



August/September 2009

## SUMMER HOURS

Starting April 1st

**Monday – Friday**

**7:30 – 4:30**

**Saturday**

**7:30 – 2:00**

**Closed Sunday**

*As always, if you are running late just call ahead and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.*

**We will be closed Monday, September 7th, for Labor Day**

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## Barn Envy in Kittery Point

From the moment the hemlock bough was nailed to the peak of the 24-by-24-foot barn they recently constructed in Kittery Point, local builders and designers Bud Fisher and John Boley knew they had created a special place. “The neighbors would walk by and say they had barn envy,” Boley says, looking around and adding, “it is a beautiful spot.”

Fisher and Boley first collaborated in 1981 at the Strawberry Banke boat shop. They then worked together for many years at the former Foley Boat Building in Kittery Point, and have been frequent building partners since.

From the start, says Fisher, this new structure was intended to be used as an agricultural barn — specifically, winter shelter for the several goats and chickens that roam the waterfront property, as well as storage for tractors and other tools.

Homeowners Tom and Margaret Allen had been shopping for pre-assembled kits before meeting up with Fisher, who has designed many unique barns throughout the Seacoast. Both long-time Rand Lumber customers, Boley and Fisher collaborated to provide the Allens with a custom design that would accommodate all of their needs — and more.

“The kids have already had a birthday party in here,” notes Boley, adding, “it has this nice ‘manger’ feeling, where you think about a winter night and coming in and visiting the goats and chickens.”

Lending to the warmth of the building is the hemlock used for the frame, which was specified for its inedible qualities — an important consideration when building with goats in mind!

Rough-sawn pine was used for the sheathing. “Rand had everything that we needed,” notes Fisher. “There wasn’t a bad board in the pile, and with their boom truck, we didn’t have to touch anything.”

These details and others have made

both Fisher and Boley loyal Rand customers for more than 25 years. “Rand is a local family business, and the product is local,” notes Boley, as Fisher adds, “We know the lumber is coming from places practically right down the street — maybe from a lot that’s being cleared out for a new home. It’s not from some faraway, northern location.”

“Plus,” says Boley, “the Rands are always freshening up the place, doing something different. With their own mill and quality control for the lumber, I see Rand Lumber as always being a very forward-looking business that also

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**Left:** The shed off the back of the barn provides an additional eight feet of storage. **Top Right:** Livestock will enter and exit the new barn from their own door on the side. **Bottom Right:** A future resident of the Allens’ Kittery Point barn.



The barn is framed with hemlock.

manages to stay true to its roots. That's unique in a day of the big box stores."

Fisher notes that while there's no doubt that Rand Lumber typifies a traditional lumberyard, the business also carries everything a typical homeowner would need. "I think there is this fear, that if you're a homeowner and you need a single board, you have to ask for it," he explains. "But dealing with Rand is different than dealing with one of the big distributors: Like one of the big guys, Rand will help you through the whole process, but they have every kind of wood that would suit your application; so if a person knows that Rand Lumber will help them with a single board, they'll find everything else they need for their project there too."

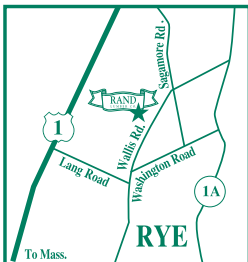
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Lost & Found measuring tapes  
\$1.00 Ea. (one per Customer)  
Fine Woodworking Magazines \$1.00 Ea.  
Various Quikrete Cement  
\$1.00 Ea. (damaged sold as is)  
Miscellaneous Pine Cabinets \$25.00

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Select Pine 1x3 thru 1x10 20% off  
1x6 #2 Pine 20% off  
1x8 #2 Pine 20% off  
1x6 Rgh Utility Grade .20 Inft.  
2x4x10 Rgh Priced as 2x4x8  
2x6x10 Rgh Priced as 2x6x8

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