

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

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**NEWSLETTER 10/26/07 UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sun. Oct 28	2:00- 4:00	Halloween Carnival at TCC
Mon. Oct 29	8:00 3:00 - 4:30 6:30	MATHCOUNTS Intramurals Fall Sports Awards
Tue. Oct. 30	3:00 - 4:00 3:00 - 4:30 3:00 - 4:30	After School Art Girl Scout Troop 382 meets. Intramurals
Wed. Oct 31	3:00 - 4:00 3:00 - 4:30 5:30	After School Art Intramurals Halloween Party - Gibbs Library-Washington
Oct 31- Nov 2	school day	NWEA Testing - see From The Principal
Thu. Nov 1	3:00 - 4:30	Intramurals
Sat & Sun Nov 3 & 4	9:00 - 3:00	25th Annual Craft Fair
Mon. Nov 5	3:00 - 4:30 6:15	Intramurals PTC Meeting
Tue. Nov 6	3:00- 4:00 3:00 - 4:30	After School Art Intramurals
Wed. Nov 7	3:00 - 4:00 3:00 - 4:30	After School Art Intramurals
Thu. Nov 8	3:00 - 4:00	After School Art
Mon. Nov 12	No School	Veteran's Day
Wed. Nov 14	SMILE	Picture Retake Day!
Nov. 13 & 14		Parent/Teacher Conferences - please call to set up a time.
Nov. 19 - 23	No School	Thanksgiving Break

**Lunch Menu for the week of 10/29/07**

**Monday** - French toast sticks, link sausage, smiley fries, mixed fruit, milk choice.

**Tuesday** - Beef ravioli, green beans, apple crisp, milk choice.

**Wednesday** - Taco haystack with or without meat, lettuce, tomato, salsa, sour cream, fruited Jell-O, milk choice.

**Thursday** - TBA

**Friday** - TBA

**Salad Menu for 4th - 8th Grade:**

Tuesday - Garden Salad, Wednesday - Chef Salad,  
Thursday - Caesar Salad.

**Salads - 2.25 Hot Lunch - 1.70.**

**Girls Scout Troop 382 News**

Please meet at the Thompson Community Center at 1:30 on Sunday October 28th. We will set up our activity tables for the Halloween Carnival. The carnival is from 2:00 - 4:00. Wear a costume! Our troop Halloween party will be this Tuesday 10/30. Bring CDs for dance music. Costumes are welcome. Any questions....call Christine at 785-6701.

**Intramural Basketball** will begin after school starting Monday Oct. 29th for any middle school student. We will divide into equal number teams each day and play multiple games at once. Any boy or girl can come to play, and there is no commitment to have to come each time. The only requirements are proof of insurance and parental permission. Forms can be obtained from Mr. Lufkin. This first section of the Intramural program will run on the following dates: Oct. 29,30,31 Nov. 1, 5, 6, & 7. Each day will end at 4:30. See Mr. Lufkin if you have any questions.

**Teacher/Parent Book Swap**

There will be a box of books available for any teacher or parent who would like to share in a book swap. The box will be in the teacher's room beside Mrs. Jameson's classroom. Please bring in any book that you would like to share. This is a great way to circulate books! Let's get reading!

**The Thompson Community Center** in Union is putting on a **Halloween Carnival** Sunday, October 28, 2-4 P.M. for Families with Children 12 and under. Admission will be \$3.00 each or \$10.00 family. 2 and under is free. Costumes are encouraged as we will be having a costume parade. Games, Airbrush Tattoos, Face Painting, Crafts, Snacks, haunted forest and more. Come enjoy an afternoon of fun.

**Artist of the Week** - Congratulations to Kaitlynn F., this week's elementary Artist of the Week. Kaitlynn has been weaving with color. Can you tell what she has learned about the color wheel? See her work in the lobby. Excellent job Kaitlynn! Our middle school artists for their 1/2 face portraits are Anny B. and Jordan F.. Their excellent work is hanging in the lobby as well.

**Desperately Seeking Volunteers - The PTC needs YOU!**

Our Parent Teacher Group here at Union is small. We desperately need more parents with ideas and energy to organize family activities. Last year we had great success with the events we planned but our group was small then and even smaller this year. Please come to one of our meetings and share your ideas. Watch the newsletter for scheduled meetings. The PTC plans to have a table at the 25th Annual Craft Fair on Nov 3rd. We are looking for donations of pies and whoopie pies and also for people to stay at the table. Please contact Jennifer Packard or Jenni Brooks.

**Look for more information about....** A Pie and Cookie Dough Fundraiser for grades kindergarten through 3rd. If you have a student in these grades, their teacher will be sending home more information soon. During the week of December 10th, Children's Stage Adventure will return to Union for the production of "The Emperor's New Clothes". Be watching for more information!

**Fall Sports Awards  
will be Monday, 10/29 at 6:30.**

**Northwest Evaluation Association, "NWEA" Notice**

Just a reminder to parents that 2nd through 8th graders at Union Elementary and DR Gaul will be taking a new diagnostic test in reading and math beginning on October 31st and continuing through November 2nd. Students will take this test on laptops in the subject areas of reading and math. This assessment will enable teachers to assess where students are in these areas with regard to strengths and weaknesses. Each test is approximately one hour in length and will be spread over two days for each class. We thank you for your continued support and welcome any questions you may have regarding the NWEA testing. Please call the school if you have any questions.

**Ways to help your student prepare for testing**

- Meet with your child's teacher as often as needed to discuss his or her progress. Ask the teacher to suggest activities for you and your child to do at home to help prepare for tests and improve your child's understanding of schoolwork. Parent's and teachers working together benefit students.
- Provide a quiet, comfortable place for studying at home
- Make sure that your child is well rested on school days and especially the day of a test. Children who are tired are less able to pay attention in class or handle the demands of a test.
- Give your child a well rounded diet. A healthy body leads to a healthy, active mind.
- Provide books and magazines for your child to read at home. By reading materials, a child learns words that might appear on a test. Ask your child's school about suggested outside reading lists or get suggestions from the public library.

## 25th Annual Craft Fair

Sat., Nov. 3, 2007

Sun., Nov. 4, 2007

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

### Union Elementary & DR Gaul Middle School

More than 50 craft exhibitors  
Santa will be here for photos!

**Free Admission**

Refreshments will be sold by the D.R. Gaul &  
AD Gray Chorus to benefit their group.



## Dear Parents,

As we are sure you are aware, the annual Union Schools Craft Fair is quickly approaching. We hope you have marked **November 3rd and 4th** on your calendar to visit the very talented vendors at this year's fair. As a fund raiser for the 8th grade class trip, we have something new to offer this year.

**Bring your child to have his or her picture professionally taken with Santa!** Kim and Rusty Fenn from Fenn Photographics in Washington have volunteered their time to photograph your child with Santa. A handout describing this event in further detail will be given to you child on Friday, October 26.

## Girls Pee Wee Basketball 2007-2008

### Clinics and Sign Ups

All girls interested in playing Pee Wee basketball should attend the sign up meetings and clinics to be held on Nov. 3 at Medomak Valley High School and Nov. 10 at Warren Community School. The schedule for each day is as follows.

#### Saturday Nov. 3 MVHS

Grades 3,4 12:00-1:30

Grades 5,6 1:30-3:00

#### Saturday Nov. 10 Warren Community School

Grades 3,4 8:30-10:00

Grades 5,6 10:00-11:30

All players will sign up for the Pee Wee season at these clinics. The cost to register will be \$25.00. There is no cost for the clinics. Teams will be made up after Nov. 10th. All teams will have a practice and shoot-a-thon on Saturday Nov. 17th. The regular season play will begin on Nov 24th.

It is important that all players attend at least one of the sign up clinics, we encourage you to attend both. If you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Coach Randy Hooper  
MVHS  
832-5389

### Halloween Party

Wednesday 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, October 31, 2007

Candy, Cookies, Games

Large & Small Spooky People in Costumes

Everyone is Welcome!

Location: Gibbs Library

40 Old Union Road

Washington, Maine 04574

(207) 845-2663

## The Medomak Valley Players present: "Anything Goes"

November 9, 10, 16 and 17.

Performance Time: 7:30

Matinee at 1:30 on Sat., Nov. 17

Admission: \$6 students, \$8 General Admission

Reserved Seating: \$10

Tickets on sale at the Medomak Valley Office,  
832-5389, or at the door.

## Friendship Village School Community Club/PTO Annual Christmas Craft Fair

Hahn Community Center, November 24th  
from 9am-2pm

Baked Goods, Raffles, Door Prizes, Hotdogs  
and Much More!!

Craft Tables Available \$15 each- Call  
Kathy Macleod @832-6988

## Waldoboro Rec offers Swimming Lessons

Swimming Lessons for participants ages (4) and up (younger if accompanied in pool) will held on Tuesdays & Thursdays Nov 13th to Dec 20 (except Nov 22, 27, 29 & Dec 4) at the Waldoboro Fitness Center, 75 Winslow's Mills Rd. Waldoboro as follows: Skill level 1 & 2 (3:30-4:00pm), Skill level 2 & 3 (4:00-4:30pm). This is an 8 session with a Red Cross certified instructor. Space is limited to 10 students per session. (Level 1 - Introduction to Water Skills: helps students feel comfortable in the water, Level 2 - Fundamental Aquatic Skills: gives students success with fundamental skills. Level 3 - Stroke Development: builds on the skills in Level 2 by providing additional guided practice. Cost of the program is \$25 for Waldoboro residents (\$35 for non-residents). Scholarships are available for Waldoboro Residents. Registration forms are available at the Waldoboro Town Office or online at [www.waldoboromaine.org/youth](http://www.waldoboromaine.org/youth) Completed forms and payment may be dropped off at the Waldoboro Town Office or mailed to the Waldoboro Recreation Department, P. O. Box J, Waldoboro, ME 04572. For more information call Kyle at 832-5369.

## Medomak Valley Winter Youth Boys Basketball Program

The program will run from November 3, 2007 to January 19, 2007.

November 3rd at Medomak Valley High School there will be a boys basketball clinic.

Grades 3/4 8:00-9:30 a.m.

Grades 5/6 10:00-11:30 a.m.

November 10th at Warren School there will be a boys basketball clinic.

Grades 3/4 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Grades 5/6 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Games start on November 17, 2007 (3/4 grade league)  
(5/6 grade league)

Championship games, awards and lots of FUN.

\$25.00 per child / make checks payable to Medomak Valley Boosters Club

Financial assistance is available

Any questions please call Coach DePatsy @ 832-7491 or  
Coach Reynolds @  
542-5159 Information available in the office.

**The ADGray PTO is sponsoring an auction** scheduled for Saturday, November 3 with auctioneer, Larry Trueman. Money raised from the auction will benefit the 8th grade class trip to Boston. To donate items for the auction, please contact Cindy Stevenson @ 832-9955 – please, only new or like new items. Also, food (bowls of stews/chowders, chili, biscuits/bread) will be available for purchase during the auction preview which begins at 5 p.m. with the auction scheduled to start at 6 p.m. Proceeds from the sale of the chili and chowders will benefit ADG Community Studies as well as other activities. To donate chili, stews, chowders, bread, or biscuits, etc. parents are asked to contact Deb Connolly at 832-6181 or Cindy Stevenson at 832-9955. **Please note: there is an auction planning meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 24th at ADG beginning at 6 p.m. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

**Did you know:** Our weekly newsletter is available on line at [msad40.org](http://msad40.org)? Click on Union at the bottom of the page and you can read past and current newsletters. Also, don't forget to check the Daily Bulletin on our home page for up-to-date happenings at school. If you have information for the newsletter, please submit it to [Jennifer\\_Brooks@sad40.k12.me.us](mailto:Jennifer_Brooks@sad40.k12.me.us) by **noon on Wednesdays**. Thank you.