



Explorations

Blue Hill Consolidated School

March 16, 2017

Congratulations BHCS Chess Teams

The Blue Hill Consolidated School Chess A Team placed second out of thirteen in the 2017 State Scholastic Chess Team Championship. Maine's largest chess tournament was held Saturday at the University of Maine Orono and attracted 327 kindergarten through twelfth grade scholastic players from across the state.

In the Junior High School section, Orono Middle School placed first with a score of 16.5 points out of possible 20.0. Blue Hill A Team scored second with 14.5 points, Deer Isle-Stonington Middle School placed third with 12 points, and the Blue Hill B Team placed fourth with 11.5 points.



The BHCS Chess Teams are coached by Hayden Ciomei with Vicki Davis as assistant coach. The A Team includes Evan Chapman, Colin Lacasse, Tucker Norwood, Sam Page, Cole Stewart, Ross Stewart, and Solomon Tyler. The B Team includes Gabe Hall, Charlie Kolisch, Colby Lacasse, Jaden Lewis, Sarah Means, Dylan Richardson, Augie van Duijn, and Leah Wilson.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

The Chess Team will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 17 @ 5:00 pm. Stop by to get a chance to meet these amazing students who just competed in the state tournament.

Cost: \$10 / adult, \$5 / child, or \$25 / family

Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage, Mac n' cheese.

Make sure to stay for the lively Irish Auction and bring quarters!

March 24th School Day

We will have school on March 24 to make up for one of our snow days.

The menu for that day is:

Breakfast: ham, egg & cheese bar, yogurt

Lunch: chicken fingers, sweet potato fries, peas

Basketball Awards & Spring Sports Sign Up

Wednesday, March 22 in the gym

4:00 - Basketball Awards

4:30 - Sign up for spring sports



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April is
Student
Art Month

**PUBLIC
RECEPTION**

APRIL 7TH • 4PM -6PM

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CREATIVE TALENTS
OF LOCAL STUDENTS
AND THEIR TEACHERS

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Spring Sports Opportunities

There are many opportunities for students to participate in community sports events this spring. Here are some highlights:

Little League Baseball/Softball registration for 6-14 year olds (Minor, Major and Junior Leagues) Thursday and Friday March 16th and 17th from 2:30 to 3:30 in the BHCS Lobby. Call or text Jon Smallidge at 756-2242 FMI.

A free Baseball Pitching clinic for 8-12 year olds with Dan Kane and Jon Smallidge will be held from 12-2 on March 25th at George Stevens Academy. Interested students can just show up at the gym!

Little League Try-outs for 8-12 year olds will be held on March 25th from 2-3pm at George Stevens Academy.

Dates to Remember

March 16	PTF Meeting, 2:45 - BHCS Library
March 17	Chess Club St. Patrick's Day Dinner
March 17	Dance in Surry 6-9pm -CANCELLED
All Month	- 6th Annual Hancock County Food Drive



Slugger's Reading Challenge

Slugger the Sea Dog, the official mascot of the Portland Sea Dogs, presents his reading challenge to local schools. Slugger and the Sea Dogs realize the value of reading and would like to encourage students to read by allowing them to earn a **FREE** ticket to a Sea Dogs' baseball game.

Slugger's Challenge:

Slugger is challenging students to read three books above and beyond any school required reading. Each student that successfully completes the challenge will be given a FREE ticket to a Portland Sea Dogs baseball game. Please see the attached flier for more information. Extra fliers are available in the BCHS Library and the lobby.



Blue Hill Bach Program for Kids

FINAL CONCERT

Blue Hill Concert Association presents Ariadne Daskalakis and Anthony Spiri in concert on Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 PM at the Congregational Church in Blue Hill. This violin and piano duo will present works by Brahms, Schreker, and Schubert. Suggested donation is \$30 for adults. Students 18 years old and under are always free. This is the last event of the season, so you won't want to miss it!

Blue Hill Heritage Trust Events

Monday, March 20th 10am Welcome Spring Walk- at Furth Talalay Trails in Surry:

Join our volunteers Barbara Kourajian and Merrie Eley, a Maine Master Naturalist, for a "Welcome Spring!" Group Hike at Furth Wildlife Sanctuary and Talalay Nature Sanctuary in Surry. We'll begin hiking at 10am and will have hot beverages and refreshments to keep you going! Each trail is a one-mile loop, so you can choose to attend one or both with us! Free and open for all ages. For more information and to pre-register, please contact Blue Hill Heritage Trust at 374-5118 or info@bluehillheritagetrust.org

March events at the Blue Hill Public Library

March 18 – Clay Spring Bunnies with Margret Baldwin

March 25 – 52 Weeks of Giving "Bunny Helpers for Blue Hill Heritage Trust"

March 25 – *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* Inklings movie and book club

April 7 – Opening for Student Art month show

As always we have weekly Storytime for children, Storytime for special needs adults, Preschool Playgroup, Rainbow Warriors teen writing group, and Girls Who Code teen computer coding class.

A local community member and parent, Charlotte Clews, is organizing a workshop for parents of 9-14 year olds to host Jennifer Wiessner LCSW, CST, from Southern Maine (<http://jenniferwiessnerhealthysexuality.com>) to present a workshop on "Raising Sexually Healthy Children" during a weekend in April or May. Right now Charlotte is looking for a head count to make sure there is enough interest to book the event. If you would like more information, please contact Charlotte at charlotte_clews@hotmail.com

The FTC recently issued a notice about scammers impersonating kidnapers in order to get money from parents and grandparents. The link below has more information about this scam.

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/blog/scammers-even-impersonate-kidnappers>

Community articles submitted by the Blue Hill community are posted as-is. Those interested in submitting community news for the newsletter may contact Tracy Gandy (tgandy@bhcs.org). Views/opinions expressed in this section are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect official school positions or policies.