

Hanover Chamber Orchestra, art exhibit is a draw

By Edith Tucker

WHITEFIELD — A good crowd turned out on Friday night to enjoy a theme-based classical concert of "Night Music" performed by the Hanover Chamber Orchestra under the baton of Dr. Dan Perkins. The all-string program included Mozart's "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik"; Schoenberg's "Verklarte Nacht"; Arensky's "Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky"; and Bartok's "Divertimento" (1939). The concert, presented in partnership with the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire (AANNH), included an exhibit of 19 works by North Country artists as well as student works.

The Old Mill Studio in downtown Whitefield is now showcasing "Night Art" — works portraying night themes, inspired by music — through March 31. The show includes works in fabric, watercolor, acrylics, fiber optics and pastels, nearly all of which are for sale. Call the Studio at 837-8778 for hours of operation.

Four "People's Choice" prizes were awarded to works selected by written ballot. The first and second places were tied, with prizes going to Terry Flaherty of Whitefield for her "Starry, Starry Night" fabric wall hanging and to Michele Johnsen of Columbia's for her painting, "Blue Moon."

The third- and fourth-place prizes were also a tie, awarded to two artists from Randolph: Ernest Demers for his "Arc de Triomphe" oil on canvas, and Tim Sappington for his "Nebula" mixed media.

Before the concert, AANNH ex-



Marjorie Goodson of Whitefield, who entered her "Starry Turtle" fabric wall hanging into the art exhibit, was one of a number of Coös residents, some with children, who enjoyed Friday night's concert by the Hanover Chamber Orchestra under the baton of Dan Perkins at WMRHS. (Photo by Edith Tucker)

ecutive director Frumie Selchen thanked the sponsors of this outreach effort, which had included presentations made by the four principal chairs, as well as conductor Perkins, to 1,000 students who attend schools in the White Mountains Regional School District (WMRSD). She gave special thanks for the efforts of two Whitefield residents: Sue Gradual

of the Old Mill Studio who organized the art exhibit, and general manager Chris Diego of the Mountain View Grand, who hosted the four musicians and conductor when they came north to perform for students.

Music and art teachers from across the WMRSD were on hand on Friday night to help sell tickets and hand out programs.



Kirsten Scobie, left, of Lancaster, a program director at the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, and her two children — seven-year-old Silas Southworth and four-year-old Clementine Southworth — were greeted warmly by AANNH executive director Frumie Selchen at Friday night's Hanover Chamber Orchestra concert at the White Mountains Regional High School. (Photo by Edith Tucker)

Violins needed to nurture budding musicians

By Melissa Grima

WHITEFIELD — After school music offerings have expanded the scope of instrumental lessons available to elementary students at Whitefield School. Now, all they need are instruments.

A newly started program to offer violin lessons has drawn six interested students so far, ac-

cording to music educator Marilyn Schroer. Lessons began two weeks ago with Lancaster's Gerry Tobin providing the instruction from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday afternoons at Whitefield School.

The students are enthusiastic about their new instruments, the only problem is, there are not

enough violins for the interested youngsters. Mrs. Schroer said there is a need for violins in good condition with bows and the kids would appreciate any help they can get from the community. Anyone who would be interested in donating one or more can call her at the Whitefield School 837-3088; pick-up is available.