



Scout Armstrong's entry in the Lions Club Peace Poster Contest was selected to advance to the next level in the competition. Photo: Bill Leber

AE/MS Sixth Grade Students Participate In Lions Club Peace Poster Contest

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Each year, Lions Clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This art contest encourages young people worldwide to express their visions of peace. During the last 20 years, more than four million children from nearly 100 countries have participated in the contest. It has become an Andover tradition for sixth grade stu-

dents to participate every year.

The theme of the 2011-12 Peace Poster Contest is "Children Know Peace." Student posters are judged on originality, artistic merit, and expression of theme. Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, state, and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education, and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners.

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Trick-or-Treating At Proctor And In Andover

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Kids dressed as their favorite fairytale character, babies dressed as pumpkins and ghosts, and parents dressed as Tigger and Peter Pan. People in Andover

show off their costumes. Faculty member Megan Hardie's kids dressed up as a Dalmatian and a fire fighter, and Lynn Bartlett put her two daughters in Swiss girl outfits.

Alan McIntyre took his kids to Law-

love Halloween. From Proctor's Carriage dorm haunted house and the Halloween dance, to faculty bringing their kids down Lawrence Street to trick-or-treat, Halloween is embraced in Andover. Every year on the weekend before Halloween, Carriage House holds a haunted house for the Proctor community. Alan McIntyre and volunteers have a new theme every year. Alan explained, "Insanity was the theme – insanity of the current environmental condition. So we featured students seizing into convulsions over eco-disasters; another room showcased lobotomies because the individual wasn't recycling; another was people from the future who were starved and feeding on gross stuff; and another showed a grim slideshow to prompt students to consider 'going green.'" Because Carriage is an environmental-focused dorm, they featured it in the haunted house.



Janie and Pippa Bartlett had no trouble getting into the spirit of Halloween.

The Proctor Halloween Dance is always fun, and prizes are awarded for the best costumes. Students and faculty dress up and have a great time. I was part of the Justice League super heroes this year as Wonder Woman. Will Moss was part of the group of three boys who won the prize for best costume. He observed, "Winning the costume contest was simply a dream come true. The combination of short shorts and high socks can work wonders." I saw Mario and Luigi at the dance as well as the Grinch. Everyone got really into Halloween and dressed up for the event.

On Halloween, the daycare has all the little kids get dressed up, and they walk all around the Proctor campus to

Lawrence Street wearing a full Tigger body suit. Chris Young told me about his costume for Halloween: "I dressed up as a tree, supposed to be Grandmother Willow from Pocahontas because that was what [my daughter] Delaney dressed as." Even the residents on Lawrence Street handing out candy had costumes on.

In my years of trick-or-treating at home in Newbury, I always get the weirdest things in my candy bag. From a bottle of water to a hot dog – pretty weird. I asked around for what kids got on Lawrence Street. Chris Young told me Delaney got crabby patty candies. Alan McIntyre explained his weirdest candy: "The weirdest was a lollipop that looked like an eyeball, with blood-shot veins and everything."

The best street to go trick-or-treating is always Lawrence Street (Proctor students are not allowed to trick or treat

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