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Council to look for state review of speed limit and crosswalks in Town Center

By Elizabeth Brogan

The Town Council will request that the Maine Department of Transportation review Route 77 in the Town Center, from Hill Way to Fowler Road, for both speed and pedestrian crossings. The unanimous decision of the council followed a presentation by Police Chief Neil Williams at the council's Feb. 9 meeting.

At the request of the council, Williams compiled MDOT crash data from 2011 through 2013. A speed survey was also conducted in January 2015 near Town Hall and the IGA by the Cape Elizabeth Police Department.

In a Jan. 8 memorandum, and in his pre-

sentation to the council (both available on the town website), Williams said that a total of 589 vehicles were clocked by radar, with the highest speed recorded at 47 mph and the lowest at 21. The average speed for the entire survey was 31.52. The speed limit is currently 35 mph in the Town Center.

The intersection of Route 77 and Shore and Scott Dyer Roads was designated by MDOT as a high crash area, with a total of nine crashes between 2011 and 2013. The intersection of Route 77 and the Pond Cove Shopping Center is also classified by MDOT as a high crash area, with nine crashes.

Williams observed that the Town Center

—see TRAFFIC, page 14

Williams is named chief of the year by Maine Association of Police



Photo by Doreen Riordan

From left to right, Kevin Riordan, MAP president; Stacy Pickering; Police Chief Neil Williams; and Paul Gaspar, Executive Director of MAP.

By Elizabeth Brogan

Cape Elizabeth Police Chief Neil Williams was honored with the David W. Pickering Chief's Award, presented by the Maine Association of Police in a ceremony held Jan. 31 at the Italian Heritage Center in Portland. The award, named for former Cape Elizabeth Police Chief David W. Pickering, who passed away in 2000, was presented by Paul Gaspar, himself a former Cape police officer who now is the executive director of MAP.

Gaspar described Williams, in his introductory remarks during the ceremony, with a quote from John Quincy Adams: "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

Gaspar went on to describe a "consummate professional" dedicated to his community, who "has the innate ability to lead

not only through his rank, but his boundless respect and compassion for his officers and the citizens he serves." It was noted as characteristic of Williams that he would often arrive early to work to shovel the sidewalks at the police station and would not think it beneath his rank to change a flat tire on a police cruiser.

Gaspar also described Williams as "a driving force" in bringing the TD Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race to town.

Town Manager Michael McGovern echoed Gaspar's comments. "Chief Williams has the unique persona and talent to be equally respected by the community, by the council, by fellow department heads and by those with whom he works in law enforcement, both here and throughout the state,"

—see CHIEF, page 14

Speech team wins sixth straight state title!



Photo by Mary Steidl

Cape Elizabeth High School's speech and debate team earned its sixth straight state championship on Feb. 7 at Lewiston High School, where 25 school teams competed. "Among the outstanding seniors who have led the team in perseverance through snow, flu and postponements are Andrew Harrington, Lily Jordan, Robert MacKay, Cole Carpenter, Matt Fleming, Dominic Morin and Claire Zimmerman," said Richard Mullen, CEHS theater department director and speech team coach, back row, second from left.

Now you see it ...



Now you don't!



Photos by Ulla Messerschmidt

The portion of Thomas Memorial Library that connected the former Spurwink School, shown to the left of the pictures above, and the Pond Cove Annex, shown to the right of the pictures, was demolished on Feb. 2, allowing work to begin on a new entrance. The library remains open. See story about the new library entrance on page 10.

Best view from a sled!

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Sledders take advantage of the snow at Fort Williams Park in early February.

Photo by Martha Agan

Fort Williams Advisory Commission chair responds to letter writers' concerns about park

In response to a recent letter [in the Feb. 4 - Feb. 17 Cape Courier], I'd like to briefly outline how the Fort Williams Advisory Commission makes decisions. Our fundamental charge is to support the *policy statement* and *set of goals* for the park, as stated in the 2011 Master Plan Update. All decisions are grounded there.

The MPU is the result of a yearlong process that included meetings and workshops, as well as additional opportunities for public input including a survey, outreach to stakeholder groups, and public hearings. It contains many recommendations for improvements in the park. The FWAC weighs various factors, including safety, impact,

cost, and funds available in prioritizing implementation. These deliberations take place at our meetings, where the public is always welcome.

A decision about where to put the swings is not as straightforward as it may seem. The old sets recently failed a safety inspection and were removed. The FWAC now must, amid budgetary implications and deadlines, decide where the replacement swings will go. They cannot go back where they were without site modifications, with associated costs. The MPU suggests another location. We are not held to one or the other. No final decision has been made. This will likely be on our Feb. 19 meeting agenda.

Our process is open and transparent. To learn more about FWAC plans, and how we come to decisions, please join us at a meeting, read the MPU and other materials available online, subscribe to receive our meeting agendas when available, or reach out to any of us.

Lise Pratt
 Chair, FWAC

Ledgemere students wowed by jazz band

The students and teachers of the Ledgemere Country Day School are so appreciative of Tom Lizotte and the Cape Elizabeth High School Concert Jazz Band for the performance given to us on Friday, Jan. 30.

The children of Ledgemere were excited to see the different instruments in action and they walked away with a greater appreciation of jazz music. The concert gave the children a visual understanding of what each individual instrument sounds like alone and how the instruments combine to make a piece of jazz music. They were excited and each child has a new "favorite" instrument!

We understand it was a busy time for the band director and students, and we truly appreciate the time taken to share their music with us. The CEHS students were polite and welcoming and the younger kids really were impressed with all of them! What a great group of kids in the jazz concert band!!

Congratulations on a wonderful performance at the Berklee Jazz Festival! Thank you again.

Students and teachers
 of Ledgemere Country Day School

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Good Shepherd Food Bank will benefit from TD Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race

The TD Charitable Foundation, the charitable giving arm of TD Bank, announced Feb. 4 that Good Shepherd Food Bank, a statewide hunger relief organization that provided more than 17 million meals to Mainers facing hunger last year, has been selected as the beneficiary of this year's TD Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race in Cape Elizabeth, set for Aug. 1.

Good Shepherd Food Bank is the state's largest hunger-relief organization, partnering with 600 local agencies, including food pantries, meal sites, senior centers, schools and other programs. In addition, the food bank offers programs to directly combat child hunger and provide nutrition education to low-income Mainers.

"The TD Charitable Foundation is proud to have the Good Shepherd Food Bank as this year's beneficiary for the TD Beach to Beacon," said Larry Wold, President, TD Bank, Maine. "The efforts of the Good Shepherd Food Bank provided more than 17 million meals to Mainers facing hunger last year, which is an astounding achievement. We are happy to partner with such an amazing and essential organization that supports Maine and we welcome them aboard."

The TD Charitable Foundation will provide a cash donation of \$30,000 to Good Shepherd Food Bank. The organization also will benefit from fundraising activities and publicity through its association with one of Maine's premiere sporting events.

"It is an honor to be recognized by the TD Charitable Foundation in this way and to be included in an amazing community event such as Beach to Beacon," said Kristen Miale, president of Good Shepherd Food Bank. "With this funding, the Foundation will be contributing to Good Shepherd Food Bank's mission of creating a healthier Maine, by providing our neighbors facing hunger with the nutritious food they need to live, learn, work, and thrive."

In 2014, the food bank distributed more than 21 million pounds of food to families, children, and seniors in need throughout Maine, up 35 percent from 2013.

"On behalf of the TD Beach to Beacon Board and Organizing Committee, we con-



Good Shepherd volunteers sort donations.

gratulate Good Shepherd Food Bank on being chosen the 2015 race beneficiary," said Mike Stone, the race president. "The organization is making a huge difference in the lives of Mainers facing hunger - which is exactly why they were chosen. The TD Beach to Beacon team is looking forward to working with the Good Shepherd Food Bank team in the exciting preparations leading up to and including race day on Aug. 1."

For more information on the Good Shepherd Food Bank, visit www.feedingmaine.org or call (207) 782-3554.

Property Tax Fairness Credit information is now available from the state

The state has published information on the availability of the Property Tax Fairness Credit for tax year 2014. Residents may be eligible if they meet all of the following requirements:

- Were Maine residents during any part of the tax year;
- Owned or rented a home in Maine during any part of the tax year and lived in that home during the year as a primary residence;
- Paid property tax or rent on the primary residence in Maine during the tax year;
- Meet certain income and property tax and/or rent paid limitations during the tax year.

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portion of the property tax or rent paid during the tax year on the Maine individual income tax return whether they owe Maine income tax or not. If the credit exceeds the amount of your individual income tax due for the tax year, the excess amount of credit will be refunded to you.

To claim the credit, Form 1040ME and Schedule PTFC must be filed. Visit the town website at www.capeelizabeth.org to download a Schedule PTFC or to access governmental links. Forms are also available at <http://www.maine.gov/revenue/forms>. Information is also available at (207) 626-8475. Mailed forms may be requested by calling (207) 624-7894.

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NATURAL HAPPENINGS

March – Spring arrives!

By Erika Carlson Rhile, Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Education Committee chair

March 5: This full moon was known by early Native American tribes as the Full Worm Moon because this was the time of year when the ground would begin to soften and the earthworms would reappear. In Maine, it's more commonly known as the Full Sap Moon.

March 20: Vernal equinox at 6:45 p.m. The sun will shine directly on the equator and there will be nearly equal amounts of day and night throughout the world.

Things to look for: Bluebirds start

nesting in open meadows.

Many small mammals seeking sodium in their diets will nibble on discarded antlers and bones.

Watch for the return of red-winged blackbirds.

Dogs beware: male skunks are on the prowl for mates.

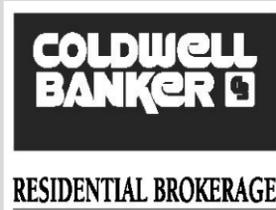
By the end of the month, the male American woodcock will start its courtship display. At dusk, listen for their loud, nasal peent calls and dazzling aerial displays for potential mates. The woodcock is also known as the timberdoodle, Labrador twister, night partridge, and bog sucker.



American woodcock

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Injured coyote reported, duffel bag found, and tax scams and fraud continue

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 1-20 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area about a phone call he received from the "Department of Legal Affairs" about an alleged tax fraud issue and advised him to wire money from Hannaford. The victim did not comply and did not provide any personal information.
- 1-21 Two officers responded to a residence in the Spurwink Avenue area for a domestic disturbance.
- 1-21 An officer met with a resident about a harassment complaint.
- 1-27 An officer spoke with a resident who had received two automated phone messages claiming to be from the IRS about unpaid taxes. The calls are part of a scam and can be reported to the federal government on the Internet by searching "IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting."
- 1-28 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area about an injured coyote near the residence.
- 1-30 An officer met with a resident about a harassment complaint.
- 1-31 An officer met with a resident about a harassment complaint.
- 1-31 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area because someone had filed a fraudulent Maine tax return in her name using her personal identifying information including her Social Security number.
- 1-31 An officer met with a resident of the Old Ocean House Road area about unauthorized use of her credit card.
- 1-31 Two officers responded to a residence in the Shore Road area for a domestic disturbance.

- 2-2 An officer met with the resident of the Shore Road area who turned in a blue duffel bag he had found. The bag was in like-new condition and was empty. It was returned to the station for safe-keeping.

ARRESTS

- 1-23 South Portland resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Shore Road

SUMMONSES

- 1-20 Casco resident, speeding (64/50 zone), Route 77, \$137
- 1-20 Scarborough resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$175
- 1-21 Windham resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70
- 1-22 Standish resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 1-22 Hyannis Mass. resident, unregistered vehicle, Shore Road, \$70
- 1-23 South Portland resident, operating with expired license, Cottage Lane, \$137
- 1-23 South Portland resident, operating under the influence of alcohol, Shore Road
- 1-26 Scarborough resident, speeding (61/45 zone), Route 77, \$185
- 1-29 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension
- 1-31 Biddeford resident, operating after license suspension, possession of suspended license, Route 77.
- 1-31 Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133

ACCIDENTS

- 1-30 Kyle Kennedy, Jennifer Dulude, accident on Oakwood Road

FIRE CALLS

- 1-20 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-21 Ocean House Road, investigation

- 1-22 Rocky Knoll Road, fire alarm
- 1-23 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-24 Ocean House Road, structure fire
- 1-25 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-27 Locksley Road, investigation, fire alarm
- 1-28 Scarborough Mutual Aid
- 1-29 Two Lights Road, fire alarm

- 1-30 Shore Road, car accident
- 2-1 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 2-2 Hannaford Cove Road, fire alarm

RESCUE CALLS

There were 16 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 2 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

Police explain IRS scam, advise reporting

By Anna Brogan

Telephone IRS scams have been reported by Cape Elizabeth residents throughout the fall and winter.

According to Cape Elizabeth police Detective Mark Dorval, the callers use fake names and IRS badge numbers "to gain the trust of their victims." The callers will have the last four digits of the target's social security number and will also have their number come up on a caller ID system as the IRS. They may also support the scam with follow-up emails.

"They may become aggressive on the phone stating your license or vehicle registration will be suspended if you don't pay the fine immediately and even at times threaten

the victim with jail," said Dorval in a Feb. 6 email. "They basically will try to bully the victim over the phone."

"The truth is if you owe money to the IRS they will contact you by mail and not phone or email," said Dorval. "The IRS will not ask you for a prepaid debit card or wire transfer. They will not ask you for your credit card number over the phone."

Any person receiving such a phone call can call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 and can file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at FTC.gov.

These suspicious calls should be reported to the Cape Elizabeth Police Department as well. If you have any questions contact Detective Mark Dorval at 767-3323 ext. 226.

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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.

Feb. 18, 1865 – Our House of Representatives had a regular jollification over the ratification of the Constitutional Amendment (the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery), breaking into cheers loud and long, and winding up with the singing of the Doxology. [Portland Transcript]

The Penobscot Indians now number 266 males and 234 females. More than one-fifth of their voting population has gone to the war. [Portland Transcript]

Jeff Davis had made a war speech in Richmond. He emphatically asserted that he would listen to no condition of peace save the independence of the Confederacy. [Portland Transcript]

Feb. 25, 1865 – Maine is about 6500 short on the present call. Since the first of January 1500 men have been raised and sent forward.

Charleston evacuated! A dispatch from Adm. Dahlgren announces that the rebels abandoned Charleston on the morning of the 18th. The city of Charleston and all its defences came into our possession this morning with about 200 pieces of good artillery and a supply of fine ammunition.

The Secretary of War ordered a national salute to be fired on the 22nd from every fort,

arsenal and armory headquarters in the United States in honor of the restoration of the flag of the Union upon Fort Sumter. [Portland Transcript]

March 4, 1865 – The Union Society of Cape Elizabeth are raising funds for building a new church. Mr. H. H. Day has given a lot of land on which to erect it, and the ladies have already realized \$700 from two fairs and intend holding another. [Portland Transcript]

Rebel deserters continue to come into our lives in Virginia in large numbers. Among the 150 who came in on Tuesday week were seven officers – one a Major. [Portland Transcript]

Stephen Avery, a drummer boy of the 12th Maine, died in New York on Thursday week, supposed to have been poisoned by a pie which he bought of an old woman. He was only fourteen years old. [Portland Transcript]

A large number of Union prisoners were released by the capture of Wilmington. The rebels had treated them brutally, not giving them, for three days preceding the evacuation, a mouthful to eat. Many of them had been rendered idiotic and forgotten their own names. [Portland Transcript]

President Lincoln will be inaugurated for his second term on Saturday of the present week. [Portland Transcript]

Judging from the numerous reported discoveries of oil, one would think this earthly ball is nothing but a great oil tank! [Portland Transcript]

Our streets are covered with a solid body of snow and ice from two to four feet thick. [Portland Transcript]

Editor's note: From 1847 to 1853, Cape Elizabeth resident Scott D. Jordan, a mariner, plied 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. Jordan wrote the following in early 1865:

U.S.S. Carondelet

March 1, 1865

At Eastport, Miss.

Dear Judith,

I received three letters from you yesterday, two from Dora, and one from Frank. The letters were dated as follows, Jan. 29, Feb. 5th and 14th. I don't know that I ever was any gladder to receive letters than I was these for situated as we are here we do not get our Mail regularly. I often think over the pleasant scenes through which you and I have passed, and I almost seem to live them over again so fresh are they in my memory. And so much pleasure do they afford. It is almost twelve

years since we were married, unless my poor memory causes me to make a mistake in the Date, which is very likely. And during that time, until March 20th, 1863, we were most always together morning, noon, and night, and enjoyed the sweet with the bitter, of the world on equal terms, but since then we have been widely separated in body, but not in mind, for our love to each other, which is not gilded by affectation or fanned by flattery, is too true and well founded to permit us to be forgetful of each other in the least. And when I say, the repeated good news from the east which causes me to feel glad for our country's good, causes me to feel like rejoicing in, if not my own good, in the brightening prospect of a speedy termination of the war which will give me the privilege of being with you and the children. And now that Charleston, Fort Sumpter, Savannah, Fort Fisher and Wilmington are taken by our Army & Navy, I think we have great cause to cheer "Hip hip hip Hurrah."

Your affectionate husband,
Scott D. Jordan

Cape Elizabeth
March 5, 1865

Dear Scott:

Thought I would write you a short note this evening, as I know of no way to spend the time more pleasantly than in writing to you. I haven't had any letters from you for over a week, but I think I shall get one soon. Frank is going to Portland tomorrow. Hope he will get me one. I have been out to meeting this afternoon with your Father & Mother. Frank

—see SESQUICENTENNIAL, page 7

Snowy days of old



Photo courtesy of Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society

In this undated photograph, Cape Elizabeth residents make their way through what is now the Town Center.

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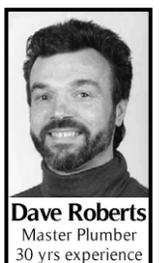
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Historical society plans March 14 open house

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society plans an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at the society's new home in the Cape Elizabeth Public Safety Building, 325 Ocean House Road.

"See the media room, the record room, where the archival records are kept, and also the large area where volunteer staff work with computers," Dorothy Higgins, CEHPS president, said. "On display will be the 1917 wedding dress of Hazel Scott Freeburn, and some fur stoles, an old christening dress, and many other items."

Light refreshments will be served. Contact Higgins at dmhig@maine.rr.com for more information.

The society's quarters most recently were located at Thomas Memorial Library.

County fair to be topic of talk on March 7

Carolyn Small, the longtime president of the Cumberland Historical Society and superintendent of the Cumberland County Fair exhibition hall, will talk about the history of the town of Cumberland, the history of the Cumberland County Fair, and about families connected to the fair on Saturday, March 7, at a meeting of the Greater Portland Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society. The talk, to be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will begin at 1 p.m., and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m.

The event will be free. The church is located at 29 Ocean House Road. Go to www.gpcms.org for more information.

Sesquicentennial

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& Dora kept house.

What do you think of the prospect of the closing of the war this spring? Capt. Poland thinks the rebs. will lay down their arms this month. I hope they will. I think they are getting pretty hard pushed, when they begin to arm their slaves. Wm Merrill was in here last eve, he is feeling very anxious about the coming draft. T will be too bad if he is drafted. He has tried to get exempt, but can't.

Judith Jordan

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879 Sawyer St., South Portland
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Awana Clubs (Grades 3-8): Tuesday 6:20 p.m.

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Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m.

March 7 public supper at Cape Methodist

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host a public supper on Saturday, March 7, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

The supper will feature casseroles, beans, salads and breads, and pie for dessert.

Prices will be \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for families, or two adults and children.

Takeout also will be available.

Go to the church's website, www.ceumc.org, for more information about the church and its events,

Loaves and Fishes evenings underway

The Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene is offering Loaves and Fishes, a weekly opportunity for people to gather and share a simple meal and fellowship. The meals are free, served at the church from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays through March 31. All are invited.

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Wednesday, February 18

Solid Waste and Recycling Long Range Planning Committee, 2 p.m., Public Works

Thursday, February 19

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

Fort Williams Advisory Commission, 7 p.m., Public Works

Monday, February 23

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

Tuesday, February 24

School Board Policy Committee, 3-4:30 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

School Board Budget Workshop, 6:30 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

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

School Board Finance Committee, 8 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

Thursday, February 26

School Board Evaluation Committee, 3:15-5 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Town Hall

Tuesday, March 3

Senior Citizen Advisory Commission, 11 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

School Board Budget Workshop, 6:30 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

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

Thursday, March 5

Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works Commons

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Monday, March 9

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

Tuesday, March 10

School Board Executive Session, 6 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

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

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

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Feb. 21 & 22 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.

CE Church of the Nazarene

Feb. 21, 22, 28 & March 1 - 11:30 a.m.

Planning Board (Live)

Feb. 23 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals (live)

Feb. 24 - 7 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals

replay

Feb. 25 & 26 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Feb. 28 - 9 a.m.

Planning Board replay

Feb. 27 & 28 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

March 1 - 9 a.m.

Words of Peace

Feb. 28 & March 1 - 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.

The next *Courier* deadline is **Friday, Feb. 27**

CFA plans 'FFFFFFF' at FFF on FF27'

The Cape Farm Alliance will hold its second annual "Fourth Friday of February Feast with Farmers and Fisherman, Family and Friends" at Five Forty Five on Friday, Feb. 27 at the Town Center Fire Station.

CFA invites the community to share a meal with Cape Elizabeth farmers and fisherman at the event, which will be pot luck.

All will be welcome, and the "admission cost is a dish and a smile to share," said CFA member Caitlin Jordan of Alewives Brook Farm in Cape Elizabeth.

Contact Jordan at farmer@alewivesbrookfarm.com for more information.

Dec. 5 TEDxYouth@CEHS talks are now online

Talks and presentations from the second annual TEDxYouth@CEHS in December are now available online.

Ten speakers shared stories and ideas during a daylong program for Cape Elizabeth High School students and community members on Dec. 5. The privately funded event also included musical, theatrical, cinematic, dance and literary presentations. The 30-year-old nonprofit TED has a global audience through its website, which features talks of no more than 12 minutes in which "big thinkers share ideas worth spreading."

In one talk in December, a student shares

her experience overcoming depression. In another, an Emmy-award-winning photographer and filmmaker talks about working on a film about a U.S. Marine amputee who climbs mountains and runs marathons to raise money for veterans. Other presenters include a psychiatrist who founded a radio show offering people a forum to talk about difficult subjects, and an environmentalist who cofounded a nonprofit organization that works to make concert tours more environmentally sustainable.

Go to www.ted.com/tedx/events/12494 and click on "Event videos."

Cape's winter wildlife to be topic of Feb. 25 talk

Cape Elizabeth resident John Greene, the property manager of Ram Island Farm in Cape Elizabeth, will lead a presentation about snowy owls and winter wildlife in Cape Elizabeth from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust office at 330 Ocean House Road.

Greene will share personal photos of and stories about snowy owls, bobcats and other

wild animals seen in town. The program has a \$6 fee per person and space is limited. All participants must register at least 48 hours in advance of the program in order to receive notification about changes or cancellation.

Register through Cape Elizabeth Community Services at www.capecommunityservices.org or by calling 799-2868.

CELT's nighttime owl walk set for March 19

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust volunteers Lisa Gent and Erika Carlson Rhile will lead a nighttime owl walk at several places in town on Thursday, March 19.

The program, which will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., will begin with a half-hour session at the CELT office at 330 Ocean House Road. There the group will view slides and listen to taped owl calls.

After carpooling to sites that include Robinson Woods and the Crescent Beach entrance, the group will use an audiotape of owl calls and walk quietly while trying to locate owls by sounds and sight.

The cost is \$6 per person, and space is limited. Children are welcome with parents or guardians. Register at www.capecommunityservices.org or by calling 799-2868.

International Affairs Challenge on March 22

Cape Elizabeth High School's World Affairs Council will hold its eighth annual "International Affairs Challenge" at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, in the cafeteria.

Tables of four to eight will participate in a trivia-style competition focused on topics that will include current events, geography, regional conflicts and history. Prizes will go to the top three teams, and light refreshments will be provided.

The event will benefit WAC, which seeks to promote awareness of global issues among

CEHS students and Cape Elizabeth community members.

Tables of four to eight can be purchased for \$100, and individual seats for \$15. The registration deadline is Friday, March 13.

Checks can be made out to "CEHS WAC" and sent to Melissa Oliver, CEHS, 345 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107.

Email Madolyn Connolly at madolyn.connolly@capeelizabethschools.org or Melissa Oliver at moliver@capeelizabethschools.org for information or for a registration form.

Community Services to offer driver's education

Cape Elizabeth Community Services will offer driver's education March 30-April 16 at Cape Elizabeth High School. Tim O'Carroll, owner and director of the Right Choice Driving School in South Portland, will teach the classes, to be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Mon-

day through Thursday, in Room 307.

Students have to be 15 years old by March 30 to enroll. The cost, \$495, is payable by cash or check to "Community Services," but not online. Call Community Services at 799-2868 for more information.

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Spaghetti dinner at Lions Club Feb. 21

The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club plans an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21, at the clubhouse, the old Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, located at the intersection of Two Lights and Wheeler roads.

In addition to spaghetti, the dinner will include garlic bread, salad, dessert and soft drinks. Diners may bring their own alcoholic drinks.

The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

The club will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 8, at the clubhouse. Breakfast fare will include pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage, coffee, tea and juice. Adults pay \$7 and children 12 and younger pay \$5.

Proceeds from the meals benefit maintenance of the clubhouse and Cape Elizabeth Lions Club charities.

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

'How to Succeed in Business' to open Feb. 20

The musical, "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying," will open Friday, Feb. 20, and run through Saturday, March 7, at the Lyric Music Theater in South Portland.

The satire lampoons corporate life. Using only a handbook, J. Pierrepont Finch

Social media topic of March 5 presentation by Cape police

A Cape Elizabeth Police Department presentation, "Digital Technology: What Every Parent Needs to Know," will be offered to community members on Thursday, March 5, in the Cape Elizabeth High School library.

At the free workshop, which will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., police officers will provide information about the social media sites currently popular with preteens and teenagers, talk about ways to encourage on-line safety and responsibility among young people, and discuss laws related to social media use and safety.

The police department is sponsoring the event with the Cape Elizabeth community action group, Healthy Outreach for Prevention and Education. HOPE's mission is to encourage adults and youth to create an open dialogue to build the strength, knowledge, and community support necessary to make positive and healthy choices.

Contact Julie Ewald at julie.ewald@my-fairpoint.net for more information.

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Showtimes are 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

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Three writers to read from works on Feb. 28

A poet, a novelist and a nonfiction writer will read their own work on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Local Buzz. The free event is part of a monthly series sponsored by the Local Writers at the Local Buzz group and co-hosted by Portland Poet Laureate and Cape Elizabeth resident Marcia F. Brown and poet Linda Aldrich.

Fiction writer Terry Farish has a passion for following the stories of people who come to the United States as immigrants or refugees. Her free verse novel for young adults, "The Good Braider," an American Library Association Best Book selection, recounts the journey of 17-year old Viola and her family from war-torn Sudan to Cairo, and finally to Portland. She wrote the book after years of collecting oral histories from southern Sudanese families in Portland. Farish, who leads literacy programs with refugee and immigrant parents and teaches writing at Manchester Community College in New Hampshire, also has written a novel, "Either the Beginning or the End of the World," to be published by Carolrhoda Lab in fall 2015.

Poet Jeri Theriault has published three chapbooks. "In the Museum of Surrender" was published in 2013 by Encircle Publications, "Catholic" in 2003 by Pudding House, and "Corn Dance" in 1994 by Nightshade Press. Her poems have appeared in Paterson Literary Review, Beloit Poetry Journal, Rattle, The Atlanta Review, and in the anthologies, "Orpheus and Company,"

"Contemporary Poems on Greek Mythology," "French Connections: An Anthology of Poetry by Franco-Americans," and "The Return of Kral Majales, Prague's International Literary Renaissance 1990-2010."

A Fulbright recipient and Pushcart Prize nominee, she holds a master's degree in fine arts from Vermont College of Fine Arts in Montpelier. Married to the composer Philip Carlsen, she teaches in the English department at Waynflete School in Portland.

Nonfiction writer Charles Rotmil was born in Strasbourg, France, in 1932. He lost his parents in World War II at the hands of the Nazis and immigrated to the United States in 1946 aboard the SS Île de France. After an interrupted education and with no English language skills, he completed his high school education in 1947 in Peekskill, N.Y., and attended Temple University in Philadelphia and Vermont College of Fine Arts. He holds a degree in fine arts and has taught foreign languages in Maine high schools. He worked as a professional photographer in the 1980s, and his work has been published in the Saturday Review, the Louisville Review and online. Rotmil has given more than 400 lectures at Maine schools on his experience as a hidden child in World War II and is working on a book of memoirs, essays and anecdotes about his life journey.

The Local Buzz is located at 327 Ocean House Road. Go to www.localbuzzcafe.com for more information.



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Temporary library opens new entrance

By Rachel Davis, TML Assistant Director
Since the library reopened in its temporary quarters (what was formerly the children's area), library users have been entering the building through the front porch. On Feb. 2, construction crews demolished the connector between the Spurkink School which had served as the temporary library and the Pond Cove Annex, which had been the adult section of the library. (See pictures of demolition on page 1.)

With the two buildings separated, finishing work on the temporary library's new entrance could be completed. Library users now enter the building through a ground level exterior door. Inside the entryway

are two lifts, allowing those in need of assistance to take a lift upstairs to the children's area or downstairs to the adult area. Through a second door, users encounter the stairs to either go up to children's services or down to adult services.

With this final piece of the temporary library in place, construction crews have turned their attention to the demolition of the rear and side portions of the Pond Cove Annex, making way for new construction and renovation of the building that will house the new library.

The newly renovated library is expected to be completed in December of this year. Up-to-date news is on the library website.

SoPo and Scarborough libraries open to all Cape residents during construction period

By Rachel Davis, TML Assistant Director
Two public libraries have generously extended their local services to Cape residents during the Thomas Memorial Library's construction period. Throughout 2015, cardholders will be able to use their Thomas Memorial Library card at the Scarborough Public Library and at both branches of the South Portland Public Library without having to pay a nonresident fee.

Although interlibrary loan is still available for materials that Thomas Memorial

Library has put in storage for the year, the open borrowing arrangement with Scarborough and South Portland should make it easier for library users to quickly obtain materials that are unavailable at our library.

South Portland Public Library has two locations, 482 Broadway and 155 Wescott Rd. in South Portland. Scarborough Public Library is at 48 Gorham Rd. in Scarborough across from the Oak Hill shopping area.

Science fiction and fantasy book group begins

Library staffer Adrian Alexander will lead a new science fiction and fantasy book group for interested adults and teens, which will meet on the last Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. The first meeting will be Tuesday, March 31. The book to be discussed at the March meeting will be

"Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?" by Philip K. Dick (the book that was the basis for the film "Blade Runner" starring Harrison Ford). If you are interested in participating in the group, please contact Adrian Alexander at the library, or by email to aalexander@thomas.lib.me.us.

Musical programs set for February and March

Rob Duquette will present his final monthly World Music Program at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19.

Jud Caswell will present Musical Story Hour from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 26. The program was postponed from

its original date due to a snowstorm.

Weather permitting, Jud will be back the following week on March 5 for his regularly scheduled program. Details about both music programs can be found on the library's website.

Children's programming schedule continues

The library's children's staff has been trying out a new schedule of children's programs, including Stay & Play programs. Due to the popularity of these programs, the library will be following its morning slate of story times with a few hours of Stay & Play in which a variety of additional toys will be set out for children and families.

The schedule is:

Baby Time, for birth to 18 months
Wednesdays at 11 with Rachel
Fridays at 9:30 with Rachel

Toddler Time, for 18 months to 3 years
Mondays at 9:30 with Kiah
Tuesdays at 9:30 with Rachel
Wednesdays at 9:30 with Kiah

Thursdays at 9:30 with Rachel

Preschool Time, for ages 3 to 5
Mondays at 10:30 with Kiah
Tuesdays at 10:30 with Rick
Wednesdays at 10:30 with Kiah
Fridays at 10:30 with Rick

Family Story Time, for all ages
Saturdays at 10:30 with Rachel

Stay & Play, for all ages
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Jazz musicians continue to hit high notes at performances in Maine, Massachusetts



Photos by Diane Nicholson

Members of the Cape Elizabeth High School's Concert Jazz Ensemble, from left, Kate Oberholtzer, Eamon Kelley, Hazel Pine and Leo Wing perform on Jan. 31 at the Berklee High School Jazz Festival in Boston, where the band earned fourth place in its division and Wing received the "Judges Choice Award" for his guitar and saxophone solos with the ensemble.



Will Steidl, left, and Daniel Menz perform with the CEHS Concert Jazz Ensemble last month at the Berklee High School Jazz Festival. Two days before Berklee, the ensemble played at One Longfellow Square in Portland at the invitation of the Portland Jazz Orchestra. At the event, the PJO performed a big band piece, "Don't Mess with my Groove," written by Steidl, a CEHS junior.

High number of Cape musicians named All-State

A record number of Cape Elizabeth High School musicians recently earned spots on various Maine All-State music ensembles and two CEHS musicians – Kate Oberholtzer and Will Steidl – were named to two.

All-State Jazz Band members from CEHS include Aaron Dobieski on trumpet; Sam MacDuffie on tenor saxophone, vocal-

ist Kate Oberholtzer, trombonist Will Steidl and guitarist Leo Wing.

Cape musicians on the All-State Concert Band are Zedeth Chalot on flute, trombonist Will Steidl, and violinists Kate Hansen and Natalie Gale. All State Concert Choir members are Blair Carpenter, Cole Carpenter, Kate Oberholtzer and Claire Zimmerman.

One-act show, 'The Dishwasher,' to open on March 3 at Cape Elizabeth High School

Cape Elizabeth High School's one-act play, "The Dishwasher," will open in the CEHS auditorium at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, with additional performances planned at the same time on Wednesday, March 4 and Thursday, March 5. Admission will be \$5 at the door.

The show, a world premiere, will be the CEHS theater department's entry into the One Act Play Festival, an annual showcase of high school theater work of the highest

level. Each year, CEHS is among 80 Maine high schools that produce a show for the festival.

Additional performances of "The Dishwasher" are planned starting Wednesday, March 18. The show schedule and more information about the production will be printed in the March 11 edition of The Cape Courier.

Contact Richard Mullen at rmullen@capeelizabethschools.org for information.

Contest invites people to redesign prom gowns

Members of Cape Closet, a Cape Elizabeth High School group that collects prom dresses and accessories for girls in Maine who can't afford to buy their own, invite community members to redesign outdated prom dresses in a contest underway through April 1. The top three contest winners will get prizes.

"People can redesign their own dresses if they want, but we have about 50 outdated dresses, which we call 'dresses with potential'" that people will be able to choose from starting Monday, Feb. 23, at the Cape Elizabeth Community Services office at the Community Center, Cape Closet member

Christie Gillies said.

"If people redesign their own dress, we just need the 'before' photo so we can see the changes," Gillies said.

The deadline for submitting redesigned dresses is April 1, and dresses and contact information can be dropped off at the Community Services' office. The group will announce winners on Wednesday, April 8, by email or phone. The information will also be available on the group's Facebook page.

Contact Caroline Garfield at caroline.garfield@capeelizabethschools.org, call 653-4201, or visit www.capecloset.org or the group's Facebook site, for information.



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Kevin Hancock, president and chief operating officer of Hancock Lumber and Hancock Land Co., far right, speaks with, from left, Cape Elizabeth High School nurse Deborah Braxton and her daughter, junior Montana Braxton, on Jan. 30 during the school's first Flashchat event. The purpose of the monthly Flashchat events is to "provide a stress break and burst of inspiration for students," Flashchat Co-chair Kim Gillies said. Hancock, who played basketball at Bowdoin and coached at Bridgton Academy, gave a simple message in his talk, Gillies said. "Take time to listen to the voice inside yourself and look for paths that call to you even if they are not what others expect or foresee for you." Hancock "listened to his own inner voice, which led him to spend time with the poorest people in America, the Lakota Native Americans who live on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota," Gillies said.

Mom goes to night school



Pond Cove third-grader Abby Marx teaches her mother, Michelle Oliver, about the Google Apps for Education tools that all Cape Elizabeth students and teachers use, at a Jan. 29 evening event in the cafetorium for second- through fourth-graders and their families. "It was great having my daughter teach me," Michelle Oliver said. About 160 families attended the event, said organizer, Thomas Charltray, Pond Cove's technology integrator.

Wearing scarves made by CEMS faculty, Cape Olympians shine at Special Olympics



Photos by Scott Dorrance

Proudly displaying their team banner at the 2015 Maine Special Olympics Winter Games at Sugarloaf last month are Cape Olympians, from left, Peter Tarling, Jamison Vickery, Nolan Dorrance, Thatcher Kent, Ian Robertson and Allison Brooking. All six are wearing scarves made by Cape Elizabeth Middle School faculty members.

Wrapped in scarves hand-knit by Cape Elizabeth Middle School faculty members, athletes on the Cape Olympians team competed in the Maine Special Olympic Winter Games Jan. 27-28 at Sugarloaf Mountain.

Four Olympians raced in the Nordic Ski event. In the 100-meter race, Peter Tarling earned a gold medal, and Thatcher Kent, Ian Robertson, and Jamison Vickery earned silver medals. Two Olympians competed in the 100-meter and 500-meter skating events: Nolan Dorrance, who received gold and silver medals for his efforts and Allison Brooking who skated away with two silver medals.

Responding to Maine Special Olympics organizers' annual request that knitters from around the state make scarves for athletes participating in the winter games, CEMS teacher Kristina Moniz invited fellow middle school teachers to join the effort.

"The Cape Middle School Knitters," comprised of Moniz, Kathy Walsh, Laura Trippe, Amanda Kozaka, Andrea Hayden, AnnMarie Dionne, Eteri Shvets, Jamie Michaud, Joni Hewitt, Laura Ellis, Lisa Leon-



Jamison Vickery enjoys himself at the Maine Special Olympics Winter Games.

ard, Michele Gagne and Susan Dana, not only stepped up, but knitted 15 scarves for the team. The scarves, all made with yarn of maroon and gold – Cape colors – matched the athletes' and coaches' team jackets.

"With temperatures hovering in the single digits during the two days of event, the scarves were a warm, colorful and welcome addition," coach Karen Johnson said.

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Fearless Phoenix



Paul Sahlin, left, and wife Rebecca "Rivkeh" Sahlin, pictured with their son Zack, recently opened Fearless Phoenix Fitness in the Pond Cove Shopping Center. The studio offers yoga and kickboxing. Paul leads the classes, and Rivkeh manages operations. Paul began practicing yoga in 2001, and in 2006 he started studying Muay Thai kickboxing in Atlanta with Thai fighter, Manu Ntoh. The Sahlins, who met as teenagers, moved to Cape from Atlanta in 2013. "We wake up every day feeling like there is no better place to live than Cape Elizabeth," Rivkeh said.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Julie Galvin** has joined Legacy Properties Sotheby's International Realty's Portland brokerage office as a senior vice president.

Galvin, who has more than 20 years of real estate experience and is a certified real estate appraiser, specializes in properties located in coastal communities.

Three Cape Elizabeth students were named to the fall-semester dean's list at Bates College in Lewiston. **Alexander Hadiaris**, a 2011 graduate of Waynflete School in Portland and the son of **Harry A. Hadiaris** and **Marcia J. Leander**, is majoring in Chinese. **Samuel Spicer**, a 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate and the son of **Douglas B. Spicer** and **Elizabeth Winslow**, is majoring in classical and medieval studies and French. **Seth Dobieski**, a 2013 CEHS graduate, is the son of **Steven** and **Susan Dobieski**.

Four Cape Elizabeth students were named to the fall-semester dean's list at Colby College in Waterville. **Justin Cary**, a 2013 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, is the son of **Peter** and **Janine Cary**. **Claire L. Muscat**, a 2012 CEHS graduate, is the daughter of **Paul** and **Sarah Muscat**. **Paul E. Wennberg**, who graduated in 2011 from CEHS, is the son of **David Wennberg** and **Anne Carney**. **Graham T. Chance**, who graduated in 2014 from Waynflete School in Portland, is the son of **John** and **Linda Chance**.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Skyler Dunfey** was named to the dean's list at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass., for the fall 2014 semester. A member of Wheaton's Class of 2015 and a 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, she is the daughter of **Peter Dunfey** and **Theo Dunfey**.

Kia Hewins, a 2014 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, was named to the fall-semester dean's list at the University of Maine at Orono with a 3.8 grade point average. Kia is majoring in animal science while continuing equestrian training in the dressage, hunter/jumper and eventing disciplines. At the recent State of Maine Dressage Association's year-end awards banquet, Kia and her horse Kizzy received the first-place "Grand Champion" ribbon in Training Level I and the second-place "Reserve Champion" in Training Level II competitions for the year. Her parents are **Kathy** and **Steve Hewins**.



Kia Hewins

Cape Elizabeth resident **Alexis Cantara** was named to the fall-semester dean's list at Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. A 2012 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate, she is studying psychology.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Paula Banks** is the new executive director of **Cape Memory Care**, a facility owned by Woodlands Senior Living that serves people with Alzheimer's disease and related memory impairments.

A licensed social worker and professionally certified geriatric care manager, Banks is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Scott Dyer Road facility and will work with staff, residents and families.

Banks recently sold two businesses that she founded and operated: Two Lights Home Care, which provides nonmedical home care services and Paula Banks Consulting, which provides private care management services for seniors and their families. Before starting her businesses, she was a discharge planner for Maine Medical Center and worked for health care facilities and home care agencies in Maine and New Hampshire.

A published author and a frequent speaker on senior issues, Banks is active in nonprofit organizations that include 75 State Street in Portland, where she serves as board chair; Spring Harbor Hospital in Westbrook; and the Maine Gerontological Society.

A member of the Cape Business Alliance, she has been a sponsor of the Senior-to-Senior program at Cape Elizabeth High School, through which high school seniors do free community service work for senior citizens in town.

She earned a bachelor's degree in sociology at the University of Massachusetts in Boston, and is a candidate for a master's degree in social work from Aurora University in Aurora, Ill.



Paula Banks

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Chief

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McGovern said in an email to The Cape Courier.

For Williams, though, the award “was a big surprise” and a particular honor because the award is named for Pickering, Williams’

former boss and “a great mentor.” Williams said he was glad to be able to share the moment with Pickering’s oldest daughter, Stacy Pickering. Also present at the ceremony from the Cape Elizabeth Police Department were Capt. Brent Sinclair, Sgts. Paul Fenton and Kevin Kennedy, Detective Mark Fenton, Community Liaison Officer David Galvin

and Officer Ben Davis – “every officer who wasn’t working,” according to Town Manager Michael McGovern, who was also in attendance.

Williams, a Cape native and longtime resident, joined the Cape Elizabeth Police Department as a patrol officer in 1979, having previously been a Cape dispatcher from

1973 to 1974 and having served as a patrol officer in Falmouth from 1974 to 1979. He was appointed Cape Elizabeth Chief of Police in 2000, following the retirement of Chief Pickering.

Williams was congratulated by McGovern at the Feb. 9 meeting of the Town Council, where he received a standing ovation.

Traffic

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is a high traffic area, especially at the start and end of school or when there is a community event such as an election or the Beach to Beacon Road Race. “The high crash areas do not appear to be the result of speeding vehicles,” Williams said, attributing crashes more to “inattentive drivers and questionable

turning movements.” Williams also noted that the Town Center section of Route 77 is very wide, about 40 feet wide with the inclusion of bike lanes. “Having this width gives the appearance to drivers that there is plenty of room to go to the right of a vehicle that is turning,” he said, leading to “more traffic turning and passing movements,” causing crashes.

Williams was particularly concerned with the increased pedestrian traffic in the Town Center, which is expected to increase along with vehicular traffic in the area. He noted that younger pedestrians, in particular, are not using the currently marked crosswalk to access Cumberland Farms from the Scott Dyer Road side. “With those high snowbanks ... I just cross my fingers every time I go by there,” he said.

Counselor Jessica Sullivan said she found the traffic at Cumberland Farms so dangerous that she no longer purchases gas there.

Williams cautiously recommended an MDOT review to see if 35 mph is appropriate, noting that “when asking MDOT to review an area for speed-limit review sometimes you may get a different result than you intended.” Williams noted that Route 77 is considered an arterial road, the main purpose of which is to move vehicles “from Point A to Point B.” Williams recommended a discussion with MDOT to see how the town could improve pedestrian safety.

Town Planner Maureen O’Meara informally reached out to MDOT and said she believed there was “some potential” to get additional crosswalks. The “dog leg” shape of the intersection poses challenges though and options for crosswalks are limited by MDOT rules. She noted that while painting a new crosswalk would not be a big deal, a redesigned intersection with construction would be a “huge, enormous project.”

The Town Center Plan, approved by the council in 2014, calls for a recasting of Route 77 as Cape Elizabeth’s “main street.”

Shore Road also looked at

Chief Williams also took a look at Shore Road, at the South Portland line, near the Ann Veronica store. The speed limit in this area is currently 30 mph. Crash data and a

speed survey did not indicate either a speed or crash issue.

Pedestrian traffic was a concern, with vehicles failing to stop at a marked crosswalk which is just on the Cape Elizabeth side of the town line. The area was noted to be narrow for traffic, especially with parking on both sides of the street, making it difficult to see pedestrians waiting to cross the street.

Williams said that the area would not allow for flashing pedestrian lights, installed markings close to the crosswalk, or a sign in the middle of the road. Eliminating parking on one side of the street would “virtually leave nowhere for patrons to park,” Williams said.

McGovern noted the issue of a blind spot for vehicles turning left onto Shore Road from Woodland Avenue, which might necessitate a crosswalk further away from the Cape business area.

The council voted to have Williams discuss the safety issue with South Portland Police Chief Edward Googins and look into a possible move of the crosswalk from Cape Elizabeth to the South Portland side of the town line. Councilor Walsh was concerned that businesses in the area had not been brought into the discussion. McGovern said that he would call a meeting with the two police chiefs and representatives from South Portland, to which owners of area businesses would be invited.



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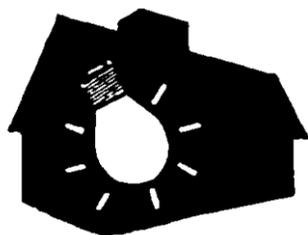


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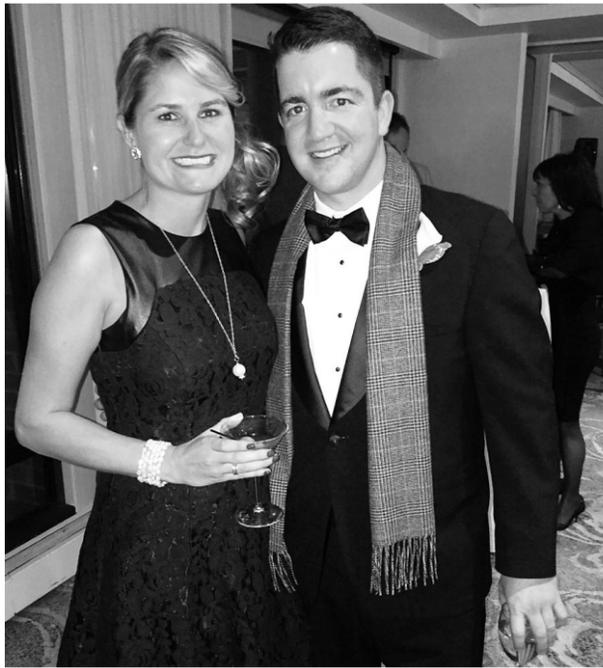
Engaged!

Elizabeth Livada, the daughter of Cape Elizabeth residents Evan and Marcia Livada, is engaged to Andrew Piantidosi of Darien, Conn.

Elizabeth, a 2003 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Union College in Schenectady, N.Y. She is employed by Fidelity Investments in Boston as a meeting and events manager.

Andrew received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Saint Anselm College in Manchester N.H. He is in software sales for a firm in Burlington, Mass.

A September wedding on Cape Cod is planned.



Elizabeth Livada and Andrew Piantidosi

'Deacon' Adams celebrates his 100th birthday with The Cape Courier, old friends from Cape



Norris "Deacon" Adams, left, who was born in Cape Elizabeth on January 28, 1915, and grew up here, reads *The Cape Courier* with former Cape resident Steve Hill at Deac's 100th birthday party at the Rossmoor Event Center in Walnut Creek, Calif. Steve and his wife Judith, who now live in Scarborough, were among 150 guests at the party. The Hills and Deac, both descendants of the Rev. Robert and Sarah Jordan, who founded Cape Elizabeth in the 1600s, became close friends in 1973 when the Hills visited Deac and his wife Janet in California. Growing up, Deac was a close friend of Steve's father, Edward W. "Doc" Hill. "Deac still follows Cape Elizabeth news even though he left Cape Elizabeth many years ago to go off to World War II," Steve said.

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Madeline Kraft, a 2012 Cape Elizabeth High School resident, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Wittenburg University in Springfield, Ohio.

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Cape Elizabeth resident Tori Russell enjoys *The Cape Courier* on the top of Table Mountain, overlooking Cape Town, South Africa, where she spent three weeks in January with a group of 13 fellow students and two professors from Goucher College in Baltimore, Md. Goucher requires all students to study abroad before graduation. Participating in an intensive course, "Civil Society and Social Change," Tori visited and worked with community organizations in Cape Town, Johannesburg and Durban. She also had the opportunity to do both urban and rural home stays while in South Africa.



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