

**Fair from page 25**

Thanks to all who baked and donated food. The strawberry shortcakes were a huge hit and sold out. Bill Leber kept us up-to-date with his timely announcements, although he did say there was a long line at the food counter, and I swear, I was flipping those burgers as fast as I could.

The Boy Scouts helped out again with the auction, and the Girl Scouts were terrific leading the kids' games. The Andover One Wheelers put on an exciting show, and the crowd enjoyed viewing the Concord Coach brought by the Andover Lions Club.

The demonstrations looked especially interesting this year, and the So-

ciety would like to thank Kate Smith Austin of Tilton for her wheel-throwing pottery demonstration; John Paul Hobby of Laconia for blacksmithing; Mike Hamel of Rumney for handspinning; Priscilla Parmenter of Wilmot for handspinning; Nancy Clapp of Salisbury for chair caning; Kenneth Hazen of Warner for split black ash basketmaking; and Nancy DeCesare of Newport for penny rug making and applique.

Additional thanks go to Jake's Market for their donation of ice and to RP Johnson and Son for the use of their tent.

The raffle winners were John Guiheen, who won Richard Brewster's handcast and handpainted Civil War soldiers; Lauren Koron, who won the quilt made by Sharon Darling; and a family from Dunbarton who won two overnight stays at the Highland Lake Inn. Congratulations to all, and many thanks to the prize donors.

The word around town is that the fair was great this year, and the weather couldn't have been more pleasant. (People are saying the cheeseburgers were especially delicious.)

It takes a lot of hard work to bring this event about, so we hope you will think about becoming a member of the Andover Historical Society and lending yourself to the effort. If Florence Gove at 88 years old can cook hot dogs for six hours, isn't there something you can do to help?

# Historical Society Volunteers To Photograph Historic Barns

By Larry Chase  
For the Beacon

A team of five local photographers is embarking on a voluntary effort to produce a visual record of Andover's oldest barns.

Their work will support a long-range Andover Historical Society project to build and maintain a permanent archive of the town's architecturally and historically significant structures, according to Pat Cutter, Historical Society president.

The project had its beginnings several years ago, when three Historical Society members – Pat Cutter, Ed Hiller, and Chris Norris – compiled an informal list of more than 50 significant Andover barns, some dating back to the late 18th century. Earlier this year, the photographers – all participants in the current *Northern Exposures* exhibit sponsored by the Andover Library Trustees – volunteered to capture digital images of many of the barns on the list.

Contributing photographers are Andover residents Lew Allison, Jay Boynton, Bob Bussey, Larry Chase, and Marty McAuliff.

According to Pat, "Andover is fortunate in having a large number of

well-preserved (and some less-well-preserved) old barns, a reflection of our farming-based heritage and a time when home and workplace were often physically connected. There are also many newer barns and remodeled old ones, different in design, materials, and usage. These, too, have a story to tell – a story of evolving local lifestyles and land use. Through the medium of digital photography, the Andover Historical Society hopes to compile a record of these structures so that future generations will always be able to visualize living patterns as they evolved in Andover."

Permission to photograph the barns will be requested by letter to the property owners, and shooting arrangements will be made by personal follow-up before actual photography takes place.

Andover residents who do not receive a letter but who own barns of historical or architectural interest are invited to contact Pat at 735-5628 or WCutter@tds.net to have their structures added to the list to be photographed.

The photographic work is expected to continue, as the volunteers' time permits, at least through the rest of 2010.

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town residents brought their kids to get cones. This lasted from 1978 to 1981.

"In 1981 the Kearsarge Masonic fraternity wanted to sell the building to Proctor, so they bought out my lease. That was the end of my career as a restaurateur," says Rocky.

Andover resident Connie McLeod remembers that Proctor faculty often ate "across the street" as a getaway and as a quiet place to have small meetings.

"There were sandwiches and Cokes, and it was a nice place," she recalls. "And also, my husband and I often met there with friends, to socialize. We'd go there on Sunday evenings to have an ice cream."

If you have a story about Rocky's Roost or the Stable, or an old menu or photo, please contact The Andover Beacon at Mail@AndoverBeacon.com or 735-6099. Also, next month we will be remembering Chicken Pickin'. We would love to hear your stories to include in the article.

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find the hot spot, we will concentrate our efforts there to minimize the damage.

**Thanks For Your Support!**

On the subject of supporting the volunteers, we in the fire service are overwhelmed by your participation in our fund raising projects. We know you

care, and for that we are very grateful.

As to our motivation: first, you get to train and work with a great group of people. And second, well there's the Big Red Truck sailing down the road with the siren blaring, the radio going nuts, and guys getting into their gear with adrenalin dripping all over the place.

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