



# News from the Beach

November 16, 2012



## Giving thanks

At KBIA, we have so much for which to be thankful: a beautiful seaside lot and property, 102 years of tradition and, of course, our KBIA family. We thank you for your loyal support and dedication again this year as together we continue to carry out our mission at the beach. Each of us -- staff, counselors, children, board members, volunteers and donors -- have played a role in our success, and we thank you for your contributions. This Thanksgiving, we are truly grateful for you! Thank you!

### Give the gift of KBIA

**Store will be open Sunday, Dec. 2**

In town for Prelude ? We invite you to stop by KBIA between 12 and 2 PM Sunday, Dec. 2, when we will open the store for holiday shopping. This is your opportunity to stock up on our exclusive KBIA merchandise that will keep you warm – and dreaming of warm summer days ahead. We have fleece jackets, sweatshirts and sweatpants, as well as Sea Bags, sailing shirts, towels, umbrellas and more! Cash, check, Visa and MasterCard will be accepted.

### Thanks for giving

In this season of giving, we have a unique opportunity to double our impact. An anonymous KBIA family has stepped up to match every donation made to our ongoing playground fund, meaning they will match every dollar we receive, up to \$25,000. Our Board of Directors will meet on Dec. 17 and, based on cash in hand, will decide whether or not to move forward or not on the project this spring.

If we collectively meet the challenge, the \$50,000 boost would put us right near our goal of raising the necessary \$105,000 to replace the playground equipment! Currently, we have collected \$18,000 in new donations since the challenge was issued.

If you plan on donating to this worthy cause, now is the time to donate. Until December 17, your donation will, in effect, make double the impact. Thanks for giving!

## NEWS FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR **Martin Lodish**

Kennebunk Beach and the Maine Coast have long been a destination – not just for those that are seeking an ideal spot to vacation or live, but artists seeking to document the rugged beauty of our coast. Perhaps none is as iconic as Winslow Homer. The Portland Museum of Art is currently holding a wonderful exhibit, “ Weatherbeaten: Winslow Homer in Maine,” so if you are in town for Prelude, it is definitely worth the trip. Additionally, the museum just renovated Homer’s studio on Prout’s Neck and it is open for tours. It books up very quickly, so if this interests you, I recommend that you book a date as soon as you know your summer plans for 2013. Currently, they are booking the spring season, which runs from April 2 to June 13.