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State officials expect less damage this year from winter moths

By Patricia McCarthy

The bitter temperatures we've bundled up against this winter will have one big positive effect in Cape Elizabeth: it's been too cold for winter moths to fly and prepare to do damage.

The state has been monitoring the *Operophtera brumata* – commonly known as winter moth – population in town because of significant defoliation in many of Cape's hardwood trees over the past few years. The moth's caterpillars feed on hardwood trees and shrubs.

In an attempt to reduce the moth population in the hardest hit areas of Maine, the state released parasitic flies – the moths' enemy – last spring in Cape Elizabeth, Harpswell and Vinalhaven.

Charlene Donahue, a field entomologist with the state's Insect and Disease Laboratory in Augusta, explained back then that scientists place the flies in areas with high winter moth populations in locations where the caterpillars won't be killed by pesticides – such as state parks, where pesticides aren't used on trees.

They do this in hopes that it will start a cycle that produces more flies each year. Here's how it's supposed to work. The flies are drawn to leaves that are already damaged by winter moth caterpillars feeding on them. These leaves give off an odor that flies are attracted to. Flies lay eggs on the leaves and

—see MOTHS, page 14

On the rocks ...



Photo by Liza Quinn

Cape Elizabeth resident Liza Quinn happened upon this rock formation while walking in the Ship's Cove area of Fort Williams earlier this month. "To me, it represents one of the ways in which Fort Williams is so magical for people and how the winter months invite more meditative pursuits," Quinn said, in an email with her submission. The Courier welcomes high-quality images from residents. Just send to info@capecourier.com.

Planners hold off on deciding new way to mark shoreland zone

By Wendy Derzawiec

The Planning Board will take time to review public testimony before recommending to the Town Council a new method for determining Cape Elizabeth's protected shoreland boundary.

A vote to table a new definition for "normal high-water line" – the point where shoreland protection begins under the town's current ordinance – was hastened by a clanging radiator that made it difficult for board members to hear what the others were saying in the Town Hall chamber Jan. 21.

But the main reason for putting off their decision was the need to review testimony from residents opposed to replacing the normal high-water line, as identified by visual inspection, with data for the highest astro-

"You can't come up with a definition which is accurate to everything, but you can come up with a definition that is consistent."

— Planning Board member Henry Steinberg

nomical tide as the method for marking the seaside boundary of the shoreland zone.

"I have lots of general impressions, but I would like to be responsive to the public after seeing in writing what was presented orally tonight," said board member Elaine Falender. The board voted 6-1 to table to its Feb. 4 workshop, with member Carol Anne Jordan opposed.

All but one of the eight people who spoke

at a hearing Jan. 21 opposed the proposal to stop using the normal high-water line to mark the shoreland zone. Development is limited within 250 of the line, and no construction is allowed within 75 feet.

Currently, the town's zoning ordinance cites the top of a bank, cliff or beach as examples of the high-water line marker. Code Enforcement Officer Ben McDougal has recommended the town instead use a more

objective measure, such as the state Department of Environmental Protection's definition of a coastal wetland, measured by tide elevation.

The board is considering a method that would use the highest tide measured over a 19-year period, or "highest astronomical tide," plus 3 feet, to mark the outermost boundary of protection along the coastline.

The highest astronomical tide, measured at Portland Head Light and at Portland Harbor, comes to 11.6 feet for the period 1983-2001, the most recent period identified by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The proposal for Cape Elizabeth would add three feet to that elevation.

Most residents who spoke at the hearing,

—see BOUNDARY, page 14

Next beneficiary of TD Beach to Beacon 10K offers adventures

Rippleffect, a Portland-based nonprofit youth and community development organization operating outdoor adventure programs, has been selected as the beneficiary of this year's TD Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race through Cape Elizabeth on Aug. 2.

Rippleffect served 2,500 Maine children in 2013 by operating outdoor adventure and experiential education programs in Greater Portland, out of Cow Island – the organization's 26-acre island in Casco Bay – and the White Mountains.

"The TD Charitable Foundation is excited to partner with Rippleffect; they are an innovative leadership and confidence-

building organization that strengthens communities," said Larry Wold, TD Bank market president for Maine. "Their approach – hands-on education in outdoor classrooms – makes learning and growing fun and fulfilling for both children and adults so we are honored to name this tremendous organization as the beneficiary."

The foundation will give \$30,000 to Rippleffect. The organization also will benefit from fundraising activities and publicity through its association with one of Maine's premiere sporting events.

Rippleffect Board Chair Katie Fullam Harris said the donation will enable the

organization to expand programming and fulfill its mission of "promoting youth development and leadership through adventure, healthy communities and living sustainably."

Rippleffect was founded in 1999 by Ted Regan and Aaron Fredrick after the completion of their sea kayak expedition from Lubeck, Maine to Key West, Fla.

"Rippleffect is making a significant impact connecting young people in Maine to the natural world around them, supporting diversity and promoting a healthy mind, body and spirit. It's a vision that we share and we look forward to highlighting Rip-

pleffect's efforts," said Michael Stone, the newly appointed race president.

The TD Beach to Beacon 10K is one of the most popular events on the U.S. road race circuit, drawing runners from throughout the region and around the world. The race begins near Crescent Beach and ends at Portland Head Light.

In 2013, a record-setting 6,244 runners from 16 countries, 39 states and more than 250 Maine cities and towns finished the 6.2-mile course.

Online registration for this year's 17th annual edition will take place in mid-March.



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Wintry beauty



Photos by Martha Agan

Top photo: Snow falls gently at Jordan Farm off Wells Road in mid-January.
Bottom photo: Icy, snow-enshrouded winterberries help make the winter in Cape Elizabeth even more beautiful.

Member laments decision to close Cape's American Legion Post

It's especially sad for the Cape Elizabeth veterans who will be unable to have fellowship together in American Legion Post 152.

Post Commander Leslie L. Newton Jr. has sent a letter to his comrades saying that a December 2013 meeting of five members voted to close the post, effective Jan. 1, and stated it was his belief that "it is in the best interest of all concerned."

Attendance at our monthly meetings (at the Cape United Methodist Church on Shore Road) has been disappointing, so much so that no meetings have been held for approximately two years.

Cape Elizabeth American Legion Post 152 was founded in 1945, and was deactivated the first time in 1962. The post was reborn by the American Legion of Maine with some 50 members pledging their interest early in 2003.

Cmdr. Newton has informed the 2nd District Commander and the State Adjutant of the American Legion of the decision. Newton also notified us Cape Legionnaires that, unless there are objections by the end of January, he plans to donate the \$550 remaining in the Post 152 treasury to Cape Elizabeth High School "to use as they see fit."

It's my belief that the Cape High student oratory program would be an appropriate place to earmark the funds.

It's my understanding that all veterans who have paid their dues through Post 152 will remain "At Large" members of the American Legion of Maine.

**Ron Palmquist, member,
American Legion Post 152**

Project Graduation team thanks WETeam for frigid dip, more

We wanted to take the time to thank a wonderful group of people in our community! The Cape Elizabeth WETeam, on the very cold morning of Jan. 1, hosted the annual WETeam Polar Dip at Kettle Cove.

Each year, the team asks the Cape Elizabeth community to come and support a great and worthy cause. This year the cause was Project Graduation for the Cape Elizabeth High School Class of 2014.

It is with deep gratitude that we thank the volunteer WET team for the time and effort that was put into organizing the annual dip, among the other wonderful work that the team does on a daily basis to help keep our community safe.

Its members continually provide support within our town, and we are truly thankful. Sincerely,

2014 Project Graduation Committee

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Town seeks oldest resident to honor with Boston Post Gold Cane

Cape Elizabeth is continuing the New England tradition of presenting its oldest citizen with the Boston Post Gold Cane.

The Boston Post Gold Cane has been presented to the town's oldest resident since 1909.

That year, the Boston Post Company gave the town a gold-headed cane. The first entry by then-Town Clerk Edward F. Hill indicates the cane is "to be presented to the oldest male citizen of the Town, to keep during his life, and at his death to be returned to the Town and again presented to the oldest citizen, and so on - Ad infinitum."

The custom was expanded to include women in 1930. Since 1909, 20 citizens have received the Boston Post Cane. The last recipient was Leola Elspie (Adams) Jordan, who was presented the cane at the age of 101. Mrs. Jordan passed away on March 9, 2006, at the age of 103.

The Cape Elizabeth Town Council has established the following guidelines for holders of the gold-headed cane:

The holder must have lived in Cape

Elizabeth for a minimum of the last 15 years.

It may be given to a former resident living in a nursing home or with their family in Greater Portland if the person spent the principal portion of his or her lifetime up to that point in Cape Elizabeth.

Persons holding the cane or their family must notify the town clerk of any change of address.

Once the cane is presented to an individual, that individual will hold the cane until his or her death, regardless of whether another recipient becomes eligible.

Upon the death of the holder, the family shall return the cane to the town clerk and it shall be presented to a new holder pursuant to these guidelines.

Residents with information about possible recipients for the Boston Post Gold Cane may fill out an online nomination form at www.capeelizabeth.com. Call Town Clerk Debra Lane at 799-7665 for more information.

The deadline for submitting information about nominees is Friday, Feb. 14.

Cape Elizabeth real estate transfers: October 2013

NEW OWNER	PREVIOUS OWNER	LOCATION	SALE PRICE	TYPE / USE
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DEBRA KIMBALL	RAYMOND ADAMS REV. TRUST	45 CLIFF AVE.	\$ 190,000	SINGLE FAMILY
TOWN OF CAPE ELIZABETH	CYNTHIA RICE ESTATE	OFF HAMLIN ST.	\$ 0	VACANT LAND
ALICE EATON	DAVID GINN ESTATE	5 SEA BARN ROAD	\$ 1,295,000	WATERFRONT RESID
ANN HINKLE	GORELIK FAMILY TRUST	28 MERRIMAC PLACE	\$ 208,500	CONDOMINIUM
CYNTHIA AYERS	MARK AYERS	40 BEACH BLUFF TERR.	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
SUZANNE VOLTZ	JULIANNE STEWART	33 PHILIP ROAD	\$ 252,000	SINGLE FAMILY
DAVID MILLIKEN	RUSSELL LOMBARD	285 MITCHELL ROAD	\$ 115,000	SINGLE FAMILY
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CANDICE WARREN	WILLIAM TURNER	18 SMUGGLERS COVE RD	\$ 2,195,000	WATERFRONT RESID
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MARGARET SPRINGER	WILLIAM HUGGER	2 GLEN AVENUE	\$ 344,000	SINGLE FAMILY
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MATTHEW GEARY	KIELY GEARY	12 BEVERLY TERRACE	\$ 0	SINGLE FAMILY
PETER DURGIN	BRIAN DURGIN	31 LONGFELLOW DRIVE	\$ 204,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ETZ CHAIM SYNAGOGUE	XANH T PYLE	10 ROUNDABOUT LANE	\$ 325,000	SINGLE FAMILY
JASON LACHANCE	BENNY CHANG	48 STONEGATE ROAD	\$ 580,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CATHERINE ADAMS	ROBERT FALK	15 SPOONDRIFT LANE	\$ 488,100	SINGLE FAMILY
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Town planner: Improper use damaging town's greenbelt trails

By Town Planner Maureen O'Meara

The town offers 24.5 miles (and growing) of trails for town residents to use and enjoy.

Most of these trails are no more than nature paths through woods and fields. Some are improved with boardwalks. The Spurwink River bridge and boardwalks are the most extensive improvement to the greenbelt trail system.

In order to preserve the enjoyment of the trail system and keep maintenance costs low, the town's Conservation Commission urges residents to use good judgment when using trails and respect the limits placed on some trails. Some helpful reminders include:

No ATVs on any town land.

By town ordinance, ATVs (i.e., 4-wheelers, dirt bikes, "gators") are not allowed on town property.

Town trails in the Scott Dyer Road and Great Pond areas have been heavily rutted due to ATV use from adjacent private property.

The trail surfaces in much of Cape Eliza-

beth often consist of fragile soils, and this surface is not hard enough to support ATVs, resulting in deep mud which can become impassable to pedestrians.

If you own an ATV, please do not operate it on town property. And if you see an ATV on town property, please notify the police department.

Responsible snowmobile use is welcome in some areas.

Some town trails are open and welcome to snowmobiles. In other locations, snowmobile use is prohibited by the terms of the open-space restrictions or because the trail surface will be damaged by snowmobiles.

The Spurwink River pedestrian bridge was not designed to support snowmobiles, and the bridge surface is experiencing premature wear from snowmobile treads biting into the surface. Please avoid using snowmobiles where posted.

The following trails are open to snow-

- Lions Field

- Great Pond Jordan family easement, but not the trails that connect to this easement. In particular, snowmobile use is prohibited by the terms of the easement on the trail from Fenway Road past the boat racks to the tree line and from the boardwalk to Route 77.

- Gull Crest, but not on the Spurwink River pedestrian bridge and boardwalk or boardwalks in Gull Crest.

- Town Farm and Spurwink Marsh trails

More information on allowed uses on town trails and open space can be found on the town website at www.capeelizabeth.org in the Management of Greenbelt and Open Space Plan.

Horseback riding is acceptable on designated trails.

Horse hooves can cut fragile organic turf, and greenbelt trail structures such as boardwalks are generally not built to support the weight of a horse and rider. Jointly with the horseback riding community, the Conservation Commission identified the trails most desirable to horseback riders.

One boardwalk, in Great Pond, was reinforced by a horseback riding group, and an-

other boardwalk, connecting Fowler Road to Gull Crest, was signed as no horses until it can be reinforced. Trails where horseback riding is allowed are generally located at Gull Crest and Great Pond. Please respect no horseback riding signs.

Mud season can be damaging.

Inevitably, spring mud season will be here before we know it. This is a time when greenbelt trails are especially vulnerable to long term damage.

While Cape Elizabeth trail users need to be a hardy bunch ready with boots, bike riders should walk their bikes through muddy areas to minimize their impact. Please be respectful of the trails we all have the privilege of sharing, and use discretion when biking during muddy times of year.

Once the trails dry out, biking can resume with little long term damage (and need for costly repairs) to the trails.

The town appreciates respectful use of the greenbelt system, and the Conservation Commission always welcomes volunteers willing to help with trail improvements.

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(Front L to R): Susan Lamb, Gail Landry, Cindy Landrigan, Dianne Maskewitz, Edie Boothby, Mark Fortier.

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Property Address	Sold Price
340 Ocean House Road	\$3,250,000
4 Chimney Rock Road	\$1,930,000
4 Old Proprietor Road	\$1,750,000
336 Ocean House Road	\$1,400,000
2 Oak Knoll Road	\$1,345,300
1168 Shore Road	\$1,000,000
3 Cragmoor Drive	\$1,156,125
15 Lighthouse Point Rd.	\$1,040,000
4 Singles Road	\$900,000
23 Deer Field	\$817,500
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Officers deal with complaints of assault, harrassing phone calls, more

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 1-2 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for domestic disturbance.
- 1-2 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for a residential burglary complaint. It appeared that bottles of alcohol were missing from the residence.
- 1-2 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area regarding an unauthorized transfer of funds from his checking account.
- 1-2 An officer responded to a residence in the Spurwink Avenue area about a child-custody issue.
- 1-5 An officer had a wallet turned in. The owner was contacted and property returned.
- 1-5 An officer met with a resident in the Fowler Road area for an assault complaint.
- 1-8 Two officers responded to a residence in the Eastman Road area for a

- domestic disturbance .
- 1-9 An officer met with a resident in the Mitchell Road area about a missing-person report. The missing person was accounted for.
- 1-9 An officer met with a resident about harrassing phone calls.
- 1-11 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding retrieving personal property from a residence.

ARRESTS

- 1-4 Cape Elizabeth resident, warrant, operating after license suspension, Eastman Road
- 1-5 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Shore Road
- 1-7 South Portland resident, exceeding posted speed by 30 miles per hour or more, Sawyer Road

SUMMONSES

- 1-2 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating with expired license, Ocean House Road
- 1-3 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to

- 1-3 obtain Maine license, Route 77, \$137
- 1-3 Cape Elizabeth resident, failure to stop at stop sign, Sawyer Road, \$131
- 1-5 Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Ocean House Road, \$171
- 1-7 South Portland resident, exceeding posted speed by 30 miles per hour or more, Sawyer Road
- 1-10 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171
- 1-13 South Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Shore Road, \$133

ACCIDENTS

- 1-5 Austin Logan, accident on Shore Road.
- 1-9 Julian Andrews, Jedidiah Taft, accident on Route 77
- 1-9 James Cusack, accident on Route 77
- 1-12 Darin Estes, accident on Wells Road
- 1-12 Megan Thompson, accident on Route 77

FIRE CALLS

- 12-31 South Portland, Mutual Aid
- 12-31 Peppergrass Road, carbon monoxide alarm

- 1-3 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-3 Two Lights Road, fire alarm
- 1-4 Scott Dyer Road, cooking fire
- 1-4 Westfield Road, fire alarm
- 1-4 Woodland Road, electrical problem
- 1-4 Ocean House Road, investigation
- 1-5 Shore Road, car accident
- 1-6 Old Ocean House Road, chimney fire
- 1-6 Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-8 Pleasant Avenue, carbon monoxide alarm
- 1-9 Monastery Road, fire alarm
- 1-9 Woodland Road, fire alarm
- 1-10 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 1-10 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 1-12 Ocean House Road, car accident
- 1-12 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-12 Spurwink Avenue, power line down
- 1-13 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 1-13 Scarborough Mutual Aid

RESCUE CALLS

There were 26 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were two patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

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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 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.

Jan. 30, 1864 – Leap Year Balls are becoming fashionable. They are popular with gentlemen as the ladies pay the bills! [Portland Transcript]

☞ Loyal papers are now published in more than half the rebel States. [Portland Transcript]

☞ Six years ago Gen. Grant was a farmer and hauled wood to market. [Portland Transcript]

☞ The rebels have lost 22 steamers in attempting to run the blockage at Wilmington within the last six months. [Portland Transcript]

☞ Of the inhabitants of Massachu-

setts, 40,081 were born in Maine, including its Governor. [Portland Transcript]

☞ President Lincoln has sent a letter of thanks to an old lady of 85 years, living in Pittsburg, Pa., for knitting a great number of stockings for the soldiers. [Portland Transcript]

☞ One hundred men of the 13th Maine, under Lt. Col. Hesseltine, had a brush with a largely superior force of rebel cavalry at Pass Caballo, Texas, on the 28th ult., and conducted themselves gallantly, coming off without the loss of a man. [Portland Transcript]

☞ The shelling of Charleston is continued night and day at intervals of 10 minutes, and the city is gradually crumbling under the incessant bombardment. [Portland Transcript]

☞ A walk in the neighborhood of the grain elevator will convince one that we are in no danger of starving for want of breadstuffs. The elevator is full of grain, which it is daily discharging into vessels, and on Monday there were 130 cars full of grain on the wharf waiting their turn to be

discharged into the elevator. [Portland Transcript]

Feb. 6 1864 – A thousand persons attended the funeral of Mr. Thackeray, including Mr. Dickens, Browning the poet, Anthony Trollope, Dr. Russell, and many other distinguished writers. [Portland Transcript]

☞ Fred Douglass, the most eloquent orator of the race now receiving its freedom, himself once a slave, delivers the fourth lecture of the Independent Course Thursday evening. His recent address at the Cooper Institute in New York is admitted even by the unfriendly papers of that city to have been a rare oratorical triumph. [Portland Transcript]

☞ A member of the 2nd Maine Cavalry, at Augusta, managed to escape from the guard house, went into town, was married, and succeeded in getting back to the guard house before morning. [Portland Transcript]

☞ One half of Charleston has been so damaged by Gen. Gilmore's shells that it has been abandoned. [Portland Transcript]

☞ The rebel soldiers are deserting to our lines in large numbers. Gen. Thomas's Chief of Staff, Gen. Whilloe, says that over 7800 deserters from Bragg's army have come into our lines since Oct. 20. [Portland Transcript]

☞ Over 100,000 men have been enlisted in the army since Oct. 1, which argues well for active spring operations. [Portland Transcript]

☞ Montana is to be the pretty name of a new Territory, in time to become a State, which is to be carved out of Utah and Idaho. [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. He wrote the following letter in February 1844:

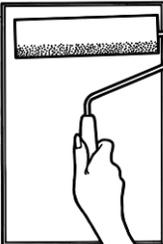
*U.S. Steamer Carondelet
Off the little town of Eunice Miss. River
Feb. 6, 1844*

We are cruising up and down about 80 miles of this river to prevent the Rebels from crossing from Mississippi over into Arkansas. We have seen some small Squads on the shore which we have always hurried off by sending a few shells among them. We never go on shore about here except on duty and in companies of 40 or 50 all armed with Rifles and Revolvers and then keep under the protection of our guns from the Ship.

We went on shore yesterday to shoot a couple of Oxen out of a lot of 150 that were feeding on the bank of the river. We succeeded in getting two very fat ones. The way we butcher in a place like this would not suit the market very well for we shoot them and cut into quarters hide and all then take it on board and skin it as it is much safer doing it there [than] on the shore where the forests are full of Rebs. I tell you there is a great deal of novelty and variety in serving Uncle Sam on this river. We are always on the lookout day and night. At night we always have the small arms stacked on deck in case of a surprise by the Rebels. Upon the whole this business is a little different from farming.

In the margin of his letter, Jordan wrote:

Just as I was finishing this letter my Division was beat to quarters to shell out a band of Rebels which we discovered in behind a bunch of bushes but a short distance from us. We soon routed them.



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The Boston Post Cane Town of Cape Elizabeth seeks Oldest Citizen

The Town of Cape Elizabeth continues the New England tradition of presenting the oldest citizen with the Boston Post Cane. In 1909, the Boston Post Company gave the Town of Cape Elizabeth a gold-headed cane. The first entry by then Town Clerk Edward F. Hill indicates the cane is "to be presented to the oldest male citizen of the Town, to keep during his life, and at his death to be returned to the Town and again presented to the oldest citizen, and so on- Ad-infinitum." The custom was expanded to include a community's oldest women in 1930. Since 1909, 20 citizens have received The Boston Post Cane, including 6 women.

The Cape Elizabeth Town Council has established the following guidelines:

1. The holder must have resided in Cape Elizabeth for a minimum of the last 15 years.
2. It may be given to a former resident living in a nursing home or with their family in Greater Portland if the person spent the principal portion of their lifetime up to that point in Cape Elizabeth.
3. Persons holding the cane or their family must notify the Town Clerk of any change of address.
4. Once the cane is presented to an individual, that individual will hold the cane until their death regardless of whether or not another recipient becomes eligible.
5. Upon the death of the holder, the family shall return the cane to the Town Clerk and it shall be presented to a new holder pursuant to these guidelines.

Citizens having information regarding possible recipients can provide information online at www.capeelizabeth.com or contact Debra Lane, Town Clerk at debra.lane@capeelizabeth.org or 799-7665.

Information is requested no later than Friday, Feb. 14, 2014.



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Ande Smith and Julie McDonald

On Jan. 10, exactly one year after their first coffee date at the Local Buzz, Ande Smith proposed to Julie McDonald at the same table where they sat the year before.

Julie is president of the Cape Elizabeth Republican Committee, and Ande is “an attorney, a captain in the U.S. Navy Reserve, a business owner [and] a nuclear engineer,” Julie wrote in an email to *The Cape Courier*.

“The fact that he proposed to the chairman of the Cape Elizabeth Republicans at Jamie Wagner’s establishment proves that engineers really do have a sense of humor,” she said. Wagner is an owner of the Local Buzz and a former chairman of the Cape Elizabeth Democratic Committee. “See, Republicans and Democrats really can get along!”

The couple hasn’t set a wedding date but plan to live with their families in North Yarmouth after they marry, Julie said.

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Cape Elizabeth 16-year-old Julian Wyzykowski, who has been creating iPhone and iPad games since he was 12 years old, just released a new app on Apple’s App Store. Julian and his company, Combustible Games, just launched W8.

The app, available in the news or lifestyle sections of the store, offers people immediate access to breaking news stories in news, sports, entertainment and technology, and also an extended local weather forecast. Go to itunes.apple.com/us/app/w8/id792203899?mt=8 to view the app.

This summer, Julian released a three-dimensional game, *G.E.A.R.*, the fourth game he has sold on Apple’s App Store since he was 13. Julian takes high school classes through Pennsylvania-based Keystone National High School and hopes to graduate in 2015.



Julian Wyzykowski displays the game he created this summer.

Fifth-generation Cape fisherman to speak Feb. 3



Photo by Dan Harriman

In this photograph taken by Cape fisherman and lobsterman Dan Harriman off Richmond Island in the early 2000s, left to right, his brother Dave Harriman, friend Ryan Luck, and son John Harriman prepare to free mackerel from a cast net.

Longtime Cape Elizabeth fisherman Dan Harriman will discuss “What’s off Our Shores and the Challenges of Fishing in Cape Today,” at a 7 p.m. Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society presentation planned Monday, Feb. 3, in the Community Room at Thomas Memorial Library.

Harriman, a fifth-generation Cape fisherman, has owned Kettle Cove Lobster Co. since 2005. His son, John, a 2001 Cape

Elizabeth High School graduate, is also a fisherman.

The free program will include light refreshments.

Email cehps@thomas.lib.me.us for more information, or call 799-1720 on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon or on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., when the society’s office in the basement floor of the library is open to all.

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\$501,000—\$600,000	14	\$542,678	63
\$601,000—\$700,000	12	\$638,500	127
\$701,000—\$800,000	9	\$728,666	52
\$801,000—\$900,000	1	\$817,500	73
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CAPE CALENDAR By Wendy Derzawiec

Wednesday, January 29

School Board Negotiations Committee, 4 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

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

Monday, February 3

School Board Policy Committee, 7:30-8:45 a.m., Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Tuesday, February 4

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

Thursday, February 6

Library Building Committee, 5 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library

Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works

Monday, February 10

Town Center Plan Committee, 4 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

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

Tuesday, February 11

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

School Board, 7-9 p.m., Town Hall
Conservation Commission, 7 p.m., Assessing/Codes/Planning Conference Room, second floor Town Hall

Wednesday, February 12

Pond Cove School Craft Night, 5:30 p.m.

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.

Cape Lions to host Feb. 9 pancake breakfast



Photo by Lee Taylor

Cape Elizabeth Lions, left to right, Rich Brooks, Bob Beith, and Max Rea get ready to bag vegetables collected in a food drive organized by Cape Elizabeth Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. The Lions Club distributed boxes of food to 20 Cape families in need over the holidays. Alewife's Brook Farm donated potatoes and vegetables, and the Cape Elizabeth Town Manager's office helped coordinate efforts.

By Wendy Keeler

The polar vortex may have put a wrench in the Cape Elizabeth Lions Club's January pancake breakfast, but the Sunday breakfast that members are scheduled to host at the clubhouse on Feb. 9 will go on as planned.

During the frigid stretch of weather in early January, the heat at the Lions' clubhouse, the Bowery Beach schoolhouse, went off, and the building's pipes froze, forcing members to cancel their early Jan. 7 business meeting and the Jan. 12 pancake breakfast, Lion Lee Taylor said.

The pipes have been replaced, however, and Lions invite community members to dine on pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage, coffee, tea and juice, from 7:30 to 11 a.m. at the clubhouse, located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

Additional Sunday pancake breakfasts are planned at the same time on March 9, April 13 and May 11. The breakfasts cost \$5 for adults, and \$4 for children 12 and younger.

Proceeds benefit Lions' charities.

Cape Lions spent the end of 2013 doing what the Lions are committed to doing – serving others. Starting in early November, members received, sorted and boxed food collected in a drive organized by Cape Elizabeth Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.

"We were able to brighten the holidays for eight families at Thanksgiving and 12 at Christmas through club members' efforts and through the generosity of Jodie Jordan of Alewife's Brook Farm, which donated potatoes and vegetables," Taylor said. "The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts were, of course, heavily involved in the collection of the food and the town manager's office helped out in coordinating all of our efforts ... [and] club members brought bags of food to the clubhouse to supplement what the Scouts collected."

The Cape Lions always welcome new members. Call Paul Gentilini at 470-7353 for information about membership.

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Feb. 10 – 7 p.m.

School Board (live)
Feb. 11 – 7 p.m.

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CEHS National Honor Society holding drive to collect items for terminally ill Maine children

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In a bin that NHS members have set up at the school's main entrance, people can drop off travel-sized shampoos, toothpaste, soap, and toothbrushes.

The group is also collecting donations to help sponsor the wish of one child in Maine who has a terminal illness. The drive and fundraising will continue through the end of February.

Contact Lauren Tarantino at ltarantino@capeelizabeth.schools.org for more information.

Town of Cape Elizabeth Newly Formed Senior Citizens Advisory Commission

The Town Council Appointments Committee is accepting applications from residents interested in serving on the newly formed Senior Citizens Advisory Commission.

This ad hoc commission will consist of up to 7 citizens. The commission shall advise the town council on issues facing the over 60 population of the community. A report to the town council must be submitted by December 31, 2014.

Applicants may apply at www.capeelizabeth.com. The commission's charge is also available on the town's website. Questions should be directed to **Debra Lane**, Assistant Town Manager at 799-7665 or debra.lane@capeelizabeth.org.

Applications must be submitted to Debra Lane no later than Monday, February 17, 2014.

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Physician to speak about marijuana Feb. 5

Addiction medicine specialist Mark Publicker of Mercy Hospital Recovery Center in Westbrook, the state's largest drug and alcohol rehabilitation program, will speak about marijuana at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 5, in the Cape Elizabeth High School auditorium. All community members are invited to attend the lecture, which will be free.

Publicker, a physician and internationally renowned drug abuse expert, spoke five years ago at CEHS about the effects of marijuana on the health of the brain and body, especially on those of adolescents.

In addition to serving as director of Mercy's Recovery Center, he was previously chief of addiction medicine for Kaiser Permanente in the mid-Atlantic region.

Publicker is president of the Northern New England Society of Addiction Medicine, comprised of addiction medicine specialists from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. He is also an associate clinical professor at Tufts University School of Medicine and at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Ed-

ucation, a Cape Elizabeth community action group that promotes the wellness of Cape Elizabeth youth, is sponsoring the event with the High School Parents Association, the Middle School Parents Association, and the Opportunity Alliance, a Maine organization that works to build stronger communities.

For more information about the event, contact HOPE Co-chair Julie Ewald at julie.ewald@myfairpoint.net.

HOPE

HOPE is seeking new leadership, Ewald said.

"Many current members are moving on with graduating seniors," she said. "The team invites the next generation of parents and community members to become involved so that this valuable coalition does not fall by the wayside."

HOPE meetings, open to all community members, are usually held the third Thursday of the month from 7 to 8:30 in the Cape Elizabeth Community Center's Living Room. Contact Ewald or go to HOPE's Facebook page at www.capehope.org for more information about the group.

Community Services plans two overnight trips

Cape Elizabeth Community Services plans two trips for senior citizens this spring.

During an overnight trip to the Berkshires in Massachusetts that Community Services plans April 16-17, the group will visit the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, the Ventfort Hall Mansion and Gilded Age Museum in Lenox, and the Yankee Candle Factory in South Deerfield.

The trip's \$259 fee will include transportation by motor coach, breakfast, and overnight accommodations. Register by calling 799-2868 by Feb. 15.

Another excursion – this one to Montreal, Quebec – is planned June 8-10. The trip will

include a guided tour of North America's largest French-speaking city; visits to wineries, shops, galleries and restaurants along the cobblestone street of Rue St. Paul in the city's Old Port; a visit to Montreal's lakeside village of Magog; a Gregorian chant session at a Benedictine Monastery; and a stop at a soap-making studio in Savon des Cantons.

The group will spend the night at a four-star resort, and the \$339 fee will cover two breakfasts, admissions, tours, and motor coach transportation.

Register by calling 799-2868 by April 4.

Call 799-2868 for more information about the trips.

'Twelfth Night' comedy now at Portland Players



Photo by Kristen Peters

Sarah Barlow plays Maria, and Bob Pettee plays Sir Toby in the Portland Players' production, "Twelfth Night," which will be at the theater through Feb. 9.

The Portland Players' production of William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" will run through Sunday, Feb. 9. Stacey Koloski directs.

In the comedy, believed to have been written around 1601-1602, a young woman washes up on the shores of Illyria after being separated from her fraternal twin during a violent shipwreck. To survive, the young woman disguises herself as a man to woo a countess on behalf of the Duke of Illyria, with whom she is secretly in love. Mistaken identities and comic misunderstandings

abound when her lost brother appears and falls in love with the same countess.

Showtimes are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens, and \$15 for students with identification.

Call 799-7337 or go to www.portlandplayers.org to make reservations. Email info@portlandplayers.org for more information.

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Edmunson to speak Feb. 11 about positive attitude for caregivers

Janet Edmunson will present a free talk at the library titled "Affirming Yourself for Life's Challenges" at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11.



Janet Edmunson

Edmunson is a trainer, motivational speaker, writer and health promotion professional with more than 30 years' experience in leadership in both large and small organizations. Her book, "Finding Meaning with Charles," relates how she and her husband strived to maintain a positive attitude throughout his degenerative illness.

Her speaking experience has included keynotes and workshops for various caregiver and disease-oriented conferences. Her talk at the library will draw on some of those same themes.

Edmunson explains that it's not uncommon for a sudden, new responsibility to burst into our lives – providing care to ailing parents or a spouse. Adding these caregiving tasks to our day-to-day activities can cause us to become emotionally drained.

Whether you are a pessimist, optimist, or somewhere in between, positive psychology research demonstrates that, even with these hardships, we can adopt a healthy thinking style that fosters strength, creativity and resilience. Edmunson will explore this exciting research as it applies to us – no matter what we are going through.

She uses science, personal stories of caring for her late husband during his neurological illness, and practical activities to explore realistic ways to get through challenging life experiences.

More information about Edmunson and her program at the library can be found on the library's website.

For program details:
ThomasMemorialLibrary.org

Unusual 'From Plunk to Funk' concert on tap for Feb. 15 at TML

When you think of the banjo, you probably think of twangy bluegrass or country music. In fact, the roots of banjo music can be found in American popular and jazz music from the early 1900s.

But unlike many banjoists, Peter Mezoian decided that those syncopated infectious rhythms and melodies could transfer to other genres and generations of music: where Cole Porter crosses Paul Simon and Broadway intersects with the Beatles, and where the Roaring 20s catch up with the psychedelic 60s.

Mezoian will keep you wondering what he will play next when he appears at the library for a free concert at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15.

Visit the library's website for more details, including videos of Mezoian performing.



Banjoist Peter Mezoian will perform on Saturday, Feb. 15, at Thomas Memorial Library.

Monthly music programs remain popular

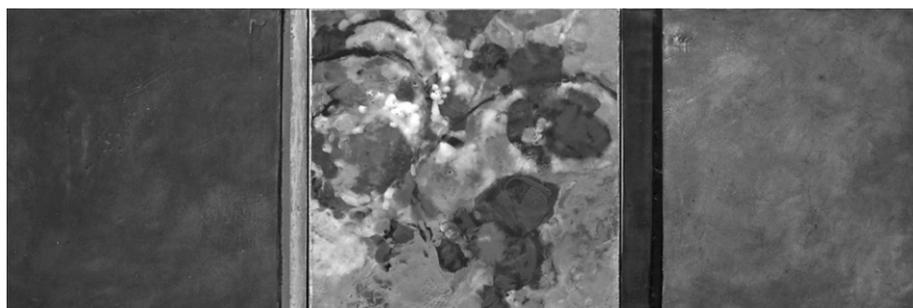
The library's two monthly music programs continue to draw large audiences of children and caregivers. Each program draws an average of about 45 to 50 people every month. In February, Jud Caswell's monthly Musical Story Hour will take place at 10:30

a.m. Thursday, Feb. 6.

Rob Duquette will present his monthly World Music program at the same time on Thursday, Feb. 27.

Details about both programs can be found on the library's website.

Pigmented beeswax paintings show continues



"Geranium Window," one of artist Lori Austill's works on display through Feb. 28 at TML.

An exhibit of encaustic paintings – created by using beeswax, pigment and tree sap – continues through February.

The works are by Lori Austill of South Portland. An opening reception will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7.

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Library to circulate board, video games

If you're looking for something new to keep you occupied during the long winter months, the library might have just the thing: games!

The library has begun developing a collection of board and video games that can be borrowed for a two or three week period. The initial collection of board games includes some unusual and complex games for adults like "Pandemic," "Settlers of Catan," and "Ticket to Ride." A binder that includes descriptions and rules of each game is available for library users to peruse.

In March, the library will begin hosting some game nights featuring some of these board games so you can give them a try, and have fun learning to play them with other people. The video games include titles for Xbox 360, Playstation 3, and Wii, such as *Skyrim*, *The Last of Us*, *Super Smash Bros.*, *Brawl* and *Super Mario Galaxy*.

Board games will circulate for two weeks; video games will circulate for three. If the initial collections prove to be popular, the library will add additional titles as funds allow.

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Donate gently used prom dresses for girls in need, get KamaSouptra soup in return

By Wendy Keeler

The Shore Road clothing boutique, Ann Veronica, plans “Souperbowl Saturday Dress Drive,” a clothing drive for gently used prom dresses, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1. The dresses will go to Cape Closet, a Cape Elizabeth High School group that collects prom dresses and accessories for girls in southern Maine who can’t afford their own.

Last year, the student group’s inaugural year, Cape Closet collected 200 dresses and gave away 125 to girls in need. This year, group members hope to increase the numbers of students who receive dresses.

“Prom may seem like a small moment in time to some, but to a teenage girl it is an important milestone and should be accessible to everyone,” said CEHS senior, Cape Closet President Zoë Gillies, who founded the CEHS chapter. “The Northeast has the highest prom costs in the country, and many girls just wear their prom dress once. This is a great way for girls to help other girls.”

Last year, dresses went to girls in Cape Elizabeth, Portland, South Portland and Scarborough, and students at other high schools got involved by collecting dresses.

“Depending on our inventory, we may hold a dress giveaway event at Community Services this year, but girls can always contact us for a one-on-one appointment” to select dresses, Gillies said. “Community Services has been so supportive of this project by giving us storage, collecting dresses from people who drop them off, and making us feel like an important part of our community.”

Every person who donates a dress will be served a thank-you cup of soup from KamaSouptra, a restaurant in Portland and South Portland.

Ann Veronica owner Ann Perrino will donate 10 percent of her proceeds that day to Cape Closet.

Contact Cape Closet President Zoë Gillies at zoe.gillies@capeelizabethschools.org or 767-2734 for more information.

Successful spelling of abstruse word, ‘abstruse,’ wins bee

Cape Elizabeth Middle School fifth-grader Lila Gaudrault, 11, won the school spelling bee on Jan. 14 after correctly spelling “abstruse.” Eighth-grader Derek Allen was the bee’s runner-up.

“I didn’t think I would win at all,” said Gaudrault, who studied “a little but not much” from a list of spelling words on the school website in order to prepare for the bee.

Gaudrault says she owes her spelling ability to books.

“I read a lot and I look up words in the dictionary that I don’t know, and I think that



Lila Gaudrault, left, was the winner, and Derek Allen the runner-up of the Cape Elizabeth Middle School spelling bee on Jan. 18.

kind of helps,” she said.

Gaudrault will represent Cape on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at the Cumberland County Spelling Bee at Falmouth Middle School.

— Wendy Keeler

PCPA Craft Night, Valentine Dance on Feb. 12

The Pond Cove Parents Association’s annual Craft Night is planned from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 12, in the school cafeteria. At the event, geared to younger children and their families, kids make crafts, do art projects, and create Valentine’s Day gifts. Pizza will be for sale, and the event will include a bake sale.

Meanwhile, next door in the gym, Community Services will host the second annual Family Valentine Dance from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Admission, \$5 per person or \$10 per family, will cover both events. Contact PCPA Co-presidents Anne Leonardi at aleonardi.pcpa@gmail.com or Roxanne de Vries at roxannedevries.pcpa@gmail.com for more information.

The same week, Feb. 10-14, the PCPA will hold a book swap for children during school hours.

“Bring in two or three, and swap for one,” DeVries said. “All books will be secondhand and grade appropriate.”

Cape residents involved in So Po WinterFest

The Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth and the South Portland Parks and Recreation Department will host the second annual WinterFest on Friday, Jan. 31, and Saturday, Feb. 1, in South Portland. Most events will be free and open to the public.

The Cape Elizabeth High School and South Portland Interact clubs will lead a luminary walk that will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 31 at the Cia Café on Ocean Street in South Portland and end at Mill Creek Park. A skating party and wing-eating contest sponsored by Buffalo Wild Wings, is planned from 6 to 8 p.m. at the park.

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Feb. 1 at JP Thornton’s, 740 Broadway in South Portland.

Additional events that day – a snow sculpture contest, an ice hockey clinic, wagon rides, turkey curling, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, ice sculpture demonstrations, and a pond hockey tournament – are planned at Wainwright Recreation Complex on Gary Maietta Parkway in South Portland.

Go to www.southportland.org for a complete schedule of events.

Cape students engineer more robotics successes



Photo by Evan Thayer

Cape Elizabeth Middle School student Nate Labrie, second from left, and, left to right, Cape Elizabeth High School students Haley Fawcett, Jasper Hansel, and Gabby Lawrence competed in a regional VEX Robotics tournament Jan. 18 at Erskine Academy in South China. Hansel, a member of Team 56C, won the tournament’s design award. Because of their performances at the meet, his team and Labrie’s team, 56E, qualify for the Maine VEX Robotics Championship to be held in February at Hampden Academy in Hampden. Fawcett and Lawrence assisted Hansel and Labrie at the event. 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.

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School Board members invite public comment before Feb. 3 on three district policies

School Board members encourage the community to offer feedback about three district policies – those governing student code of conduct, substance abuse, and co-curricular/athletic programs and high school eligibility requirements – before the School Board's Policy Committee meets at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, at Town Hall.

At the board's Jan. 14 business meeting, Policy Committee Chair Joanna Morrissey told the board the committee needs time to discuss the three policies before updating them. Committee members have been working on an audit of the board's policy manual under the recommendation of the district's attorney Drummond and Woodsum.

"These policies are intricate. They are heavily watched, and they need a more thorough review before the policy committee feels comfortable moving those forward," Morrissey told the board.

Residents who want to comment on the policies are asked to call Superintendent Meredith Nadeau at 799-2217, or email mnadeau@capeelizabethschools.org before Feb. 3.

To read the policies, go to www.cape.k12.me.us/schoolboard.html, click on "School Board Meeting Packets," then on "School Board," then on "01-14-2014," and then on "item5d_policies_1st Rdg.pdf."

– Wendy Keeler

Cape Little League registration underway

Registration for the 2014 Cape Elizabeth Little League season is open at www.cape-ll.com through Tuesday, Feb. 25. CELL provides T-ball, softball and baseball opportunities to Cape children, ages 4-14.

"Please register early to avoid significantly increased late fees," CELL Vice President Todd Gagne said. "Early and on-time registration is critical to helping our league assemble the teams and divisions properly."

The fee for softball and baseball is \$90 per child, but parents must register players by Tuesday, Feb. 25. Then the cost increases to \$130 through March 14, and after that the fee rises to \$150.

For more senior leagues, the registration fee is \$100. For T-ball, the fee is \$65.

Assessments are planned in the middle of March, and league-wide clinics and team practices during the month of April. Opening ceremonies are planned May 3, and 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 or contact Gagne at president@cape-ll.com or CELL Information Officer David Leopold at info-officer@cape-ll.com for more information.

CEHS sailing team recruiting new students

Registration for the Cape Elizabeth High School sailing team's spring season is now open. This spring, the seven-year-old coed team, which competes in the fall and spring, will travel throughout New England competing in regattas against other high school teams. Cape sailors will also have the opportunity to compete in the Downeast Invitational regatta, a two-day event held at Maine Maritime Academy.

Team members hope to recruit sailors with some experience.

"It is such a rewarding sport. Sailors develop racing strategies and learn to work as a team on the water," said Liz Wanzer, the team's parent coordinator. "The sailors practice with five area teams each week. They not only form friendships with their

own teammates, but with sailors from the other teams."

Go to www.sailmaine.org and click on "programs" to register, or contact Wanzer at ewanzer@maine.rr.com or 767-5726.



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Brewster named First Team All-American

Bowdoin College senior Ben Brewster, a 2010 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, was recently named a First Team All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

He is the only New England Small College Athletic Conference player named to the first team this year.

Brewster, a high school All-American in lacrosse the spring of his senior year at CEHS, is Bowdoin's first First Team All-American since 2010 and the seventh Bowdoin soccer player ever to earn First Team All-American honors.

A defender, Brewster finished his Division III career this fall with a season in which Bowdoin allowed 16 goals in 16 games.

Named First Team All-New England after his junior and senior seasons, Brewster was named 2010 New England Small College Athletic Conference "Rookie of the Year," earned Second Team All-NESCAC honors as a sophomore, and received First Team All-NESCAC recognition after his junior and senior years.

In the spring of his freshman year at Bowdoin, Brewster, who is also a member



Ben Brewster owns the ball in a September home game against the University of Southern Maine, which Bowdoin won 5-0.

of the Bowdoin lacrosse team, won the college's "Outstanding First-Year Male Athlete" award.

While playing soccer at CEHS, Brewster was a two-time Class A Maine All-State selection.

What's news in your sport?

Athletes, coaches, parents, boosters, and fans, send your sports news to *The Cape Courier* at P.O. Box 6242, email us at communityeditor@capecourier.com, or use the drop box across from the tax office at Town Hall.

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Documentary about Americans' struggle to face end-of-life issues to be aired Feb. 9

St. Albans' Episcopal Church's health ministry plans a four-part series, "The New Art of Dying," on Sundays, Feb. 9, March 2, March 9 and March 16, at the church, 885 Shore Road. Priscilla Platt, an ordained interfaith chaplain who developed and taught "End-of-Life Choices" at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Southern Maine in Portland, will lead the series, which will be open to all adults. Each session will run from 2 to 4 p.m.

A screening of the documentary, "Consider the Conversation" will open the series. The film, which addresses Americans' struggle with communication and preparation at the end of life, examines multiple perspectives on end-of-life care and includes interviews with patients, family members, medical professionals, clergy, social workers and experts from across the country.

"The film's goal is to jump-start the conversation we each will want to have

with loved ones," a press release from St. Alban's states. "Rather than being a story about death, this is a film about living life to its fullest up to the very end."

Discussion will follow the documentary. The other three presentations will address the following topics: "Spiritual Issues and the Hospice Choice" on March 2; "The Difficult Subject of 'Hastening' Death" on March 9; and "Advanced Directives" on March 16.

Platt teaches courses for people with chronic illness and chronic pain through Southern Maine Agency on Aging and is a Hospice of Southern Maine volunteer. A cancer survivor, and a member of the Patient and Family Engagement and Experience Leadership Team at Maine Health, she has personal experience dealing with the Maine health care system.

Call the church at 799-4014 or go to stalbands@stalbandsmaine.org to register, or for more information.

Public supper on Feb. 1

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host a public supper from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1.

The supper will feature casseroles, beans, salads, breads and pies for dessert. The charge will be \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for families (2 adults and children).

Take-out will be available.

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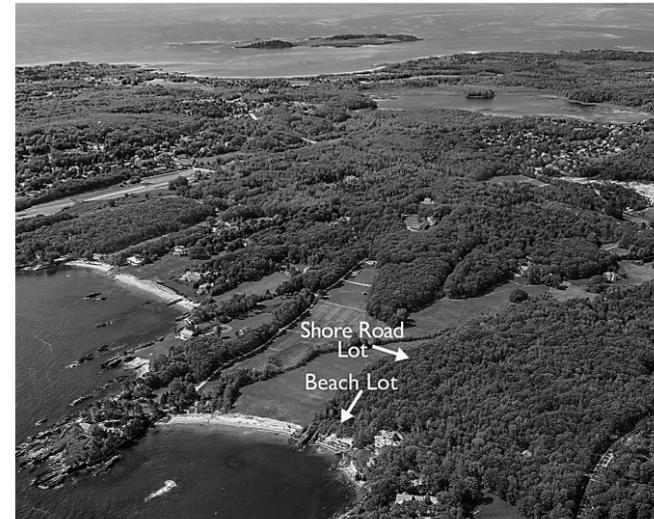
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Boundary

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however, said measures such as “top of the bank” have served the town well.

“It’s been vetted by the law court as a legally acceptable definition,” said Richard Bryant, a Spurwink Avenue resident and attorney representing residents in the Shore Acres neighborhood.

Bryant, like others who spoke, said the tide measurement can fall short of some of the bank tops along the town’s rocky coast. Changing the boundary definition would move shoreland-protection areas out toward the ocean in some areas, Bryant said.

He suggested the town clarify the “top of the bank” standard, and rely on its zoning map to objectively define the boundary.

Pilot Point Road resident Deborah Murphy said the protection on her street would move as much as 82 feet toward the water.

“If you go to an elevation method of

“Not to put a value judgment on it, but for better or worse it’s a big change.”

— Consultant Erik Martin

measure you’re all over the place and can’t protect some of the shoreline that’s being protected today,” Murphy said.

Erik Martin, a graphical-information systems consultant hired by Shore Acres residents, presented a map of what a new shoreland zone would look like under the proposal.

“Not to put a value judgment on it, but for better or worse it’s a big change,” Martin said. He compared the map to a map of the current zone, but he did say that the accuracy of the map for the current zone could not be quantified because it was created from photographs and hand drawings.

Board members also said the zoning map is not meant to define boundaries.

“My understanding is that there is no ‘a priori’ definition of exactly what the shoreland zone is until the code officer goes out and makes a determination,” said board member Josef Chalot.

“Everything I’ve heard suggests that you are on shaky ground suggesting that the shoreland zone would move one way or the other based on this change,” he said.

Bryant said he disagreed because the zoning map has been adopted by the Town Council as part of the zoning ordinance legislation.

Henry Steinberg, another board member, said that while tidal landmarks change daily, tidal elevations remain stable.

“Any drawn map is as accurate as the day

it was drawn,” he said. “You can’t come up with a definition which is accurate to everything, but you can come up with a definition that is consistent,” Steinberg said.

Planning Board members encouraged residents with questions or comments to submit them in writing.

Public comment is not allowed at Planning Board workshops, but board members said they would schedule another, separate public hearing if necessary.

The Town Council referred McDougal’s request for an ordinance change to the board for recommendation in March.

In July the board considered a proposal to use the highest annual tide elevation as a marker, but withdrew it after speakers at a hearing said they believed the change would weaken Cape Elizabeth’s strict standards.

Board members decided to replace the annual tide measurement with the astronomical tide, plus three feet, to address those concerns.

Moths

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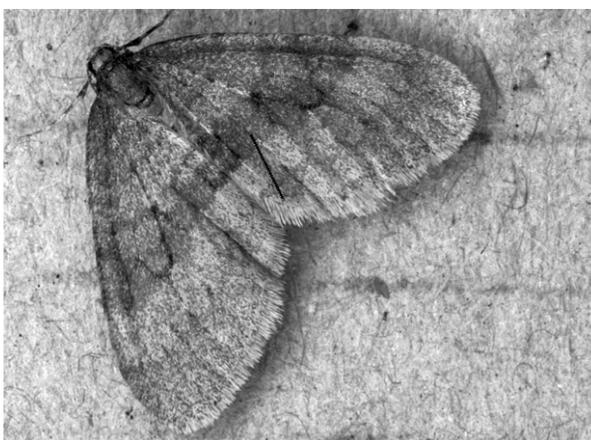
the winter moth larvae eat the eggs.

The fly eggs hatch and live and develop inside the caterpillar while it spins a cocoon and pupates. The fly larvae eat the pupa from the inside out and stay in the cocoon over the winter. They then emerge as adults in the spring and restart the cycle.

The flies mate, lay their eggs on the leaves that winter moth caterpillars are eating, and the process begins again.

Enhancing the fly population can help break this cycle, but so can the extremely cold temperatures we have experienced this winter, Donahue said.

During monitoring efforts in December, entomologists noted that moths did emerge on a few higher-than-average-temperature days – but far fewer than a year ago. And warmer temps were followed quickly by cold-



The destructive winter moth, aka *Operophtera brumata*.

er than usual weather.

“In Harpswell, for example, some moths had come up

through the snow but died on top of the snow because it was then too cold to complete all activities,” Donahue said on Jan. 21.

Eggs out on trees can withstand temperatures in the negative numbers, but adults are more sensitive and die when it drops below about 20 degrees, she explained.

When temperatures rose in January briefly, “there were a few moths that flew last week but nothing that will make a difference,” Donahue said. “The winter moth population will be much reduced compared to last year due to the snow, cold temperatures and ice. The winter moth will not go away – just next year, winter moth defoliation of oaks and other hardwoods should be minimal.

Donahue said she hopes more flies will be funded for Cape Elizabeth and the other communities, and state officials will know if that will happen through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and U.S. Forest Service this spring.

“People are working on this problem,” she said, “And hopefully we will get it under control within the next decade.”

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Married!

Alexandra Rickoff, the daughter of Donna and David Brassard of Maple Lane, was married to Randall Huck of Lincoln, R.I., on Oct. 13 at a ceremony at St. Ambrose Church in Albion, followed by a reception at the Dorrance in downtown Providence.

Alexandra's brothers Joe Rickoff, a 2004 Cheverus High School graduate, and Christopher Brassard, a 2009 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, were groomsmen.

Alexandra is a 2002 Cheverus graduate. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in theater from Elmira College in Elmira, N.Y., and a Master of Fine Arts degree in theater from Rhode Island College in Providence. She is an adjunct faculty member in the theater department at RIC and teaches and directs children's theater in a number of venues including the Ogunquit Playhouse, Beaver Country Day School in Brookline, Mass., and Exeter-West Greenwich High School in West Greenwich, R.I.



Randall Huck and Alexandra Rickoff

An actor and singer, she has performed at the Lyric Music Theater and Portland Players in South Portland, and the Needham Community Theatre in Needham, Mass.

Randall, a graduate of the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, is a software engineer with KBMax. The couple lives in Manville, R.I.

Harvey Melnick, the head coach at Aucocisco Coaching in Cape Elizabeth, became a certified Gestalt coach in August 2012 and just added another certification. Melnick, who opened Aucocisco School, a state-certified special-purpose day school, in 1994 with his wife Barbara, recently became certified as a "Professional Coach" by the International Coaching Federation. As a coach, Melnick supports families and children in learning effective ways to relate to and interact with each other, he said.

The Melnicks opened the Aucocisco Learning Achievement Center in Cape in 1986 to provide supplementary educational services including diagnostic after-school tutoring and special education consultation in southern Maine.

Mireia Odlin was named to the high honors dean's list for the fall semester at Connecticut College in New London. A 2013 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, Mireia is a member of Connecticut College's class of 2017.

Cape Elizabeth resident Sterling D. Weatherbie earned high honors for the fall term at Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, N.H., where he is a member of grade 11. He is the son of David and Tracey Weatherbie.

Cape Elizabeth resident Rebecca Strout was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Colby-Sawyer College in New London, N.H. A graphic design major, Rebecca is a member of the college's class of 2015 and a 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate.

Last month, she performed in Colby-Sawyer College's "Requiem for a SNAFU," a collection of seven 10-minute short plays written, directed and performed by Colby-Sawyer students.

Emily Muscat, the daughter of Sarah and Paul Muscat, has been named to the first-semester dean's list at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn. A member of Cape Elizabeth High School's class of 2012, Emily is a sophomore at Macalester.

Cape Elizabeth resident Abigail Hunter has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at American International College in Springfield, Mass. A freshman, she is majoring in occupational science.

Cape Elizabeth resident John A. Kennealy earned honors for the fall term at Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, N.H., where he is a member of grade 11. He is the son of Rose and Jack Kennealy.

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