



Class reunites after ten years

The Class of 1999 held its 10-year class reunion, Saturday, July 11th at the Park Restaurant. In attendance were Pam Arsenault, Adam Baldwin, David Bentley, Lita Boushie Belcher, Melissa Boushie, Erin Boyea, Amy Corneau Clarvoe, Amy Denis, Renee Denis, Ted Desmarais, Jesse Peets, Terri Fleming, Jason Fuller, Casey Gifford, Amanda Gonyea, Jason McClain, Jennifer Hicks, Neil Hollenbeck, Kendal Hudson, Kylee Kentile, Erin Lafave, Jessica Lalonde Kulzer, Ben Lavoy, Patricia Orty, Justin Philippi, Paul Pickering, Brian Randolph, Jessica Reandeanu, Paul Robert, Julie Scotti, Chris Skiff, Jesse Skiff, Patty Sotak, Garrett Sylvain, April Tyo McClain, and Michael Vaillancourt. (photo provided)



Pet House holds grand reopening

On Saturday, September 5, The Pet House celebrated its grand reopening and welcomed board member and newly appointed Pet House Director Bridgette LaPierre in a community open house held at the shelter. Joining the open house celebration was Church Street Enterprises owner Don Schmidt who will offer a line of pet foods for sale at the location. Bridgette officially became the director of the non-profit Pet House in July and joins new board members Susan Lawson, Debbie Dupree, Chris Stone, Debbie Moody, James LaValley, Eduardo Martinez, Patti Littlefield and Dr. Cecelia Scranton in overseeing the operations of the shelter which currently houses 48 cats. All of the cats are available for adoption. The all-volunteer staff operates on a budget made possible strictly by donations, and the Pet House has operated since opening July 2, 2008. Pictured are from left, front, Amanda Amell, Lexi Sparks, and Kayley LaPierre. Pictured in the second row are Pat Palermo, Andrea Palermo, Tracy Goetz, Don Schmidt, Patti Littlefield and Bridgette LaPierre. (Newton Greiner photo)

Summer's over at the library!

by Linda Auclair

Summer reading for young patrons of the library can be a self-guided and awesome adventure. This year's theme, "Be Creative at Your Library/ Express Yourself at Your Library," was an all-inclusive theme that allowed young readers to select almost any reading material, read it and rack up vast amounts of "time spent reading."

Several young readers chose an alternate route to reading success and tallied record numbers of titles/pages read to achieve their overall goal. Either way, measuring time spent reading or titles read, the goal of improving reading skills and reading throughout the summer was met.

Young readers here could choose to categorize themselves as either "early readers" or "proficient readers" and many came in often to "roll the reading dice," an activity that further encouraged summer reading. Many local Kiwanians, including Erin Dewyea, Juli

Dukette and Deanna Courtney, provided an outstanding series of story hours for the youngest library patrons and helped make the library a favorite spot for children during this particularly "damp" summer!

Overall, more than 33 children registered for summer reading - recording a staggering total of 14,950 minutes (almost 250 hours) spent in this activity.

Among those choosing to record numbers of books read rather than time spent, more than 70 books were read - some several times over. Story hours were attended by more than 165 children and their caregivers and many patrons couldn't help but notice that the library became a "happening place" Friday mornings during July and August this year.

As the old-fashioned saying goes, "reading is fundamental" and we believe it's true. We are happy to be a part of sharing this lesson with young readers of all ages.

We salute all the young people who registered for summer reading this year and those who courageously "rolled the reading dice." These young readers are invited to come in and pick up a small treat from library staff and we'd also like to encourage those who have not yet turned in their "Reading Challenge" sheets from Sen. Betty Little or Assembly-woman Janet Duprey to do so before Friday, Sept. 11th.

It's not too early to gear up for holidays

All are welcome to join the Adirondack Singers when they start rehearsing for this year's Winter Holiday Concert. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:15 at St. Bernard's Church in Saranac Lake. They will begin Tuesday, September 15th, and come to a close with the annual performance, Sunday December 6th.

Karen Butters, their director from Blue Mountain Lake, has put together a delightful program of holiday music that is sure to start the season off right and put everyone in fine holiday spirits.

The Singers encourage anyone who is interested in singing to come to rehearsal. They invite singers of all abilities to join, no auditions necessary. If you are interested or have any questions, call Valerie Rogers 523-4213, Linda Warner 523-2238, or Beryl Szwed 891-5008.

It's round up time for Cubs

by Tina LaVassaur

Cub Scouts Pack 220 is looking for new Cubs to come and join our fun. You must be at least six years old and in first grade. We will also need a Tigers' leader for this year. Anyone who is interested in becoming part of our group please be at the Holy Name Church Basement on Sept. 22nd at 6 p.m for sign ups. You will need to fill out an application and pay for sign up that night. So if you know of a local scout and want to join, please stop by. Come meet our leaders and all the kids. Hope to see you all on Tuesday September 22nd. If you have any questions you can contact Tina LaVassaur at 359-7075.

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Those who hope in Me will not be disappointed.

Isaiah 49:23 (NIV)

For seasoned travelers, the anticipation of a trip often outstrips the reality. Travel brochures never show the things that can go wrong, like airport delays, long lines, overbooked hotels, pick pockets, rainy weather, or bad food - to name a few. Paul might have felt that way during his trip to Rome. After all, he was ditched at sea when his ship went down. But as the Book of Acts closes, we see him happily at work, sharing the Gospel with all he met.

When we're traveling with Jesus, we'll never be disappointed. Cheerfulness keeps breaking in. We have our travel documents in the Bible, and a brochure of the final destination in Revelation 21-22. We have the Holy Spirit as a guide, and a straight and narrow path. We'll not be disappointed with our accommodations as we abide in Christ. Nor with our guidebook as we read His Word. Nor with our daily itinerary as we do His will. Nor even with our travel companions, as we love His church.

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