

**UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
D.R.GAUL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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**NEWSLETTER 1/18/08 UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mon. Jan 21	No School	Martin Luther King Day
Tue. Jan 22	3:00 - 4:30	Prevention Partners Dental Clinic for K-5
		Girl Scouts
	3:00 - 4:30	Play rehearsal - Scene 1
	3:00 - 4:30	7th grade girls' basketball practice
	4:30 - 6:00	8th grade girls' basketball practice
	5:00 - 7:00	Cheering
	6:00 - 7:30	7th grade boys' basketball practice
	6:30 - 8:00	8th grade boys' practice at WCS
Wed. Jan 23	3:00 - 4:30	Play rehearsal - Scene 2 Busline League Quarter Final Date
Thu. Jan 24	3:00 - 4:30	Play rehearsal - Scene 3
	3:00 - 4:15	Destination Imagination Grade 5
	3:00 - 4:30	Destination Imagination Grade 4
Fri. Jan 25	12:00 dismissal	Early Release Day Report Card Day Busline League Semi Final Date

Please submit information for the newsletter to Jennifer\_Brooks@sas40.k12.me.us by Wednesday afternoons. Thank you.

**Spinal Screening For Grade 6 Girls.....**

Maine State Law requires that all 6th grade girls be screened for Scoliosis. The purpose of this screening is to detect the signs of spinal curvature at its earliest stages. The law does not apply to any child whose parents or guardian demonstrates, by written statement, his/her objections.

Spinal screening is planned for Friday, January 25th. Sixth grade girls will receive a notice of the screening one-week prior. Refusal notes must be submitted to the school on or before the day of the screening.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Linda Jacoby at 832-5566.

**Student Council News:**

The D.R. Gaul Middle School Student Council will again be selling silk rose suckers for Valentine's Day. Order forms will be attached to the newsletter in the coming weeks. They will cost \$1.00 and a message can be attached. Elementary and Middle school students and families can purchase the rose suckers. They will be delivered on February 14.

There will be a student council meeting Thursday, January 31 at 8:15 and then the 1st and 3rd Thursday in February.

**Lunch Menu for the week of 1/21/08**

**Monday** - No School - Martin Luther King Day  
**Tuesday** - Hot dog with macaroni and cheese, peas, fresh fruit, milk choice.  
**Wednesday** - Spaghetti with meatballs, breadsticks, green beans, fruit choice, milk choice.  
**Thursday** - Sliced turkey sandwich with lettuce and tomato, chips, mixed fruit, milk choice.  
**Friday** - Sausage OR Cheese pizza, garden salad, fruit choice, milk choice.

**Prevention Partners Dental Clinic**

Due to the large number of students participating in the dental clinic, we are scheduling a second day for Prevention Partners to be at Union. Students in K-5 are scheduled for the 22nd of January as planned. Students in 6-8, will be scheduled on a different day. We will let you know what the date is as soon as it is scheduled. More information will be sent home with all students who have signed up for this clinic.

**Do you love to read?**

Vose Library on the Union Common is starting a Young Adult book group, open to Union area middle school students!

We are considering  
**The Golden Compass**, by  
Philip Pullman, as our first book.

(Books can be purchased through the library at a discount. We will place an order when we know how many we'll need!)

We will meet Fridays after school, and students can be dropped off there by the school bus, or by parents. Our first meeting will be January 25. at 3:15. There will be a snow date of Feb. 1st.

If you are interested, please call Emily Leppanen at 785-3735. (If you can't join now, but might like to later, let us know, you can join in on whichever books you like!)

## **MSAD 40 Adult Education Offering College Transitions for Adults**

MSAD 40 Adult Education is pleased to announce that we have received a College Transitions grant to help area adults prepare for and succeed in post secondary education. The Lincoln County College Connection, or TLC3 involves the MSAD 40, Damariscotta, Boothbay and Wiscasset Adult Education Programs.

**College transitions preparatory courses and workshops at all adult education locations are free! Classes begin soon!**

**If you are interested in learning more, there will be an orientation held on Tuesday, January 22 at 6:30 p.m. at Medomak Valley High School - call 832-5205 to register today! Refreshments will be served.**

Learn more at our website at [www.msad40.org/schools/adult](http://www.msad40.org/schools/adult).

Attention Actors and Actresses Ages 13 & 14!

**Waldoboro Theatre & Theatre of the Spirit in Newcastle** are holding auditions for the play "Tarradiddle Tales". The auditions are for students ages 13 and 14 and they will be held at the Waldo Theater on Main Street in Waldoboro. Audition times will be: Sat, Jan 19th at 2PM, Sun, Jan 20 at 4PM, and Tues, Jan 22 at 6PM. Please call Mr. Eugene Thomas at 832-6377 with any questions.

## **MMS Wrestling**

Practices for MMS wrestling will begin Monday Feb 4th at AD Gray Middle School 6-7:30 PM. Middle school wrestling is open to boys and girls grades 5-8 in MSAD 40. Each athlete needs to complete a MSAD 40 Sports Participation form before the first practice. Forms can be found at MVHS, ADG, or DRG or you can download a copy off the athletics web page at [www.msad40.org](http://www.msad40.org). Proof of a current sports physical and health insurance must also be provided. The first meet is Feb 23rd at MVHS. Middle school students who are interested should sign-up in the gym. Parents of 5th and 6th graders should contact Coach Philip Genthner at 832-6874 or Matt Lash at 832-5389 ext 129.

**Coming Soon! Mark Your Calendars!  
March 13, 2008**

**MSAD 40 Proudly Presents  
Arts 2008  
"HeART Beats"  
a K-12 Visual and Performing Arts Festival  
including art work by  
EVERY student in the district  
and live performances!**

## **Artist of the Week**

Kahla B., 1st, is the artist this week for her Trees in the Winter tempera painting. Excellent job Kahla!!