

Our Winter Retreat was such a Treat!



NBC, PBBC & First Baptist of Essex gathered at Camp Wightman on Fri. for our **Co-Op Youth Winter Retreat** themed “3 Cups of Tea”. After a tasty pizza sup, we warmed up as lead by Heidi, Rachael, Kelsey and Jacob. Once a blur, we sang along with Pastor Paul’s guitar playing. Then theme discussion presented by graduate Katie B., who shared her understanding of the Nobel nominee’s life work, book and missions. Later in the evening, George tended to the banana boats brought by the tas. Then last moment mischief, ing Guardian Angel cards and

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“Inspiration Board” with messages of hope and happiness before Valerie Crane led vespers, our evening photo then off to beddie by!



We were so pleased that several Essex First Baptist Church (FBC) youth and leaders join us for our retreat! On Sat. FBC



member Lisa Laing got us to stretch our minds via her gifts of InterPlay (www.interplay.org). FBC youth Mat shared survival in the woods tips.

then Katie B and college Frosh Gretchen P helped us create a



Bonus photo! Did Camp Wightman use a particularly strong bug spray this year? No - Lisa has us getting in touch with our inner expressions!



Co-Op Winter Retreat of NBC, PBBC & Essex FBC

Wed., Feb. 11 we gathered to chat while making precious Valentine's Day cards for folks in each of our churches! Picture this—the winter sun shining thru curtains of the church parlor windows enveloping the chatty card makers with a warming glow - it was a time of blessing.

Our card making was a direct result of our Winter Retreat Mission one kind deed at a time!

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As we go to press...

Ash Wednesday Feb 25 will be our first of two **Simple Soup Sups** at **PBBC!** KNOB will pick up from schools, gathering at PBBC for our big event!

3:00-5:00pm Youth Prep Supper

5:00 - 6:30pm Supper is Served

6:30pm PBBC Ash Wed Service

7:00pm NBC Ash Wed Service

All are invited to attend!

Thanks to all who have offered to bring various tasty items thus far!!!

FYI - PBBC Bread-n-Broth begins Wednesdays, March 4 & will run through the Lenten Season. Join PBBC

for this simple heartwarming joy.

Sun. Mar. 1 @ 7:00pm many of us have voice interest in attending **DRUMLine Live! at the Garde Arts Center.** Touted to be "the stirring sound of trumpets, explosive choreography, and incredible feats of athleticism will bring the black marching band tradition to the stage..." Eight tickets have been anonymously donated, thus enabling six youth and two drivers to attend this energetic production!
Thank you Guardian Ange!!

Fri. March 6 - the youth will gather from **3:00-5:00pm** to prepare our **Simple Soup Sup for NBC.** Kristen will pick up from Fitch High, Fitch Middle & Cutler Middle. **Simple Soup Sup will be served from 5:00 - 6:30pm.** All are invited to attend!

CALLING ALL NBC SOUP MAKERS! *If you would enjoy making a soup to serve 12-15 persons at NBC, contact Kristen. Your support is deliciously appreciated!*

Wed., March 25 we will gather from **3:00-5:00pm** for our precious time of **50 Questions @ PBBC.** Kristen will pick up from Fitch High, & Cutler Middle. Wear sneakers and layers, as we might go out for a lovely walk!

This is the Co-Op Youth News of Poquonnock Bridge & Noank Baptist Churches