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Town Manager Sheehan & Sudbury Select Board,

There are signs of spring around the property! The ratio of snow to grass is quickly shifting in a favorable direction, and we are finishing up winter clean-up projects. We are moving towards completing hiring and enrollment, and planning for our busy spring Resident and Staff Training events.

Given that we are plugging along, and don't have much new information to report, we thought it would be nice to share some of the history of Camp Sewataro.

In the early 1940s, Franklin Secatore purchased 150 acres of land in Sudbury, MA and set about developing it. Over the years, he built houses for his three daughters and their families, and their children (Franklin's grandchildren) were the first ever Sewataro Campers in the summer of 1960. The name Sewataro is actually a combination of the first two letters of Franklin's last name, and the married names of each of those three daughters - Secatore, Walsh, Taylor and Romano.

Franklin's daughter Alba stepped into the role of Director, and her vision remains at the heart of our mission. "Camp Sewataro brings young people (ages 3-15) together to discover, play, and create - outdoors and unplugged - in a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment. Campers and counselors develop resilience, build lasting friendships, and gain the skills needed to become the best versions of themselves." The high standards and deep traditions that define us began with Alba and Franklin, and were carried on by Alba's three children Mark, Christine, and Rob after she passed away in 2010.

Today, under the ownership of the Town of Sudbury and the leadership of Scott Brody, our team works to carry on that mission. We have been thrilled to welcome more and more Sudbury campers and staff to the property each summer, including our Sudbury Resident Scholarship recipients, and we firmly believe that children today need camp more than ever.

Sincerely,
The Sewataro Team