

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

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**NEWSLETTER 4/11/08 UPCOMING EVENTS**

Fri & Sat April 11 & 12	7PM	"King Artie and the Knights of the Rad Table"
Tue. April 15	3:00	Spring sports picture - bring your uniforms!
Wed. April 16	6:00	Staff/Student Basketball Game
Thu. April 17		
Fri. April 18	School Day 7:00 - 9:00 6:30	Transition Swap - See Principal's Message Middle School Dance for 7 & 8 grade at ADG PTC Free Family Movie Night "Alvin and the Chipmunks"
April 21 -25	No School	Vacation Week

**Lunch Menu for the week of 4/14/08**

- Monday** - Taco Haystack with OR without meat, salsa, sour cream, lettuce, tomato, cheese, peaches, milk.  
**Tuesday** - Hot dog with a roll, steamed minced veggies, fresh fruit, milk.  
**Wednesday** - Chop suey, bread sticks, green beans, pears, milk.  
**Thursday** - Diced ham in sweet & sour sauce, rice pilaf, peas, manager's choice fruit, milk.  
**Friday** - Cheese OR pepperoni pizza, salad, fruit choice, milk.

**Baseball and Softball practice will be after school each day from 3:00 - 5:00 unless the weather is bad and then the gym time will alternate between softball and baseball. Please check with coaches for more information.**

**Artist of the Week**

Desiree L. and Taylor P. are the middle school Artist of the Week for their Industrial Shoe Design. You can see their work in the lobby.

**Attention Parents:**

Please remember that students must bring in a note or be signed in by a parent if they are late for school in order to be mark as an excused tardy. If this procedure is not followed the students are considered unexcused. Parent may also phone the office if they know the student will be late. Thank you for understanding that the safety of our students is our first concern.

**Guidance News from Ms. Novick:**

The Maine Bicycle Coalition is providing a bicycle safety education program to Grades 3-6 this month.

Their speaker will discussing the new state law which not only requires children to wear bicycle helmets, but also fines riders \$25 if they are stopped for riding bicycle without a helmet

Free week of summer camp for cancer patients and survivors ages 4-high school: The American Cancer Society sponsors Camp Rainbow this year from June 15-June 21st in Ellsworth. Please call them at 1 (800) 227-2345 for information and registration packet.

**Middle School Dance**

On Friday, April 18th there will be a middle school dance for MSAD#40 7th & 8th graders to benefit Hannah Vail's Student Ambassador Trip to China this summer. The dance will be held at A.D. Gray Middle School from 7 to 9 p.m. and there will be a \$3 admission charge. Concessions will also be available for purchase.

Join us for a  
**\*FREE\***  
**MOVIE NIGHT**  
at Union School  
to see  
*"Alvin and the Chipmunks"*  
Friday, April 18th at 6:30pm  
There will be popcorn, candy, punch, bottled water, and raffle items for sale.  
The raffle will be for a make your own movie night (free movie rental and microwave popcorn).  
Event sponsored by the Union PTC

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**  
**BIG FUN FRIDAY SWITCH**  
ON FRIDAY, APRIL 18, AD GRAY AND DR GAUL WILL BE CONDUCTING AN EXERCISE TO BUILD A SENSE OF TEAM IN OUR 7TH AND 8TH GRADES. THE 7TH GRADE WILL ALL BE AT AD GRAY FOR THE BULK OF THE DAY AND THE 8TH GRADE WILL BE AT DR GAUL. THIS WILL ALLOW THE ENTIRE GRADE TO PARTICIPATE IN A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO HELP IN THE TRANSITIONS TO THEIR NEW SCHOOLS NEXT YEAR. WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS TRANSITION ACTIVITY AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THE BENEFITS OF BUILDING THIS SENSE OF TEAM WITHIN THE GRADUATING CLASSES OF 2012 AND 2013. IF PARENTS HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ME AT 832-2106 OR 785-4330.

## Summer ACE Program Starts: Tuesday, June 24th

ACE Days and Times: Monday-Friday 7:30-5:30

Location: Warren Community School

Fun Town, Sea Coast Fun Park, Aquaboggan, Cruises, Boothbay Aquarium, Sea Dog Game, Maine's Wildlife Park, Movies, Mt Battie Hiking, and Beach Trips Activities: 4-H Groups, Cooking, Painting, Crafting, Group Games, Outside Activities, Slip and Slide, Noah's Animal Workshop, Mudmobiles Community Visitors and Much More

Cost: \$120.00/week per child or \$25.00/Day per Child  
ACE is taking application at the beginning of May. Please call Stacey Fowler for applications or with questions. 273-3890

## Enjoy the outdoors and have fun at Tanglewood this summer!

Tanglewood 4-H Camp and Learning Center, a program of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension has affordable, fun summer camp programs in the Camden Hills State Park. Residential camp, day camp, and discovery trips are all offered at this beautiful site in Lincolnville for youth ages 6-14. Fun focuses include forest life, gardening, sports, swimming, hiking, outdoor living, drama, nature study and lots more. Scholarships are available.

To see or request a catalog or for more information visit [<http://www.tanglewood4h.org/>] [www.tanglewood4h.org](http://www.tanglewood4h.org) or call (207) 789-5868

Experience the magic of Tanglewood first-hand during our two open house events, Sunday, April 20 and Sunday, May 11 from 1 - 4:30 pm. Parents and potential campers will have the opportunity to meet Tanglewood staff, explore the camps, participate in ecology activities, and go on hikes through the woods.

## Owls Head Museum Offers Free Kite Workshops for Kids

Once again the Owls Head Transportation Museum will offer its popular Kite-Building Workshops during April school vacation week. The free workshops will be held in three daily sessions on **April 22, 23, 24 and 25**. The first session will start at **10:30 am**; the second at **11:15 am**, and the third at **12:00 pm**. The maximum number of children for each session is 20, so pre-reservations for the workshops are encouraged, particularly if parents want to reserve a set time slot on a particular day. Call the Museum today at 594-4418 to reserve your child's space.

Education Director Ethan Yankura and Museum volunteers will show participants how to build a different type of kite each day:

**Tuesday** - Sled Kite

**Wednesday** - Butterfly Kite

**Thursday** - Snake Kite

**Friday** - Diamond Kite

Basic kite-building materials have been provided by E.L. Spear of Rockland, and will be included at no charge. Participants may also bring their own decorative materials to customize their kites. Admission to the kite-building workshops is free, and families wishing to tour the Museum following the workshops can do so for a family rate of \$25.

The Owls Head Transportation Museum is located two miles south of Rockland on Route 73, and is open 7 days a week from 10 am to 5 pm Visit the Museum's website [<http://www.owlshead.org/>] [www.owlshead.org](http://www.owlshead.org) for more information.

## Scrap and Craft All Day At Friendship Village School

Saturday April 26th from 9-5

\$10 donation to the Student Activity Fund for  
Playground Supplies!

The donation gets you the use of a table to spread  
out on!

Bring a lunch. Snacks and drinks provided, stay for  
the day!

Creative Memories Consultant Susan Weber, will be  
onsite with new ideas and supplies!

Reserve your table! Call 832-5057

## Union T-Ball

For all children ages 5-8  
interested in T-Ball,  
please call Naomi Miller  
at 542-7951 to sign up.  
Weather permitting, the  
season will begin at the  
end of April.



## Open House/Healthy Kids Day

Saturday, April 12th 10:00 - 4:00 At the Penobscot Bay YMCA, 116  
Union St. Rockport, Maine

207-236-3375 [www.penbayymca.org](http://www.penbayymca.org)

Fun for the entire family! Join us at the Penobscot Bay YMCA as we celebrate Open House/Healthy Kids Day on Saturday, April 12th from 10:00 - 4:00. YMCAs throughout the United States have teamed up with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield to "put play in your day!" as part of our Activate America initiative. We'll have bouncy houses, a jump rope demonstration featuring local third and fourth graders and an interactive hula hoop presentation. The YMCA will host a kids triathlon, starting at noontime, with medals for all participants. Additional activities include sign language, spinal screenings, tidal pool exhibition, and safety demonstrations. For a complete list of activities and times, visit our website or stop by the YMCA.

## WATER ALL AROUND, a FREE and FUN

community water festival for children and families, sponsored by University of Maine Cooperative Extension Knox-Lincoln 4-H, Knox-Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Medomak Valley Land Trust, and Waldoboro Recreation Department

**When:** Saturday, April 26th, 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** VFW Hall, 50 Mill St., Waldoboro (look for the signs on Rte. One)

**What:** Activities, games, and displays related to our fresh and marine environments

**Who:** These will be offered by Herring Gut Learning Center, Knox-Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Knox-Lincoln 4-H, Medomak Valley Land Trust, Tanglewood 4-H Camp and Learning Center, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Waldoboro Fire Department, Hatch Well Drillers, US Coast Guard Service, Aqua Maine and more!

**At 3:00 p.m.:** A special performance by singer/songwriter Matt Loosigian

Please join us for this exciting, educational, fun-filled festival!

**Bring a water sample to learn how Aqua Maine tests water!**

## **LOCAL ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS OFFER ANTIQUE CLASSES AND ROAD TRIP!!!**

### **Antiques for the Beginner with John Bottero**

Learn the basics that will improve your ability to judge the quality and age of antiques commonly found in the marketplace! An optional trip to the Brimfield Antiques show will help bring the classroom learning to life (see below). This class is offered at three midcoast adult education programs:

**MSAD 40 Adult Education** class begins Tuesday, April 15 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. for 4 weeks.

Fee: \$30. Call 832-5205 to register.

**Midcoast School of Technology** class begins Thursday, April 17 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for 5 weeks. Call 596-7752 for more information.

**Union 74 Adult Education** class begins Monday, May 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for 2 weeks.

Call 563-2811 for more information.

### **The Ultimate Antiques Road Trip to the Brimfield Antiques Show**

Join us for this collaborative trip to the Brimfield Antiques Show, where thousands of merchants from all over the world will be displaying and selling their treasures. This trip is a collaborative event and as such will offer pick-up and drop off in Rockland, Waldoboro and Damariscotta. Price for the trip alone is \$75, which includes bus ride to and from Brimfield, MA. A complete itinerary will be forwarded upon registration. Call 832-5205 to register or for more information.

### **MORE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES with MSAD 40 ADULT EDUCATION...**

#### **Recycling 101 with Bruce White of the Maine State Planning Office**

Learn State of the State recycling tips and how you can effectively recycle at home. One night only: Tuesday, April 15 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Fee: \$5.

#### **Drawing & Watercolor with Catinka Knoth**

Lesson themes include lighthouses, sailboats, rocks, trees and seasonal. Materials list will be provided upon registration. Begins Thursday, April 17 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fee: \$60.

Classes are held at Medomak Valley High School in Waldoboro unless noted.

Visit our website for a complete listing of adult education classes and events at [www.msad40.org/schools/adult](http://www.msad40.org/schools/adult).

Call 832-5205 to sign up today! We take Visa & MasterCard over the phone!