



April 16 was the last Senior Luncheon of the season held at the Willmot Community Association's Red Barn. Fifty-three seniors, a new record, came out to celebrate the end of a long winter. East Andover resident Judy Perreault was a double winner at the event. Judy won both the fresh flower arrangement by having lived in the area the longest among her table mates, and she also won one of the raffle prizes. Senior Luncheons will resume in September.

Photo and caption: Lindy Heim

Andover Libraries to Start Delivering to Patrons

If you can't get out, the library will come to you!

Press release

The Andover Public Library, and the WA Bachelder Library in East Andover are happy to announce that they are now able to deliver books to house-bound seniors or to anyone for whom getting to the library would be a physical challenge.

Our librarians, Gail Fitzpatrick and Priscilla Poulin, noted that some of our long-time patrons who were always great readers aren't coming into the libraries anymore, so it occurred to them that if patrons can't get to the library, the library can easily be brought to them.

Call the libraries at 735-5333 to request a particular book, or to ask the librarians for a suggestion on what's new.

They're happy to make a recommendation if you tell them what kind of books you enjoyed in the past.

Here's a short list of recent popular books:

Fiction

- Spool of Blue Thread*, Anne Tyler
- The Nightingale*, Kristin Hannah
- All the Light We Cannot See*, Anthony Doerr

Nonfiction

- Wild*, Cheryl Strayed
- Being Mortal*, Atul Gawande
- Unbroken*, Laura Hillenbrand
- Boys in the Boat*, Daniel James Brown
- Dead Wake*, Eric Larson

The libraries will need volunteer drivers. If this is something you'd like to do a few times a month, at your convenience, please let us know.



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cate with one another and with Andover residents

• Choosing a board of directors and taking steps to achieve non-profit status
Commenting on ACA progress since its January inception, ACA Board Chairman Paul Currier said, "We're extremely gratified by all the support we've received to date. At the same time, in order to implement all the suggestions for programs that have come our way, and to tap new community resources, we'd love to have more participation from local residents. So anyone who has ideas, skills, and/or time to contribute, please contact us at Andover-Community03216@gmail.com."

Classes, Workshops, and More

The April classes and workshops included a Tai Chi class that continues to meet on Saturday mornings in the Andover Elementary/Middle School gym; a lively six-week discussion group focusing on the concepts of permaculture as they apply to gardening; a tree-pruning demonstration offered by Highland Lake Orchards owner Peter Zak at the home of Jimmy Sferes and Jennifer White on Beech Hill Road; and a group discussion on "eating your yard - growing edibles as well as ornamentals in your front yard." For more information about classes, workshops, and other events, e-mail AndoverCommunity03216@gmail.com.

The "Travel Nights" and "Space

Explorations" series are being organized by an ACA committee calling itself the Andover Institute. Its aim is to offer presentations, workshops, and other special events that deliver fresh perspectives about the area we live in and the people we call our neighbors. Its name echoes that of an earlier local educational effort, the short-lived Highland Lake Institute, formed in 1850 to offer educational opportunities for local residents. The present Highland Lake Grange Hall was built to house it.

The first "Travel Night" will be held on Wednesday, May 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall in East Andover. The first "Space Explorations" event, to offer a guided tour behind the scenes at Proctor Academy, will take place in June. See the June Beacon for details.

The Community Coffeehouse will offer featured performances and open-microphone opportunities on Friday evenings, May 15 and June 19. A series of outdoor concerts later in the summer is in the planning stage.

A community communication group has begun working with the *Beacon* and other resources to expand the variety of ways that local organizations and individuals can communicate with one another, including, for example, town signage, local Web sites, newsletters, social media, an updated "Our Town" directory, and so on.

A newly formed ACA board of di-

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We are Proud to Announce Stacey Viandier has Joined Country Houses



An Andover resident since 1988, Stacey comes to Country Houses Real Estate with over twenty years of experience buying, renovating and selling property in the area. She was voted as the Sunapee Region Board of Realtors Realtor of the Year in 2004 and has been an active volunteer both in Andover and elsewhere. Wife of one, mother of two, when she is not working, you will find her at the library, the kitchen or traveling to remote corners of the world.

Contact Stacey if you or someone you know are considering buying or selling real estate.

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