



# FOX CROFT

## ACADEMY

### *From the desk of the Head of School*

#### Dates to Remember:

**Early Release for Students-**  
February 15<sup>th</sup>

**February Vacation-** February  
18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Winter Carnival Week-**  
February 25<sup>th</sup> – March 2<sup>nd</sup>

**One Act Play-** March 1<sup>st</sup> and  
2<sup>nd</sup>, Center Theatre

**Winter Carnival Semi-  
Formal-** March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8-11 p.m.



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#### **Piscataquis County Ice Arena Informational Meeting**

In late November, administrators from Foxcroft Academy and representatives from the Libra Foundation met for the first time with local town officials in regard to the newly named Piscataquis County Ice Arena (PCIA) being built in Dover-Foxcroft. On Tuesday, January 15th, Foxcroft Academy welcomed members of the local community to the first public meeting about the PCIA. Both Libra and FA want area residents to understand this arena is being constructed for the community, not just Foxcroft Academy, as the name of the building states. The PCIA facility is owned by the Libra Foundation and Foxcroft Academy will be in charge of operations. The meeting was well attended with the audience participating and sharing ideas for programming and organizational structure. Andrew Jacobs, Director of the PCIA, shared construction progress and the different systems that will be part of the building. Lucas Butler, representing the Libra Foundation, answered questions and provided information. Next steps include the formation of various committees such as the PCIA Advisory Committee, Youth Hockey Committee, etc. Emails of the participants were collected and information will be sent periodically as more information becomes available. If you would also like to be part of this email group, please contact Ms. Weatherbee with your email address. We are all very excited about this new facility and with everyone working together it is our hope that many different programs will emerge for the enjoyment of the whole region.

#### **Foxcroft Academy Hosts District V Honors Festival**

This weekend Foxcroft Academy will be hosting the District V Honors Festival, with the Honors Concert taking place at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, January 26th, in the Foxcroft Academy Gymnasium. Students from the area schools that comprise District V were selected due to their excellence in band or chorus. They, the students, will work with guest conductors, Dr. Jackie Townsend from USM, Jeremy D. Milton from the University of Connecticut, and Beth LaBrie, Executive Director of the MMEA on Friday and Saturday and perform at the concert on Saturday which is open to the public with the admittance price of \$3 for adults, \$2 for children/seniors, and \$10 for a family. Congratulations to the following Foxcroft Academy musicians selected for this honor: Aine Casey, Ethan Curtis, Esa Ranta, Andrew Marston, Gabriel Chambers, Emelia Grant, Kylie Butts, Hannah Poland, Brigid Casey, Megan Fuller, and Mark Kilmer.



#### **Ms. Rublee, the First Exchange Teacher to go to Prague**

Ms. Rublee, Language Arts faculty member, will be the first teacher to participate in the exchange program with Foxcroft Academy's sister school in Prague, Czech Republic. Ms. Rublee will be teaching during the American Academy's third trimester and will leave for Prague in mid-March. During this same period a student from American Academy in Prague will be attending classes at FA. This is a great opportunity for all involved.