



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

January 17, 2013

No school...

Friday – Teacher In-Service

Monday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Congratulations Winning Geographers!

Arlo Stabler is this year's winner! He has taken a written test to be submitted at the state level to qualify for the state competition. Mary Richardson finished in second place, impressively challenging Arlo, and Jackson Billings finished third. These students demonstrated great enthusiasm for geography. Thank you, Mr. Snow, for leading this event.

Drop-In After School Care

If you find you need occasional after school childcare, but you do not want to make a full time commitment, you might consider our YMCA program part time. This quality program can be available with 24-hour notice for \$17 a day. Please contact Jessica Hutchins and/or Chelsea Robbins at 374-2202.

PTF News

Discount Cards - We still have hundreds of discount cards available. The money from this sale is what PTF uses to fund programs throughout the year. If you have ideas about how we might sell them to the community at large, and if you are willing to help please let us know.

Bedtime Story Hour - On Friday, January 25th at 6:30 PM, Rebekkah Raye will be reading her stories. Wear your pajamas and come for milk and cookies and a chance to listen to an author read you a bedtime story. Rebekkah will sign books that you already own.

Potluck and Variety Show - Save the date of February 8th! Our annual variety show and potluck will be that evening at 5:30 PM for dinner, and the show will begin at 6:00 PM. Students who want to share their talent should sign up with Mrs. Means or Mr. Schubeck.

Coming this Spring – BHCS Track!

Spring track will be offered for grades 3-8. Join this exciting new team with Coach David Stearns, who has provided very successful programs during the last two summers.

Enjoy an evening of fun music!

GSA's top jazz combo, Lucy and the Diamonds, will be playing at the Black Dinah/Fairwinds Florist in Blue Hill on Friday, January 25th from 6:30-8:00 PM.

LOST! SAXOPHONE!

If found, please call school at 374-2202, or call the number on the tag. It belongs to Ethan Vinall.

Sports Thanks!

Thank you to this season's clock and book volunteers!

Coastal Team: Susan Keenan, Cory Schildroth, Leslie Litwiller, Jon Smallidge, Jon Mullen, and Laurie Stowe.

Peninsula and Clinic Team: Matt Mattson, Amy Mattson, Alma Mote, Joe Maier, Jack McKechnie, Emma McKechnie, Taylor Astbury, Dylan Nason, and Isaac Wardwell.

PeeWee Basketball

Saturday at GSA
10-11:30 AM

Tree ID Walk & Talk

Blue Hill Heritage Trust is sponsoring its first Walk & Talk of the new year on Saturday, January 19th, at 11 AM in Blue Hill. Join Val Libby on the South Street-Parker Point Road Trail and learn about "Identifying Trees in Winter." The walk will start at the parking area on Parker Point Road (by the town fountain) and will proceed up the trail to South Street and back, depending on the weather and trail conditions. Val Libby is a former associate professor of Landscape History at Temple

University in Philadelphia and is a Trustee for Garland Farm on MDI. This program is free and open to the public. Adults and children of all ages are welcome to attend. In case of bad weather, the walk & talk will be rescheduled for Saturday, January 26. For more information on this or future BHHT walk & talk programs, contact Eileen Mielenhausen at 374-5118 or eileen@bluehillheritagetrust.org.

The Simmering Pot will be closed January 21 and will reopen on January 28. The Simmering Pot provides free, delicious meals on Mondays from 2:30-6:00 PM at the First Congregational Church in Blue Hill. Eat in/take out. No charge, donations accepted. In the event of a storm, we follow school closings. Info: call 374-2891.

The Rubens Quartet plays at the Blue Hill Congregational Church this Sunday, January 20th, at 3:00 PM. Students under 18 are admitted free. Suggested donation for adults is \$30. The program includes Beethoven, Brahms and guest artists. For more information go to www.bluehillconcerts.org.

Dates to Remember

Fri., Jan. 18	Union #93 In-Service, no school
Mon., Jan. 21	MLK, Jr. Day, no school
Thurs., Jan 24	BHCS Spelling Bee, 1:45 PM
Mon., Feb. 11	Hancock County Spelling Bee, 6:30 PM, Ellsworth Elementary-Middle School
Fri., Feb. 8	PTF Potluck & Variety Show, 5:30 PM
Feb. 14	GSA Registration – grade 8
Feb. 18-22	February Vacation
Mon., Mar. 4	NAEP Testing – grade 8
Fri., Mar. 8	Trimester 2 Ends