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FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH

WINTER



2000

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

As we near the final phase of the Inn's restoration, I would like to pay tribute to the late Rosemary Coons, who saved this important building from being demolished. Rosemary and a small group of people organized the Friends of Elmendorph and started to restore it 25 years ago. Without their hard work and the continued support of a now much-larger group of Friends, we would not be able to celebrate its completion by the end of this millennium.

Rosemary's husband, Richard Coons, is still active with the Friends, and recently cooked a dinner in honor of our Elmendorph Etc. Shop volunteers. Richard prepared a fantastic meal that was enjoyed by about 30 people -- thank you, Richard, for being so generous. During the dinner, our student volunteers also received a letter of recognition for their work in the shop this season.



Rosemary Coons

Our annual Christmas Open House will be on Sunday, Dec. 3, from noon to 5 p.m. The Culinary Historians at the Elmendorph Inn will bake bread and other treats in our restored brick beehive oven. We will also serve hot cider and homemade cookies donated by our volunteers. The Inn will be decorated, and there will be seasonal entertainment.

I hope you will join us.

Sincerely,
MARY KELLY
President



RESTORATION COMMITTEE

December 9, 1990, our first Christmas Open House, and a wonderful way to share with our Red Hook neighbors of all ages our pride and joy in the newly restored South Room! Now ten years later, the second floor South Room is nearly finished, *completing the restoration of our historic Inn!* The restored building stands as a tribute to the dozens of skilled professionals, hard working volunteers and generous donors who made it all possible.

Over the years of restoration the untouched second floor South Room has become a convenient catch-all for all kinds of bits and pieces no one knew what to do with - hay cradles, old carpeting and file boxes, scraps of molding, an old window, a cardboard model of the Elmendorph, useful for demonstrating our gambrel roof, and much, much more. All had to be removed so that the final phase of restoration could take place.

Herman Gorgens, David Brown, Madeline Klein and Bob Bielenberg sorted it all into trash, or treasures to save, or sell. Finally Bill Hammond and Pete Riley, directed by Bob, did the really heavy work moving everything to an appropriate new location for storage or disposal. This is the kind of dirty work only a dedicated volunteer can accomplish and we are exceedingly grateful to all of the crew for tackling a really dirty task!

Our thanks to *everyone* who contributed to the completed restoration of the Elemendorph Inn. We hope you will all come and celebrate December 3rd.

Barbara Bielenberg

HARDSCRABBLE DAY SUCCESS

The Elmendorph Inn was bustling on Hardscrabble Day, Sept. 16, as volunteers cut pies, dipped ice cream and poured coffee throughout the day. The apple pie sale raised \$1,115 for the Friends. Everyone we served said the pies were delicious and that we should offer this service more often.

Thanks to all our volunteers who made pies and worked that day: Betty Bader, Barbara Bielenberg, Claire Carr, Mary Cioffi, June Elsemore, Linda Greenblatt, Esther Higgins, Linda Keeling, Mary Kelly, Susan Kilgour, Janis Lawson, Steve Lawson, Barbara Lewis, Joan Lewis, Joyce Lewis, Ruth Oja, Ellen Phelan, Pete Riley, Ann Schwann, Dorothy Segnit, Gussie Townsend, and Eileen Zinnanti. And a special "thank you" to the local farmers who donated the apples used to bake the pies: Hardeman Orchards, Mead Orchards, Montgomery Place Orchards, Oriole Orchards and Rose Hill Farm.

Come to our 10th Annual

FAMILY CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

and

TREE TRIMMING

Sunday, December 3, 1 to 5 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 3rd from 1 to 5 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 performances of traditional carols by the Chapel Belles, a trio of vocalists from Memorial Lutheran Church in Rock City, and instrumental ensembles of Red Hook Central School children. 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.



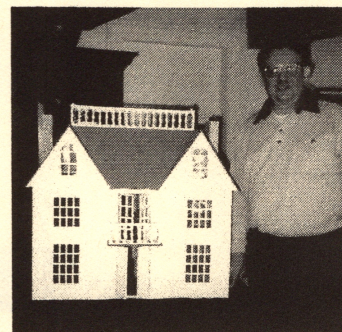
Parking is available behind the Red Hook Office Park, north of the IGA.

FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH HOLIDAY DRAWING



Our warmest thanks to the following donors who contributed such desirable prizes for our annual Holiday Fund Raiser:

- * The Dollhouse kit was assembled and decorated by Richard Hlavak and furnished by Madeline Klein, Barbara Bielenberg, Mary Kelly, Mary Ann Iaccino of Old Post Miniatures and an anonymous volunteer.
- * Musical Water Globe - anonymous
- * \$50 Gift Certificate for China Rose Restaurants in Rhinecliff or Kingston, donated by Pamela Barich and Bruce Murphy.
- * Shepard's Cheese Sampler donated by Nancy and Tom Clark of the Old Chatham Shepherding Co.
- * Basket of Wine - anonymous



Richard Hlavak, with the donated dollhouse.

Donation tickets are enclosed below. Please mail with your check to **Friends of Elmendorph, PO Box 1776, Red Hook, NY 12571**. Tickets may be purchased at our Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 3rd. The drawing will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 18th. Winners will be notified by phone, if possible. First prize winner will have first choice of the prizes; second prize, second choice; etc. Good Luck!

FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH HOLIDAY DRAWING

WINNER'S CHOICE OF 5 GREAT PRIZES

- Furnished Dollhouse • Musical Christmas Water Globe • \$50 Gift Certificate for China Rose Restaurants • Shepard's Cheese Sampler in Shaker Box • Basket of Wine •

DONATION: \$1.00 or 6/\$5.00 DRAWING 7:00 P.M., DEC. 18, 2000

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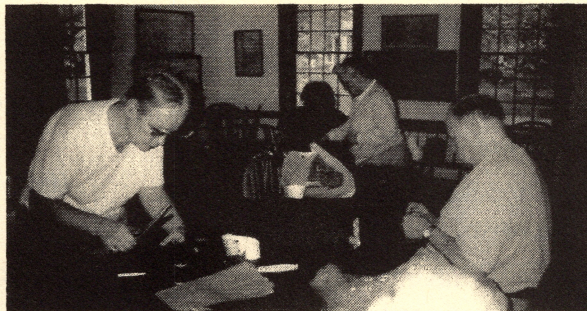
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Organization Spotlight



THE DUTCHESS BEBES DOLL COLLECTORS CLUB, which meets at the Elmendorph Inn on the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 AM, recently had a workshop to make "Brave Bears". Three dozen bears were completed. The bears are given to hospitals and rescue squads to present to injured or sick children.



❧ COOKING WORKSHOP AT THE INN ❧

Noted Hudson Valley food historian & author will teach cooking workshop
Event to include lecture, food preparation and tasting

Peter G. Rose, an expert on the early Dutch influence in the United States, will teach "Early Dutch Cooking in the Hudson Valley: A Hands-on Workshop" at the Inn, from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 31. The event is sponsored by Culinary Historians at the Elmendorph Inn.

Early registration is suggested for the event, which will offer participants a rare opportunity to work with Rose preparing and tasting authentic early recipes while using the Inn's restored brick beehive oven and hearth.

Author of "Foods of the Hudson: A Seasonal Sampling of the Region's Bounty" and "The Sensible Cook: Dutch Foodways in the Old and the New World," Rose has lectured at the Smithsonian Institution, The Culinary Institute of America, Museum Boymans van Beuningen in the Netherlands, the New York Historical Society, Bryn Mawr College, Hofstra University, Harvard's Fogg Museum, and the Corcoran Gallery of Art. A resident of Westchester County, her articles and columns have appeared in The New York Times and The Journal News, as well as The Valley Table, Gourmet, and Saveur magazines. Her Web site is at <http://www.peterrose.com>.

Registration costs \$40 for the general public, and \$35 for students and members of the Friends of Elmendorph. Checks made out to Culinary Historians at the Elmendorph Inn (CHEI) should be sent to PO Box 398, Tivoli, NY 12583. For additional information, call Ellen Phelan at (845) 758-0964 or e-mail CulinaryHistorians@yahoo.com.

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FALL/WINTER 2000

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Henry and Elizabeth Bertelsmann
James Hardin
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Willets
in memory of Elizabeth and Walter Willets
Louise Bay
in memory of John Bay
Dolores and Ken Saltis
in memory of Gerry
Bethany Winham
for the upstairs room

Don Wise
for the South Room on the second floor
Stephen J. Kaelin
Friends of Elmendorph
in memory of Edith Michael
for the restoration of the second floor
Dominick and Heidi Andriola,
IBM and Gerling Global matching grants
Mildred Stutzback
for the restoration of the Gallery

NEW MEMBERS

Louise Bay
Stephen J. Kaelin

Dominick and Heidi Andriola
Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Morrison

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