



50TH ANNIVERSARY: The Kaplans

Nan and Don Kaplan, who retired 10 years ago from Mystic, Connecticut, to the Ragged Mountain Fish and Game Club, recently celebrated their 50th anniversary. They celebrated with a gathering of their three children, Larry, Susan, and Elizabeth, their children's spouses, and six grandchildren on an island, Taconnet on Great Pond, in the Belgrade Lakes region of Maine. Family bonding was outstanding, with tennis, boating, swimming, hiking, etc.

Prior to their arrival in Andover, Nan was active in Republican politics in Connecticut, serving among many other activities on the State Central Committee, as a Trustee for Colby-Sawyer College, and as a long-term trustee for the Connecticut State University System. Don established a group practice in ophthalmology with offices in Connecticut

and Rhode Island. He purchased progressively larger sailboats, and in 1991 sailed transatlantic to Cork, Ireland. Don and Nan spent 10 years cruising between the Baltic and Mediterranean for two months each summer.

The Kaplans have not slowed down in retirement. Nan serves Andover on the board of directors of *The Andover Beacon*, on the Recycling Committee, and on the Conservation Commission, while through the Andover Lions Don has continued his involvement with vision through Lions school and preschool vision screening, on the New Hampshire Lions Foundation for Sight and Hearing, and on the board of the New Hampshire Association for the Blind.

They say they are more than happy with their retirement choice of Andover.

WYDLIFE CARNIVAL

By Robin Rego
Wyldlife

Join Wyldlife on Thursday, August 16 from 6 to 9 PM for a fun time at the carnival! This will take place at the Proctor Green (in the event of rain, we will be in the AE/MS gym).

We are raising funds for camper scholarships. Giant, bouncy obstacle course, dunking booth, lots of games and food. Fun for the whole family! This event is made possible by the generosity and volunteer efforts of many people. We'd like to thank everyone involved - we couldn't have done it without you!

This summer has been an exciting time for our youth involved in Wyldlife/Younglife! In June, 15 campers enjoyed the time of their life at Saranac Village in upstate New York. Parasailing, tubing, kayaking, lots of ping pong and volleyball! The kids were treated to breakfast in bed one morning and the daily speakers had everyone genuinely captivated. In August, over 55 campers will head off to Lake Champion in New York for five exciting days of Wyldlife camp.

Our groups are growing! The camp adventures are an integral part of the Wyldlife/Younglife experience. Ask anyone who's attended and you'll be amazed at the response! Donations for camp scholarships are needed, so please help support your local youth programs. Contact Cathy Ellis at 735-5025 or Robin Rego at 735-4183 for any questions or to make a donation.

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Hamp House Programs Expand

By Susan Nellen
AASP/AFAP Director

The Andover Five Alive Program will provide care for two-thirds of the kindergarten class (12 of the 18) at the Hamp House next year. We have expanded our hours and staff to accommodate the twelve kindergartners now enrolled in the 2007-2008 Five Alive program. Some will come to the Hamp House before attending the afternoon kindergarten session, and some will come over after morning kindergarten at the school. There will be an hour of overlap which will allow the two groups to play together, and give the Kindergarten staff a lunch break.

Robin Rego Leaves Program In Good Shape

Full credit should be given to our outgoing director, Robin Rego, for increasing the enrollments at the Hamp House steadily over the past three years. She guided both programs so well that despite dropping numbers of the school population, the number of children using the Andover After School and Five

Alive Programs has tripled under her tenure as director. Robin's kind and friendly manner made everyone feel welcome and comfortable in her presence. She will be very much missed by all the children and adults who worked with her in our programs. She will continue to be involved with children in our community through the Wyldlife program, and hopefully she'll drop in to visit us from time to time. We wish her well and hope to be able to keep up the high standard she has set. Stay tuned to the September Beacon to learn about the new, wonderfully-talented team.

After School Program Close To Capacity

The Hamp House will be welcoming seven of the kindergartners to the After School Program, thereby expanding that program near to our twenty child capacity. As of this writing, the After School Program is full for Mondays. Therefore, if you need after-school care for your child this fall, we encourage you to submit your registrations today. If you need a registration form, you can call us at 735-6566 and leave us a message.

Cub Scouts Pack 489

By Leighton Terwilliger
Scoutmaster

Pack 489 just finished a week of Cub Scout camp at Camp Carpenter in Manchester. Five boys - Nicholas Terwilliger, Austin Marceau, Chris Frenette, Steven Frenette, and Sam Ladd - had a very busy week with many different activities.

They spent time playing various sports games, shooting BB guns, participating in archery, swimming in the local swimming hole, playing miniature golf, and splashing on the water slide. They also learned about nature, pirates in Pirates Cove, and Indians at

the Native American Village.

Austin Marceau and Chris Frenette completed their requirements for the aquanaut badge, and Austin Marceau, Steven Frenette, and Sam Ladd earned their whittling chip badge.

The Cub Scouts had a great time at camp. I would like to thank Cynthia Chamberlin for taking the time to help me with the boys at camp.

The Cub Scouts are off for summer vacation and will be starting up again in September. If you are thinking of joining Cub Scouts or would like more information, please contact Leighton Terwilliger at 735-6502.

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