



SHARE Day 2007 At AE/MS

(Top left) Ryan Barton and Josiah Wagner look out the window of Frank Baker's seaplane on Highland Lake. Frank's History of Aviation workshop is a perennial SHARE Day favorite. Students are always impressed to find out that he built his seaplane himself.
Photo: Shannon Gray

(Top right) Cathy Fadden (l) and Natasha Bowen created a giant puppet.
Photo: Gretchen Hildebrand

(Left) Both classes of second graders have finished the Nurse's Room blankets for their annual community service project. Mrs. Hill, the school nurse, was very happy!
Photo: Gretchen Hildebrand

SHARE Day 2007 A Big Hit

By Jane Slayton
AE/MS Principal

SHARE Day has come and gone for another year. From all accounts, it was one of the best SHARE Days ever!

Workshops were varied and all over town. There were fewer workshops in the building, so with Armand Boisvert's help, students were bussed all over the community.

Our students are so fortunate to have the high level of community involvement in SHARE Day! Some of the offerings included: fencing, ceramics, aviation (and visiting a seaplane), orienteering, climbing wall, cake decorating, auto detailing, lacrosse, puppetry, animal tracking, batting cage practice, baking, basket weaving, beading, candle making, decoupage, drawing and illustrating (with a real artist), flower planting,

fly tying and fly fishing, food preparation and catering, golf at Mojalaki Golf and Country Club, karate, horseback riding, mountain biking, manicure art, woodworking, tennis, tie dying, stamping, drama games, and yoga.

The volunteers enjoyed a delicious lunch put together by Laura Powers and her student workshop participants. Maybe the menu will tempt you to volunteer next year:

- Roast beef, spinach, and horseradish boursin wraps
- Curried turkey salad with red grapes and almonds
- Red bliss potato salad with egg, bacon, and chives
- Fresh fruit salad
- Tortellini salad with shrimp, olives, artichoke hearts, and bell peppers
- Lemon squares
- Chocolate chunk cookies
- Carrot cake
- Strawberry rhubarb tarts

We spent SHARE Day afternoon admiring all the projects from the morning and enjoying a theatrical performance by Lesley Smith's Theatre of Life Puppets. *The Peaceable Kingdom* performance was presented with the help of several of our eighth grade thespians. The humorous theatrical puppetry focused on ways to resolve conflict peacefully.

Of course, we all know SHARE Day would not exist without Gisela Darling working behind the scenes. Gisela begins organizing the SHARE Day in the fall, sets a timeline, and follows up on all the millions of details. Thank you Gisela!

AE/MS would like to thank all who made SHARE Day 2007 (See How the Arts Reach Everyone) possible. A big "Thank you!" to all workshop leaders and volunteers, and to Proctor Academy for the use of their facilities and equipment. Thank you very much!

AE/MS Eighth Graders Study Holocaust

By Shari Lemeris
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On May 7, the eighth grade class and several members of the staff at AE/MS had the privilege of hearing Mr. Henry Weinstock of Vermont speak of his experiences as a hidden child in Belgium during World War II. The students and staff listened attentively as Mr. Weinstock spoke of the Nazi invasion of his country when he was just six years old.

At the age of seven, his parents asked the nuns of a convent in Belgium to hide their son. He was one of 80 boys taken in by the nuns and hidden until the end of the war. Mr. Weinstock, a former college professor in New York, gave a brief history of Belgium, the in-

vasion by the German army, and the bombing of Belgium. He then showed a film about the reunion of the hidden children, which was produced by ABC's *Twenty-Twenty*. Following the viewing of the film, Mr. Weinstock graciously answered questions from both students and staff.

In closing, Mr. Weinstock told the audience that one lesson he had learned was that being proud of one's heritage or religion was not important. What a person needs to be proud of is his or her compassion and the ability to respond to the pain others feel. Students and staff agreed that this was a powerful presentation and the perfect way to end the eighth grade's study of the Holocaust.



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