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Winners from election night 2016

President of the United States



President-elect Donald Trump (R)

U.S. House of Representatives



Congresswoman Chellie Pingree (D)

Maine State Senate



State Senator Rebecca Millett (D)

Maine House of Representatives



Representative Kim Monaghan (I)

Cape Elizabeth School Board



School Board Member Susana Measelle Hubbs

Cape Elizabeth School Board



School Board Member Kimberly Carr

Cape Elizabeth Town Council



Town Councilor Penny Jordan

Cape Elizabeth Town Council



Town Councilor Caitlin Jordan

Exit polling conducted by CEHS students

By Kevin St. Jarre

Students of government at Cape Elizabeth High School conducted exit polling on election day on behalf of The Cape Courier.

The results provided The Courier with a real-time look as the results were coming in, as well as a demographic breakdown of who in Cape Elizabeth was voting.

Additionally, the results provided a window into how each group was voting on each issue.

The Courier would like to thank Mr. Ted Jordan and his students for their efforts and these results, and for the technical expertise of CEHS librarian Carolyn Young and technical support staff Ginger Raspiller.

See **page 8** for some of the exit polling results.



Photo by Kevin St. Jarre

CEHS staff member and tech guru Ginger Raspiller stands with student Emma Shedd as they oversee the exit polling on election day. Shedd is one of several government students who participated that day.

Voting moved to CEHS cafeteria, goes smoothly



Photo by Kevin St. Jarre

Voting on election day in Cape Elizabeth had to be moved from its usual location in the Cape Elizabeth High School gymnasium to the cafeteria due to a freak accident which involved a ball striking a sprinkler head, which led to approximately 1,000 gallons of water being poured onto the gym floor. With repairs underway, the voting needed to be relocated.

Voters moved quickly through three lines to receive ballots, and then plenty of voting booths were available. The only wait of any consequence turned out to be the line to feed one's ballots into the machines which tally the results, but even this went smoothly thanks to organization, planning and helpful volunteers.

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Thanks from the Swap Shop volunteers

The volunteers at the Swap Shop and the members of the Recycling Committee wish to express their appreciation for the work that Carl Pearson of Anything Goes has done on his own initiative at the Swap Shop. Next time you are there notice the new bookshelves and the lowered toy table for easier access by children. And if Carl is there, (he may be in Florida by now) thank him for his efforts.

Bill Schmitz

Dear Cape Elizabeth school community

In the wake of what has been a particularly contentious political season, we must acknowledge that emotions are running high around the country, and right here in town. No matter where we fall as individuals on the political spectrum, as a school community we are neutral. Our role, as it is every day, is to make sure our students feel welcomed, safe, comfortable, and supported in our schools.

Our hope is that parents and guardians will continue to engage their children in conversations around the larger issues raised during the national campaign. At school, we will continue to emphasize and model our traditions of unity, respect, and collaboration with all of our students. We ask for your support to underscore these values.

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Photo by N.V. Deremer

Last Sunday and Monday nights were perfect for viewing the supermoon. This one was also called the Beaver Moon. The supermoon appeared 30 percent brighter and 16 percent larger than a typical full moon. The moon came within 221,000 miles of Earth. The last time the moon came this close was in January 1948.

The proximity of the moon will cause more King Tides, which are astronomically high tides. While the tides will be higher than average for several days, the peak high tide will occur Wednesday at midday.

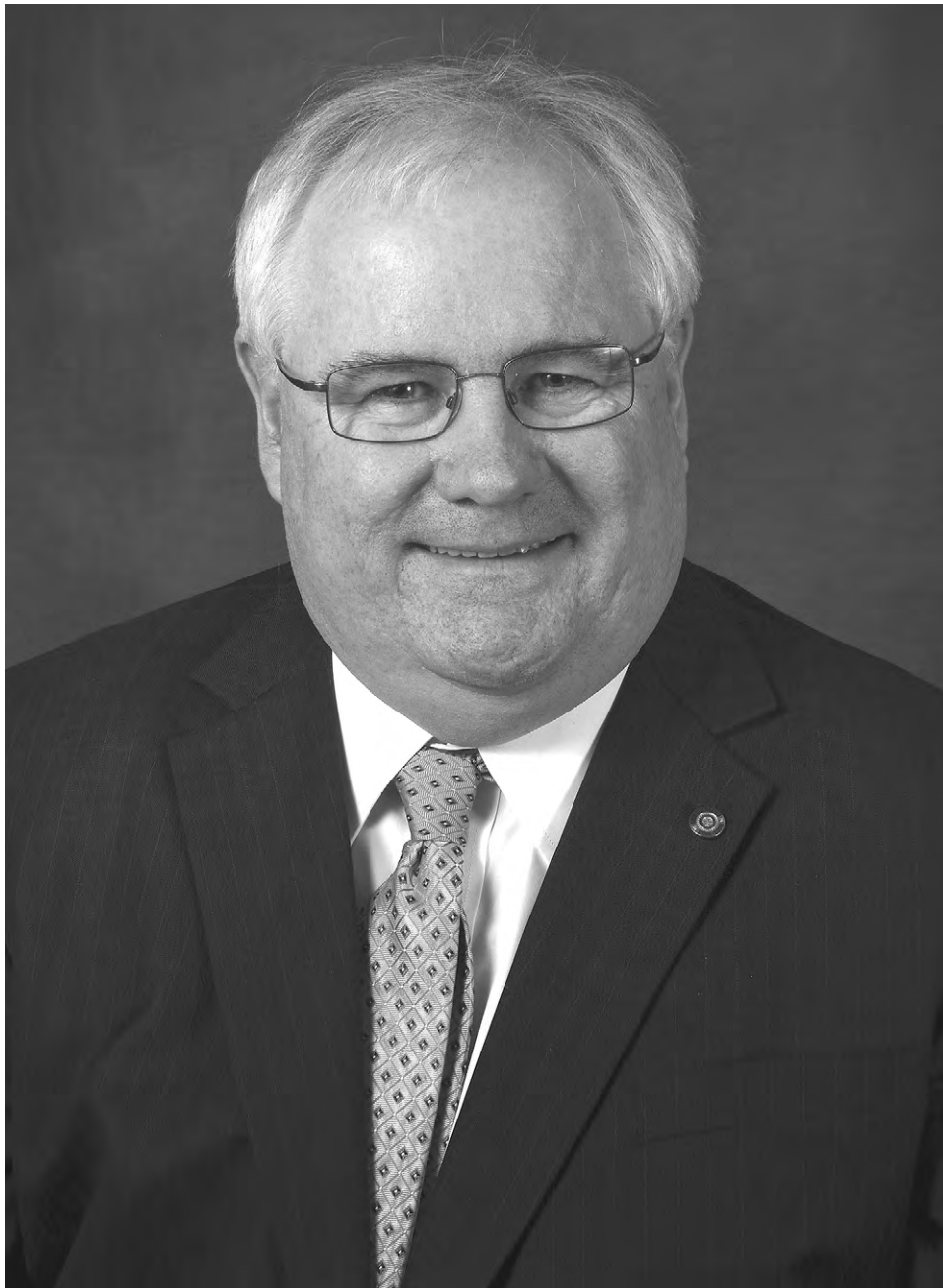
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Cape Elizabeth to honor Town Manager Michael McGovern for decades of service, public invited to celebrate



The Town of Cape Elizabeth is honoring the 38 years of service of Town Manager Michael K. McGovern. An open house will be held in Michael's honor on Tuesday, December 6th at the Purpoodock Club, 5 to 7 p.m. Citizens are invited to stop by and join in the celebration.



Photo by Kim Case

Visitors view the work of Cooper Dragonette at his studio open house in Cape Elizabeth, on November 13th. The artist, pictured above 3rd from right, is a landscape oil painter and the show featured works for sale in his newly renovated basement space. Much of the work is of local scenes painted on location. For more information go to www.cooperdragonette.com

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Cape Elizabeth chooses Clinton, Pingree

By Kevin St. Jarre

When the votes were all tallied, despite the national result, Hillary Clinton won a resounding victory in Cape Elizabeth.

With 4,480 votes, she captured 70.3 percent of the votes cast in Cape Elizabeth. Donald Trump, the president-elect, garnered 1,593 votes, or 25 percent, while the Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson won 3.6

percent and Jill Stein, the Green Party candidate, earned 1.1 percent.

In the race for the United States House of Representatives, District 1, Rep. Chellie Pingree (D) successfully defended her seat in Congress from challenger and Republican Mark Holbrook. In Cape Elizabeth, Pingree won 68 percent of the vote, a larger percentage than the 58 percent she won across the district.

Marijuana legalization wins in Cape

By Kevin St. Jarre

When Cape Elizabeth's voters were asked, "Do you want to allow the possession and use of marijuana under state law by persons who are at least 21 years of age, and allow the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing, and sale of marijuana and marijuana products subject to state regulation, taxation and local ordinance?" they voted "Yes" 51 percent of the time.

This tracked only slightly above the statewide result of 50.15 percent approving the measure.

It is worth noting that marijuana will not be legal until the week before Christmas 2016, barring legal challenges, and will only be legal for those over age 21.

It will then be legal to possess 2.5 ounces of marijuana, but smoking or eating it in public will still be illegal.

Adults will be allowed to grow up to six mature plants, 12 immature plants, and an unlimited number of seedlings.

It may be as late as early 2018 before marijuana is available in stores.

Penalties for driving under the influence of marijuana remain in place, with discussion of new testing methods and legal blood level limits, just as the state has for alcohol.

The referendum left unaddressed the issue of workplace testing. While marijuana will be legal to consume in one's home, there may be no legal protection against an employer drug testing employees as a condition of employment.

Cape Elizabeth schools predicted to gain \$2.5 million in additional state funding

By Kevin St. Jarre

Cape Elizabeth voters said "No" to Question 2, which read, "Do you want to add a 3% tax on individual Maine taxable income above \$200,000 to create a state fund that would provide direct support for student learning in kindergarten through 12th grade public education?"

With 55 percent of Cape Elizabeth voters opposed, the referendum however passed

statewide, with 50.58 percent support.

Proponents of the measure predicted that Cape Elizabeth School District would gain \$2.5 million dollars in state funding, which represents a 49 percent increase.

It is too early to tell the impact the additional funding would have on schools or for taxpayers, but it is sure to figure into budget planning, negotiations, and voter approval to come.

Measure to close gun sales loophole fails, enjoyed overwhelming support locally

By Kevin St. Jarre

A referendum question which read "Do you want to require background checks prior to the sale or transfer of firearms between individuals not licensed as firearms dealers, with failure to do so punishable by law, and with some exceptions for family members, hunting, self-defense, lawful competitions, and shooting range activity?" went down to defeat statewide on election day.

Across Maine, the referendum only garnered 48 percent support, but in Cape Elizabeth it was no contest. The measure

enjoyed 78 percent support among local voters.

Just as data showed elsewhere in Maine, the results on the vote to require background checks for private gun sales and sales at shows mirrored the results of the presidential race.

In towns where Hillary Clinton garnered the most votes, very often so too did Question 3.

In Cape Elizabeth, the gun measure was the most popular of the referendum questions, but like the state funding for education question, as Cape Elizabeth went one way, the state as a whole went the other.

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Voters in Cape Elizabeth approve of minimum wage increase

By Kevin St. Jarre

When asked, “Do you want to raise the minimum hourly wage of \$7.50 to \$9 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases up to \$12 in 2020, and annual cost-of-living increases thereafter; and do you want to raise the direct wage for service workers who receive tips from half the minimum wage to \$5 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases until it reaches the adjusted minimum wage?” voters in Cape Elizabeth voted to approve the measure.

The referendum question enjoyed 65 per-

cent support among local voters.

The strongest opposition to the measure came from the central part of Maine. This is not necessarily because of the lower cost of living. In northernmost Maine, where costs of living are low, the increase enjoyed strong support just as it did on the southern coast.

An apartment which might rent to college students in Fort Kent for \$600 would go for three times as much in Portland and yet both regions voted to pass the measure.

Ranked choice voting carries the day in Cape Elizabeth and across state

By Kevin St. Jarre

Statewide and in Cape Elizabeth, voters approved the question, “Do you want to allow voters to rank their choices of candidates in elections for U.S. Senate, Congress, Governor, State Senate, and State Representative, and to have ballots counted at the state level in multiple rounds in which last-place candidates are eliminated until a candidate wins by majority?”

More than 63 percent of Cape Elizabeth voters supported the measure, and statewide it had 52 percent of voters supporting it.

Despite being approved, Secretary of State Matthew Dunlap has told the press that he is already concerned that the new voting system will not be in place in time for the 2018 election.

Maine is the first state to adopt ranked choice voting statewide, while some cities across the country have been using it.

In those cities, it is often referred to as in-

stant runoff, as the results are tabulated by computers immediately.

In Maine, paper ballots would have to move from towns to a central location in Augusta for the additional rounds of counting. Because of this, the results of a race might not be known for weeks.

Dunlap’s concern that the infrastructure might not be in place in time for the 2018 election includes potential legal challenges and even a challenge based on the constitutionality of the system.

Assuming it is ready, voting in the future in Maine would have voters rank their top four ballot choices from first to last instead of simply choosing a single candidate.

If no candidate wins an outright majority, then the election outcome is determined by additional rounds of tabulations in Augusta. In each round, the last-place candidate would be removed, and votes reallocated, until a candidate receives a majority of the vote.

State and local race results

Maine State Senator, District 29

MacAuslan, Martha (I)..... 2456

Millett, Rebecca (D)* 3836

Representative to the Maine State Legislature, District 30

Monaghan, Kimberly J. (D)*..... 4096

Van Syckel, George W. (R)..... 1955

Cape Elizabeth Town Council

Auritt, Shannon K. 1817

Jordan, Caitlin R.*..... 4142

Jordan, Penelope A.*..... 3940

Cape Elizabeth School Board

Carr, Kimberly L.* 4723

Measelle Hubbs, Susana* 3967

*Elected

Four bands to perform at Local Buzz

On Nov. 18, 6:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. the Cape Elizabeth Music Production Club is bringing to the Local Buzz four bands for one evening of music to raise funds toward a new recording studio.

Donations to the club will be taken in the form of a \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per children. All money raised at the door will be

going to this exciting new project for the student music program.

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Four young actors from Cape Elizabeth to appear in 'A Christmas Carol'



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Young actors from Cape Elizabeth including Julia Trowbridge, Robbie Trowbridge, Lexi Pilk and Ryan Strack will appear in Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"

Four students from Cape Elizabeth are members of ensemble casts for "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens at Portland Stage running Dec. 3 to 24.

According to Eileen Phelan, director of Communications, Marketing and Engagement for Portland Stage, "We cast the production with professional actors from the local area and from away. We cast local children in the ensemble casts of the production. Because we work with children, we need to cast two separate ensemble casts, called the red and the green cast, and children from Cape Elizabeth are in both of those ensemble casts this season."

This production of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" is a timeless tale of love, family and the spirit of goodwill brought to life with period costumes, delightful music and lush scenery. It is perfect for the entire family, guaranteed to warm the heart of every Scrooge.

The young actors from Cape Elizabeth include Julia Trowbridge, Robbie Trowbridge, Lexi Pilk and Ryan Strack.

Running Dec. 3 to 24 at Portland Stage, 25A Forest Avenue, between Congress and Cumberland. Visit portlandstage.org or call (207) 774-0465 for more information.

Requests for volunteers and material for school programs

Material Requests

Sewing machine

The Middle School Art Department is in need of a new, or gently-used sewing machine. If you can help meet this request, please contact art teacher Marguerite Lawler-Rohner at mlawlerrohner@capeelizabethschools.org

Medical equipment

The Athletics Department is looking for gently-used Athletic Medical Equipment such as crutches, knee immobilizers, walking boots, cryocuffs, slings, splints, etc. For more information, or to arrange for a drop off, contact Athletic Trainer Lisa Mims at Lmims@capeelizabethschools.org

Weights, mats and trampolines

The Occupational Therapy program is looking for new or gently-used yoga mats, free weights between 1 to 10 lbs, and mini-trampolines. If you are able to help with a donation please contact Occupational Therapist Maureen Cahill at mcahill@capeelizabethschools.org

High school ceramics studio assistant

Art Teacher Janna Dewan is looking for a studio assistant to help roll and cut clay and experiment with new glazes. Help could be used any day of the week from 11:00am-1:30pm. Please contact HS art teacher Janna DeWan at jdewan@capeelizabethschools.org

High school editing

Teacher Liz Yarrington is looking for help meeting 1:1 with students to help edit writing assignments. Times follow the rotating high school schedule. Please contact Liz Yarrington at eyarrington@capeelizabethschools.org

Third grade copying and clerical

The third grade team is looking for a regular volunteer to meet copying and minor clerical needs. The best times are Thursdays 1:15 to 2:15pm and Fridays 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Please contact Fran Vita-Taylor at fvita-taylor@capeelizabethschools.org

Middle school sports photography

The Middle School Yearbook editor is looking for volunteers to capture photographs of middle school athletic events. If you have photos to share from this year or can begin taking them please contact Jack Duffy at jduffy@capeelizabethschools.org

Middle school coding club volunteer

The Middle School Coding Club has two nearly full sessions of eager young coders. They are looking for an adult volunteer to serve as Assistant Advisor for the session on Wednesday mornings from 7 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. The ideal volunteer will have coding experience (or the willingness to learn) and will be able to study the tutorials before meeting with students. The club is currently working with XCode and Photoshop. Interested volunteers should contact Dean Zaharis, manager of data services at dzaharis@capeelizabethschools.org

Further information about the club can be found at www.xcodeclub.org

Volunteer Requests

Requests for volunteers will remain posted until a match is made. All volunteers must complete volunteer registration requirements before serving.

Final Cut Pro

Are you well versed in Final Cut Pro editing software? The Student Driven Learning program at CEHS has several filmmaking projects that could use a hand learning the software. If you can help out in this regard please contact program coordinator John Holdridge at jholdridge@capeelizabethschools.org

High school yearbook help

The High School Yearbook Club is looking for a few extra sets of eyes and hands to help with publishing. No experience is necessary. The Yearbook Club meets on Wednesdays from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Please contact HS art teacher Janna DeWan at jdewan@capeelizabethschools.org



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Suspicious phone calls, criminal mischief, and a found wallet

Reported By Debbie Butterworth

COMPLAINTS

- 10-18 An officer met with a resident of the Mitchell Road area regarding a suspicious phone call from a subject claiming to be from Bank of America, asking questions about a credit card account and asking for personal information. The complainant called the bank and learned that the bank had not initiated the call.
- 10-18 An officer met with a resident who turned over a wallet he had found. The owner was contacted and property returned.
- 10-19 An officer met with a resident of Ocean House Road area regarding a scam phone call. A person with an Indian accent called several times claiming to represent Publishers Clearing House and asking for social security numbers and names and numbers of bank accounts.
- 10-20 An officer met with a representative from the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust regarding criminal mischief to the dog waste dispenser at the entrance of Robinson's Woods.
- 10-20 An officer met with a resident of the Bowery Beach area regarding four dead birds she felt were suspicious.
- 10-22 An officer met with a resident of the Fowler Road area regarding four unauthorized purchases on his credit card.
- 10-22 An officer met with a subject at the police

- station who turned over a wallet found at the Transfer Station. Owner contacted and property returned.
- 10-23 An officer met with a Public Works employee regarding criminal mischief at the Transfer Station, someone had kicked in the door.
- 10-23 An officer met with a resident of the Sawyer Road area regarding someone tampering with political signs.
- 10-24 Two officers responded to a residence in the Ocean House Road area for a criminal threatening complaint.
- 10-25 An officer found a roll of Protecto Wrap on Eastman Road. Item was returned to police station for safekeeping.
- 10-25 An officer met with a subject at the police station who reported the theft of an iPad.
- 10-25 Two officers responded to a residence in the Oakhurst Road area for a domestic disturbance.
- 10-30 An officer met with a resident of the Ocean House Road area regarding a custody issue.

SUMMONSES

- 10-22 Cape Elizabeth resident, imprudent speed, Route 77, \$119
- 10-25 South Portland resident, criminal use of explosives, unsworn falsification, criminal mischief, violation of conditions of release, reckless conduct.
- 10-25 Scarborough resident, unregistered

- vehicle, Sawyer Road, \$70
- 10-25 South Portland resident, unregistered vehicle, Route 77, \$70
- 10-26 Portland resident, violation of firearms discharge ordinance, Broad Cove Road
- 10-27 Cape Elizabeth resident, dog at large, Hemlock Hill Road

JUVENILE SUMMONS

- 10-21 Cape Elizabeth resident, possession of alcohol by consumption

ARRESTS

- 10-25 South Portland resident, criminal use of explosives, unsworn falsification, criminal mischief, violation of conditions of release, reckless conduct, Belfield Road

FIRE CALLS

- 10-23 Resolution Place, carbon monoxide alarm
- 10-27 Olde Colony Lane, carbon monoxide alarm
- 10-27 Fox Hill Road, fire alarm
- 10-28 Bowery Beach Road, fire alarm
- 10-28 Eastman Road, power line down
- 10-30 Baker Road, fire alarm
- 10-30 Portland mutual aid
- 10-31 Ocean House Road, fire alarm
- 10-31 Mitchell Road, garage fire

RESCUE CALLS

There were 26 runs to Maine Medical Center. There were 4 patients treated by rescue personnel but not transported.

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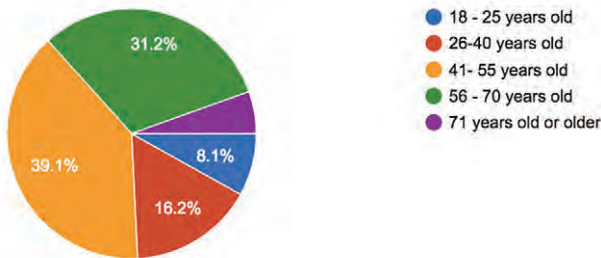
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The ad deadline for the Dec 16 issue is **Dec 2 at noon.**

Who votes in Cape Elizabeth? Results of exit polling reveal demographics of voters

By Kevin St. Jarre

To which age group do you belong? (458 responses)



Of the respondents, more than 70 percent were at or above the age of 41, while only 24 percent were of the oft-mentioned millennial generation.

Still, this sort of data does not always make it easy to predict what the results in a community might be. The data show that of the 25 respondents to the survey who were 71 years of age or older, 13 of them voted "No" on the question to legalize marijuana for recreational use in Maine, while a nearly equal number voted in favor of the measure.

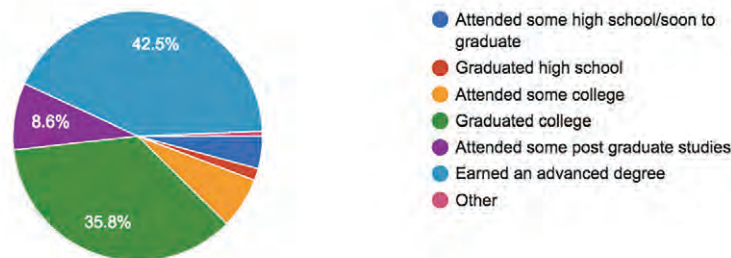
Polling had predicted the measure was

more popular with younger voters, and the 18 to 25 age group in the exit polling responded that they had voted 24-11 in favor of the measure.

The exit polling also revealed that there was a fairly even spread of choice for president among the age groups.

While in the actual voting results Hillary Clinton carried 70.31 percent of the actual votes in Cape Elizabeth, the exit polling showed no single age group going for Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton in a significantly larger percentage than any other age group.

What is your highest level of education? (452 responses)

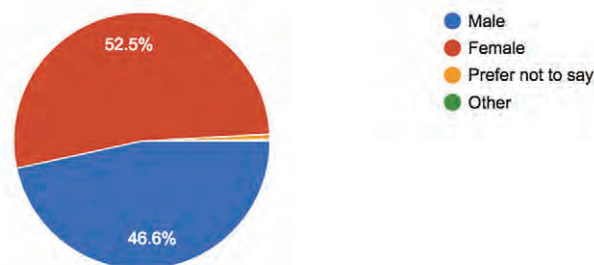


In Cape Elizabeth, there was a statistically large number of respondents with an advanced degree. While this may only indicate that of those who chose to participate in exit polling, a large number have advanced university degrees, it is certainly worth noting that 42.5 percent reported having an advanced degree while the percentage of

Americans with a master's degree or higher is only 10.9 percent.

While in the actual voting, Question 5 for Ranked Choice Voting garnered 63.49 percent in Cape Elizabeth, among those with advanced degrees exit polling showed even higher support, at 70 percent.

Indicate your gender (455 responses)



Just as is the case nationally and statewide, female voters in Cape Elizabeth outnumber male voters by a slim margin and the exit polling reflected that as well.

While 70.31 percent of actual votes in Cape Elizabeth were cast in support of Hillary Clinton for President of the United States, according to the exit polling, 85 percent of women in Cape Elizabeth supported Clinton in her bid, and among male

respondents to the exit polling, there was 72 percent support.

These sorts of data point to the likelihood that those who supported someone other than Clinton chose not to participate in exit polling, exposing some of the weaknesses in exit polling that led to the surprise of many pundits and experts on election night in the presidential race.

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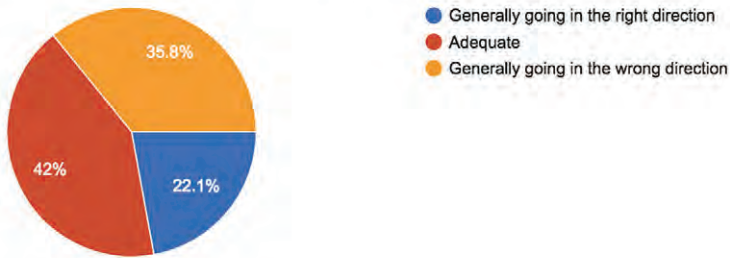
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Exit polling reveals Cape Elizabeth views on governments

By Kevin St. Jarre

Do you think that things in the state of Maine are: (452 responses)



According to exit polling conducted on election day in Cape Elizabeth, 22 percent of voters feel that things in the state of Maine are going in the right direction, while 36 percent feel things are generally going in the wrong direction.

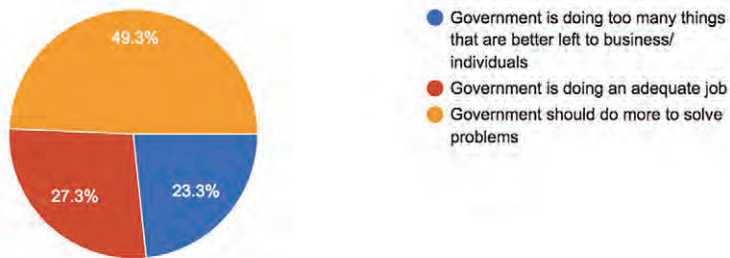
Still, the largest number, 42 percent, take a more neutral position, and feel things are adequate.

When exit polling data is cross-correlated, 38 percent of women felt the state was generally going in the wrong direction, while

only 33 percent of men felt that way.

The exit polling shows that while only 22 percent of Cape Elizabeth residents feel Maine is headed in the right direction, recent polling by the Morning Consult showed that statewide Gov. Paul LePage's approval stands at 38 percent. While that ranking places him 5th from the bottom among governors nationwide, it is still a more positive view of his performance than Cape voters responded in the exit polling about the direction of the state in general.

Which of these comes closer to your view regarding the federal government? (450 responses)



The exit polling results show that Cape Elizabeth voters felt the federal government should do more to solve problems.

By a resounding 49.3 percent, respondents reported feeling that there was a definite role for government in solving problems, as opposed to the 23.3 percent who felt that the federal government is doing too many things that are better left to business and private individuals to solve.

Again, cross-correlating Cape Elizabeth exit poll data shows that among the 18 to 25 age group, 47 percent felt the federal government should do more to solve problems.

The 41 to 55 age group was right behind them, with 46 percent feeling more should be done.

With those aged 71 or older, there was a slight uptick, with 50 percent expecting more from Washington D.C.



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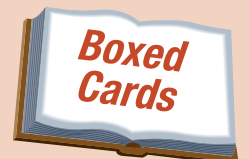


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Great CEHS football season comes to an end in championship game

By Kevin St. Jarre

In a rematch, Cape Elizabeth hosted Wells in the Class C South regional championship.

The last time these two teams met, the Capers beat Wells 13-7 in the regular season in a muddy game that created problems for both teams on either side of the ball. The win did earn Cape Elizabeth home field advantage for the playoff rematch.

The weather and field conditions were nearly football-perfect this time, but the momentum from the first minutes was very different.

Wells High senior quarterback Owen Berry, coming off a shoulder injury and combining with his go-to guy Riley Dempsey, completed a pass on Wells' first snap and was key throughout the game as he lead his team to victory.

The Capers had fearsome weapons of their own. Cape quarterback Jeb Boecheinstein was 5 of 6 in the first half, with a 25-yard touchdown pass to Ben Ekedahl. Ekedahl had six catches for 60 yards, great numbers for the senior who has always drawn extra attention from defenses throughout his time on the high school football field.

However, in the second half, Wells came back with a plan, Boecheinstein was held to just 3 of 12 for 20 yards.

Wells defenders made hits to cause in-

completions. The only touchdown Cape Elizabeth scored in the second half was another Boecheinstein-Ekedahl connection, but with the roles reversed.

On a trick play, Boecheinstein pitched the ball to Ekedahl, and Ekedahl threw the ball, connecting with Boecheinstein for a 60-yard touchdown with less than 30 seconds to play in the game.

It had been a stellar season for the Capers. They seemed unbeatable. Opening the season against Fryeburg Academy, they won easily, 29-6. They next travelled to Poland Regional High School, where they stomped the hosts 42-0.

The Capers then hosted Spruce Mountain High School and Freeport High School, beating the former 55-12 and the latter 42-6.

The boys then went to Mountain Valley High School, and defeated them 45-9, before hosting Gray-New Gloucester High School and trouncing them 57-0. Yarmouth were next, and came to Cape Elizabeth, only to run into the Caper machine and lose 56-0.

In the only competitive game the Capers really faced, and perhaps an omen of the playoff game, the Capers went to Wells and won, but by the much smaller margin of 13-7.

The championship loss concludes their amazing season, and for the seniors their high school football playing time, but the team has had a season for players, coaches, and the community to remember.



Photo by Kevin St. Jarre

Looking for a hole, Ben Ekedahl carries the ball for the CEHS Capers, trying to get the offense rolling. In the end, the home team put 14 points up on the board to counter 21 points scored by visiting Wells.



Photo by Kevin St. Jarre

This photo captures much of the feel of the game, as Cape Elizabeth defensive player Ryan Weare shows a lot of heart as he attempts to slow the ball carrier from Wells and his three blockers. In the end, there just wasn't enough.

The Cape Courier loves sports action shots

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Basketball alumni game

The public is invited to come play, come watch, and come cheer. The games are back this year. Saturday, Nov. 26, Cape Elizabeth girls' basketball game at 6 p.m., and Cape Elizabeth boys' basketball game 7:30 p.m. at the Cape Elizabeth Middle School gym. If you have any questions, please email Sue Guerette at jgueret1@maine.rr.com.

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Thomas Memorial Library Foundation celebrates library and leaders

By George Morse

The renovated Thomas Memorial Library has been humming since re-opening Feb. 4, serving young and old alike. An average of over 400 items per day have been checked out.

Library director Kyle Neugebauer reports program attendance has exploded,

with twice as many adults in the first eight months as the 2010 to 2014 annual average, saying this is due to the large new community room with access by the new elevator as well as excellent programs arranged by the library staff. Programs have ranged from the Harp Twins Music Concert to the Maine Wildlife Lecture Series to the Sum-

mer Outdoor Concept Series.

Likewise, children's program attendance for the first eight months equaled the total for those earlier years with over 5,511 attendees enjoying the beautiful children's areas on the first floor and Rachel Davis' popular children's programs, ranging from Story Time for Babies and Musical Story Time to Read to a Dog.

The Thomas Memorial Library Foundation provided some of the funding for these special programs through the funds raised in their annual appeal. In 2014 to 2015, the Foundation raised \$720,000 in a private fundraising campaign to pay for the furniture, fixtures and equipment that went into the renovated building. Leadership for the capital campaign was provided by co-chairs Beverly Sherman, Frank Governali and Joel Bassett, with technical assistance from Blaine Grimes and Ed Nadeau. Councilwoman Martha MacAuslan, also a Foundation director, chaired the library building committee which established the needs.

The Foundation's work depends on volunteer members, recently naming retiring directors- Robert H. Stier, Jr. Esq., Beverly Sherman, Valerie Ryan Hall and Martha Palmer- as "Honorary Life Directors."

Robert Stier was the founding president of the Foundation from 2005 to 2016. During his tenure, the Foundation provided funding to start up a variety of new programs at the library. As a result of the existence of the Foundation in 2014, there was a vehicle for the successful campaign in 2015.

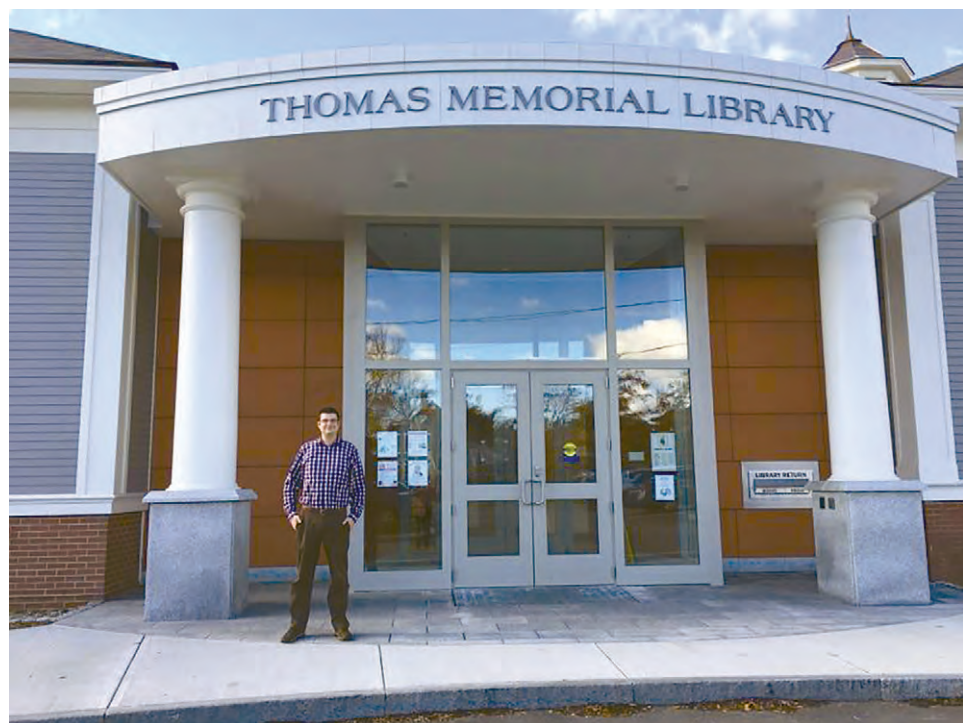
Beverly Sherman provided unlimited spirit and drive to the capital campaign, both knowing how to make the "ask" and doing it with delight and tenacity. As a re-

sult, they exceeded their original goal, making it possible to help cover some of the unexpected expenses which come with any new building.

Martha Palmer has served as a liaison between the library committee and the Foundation, logging in 18 meetings a year. For over a year on her tenure, she also was a member of the library building committee, which met an additional 29 times to work with the architect to ensure the building met the needs of Cape Elizabeth. More recently, she has arranged artists for the Stier Family Gallery.

Valerie Ryan Hall was the president of the Friends group before it merged with the Foundation in 2012 and continued in that role and as a Foundation director. As the Friends president, she managed the library's used book sale for many years, helping fund the Foundation.

George Morse is the president of the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation.



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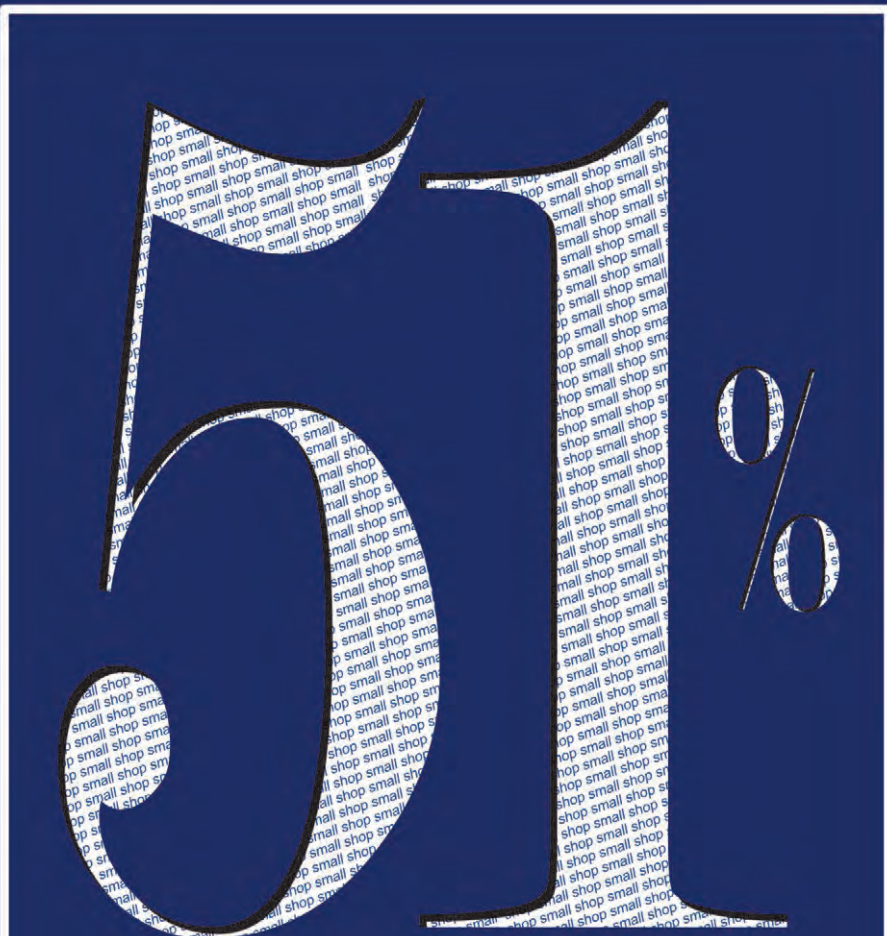
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Cape Elizabeth ceramicist is opening studio and shop in November

By Kevin St. Jarre

Louise Bilodeau works in ceramics and is known as Lulu. The Cape Elizabeth resident is opening a retail shop Nov. 18 at Sawyer Street Studios in South Portland, where she also has her clay studio.

Bilodeau said, “The shop is something that I have been dreaming of for years. Having a retail shop is exciting for me in many ways. I will have a ‘clean space’ to showcase my work away from my muddy studio space. The shop will be open year round so customers can come pick up a quick gift and/or talk to me about creating custom pieces. Having my own shop also allows me to create new and one-of-a-kind items. I will also be carrying other handmade items for the home by local artists.”



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Lulu Bilodeau is a clay artist living in Cape Elizabeth.

“I make handcrafted plates, bowls, mugs and serving ware for everyday use. People recognize my hand stamped pottery and may have seen my mugs at Scratch Baking Co.,” she said.

Of how her art has changed, she said, “In the early years, clay was all about experimentation and working on my throwing skills. When my kids were small, I was a part-time art teacher and full time mom. Time in the studio were stolen moments but all the while I was designing the Lulu Ceramics line. Switching to full time potter meant production and working efficiently as well as learning new business skills. I am now focused on balancing wholesale and retail and still finding the time to experiment.”

Not every artist relishes the business side of things, but Bilodeau said, “I really enjoy the business end of my work because I feel like I have to use a very different set of skills and brain power. Marketing and developing relationships with customers keeps a social component to my otherwise quiet studio life.”

She said she has many people to thank. “I have been fortunate to have so many teachers and mentors through the years that have helped me get to where I am now, starting with my high school art teacher.”

Of inspiration, Bilodeau said, “I work with a wonderful group of clay artists at Sawyer Street Studios. Our studio is home to nine clay artists- potters and sculptors. We share equipment and ideas and there is always great new works in progress. My family and my customers give me loads of ideas. Whether it is something we need for the family dinner table or a customer request for a gift- these brainstorming sessions usually spark several more ideas than the one we started with.”

Like many artists, she wishes for more time. She said she would like “more hours in the day. Clay is a labor intensive art medium. One piece goes through many steps in the making process and each step requires that I catch the clay in just the right stage. The studio work needs daily checking and the business end of things always need attending to.”

Her first sale was to her high school. She said, “I was awarded the purchase prize award in high school. My school bought one piece of art per year and awarded the student artist with \$100. I was, of course, beyond thrilled.”

If given the opportunity to go anywhere to focus solely on her art for a month, she knows where she would go. She said, “I have always wanted to study in Japan. I have always admired the Japanese expertise in wheel throwing and the beautiful aesthetic of Japanese art, gardening and culture.”

Those wanting more information about the artist and her work can go online at www.luluc ceramics.com and can visit her in the new shop. She said, “My website has lots of information about me and the Lulu Ceramics line. For updates, Lulu Ceramics is on Facebook and Instagram.”

The new shop will open at Sawyer Street Studios, 131 Sawyer St., South Portland.



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Lulu Bilodeau is a ceramicist living in Cape Elizabeth. More information about the artist and her work can be found online at www.luluc ceramics.com and the public can visit her in her new shop at Sawyer Street Studios, 131 Sawyer St., South Portland. Updates on Lulu Ceramics are available on Facebook and Instagram.

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By Wendy Derzawiec

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Friday, November 25

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

Tuesday, November 29

Town Council Workshop, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall
Town Council - Manager Search Executive Session, 7 p.m., William H. Jordan Conference Room, Town Hall

Tuesday, December 6

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

Wednesday, December 7

Community Services Committee, 6:30 p.m., Cape Elizabeth Community Center
Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber

Thursday, December 8

School Board Policy Committee, 8 a.m., Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room

Monday, December 12

Town Council, 7 p.m., Town Hall chamber
School Board Caucus, 7:15-7:45 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Town Hall

Tuesday, December 13

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

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

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

Thursday, December 15

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

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The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 54th annual Christmas tree sale

The South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club's 54th annual Christmas tree sale kicks off on Friday, Nov. 25 at Mill Creek Park in South Portland at 9 a.m. The club, which this year ordered close to 2000 Maine-grown trees, has sold Christmas trees to raise money for community charitable causes since 1962.

"We all look forward to seeing our friends and neighbors, watching the children's excitement as they search for the 'perfect' tree, and spreading the holiday spirit," said Sue Sturtevant, who is heading up the tree sale. "Best of all, 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. There are lots of options for obtaining your Christmas tree-buying from us gives back to the community as well as providing a beautiful tree."

Because of demand in past seasons, trees will continue to be primarily in the 6 to 8-foot range. There will be many 5 to 6-footers, some 9 to 10-footers, and tabletop trees will also be available, as well as wreaths.

"We appreciate the continued support of the community and are looking forward to another great season," Rotary Club President Bill Anderson said. The Rotary Club is also getting geared up to work on Winterfest South Portland. Winterfest is a family oriented two day festival taking place Jan. 27 to 28, 2017. This event will be targeting both South Portland and Cape Elizabeth residents and will feature numerous outdoor activities such as a snow sculpture contest, skating party at Mill Creek Park, wagon rides, turkey curling, snow shoe hikes and igloo making demonstrations, to name a few. For more information about Winterfest contact winterfest@sp-ce-rotary.org



A happy customer hugs her Christmas tree at the annual Rotary Christmas tree sale in Mill Creek Park.

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Works by library staffers on display this month



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Wool and polymer clay sculptures by library staffer Kiah Gardner are part of this month's group art show in the Stier Family Gallery. The exhibit also includes works by library staffers Rachel Davis and Kyle Neugebauer.

This month, three library staffers will display their artwork in the Stier Family Gallery in a group show. Children's Librarian/Assistant Director Rachel Davis has seven of her drawings and paintings on display. Children's Programming Assistant Kiah Gardner

has contributed several of her needle-felted sculptural works to the show, and Library Director Kyle Neugebauer has some of his landscape photography on display. The show can be viewed in the Stier Family Gallery throughout the month of November.

Learn about Maine's porcupines

In the third in the library's monthly Maine Wildlife Series, science teacher and naturalist Brian A. Smith will present a slideshow and talk about porcupines and their role in Maine's diverse ecosystem.

The talk will take place on Thursday, Dec. 1 at 6:30 p.m. The library's Maine Wildlife Lecture series features local scientists, naturalists, and researchers discussing the fascinating creatures that populate Maine's diverse ecosystem.

Coming in in the next few months,

Rick Gray will discuss Maine's owls in January; biologist Christine Maher will discuss the "Social Lives of Woodchucks" in February; Carrie Gray will discuss loons in March; Andrew Johnson will discuss Cottontail Rabbits in April; Scott Lindsay will discuss beavers in May, and James Sulikowski will discuss sharks in June.

The lectures take place on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the library's Community Room.

Winter celebration featuring "The High Spirits" at Thomas Memorial Library



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Cape residents Anna and Dave Patterson are "The High Spirits," a musical duo playing original and cover songs in the vein of country soul. The High Spirits' sound is founded in American music from Etta James to Motown to Nashville.

They will perform in a free concert on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Thomas Memorial Library. Festive cookies and other refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

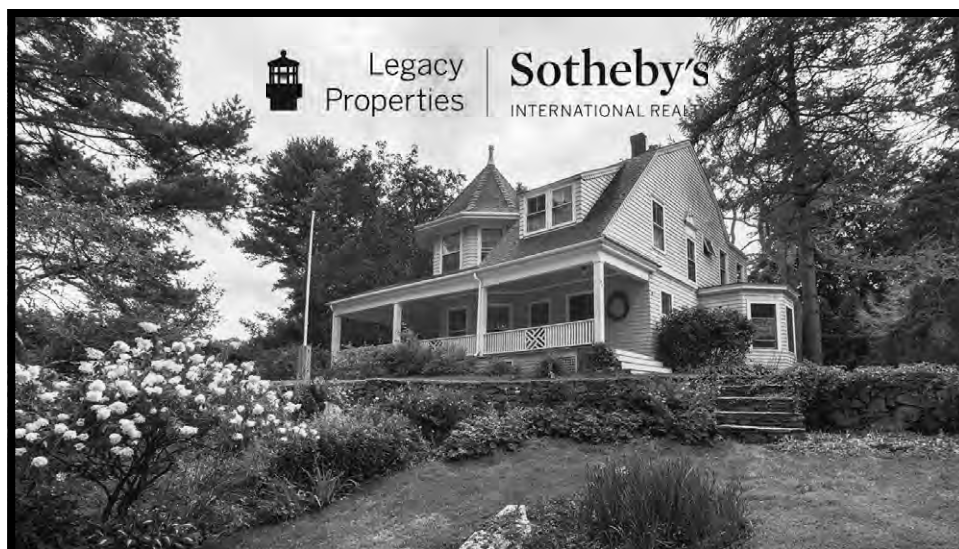
Cape residents to talk about visiting Cuba

On Tuesday, Dec. 13 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., the library will host a presentation entitled, "Cuba: Two Perspectives." Mary Page, a social studies teacher at CEHS has recently visited Cuba, touring historical sites as well as meeting farmers, doctors and high school

students at several cities in Cuba. Local photographer Ann Kaplan also recently toured Cuba. The two will talk about their experiences in Cuba as well as present a slideshow of photographs from their trips. All are welcome.

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

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Search for new superintendent again leads list of School Board goals

The search for a new superintendent tops the list of School Board goals for the 2016-2017 school year.

The board adopted the goals, drafted at the board's retreat in Sept. 2016, at their meeting Nov. 8.

Also at the Nov. 8 meeting, School Board Chair Elizabeth Scifres restated the process to find a permanent superintendent, following last year's unsuccessful search for a replacement for Meredith Nadeau.

The process will be much the same as last year, Scifres said, with opportunities for community participation. A small-team visit to the candidates' school district has been added to the recruitment process, and advertising for the position is slated to begin this month.

In a goal-related matter, the board appointed Scifres and board member Heather Altenburg to the calendar committee, charged with developing a calendar proposal that maximizes student class time while allowing time for staff meetings and professional development. The committee has met twice, Scifres said, for "very positive discussion." Systemwide early-release or late-start days, and holding parent-teacher conferences outside of the school day, may be components

of the upcoming calendar proposal, she said.

Scifres said she hopes the committee will meet three more times before December, in time to develop a draft calendar for the board to consider in January.

2016-2017 Goals

1. Superintendent Search: Recruit and select a highly-qualified, experienced district-level leader who is the right fit for Cape Elizabeth.

2. K-12 Alignment: Establish and document consistent, coherent, transparent learning goals in all instructional areas both horizontally (common learning expectations across a grade-level or course regardless of teacher) and vertically (each grade builds on the work of the prior grade and all curriculum is aligned to a set of K-12 graduation standards); develop a district calendar to support both consistent and uninterrupted student in-class time as well as time for teacher growth and collaboration; keep professional development focused on these goals.

3. Climate/Culture: Give high priority to clear and regular communication within the district, with parents, and with the community at large with emphasis on transparen-

cy, relationship building, and trust building.

4. Proficiency Based Education: Continue to develop for 2017-2018 implementation at the freshmen level clear learning goals in ELA, math, science, and social studies, and documentation procedures (including report cards) to support this implementation and transition to standards-based diploma in 2021-2022.

5. Evaluation System: Support and monitor implementation of new teacher evaluations system; review integrity of the system and solicit teacher and principal feedback.

6. Resource allocation: Prepare a budget that supports district goals; conduct negotiations with the Cape Elizabeth Education Association based on positive regard and fiscal responsibility.

School policy adopted on transgender students

The Cape Elizabeth School Board on Nov. 8 unanimously approved a policy governing transgender students, bringing the schools into compliance with state law.

The policy was drafted entirely by school department attorneys at Drummond Woodsum and provides for individual student plans. Participation in interscholastic sports is governed by a committee from the Maine School Principals Association.

In part, the new policy reads that a student who has been identified as transgender should be addressed by school staff and other students by the name and pronoun corresponding to their gender identity that is consistently asserted at school.

In addition, a student who has been identified as transgender should be permitted to use the restrooms assigned to the gender which the student consistently asserts at school. A transgender student who expresses a need for privacy will be provided with reasonable alternative facilities or accommodations such as using a separate stall or a staff facility. However, a student shall not be required to use a separate noncommunal facility over his/her objection.

The use of locker rooms requires schools to consider a number of factors, including but not necessarily limited to the safety and comfort of students; the transgender student's preference; student privacy; the ages of students; and available facilities. As a general rule, transgender students will be permitted to use the locker room assigned to the gender which the student consistently asserts at school. A transgender student will not be required to use a locker room that conflicts with the gender identity consistently asserted at school. A transgender student who expresses a need for privacy will be provided with reasonable alternative facilities or accommodations, such as using a separate stall, a staff facility or separate schedule.

Jeff Shedd, principal at Cape Elizabeth High School, said student government supported the proposal, "enthusiastic" that the School Board was taking a position but also that it is based on a ruling of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

The school's Gay, Straight, Transgender Alliance also supported the policy, Shedd said.

"I would say full support from the student body," he said.



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CEHS gymnasium floor under repair

Interim Superintendent of Schools Howard Colter updated the School Board on repairs to the gym floor at their meeting Nov. 8. The floor was damaged when a sprinkler head broke on Oct. 31, causing the release of 1,000 gallons of water.

"A ball hit the cage protecting the sprinkler head, and then the head itself, at just the right angle and rate of speed to break both the cage and the head," said High School principal Jeff Shedd in an email to families.

Replacement of the floor is underway, at a cost of approximately \$150,000, which will be covered by insurance, Colter said. In the meantime, physical education classes and other gym uses have

been relocated.

Shedd said in his email that the accident was the result of typical, appropriate gym activity. The cages protecting the sprinkler heads are being replaced with "beefier" versions, Colter said, and officials are taking the opportunity to upgrade the gym's heating and ventilation systems while the floor is being replaced. The work had originally been planned for next June when the gym would not be in use.

The gym is expected to reopen by Dec. 5 in time for the second scheduled home varsity basketball game Dec. 9.

School board adopts policy on gifts/grants

The School Board on Nov. 8, 2016 unanimously approved a policy and procedure governing the acceptance of gifts and grants.

The acceptance-of-gifts policy is a rewrite of one approved in May, but was found not to comply with state law. The newly approved policy allows the superintendent to accept gifts of \$10,000 or less, but gifts of greater value, and those that might have substantial budgetary or philosophical impact on the schools would need School Board approval.

Potential impact gift may include those that require additional operational, maintenance, installation or staff costs; or those significantly modifies established curriculum or educational policy, said School Board

—see GIFTS, page 18

CE United Methodist Church to host annual Christmas Fair

The Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church will host its annual Jolly Snowman Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The church is located at 280 Ocean House Road.

The fair will include crafts, wreaths, knit goods, baked goods, homemade candy, a hidden treasures room and a silent auction for special items, services and gift certificates.

A luncheon will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. featuring lobster rolls, hot dogs and homemade desserts.

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

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Gifts

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member Barbara Powers, chair of the board's policy subcommittee.

"It was our sense that anything that would fall into that range of potential impact is something that the board would want to be aware of and applaud and weigh in on and accept," she said.

The procedure lays out that the superintendent may except a gift of less than \$10,000, but there may be cases when the School Board's approval will still be required if the gift is deemed to potentially bring with it too much "impact."

The procedure reads that any gift or grant "with the potential to substantially impact the school unit's mission and values, governance, operating budget, equitable allocation of resources or matters of education policy" must be presented to the School Board for a determination of acceptance or rejection.

Any such gift is referred to in the procedure as a "Potential Impact Gift" and may include, but is not limited to:

"A gift that involves significant additional operational, maintenance, or installation costs to the school unit which are not included as part of the gift;

A gift that requires facility improve-

ments, renovations, alterations, or additions to existing school buildings or grounds;

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A gift that requires or creates a need for the school unit to budget or provide additional compensation to existing faculty or staff if such additional compensation is not included as part of the gift; or

A gift that significantly modifies an established curriculum or education policy, or results in the abandonment of an established curriculum or education policy."

The procedure goes on to read, "The Superintendent may consult with the Business Manager, Facilities Director, School Principals, Faculty, and other administrative staff prior to determining whether to accept or reject a gift in accordance with this administrative procedure. A determination by the Superintendent to reject a gift may be presented by the prospective donor to the School Board for reconsideration."

The procedure states clearly that "all duly accepted gifts become the property of the school unit" and of any individual or program, and "are subject to the school unit's accounting and auditing procedures."

2016 Holiday Fair at First Congregational

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