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FRIENDS *of* ELMENDORPH

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

The beautiful yellow, orange, and red leaves are a wonderful reminder that the summer/fall season is about to end and that the winter season is to start. Wonderful because the winter season is when we have our annual Christmas Open House at the Inn. I can already smell the aroma of bread baking in the Bee Hive Oven, the warmth of the open fire place in the old kitchen, the smell of great tasting mulled cider, and the sounds of children decorating the tree with strings of popcorn. See you all there.

At a recent meeting your directors gave the approval to have the front two small upstairs rooms restored. This will leave the upstairs south room as the only room in the Inn to restore. We all are hoping that this room can be finished during the year 2000, which I believe will be our 25th year anniversary of the Friends of Elmendorph. All we need to do now is to come up with the funds to pay for it.

I recently spent a Saturday helping out at the Etc. Shop, our thrift shop, which generates a lot of the funds that have gone into restoring the Inn. What I experienced was a great group of people who were having a good time socializing, meeting members of our community, and whose efforts have paid off. What a wonderful way, for those who can, to help the community and be part of a great group of volunteers. This year is just about over, but there is always next year. Why not join next year and help out, you will have a better time than you think with a great bunch of people.

Sincerely,
JOE KAVAKY
President



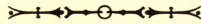
RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The Friends of Elmendorph expect to celebrate the millennium by completing the two small second floor chambers this fall. Charles Hapeman will repair and/or replace the plaster walls and ceilings and supervise the replacement of missing trim with molding shaped to match original examples found in the north chamber (now the Historical Society's Archive Center). Wiring and heating of the entire second floor was completed last year. We hope that volunteers will strip and paint the old doors and paint the walls and ceilings of the two rooms. Please let us know if you would like to give a holiday gift of labor to the project! Call 758-2923 to volunteer.

The smaller of the two rooms will be furnished with two antique rope beds to interpret the sparse accommodations offered by country inns in the early 19th century. The larger room will be used as a workroom and overflow storeroom by the Historical Society.

The Board of Trustees has also authorized Herman Gorgens to draw up plans for the restoration of the large room over the south meeting room. This will involve a detailed description of the existing conditions and recommendations for the restoration techniques to be used. The plans can then be submitted to the New York State Preservation Office for approval and the project put out to bid and hopefully completed during the year 2000!

Barbara Bielenberg



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OCTOBER 30, 1999

DONATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Bertelsmann

Alfio Cornachini - *donation for the Auction*

James Hardin

Mildred and Lou Hubach - *in honor of Bob Bielenberg's Birthday*

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Daria

FAREWELL TO DR. FRED

The Friends of Elmendorph lost one of its faithful supporters when Frederick Zipser passed away this fall. Much has been written about Dr. Fred's many contributions to the community. Perhaps less well known was his support of the Elmendorph restoration.

When Fred's late wife Ruth took on the management of our Annual Art Show, Fred backed her efforts with technical assistance including making in his workshop specially designed hangers for the paintings. After Ruth passed away Fred continued his support, each year contributing one of Ruth's paintings to be sold for the benefit of the restoration. His generous and kindly concern for all things beneficial to the Red Hook community will be greatly missed.

Come to our 9th Annual

FAMILY CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

and

TREE TRIMMING

Sunday, December 5, 1 to 5 p.m.

E L M E N D O R P H I N N

W 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 5th from 1 to 5 p.m.

This year the Inn will be decorated by members of the Old Dutch Village Garden Club using evergreen boughs and colorful fruits in the early 19th-century manner. The Garden Club's popular Holiday Greens Show will be held on Saturday, December 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will also feature creative decorating ideas for the modern home.

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 an instrumental ensemble from the 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.



ELMENDORPH, ETC.



*The Volunteers of the
Etc. Shop wish to
express their thanks
for those who have
supported the shop this
past year and extend fond
wishes for a healthy and
happy holiday season.
See you in the spring.*

Thanks to Volunteers & Patrons

Despite the lack of electricity (due to Floyd), many Friends of Elmendorph bakers were resourceful and delivered the "goods" as promised. The "goods" of course were apple pies, and 52 were baked for the second annual Pie a la Mode fund raiser.

Apples donated by Hardeman, Mead and Montgomery Place orchards were used by the bakers and topped with ice cream donated by Stewarts. Students from Red Hook Central School advertised the event by walking through town wearing "sandwich signs" directing the crowds to the Inn.

The successful day prompts us to consider a 3rd annual Apple Pie a la Mode for Hardscrabble 2000.

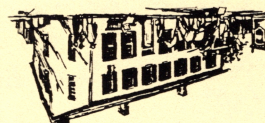
Joan Lewis - Committee Chairperson

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