



Carol Poitras and Diane Seamans of the New Hampshire Quilt Documentation Project examine a quilt as Clea McCormick of The Constant Quilter looks on.
Photo by Sharon Darling

Andover Quilts Documented

Andover's first Quilt Documentation Day at The Constant Quilter quilt shop on Pancake Road was a busy and exciting event. From the moment when the efficient volunteers rolled in and set up the shop for reception, viewing, and photography to the afternoon repacking of equipment, the shop bustled with activity and cheerful conversation.

Approximately twenty old quilts were brought in for documentation, including a signature quilt owned by the Andover Historical Society, a Victorian crazy quilt, and an amazing gold and orange quilt made from silk cigar ribbons with

the cigar brand names still readable.

Several owners requested and received appraisals, and all received information about the design, materials, probable age, and condition of their quilts.

The purpose of the New Hampshire Quilt Documentation Project is to make a record of old quilts that reside in New Hampshire. The Project has held sessions in various locations, including Salisbury. According to Linda Barnes, co-owner of The Constant Quilter, the experience was enjoyable and educational and the shop would be happy to hold another session in the future.

This Month In Andover History

Excerpts from John Eastman's *History of Andover 1751-1908* and from Ralph Chaffee's *History of Andover 1900-1965*

“**March 14-16, 1862** – The hardest snow storm of the season. Snow four feet deep in roads on Taunton Hill. In one case a person walked along a snow drift onto the roof of the one-story ell of Deacon Bachelder's house.”

- selected by Ralph Doe

Find your own favorite glimpse of an April gone by! Send it to the Beacon by March 17 and we'll publish it in the April issue. You'll find copies of the Eastman and Chaffee histories of Andover at each of our libraries.

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Society early pictures of Potter Place which, though in black and white, suggest the creamy yellow and maroon color scheme. If you have any opinions or memories, please write a letter either to the *Beacon* or to:

Andover Historical Society
PO Box 167
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Do we wish to be historical, or merely beautiful?

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celebrations, pancake breakfasts, the Lobster Bake, rose sales, light bulb sales, Concord Coach rides, and many other events.

The Club would like to receive your letters about activities you remember or anecdotes about the Club or its projects and how it may have affected you, your family, or your friends.

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