

Early Childhood Newsletter

Activities and Events Around the Peninsula, Deer Isle and Stonington



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Holbrook Island Sanctuary

Will be hosting a some fun winter events! Stay tuned!

Winter is Coming...

Bringing trees, lights, craft fairs, plays, parades, holiday events...

This issue is action packed! While we can easily nest in our homes and stay out of the cold, we bring you 10 pages of events, activities, resources and information this time around. We are ever expanding the information we can include!



PENINSULA BIRTH-5 YEARS ACTIVITIES & TIPS GROUP



PENINSULA SKATING RINK

Check Blue Hill website for open skate days.



SLEDDING SPOTS

Tell us where your favorite sledding spots are!

Holiday Events

Ticket availability and costs for some events can be found online at their respective sites.

Craft and Food Fairs (by date)

- November 23rd, 9:00–2:00 pm Blue Hill Consolidated School
- November 23rd, 8:00–1:00 pm Winter Wonderland Fair at the Methodist Church in Brooksville
- November 30th, 9:00–1:00 pm Brooksville Community Center's Fair at the Brooksville Elementary School
- November 30th, 10:00 am Island Community Center in Stonington
- November 30th, 9:00–1:00 pm VFW in Ellsworth sponsored by Boy Scouts
- December 5th, 5:00–7:00 pm Penobscot Community School, includes an Italian dinner by donation at 5:00 pm
- December 6th, 4:00–7:00 pm Holly Berry Fair at Emerson Hall in Castine
- December 7th, 9:00–2:00 pm Parker Ridge
- December 7th, 10:00–1:00 pm Sunshine Church in Deer Isle
- December 7th, 10:00–4:00 pm Bay School Winter Faire in Blue Hill
- December 14th, 10:00 am Brooklin School

Festivals/Parades/Tree Lightings (by date)

- November 21st, 8th Annual Festival of Trees hosted by the Anah Shrine in Bangor
- November 29th, 5:30 pm Lobster Trap Tree Lighting on Main Street in Rockland
- December 4th, 5:00 pm Surry Town Tree Lighting at Memorial Park with caroling
- December 5th, 3:30 pm Annual Tree Lighting in Blue Hill at the Town Office
- December 5th, 5:00 pm Lighting of All Town Trees in Castine
- December 5–8th, varying times 4th Annual Downeast Festival of Trees at the Franklin Veterans Club
- December 7th, 10:30 am 2nd Annual Island Festival of Trees at Island Community Center in Stonington
- December 7th, 11:00–12:00 pm 39th Annual Heart of Ellsworth Christmas Parade



- December 7th, 4:30–7:30 pm Festival of Lights Parade 2019 hosted by Rotary Club of Bangor in Downtown Bangor
- December 7th, 10:30–5:30 pm Annual Holiday Hoopla in Stonington
 - 10:30–12:45 pm Brunch with Santa at ICC
 - 1:00 pm Pictures with Santa, Cookie Decorating and Crafts at Stonington Opera House
 - 2:00 pm Free Popcorn and Movie at Stonington Opera House
 - 3:00–6:00 pm Benefit Dinner with Rockbound Rebekah's at Oddfellow's Hall in Stonington (by donation)
 - 4:30 pm Town Tree Lighting and Caroling with Santa at Hagen Dock
 - 5:00 pm Candy Cane Social at Stonington Public Library
- December 7th, 5:00 pm Tree Lighting, cookie decorating and Santa at Town Hall in Penobscot
- December 14th, 5:00 pm Parade of Lights in Bucksport

Concerts and Plays (by date)

- November 30th, 6:30 pm Robinson Ballet: The Nutcracker at The Grand in Ellsworth
- December 4th, 6:45 pm George Stevens Academy Band Holiday Concert
- December 4th, 7:00 pm Town Band Christmas Concert at the Trinitarian Congregational Parish in Castine
- December 6th, 6:00 pm Frogtown Puppeteers presents The Grinch at The Grand in Ellsworth
- December 7th, 1:00 pm Frogtown Puppeteers presents The Grinch at The Grand in Ellsworth

- December 7th, 2:00–4:20 pm Bangor Symphony Youth Orchestra Holiday Music-a-Thon, Bangor Arts Exchange Ballroom, 193 Exchange Street
- December 12th, 7:00–9:00 pm A Christmas Carol Theatre Production at the Collin Center for the Arts in Orono
- December 13th, 7:00 pm Live Theatre: A Musical Christmas Carol at The Grand in Ellsworth
- December 14th, 1:00 pm 3D Film: The Polar Express at The Grand in Ellsworth
- December 19th, 5:30 pm Adams School Holiday Concert, K-8 grade choir in Emerson Hall in Castine
- December 20th, 7:30–10:30 pm Holiday Concert by the Bagaduce Chorale at the Blue Hill Congregational Church

Santa Sightings (*Santa may be at some of the others events already listed)

- November 30th, 1:00–2:30 pm Eggemoggin Country Store, photos and buggy rides, free pizza from 11:00-12:00 pm
- December 1st, 4:30–6:00 pm Santa is Coming to Brooksville at Buck's Harbor Market and the Brooksville Community Center - fire, hot cocoa, caroling
- December 7th, 10:30–12:45 pm Brunch with Santa at Island Community Center in Stonington
- December 7th, 2:00–4:00 pm Meet Santa's Reindeer at Norumbega Parkway Mall near 80 Central Street in Bangor
- December 8th, 10:45 am Flying Santa with the Castine Fire and Rescue volunteers at Fort George in Castine
- December 8th, 4:00–6:00 pm A Visit to Santa's Village at Maine Discovery Museum - specifically for children, teens and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- December 9th, 7:00 pm Christmas Celebration, music and caroling at the Trinitarian Congregational Parish in Castine
- December 21st, 7:00–10:30 am Breakfast with Santa and the Boy Scouts at the VFW in Ellsworth

Other Holiday Related Events

- November 15–December 31st, 4:00–9:00 pm Gardens Aglow at Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens in Boothbay

- November 22, 6:00 pm Miss Trudi's Holiday Wreath Making Workshop at Maine Discovery Museum in Bangor
- November 22–30th, varying times The Polar Express at the Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad Co. & Museum in Portland
- November 23–December 23rd, varying times Santa Express at the Belfast & Moosehead Lake Railroad in Unity
- November 30th, 10:00–1:00 pm Holiday Open House with Santa's Reindeer at New Sprague's Nursery & Garden Center in Bangor
- November 30th, 2:00 pm Painted Holiday Decorations at the Maine Discovery Museum in Bangor
- December 3rd, 3:30 pm Wreath Making for Kids at the Blue Hill Public Library with the Blue Hill Heritage Trust
- December 6th, 3:00 pm Winter Holiday Storytelling and Craft in Castine at the Compass Rose Books with the Blue Hill Heritage Trust
- December 11th, 3:00 pm Winter Holiday Storytelling and Craft in Brooksville at the Brooksville Free Public Library with the Blue Hill Heritage Trust
- December 12th, 3:30 pm Winter Holiday Storytelling and Craft in Brooklin at the Brooklin Inn with the Blue Hill Heritage Trust

STAY TUNED TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES AS THEY ARE ANNOUNCED!

- Treworgy Farms may be offering sleigh rides and will be announcing schedule soon. They said to monitor their Facebook page for updates.

Need a hat or mittens/gloves?

Island Medical Center in Stonington will be hosting a Hat and Mitten Tree starting around the first week of December!

Several local elementary schools have also collected winter clothing. Please contact your school for additional gear!





Playgroups and Story Hours

*All Playgroups and Story Hours Listed Here are Free!

Parents are Leaders Playgroup on Mondays 9:30–11:30 am (except third Monday of each month) at St. Brendan the Navigator Episcopal Church in Deer Isle – Playgroups offer a chance to participate in fun learning and music. Lessons targeted for children 0-3 but older pre-school children are welcome. You can stay until 12:30pm to chat with Linda Shepard to get parenting tips or advice/referrals/resources for any concerns you may have.

Baby Rhyme Time on the third Monday of each month from 9:30–11:30 am at the Stonington Public Library – Fun, interactive reading/play activities for your little ones. Take home materials and resources are available free after the activity.

Yoga and Story on Tuesdays, 10:00 am at The Gatherings in Surry – community yoga for all ages, reading a seasonal story and relevant yoga series. Great for kids!

Storytime on Tuesdays, 10:30–11:15 am in the Larchwood Room, Blue Hill Public Library – Children ages 0-5 are invited to come hear a story and make a craft to take home!

Storytime/Craft on Tuesdays, 10:30 am in the Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library – Picture books, songs, flannel boards and a craft.

Kindermusik Group on Tuesdays 9:30–10:30 am at the Stonington Public Library – Kindermusik is a fun, learning activity for young children through music and movement. Children experience music of varying types, interact with other children, and engage in movement, rhythm and vocal activities that develop far more than just music skills. These activities boost your child's ability to learn and grow.

Storytime/Craft on Tuesdays, 10:30 am in the Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library – Picture books, songs, fingerplays and simple crafts.

Pre-school Playgroup on Wednesdays, 10:30–12:00 pm in the Howard Room, Blue Hill Public Library – Pre-school Playgroup meets in the Howard Room every Wednesday at 10:30 am.

PJ Storytime on Wednesdays, 6:30 pm in the Boat Room, Ellsworth Public Library – Wear your pj's and bring your favorite stuffed animal.

Community Playgroup on Thursdays 9:30–11:30 am at the Deer Isle Congregational Church – Offers you and your young child(ren) an opportunity to participate in fun learning and music activities.

Weekly Playgroup by Maine Families on Thursdays 10:00–11:30 am at the Congregational Church of Ellsworth – Playgroup for infants and toddlers (birth-3 years old) and their parents or caregivers. Call Maine Families at 667-5304 ext. 260 for more information. You do not have to be currently receiving Maine Families' services to attend.

Story Hour on First Saturdays of the Month 9:00 am at the Stonington Public Library – Stories, crafts and snacks with friends old and new.

Baby Story & Play on Saturdays, 9:00–9:45 am in the Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library – Stories, songs, fingerplays, bounce, movement and lots of play. Have fun getting to know other families.

Story Hour on Saturdays, 10:30–11:30 am at the Friend Memorial Library in Brooklin

My Day to Play Program for Children on the Autism Spectrum every other Sunday, 4:30–6:00 pm at the Maine Discovery Museum in Bangor. Join other families impacted by autism at a time when the Museum is closed to other visitors, special accommodations are made to be "sensory-friendly," and special activities are planned. FMI on My Day to Play, visit their website. Free but donation of \$4.50 per family suggested to keep program operating.

Maine Coast Women's Health Offerings for New Moms

Childbirth Classes - about 7 classes offered per year at Maine Coast Hospital. Classes are FREE to all new parents regardless of where you are receiving prenatal care or planning to deliver. Classes are held on Saturdays, from 9:00–3:30 pm. Call 664-5464 to learn about the next class and sign up.

Breastfeeding Classes - about 6 classes offered per year at Maine Coast Hospital. Classes are FREE to all new parents regardless of where you are receiving care. Classes are held on Saturdays, from 10:00–1:00 pm. Call 664-5464 to learn about the next class and sign up.

Nursing Mom's Support Group - offered certain Thursdays, from 3:30–4:30 pm at Maine Coast Hospital. Groups are FREE and open to all nursing moms regardless of where you delivered or receive care.

Mom's Support Group - offered every 4th Saturday of the month, from 2:00–3:30 pm at Maine Coast Hospital. Groups are FREE and open to all moms (pregnant and postpartum) regardless of where you delivered or receive care.

Family Photographers

HeidiAnna Photography - Sedgwick - find her on Facebook or call (207) 479-8464

Mooky Cherie Photography - Bangor -

www.mookycheriephotography.zenfolio.com

Closer North - Brewer - www.closernorth.com or call (207) 902-2122

Jennifer Smith Photography - Blue Hill - find her on Facebook or call (207) 664-4155

Zi Photography - Ellsworth - www.ziphotographymaine.com or on Facebook

Firechicks Photography - Ellsworth

www.firechicksphotography.com or call (207) 479-9909

Lovelle's Lens - Ellsworth - www.lovelleslens.com or call (207)214-9164

Jenn Marie Photography - Waldo - <https://jennmarie.photography> or call (207) 322-5430

Each photographer listed has a gallery online and there are more photographers than listed here. Do you have a great and trusted family photographer not listed here? Let us know!

Farmers' Markets

Blue Hill – Saturdays from 9:00–12:00 am at Mainescape Winter Market (mid October-April)

Brooklin – Thursdays from 11:00–1:00 pm near library (starting late May-October)

Brooksville – Tuesdays from 9:30–12:00 pm at the Community Center (starting May-September)

Castine – Thursdays from 9:00–11:30 am in Town Square (starting June-August)

Deer Isle – Tuesdays from 4:00–6:00 pm at the 11 Main Street (starting May-November)

Stonington – Fridays from 10:00–12:00 pm at the Island Community Center (starting late May-October)

Dump Garden Farm Stand – Saturdays from 9:00–11:00 am at the Stonington Transfer Station

Magic Food Bus – Will return for the next season in June 2020.

Food Pantries

Tree of Life Food Pantry – Thursdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at 23 South Street in Blue Hill – 374-2900

Stonington Island Pantry – Thursdays from 5:30–7:30 pm at the Island Community Center

Community Meals

The Simmering Pot – First Congregational Church of Blue Hill – 22 Tenney Hill Road – Mondays 2:30–6:00pm Contact: 374-2891

Sedgwick North Baptist Meals Program – 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Contact Community Compass Navigator Tammie Cox at 479-5397 or neighborhoodnavigaortsedg@yahoo.com.

DID YOU KNOW MOST FARMERS MARKETS ACCEPT SNAP?

Ask also about Harvest Bucks!

Spend \$1 in SNAP, Get \$1 in Maine Harvest Bucks that can be used same day or save. More information can be found at www.maineharvestbucks.org or call (207) 370-1524.



Other Local Events for Kids

Pajama Storytime at the Blue Hill Public Library – Thursday, November 21st at 6:00 pm

Blue Hill Public Library invites kids 0 to 5 years of age and their families. Kids are encouraged to wear their pajamas and slippers, and bring a stuffed animal! Participants will enjoy a story or two, as well as sing songs and color pictures. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver over 12 years of age.

Charlotte's Web - Live Theatre Production at The Grand in Ellsworth – Friday, November 22–24 at varying times

\$12 Adults/Seniors, \$8 Students General Admission. Based on the enduring classic Charlotte's Web by Maine author E.B. White, this play tells the story of the beloved pig, Wilbur, and his loyal friends. Determined to save her friend from the butcher's block, Charlotte the spider begins her campaign with the "miracle" of her web in which she writes, "Some pig." It's the start of a victorious campaign that, with the help of several animal and human friends, ultimately ends with the now safe Wilbur doing what is most important to Charlotte. This is a beautiful, knowing play about the joy and pain of growing up, and the true meaning of friendship.

Ages 3-6 Storytime Yoga with Miss Genevieve at the Ellsworth Public Library – Wednesday, December 4th at 5:30 pm

Japanese Folk Storytelling at the Blue Hill Public Library – Saturday, December 7th at 2:00 pm

Kids 5 to 10 year of ages are invited to a. Special Japanese folk storytelling event with Deer Isle artist Frederica Marshall, telling old folk tales from Japan, accompanied by illustrations in the form of her own sumi-e paintings done in traditional format. Free

Wild Sun Catchers Storytime at the Blue Hill Public Library – Tuesday, December 10th at 10:30 am

Kids are invited to a special nature themed story time with Landere Naisbitt of Blue Hill Heritage Trust. Reading the story "Over and Under the Snow" by Kate Messner. After the story, we will do a fun craft with evergreen, cones and berries. Free

Pajama Storytime at the Blue Hill Public Library – Thursday, December 12th at 6:00 pm

Kids are encouraged to wear their pajamas and slippers, and bring a stuffed animal! Participants will enjoy a story or two, as well as sing songs and color pictures. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver over 12 years of age.

DID YOU KNOW?

For every baby born a Maine resident since 2013, the Alfond Scholarship Foundation invests a \$500 Alfond Grant for his or her future qualified higher education expenses. The Alfond Scholarship Foundation invests these funds until the child is ready to use them. The funds can be used for education after high school – college or university, certificate programs and trade schools. And the funds can be used in Maine or out of state. Children awarded the Alfond Grant have until age 28 to use it.

Learn more at: <https://www.myalfondgrant.org>

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Children 15 years and under can get a lifetime fishing, hunting, archery, trapping, combination of two or combination of 3 lifetime

licenses. More information at: <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/fishing-boating/fishing/laws-rules/license-requirements.html>

Remember, it's hunting season. Wear your bright orange when going outside!

Did you know that unless a property is marked, it's open for hunters? Also, some of the BHHT sites do allow hunting.

Youth Clubs and Workshops

Boy Scouts at the Ellsworth Congregational church in Ellsworth – Tuesdays 6:15–7:30 pm

Boys and girls grades 6-12 welcome!

Messy Art at the Maine Discovery Museum – Every Wednesday 11:00 am

Little artists can experiment with new, fun painting tools and bright colors. Each session starts with a short demonstration of the project and tools followed by free exploration and creating time guided and encouraged by our staff and volunteers. Recommended for ages 2-5 and free with admission.

Lego Club at the Blue Hill Public Library – Every Other Wednesday 3:00–4:00 pm

Come build and create with Legos! The library will provide the Legos and creations will be on display in the Larchwood Room for one week. This event is for kids ages 5 and up. Kids under 8 years of age must be accompanied by a caregiver at least 12 years of age. For more information, call the library at 374-5515.

Youth Chess Club at the Blue Hill Public Library – Thursdays 3:00–3:45 pm

Kids are invited to our new chess club! We will provide chessboards, but participants are welcome to bring their own. Snacks will be provided. This event is free and all levels are welcome. No experience needed and we will teach you how to play.

Dungeons and Dragons Club at The Surry Gatherings – First and Third Fridays of each month at 4:30 pm

Family-friendly club for all those looking to play Dungeons and Dragons or other tabletop role-playing games to come together and enjoy an adventure together. Anyone who is interested is welcome to play.

Globe T-Readers at the Stonington Public Library – Every Third Saturday 9:30 am

Ages 7-10 – Travel the world country by country through chapter and non-fiction books; snacks and crafts included.

Friends of the Library Book Sale at the Blue Hill Public Library – First Saturday 9:00–2:00 pm

Located in the Library's basement. There will be a great selection of books for all ages, and *kids visiting the sale will be able to choose a free book*. Most books are still only a dollar or two. There is also a \$1 book sale on the second floor at times throughout the year.

Crafternoons! at the Blue Hill Public Library – Last Saturday of the month 1:00–3:00 pm

Different craft every month and no experience is needed. Children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by a caregiver at least 12 years of age. Library provides materials and inspiration.

Cub Scouts at The Gatherings in Surry – Sundays 3:00–4:00 pm

Boys and girls grades K-5 welcome!

Board Games Night at The Gatherings in Surry – Sundays 6:30–8:00 pm

All ages, any game. Bring your favorites!

Youth Open Mic Night and Potluck Supper at The Gatherings - Last Sunday of every month 5:30–8:30 pm

Presented by Truth Virus Youth, an all-ages open mic and potluck dinner as an outlet for youth creativity. Contact Dave Rocha at 659-2059 for more information.

Healthy Peninsula announces a new pilot program starting December 13th!

Positive Parenting Circles are a direct response to our 2018 data collection. We asked, you answered and we're responding!

Positive Parenting Circles will be a once monthly networking and educational gathering.

We are looking for families with children 0-3 preferably. Once started this would be a closed group. This will be a free program and we'd love for you to join us!

If you are interested or know a family who may benefit, let us know! Contact me at: egarvey@healthypeninsula.org.

Local Childcare Providers

For up-to-date information on availability and cost, please contact each childcare center individually.

The Bay School "Morning Garden"	Blue Hill	374-2187
*Coming Soon – Community Childhood Learning Place	Castine	207-326-8881
Cubby Hole Too	Blue Hill	610-3488
Christy Whitmore - Ladybugs and Dragonflies	Surry	271-7405
*Coming Soon – Golden Sun Childcare	Blue Hill & Sargentville	207-266-6509
Jennifer McCall - Hearthstone Forest School	Sedgwick	359-8406
Island Childcare	Stonington	367-5887
Terri Lee Jones - Just for Kids	Stonington	367-5849
Meghan Dee Gross - Muddee Hands *Offers after-school care only	Deer Isle	348-6727
The Fiddlehead School	Deer Isle	508-439-0903
Puddle Jumpers	Deer Isle	460-8875
Skip to My Lou Day Care	Penobscot	702-1978
Nestled Inn Child Care	Penobscot	624-1575

For information about Head Start Programs, contact: Downeast Community Partners - 664-2424

Thinking of becoming a licensed childcare provider?

Visit childcarechoices.me to learn more about the application process! We are a community in need of more childcare access.



For more information about licensed child care providers, quality measures, licensing, license-exempt monitoring and subsidy programming, visit www.childcarechoices.me.

Maine Child Care Subsidy Program: www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/ec/occhs/step.htm

Helps eligible families to pay for child care. Eligible families must meet income guidelines and at least one of the activities of: work, school or a job-training program.

Apply at your local DHHS office or online at: www.maine.gov/MyMaineConnection.

Local Resources for Families with Young Children

Catholic Charities – 775-5671

Services include short-term therapy in-home or office, children's case management, therapeutic foster care, migrant family services.

Child Development Services (CDS) Office for Hancock County – 1-877-770-8883

Child Development Services Early Intervention program is a free services provider to children and their families from birth to age 3 through the Maine Department of Education. We provide no cost developmental screenings and evaluations in the child's natural environment. If eligible families of children with a developmental delay are offered evidence based practices that support the child's outcomes. CDS welcomes referral from parents, caregivers or physicians.

Community Compass – 479-3076

Services include local community navigators who connect individuals with basic needs, counseling, educational and job trainings. Linda Shepard coordinates PALS (Parents are Leaders) groups in Deer Isle-Stonington. They also offer campships to Nichols Day Camp in the summer.

Community Closet in Ellsworth – 266-7242 – 25 Eastward Lane, Suite #12

Monday's 9-2, Wednesday's 9-2 and Thursday's 4-7

Community clothes closet now with home décor, household items, movies and furniture. Visit their website for current pricing at www.communityclosetellsworth.org.

Deer Isle Adult Education Center – 348-6443 – 251 North Deer Isle Road

Offers family literacy, Apex classes, study space and internet access, enrichment classes, workforce training, exam proctoring, HiSET and college transitions for adults in the Deer Isle-Stonington community.

Downeast Community Partners – 664-2424 – www.downeastcommunitypartners.org

Lifespan opportunities and services. Early Child Care and Education Programs including Head Start in Deer Isle/Stonington. Heating Assistance, Transportation Assistance, Child Abuse and Neglect Services. Local CAP agency for the area.

Early Childhood Consultation & Outreach (ECCO) – 667-7171

Provides support and training to childcare staff, teachers and parents working with and raising children ages birth to 8 years old.

Emera Maine - 973-2000

Low-Income Assistance Program, Heat Pump Rate Reductions Available, Arrearage Management Program

Island Health and Wellness – <https://islandhealthwellnessfoundation.wordpress.com>

Organization that supports Camp Kooky, free and reduced dental care, medical appointment transportation, Move It to Lose It and Opiate Free Island Partnership.

Maine Families of Hancock County – 667-5304 (x-225)

Home visitors provide information on infant development and support for families with newborns.

Maine Family Planning – 922-3222 – 248 State Street in Ellsworth

Services include primary care, reproductive healthcare and family support services. Maine Family Planning is also our local WIC office. There is availability for virtual visits as well.

Maine Parent Federation – 588-1933

A non-profit organization connecting families of children who have disabilities or special health care needs to information, referrals, support and training. Services are offered at no cost.

Office of Child and Family Services – 1-877-680-5866

www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/ec/occhs/infoparents.htm

Information on types of childcare, voucher program, licensing and links to other sites.

Special Children's Friends – 667-2430

Community-based playgroups for children with developmental delays, nursery school programs, individual developmental therapy for children birth through five years, case management.

*We are adding to this list. Additionally we will be updating a separate Family Resource Guide that will include a comprehensive listing of doctors, dentists, therapists and local service organizations. We will distribute through medical offices, schools, town offices and local childcare providers.

Early Childhood Interest Group

Healthy Peninsula hosts a monthly meeting called the Early Childhood Interest Group! All are welcome to attend. Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month at 4:00 pm in the Blue Hill Public Library. Meetings includes program updates from early childhood programming and professionals, community conversations about early childhood as well as networking,
Contact Sandy Phoenix at sphoenix@healthypeninsula.org to learn more or drop in for a meeting!

To find the people who can help...
communityresourceguide.org

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Our new ventures with the Family Resource Center are thanks to grant funding by the Maine Community Foundation. As a part of our efforts, we we would really like to know how we are doing, if we're making an impact and how we can improve things to better provide information to our families. We have created an evaluation and would love to hear your input!

As an added incentive, we will be doing a raffle drawing every 3 months for a \$50 gift card.



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Use the QR code here or at any of our Mobile Resource Centers or visit: <https://forms.gle/oa3xohgC5DnwcchZ6>

Your feedback will be much appreciated!

As always, if you have anything to add to our newsletter or if you would like more information, please contact Erica Garvey at egarvey@healthypeninsula.org.

