



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

April 2, 2015

### Your Vote Counts!

**Don't forget to vote at the Town Hall tomorrow! And, we hope to see you at town meeting on Saturday. Please note that the articles on the school budget are LAST on the warrant this year, starting at Article 65. Thank you or your continued support.**

### Town Meeting Luncheon

7<sup>th</sup> graders are putting on the traditional turkey and ham meal during the noon break at Town Meeting on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. Please join us – it's delicious!

### BHCS Students Take 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Places at the MAINE National History Day Competition

Under the leadership of their advisor, Kyle Snow, the following students participated in this year's National History Day at UMO last Saturday: Katherine Charles, Ian Howell, Miriam Nelson, Azria Barrett, Jeremiah Scheff, Matthew Billings, Sean Schweizer, Nick Hatch, Grayson Eaton, Quinn Stabler, Cameron Stewart, Lillie Maier, Elana Williamson, Lynn Holman, Emma McKechnie, Katie Forrest, Tess Williamson, and Michaela White. All students did a great job with their projects this year, the first year that BHCS has taken part.

At the end of the day, two groups took home trophies. Grayson, Quinn, and Cameron placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the *WEBSITE* division for their research and presentation on Steve Jobs. **And, in the *DOCUMENTARY FILM* division, Emma, Katie, Tess, and Michaela took 1<sup>st</sup> Place with their work on Joan of Arc! Congratulations, historians!**

### Students Before and After School

Students who are not involved with a school activity should not be in the school building before 7:30 AM or after school. We are not able to supervise them, as staff is involved with various duties and meetings during these times.

If scheduling for your family is an issue, please see me directly.

Students with late practices need to go home and return at the practice time. Coaches are aware of this. With a note, students in grades 6-8 are allowed to walk downtown after school, but they are not to return to school until the time of their late practice.

### April is Autism Awareness Month

Each year our local organization, Making Strides, works with us to recognize autism, because 1 in 68 children and 1 in 42 boys (and their families) now are affected by it. I would like to say a personal thank you to the Making Strides group, and acknowledge the difference they have made in our community for kids with autism, their siblings and parents, the general public, teachers, and school administrators. The organization has given us ideas for professional development and education, and they have given us funds to buy needed adaptive teaching tools that have been good for all kids.

On April 7 and 8, back by popular demand, we will hear Deb Lipsky who is a successful adult with autism. She is a published author and motivational speaker. She will talk with the public on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in our café, and with our students in grades 4-8 at 1:00. If you missed her last year, you will want to see her, and if you were here last, please come back to hear more!

### BEEM BASH

Friday, April 10, 6-10 PM

Farm House Inn

Pleasant Street, Blue Hill

Enjoy dinner and dancing

with DJ Gary Milliken,

a live and silent auction, an oyster bar and ping-pong!

\$30 each includes a glass of bubbly!

100% of the proceeds benefit BEEM

(Blue Hill Educational Enrichment Monies)

to support PK-8 programs

at Blue Hill Consolidated School.

**Silent Auction Starts Next Week in the Lobby!**

Della L. Martin, Principal

**PTF News**

This Saturday, April 4, we will be selling breakfast items at the Town Meeting. If you would like to donate something, please let us know by Friday. Popular items include quiche, muffins, bagels & cream cheese, fruit salad.

Hannaford card orders are due next Thursday, April 9.

Our next PTF meeting will be Thursday, April 9 at 2:45 in the library.

Thank you to all families who have donated used athletic gear. The box is still in the lobby if you come across more items you would like to donate. If you are in need of anything, please contact Megan Granger and she will let you know if that item/size is available.

**Dates to Remember**

Fri., April 3	Blue Hill Town Election Day
Sat., April 4	Town Meeting, 9 AM
Wed., April 8	School Board, 5 PM
Thurs., April 9	PTF Meeting, 2:45 PM
Fri., April 17	School Day Make-up
Thurs., Apr. 30	Opening Night, BHCS Presents Charlotte's Web, 6 PM
Fri., May 1	Encore Night, Charlotte's Web, 6 PM
Mon., June 8	5-8 Concert, 7 PM
Tues., June 9	PK- 4 Concert, 6:30 PM
Wed., June 17	GRADUATION, 7 PM

**Brooksville Dance, April 3, 6-9 PM**

**Attachments:**

April Menu



***FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of BLUE HILL***

Easter Sunrise Service April 5, 6:00 AM at the First Baptist Church, led by Reverend Deborah Breault, interim minister.

Easter Family Worship: 10:00 AM, child care provided. Followed by Easter egg hunt (outside or inside). For information: 374-2891, 374-2892.

**PMAL Summer Listings**

There will be quite a bit going on at PMAL this summer -- from kayaking and canoeing on Wood's Pond, Water's Edge Day Camp returning, rock climbing and cycling in Acadia National Park, as well as an imaginative theatre based camp at PMAL called Egyptian Expedition!

**Off-Campus program!**

- 7/07 (T) - Rock Climbing, Acadia, \$95 tuition
- 7/09 (Th) - Mountain Biking, Acadia, \$75
- 7/14 (T) - Rock Climbing, Acadia, \$95
- 7/16 (Th) - Kayaking on the Blue Hill Peninsula, \$75 tuition

**Egyptian Expedition!**

Join us for an imaginary exploration of Ancient Egypt. For one week this July, the Peninsula Metamorphic Arts & Learning Center will be transformed into an archaeological site in the midst of a desert oasis. Fictional characters will lead students through an exploration of Egyptian technology, environment, art, and mythology.

This is where imagination, theatre, arts, and science meet history in the making!

Ages: 8 – 13, July 20-24, 9 AM-3 PM  
Tuition: \$265.00

**PMAL's Water's Edge program returns!**

Ages: 5 – 12, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Tuition: \$240 / week or \$55 daily

- **Week 1:** Monday, 7/27 – Friday, 7/31
- **Week 2:** Monday, 8/03 – Friday, 8/07
- **Week 3:** Monday, 8/10 – Friday, 8/14
- **Week 4:** Monday, 8/17 – Friday, 8/21

Scholarships are available ! Just give us a call!  
Register at [chris@pmalcenter.com](mailto:chris@pmalcenter.com) or 374-5255.  
~~Amy and Chris