Hot and humid 21st running of TD Beach to Beacon 10K

By Kevin St. Jarre

New Zealander Jake Robertson runs through the tape, winning the men’s crown, and nearly setting a new course record with a time of 27:37.

In the 21st running of the TD Beach to Beacon 10K road race, it was New Zealander Jake Robertson, leading the entire time, who won the men’s title while very nearly setting a new course record in the process. Kenya’s Sandrafelis Chebet Tuei led an ever-shrinking pack and came away with the women’s crown.

Robertson, who lives and trains in Kenya, took an early lead, causing many to wonder if he’d started too strong. At the 5-km mark, his time of 13:30 had him on track to come in at 27 minutes, and again there were those who thought the pace might be too quick to be sustained. But, in the heat and humidity, the Kiwi proved them wrong, almost setting a new record, coming in at 27:37, tied for the third fastest ever in the TD Beach to Beacon. Robertson came in 50 seconds ahead of his nearest rival, which is the widest margin of victory ever in the competitive men’s race.

Kenyan Stephen Sambu came in second at 28:27, and Maine native Ben True at 28:29. True, a 32-year-old crowd favorite who grew up in nearby North Yarmouth, won the American-only category.

Women’s champ Chebet Tuei, who finished in 31:21, ran hard as the pack chased her dwindled down to two runners by the time she entered Fort Williams and at camp and timing myself: sprint training! I race the dog, but she mostly beats me,” he explained.

Yet, running is not his only sport. He also swims, bikes, hikes, walks, kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, and does gymnastics. “I like exercising. I like moving. I like being outside, and I like that when you run as fast as you can and as hard as you can, you get sweaty!” he said.

Unlike Stinson, who started running at a young age, Daniel Foley, the oldest runner from Cape Elizabeth, didn’t start really training for running until 50 years ago, when he moved to Boston. “It’s an easy addiction. I would say I’m addicted to it. I get upset if I don’t run,” he said. At 84, Foley has completed every Beach to Beacon race for the past 20 years, earning him the distinction of Legacy Runner and a guaranteed spot in the race.

He’s glad that he has earned a place in the race each year because the online registration system has become so intense. “We used to walk down to the gymnasium and sign up. You could do it the day before,” he explained.
Please stop littering our neighborhoods

I love Cape Elizabeth. My wife and I moved here 8 years ago related to her job. It felt like moving back home because all of the previous generations of Floyds, going back 6 generations, raised families somewhere around Maine.

I, like the generations before me, am attracted to Maine’s stunning beauty, great people and generally well cared for environment. I say generally because lately as I have been walking my dogs on the foot bridge that connects Starboard Drive by crossing the marsh onto the Greenbelt trails behind the recycling facility, someone is repeatedly throwing their garbage into the marsh.

This may be just kids, as the trash is a mix of fireworks refuse and blue Bud Light cans, however no matter who it is, they are showing a wanton disregard for our community. Given that I have picked up it every day for almost two weeks, it should be easy to identify who is doing this to that beautiful marsh. They will keep doing it until someone asks them to stop or they are fined for the infractions. If you are reading this letter, consider yourself asked, “Please stop littering our neighborhoods!”

Tracy Floyd

 millett brings an ‘open mind’

For those who played hooky during high school civics class, we’ve all recently learned a hard lesson that elections matter. They matter not just at the federal level, they matter at the state and local level as well. Those we send to Washington and Augusta have an important job to do and equally important they represent the values and aspirations we hold dear.

We have been fortunate in Cape Elizabeth to have been represented in the Senate by Rebecca Millett and fortune as well to have the opportunity to continue her representation in this November’s election.

Contrary to much of what we hear from Augusta, Rebecca brings an open mind, a willingness to listen more than talk, and an ability to work with others and reach consensus. She has brought bipartisan leadership to issues around education and found solutions essential to both our young students but also the economic future of the state.

As an ardent environmental advocate, I have found Rebecca willing to listen to multiple points of view, assimilate sometimes complex data, and able to find a shared vision to move issues forward. Her voting record on environmental issues has been consistently strong and I know I can count on her to help protect the nature of Maine for my children and grandchildren.

In the heat of summer November elections seem a long way off, but remember, as we have learned the hard way, elections matter. Please join me November 6 in returning Rebecca Millett to the Maine Senate.

Tony Owen

Pavement work on Eastman Road to begin Aug. 13

The town will be doing pavement rehabilitation on Eastman Road during the week of Aug. 13, 2018. Residents should anticipate traffic delays when work is taking place and be mindful of heavy equipment working on the project.

The initial scope of work involves milling off a portion of the existing pavement from Spurwink Avenue to an area just east of Alexander Drive. This will minimize raising the elevation of the road at some of the existing driveways. This will also correct the profile of the road to allow for better surface drainage.

Once the milling is complete, the milled surface will be shimmied with a thin layer of pavement and then overlaid with 1.25 inches of surface mix.

Barring any weather-related delays, the work should take 5-6 working days to complete.

Celebrate Cape Elizabeth at CELT’s Annual Harvest Party

Bring your family, bring a friend to this free, family-friendly community celebration CELT’s Harvest Party, Sunday, September 22 from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the pavilion at Fort Williams. The Cape Elizabeth Land Trust’s annual gathering is a gift to the community, and features live bluegrass music, local foods served sizzling hot, a pie contest, and engaging activities for kids and adults alike.

Special recognition will be made to the many volunteers who work hard to make the land trust so successful every day.

Rain date is Sunday September 23.
Cape Elizabeth Then and Now: Spurwink School redux

By Jim Rowe

1857 Attendance Roll Call at the Spurwink School:
“Jordan?” “Here.”
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(etc., etc.)

The Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society has entered negotiations with town officials to make the former Spurwink School building its permanent home (see July 25-August 14 Courier “Then and Now”).

When William Widgery Thomas Jr. donated the former Spurwink School to the Town of Cape Elizabeth on April 14, 1919 “to be forever used as a public library,” there was much fanfare.

Mr. Thomas gave a very glowing speech on that occasion. He recounted his love for our town and the building in which he had taught the winter term in 1857. An interesting anecdote in his speech was that during that school term, he remembered having 63 students in the class…60 of them bearing the name “Jordan!”

Cape alumni are soccer league champs

Cape Elizabeth alumni are soccer champs again. On July 23 the team won the season’s outdoor league played at Fitzpatrick stadium in Portland thru Casco Bay sports. In front, left to right are: Rachel Gips, Russell Thompson, Elsa Mullin, Zoe Croft, Marissa. In the back row left to right pictured are: Chris Bagley, Billy Mullin (Talbot Mills), Will Russell, Derek Baillie, Woody Tabery. Missing is Brad Doliner.
Nomination papers for 2018 Town Council, School Board election due Sept. 7

Nomination papers for the Nov. 6, 2018 municipal election are available at the town clerk’s office.

Three seats on the Town Council and three seats on the School Board will be up for election. They are currently held by Councilors Jamie Garvin, Sara Lennon and Jessica Sullivan; and School Board members Heather Altenburg, Elizabeth Scifres and John Voltz. All are three-year terms to expire Dec. 13, 2021. Papers are due Friday, Sept. 7, 2018.

Here is a summary of the 2018 municipal election (Town Council and School Board) dates and deadlines:

**Election Day:**
- **Tuesday, November 6, 2018**

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The Town Council has approved interim management for Cliff House Beach, a town-owned property at the end of Sea View Avenue. The council voted on July 9 to install a sign at the beach requesting that users be considerate, keep dogs under control, remove all waste (including dog waste), leave the beach cleaner than they found it, and consider walking or cycling to the beach. The sign has been ordered and will be installed as soon as it is ready, said Town Planner Maureen O’Meara.

“As you know there is some confusion around the language in our current dog ordinance,” said Jeremy Gabrielson, chair of the Conservation Committee, which hosted a public forum on May 8 in response to requests from beach-area residents. “I would basically lump the concerns into two groups - there were a set of concerns around parking, which we determined were beyond the purview of what the Conservation Committee could be looking at, and then issues related specifically to dogs,” he said.

The ordinance requires dogs to be leashed or tethered on municipal properties that are groomed or regularly maintained, but it does not, Gabrielson said, define what that means.

The ordinance also lists municipal properties that are not considered groomed, but cliff House Beach is not one of them.

For the short term the committee is recommending the town install the sign, “with the understanding that as the fall comes around we will be looking more broadly at the dog ordinance,” Gabrielson said. “That would give us some opportunity to revisit use of the beach as it relates to off-leash dogs in that time, and also give us an opportunity to check back with our neighbors once we’ve had the season behind us, see how the signage is working, and make some other recommendations for possible changes that might be needed to make this a more pleasant situation for everyone.”

The Town Council on March 12 charged the Conservation Committee with a comprehensive review of the dog ordinance, following adoption of new rules governing off-leash dogs at Fort Williams Park.

One of the committee’s goals for 2018 is to work with the police chief to develop recommendations for amending the dog ordinance to align with policies in the Greenbelt and Open Space Management Plan.

**Scam Alert Bulletin Board**

By Jessica D. Simpson

Link Scams

Along with cookouts and fun at the beach, summer brings the potential for scams, especially online. Be wary of emails from addresses you don’t recognize. Some may contain web links to “patriotic videos” or e-cards. The supposed link to a patriotic video sent from an unfamiliar address may actually download malware onto your computer, which enables a scammer to steal your account information and personal data. To avoid these downloads, exercise caution online. Open emails only from known and trusted contacts, and don’t click on links to suspicious websites. The same precautions apply to links on social media sites.

Who is Ringing the Bell?

Summer can be great times to tackle home repair jobs, but be wary of uninvited repairmen and women who stop by without an appointment. They may claim to have just finished work at a neighbor’s house and offer you a discount while they are in the area with leftover materials. Once a deposit is paid, the work may never begin. If you want work done at your house, seek out repair companies you or someone you know recommends from friends and neighbors directly. Check with state authorities to be sure they are properly licensed and to learn about your rights as a consumer. A thorough research to ensure the company or individual is trustworthy and will deliver high-quality work before you pay for any services.

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SUSPICIOUS PERSON, DOG BITE COMPLAINT, OBJECTS THROWN AT MOVING CAR

REPORTED BY DEBBIE BUTTERWORTH

COMPLAINTS
7-11 Two officers responded to a residence in the Fowler Road area for a well-being check.
7-11 Two officers responded to a location in the Shore Road area for report of a suspicious elderly male. Suspect was located and transported home.
7-11 Two officers responded to a residence in the Mitchell Road area for a well-being check.
7-12 An officer met with a resident in the Shore Acres area regarding a possible trespass complaint.
7-12 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area who found a cell phone. Owner was identified and property returned.
7-14 Two officers responded to a residence in the Fowler Road area for a dog bite complaint.
7-14 An officer met with a resident in the Fowler Road area for a well-being check.
7-15 Two officers responded to a residence in the South Dorchester area for a possible violation of bail conditions.
7-15 An officer met with a resident of the South Dorchester area regarding a criminal mischief complaint to a motor vehicle.
7-15 An officer met with a resident of the Spurwink Avenue area regarding a possible criminal threatening complaint.
7-16 Two officers responded to a resident in the Mitchell Road area for a well-being check.
7-17 Two officers responded to a residence in the Starboard Drive area for a well-being check.
7-17 An officer met with a resident in the Spurwink Avenue area for a harassment complaint.
7-16 An officer met with a resident of Standish regarding a verbal alteration he had with a subject in the parking lot of the shopping center.
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SUMMONSES
7-11 South Portland resident, failure to provide insurance, Shore Road, $186.
7-12 South Portland resident, failure to produce insurance, Sawyer Road, $186.
7-13 Portland resident operating with suspended license, Shore Road.
7-13 Scarborough resident, speeding (44/34 zone), Spurwink Avenue, $134.
7-18 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding (57/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, $230.
7-18 New York resident, speeding (50/35 zone), Ocean House Road, $200.
7-22 Portland resident, speeding (58/35 zone), Route 77.
7-22 Portland resident, impromptu speed, Clinton Road, $134.
7-24 Falmouth resident, violation of conditions of release, Fort Williams.
7-25 Cape Elizabeth resident, uninspected vehicle, Route 77, $148.
7-25 Old Orchard Beach resident, uninspected vehicle, Shore Road, $148.
7-25 Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Two Lights Road, $148.
7-26 South Portland resident, speeding (54/35 zone), Spurwink Avenue, $170.
7-26 Scarborough resident, speeding (39/35 zone), Fowler Road, $114.

ACCIDENTS
7-17 Rosalie Blekhnorn, Tiffany Dumont, accident on Scott Dorchester.
7-27 Jon Donnelly, Devin Cole, accident on Ocean House Road.

ARRESTS
7-14 Cape Elizabeth resident, domestic assault, Trundy Road.
7-17Biddeford resident, operating with suspended license, Salt Spray Lane.
7-24 Falmouth resident, violation of conditions of release, Fort Williams.
7-25 Cape Elizabeth resident, aggravated assault, Beverly Terrace.

FIRE CALLS
7-10 South Portland mutual aid.
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7-14 Peabody Point Road, fire alarm.
7-14 Bowery Beach Road, investigation.
7-15 South Portland mutual aid.
7-15 Kennedy Road, unpermitted burn.
7-16 South Portland mutual aid.
7-16 Southwell Road, investigation.
7-24 South Portland mutual aid.
7-25 South Portland mutual aid.
7-28 Ocean View Road, fire alarm.
7-25 South Portland mutual aid.
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7-29 Great Pond Terrace, fire alarm.
7-29 Ocean House Road, investigation.
7-29 Ocean House Road, fire alarm.
7-29 Beverly Terrace, investigation.

RESCUE CALLS
There were 24 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 6 runs to Mercy Hospital. There were 10 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

Welcoming the Stranger program builds relationships and strengthens community

By John Vaughan

When Cape Elizabeth resident Jill Epstein helped launch Welcoming the Stranger (WTS) in 2016 in order to serve the asylum population of asylum seekers in Portland, the application system for immigrants seeking asylum was so backlogged that seekers had to wait months or years to get called for their hearing or apply for a work permit. “They didn’t have case management, the adults couldn’t get MaineCare, only emergency care, they couldn’t work, Epstein said. But in January 2017, that process was reversed. They decided the way to deter people from coming would be to process the applications more quickly before asylum seekers can establish roots here. Rather than filling an application and getting in line before it can be heard, now when you file, you become the priority. People get called to appear for a hearing three to four weeks after they file. They don’t have time to get a permit and start working to pay a lawyer,” Epstein said. At that point, asylum seekers often don’t have access to a lawyer or speak fluent English, so creating a case for themselves is extremely difficult. When they get denied, they can appeal the decision, but doing so is hard without a lawyer.

WTS focuses specifically on asylum seekers because unlike refugees, who arrive in the United States with legal status and can begin working, they have no support, income, or formal services to assist them as they settle in a new country. WTS aims to provide that support through a mentoring program. According to the WTS website, a mentor is “a friend” who helps their mentee(s) with anything from practicing English and writing resumes to planning fun outings and building community.

Since the recent change in the application process, WTS is wondering how their mentoring program will function. “The whole idea of the project is to give asylum seekers a local friend, and hopefully it’s a long-term relationship,” Epstein said. But now, “we’ve started to get new referrals, and before we can match them with a new mentor, they already get a hearing. It’s hard to know how to help people.” Claudette Dayininahaze is a cultural broker for The Opportunity Alliance in Portland, a Burundian immigrant, and the referral source for many of the mentees that WTS serves. She explained that navigating the application system is one of the biggest barri-
Men’s winner Jake Robertson already leads the pack, and already sees all he will see of any of his competitors. From start to finish, Robertson held the front and nearly broke the course record on his way to victory.

Park. The 20-year-old then held off Abdel Yeshaneh of Ethiopia, who came in 5 seconds behind her. Two-time Olympian Molly Huddle finished in 31:40, placed third, and also claimed the American-only title.

In the Maine Resident races, Michelle Lilienthal of Portland came in at 36:16 and won for the third time, while Ryan Smith of Farmington won his first title coming in at 30:50.

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Cape Elizabeth residents Charlotte and Bill Brewington hosted elite athlete Andrew Bumbalough for the TD Beach to Beacon 10K road race this year. This is the ninth time the Brewingtons have hosted a runner for the race.

TD Beach to Beacon volunteers host elite runners, rewarding for all

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Cape Elizabeth resident to help kick off Down Syndrome Awareness Month

Cape Elizabeth resident Thomas Bourdeaux will appear in the bright lights of Broadway on Saturday, September 15, as part of the National Down Syndrome Society’s annual Times Square Video presentation.

The featured photographs highlight children, teens, and adults with Down syndrome, reminding the world in a very big way about the contributions and milestones of people with Down syndrome. These collective images promote the value, acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome.

The photo of Thomas Bourdeaux who happens to have Down syndrome, was selected from more than 2,400 entries in the NDSS worldwide call for photos. Almost 500 photographs will appear in the video, which will be shown in the heart of Times Square. Thomas Bourdeaux is pictured at his job at The Farm Stand in South Portland.

The Times Square Video presentation kicks off Down Syndrome Awareness Month in October. The video presentation will be followed by the 24th Annual Flagship Buddy Walk in New York City. For information about the NDSS Buddy Walk Program, visit www.buddywalk.org or call 800-221-4602.
Cape Schools hires new Special Education director

By Kevin St. Jarre

Delbert Peavey has been hired as the new Director of Special Education for the Cape Elizabeth School Department.

The Cape Elizabeth School Department has hired a Delbert Peavey as its new Director of Special Education. Most recently, he served as the special education director at both Fiddlehead Charter School and the Acton School Department. Peavey said, “Prior to that I was the special education director at MSAD/RSU #11 in Gardiner. Before becoming a director, I was an assistant director at MSAD #52 in Turner.”

He earned a B.S. from University of New England in Biddeford in 1991, and a Masters in Education from University of Southern Maine in 2012.

New Superintendent of Schools Dr. Donna Wolfson was one of the reasons Peavey was interested in working in the district. “Cape Elizabeth has a long history of provid-

CEHS adds to Social Studies Department

By Kevin St. Jarre

Michael Young is a new addition to the CEHS Social Studies department and looks forward to meeting students.

Cape Elizabeth High School has added a new teacher to its Social Studies department. Michael Young has taught Social Studies for the past three years at Bonny Eagle High School. “I had freshman in a course called Global Village, which was a course with an emphasis on cultural geography, and upperclassmen in Modern European History,” he said.

With regards to adding to the ongoing effort within the Cape Elizabeth School District around Performance-Based Education, Young said, “Bonny Eagle has a solid emphasis on Proficiency-Based Education, which gave me some strong experience in what works and what some of the challenges are with this initiative.”

Outside of school, Young has also served as the assistant varsity girls soccer coach at Greely High School, where they won the State Championship title in 2015 and were Regional Finalists in 2016. Young said, “[We] were knocked out of the playoffs by Cape Elizabeth last fall—no hard feelings.”

Young grew up in the northern suburbs of Chicago. “Mundelein, Illinois where I lived—see PEAVEY page 15

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CELT is looking for feedback from the Cape Elizabeth community to learn about what more the Land Trust can do for the community.

We know from a recent survey that 87 percent of Cape Elizabeth residents feel that CELT is a valuable resource to the community. And the town’s recent Comprehensive Planning Survey confirmed that protecting the natural environment is the #1 priority for citizens. Everything that CELT does – conserving and caring for lands, installing and maintaining trails, and providing educational programs for all ages, we do with community needs in mind.

This summer we want to hear from as many community members as possible about what more the Land Trust can do for the Cape community.

You can add your voice by going to www.capelandtrust.org and taking our online Community Conservation Survey. Let us know what you cherish most about Cape Elizabeth!

Cumberland Farms
7th Annual Cups for Kids Fundraiser

This August, you can enjoy an iced cold beverage while giving back to local pediatric programs, too. Convenience retailer Cumberland Farms has kicked off its 7th annual Cups for Kids fundraiser to benefit five regional children’s hospitals - including The Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital at Maine Medical Center.

Throughout the entire month of August, five cents from every Chill Zone beverage, including HYPERFREEZE™ purchased at specified retail locations across Maine will be donated directly to Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital to benefit its pediatric care programs. To participate in the fundraiser, Cape Elizabeth residents can stop by their local store at 298 Ocean House Road and buy a beverage to help make a difference. Last year, the fundraiser raised over $145,000 dollars for its regional partners.

TML August Artist
Jessie Morgan

During the month of August, the Thomas Memorial Library is hosting an exhibition in its Steir Gallery by Jessie Rae Morgan. The exhibition will be focused on photographs from her time at an elephant and wildlife sanctuary in Petchaburi, Thailand called “Wildlife Friends Foundation Thailand.” Morgan spent two months volunteering at WFFT taking care of 17 gorgeous female elephants (and one male). Most elephants at WFFT are rescued from lives in the still controversial elephant trekking industry, but each elephant has its own background. The pictures in her exhibition are shots of the animals and humans which made the greatest impact on her during her two months at the center.

The show opens on August 15 from 5-8 p.m. Morgan will be available to meet visitors and answer any questions. Come experience the joy that rehabilitated animals can bring; even if it’s just from photographs.
Henry the porcupine, along with presenter Katie Brodeur from the Center for Wildlife in Cape Neddick, visited Thomas Memorial Library on August 2 as part of the Maine Wildlife Series. Henry came to live at the Center for Wildlife (CFW) in 2014 after being mistaken for an orphaned “porcupette.” Despite best intentions, Henry became habituated to human contact and does not have the natural fear of predators and other instincts he would need to survive in the wild. He will live at the CFW in sanctuary for the rest of his life.

Cape Elizabeth Garden Tour draws more than 500 visitors

The 8th Annual Cape Elizabeth Garden Tour drew more than 500 visitors and raised in excess of $40,000 for the Fort Williams Park Foundation in July. The garden tour featured eight private gardens in Cape Elizabeth and South Portland in addition to two areas of the park made possible by the foundation: The Children’s Garden and the lighted terrace neighborhood.

The foundation’s Arboretum project is a multi-year endeavor to remove invasive plant species, plant and encourage the growth of native species, and renovate key areas to enhance user enjoyment. So far, the foundation has completed three Arboretum sites—Lighthouse View, Cliffside and the Children’s Garden—and will soon begin phase two of the fourth site, Cliff Walk Landscape.

A few Cape Elizabeth children gave $42 as a cash donation to the foundation. The gift represented half of the day’s take from their Lighthouse Lemonade stand in the Two Lights Terrace neighborhood.

The land trust envisions expanding its popular education and community programs to this property in the future.

If you are interested in helping get the property ready please contact CELT at stewardship@capefundtrust.org.

Cape Elizabeth Land Trust has conserved a 30-acre parcel of land at 498 Spurwink Avenue, located between CELT-owned Runaway Farm preserve and the Town’s Gull Crest property.

“Visitors can experience a sense of going back in time as they walk through fields and forest and ponder the wild and unseen footsteps of the many animals who call this land home,” said Krum. An exciting new large loop trail will become possible. “Imagine meandering from Runaway Farm, across Pollack Creek, and onto the new property,” she continued, “then hooking up with the Town’s Gull Crest trails, Town Farm and Spurwink Trails and back to Runaway Farm.”

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Thomas Memorial Library offers art, songwriting workshops, yoga class, chair on astronomy basics and hosts family concert with Matt Loosigian

Note: The library will be closed all day on Thursday, August 16 so that staff may attend the Town’s annual staff development day.

Library Offers Guidance for Parents for After School Use of the Library

As the start of school approaches, the library would like to provide parents with some helpful information as they make plans for their children’s activities after school. While the library strives to create a welcoming, pleasant atmosphere for everyone, including children after school, it does not provide childcare. Library staff do not have the ability, or the responsibility, to keep track of the whereabouts or activities of children who visit the library unattended after school. Library staff work hard to plan and present after school programs for interested children, but many children who frequent the library after school are simply passing through, usually several hours, until perhaps pick them up. During that time, children come and go, often crossing busy Ocean House Road to buy snacks at Cumberland Farms to bring back to the library.

The library has tried different strategies for coping with the influx of unattended children after school, including opening up the Community Room as a hang-out space during the after school hours, and striving to offer structured activities every day. As the new school year approaches, staff has been reevaluating these approaches to see what works and what doesn’t, as well as initiating broader conversations with other departments in town to address what is clearly a need: easily accessible care and supervision for school-aged kids after school. In the meantime, the library asks for consideration from parents as they make plans for their children’s after school activities. Staff would like to offer structured library programs for interested children and teens after school. In order to help ensure that after school visitors who do not wish to attend programs are using the library appropriately, the library would like parents to be aware of the following:

- The Community Room will no longer be used as a hang-out space after school; it will only be used as a space for after school programs.
- Only pre-packaged snacks, (such as granola bars and fruit snacks), or snacks brought from home will be allowed in the library. NO hot/warm foods (such as pizza or hot dogs).
- Only covered drinks are allowed, preferably bottled drinks.
- The library recommends that elementary school children, or any children developmentally unable to supervise themselves, be accompanied by an adult or responsible older sibling.
- If parents have guidelines about how their children use library computers, they should communicate those clearly to their child. Parents should also be aware that library staff cannot monitor their children’s use of the computers. However, no violent videos are allowed to be played online on the computers in the children’s library. Games should be age appropriate that the library cannot control the use of such games on the adult computers unless it disturbs the use of the library by others.
- The library has a game room with a PlayStation 4, along with a selection of all-ages games. Up to four people can sign out this room and the games at a time. If parents do not wish their child to use the game room, they should communicate those rules with their child. Library staff cannot prevent children from using the game room, unless they have violated the rules governing the use of that room.

Library staff asks for help from parents in making our shared community space a welcoming place for everyone, no matter the age or time of day. For information about the library’s many programs and services, see the listings here in the Courier, or visit the library’s website at Thomas-Memorial/Library.

SPECIAL ALL-AGES EVENT
Library’s First Annual Cape Con set for Friday, August 24 from 12-4 p.m.
Join us for our first annual Cape Con! Experience all the fun of a comic convention at your local library. We will have free comic books, local comic authors and artists, cosplayers, gaming stations, face painting, and much more! This is a free event and all ages are welcome.

ADULT PROGRAMS
 Writers’ Accountability Group
Wednesday, August 15
10:00 a.m.-noon
TML’s Writer’s Accountability Group (WAG!T) meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 10:30-noon. From future writers who haven’t found the time to get going, to published authors looking for inspiration for their next book, to poets ready to share their insights, we’re here to support you in a relaxed, safe setting. All levels of expertise and genres are welcome.

Summer Art Workshops for Adults – Mosaic
Saturday, August 18
3:00-4:30 p.m.
In our final Adult Art Workshop for the summer,join librarian and artist-extraordinaire Kiah to learn how to turn discarded CDs and DVDs into beautiful mosaics. We will provide all necessary supplies. No registration is necessary.

Songwriting Workshop
Tuesday, August 21
6:15-8:15 p.m.
Please join us for our last songwriting workshop of the summer. These workshops are a terrific gathering of like-minded writers who, along with mentor Jud Caswell, can help you craft your writing into something polished and wonderful. Participants should bring a song that is “in process” for feedback and support, along with 10 copies of lyrics to share. We’ll have a sign-up sheet when you get here and will have time each night to share six or seven songs. Come a little early if you want to make sure to get on the list.

The goal of the workshop is to provide a safe place for songwriters to grow their ability. Songwriters of all levels and abilities are welcome. We hope you’ll join us to learn, be inspired, and have fun.

Senior Tech – A New Time
Wednesday, August 22
10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon
Senior Tech has moved to a new day. We are now meeting on the fourth Wednesday of each month. If you have tech questions, we’re here to help you in any way we can. Bring your devices. Bring your curiosity. And let’s see how we can help you.

Chair Yoga for a Peaceful, Powerful You
Thursday, August 23
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Back by popular demand! Please join us for chair yoga to experience gentle, mindful movement and deep breathing that will help you calm your nervous system and focus your mind. You’ll stretch and move while sitting in your chair with a handful of stands and balancing postures accessible to all. We’ll finish with a guided body scan that invites you to relax into the present moment, that place where true power lies. This class is led by yoga expert and Cape Elizabeth local Martha Williams.

Navigating the Winds of Change in a World of Chaotic Spin
Thursday, August 23
6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
In “Winds of Spirit,” Hay House author, and shamanic healer Renee Barbeau shares the rich mythology and cultural significance of wind, while also presenting a powerful system to help you recognize and utilize the subtle energies in nature for personal navigation.

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Astronomy 101 with Ron Thompson
Thursday, August 30
6:30-8:00 p.m.
Learn astronomy basics including how and what to view in the night sky. Attendees will also get a hands-on introduction to the library’s new Orion “Star Blast” telescope and have the opportunity to be among the first library users to borrow it! Our host, Ron Thompson, is an expert in his field and is part of the Southern Maine Astronomer’s organization.

Ongoing Adult Programs

Knitting Group
Meets every Monday at 1:00 p.m.

Democracy Cafe
Meets the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Morning Book Group
Meets the third Wednesday of each month from 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Writers’ Accountability Group
Meet the third Wednesday of each month from 10:00 a.m.-noon

Evening Book Group
Meets the third Thursday of each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Senior Tech
Meets the fourth Wednesday of each month from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

PRограмМS FOR TEENS AND TWEENS

Anime Club
Monday, August 27 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Come hang out with friends while we...
Library

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Children attended a bedtime story time on August 2, and left their special stuffed animal friends to have a fun, adventure-filled, sleepover at the library. You can view the slideshow of their adventures on the library’s Facebook page, and on the children’s program page of the library’s website.

watch, craft, and generally geek out over all things Anime and Manga! Open to ages 13 and up. No registration required.

Teen Film Club

Tuesday, August 28 5:30-8 p.m.
Teens who enjoy viewing and discussing films can join our Summer Film Club! We’ll be covering Phase One of the Marvel Cinematic Universe. Open to ages 13 and up. No registration required. Snacks will be provided.

Crafternoon Summer Workshop: Tie Dye

Thursday, August 30 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Come tie dye with us! Bring-Your-Own white anything (shirt, bandana, socks, scarf, etc.) to tie dye. Other supplies will be provided. Open to ages 11 and up. Registration is required, so don’t forget to sign up because spots are limited.

Fandom Fridays

August 17 and 31 from 3-4 p.m.
Teens can make crafts, get their snack on, and talk fandoms with friends! We’ll feature a new fandom each month. Open to ages 13 and up.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

In addition to our weekly story times, we have the following special events coming up (please check the library’s calendar or website for variable story time schedules due to staff vacations this month.)

Teen Reading Buddies Will Read With Your Child Or To Your Young children who would like to be read to also like to read to your pre-reading children. Young children who would like to be read to by one of the library’s reading buddies can also participate. Just visit the Teen Reading Buddies page on the library’s website, visit a reading buddies calendar, and make an appointment to meet a reading buddy at the library. The library plans to continue the Teen Reading Buddy program through the school year. Children who want one-on-one reading help, or listening time, may continue to make appointments with our reading buddies to meet after school or on Saturdays. The library currently has nine fantastic high school Teen Reading Buddy volunteers.

Boats from Found Materials, for ages 7 - 12
Monday, August 20 1:30 - 2:15 p.m.
Join Ann in this creative workshop in which participants will create boats from leaves, bark, foil, and other materials, and then see if they will actually float. No registration necessary.

Marble Games Challenge, for ages 7 - 12
Wednesday, August 29 1:30 - 2:15 p.m.
Learn how to play marbles with Mr. Rick, and then see how you do in marble tournament! No registration necessary. If the weather is nice, the program will take place outside.

Earth Jams! Family Concert with Matt Loosigian

Friday, August 24 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
Matt Loosigian seamlessly weaves messages of environmental stewardship, peace, and compassion with humor and silliness through his music and songs. Join Matt for a special family concert. No registration necessary.

Catapult Challenge, for ages 7 - 12
Wednesday, August 29 1:30 - 2:20 p.m.
Make a working catapult out of popsicle sticks and bottle caps. No registration necessary.

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dughters, Emma and Addison, will be at-
tending school. Young and his family have been living in
Cape Elizabeth for 15 years in Southern Illinois at Greenville
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goating with registration and water sta-
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will always accept someone we look like,
someone we have the same language as—
there’s some connection which attracts
people together. But I think we need to go
beyond and think about how do we build
relationship and trust because in the end,
we are the same. We are the same,” she
said.

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Brewingtons for his first Beach to Beacon race this year. Bumbalough said, “The race course is beautiful and the air quality level is very high. It’s one of the premier road races in the United States. The community support for the event is fantastic.”

When asked about staying with Cape Elizabeth resident hosts versus staying in hotels, Bumbalough said, “I think that the area lends itself to utilizing host families in stead of hotels to host the elite athletes. Obviusly, the organizers could house everyone in Portland in hotels and bus them down the morning of the race. I think that staying with host families keeps with the tradition of love the race atmosphere! I think it has such enthusiasm for the running community.”

Elizabeth resident hosts versus staying in hotels, Bumbalough said, “I think that the best is definetely the finish at the lighthouse because it is so scenic. It’s definitely a nice view once you’re finished.”

As it has been for Bumbalough, for Matthew, the residents host athletes has been a positive experience. Matthews said, “I’ve personally loved building friendships and connections with the different host families I have stayed with. This year I am staying with Phil Walsh and Emily Cooke and their daughters, who I stayed with a few years ago. I’ve seen them the past few years at the youth races, and race events, and we’ve kept in touch throughout the year. A host family can make the weekend so much easier and enjoyable as an elite athlete. We don’t have to worry about where to cook and get healthy food before the race, as well as transportation to the race. It also makes me feel a little bit more of the Cape Elizabeth community than I would if I were in a generic hotel room. I can learn where the local spots are, and hear stories about the town and race history. I also love how, when I am running, it feels like I have additional support on the course. I have heard my host families and their friends cheering for me, which is very fun. Very few races still utilize host families so it is definitely a more intimate, special part about Beach to Beacon.”

For those wanting to get involved in hosting, Tarpo said, “Many host families come to the program by word of mouth from other families. The commitment is usually from Thursday to Sunday but, on occasion, an athlete may come on Wednesday. Some families are willing or want to host running pairs, or don’t mind having an athlete with a partner. What an athlete needs is a bed, and some quiet and space to rest. They need healthy food for training, and this varies, and may be the hardest thing to predict for families.”

“We have a core group of families that feel a bit every year, and my favorite part is to see and meet people in my community that I don’t see any other time. It’s kind of like returning to summer camp year after year. This year we had a huge number of athletes, and I had to do some serious recruiting of new families by sending emails and asking neighbors. If someone wants to go on the list for next year they can contact me though the website and I will contact them next spring when I remind my families to sign up, or they can just sign up next year and I will get their info and contact them. It has been a great way for people who are new to living in Cape Elizabeth to meet other people.”

Bill Brewington has this advice for those considering hosting: “It helps to be flexible and enjoy meeting people from other places. The running community is impressively filled with really nice people. There are host families that have been doing this year after year, and for so many years. It speaks highly of how positive the experience can be and how well organized it is. I always wonder, who wouldn’t want to do this?” he said.

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The Cape Courier made its way to the top of the Stelvio Pass, the second highest pass in the European Alps on June 30. Cyclists (from left to right) Wyman Briggs, Ted Darling, and Hal Kingsbury are “enjoying” a week of bike riding in the Italian Alps.

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Cape Elizabeth resident to run NYC marathon to help support those with cystic fibrosis

Cape Elizabeth resident Patty Morris, mom to James (CEHS 2003), Ali (2006), and Gabrielle (2010) Donahue, is running with Team Boomer Esiason in the 2018 NYC Marathon to help support people with cystic fibrosis. Morris’s daughter Ali has cystic fibrosis.

To support her own marathon run, Morris is raising funds through community efforts. On September 30, she will host “My Family is SO Weird!” at Sprague Hall, an all-afternoon family event. A barbeque, fun games, Patriot’s game streaming, and “weird family” submissions (with subjects’ permissions) are all part of the plans. If you’d like to be involved, please consider:

1. Contributing raffle or auction items (examples: gift cards, product baskets).
2. Sponsoring the event.
3. Contributing food or beverages.
4. Visiting Patty’s Team Boomer page at http://www.teamboomerusa.org/pattymorris
5. Suggesting and lending family-appropriate games (examples: cornhole, Wheel of (mis)Fortune, badminton).
6. Buying tickets to “My Family is SO Weird!”

Please contact Patty for more information: CFWeCanCureIt@yahoo.com.

McGinn graduates from Bates College

Gabriel McGinn, of Cape Elizabeth, has graduated from Bates College in Lewiston after majoring in mathematics and geology. McGinn, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Cornelius J. McGinn of Cape Elizabeth, is a 2014 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School.

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