

# Andover Cable TV

By Charlie Darling

Andover Cable TV Channel 8

Don't forget that all of Channel 8's locally-produced programs – Board of Selectmen and School Board meetings, Budget Committee public hearings, candidate roundtables, school concerts, public events, lectures, and the like – are now available on the Internet.

Besides reaching all the Web-capable households and other sites around town, this also allows people to watch a particular Board of Selectmen meeting, for example, when they want to watch it, rather than at the specific days and hours that it happens to play on Chan-

nel 8. Or they may choose to watch it from their office in Concord; on their iPhone in Boston; or from their winter home in Florida.

Here's how to watch an Andover video on the Web:

Go to the Town Web site at AndoverNH.us.com. Click on the Town Info link in the list of options that runs across the page. On the Town Info page, click on the Videos link in the column headed Other. When the Videos page appears, scroll down to see all the different local videos that are available. Click any one of them to view it instantly.

### Volunteers Needed!

Andover's cable TV station is run almost entirely by volunteers. With all the new capabilities we've added over the past year or two, we definitely could use some more help.

If you could help out for even just an hour a week, that would make a big difference. We can teach you to do whatever it is you might enjoy, from videotaping to video editing to programming to updating the Bulletin Board to maintaining the program calendar to posting videos on the Web to keeping all the hardware and software working. Whatever interests you is what we'll help you do!

Call 735-6099 for more information, or stop by – we're in the basement of the Town Hall, right next to the Food Pantry and the office of *The Andover Beacon*.



River Turnbull practices his moves going down the hill at Ragged Mountain Resort. The Andover Recreation Committee provides a variety of winter activities for AE/MS students on Friday afternoons. Photo: Jen Bent

## Andover Recreation Comm.

By David Powers

Andover Recreation Committee

Skiing, snowboarding, and basketball are all well underway. Both programs are well attended and running smoothly. Thank you to Ellie and Howard George, Ragged Mountain Resort, Jane Slayton, and Gail Parenteau at AE/MS, and First Student Transportation for making a program for nearly 130 skiers and boarders run so well. Skiing and riding have been great so far with all the snow we've had.

Our basketball program has been up and running since early December, with nearly 50 third through sixth graders practicing their shots and moves to the hoop. Teams are well into their game schedules now and are holding their own on the court. Thank you to Mike Barton for organizing and scheduling practice and game times and to Tom Frantz for lining up the referees.

If you haven't noticed, the town skating rink is ready to go and being enjoyed by many. It's located on the basketball court at the skateboard park, next to the

Town Hall and Library. Kurt Weber, Howard George, and others have been making ice and keeping it shoveled for everyone to use. Please remember to wear helmets out there.

### Blackwater Park Building

A quick update on the Blackwater Park multi-purpose building. After a slow start, construction began in October. So far, the septic system is in, the rough under-slab electrical and plumbing are in, the site has been prepared and the concrete slab has been poured.

Weather got ahead of us, and things are on hold until spring, when we will be ready to go erecting the split-faced block masonry shell, truss roof, etc. We still need volunteers, not only those with strong backs, but donations of materials and money as well.

Contributions can be made to the Blackwater Park Multi-purpose Building Fund, c/o The Town of Andover, PO Box 61, Andover 03216. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile project, and look for things to be happening down at Blackwater Park this spring.

## Andover Recycling Committee

By Janet Moore

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Once again, the Andover Recycling Committee sponsored the annual Swap

Shop Gift Recycle at the AE/MS gym, this year on December 4. We shared the space with the wreath-making workshop – always beneficial, as the scent of evergreens pervaded the usually sports-dominated gym.

Community members proved generous once again, not only with clothing, housewares, sports gear, toys, and holiday decorations, but with donations as well: the Recycling Committee collected almost \$80 for residents in need.

Thanks go to Susan Schnare, Robin Boynton, Sandra Graves, Kim Hall, Vicky Mishcon, Pat Moyer, Gail Richards, and all the others who made this such a worthwhile event. Mark your calendars now for next year's event, and start putting some goods away as you anticipate the joyous Christmas you can help give others in the community.



TOWN of ANDOVER  
**ANDOVER RECYCLE COMMITTEE**  
**Needs New Members!**  
 Help us improve Andover's recycling program, reduce costs to the town, and do something good for the environment.  
 For more information, talk with Dana at the Town Office.  
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**PowerPoint Volunteer Needed**

If you know Microsoft PowerPoint or would like to learn it, please volunteer to help update the Channel 8 Bulletin Board once a week.

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