

# **Weston Playhouse to Host Antiques and Craft Shows**

The Weston Community Association has announced that both the Weston Antiques Show and Weston Craft Show will take place in the Weston Playhouse as scheduled: the Antiques Show will take place September 30 and October 1 and the Craft Show on October 7-9 (Columbus Day Weekend).

While the Playhouse did sustain flooding from hurricane Irene in its lower level, the water is gone, the affected area was stripped, and power and water were restored, thanks to Herculean efforts by several dozen volunteers. A professional crew has been retained and is cleaning the lower level and performing reconstruction where needed, on a schedule that permits Antiques Show booth preparation in time for the dealers' arrival, beginning September 27. So both shows will offer their regular, full complement of exhibitors.

The main and upper floors of the building were unaffected, and the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company resumed performances of their world-premier presentation of *Saint-Ex* on Friday, September 2.

The Community Association wishes to recognize and thank the Theatre Company's staff and actors for their invaluable and whole-hearted participation in the clean-up and the Vermont Country Store for their generous contributions of food, water and soft drinks to fuel the army of volunteers.

As is traditional, the Antiques Show will be preceded by a Gala Preview fund-raiser at 5 PM on Thursday, September 29. The WCA hopes that the community will show strong support for this event as all proceeds will be used to help defray the extraordinary costs of clean-up and repair of the Playhouse following the hurricane.

The Weston Antiques and Craft Shows are presentations of the Weston Community Association and all proceeds from the shows are used to preserve and enhance the historic properties it maintains: the Playhouse, the Museums of Weston and the Cold Spring Brook Park.