

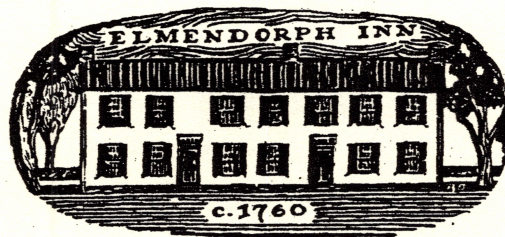
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FRIENDS *o* f ELMENDORPH

WINTER



2002

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

It was a busy autumn at the Inn. On Saturday, Sept. 14, several members of the high school's Junior Friends of the Elmendorph Club dressed in period clothing, participated in the Hardscrabble Day parade and gave tours of the Inn. At the Inn the same day, sales of apple pie and ice cream were brisk with help from all our volunteers and the folks who baked those great pies. Kevin Furst demonstrated Native American crafts outside the Inn and our visitors could also view the exhibits in the New York State Lottery Education bus, which was parked on the Elmendorph grounds.

In early October, the board of directors hosted a cookout to thank the volunteers from the Elmendorph Etc. Shop and the Junior Friends. Bill Hammond, who heads up the Building and Grounds Committee, has done a terrific job all year in keeping the grounds in excellent shape and resolving maintenance problems with the Inn.

The board has made a decision on the basic building layout and site for the proposed new Etc. Shop and storage building. The Site Plan Committee will reconvene in January to begin the design specifications for the building - more details to come in March. The Gallery Historical Display/Restoration Committee will also reconvene the first of the year to begin the design specs for the second floor center gallery. This year's Family Christmas Open House will take place from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8. We welcome all of you to attend this wonderful event and encourage you to bring your family and friends. Be sure to redeem the enclosed tickets for our annual raffle which takes place at the same time - we have some nice items. I wish all of you a happy holiday season.

Sincerely,
LARRY THETFORD
President

PART OF THE COMMUNITY

The Elmendorph Inn is an active community center and educational resource. Here's a look at just some of the organizations and groups hosted by the Inn over the past year:

Mill Road Elementary School,
Egbert Benson Historical Society,
Red Hook Antique Dealers Association,
Friends of the Red Hook Public Library,
Red Hook Village Historian,
Red Hook Chamber of Commerce,
Elmendorph Spinners,
Dutchess Bebes Doll Collectors Club,
Friends of Clermont,
Millbrook Preparatory School,
Hudson Valley Slow Food,
Bard College Alumni,
Catskill Mountain Chapter of Dowsers,
Culinary Historians at the Elmendorph Inn,
Hudson Valley Literary Magazine,
Plant a Row for the Hungry Northern Dutchess Campaign,
and area scouts.

If your group would like to meet at the Elmendorph, please call (845) 758-5887 to check calendar availability.

ETC. SHOP NEWS

Another successful season has gone by for the Elmendorph Etc. Shop and we'd like to thank our crew, our customers and everyone who donated items for us to sell. Keep the Elmendorph in mind over the upcoming holidays and throughout the winter as you find useful items that you would be willing to donate. All donations, of course, are tax deductible. The thrift shop is the main fundraiser that supports the Inn's ongoing maintenance and needs. We'll be open again in May and start accepting donations at that time.

We can always use new faces to help out at the Etc. Shop, as some of our volunteers have been active here for more than 20 years and could use a respite. Volunteer shop co-managers Shirley and Richard are also looking for a person or persons interested in being trained to eventually take over their position. If you're interested in joining a fun group of volunteers, give us a call at (845) 758-5887.

-- Shirley Brown & Richard Coons

Come to our 12th Annual

FAMILY CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

and

TREE TRIMMING

Sunday, December 8, 1 to 4 p.m.

ELMENDORPH INN

North Broadway, Red Hook

While Christmas sale catalogs pile up in the mailbox, it's time to put aside thoughts of credit card debts and let the Friends of Elmendorph Annual Christmas Open House put you in the mood for the holiday season. The fragrance of hot spiced cider, the aroma of fresh baked bread from the giant brick bake oven, the joyful sounds of Christmas carols, the delight of children stringing garlands of popcorn and cranberries to decorate the tree and the warm welcome of friends and neighbors are all part of this traditional and festive occasion, to be held this year on Sunday, December 8th from 1 to 4 p.m.

Once again the Inn will be decorated with evergreen boughs and colorful fruits in the early 19th-century manner.

The Sunday Open House will feature seasonal musical entertainment. There will be continuous demonstrations and the tasting of open hearth cooking and baking in the historic kitchen. This will include home baked cookies, hot cocoa and mulled cider for all. We hope you and your family will join us for this wonderful celebration with the joys of the holiday season.



Parking is available behind the Red Hook Office Park, north of the IGA.



FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH HOLIDAY RAFFLE



Below you'll find tickets for our annual holiday raffle. The prizes this year include a four-foot-tall decorative snowman, gift baskets, snow globes, large doll's chair and other items. Cost is \$1 per ticket or \$5 for six tickets. The drawing will take place after the annual Family Christmas Open House. You can redeem the enclosed tickets at the Open House or by mailing the tickets and your check payment to *(note our new address)* Friends of Elmendorph, Post Office Box 44, Red Hook, New York 12571-0044.

FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH HOLIDAY DRAWING

WINNER'S CHOICE OF GREAT PRIZES INCLUDE:

- 4 foot tall snowman • Gift Basket • Snow Globes • Large Doll's Chair • Plus More!!

DONATION: \$1.00 or 6/\$5.00

(Winners will be notified by phone.)

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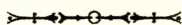
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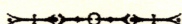
Auction Reminder

During the summer of 2003 we will hold our 10th auction, a biennial event that is a major fundraiser for the Elmendorph. With possible costly improvements to the Inn's buildings and grounds on the agenda in the next few years, we're hoping this auction will be our most successful ever. Please keep us in mind for your donations. Fine furniture and household furnishings, works of art and collectibles are especially welcome. All donations are tax deductible. For more information, please leave a message at (845) 758-5887.



CRAFTS AT THE INN

The Elmendorph will host a series of artisan crafts workshops after Jan. 1, 2003 in our newly furnished upstairs workroom. For a schedule of workshop topics and presenters, please check area newspapers or e-mail ElmendorphInn@yahoo.com. A schedule will also be posted at the Inn.



HARDSCRABBLE DAY

A big "thank you" to all the bakers and volunteers who helped with our annual apple pie sale on Hardscrabble Day in September. We had a beautiful day and quite a few folks stopped by to enjoy homemade apple pie a la mode, helping us raise more than \$550 for the Elmendorph. We'd like to express our gratitude to the volunteer servers and cashiers: Richard and Martha Hlavac, Mary Kelly, Joelle Trachta, Linda Common and Leslie Coons; and to our pie bakers: Catherine Bertolini, Alma Bowman, Linda Common, Leslie Coons, Franca Cooper, Esther Gottlieb, Bill Hammond, Mary Kelly, Joyce Lewis, Janet Loop, Ellen Phelan, Bev Riley, Bev Teator, and Ilene Zinnanti. We are also grateful to Stewart's Shops for donating the ice cream.

FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH

E-MAIL

Would you be interested in receiving the Friends of Elmendorph newsletter via e-mail, rather than a paper version? If so, let us know by e-mail at ElmendorphInn@yahoo.com. We have no immediate plans to offer a paperless newsletter but would like to know how our members feel about the option as we slowly move towards having an Internet presence.

Also, if you would like e-mail updates on how you can assist the Friends (such as when we need bakers and other volunteers for special events), or for an e-mail calendar listing of events taking place at the Inn, please let us know at ElmendorphInn@yahoo.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE INN

Dec. 8, 2002
Annual Family Christmas
Open House

March 24, 2003
Annual Meeting & Dinner

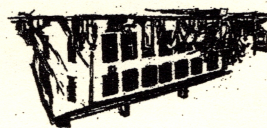
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PLEASE NOTE: With respect for the rights and convenience of the IGA shopper, please observe the parking signs at any Elmendorph event. You are requested to park in the George Cole Auction parking lot, just north of the IGA.

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