

Tuesday, April 15, 2008

ADMINISTRATION

A Message from Laundry Man Ted: Please do not overload the washers and dryers. Overloading them causes them to break down, thus leaving fewer working machines. So, **what is a full load**? It's not six pairs of jeans or your entire wardrobe. If you use this guideline you should be okay:

Once your clothes hit the midpoint on the agitator, you have a full load.

In addition to not breaking the machines, a smaller load will give you cleaner clothes and they will dry faster in the dryers.

ASTRONOMY

The planetarium J-term students successfully capped their project with a splendid showing of "Close Encounters of the 1975 Kind" at the Malcolm Science Center planetarium, Saturday night April 12th. Over 20 members of the community attended with special cameo interjections with Dr. Prakash, Christopher Lemay and Christopher Gaskell. Although overshadowed I suppose by the fantastic performance of "Something in the Air", I want to give all public credit to the work of J-termers:

Christopher Lemay

Christopher Gaskell

InBeom Song

Eileen Haffne

Jordan Dolan

Nicholas Castonguay

Christopher Cope

Cheney Larock

Well done, young stars!

Sincerely ~ Lawrence W. Berz ~ Instructor of Astronomy

COLLEGE COUNSELING OFFICE

- Is one or are both of your parents' employees of the state of Maine? If so, you may be eligible for the 2008 Maine State Employees Association Scholarship. Although children of teachers in Maine are not eligible for this award, all other interested students should find more information at www.mseaseiu.org (look under Forms and Applications).

Due: FRIDAY, April 18th!

FROM THE KITCHEN W / CHEF TOM

Lunch: Upside down Shepherd's Pie, Vegetarian Shepherd's Pie, Homemade Dinner Rolls, Carrots, Strawberry Cups

Dinner: Baked Pollock with Citrus Salsa, Rigatoni Pasta, Mango Cream Sauce, Broiled Zucchini Parmesan, Rolls, Blueberry Cream Cheese Tarts

MATH TEAM

Congratulations to this year's qualifiers for the MSSM's 2007-2008 State Math Team! Our 10 mathletes are:

Tim Buchak

Joe Durgin

Dan Freedman

James Havu

Sammy Jelin

Ryan Keating

Paul Kennedy

Alex Kidson

Chunan Liang

Harry Mickalide

This team of mathletes is in Portland for the meet today. Please wish these students well as we try to regain the State title! It's going to be extremely challenging, but we know these students can do it with all of our support!

SUMMER PROGRAMS

CONSIDER ENGINEERING – Take advantage of a UNIQUE opportunity for High School Juniors who excel in Math and Science. Choose either *July 13-16* or *July 20-23* and apply for this Univ. or Me. Pulp and Paper Foundation sponsored program. Find out if engineering is right for you! Applications must be received by the Educational Relations Committee before *May 1st, 2008*. For more information and a copy of the brochure please see Ms. McConnell.

SWIMMING SCHEDULE

Friday & Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: *** 4:30-5:30 ***.

These will be the times until further notice

THEATRE

CONGRATULATIONS!!! BRAVO!!! WELL DONE!!!

The answer to yesterday's SAT Question of the Day is "A". Here's Why:

It avoids the errors of the other options by using a main verb, "is," to link the subject of the sentence, "Rote learning," to a description of the ways in which this type of learning is used.

QUOTE OF THE DAY™

Each morning sees some task begun, each evening sees it close;
something attempted, something done, has earned a night's repose.
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

THE Merriam-Webster WORD OF THE DAY™

detoxify • \dee-TAHK-suh-fye\ • verb

1a: to remove a harmful substance (as a poison or toxin) or the effect of such from; *1b:* to render (a harmful substance) harmless

2: to free (as a drug user or an alcoholic) from an intoxicating or an addictive substance in the body or from dependence on or addiction to such a substance; *3:* neutralize

Example Sentence: Yi wrote her term paper on the city's efforts to detoxify a contaminated landfill.

Did you know? These days, "detoxify" can mean "to free (someone) from a substance addiction" (and yes, it's the source of "detox," a

more recent word that also refers to getting drugs or alcohol out of a person's system). Originally, however, detoxification was something done to things rather than to people. In its earliest uses -- from about 1905 -- "detoxify" referred to the removal of poison, or of poisonous or damaging properties, from a harmful substance, or to the removal of poisonous or toxic substances from something contaminated (such as the bloodstream). The specific application to removing "poison" from an addict is relatively new, dating to the mid-20th century. Today, "detoxify" is also often used generally in reference to counteracting the activity or effect of anything harmful (such as propaganda).