

Area Relay For Life Team Hosts Monthly Dinners Starting In November

Sue Johnson of Andover, captain of Huntoon's Cartoons Relay For Life Team for the American Cancer Society, along with her team of approximately 35 members, have just begun their fundraising activities for the 2009 Relay For Life event held the first weekend of June at the Kearsarge Regional High School. Sue has been a resident of Andover since 1982 and involved in the Relay for Life for five years.

Andover residents on the team are Bruce Barrett, Brenda Barton, Brandy Smith, Beryl Sanborn, and Leah Szilagyi; and other team members come from area towns such as North Sutton, New London, Elkins, and Wilmot.

One way the team raises funds for the American Cancer Society is to hold dinners at the First Free Will Baptist Church in North Sutton. Not only do people come to the dinners for the support of the team, but they also enjoy a yummy home-cooked meal. During the dinner, you will also have a chance to win fabulous prizes donated by area businesses. This year the team is starting off with a ham & bean dinner to be held on Saturday, November 8, from 5

to 7 PM. The cost of the dinner is \$9 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

Huntoon's Cartoons team plans on holding a dinner each month starting in November through May 2009. Support the team and enjoy a home-cooked turkey dinner with all the fixin's, a roast beef cooked on the barbecue, lasagna, or a pot roast dinner, along with a friendly social atmosphere.

Five years ago, Jerry Huntoon of North Sutton began Huntoon's Cartoons. Jerry's first involvement with the Relay for Life was as a cancer survivor when he was invited to join the Survivor Lap. After being part of this event, he decided to join in, and he created the Huntoon's Cartoons team.

The first year, the team raised the most money earned by new teams by raising over \$10,000. Each year since then, the team has surpassed its goal. The team has several members who are cancer survivors and has sadly lost a few members to this disease. Each team member puts his or her heart and soul into raising money for the American Cancer Society and welcomes your support.



(L-r) Vivian Dion, Yvonne Wheeler, Dawn Barrett, and Judy Perreault represented New Hampshire at the 70th Country Women's Council in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

New Hampshire Circle Of Home And Family

By Judy Perreault
NHCHF

The Halcyon Seekers met at the home of Diane Benson. We were only missing two members. Since we were holding elections for officers and we have been known to vote in absent members, everyone decided to attend. Elections were simple, as the present slate all "re-upped." We had two new members join this fall.

We enjoyed our fancy sandwiches and a delicious pumpkin bread dessert provided by Nancy Barrett.

Plans were made for our craft meeting in November and our Christmas party in December. A number of members decided to support the scarf project for the Special Olympics and will be busy knitting blue and white scarves.

We also voted money to the Abby Sargent Scholarship Fund which provides scholarships to students pursuing a career in some field of agriculture.

Our main focus was to plan our meetings for the year 2009. The lineup is as follows:

- January – Birds, Part I
- Feb. – Are You Getting Your ZZZs?
- March – Brazil
- April – Spring Workshop
- May – First Ladies
- June – Bananas

- Sept. – New Hampshire Grand Hotels
- October – Program Planning
- November – Craft Project
- Dec. – Christmas Party and Auction

We feel we have an interesting year ahead: something for the mind, the stomach, and the spirit. Facts, Food, and Fun. If you would like to participate, call 735-5493.

Country Women's Council

Four members of NHCHF attended the 70th Country Women's Council (CWC) Conference held in Hot Springs, Arkansas. CWC is NHCHF's national affiliate. Those attending were Judy Perreault of East Andover, president of NHCHF and a member of Halcyon Seekers; Vivian Dion, past president and treasurer of CWC; Yvonne Wheeler, chair of Merrimack County; and Dawn Barrett.

The purpose of the meeting is to carry out programs and projects in undeveloped and poverty-stricken areas of the world. Over \$70,850 was donated for these projects, and many items were shipped to various countries.

We were honored by the Associated Country Women of the World's World President Dato Ursula Goh of Malaysia and Rose Rajibansee, Area President of Central and South America, attending to promote women's issues. We also had a day of attending Heifer International headquarters and a visit to Garvan Woodland Gardens.

It was a very informative meeting to attend and learn what is going on in the world around us. We also have fun and get to meet many people from the United States and other countries.

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