



Looking across Boothbay Harbor, spectators crowd the docks and shoreline view the trap hauling contest at this years Fishermen's Festival. (Steve Edwards photo)

## Music with a mission supports the Mills Fish Ladder Restoration

The A Team, a group of seasoned Boston-area musicians, is selling its first full-length CD to benefit two charities, one of which is the Damariscotta Mills Fish Ladder Restoration Project.

Titled "Mission in Medford" and completed this past January, the collection of 10 original tracks features three vocalists, blues guitarist Peter Parcek (recently named by Gibson Guitars as "one of the 10 guitar players you should be listening to"), session bassist Marc Hickox (Eddie Floyd), and engineer Ducky Carlisle (Nora Jones, Susan Tedeschi).

"Mostly, the A Team's music sounds like 'old school' rhythm and blues from the '60s, but there's also some New Orleans sound, a bit of Latin flavor, and even a Red Sox-themed funk tune," said songwriter and guitarist John Monterisi.

"These friends of mine play with different bands; we decided to record together for fun, and do some good while we were at it. One hundred percent of proceeds from sales of the CD will benefit Friends of Boston's Homeless (FOBH) and the Damariscotta Mills Fish Ladder Restoration fund.

"My wife and I have a camp in the Mills and we wanted to help out in our way. Since we've used music to support FOBH in the past, we hope to extend our reach with this project to assist the towns of

Nobleboro and Newcastle in their awesome work."

Information about the Fish Ladder restoration and a link to the Damariscotta Mills website will also be found in the CD packaging and at the A Team's website.

The A Team's "Mission in Medford" CD can be purchased through the band's website ([www.a-team-band.com](http://www.a-team-band.com)) and MySpace page ([www.myspace.com/](http://www.myspace.com/)

[yourateam](mailto:yourateam@gmail.com)), or by emailing John at [ateamband@gmail.com](mailto:ateamband@gmail.com).

For these purchases both charities will equally share the \$12 price. For CDs purchased through Deb Wilson, Nobleboro Fish Committee member (563-1383), or the Damariscotta Mills website [www.damariscottamills.org](http://www.damariscottamills.org), all \$12 per unit will go to the Fish Ladder Restoration Fund.

## Whitefield Bicentennial mural



Avery Dunn showed up at Whitefield School this week to view progress on the Bicentennial Mural and was persuaded to paint her residence, the historic "Stone House" on Vigue Road. The colorful map project, involving Whitefield middle schoolers, is under the direction of local artist Natasha Mayers. (Lucy Martin photo)