



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

May 7, 2015

### What a Parade!

It was so nice to see the streets lined with spectators on Tuesday to help us celebrate our amazing students. Thank you, everyone, for supporting us!

### School Calendar Note

**We will NOT have school on Saturday, May 16.** One of the plans for making up a snow day was to go to school on a Saturday, but Mr. Hurvitt, our superintendent, submitted a waiver request to the state and it was granted this week. Thank you for arranging this, Mr. Hurvitt.

### PTF News

On this past Saturday, Mr. Jurick and Mrs. Gandy took two students to the *STEM Innovation Forum* at USM. They were there to present the results of the new programs implemented this past year in the IDEA Center at BHCS. The students were on hand to help present and answer questions. Eighth grader Lillie Maier described the 2-D vector design she had just completed, and sixth grader Andrew Szwez spoke about the Lego Robotics Great Ball Contraption that he and the other students in his class have designed and built. Mr. Jurick and the students then fielded questions from the audience. The organizers of the event hailed the BHCS program as cutting edge STEM education in the state and are eager to see what is next for the IDEA Center.

Our next meeting is May 14 at 2:45 in the library. We will be discussing the last few events that we will be organizing for this school year and laying the groundwork for next year.

Thank you to all our families that have volunteered this past week to help make Teacher & Staff Appreciation week a huge success. It is such a wonderful chance to let everyone at BHCS know how much they mean to us.

Hannaford card orders are due Thursday, May 14.

### BHCS School Nurse Moving On...

Debbie Candage, our school nurse since 2006, will be leaving us to take a position in the ER at Blue Hill Memorial Hospital next week. We have been fortunate to have Debbie here over the last decade, and we have appreciated her expertise and professionalism. For the last weeks of school Debbie and a couple of other local school nurses will be piecing together a schedule that will keep us covered. Thank you, Debbie, for your service. We hope to NOT see you in the ER, however! Stop in at BHCS when you can.

### From the School Nurse...

The *Jump Rope for Heart Health Campaign* was a huge success again this year. The total amount collected by BHCS students was \$2,119. This most impressive contribution once again demonstrates how our community and our kids come together to help others and show support for worthwhile causes. The support from all the parents of these children is greatly admired and appreciated, as well. The BHCS students were presented with a banner from the American Heart Association for the wonderful job they did. They were also provided with a fun day of activities in Mr. McCormick's gym classes as a small way of showing our appreciation for their work. Donors will also be getting thank you gifts in a couple of weeks.

These children make me happy and so proud to have been their school nurse for the past 10 years. Thank you BHCS students and parents for once again supporting this worthwhile cause.

~Mrs. Candage, RN, BSN/School Nurse

### Dates to Remember

Fri., May 8	*No school for K
	*6-8 to Penobscot for Holocaust Presentation 8 – 11 AM
	*7/8 Science Fair, 1 PM
Wed., May 13	School Board, 5 PM
Thurs., May 14	PTF Mtg., 2:45 PM
Tues., May 19	Grade 4 to Carroll Homestead, MDI

Della L. Martin, Principal

Fri., May 22	Grade 8 to the GRAND
Tues., June 2	Gr. 7/8 to Woodlawn
Thurs., June 4	Gr. 7 to Wilson Museum, Castine
Mon., June 8	5-8 Concert, 7 PM
Tues., June 9	PK- 4 Concert, 6:30 PM
June 10-11	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip
Wed., June 17	GRADUATION, 7 PM
Fri., June 19	Gr. 7 to Augusta
Fri., June 19	Last Day of School



**Benefit**  
**Baked Beans & Casserole**  
**Supper**  
**For Russell and Rita Grindle.**  
**Their home was destroyed**  
**in a fire last month.**  
**Saturday, May 9 at 5 PM**  
**BHCS Cafeteria**  
**\$8 adults and \$4 children**

**Family Potluck**  
**Monday, May 18 at 5:00 PM**  
**Sedgwick School Gym**  
**Special Presentation on Bullying!**  
**Join us in welcoming Ann Long, Parent**  
**Training and Information Specialist,**  
**Maine Parent Federation**  
**What is and isn't bullying?**  
**Tips to help prevent bullying.**

## Annie

Looking for a few good men and women to join our ensemble chorus in this summer's production of **Annie...the Musical** at The New Surry Theater. Minimal weekly time commitment, rehearsal CD provided, family fun production! Late July and early August performance dates. Also needed: a male, mid-twenties to early 40's, willing to CROW as the role of Rooster.

Music Director: Bill Schubeck  
 Please contact the director, Shari Wick John,  
 at [maine.johns@gmail.com](mailto:maine.johns@gmail.com).

**CHILD AND FAMILY**  
**WELLNESS FAIR**  
**SEDGWICK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 23**  
**10 AM TO 2 PM**  
**FREE!**  
**DISPLAYS! VENDORS! PRIZES! HOOP**  
**DANCE!**  
**FREE MASONS CHILD ID KIT!**  
**AMBULANCE TOUR!**  
**PAMPER YOURSELF OR DISCOVER**  
**SOMETHING NEW!**