



# Wolf Tracks



## Principal's Newsletter of Prospect Mountain High School

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*Please note: First quarter ends on November 3, 2006.*

*Report cards will be mailed home along with scores from the Stanford 10 and NHIEAP Tests on November 9, 2006.*

Homework is an important aspect of a student's education in high school. Homework provides an opportunity for students to apply and practice skills and concepts they learn in class. Not doing homework has a negative impact on students' performance and grades because it is counted in the calculation of the overall grade for all classes here at PMHS. Chances are, if a student is failing a course, he or she has not been doing homework.

Faculty at PMHS is committed to student success so they are detaining students who are not doing their homework after school. The purpose is to reinforce the importance of applying and using what they learn in school. We are finding that many students are not coming in for the after school sessions to make up their work. If this trend continues we will move to requiring students to come in on Saturday mornings to make up their missed assignments. More information on this development will follow.

In the meantime, you can help and encourage your child to succeed in school by creating a routine for homework. Establish a time and place in your home where homework will be completed. (Students have homework almost every night.)

You can also monitor your child's progress by logging on to Web2School. You may access Web2School by going to [www.pmhschool.com](http://www.pmhschool.com). You can click on the link to Web2School and there are instructions on how to download this program onto your home computer. If you need to obtain a username and password send an email request to [ws2tech@pmhschool.com](mailto:ws2tech@pmhschool.com) and a letter containing your login information will be sent to you. Thank you for helping your student succeed in school.

### Staff Recognition

*Heather Corriveau* has been included in *Who's Who Among American Women*. Congratulations, Heather!

### Student Recognition

#### Arts

*Kelsey Tinkham* has been selected for membership in the 2006 All New England Band Festival (Clarinet I) to be held at Plymouth State University on Monday, November 20, 2006. Kelsey is the first PMHS student to be selected for this honor. She was selected from among 388 applicants from 74 high schools in the six New England States. Congratulations, Kelsey!



*Kelsey Tinkham*

#### Academics

PMHS is pleased to announce the following students have been inducted into the National Honor Society in 2006:

*Megan Beaupre*

*Megan DiVito*

*Travis Drolet*

*Cameron Drouin*

*Carly Fegley*

*Emily Folan*

*Charlotte French*

*Makina Itchkavich*

*Ryan Kibel*

*Shirley Ladd*

*Aaron Miller*

*Amanda Pellowe*

*Matthew Tetreau*

*Brianna Tidd*

The National Honor Society was founded in 1921 by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) as a means of recognizing students who have demonstrated scholarship, citizenship, character and leadership and thus membership is both an honor and a

commitment. The local chapter of the Prospect Mountain Honor Society is primarily a service organization in which the members accept their responsibilities as role models for the entire school community and actively seek opportunities to serve.

Membership is often considered a valid indicator that the student will succeed in life and particularly in studies at the post-secondary level. The Honor Society member has already exhibited academic achievement, leadership, honorable and admirable character, as well as service demonstrating that the member is willing to use talents and skills for the improvement of society. (Rocco Marano, Director, NHASSP Department of Student Activities)

Foreign Exchange Students

This year PMHS is hosting four foreign exchange students. They are:

- Adibah Murtadho*, a junior from Indonesia
- Jelena Patzke*, a senior from Germany
- Daniel Salgado*, a senior from Chile
- Ivan Fontenele*, a senior from Brazil

## NECAP Testing

All juniors will take the NECAP tests November 14-17, 2006. These tests replace the NHIEAP Tests that the state required. NECAPs will measure students' abilities in English, Reading and Math and testing will take place during the morning hours. To assure peak performance, please make sure you child gets enough rest and a good breakfast during the time they will be taking this test. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Student Council

Student Council is well underway for this school year. On Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> the students participated in the Fall Festival at Barnstead Elementary School by having a pumpkin painting contest. The focus of Student Council as leaders is community betterment. This focus helps Student Council decide on the activities in which they choose to participate.

Student Council officers are: *Makina Itchkavich-Levasseur* and *Jacob Browning*, Co-Presidents; *Emily Folan* and *Nicole Drew*, Executive Officers. Student representatives include: *Jeff St. Cyr*, *Terry Lambert*, *Mary Margaret Houghton*, *Jackie LeBlanc*, *Ashley*

*Collins*, *Cindell Corbeil*, *Shirley Ladd*, *Abby Van Slyke*, *Meagan DiVito*, *Jamie Matthew*, and *Kristine Jordan*.

Upcoming Events:

The Student Council will hold a Food Drive November 6 – 16, 2006 and there will be a competition to see which class contributes the most food.

Work has begun on organizing and developing Winter Carnival events. Winter Carnival takes place around February Vacation.

In March there will be a March Madness Dance sponsored by Student Council as well as the return of Frank Santos, Jr., the hypnotist entertainer.

## Guidance News

College Admissions Overview

There will be an informational evening for college bound Juniors, Seniors, and their families on Monday, November 6, 2006 in the PMHS Library at 6:30 pm. This program is put on by the Center for College Planning and is designed to take the mystery out of the college admissions process. Please join us for this helpful session.

Financial Aid Workshop

There will be a Financial Aid Workshop on Monday, December 4, 2006, at 6:30 pm in the PMHS Auditorium. This workshop is also for college bound Juniors, Seniors and their families. It is designed to answer any of your questions about the types of financial aid available and how to apply for them. The Center for College Planning will be sponsor of this workshop as well.

SAT and ACT Test Dates

<u>ACT Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
Dec. 9, 2006	Nov. 3, 2006	Nov. 4-16, 2006
Feb. 10, 2007	Jan. 5, 2007	Jan. 6-19, 2007
April 14, 2007	March 9, 2007	March 10-23, 2007
June 9, 2007	May 4, 2007	May 5-18, 2007

<u>SAT Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
Nov. 4, 2006	Sept. 29, 2006	Oct. 11, 2006
Dec. 2, 2006	Nov. 1, 2006	Nov. 9, 2006
Jan. 27, 2007	Dec. 20, 2006	Jan 4, 2007
March 10, 2007	Feb. 2, 2007	Feb. 14, 2007
May 5, 2007	March 29, 2007	April 11, 2007
June 2, 2007	April 27, 2007	May 9, 2007

ASVAB Tests

The ASVAB will be given on November 8, in the library.

Leaders in Prevention (LIP)  
at the New Hampshire Teen Institute

Four of our students, *Katie Sandin*, *Jeff St. Cyr*, *Brianna Tidd*, and *Jonathan Yelle* have been selected to serve as Teen Institute Youth Staff Members for November's LIP Conference which takes place from November 9 to November 12, 2006. This program provides leadership skills training and learning opportunities in the areas of substance abuse prevention and wellness promotion for middle school youth in New Hampshire.

## Athletics

On October 27, 2006, PMHS hosted a Soccer tournament playoff game between the Boy's Varsity and Berlin High School. (PMHS won 2-0.) Go Timber Wolves!

The Fall Sports Banquet will be held on November 9, 2006 at 6:00 pm. We will meet in the auditorium for the awards and a slideshow, followed by individual team meetings and awards and ending with an ice cream buffet in the cafeteria.

Work on the track has been completed and the lines have been painted. Our student athletes are excited to compete on the new surface that is very comfortable to run on and we are all excited to have the opportunity to host events.

We ask that the public observe the posted rules when using the track. We want to keep it looking new for as long as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.



Congratulations to *Chelsea Hawkins* who won the PMHS sweatshirt and to *Mr. Lee Boston*, who won the embroidered stadium blanket during Parent Night!

The drawing for the winner of the Turkey Raffle will be November 6, 2006.

November 7, 2006, a *silent auction* will be held for a kit of an unassembled Megablocks replica of a *New York Fire Department hook and ladder truck*. An assembled truck will be on display in the ticket booth during Election Day so you can see what it looks. Opening bid is \$50.00.

PTSA Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the library. The next meeting will be held on November 14, 2006.

## Talent Show

The Talent Show has been postponed until Friday, January 5, 2007 at 7:00 pm. Tickets at the door will be \$5.00 each.

## School Play

Auditions for this year's play, *Into the Woods*, will be held on November 20-21, 2006 after school. The play will be performed in May.

PMHS will be going to the state Drama Festival. There is currently a Play Writing Contest underway. First Prize is \$50.00 plus your play gets produced at the Festival. Second Prize is \$25.00. For details on this contest or the state Drama Festival, contact Mr. Anderson at [janderson@pmhschool.com](mailto:janderson@pmhschool.com).



## Timber Wolf Early Literacy Project

Due to funding constraints, the Timber Wolf Early Literacy Project must delay its objective of supplying one book per month to every 3 and 4 year-old child in the towns of Alton and Barnstead. We are working on an alternative program to promote early childhood literacy that will take place at PMHS. Watch for information on the Timber Wolf Early Literacy Project coming soon.

## Parent Forum

On Wednesday, November 15, 2006, there will be a Parent Forum on alcohol and drug issues teens face. Parents of all PMHS students are invited to attend. The forum is sponsored by CoRe and the Alton Community Youth Activities team, and will begin at 6:30 pm in the Auditorium. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for more information.

## Harlem Wizards

The Harlem Wizards will return to PMHS on Tuesday, November 14, 2006 for an evening of basketball and fun. The show begins at 7:00 pm in the gym and tickets are \$8.00 for students and seniors and \$10.00 for the general

public. If you buy your tickets at the door they are \$10.00 for students and seniors and \$12.00 for the general public.

## Exciting Field Trips

### Boston Museum Of Science

Ms. Sweezy's Anatomy and Physiology classes visited the Boston Museum of Science on Thursday, October 26, 2006 to see the Plastination Exhibit. This exhibit is a world famous one in which cadavers are preserved through the plastination process and positioned into various poses so that the muscular skeletal systems can be seen. There are also some organs that have been preserved that are in this exhibit.

### Gettysburg, PA

Mr. Bingham will be taking his AP American History class to Gettysburg, PA, November 3-6, 2006. The class will tour famous battle sites of the Civil War there.

## Concert

There will be a special concert called "A Joyful Noise," on December 8, 2006 at 8:00 pm in the auditorium. This event is a collaborative concert with the Plymouth State University Chamber Singers and Orchestra, Dr. Dan Perkins, Conductor and the PMHS Timberwolf Choir. Our own *Grace Dineen* will be a featured soloist during this evening. Tickets are \$10.00 at the door or you may reserve tickets by calling 875-3800 extension 2014.

## Holiday Shopping Opportunity

On Saturday, December 2, 2006 the sophomore class will offer a babysitting service for children 3 years old and older to anyone who would like to go shopping for the holidays. The service will be available from 10:00 am through 5:00 pm. The cost will be \$2.00 per hour or \$10.00 for the whole day. Please send your child with a bag lunch for this day. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Jamie Bolduc at 875-3800 extension 2014.

## Project Search

PROJECT SEARCH is a series of seminars for advanced, college-bound, intellectually curious high school students, run in collaboration with the University of New Hampshire on its campus. During the school year students from Prospect Mountain along with students

from ten other high schools attend fourteen seminars on a variety of topics at the University of New Hampshire and a concluding field trip to a Boston theater for a Broadway production. Topics so far this year have included *Rachel's Challenge*, a program of changing school climate by a survivor of Columbine High School tragedy and a forum on immigration reform. A great year filled with wonderful experiences is planned for all the participants. Mr. Folan is the advisor and the members are:

<i>Wetherley Rouleau</i>	<i>Erin Brackley</i>	<i>Makina Itchkavich</i>
<i>Jessica Scrocca</i>	<i>Jessica Demers</i>	<i>Ashley Bailey</i>
<i>Ryan Kibel</i>	<i>Courtney Emerson</i>	<i>Caitlyn Chateauneuf</i>
<i>Shirly Ladd</i>	<i>Derek King</i>	<i>Megan DeVito</i>
<i>Emily Folan</i>	<i>Kenneth Blackden</i>	<i>Stephanie Story</i>
<i>Arielle True</i>	<i>Amanda Pellowe</i>	<i>Kory Nerdahl</i>
<i>Kelsie Whitney</i>	<i>Brianna Tidd</i>	<i>Alicia Rogers</i>
<i>Carly Fegley</i>	<i>Karen Sawyer</i>	<i>Krystal Vigue</i>





*Courtney Emerson and Emily Folan listen to a speaker at Project Search. The topic: Affirmative Action.*

## Working With Children Class

Tracing letters? Adding 2 plus 2 at PMHS? It's happening in Mrs. Smith's Working With Children Class. Fifteen high school students planned lessons for twelve 2 – 5 year-olds.

We encouraged fine motor control with *Makina Itchkavich-Levasseur*, by working with home made play dough. *Katelyn Ordway* wrote and performed a play to teach nonviolence and sharing. *Tessa Bartlett* made snickerdoodles with the children and *Nick Cheney* taught five year old Caleb to trace letters and numbers. The class ended with a Halloween Party and trick-or-treating at PMHS. This class will resume Quarter 3 for another 8 week session.

# PMHS Calendar of Events November, 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Dance 6:30-10:30 pm	4
5	6 College Admissions Overview 6:30 pm Library	7 Election Day	8 ASVAB Testing	9 Report Cards and Test Scores Mailed Home  Fall Sports Awards 6:00 pm Auditorium	10 Veterans Day observed No School 	11
12	13	14 NECAP Testing  PTSA Meeting 6:30 pm Library  Harlem Wizards 7:00 pm Gym	15 NECAP Testing  Parent Forum 6:30 pm Auditorium	16 NECAP Testing  Friends of the Music Department Meeting	17 NECAP Testing	18
19	20 Play auditions after school - Auditorium	21 Play auditions after school - Auditorium	22 Thanksgiving Break	23 Thanksgiving Day 	24 Thanksgiving Break	25
26	27	28	29	30		