

Historical Society Antique Auction

How does Dollie Briggs do it? Two weeks ago she co-chaired the "It's A Fashion Affair" benefit for the Boys & Girls Club and raised over \$30,000. Friday night she was a co-chair of the Historical Society's Artisans & Antiques Fair Preview Party & Auction at the Great Friends Meeting House where great friends turned out to bid on items donated by local companies such as Jacqueline Barratt's JBAntiques, A.M. Cooper Antiques, Franklin & Company and Three Golden Apples. Vernon Court's Judy and Laurence Cutler picked up a Zither while party co-chair Rob Kelley purchased an Iranian rug donated by O'Callahan Oriental Rugs. Antique Roadshow's Leigh Keno served as guest auctioneer and honorary co-chair along with Mrs. Robert H. Charles. On Saturday the public was able to mill around and watch demonstrations by twenty five artisans or have their own treasure appraised. A traditional tea hosted by the Bakers of the Inns of Newport was held in the afternoon after a talk by Milo Naeve, Curator Emeritus of American Art at the Art Institute of Chicago, on tea tables and tea drinking. The day closed with a historic baseball game at Cardine's Field featuring the Providence Grays playing under rules dating back to 1884.

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Daniel Snyder, executive director of the Newport Historical Society, left, at the preview with Judy Goffman Cutler and Laurence Cutler. The Cutlers have recently opened The National Museum of American Illustration in Newport.



Dollie Briggs and Leigh Keno



Oatsie Charles and Laurence Cutler