

Preschool Students Focus on All Things Green for March

Welcome back, Miss Stephanie!

Press release

Despite the cold New Hampshire has brought us this winter, at East Andover Village Preschool (EAVP) we have managed to get outdoors.

Our preschoolers love playing in the snow, from making snow angels and snowmen to sledding down the hill on the playground. Often a teacher will sit at the top to give the preschoolers an extra boost down the hill.

The time spent outside is very beneficial to our students, helping them to use and improve their gross motor skills along with developing their social skills. The freedom the outdoors brings to our students helps to spark their imaginations and minds.

For the month of March we are focusing on all things green and lucky! The students love to go on “scavenger hunts,” often for numbers or letters.

On St. Patrick’s Day they will get the opportunity to go on the search for a

pot of gold within the classroom or even outdoors, weather permitting.

Here at EAVP we love learning through play and hands-on experiences; as the days start to get warmer, we are eager to get outdoors and soon into our mud kitchen.



From far to near: Owen, unnamed child, Callister, and Finn. Photo: Robyn Boisvert

We are very excited to be welcoming back Miss Stephanie; the classroom has not been the same without her. The preschoolers are ready to show her all they have learned and to start learning with her again. She brings a special energy and calm to our classroom, along with all of her creative songs!

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ing health, surrounded by loved ones and under hospice care.

She was born in Concord on April 3, 1958, the daughter of Earl Skillin and Betty (Hardy) Calkins. Karen graduated from Merrimack Valley High School in 1976 and resided in Salisbury for several years.



She enjoyed many things, including the outdoors where she enjoyed fishing, gardening, and swimming. She also liked making various crafts. Karen loved animals.

Family members include her husband of 45 years, Walter L. Scott, Jr. of Salisbury; two daughters, Amy Lyn Scott of Pownal, Vermont and Peggy Sue Scott of Salisbury; Amy’s two daughters, Ashley Marie Rose and Jadeah; a brother, Frank Starky of Webster; sister Laurie Jean Calkins of Webster; and her stepdad, Wilfred “Bill” Calkins of Webster. She was predeceased by both of her biological parents and a brother, Kevin.

A funeral service and Celebration of Her Life will be held at the Salisbury Congregational Church on Saturday, March 5, 2022 at 1 PM followed by a memorial gathering at the church hall.

Donations in her memory may be made to Salisbury Firefighters Assn., PO Box 100, Salisbury NH 03268, or Granite VNA Hospice, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord NH 03301. Thibault-Neun Funeral Home in Franklin is assisting the Scott family, and an online guestbook is available at NeunFuneralHomes.com.

SARA WALTON ANDREWS, 47, died peacefully on February 13, 2022, surrounded by her family. A seven-year survivor of brain cancer, Sara approached each day hopefully, always repeating – and believing – “Tomorrow will be better.”

Born in Concord in 1974 to Donald and Rolande Andrews, Sara spent her childhood in various towns throughout southern New Hampshire and Vermont as well as coastal Maine. She lived most recently in Andover, having previously called several Upper Valley communities home, and held Thetford, Vermont, particularly close to her heart.



An early-college graduate of Simon’s Rock, she completed her BA at Marlboro College and her MFA at Columbia College. Though primarily a photographer and paper artist, Sara showed passion and talent across the arts, with significant additional study in music, dance, and choreography as well as writing and book-making.

Prior to her illness, Sara served as program assistant at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Dartmouth. In earlier years, she taught photography and paper-making to high school and college students; owned and operated Under the Table, a one-woman artisanal bakery (pedaling deliveries through Chicago on her cargo-bicycle); and served as director for the In-Sight Photography Project in Brattleboro, Vermont. Kind and brilliant and with a rich sense of humor (well-known by her friends for giving the “best hugs”), Sara loved the people in her life deeply.

Sara enjoyed gardening, baking, and reading, but her true love was hiking; wherever she lived, she found and explored all the trails, often with her dog Pearson or, later, Sukey, by her side. Brave, adventurous, and free-spirited, she was proud to have completed solo through-hikes of both the Appalachian Trail and the Long Trail, and she continued walking out in nature until her very final days.

Sara is survived by her parents, Rolande and Donald Andrews, sister Christiane Andrews, brother-in-law Dean Barker, and nephew Oliver Andrews, all of Andover. The family would like to thank Dr. Amy Chan of DHMC and all the doctors and nurses at the Jack Byrne Center for their profoundly compassionate care.

A celebration of Sara’s life will be held later this spring on her May 17 birthday. To view Sara’s online tribute, send condolences to the family, or for more information, visit CSNH.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be sent to support brain tumor research (fund 2-22819) at DHMC’s Norris Cotton Cancer Center, Office of Development, DHMC, 1 Medical Center Dr. (HB7070), Lebanon NH 03756.

Additionally, those who knew and loved Sara are encouraged to spend time out in nature, keeping her in their memories.

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