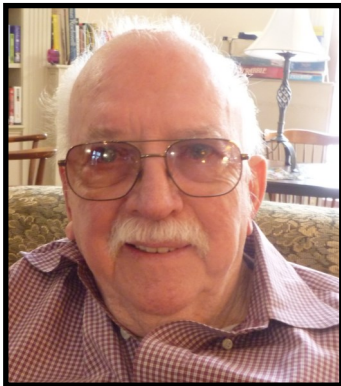


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"I never met a man I didn't like." -Will Rogers

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Saranac Village at Will Rogers News

The Historic Retirement Community of the Adirondacks

Peter and the Wolf

If you live in Russia you know there is a wolf prowling your village hunting food. Eleven-year-old Peter knows. He lives with his grandfather in the forest clearing outside the village. Peter is not afraid of the wolf.

In 1936, Natalya Sats, the director of a newly established children's theatre in Moscow had an idea for a new piece and Sergei Prokofiev, who was a great advocate for music education, immediately agreed to write it. He wrote the story and composed the music in two weeks. The result was *Peter and the Wolf*, Op. 67, a symphonic fairy tale in which the narrator tells the story while the orchestra illustrates it. It is Prokofiev's most frequently performed work and introduces children to individual instruments of the orchestra as well as virtues such as vigilance, bravery and resourcefulness.

On Saturday, May 18th at 2:00 p.m., the Children's Community Theatre at Saranac Village at Will Rogers will perform *Peter and the Wolf* with a modern twist, thanks to the dedication of resident Gail Wrenn. This project is made possible with the funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the NYS Council on the Arts with the support of Governor, Andrew M. Cuomo and the NYS Legislature and administered by the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts.

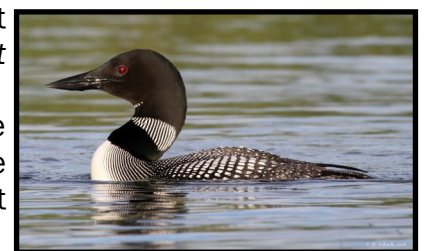
Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door and can be purchased at Will Rogers, Ampersound in Saranac Lake and the Bookstore Plus in Lake Placid. Refreshments will be served. For information, please call 518-891-7117.



Learn about Loons

The mission of the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation is to promote the conservation of Common Loons in and beyond New York's Adirondack Park. Dr. Nina Schoch, Executive Director of the Center, will present two programs at Saranac Village at Will Rogers to educate the public on these beautiful water birds. On Wednesday, May 1st at 2:00 p.m., as part of the Road to Retirement Series, Dr. Schoch will present *Conservation Through the Lives of Adirondack Loons*. On Saturday, June 8th at 7:30 p.m., she will present *Unveiling the Secret Lives of Nesting Adirondack Loons*.

These programs are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call 518-891-7117 or visit www.adkloon.org.





A Note from Jamie Whidden

At Saranac Village at Will Rogers, residents enjoy a beautifully restored historic building, hand-crafted food, housekeeping and laundry services provided by skilled and attentive staff along with the peace of mind of having staff in the building 24-hours a day. Transportation and entertainment are also important. All of these services set the stage for the most important benefit we provide: social connection.

When I see the glow in a resident's eyes when his or her birthday is remembered or as I hear lively laughter abounding at our daily social hour, I am reminded of why our community exists. Helping provide a warm place where people are important to each other is one of the greatest services we offer.

Please call us to learn more about the many social benefits of living at Will Rogers 518-891-7117.

-Jamie Whidden
Executive Director

Photo Album



Left: Lois DiNicola gets special treatment with a manicure from Tasman Kanze. Tasman's manicures have been a big hit!



Right: Lynn Andrews feasts on a delicious meal at the Left Bank Café in Saranac Lake during the monthly Dinner Out.



Listen to the Old Songs

On Saturday, June 22nd at 7:30 p.m., Bill Berlinghoff, a folksinger in the Pete Seger tradition, will present a program of songs from the coffeehouse era of the 60's and 70's at Saranac Village at Will Rogers. A banjoist and guitarist, Bill will perform some original compositions as well as contemporary songs influenced by the era. In his rich, flexible baritone, Bill sings a wide range of songs spanning the traditional mountain music of Tennessee, popular folk music, topical quiet songs, rowdy pub singalongs and an increasing number of originals.



Bill has more than half a century of performing experience, appearing in almost every east coast state from Maine to Virginia and as far west as Colorado and Oregon. Recently he was invited to perform at the Third Annual Un-ampliFire Festival of World Wide Roots Music in London, a springtime event at the Master Shipwright's Mansion in Deptford, right on the Thames. Bill performed in front of at least 500 attendees at this festival.

This program is open to the public and a \$5 donation is requested. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call 518-891-7117.



Calendar of Events!*

Road to Retirement: Hotels of Saranac Lake on Wednesday, April 3rd at 2:00 p.m. Local historian and author Howard Riley, will speak about the fascinating history of Saranac Lake's hotels. Come learn surprising facts about the many hotels that once filled the downtown.

Poetry Club on Monday, April 8th at 3:00 p.m. The Saranac Lake Poetry Club will meet and share favorite poems in honor of National Poetry Month. They will also celebrate Swiss poets and poems from Switzerland. Bring a poem to share or come to listen.

Outings Club: Adirondack Loj on Tuesday, April 30th at 10:00 a.m. Join us for a luncheon at the Loj and enjoy the program *Bats of the Adirondacks*. Afterwards, take a walk along the shores of Heart Lake along a mostly level trail. \$20 per person includes the lunch, walk and presentation. Call 518-891-7117 to RSVP.

Road to Retirement: Conservation Through the Lives of Adirondack Loons on Wednesday, May 1st at 2 p.m. Dr. Nina Schoch will provide an overview of loon natural history and behavior, threats affecting loon populations and the work of the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation.

Peter and the Wolf on Saturday, May 18th at 2:00 p.m. The Children's Community Theater at Will Rogers will present, *Peter and the Wolf* under the direction of resident Gail Wrenn. This timeless classic includes music, dance and drama from area musicians, dancers and actors. \$10 advance purchase or \$15 at the door. See cover for more information.

Outings Club: What Style Is It? on Tuesday, May 28th at 10:00 a.m. Adirondack Architectural Heritage Executive Director Steven Englehart, will lead a walk through the town of Westport, pointing out various architectural styles and teaching participants to recognize these buildings and the historic and cultural events that shaped them (\$15 per person). Lunch at the Deer's Head Inn in Elizabethtown (\$9 and up). Call 518-891-7117 to RSVP.

Road to Retirement: Adirondack Stories on Wednesday, June 5th at 2:00 p.m. Author Marty Podskoch will speak about and show slides of his many great stories of hermits, forestry, hotels, summer camps, writers, artists, animals, mining, farming, canals, boats, sports and amusement parks all located within the Blue Line. Marty will have copies of his books available for sale and signing.

Unveiling the Secret Lives of Nesting Adirondack Loons on Saturday, June 8th at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Nina Schoch will present a summary of findings from the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation's nest camera study, an overview of the work they provide and information about loon behavior and natural history.

Listen to the Old Songs on Saturday, June 22nd at 7:30 p.m. A folksinger in the Peter Segar tradition, banjoist and guitarist, Bill Berlinghoff, will present a concert of songs from the coffeehouse era of the 60's and 70's as well as some contemporary songs and original compositions influenced by that era.

Outings Club: Horseshoe Lake on Tuesday, June 25th at 10:00 a.m. Join naturalist Peter O'Shea for a walk along a beautiful wetland to view wildflowers, warblers and possibly a beaver or loon. We'll enjoy a picnic lunch (\$7 or bring your own) on the shores of Horseshoe Lake. Call 518-891-7117 to RSVP.

Game nights will be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 5 p.m.—10 p.m.
Come learn a new game or bring an old favorite. Board games, card games, strategy games,
pool & ping pong are played.

***All programs are free unless otherwise noted.**



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Resident Spotlight: Landon Kite

Landon Kite was born in Shenandoah, VA in 1937. His father was a carpenter, while his mom stayed at home with him and his two older sisters. After graduating high school, Landon attended Virginia Tech, and then joined the Air Force where he was stationed in France. There he worked as a liaison between the military and civilian firms. Landon said, "It couldn't have been a more wonderful education for a boy from the hills of Virginia." During his nearly three years in France he was able to learn the language and, "fell in love with Paris, just like everyone else."

After Landon was discharged, he got a job working at a manufacturing plant, where he became the night shift superintendent. Having management experience and knowing that people are what make organizations function, Landon went back to school and received his undergraduate degree in psychology. He was employed in the healthcare management field for 17 years. During this time, he earned his master's degree from Harvard in health systems management. Later, he became the director of presidential correspondence in the Jimmy Carter administration.

Landon and his ex-wife have a son and a daughter together. When the kids were growing up, they enjoyed going on weekend trips and family vacations together. Landon nominally retired in 1998, when he moved to Naples, FL and started working as a consultant. He then spent twelve years working at a call center, where he functioned as part of the executive team.

Landon, a new resident at Will Rogers, moved here on the advice of his son-in-law Jamie Whidden, who is the Executive Director. Landon enjoys the people at Will Rogers and the lively conversation.

