



The North Country Chordsmen, a barbershop chorus from Hanover under the direction of Dan Falcone, performed on Sunday, April 10, at the Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowships' Stone Chapel at Proctor Academy in Andover. The Fellowship meets every Sunday at 11 AM from September through June. Photo: Sally Bergquist

Andover Institute Hosts Spring Birding Walk

Saturday, May 7, on the Rail Trail

Press release

Local birders, whether just beginning or more accomplished, are invited to join New London birder Fred Sladen on a spring birding walk on Saturday, May 7, beginning at 7 AM. The group will assemble by the Howard George Field at Blackwater Park on Lawrence Street and walk along the Northern Rail Trail, hoping to see a number of species, particularly the arriving migrants and a good representation of the land birds of New Hampshire.

If luck isn't with us at that location, or if time permits, the group may also car-pool to another site or two in Andover

to check out what birds can be seen.

Bring a pair of binoculars, as well as your questions about how to spot and identify birds. Fred has birded in over 30 countries and 20 states in the US, has found and identified almost every species that breeds east of the Mississippi, and has led birding tours to the Caribbean and to Central and South America.

The walk is organized by the Andover Institute, an arm of the Andover Community Association, and is offered free of charge to anyone who would like to join in.

For further information, or in case of bad weather, contact Susan Chase at 735-5135 or AndoverCommunity03216@gmail.com.

"Welcome Spring" Arts and Crafts Show and Sale on May 7

33 vendors at AE/MS to support scholarships

Mary Ofenloch, ASC

The Andover Service Club (ASC) has been in the process of organizing one of its most exciting fundraisers – the "Welcome Spring" Arts and Crafts Show and Sale on Saturday, May 7, from 10 AM to 3 PM at AE/MS. This fundraiser is to benefit the ASC Merit Scholarship Fund. Admission is free, but freewill donations will be gratefully accepted. As an added attraction, homemade baked items will also be for sale.

Many years ago, ASC sponsored craft fairs at the Christmas season. Members met during the year to create the items that were sold at the fair.

Now, this "Welcome Spring" show has 33 vendors from Andover and many surrounding towns, as well as ASC members. Participation by the public is needed to make this event a success. So we hope to see everyone on May 7.

April Meeting

On April 13, the ASC members met at the Highland Lake Grange Hall. On the agenda were the usual business reports, refreshments, and the annual in-house auction.

The next general meeting will be on Wednesday, May 11, at 10 AM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall. Storyteller Lauretta Phillips will be the special guest speaker.

Any woman who would like to become a member of the Andover Service Club is welcome to attend this meeting. You will meet wonderful women who dedicate their time and effort to support their community in many ways, while enjoying the friendships they make along the way.

In June, scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors and/or continuing



Diane Rice, ASC Scholarship Chairlady, displays a poster advertising the Arts and Crafts Show on Saturday, May 7. Proceeds from the show and sale at AE/MS will benefit the ASC Scholarship fund. Photo: Mary Ofenloch

education college students. Your continued support for fundraisers, such as the Arts and Craft Show, Thanksgiving Pie Sale, and Fourth of July Pie Slices for Scholarships is very important. Thank you for your generosity – it is sincerely appreciated!

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She will also share her experiences "tramping" through Abel Tasman National Park in New Zealand and traveling along the West Coast of the South Island and near Christchurch.

Travel Night is part of a series of presentations sponsored by the Andover

Institute and featuring the adventures of local residents.

The Institute is a branch of the Andover Community Association and is committed to "bringing people together to learn new things and gain new skills." Stay connected to local events by "liking" their Facebook page at [Facebook.com/AndoverInstitute03216](https://www.facebook.com/AndoverInstitute03216).



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