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Council finalizes status of paper streets; extends town's rights on most controversial

By Bob Dodd

The Town Council opted to maintain the status quo of several paper streets that have divided Shore Acres neighbors in the past several years.

Councilors voted to extend the town's rights for up to another 20 years, 32 of 58 paper streets within the community, including Surf Side Avenue and Atlantic Place, the two streets that accounted for nearly all of the 90 minutes of comments from 40 neighbors at a public hearing in September.

The council also voted to finalize the status of the other 26 paper streets in the community, taking ownership of 19 and releasing – or vacating – ownership on seven to abutting property owners. Nearly all of the 19 streets and street sections provide key public access to open spaces.

The actions were taken at the Oct. 5 meeting of the council.

The town needed to update the status of all of its paper streets by 2017 under state law. The council could take one of three possible actions for each: 1) vacating the town's paper street rights to the abutting property owners; 2) extending the town's rights for up to another 20 years; or 3) accepting outright the town's rights to the property.

At the Sept. 12 public hearing, citizen comments largely zeroed in on paper streets in the Shore Acres neighborhood – Surf Side Avenue and Atlantic Place – recorded in the

original 1911 subdivision plans and that for generations have provided pedestrian access to the shore.

Opinions were sharply divided between those advocating for the town to vacate its rights to the paper streets and those urging the town to retain its ownership and to include the undeveloped pathways as part of the town's Greenbelt trail system.

Some who spoke urged the town to take a middle course of retaining its rights for up to another 20-year period to give time for a deeply divided Shore Acres neighborhood and town officials to work on a solution that would get more widespread buy-in.

The Shore Acres paper streets divided the council as well. The vote was 4-3 to include the streets among those to be extended.

Councilors Sara Lennon, Caitlin Jordan, and Patty Grennon voted against extending the town's rights to the undeveloped pathways.

Grennon said she felt the council needed to take action to either accept the paper streets there or vacate them, and to not prolong the issue dividing neighbors there by extending rights for up to another 20 years. She favored vacating the streets to the abutting property owners, and that it would be inappropriate to locate Greenbelt trails within a residential neighborhood.

Lennon agreed. "To me this sets a dan-

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Photo by Martha Agan

These buildings at Inn by the Sea were referred to as "the cottages." They will be replaced with a new building. The main building and the newer building to the left of the cottages remain unchanged.

Planning Board approves plans for improving recycling center

By Wendy Derzawiec

The town is expecting to break ground on a new and improved Recycling Center in April. Plans for improvements to the 36-year-old facility were approved by the Planning Board following a public hearing Oct. 18.

One speaker, Recycling Committee Chairman Peter Frye, supported the proposal for its attention to safety. "I think that the cost is what it is, but the facility as it is right now is aged and it really needs to be revitalized," Frye said.

A bond for the \$1.4 million project was approved by voters last June, after a fatal accident at the facility's hopper in November 2014. Herb Dennison, former director of public works, was killed when he was struck by a vehicle that was backing in to the hopper.

The town has taken interim steps to make traffic flow safer, but the plan, developed by a citizen committee in 2015, plans for the long-term by routing traffic into four lanes for the disposal of trash and recycling into drive-up compactors.

A hand rail will guard against falls at the disposal area for bulky waste; and the swap shop, bottle shed and clothing donation boxes will be separated from through traffic by a series of concrete islands, said Megan McDevitt of Woodard & Curran engineers.

"There was a lot of concern on public safety which I think has been well met," said board Chairman Peter Curry, who with other

board members and engineers conducted a site visit on Sept. 22. After the visit, "no parking" signs were added to the plan to keep traffic flowing and to discourage parking and walking across lanes, McDevitt said. Waste-disposal lanes were also staggered at the ends to improve sight distance and to clarify rights-of-way.

A new stormwater management feature is included to collect runoff and provide some treatment of discharge into adjacent wetland, McDevitt said.

In other matters, the board on Oct. 18 agreed to appoint member Victoria Volent as their representative on the new Comprehensive Planning Committee. "Victoria has been one of our leaders in handling big complex topics and mastery of facts, which the comprehensive plan review is going to have plenty of," said Chairman Curry.

At a special meeting Oct. 4, the board also reapproved the 3-lot subdivision it had approved for 12 Hill Way in May of this year.

Developers Dr. Zev and Amber Myerowitz requested reapproval of the "Tarbox Triangle" subdivision because it had not been recorded within the 90-day period required by town ordinance.

Minor changes to the Myerowitz' plan for a medical office/townhome development on one of the lots was also approved. These include placement of a generator pad, placement of a tree, the angle of a connector between the two buildings of the development, and removal of sign lighting.

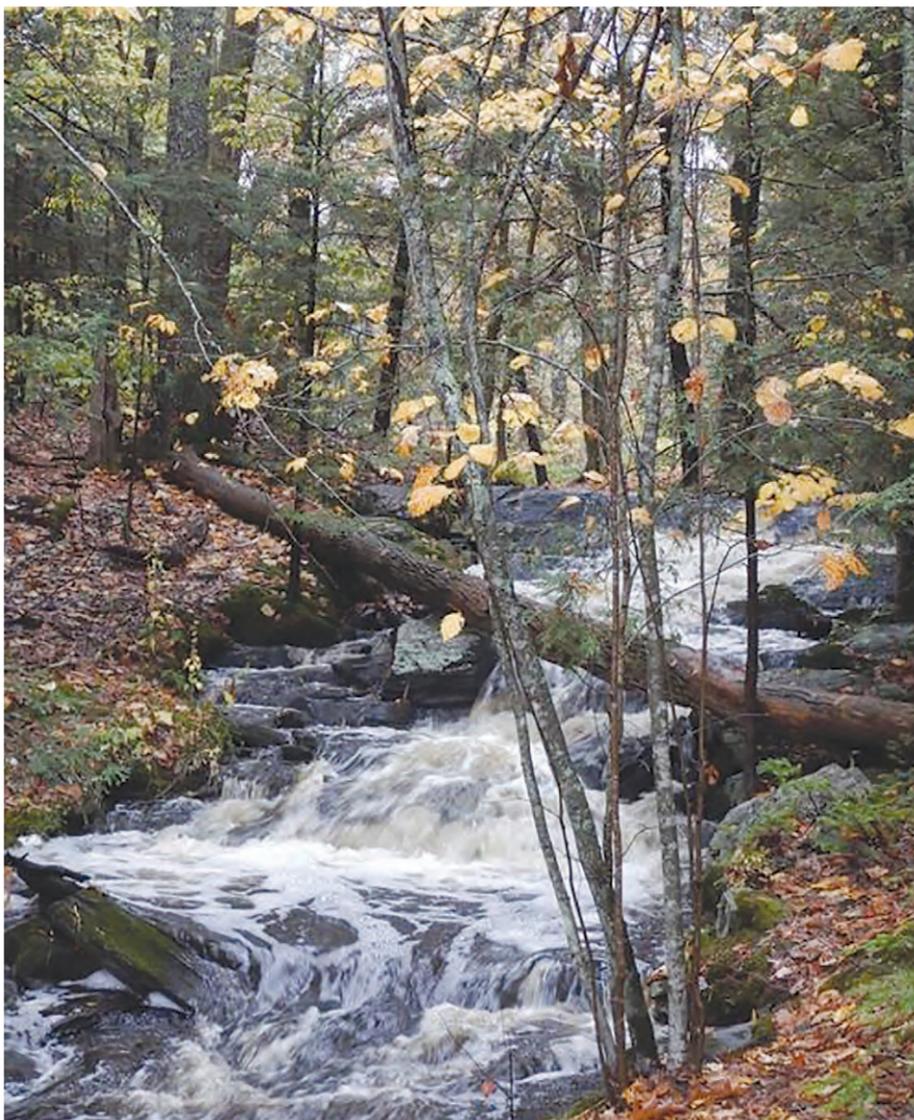


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The stream in Robinson Woods swollen, by many consecutive days of rain, runs through banks of many colors.

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Support for "No" on Question #5

The temptation to compromise is sometimes alluring. In the case of changing our voting process, this compromise has unacceptable consequences. It dilutes our rationale to choose.

I listened to an extensive presentation from "FairVote Maine" representatives and came away with a sense of voter process manipulation. To what end would be speculative. Their intention, however, is to "create a 51 percent majority vote" through ranking 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice voting selections and voting again after the elimination of the low ball.

Beware; there's an unfair consequence. Your selected majority winner, though less than 51 percent, could be relegated down and compromised to a lesser ranking. In turn, the process can elevate the lesser ranked choice who may not earn as many first choice votes as the other two. The initial first place tally will be diluted through compromise of ranking.

If you vote for a candidate of one party and protest the ideology of a second party your next choice selection, most likely, will be for the third party. The third choice could potentially get the highest vote ranking but the lowest first place votes, still, becoming the ultimate winner.

We're a nation and state which makes voting selection based on the political issues we hold in the highest regard. We shouldn't compromise and dilute our prioritized issues for the sake of creating a 51 percent majority through rank manipulation. Obedience to the wisdom of the founding fathers over the years of voting generations is best.

Bill Daviero

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Each issue, The Cape Courier provides a topic and invites readers to share their opinions. Those who respond must choose one side or the other, and make a well-reasoned case for their position. One submission from each side will be selected and printed here in the next issue. It is our hope that these dialogues will be thought-provoking.

Speak Out topic from the Oct. 21 issue: Fort Williams should charge an entry fee for every car without a Cape Elizabeth resident sticker.

PRO Fee

I recently retired and relocated to Cape Elizabeth. One of the reasons I chose the Oakhurst community was the proximity to beautiful Fort Williams Park. I was surprised to learn that revenue generation ideas for visitors to the park have been discussed, subjected to several town votes, and have been rejected each time.

I would support another town vote after a thoughtful analysis, including a Business Plan, by the Fort Williams Park Committee. Revenue generating ideas for car visitors to the park (based on Driver's License) which could include but are not limited to:

- Cape Elizabeth residents, active military and military veterans: No entry fee
- Maine residents from adjacent communities: Voluntary, nominal, per car, donation
- Maine residents from non-adjacent communities: Nominal, per car entry fee
- Non-Maine residents: Nominal, per person per car entry fee
- Off-Peak hours (unmanned booth): Suggested donation entry fee per person per car
- New Fort Williams On-Line Membership: Per car entry fee waived for members

Of course, the Business Plan would also need to consider other tangible costs (i.e.,

one-time costs to implement and annual operating costs, etc.) along with other intangible costs (i.e., traffic flow, parking concerns outside of the park, safety requirements, law enforcement requirements, etc.).

Just as important, the Business Plan should highlight the uses of the incremental revenue generated by the program, which could include but are not limited to:

- Self-fund the one-time and annual operating expenses of the car entry visitor program
- Fund a few, prioritized, Fort Williams Park operating projects (annual Fort Williams operating budget is already in place)
- With the remaining excess revenues, provide an annual refund of property taxes for residents of Cape Elizabeth.

I recently spent an afternoon at the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve at Laudholm in Wells, Maine. The Reserve is utilizing a combination of many of the revenue generation ideas I listed above including the per person per car entry fee. In addition, I assume that other local and popular tourist landmarks across the state of Maine utilize visitor car entry charges and could be studied for, as well as serve as a benchmark for, the Business Plan.

Jerry Kneller

SPEAK OUT Topic for the November 18 issue:

"The type of new business Cape Elizabeth could really use is..."

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Support for Rebecca Millett

Having served on the Cape Elizabeth School Board for 6 years (1999-2005), quality public education is very important to me.

As Cape Elizabeth residents, we are fortunate to have Rebecca Millett work for all of us in many ways, including working for our school system, beginning as a school board member. As a state senator, Rebecca has devoted herself to improving education in all of Maine so that every child has access to quality schools, regardless of their family's income or geography. She served as chair of the education committee and has worked for quality schools in all communities, access to early education, and college affordability, and was awarded the 2016 Maine Friend of Education Award from the MEA.

Rebecca has also been effective beyond the scope of education. She has spent her

career working on behalf of young children, the elderly, and the economically disadvantaged. Her background in mathematics and finance makes her a valuable asset in setting priorities and creating workable solutions. Her focus on protecting the environment will boost Maine's economy, while preserving very valuable natural resources. She believes clean energy is critical in our efforts to fight climate change, and will continue to work for sustainable energy and jobs.

Her proven leadership skills, her ability to work productively with colleagues, and the respect she has earned from those on both sides of the aisle make her a very effective advocate for us all, and I urge you to vote for Rebecca for Cape Elizabeth's State Senator.

Jennifer DeSena

Support for Kimberly Monaghan

Kim is running for her fourth term as Cape Elizabeth's State Representative in District 30. She currently serves on the Judiciary and Veterans and Legal Affairs Committees and is the House Chair of the Right-to-Know Advisory Committee. Kim has been an advocate for important causes, including government transparency, supporting our veterans, human rights, children and family courts.

This past session, Kim sponsored and led the passage of LD 890, "An Act to Ensure a Continuing Home Court for Cases Involving Children." Often, families facing transition and crises can find themselves involved in two different court proceedings, such as for divorce, parental rights and child guardianship. The passage of LD 890 established a "home court," which now allows the Maine

District Court to oversee the full range of family law matters in one court. As a social worker, I see the immense value in this law, which aims to ease an already difficult time for children and their families. This law ensures that families can spend time processing and healing from their circumstances rather than face a multitude of court appearances.

I support Kim because of her passion for Cape Elizabeth and her commitment to making our town a better place to live. Like me, and many other residents, she was raised here and now raises her daughter here. Kim knows the importance of passing on a better Maine and a better Cape Elizabeth to the next generation.

Shannon Saxby

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Bob Tripler

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Vote YES on Question 5 Support group for parents forming to offer Family Hope

Wish you were voting for, instead of against, a presidential candidate? I sure do.

Ironically, our founding fathers sought to prevent this predicament, noting “sensations of horror and disgust” at the manner in which “factions” and “party rage” historically dragged down republics. They accordingly sought to fashion a system that would protect against self-interested factions “adverse to the rights of other citizens” that put forth “unworthy candidates [that] practice with success the vicious arts by which elections are too often carried.” Unfortunately, the nascent political theories of the time failed to provide an adequate solution. We now recognize that the method of tallying votes used in the United States, known as “first-past-the-post”, results in the very outcome the founders sought to prevent.

There is nevertheless a beacon of hope in the darkness: Question 5 Ranked Choice Voting which provides a straightforward solution to the founders’ problem. By replacing first-past-the-post with a ranking of candidates, it simultaneously eliminates the “spoiler” narrative while elevating civil candidates with broader appeal.

Of course, the entrenched establishment enjoy the status quo that the rest of us so deride and have accordingly advanced a number of demonstrably false narratives against Question 5.

The truth is that Question 5 is constitutional, easy, and efficient.

Reject their politics of fear. Our state motto is “Dirigo”—“I lead.” Let us demonstrate why. Vote “Yes” on Question 5.

Chris Straw

By Joyce Nadeau

I am a parent. I worry about my child when he is well and I just worry more when he is not well. That is a fairly normal parenting experience. We have children and our hearts sit precariously somewhere between our chest and throat forevermore. If my son were to have a mental health crisis I would know what to do. I am a social worker after all. However, my experience as a social worker has revealed to me that “knowing what to do” is just a small part of the process. It is the beginning but it does not predict outcomes.

Imagine your child in crisis. You quickly call a crisis line (774-HELP, or the statewide crisis line 1-800-568-1112, or the national suicide prevention line 800-273-8255. The clinician either comes to you or you are directed to go to the nearest emergency room. You stay as calm as possible and you somehow get your child to the emergency room. This is the part of the crisis when you just need someone else to assess the situation and tell you what to do. You spend three, four or more hours at the emergency room. This is not a criticism of emergency room care; it is simply a reality.

After you go to the emergency room with your child you wonder what is next? Didn’t the worst possible thing just happen? Didn’t you just reach out and ask for help? Isn’t there supposed to be someone there for you to guide you through the morass of mental health services that are available to you, so you can best help your child? This is your child and you know what he/she needs but is anyone listening now? Yes, they were responsive at the ER but now it seems you are left with an appointment card with

some date out there in the future and that is it. What happens tomorrow when your son or daughter wakes up and he or she is still “emotionally dysregulated” (a new term you heard at the ER to describe your child’s state)? But you do not need new terms. Exactly what you need is for someone to help him/her figure out where all their sadness, or confusion is coming from and you need that same someone to help you understand how to support this child. That seems like a reasonable request and it seems like it should be obtainable. Often it is not.

I hate to admit this, but the reality that parents face when their child or young adult experiences mental health problems can be very lonely and scary. As these parents go about their daily lives and are asked the standard polite questions of “where is she applying to college?” or “has he heard back from any colleges yet” they must brace themselves not to say too much, or say too little to draw more questions from their friends or neighbors. A trip to the grocery store can be exhausting when the simplest of questions leaves you confused about what is a reasonable answer. It is not just the stigma of mental illness that leaves the parents alone in the struggle, it is the unanswerable questions. How long will their son or daughter be sick? Will this worsen? Does it ever get better? Is it the family’s fault? The community’s fault? Genetics? Who wants to go over these questions in the grocery store or at a sporting event; both places where one might be politely asked about their child.

There are few resources in our community to support families going through mental health, and/or addiction crises. And those resources are rarely able to address

how parents have to cope with the changes in their child. Recently I attended the Glickman Family Centers symposium on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and, as always I was deeply moved by the work both the providers and parents presented. I was left wondering how can we as a community offer more help to families struggling with the confusing world of mental health and addiction in our young population. At lunch I sat with Nancy Thompson, a mother from Cape Elizabeth who lost her son Timothy to suicide in 2004. As we talked I asked her if she would support the idea of getting parents together just to talk about how they are managing the systems and to share ideas of what works and what worsens mental health for their children. Nancy, who seems to have unlimited energy to address mental health needs of Maine’s children, very quickly agreed to help out.

On Nov. 14, 2016 the Cape Elizabeth High School Library at 6 p.m. we will hold our first meeting for parents and we will introduce Family Hope, an organization supporting Maine families living with mental illness. I would invite all members of the community who feel they would benefit from this exchange of ideas and resources to join us. If the issue of mental illness has not touched your immediate family but you want to come to support a neighbor or extended family member in their journey through the system, please come.

Joyce Nadeau LCSW, LADC is a social worker at Cape Elizabeth High School. Please note that all emails are read during the school day. If your email is of a crisis nature after school hours, please contact 774-HELP or your local crisis response provider.

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Committee hears legal opinion that Thomas deed restrictions do not apply to former library building, tables consideration of proposals

In 1919, William Widgery Thomas donated about a quarter acre of land on Bowery Beach Road, and the former schoolhouse sitting on it, for use as a free public library, forever.

The town learned this month that the gift, and the stipulation that went with it, most likely referred to the land and not to the library building, which was relocated to Scott Dyer Road more than 70 years ago.

The opinion from Town Attorney Thomas Leahy comes as a five-member committee is reviewing proposals for use of the former Spurwink School, which housed the original Thomas Memorial Library and continued as the children's library until last year.

In an opinion dated Oct. 13, 2016, Leahy said he believed the building, vacant since the renovated portion of the library next to it opened in February, is not subject to deed restrictions and can be used however the town sees fit. In a 2015 survey, townspeople said they would like to see some sort of public use.

Two proposals are under consideration: one to house the collection of the Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society; the other to serve as a collaborative learning space for the Cape Elizabeth School Department.

The schools recently amended their proposal, saying they would like to share the building with the historical society and perhaps other groups.

The committee tabled considering the proposals, however, until the legal restrictions were clarified.

Leahy based his opinion on the language of the deed, which he said focused on the land and not the building:

"The restriction in the Thomas Deed provides that 'the said lot of land and the building from time to time thereon standing, shall always be held, occupied and used by the Inhabitants of the Town of Cape Elizabeth for the purpose forever maintaining thereon a free Public Library ...,' Leahy wrote.

The phrase "from time to time" implies that the structure will change; and the term "thereon" places the focus of the restriction

on the land rather than the building, Leahy said.

The exact location of the lot cannot be determined without a survey, but the description places it on the Great Pond side of Bowery Beach Road just south of Fowler Road. It is part of a 340-acre parcel now owned by the Sprague Corporation and is likely part of an easement to the Maine Department of Transportation.

The library building was moved to its present location in 1944 in response to dwindling population in the Spurwink area and limits to travel imposed by wartime gas rationing.

Moving the library from its original location, however, breached the Thomas conveyance, Leahy said.

"Assuming the restriction in the Thomas deed, and the right of reversion (to Thomas heirs), applied to the building, it is our opinion that once the building was removed from the conveyed real estate the restriction no longer applied," Leahy wrote.

Because chances are slim that the building is encumbered, the town could continue to use the building as it sees fit.

But if the town wanted to remove all doubt, it could attempt to locate and acquire disclaimers from all of the Thomas heirs, something Leahy estimated would cost between \$15,000-\$30,000.

The Town Council received the opinion Oct. 20 and has not discussed it, said Town Manager Michael McGovern. "My recommendation will be that the council accept the primary premise of the opinion and take no further action," McGovern said.

The Spurwink School Committee will meet next on Nov. 9.

Cape Elizabeth School Superintendent search to resume in November, with formation of committees and visiting team

The School Board will relaunch its search for a superintendent by advertising the position beginning next month.

School Board Chair Elizabeth Scifres on Oct. 25, 2016 announced a timeline for the reopened search for a superintendent to replace Meredith Nadeau, who left for a new job in New Hampshire on July 1. Howard Colter, recently retired from the Mount Desert Island Regional School System, has been serving as interim superintendent.

"In order to conduct an effective, transparent search with a high degree of staff and community input, we will keep the process and committee structures essentially the same as last time, with a few adjustments," Scifres said.

The board will reappoint the various search committees "from scratch," Scifres said, but those who helped with the search last year may reapply. "We will reach out in November to start filling these committee positions," she said.

The board expects to hire the new superintendent in March.

Here is the text of Scifres' update:

"Congratulations on a positive start to the school year! The School Board is about to re-launch its Superintendent search and wanted to give you an update.

In order to conduct an effective, transparent search with a high degree of staff and community input, we will keep the process and committee structures essentially the same as last time, with a few adjustments.

There will again be an Advisory Screening Committee, consisting of two parents, two community members, three teachers (one from each building), one central office administrator and one building administra-

tor, and three School Board members. This committee will meet for a mandatory training then screen applications and make first round interview recommendations to the School Board. This is the conclusion of the Advisory Screening Committee's service.

There will also again be an Interview Committee, consisting of the entire School Board, one central office administrator and one building administrator, one teacher from each building, and Special Education representation. This committee will meet for a mandatory training and then interview the first round candidates. The committee will then narrow the field of candidates to a small group to recommend to the School Board. This is the conclusion of the Interview Committee's service.

Additionally, the School Board will establish a Visiting Team, which will visit the home district(s) of the finalist(s). The Visiting Team will consist of three School Board members, one central office administrator, one building administrator, and two teachers. That team will report their observations and impressions to the School Board. This is the conclusion of the Visiting Team's service.

The School Board will be establishing each of these committees from scratch -- there is no expectation that the same people as last time must volunteer, although they certainly may. We will reach out in November to start filling these committee positions.

Here is an estimated timeline of our process and when the above committees will be active:

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Cape Elizabeth High School student, Tony Inhorn, attends institute on combating world hunger

Anthony Inhorn of Cape Elizabeth High School was among the select students nominated to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute Oct. 13 to 15, 2016, in Des Moines, Iowa, during the Borlaug Dialogue International Symposium, which drew 1,500 people from more than 60 countries to discuss the world's hunger and food security issues. The World Food Prize was founded by Nobel Peace Prize laureate Dr. Norman Borlaug to recognize and inspire great achievements in improving the quality, quantity and availability of food in the world.

Of the experience, Inhorn said, "I went to Des Moines, Iowa, to participate in the Global Youth Institute as part of the annual World Food Prize. The World Food Prize is billed as 'the Nobel Prize of agriculture and food science.'"



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Tony Inhorn of Cape Elizabeth High School was among the select students nominated to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute Oct. 13 to 15, 2016, in Des Moines, Iowa.

He said, "The Global Youth Institute is for high schoolers and is a program to discuss how to combat world hunger and to expose students to informative speakers and ideas in these fields. Each student had to write a paper that somehow related to food and devise a solution to solve the problem.

Many states who got more participants held a state youth institute where the field was winnowed more, but I did not go through that process and simply submitted my paper and was selected. I believe I was the only delegate from Maine."

Inhorn explained that his paper was about, "water pollution in Haiti, and my solution to the problem was to have the United Nations collaborate with the country and government to weed out corruption in the government to establish a permanent water system.

"I presented my paper on the final day to a small group of other high schoolers whom I spent most of my time with. There were about two-hundred high schoolers in the GYI. Over the few days I saw many incredible speakers, such as the US Secretary of Agriculture and the former president of Malawi, and met many incredible people doing great work, such as the president of the African Food Bank, and one of the WFP laureates, Maria Andrade. We also took a field trip, where I was able to see an aquaponics farm. The conference was a fantastic experience that I was very lucky to be able to attend and honored to be selected for. I enjoyed it immensely."

This year's World Food Prize Borlaug Dialogue International Symposium focused on the theme "Let Food Be Thy Medicine" and gave special emphasis on issues such as: the crucial role of nutrition in global food security, leadership, biofortification, conflict and infrastructure. Global Youth Institute students and teachers had the opportunity to take part in symposium sessions with the top minds and foremost leaders in global agriculture, food and development.

Global Youth Institute students and their teacher mentors attended symposium sessions featuring:

His Excellency Akinwumi A. Adesina, President, African Development Bank Group;

Her Excellency Dr. Joyce Banda, Former President of the Republic of Malawi and Founder of the Joyce Banda Foundation;

The Honorable Thomas J. Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture, United States;

Roger Thurow, Journalist and Author of The First 1,000 Days: A Crucial Time For Mothers and Children- And The World, United States;

The CEOs of many of the world's major agribusiness companies: DuPont, Hormel Foods, Monsanto, and Syngenta; and researchers, non-profit leaders and small-holder farmers from around the globe.

At the three-day Institute, Inhorn and 200 other high school student participants of the program from across the United States and abroad researched global food security issues in the developing country of their choice and then submitted papers on those critical topics, which they also presented to a diverse group of internationally renowned World Food Prize Laureates and other distinguished experts and scientists.

Inhorn wrote a paper on the theme "Feeding Innovation, Fighting Hunger" and took part in roundtable discussions with experts in industry, science, academia and policy on the culminating day of the program hosted by DuPont Pioneer at its Carver Conference Center in Johnston, Iowa. During the Institute, participants also helped with a hands-on service project packaging meals for Outreach, Inc., a hunger-fighting organization that serves people in the United States and internationally,

toured innovative research and industrial facilities in Adel, Des Moines, Panora and Slater, Iowa – Hawkeye Breeders Service, Kemin Industries, Early Morning Harvest Farms, and Syngenta Seeds, respectively – and took part in an interactive Oxfam Hunger Banquet that brought to life the realities of hunger and poverty.

Created by Dr. Borlaug and Iowa businessman John Ruan in 1994, the Global Youth Institute today receives major support from Clay Mathile and the Mathile Institute for the Advancement of Human Nutrition. The program was developed to challenge and inspire participating student-teacher teams to identify ways of alleviating hunger, and to expose the students to opportunities and careers in food, agriculture and natural resource disciplines. Of the students who complete the program, about 92 percent go on to pursue college degrees in agriculture and science and 77 percent choose careers in agriculture, STEM and other fields critical to the fight against hunger. The Institute also boasts an impressive, two-thirds participation by young women.

—see INHORN, page 18

Corn stalk dragon stalking Cape Elizabeth



Photo by Martha Agan

A dragon made of cornstalks is reported stalking Cape Elizabeth. Before machinery, corn was one of the most labor-intensive crops. The stalks would be cut, one by one, and tied together in "shocks." A large corn field would have hundreds of them in lines reaching over the rise. Almost as long, artistic farmers (those that somehow found the time) have been fashioning those shocks into people, animals, arches and almost anything their creative minds could come up with. In this case, there be dragons.



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Multiple ID thefts, stolen political signs and several dogs on the loose

Reported By Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-4 An officer met with a resident of the Two Lights area regarding the theft of some political signs
- 10-5 An officer met with a resident of the Eastman Road area regarding a daytime burglary. Nothing seemed to be missing.
- 10-6 An officer met with a subject who reported he was the victim of extortion. The case was referred to the detective for follow up.
- 10-6 An officer met with a resident of the Scott Dyer Road area regarding the possible violation of a protection order. The case has been referred to the District Attorney's office for follow up for possible prosecution.
- 10-7 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area regarding a missing wallet. It was later found.
- 10-7 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding a threatening phone call.
- 10-7 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area regarding an ID theft complaint. A representative of a local bank contacted the victim and reported that a fraudulent account had been made using the victim's personal information. The bank is investigating.
- 10-8 An officer reported to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a report of a dog at large. The owner was identified and warned to keep the dog restrained.
- 10-9 An officer responded to a residence in the Scott Dyer Road area for a well being check.
- 10-10 An officer met with a resident on the Fowler Road area regarding harassing phone calls.
- 10-10 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area regarding an ID theft complaint. Someone had opened a credit card account using the victim's personal information.
- 10-10 Two officers responded to a reported single car roll-over with personal

injury accident in the Spurwink Road area. The vehicle had left the road and rolled over and contained three teenage occupants. The accident is under further investigation.

- 10-11 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area regarding a possible home repair fraud complaint. Case is being forwarded to the District Attorney for review.
- 10-11 An officer met with a subject in the Spurwink Avenue area regarding possible criminal mischief to a window.
- 10-14 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area regarding a possible attempted ID theft complaint.
- 10-15 An officer was informed of an erratic driver on Shore Road. While in search of the vehicle, the officer came upon a vehicle stopped by a Marine Patrol Officer matching the same description. The elderly female operator was transported home and a report will be sent to the state.
- 10-15 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding a loose dog damaging a chicken coop. The person responsible for the dog was identified and a citation served.
- 10-15 An officer received a found iPhone from a resident of the Shore Acres area. The owner was identified and the property returned.
- 10-16 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a domestic disturbance.

ACCIDENTS

- 10-14 Julie Farrell, Joan Reid, accident at Fort Williams Park
- 10-13 Griffin Johnson, victim of hit and run, Shore Road

SUMMONSES

- 10-5 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Mitchell Road, \$70
- 10-7 Fryeburg resident, failure to maintain control of a vehicle, Route 77, \$119
- 10-8 Lewiston resident, suspended

- registration, Cottage Road
- 10-8 Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Shore Road
- 10-9 Portland resident, tampering with a witness
- 10-10 South Portland resident, speeding (49/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, \$137
- 10-12 Gorham resident, speeding (47/30 zone), Shore Road
- 10-13 Leeds resident, expired driver's license, Sawyer Road, \$137
- 10-14 Cape Elizabeth resident, dog at large, Hemlock Hill Road
- 10-15 North Windham resident, operating after license suspension, Route 77
- 10-16 South Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Shore Road
- 10-16 South Portland resident, following too close, Shore Road, \$137

JUVENILE SUMMONS

- 10-5 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77

ARRESTS

- 10-4 Portland resident, violation of conditions of release, Ocean House Road
- 10-8 Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Shore Road

FIRE CALLS

- 10-9 Shore Road, cooking fire
- 10-9 Philip Road, carbon monoxide alarm
- 10-9 Shore Road, investigation
- 10-9 Woodland Road, fuel leak
- 10-10 Spurwink Avenue, car accident
- 10-11 Bayberry Lane, carbon monoxide alarm
- 10-12 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 10-13 Overlook Lane, fire alarm

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CEHS Outing Club has overnight whitewater rafting trip to remember

By Kevin St. Jarre

The Cape Elizabeth High School Outing Club took an overnight trip to central Maine to participate in Moxie Outdoor Adventures whitewater rafting.

It involved 15 students, of all abilities, working together while rafting down the Kennebec River.

Overnight, the camping was cool, with temperatures dropping to below freezing.

According to the participants, these outdoor opportunities remain inclusive, fun, challenging and bonding for both students and staff.

Senior and Outing Club Member Will Corsello said, "I loved going up and down in the big waves. It was really fun."

Of the benefit of the Outing Club, Corsello said, "I now have an opportunity to go [to Moxie Adventures] again and get certified as a whitewater rafting guide during my

senior transition project. I also have a job opportunity in the summer and other summers ahead if I get certified as a Whitewater Guide."

Corsello said, "I feel the outdoors provides a release from pressures. You can just go into the woods and do whatever you want with like-minded people in the Outing Club."

The trip was also an opportunity to meet people. Corsello said, "It definitely connects students by grades. I met people I otherwise would not have known because they are not in my classes or grade. I also met teachers I know I can open up to and know well enough to have a real person to person conversation with. You can see another side of someone. Like someone like Mr. Pendarvis. I had no idea he was such a cool guy."

Teacher Mark Pendarvis, along with faculty members Scott Shea, Elaine Brassard and Ginger Raspiller went along as chaper-



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CEHS students and faculty take on rapids known as Big Mama.



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Students and faculty members, along with their guide, pose with paddles and vests before heading out onto the water.

ones on the trip.

Another senior, Ashley Bomba, was also excited about the trip. Bomba said, "We stayed in tents at the Moxie whitewater rafting campsite. As we pulled up to the campsite, there was already a huge bonfire ready for us and some supplies to make s'mores. Everyone set up their tents as quickly as possible, changed into warm clothing and most people sat in front of the fire."

"My friends and I decided to go to bed as soon as we finished changing and organizing our tent because we knew we had to get up at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast before we went rafting," Bomba said.

She said, "For breakfast we had pancakes, hot cocoa and eggs. After everyone was up and had eaten, one of the counselors talked to us about the safety procedures and where to get our wetsuits and other supplies we would need. They told us to be back where we all met by 9 a.m., so everyone ran to get changed into their wetsuit gear which in-

cluded a short sleeve wetsuit, a wetsuit jacket for your arms, booties, gloves, and a hood if you wanted one. Everyone got a paddle, life jacket and helmet, and we all met at the front of the main cabin to take a group picture. Once we took a group picture, we all headed to the bus to drive to where we raft."

She said, "It was only about a 10 minute drive, and once we got there, we split into two groups of six and carried our boats to a ramp so we could make our way down many steps to the water. My friend Ali and I claimed the front because it is always the best seat. After we got to the bottom of the hill, we set off into the water to begin our journey. White water rafting was probably the most fun thing I have ever done, and I am definitely going to go back to the Moxie white water rafting campsite again."

The trip was made possible in part by a mini-grant received from Teens to Trails, a nonprofit organization headquartered in Brunswick, Maine.



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Two candidates vie for Maine House District 30 seat, three-term incumbent has challenger

By Kevin St. Jarre

Incumbent Rep. Kimberly Monaghan (D) is seeking to fend off a challenge by George Van Syckel Van Syckel (R) for the Maine House seat she has held for three terms.

Monaghan, 57, is a project manager for the Common Dreams progressive news website and an adjunct professor of tourism and hospitality at the University of Southern Maine.

As a legislator, she has served on the Judiciary, Veterans and Legal Affairs, and Ethics committees and is co-chairwoman of the Maine Right to Know Advisory Committee. She also served on the Cape Elizabeth school board from 2010 to 2011.

When asked why she is running again, Monaghan said, "I am seeking re-election because I want to continue to make a progressive difference for Cape Elizabeth and for Maine. If re-elected, I will continue to work together with fellow lawmakers to improve our economy, create jobs, strengthen public education and college affordability, protect our environment, uphold human rights and provide affordable housing and health care to all Mainers - young and old."

Of what must be protected in the district and in Maine, Monaghan said, "Our environment and natural resources play a fundamental role in our economy, our well-being and our heritage as Mainers. We need to preserve and protect our coastal environment and the jobs that depend on its health. We must continue to create a renewable energy plan, including solar and wind, so that Maine can benefit from clean energy and the jobs it will produce. Efforts to roll back laws only serve those who wish to live in the past. This really doesn't represent modern day society and the views of most people. We must



Democratic Rep. Kimberly Monaghan, a three-term incumbent, faces a challenge from Republican George Van Syckel in the race for Maine House District 30 seat representing part of Cape Elizabeth.

preserve the laws that protect women's rights, children's rights, human and civil rights and gun safety. As a three-term State Representative, my voting record has supported all of these issues stated, and these are the views supported by a majority of Cape Elizabeth voters. Given my opponent's views and ideology, I don't think he would vote in support of many of these issues, nor do I think the stronghold of his caucus would allow him to do so."

When asked what changes should be made, she said, "Building Maine's economy. We must continue to change the thought process. Maine must build an economy that works for all Maine families and creating good-paying jobs is the way to do that. We should depend on our state's natural advantages by investing in areas such as farming, the local foods market and tourism. We will



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grow our economy through exceptional universities and community colleges, public schools and teachers, early childhood education, college affordability and workforce training programs."

Van Syckel, when asked the same questions as to why he is running, responded, "I am running for office because I was asked to run for office by a Cape Elizabeth resident of over half a century and life long registered democrat."

He said, "Cape Elizabeth is older than the United States. The values that created America are still strong in Cape Elizabeth. Values such as working long hours until the job is completed right, responsibility for one's choices and actions, truthfulness, thriftiness, ingenuity, creativity, teamwork, yes, even private sharing with widows, orphans and the sick."

"Education runs deep in Cape, where learning reading, writing, arithmetic, science, history and music has long been the core and bases of their educational directive. Cape Elizabeth has many great athletes, however development of the mind and character remains a higher priority," Van Syckel said, "Cape Elizabeth was founded by families of deep moral conviction and those families still live and thrive in Cape Elizabeth today. People from Cape Elizabeth fought in the Revolution, Civil, World Wars and continue serving until today."

He closed by saying, "Cape Elizabeth was founded as a farming, fishing, and related skills community. The people of Cape Elizabeth understood they had a special community whose goal was to provide their children a safe place to be nurtured in the shadow of a larger city where the crafts and professions of the community could be easily marketed. Local market places have always been a horse ride away."

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Library offers porcupine talk, perspectives on Cuba, and Socrates Cafe

Learn about Maine's porcupines

In the third in the library's monthly Maine Wildlife Series, science teacher and naturalist Brian A. Smith will present a slideshow and talk about porcupines and their role in Maine's diverse ecosystem. The talk will take place on Thursday, Dec. 1 at 6:30 p.m. The library's Maine Wildlife Lecture series features local scientists, naturalists and researchers discussing the fascinating creatures that populate Maine's diverse ecosystem. Coming in the next few months, Rick Gray will discuss Maine's owls in January, biologist Christine Maher will discuss the "Social Lives of Woodchucks" in February, Carrie Gray will discuss loons in March, Andrew Johnson will discuss Cottontail Rabbits in April and Scott Lindsay will discuss beavers in May. The lectures take place on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the library's Community Room. All are welcome.

Cape residents to talk about visiting Cuba

On Tuesday, Dec. 13 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., the library will host a presentation titled, "Cuba: Two Perspectives." Mary Page, a social studies teacher at CEHS has recently visited Cuba, touring historical sites as well as meeting farmers, doctors and high school students at several cities in Cuba. Local photographer Ann Kaplan also recently toured Cuba. The two will talk about their experiences in Cuba as well as present a slideshow of photographs from their trips. All are welcome.

The Library will be closed for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving

The library will be closed on Friday, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day. Due to professional conferences, there will be no story times on Saturday, Nov. 5 and Saturday, Nov. 19.

The library also will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and the day after Thanksgiving, but will be open regular hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Socrates Cafe to meet

The library's monthly philosophy discussion group will meet again on Tuesday, Dec. 6 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. No advance registration, reading or specialized knowledge is required. All are welcome.



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Kids attending a "ghost hunting" workshop with author Liza Gardner Walsh work on writing their own spooky ghost stories at a recent after school program at the library.



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Ann Sparling, a.k.a., The Music Lady, played to a packed house of families with little ones in a special Halloween concert on October 27. Sparling will return in December for a winter holiday concert.

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NATURAL HAPPENINGS

Full Beaver Moon and reasons not to rake

By Erika Rhile

On Nov. 14, the moon will be at its closest approach to Earth and will appear larger and brighter than usual. This will be the Full Beaver Moon, the second supermoon of 2016.

Reasons not to rake

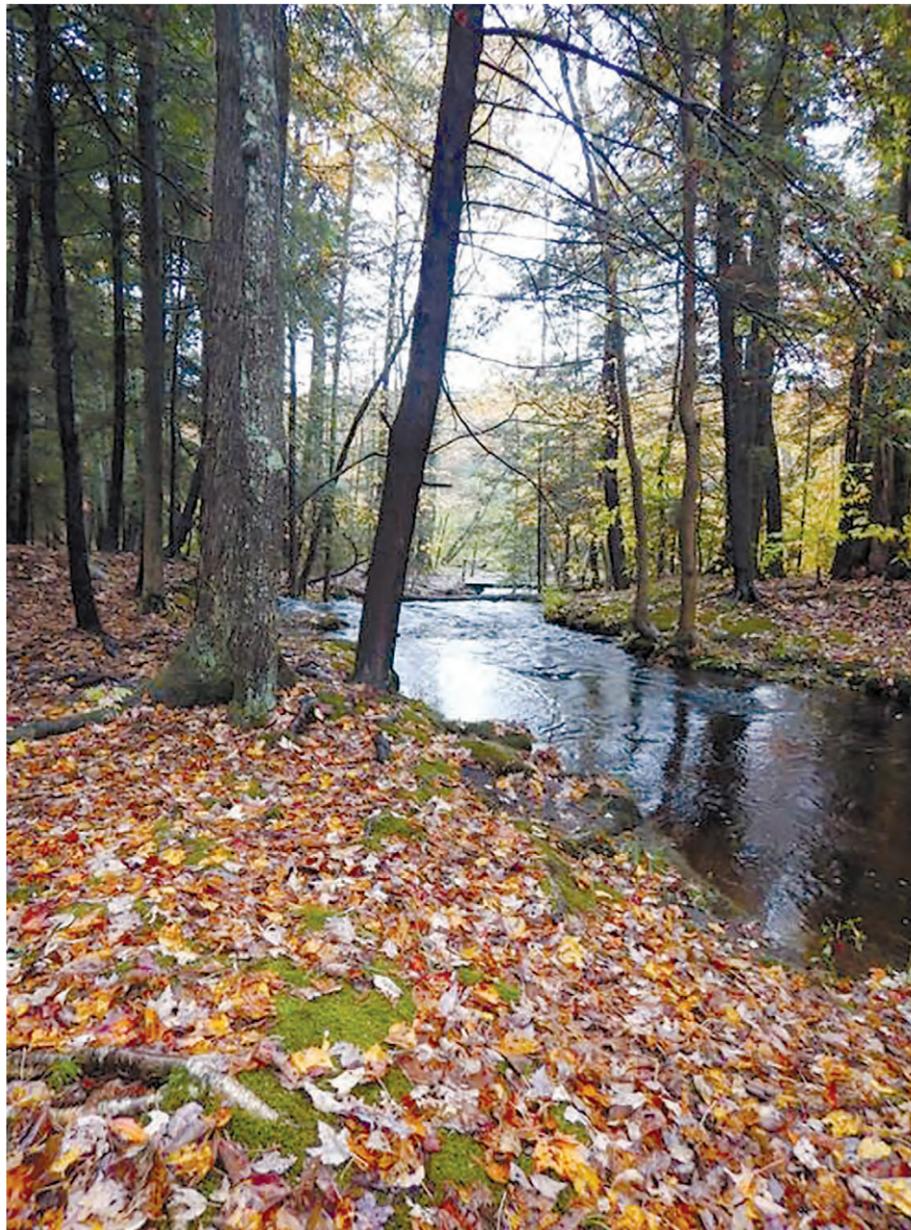
Need an excuse not to rake your lawn? Don't think of fallen leaves as an annoyance, but rather an amazing way nature protects vulnerable critters in winter while fertilizing your lawn. Here are some benefits of leaving leaves on your lawn:

- Many species rely on leaf cover to survive the winter or build nests. Layers of decomposing leaves tend

to harbor large quantities of moth and butterfly pupae.

- Reduce waste. According to the Environmental Protection Agency yard trimmings account for 13.5% of solid waste (approximately 33 million tons).
- Leaves increase soil fertility and soil's ability to retain moisture.

Still can't give it up? Consider raking up leaves and putting them over your garden beds for protection. You can also mulch the leaves with your mower. Most mowers will mulch leaves simply by driving over them—a lot easier than raking, and better for your lawn.



Photos by Martha Agan

The stream, full now, in a few short months will be frozen over, and at left, bracket fungus or shelf fungus was a deep brick red in color in Robinson Woods.

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Inaugural 'Tri by the Sea' goes off despite soggy weather with 110 young athletes

By Jane Anderson



Young athletes participate in the first-ever Tri by the Sea youth triathlon.

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It was a soggy start at Southern Maine's first youth triathlon. Still, over 60 volunteers were positioned to help each of the 110 kids from Cape Elizabeth, Scarborough,

Cumberland, South Portland and Nottingham, New Hampshire safely and successfully complete the Tri by the Sea. Neither the rainy weather nor cooler than expected

temperatures slowed them down. From the first wave through transitions and finally to the finish, girls and boys swam, biked and ran their hearts out over two age-appropriate

courses designed by co-chair and course director, Dr. Zev Myerowitz. "I think we all did an excellent job making the first year of Tri by the Sea a success."

He went on to say, "Timing was our biggest challenge, especially with a few athletes whose bibs were not visible at the finish line." Cape's Gabe Harmon came in first in the 7 to 10-year-old division completing the course in 11:27. Brady Fluet from Cumberland came in first in the 11 to 15-year-old division completing the course in 24:21.

Co-chair Andie Mahoney said, "Leslie Young from Community Services gathered a committee with the common goal of keeping kids active, healthy and having fun." In addition, Mahoney said, "We wanted the event to benefit a need in the community and chose Cape Care's playground as this year's benefactor." After expenses, the event raised just under \$3,400 for the soon-to-be renovated playground located behind the high school. Cape Care employees and families have raised just under \$4,000 over the last four years through donations, events, and Clynk bag bottle collections.

CEHS football team routs Poland, will host Spruce Mountain in semifinals Nov. 4

The unbeaten Cape Elizabeth High School football team completely owned the first half and coasted to a 40-6 victory over the Poland High School Knights in a Class C South quarterfinal at Hannaford Field.

The top-seeded Capers (9-0) now advance to, and will host, the semifinals

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Cape Elizabeth's Laurie Fisher, abstract painter works primarily in oil, dabbles in acrylics

By Kevin St. Jarre

Cape Elizabeth artist Laurie Fisher is currently regrouping in her studio after having met a few painting deadlines, including a solo show at Ocean House Gallery here in Cape Elizabeth.

Fisher said, "I do have a massive 5 by 7 foot commissioned painting that I am still wrestling with, but the rest of my time I am spending getting back into the groove of working on multiple works at once with complete freedom. Nothing that I am working on is spoken for, which allows the work to evolve as slowly or as quickly or as weirdly as it needs to."

When describing her style, Fisher said, "Most people comment on my use of color. Color is really the subject of my work, that and the underlying physical architecture of the painting. Each painting seems to demand its own path and pace, though, so not every painting emerges from a singular formula. I have certain tendencies - marks, lines, shapes and color choices - that are threads uniting my work. Along with the use of abstracted color, the metronome in my process is always the pursuit of balance. I tend to quiet chaos, but need the chaos first to lead me there, and play the opposites in my process. When there is too much mayhem, I will flatten it. When a painting is so loose it's anxiety-producing, I grab a ruler or make straight lines to hold the painting together. It's hard to describe, but a painting is complete when it makes sense, when I get a visceral feeling of quiet."

When asked how her artist process has changed over the years, Fisher said, "My process is always changing and evolving. I used to fear this, fear that it makes me less artistically 'legitimate.' I feared it revealed that I wasn't sure, that I was still experimenting. Now I could care less — creativity is not

linear or static so I try to trust my impulses and always just play. I hope I will always be experimenting. I started painting with oils, and in that way my process has stayed the same. I still love oil paints the most, though I dabble in acrylics as well. But I began with realism as I learned how the paint worked, and landscapes, although even my landscapes tended toward abstract even then. Almost all of my paintings are now abstract."



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Laurie Fisher is an artist who hopes she will always be experimenting.

She went on to say, "I never set out to make art a business. I had no plan at all. I've always been creative and needed creative projects to feel happy, from small cottage businesses with friends, to redesigning my houses. Every step on my painting timeline has been organic, most unplanned. I feel

—see ARTIST, page 18



One of Laurie Fisher's abstract paintings. More of her work can be seen at lauriefisherstudio.com and www.serenaandlily.com/art. Those interested can also drop by her studio at 505 Ocean St (Rt 77 on the corner of Sawyer) in South Portland, where she shares a space with Bronwyn Huffard of Huffard House.



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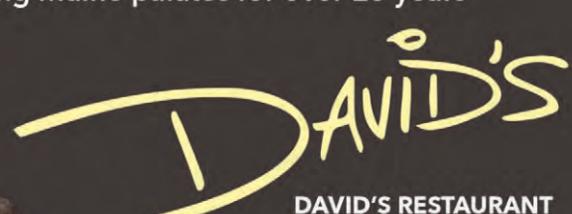
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CAPE CALENDAR

By Wendy Derzawiec

Saturday, November 5

Scouting for Food collection, 12-4 p.m., Pond Cove IGA parking lot

Sunday, November 6

Great Pond Preserve Planning Site Visit (Conservation Committee), 12:30 p.m., at the little pond

Tuesday, November 8

Election Day, 7-8 p.m., Cape Elizabeth High School

School Board Executive Session, 6 p.m., Wm. H. Jordan Confr. Room, Town Hall

Conservation Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room

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

Wednesday, November 9

Conservation Committee Site Visit, 8 a.m., Surf Side Avenue, Pilot Point Road, Lighthouse Point Road paper streets

Spurwink School Committee, 6 p.m. location TBD

Friday, November 11

Veterans Day Holiday. Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, November 14

Town Council/School Board Audit Review Workshop, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

Town Council Meeting and Caucus, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Tuesday, November 15

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

Alternative Energy Committee 2016, 6:30 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Planning Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber
School Board Finance Committee, 8 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons

Wednesday, November 16

Town Council Appointments Committee, 5 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Thursday, November 17

Town Council Ordinance Committee, 1:15-2:45 p.m., Town Hall

School Board Faculty and Staff Appreciation Event, 3:15-4:15 p.m., Pond Cove/Middle School cafeteria

Thomas Memorial Library Committee, 6:30 p.m., Thomas Memorial Library

Fort Williams Park Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works

Ongoing each week

Al-Anon, Regular meeting 7 p.m. Thursdays, at United Methodist Church, 280 Ocean House Road. Regular meeting 7 p.m. Fridays at St. Alban's 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, Public Safety Building

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

Cape Farm Alliance, third Wednesday, 7 p.m., Community Center

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

Recognize this house? The CEHPS needs your help



This photo was recently found at the Cape Elizabeth Recycling Station. The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society is turning to the broader community for help. While the house might not have been in Cape Elizabeth, the CEHPS wonders if anyone might know where this house might be found, or where it once stood. Anyone with information can contact the CEHPS at cehps@capeelizabeth.org or by telephone at 207-619-6793

Presentation on Cape Elizabeth Fire Department



CEHPS photo

A 1918 Packard fire truck, in front of White Bros. Store, Shore Road, Cape Elizabeth.

Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservative Society Program will be offering an evening of the history of the Cape Elizabeth Fire Department, including stories of fires and other adventures presented by Chuck Wilson, Peter Gleeson, Gerry Murray and Carol Ann Jordan. Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Town Center Fire Station, 2 Jordan Way.

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Cape Elizabeth 3rd Quarter Market Statistics*

*Source: Maine Real Estate Information System

July 1 —September 30	2015	2016	% Change #
Single Family Homes Sold:	58	45	- 28.9%
Average Sale Price:	\$460,344	\$791,714	+ 41.8%
Average List to Sale Price Ratio:	99.5%	98.5%	- 1.0%
Average # Days on Market:	57	45	- 26.7%
Median Sale Price:	\$364,750	\$499,500	+26.9%
Median List to Sale Price Ratio:	98.3%	98.7%	+ 0.4%
Median # of days on market:	24	19	- 26.3%
Highest/Lowest Sale Price:	\$1,400,000/\$107,000	\$4,050,000/\$229,900	N/A

(The 2016 statistics include 3 homes, 2 of which sold for \$3,750,00, and a third, which sold for \$4,050,000. Not including these 3 homes, the average/median sales prices are \$573,265/\$469,950, respectively.)



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Kristen Case, Jim Nichols to read in Cape Elizabeth

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Local Writers at The Local Buzz continues its sixth season of monthly readings featuring Maine writers reading fiction, nonfiction and poetry.

The Local Buzz café and wine bar will host poet Kristen Case and fiction writer, Jim Nichols. Both authors were Winners of the 2016 Maine Writers and Publishers Alliance Literary Awards in their genres. Located at 327 Ocean House Road in Cape Elizabeth, The Local Buzz events for the 2016-2017 season are co-hosted by writers Marcia F. Brown and Linda Aldrich.

Kristen Case (Poetry) is the author of "American Pragmatism and Poetic Practice: Crosscurrents from Emerson to Susan Howe" (Camden House, 2011). Her poetry chapbook, "Temple" was published in 2014 by MIEL and her full-length collection, "Little Arias" winner of the Maine Literary Award for poetry, was published in 2015 by New Issues Press. She has published scholarly work on Thoreau, Ezra Pound, Frost, Robert Frost, Wallace Stevens, Emily Dickinson and William James, and her poems have appeared in *Chelesa*, *The Iowa Review*, *Brooklyn Review*, *Wave Composition*, *Eleven Eleven* and several other journals. She is the author of the introduction of the forthcoming Penguin Classics bicentennial edition of "Walden and Civil Disobedience."

Jim Nichols (Fiction) is a Maine native who grew up in Freeport. His novel-in-stories "Closer All The Time" was the 2016 Maine Book Award winner for fiction, and his previous novel, "Hull Creek" was a finalist for the same award in 2012.

His story collection, "Slow Monkeys and Other Stories" was published in 2003. Jim's work has appeared in numerous magazines, including *Esquire*, *Portland Monthly*, *Narrative*, *Zoetrope ASE*, *Change Seven* and *Prime Number*. His short fiction has won the Kurt Johnson Prose Award for Fiction, the Willamette Fiction Prize and a River City Writing Award for Fiction, as well as an Independent Artists Fellowship from the Maine Arts Commission. Jim lives in Warren, with his wife Anne.

The event is free and open to the public. Audience members may enjoy The Local Buzz menu of teas and coffees, wine or cocktails and locally sourced food during the readings. More information at www.localbuzzcafe.com.

These events are well-attended and serve not only as an opportunity for hearing the work of published Maine writers, but also as an event for many writers, editors, publishers and readers to get together and discuss literature, ongoing projects, the state of publishing and other opportunities to attend readings. Attendees are reminded that often the books of the guest readers can be purchased and signed at the event.

Turkey Trot 5K running strong as it turns 48

The 48th Annual Maine Track Club Turkey Trot 5K presented by Fleet Feet Maine Running will be held at 9 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, in Cape Elizabeth.

The Turkey Trot 5K is a non-profit race managed and staffed by volunteers whose net proceeds benefit Wayside Food Programs, a major provider of surplus food and community meals to the needy of Greater Portland.

Over the past four years, the Turkey Trot has raised \$19,000 and collected over 8,000 lbs. of food for Wayside which is the equivalent of serving 15,000 meals to those in need.

Last year, 600 runners took part in the race, which starts at Cape Elizabeth High School, runs the length of Scott Dyer Road and finishes at Cape Elizabeth Middle School.

"This year the race is capped at 1,000 entries and 800 runners are expected," said organizer and Cape resident, Bob Ayotte.

Scott Dyer Road will be closed for about 25 minutes, beginning at 9 a.m. for the safety of the runners.

Ayotte noted this will be the first time in three years the Turkey Trot does not face head to head competition with the Santa Hustle which takes place at the Maine Mall. This year's Santa Hustle will take place on Sunday, Dec. 4.

Representatives of Wayside will be at the race and runners are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item.

In addition to Fleet Feet Maine Running, the race sponsors are Hannaford, Target, Poland Springs and Cape Chiropractic and Acupuncture.

To register, volunteer or get more involved with the race, call Ayotte at 799-3649.

CEHS Sailing Team Fundraiser

From Oct. 2 to Nov. 16, the Cape Elizabeth High School sailing team is having its first fundraiser of the season. They have partnered with Schwan's Cares (a home frozen food delivery service) from today through Nov. 16 for a larger percentage of sales (20 to 40 percent) and five percent of sales for the next 45 days after that.

Their goal is \$2,000 for this fundraiser. As a club sport, funds raised currently go to boat deposit fees, regatta fees, travel costs for away regattas, a little extra stipend for the coach, end of season recognition awards and hopefully in the future to other sailing related expenses to lower the cost of entry for those wanting to sail.

See a current Cape Elizabeth sailor (from 8th through 12th grade) for information on their personal fundraising page, or if you don't know a current sailor, the link to the CEHS Sailing Regatta Fund fundraising page is:

<http://www.schwans-cares.com/c/29324>
Campaign ID: 29324

CEHS to host robotics tournament

On Nov. 19th, Cape Elizabeth High School will host a VEX Robotics Tournament in the high school gym.

Qualifying rounds are played from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.. The finalist rounds are played from approximately 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The public is invited to come watch Cape Elizabeth Middle School and High School teams compete with over 30 robots from all over Maine. Entry is free. Enjoy lunch or a snack at the concession stand to support Cape Robotics.

Thomas Memorial Library seeks to connect Cape residents with people around the world

Thomas Memorial Library has been receiving postcards from random people around the world—and sending them to other people around the world as well.

It's through a nonprofit organization called Postcrossing. The goal of Postcrossing is simple, "Allow people to receive postcards from all over the world." For every postcard one sends to a "postcrosser," one receives a postcard from another random "postcrosser."

The library set up an account several months ago, and to date has sent 20 postcards and received 21, from places as diverse as Belarus, Ireland, Malaysia and Australia. Library users can view the postcards the library has received on a big world map in the library lobby.

Although the library set up an account as an organization, the bulk of Postcrossing users are individuals or families, and anyone can set up a free account.

It is great hobby for retirees, as well as

individuals, couples and families. It's a great way for children to learn about other countries and cultures, and a fun way to connect with other good-hearted people around the world.

If members of the public are interested in learning about Postcrossing, the library's participation in it, or how to set up one's own account, library users can attend a presentation at the library with Children's Librarian & Assistant Director Rachel Davis on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. in the library's Community Room.

The presentation is for adults, as well as middle and high school students, and families with school-aged kids. Rachel Davis hopes to set up an intergenerational library Postcrossing Club in which members either participate in the library's account, or bring in postcards they have received through their own accounts; participants could also share and swap blank postcards as well.

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Reminding that students have no school on election day

With high voter turnout expected next week on election day, school officials in Cape Elizabeth have decided to cancel classes that day.

Cape Elizabeth High School is used as the polling place, as are schools in many communities throughout the state.

Because of heavy traffic and other safety concerns, classes have been canceled for students at all three schools.

“The reality of trying to accommodate the election and to have a student day with all of those activities and so forth, it would be really logistically difficult to accommodate both,” Cape Elizabeth town clerk Debra Lane said.

School officials in Cape Elizabeth have moved a teacher workshop day to that date, meaning teachers will still have to go to work, but students will have the day off.

Cape Elizabeth is not alone in closing down schools on Nov. 8 to accommodate voters. Several districts throughout the state are taking the same action.

Cape Rotarians honor Bath Savings for role in helping to replace flagpole at Portland Head Light

Bath Savings Institution was honored at a dedication ceremony at Fort Williams Park for their role in helping replace the flagpole at Portland Head Light.

A portion of the proceeds from their major sponsorship of South Portland WinterFest-2016 paid for the newly installed flagpole, which is located directly in front of Portland Head Light. WinterFest is an annual partnership event between the City of South Portland and the Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth.

“We are proud to be part of the South Portland and Cape Elizabeth communities,” commented Anne Marie McCoubrey, Vice President and Branch Manager at Bath Savings, 225 Ocean Street branch. “And what an honor it is to have our name be a part of the flagpole at Portland Head Light.”

“WinterFest would not be the same without Bath’s involvement,” commented Tony Wagner, past Chair of WinterFest. “A spot like this, which is meticulously maintained by the citizens of Cape Elizabeth, deserves to fly its flags on a showplace structure like this new pole. Bath Savings Institution helped make it happen.”

Left to right: Tony Wagner SP-CE Rotary, Jeanne Gross- Portland Head Light Museum Manager, Ellie Speh- SP-CE Rotary, Sara Piper- Bath Savings Institution, Commercial Loan Officer, Anne Marie McCoubrey- Bath Savings Institution, Vice President and Branch Manager, Bill Anderson- SP-CE Rotary - Club President, Bev Altenburg- SP-CE Rotary - Chair of WinterFest 2017.



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Methodist Church to host public supper

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host a Public Supper on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., featuring casseroles, beans, salads, breads and pies.

Prices will be \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for families. Take-out will be available.

The church is located at 280 Ocean House Road (Route 77) in Cape Elizabeth.

Holly Daze Bazaar at First Congregational

Holly Daze Bazaar, Saturday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the First Congregational Church of South Portland at 301 Cottage Rd.

Wreaths, gifts, baked goods, Grandma's Attic and much more. The luncheon at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. will feature haddock chowder, lobster and crab meat rolls, chicken salad rolls and apple crisp. Handicap accessible.

New Youth Minister at St. Bartholomew Church

Christina King is the new Youth Minister for high school youth at St. Bartholomew parish.

Christina has just moved to Maine from Atlanta, GA with her husband Bryan. She has a Bachelor's degree in education and special education from Young Harris College and Georgia Gwinnett College.

She has experience working with children and youth, some with disabilities, in many camp settings and religious settings. Christina is excited to meet the high school teens from St. Bartholomew and accompany them on their journey of faith.

Come to our first orientation session on Sunday, Sep. 18th noon to 1:30 pm in the Teen Room at St. Bartholomew Church, 8 Two Lights Road in Cape Elizabeth.

To find out more about Youth Ministry, please contact Christina King at Christina.King@portlanddiocese.org or 799-5528.



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Sunday Morning Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Awana Clubs (Grades 3-8): Tuesday, 6:20 p.m.

First Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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Worship: 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

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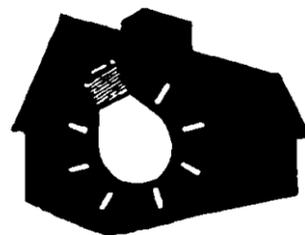
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gerous precedent in terms of intruding on people's fundamental ability to enjoy their property with some security and some peace," she said.

Councilor Jessica Sullivan voted with Councilors Jamie Garvin, Kathy Ray and Molly MacAuslan in extending the town's rights. Sullivan said that she didn't see this as a private property issue since these are recorded paper streets and that the abutting properties were bought with full knowledge of their existence.

"As Town Councilors," said Sullivan, "our jobs are to protect the assets and the interests of a town as a whole for the good of the community."

Councilor Jamie Garvin advocated for extending the town's rights to allow the Conservation Committee time to study the benefits and appropriateness of incorporating the paper streets into the Greenbelt trail system.

"If we vacate the rights they are gone forever," said he noted.

The council voted unanimously to direct the Conservation Committee to review the rationale for the Shore Acre paper streets to be included as part of the Greenbelt and report back with recommendations.

Another paper street that had drawn attention from abutting homeowners was Thompson Road that runs parallel to Beach Bluff Terrace and abuts the backyards of several properties.

Councilors voted to vacate rights to most of the road. However, the town's rights to the first 750 feet of road were extended. Part of this section was approved previously to be developed as driveway access to Shore Road for two homes, and potentially could be developed further.

Superintendent

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1st and 2nd week of January: Advisory Screening Committee training and application review/screening

3rd and 4th week of January: Interview Committee conducts first round / semi-finalist Interviews

1st and 2nd week of February: Finalist(s) interviews(s)

4th week of February and 1st week of March: Visiting Team makes site visit(s) to finalist(s) home district(s)

2nd week of March: Finalist(s) visit Cape Elizabeth (school tours and meet/greet with stakeholders)

Late March: Hire new Superintendent
Thank you for your interest and participation in the process. I am confident that together we will find a top-notch leader for our schools.

Kind regards,
Elizabeth Scifres
Chairperson, Cape Elizabeth School Board"

Inhorn

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Dr. Borlaug often stated, "I am certain that these students will become the future agricultural, scientific and humanitarian leaders in the fight to end hunger."

At the Global Youth Institute, Inhorn interacted with students and teachers from Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, as well as Canada, China, India, Mexico, Pakistan, Philippines and Tunisia.

Artist

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very fortunate that by keeping my head down and painting only what I liked has opened the door to selling my work, as this relieves the artist of the unavoidable guilt of creating only for the sake of creating. Selling my paintings has felt freeing, and there's no greater gift in my process than being granted 'permission' to follow what is otherwise a pretty uncertain path."

Of outside influences, she said, "My incredibly talented fellow artist, friend, and creative soul, Susana Measelle Hubbs, also a Cape resident, taught me how to use oil paints and her own work planted a deep desire in me to try painting. We painted together in her house, and then shared a studio for a while at Running with Scissors in Portland, which I would not have had the courage to do without her. And my friend, Jayne Hanley, also an artist and dear friend of mine, is unabashedly supportive of my growth as a human and as an artist. Everything I have dabbled in that has led me to right now, she's either been a creative partner in, or a solid sounding board and friend to lean on. And, Kate Anker, owner of Running With Scissors, who one day told me my paintings were worth something. Literally and figuratively. That was a turning point in how I viewed myself as an artist."

Fisher said the one thing that would help her the most in her art will come as no surprise to most creative people. "I have as much self doubt and I grapple with my work and purpose as any other artist, or any other human. But maybe it's this exact wrestling with purpose and confidence that is the breeding ground for creativity. If by waving a magic wand, I could be granted the quieting of the little voice that tells me I should quit now before I embar-

ass myself, that would be cool."

The first time she earned money through her art was during a group show at Running With Scissors, when a family member made a purchase. She said, "It was a profound experience. Extremely validating. I am honored still. And the second piece I sold, another landscape, sold to a complete stranger. Both were very confirming, important transactions for different reasons. I had zero expectation of sales. So this was very new for me."

Given the chance to go anywhere to focus solely on her art for a month, she said, "I actually love home, and since what inspires me is being alone and having the time and space to be alone to explore, a gift month would be on the top floor of some old beautiful building nearby with giant windows, all the walls painted white, sun streaming in. A place where I could have total silence or crank music, make a mess, sing out loud, maybe dance like a weirdo, as I work on the puzzle that each big canvas presents. And then go home to my family to sleep it off, and begin again the next day."

People can see Fisher's art by going to her website, lauriefisherstudio.com

Her work is also available on Serena & Lily's curated online art gallery: www.serenaandlily.com/art. Fisher said, "Locally, anyone is always welcome to pop into my Studio at 505 Ocean Street, Route 77 on the corner of Sawyer, in South Portland, where I share a space with Bronwyn Huffard of Huffard House interior design and, Ocean House Gallery in Cape Elizabeth will likely have a few ongoing select pieces to see or purchase."



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Paddling at Crescent Beach beneath the eagles



Photo by Frank Governali

While taking a picture of his wife, Terry Ann Scriven, and niece, Mariah Scriven, paddle boarding at Crescent Beach on Thursday Oct. 28, Frank Governali managed to catch this bald eagle flying by with its morning meal.



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