

Thank You Letter To The Editor

AFMHS 7th Annual Fall Fair Was Spectacular! ...Thanks to Everyone Who Helped Make It Such a Success!

What a spectacular event our Anderson Farm Museum Heritage Society [AFMHS] 7th Annual Fall Fair turned out to be! It was really impressive to look in all directions on Sat. Sept.14th and see Activities, Tents, Displays, Demonstrations and thousands of people- of all ages enjoying themselves at the Anderson Farm Museum [AFM].

We still can't believe how many people participated in our 7th Annual Fall Fair! There were thousands more than the last two years. We're estimating 7-8,000 people from CGS & out-of-town participated- making this our largest Fall Fair ever! A truly SPECTACULAR event at the AFM!

The AFMHS & our 2013 Fall Fair Committee would like to thank everyone who helped us make this year's Fall Fair SPECTACULAR! We couldn't host our Fall Fair without your continued, generous support!

Sincere appreciation to: City of Greater Sudbury, Councillor Jacques Barbeau, Greater Sudbury Heritage Museums & Staff and our Business, Corporate, Community & Media Sponsors; 40 Community Partners- with Activities Displays & Demonstrations throughout the 14acre site; Local Artists- who really 'Rocked' the farm 10am-4pm on our new Outdoor STAGE and 80 Vendors of all kinds- Art/Craft/Business/Snack Food and Farmers' Market Vendors- from CGS and out-of-town.

Thanks to:

Alek Luopa, our Graphic Designer [LDSS grad]-who created all our outstanding Fall Fair PR Materials [2011-2013] and is now attending Laurier University

Our Fall Fair BBQ Sponsors: Battistelli's YIG- our Sponsor [2012-2016] - with 100% proceeds to support the AFMHS 3 FREE annual events & projects at AFM and **Walden Srs & Pensioners & Woodworker [Sponsors since 2007]**- who prepared & served the BBQ...*helping us raise almost \$5,000 this year!*

The Walden Lions Club- who organized Children's Activities featuring: Face-Painting, Fish Pond, an Inflatable Obstacle Course and FREE Balloons & Cotton Candy until it ran out.

Northern Ontario Agri-Food Education & Marketing & Rocky Acres Farm- who organized an educational display of small farm animals, from local farmers

The Walden Art Club- who provided FREE Art/Craft Activities- for people of all ages- inside the Creighton Log Cabin & under two tents

The Sudbury & District Weavers & Spinners Guild- with traditional weaving & spinning demonstrations & displays; the **Penage Rd. WI & Waters WI** - with their local history displays and **Doreen Dudar & Karen Ojanpera**- two of Granddaughters of the Anderson family - **in the Farm House**

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Our Two Overnight Security Volunteers: Jacob May & Cory Nelson, Officer Cadets, 2nd Battallion Irish Regiment of Canada- who patrolled the AFM 7pm-7am

Our Traffic Control/On-Site Parking Team: Christel Brandle, Don Dodds & Ken Yasinowski [Fall Fair Committee], Everett Matthews & Frank Rocca [two new Lively Volunteers] & Auxiliary Police

Everyone who helped us set-up & take-down the 14acre site Fri. & Sat: Walden Sr. Woodworkers, Walden Lions Club, 1st Waters Venturer Scouts, Ray Seltzer [new volunteer], Ken Bennison, Mr. Robinson + 20 students [Shop Classes] & 5 Student Council Members LDSS, Cambrian College International Students & CGS Staff. We couldn't host the fall fair without your help!

And special thanks to our 2013 Fall Fair Committee- who worked tirelessly from [Jan-Sept.] and **our 150+ Fall Fair Volunteers-** who helped make our 7th Annual Fall Fair such a SPECTACULAR event!

It's hard to improve on SPECTACULAR but some of our AFMHS Volunteers, Community Partners & Sponsors are already planning to make next year's Fall Fair even better! We hope you'll join us for our 8th Annual Fall Fair, Sept.13, 2014 at the Anderson Farm Museum.

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