54/30 zone) Sawyer Road
- 10-29 Scarborough resident, failure to maintain control of vehicle, Route 77, \$137
- 10-29 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Mitchell Road
- 10-30 Cape Elizabeth resident, violation of conditions of release, Cheverus Road
- 11-1 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171
- 11-2 Cape Elizabeth resident, aggravated assault, Woodland Road
- 11-4 Standish resident, imprudent speed, Scott Dyer Road, \$119
- 11-5 Belgrade Lakes resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77
- 11-6 Livermore Falls resident, speeding, Fowler Road, \$119
- 11-7 York resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, refusal to submit to testing, burglary, theft, aggravated criminal mischief, Shore Road
- 11-7 York resident, burglary, aggravated criminal mischief, refusing to submit to arrest, failure to report an accident, failure to return to the site of an accident, possession of burglary tools, theft, Shore Road

- 11-7 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating with expired license, Route 77, \$132
- 11-9 Standish resident, operating under the influence of alcohol

JUVENILE SUMMONSES

- 11-8 Cape Elizabeth resident, assault
- 11-8 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (64/50 zone), Route 77, \$137
- 11-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Spurwink Road, \$133
- 11-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, illegal transportation of drugs, Spurwink Road
- 11-10 South Portland resident, possession of marijuana
- 11-10 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of marijuana

ACCIDENTS

- 10-30 Matthew Chipman, Eamon Kelley, accident on Ocean House Road

- 11-1 James Fortin, deer, Ocean House Road
- 11-1 Kimberly Nemeck, deer, Ocean House Road

FIRE CALLS

- 10-29 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 10-31 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 11-1 Sea View Avenue, fire alarm
- 11-1 Scarborough Mutual Aid
- 11-1 Ocean House Road, motor vehicle accident
- 11-5 Jewett Road, fire alarm
- 11-5 Spurwink Avenue, fire alarm
- 11-9 Scarborough Mutual Aid
- 11-9 Crescent Road, electrical fire
- 11-11 Jordan Way, fire alarm

RESCUE CALLS

There were 24 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were two patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

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High school girls' and boys' basketball teams to take on CEHS alumni on Saturday, Nov. 30



Photo by Julien Murphy

Players on Cape Elizabeth High School's boys' basketball team faceoff against alumni players during last year's CEHS alumni game.

Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's boys' and girls' basketball teams will take on CEHS alumni in games planned Saturday, Nov. 30, at CEHS. Members of the girls' team will faceoff against alumni at 6 p.m., and players on the boys' team will compete against Cape graduates at 7:30 p.m.

Shoot-a-Thon

Admission to the games will be free, but T-shirts will be for sale. A "Top Gun Shoot-

a-Thon" contest on an automatic ball machine will follow the games.

"This is a fun night and a chance for the community to open up the season, see the new teams and welcome back former players," said Julien Murphy, co-president of the boys' basketball boosters with Jacquelyn Hedlund. "This year we will recognize Coach [Jim] Ray's induction into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame."

Contact Murphy at julesmur@gmail.com or 799-9018 for more information.

Cape Elizabeth Soccer Club winners



Photo by Patricia McCarthy

Cape Elizabeth Middle School eighth-graders, front row, center, Sarah Knupp and, right, Cooper Hoffman won the 2013 Jamie Higgins Award on Nov. 13 at the Cape Elizabeth Soccer Club's annual recognition night at the Cape Elizabeth Middle School cafeteria. With them are, from left, front row, Tara Knupp; rear, Coaches Tom Caswell and Cory Morrissey, Andy Knupp, Mark Hoffman and Coach Tim Concannon.

Two Cape Elizabeth Soccer Club player-and a parent volunteer received awards on Nov. 9 in the Cape Elizabeth Middle School-cafeteria.

Jamie Higgins Award

Eighth-graders Sarah Knupp and Cooper Hoffman, members of the club's under-14 team, won the 2013 Jamie Higgins Award, named in honor of a Cape soccer player who passed away when he was 11 years old.

At the end of their last year playing for the club, girls and boys vote for a teammate who displays sportsmanship on and off the field, as Higgins did.

Skip Houghton Award

Cape Elizabeth resident Kerry Novak won the club's 2013 Skip Houghton Award for outstanding volunteer service to CESC. For four years, Novak has run the club's apparel sales that reduce operating costs.

Boys' ice hockey team to continue tree tradition

The Cape Elizabeth High School boys ice hockey team will collect discarded Christmas trees on Sunday, Jan. 5.

The annual fundraiser helps the team defray overall costs for the season, including expenses for ice time and equipment.

Call 799-5264 or email cehockey@earthlink.net to request a pickup on Jan. 5.



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'Annie' at Lyric Music Theater Dec. 6-21



Photo by Sean St. Louis-Farrelly

The cast of "Annie" includes, upper left, top to bottom, Cape Elizabeth resident Caroline Mahoney, Marie-Claire Owens, Nina Stevens; left to right, kneeling, Alicia Fournier; Cape Elizabeth resident Zoe Dinnerstein, Erica Glidden and Amy Ollove.

The musical, "Annie," will run from Friday, Dec. 6, through Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Lyric Music Theater in South Portland.

During the Great Depression, Annie, an orphan, is on a quest to find her birth parents and escape the hard-knock life of Miss Hannigan's orphanage. Plucked from obscurity by Oliver Warbucks, Annie gets to see how the other half spends Christmas, but "Daddy

Warbucks" and Annie, with her dog Sandy, learn they are happiest when working together. The musical is for all ages.

Showtimes are 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$17.99-\$21.99. Go to www.lyricmusictheater.org, email ticketslyric@gmail.com, or call 799-1421 to make reservations. The theater is located at 176 Sawyer St.

Seventeen from Cape to dance in 'Nutcracker'

Seventeen dancers from Cape Elizabeth will perform in the Maine State Ballet's "The Nutcracker," which will open on Saturday, Nov. 30, at Merrill Auditorium in Portland.

Cape ballerinas Faith Buckley, Kaitlin Evans-Bodenrader, Claire Gaudrault, Reese Harder, Haley Hemeon, Max Hemeon, Lily Mackenzie, Michael Mackenzie, Sage Maxwell, Madeline Miele, Cayden Royall, Marla Schelasin, Sophia Schelasin, Stephanie te Boekhorst, Alexandra Weissbach, Katrina Weissbach, and Olivia Weissbach are among

the nearly 300 dancers who will take the stage during seven performances.

Shows feature music by the Maine State Ballet Orchestra. Performances are planned at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30; 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 1; 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8.

Call 842-0800, visit mainestateballet.org or tickets.porttix.com, or go to the Merrill Auditorium box office from noon to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, to buy tickets.

Coldwell collecting gifts for people in need

Cape Elizabeth's Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office is collecting holiday gifts for children, adults and families served by Opportunity Alliance of Maine.

The organization provides early education and child care, nutrition programming, advocacy, mental health and substance abuse

treatment to people in need.

New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off through Dec. 19 at the office, located at 295 Ocean House Road.

Contact Roni Barbera at roni.barbera@nemoves.com or 799-5000 for more information.

Cape Nordic plans trail work session on Dec. 1

The Cape Nordic Club, which maintains a trail network running from the Gull Crest fields to the wooded greenbelt along the head of the Spurwink River, plans a two-hour trail-work session at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 1.

Group members will meet at the parking lot at the entrance to the Cape Elizabeth Transfer Station and should wear long sleeves and bring work gloves, clippers and shears, and safety glasses, if they have them. Contact David Wing at wingster@me.com or 767-3634 for more information.

The club will host and participate in the

Great Maine Outdoor Weekend in February at Gull Crest. During that weekend, events planned throughout the state will celebrate outdoor activity in Maine. Cape Elizabeth Middle School and Cape Elizabeth High School Nordic skiers will participate in the activity.

This year, Shawn Guerrette will coach the high school team, and Patrice Leary-Forrey will return to coach at CEMS.

In addition to doing trail work, the club funds grooming activities. Go to www.cape-nordic.com for information about the club or for a trail map.

Rotary's Christmas tree sale to open on Nov. 29

The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 51st annual Christmas tree sale will open at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, at Mill Creek Park in South Portland. The club, which ordered nearly 2,000 Maine-grown trees for the sale, has sold Christmas trees to raise money for community charitable causes since 1962.

"We all look forward to seeing our friends and neighbors, watching the children's excitement as they search for the 'perfect' tree, and spreading the holiday spirit," said Kathy Cotter, who is heading up the tree sale. "Best of all, every penny raised is used for community and international endeavors such as scholarships, local improvement projects, donations to local food pantries, Rotary humanitarian projects, and many other chari-

table programs."

Trees are primarily in the 6-to-8-foot range, but 5-to-6-footers, 9-to-10-footers, and table-top trees also will be for sale, and so will wreaths.

Club members are planning Winterfest South Portland, a family-oriented festival Jan. 31- Feb. 1, 2014. The event will target both South Portland and Cape Elizabeth residents and will feature outdoor activities such as a snow sculpture contest, a skating party at Mill Creek Park, wagon rides, snowshoe hikes, igloo-making demonstrations, and more.

Contact Adrienne Murphy at adrienne.murphy@nemoves.com or 807-1837 for more information about Winterfest.

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CAPE CALENDAR

By Wendy Derzawiec

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Holiday, Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library, Recycling Center closed

Friday, November 29

Thanksgiving Holiday, Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center will be open regular Friday hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, December 2

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

Town Council Workshop, 7 p.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Tuesday, December 3

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

Thursday, December 5

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

Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works

Saturday, December 7

Christmas on the Cape, 2-6 p.m., Tree Lighting in Town Center at 6:15 p.m.

Monday, December 9

Town Center Plan Committee, 4 p.m., Technology Conference Room

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

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

Tuesday, December 10

School Board Executive Session (tentative), 6-7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

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

School Board, 7-9 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Wednesday, December 11

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

Monday, December 16

Town Standing Boards and Commissions Orientation, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Tuesday, December 17

School Board Workshop, 6:30 p.m., High School library

Planning Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall

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; 7 p.m. Fridays, St. Alban's Church.

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

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

'Sound of Music' to be performed through Sunday, Dec. 8, at Portland Players

The musical, "The Sound of Music," will run through Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Portland Players.

In the play, set in pre-World War II Austria, a postulant, Maria Rainer, is sent to the home of an Austrian naval hero to serve as the governess for his seven children. She wins their love, and eventually the heart of the stern captain, through song.

The score, with music by Richard Rodgers and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, features such songs as "My Favorite Things," "Do Re Mi," "Edelweiss," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," and "The Sound of Music."

The cast includes Cape Elizabeth residents Shannon Howard, Daniel Howard, William Pearson, Joe Unnold and Grace Callahan.

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



Photo by Linwood Leland

Molly Frantzen plays Maria Rainer, and Charlie Marengi plays Capt. Georg von Trapp in the Portland Players' "The Sound of Music."

Call 799-7337 or go to www.portlandplayers.org to make reservations. Email info@portlandplayers.org for more information. The theater is located at 420 Cottage Road in South Portland.

CABLE GUIDE

CHANNEL 3

Words of Peace
Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 7, 8, 14, 15-1 & 7 p.m.

Town Council: Dec. 9 - 7 p.m.

School Board: Dec. 10 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals
Dec. 11 - 7 p.m.

Town Council
Dec. 12 & 13 - 2 & 7 p.m.

Dec. 14 - 9 a.m.

School Board replay
Dec. 14 & 15 - 2 & 7 p.m.
Dec. 15 - 9 a.m.

Zoning Board replay
Dec. 16 - 2 & 8 p.m.

Subject to change. Please check the program guide on Channel 3.

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Ladies Night Out!
Thursday, December 5th
4:00 - 8:00 PM

Join us for our 2nd Annual night of shopping at **FOUR** different locally owned and operated Cape Elizabeth shops.

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Cape Business Alliance plans family activities on Dec. 7; singer Rick Charette to perform



Children's singer and songwriter Rick Charette will perform at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center.

The Cape Business Alliance's third annual Christmas on the Cape, from 2 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, will include family activities at 13 businesses around town. The day's festivities also will include a scavenger hunt, a 4 p.m. concert by children's singer and songwriter Rick Charette in the Cape Elizabeth High School auditorium, and a 6:15 p.m. tree lighting in front of the Cape Elizabeth Public Safety building.

General admission tickets to the Rick Charette concert are for sale for \$5 – payable only in person and by cash or check – at Community Services' office in the Community Center. Children younger than 2 will be admitted at no charge. Tickets will be available for \$7 at the door the day of the show, if space permits. Call 799-2868 for more information.

Christmas at the Cape activities will include a visit with Santa Claus at Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic, holiday-card making at Shore Things, Christmas-cookie decorating at Re/Max Oceanside, Christmas crafts at Polly's Haircare Center, pet photos with Santa at the Veterinary and Rehabilitation Center of Cape Elizabeth, and the making of "rainbow rings" and key chains at Something's Fishy. Other offerings will include the making of gift bags at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, sugar-cone Christmas-tree making at Village Crossings, Christmas trivia and treats at Living Innovations, and the writing of letters to Santa at Tara Home and Gift. Alewives Brook Farm and Jordan's Farm will oversee the making of reindeer food inside Coastal Wellness Family Chiropractic, and the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust will host an open house with hot cocoa and snacks.

Families who want to participate in the scavenger hunt can pick up a form at one of the participating businesses starting Nov. 25,

Re/Max collecting toys; open house on Dec. 5

Re/Max Oceanside will hold its annual Holiday Open House from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, at 1237 Shore Road. The event will be open to all.

In addition to serving food and drink, agents will collect "stocking stuffer" toys for the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital's "Owwie Box," from which kids choose treasures after having medical procedures. Toys will be collected through Dec. 13.

RE/MAX is a national sponsor of the Children's Miracle Network, and the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital in Portland is the local affiliate. Every realtor in the Cape office donates a portion of each home sale to the hospital. Contact Vicki Kennedy at 799-7600 or Vicki@OceansideMaine.com for more information.

or at the beginning of the event. That night, participants will have their forms stamped at each business and turn them in at the end of the night. People who complete at least 10 stops will be entered into a raffle for prizes donated by CBA businesses.

Call Janel Voelker at 799-9355 or Vicki Kennedy at 799-7600, or go to CBA's Facebook page for information about the event.

'Take Four' at high school on Nov. 27



Photo by Jenny Campbell

The Sonny Stitt combo, from left, Matt Oberholtzer, Sam Macduffie, Trevor Ewald, Seth Queeney, and, not pictured, James Monroe Chausse, will play the final act of "Take Four."

Cape Elizabeth High School's two-hour program, "Take Four," set for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27, in the CEHS auditorium, will feature parody, improvisation, film, and a student band.

"Moby Dick," a parody, the evening's main feature, is great fun with hilarious mishaps in a 20-minute version of the 671-

page classic novel," said CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen.

Next up will be "Improv," led by Tim Farrell. "Spontaneous and quick, 'Improv' will have audience participation," Mullen said.

—see TAKE FOUR, page 16

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Saxby to speak Dec. 5 on housing options for aging population

Elder law attorney and Cape Elizabeth resident Ed Saxby will offer a talk called "Maine's Aging Demographic and Its Effect on Housing Options As We grow Older" at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5. Saxby will talk about a newly released Muskie School report, which identifies Maine as the oldest state in the union and indicates that the aging trend will accelerate in the next 15 years.

Where will we live, and how will we prepare ourselves to live safely and securely? What is the role of family or extended family as we sort through our choices to make our own plans?

Saxby will speak about the topic, as well as answer questions and engage the audience in a discussion. He recently opened "South Portland Elder Law LLC" after a hiatus of several years as a stay-at-home grandfather in Cape Elizabeth.

Monthly musical fun with Caswell, Duquette on tap for Dec. 5 & 19

The library's popular monthly music programs will continue on schedule in December. Musical Story Hour with Jud Caswell will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 5. World Music with Rob Duquette will be at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 19.

The library is also bringing back Mad Science for a special holiday event (*see right*). Neither the music programs nor the Mad Science show require registration.

Historian to tell story of Cols. Chamberlain and Oates on Dec. 10

Jerry Wiles is known for bringing alive the stories of historical figures. At 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, Wiles will tell the story of the parallel lives of Maine's Joshua Chamberlain and Alabama's William Oates.

These two colonels led infantry regiments at Little Round Top – when two nations' futures swayed in the moment.

Wiles has a bachelor's and master's degree in history from Eastern Kentucky University.

He taught history for 33 years at Greely Middle School in Cumberland. He served in the Air Force until 1963.

He has been doing dramatic presentations of history since 2001 and is well known throughout Maine for his knowledge and captivating renditions of historical times and the people who made their mark on history.

Lightning Lucy coming for Holiday Science Spectacular on Dec. 14

The library is pleased to bring back Mad Science for its magical Holiday Science Spectacular at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 14. You won't believe your eyes as you try to determine if what you're seeing is magic or science.

Lightning Lucy will explain it all as she uses special indoor fireworks to create a festival of lights and shares the top secret "special ice" shipped straight from the North Pole. It all comes together with some magical no-melt snow.

The free show is for ages 4 and up.

Goody's acrylic and pencil artwork at TML Gallery through December



Zoe Goody will present her artwork, including "Sea and Sky" above in acrylic and pencil at Thomas Memorial Library through December. The themes of her work include landscapes and personal expressions of experience.

Howard returns for 'A Child's Christmas in Wales' Dec. 19

Actor Michael Howard drew a large audience on Halloween night for his dramatic presentation of classic "chilling tales," including "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Monkey's Paw." In December, Howard returns for a much warmer and cozier event. He will perform Dylan Thomas's classic story, "A Child's Christmas in Wales," as well as a lesser-known Christmas tale by John Henry Faulk.

The program for adults and families will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 19, in the library's Community Room.

In print for more than 50 years, "A Child's Christmas in Wales" captures a child's-eye view and an adult's fond memories of a magical time of presents, aunts and uncles, the frozen sea, and in the best of circumstances, newly fallen snow. John Henry Faulk was a popular radio broadcaster who first recorded the story for broadcast in 1974. It has since been broadcast at holiday time on National Public Radio and is one of Howard's favorites.

The program is free. Holiday cookies and hot apple cider will be served.

Socrates Café discussion returns Tuesday, Dec. 3

All are welcome at the library's monthly philosophy discussion group, "Socrates Café."

At the start of each meeting, participants agree upon a philosophical question or issue and then spend the next hour and a half discussing it. No prior knowledge or reading is required. Anyone may attend.

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Above, workers install the first-floor section of Cape Elizabeth artist Amanda Edwards' five-story, treehouse-themed, hand-cut mosaic mural (featured in *The Cape Courier's* first color issue on Feb. 13) in a new wing of Boston Children's Hospital in October. At right, Edwards does the painstakingly detailed work on her project.

Cape artist completes mammoth mosaic project for Boston hospital

By Patricia McCarthy

For nine months, Cape Elizabeth artist Amanda Edwards painstakingly worked every day on the mosaic mural she was commissioned to create for Boston Children's Hospital.

Her design, "Everyone's Tree House," had been selected in October 2012 from 100 submissions by the hospital's Creative Arts Program as the winning design for a five-story mosaic mural in the new Binney wing of the hospital.

With assistance from her mosaic apprentice Elizabeth Redstone, Edwards completed the elaborate work, and it was installed almost one year later. Edwards said the installation went great and that an art reception will be

Total dimensions of all five floors: 11 x 25 feet

Total square footage: 275 square feet

Approximate number of tiles: 73,000

Total weight: 1,000 pounds

held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Dec. 7 at the hospital. Tickets are required. More information is available at www.childrenshospital.org/art.

"It was hard to say goodbye to it," Edwards admits, "but its new home couldn't be a better place."

The mural is spread across five floors and is in corridors that overlook an interior courtyard. From the courtyard, and from the building across from it, the full tree house can be seen.

The elaborate project was featured in *The Cape Courier's* first color issue on Feb. 13. At that time, Edwards explained the idea behind it, saying that a tree house "captures the imaginative and playful spirit of childhood, the healing qualities of nature and soothing elements of art."

She said she spent weeks thinking of all tall things but in the end was inspired by "a universal love of tree houses" that spans all ages, races and economical backgrounds.



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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 in its third year. Using Portland author Paul Ledman's book, "A Maine Town Responds," as the main guide, the series includes both 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.

Nov. 28, 1863 – The Times are growing tragical in our State. Within a few weeks there have occurred within its borders two murders, two stabbing affairs and three suicides. [Portland Transcript]

The body of an infant, about a week old, was found on Saturday at the end of the Cape Elizabeth bridge, wrapped up in a pieces of old cloth. It was buried without an inquest. [Portland Transcript]

This is Thanksgiving week, as all the world doth know – Thanksgiving week throughout the loyal States, our New England festival having become a national institution – while all Rebellom is keeping fast day. There will be many an absent one to be remembered at the Thanksgiving feast: Let us pray that they may all come back to their loved one when returning peace shall give us occasion for a more joyful Thanksgiving than we have ever knew before. [Portland Transcript]

The rebel authorities have permitted the distribution of the food sent by our government to our starving prisoners in Richmond. The poor fellows were glad enough to get it. [Portland Transcript]

Gen. Grant has achieved another glorious victory. He has driven the enemy from his strong positions in front of Chattanooga, and is now pursuing him into Georgia. The results of this victory are most important, securing us the State of Tennessee, and making another step toward severing the head of Rebellom from its body. [Portland Transcript]

The Richmond papers report the discovery of a plot to release the Union prisoners in Richmond, of which Neal Dow was to be the leader. [Portland Transcript]

Fiendish – Mrs. Semmes and daughter, aunt and cousin of the noted pirate Semmes, have been arrested at Bal-

timore on a charge of poisoning the sick Union soldiers in the hospital. They sent them a quantity of wine containing arsenic, and several soldiers who drank of it were seized with violent illness. [Portland Transcript] [Editor's note: Raphael Semmes (1809–1877) was an officer in the Confederate States Navy. During the Civil War, he was captain of the commerce raider CSS Alabama, which took a record 65 prizes.

Two-hundred inmates of the Alms House dined sumptuously on turkey on Thanksgiving day, and in the evening some of them indulged in a merry dance. Life in the Poor-house is not all shade. [Portland Transcript]

Dec. 12, 1863 – Out of 3,688 men drafted in this district, 686 soldiers were obtained, only 80 of whom were conscripts, the rest being substitutes. [Portland Transcript]

Bangor is shut up for the season. The river was closed by ice on Wednesday week. [Portland Transcript]

Editor's note: From 1847 to 1853, Cape Elizabeth resident Scott D. Jordan was a mariner, plying trade routes in New England, England, the West Indies, the Caribbean and the southern coast of the United States. In 1863, he left his wife Judith and their three children to serve as a naval ensign in the Civil War. After the war, he farmed and served for a while as the superintendent of Cape Elizabeth Poor Farm. In December 1863, Jordan wrote the following letter to his wife while he was stationed aboard the ironclad ship, the Carondelet:

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At anchor off Jeff Davis Plantation
Dec. 6, 1863

Dear Judith,
I was exceeding glad to hear from you and the children. I don't think [mail] a very safe way of sending money and shall not send any more at present...

[We] have the privilege of going hunting when we choose. We get as much game as we want and always have wild game for dinner.

Today is Sunday. We are to have a roasted Rakoon [sic] for our dinner. They are splendid eating. We have 10 Fox Squirrels [sic] hanging up for our dinner tomorrow. They are equally fine eating. They are about the same as Grey Squirrels but larger.

There is eight of us in the Ward room besides our Waiters of which there is four. All black. Our Steward is white. All of these eat at the second table. Our cooks are Negroes. They never come into the Ward room under any circumstances.

Today is Sunday. Every Officer dresses in full uniform and the best he has, too. Work days we wear uniforms all the time but it is of a cheaper kind of cloth though the Stars and Straps are the same as they are on our dress suits. I think it very seldom that eight men get together that agree so well. During [my eight months] I have never heard a cross word exchanged between any of our Mess. I set a great deal by all of them and I think they do by me.

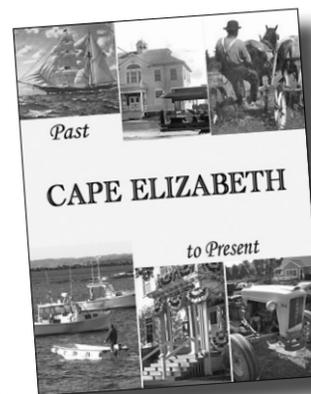
I omitted to tell you that [Commander Mr. Gibson] dined with us today [and] also the Paymaster and the Doctor. Our Bill of fare was as follows: Roast Coon, Roast Beef, Irish Potatoes mashed up hot with butter, Boiled Onions, Canned Peaches, Pumpkin pies which by the way we have three times a day, Indian and Flour bread. All kinds of sauce and Catsup, and enough for all.

Scott D. Jordan

Historical society taking orders for new edition of history, 'Cape Elizabeth Past to Present'

Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society members have been busy this fall working on a new edition of "Cape Elizabeth Past to Present," a history covering Cape Elizabeth from the time of the Native Americans and the arrival of Samuel de Champlain in 1604 through today.

The new, expanded edition of the book, first published in 1991, includes photographs that have never been published and also captures present-day Cape Elizabeth.



Society members, who expect the book to be delivered to Cape Elizabeth by Dec. 16, are now taking orders. Please send checks – \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members – to CEHPS, 6 Scott Dyer Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107, also including name, phone number and/or an email address.

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Courier travels to Budapest



With the Danube River behind them, Cape Elizabeth residents Gail and Ed Krusec read *The Cape Courier* atop Gellért Hill in Budapest, Hungary, while visiting the Liberty Monument, which commemorates Hungarians who sacrificed their lives for their country. The Krusecs were visiting their son Camden, a junior at Kalamazoo College in Kalamazoo, Mich., who is studying in Budapest.

Cape Elizabeth resident **John Lewis** has been elected to serve on the executive committee for SkillsUSA Maine, a career and technical student organization that serves high school and college students and professionals enrolled in training programs in technical, skilled, and service occupations.

Lewis will plan and coordinate competitions and conferences. He also will serve as head judge for the Maine "Diesel Equipment Technology Competition," coordinating fellow judges and collaborating with diesel employers.

Lewis is an admissions representative for the Norwood, Mass., campus of Universal Technical Institute, which offers post-secondary education for students seeking careers in automotive, diesel and collision repair, or as motorcycle or marine technicians.

Terry Garmey, principal at Terry Garmey & Associates in Portland, earned the highest rating in legal ability and ethical standards from Martindale-Hubbell, which conducts peer review ratings based on the opinions of lawyers and members of the judiciary. He is the only Maine lawyer invited to the Inner Circle of Advocates, an organization comprised of 100 U.S. plaintiff lawyers.

Six Cape Elizabeth lawyers recently were named "2013 New England Super Lawyers" for excellence in their practice areas. Attorneys are selected on the basis of peer nominations and evaluations and third-party research.

Harold J. Friedman of Verrill Dana in Portland was named to the "Top 100" list, one of five Maine lawyers to receive the distinction. Friedman represents corporations and individuals in commercial litigation matters. Among 2013 New England Super Lawyers, he was recognized in the area of personal injury defense, and **Kathleen Gleason Healy**, who is also an attorney at Verrill Dana, was named for health care law.

Daniel Rapaport and **Greg Hansel**, lawyers at Preti Flaherty in Portland, also were selected. Rapaport was recognized for his experience in the fields of personal injury defense and medical malpractice, and Hansel for his work in business litigation, anti-trust, class action and mass tort law.

Two lawyers from Bernstein Shur were also named: **Paul McDonald** for business litigation and **Glenn Israel** in the area of employment and labor.

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Cape resident **Carl J. Maddaleni** recently received the 2013 Patricia DeGrinney Life Award at the Maine Right to Life Committee's state convention in Portland.

The award, named in honor of Maine Right to Life Committee founding member Patricia DeGrinney, is presented to a Maine citizen who has "consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/handicapped," said Cape Elizabeth resident Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, the committee's executive director.

Maddaleni is the director of the Maine Vitae Society, the committee's advertising arm. During his tenure, the Maine Vitae Society has aired more than 85,000 educational television commercials.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Megan Jo Wilson** recently was accepted as a faculty member, teacher and trainer for the Coaches Training Institute, based in San Rafael, Calif. CTI holds training programs around the world for coaches, who seek to help people "clarify who they really want to be and what they really want to accomplish," Wilson said.

Wilson, who has a 9-month-old daughter with her partner, will maintain her private coaching practice in Cape Elizabeth, MJW Coaching + Consulting, and also lead CTI training in Boston, New York and eastern Canada.



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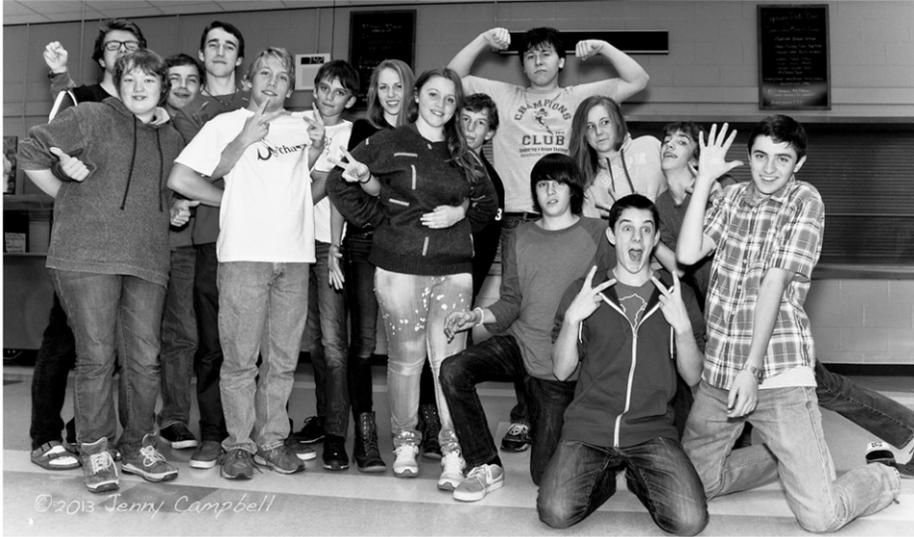


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Cape Elizabeth High School students who will perform in "Improv" include, left to right, Robert MacKay, Emma Dwelley, Stephen Gore, Matt Fleming, Nathan Rose, Ryan Wallace, Hannah Walsh, Ali McAlister, Carter Brock, Caleb Crocker, Sam Price, Eden Divney, Ethan Nestor-Darling, George Astor and Andrew Harrington.

Take Four

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A screening of "Crá Croí," the seven-minute film written and produced by CEHS alumni, Thomas and Peter Campbell, will

follow. The film swept the 48 Hour Film Project in Portland this summer.

The Sonny Stitt Combo, a student band, will be the final act of the night.

Admission will be \$5 at the door. Contact Mullen at rmullen@capeelizabetschools.org for more information.

Engineering more VEX victories!



Photo by Kathy Barber-

Cape Elizabeth High School students, from left, Andrew Volent, Haley Fawcett, Luke Dvorozniak and Anthony Castro won honors at a Nov. 2 VEX robotics meet at CEHS, in which 21 northern New England teams competed. Volent and Fawcett's Team 56D, and Castro and Dvorozniak's Team 56A qualified to compete in the Maine State VEX Championship to be held Feb. 15 at Hampden Academy in Hampden.

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New Congregational pastor, Cindy Maddox: 'God was leading me ... to this congregation'

By Wendy Keeler

Similarities between the Danbury, Conn., church where the Rev. Cindy Maddox spent the past eight years, and South Portland's First Congregational Church United Church of Christ, where she started as senior pastor this month, clearly were not the main attraction for FCCUCC's new leader.

The Danbury church has 240 members and the South Portland church has 770. Danbury has a population of more than 80,000 people and South Portland about 25,000. But Maddox had a good feeling about the South Portland church even before visiting for the first time this spring.

"I felt like it was time for some new challenges, and I felt that God was leading me specifically to this congregation. I heard about the opening in February, and as soon as I read the profile, I felt drawn to it," Maddox, 49, said on Nov. 19, her eighth day on the job. "When I visited in the spring, I thought the people were wonderful. They showed me around town, and, of course, I fell in love with the beauty of the setting."

In August, the church's search committee, which started looking for a new pastor in August 2012, when the Rev. John McColl announced his retirement, invited Maddox to preach before the whole congregation. Parishioners showed their approval for Maddox by voting to hire her.

In October, Maddox moved to South Portland with her family – spouse Jackie McNeil and their 11-year-old daughter Amelia McNeil-Maddox. Amelia is a sixth-grader in the South Portland school district. McNeil is commuting between South Port-

land and Connecticut, where she will continue working until the new year as a college instructor in history at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury and at Naugatuck Valley Community College in Waterbury.

For now, Maddox has no plans to make changes at the church.

"I'm still learning where the rest rooms are, and right now I'm trying to get to know people and learn how we do things around here," she said. "As we get to know each other, we will see what direction our gifts and calling might lead us."

But Maddox is clear about her role as senior pastor.

"One role of a pastor is to generate passion: passion for spiritual growth, passion for social justice, passion for the healing of our brokenness, and passion for meeting one another's needs and carrying one another's burdens," she said.

Maddox is proud of what the King Street United Church of Christ in Danbury accomplished during her tenure.

"We grew spiritually – we deepened our relationship with God – and we grew numerically, and started some service outreach projects." The projects included involvement in Special Olympics and sponsorship of and participation in a walk against domestic violence, said Maddox, who is excited about serving her new community.

"I am honored to have been called to this wonderful progressive church. I plan to continue the congregation's tradition of being an advocate for justice and God's inclusive love."



Photo by Jackie McNeil

Cindy Maddox

Church of the Nazarene Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, Nov. 27

The Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene plans a Service of Thanksgiving at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27. All are invited.

Led by the Rev. Jon Twitchell, the service will include an opportunity for people to reflect on their blessings and will conclude with Holy Communion.

Call the church office at 799-3692 or email pastorjon@capenazarene.org for more information.

Jolly Snowman Fair scheduled on Dec. 7 at Methodist Church

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host its annual Jolly Snowman Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fair will feature holiday crafts, knit products, cakes and candies, wreaths, hidden treasures, and a silent auction for getaway weekends, dinners, artwork and a variety of special gifts. A lobster roll luncheon will begin at 11 a.m.

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Farming is a tough, challenging industry to be in – lots of 12-hours-plus workdays and exhausting chores, Tammaro admits, but he loves it.

“I always wanted to be a farmer, and I’m a farmer because I believe it is an excellent way of life. It’s different, and you work hard. But it keeps you out of trouble, and I think that children raised on a farm turn out to be outstanding people. I do love this life. If there was a way to solely farm, I’d do it,” but to make ends meet, he also runs Tammaro Landscaping and Property Services.

He shares the house he built on the site of his Down Home Farm on Harvest Lane with his wife Nicole – a “city girl” he met through a 4-H friend, who has “taken to” this lifestyle – and sons Ryan, 3, and Benjamin, 1. Ryan greets Nick each evening, after getting his “barn clothes on” to help with chores – holding the hose and helping with the feed.

“I started learning in 4-H, but you never stop learning in farming,” Tammaro says.



Photos by Patricia McCarthy

Nick Tammaro, left, living his dream as a Cape Elizabeth farmer, says Down Home Farm is named in honor of his grandmother, who referred to visits to her hometown near Calais as trips “down home.”

“There’s always a new issue, and I usually screw it up once and do it right the second time.”

That’s been his approach for the past five years, and Tammaro, 29, said he hopes he’s learning from his mistakes along the way. One big mistake, he says, was not initially understanding what the impact of raising cows would be on the nearby Trout Brook.

“Somebody made a complaint about deterioration of the brook, and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection stepped in” a couple of years ago, said Tammaro, who dealt with the situation by joining forces with the involved parties to develop a nutrient management program for his farm. That included building a “partially covered heavy-use area” where animals can traffic through to their feed and water,

and by working with a variety of state environmental and agricultural officials.

Kate McDonald, a project scientist with the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District (CCSWCD) explained the problem and solution:

“As you are probably aware, cows poop where they eat, so it makes sense to feed them in an area where the manure can be managed to reduce nutrient runoff,” she said. “Nick’s facility consists of a concrete slab that is pitched so that the manure is contained under cover and water doesn’t flow over the manure and onto the land. In the event of a very heavy rain where stormwater would flow into Trout Brook, it is not carrying nutrients from the manure with it.”

For his efforts to improve the nutrient management of his farm and protect Trout Brook’s water quality, Tammaro was presented with the Conservation Farm of the Year Award by the CCSWCD in mid-October.

“In the case of Nick’s nutrient manage-

ment facility, CCSWCD was already working with the city of South Portland and town of Cape Elizabeth to develop a watershed management plan using funds administered by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.” McDonald said. “Nick served on the steering committee for that project, so he was aware of what was happening and the feeling that high nutrients were a problem in the stream. Before we had even submitted a draft plan, Nick sought help from to get funds to construct a covered day-use area for his cattle.

“The mission of Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District is to assist and educate the public and promote conservation of our soil and water resources. By proactively seeking funds, Nick was able to get the first implementation project in the Trout Brook watershed substantially completed before we had the final plan published.

“This approach and Nick’s commitment to responsible management of our soil and water resources is a perfect example of our mission in action.

“Additionally, the publicity generated from his work led other businesses (including other farmers) in the watershed to call both CCSWCD and Nick wanting to get some funding to do work on their properties. Nick cleared the way for meaningful restoration to happen in the watershed.”

McDonald said she found Tammaro and others affiliated with the Maxwell Farm property to be “very responsive and respectful of our work. Nick is a leader in conservation and it was a very enjoyable experience.”

Tammaro said he was surprised to receive such an award – “it was a great honor. Not something I expected” – and called the efforts to protect the brook a team endeavor and a learning experience for him.

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SPECIAL WISHES

Happy Birthday, Debbie Butterworth! With love, friendship and deep appreciation from the whole *Courier* gang!!
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VACATION RENTALS

Winter Rental: 4-5BR, 2½ bath waterfront house in Cape Elizabeth. Avail. mid-Sept.-May. \$2,200/month. Call Fred: 508-954-9405; fparmstrong@verizon.net. View on HomeAway.com: #115234.
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Engaged



Sean Hutchinson and Shannon Lyons

Shannon Lyons, the daughter of Stephen and Nancy Lyons of Cape Elizabeth, is engaged to be married to Sean Hutchinson, the son of Mark and Jane Hutchinson of South China.

Shannon is a 2008 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, and Sean is a 2008 graduate of Erskine Academy in South China.

Shannon and Sean live in Old Town and attend the University of Maine in Orono.

A September 2014 wedding is planned in the town of Brewer.

Baby



Warren Walter Larned

Warren Walter Larned, the son of Timothy and Alice Larned of Greenville, Vt., was born on July 16 at Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, Vt.

Warren's mother, whose maiden name was Alice Greenwood, is a 1998 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate. Warren's grandparents are Peter and Tracy Greenwood.

Special Service Award

Cape Elizabeth resident Richard "Dick" Grotton, president and chief executive officer of the Maine Restaurant Association, received the Maine Innkeepers Association's 2013 Special Service Award last month for his contributions to the hospitality industry.

A Maine native, Grotton plans to retire at the end of this year after 18 years as the organization's president and CEO.

For his nearly two decades with MERA, he has been a member of the Maine Tourism Alliance and has represented the interests of tourism in Maine in Augusta, testifying and helping pass legislation on issues that have an impact on the industry.

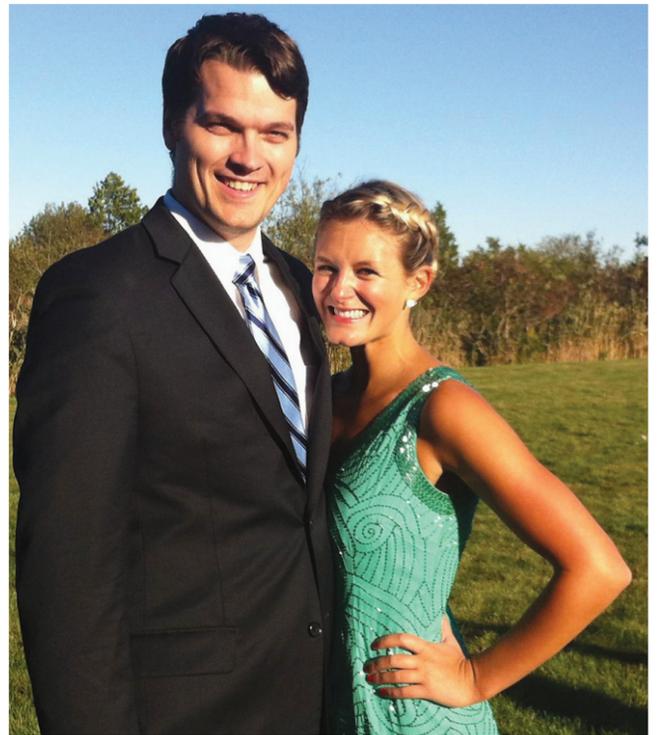
Grotton is also a licensed Maine Emergency Medical Technician and has been an active first responder for the town of Cape Elizabeth for 33 years.

Betrothed

Andrew O'Connell, the son of Thomas O'Connell of Cape Elizabeth and Susan Thidemann of Topsham, is engaged to be married to Monika Bergander, the daughter of Mark and Anna Bergander of Madison, Conn.

The bride, a graduate of Daniel Hand High School in Madison, received a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the University of Connecticut at Storrs. She is currently a senior account executive at a start-up company in New York City.

The groom, a graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, received a Bachelor of Science degree in nutrition from the University of Connecticut and a master's degree in public health from Boston University. He is currently an associate



Andrew O'Connell and Monika Bergander

at Huron Consulting Group in New York City.

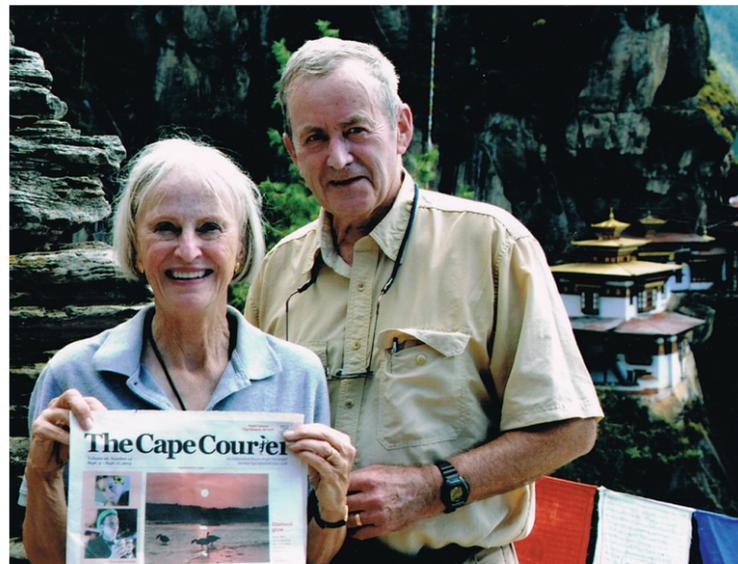
The couple plans to be married in May 2014 in Madison.

What's the news in your neighborhood?

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

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Courier visits Bhutan



Phyllis and Bruce Coggeshall display The Cape Courier last month during a visit to Paro Taktsang Monastery, also known as the "Tiger's Nest Monastery," a Buddhist temple located in the upper Paro Valley in Bhutan.

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