



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

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January 5, 2012

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

### **Congratulations, Erin Niehoff!**

Erin placed first in our National Geographic Bee today! This is her second year in first place. Wow! Placing second was Arlo Stabler, and third was Ellie Gellerson. Additionally, seven other students competed after winning their classroom bees: Isaac Webb; Tyler Ray; Lanie Billings; Tyler Chapman; Michaela White; Mira Schubeck; and Jack McKechnie. Congratulations to all!

*Don't forget to purchase your PTF Discount Card for \$10. Stop in the office. Savings galore!*

### *8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting*

There is a meeting to discuss fundraising on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 7 PM in Mrs. Davis' room.

### *PTF News*

The next PTF meeting will be on Wed., Jan. 11th at 6:30 in Mr. Baxter's room. We will be discussing our fundraising efforts and deciding which projects to fund for this year. Speaking of fund raising, we still have lots of discount cards that need to be sold (literally hundreds!). Does anyone have any ideas about how we could sell them? Is there anybody willing to try and sell them at some of our home basketball games? Would anybody be willing to take some to work and see if you can sell this good deal to some of your co-workers? Do you have a business and you'd be willing to display and sell them at your counter? The sale of these cards will determine what kind of programming and activities we can support this year and next fall. Contact Heather Nelson if interested. Cards will continue to be available in the office or the library for \$10.

### *Student Newsletter*

The *Bobcat 1st Trimester Newsletter* is coming home today with the youngest child in each family. One of the 7/8 choice classes this year is Desktop Publishing

with Mr. Jurick and Ms. Jackson. The students will be doing a newsletter each trimester, reporting on the

news and activities going on at BHCS and honing their skills in the many elements of desktop publishing. Their work will culminate in the creation of this year's BHCS Yearbook.

### *Sports Study Hall Schedule*

Monday, January 9, 2:45-3:30 PM

Thursday, January 12, 2:45-3:30 PM

No study hall on Friday.

### *PEE WEE Basketball, January 7*

Blue Hill @ D.I.S., 10 AM to Noon

Coach: Denny Rackliffe, 374-5634 or 374-2297

### *Results Basketball Clinic*

January 8th at Deer Isle High School

2nd-5th grades, 9AM – 1 PM

5th-8th grades, 2 PM - 6 PM

Cost: \$30.00 per student (\$25.00 per student when registering 2 or more students in a family)

If you have attended a RESULTS clinic since September, 2011, \$20.00 per student.

Contact:

Mark Baxter

[resultsbasketballclinics@yahoo.com](mailto:resultsbasketballclinics@yahoo.com)

540-2621

### *Peninsula Metamorphic Arts & Learning*

PMAL, located at 39 Mines Road in Blue Hill, is offering CPR Training on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to Noon. The session will include adult and child CPR and first aid, and participants will receive a certification card upon completion.

The cost is \$50 per person. To register, contact Chris at 374-5255 or [chris@pmalcenter.com](mailto:chris@pmalcenter.com).

### *Concert on Sunday, January 8, 3:00 PM*

The Blue Hill Concert Association opens its 35<sup>th</sup> season with a piano trio this Sunday at the Congregational Church. Trio Cleonice is a graduate piano trio-in-residence at the New England Conservatory. Violinist Ari Isaacman-Beck, cellist Gwen Krosnick, and pianist Emely Phelps joined forces in 2008 at the Kneisel Hall Chamber Music Festival. Trio Cleonice takes its name from Cleonice, the local-centric Mediterranean bistro in Ellsworth, Maine. These rising young musicians are a pleasure

Della L. Martin, Principal • Loretta Smith, Secretary • Beth Jackson, Librarian • Matt Jurick, Technology Specialist

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to hear and students under 18 are admitted free! \$30 donation at the door for adults.

### **Squeaky Wheel Adventures**

Squeaky Wheel Adventures is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit Maine based tripping camp founded in 2001 that provides safe outdoor recreational trips designed to educate and strengthen participants, connections to themselves, each other and our World. SWA strives to provide a forum for children to come together in a safe and nurturing environment to experience adventure, self-growth, and to build meaningful friendships with their peers.

Dates: February 4-5 & March 10-11

Times: Pick-up Saturday: Surry School @ 7:45 AM / Ellsworth YMCA @ 8:10 am

Return Sunday: Ellsworth YMCA @ 4:00 PM / Surry School @ 4:20 PM

Price: \$130 (price is all inclusive except for spending money).

Ages: 6th to 8th grade

This trip is limited to 12 campers. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you are interested, contact us ASAP so that we can reserve a spot.

For more information and to check availability, call 266.4360 or visit us online, [www.SqueakyWheelAdventures.org/other/](http://www.SqueakyWheelAdventures.org/other/).

### **Dates to Remember**

Tues., Jan 10	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting
Wed., Jan. 11	School Board Mtg., 5:00 PM PTF Mtg., 6:30 PM
Fri., Jan. 13	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Dance at BHCS gym
Mon., Jan. 16	Martin Luther King Day, no school