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Council adopts ban on small-lot rooster ownership

By Bob Dodd

A divided Town Council voted 5-2 to adopt the ordinance that restricts roosters on lots less than 40,000 square feet (slightly less than one acre).

The action was taken at the council's Nov. 6 meeting following a public hearing on the proposed restriction. Most who spoke were against the proposed ban.

Earlier in the year, the council had requested the ordinance committee to discuss whether or not regulation changes were needed to address a rooster noise complaint brought by Joe Gajda, a resident of Farm Hill Road in the Elizabeth Park subdivision off Scott Dyer Rd.

Gajda's neighbors, Crystal and Patrick Kennedy, owned a rooster named Elvis whose crowing had initiated the complaint. By the time of the Nov. 6 meeting, the Kennedys had given Elvis away because the rooster began attacking the family's dog.

Despite a strong appeal from Councilor Caitlin Jordan to not take what she felt was "the too easy route," the majority of councilors felt that the ordinance was the best and most workable solution of the many options they had considered.

"Just because this is the easiest ordinance for police to enforce does not mean it's the correct one," said Jordan.

Her motion to table the vote until the December meeting was also voted down 5-2. Councilor Jamie Wagner supported Jordan's motion to table and also voted against the ordinance.

Councilor David Sherman summed up what the majority of councilors felt.

"In my opinion, roosters simply do not belong in neighborhoods where houses are close together," said Sherman. He stressed that the new ordinance has no effect on the

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Happy Thanksgiving



Photo by Martha Agan

A mix of snow and sunshine at Kettle Cove on Nov. 15.

CELT issues new dog leash requirements for Robinson Woods

By Elizabeth Brogan

All dogs must be on leash in Robinson Woods and the adjacent woods and fields owned by the Robinson family, after 9 a.m., effective Dec. 1. The 143-acre Robinson Woods property, located next to Shore Road and accessed from many points in the town's trail system, is owned and managed by the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust. The decision was announced in a Nov. 14 press release.

CELT had previously required dog owners to keep their dogs under voice control and to collect dog waste, but concluded this plan was no longer consistent with its mission to preserve its properties for "education, use and enjoyment of this and future generations."

According to the press release issued by CELT Executive Director Chris Franklin, the "increased use of the property by off-leash dog walkers ... has steadily shifted Robinson Woods from a place for peaceful enjoyment of nature to one where visitors increasingly feel intimidated by the number of uncontrolled dogs and disturbed by the amount of dog waste left behind on the property." Franklin said that CELT learned of five separate incidents since August, involving at least three different dogs, in which people had been bitten, chased or attacked.

"During its outreach to community members the Land Trust fielded many more accounts of people being intimidated, knocked down and having their dogs attacked and harassed," Franklin said.

"We know and appreciate that many of CELT's friends and members use the property on a daily basis without incident and may consider this action unfair, but the fact that so many people, so many families have

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Western Class B soccer champs



Photo by Allison Landes

Players on Cape Elizabeth High School's varsity soccer team show who's No. 1 in Western Class B on Nov. 5 in Yarmouth after beating Greely High School 2-1 in penalty kicks to win the regional title. The team, the defending state champion, went into the Class B state final with three starting players out because of injury. In overtime, Waterville High School beat the Capers 1-0 on Nov. 8 at Deering High School in Portland.

Commission identifies biggest challenges for Cape seniors, offers recommendations

By Wendy Keeler

If the town follows through on the recommendations of a group advising the Town Council on the needs of Cape Elizabeth senior citizens, Cape residents 60 and older in the future will be able to get answers to senior-related questions by clicking on a link on the town website or by calling a hotline with recorded information.

They will be able to contact an employee or volunteer in charge of issues related to older residents, consult a senior guide distributed quarterly to households, and they will have their own space in a town building. Seniors who no longer can drive will be able to get rides in a 14-passenger van.

Those are among the preliminary recommendations that Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Chair Brett Seekins presented to the council on Nov. 6. The seven-member ad-hoc group, which the council established earlier this year, has met at least


twice a month since April to study issues facing older residents and to come up with ways to address their problems. In the winter, Seekins will present a formal report on the group's findings and recommendations.

For Cape Elizabeth senior citizens — who make up 24 percent of the town's population, Seekins said — the SCAC has determined communication, transportation, social opportunities, affordable housing, and taxation are the biggest challenges.

In a town in which nearly a quarter of residents are 60 and older, in a state with the oldest average age in the nation, these problems likely will persist, Seekins said.

"We are officially here," Seekins said on Nov. 20. "All towns need to be examining the care needs of their residents in this demographic and the services they are presently offering and measure the existing ser-

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Powers appreciates community support

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to this community for your strong support during the recent School Board election. This is a position of great responsibility, and I will work hard to honor the trust and confidence you demonstrated. We have much to be proud of in our schools! I am committed to being responsive to students, faculty and administration, parents, and the community at large as we keep a focus on outstanding and innovative opportunities in learning and citizenship, and a school culture highly supportive of all of its members.

I'd also like to give special thanks to those of you who wrote letters of support, offered your public endorsement, hosted and participated in the neighborhood coffees, and otherwise reached out to me during the campaign. It was very helpful to hear your perspectives as well as your ideas regarding the goals of continuous improvement, clear communication, and fiscally responsible and transparent budget development. Thank you! I look forward to this opportunity to serve.

Barbara Powers

Recycling Survey results could affect all

The Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee's composting survey is not just for gardeners. The results could affect how you are asked to separate your food waste and how you bring it to the Recycling Center. Please take a few minutes to complete the on-line survey, available only through November. You can access the survey by following the links on the Cape Elizabeth website or directly <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/capecomposting>.

Bill Schmitz, Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee member

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Spurwink gun club 'will continue to cooperate'

In response to Jonathan Baldwin's letter in the Nov. 12-25 issue of *The Cape Courier*: We felt our recent meeting with our Cross Hill neighbors was productive and conducted in a spirit of partnership for the benefit of our community.

The Spurwink Rod and Gun Club dis-

agrees with the assertion that we "show no interest in compromise or cooperation." The club has cooperated, and will continue to cooperate, with our neighbors and our community to address any and all concerns.

Tammy Walter, Spurwink Rod and Gun Club President

Hard work of town clerk and staff recognized

I am writing to thank our Town Clerk, Debra Lane, and her fine staff for the outstanding job that they did on Election Day. As one of the government teachers at the high school, which is the location where our citizens come to vote, I was there all day and into the evening. It was busy all day long with voters lining up out the door before the polls opened at 7 a.m. and continuing right up to closing time at 8 p.m.

Close to 4,000 people came to CEHS to vote and this is in addition to the 1,668 absentee ballots and early votes that the staff at our town hall processed prior to Nov. 4.

Listening to the news around the state and around the country about voting, you realize that the flawless operation that our town has is not automatic. It is the result of a hard-working team, from our custodians and town staff transforming the gymnasium into a polling station the night before to the staff and volunteers that arrive just after dawn and work all day long and into the night to get it right. We should be proud and thankful that we have such a dedicated group here in our town. Well done!

Ted Jordan, CEHS Government & U.S. History teacher

Staff praised for 'calm and orderly' election

I'd like to thank and recognize our election staff for their hard work; I am very proud of their efforts. They worked diligently to move voters through the line as quickly as possible. We maintained a calm and orderly polling place. Several voters commented that although it was very busy and they waited in line, it was a positive experience.

I'd also like to thank the town and school departments for their support. Elections are

a huge endeavor and it takes cooperation from many to bring the level of services our citizens deserve and expect.

Finally, thank you to the voters for their participation and cooperation. The atmosphere on Tuesday was positive and exciting. Many voters expressed how pleased they were to see the high voter turnout ... no matter how one may have voted.

Thank you to all!
Debra Lane, Town Clerk

Sen. Millett thankful, proud; invites ideas

I wish to offer my appreciation to Cape Elizabeth voters for re-electing me as their state senator—serving this district has been an honor. I am proud to represent such a vibrant and engaged community, where more than 80 percent of its citizens exercised their right to vote this fall—not a surprising turnout from a dynamic town that regularly volunteers to help neighbors near and far, treasures its open spaces, supports a vital farm community, maintains strong schools, and so much more.

Now that the campaign signs, mailers and TV ads are gone, it's time to refocus on the

real challenges and opportunities that lie before us. I will hold close the meaningful conversations I've had with residents about their aspirations and concerns, and those discussions will inform my work in Augusta in the coming session. As issues arise, please feel free to call me at 415-3903 or email me at sen-rebeccamillett@gmail.com anytime. My next "office hours" will be 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Local Buzz. Please stop by and share your thoughts about the upcoming legislative session.

Sen. Rebecca Millett

Wilcox urges residents: 'Share your ideas'

Thank you to the Cape Elizabeth Republican Committee who supported my candidacy for Cape Elizabeth Representative to the Maine State House, District 30.

Thank you to the 1,859 Cape Elizabeth citizens who voted for me and my tax-lowering, job-creating, student-loan-forgiving, school-applauding, and senior-caring message.

Thank you to Holly Buonaiuto, Chairwoman, and Bill Gross, Treasurer, tireless public servants in their own right.

Thank you to Steve for all your past political insight and past military service to the U.S. Navy, USS Farragut.

Thank you to Eliza and Jim for your willingness to watch Mom take on a challenge of a very public nature for all of us.

I learned so much from all of you, and I will, in my own way, as a citizen, continue to help the Cape Elizabeth, Maine we all love.

Thank you to my opponent, Kim Monaghan-Derrig for running a campaign about policies, problem solving, actual voting record, and planned future votes, not about personality.

Advice to the general public: Speak up, run for office, share your ideas. We need to hear all views. We need each other.

Pauline "Polly" Wilcox

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Changes proposed for bottle shed

By Elizabeth Brogan

The Town Council received a preliminary report on Nov. 6 from Town Manager Michael McGovern recommending changes for the bottle shed at the Recycling Center.

The proposal, to be fleshed out at the council's Dec. 8 meeting, is to have residents leave redeemable bottles and cans at the shed to be sorted off-site by a third-party vendor with specialized equipment, rather than by volunteers from the various youth organizations that benefit from the donations.

Under the proposal, the Town Council would appoint a committee of three to distribute proceeds to Cape Elizabeth youth organizations. The committee would determine the allocation of proceeds at the beginning of the year, so that people in town can know who their bottles and cans are benefiting, but the beneficiaries would receive checks without having to staff the bottle shed.

McGovern said that the bottle shed is "something that a lot of people appreciate," but in recent years, the town has had difficulty recruiting groups and then getting people to show up for volunteer shifts.

Max Rea, a member of the Cape Elizabeth Lions Club, told councilors at the Nov.

6 meeting how important the bottle shed is to his club.

"We really depend on that bottle shed every year to raise money, especially this year where we lost Family Fun Day," Rea said. "We didn't have any other source except the bottle shed. It really saved us."

McGovern noted the great job that Cape Elizabeth Lions Club has done at the shed and said that if the Lions Club still wanted to be involved and channel proceeds to youth organizations, as it has done in the past, that would be fine.

"I am hoping that whomever the council appoints to this committee will recognize the Lions Club's long-term tradition of support of so many youth groups in Cape Elizabeth ... We don't want to cut them out."

Councilors unanimously accepted McGovern's report and will consider a more detailed proposal at their Dec. 8 meeting.

McGovern said that he recognized that the proposal will affect a lot of groups and so "wanted to get it out there," ahead of any council action.

The bottle shed was the idea of then School Board member, Rosemary Reid, in 1992 and has operated at the Recycling Center since then.

Dec. 8 public hearing set on school bonds

By Bob Dodd

The Town Council set a public hearing for Dec. 8 on five capital improvement projects proposed by the School Board for the town's schools.

The public hearing will be at Town Hall chamber at the regular meeting of the council that begins at 7 p.m.

Councilor Jim Walsh pointed out that each of the five projects proposed is less than \$1 million. Projects exceeding \$1 million are required to be put to a townwide referendum.

The combined borrowing request of the five proposed projects is \$1.75 million.

The five projects proposed by the School Board are:

- * \$800,000 for the repair and replacement of roofs at the high school
- * \$175,000 for repair and replacement of roofs at the middle school

* \$175,000 for repair and replacement of roofs at the elementary school

* \$275,000 for upgrading electrical systems at the high school

* \$325,000 for repair and replacement of heating, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment at the middle school

Council Chair Jessica Sullivan noted that prior to the Dec. 8 hearing, school officials will provide a presentation on each of the proposed projects.

Compost 'lasagna' made by many



Volunteers work at Fort Williams on Nov. 16 to compost a portion of the wildflower meadow planned for a children's garden. "We used a layering technique called 'making lasagna,'" said Fort Williams Park Foundation member Janet Villiotte. The lasagna is made of cardboard, leaves, newspapers, coffee grounds and hay or straw to create rich soil for planting.



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Kathy Ray to chair Town Council in 2015

Katharine N. Ray was chosen as Town Council chair for 2015 at the town's annual caucus held Nov. 6.

Ray was elected to a second term on the council in the Nov. 4 election. A lifelong resident of Cape Elizabeth, Ray has served eight years on the School Board, in addition to her three years on the council. Retired from a career in banking, she has chaired the council's ordinance subcommittee and has been assigned to the Maine Municipal Association as convention delegate and Legislative Policy Committee representative. She is the council's liaison to the Planning Board. Ray has also served as president of the local Rotary Club and as a director of the Iris Network.

Jessica Sullivan, council chair for 2014, was elected to head the council's finance committee. Jamie Wagner was elected to succeed Ray as head of the ordinance subcommittee, and Molly MacAuslan will chair the appointments subcommittee. Caitlin Jordan, appointments committee chair for 2014, will join the ordinance committee.

The council leadership for 2015 will be formally voted in on Monday, Dec. 8, at the first meeting of the new council year. Patricia



Kathy Ray will chair council in 2015.

Grennon, elected to the council this month, will take her oath of office, and Councilor Ray will be sworn in for a second term.

For complete results of the annual caucus, visit the town website at www.capeelizabeth.com.

Cape Elizabeth real estate transfers for May and June 2014

NEW OWNER	PREVIOUS OWNER	NUMBER	STREET NAME	SALE PRICE	TYPE / USE
KNIGHT ERIC L JR	ALLEY DORCAS H	8	PLEASANT AVENUE	\$235,000	SINGLE FAMILY
ALLEY DORCAS H	RYER KAREN A & JAMES L III	1	OAKVIEW DRIVE	\$185,000	CONDOMINIUM
RYER JAMES L III	MONER SUSAN E	10	PHILIP ROAD	\$270,000	SINGLE FAMILY
RILEY WILLIAM C	KONKEL JAMES D & SUSAN	2	FOX HILL ROAD	\$687,000	SINGLE FAMILY
HOUGHTON JOHN R	BECKER PATRICIA	23	WILDWOOD DRIVE	\$350,000	CONDOMINIUM
NUDD HUGH & ELIZABETH TR	JOYCE JOHN LIVING TRUST	972	SHORE ROAD UNIT 8	\$175,000	CONDOMINIUM
VISION REAL ESTATE LLC	TELLERMAN RONNIE S HALFACRE	5	MCAULEY ROAD	\$96,000	SINGLE FAMILY
MCGEHAN MARC A	HOUGHTON JOHN REED	2	CRAGMOOR	\$560,000	SINGLE FAMILY
HUTCHINS MICHAEL F SR	BURGESS REALTY TRUST	5	OAKVIEW DRIVE	\$185,000	CONDOMINIUM
KLEINMAN MICHAEL S	PERHAM JANICE L	3	HERITAGE COURT	\$725,000	SINGLE FAMILY
TAIT BRYON J	CONRAD ROBERT J	17	PEPPERGRASS ROAD	\$1,250,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CONCANNON CHRISTOPHER	STAR HOMES INC	8	HAMLIN STREET	\$395,000	SINGLE FAMILY
BARTON WILLIAM E JR	BARKER RICHARD & JULIA TRS	20	OAKVIEW DRIVE	\$158,900	CONDOMINIUM
LYLE FAMILY REV TR	LYLE MICHAEL A	4	BERMAN ROAD	\$0	SINGLE FAMILY
HICKOCK ANDREW F	HEINRICH ERICA & ROY MATTHEW	16	WOODCREST ROAD	\$506,500	SINGLE FAMILY
TAMIR SHAI SHAWN	CRESCENT VIEW PROPERTIES	1	CRESCENT VIEW AVE	\$0	THREE FAMILY
7 LIGHTHOUSE POINT LLC	LUCAS JACK & LUCAS BOBBI	7	LIGHTHOUSE POINT RD	\$0	SINGLE FAMILY
GIFOTOS MARY WHEDBEE	RM INC	1055	SHORE ROAD	\$253,000	VACANT LAND
ROY-BECKER SEAN J	OHEARN PHILIP M	6	FRANKLIN CIRCLE	\$489,900	SINGLE FAMILY
LAW JEREMY P	VALLELY JOHN F III & DEBORAH D	31	MCAULEY ROAD	\$372,500	SINGLE FAMILY
CORMIER JOHN M	FITZPATRICK ASSOCIATES INC	28	PHOEBE'S WAY	\$463,500	SINGLE FAMILY
MAINLEY PROPERTIES	SPURWINK WOODS LLC	3	FRANKLIN CIRCLE	\$108,000	VACANT LAND
DEMERS JESSE C	SPURWINK WOODS LLC	28	ASTER LANE	\$100,000	VACANT LAND
MCCUSKER CARRIE A	FRIBERG MARC R	220	FICKETT STREET	\$119,000	VACANT LAND
GRADY JONATHAN T	VOZZELLI MICHAEL A	58	HUNTS POINT ROAD	\$555,000	SINGLE FAMILY
EFRON MICHAEL A	MITTEL ROBERT E REV TRUST	2	WABUN ROAD	\$376,500	SINGLE FAMILY
GONSALVES JOHN B	HAUPT RICHARD W &	35	CONCORD PLACE	\$216,500	CONDOMINIUM
MURRAY KRISTINE G	MURRAY STEPHEN M	0	FOWLER ROAD	\$147,500	VACANT LAND
PERRY BENJAMIN H	LAWSURE MICHELE	101	OLD OCEAN HOUSE RD	\$275,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CARWILE JENNY L	RAND J JEFFREY &	46	BELFIELD ROAD	\$540,000	SINGLE FAMILY
TALL STEPHEN J	EFRON MICHAEL A &	2	MISTY LANE	\$480,000	SINGLE FAMILY
SAPIRSTEIN RAY J	STACKHOUSE JAY A	14	PHILIP ROAD	\$315,000	SINGLE FAMILY
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DRABEK CHRISTINE	LEEDS BRUCE	82	OAKHURST ROAD	\$257,500	SINGLE FAMILY
ELEGANT COTTAGES LLC	HURLEY ERIN A	3	IRONCLAD ROAD	\$311,000	SINGLE FAMILY
KETCHAM TODD R	COBB PATRICIA	37	STONE DRIVE	\$275,740	SINGLE FAMILY
LEONHIRTH MICHAEL W	LEOPOLD DAVID E	41	CROSS HILL ROAD	\$749,750	SINGLE FAMILY
ATKINS GAIL P	DAMON KATHRYN	1165	SHORE ROAD	\$362,500	SINGLE FAMILY
BOWDLER MICHAEL	MCKENNEY RICHARD L	11	CHAMBERS ROAD	\$210,000	SINGLE FAMILY
MYERS STEPHAN G	STROM HUBERT W & EVELYN S	164	FOWLER ROAD	\$271,000	SINGLE FAMILY
DEMARCO ALICE	HURLEY JOANELLEN S	152	OCEAN HOUSE ROAD	\$258,000	SINGLE FAMILY
CARR LYNN	WILCOX STEPHEN H ESTATE OF	11	PLEASANT AVENUE	\$249,900	SINGLE FAMILY
NOVAK KERRY R	LENGYEL DAVID T	52	OAKHURST ROAD	\$558,500	SINGLE FAMILY
UNGAR JAY M	FITZPATRICK ASSOCIATES INC	3	DIPPER ROAD	\$508,200	CONDOMINIUM
COST MANAGEMENT INC	SPURWINK WOODS LLC	34	ASTER LANE	\$100,000	VACANT LAND
COST MANAGEMENT INC	SPURWINK WOODS LLC	39	ASTER LANE	\$100,000	VACANT LAND
HOLLOWELL JAMES M	SPURWINK WOODS LLC	38	ASTER LANE	\$100,000	VACANT LAND
PFEIFFENBERGER ROBERT T	CLAREY RICHARD J &	54	MURRAY DRIVE	\$330,000	SINGLE FAMILY
DAMON SHAWN D	DYER FRANCES M	40	BELFIELD ROAD	\$450,000	SINGLE FAMILY
LUNDGREN DENNIS R	FITZPATRICK ASSOCIATES INC	19	PHOEBE'S WAY	\$458,610	CONDOMINIUM

Portable basketball hoops should be moved away from roadside in advance of snow

With early forecasts for snow this season, Cape Elizabeth Public Works would like to remind residents that it's time to remove portable basketball hoops from the edge of the roadway.

Hoops need to be 10 feet or more from the roadway to avoid damage to plowing equipment and to the hoops themselves.

The heavy-steel rims on basketball hoops

are about the same height as the mirrors and warning lights of the town snowplows and can do substantial damage, said Public Works Director Robert Malley. In turn, the hoops can also be damaged by the plows.

Public Works is not responsible for damage to basketball hoops left in the town right of way, nor does the town wish to see the equipment damaged.

Last chance to participate in recycling survey


By Jamie Garvin, Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee

As part of its ongoing focus on promoting composting in Cape Elizabeth, the Recycling Committee has launched an online survey to gather input from the community. The survey is intended to gauge opinions on a variety of questions relating to food-waste composting, ranging from current practices and behaviors to providing direction on possible longer range programs and services to be offered.

Organic waste (primarily food scraps, compostable paper, and yard trimmings) represents the largest untapped resource remaining in our solid-waste stream. The re-

sults of the survey will be used in creating a position paper currently being researched by the Recycling Committee examining the state of composting in the area and options for organics recycling programs. Those findings will be presented to the Town Council in January and then published and shared with the public.

The survey of about a dozen multiple-choice questions should only take a few minutes to complete. The committee asks that responses be limited to one per household and be from Cape Elizabeth residents only. It will be open through November. The survey is available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/capecomposting>.



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NATURAL HAPPENINGS

Watch the peak of Geminids meteor shower

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

Dec. 6: Full Cold Moon occurs as winter air settles in and the nights become long and dark.

Dec. 13-14: Peak of the Geminids meteor shower—"the king of the meteor showers,"—considered by many to be the best shower in the heavens, producing up to 120 multicolored meteors per hour at its peak. It is produced by debris left behind by an asteroid discovered in 1982. Best viewing will be from a dark location after midnight. Meteors will radiate from the constellation Gemini, but can appear anywhere in the sky.

Dec. 21: Winter solstice at 6:03 p.m. The sun will set at 4:07 p.m. This is the first day of winter in the Northern Hemisphere and the first day of summer (summer solstice) in the Southern Hemisphere.

Look for barred owls returning to their favorite perches. They tend to frequent bird feeders at night, looking for mice.

Christmas ferns stay green all winter. Each leaflet is shaped like a stocking, making them easy to identify.

Fun fact: Mistletoe is a poisonous parasitic plant. Makes one wonder why we traditionally kiss under it! In ancient times, Druids thought mistletoe brought good luck and health at Yuletide.



Photos by Erika Carlson Rhile

Top, a barred owl. Directly above, a Christmas fern in Winnick Woods.

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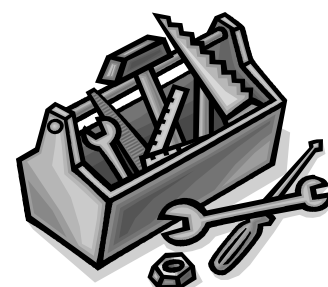
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Library foundation launches public phase of \$700,000 capital campaign

By Frank Governali

On Nov. 4, citizens of Cape Elizabeth voted overwhelmingly to support the proposed \$4 million renovation of the Thomas Memorial Library building.

The plan approved by voters calls for a renovation of the older, most prominent section of the library, and the construction of a two-story addition, which will increase the overall square footage by about 10 percent, but increase the usable space by nearly 40 percent.

The goal is to create an attractive and efficient facility that blends in well with its surroundings, maximizes the benefits of the library's central location, ensures easy access to all patrons, and is flexible enough to meet changing library and community needs long into the future.

Now, the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation is pleased to announce the launch of the public phase of its building fund. The goal of the campaign is to raise \$700,000 to cover the cost of furniture, fixtures and equipment to outfit the new facility. A "quiet phase" of the effort has successfully

raised pledges for over 70 percent of the total goal already. The foundation has offered a matching gift contribution of up to \$100,000 to match gifts to be raised through a broad outreach to the general public.

Preliminary work on the renovation will begin by the end of this year to prepare temporary library space in what is now the children's area of the library.

During construction, curtailed library services will continue to be offered from the temporary space, with the possibility of some larger programs being offered in other facilities around town. Actual construction will begin in early spring 2015, with the expectation of completion by the end of the year.

The Thomas Memorial Library Foundation is an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to providing financial resources to support and augment the Thomas Memorial Library's programming and capital needs which fall outside the annual operating budget for the benefit of the citizens of Cape Elizabeth.



Photo by Elizabeth Brogan

Construction of a temporary parking lot underway at the library on Nov. 15.



A watercolor rendering of the anticipated new circulation area of the library.

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Missing silverware reported; phone line to house appeared to be cut

Reported by Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-27 An officer observed a scooter and small hockey net on the grass near the Public Works Department. Items were brought to the police station for safekeeping.
- 10-29 An officer met with a resident of the Broad Cove area who had received a phone call from a subject giving the name of Barry Foster, speaking with a Nigerian accent and claiming to be from the IRS. The resident hung up on the caller. Other residents reported getting the same call.
- 10-29 An officer met with a school bus driver about a vehicle that had passed his stopped bus while he was discharging students. The owner of the car was identified and issued a summons.
- 10-29 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area about a criminal trespass complaint.
- 11-1 An officer met with a resident of the Two Lights Road area about a trespass complaint.
- 11-2 An officer met with a resident of the Eastman Road area about a parking complaint.
- 11-4 An officer met with a subject who had found some personal documents belonging to a resident of the Sawyer Road area. Subject was contacted and documents returned.
- 11-6 An officer met with a subject at a

residence in the Shore Road area about a phone line to the house that appeared to have been cut.

- 11-6 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area about missing silverware.
- 11-9 An officer met with a resident of the Old Ocean House Road area about a possible violation of a court order.
- 11-9 An officer met with a subject who had found an iPhone. The owner was identified and phone returned.

ARRESTS

- 11-7 Scarborough resident, possession of scheduled drugs, Eastman Road

SUMMONSES

- 10-28 Saco resident, failure to produce insurance, Route 77, \$171
- 10-29 Cape Elizabeth resident, passed stopped school bus, operating after license suspension, Farm Hill Road, \$621
- 10-29 Cape Elizabeth resident, speeding, Spurwink Avenue
- 10-30 Montana resident, uninspected vehicle, Shore Road, \$133
- 10-31 Portland resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70
- 10-31 Cape Elizabeth resident, criminal trespassing in a building, Beacon Lane
- 11-4 South Portland resident, uninspected vehicle, Fort Williams, \$133
- 11-4 Cape Elizabeth resident, operating after license suspension, habitual offender,

- Route 77
- 11-5 Cape Elizabeth resident, assault, criminal mischief, Elmwood Road
- 11-5 Westbrook resident, failure to stop for red light, Ocean House Road, \$131
- 11-7 South Portland resident, failure to display registration plates, Sawyer Road, \$137
- 11-7 Scarborough resident, possession of scheduled drugs, Eastman Road
- 11-9 Portland resident, unregistered vehicle over 150 days, Old Ocean House Road

ACCIDENTS

- 10-28 Curtis Brown, accident on Fowler Road
- 10-30 Lisa Chase, accident on Mitchell Road
- 11-4 Damien Allain, Matthew Roy, accident on Mitchell Road.
- 11-4 Victoria Passmore, accident on Ocean House Road
- 11-6 Herb Dennison, accident on Ocean House Road.

- 11-7 Priscilla Perry, accident on Ocean House Road

FIRE CALLS

- 10-31 South Portland mutual aid
- 10-31 Mitchell Road, fire alarm
- 11-1 Portland mutual aid
- 11-1 Old Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 11-1 Surf Road, investigation
- 11-2 Heritage Court, carbon monoxide alarm
- 11-3 Woodland Road, investigation
- 11-4 Scarborough mutual aid
- 11-6 Shore Road, carbon monoxide alarm
- 11-7 Ocean House Road, car accident
- 11-7 Eastman Road, car accident
- 11-9 Woodcrest Road, fire alarm
- 11-9 Zeb's Cove, fire alarm

RESCUE CALLS

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

Caution urged in response to IRS phone scam

The Cape Elizabeth Police Department is urging residents not to return calls or give any private information in response to what it believes is a new telephone scam.

Residents have been receiving calls from a person identifying himself as an IRS agent. The fake IRS agent tells the victims that they

are in "big tax trouble."

Police Chief Neil Williams said that a call was placed to the number given, and so far a voice mail box has come up full.

"Please make a report with the Police Department (207-767-3323) should you receive such a call," Williams said.

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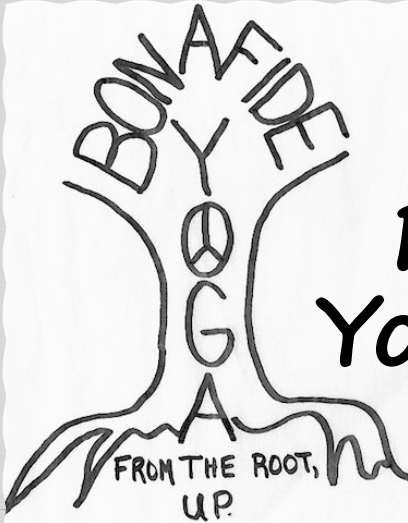
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Edward I. Woodbury

A Cape Courier series by Cape Elizabeth resident Ellen Van Fleet follows the Civil War through the eyes of people who lived in Cape Elizabeth 150 years ago, when the Civil War was in its third year. Using Portland author Paul Ledman's book, "A Maine Town Responds," as the main guide, the series includes both short entries from the Portland Transcript, a newspaper, and letters from a local soldier who served on the western front. Items from the Portland Transcript and from soldiers' letters are reported verbatim.

Nov. 26, 1864 – Byron Heath, while intoxicated, fell from his cart, in Cape Elizabeth on Thursday evening, and the wheel ran over him, smashing his head in a dreadful manner. When found he lay dead, with his goad stick in his hand. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ Willie A. Edmonds, a lad about twelve years old, son of Capt. Thomas Edmonds, while returning from the Fair at Ferry Village, Cape Elizabeth, on Monday week, on horseback, was so severely injured by his horse dropping dead in the road, that he died on Sunday last. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ Richard Hildreth, the historian, now Consul at Trieste, has become hopelessly insane, through excessive literary labor. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ A gentleman who came on the Boston train yesterday informs us that a splendidly dressed lady, all smiles and fancy ringlets, got into the cars, and taking a seat near him spread her flounces profusely, nearly covering him. She was chatty, pretty, and well perfumed. At the first station she left, and soon after he discovered that his pocket had been cut open, and a pocket

book containing \$3 had been abstracted. [*Portland Transcript*]

Dec. 3, 1864 – Last Wednesday while Miss Josephine Edwards was engaged at work in the Match Factory, the composition that she was at work with took fire and caught her dress. Before the flames could be extinguished the upper part of her body and her hands was severely burned – to such a degree that her recovery is doubtful. Two other girls were also badly burned at the same time. [*Portland Transcript*]

☞ The police made a raid on the houses of ill fame last Monday night. At the "Bight" a girl jumped out of a window and broke a leg besides sustaining other injuries. [*Portland Transcript*]

Editor's note: From 1847 to 1853, Cape Elizabeth resident Scott D. Jordan was a mariner, plying trade routes in New England, England, the West Indies, the Caribbean, and the southern coast of the United States. In 1863, he left his wife Judith and their three children to serve as a naval ensign in the Civil War. After the war, he farmed and served for a while as the superintendent of Cape Elizabeth Poor Farm.

Jordan wrote to his wife in fall, 1864.

US Steamer Carondelet
At Paducah, Kentucky
Nov 28, 1864

Dear Wife,
We arrived here at 9 o'clock this morning. We expected to find the place in the hands of the Rebels, and had made up our minds upon having a pretty smart fight in recapturing our fortification at this place. But we were disappointed for all is quiet here, and the citizens do not expect any trouble at present. We are now waiting orders from the Admiral. We may leave here in 30 minutes or we may be here a month. I am drilling our crew every leisure moment, as they are most all new men. They are all willing to do their best, but are green. If I can have 48 hours more, before engaging any Rebel Batteries I shall be ready, and willing to give an exhibition of the old Carondelets fighting qualities. I suppose a description of this place would be interesting. It is a very handsome place. The buildings are all of brick, the land level, streets wide and straight which I see from the Ship not having been on shore. There is a large force of Uncle Sam's soldiers here too, I should judge by the number of camps in sight. Also a fort, manned by the same kind of men. The Gunboats Neosho, Peositor? And Carondelet are all that are here. The Flag Ship was here today, about an hour, and then proceeded up the Ohio river.

U.S. Steamer Carondelet
Clarksville, Tenn.
Nov. 30, 1864

Dear Judith,
...At 12 O'clock, Noon today, we passed Fort Donaldson where this Ship lost about 30 men two years and 9 months ago, at the same time the Fort surrendered to Uncle Sam. I should judge by the appearance that it was a very hard place to capture. The country around the vicinity of the fort has the appearance of being very fertile. This is the most beautiful river I have ever been on since I joined the service, and easy to navigate. The water is excellent for drinking, and very clear. The country on both sides of the river is covered with White oak timber except here and there, a small spot of cleared ground with a log house upon it, and a few children playing around the door, and a man and wife standing in it who always wave their handkerchiefs to us while

passing. The houses are all built of hewn White Oak logs, same one, and same two stories high, the chimneys are all built outside the houses. I notice plenty of Grey & Fox squirrels on the trees, and some wild turkeys along the banks of the river. Any quantity of hogs everywhere, but very few cattle and horses. Ditto sheep. We expected to have a good deal of annoyance by the Guerillas on this river but thus far we have not had a shot from them, perhaps we may before we get to Nashville.

U.S. Steamer Carondelet
Cumberland River, ten miles from Nashville


Dec. 1, 1864
Dear Judith,
We are making all haste to get to Nashville, for Hood is pressing General Thomas back towards there all the time. Troops are coming from all directions to reinforce Thomas. We have not seen or heard a rebel since we came in to the river. All day to day we have been passing lofty ridges of solid rock, several of the peaks being from 500 to 1000 feet above the bed of the river, and the side next to the river in many instances perpendicular from the water to the top and as smooth as marble. The rock is genuine limestone. Gens Hood and Forest are within seven miles of this place with 50,000 men. Gens Thomas & Smith, are here with 70,000. A great battle was expected today, but it is a violent rain storm and nothing has been done yet. The Rebs had got a hard job to do, to take this place, and would have, even if they had 150,000 instead of 50 thousand as the Gunboats can defend the City without any other help. This is the Capital of the state and has the handsomest State house in the United states, the material of which is Iron and Stone.

Your Affectionate Husband
Scott D. Jordan


U.S. Steamer Carondelet
Six miles below Nashville
Dec. 3, 1864


Dear Wife
We are stationed here, to assist the right flank of the Army when it is attacked, as it comes round in to the river at this place. Tomorrow morning is the time when the attack

—see SESQUICENTENNIAL, page 9



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Cape Elizabeth resident **Melanie Pinette**, a 2008 graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School, recently joined Onpoint Health Data, a Portland-based health data and analytics organization, as an analyst.

Pinette received a Bachelor of Science degree in physics from Bowdoin College in Brunswick in 2012 and a master's degree in engineering management from Duke University in Durham, N.C., in 2013.

She previously worked at Macpage as an internal auditor.

Two Cape Elizabeth residents who are attorneys at Verrill Dana's Portland office have been recognized as "New England Super Lawyers" in the 2014 edition of *New England Super Lawyers and Rising Stars*. Selection is based on research, peer nominations and evaluations. **Harold J. Friedman** was chosen in the area of personal injury, and **Kathleen Gleason Healy** for health care law.

Cape Elizabeth resident **Donna McGrew** recently was sworn in as a trustee of the Greater New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, a nonprofit organization that serves patients with MS by supporting scientific research and promoting education. She and another trustee will represent the 3,000 people in Maine living with multiple sclerosis.

McGrew manages Maine Medical Center's finance office and is assistant to the chief financial officer of MMC. Diagnosed with MS in 2010, she volunteers with the society, raising money through events including Bike MS, Walk MS, and Fashion Plates.

"Giving back and helping others with MS is one of my passions," she said.



Donna McGrew

Sesquicentennial

Cont. from page 8

is to be made and we are ready.

... We have just received a message from the Capt of the Steamer Magnet, a vessel laden with all kinds of goods that the Rebels fired into her nine miles below here and shot away her wheel Also striking her eleven times besides. One woman on board was killed out right having her head shot completely off. They landed on the opposite shore from the rebels, and all hands left the Steamer and have taken refuge in the wood for the night. We hold an important position here, and cannot leave it without orders from head quarters. The enemy are within three miles, and heavy skirmishing is going on all the time. A general attack is expected, and as the force on both sides are large, a great battle is expected.

Sunday Dec. 4th at 11:30: Last evening we were ordered to proceed with all speed down the river to the reb batteries and attack them which we did, arriving at the Batteries at 1:30 A.M. We immediately opened upon them to which they replied vigorously with their Artillery. In two hours we succeeded in routing them and driving them off altogether. They were not expecting an Iron Clad among them, and were rather taken by surprise when we first opened upon them, as they expected to hear the reports of the 20 Pounders of the Light Draughts, instead of the deafening roar of our 100 Pounders, which fairly made the ground tremble under them. They had captured two large Steamers, the Prairie State & Prima Donna, but a few hours before, these we recaptured and towed up the river about a mile, and delivered them to the US Steamer FairPlay to tow up to Nashville. They we proceeded

down river again, to recapture the Steamer Magnet, which we did, and now have her in tow bound up to Nashville. We received no damage in any way of any consequence. We were struck but three times. The Rebs fired to[o] high the most of their shot going over us. I had the honor of fighting the Ships Guns exclusively with the exception of a 24 lb Howitzer, and one 50 lb Dahlgren. I used two 100 lb Parrots, and three 100 lb Dahlgrens from where we fired about a hundred rounds. The Capt was well satisfied with the performance.

U.S. Steamer Carondelet
At Nashville, Tenn.

Dec. 6, 1864

Dear Wife,

We have just returned from a small fight with a Rebel Battery, 29 miles below here, all well with the exception of one man, slightly injured, by our own guns. The US Steamer Monitor Neosho and Carondelet were the only gun boats employed. We shelled them until they ceased to reply. We started this morning at 9 o'clock in company of five Light Draughts, and 12 Transports to convoy the Transports as the government needed their services to bring supplies ... to this Army. But the rebs opened upon us so strong we were obliged to send them up to Nashville for safety. And now since we have silenced all their guns, I should not be surprised if we again attempt it tomorrow. There is considerable firing all round our lines, while I am writing this note, but I have heard so much of it lately that I hardly notice it at all, And so it is with everyone on board except some of our new men and boys, they notice every sound that is made, if it is nothing but a percussion cap, but they will soon get used to it I think if we remain in the river.

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In addition to serving food and drink, agents will collect "stocking stuffer" toys for the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital's "Owwie Box," from which kids choose treasures after they have medical proce-

dures. Toys will be collected through Friday, Dec. 12.

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'Christmas Carol' at Portland Stage Company to feature four Cape Elizabeth actors



Photo by Myles C. Hatch

Anita Stewart, third from left, artistic director of the Portland Stage Company and director of the upcoming production, "A Christmas Carol," meets with Cape Elizabeth cast members, from left, Jack Hagan, Ryan Strack, Clair McDonald, Julia Pilk and Lexi Pilk.

Portland Stage Company will present Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" from Friday, Nov. 28, through Wednesday, Dec. 24, at the theater, 25 Forest Ave., Portland.

Cape Elizabeth residents Jack Hagan, Claire McDonald, Julia Pilk, Lexi Pilk, and Ryan Strack are members of the ensemble and will perform in half of the shows.

The play, set in London in the 1840s, tells the story of Ebenezer Scrooge, whose Christmas transformation moves him from greed to social responsibility. The show includes period costumes, dancing, and music, including traditional carols.

Performances are planned from Friday, Nov. 28, to Wednesday, Dec. 24. Go to the Portland Stage Company website,

www.portlandstage.org, for the complete performance schedule.

The Cape Elizabeth cast members will perform in the shows planned at 7 p.m. Nov. 28, Nov. 29, and Dec. 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, and at 5 p.m. on Dec. 21.

Children younger than 15 years pay \$15 per ticket with the purchase of an adult ticket. Students 16 and older pay \$20, adults pay \$45, and senior citizens pay \$41.

Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. Ten percent of tickets that Cape Elizabeth residents buy for the Nov. 29 and 30 shows will go to the Pond Cove Parents Association.

Call 774-0465 or go to www.portlandstage.org to buy tickets.

CAPE CALENDAR By Wendy Derzawiec

Thursday, November 27
Thanksgiving Holiday. Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center closed
Friday, November 28
Thanksgiving Holiday. Town Hall, Thomas Memorial Library closed. Recycling Center open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Monday, December 1
School Board Policy Committee, 7:30-8:30 a.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall
Tuesday, December 2
Planning Board Workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Wednesday, December 3
Town Council Workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall
Monday, December 8
Town Council, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber
Tuesday, December 9
School Board Executive Session, 6 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall
Conservation Commission, 7 p.m., Assessing/Codes/Planning Conference Room, second floor Town Hall
School Board, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber
Wednesday, December 10
Zoning Board of Appeals, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

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'Oliver!' at Lyric Music Theater through Dec. 7 Fundraiser at Flatbread planned on Dec. 2



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Lyric Music Theater's current show, "Oliver!" includes cast members, from left, Luke Turner, Ry Dean, Robert Trowbridge, Julian Ray, Lilly Thorne, Alec Campbell, Chris Newcomb, Isaac Dinnerstein, Lauren Bamford, Nick Sutton, Aiden Reams, Finn Dierks-Brown, and Thomas Wilson.

The musical "Oliver!" will run through Sunday, Dec. 7, at Lyric Music Theater, 176 Sawyer St., South Portland.

Based on Charles Dickens' novel, "Oliver Twist," the play centers on an orphan who escapes a workhouse and heads to London, where he meets a gang of pickpockets. The score includes songs such as "Consider Your-

self," "Food Glorious Food" and "You've Got to Pick-a-Pocket or Two."

Tickets are \$21.99 and \$17.99 for seniors and are discounted for groups of 10 or more. Shows are planned at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and at 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Call 799-1421, email ticketslyric@gmail.com or go to lyricmusictheater.org to reserve tickets.

Coldwell collecting gifts for families in need

Cape Elizabeth's Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office is collecting holiday gifts for children, adults and families served by Opportunity Alliance of Maine.

The Portland-based organization, which serves people in need, provides early education and child care, nutrition programming, advocacy, mental health and substance-

abuse treatment, and basic needs. The agency serves more than 20,000 people in the state every year.

New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at the office, located at 295 Ocean House Road, through Friday, Dec. 12. Contact Roni Barbera at roni.barbera@nemoves.com or 799-5000 for more information.

Lions' holiday gift baskets 'make a difference'

Cape Elizabeth Lions Club members are collecting nonperishable food items for Cape Elizabeth families in need during the holidays.

Community members can donate food – soup, pasta, and canned vegetables, canned fruits, and more – and place it in the Lions' food collection box located in the lobby at IGA.

Last year, 12 Cape Elizabeth families re-

ceived food baskets at Christmas.

"The baskets do make a difference to recipients, and one former recipient mentioned how grateful the family was to have received one many years ago and that it really was a godsend at the time," Cape Elizabeth Lions Club member Lee Taylor said.

Contact Rich Brooks at 767-2733 or rich@brooksepmaine.com for more information.

A fundraiser benefiting Cape Elizabeth Middle School's sixth-grade Chewonki outdoor education program is planned at Flatbread Pizza Co. in Portland from 5 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 2.

Flatbread will donate \$3.50 for every large whole pizza and \$1.75 for each small pizza that night, and the fundraiser will include take-out pizzas.

For more than 20 years, CEMS sixth-graders have spent five days and nights in May

in Wiscasset participating in the Chewonki Foundation's outdoor education program.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward tuition to help families who can't cover the cost of the program.

The restaurant is located at 72 Commercial St., and take-out orders can be made at 772-8777. Contact Suzanne Pillsbury at smartinpillsbury@gmail.com for more information about the fundraiser or the Chewonki program.

'A Christmas Story, the Musical' to open Dec. 5

"A Christmas Story, the Musical," will run from Friday, Dec. 5, through Sunday, Dec. 21, at the Portland Players, 420 Cottage Road, South Portland.

A musical adaptation of the film, "A Christmas Story," the story takes place in small-town Indiana in the 1940s and focuses on nine-year-old Ralphie, who desperately wants a "Red Ryder carbine-action 200-shot range model BB rifle with a compass in the stock" for Christmas.

The play is suitable for adults and children.

Joelle Clingerman directs the play, and David Delano provides musical direction.

Show times are planned at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

Go to www.portlandplayers.org, or call 799-7337 to buy tickets. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens, and \$15 for students with identification.

Fourth annual Christmas on the Cape on Dec. 6

The Cape Business Alliance's fourth annual Christmas on the Cape, planned from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6, will include family activities at 13 businesses, a scavenger hunt, and a 5:15 p.m. tree lighting in front of the Cape Elizabeth Public Safety building.

At the Town Center Fire Station, Cape Elizabeth Community Services employees will take free photos of Cape residents with Santa Claus from 3 to 5 p.m., and Alewives Brook Farm and Jordan's Farm will oversee the making of reindeer food from 2 to 5 p.m. Pet photos with Santa will be taken at the Veterinary and Rehabilitation Center of Cape Elizabeth from 2 to 4 p.m.

Other offerings will include arts and crafts at Mainly Chiropractic, holiday-card making at Shore Things, Christmas-cookie decorating at Re/Max Oceanside, the making of Christmas ornaments at Polly's Hair Care Center, a toy activity at Something's Fishy, gift-bag making at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, sugar-cone Christmas-tree making at Kindred Assisted Living-Village Crossings, the writing of letters to Santa at Coastal Wellness Fam-

ily Chiropractic, and free hot chocolate at C Salt Gourmet Market. South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Buy Local will offer hot chocolate at the tree lighting.

Families who plan to participate in the scavenger hunt can pick up a form ahead of time at the participating businesses, or at the beginning of the event. During Christmas on the Cape, participants will get their forms stamped at each business and turn them in at the end of the night. People who visit at least 12 stops will be eligible for a \$50 gift card, and everyone else for two \$25 gift cards.

Every business will have a donation jar for Judy's Produce Pantry, a cooperative effort of the Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church and Cape Elizabeth farmers and residents to provide fresh, locally grown produce free of charge to Cape Elizabeth residents with limited resources who want to eat healthy food.

Call Colleen Monroe at 650-2493 or Vicki Kennedy at 799-7600 for information, or go to the Cape Business Alliance page or the Christmas on the Cape Facebook pages.

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Kreitz exhibits in December; sale of work will benefit library's 'renaissance'



Lizard Logic is among the works by Morris Kreitz to be exhibited at the library in December.

In December, Cape resident Morris Kreitz will exhibit "Cut and Paste," a collection of about seventy-five collages made in the past year.

Most pieces are small, with 10" by 10" frames, and are offered for sale at \$50 apiece. A number of larger collages will also be included in the show. All proceeds from the sale of these works will be donated to the library.

Kreitz describes his collages as graphic design improvisations. "Some of the compositions are inspired by particular color ways and some by juxtaposing contrasting

textures or shapes," says Kreitz. "Others are riffs on found photographic images. The pieces were not begun with a clear image of an end product; rather, their creation was the result of a sort of 'doodling,' using a sharp knife and scraps of paper rather than a pencil or paint."

The artist says he finds the process very enjoyable, and the results are often quite unexpected.

Kreitz hopes others will find these works surprising and fun as well and will adopt one or more of them in support of the Thomas Memorial Library's "imminent renaissance."

Library launches winter reading program

As an offshoot of its popular adult summer reading program, the library is hosting its first winter reading program called "The William Widgery Thomas Winter World Tour." The program will run from Dec. 1 through Feb. 28. The program is open to all ages – children, teens and adults. An older traveling companion may assist pre-readers.

Participants will receive a passport in which they can record the titles of books they have read and where in the world each book took them. In addition, everyone who

signs up will receive a "Flat W.W. Thomas" in order to take photos of themselves with W. W. Thomas on any real or literary journeys. Photos can be emailed to the library or posted directly on the library's Facebook page.

To join in the excitement, visit the library or its website to sign up beginning Dec. 1.

Participants who have logged at least one item in their passport by the end of the program will receive their choice of a travel-themed gift.

Library offers 'Stay & Play' programs for little ones through December

While preparations are underway for the library's temporary quarters to be complete, most of the library's regularly scheduled children's programs have been suspended.

An exception is the library's monthly music programs and Read to a Dog program, which are continuing as usual. Rob Duquette will present his monthly World Music on the third Thursday of every month. Winston and Maddie, the library's two therapy dogs, will continue to meet with children in grades K-8 on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons after school. Children must be registered in advance to read to the dogs. You can register for a 15-minute reading session online by visiting the library's website, or call the library at 799-1720 to register over the phone.

While the library's Community Room is

still accessible, the children's department is offering a number of "Stay & Play" programs in place of regular story times. The Community Room will be set up with a variety of educational toys and activities, and families with young children will be invited to drop in and play. A librarian will be on hand to interact with kids and parents and read stories to anyone who would like to listen.

The library is offering four two-hour sessions per week through December: two for families with children from birth to age three, 10 a.m. to noon, Wednesdays and Fridays; and two for families with children ages 3-5, 10 a.m. to noon, Mondays and Tuesdays.

No registration is necessary – drop by at any time during the program time to hang out and have fun!

Rotary's Christmas tree sale to begin Nov. 28

The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 52nd annual Christmas tree sale will open at 9 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 28, at Mill Creek Park in South Portland.

The club, which ordered close to 2,000 Maine-grown trees this year, has sold Christmas trees to raise money for community charitable causes since 1962.

"Every penny raised is used for community and international endeavors such as scholarships, local improvement projects, donations to local food pantries, Rotary humanitarian projects and many other charitable programs," said Rotary member Scott Irving, who is heading up the tree sale.

Based on demand in past seasons, trees will continue to be primarily in the six- to eight-foot range. Five- to six-footers, trees taller than eight feet, tabletop trees, and



Photo by Adrienne Murphy

Catherine Callahan and her daughter Audrey select a Christmas tree in December 2013 at the Rotary tree sale.

wreaths also will be available at the fundraiser.

"We appreciate the continued support of the community and are looking forward to another great season," Rotary Club President Kathy Cotter said.

Proceeds from Dec. 7 gingerbread house event to go toward Community Center playground



Photo by Kelley Phinney

A citizens' group is raising money to install a playground at the end of the Cape Elizabeth Community Center parking lot that faces Cape Elizabeth High School.

By Wendy Keeler

A citizens' group has launched a \$50,000 campaign to install a playground on the grounds of the Cape Elizabeth Community Center at 345 Ocean House Road.

The play area, which would face Cape Elizabeth High School, would be for the use of all Cape Elizabeth children but would get daily use by students who attend Cape Elizabeth Community Services' Cape Care preschool and aftercare programs at the Community Center. Kids enrolled in Cape Elizabeth's summer recreational camp programs also would use the playground daily.

Closing of playground

Until this summer, Cape Care aftercare students and three- to five-year-old students in the preschool program that Cape Care opened last year made daily use of a play structure built in 1992 behind CEHS. For safety reasons, that playground had to be closed during the summer, and parts of the play structure have been dismantled, Cape Care Administrator Kelly Phinney said.

Some of the money raised in the "Play-space Cape Care Campaign" would be used to "restructure the end of the Community Services parking lot that faces the high school and to prepare the site for safe play," Phinney said. The Community Center's front

parking lot exit, which faces the high school, would be eliminated, so "there would be one entrance to that front lot, which would be reduced by four or five spaces."

The group would install play structures designed for children aged three through 12 years old after grassing over and fencing in the play area, Phinney said.

Gingerbread house event

The group plans activities and events to raise money for the playground project in coming months.

At the next fundraising event, set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7, at the Community Center, Community Services will provide materials for people to build gingerbread houses, along with frosting and candy to decorate the houses.

The cost for each house will be \$25, and tickets must be bought in advance by calling 799-2868 or emailing kphinney@capeelizabethschools.org. All proceeds raised at the event will go toward the playground project.

Contact Phinney at kphinney@capeelizabethschools.org or Theresa Maher, one of the Cape residents organizing the campaign, at theresamaher@gmail.com for information about the project or about donating to the Playspace Cape Care Campaign.

Mexican Train crew



Photo by Jen DeRice

Cape Elizabeth residents 55 and older who are game to play, or learn how to play, Mexican Train, a dominoes game, have a chance to do that once a month at the Cape Elizabeth Community Center during one of Community Services' free one-hour "game days." Cape residents, clockwise from front left, Wyoma Grieves, Shirley Curley, Catherine Foley, Ellie Cobleigh, Simone Jordan, Anne Googins, Carmella Morrison and Dick Morrison play Mexican Train during a game day. "No experience and no skill are necessary," said Jen DeRice, who coordinates Community Services' adult programs. "The next game day is planned on Thursday, Dec. 18, in the Community Center Living Room. Registration is required by calling 799-2868.

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CEMS engineers win robotics awards



Photo by Janet Villiotte

Members of Cape Elizabeth Middle School's fifth- and sixth-grade VEX IQ robotics teams recently won two teamwork awards and skills and excellence awards in an Upton, Mass., robotics meet, their first ever. From left, front, are team members, Tommy Villiotte, Ryan O'Sullivan, Caden Lamoglia, Brett Hetrick, Kyle Guerrette; assistant coach Federico Giovine; middle row, Madi McCarthy, Finn McQueeney, rear, coach Tom Charltray, Joey Labrie, Joe Jacobson, Carter Merriam, and Max Nelson. VEX IQ is the entry level for VEX Robotics competitions.

Final 'Take Five' performance on Nov. 26



Photow by Jenny Campbell



At top, Cape Elizabeth High School jazz musicians, from left, front, Aaron Dobieski, Leo Wing; rear, Sam McDuffie and Charlie Tall will perform in Cape Elizabeth High School's show, "Take Five," on Wednesday, Nov. 26, in the CEHS auditorium. "The Subcontractors," an award-winning short film by CEHS alumni Peter and Thomas Campbell, pictured above in a screen still, will be screened during "Take Five."

Cape Elizabeth High School's last performance of "Take Five," a show featuring parody, improvisation, film and music, is set for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26, in the school auditorium.

The production, led by CEHS seniors Jeremy Caswell and Robert Mackay, includes scenes from playwright David Ives' "The Mystery of Twickenham Vicarage" and

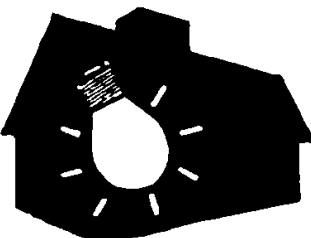
Christopher Durang's "The Hardy Boys and the Mystery of Where Babies Come From," CEHS Theater Department Director Richard Mullen said.

The show also includes jazz led by Mackay and improvisation led by seniors Andrew Harrington, Matt Fleming and Ryan Wallace, Mullen said.

"The Subcontractors," a multi-award-winning short film by CEHS graduates Tom and Peter Campbell, also will be screened at the event.

Tickets, \$5 apiece, will be for sale at the door.

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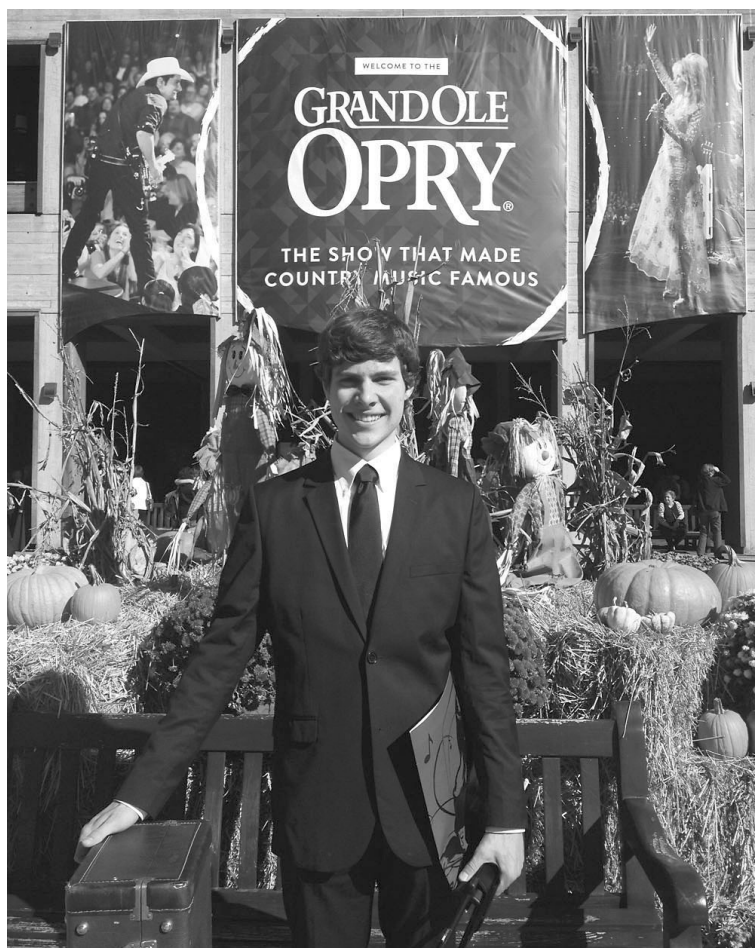
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Will Steidl performs at Grand Ole Opry



Cape Elizabeth High School junior Will Steidl, a trombonist, performed last month at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn.

By Wendy Keeler

After distinguishing himself in the spring as one of the most promising young playwrights in Maine and New Hampshire when his play was performed at the Portland Stage Company, Cape Elizabeth High School junior Will Steidl recently made his mark nationally as a musician when he performed at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn.

Steidl is one of three Maine high school musicians named to the All-National Honor Ensembles, “an honor that reflects his status as one of America’s best high school musicians,” CEHS Principal Jeff Shedd said.

A trombonist, Steidl is a member of the 150-student All-National Honor Band, which performed in Nashville with the All-National Honor Mixed Choir, Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble.

To be selected for the All-National Honor Ensembles, students have to have been named All-State, submit a video including two minutes of their all-state audition performances, and receive endorsement from their high school ensemble directors.

Since his freshman year at CEHS, Steidl has been an asset to the school music program, CEHS Band Director and music teacher Tom Lizotte said.

“From the day he came into the high school program he has approached band with focus, enthusiasm and seriousness of purpose,” Lizotte said. “I am very impressed with his musical progress. This has happened because Will works incredibly hard.”

Selected by his CEHS classmates freshman year to be a Natural Helper peer mentor, Steidl’s “great human qualities” and musical abilities make him “someone who deserves to perform in a venue such as the Grand Ole Opry,” Lizotte said. “He is an excellent role model for his fellow students.”

In the spring of Steidl’s sophomore year, his play, “Out of Step,” was selected to be part of the Portland Stage Company’s Young Writer’s Project, open to Maine and New Hampshire high school playwrights. In May, a staged reading of “Out of Step” was performed at the theater’s Little Festival of the Unexpected.

During Steidl’s sophomore year, he also won first place in dramatic interpretation at the Maine Forensics Association State Tournament, qualifying him to compete in the National Speech and Debate Tournament in Chicago. Steidl made it to the octo-finals during the weeklong tournament.



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Five football players named all-stars



Photo by Aaron Filieo

Five Cape Elizabeth High School football players have been chosen as members of the 2014 Campbell Conference Class C All-Star Team, an honor bestowed on select players by the coaches of the Campbell Conference teams. This year's CEHS honorees include, from left, Ben Ekedahl, Ethan Murphy, Christian Lavallee, Devon Stanford and Jack Drinan. CEHS Senior Nate Weare received an honorable mention award, and Drinan was named to the Campbell Conference Senior All-Academic Team.

Alumni basketball games to take place Nov. 29

Members of Cape Elizabeth High School's boys' and girls' basketball teams will compete against CEHS alumni in games planned for Saturday, Nov. 29, at CEHS.

Members of the girls' team will face off

against women alumni at 6 p.m., and players on the boys' team will compete against a men's alumni team at 8 p.m. Contact Julien Murphy at julesmur@gmail.com or 799-9018 for more information.

CEHS field hockey award comes 'full circle'



Photo by Susan Garrity

Cape Elizabeth High School senior Julia Ginder, second from right, with, far right, field hockey coach Darci Holland, and, far left, assistant coach Leslie Young, recently won the Therese Elaine Gordon-Libby Award for the second straight year. Retired CEHS health teacher and former field hockey coach Andrea Cayer, third from right, established the award in the 1980s in memory of CEHS field hockey player Gordon-Libby, whose daughter, Elise Bridge, center, attended this year's presentation with husband, Jim Bridge, second from left, and son, Finnley.

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By Wendy Keeler

Cape Elizabeth High School senior Julia Ginder may have won the same Cape Elizabeth field hockey boosters' honor in 2013 as she did this year, but the 2014 award presentation is the one she may remember with special clarity in years to come.

This year when Ginder won the Therese Elaine Gordon-Libby Award for sportsmanship and dedication to the CEHS field hockey program, she received it from the daughter of the CEHS player in whose memory the award was established in the early 1980s.

Recently retired CEHS health teacher Andrea Cayer, Gordon-Libby's CEHS field hockey coach in the early 1970s, created the award after Gordon-Libby – known to fellow members of the CEHS Class of 1972 as "Terry Gordon" – died at the age of 27.

"I believe the first year we gave the award, in the early 80s, we invited [Terry's] mom and dad to our banquet, but that would have been the last time I would have seen the family," Cayer said. "Now, look where we are today, all these years later, able to bring such pride and joy to [Terry's] daughter and family."

Bridge, who attended Lincoln Academy in Newcastle but now lives with her husband and son in the town where her mother grew up, found out about the award presentation in a roundabout way. While buying flip-flops in a CEHS field hockey team fundraiser, Bridge asked the parent selling the flip-flops

if a field hockey award in her mother's name was given to a player annually.

"That freshman parent sent me an email asking if we did, and if I would get back to [Gordon-Libby's] daughter, Elise," said Claire Ginder, Julia Ginder's mother and a Cape field hockey booster. "All this unfolded from there. To have Elise hear Andrea Cayer speak about her Mom playing field hockey [during the field hockey team banquet] was a beautiful thing indeed. Everyone had tears in their eyes."

Bridge's mother was one of the six children born to Cape Elizabeth residents, Kenwood and Elaine Gordon, and field hockey was her favorite sport, Bridge said.

"She loved the fun, competitive play, developing her stick work, nurturing communications, and encouraging teamwork to play a fair game," Bridge said. "Sadly my mom's life ended too early at age 27, and it was the thoughtfulness of this community that created this award to honor her life and celebrate these traits. We are fortunate to live in this town that supports its members and commemorates the values of dedication, sportsmanship and support."

Cayer said she felt "emotional" for days after finding out that Bridge would attend the banquet and present the award created in memory of her mother.

"This is what is surely called 'full circle,'" Cayer said.

Cape Nordic volunteers to wax skis, show film

Cape Nordic volunteers will wax Nordic and Alpine skis for \$25 a pair from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17, in the Cape Elizabeth High School cafeteria.

At the same time skis are getting base preparation work done and being waxed, filmmaker Warren Miller's "Ticket to Ride," which features top U.S. skiers skiing in ex-

otic destinations around the world, will be screened in the CEHS auditorium. Donations will be accepted for the film.

Proceeds raised through the event will benefit the CEHS and Cape Elizabeth Middle School Nordic ski teams.

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Church of Nazarene to hold night service on Thanksgiving Eve, free Christmas dinner

The Cape Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene will hold its Thanksgiving service at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26.

The Rev. Jon Twitchell will lead the service and all are invited to attend.

People unable to be there in person can watch a live stream of the service at watch.capenazarene.org or on the church's Roku channel.

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The church will host a free Christmas community dinner, open to all, on Tuesday, Dec. 16, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Call 799-3692 or email pastorjon@capenazarene.org for more information.

The church is located at 499 Ocean House Road.

Dec. 6 Jolly Snowman Fair to include luncheon, auction, stocking stuffers, crafts, knitted items

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church's annual Jolly Snowman Christmas Fair is planned on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The fair will include the sale of Maine-themed crafts, Christmas decorations, stocking stuffers, wreaths, knitted items, door prizes, and cakes, pies, baked goods and candies, and, in separate rooms, attic treasures and less expensive items for children to buy as gifts.

A silent auction, set for 9 a.m.-2 p.m., will feature special gifts, services for the home, original artwork, and jewelry. Winners of silent auction bids will be announced at 2 p.m.

A luncheon will be offered between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with options that will include lobster rolls for \$10; and grilled hot dogs, vegetable-bean stew, or chili – all for \$5. All lunches will come with a drink, chips and dessert.

Child care will be available in the World of Wonders nursery school at no charge.

In the event of a snowstorm on Dec. 6, the fair will be rescheduled to Sunday, Dec. 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The church is located at 280 Ocean House Road.

Go to www.ceumc.org for more information about the church.

Second straight state championship!



Photo by Anna O'Connor

Members of Cape Elizabeth Soccer Club's Under-14 boys' team, Cape Arsenal, won their second straight travel soccer state championship on Sunday, Nov. 9, after beating Gorham 1-0 in Yarmouth. Players are, from left, front row, Phillip Tarling, Duncan Geike, Nick Martin, Theo Brucker, Chris Laprade, Nick Aceto, Patrick Miller; back row, Natty Holmes, Ted Choi, Austin Legge, Ben Lualdi, John O'Connor, Alec Riggie, Harry Baker, Jackson Woods, Ian Haines and Devon Lathrop.

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Seabirds of Cape Elizabeth



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Double-crested cormorants flying along Cape's shore on Nov. 4.

Roosters

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town's farms, and that he would have been opposed to the ordinance if it had.

Several councilors also rejected the notion that the rooster ban could become a "slippery slope" to bans on other animals.

Councilors also addressed Jordan's argument that no ordinance was needed, since the conflict had been resolved when the rooster was given away.

Councilor Jim Walsh noted that this is the second time in recent years that a rooster complaint had reached the council.

The issue of rooster noise came to the council's attention in 2011. The council considered an ordinance change that would have regulated excessively loud animal noise (not just roosters).

After receiving public comment and debating the issue over several months, the council in 2012 decided to take no action at the time.

Walsh said he didn't want "to hit the pause button a second time."

Councilor Jessica Sullivan agreed. "The problem isn't going to go away," Sullivan said.

At the public hearing preceding the council's action, eight residents spoke. Six were opposed to the new ordinance, most characterizing it as too broad or too simple a solution to a complex problem.

One resident, who said she owned an unoffending rooster on a small lot, urged that if the council passed the ban, they also adopt a process whereby residents could apply for an exemption in instances where roosters were not bothering neighbors.

Seniors

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vices against the care needs of this growing population."

For that reason, the group recommends that the council establish the SCAC as a standing committee after it completes the task it is charged to fulfill.

During recent months, the group has reached out to Cape seniors. This fall, the SCAC invited residents 60 years and older to three "public listening sessions" to talk about the issues they consider to be most important, the town services they use most frequently, and which services the town lacks but needs. SCAC members also distributed a survey asking older citizens to name and rank the issues most important to them.

In addition to sharing information about the group's work with elected officials and state offices such as the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Aging and Disability Services, the group has invited speakers from organizations and churches to offer insights about senior citizens' needs.

A speaker from AARP presented a report on livable communities, and IRIS Network representatives discussed vision issues affecting seniors. Speakers in December will include Larry Gross from the Southern Maine Agency on Aging and Cape Elizabeth attorney Bob Raftice of Ainsworth, Thelin and Raftice who will discuss elder law, including elder abuse and advance directives, Seekins said.

To come up with creative ways to meet Cape seniors' needs, SCAC members have invited residents and business leaders in related fields to share their ideas for solutions.

"Rather than us coming back to you with,

'Hey, we need money for this,' or, 'We need money for that,' somebody out in the community realizes there is a service gap and that can be filled by somebody outside, and we don't have to go back to the town for scarce resources. That was our design," Seekins told the council on Nov. 6.

Some committee recommendations – a van, a senior space, a hotline, a quarterly guide, a link on the town website, and possibly a paid employee to address seniors' needs – would require town funding, but Seekins said they are practical solutions.

"The things we're talking about I believe to be low-cost solutions, particularly if we can engage volunteers and continue to enlighten business groups so they can identify unmet needs and provide private solutions rather than relying on town funds," Seekins said on Nov. 20.

At the Nov. 6 meeting, Town Councilor Jamie Wagner asked the group to explore the possibility of meeting some of town seniors' needs through existing Community Services' programs. He also asked Seekins to include cost estimates for the van in the SCAC's formal report this winter.

Councilor Jim Walsh praised the group. "It's really a wonderful citizen committee that's really put their heart and soul into it," he said.

The praise goes both ways.

"This conversation about how to meet the needs of residents 60 and older is going to be a long one," Seekins said on Nov. 20. "We really commend our town council for allowing us to start it."

The SCAC also includes Elizabeth Bailie, Patricia Bredenberg, William Marshall, Bruce Nelson, June O'Neill and Barbara Page. Contact Town Assessor Matt Sturgis, the staff liaison, at matthew.sturgis@capeelizabeth.org, to reach group members.

Dogs

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simply given up trying to walk the property is not fair either. We want everyone to enjoy this remarkable property and to feel safe while doing so."

In September and October CELT met with residents and police to solicit feedback about how best to address its safety concerns. At its October meeting, CELT's board of directors and staff voted unanimously to require leashes after 9 a.m. daily.

Signage will be in place by Dec. 1. Franklin advises anyone who feels threatened by a dog in Robinson Woods to call the Cape Elizabeth Police Department, "which has the resources and authority to respond to at-large and dangerous dogs."

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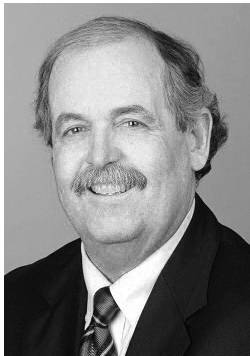
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Msgr. Paul Stefanko, parochial vicar for the Roman Catholic parish cluster comprised of St. Bartholomew in Cape Elizabeth, St. Maximilian Kolbe in Scarborough, and Holy Cross/St. John in South Portland, pauses to catch up on Cape news this month while visiting Mount Cook in New Zealand. Msgr. Paul, who resides at St. Bartholomew, visited Australia and New Zealand.

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Works by Cape Elizabeth artist **Christine Morgan** will be on display from Dec. 5 to 31 at Roux & Cyr International Fine Art Gallery, in Portland. A reception, which will be open to the public, is planned from 4 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5.

The show will feature realistic, expressionistic, and abstract paintings by Morgan, who holds a degree in fine arts and visual arts from the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. Morgan's paintings have been exhibited at the Lewis Gallery in Portland and Wingspread Gallery in Northeast Harbor.

All works in the show will be for sale. The gallery is located at 48 Free St.



Christine Morgan

Cape Elizabeth resident **Jean Ginn Marvin**, innkeeper at the Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport, recently was elected president of the New England Inns and Resorts Association, which includes more than 275 independently owned and operated lodging properties.

In 1984, five years after joining the Nonantum as director of sales, Marvin became innkeeper. She currently serves on the executive committees of the Maine Innkeepers Association and the Maine Community College System. A former representative to the Maine Legislature and a former Cape Elizabeth town councilor, she has chaired the Southern Maine Community College Foundation board, the Portland Symphony Orchestra board of trustees, and the South Portland Chamber of Commerce board of trustees. She has served on the Maine State Ethics Commission and also served as treasurer of the Maine Heritage Policy and Maine Educational Services boards.

She and her husband **Bob** have three children and one grandchild. Marvin plays the euphonium for the Casco Bay Concert Band.



Jean Ginn Marvin

Cape Elizabeth resident **Andrea S. Richard**, an attorney at Verrill Dana in Portland, was recognized on Nov. 4 by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court for completing more than 50 hours of *pro bono* work in the past year. A member of the firm's corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions and securities practice group, she is a graduate of Boston University School of Law.

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