



Notes on the back tell us that this photo commemorates a fishing trip to the "North Lakes." The fishermen are (front, l-r) Glen Currier, Lyman Currier, Bob Phelps; (back) Arthur Woodard, Lee Swett, John Rivers, and Bob Rivers.

Photo courtesy of Beverly Rivers Engelhart

A History Mystery

By Charlie Darling
Beacon staff

This month's History Mystery is another photo from Beverly Rivers Engelhart of Shelby, North Carolina. Beverly graduated from Andover High in 1957.

The photo is of a fishing party that went to the "North Lakes" according to a note on the back of the photo. The photo is undated – do you see any clues

that would help nail down a date for this outing? Any thoughts about which north lakes they might have fished? Any stories, fishing or otherwise, about any of the fishermen in the photo?

Do you have a photo or other artifact of Andover's past that has some mystery about it? Please contact the Beacon so we can share the mystery with our readers...and maybe solve it!

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Andover Historical Society

By Margie Leber
Andover Historical Society

When visiting the Society's museum at Potter Place this year you will find many interesting changes and additions.

The former gift shop area in the Railroad Station will be used for a changing exhibit featuring Andover-related issues. This year the theme is *Andover Sports* and will feature photographs, memorabilia, and artifacts related to speed skating, baseball, and skiing. Come visit and see how Andover played!

The newly refurbished caboose on the tracks will be open for your enjoyment. The changes continue with exhibits and collections at the Emon's General Store and Post Office. The museum's gift shop has been relocated across the road in the store building and is being expanded with additional items.

The collections of the store museum were significantly enhanced last year, thanks to generous donations from the community. A few store items are still needed:

- lengths of used stove pipe – we especially need these!
- store counters
- pottery jugs, jars, and crocks
- a drop-leaf table
- meat chopping block
- pre-1950 boxes, cans, and jars with advertising labels
- large glass store jars

All donations are tax deductible. Cash donations to purchase any of the above items would also be appreciated.

Oh, yes! Thank you to whomever left a donation under the Christmas tree at the store in December. Or was it Santa Claus?

The Andover Historical Society museums in Potter Place are open Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 3 PM and Sundays from 12:30 PM to 3 PM every weekend through October 14. Also visit the Society's Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse, open 1 PM to 3 PM on Sunday, July 8, August 12, September 9, and October 14. Located on Tucker Mountain Road off Maple Street in East Andover, this is Andover's last remaining one room schoolhouse.

Genealogy Research

In the course of doing research for

a recent film project, Heather Makechnie, a local journalist and filmmaker, located 8mm footage of the Potter Place Train Depot and the Yankee Flyer circa 1940. A member of the New London Archives will donate this exciting find to the Andover Historical Society at the June meeting, and Heather will address the amazing new technology being implemented by the Mormon Church in its effort to make all of its billions of copies of primary documents accessible online.

How will we be affected by visiting FamilySearch.org, typing in our great-grandmother's and great-grandfather's names, and seeing their handwritten marriage certificate? Or a copy of the original incorporation of Andover? What does this mean to the Andover Historical Society? How will we rise to this opportunity? Heather will focus on how we might use new media as a Society to update the genealogical portion of the next 50-year history of Andover.

Join us on June 20 at the Masonic Hall in Potter Place at 7 PM for this enlightening presentation.

Old Time Fair In August

Our annual Old Time Fair will be held this year on August 5 in Potter Place. This year promises to be bigger and better than ever, with more entertainment, more food, and more surprises.

We are pleased to have again the lively Irish-American group O'hAnleigh with their crowd-pleasing performance that so delighted all at last year's fair. In addition we will be treated to the magician B. J. Hickman.

But, for the fair – Andover Historical Society's largest fundraiser of the year – we need your help!

We need your generous donations for our auction and flea market, both centerpieces of the Fair. If you are settling an estate, moving, or just "spring cleaning," please consider donating your good stuff to the Andover Historical Society. We'll even pick it up! Please call:

- Bill Cutter at 735 5628
- Dennis Fenton at 735-5226
- Jim Goody at 735-5676
- Roger Henderson at 735-5551
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