



Friends of the Ogunquit Heritage Museum

Spring 2011 Newsletter

Mission of the Friends:

To Support the Educational Goals and Programs
of the Ogunquit Heritage Museum

Henry Card Remembered . . .

Henry Card was one of the last dory fishermen to live in Perkins Cove. He told his stories to friends and tourists alike. The following article appeared in The Boston Herald on Tuesday, February 12, 1953.

N.Y. Visit Worst Experience For Maine Man in 86 Years

By Haydn Pearson

PERKINS COVE, Ogunquit Maine - Henry B.

Card, 86 years old on January 20th, is a quiet mannered, philosophic, unhurried gentleman of the old school. He lives alone in his picturesque, weather-beaten fisherman's house a few



Henry Card

fathoms length from the granite wall that holds the salt water creek in check.

It was one of those cold, bright December days when I rambled down east from the 2,000 mile main road usually called U.S. Route One. Henry isn't as spry as he was 20 years ago and admits it. There was a cheerful wood fire going in the kitchen stove and Henry and I sat, talked and smoked our pipes for a couple of hours.

Myself—I'm a dog man, not a cat man, so I might be a trifle prejudiced. Henry has three cats: Jigger, Millie, and Sarah. Every so often if Henry felt the cats were being neglected, he addressed a few remarks to them.

"Cats are sensitive," he said

"Un - uh," I replied.

All Friends and Guests are Invited. . .

**Open House for
2011 Season
at the
Ogunquit Heritage Museum**

Saturday June 4, 2011
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Obed's Lane, Ogunquit, Maine

All New Exhibits
Refreshments
&

**The Museum Opens
June 1, 2011
Hours:
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Tues - Sat
Through September 30**

"Most knowing beasts in the world."

"Maybe"

"Lots of company."

"I'm a dog man."

Henry looked at me. "From the *Boston Herald*, eh? I've heard about Boston folks. Solid but stubborn."

"I'm not from Boston, Henry, I'm from New Hampshire, and there's a lot of difference."

"Glad to hear it Haydn. From some of the things I've read and heard over the radio, I'd pick New Hampshire ahead of Boston. What did you come and see me for?"

"I want to hear about life in the 1875 - 1895 period."

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President's Letter . . .

It is so exciting to work with the Board of the Friends of the Ogunquit Heritage Museum, which includes many who have served for years, and also several new members. One thing stands out dramatically: all of the dedicated work of those who have gone before has now placed the group in strong financial and supportive positions to carry on this work. Our endowment funds are growing each year, thanks to the generosity of Ogunquit friends and neighbors, and we will soon be in a position to use income from this endowment to enhance Museum programs.

Current active issues with which the Board is presently dealing include planning for the Museum opening party on Saturday, June 4 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM, where we hope to see many Members and Friends of the Museum. Please plan to take the time to peruse new exhibits (Perkins Cove, Then and Now) and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres with Board members.

Planning for the 37th Annual Antique Show on Saturday, September 17, is well underway, expertly guided by Susan Meffert and Gary Littlefield. This show is one of the major sources of revenue for the Friends, and we hope that members will not only help in setting up the show, but also attend and perhaps assist in ensuring success with some timely purchases as well. We will begin soliciting business advertising in the Antique Show program over the next several weeks, and we urge all business owners and friends to consider placing an ad this year. Again, this is one of our most important sources of income to support the programs of the Museum.

The Ogunquit Dory, after 'residing' inside the Museum for the winter, will be moved outside under the direction of Peter Woodbury & friends on Friday, May 20th.

Board member Bob Glidden has finished the bookcases in the building ell and has received warm thanks from all.

We look forward to meeting Friends' Members at the Opening Party on June 4th. Our deepest and heartfelt thanks go to all Friends of the Museum for their continued and varied support of the historically important work done for our community and Town For the Board of the Friends of the Ogunquit Heritage Museum.

*Henry Hokans,
President*

The Cove in the Olden Days . . .



Turn of the century (Late 1800s to early 1900s) views of the old bridge (top) and 'loadin' up hay on the maash.'

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Chairman's Report . . .

In the fall we had a successful evening with ghostly tours followed by a very well attended Christmas open house. Thanks to members of the Friends of the Winn House Board and the Ogunquit Heritage Museum Committee for their participation which included baking cookies, decorating, greeting guests, and helping to close out 2010. I would especially like to thank Ellen Dannert, who surely knows how to trim a tree or two.

During the winter we dismantled the beach exhibit and Susan Levenson began procuring things we could use for the 2011 exhibit, which will feature the history of Perkins Cove. Once again it has been a very informative venture, and we have all learned a lot about the Cove. We broke down last year's exhibits and are getting ready to reopen in June. Hopefully you will all get a chance to attend the Open House on June 4th.

I would like to give special thanks to the employees of Pepsi Cola in Portland, who selected us as their volunteer community project for the year and came in a large group to paint the Winn House last Saturday. They made it a festive occasion and painted the building in record time. Special thanks should be given to Tom Fortier who applied for and arranged this, and to Cliff Marchant and Gene Cyr who led the effort. The look of the house is much improved and we are all very grateful and pleased.

*Carole Lee Carroll
Chair, OHM Committee*



The 'Pepsi Painters of Portland' with a little help from Dr. Pepper and a lot of red paint, covered the entire Winn House on Saturday, May 14 in 4 hrs flat, ahead of the rain.

Accessions . . .

- Notebook containing records of the Winn House Restoration Committee
- DVD of Tom Johnson (Curator of Old York Historical Society) touring and assessing the Winn House prior to restoration

-- Given by Marcia Brazer

- Box of vintage slides from the Hans Family
- 26 Pamphlets from the Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce
- 22 Magazines containing articles of Ogunquit interest
- Map of Wells historical sites
- 1978 Town Directory

-- Given by Marilyn Eimon

- Copy of a letter from Dwight Underwood to the authors of *The Cove*
- Copy of a letter from Dwight Underwood to George Weare

-- Given by Fay Fitzgerald

- Etching of Will Haley's apple tree by her father Dohn Cluff

-- Given by Audrey Miller

- A box of Christmas decorations

-- Given by Bernadine Speers

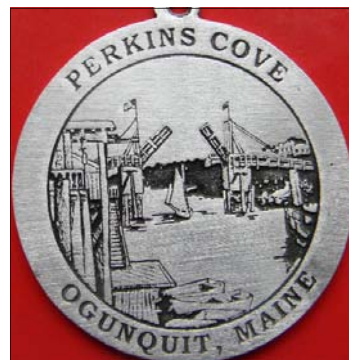
- A cast iron antique shoemaker's 'last' (shoe form)

-- Given by Norman Wilkinson

- A pair of antique brass port and starboard ship's lamps

-- Given by Pete & Barb Woodbury

Thank You All for the Donations!



The Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce's Christmas by the Sea ornament for this year, engraved in pewter, shows the Perkins Cove footbridge with the sailing dory 'Cricket' out for a fairweather sail.

