



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

November 8, 2012

THANK YOU!

Our food drive this year was VERY successful! The weather did not cooperate in order for us to go to the Tree of Life Food Pantry, but we still gathered the whole school together in the gym to recognize the kids' efforts! Thank you for helping them donate food and for helping those in need this year.

Opening in January...

The Blue Hill

YMCA After School Program

Located at the Blue Hill Consolidated School, providing creative, fun, and hands-on activities between the hours of 2:30 and 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday!!

Flexible and Affordable! \$17 a day and \$70 for 5 days a week. Ask about assistance with childcare fees. For registration information please contact Crystal Follette:

cfolleted@defymca.org

*Physical Activities! *Music! *Literature!
*Dance! *Arts/Crafts! *Homework Help!
*Games!

MEET AND GREET

Staff from the YMCA

Thursday, December 6, 6:30 PM

Original Works

The first shipment of Original Works products came in this week and items have been sent home. There will be a second shipment coming soon with a few late orders. Please check your order to be sure everything is fine, in case we need to follow up on any issues (like a broken key chain, for example).

PTF

*The first Family Movie Night of the year will be this Friday, Nov. 9 in the cafeteria, featuring **Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted**, rated PG, 93 minutes. Food (donations welcome!) will

be available for sale starting at 5:30 PM, with the movie starting at 6:00 PM. The movie and popcorn are free, but donations at the door will help to purchase a new popcorn machine (the

current one is very temperamental!). Contact Melissa Emerton or Rena Flores if you have questions or can help.

*Bobcat orders are due Friday, Nov. 16. You can get more order forms from the office.

Sample items are in the lobby.

*Don't miss the Holiday Craft Fair on Sat., Nov. 17 from 10 AM-1 PM in the gym and cafeteria. Items by many crafters and food by 6th grade parents will be available throughout the day.

*PTF **NEW** Discount Cards are coming soon!

GSA Production...Into the Woods!

Come and see the students of George Stevens Academy in their musical production of Sondheim's **Into the Woods**. This is a mixed up fairy tale with all of the children's favorite characters: Jack in the Bean Stalk, Little Red Riding Hood, and Cinderella. And, of course, there is a hungry wolf and an evil witch. The shows are at The Grand Theatre in Ellsworth on Friday, November 16 at 7:00 PM, and Saturday, November 17 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Tickets may be purchased at www.grandonline.org or call 667-9500. \$10 for adults and \$7 for students

The show covers multiple themes: growing up, parenting children, accepting responsibility, morality, and consequences. The musical is appropriate for all ages. The final act of the musical brings some dark and sad moments, but there is no questionable language or violence. Ultimately there is a happy ending. A special matinee performance has been added this year on Saturday, November 17 at 2:00 PM to accommodate both younger and elderly audiences.

The Simmering Pot... A Community Created Supper. Free delicious meal Mondays 2:30 to 6:00 PM at the First Congregational Church of Blue Hill. Eat in or take out. No

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charge, donations accepted. For information call 374-2891. We will be closed November 12 for Veteran's Day, but reopening November 19th.

Christmas Angels

The Christmas Angels Program of the First Congregational Church of Blue Hill provides gifts of clothing for children in need on the Blue Hill Peninsula and Deer Isle/Stonington. To be a Christmas Angel (either by shopping for a family or child, or by donating to the program) call Kim Williamson at peony13@me.com or 374-2092. To receive a clothing request form, contact Wendy Ritger 374-2891 or bhcongo@yahoo.com, by December 1.

Blue Hill Bach presents an evening of Baroque Chamber Music featuring Ensalada: violin, violoncello piccolo, lute & theorbo, with singers Marcia Gronewold Sly and Timothy Neill Johnson. This will be held at the First Congregational Church of Blue Hill, Saturday, November 10 at 7:30 PM. This is to benefit the church's Dolly Fisher Fund, providing emergency food & fuel to those in need on the Blue Hill Peninsula. Information: call 590-2677.

Silent Auction

The silent auction to Benefit the Family Assistance Fund will be in the lobby next week, and will finish up as part of the Holiday Craft Fair on November 17th. It isn't too late to donate items – see Loretta!

Ultimate Frisbee is finished! Thanks to John Richardson for leading UF again this fall. The kids enjoyed another great disc season.

Needed: We have a family in need of a refrigerator. If you have one to donate or sell at a reduced price, please call Loretta at 374-2202.

PMAL Arts Playhouse Press Release

Parents, do you struggle to get your children to finish their homework every night? Would you like some help? Part of PMAL's after school programming is Homework Help! Not only do we have staff on hand to help students understand and complete their work, we also

find that the children ENJOY doing homework in the room with their peers! If you would like more information, give us a call! 374-5255.

Attention peninsula adults! PMAL will be offering Studio Night with Penny Ricker and Amy Grant. Call it Arts Playhouse for Adults or just Studio Night at PMAL! Bring your materials, your unfinished something, your image, your journal, YOURSELF! Come and spend some quiet time creating your art, writing your novel, finishing your thing! Monday nights 6:30 – 8:30 PM starting on November 5th.

Can't wait to see you here! \$10 fee payable weekly and no registration required. Just come on by! Contact Amy for more information at amy@pmaalcenter.com.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Fri., Nov. 9 | PTF Family Movie Night
<i>Madagascar 3 Food for sale at 5:30 PM and movie at 6 PM.</i> |
| Sat., Nov. 10 | Christmas for Kids, Sedgwick School, 5 PM |
| Mon., Nov. 12 | Veterans Day Observed
No school |
| Tues., Nov. 13
Nov. 13-15 | Winter Sports Parent Mtg., 5PM
Basketball Tryouts (see schedule) |
| Wed., Nov. 14 | School Board Mtg., 5 PM |
| Thurs., Nov. 15 | Jazz Night, 4 PM |
| Sat., Nov. 17 | PTF Craft Fair, 10 AM – 1 PM |
| Tues., Nov. 20 | Last day of school before Thanksgiving
Trimester 1 grades close |