



## Ferry Beach Ecology School Sets the Standard!

### Fall 2011 Score Card

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| ✈ Residential Program Participants  | 1,552        |
| ✈ Field Trip Participants   | 1,281        |
| ✈ Outreach & Event Participants   | 1,585        |
| ✈ Participating Schools   | 28           |
| <b>✈ Total Program Participants</b>   | <b>4,858</b> |
| <small>(including adult/teacher chaperones and workshop participants)</small> |              |

### 85,000 and Counting...

Since Ferry Beach Ecology School was founded in 1998, more than 85,000 people have participated in our programs and events. This fall the 16 FBES Naturalists, Nurse Diane and the admin team had the pleasure of providing ecology education and activities to more than 4,800 people from all over New England!

### Reinvesting in Statewide Environmental Ed.



**During a school field trip to FBES, students get the opportunity to explore the beach at low tide. This student discovers the empty egg case of a sea skate!**

In a commitment to increasing the availability of quality environmental education for all Maine students, the Ferry Beach Ecology School Board has voted to extend a \$15,000 challenge grant to the Maine Environmental Education Association (MEEA). This money, along with the matching funds raised, will support a staff

person to help implement Maine's recently adopted Environmental Literacy Plan. The FBES Board voted to use interest funds earned in our Domini investment account to reinvest in this statewide initiative. MEEA hopes to fill the staff position this winter and we will keep everyone updated on the status of this effort.

## The ELLMS Project raises \$290,000 for Residential Environmental Education in Maine

As announced in the spring newsletter, Ferry Beach Ecology School has formed a partnership with the Chewonki Outdoor Classroom for Schools (Wiscasset), the UMaine 4-H Camp and Learning Center at Bryant Pond, and the UMaine 4-H Camp and Learning Center at Tanglewood (Lincolnville). This unprecedented collaboration is called *Environmental Living and Learning for Maine Students: The ELLMS Project*.

The ELLMS Project will help provide residential environmental education to Maine public school students and encourage them to develop a lifelong commitment to environmental sustainability and stewardship, outdoor exercise and recreation, good nutrition, community-building and civic engagement through positive, nature-based activities, lessons and challenges. The project will also spur students' understanding of the connections between natural resources and the economy so that they will be better prepared to participate in the "green economy."

The project has already caught the attention of leaders in the field of environmental education and major funders. The ELLMS Project has received \$290,000 in grants to date. Five foundations have contributed for the 2011-2012 school year. The Elmina B. Sewall Foundation granted the ELLMS Project \$125,000. Megan Shore of the Sewall Foundation says, "Providing opportunities for

Maine's school children to learn about and connect with the environment is an essential part of strengthening Maine's communities, economy and health. The collaborative nature and strong track record of the organizations involved in this program, as well as the potential to reach so many children throughout the state, is very compelling."

The other foundations supporting the ELLMS Project to date are the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation (\$5,000), the Sam L. Cohen Foundation (\$20,000), the Quimby Family Foundation (\$40,000), and Jane's Trust (\$100,000). Cohen Foundation Executive Director Nancy Brain says that her foundation was impressed with the collaborative spirit of the ELLMS Project. "It's rare that we see competing organizations come together like this for a common goal. The combination of what these non-profits offer collectively is going to make a huge impact on Maine students. We'd love to see more Maine organizations follow this model."

**Ferry Beach Ecology School will receive \$64,000 of the \$290,000 raised to support residential programs at FBES.** Executive Director Drew Dumsch says there is still a long way to go to make ELLMS financially sustainable. "We're working on ways to ensure that all Maine students, regardless of family income, have access to residential environmental

education. ELLMS will allow us to share best practices and administrative resources, reach a much greater number of public school students, particularly underserved students, and work together to teach a rising generation how to be responsible stewards of their environment, their own health, their communities and their state."

For more information about the ELLMS Project, visit [www.ellms.org](http://www.ellms.org).



**While learning about predator/prey relationships, a student camouflages during a lesson at Ferry Beach as a part of her residential trip.**





“My favorite part of all the lessons was learning outside. I’m dying to go back to FBES. When I am older I want to be a Naturalist. I love nature. I wish I brought another camera because I used up all the pictures in the one I had. My family now eats family-style, which is pretty cool. Thank you for taking time to teach us about nature.”

Maggie  
6<sup>th</sup> grade student  
Josiah Bartlett  
School, NH



As Executive Director, I spend more than my fair share of time behind a desk, on the phone or typing away at the computer. Making sure the FBES ship is sailing straight ahead means I analyze numbers & spreadsheets, write & rewrite, wheel & deal to fill our schedule, review past performance & strategize the future. That’s not to say my position doesn’t have joyful perks now and again that get me acting in a zany eco-skit or outside watching a naturalist teach an ecosystem lesson.

At our recent Eco Appetito event, the crowd stood enjoying tasty appetizers and drinks when out came Team Admin (Mo, Alex, Meg, Krysta, John and me) to present “Jamie Oliver’s Food Evolution” skit. Yours truly was playing the celebrity chef whose TV reality show focuses on getting students to eat healthier school lunches. As in the case of the real Jamie Oliver, I fell to my knees in tears and blurted out “Help! Why can’t you people see what I’m trying to do here? Don’t you know there’s a national food crisis?! Am I all alone in this fight?!” My acting hysteries were then brought under control by our *Food for Thought* program coordinator, John Ibsen (playing himself), who calmly pointed out that there are many people (like those of us at FBES and all the students, teachers and supporters we work with) who are addressing the challenges of creating sustainable food systems.

I’ll admit that in these Tea Party- Occupy Wall Street- Congressional Deadlock- Climate Changing times, Jamie

NOTES FROM FBES

We’re all in this together!

By Drew Dumsch  
FBES Executive Director

Oliver style emotions do rise to the surface but then I think back to something Matt Dubel said during his systems education workshop at Ferry Beach last spring:

**“When the times are tumultuous, it is a perfect time for reinvention.”**

I feel blessed on a daily basis to witness this reinvention with FBES staff developing innovative new curriculum, with the creation of the *ELLMs* Project (page 1), and with the exciting results of *SELU’s* Year Two Impact Study (page 3). Creating a healthy, happy sustainable

future is never easy work but knowing that we’re all in this together, that collaboration and community building have tangible, immediate and positive results (just read the sidebar comments throughout this newsletter!)—this is what keeps me so energized as Ferry Beach Ecology School makes its way through the current rough seas of education reform and economic stagnation—with the growing flotilla of other like-minded individuals and organizations!—towards a much brighter horizon.

**Pictured left: Drew takes the stage as Jamie Oliver during a skit on sustainable food systems at the Eco Appetito Fundraiser event.**

Letter from FBES Board President

Several years ago, after working for MassAudubon, I realized that the best way for children to understand ecology was not through one-shot programs, but through sustained experiences. Ferry Beach Ecology School’s residential program was just what I was looking for. The curriculum drew me in and the magic and mystery that pervades the program hooked me into a long-term relationship.

As a middle school teacher, I know the limitations of the public school systems. The constraints that are put on our school curriculum almost preclude the teaching of ecology (or even getting kids outside the building). Beyond its well-known FBES residential program, Ecology Education, Inc. has become a leader in promoting ecology education in and out of the schools. Its *Food for Thought* and *SELU* programs, staff involvement in state-wide, regional, and national initiatives, and staff development outreach are all breaking new ground in the field and extending learning beyond the classroom walls.

We have been very fortunate as an organization to have had great leadership, talented and committed staff, an exceptional location, and schools that keep returning. This is made possible with the continuing committed support of our many stakeholders. Moving forward we will only be able to maintain these high standards if all of our supporters recommit themselves to our continuing mission.

To our supporters, our staff, administration, and thousands of program participants, I give thanks.  
~Mike Hansen, Former FBES Naturalist  
President, Ecology Education, Inc. Board of Directors



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We welcome your comments and contributions. Send them to Maureen at maureen@fbes.org or by mail to the address below.

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Since 1998, Ferry Beach Ecology School has brought quality ecology education programs to more than 85,000 children and adults throughout New England. In everything we do – residential programs and field trips on our campus, outreach and workshops at schools, camps and publications – we accentuate the magic, mystery and wonder of nature so that children and adults can better understand and care for the environment.

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Selu, the mascot of FBES' multi-year programs.

# SELU Keeps FBES Busy this Fall!



this to report on his namesake program (*Science & Ecology: Live & Unplugged!*) in Year Five:

After its humble beginnings back in 2007-2008 working with Lebanon's



K-5th and Biddeford's 4th & 5th grade students, the *SELU* program has grown to include nearly 5,000 students in Maine! We are now working with 15 schools in

Selu the Seal certainly is a winsome little scamp! As mascot of our multi-year, cumulative programming model, he had

6 school districts with students from 17 communities.

With programs ranging from field trips to schoolyard ecology lessons, and from classroom visits to assembly programs, all of the *SELU* programs have one thing in common: a culminating residential, overnight experience at Ferry Beach Ecology School.

Of course, *SELU* isn't all fun and games (ecologically relevant, of course). *SELU* is also in its 3rd year of a comprehensive assessment system: a series of evaluation tools created to measure the efficacy of the *SELU* program model.

This Impact Study - implemented with the help of assessment consultant PEER Associates in Vermont - utilizes student and educator surveys, focus groups and pre-/post content concept mapping to determine to what extent, and under what conditions, the *SELU* program is associated with increases in these measures: environmental

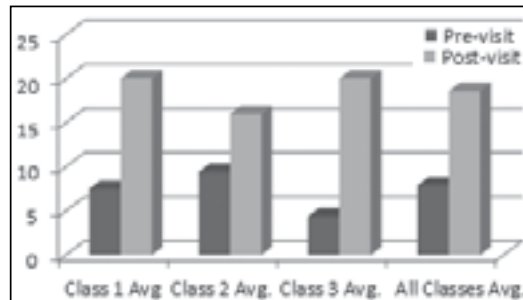
stewardship measure, and for six of the eight measures at the 5th grade level.

Some of the most striking representations of applied student knowledge could be seen in the post-concept mapping (see bar graph, below) completed by 5th graders after their residential FBES experience. These semantic webs included an average of 200% (Yes folks, you read that right!) more content about ecosystems than before the residential program. As Principal PEER evaluator Michael Duffin noted: "The improvement from pre- to post- is significant and obvious."

Teachers also weighed in: after reporting very high ratings of program quality, they went on to request more field trips to Ferry Beach, even more hands-on elements in FBES lessons, and additional resources for teachers (including professional development workshops).

Additionally, teachers reported that *SELU* helped students achieve greater mastery of science curriculum standards, and even some English/Language Arts and Math standards. All very exciting news, indeed!

As we enter our 5th year of *SELU* with Maine students, we remain energized. Both the quantitative and anecdotal feedback of the Impact Study and our continued contact with



Student's applied content knowledge, represented in graph form.

the familiar faces of our students and teachers gives the *SELU* program wings. Or, in my case, flippers. Rock on, *SELU*!



Students from SAD#60 explore outdoors during school visits, field trips to FBES and during their residential experience at our coastal campus.



"Ferry Beach is definitely a memory I'm never going to forget. It's a place where you can be free and find your way of life as well as being able to learn. Where you can have fun, be with friends, and just be happy!"

Lindsey  
5th Grade Student  
Lebanon  
Elementary  
School

## 2011 Grant Support for FBES Programs

### FBES Program Fund

Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation - \$10,000

UNUM- \$1,500

Wright Express - \$500

Wing-Benjamin Trust - \$500

PeoplesChoice Credit Union - \$250

### Food for Thought

5% Day Whole Foods Market Portland - \$6,545.22

Unity Foundation - \$250

### Science & Ecology: Live & Unplugged!

WalMart Foundation - \$25,000

Poland Spring Water Company - \$43,450

(to support RSU 16 and Bonny Eagle Middle School)

Sam L. Cohen Foundation - \$15,000 (to support Biddeford)

Maine Community Foundation - \$4,500

Ferguson Foundation - \$2,000 (to support RSU 16)

IDEXX - \$1,000

Barber Foods - \$250 (to support Lincoln Middle School)

stewardship, comfort outdoors, ecological knowledge, academic engagement, classroom climate and personal development (i.e. leadership, self-esteem, cooperation).

In a move to further strengthen the evaluation's findings, a control group was added in Years Two to Six. Prior to having any FBES programming, students from a new *SELU* school (added 2011-12), completed the same survey as students in their 2nd and 4th years of *SELU* as a control group.

The comparisons were impressive: 2nd and 4th year *SELU* students reported significantly higher outcomes than the control group students in all grades for the environmental

# Summer Camp Wrap-Up



This summer had an exciting roster of camp and summer program participants! Weeks 1 & 2 of Garden Camp had a combined enrollment of 31 campers, aged 6-13, including 17 returning campers, three of whom helped out as junior counselors. Our Family Day Camp welcomed four

families, aged 6-60, with participants from Maine, Massachusetts and California. And the Henry Hall students from Baltimore's National Aquarium returned for their 3rd year of Ferry Beach Ecology School's summer field studies, spotting a seal during their exploration of the tide pools.

"This is a great experience for young people. They are getting a taste of independence by sleeping away from home and they are experiencing ocean life and sunrises that some may never see again in their lifetimes."

Judy LaFlamme  
parent chaperone  
Biddeford, Maine



Drew and Meg,

Thank you so much for a wonderful program experience this summer! Even with the hot weather, we had a great time and learned a lot. One of the campers said, "Maine was great. The different ecosystems and animals were cool." Tidepooling ranked as one of the favorite activities of the week. The young seal made that one special for everyone. I really appreciate your effort and enthusiasm for what you do.

~Kathy Fuller  
Youth Programs Coordinator  
National Aquarium in Baltimore



Photos (clockwise, left to right): Henry Hall students from Baltimore's National Aquarium during their tide pool field study; Maddie, a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Garden Camper, with the garlic clove she harvested; Odette Dansereau and her granddaughter attended Family Camp together; Garden Campers present their corn husk dolls.



Hi Meg,

Just want to make sure you know we had a wonderful time and unique experience. Isabelle will grow up with fond memories of her Ecology Camp and that is very important to me... to create wonderful memories for my grandchildren!

Thank you for your dedication, passion and enthusiasm!

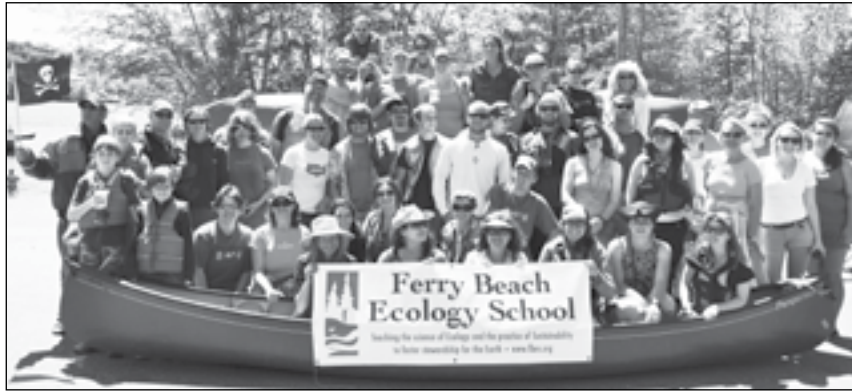
~Odette Dansereau  
Nature Camp participant

# They Came, They Canoed, They Conquered (the trash)

On June 4th, 19 boats and 43 people took to the water to pull an interesting assortment of trash from the Saco River as part of the 12th Annual Canoe-A-Thon and Saco River Clean-Up. Our volunteers found countless bottles and cans, tires of every size, the cover of a hot tub, a car fender and a lawn mower! Saco Public Works drove away with a truck filled with the garbage we took out of the river.

The Canoe-A-Thon and Saco River Clean-Up continues to help us give back to the Saco community and raise money for the Ferry Beach Ecology School Program Fund.

Through event sponsorships and pledges, Ferry Beach Ecology School raised approximately \$2,200 to support our Program Fund. Our Program Fund provides the opportunity for us to scholarship or subsidize



school groups from economically disadvantaged communities in Maine who might otherwise not have the chance to experience our outdoor, hands-on ecology education programs. In 2010 Ferry Beach Ecology School provided scholarships for 5,350 students at a value of \$183,200.

Special thanks to all the volunteers who spent their Saturday afternoon with us and also to the event sponsors – 98.9 WCLZ, Rotary Club of Saco Bay, P&C Insurance, Whole Foods Market Portland, Starbucks of Saco, Prime Motor Group and Worthing & Going CPAs.



“Thrilled to hear of all the good work you all continue to do! It lifts my heart – hope for our planet! Thanks!”

Judith Morse  
FBES Supporter  
Cambridge, MA



*Photos, left to right: Assistant Director John Ibsen rounds up trash at the take-out in Camp Ellis; FOAMer Katrina Vanhuizen brought a friend to help with the efforts; volunteer Peter Knight grills up a storm with ingredients donated by Whole Foods; naturalists paddle back towing - rather, riding - a hot tub cover pulled from the river. Above: Canoe-A-Thon participants gather just before launching.*

## Volunteer Spotlight ~ Captain Carl

Captain Carl Lagerstrom has braved the waters of the Saco River for the past six years to assist with our Canoe-A-Thon and Saco River Clean-Up. Owner of Bare Knee Point Kayaks in Saco, Captain Carl feels strongly about volunteering for this event because he lives and works on the water. Captain Carl is a third generation Saco resident who had a boat before he had a bike. He simply loves the Saco River and describes it as a jewel between the twin cities of Saco and Biddeford!

Each year Captain Carl has joined the other volunteers and the FBES staff to travel down the Saco River to pull trash from the river. He offers his larger boat to transport collected garbage from the smaller canoes and kayaks to the pier in Camp Ellis. Captain Carl's enthusiasm for the project and his quirky sense of humor energizes the entire crew and makes for a truly entertaining experience. When asked about the more interesting items that have been extracted from the river, Captain Carl has a long list, but tops it off with a roll of rusty barbed wire and “enough car parts to build an entire car including tires, engine, carburetor and doors!”

Captain Carl believes that Ferry Beach Ecology School is important because we are getting young people involved in river clean-up projects and instilling an appreciation of nature and the river at an early age.

Thank you Captain Carl Lagerstrom for your dedication to Ferry Beach Ecology School, the students we serve and your beloved Saco River!



*Captain Carl hauls in all sorts of flotsam and jetsam aboard his skiff during the Canoe-A-Thon. Pictured above with an owl decoy, several tires and barbed wire loaded into his skiff.*

# FBES Welcomes Ollie Dufilho



Alda Ozette Dufilho resting after a hike.

Alda Ozette "Ollie" Dufilho was born on August 5th to her FOAM (Ferry Beach Order of Alumni Masters) parents Nora Beem (Fall 05 and 06) and Mike Dufilho (Fall 05, 06 and 07). The couple met at Ferry Beach, married in March 2010 and live in Jackson, NH.

Continuing to educate young people about nature and ecology, Nora is the Outreach Coordinator at Tin Mountain Conservation Center in Albany, NH, and Mike is the Education Coordinator for AMC's A Mountain Classroom. Congratulations to the Dufilho family from your FBES family!



"I am currently working as the Science Education Coordinator for the Aquarium and Botanic Garden in New Mexico. It's a great job, and every day I thank my lucky stars that I learned how to teach about coastal ecology at Ferry Beach! With much gratitude for all I learned while working at FBES and for the skills (and tool box) I still use every day!"

Tallie Segal  
FBES Naturalist  
Fall 2005

## Letter from a FOAMer

Hey Drew,

June 8, 2011

I found myself thinking about FBES this week. A few weeks ago I stumbled into some part time/contract work doing environmental education at the Keystone Science School in Colorado. I haven't done any form of EE since I left FBES in 2003, so I thought it might be fun to scrape the rust off and give it a try again. At first I was a little scared/intimidated by this opportunity. Eight years off is loooooong time. However in the same sense I was excited! As I prepared for the weeks ahead I thought back to all the wonderful times teaching on the beach. I pulled out a few old teaching notebooks and found a few newspaper articles about the programs we ran when I was there. It all started to come back to me like riding a bike.

Yesterday I was teaching a watersheds/stream ecology class and decided to pull out the old ABC's... amazing! Just as before, the kids from inner-city Denver latched onto the concept. I shared it with my fellow teachers and they were excited at the opportunity to add it to their lessons as well. In all honesty, the second I started speaking of Abiotics the fears/concerns went away. It was like being at home again. :-)

I just wanted to say a quick THANK YOU to you, Kim, Alex, and the rest of the FBES staff for my amazing experience and for helping me to scrape the rust off.

Thanks again!  
~Jeff Grabham,  
2002/2003 FBES Naturalist



Jeff leading a science lesson with the Keystone Science Center in Colorado

# Ferry Beach Ecology School Fall 2011 Staff



From left to right starting in the back row: Nurse Diane LaPointe, Chrissy Constant, Brooks Letchworth, Matt Baer, Ted Pietrzak. Second row: Tess McCloud, Sarah Trapido, James Prendergast, Lauren Bentson, Jess McMahon, Program Naturalist Krysta Zambroski, Outreach Director Meg Edstrom, Residential Program Director Alex Grindle, Hannah Wilhelm, Assistant Director John Ibsen. Down front: Executive Director Drew Dumsch, Hilary Barnard, Emily Cook, Brita Stepe, Maggie Griset, Megan Connor, Amy Salowitz, Associate Director Maureen Duggan.

# Eco Appetito: A Savory Feast

More than 70 people attended the 4th Annual Eco Appetito hosted by Cinque Terre Restaurant in Portland on October 2nd. Sous Chef Chris Geer and the staff at Cinque Terre outdid themselves by creating mouth watering culinary creations from all of the food that was donated from

local farms, dairies, bakeries and fishermen. The Maine-produced beverages were the perfect way to wash down all those tasty dishes.

Thirty vendors provided food and beverages to be served at the event and 47 companies and individuals donated items for the silent auction. The event

brought in more than \$6,600 for the *Food for Thought* program at Ferry Beach Ecology School with the silent auction alone raising \$3,300! Music provided by Sam Southworth and Isaac Chadbourne were the icing on the cake for this foodie extravaganza.

We heartily thank all the

folks who helped make this event a success – the donors, the guests and our volunteer wait staff! Visit [www.ecoappetito.org](http://www.ecoappetito.org) for fun event photos and a complete list of the people who made this event possible. Mark your calendar for the 5th Annual Eco Appetito scheduled for Sunday, September 16, 2012!



“When we went around the table on Thanksgiving, my son, Colton, was thankful for Ferry Beach Ecology School!”

Anne Casavant-Chaney, parent of FBES participant from Davis Hill School, MA



**Left to Right: Volunteers for Eco Appetito model their finest serving form, while wearing our new FBES aprons; High bidder, Michelle Mazur-Kary, displays artist Elaine Tselikis' mixed-media painting following silent auction; FBES Board members Steve Grindle, Kelly Towle, Corey Hascall, Maggie Daigle, and Marc Lavoie joined the fête; FOAMer Joel Alex proffered salmon bruschetta and other tasty treats throughout the day.**

# Food For Thought Tidbits

As a result of soil testing, FBES has discovered a significant improvement in our soil quality since 2007. For example, the organic matter has increased from 4.7% to 5.1% in the past four years. We also conducted a separate test in our lasagna bed (created by layering different types of organic matter) and found in just two years we created optimum garden soil. This demonstrates the powers of gardening in a way that mimics nature!

Susan Anton is one of the fabulous volunteers who helps out in the Ferry Beach garden. This year volunteers provided 45 hours of service! Here Susan is showing off some of the produce contributed by Ferry Beach to the Holy Trinity Food Bank in Saco. Our garden yielded 718 pounds of produce to date this season and 16% of that was donated to charity.



The FBES teaching garden increased in size from 1,970 square feet in 2007 to 4,330 in 2011. This represents a 220% increase! Additional growing space means more students can use the garden each day and more local foods can be sampled!



“Food Systems” was offered as a lesson choice for schools for the first time in 2011, along with our traditional ecology lessons such as Forest and Tide

Pools. Nearly 600 students participated in this lesson. We also have begun offering optional “Garden Adventures” for students to learn in the garden during their free time. More than 50 students participated during the 2011 spring and fall terms.

# Feeding the Masses in Style

This fall FBES students were served breakfast, lunch and dinner in the new Ferry Beach Park Association DeWolfe Dining Hall. Because teaching doesn't stop at mealtime, teachers and students alike are not only enjoying healthy, delicious meals in this new venue, but learning about plate waste, food systems and composting.



## Annual Appeal

**\*Donate Now\***

**Please help us  
reach our \$15,000 goal  
by December 31st!**

**"You're doing a great job! Ecology Education  
is the pathway to planet knowledge!"**

**-Lucille Bousquet, DataRite (FBES Funder)**

If you haven't received an Annual Appeal letter and would like to donate to the FBES Program Fund, please contact Maureen Duggan at 207-283-9951 or simply donate online at [www.fbess.org](http://www.fbess.org). For smart phones, scan the QR code to the right to donate via PayPal!



## Community Outreach

### FBES at Saco's Harvest Festival

On October 15th Ferry Beach Ecology School once again transformed Jubilee Island Park into a magical adventure for Saco area children and their families as part of Saco Spirit's annual Harvest Festival.

This year more than 400 people visited "Nature Island" and had the chance to build gnome homes with sticks, create gnome hats with newspaper and feathers, learn about composting and gardening, and be entertained by the Ferry Beach Ecology School staff in educational skits and songs. A donation of milk from Oakhurst Dairy and a visit from Oakie the Oakhurst Acorn added to the festive and family-focused atmosphere. "Nature Island" raised \$2,350 for Ferry Beach Ecology School's Program Fund.

*Special thanks to event sponsors Saco & Biddeford Savings Institution, Prime Motor Group, Saco Valley Credit Union, KeyBank, Oakhurst Dairy, and Bank of Maine!*



### And the Winner is...

In June, Ferry Beach Ecology School raffled off a Cole Haan handbag. We raised \$325 with raffle ticket sales and the lucky winner was Pat McIntire, a special education teacher from Lebanon Elementary School. Congratulations to Pat and thank you to Cole Haan for your donation!

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