



Connie Clausen Ressler sent this photo of Wes Clausen (Connie's father), Bea Nagel holding Puddy, and George Nagel. All three owned the cabins that were where Pettingill Place is today, near the intersection of Routes 4 and 11 east of town. When the Clausen's owned it, they called it Clausen's Cabin Colony. When the Nagels owned it, they called it Holiday Haven.

Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse

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Andover Historical Society

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 14, from 1 to 3 PM, and join us at the Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse for an old time sing-a-long.

The 1837 one-room schoolhouse on Tucker Mountain not only provided education for the children of this farming community, but it also provided a place for neighborhood meetings and socials. Picnics, bible study, candy pulls, and sing-a-longs are a few of the other events that would have happened in the little building.

For the September 14 open house, Lori Cox, Cindy Benson, and friends will be playing instruments and performing music of the 19th century. Both

musicians are residents of Andover. Lori plays the flute in the Kearsarge Community Band, and Cindy plays for church groups. Other musicians and singers are welcome to join in! Songs of this period include *Blue Tail Fly*, *Camptown Races*, *Clementine*, *I've Been Working on the Railroad*, *O'Susanna*, *Polly Wolly Doodle*, *Skip to My Lou*, and *She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain*.

Fresh mint and honey tea will be served hot or cold with Pat Baker's "Sugar & Spice" cookies.

Schoolhouse note cards, t-shirts, and other items will be available for purchase. Proceeds go to support the Andover Historical Society. For more information call Donna Baker-Hartwell at 735-5586.

100 YEARS AGO

SEPTEMBER 1908

Here's some old news from the Andover, East Andover, West Andover, Potter Place, and Cilleyville "gossip" columns of the Franklin Journal Transcript, selected by Heather Makechnie.

September 1, 1908: East Andover – The new creamery and butter factory at East Andover will be named Highland Lake Creamery and will be in operation Monday, September 14th. All farmers wishing to find out the exact value of a can of their milk are asked to bring in a small sample Monday forenoon, September 7th, or any forenoon during the week. This milk will be tested and the results shown to the patrons.

R. K. Dennison, the managing owner, announces that he hopes to see all the farmers who have already promised to bring in milk, and many more when the creamery opens.

[This creamery was in the cellar of

the current East Andover Marketplace.]

September 17, 1908: Franklin – Franklin is to have a new moving picture theater. Charles H. Bean began this week to remodel his building on Canal Street and in about three weeks he expects to have one of the finest theaters of the kind in this section. He intends to spend about \$2,000.

The main entrance will be on the south side so that patrons can enter from Central Street without going through the passage between Young's Hotel and the Bean Block. There will be two other exits. The floor will be inclined and a seating capacity of 560 is planned.

Everything will be in the latest up to date style, and will be absolutely fireproof. Maj. G. S. Knox is in charge of the carpenter work.

[Many Andover residents will remember attending vaudeville shows, silent movies, and the "talkies" at the Pastime Theatre, described above, which was across the street from the later Regal Theater (which is an auction house today) and just a block away from the Franklin Opera House. This theater was one of the earliest in New Hampshire, and lasted for more than four decades. The "fireproof" theater eventually did perish by fire.]

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