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## Happy Birthday to us!

## The Cape Courier turns 30!

By Marta Girouard

Many, if not most, residents know about *The Cape Courier's* beginnings. Founder Ellen Van Fleet felt there was a lack of a newspaper specific to the Cape Elizabeth community. She and a dedicated team, everyone volunteers at the start, worked together to produce the first issue on March 5, 1988. Wendy Derzawiec, who still writes for the paper and is its webmaster, was the first editor. Headquarters originally was an upstairs bedroom in Jan Soland's house, which resulted in the paper being incorporated as "Upstairs, Inc."

Putting a paper together back then was much more labor intensive than it is today. Without email, cell phones, or Internet, it was created painstakingly by hand. Articles had to be typed and photos were developed from film, printed, and then scanned. Once content was ready, layout involved manually positioning the articles onto a paste-up board. Today, content is created and shared with the click of a mouse.

Although technology has changed how the paper is produced, staff and volunteers have remained true and committed to the mission of *The Cape Courier*. That mission is to foster a sense of community by presenting news specific and unique to Cape Elizabeth or its residents; and, whenever possible, to promote volunteerism within the community. We've reached out to some of those involved with the paper to share meaningful or fun memories from their time at the paper.

**Elizabeth Brogan: Former writer, community editor, editor, and board member**

"I loved putting the letters page together and always appreciated those people willing to openly speak out on important issues. That page was really a continuing story about the town. I also loved looking at all the great photos from our volunteer photographers, especially the nature photos that Martha Agan would send me for every edition. It was hard to choose which photos to run on our limited pages, but probably also the most fun part of the job

"Working at the *Courier* was a great way to connect to other people in town. I made some of my dearest friends through the *Courier*. I love newspapers and I always felt proud to be a part of this one."

**Wendy Derzawiec: Former editor, writer since first issue and webmaster since 1997**

"I enjoyed meeting and getting to know people who I still know today. I can say hi to people and think of how I first met them through the *Courier* somehow. Either they were typists or proofreaders, or I interviewed them for a story or something. There



*The Cape Courier's* first issue, dated March 5, 1988. Throughout this current issue are images from that first volume, researched by *Courier* reporter Marta Girouard. The staff and board, past and present, share heartfelt gratitude for three decades of wonderful community support.

are a lot of very kind and generous people in this town.

**"In the beginning we didn't have layout software, we had to type articles and headlines and bring them to Portland to be set in columns."**

-Wendy Derzawiec

"In the beginning we didn't have layout software, we had to type articles and headlines and bring them to Portland to be set in columns. You couldn't tell exactly how the copy was going to fit; you had to count characters and guess. I had written an article on an ordinance requiring voice command of dogs in town, but I messed up the count on the headline and it didn't cover the whole article. So when I looked at it, instead of seeing 'Law stops short of full leash' all I could see was 'Hed stops short of full length.'"

I also recall how one time I had thrown my back out and our publisher (and founder) Ellen Van Fleet dutifully sat next to my bed and drew the layouts as I (flat on my back) told her where to put things. It wasn't funny at the time, but now it's kind of funny."

**Bob Dodd: Former editor, Current writer and board member**

"Mary Takach, who worked with me as community editor, came up with a great idea for our Valentine's Day issue to en-

courage people to tell stories about how they and their spouse or partner met, to be called 'How We Met.' One day, Mary came into the office and asked if we had received any 'how we mets.' Puzzled by her question, I asked, 'Who is Howie Metz?' Thus the 'Howie Metz Stories for Valentine's Day' feature was born.

"After the tragic death of a Cape Elizabeth teen in a car accident, we encouraged various people in the community to contribute articles on teen drinking from their personal and professional perspectives: the police chief, a teacher, a parent, a fellow student. The series, which ran over several issues, won Day One's Community Leadership award."

**Diane Brakeley: Former paste-up volunteer, proof-reader, writer, formatter, ad manager, publisher**

"My favorite part of working on the paper was the people. Going in on proofing day was fun - being with a group of smart women (and occasionally a man), talking about the stories, and the finer points of grammar and punctuation. Everyone wanted the paper to be the best it could be.

"Still my best memory of the paper happened before it even was a newspaper. I had the great fortune of moving in across the street from Ellen Van Fleet when we first moved here 31 years ago. We had kids about the same ages and became fast friends. I'll never forget the day Ellen told me she wanted to start a community newspaper. My father had worked for a daily newspaper and that's what I envisioned - deafening printing presses with lots of black ink. I remember saying, 'That's nice' and all the while thinking, 'Are you nuts?' Ellen is the only person I know who could have pulled it off!"

**Debbie Butterworth: Former board member, writer since first issue**

"I've had the opportunity to interview some really interesting people. Kenyan runners who won the Beach to Beacon, a lady who had a vast collection of light-houses, Cub Scouts who participated in the Pinewood Derby, and resident Henry Adams, who was spotlighted as a 'typical Mainer' for a nationally televised Superbowl ad. And then there was the story

**"It's hard to remember a time when we didn't have the Courier..."**

-Debbie Butterworth

about Dan Brown, an EMT from our ambulance crew, who happened to be at a circus event in Portland when a man suffered a heart attack. Dan performed CPR until the ambulance arrived. The surprising aspect was that the man was a performer and dressed as a clown, complete with floppy shoes and big red nose!

"It's hard to remember a time when we didn't have the *Courier* to share not only information about events in our little town, but also to provide a sense of community, a common bond that connects everyone and reminds us every couple of weeks that we're all connected in some way as we read articles about what seniors are doing, local

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## Residents write message on Crescent Beach



Photo by Martha Agan

Friends and neighbors gathered at Crescent Beach on Sunday, Feb. 5, before low tide and scraped RESIST! in the sand. The 20' tall letters are under the flight path to the Jetport. We were inspired by Gary Allen's Resist protest on Sand Beach at Acadia.

It felt good to work together, to claim

our resistance. We all have concerns. For me, it's this: Our government has been run by big business for decades, and it's hit a point of critical mass. The oil industry, big banks and billionaires bought themselves cabinet seats. The current administration is gutting the EPA, removing key provisions from the Affordable Care Act, damaging our international relationships, removing Wall Street regulations and much more. Trump's 17 cabinet picks have a higher net worth than 1/3 of Americans combined! They don't care about what we need, or what is good for our families.

We the people are waking up. We will fight for our country. The resistance has begun.

Kate Wolf

**CORRECTION**  
 In the Feb. 8, 2017 we mistakenly misspelled the name of one of our volunteer subscribers in our 'Thank You' section above: Diane and Chuck Brakeley. We appologize for the error.

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Please note the new email address to contact us for community issues and events:



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## Thank you, Pom's Thai Taste

Monday night, Feb. 6, we went out to supper, feeling badly and not wanting to cook.

Fine dinner, delicious, but we walked out leaving a purse on the floor next to our table, not noticing our oversight.

The next morning: Gone! Serious panic set in. Realizing my mistake, I drove over to the restaurant, to find a very kind gentleman, who had carefully put the purse to one side until I returned to claim it.

He could not have been nicer. THANK YOU Pom's Thai Taste, on Cottage Road.

We are very lucky, to have such fine businesses serving our small town.

This great establishment has been here many years now, and we are twice blessed:

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Walden S. Morton



Photo by Martha Agan

*A lone figure goes for a stroll on the beach during the recent snow storm.*

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# Then and Now: Winter at the corner of Ocean House Road and Spurwink Avenue

By Marta Girouard



Photo courtesy of Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society



Photo by Marta Girouard

Although snow comes with the territory when you live in New England, it's safe to say that the recent round of snowstorms has many yearning for spring. At least we are fortunate to get through winter with modern day inventions like car heating, and snowplows quickly clearing the snow off roads. This was not the case a hundred years ago. The photo on the left, taken sometime around the turn of the last century, is the corner of Ocean House Road at Spurwink Avenue looking toward today's town center (same intersection today on right). Getting around town often meant walking, and snowshoes definitely came in handy. At that time, the town organized teams of men to go around on horse drawn sleighs with wooden runners, digging out various areas after a snowstorm. Horse drawn rollers also were used. These were like a flat barrel on its side that was filled with water, which froze, therefore making it heavy. Instead of pushing the snow away as is done today with snowplows, snow was flattened with the roller.

## CEHPS presents Cape Elizabeth: The Postcard View

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society presents Cape Elizabeth: The Postcard View, with Kevin Johnson on Monday, March 6, 7 p.m. in the Community Center, 345 Ocean House Road.

Johnson is a photo archivist for the Penobscot Marine Museum in Searsport. He will present postcard selections from the Eastern Illustrating & Publishing Co. The slide show and talk will highlight historical views of Cape Elizabeth and

surrounding towns. A short film about the postcard company will be shown. The vast collection is being digitized and can be viewed at: [www.Penobscot-MarineMuseum.org](http://www.Penobscot-MarineMuseum.org).

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# My Cape Elizabeth: Rob Knott, Superintendent at Purpoodock Club

# Local writers to read

By Marta Girouard

We may still be in the throes of winter, but Rob Knott, golf course superintendent at Purpoodock Club, is focusing on the warmer days ahead. He and his staff spend all winter preparing for the on-season. This includes mitigating shade conditions, managing tree growth, maintaining ice accumulation, and getting equipment ready. "Adaptability is the key to this job," said Knott. "You go into work on a daily basis with plans A, B, and C, but the elements have other intentions and you go with plans X, Y, and Z."

Knott developed a love for the game at a young age. "My grandmother was sick with cancer and going to play a round of golf with my grandfather was a way to take our mind off things," said Knott. In high school, he saw an ad in the paper for a job at Prouts Neck Golf Course, and worked there for six seasons while going to USM to study psychology and criminology. He played golf for USM, and when done with school, decided he wanted to pursue golf maintenance as a career.

Knott chose North Carolina State University, highly regarded for its degree in turf grass management. While in school and working his way up the ranks at various courses, he met his wife Joy through a mutual friend. They eloped and honeymooned in Europe, and after living in Raleigh for a few years, made their way back up the East Coast, where Knott worked as Senior Assistant Superintendent at a



Photo by Marta Girouard

Rob Knott, golf course superintendent at Purpoodock Club, loves his work and he and his family try to enjoy some outdoor time every day.

course in Rhode Island. He has been superintendent at Purpoodock since 2014.

The course usually opens sometime in April. Knott knows about a week or so ahead of time and then watches the weather, which can delay opening. "The springs here are usually much colder due to the ocean," Knott said. "I mostly look for the course to be dry enough as the soil is very soft and the turf is vulnerable to damage coming out of winter with no real chance to repair itself that early."

Knott's crew grows from about 4 in the off-season to around 16 in the on-season. During golf season, the team's days are spent mowing, setting up the golf course, and moving holes and tees, all discreetly

managed while the grounds are in use. Another important part of keeping the course in shape is aerification, which is the process of creating air space in the soil to promote a healthy rooting system for the turf.

"My 'office' everyday is outdoors and I love it. I come into work early and enjoy walking around Purpoodock as the day is beginning," said Knott. A love of the outdoors is something he finds equally important outside of work. With all the natural beauty that Cape Elizabeth has to offer, Knott and his wife and their three children, Francheska (5), Julian (3) and Phineas (1) make sure to enjoy a little bit of it each day.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Local Writers at The Local Buzz continues its monthly reading series featuring Maine writers reading original fiction, nonfiction and poetry. The Local Buzz café and wine bar will host two Portland area writers: author Shonna Milliken Humphrey, and poet Duff Plunkett. Located at 327 Ocean House Road in Cape Elizabeth, The Local Buzz events are co-hosted by poets Marcia F. Brown and Linda Aldrich.

Shonna Milliken Humphrey is a Maine writer who also teaches, advises groups how to improve systems, and offers development consultation. Her first novel, *Show Me Good Land* was a semi-finalist for the 2012 VCU Cabell Award, and her essays have appeared in *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times*, *Salon*, *Down East*, and *Maine* magazines. For two years, Shonna contributed to The Maine Sunday Telegram as a food writer. She holds an MFA from Bennington College and provides writing, editing, marketing, development, coaching, and grant writing services to individuals and organizations. Her latest book, *Dirt Roads and Diner Pie* is a memoir that chronicles a month-long road trip through the southern United States with her husband as they deal with the repercussions of the child sex abuse he saw, heard, feared, and experienced while a student at New Jersey's American Boychoir School.

Duff Plunkett is a poet with long connections to the New England region of the U.S., he has traveled widely for schooling, leisure, work and just plain edification. His books of poetry are *MUSEUM: Poetry about Art and Artists* (2016); *Left Brain-Right Brain* (2007); *The Butter Poems* (1996); and *Strike Back Cover* (1986). He has written poems in the French, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, and Turkish languages. In his most recent book, *MUSEUM*, about two-thirds of the poems were written in front of artwork in different museums around the world, in imitation of Impressionist technique. Some of the poems are "calligrams" or "picture poems."

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](http://www.localbuzzcafe.com)

## Sullivan makes dean's list

Conner Sullivan a 2015 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate son of Joanne and Dan Sullivan made the fall semester dean's list at Stetson University in Deland, Florida.

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# Upgraded security system gets national recognition

By Marta Girouard



Photo by Marta Girouard

Ed Hunt, Clerk at the Cape Elizabeth Police Department, using the card reader system

Cape Elizabeth was recently featured in an in-depth article on a security and safety news website about the town's upgraded security access control system. "It was nice to be recognized on a national level," said Greg Marles, Director of Facilities and Transportation in town.

Marles's main responsibilities include managing all of the facilities and transportation for the town and schools, field use, and building leases in Cape Elizabeth. When he joined the facilities department almost seven years ago, his position did not exist. The access con-

trol database was prone to issues and outdated. A couple years ago a system update added more door systems and cameras to the existing structure, but it was still difficult to use. It required extensive management of cards, keys, and doors, and the surveillance system posed problems with reliability and playback.

"We are aware of today's increasing security needs for the schools and town facilities," Marles said. Working with Advance Technology Inc. (ATI) of Scarborough, Maine, the multi-phase project was started by upgrading access control

at the three schools in town. Over the course of a year, the Fire Department, Police Station, Public Works, and Town Hall also were added to the access control database. All of these buildings now operate on a single, integrated access control system using card readers for entry, and there are now 90 cameras in the community, which stream video back to the main server. Marles and the police chief have remote access to them and the recorded video feeds.

There were a number of other enhancements as part of the installation to further reinforce security and safety needs. For example, when a fire alarm went off, all access control cardholders were able to walk back into the building. One of ATI's engineers provided a solution by integrating the access control system with the fire alarm system so that only specific cards could enter the building after a fire alarm until authorized individuals reset the system. Another enhancement was integrating cameras and intercoms at each entrance in all the schools. The cameras feed video back to five different locations so that multiple users can respond to intercom activity. All visitors are verified with video and audio conversation before being granted entry.

Future goals include expanding the system to cover more access points and to eventually eliminate the need for keys throughout the schools and town buildings. According to Marles, there will always be some sort level of upgrades in the future as technology and security needs increase. "It will be easier to do that with everyone on the same 'backbone,'" Marles said.

# CELT events

## Good Night, Cape Elizabeth: New Date

Children ages 2 to 6 (with an adult) are invited to the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust office to enjoy a bedtime hour about porcupines in Maine, our "prickly friends." Join Children's Librarian, Rachel Davis, author Lyn Davis, and CELT volunteer, Jill Darling for stories, a craft, and a brief visit outdoors to see what animal signs we might find in winter. Come in your pajamas, and bring a snack.

Tuesday, March 7, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

CELT office, 330 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth

\$6 per parent & 1 child, each additional child \$3.

## Night Time Owl Talk

Join Cape Elizabeth Land Trust volunteers Erika Carlson Rhile, Lisa Gent and Tony Owens as we learn about owls that reside in Cape Elizabeth. The evening will consist of a talk with slides and audio taped owl calls at CELT's office. If the weather permits we will head outside on the property and use an audiotape of owl calls, while trying to locate owls by sound and sight.

Thursday, March 9, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

CELT Office, 330 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth

\$6 per person.

Please register through Cape Elizabeth Community Services. [www.capecommunityservices.org](http://www.capecommunityservices.org). Participants who register 48 hours in advance of the program will receive notification of changes or cancellation. All proceeds go to Cape Elizabeth Land Trust.

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The Town of Cape Elizabeth is seeking to fill the position of Tree Warden.

The Tree Warden works closely with Town staff, standing boards, citizens and contractors on the care and management of trees located on public ways, forested lands and other public areas owned by the Town. Individuals interested in this position should have a combination of training and/or demonstrated experience in the arts and sciences of municipal arboriculture, ornamental or landscape horticulture and urban forestry practices. Applicants shall have excellent oral and written communication skills, the knowledge to administer a budget associated with the care of the Town's tree maintenance program and the ability to perform duties on a flexible schedule. Successful applicant shall possess the ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) or the ability to obtain such qualification within one year of appointment. This is a stipend position (\$3,950/year), which reports directly to the Director of Public Works.

A letter of interest, application and resume is requested no later than Friday, March 10, 2017 to,

Robert C. Malley, Director of Public Works, Cape Elizabeth Public Works Department, 10 Cooper Drive, Cape Elizabeth, Maine 04107

# Enjoying the trails...

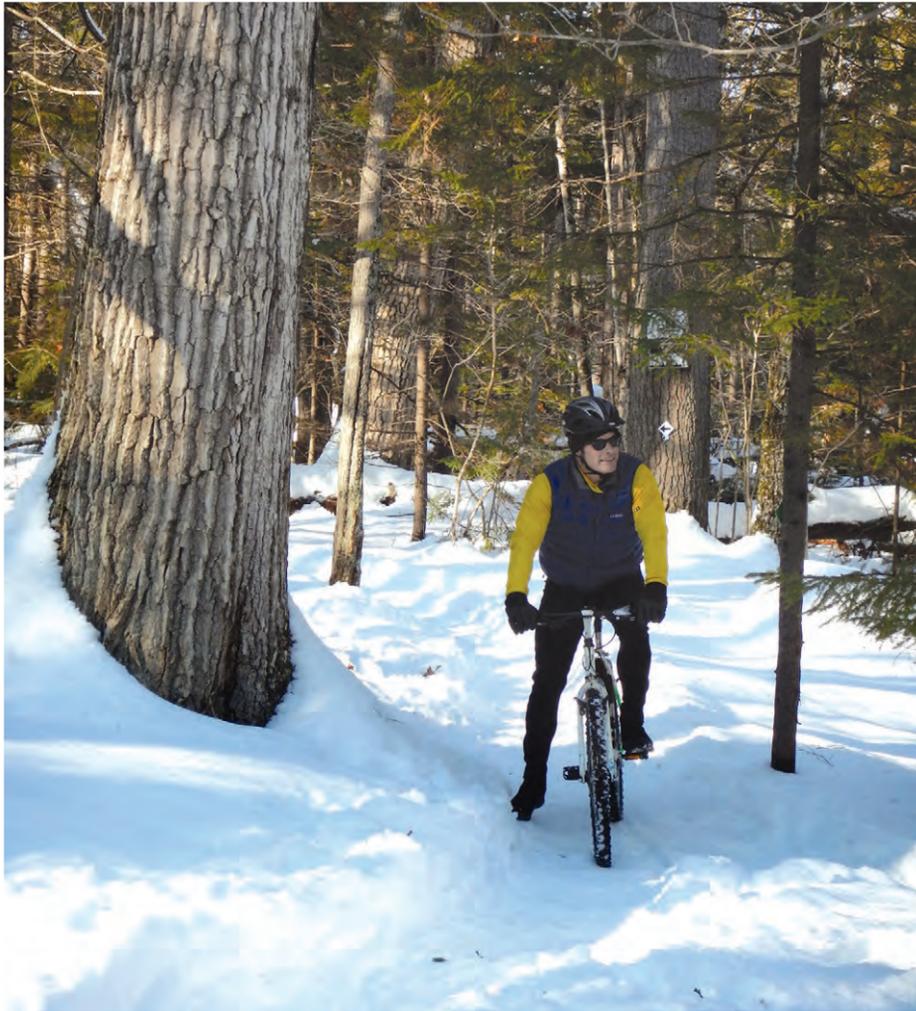


Photo by Martha Agan

Tom Newhall on the trails of Robinson Woods. With fresh snow, and unusually warm temperatures, many people got outside for some fun.

# Searching for food...



Photo by Martha Agan

Red-bellied woodpeckers are not well named. They have bright red on the back of the head and no obvious red on their bellies. Once rare in Maine, there has been a recent surge in their numbers.



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One of about a dozen species of owls in Maine, the barred owl is relatively large at 18 to 20 inches. It flies silently at night, hunting small animals such as rodents, frogs and birds.

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### Indian exchange students at CEHS



Exchange students from the Taktse International School in Sikkim, India and their Cape host students. They were here from Jan 3rd to Feb 6th. Names left to right are below. This is the second annual visit from the school.

L-to-R: Madison Sarka, Rinzing Ariel Chingapa, Rheah Oberoi, Helen Vaughan, Yonten Namgyal, Chase Kozlowski

### CEHS students part of annual Berklee High School Jazz Fest



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## CEMS students to perform Wonka JR.



Photo by Joanne Lee

The students at Cape Elizabeth Middle School are rehearsing to perform Roald Dahl's *Wonka JR.* Please join this cast and crew of 90 plus students as they present the timeless story of the world-famous candy man and his quest to find an heir to his chocolate fortune. Show times are Friday, March 10, at 7 pm, Saturday, March 11, at 2 pm and 7 pm and Sunday, March 12, at 2 pm. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults.

## STEAM festival looking for support, volunteers

On Friday, June 2, Cape Elizabeth Middle School will be filled with over 50 hands-on learning activities centered around Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM) led by teachers, business leaders, community outreach educators and volunteers.

This event is for the entire CEMS student body for the entire school day. Students are fortunate to live in an area surrounded by scientific research and advancement, as well as a highly educated community.

The festival's primary goal is simple: to inspire. The committee hopes students will be engaged, excited by the exhibits, and leave the experience with a last impression on the importance of being curious.

Innovation continues to be a key component to progress, and the hope is to inspire middle school students in preparation for future jobs that may not yet exist by showcasing the joy of engaging in STEAM ac-

tivities.

The goal is to have students experience the process of asking hard, curiosity-seeking questions, as well as the drive and thrill of chasing down answers to those questions.

Students will also be encouraged to discover the use of STEAM in everyday life, including music, dance and sports. In other words, to be inspired by STEAM next time they are on the field and thinking about the probability of winning the game.

The public is asked to support the mission sparking curiosity, building a community event and inspiring the next generation of scientists, technologists, engineers, artists and mathematicians.

The effort is just shy of a few thousand dollars of reaching our budget goal. Please consider sponsoring the event or making a tax-deductible donation. Every dollar helps as they prepare to buy material/supplies for the stations.

Also sought are those with a STEAM background to come teach for the day. This includes local college students who want to give back to their childhood alma mater or a retiree, a hobbyist or a tinkerer. A station will be created based on the volunteer's interest or a volunteer can help run an existing station.

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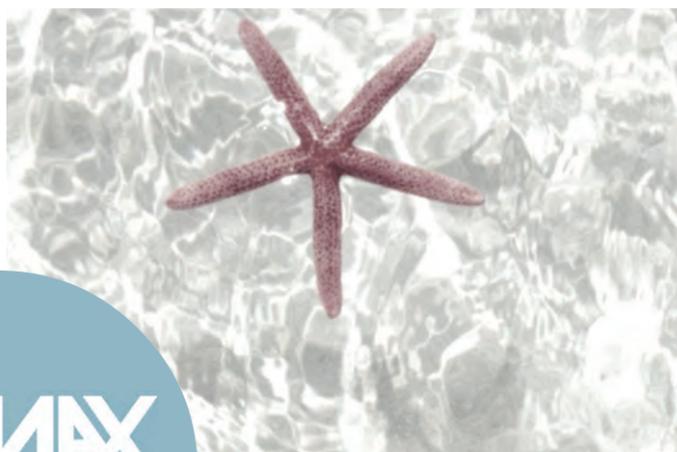
## Gray-Bauer makes dean's list

Helen Gray-Bauer, a Cape Elizabeth resident and 2015 graduate of Waynflete School, made the fall semester dean's honors list at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, NY. Gray-Bauer is completing a double major in Neuroscience and Music.

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## Drawing by Pond Cove Elementary School student chosen for display at Portland Museum of Art



Photo by Marta Girouard

Pond Cove Elementary School third grade student Ella Reeve's color pencil drawing (Crazy Hair) has been chosen to be exhibited at the Portland Museum of Art for Youth Art Month.

In celebration of National Youth Art Month during the month of March, the Portland Museum of Art (PMA), in collaboration with the Maine Art Education Association, has organized an exhibition of artwork created by Maine art students.

The PMA's exhibition is on view from March 1st through April 2nd. The exhibit will showcase more than 100 works of art by students throughout the state, from elementary school through high school.

All participating students will receive certificates of recognition. An exhibition celebration will be held at the PMA on Saturday, March 11, from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

## From our first volume- Cape sports teams, a history of winning



The gold ball is raised high above the Cape Elizabeth squad as the boys take the Class B state basketball championships. Fingers crossed for another deep run into the playoffs, as the Cape boys sit in third place this season. Perhaps members of this 1988 team will even be in the stands cheering the 2017 squad on.

## The Cape Courier to hold 30th Anniversary Celebration

To celebrate the 30th volume of *The Cape Courier*, the public is invited to attend a celebration hosted by the evening's sponsor, The Local Buzz, on March 2, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. We will fete 30 years of professional and compassionate commu-

nity-oriented reporting. The evening will include music, food, a raffle, and 30 years worth of fond memories shared by past and present staff, volunteers, newsmakers and loyal readers. The Local Buzz is located at 327 Ocean House Road in Cape Elizabeth.



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# Thomas Memorial Library offering children's music, talk on 'fake news,' loons and more

## Library offers February vacation programs for kids

When school is not in session, the new TML After School Hangout will not take place, although the popular Creativity Lab for elementary and middle school students will still take place on Wednesday, Feb. 22 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. No registration is necessary.

The library is also offering a special workshop for kids in grades 5 and up on creating "Curiosity Cabinets," wooden boxes used to display and classify found objects from nature, such as stones, feathers, animal bones, and other curiosities. The library will provide a variety of wooden cigar boxes (generously donated by Old Port Spirits & Cigars in Portland, and Cafe Calabash in South Portland) for kids to use for creating their curiosity cabinets. Participants are encouraged to bring in collections of items they have found to get started. The program will take place on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 2:30

p.m., and requires advance registration on the library's website.

## Library family favorite, Rob Duquette, to perform

Children's musician Rob Duquette will return to the library on Friday, Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m. for a family concert. Rob has lots of young fans at the library from his monthly world music concerts in the past. He will sing new songs and old favorites for kids and families. All are welcome!

## Chet Lunner to speak about "Fake News"

Cape resident and seasoned journalist Chet Lunner will discuss the state of journalism today and how to sort through the myriad of information sources to find the truth. He will speak from his own perspective and experiences, and then engage with participants in a discussion. Lunner is a former reporter, newspaper editor and cor-

respondent who was the founding president of the Society of Professional Journalists, Maine Chapter. He is also a retired senior intelligence executive with the Department of Homeland Security. The talk will take place on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.



Resident and journalist, Chet Lunner

## Series of screenings of Lincoln Center performances begins with Romeo & Juliet

The library has begun a new partnership with Lincoln Center Local, an initiative to bring exclusive free screenings of Lincoln Center's finest performances directly audiences in local communities. The library plans to offer these screenings on a monthly basis. The first event will be the "Lincoln Center at the Movies: Great American Dance" screening of "San Francisco Ballet: Romeo and Juliet," recorded at the War Memorial Opera House in San Francisco on May 7, 2015. With its passionate choreography, spine-tingling swordsmanship, and celebrated score by Sergei Prokofiev, this colorful and emotional retelling of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet has packed houses around the world. Helgi Tomasson's bravura interpretation of the Bard's greatest tragedy "lifts Shakespeare's complex and familiar language off the gilded pages and translates it into lucid classical choreography that is visceral, fresh, and ultimately sublime." (Huffington Post) The screening will take place in the library's Community Room on Saturday, February 25 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available. All are welcome!

## Learn about loons

In the March entry in the library's Maine Wildlife Lecture Series, Cape resident and wildlife research biologist Carrie Gray will discuss Maine's distinctive water bird, the

loon. As a research specialist in the Center for Loon Conservation at the Biodiversity Research Institute, Carrie she has focused on capture and satellite deployment efforts of Red-throated Loons along the Mid-Atlantic Coast, and monitoring the mercury levels of breeding Common Loons in the Northeast and Canadian Maritime provinces. The talk will take place in the library's Community Room on Thursday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m.

## Special Baby Doll Story Time to be filmed

Children's librarian Rachel Davis will be doing a presentation at a conference on the library's innovative Baby Doll Story Time program. As part of the presentation, she plans to show a short documentary film about the program. CEHS senior Kyle Long will be working on the documentary film as part of a library internship. Families with children ages 2 to 5 who would like to participate in the documentary can register for the special session of Baby Doll Story Time, which will take place on Saturday, March 4 at 10:30 a.m. For complete details and registration information, please visit the library's website.

## Film, "To Light a Candle," to be shown

Last month, Humanitarian Parivash Rohani, presented a talk on "Glimpses of Iran." In March, she returns to facilitate a free screening of the film, "To Light a Candle" (2014, ) the story of the triumph of knowledge over intolerance. The Baha'is are Iran's largest religious minority. They are persecuted because of their faith, and barred from teaching and studying at university. But Baha'is do teach, and do study. The Baha'i Institute for Higher Education (BIHE) was established in 1987 to give young Baha'is a chance to pursue knowledge and receive a quality education. The informal courses take place in people's homes, via mail correspondence, and with online lectures. The Iranian government regularly raids BIHE classes and arrests its students and teachers. Hundreds of Baha'is have been jailed sim-

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# Library

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ply for teaching and studying at BIHE. Yet, many Muslim Iranians support the right of the Baha'is to higher education and fight for the full enjoyment of civil and human rights by all Baha'is. Maziar Bahari's To Light a Candle is a hopeful story of the BIHE and Iran.

In 2015 the film sparked the global Education Is Not A Crime campaign for universal access to higher education. The campaign has been endorsed by a string of Nobel laureates and other prominent figures around the world. The film screening will take place on Saturday, March 4 at 2 p.m. in the library's Community Room. It will be followed by a Q&A discussion. Refreshments will be available. All are welcome.

## Learn about house plants

The Cape Elizabeth Garden Club is sponsoring a talk on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. on "Enjoying House Plants." The presenter is Mary Mixer from Skillins Greenhouses in Falmouth. Mary will identify houseplant problems if the plant is brought to the event in a sealed plastic bag. All are welcome!

## Volunteers still welcome to register for the summit project hike

There is no greater gift that can be bestowed upon the family of a Fallen Hero than to ensure that their loved one is not forgotten. Before the Honor Case from the Summit Project moves on to its next destination, the library is organizing a tribute hike to Fort Williams Park to take place on Saturday, March 11 at 1 p.m.

Volunteers are encouraged to participate on the library's website. Participants will

honor the memory of fallen soldiers by carrying the stones engraved with their names. Those wishing to participate should register in advance on the library's website.

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sporting events, pot luck dinners, church suppers, scout activities, historical stories, accomplishments of residents, new babies, and other events around town. What a treasure."

## Interesting ski poles



Photo by Martha Agan

State Park Manager Kurt Shoener uses an interesting set of ski poles as he skis through Cape Elizabeth's parks.



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A family engages in a little winter fun at Fort Williams Park. The recent storms have brought plenty of snow, and the warm temperatures have made it pleasant to be outside.

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# From our first volume- 30 years ago, a two-year-old listened...



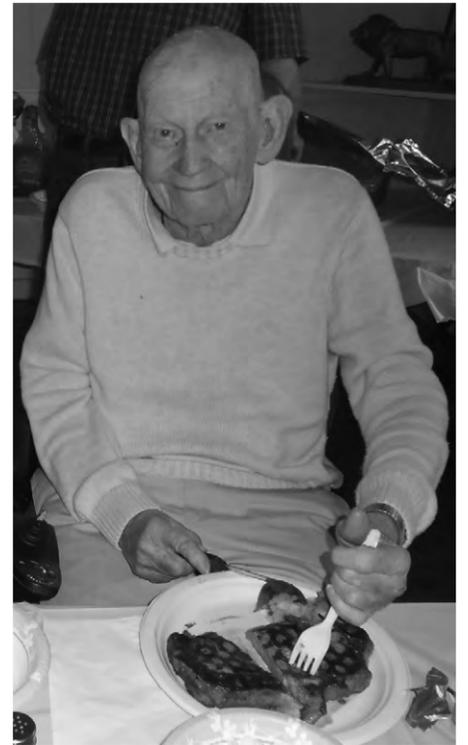
The caption above, next to the photo of the little girl, reads, "It's story time for 2-year-olds as this little girl listens to Louise Sullivan, children's librarian, share a tale at the Thomas Memorial Library." If any of you can identify her, please send an email to editor@capecourier.com

The story beneath the photo reports that the first traffic light for Cape Elizabeth was on the way, set for the intersection of Route 77 and Spurwink Avenue. It goes on to report that another light would follow at the intersection of Shore Road and Route 77. At the time, Town Councilor William Jordan was quoted as saying, "I hate to see lights in Cape Elizabeth..."

# Lions Club news and events



Contributed photos



The Cape Elizabeth Lions Club recently said farewell to an old friend. According to a release from the Lions, "Ed Feigenbaum was our oldest member and joined the Lions in April of 1961. He died on January 19."

This after many years serving his community. The statement goes on to thank Mr. Feigenbaum "for your 55 years of service to Lions. We will miss your presence and cheerful disposition."

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Feb. 12, Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.**  
Pancake Breakfast.

**February 18, Saturday, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.**  
Spaghetti dinner.

**Feb. 21, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.**  
Regular meeting. A discussion on the future direction of the club and what we can do to expand and broaden the membership base of the club.  
Team #3 serving.

**March 7, Tuesday, 6:39 p.m.**

Regular meeting.  
Team #4 serving.

**March 12, Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

Pancake Breakfast.

**March 18, Saturday, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

Spaghetti dinner.



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There was strong turnout for a recent Lions Club spaghetti dinner. They will hold the next one on Feb. 18.

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# Counterfeit \$100 bill, domestic disturbances, ID theft, keys found with Avanti tag

Reported by Debbie Butterworh

## COMPLAINTS

- 1-25 An officer met with a resident of the Bowery Beach Road area regarding a domestic issue.
- 1-27 Two officers responded to a residence in the Scott Dyer Road area for a domestic disturbance.
- 1-27 An officer met with a resident of the Shore Road area for an ID theft report. An unknown person had opened an account in the victim's name with Montgomery Ward and had made purchases.
- 1-29 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for a domestic disturbance.
- 1-29 An officer spoke with a resident of the Shore Acres area regarding a lost or stolen wallet
- 1-29 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a well-being check.
- 1-30 An officer met with a representative of Pond Cove School, who turned in an obvious counterfeit \$100 bill.
- 1-31 An officer met with a subject at Fort Williams Park who turned in a set of keys found by the main gate. There were several keys and an Avanti Market tag.
- 2-2 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area regarding an ID theft complaint.
- 2-2 Two officers met with a subject in the Scott Dyer Road area regarding a threatening telephone call.

## ACCIDENTS

- 202 Robert Bolster, accident on Bowery Beach Road
- 2-3 Mallory Doria, accident on Broad Cove Road
- 2-6 Gedeon Semuhoza, accident on Spurwink Avenue

## SUMMONSES

- 1-24 Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Ocean House Road
- 1-25 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Shore Road, \$70
- 1-25 Cape Elizabeth resident, unregistered vehicle, Scott Dyer Road, \$70
- 1-31 South Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, \$133
- 2-4 South Portland resident, expired license, Route 77, \$137

## ARRESTS

- 1-24 Portland resident, operating after license suspension, Ocean House Road
- 1-29 South Portland resident, domestic assault, Fort Williams
- 2-6 Portland resident, operating after license suspension, violation of conditions of release, leaving scene of an accident

## FIRE CALLS

- 1-24 Charles E Jordan Road, power line down
- 1-25 Dennison Drive, electrical fire
- 1-26 Shore Road, fire alarm
- 1-26 Angel Point Road, investigation
- 1-26 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 1-27 Scott Dyer Road, elevator rescue
- 1-30 Bayberry Lane, chimney fire
- 2-3 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 2-3 Ocean House Road, power line down
- 2-5 Portland Mutual Aid
- 2-6 South Portland Mutual Aid
- 2-6 Spurwink Avenue, investigation
- 2-6 Longfellow Drive, fire alarm
- 2-6 Scarborough Mutual Aid

## RESCUE CALLS

There were 23 runs to Maine Medical Center.  
There were 4 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.



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# From our first volume- Grateful Dead sleeps soundly thanks to CEPD

## Letters

### Thanks to police, 'Dead' got some sleep

Editor:

We are writing in response to the concern which a number of (Cape Elizabeth residents) have expressed upon learning from reports in the Portland Press Herald and Evening Express of the stay of the members of the Grateful Dead band at the Inn By The Sea.

As those who called us learned, the Inn By The Sea is fully prepared to and frequently lodges "celebrity" guests. The Inn is chosen by these individuals because they seek and cherish the privacy, anonymity, and security which our location provides. Unfortunately, because the Grateful Dead's planned stay found its way to the Portland newspapers, their privacy was potentially threatened, and many residents were understandably concerned about the potential consequences to the community of what the newspapers led you to believe would be an onslaught of fans.

As a result of this publicity, additional security precautions were taken to protect the community, The Grateful Dead, and our other Inn guests. With the able assistance of Cape Elizabeth's chief of police, David Pickering, and members of his department, the Grateful Dead's stay at The Inn By The Sea passed without any incident or disruption.

We wish to publicly thank Chief Pickering and the Cape Elizabeth police force and assure the residents of Cape Elizabeth that we will continue to act as responsible members of this community, as well as run the Inn By The Sea for the comfort and convenience of all of our guests.

Sincerely,  
**Jon Helmke, III**  
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# CAPE CALENDAR

By Wendy Derzawiec

## Monday, February 27

Town Council Appointments Committee, 5 p.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room  
 Planning Board Workshop, 6-7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall  
 Planning Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

## Tuesday, February 28

School Board Finance Committee and Budget Workshop, 6:30 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons  
 Town Council Workshop, 7 p.m.,  
 Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

## Wednesday, March 1

Community Services Committee, 6:30-8 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center

## Thursday, March 2

School Board Advisory Screening Committee, 6 p.m. -9:30 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall  
 Recycling Committee, 7 p.m., Public Works  
 Cape Courier 30th Anniv. Celebration, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., The Local Buzz

## Tuesday, March 7

School Board Superintendent Interview Committee, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.,  
 School Board Budget Workshop, 5 p.m., High School Library and Learning Commons  
 School Board Policy Committee, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room  
 Planning Board Workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

## Wednesday, March 8

School Board Superintendent Search Interview Committee, 12 p.m. -6 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall  
 Comprehensive Plan 2019 Committee, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town

Hall

## Thursday, March 9

School Board Superintendent Search Interview Committee, 1-8:30 p.m.,

## Sunday, March 12

Lions Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-11 a.m., Bowery Beach Schoolhouse, Two Lights Road

## Monday, March 13

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

## Tuesday, March 14

Town Council Ordinance Committee, 12-1:30 p.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room  
 School Board Executive Session, 6-7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall  
 School Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber  
 Conservation Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room

## 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**, 6:29 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. Purpodock Country Club, Spurwink Avenue. 767-7388.

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## Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene

499 Ocean House Road (Route 77)  
**799-3692**

[www.capenazarene.org](http://www.capenazarene.org)

Sunday School for all ages: 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship Celebration: 10:45 a.m.  
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## Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church

280 Ocean House Road  
**799-8396**

[www.ceumc.org](http://www.ceumc.org)

Chapel Service: 8 a.m.  
 Sanctuary Service: 10 a.m.  
 Child care & Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
 Adult Sunday School: 9 a.m.

## The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

29 Ocean House Road  
**767-5000**

Sacrament Meeting: Sunday, 9-10:10 a.m.  
 Sunday School: 10:15-11 a.m.  
 Primary: 10:15 a.m.-noon  
 Relief Society, Priesthood: 11 a.m.-noon

## The Church of the Second Chance

Greater Portland Christian School  
 1338 Broadway, South Portland  
**641-3253**

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

## Congregation Bet Ha'am

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**879-0028**

[www.bethaam.org](http://www.bethaam.org)

Worship: Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, 10 a.m.  
 Family Shabbat Services:  
 Second Friday, 6:30 p.m.

## First Baptist Church of South Portland

879 Sawyer St., South Portland  
**799-4565**

[www.spfbc.com](http://www.spfbc.com)

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

## Promised Land World Reach Center

536 Cottage Road, South Portland  
**799-3152**

Sunday Prayer & Intercession: 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.  
 Family Bible Studies: Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
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## Saint Alban's Episcopal Church

885 Shore Road  
**799-4014**

[www.stalbansmaine.org](http://www.stalbansmaine.org)

Sundays: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m.  
 Celtic Service: Sunday, 5:30 p.m.  
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## Saint Bartholomew Roman Catholic Church

8 Two Lights Road  
**799-5528**

[www.saintbarts.com](http://www.saintbarts.com)

Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
 Monday & Tuesday Masses: 8 a.m.

## First Congregational Church United Church of Christ

301 Cottage Road, South Portland  
**799-3361**

[www.fccucc.org](http://www.fccucc.org)

Worship: 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m.  
 Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
 Preschool Child Care: 10 a.m.

# CABLE GUIDE

# CHANNEL 3

**Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene**  
 Feb. 25 & 26; March 4, 5, 11 & 12 - 9 a.m.

**Planning Board (live)**  
 Feb. 27 - 7 p.m.

**Board of Zoning Appeals (live)**  
 Feb. 28 - 7 p.m.

**Planning Board replay**  
 March 1 & 2 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
 March 4 - 10:30 a.m.

**Zoning Board replay**  
 March 3 & 4 - 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
 March 5 - 10:30 a.m.  
**Town Council (live)**  
 March 13 - 7 p.m.  
**School Board (live)**  
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In her free time, Sheilah enjoys spending quality family time with her two children. She loves the active outdoor lifestyle Maine offers. You will find her walking her very energetic dog around town, jogging on the town trails and roads, or on the ski slopes when time permits.



Sheilah Lloyd is new assistant vice president at Sotheby's.

## Downer/Santos wed in Antigua, Courier attends



Contributed photo

Tori Downer, 2011 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate and daughter of Duane and Rhonda Downer, married Pablo Santos of Guatemala in Antigua, Guatemala on Feb. 12, 2017 at the beautiful San Jose el Viejo. Cape Elizabeth resident and seventh grader Madison Mills, reads The Courier in Antigua, Guatemala at the Santa Catalina Arch. Mills, her mom Michele Lawsure, and family attended the Downer/Santos wedding.

Gabrielle Raymond, a 2016 Cape Elizabeth High School Graduate and daughter of Caroline and Ben Raymond, made the Fall Presidents List at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla., where she is a freshman by achieving a 4.0.

Cape Elizabeth resident Daniel Zajkowski made the Honor Roll for first semester 2016-17 at North Yarmouth Academy in North Yarmouth, ME where he is a freshman.

2013 Cape Elizabeth High School graduate Chad Peterson, the son of Erik and Donna Peterson, was named to the fall semester dean's list with a 4.0 GPA at Lafayette College in Easton, PA. Peterson will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Degree and has accepted a full time position with Mass. Electric Construction division of Kiewit Corporation as an engineer.



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