

News from the Beach

June 28, 2012



Hello Summer!

Forget what the calendar (and the thermometer) has said, this is the week our summer really begins ... Opening Week! On Monday we started our 102nd season at the beach, and you know what has been the best part? (Nope, not the torrential downpours!) The wonder and excitement on children's faces as they walk in for that first time, and the friendships of kids and parents reuniting with old friends on their way out.

These are what KBIA is all about.

And because there is always someone new to KBIA — someone is always visiting us for the first time throughout the eight weeks we're open this summer — we see this scenario play out day after day. "Every day is Opening Day for someone," Executive Director Martin Lodish told his staff last weekend at faculty/staff orientation.

And it's our mission to re-create that wonder for children and foster such a community for families every day. Please join us in kicking off the new season. Welcome back!



Cha-cha-'changes' at KBIA

Surely you have seen the new white tent on campus, but have you seen the four new changing rooms? Open to all, the four new stations are big enough for a family ... and should also free up the two existing bathrooms in nearby Smith House. In back of the new tent are also six new beach lockers, which have been rented out for the season.

Help KBIA 'jump-start' playground project Community invited for a community swim July 7

On Saturday, July 7, KBIA will "jump-start" its community playground fundraising campaign with a community swim. Between 1 and 3 p.m., children are invited to jump in the pool for an open-swim event; lifeguards will be on duty. Admission is by donation, all of which will help fund a new playground at Mother's Beach in 2013.

The playground, built in 1996 and owned by the KBIA, is open to the community at no charge. KBIA is planning to replace all structures in 2013. The new playground, which will include two separate clusters of activities for young and older children, will cost an estimated \$105,000, which includes a new fence.



Those who donate \$25 or more will receive one of these car magnets, designed by KBIA parent and board member Shannon Beer Belanger.

This week at KBIA

Tween Night:

7 to 9 PM Tuesday

Bowling at Vacationland Bowling, Saco. \$22.

Movie Night:

7 to 9 PM Wednesday.

"Toy Story 3" at Smith House, \$7.

**Next week, our regular Movie Night will fall on July 4. In order to allow children to watch the fireworks set off over Kennebunk Beach, we will move Movie Night to Thursday, July 5. The movie will run, as usual, from 7 to 9 PM.* We will not hold our weekly beach BBQ as regularly scheduled on July 4.*

Teen Night:

7 to 9 PM Thursday

Scavenger Hunt around Kennebunkport. \$22.

Please register for all events at the office; or pay at the door for Movie Night.

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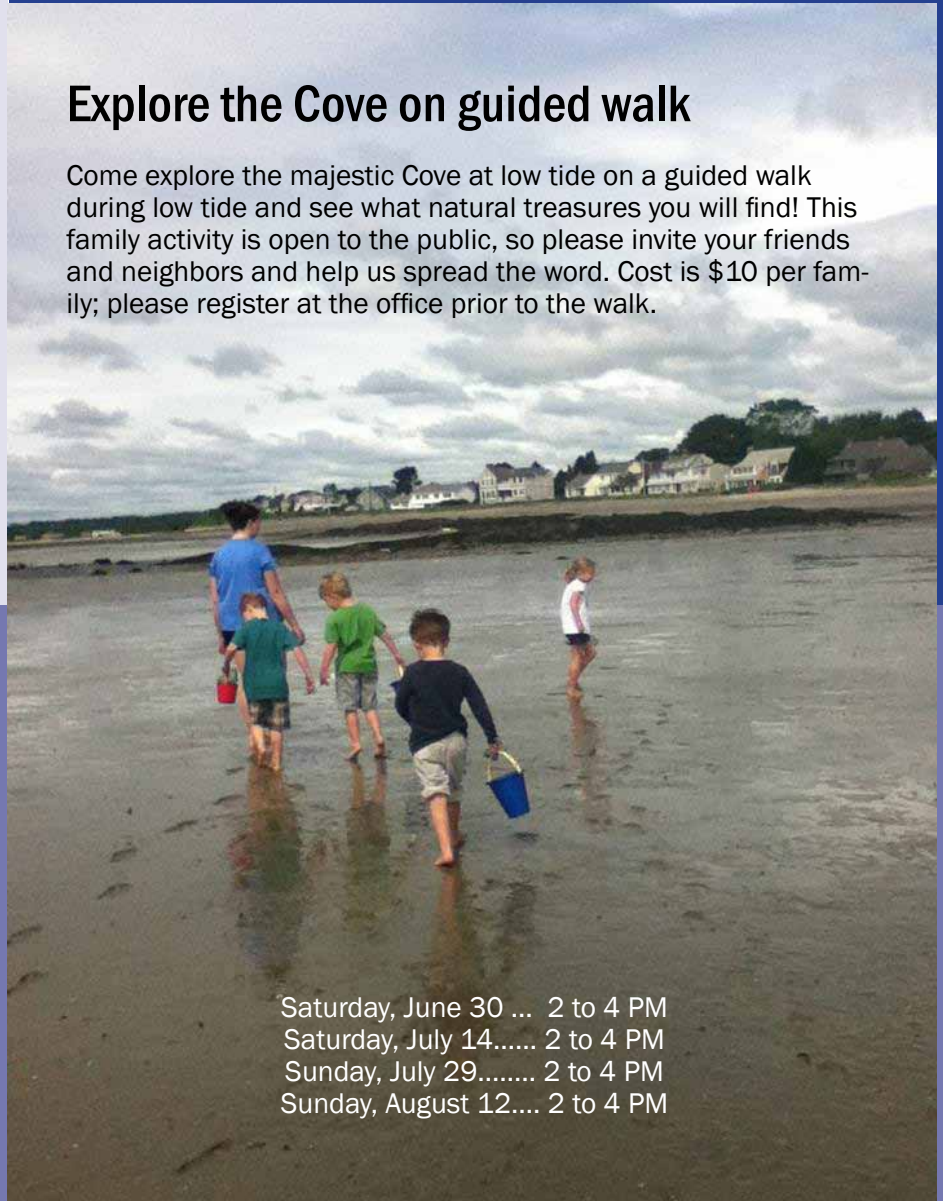
Just another perk of membership: Open sail/kayak weekends!

We invite members of all ages to enjoy KBIA's spectacular waterfront during our scheduled "Open Sail" sessions, which are available to all KBIA members (parents, grandparents and children) who would like to independently enjoy the Cove in one of KBIA's sailboats or kayaks. Previous sailing and kayaking experience is required, as well as a life jacket and closed-toe water shoes.

Saturday, June 30..... 8 to 11 AM
Sunday, July 1..... 8 AM to Noon
Saturday, July 7..... 12:30 to 5 PM
Sunday, July 8..... 1:30 to 5 PM
Saturday, July 14..... 8 to 11 AM
Sunday, July 15..... 8 AM to Noon
Sunday, July 22..... 12 to 4:30 PM
Sunday, July 29..... 8 to 10 AM
Sunday, August 12..... 8 to 10 AM

Explore the Cove on guided walk

Come explore the majestic Cove at low tide on a guided walk during low tide and see what natural treasures you will find! This family activity is open to the public, so please invite your friends and neighbors and help us spread the word. Cost is \$10 per family; please register at the office prior to the walk.



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