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The start of the holiday season brings opportunities to give back, pick cranberries and share a meal and dance!

STUDENTS LEARN LESSON IN GIVING BACK

contributed by Mary Abt, Music Teacher

Truro residents are so generous and giving when it comes to donating time, effort and dollars to Truro Central School, but come November, the students at TCS participate in a lesson of giving back to their community. Every November, for the past 15 years, students at Truro Central School hold a food drive. This drive helps to stock the shelves of the Truro Food Pantry located in the COA.

What began all those years ago as a one day food drive, once a year, has turned into a month long event. This year's food drive is being sponsored by the TCS Band and TCS String Ensemble. Students and faculty alike generously bring in non-perishable items every week. The items are then taken to the Food Pantry and distributed to our Truro neighbors who find themselves in need of food. This year Truro Central School has donated 24 overflowing bags of groceries and the donations just keep coming in. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone from TCS!



Some members of the TCS Band...



...and String Ensemble!

BEECH FOREST CRANBERRIES

contributed by Laura Gazzano, Second Grade Teacher

Over the dunes and through the woods, to pick some cranberries we go! TCS Second Graders took their annual field trip to Beech Forest in Provincetown to pick wild cranberries. We were met by Cape Cod National Seashore Ranger Dennis who led us on a walk through the hardwood forest, pine forest, dunes and finally, the bog! On the way, we learned how to identify oak leaves, maple leaves and beech leaves. We also got to feel some reindeer moss, which actually has nothing to do with reindeer at all!

At the bog, we found that it was overflowing with cranberries! It was a bumper crop this year and was ready for our "dry" harvesting. Once our bags were full, we stopped for some tasty cranberry bread and then retraced our steps back up the dune, through the pine forest and back to the hardwood forest. What is YOUR favorite cranberry treat?





Our cranberry harvest

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

contributed by Stacey Klimkosky, Library and Media Teacher

It is a wonder that I am able to type this story! I am so full from our annual Thanksgiving Feast. A true culinary wonder, the Feast was prepared by Warren Falkenburg and Suzie Roderick and featured turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, succotash, roasted fall vegetables, broccoli, and beans. Just to be sure that each diner left with not one more space in their tummy, our wonderful parents provided a mountain of baked goods and sweets!

As is the tradition, Town of Truro employees and our beloved senior citizens were invited as well. Our Sixth Graders were volunteer servers, writing down what each guest wanted on their plate and returning with a piping hot meal.

Later in the afternoon, students, teachers and family members turned the gymnasium into a dance hall. Traditional dances "Heel and Toe", "Sashay the Donut", "Sasha" and the "Truro (Virginia) Reel" provided a way to work off the Thanksgiving Feast and share some smiles!

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season from all of us at Truro Central School!



Truro seniors enjoy five-star service at the Thanksgiving Feast



Dancing "Heel and Toe"