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A group of pirates on stage at the Hampden Academy Performing Arts Center for Gilbert and Sullivan's comic operetta 'Pirates of Penzance Junior.'

Hampden Area Players Youth Theater performs 'Pirates of Penzance' at PAC

The Hampden Area Players Youth Theater has performed the first musical to be presented in Hampden Academy's new Performing Arts Center.

The group held auditions the week after school was out, and 26 days later they put on three perfor-

mances of *Pirates of Penzance Jr.*, an abridged version of the Gilbert and Sullivan comic operetta, on Friday and Saturday, July 12 and 13, with a matinee on Saturday afternoon.

The idea to start a youth theatre
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HA Drama Club to perform 'Guys and Dolls' Nov. 16-18 at Performing Arts Center

Guys and Dolls, often described as the perfect musical comedy, has been selected as the first musical to be performed by Hampden Academy students in almost 20 years.

Performances will be held in the school's new Performing Arts Center on November 14, 15, and 16 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday) at 7 p.m.

Auditions will be held on September 9, 10, and 11, and audition materials can be picked up at Hampden Academy any time after August 26.

Music director Heidi Corliss says actors, actresses, singers, a pit orchestra, and painting and backstage crews will all be needed for the production.

Guys and Dolls, with music and lyrics by Frank Loesser, was first performed on Broadway in 1950, when it ran for 1,200 performances and won the Tony Award for best musical. At the time, it was the fourth-longest-running musical in Broadway history.

The show was conceived as an adaptation of Damon Runyan's short stories, which were written in the 1920s
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22 tuition students choose Hampden Academy for 2013-2014 school year

Twenty-two tuition students have indicated that they plan to enroll at Hampden Academy this fall, up from five tuition students who enrolled last fall.

The incoming freshmen are from "school choice" towns in the Bangor area—towns that don't have a high school of their own but allow students to choose the school they want to attend.

The 22 incoming freshmen who have chosen to attend Hampden Academy this year are from Eddington, Holden, Orrington, Dedham, and Alton.

The total number could change up or down if any of those students change their mind and decide to go elsewhere or if additional student apply and are accepted between now and the first day of school, September 3.

Guidance counselor Troy Wagstaff led the recruiting effort last year, which included visits to six schools to talk with eighth graders about Hampden Academy. The schools were Holbrook Middle School (SAD 63—Clifton, Eddington, and Holden), Dedham Elementary School, Center Drive School (Orrington), Glenburn Elementary School, Veazie Community School, and All Saints School in Bangor.

The recruiting team included Jill Ouimet Kenney and Erica Largay of the guidance staff and students Jordan Allen, Samantha Brown, Makayla Clewley, Kyrstaine Cronkite, Abby Elkins, Keegan Quigley, and Mike Townsend,

Potential tuition students were also invited to visit Hampden Academy, and a number of them visited school during "step-up day," where they had an opportunity to shadow a HA student during the school day.

Mr. Wagstaff said 8th graders who decided to attend Hampden Academy weren't formally asked
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Barb Parent named School Nurse of the year

Barb Parent, who will be starting her 20th year as a school nurse in RSU 22 this fall, has been selected as School Nurse of the Year for 2013-2014 by the Maine Association of School Nurses.

Mrs. Parent will receive her award at the association's fall conference in November.

The award recognizes an outstanding school nurse for his or her contributions to the school and community. It specifically recognizes leadership in the areas of school nursing practice, program management, health education, professional development, and nursing research.

Mrs. Parent has been the school nurse at Hampden Academy for her entire career. She is currently the
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Barb Parent



NEW ROOF AT SMITH SCHOOL—Workers from Roof Systems of Maine install a new roof on Leroy H. Smith School as part of a series of improvements funded by a QSAB bond issue that was approved by voters on June 11. The bond also funded security improvements at three RSU 22 schools. Story on page 4.

Superintendent's message

Positive enrollment trends, Performing Arts Center, Board priorities

By Rick Lyons, Superintendent of Schools, RSU 22

By Rick Lyons

Change is a constant in education, and we are reminded of this once again as we say thank you to teachers and other staff members who have retired or decided to seek other opportunities. We will miss our retirees, and we thank them for their many years of service.

At the same time, we welcome the new staff members who are joining RSU 22, and we are confident that they will become part of the tradition of excellence that our retirees did so much to promote.

Regan Nickels, principal at Weatherbee School for the past eight years, has moved to Reeds Brook Middle School, replacing Anita Stewart-McCafferty, who has accepted a tenure-track professorship at the University of Southern Maine. We hope to recommend a replacement for Mrs. Nickels at the August Board of Directors meeting.

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A year ago, I was very concerned about enrollment trends within RSU 22, and particularly at Hampden Academy, where the number of graduating seniors exceeded the number of incoming freshmen by approximately 70.

This year, we've seen two developments that are helping to alleviate that concern. The first development, of course, is the decision to welcome Frankfort into RSU 22, which is now a four-town district. About 100 Frankfort students will be attending RSU 22 schools this fall, and that number will increase in the years to come.

The second development is the influx of tuition students to Hampden Academy. Last year, the Board of Directors voted to accept tuition students at Hampden Academy, and five students from "school choice" towns in the Bangor area decided to come. This year, the number of tuition students has increased to 22 (as of this writing), which reflects very well on Hampden Academy's reputation as a high-performing high school. It also reflects well on the quality of education that students receive at RSU 22 elementary and middle schools before they arrive at HA.

As more families from "school choice" towns become aware of the opportunities that Hampden Academy offers their students, I am confident we can expect this trend to continue.

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It's exciting to see that Hampden Academy's new Performing Arts Center is offering new opportunities for

area students and the community.

This summer, a group of parent volunteers organized the Hampden Area Players Youth Theater group and presented three performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera, *Pirates of Penzance*.

In November, the Hampden Academy Drama Club will offer three performances of the musical comedy *Guys and Dolls*, the group's first musical production in almost 20 years.

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The RSU 22 Board of Directors will hold its annual retreat on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 17-18. Board members will meet on both days from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

The retreat brings our board members together to reflect on the status of our existing goals, and to commit to the initiatives that we want to pursue to make our school district better over the next 3-5 years.

The Maine School Management Association will be working with the Board to facilitate this process.

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Proficiency-based education and supervision and evaluation will continue to be major focal points of the Board of Directors.

Curriculum Director Mary Giard has been leading a steering Committee on standards-based education and mass customized learning. To date, the committee has held community forums and compiled data from teachers, students and community members. This data will be used to develop a strategic plan, which will be reviewed by the Steering Committee. Once complete, the strategic plan will be published for everyone in the district.

A similar committee including teachers, administrators, and a school board member was established to focus on supervision and evaluation within the district. The committee has adopted a supervision/evaluation model that dovetails with the district's focus on student-centered, proficiency-based education. This model will be reviewed by the Education Committee and the full Board of Directors in the near future.

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I'd like to welcome two new board members, Eric Carter of Frankfort and Heath Miller of Newburgh. Eric was selected by Frankfort voters to be the town's first representative on the RSU 22 Board. Heath replaced Lilian Deighan, who served for 16 years as one of Newburgh's two Board representatives.

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We are now officially an RSU (regional school unit), and we are

operating under the state law that governs RSUs. One of the differences between an SAD and an RSU is that most Board decisions have to be made using a weighted voting procedure in which the Board has a total of 1,000 votes, and each Board member has a proportionate share of that total based on the population of the town he or she represents. The formula, which will change periodically with changes in U.S. Census population figures, currently allocates the votes as follows: 76 votes each for the seven Board members from Hampden, 69 votes each for the four Board members from Winterport, 57 votes each for the two Board member from Newburgh, and 82 votes for the Board member from Frankfort.

The procedure was first used at the July Board meeting—the Board's first meeting as an RSU.

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RSU 22 is encouraging strong participation by Board members at the annual Maine School Management Association's fall conference, which is scheduled for October 24-25. This is not only an important professional development opportunity

for Board members, but our Board chair, Kelly Bickmore, will assume the presidency of the Maine School Boards Association at that meeting.

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The new school year is just around the corner. The faculty and staff will return on Thursday, August 29, starting with a management day, which will be followed by a teacher preparation day on Friday, August 30. School will start on Tuesday, September 3, for students in grades K-9. Hampden Academy students in grades 10-12 will start on Wednesday September 4.

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Our public Pre-Kindergarten program in RSU 22 continues to grow. A second PreK session has been added in Winterport, so that five sessions of public Pre-K are now available in the district. This includes two sessions each at George B. Weatherbee School in Hampden and Leroy H. Smith School in Winterport and one session at the former Newburgh Elementary School.

As always, I encourage your feedback. Please call me at 862-3255 or email me at rlyons@rsu22.us.

RSU 22 expands public Pre-K offerings

RSU 22 is pleased to announce morning and afternoon Pre K sessions in Hampden and Winterport, and continuation of a morning session in Newburgh for the 2013-2014 school year.

A second session was recently added in Winterport at the Leroy H. Smith School in order to accommodate the growing Pre K population in the Winterport and Frankfort communities. Pre K class sessions will be held Tuesday through Friday each week and will follow the RSU 22 calendar.

Breakfast will be provided for children who attend the morning session, and lunch for those who attend the afternoon session. The cost of meals is dependent on free/

reduce-income eligibility.

One-way transportation is also available for eligible children who live on existing bus routes.

Children must be 4 years of age by October 15 to be eligible for the Pre K program. However, there are some openings available for 3 year olds.

For specific session times and additional information please refer to the district website at: www.rsu22.us/prek. Applications are also available at this link or by calling 973-3567. Space is still available. Apply today!

Heath Miller joins RSU 22 Board from Newburgh

Heath Miller, whose family has been operating a dairy farm in Newburgh since the late 1800s, has been elected to represent the town on the RSU 22 Board of Directors.

Mr. Miller, a lifelong resident of Newburgh, graduated from Hampden Academy in 1993. He and his wife Heather have three children, Ashley, who will be a senior at Hampden Academy, and twins Ethan and Makayla, who will be in grade 3 at Weatherbee.

Mr. Miller said he decided to run for the school board because he feels it's everyone's duty to serve in one way or another.

"What better way to give back to the community and my family than by being part of the school system—and part of my children's education," he said. "We have a good school system. I want to keep it that way."

Mr. Miller operates the farm with his father, Keith. His grandfather, Linwood Miller, graduated from Hampden Academy in 1919.



Heath Miller

Eric Carter representing Frankfort on RSU 22 Board

Eric Carter is a new member the RSU 22 Board of Directors. He was initially appointed as an interim member of the board from Frankfort when the RSU was formed last spring. He expects to become an elected member in a few days, as Frankfort voters will go to the polls August 22, and Mr. Carter was the only candidate for the RSU 22 Board who took out papers.



Eric Carter

Previously, he served for a year as Frankfort's representative on the RSU 20 Board of Directors.

Mr. Carter is employed at Freshwater Stone and Brickwork in Orlando, where he is the lead fabricator for granite countertops.

He and his wife Corissa have three children, Joshua, 9; Gabriel, 6; and Amelia, 3. Joshua and Gabriel will be going to Leroy H. Smith School.



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Curriculum Office Update

By Mary Giard, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment, RSU 22

It has been a busy summer in the RSU 22 curriculum office. Our department will support two substantial initiatives for the 2013-2014 school year. Two Maine laws were unveiled this past school year. One law, LD 1422, set forth the state's move towards proficiency based graduation requirements and expectations. The second law, Chapter 180/LD 1858, requires districts to create and adopt new supervision and evaluation practices for teachers and administrators. Both initiatives were introduced during the 2012-2013 school year in RSU 22.

RSU 22 and Proficiency Based Education

Maine's law, LD 1422, states that all Maine students will graduate from high school with a standards-based diploma by 2018. RSU 22's school board has endorsed and fully supported our district's move towards a student-centered, proficiency-based system. A com-

munity steering committee comprised of educators, administrators and community members helped to initially gather information from our towns.

What does this mean for students, families and educators in RSU 22? We know our schools have many strong, successful practices in place. Those practices will support our gradual move to proficiency-based learning for every student in RSU 22.

Although we certainly will not throw the "baby out with the bathwater," there are educational components or practices that will be revised or changed. Included are policy updates, curriculum review and alignment and professional development to support educators.

To date, we have held community forums, compiled data from teachers, students and community members and will soon publish our vision for the work ahead. A small committee will form to write the strategic plan using the data we have gathered from stakeholders.

Once complete, the strategic plan will be published for everyone in the district.

Teachers have had some introductory training and some have tried a few techniques in their classrooms. During the 2013-2014 year, staff development will focus on classroom instruction and well researched teaching strategies. Portions of staff meetings, early release days and in-service days will be devoted to student-centered, proficiency-based-related training.

RSU 22 and Supervision and Evaluation

In October of 2012, a steering committee was established to lead the initial review work studying supervision/evaluation models available for adoption or revision. Following the study of models, one model was selected and recommended to the RSU 22 Board of Directors. The model dovetails with the RSU 22 student-centered,

proficiency-based work and is based on the work of well-known educational researcher, Robert Marzano.

During the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year and over the summer, the committee has continued to work. Three work groups were established to further study student growth components, to choose and study an instructional framework and a committee was formed to consider training/communication needs.

The committee includes teachers, administrators and a school board member. Administrators and teachers will participate in 5-6 days of training to learn more about the model we have selected and how to best communicate the information to help all educators improve. Like the student-centered, proficiency-based work, portions of staff meetings, early release days and in-service days will be devoted to training all RSU 22 staff members.

Tuition students

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why they made their decision, but they did provide some feedback.

He said that for some students, the new building was a factor, while several others talked about curricular and extracurricular opportunities. However, particularly after step-up day, a number of the 8th graders said they really liked the climate at Hampden Academy.

"We tried to give the 8th graders a lot of opportunities to talk privately with Hampden Academy student, both when we visited them and when they came to Hampden," Mr. Wagstaff said.

The recruiting team told the prospective tuition students that they needed to talk with Hampden Academy students about what they think is good about the school—and also about things they may not like as much—so they can make the best decision about where they go to school for the next four years.

"When they interacted with some of our students, they heard a lot



about the school climate, the way students here treat each other," Mr. Wagstaff said. "A number of students really liked what they heard about our school climate."

Mr. Wagstaff said the school will continue to send recruiting teams made up of guidance staff and interested students to nearby middle schools where students have school choice, but this year, they'll have the advantage of the fact that for the first time, many of the 8th graders they interview will already know a 9th grader who attends

Hampden Academy.

Tuition students from Eddington, Holden, Orrington, and Dedham are eligible for transportation to and from Hampden Academy. RSU 22 Assistant Superintendent Emil Genest said the district has worked out an agreement with SAD 63 (Clifton, Eddington, and Holden) to provide a bus that will pick up students at Brewer High School and drop them off at Hampden Academy in the morning and do the reverse in the afternoon. The agreement covers tuition students from Orrington and Dedham as well.

Hampden Area Players Youth Theater

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group in the Hampden area came about this year when Hampden Academy opened the doors to its new 900-seat performing arts center. A group of students and parents were eager to see the center come alive in the summer with a musical production, and parent Beth Soule recruited director Rob Kissinger, chair of the English Department at Hampden Academy. Soon a cast of 16 middle and high school students signed on to play various roles, including a rollicking band of pirates, the major general and his lovely daughters, and a group of keystone cops.

Mr. Kissinger said he used to teach theater in California, but he hadn't done any directing in Maine and had never directed a musical. Despite that, he said he was very interested in getting back into directing, and he recruited two Hampden Academy graduates, Christin Casavant and Riley Woods, to serve as music director and cho-

reographer, respectively.

"We did the entire production in 26 days," he said. "We started the week after school ended, auditioning on the first night. Then the cast learned the music, the lines, the blocking, and the choreography, and we built the sets and did the costuming. The kids really did a lot—they put in a lot of time and effort."

Pirates of Penzance is among the most popular of the comic operettas by the legendary Gilbert and Sullivan duo. Cast members included Justin Hatch as the young pirate Frederic, Tien Misler as Mabel, the Major-General's daughter, Morgan Wiercinski as the Major-General, Keenan Soule as the pirate king, and Mikayla Burridge as his sidekick pirate nurse, Ruth. Other cast members included Jack Burridge, Alexandra Buzzini, Rosie Frost, Josie Lawrence, Daija Misler, Megan Morin, Ruby Ramsey, Alex Ross, Reba Sands, Braeden Soule, and Garrett Soule.

Hampden Academy Principal Ruey Yehle said the school is interested in hearing from students who would like to help the guidance staff recruit 8th graders to come to Hampden Academy in the fall of 2014.

Barb Parent

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only full-time nurse in RSU 22, so when other nurses have the day off, Mrs. Parent covers their schools.

Mrs. Parent is a member of the National Association of School Nurses and serves on several committees in RSU 22 and in the community.

She says she is deeply honored by her selection for the award.

"I personally feel that the School Nurse of the Year not only honors the nurse who receives it, but it also recognizes the many outstanding school nurses who serve in Maine schools," she says. "It is a way to celebrate the dedication and professionalism of school nurses."

Mrs. Parent says school nurses have to be both experienced and comfortable working autonomously, as they are usually the only health care professionals where they work.

"Many people still think of school nurses as they were many years ago, when much of their time was spent overseeing immunization records and testing vision and hearing," she says. "For the modern school nurse those are minor parts of the job. On any given day, a school nurse responds to injuries, cares for multiple sick students, administers numerous medications, fields numerous phone calls from doctors and parents, oversees blood sugar readings and administers insulin to diabetic students, monitors lunch menu foods for students with life-threatening allergies, writes emergency health plans, attends PET meetings, and acts as case manager for 504 students."

Mrs. Parent said she worked in an acute care setting at the hospital for more than 10 years before joining SAD 22, but she says this is the busiest and most difficult nursing role she has ever had.

'Guys and Dolls'

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and 1930s and set in a mythical New York City populated by gangsters, gamblers, and other underworld characters. The musical numbers include "Guys and Dolls," "A Bushel and a Peck," and "Luck Be a Lady."

A 1955 film version of the musical starred Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra, and Vivian Blaine.

Ms. Corliss says there were several reasons why *Guys and Dolls* was selected for the fall performance.

"We felt the era would be fun, and the show has many roles for both males and for females," she said. "Also, we were looking for a show that has not been done a lot in this area but had a recognizable title to help us draw a great audiences. This will allow us to continue outreach to our community as well as enhance the education of the students."

Regan Nickels named Principal at Reeds Brook Middle School

Regan Nickels, who has served as principal of George B. Weatherbee School for the past eight years, has been selected as the new principal of Reeds Brook Middle School.

She replaces Anita Stewart-McCafferty, who resigned to accept a tenure-track position as an assistant professor of educational leadership at the University of Southern Maine.

Before coming to Weatherbee, Mrs. Nickels spent eight years in the Bremerton, WA, School District, including one year as dean of students of a K-5 elementary school and seven years teaching in grades 3, 4, 5, and 8.

While in Washington, she received her Master's degree in Educational Technology from City University in Bellevue, WA, and her Certificate in Educational Leadership and her administrator certification from Western Washington University.

Mrs. Nickels says she found herself in Washington because her husband, John, was stationed there as a member of the U.S. Navy's Submarine service. Before moving to Washington, she taught 8th grade math and science for a year in Jefferson, ME, near Waldoboro.

Mrs. Nickels is a Maine native. She grew up in Lamoine, graduated



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from Ellsworth High School, and received her B.A. in Human Ecology from the College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor. Her husband grew up in Bar Harbor, attended MDI High School, and graduated from

Southern Illinois University. He has retired from the Navy and currently has his own company for consulting and installation of geothermal and solar energy projects.

The Nickels have two children, a

son, Bryce, and a daughter, Claire, both of whom will be attending Reeds Brook this fall.

Mrs. Nickels said she loved her years as principal at Weatherbee.

"I learned so much from being there, and I met wonderful people," she said. "I look forward to enjoying the years ahead with the families who come to Reeds Brook, and already knowing so many of the students will be a treat. Getting to know the students, faculty, and staff at Reeds Brook will be a pleasure. I look forward to the challenge and excitement that lie ahead.

Former Reeds Brook principal accepts professorship at USM

Anita Stewart-McCafferty, principal at Reeds Brook Middle School for the past year, has resigned to become an assistant professor of educational leadership at the University of Southern Maine.

Mrs. McCafferty said she will be teaching graduate students, primarily teachers who are interested in moving into administration.

She will also be doing research, but she's not sure what the subject of her research will be. She said she'd be interested in doing research around the

standards-based movement and its effect on Maine schools. Another possibility would be to follow up on her doctoral dissertation research, which focused on how to get young adolescents engaged in their communities through the use of service learning.

Mrs. McCafferty said the decision to leave RSU 22 was a difficult one.

"I love Reeds Brook, and RSU 22 is a very strong district," she said. "We have very strong relationships."

She said Superintendent Rick Lyons, Assistant Superintendent

Emil Genest, Curriculum Director Mary Giard, and Hampden Academy Principal Ruey Yehle had all been "very supportive."

She added that she's hoping that she'll be able to collaborate and work with teachers in RSU 22, possibly through her research activities.

Mrs. McCafferty said she and her husband will keep their house in Lincoln, where they are very active in their church and the community. Their families are both from Lincoln.

Wagner Middle School's 'Clipper Carnival': an 'awesome celebration of a successful year'

Capture the flag, floor hockey, sidewalk chalk, four-square, ultimate frisbee, touch football, and jump roping,

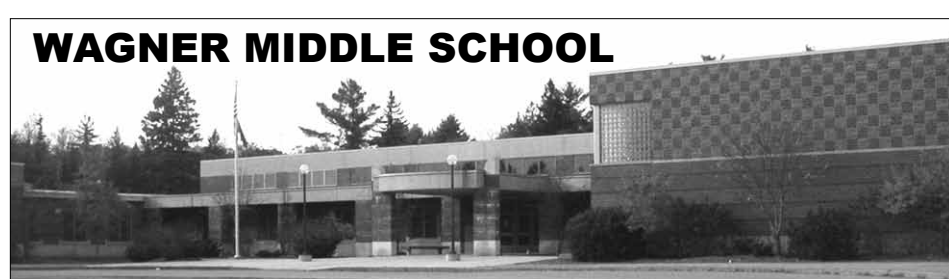
Those were just some of the activities that Wagner Middle School students enjoyed at the school's

first-ever Clipper Carnival on the afternoon of June 6, the last Thursday before school was out.

The goal was to have an event where all Wagner students could have fun, be active, and come together to celebrate the year. That meant finding activities that would be interesting and appropriate for all age groups—ranging from the 5th graders who started attending Wagner during the 2012-13 school year to 8th graders who would be moving on to Hampden Academy in the fall.

"We wanted to celebrate a successful year and come together as a Wagner family—all of us," said Julia Patterson, 7th grade teacher and Student Council advisor. "That was the driving force. It was awesome."

Ms. Patterson said she met with Student Council members to plan the event. "We talked about a bunch of ideas, and someone said why don't we just have some games



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after school," she said. "They started with a floor hockey tournament, then someone said we could do pizza, and then someone suggested something else."

Then one of the Student Council members suggested calling it "Clipper Carnival," and the students started brainstorming a list of activities that would be included in a Clipper Carnival.

"We made up a list of events, both inside and outside, that would be appropriate for all ages and get all the students involved," she said.



Floor hockey was one of many "Clipper Carnival" activities.

"There were 4 to 10 activities going on at any one time. The kids could go around and do whatever they wanted to do."

The activities started right after school let out at 2:15 and continued until about 6 p.m. Most of the student body participated.

"It was just a fun celebration," said Ms. Patterson.

In fact, it was so much fun that the school is planning to do again during the coming year.

Voters approve QSCB bond issue for renovation projects

Voters in the former SAD 22 towns of Hampden, Newburgh, and Winterport voted by a 2-1 margin June 11 to approve a Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) to fund renovation projects totaling \$283,000 at three RSU 22 schools.

The projects, which are being completed this summer, include a new roof for Leroy H. Smith School and security upgrades at the main entrances to Smith School, George B. Weatherbee School, and Wagner Middle School.

A QSCB loan allows school districts to borrow at zero percent interest to renovate, repair, or equip schools. The QSCB lender receives a federal tax credit in lieu of interest payments.

The security upgrades at Weatherbee included installation of two new interior vestibule doors with programmable electric strikes. A doorbell was also installed, and the existing sliding glass window between the office and the vestibule was replaced by a fixed glass security window and an indirect pass-through. At Smith and Wagner Schools, programmable electric strikes were installed on the existing vestibule doors, and security cameras and doorbell/intercom devices were installed in the vestibules.

At all three schools, the exterior vestibule doors will normally remain unlocked, but the interior vestibule doors will be programmed to automatically lock at a predetermined time in the morning and then to unlock at the end of the school day.

'Welcome to Wagner Night' 6:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 29

"Welcome to Wagner Night" will be held at Wagner Middle School on Aug. 29 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The invitation is for all students (and family members) who will be attending Wagner for the first time

this fall. This includes 5th graders, students from Frankfort, and students who have moved into town.

Students will be able to meet their teachers, including Mr. Gould, the new 6th math/science teacher.

News from Adult Education

For the past few years, our RSU 22 Adult Education program has been engaged in a partnership with RSU 26 Adult Education, based in Orono. This fall, we are excited to welcome a new program in to the partnership. RSU 34, which includes the communities of Old Town, Bradley and Alton will now be working with us to provide adult education programs in this region.

Adult learners who are interested in earning a high school diploma, who want to prepare for the GED, or who would like to receive one-on-one ESL or basic literacy tutoring should contact our office for information on how we can help you receive these services at no financial cost.

Through a partnership with a company called Ed2Go, we are now able to offer over 500 interactive online courses to the residents of Hampden, Frankfort, Newburgh and Winterport. All of these classes are instructor-led, fit into convenient six-week formats and are affordably priced. To view a complete catalog of these distance learning courses,

visit our web page at: www.ed2go.com/sad22. Some of the more popular course titles have been: Creating Web Pages, Microsoft Excel 2010, A to Z Grant Writing, Grammar Refresher, Computer Skills for the Workplace, Introduction to Photoshop, Personal Finance, Genealogy Basics, Quickbooks 2010, Math Refresher and test prep courses for LSAT, SAT, ACT, and the GRE.

Once again this fall, we will be offering a wide variety of personal finance, health and fitness, arts and crafts, baking and cooking, technology and vocational courses. Most of these courses will start in late September or early October. A more current and complete catalog of our courses can be found on our web page at: www.rsu22.us/.

As always, we want to hear from people who might be interested in teaching a course or from people who have ideas for new courses that we might offer. Our Adult Education office is located in Reeds Brook Middle School and our phone number is 862-6422.

Smith School Welcome

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Frankfort students and new families who have moved into Winterport to the Leroy H. Smith School. We have an exciting year planned. Our school has had many improvements this summer including new roofing, more security at the front doors and a wonderful job by our custodians to make the interior look like new! We are excited to welcome nine new staff members to our school, including five classroom teachers, a special education teacher, a guidance counselor and two new educational

technicians. It is going to be an exiting year for everyone!

We will be working as a school to learn Habits of Mind (characteristics of what people do when they are confronted with problems, the resolutions of which are not immediately apparent), continuing our successful All School Share, and building school-wide community through lessons and activities.

We are having an open house for Kindergarten, Tuesday, August 27 from 6-7 p.m. Children will have the opportunity to meet their teacher and explore their room. At



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

6:30 parents will meet with the bus company while students take a brief ride on the bus.

Open house for students in grades 1-4 will be held on Thursday, August

29, from 6-7 p.m. Students will meet their teachers and explore their rooms. We hope to see you there!

Enjoy the last few weeks of summer. Keep reading and writing!

Frankfort students attend Field Day June 7 at Leroy H. Smith School



Winterport and Frankfort students enjoy Field Day activities at Smith School.

Our annual field day at Smith School took place on June 7.

With all the changes happening at our school we decided it would be a great opportunity to include the Frankfort students. This would allow the kids to see our school and meet some of their future classmates.

The day was a huge success. Students in grades K-3 from both schools participated in multiple activities set up around the school. Some of these activities included games, hula hooping, frisbee tossing, and even a station with popsicles.

Because of the large number of students participating, we were able to get some parent volunteers to help run the stations. Without their help the day would be much more difficult.

Each teacher from Smith School had leaders who brought the Frankfort students to their classroom. The new students were assigned with a current class of the same grade level.

We felt this was a great preview of what next year will look like. It was great to see how easily kids adjust!

Weatherbee PTO: Where does all the money go?

By Peter Witt, Treasurer,
Weatherbee PTO

Did you ever wonder where the money is spent that you give through Weatherbee fundraisers? The PTO spends about \$13,000/school year to make sure that the students and staff at Weatherbee have a better experience than the school budget allows.

The PTO helps pay for the movie license for movie matinees throughout the year, which is \$187.50.

Every school year, the PTO allocates \$500 for the McGraw/Weatherbee playground fund to help with maintenance, repairs and wood chips, if needed.

The PTO designates \$1,300 to pay for *Scholastic News* and *National Geographic* subscriptions for classrooms, allows each teacher a one time \$75/school year supplies reimbursement, which when you think about it doesn't cover much.

The PTO paid for an author visit, special guest speakers, food and supplies for Maine Day, \$1,500 to the bus company for field trips, as well as bottled water and fruit juice ice pops for Field Day during the 2012-13 school year.

For the fourth year in a row, Weatherbee has participated in ACHEVE dance instruction for all

third graders. ACHEVE stands for Arts Can Help EVERYONE Excel. Each third grade class is involved in the program. The program has helped a lot of students at Weatherbee with coordination, balance, spatial issues, cooperation as a group, concentration, focus, and learning to take risks. The cost is \$6,000, but the PTO pays only half and grants pay the other half. When you do the math, this program costs about \$25 per child for seven weeks of instruction, which is less than most extracurricular activities.

In the coming year, the PTO is looking forward to helping Mr. Madore add a PX150 keyboard with stand and sound system cable to Weatherbee, as both pianos are at the end of their lives. Mr. Madore has secured an excellent price for this keyboard of \$ 775 (the complete system is over \$1,000). He was awarded a \$250 mini-grant through the RSU 22 Education Foundation. The PTO would love to be able to help him secure the rest of the money for this tool, which will benefit the students during music, at concerts, and during the variety show. There was also a request made for a Bunn 12 cup coffee brewer, which costs approximately \$300. This would be an asset to the school for events such as the Senior



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Citizen Luncheon, the Community Spaghetti Dinner, Maine Day, and of course, Staff Appreciation Week.

In response to a frequently asked question, the PTO is always willing to accept monetary donations in lieu of participating in the school fundraiser. We also welcome designated monies for specific categories.

In closing, when the fundraiser packets come home and the requests for donations are out, we hope that you have a better sense of what the efforts are providing. As always, we thank all the families and friends, who participate

in the fundraisers, which help make Weatherbee the best it can be.

2013-2014 Calendar at a Glance

August 19	Fall Sports Begin, Hampden Academy
August 29	Teacher Management Day
September 2	Holiday - No School
September 3	First Day of School PreK-9
September 4	All Students Attend PreK-12
September 27	Early Dismissal - In-service
October 14	Holiday - No School
November 1	End First Quarter
November 11	Holiday - No School
November 14	Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher Conferences
November 27-29	Holiday Break - No School
December 13	Early Dismissal - In-service
December 23-31	Holiday Break - No School
January 1	Holiday - No School
January 2, 3	Inservice - No School
January 20	Holiday - No School
January 24	End Second Quarter
January 27	Inservice - No School
February 17-21	Winter Vacation - No School
March 14	Inservice - No School
March 26	Early Dismissal - In-service
April 4	End Third Quarter
April 21-25	Spring Vacation - No School
May 14	Early Dismissal - In-service
May 26	Holiday - No School
June 15	High School Graduation
June 18*	Last Day of School for Students
June 19 & 20	Inservice Day for Teachers

* 3 storm days are included and may alter closing date



Learning about water movement.

Hampden Academy Child Development Class Nursery School

The Hampden Academy Child Development classes will be conducting their annual nursery school, starting in October.

Applications are now available for 3-5 year olds, pre-K.

For more information, please email Diane Batty at dbatty@sad22.us, or call the high school, 862-3791.

Thank you, retirees, for 353 years of outst

Debbie Barnes 24 years in RSU 22

Debbie Barnes, grade 2 teacher at Earl C. McGraw School, retired last June after 24 years of service with RSU 22, including two years as an ed tech and 22 years as a classroom teacher.

The first 21 years were at Newburgh Elementary School; the last three were at McGraw after Newburgh Elementary closed.

A native of Hampden, Mrs.

Barnes is a long-time resident of Newburgh. Before she started working at Newburgh Elementary, she was active at the school for 13 years as a volunteer and parent of four sons who went on to graduate from Hampden Academy.

Mrs. Barnes received her B.S. degree in Psychology and worked at the Counseling Center in Bangor before raising her family. When her youngest children, a set of twins, were babies, she went back to school at the University of Maine to get her teaching certificate.

Mrs. Barnes says her retirement plans include spending more time with her family, including her sons and grandchildren in Cheney, WA (near Spokane), St. Albans, North Yarmouth, and Portsmouth, NH.

She said her husband Jim enjoy playing golf together, doing the hardest crossword puzzles they can find, and playing Scrabble. She said her husband had kept track of the Scrabble games that they've played since they've been married—close to 7,500—and they're about even.

Cyn Breare 31 years in RSU 22

Cyn Breare, who was known to the children at Leroy H. Smith School as "CB," retired last June after 31 years of teaching, all at Smith.

During her first 10 years at Smith, Ms. Breare taught grade 1. Then she taught in a K-1-2 classroom for 18 years and a grade 1-2 classroom for one year. For the last two years, she taught grade 1.

Ms. Breare said she loved the multi-age classroom.

"I had the children for three years," she said. "I only got about seven new kindergartners each year, and once in a while an older 'move-in.' Once the personality of the class was established and the children knew the kind of work I expected, the little ones would come in and follow the bigger ones and do things the way I did. This way, the beginning of the year was simplified."

A native of northwest New Jersey, Ms. Breare majored in zoology at the University of Maine and spent several years working as a medical technologist in hospitals in New Jersey, California, and Oregon.



Debbie Barnes

After several more moves around the country, she and her family settled in Winterport. She started volunteering in her son's kindergarten at Smith, and went back to school to get her teaching credentials. Later, she earned a Master's degree in Computer Education and another in Counseling.

Ms. Breare has built her retirement home in Newburgh. She has a horse, a cat, and a dog. She is training her dog, Abby, as a therapy dog so they will be able to work with children in libraries, schools, and hospitals. She has a son, daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren who live next door to her in Newburgh and a daughter, son-in-law, and three grandchildren who live in Exeter.

Storie Brown 25 years in RSU 22

Storie Brown, who taught 4th grade at Weatherbee School for the past 21 years, retired at the end of June after 25 years of service with RSU 22.

Mrs. Brown started at Earl C. McGraw School, where she worked as an ed tech in the school library for two years, served as a long-term sub for one year, and then taught 3rd grade for a year.

Previously, she was a stay-at-home mom and worked at the Hampden Highlands preschool.

While working at the McGraw library, she went back to college and earned her B.S. in Elementary Education at the University of Maine.

Mrs. Brown said she received her degree the day before her 40th birthday—and two years before her oldest son graduated from the University of Vermont.

"My goal was to get my degree before he got his," she said.

Mrs. Brown and her husband Steve, who worked as an ed tech at Hampden Academy, live in Hampden. They raised three children—Sean, Chris, and Alicia—who attended district schools and graduated from Hampden Academy. They have four grandchildren, ages 6, 4, 4, and almost 1. The 4-year-olds are cousins who were born three days apart.

Margot Dale 7 years in RSU 22

Margot Dale, special education teacher and literacy specialist at Hampden Academy for the past seven years, has retired.

Before coming to Hampden Academy, she taught at Orono High School for nine years. Previous to this she worked for the Cooperative Extension Service

at the University of Maine for five years, running the nutrition education program for several years and then moving into administration and staff development.



Storie Brown



Margo Dale

From 1985 to 1991, Ms. Dale served as a teacher and later as curriculum coordinator for the school district in Aniak, Alaska, a small village in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta.

Ms. Dale grew up in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina and graduated from Appalachian State University in Boone, NC, with a B.S. degree in Home Economics Education in 1969. In 1976, she received her Master's degree in Foods and Nutrition from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

She received her Master's degree in Special Education from the University of Maine in 2002.

Ms. Dale moved to Asheville, NC, at the end of June. She said the Blue Ridge Mountains are a beautiful place to live.

Stephanie Francis 37 years in RSU 22

Stephanie Francis, school counselor at Leroy H. Smith School for the past five years, has retired after 39 years in education.

Actually, she says she's not really retiring, but beginning the next chapter in her life.

"My career in education is ending, but I'm continuing with counseling activities," she said. "I'm starting a counseling practice on Verona Island that is affiliated with Sweetser. I'll be working part-time with children, adolescents, and adults, and the rests of the time I'll be able to do some things that I want to do."

Mrs. Francis graduated from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1974 and got a job as an itinerant resource room teacher in two schools in Agawam, MA.

In 1976, she decided to move to Maine and in 1978 she became a resource room teacher for grades 4-8 at Smith. She held that job for 14 years, and when Wagner Middle School opened in 1992, she became the resource room teacher there for grades 6-8. In 1997, she received her second Master's degree in Counseling Education, and she became the school counselor for Wagner and Newburgh Elementary School. In 2008, she moved back to Smith as school counselor.

Mrs. Francis and her husband Mark live in Winterport.

Sue Hopkins 22 years in RSU 22

Sue Hopkins, secretary in the Guidance Office at Hampden Academy since 1997, has retired after 22 years of service with RSU 22.

Mrs. Hopkins says she retired because she has three grandchildren who were 2 years old or almost 2 this summer and a fourth grandchild on the way.

"My babies are so precious and growing fast, I wanted more time to spend with them," she said.

Mrs. Hopkins lives in Newburgh with her husband Jim. They have three children, including Jessica,

who lives in Augusta; Troy, who lives in Somersworth, NH; and Jeremy, who lives in Northfield, NH.

Jessica has a son, Case, who turned 2 the first week of August, and she is expecting another child in February. Troy has a daughter, Alex, who turned 2 at the end of July. Jeremy has a daughter, Hadley, who will be 2 in September.

Mrs. Hopkins is a native of Hampden and a 1974 graduate of Hampden Academy. She started working for SAD 22 as a part-time secretary with school nurse Judy Luro. She had another part-time job in the office at Weatherbee School, before the Guidance Office position opened up.

Jim Jewell 36 years in RSU 22

Jim Jewell, custodian at McGraw School for the past 32 years, retired June 30 with 36 years of service in RSU 22.

Mr. Jewell spent his first three years in the district working on the grounds. He then worked as a janitor at Hampden Academy, before transferring to McGraw.

He said McGraw was an enjoyable place to work.

"The people at McGraw were very nice to work with and the children were fun to be around," he said. "You never knew what they were going to come up with."

A native of Holden, Mr. Jewell graduated from Bangor High School. He and his wife live in Holden. They have four children and 9 grandchildren in Saco, Bangor, Holden, and Las Vegas, NV.

His retirement plans include "doing nothing, except for a little traveling here and there," including a trip to Las Vegas in September.

Martha MacLeod 17 years in RSU 22

Martha MacLeod, secretary at George B. Weatherbee School for the past 16½ years, has retired.

"This is what I always wanted



Sue Hopkins and grandkids



Stephanie Francis



Jim Jewell

standing service to the students of RSU 22

to do," Mrs. MacLeod said. Her husband Larry, who works for the phone company, is retiring this year, too.

Mrs. MacLeod previously worked for Eastern Maine Development Corporation in Bangor for five years, first as a receptionist and then in one of the EMDC administrative departments.



Martha MacLeod

Before she worked for the South Portland School District for five years—two years as a teacher's aide and three years as secretary for the athletic department at South Portland High School.

Mrs. MacLeod is a native of Bucksport and a graduate of Bucksport High School. She attended college for a year in New Hampshire.

Her goal for retirement is to "do things when I want to and go where I want to," without having to wait for a weekend or for February or April vacation.

The MacLeods have a daughter and two grandchildren who live in Holden and a son who lives in Bangor.

Mrs. MacLeod said she enjoyed her interactions with the children at Weatherbee.

"Kids say the darndest things," she said. "We should have kept a book. Honestly, some of the things they've said and done are enough to make me just burst out laughing."

Her only regret is that she didn't keep a record of the things the children said and did.

"People need to write this stuff down," she said. For example, she recalled the time a student came into the office and said he wasn't feeling very good. She asked the boy if he needed to lay down or if he felt like he was going to throw up. "Oh, no, it's not that bad," the youngster replied. "My mom just said I had spring fever."

Linda McConnell 23 years in RSU 22

Linda McConnell, who taught middle school students at the George B. Weatherbee School and Reeds Brook Middle School for 23 years, retired at the end of the school year.

Ms. McConnell taught 7th and 8th grade English language arts last year. For most of the previous 22 years, she taught both English language arts and math in either grade 7 or grade 8. In her first year in Hampden, she taught 6th grade English language arts and math at Weatherbee. When Reeds Brook Middle School was built, Ms. McConnell and all the other middle school teachers at Weatherbee moved to the new middle school.



Linda McConnell

Before coming to SAD 22, Ms. McConnell spent 10 years at Newport Elementary School in Newport, teaching 5th and 6th grade and serving as the migrant teacher.

A native of Oklahoma, Ms. McConnell attended Phillips University in Enid, OK, and received her Master's degree in Education Literacy from the University of Maine in 1987.

She is currently working on her Master's degree in Theology at Grace Evangelical College and Seminary in Bangor. She plans to take a 12-credit hospital chaplaincy class during the coming year. The course includes some daytime hours, and she can't do that and teach at the same time. She plans to substitute teach on days when she's not at the hospital. Her fiancé Tom had some serious health issues this past year that also impacted her decision. She says she hasn't decided what she'll do after she gets her theology degree.

Ms. McConnell lives in Brewer.

Judy Nadeau 31 years in RSU 22

Judy Nadeau, kindergarten teacher in RSU 22 for 31 years, retired at the end of the school year.

Mrs. Nadeau taught at Leroy H. Smith School for the first 30 years and finished up her career at Earl C. McGraw School last year.



Judy Nadeau

A native of Presque Isle, she received her teaching degree from the University of Maine and worked as a long-term sub in Enfield for six months. Then she started a family, and when her son entered kindergarten at Newburgh Elementary School, she started teaching at Smith.

Mrs. Nadeau lives in Newburgh with her husband Bill. She says she will probably look for part-time work at some point, but she wants to be able to spend more time with her family, including two elderly parents who live in Presque Isle and her son and granddaughter who live in Maryland.

Deej Patterson 23 years in RSU 22

Jean "Deej" Patterson, 3rd grade teacher at Leroy H. Smith School, has retired after 22 years of teaching.

Her entire teaching career was at Smith School, most of it in grade 3.

"I love third grade," Mrs. Patterson said. "It's a special time in the kids' lives when they are really coming into their own as learners. They understand that they have a little more power—that they have the ability to learn on their own. They're reading more to learn; they have great ideas, and they're not too old to want to give and receive hugs."

Mrs. Patterson didn't set out to be a teacher. A graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, she worked as a medical social worker in Chicago, at a medical research lab in Boston, and at the Harvard Graduate School of Education before starting a family and moving to Winterport



Deej Patterson

with her husband Jim and baby daughter Elizabeth in 1978.

Her husband was transferred to Bethel in 1982, but the family moved back to Winterport three years later. In both communities, Mrs. Patterson volunteered at her children's schools; staff members at both schools asked her where she had taught before because they thought she was an experienced teacher.

"They put this idea in my head that I should become a teacher," she said. As a result, she went back to school and took the courses she needed to become certified. In 2009, she earned her Master's degree.

Mrs. Patterson's retirement plans include photography, working in the yard and the garden, and getting in or on the ocean in a kayak, as well as seeing a lot of friends that she hasn't been able to see as often as she would like.

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Editor's note: Our sincere condolences to Mrs. Patterson on the untimely death of her husband Jim on July 8.

Alverna Plourde 16 years in RSU 22

John Plourde 15 years in RSU 22

John and Alverna Plourde have retired to North Carolina after teaching for a combined total of 73 years, including 31 years in RSU 22.

Mrs. Plourde was a teacher for 38 years—16 years in RSU 22 and 22 years in Caribou, Fort Kent, and Limestone. In RSU 22, she taught French at Hampden Academy for a year and then spent a year splitting her time between Reeds Brook and Wagner middle schools. For her last 14 years in RSU 22, she taught French and health at Reeds Brook.



Alverna Plourde

Mr. Plourde was a teacher for 35 years. For the last 15 years, he taught health at Hampden Academy. He also coached the boys tennis team, served as sophomore class advisor for the last 12 years, and has served as chair of the Wellness Department.



John Plourde

Before coming to Hampden Academy, Mr. Plourde spent 20 years in Caribou as a teacher and administrator.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Plourde are natives of Caribou and graduates of Caribou High School and the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

"I met my wife in a potato field during harvest break," Mr. Plourde recalled. "We were high school sweethearts."

Mr. Plourde said he and his wife initially thought they would retire in Maine and "be one of the snowbirds who head south for the winter." However, their son Aaron wound up in Durham, NC, and

when they visited him, they fell in love with North Carolina.

Three years ago, they bought a house in a gated community with two golf courses, tennis courts, and workout facilities about 45 miles south of Durham. Next summer, when the U.S. Open and the U.S. Women's Open golf tournaments are played at Pinehurst, about 25 miles away, the Plourdes will serve as volunteer marshals.

In addition to their son in Durham, the Plourdes have a daughter and three grandchildren in New Hampshire.

John Russell 21 years in RSU 22

John Russell, payroll and benefits manager for RSU22, retired August 2 after 21 years with the district.

A native of Orono, he graduated from Orono High School and attended Temple University and the University of Maine.

His plans for retirement including working at athenahealth, Inc., in Belfast and Bangor, providing physician practices and hospitals in the United States with online practice management and electronic medical record services.

Mr. Russell and his wife of 26 years, Lee, lives in Hampden. He enjoys teaching and playing golf, sailing, skiing, reading, and dogs.



John Russell and Cassie

Joyce Sturdee 25 years in RSU 22

Joyce Sturdee retired last June after 35 years of teaching, including 25 years in RSU 22.

For the last 10 years, she taught grade 2 at Earl C. McGraw School. Previously, she taught grade 2 at Newburgh Elementary School for 15 years.

Before coming to RSU 22, she taught for two years in New Hampshire, seven years in Veazie, and one year in Easton.

A native of Presque Isle, she received her bachelor's degree from the University of Maine at Machias. She started studying business, but then switched to early childhood education.

Mrs. Sturdee lives in Hermon with her husband Michael. They have two children, who live in Kennebunk, ME, and New Hampshire, and four grandchildren, ages 5, 2, 8 months, and 7 months.

Mrs. Sturdee's retirement plans include visiting the grandchildren and doing some substitute teaching, preferably at McGraw or Smith.



Joyce Sturdee

McGraw Principal's Message: Time for School!

By Carla Leathem, Principal, McGraw School

I hope all of you enjoyed your summer with families and that you did lots of fun outdoor activities. I also hope you spent some time reading over the summer. I know I did all of these things in July and it was wonderful.

We have been busy here at McGraw getting all of our new staff moved in and

ready for our first days of school. We have hired six new teachers and a new school secretary, Jen Bowen. The names of our new teachers so far are Tricia Kearns in second grade at Weatherbee, Tricia Forsman is a new first grade teacher along with Kimberly Moran. Morgan McCluskey is in second grade, as is Jodi Bisson and Gwen Winston. The custodial staff of RSU 22 did a great job cleaning our school and a few rooms have been painted. Teachers are already coming in and getting their rooms ready.

We will have an Open House on August 28. The kindergarten children and parents should come at 4 p.m. to the gym, where I will give you a few updates, you will have a bus safety training



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from Melanie Van Aken, and then your children will go on a bus ride. While the children are riding the bus, PTO officers will talk to parents and parents will finalize their children's after school plans with the office staff.

At 5 p.m. all students in K-2 with parents are invited to the classrooms to meet their teachers for next year. You are also invited to go to the gym to meet Mr. Knowles the physical education teacher and to the library to meet Mr. Madore, the music teacher and Kathy Gerry, our librarian.

We are all excited to see you at Open House and hope you will be ready for the first day of school on September 3. Enjoy the rest of your summer and don't forget to read!

McGraw students enjoy end-of-year Field Day

Rainy weather caused some adjustments in the schedule for the field day at McGraw School on June 7, but it didn't really matter to the students.

"The kids had a great time," said Principal Carla Leathem.

The field day was organized by physical education teacher Adam Knowles with the help of PTO volunteers.

Mrs. Leathem said half of the activities were supposed to be outside and half inside, but some of the outside activities were moved inside because of the rain.

More than 30 PTO volunteers assisted the staff with the field day activities and set-up. They were: Amy Anderson, David Brickel, Trisha

Bruen, Suzanne and Maya Carver, Edina Chinn, Denise DeRosby, Cheryl Dill, Zach Field, Melissa Hancock, Tiffany Hashey, Heather and Sarah Turner, Cindy Hawkins, Betsy Johnson, Michael Johnston, Lisa Kelley, June Levesque, Christine Lyons, Angela McQuilken, Mindy O'Leary, Allison



Teamwork was needed to keep this student rolling along.

Peckham, Kim Ross, Nick Runco, Heather Salib, Jessica Scott, Amy Sidell, Jody Stevens, Megan Thomas, and Katie Worster.

Volunteers Are Welcome!

Parent organizations and volunteers are a very important component of the educational school system. From stuffing envelopes to assisting with field trip supervision to organizing the major PTO/PTF fundraisers, volunteers are making a difference in your local schools and communities. If you are interested in becoming one of these volunteers, please contact your local school for more information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF HEAD START AND PRE-K STUDENTS IN HAMPDEN - NEWBURGH - WINTERPORT - FRANKFORT

Head Start and Pre-K students will not be let off the bus without an adult present waiting at the bus stop. There will be no exceptions.

SCHOOL HOURS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Hampden Academy 89 Western Ave., Hampden, ME 04444	RUEY YEHLE Principal	Grades 9-12 8:00 a.m.-2:09 p.m.	Main Office 862-3791 Guidance Office 862-4111 Athletic Office 862-3985
Earl C. McGraw Elementary 20 Main Road North, Hampden, ME 04444	CARLA LEATHEM Principal	Grades K-2 8:50 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Main Office 862-3830
Newburgh Early Childhood Center Newburgh Elementary School 2220 Western Ave., Newburgh, ME 04444	JEAN BRIDGES Director	Pre-K 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Main Office 234-2781
Reeds Brook Middle School 28A Main Road South, Hampden, ME 04444	REGAN NICKELS Principal	Grades 6-8 7:40 a.m.-2:02 p.m.	Main Office 862-3540
Leroy H. Smith School 319 South Main Road, Winterport, ME 04496	DAWN MOORE Principal	Pre-K & Grades K-4 7:50 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Main Office 223-4282
Samuel L. Wagner Middle School 19 Williams Way, Winterport, ME 04496	RICHARD GLENCROSS Principal	Grades 5-8 7:33 a.m.-2:10 p.m.	Main Office 223-4309
George B. Weatherbee School 22 Main Road North, Hampden, ME 04444	Principal	Pre-K & Grades 3-5 8:50 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Main Office 862-3254

School Opening Information

All Grade Pre-K - 9 district students (Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport, Frankfort) will begin school on Tuesday, September 3, 2013. Grades 10-12 students will begin classes on Wednesday, September 4, 2013.

Visit our website at www.rsu22.us for additional information.

School Nutrition 2013-2014

This fall, our school cafeterias are meeting tough new federal nutrition standards for school meals, ensuring that meals are healthy and well-balanced and provide students all the nutrition they need to succeed at school. Now is a great time to encourage your kids to choose school lunch!

School meals offer students milk, fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, and they must meet strict limits on saturated fat and portion size. Beginning last year, school lunches met additional standards requiring:

- Age-appropriate calorie limits
- Healthy servings of vegetables and fruits (students must take at least one serving of fruit or vegetable with their tray meal)
- A wide variety of vegetables, including dark green and red/orange vegetables
- Fat-free or 1% milk (flavored milk must be fat-free)
- More whole grains, including bread, pastas, rice, and breakfast items
- Less sodium
- Legumes (dried peas or beans) at least once weekly

We're always working to offer RSU 22 students healthy and tasty food choices. We incorporate locally grown and produced foods into our menus whenever possible. We are excited to be serving vegetables grown in our own school garden and green house located at the Reeds Brook Middle School! School meals are a great value and a huge convenience for busy families. We look forward to welcoming your children to our cafeterias this fall!

Lunch prices: Grades K-5 - \$2.10

Grades 6-8- \$2.35

Grades 9-12 - \$ 2.60

Reduced price - .40

Adult - \$3.60

Breakfast - \$ 1.35

Breakfast is FREE for Free AND Reduced students

Cold lunch or snack milk - .50

(there is no free milk program)

Elementary Schools Menu:

Sept 3: Oven Baked Chicken Nuggets, Rice Pilaf, Whole Grain Bread Stick, Sliced Carrots, Fresh Fruit

Sept 4: Breakfast for Lunch: Waffles and Sausage, 100% Juice Box, Potato Oval Patty, Honeydew Melon

Sept 5: Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Caesar Salad, Whole Wheat Yeast Roll, Applesauce

Sept 6: Cheese-filled Pizza Sticks with Marinara Dipping Sauce, Sliced Cucumbers and Baby Carrots with Hummus, Animal Crackers, Mandarin Oranges

Menus for the month will go home with children after school starts. On the first day of school, September 3,

Grade 9 at Hampden Academy will be treated to an Orientation Lunch sponsored by the Student Council.

A La Carte menus and price lists for Middle Schools and High School are posted in the cafeterias, homerooms, and on-line. Copies are available to all students at the schools.

Children who received free or reduced priced meals last school year will continue to do so this year until new applications are processed. Please return your completed Application for Free or Reduced Priced Meals within the first week of school.

**** PLEASE NOTE:** Our school district has the NutriKids electronic Point of Service system. Your children will begin the year with the balance they had in their accounts at the end of last school year. Money can be put in accounts electronically at myschoolbucks.com or brought to school. All children K-12 have a 4-digit ID number that you need to deposit money on-line. You may put as much money in accounts as you like and you can find out electronically or through your child's school what the balance is at any time. This is a DEBIT system. Children need to have money in their accounts in order to purchase meals.

If you have any questions please call Chris Greenier at 862-3543, or e-mail her at cgreenier@rsu22.us.

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Hampden

6-12 students, AM & PM buses

Hampden 6-12 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

Run #22

Starts at 6:40 from the corner of Meadow Road and Route 69 headed towards Kennebec Road, including end of Piper Woods Road to the Hampden/Winterport town line on Route 69, end of Rae Way, end of Woods Road, left on Kennebec Road to Newburgh town line, including end of Merchant Road from Box 1420 Kennebec Road to Box 202, turn right on Emerald Drive, right on Wessnette Drive, right on Monroe Road to town line, end of Norway Drive, end of Liberty Lane, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

Run #23

Starts at 6:45 at the corner of Route 1A and Coldbrook Road to Hermon town line, including Old Coldbrook Road, left on Coldbrook Road from Route 1A to Route 202, including a left on Laskey Lane, then to Main Trail, right on Emerson Drive, left on Ruth Avenue, end of Jay Lane, end of Cool Brook Lane, left on Lindsey Way, right on Papermill Road, left on Emerson Mill Road, end of Ledgewood Drive, right on Manning Mill Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

Run #26

Starts at 6:50 Back Winterport Road from Baker Road, Kennebec Road box 204 to 1, Main Road South 1A box 1 to Winterport town line, right on Gee Highland Ridge, right on Foster Avenue, Rawley Drive, Clark Circle, end of Perkins Road, end of Kincaid Road, right on Hopkins Road, right on Pleasant Street, left on Cross Street, left on Summer Street, end of Ferry Street, end of Swan Avenue, end of Orient Avenue, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

Run #28

Starts at 6:45 at 1 Main Road North to Bangor town line, end of Elm Street East and West, end of Dudley Street, Old County Road, end of Mountain View, end of Ball Park Road, end of Patterson Road, end of Wheeldon Heights, left on Perry, left on Coolidge Avenue, end of the following roads Northern Avenue, Hamel Avenue, Triangle Road, Kelly Lane, Gaftway Street, School House Road, Marina Road, Hillside Drive, (Summit Dr.) right on Francis Drive, left on Sophie Lane, end of Riverview, (Marion Drive), end of Carver Road, right on Daisey Lane, end of the following roads; Horseshoe Lane, George Street, William Street, left on Charles Street, left on Sunset Avenue, ends of Linden, Stoney Brook, and West Brook, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

Attention Bus #28 Students

To alleviate the number of students who ride Bus #28 in the afternoon, it will pick up at RBMS first, leave from the school, drop off students on Main Road to Daisey Lane and circle in the Terrace, then return to Hampden Academy and pick up the HA students.

Run #31

Starts at 6:40 Patterson Road, Meadow Road, Gray Stone Creek Road, Ichabod Lane, Rt. 69 from Meadow Road to the intersection blinking light in Newburgh, Rt. 9 Western Avenue to Sawyer Road, right on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

Run #34

Starts at 6:40 right on Miller Road, left on Fowler Road, right on Shaw Hill Road, right on Bog Road, right on Pond Road, right on North County to town line, left on Stetson Drive, right on Route 9 to Sawyer Road, Route 9 from Box 1088 to 372 including left on Deer Hill Lane, end of Goodell Farm Road, right on Aarons Way, left on Dunton Circle, right on Silver Drift Lane, right on Johnny's Way, right on Bowen Drive, drop students at RBMS & HA.

Run #36

Starts at 6:45 Mayo Road, Rt. 9 Western Avenue, up to and including Hughes Blvd., Town Farm Road, end of Country Meadows, Griffin Avenue, end of Jewel Drive, Sidney Blvd., end of Wilbur Drive, Evergreen Drive, Surrey Lane, Constitution Avenue. end of Independence Avenue (Liberty Avenue), end of Dewey Street, straight on Cottage Street, left on Canoe Club Road, end of Rowell Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

REMINDER: IT'S THE LAW

Maine state law prohibits any vehicle (emergency or other) to pass a school bus with its red lights flashing on any road, in any parking lot, or in the schoolyard.

K-5 students, AM & PM buses

Hampden K-5 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon.

Run #22

Starts at 7:50 from Piperwoods Road on Route 69 to Hampden/Winterport town line, including right on Rae Way, end of Hampden Woods Road, left on Kennebec Road, to Hampden/Newburgh town line including end of Merchant Road, Kennebec Road to Meadow Road including right on Emerald Drive and right on Wessnette Drive.

Run #23

Starts at 7:50 at the corner of Route 1A and Coldbrook Road to Hermon town line, including Old Coldbrook Road, left on Coldbrook Road from Route 1A to Route 202, including a left on Laskey Lane, then to Main Trail, right on Emerson Drive, left on Ruth Avenue, right on Jay Lane, end of Cool Brook Lane, left on Lindsey Way, right on Papermill Road, left on Emerson Mill Road, end of Ledgewood Drive, right on Manning Mill Road.

Run #24

Start at 7:50 at 445 Main Road North to Bangor town line, including Mountain View Road, including Hunting Lane, end of Kelly Lane, end of Gaftway Street, end of Marina Road, end of Hillside Drive (Summit Avenue), left on School House Lane, Old County Road, end of Ballfield Road, left on Triangle Road, right on Hamel Avenue, right on Perry Road, left on Coolidge Avenue, left on Patterson Street, left on Wheeldon Heights, Northern Avenue Ext., to the end of Old County Road.

Run #25

Starts at 7:50 on Patterson Road, left on Meadow Road, Gray Stone Creek Road, left on Ichabod Lane, right on Meadow Road, end of Gray Stone Creek Road, right on Route 69 from Meadow Road to the intersection blinking light in Newburgh, including end of Babcock Lane, left on Butternut Lane, left on Acorn Drive, right on Route 9 Western Avenue Box 2021 to Box 1102, right on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road.

Run #26

Starts at 7:55 at 1 Main Road South to Winterport town line, including end of Orient Avenue, end of Swan Avenue, right on Pleasant Street, right on Cross Street, left on Summer Street, end of Ferry Road, left on Hopkins Road, right on Gee Way, right on Foster Avenue, right on Rawley Drive, right on Clark Circle, end of Perkins Drive, end of Kincaid Road (Hatch Lane).

Run #29

Starts at 7:50 corner of Main Road, left on Route 9 Box 1 to Hughes Blvd., including end of Dewey Street, left on Constitution Avenue, left on Independence Avenue, left on Liberty Avenue, right on Evergreen, right on Surry Lane, right on Sidney Blvd., end of Wilber Drive, right on Griffin Avenue, end of Jewell Drive, left on Hughes Blvd., right on Town Farm Road, end of Country Meadow Drive.

Run #31

Starts at 7:55 Route 9 from Hughes Blvd. to Sawyer Road Box 372 to Box 1088, including left on Bowen Drive, left on Johnny's Way, right on Dunton Circle, right on Silver Drift Lane, left on Aarons Way, end of Goodell Farm Road, right on Deer Hill Lane, left on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road.

Run #34

Starts at 7:50 right on Miller Road, left on Fowler Road, right on Shaw Hill Road, right on Bog Road, right on Pond Road, right on North County to town line, left on Stetson Drive, right on Mayo Road, drop students at McGraw & Weatherbee.

Run #35

Starts at 7:50 at 1 Kennebec Road to Monroe Road, including left on Monroe Road, left on Norway Drive, right on Back Winterport Road to Hampden town line, right on Baker Road, including end of Partridge Road and Libbey Lane.

Run #36

Starts at 7:50 at 1 Main Road North to Box 440, including left on Daisey Lane, left on Horseshoe Lane, left on Charles Street to Edgewood Dr., left on Stoneybrook Road, left on Linden Street, right on Williams Street, right on George Street, left on Sunset Avenue. right on Westbrook Terrace, end of Carver Road, right on Riverview Road, left on Marion Dr., left on Francis Dr., left on Sophie Lane, Main Road North, including end of Dudley Street (Short Wharf Road), end of Elm Street East, end of Elm Street West, left on Canoe Club Road, left on VFW Road, end of Rowell Dr., left on Cottage Street.

Frankfort

FRANKFORT K-12. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

K-12 students, AM buses

Run #20

Starts at 6:45 on Swanville Road, end of Parker Lane, right on Town Hill Rd 6:53, end of Atwood Drive, right on Marsh Stream Road 7:00, end of Rob Lane, straight on Hamm Road 7:05, end of Moore Lane. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #40

Starts at 6:45 on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road, left on North Searsport Road 6:50, end of White Orchard Road, end of Staples Road, end of Candy Lane, left on Loggin Road (upper part) 6:57 turn and finish Loggin Road (lower part) 7:03. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #41

Starts at 6:45 end of Averill Road, straight on Route 1A Bangor Road, right on Mount Waldo Road, left on Old Belfast Road 6:48 (upper part), turn and finish Old Belfast Road (lower part) 6:53, right on West Hill Road 6:58, right on Old Stage Road 7:03, right on Tyler Lane 7:10, right on Treat point Road 7:15. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

K-8 Smith and Wagner students, PM buses

Run #20

Starts on Treat Point Road, left on Old Stage Road, right on Tyler Lane, right on West Hill Road, right on Hamm Road, straight on Marsh Stream Road, left on Town Hill Road, left on Swanville Road, end of Parker Lane.

Run #40

Starts at the end of Averill Street, straight on Route 1A, right on Mount Waldo Road, left on Old Belfast Road (upper part), turn and finish Old Belfast Road (lower part), left on Loggin Road, turn at end, right on North Searsport Road, end of Candy Lane, end of Staples Road, right on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road.

9-12 Hampden Academy students, PM bus

Run #41

Starts left Treat Point Road, right on Old Stage Road, right on Tyler Lane, right on Old Belfast Road, left on Mount Waldo Road, left on Loggin Road, right on Hamm road, turn at Danforth Lane on right, straight on Marsh Stream Road, end of Rob Lane, left on Town Hill Road, straight on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road, left on North Searsport Road, end of White Orchard Road.

PARENTS OF K-4 STUDENTS:

Please make sure the bus driver sees you when we drop your child off.

If you wish to have your child dropped off without someone physically present at your child's bus stop, you must sign a permission form indicating this. This form is included in your child's packet of forms, which will be sent home from their school during their first week.

This form is only for students in Grades K - 4 - Not for Head Start or Pre-K

Transportation Services

RSU #22 contracts with John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. for transportation services. The transportation of students to and from school is a joint effort between the school district and John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. You may contact John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. at 862-3984 to discuss bussing issues if the need should arise. However, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Superintendent of Schools at 862-3255 with any comments or concerns.

School Bus Schedules

Winterport

K-8 students, AM & PM buses 9-12 (HA) students, AM buses

Note: Winterport K-8 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

Run #24

Starts at 6:40 K-12 at Baker Road and Route 1A, left on Moyses Road, left on Back Winterport Road, right on Twining Road, left on Twining Lane, right on Coles Corner Road, left on Cove Road, right on Vero's Way, end of Cedarwood Drive, end of Comikev Lane, left on Old Cove Road, right on Cove Road, left on Coles Corner Road, left on Staples Road, left on Coles Corner Road, end of Artic Lane, end of Irish Lane. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #25

Starts at 6:40 K-12 at the end of North Road Dixmont town line, end of Perkins Road, left on Clark Road, including end of Brown Lane, end of Windy Hill Road, then right on Rancourt Road, right on Boston Road, end of Meadow Lane, end of Chickadee Lane, left on Airport Road, left on Oak Street, right on Elm Street. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #27

Starts at 6:40 K-12 on Goshen Road, end closest to Stream Road, all of Goshen Road, including end of Joshua Lane, right on Haley Road, right on Monroe Road, all of Monroe Road (including Blueberry Hill and Sunken Bridge Road) to a left on Route 1A, to a right on Washington Street, including Dean Street and Silver Lane, end of Willow Street, end of Lincoln Street, end of Water Street, left on Route 1A to Mt. View Drive, including end of Ferry Street, end of Kaler Street, end of Sampson Street, end of Church Street, end of Steamboat Avenue, left on Marine Street, right on Holmes Street, including end of Mechanic Street and Parsonage Street. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #29

Starts at 6:45 K-8 ONLY, Route 1A North Winterport line to School Street, including end of Landing Lane, left on Old County Road, left on Riverview Heights, end of Perry Drive, end of Garden Drive, end of Birch Drive, left on Upper Oak Point (K-12), right on Hackett Road, end of Lower Oak Point, end of Penobscot Lane, end of Seabreeze Lane, right on B. Johnson Lane, including end of Taylor Lane, end of Roxy Lane, end of Sky View Lane, end of Memorial Drive, end of Merrill Street, end of School Street, right on Wig Street, left on Park Drive, left on Rob Clark Road. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #32

Starts at 6:45 K-12 corner of Kendall Road and Stream Road, straight on Stream Road, right on Goshen Road, right on Kendall Road, left on Stream Road, including end of Fisher Road, right on Tibbets Bridge Road, right on Stream Road, including end of Pineview Drive (Mylon Lane and Spruce Drive), end of Hasey Lane, end of Elderberry Lane, end of Apple Hill Road, town line Winterport, South Alley Road to Mountain View Drive to Fox Run Road. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #35

Starts at 6:40 K-12 on Meadow Road (Coles Corner Road end), end of Proctor Lane, right on Lebanon Road to Winterport town line, left on Town Farm Road, right on Lebanon Road including end of Harmony Lane, end of Beaver Road, end of Bass Lane, straight on Lebanon Road, end of Cushing Street. Drop Wagner students, drop Smith students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

9-12 (HA) students AM Buses on Route 1A

Bus #27

P/U 7:20 Route 1A Main Road box 497 to box #331 including Holmes Street, Mechanic Street, Marine Street. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #24

P/U 7:25-7:30 Route 1A Main Road from box #303 to box #909 just before but not including Memorial Drive, ends of the following roads - Steamboat, Church Street, Sampson Street, Kaler Street, Elm Street, Ferry Street, Water Street, Willow Street, Commercial Street, Silver Lane, Dean Street, Washington Street, Pleasant Street, School Street, Merrill Street. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #32

P/U 7:25-7:30 Route 1A Main Road from Memorial Drive to box #1221 including ends of the following roads - Skyview Lane,

Attention parents of Winterport students, Grades 9-12:

After bus unloads at Wager and Smith, Hampden Academy students who live on Route 1A North, including all the side roads except for Upper Oak Point, will take the following buses designated for their area.

Bus #24

P/U Route 1A from Smith School to box #909 on the Main Road including ends of all the following roads - Whig Street, Steamboat, Church Street, Sampson Street, Kaler Street, Ferry Street, Cushing Street, Commercial Street, Lebanon Road, Dean Street, Washington Street, School Street, Merrill Street. Pick up locations will be on Main Street.

Bus #32

P/U Route 1A Main Road from Memorial Drive to box #1221 including ends of the following roads - Skyview Lane, Seabreeze Lane, B. Johnson Lane, Taylor Lane, Roxy Lane, Penobscot Lane. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #25

P/U on Route 1A Main Road from Lower Oak Point to Birch Drive - Hackett Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #35

P/U on Route 1A Main Road from box 1378 to the Winterport Town Line box #1660 including the following roads - Garden Drive, Cedarwood Drive, Perry Drive, Riverview Heights, Old County Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Seabreeze Lane, B. Johnson Lane, Taylor Lane, Roxy Lane, Penobscot Lane. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #25

P/U 7:25-7:30 on Route 1A Main Road from Lower Oak Point to Birch Drive - Hackett Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

Bus #35

P/U 7:25-7:30 on Route 1A Main Road from box 1378 to the Winterport town line box #1660 including the following roads - Garden Drive, Cedarwood Drive, Perry Drive, Riverheights, Old County Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

PM buses

Run #25HA

Leaves Hampden Academy 2:11 Route 1A North after B. Johnson Lane to Route 1A South Winterport town line, including end of Penobscot Lane, end of Seabreeze Lane, end of Sky View Lane, end of Memorial Drive, end of Cushing Street, end of Elm Street, end of Lebanon Street, end of Wig Street, end of Merrill Street, end of School Street, end of Washington Street, end of Dean Street, end of Commercial Street, end of Ferry Street, end of Kaler Street, end of Sampson Street, end of Church Street, end of Steamboat Street, end of Marine Street, end of Holmes Street, including Silver Lane, Water Street, Lincoln Street, Mechanic Street, Parsonage Street, right on Mt. View, right on Fox Run, right on Stream Road, end of Elderberry Street, end of Hasey Lane, end of Pineview Drive, (Mylon Lane/Spruce Drive), end of Fisher Road, end of Tibbets Bridge, right on Kendall, Goshen Road, Haley Road, Monroe Road, (Winterport side of Route 69), Clark Road, end of Joshua Lane, end of Windy Hill, end of Brown Lane, end of Rabbit Hill, end of North Road, end of Perkins Road.

Run #37

Leaves Hampden Academy 2:11, Route 1A North from Winterport town line to and including B. Johnson Lane, including end of Landing Road, Old County Road, Riverview Heights, end of Perry Road, end of Garden Drive, end of Birch Drive, left on Upper Oak Point, end of Hackett Road, end of Lower Oak Point, Baker Road from Route 1A, including end of Moyes Road, Back Winterport Road from Hampden town line to the end of Coles Corner Road, including Twining Cove Road, end of Comikev Lane, end of Cedarwood Lane, end of Veros Way, end of Staples Road, end of Schoolhouse Lane, end of Rob Clark Road, Route 69 from Route 1A Winterport to Hampden town line, including Airport Road, Boston Road, Meadow Road, Town Farm Road, including end of Alderwood Drive, end of Beaver Road, end of Harmony Lane, end of Bass Lane, end of Rancourt Road, end of Meadow Lane, end of Chickadee Lane, end of Proctor Lane, Monroe Road from the Winterport/Hampden town line, right on Route 69 to the Winterport/Hampden town line.

Newburgh

Newburgh K-12 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

6-12 students, AM & PM buses

Run #21

Starts at 6:40 on Chapman Road (Western Avenue end), end of Flynn Road, right on Kennebec Road to Christmas Tree Farm, end of Dahlia Farm Road, end of Grant Road, right on Littlefield Road to Box 310, right on Severance Road, right on Kennebec Road to town line, end of Babcock Road. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #30

Starts at 6:40 on Lindsay Road (Route 9 Western Avenue end), end of Bates Road, left on North Road to box 1223, end of Kenniston Road, straight on North County Road, left on Route 69 to intersection of the blinking light on Route 69 and Route 9. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

Run #33

Starts at 6:40 on Mudget Road (Kennebec Road end), end of Frank West Road, end of Croxford Road, left on Route 9, end of Thurlow Road, right on Miles Road, end of Red School House Road, right on Route 9 to Dixmont town line, end of Kennard Road, all of Route 9 to Hampden line. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

K-5 students, AM & PM buses

Run #21

Starts at 7:40 on Chapman Road (Western Avenue end), end of Flynn Road, right on Kennebec Road to Christmas Tree Farm, end of Dahlia Farm Road, right on Littlefield Road to Box 310, right on Severance Road, right on Kennebec Road to town line, end of Babcock Road. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

Run #30

Starts at 7:40 on Lindsay Road (Route 9 Western Avenue end), end of Bates Road, left on North Road to Box 1223, end of Kenniston Road, straight on North County Road, left on Route 69 to intersection of the blinking light on Route 69 and Route 9. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

Run #33

Starts at 7:40 on Mudget Road (Kennebec Road end), end of Frank West Road, end of Croxford Road, left on Route 9, end of Thurlow Road, right on Miles Road, end of Red School House Road, right on Route 9, to Dixmont town line, end of Kennard Road, making a stop at Newburgh School and all of Route 9 to Hampden line. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

Newburgh Head Start AM & PM Bus runs

Run #33

AM bus only covers the following Roads - Mudget Road, Miles Road and Route 9 from the town line Dixmont to the old Newburgh School.

Run #21

PM bus only covers the following Roads - Chapman Road, Kennebec Road from the Christmas Tree Farm to the town line Hampden/Newburgh, Littlefield Road, Severance Road, end of Dahlia Farm Road.

Run #30

PM bus only covers the following roads - Lindsey Road, North Road, North County Road, Route 69 from North Road to box 2142.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

No through traffic will be allowed on the road behind Weatherbee School to McGraw School during the school day. BUSES ONLY

No through traffic allowed on the road in front of Reeds Brook Middle School from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Parents can use the back parking lot (gym entrance) to drop and pick up their students.

Attention parents of Newburgh students:

Newburgh students who live on Route 69 from Route 9 to the top of the hill to the Hampden town line will take the following buses: Bus 31 HA and RBMS and Bus 25 Weatherbee and McGraw school.

Foundation receives \$5,000 grant from the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation

As school got out and temperatures soared, the hottest news came from 'across the street.' The Bangor Savings Bank Foundation generously awarded the RSU 22 Education Foundation a grant of \$5,000 to go towards the successful mini-grants program.

District Teachers and Staff Earn Gold Star Awards

At the close of the school year, 24 teachers and staff in RSU 22 received Gold Star Awards from students and their families for their exemplary work.

For a gift of \$25, which goes to the Education Foundation's Mini Grants for Teachers Program, teachers and staff received an award certificate and letter from Foundation President Peter Witt. A total of 36 awards were given out, netting more than \$850 for the Mini Grants Program, which provides grants to teachers and staff for innovative classroom projects.

Receiving Gold Star Awards for the 2013-2014 school year were: at Smith Elementary School—Heather Patterson; at McGraw Elementary School—Amy Hanson, Leah Smith, Sara Devine, Heather Knowles, Leah Welch, Joyce Sturdee, Anna Corey, Debbie Barnes, Kathy Gerry, Sharon DeBeck, Kacey Cole, Vicki Bailey, and Patricia Lyons; at Weatherbee Elementary School—Shannon Peterson, Storey Brown, Bonnie Walker, Susan O'Brien, Renita Ward-Downer and Angela Perrow; at McGraw and Weatherbee Elementary Schools—Susan Oberholtzer, Matt Madore, and Georgeanne Jackson; and at Hampden Academy—Brad Veitch.

Congratulations to all the award-ees, and thank you for the generous support from our District families.

"In the past, mini-grants of \$250 were created from funds generated through our fall FunRun and the annual Gold Star awards for teachers and staff. This grant brings this program to a whole new level", explains Foundation President Peter Witt. "Our mini-grant committee will be able to either award many more grants next school year and/or significantly raise the individual amounts available to staff and teachers within the district. A good problem to have." declares Witt.

Carol Colson, Bangor Savings Bank's Senior Vice President and Director of Marketing and Community Relations, said, "This gift from our Foundation to the RSU 22 Education Foundation signifies our commitment to improving education in our state. We hope this grant will allow more mini-grants to be awarded to teachers and staff in the RSU 22 school district."



Lisa Martin, Branch Manager for the Hampden branch of Bangor Savings Bank (right) presents a \$5,000 check to members of the Education Foundation's mini-grant committee. Happy recipients (l. to r) are: Jean Camuso (community volunteer), Jim Tatgenhorst (Board member), Robin Wood, Gretchen Faulkner (community volunteers) and Sharyn Hastings (Board member).



MSAD #22 Education Foundation

Community Partners for Inspired Education



'Find the Bronco' Treasure Hunt a big success

Over 50 children from the towns in RSU 22 participated in this year's "Find the Bronco" treasure hunt. Each week clues were left on the Education Foundation website and Facebook page for children to use in trying to locate the two passport boxes. The clues were historical in nature and were an opportunity for children to learn about the rich history of the towns that make up the district. Locations where the passport boxes were left included the Hannibal Hamlin office in Hampden and the Old Winterport Commercial House. Children were asked to submit their completed passports to the Education Foundation in order to receive a prize for participating. Plans are already underway to find locations for next summer's treasure hunt.



Katahdin Trust Company Becomes Foundation Sponsor

Katahdin Trust Company has become a corporate sponsor with the RSU 22 Education Foundation at the "Partner" level, thanks to a generous gift of \$1000 in June. As a corporate Partner, Katahdin Trust Company will become a 2014 sponsor of the Gold Star Awards Program and will be listed on the Foundation's website, Facebook page, and event materials throughout the year.

"Thanks to Katahdin Trust Company's sponsorship, the Foundation is strengthening community partnerships to support excellent education for our children," said Foundation President Peter Witt. For more information on corporate sponsorships, contact the Foundation office at 852-2138 or visit the website: www.rsu22foundation.org.

Foundation awards Fall 2013 mini-grants

The following mini-grants were awarded by the RSU 22 Education Foundation for the Fall of 2013. Congratulations to all awarded grants this session!

Passing Down Memories Project

Students at Reeds Brook Middle School will interview someone older and have then the student will pass down a story to someone younger. The student will take the story, adapt it from an interview to a third person narrative then into a short documentary film to be shared with classmates.

American Sign Language Mentor Program 2

Money for this grant will provide a Deaf mentor time with ASL 1 and 2 classes for conversation, communication and culture. Students will interact with a native signer to practice vocabulary, grammar, communication behaviors, and interpersonal communication.

Weatherbee Piano Replacement

Two pianos in the Weatherbee school will be replaced with a digital piano to be used in classroom instruction and for concerts.

Empty Bowls

Students in the Hampden Academy Art Club and Advanced Art Students will be taught how to make clay bowls to be sold at a fund raiser hosted by the Hampden Highlands United Methodist Church.

Crossing the Bridge - Together Again for Smith School

This project is to help Frankfort students entering Smith School feel welcomed. This will be achieved by providing each student with a wristband with the following message: Leroy H. Smith School Be Safe Be Responsible Be Respectful. The grant will also cover an evening event celebrating the history of the two towns. The grant will also cover refreshments for the evening event.

All About You, Your Health And Your Community

This project will be part of the Friday Life Skills classes at the Reeds Brook School. The teachers will cover four main topics: Safety, Nutrition, Maintaining Friendships, and Health and Body Awareness.

5th Grade Document Camera

This grant award will go toward purchasing a document camera to be used in Math and Life Science classes. The camera has superior magnification to give students a new perspective of the world around us.

You Can't Hide Rebel Pride

On the first day at Reeds Brook Middle School students will be entertained by a motivational speaker and magician as well as receive a T-shirt and food. The object is to instill the core values of Pride, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility, and Compassion.