

# Beaver Island Community School Newsletter

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM DEC. 14

Please join us at our annual Holiday Program at the Community Center at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2011.

Students from Pre-kindergarten through 8th will perform in the program. The program will consist of students performing strings, recorders, poems and songs. A very special ending is being prepared that will include all students (PreK-12<sup>th</sup> grade) and teachers.

The whole community is invited to this special event. Students will be seated on or behind the stage so there will be ample seating for all.

Special thanks to program coordinator Miranda Rooy and other adults who are directly involved in creating this event: Mike Myers, Anna Martell, Sheri Richards, and Laura Gibson.

### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Home Basketball 12/9/11 @ 6:00 pm
- ◆ Policy Committee Meeting 12/8/11 @ 7:30 pm
- ◆ Board Meeting 12/12/11 @ 7:30 pm
- ◆ Santa's Workshop 12/19/11
- ◆ Holiday Program 12/14/11 @ 7:00 pm
- ◆ Break Starts 12/22/11 @ 11:25 am
- ◆ Return to School 1/3/12 @ 8:15 am

### HOLIDAY SPIRIT ALIVE AND WELL

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders will celebrate the season with a Christmas Breakfast at Mrs. Robert's house on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Early elementary students will enjoy holiday movies. The student council plans a 'Secret Santa' event for all interested 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The seniors will continue a long standing school tradition of finding a school Christmas Tree for the students and staff to decorate.



### CHRISTMAS BREAK

Students will be dismissed for Christmas break at 11:25 on Thursday, December 22, 2011. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. As you make your holiday travel plans, please remember that there must be 75% attendance on any given day in order to count that day. Families who are planning to miss any days of school the week prior to Christmas, please contact the office as soon as possible so that an accurate count can be kept.

- The school's **Policy Committee** will meet on Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. The committee consists of the principal, two board members, a teacher and a student. The committee reviews board policies to ensure compliance with state requirements as well as looking at policies that are more specific to our own needs. This is an open meeting. The committee meets 5 times per year.
- The **School Board** meets on the Second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and the next meeting is December 12, 2011. The board meetings are held in room 116 at the school and you are encouraged to attend. Check the school website for minutes of the board meetings.

## ISLANDER BASKETBALL

**Girls Basketball** Coach Diane McDonough begins her third year with the Islanders. Members of the girls' basketball team are: Seniors Jenna Battle, Brigid Gillespie Cushman, Brogan Maudrie and Olivia Schwartzfisher; freshmen Emily Boyle, Hannah Robert and Meg Works; eighth grader Emily Burton; and seventh graders Ireland McDonough and Erin Myers.

**Boys Basketball** Coach Mike Myers returns this year as the boys basketball coach. The boys' team is made up of the following members: seniors, Gus Connaghan, Matthew Cull, Billy Lemmink and Michael McCafferty; juniors McCauley Connaghan and Michael Pryor; sophomore Jewell Gillespie-Cushman; freshman Trent Williams; eighth grader Liam Hodgson; and seventh graders Kyle Butler, Simeon Richards and Alex Williams.

The Friday games usually start at 6:00PM and the Saturday morning games begin at 8:30.



### GO ISLANDER BASKETBALL



**December 2/3 Hannahville @ Beaver Island**

**December 9/10 Grand Marais @Beaver Island**

**December 14 Beaver Island @ Northport**

**January 6/7 Ojibwe/Bear River @ Beaver Island**

**January 13/14 Paradise @ Beaver Island**

**Date TBD Beaver Island @ Alba**

**February 3/4 Mackinac Island @ Beaver Island**

**Senior Athletes & Parent Recognition Night**

**February 10/11 Beaver Island @ Grand Marais**

**February 17/18 Maplewood Baptist @Beaver Island**

**February 24/25 Northern Lights League**

**Tournament @ Hannahville**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS  
FROM BICS**

**STUDENTS, STAFF & BOARD**



## STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS



The BICS National Honor Society organized the collection of items for U.S. soldiers. Students in grades K-12 and school staff donated items to fill stockings. There was a friendly competition to see which class could fill the most and the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders took that honor. Overall, the students filled a total of 26 stockings.

## SCHOOL WELL WATER UPDATE

Our most recent water sampling came back positive for slightly raised levels of coliform. The following steps are being taken to purify the well and return to normal use of school water:

1. Bottled water is available throughout the building
2. Drinking fountains are marked closed and sinks indicate no use for drinking
3. Bud Martin (licensed well driller) will chlorinate the well on December 10<sup>th</sup>
4. 12.12.11 and 12.14.11 Water samples will be collected and sent to health department for testing

We expect to resume use of the well water by the middle of next week. For your information, Alice Belfy is a trained and MDEQ-licensed Certified Water Operator who completes ongoing water sampling per state law.