

Beacon Bits

Finding a volunteer to organize and energize the *Beacon's* fundraising efforts continues to be one of my top priorities. If you've been wondering what might be involved, here are some thoughts:

1) Keep a list of all the fundraising ideas that we think of, that people suggest, that we see others use, etc.

2) For each of those ideas, do some research and some thinking about what's good about the idea, what's challenging about it, how the *Beacon* might be able to make it happen, how the community might react to the idea, etc.

3) Once a year, in the autumn, sift through the list of ideas and help pick the ones that we should go with in the coming calendar year. We need a set of ideas that work well together, that are do-able given our limited resources, that will enhance our standing in the community, and that will raise enough money for us to be able to operate throughout the following year.

4) Organize and coordinate our *Beacon* resources so the fundraising gets done as quickly and painlessly as possible.

Would you or someone you know enjoy being a key part of the *Beacon's* success? Even if you've got no experience in this area, what the heck – we'll figure it out together! Please give me a call – it's vital to the *Beacon's* future.

An Office For The Beacon?

I hate the thought of the overhead, but it's time that the *Beacon* had a small office. It would help us attract much-needed volunteers, and it would give us a place for a computer or two we could share.

If you know of a place, preferably in Andover village, where we could have two or three desks, please let me know. We can pay rent if we need to, but less is better in that regard.

Charlie

Next Month's Beacon...

...should be in mailboxes on Friday, August 31. Please get all ads, articles, etc. to us by **Wed., August 15**, at the latest. And **earlier is always better!**

Letters To The Beacon

Everyone in Andover should be proud of the One Wheelers who performed at the Bridgefest Celebration in Bucksport, Maine. We were so very proud of them all and they represented your town and school beautifully. What a great group of girls, with many volunteers who made it work with long hours of planning.

We were excited to meet them all, and their performance was top notch! Also, we enjoyed them up here on our Mountain Top – all 40 of them! – for a cookout and games. What fun they all had! Can't forget the campfire and cooking s'mores!

How friendly they all were – really seemed like our large family get-togethers. We all say it takes many volunteers, and it shows you have many.

Thanks, Andover, for all your support. We are so blessed to have our son Alan and family living in your town. The years in grade school for Megan and Erin will never be forgotten. Also Bar Harbor was a special area to visit.

Last but not least – coffee is always on, Diane and friends. Come back again!

Wendell & Carolyn Hanscom
Orrington, Maine

Nobody wants to look at a cell tower, but most folks have a cell phone. A proposed cell tower must be particularly noxious to be defeated. We believe that the projected cell tower on Emery Road in East Andover is particularly noxious.

In a residential area, this tower will be highly visible to many homes on Emery Road.

It will be highly visible from the historically important Hersey Farm nearby.

It will be highly visible from many homes on Highland Lake and hills to the west of the lake.

We urge Verizon and Andover to reject this tower. In certain cases, some cell towers are not okay; in our opinion this case is one of them.

Suzy and Tim Norris

As Joni Mitchell has sung, "Don't it always seem to go that you don't know what you've got till it's gone. They paved paradise and put up a parking lot."

There are plans to place a cell phone tower on the Fulton property in a location known as Artists' Ledge on Emery Road. This spot is visible from Highland Lake, Taunton Hill, Halcyon Hill, and other locations.

This is one of the few remaining undisturbed areas in our community where you can take a drive and enjoy the beautiful scenery. These are the places we all seek out when we need to escape the rat race of our commercialized every-day life.

The community-minded citizens of Andover have worked hard to preserve these scenic, historic places for all to enjoy. Much work went into the preservation of the Hersey Farm, and it is a wonderful achievement of which many can be proud. It would indeed be a very sad turn of events to have a cell phone tower overlook that property.

Placing a cell phone tower on this particular scenic location under a 25 year lease would irreparably alter this lovely landscape such that we may never again

enjoy this area as it was. I hope this community will not allow it to happen.

Laura Condon
Bedford

I am a newcomer; I have only been enjoying the wonderful rural nature of East Andover for 50 years. During that time I have watched it grow and noted that residents always took into account the effect on the total community as they proposed improvements.

I also watched as Lester and Marion Fulton lovingly restored an old farm house. They were proud of the improvements to the house and landscape they were able to do, and also enjoyed being

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CORRECTIONS

In last month's *Beacon* we misspelled Julia Philipson's last name and gave Carmen Bates credit for a photo Shane Smart took at the top of Mount Kearsarge. (Carmen was eight months pregnant at the time, so it would have been quite a feat for her to have taken that photo!)

We regret both errors.

BEACON MEMBERS WIN!

Each month the *Beacon* holds a random drawing among its members to give away valuable prizes provided by area businesses. **Become a member** for a year, support the *Beacon*, and join the fun! This month's winners are:

Andover Pizza Chef	Large 2-Topping Pizza	Doreen & Craig Perreault
Andover Service Club	Cookbook	Louise Vaillancourt
Blackwater Junct. Rest.	Gift Certificate	Kim Hallquist
East Andover Marketplace	Gift Certificate	Betty & Irving Dickerman
Jake's Market and Deli	Gift Certificate	George & Phyllis Kidder
Kearsarge Magazine	1-Year Subscription	Ralph & Connie Ressler
MacKenna's Restaurant	Gift Certificate	Nan & Don Kaplan
Mary Kay - Sarah Anderson	Gift Certificate	Carmen Bates
New Horizons Hairstylists	Hair Care Products	Susan Nelson
Two Mountain Farm	Fresh Organic Produce	Edibeth Farrington
Two Mountain Farm	Fresh Organic Produce	Nance & Bruce Barrett

Winners – contact the Beacon at 735-5331 to collect your prize.

Prizes not redeemable for cash.

BECOME A BEACON MEMBER!

Seasonal	Gift	Local or Out of Town	Here's my member donation of \$ _____ for (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal (\$25 min) <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Town (\$25 min) <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Subscr. (\$25 min)
			Your Name _____ Address _____ City, State, Zip _____ Phone or E-mail _____
			Other Name _____ Other Address _____ City, State, Zip _____ Phone or E-mail _____
Seasonal: which months are you at the "other" address? _____			

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