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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Hope to see everyone at our Annual Meeting & Dinner, which takes place on March 24.

The Christmas open house was well attended, with Ellen Phelan attracting visitors to the old kitchen with the aroma of bread baking in the beehive oven. "Thank you" to all our helpers that day (listed later in this newsletter).

We have had difficulty this very snowy winter keeping the sidewalk and entryways accessible, so please bear with us. Herman Gorgens will be reactivating the Gallery Committee for recommendations to the board of directors on what display and storage units will be needed for historical material. The proposed gallery area is in the middle room on the second floor. We have a lot of nice historical items and it would be appropriate to have them on display for the public.

The board of directors has decided on the location and basic configuration for a new shop and storage building. Therefore, the Site Planning Committee will reconvene to draw up the specifications and obtain estimates.

Plans are also underway to conduct an art show and sale at the Inn during the Apple Blossom Festival in May. Our biennial auction will be scheduled for sometime in July.

Regards, LARRY THETFORD, President

ETC. SHOP NEWS

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We would like to thank all of our donors, customers and especially our volunteer shop crew from last year. We're looking forward to re-opening the Etc. Shop in May, and will begin accepting donations then.

Keep us in mind during your spring cleaning. The Etc. Shop is the major fund-raiser for the Inn's upkeep. We will accept almost any useable item except clothing and large appliances. And don't forget - your donation is tax deductible!

We can always use new faces to help out at the 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

Christmas Open House

A special "thank you" to all the volunteers who helped make our annual Christmas Open House a success. They include:

Decoration Committee

Barbara Bielenberg, chairman; Madeline Klein, co-chairman; Blanche Traudt, co-chairman; Martha Hlavac, Dee Karpel, Marie Wright, Doug Traudt, Robert Bielenberg.

Decoration donations

Tiberio's Red Hook IGA, Mac's Agway.

Musical entertainment

Chapel Belles (Memorial Lutheran Church, Rock City): Arvia Higgins, director, Susan Kelly, Karen Streifeneder; Linden Avenue Middle School Brass Quintet: Emily Van Ness, trumpet, Isaac Reichman, trumpet, Wendy Glickenhouse, French horn, Nick Reilingh, trombone, Ross Mosher, tuba, Alan Van Ness, director; Red Hook High School Flute Trio: Heather Michael, Rachel Bennek, Ronnie Bishop; and the Red Hook High School Saxophone Trio: Andy Longcore, Colette Hall, Brittany Mosher, Ann Ojay, director.

Greeters

Mary Cioffi, Bob & Barbara Bielenberg, Larry Thetford. Mulled cider maker: Richard Coons. Bread bakers: Ellen Phelan, Mary Kelly. Children's activities table: Linda Common, Elsa Kreider. Popcorn: David Brown. Cranberries: Madeline Klein.

And a special "thank you" to all the cookie bakers: Barbara Bielenberg, Alma Bowman, Mary Cioffi, Linda Common, Leslie Coons, Martha Hlavac, Dee Karpel, Mary Kelly, Elsa Kreider, Ellen Phelan, Beverly Riley, Beverly Teator, Gussie Townsend, and Ilene Zinnanti.

AUCTION REMINDERS

During the summer we will hold our 10th auction, a biennial event that is a major fundraiser for the Elmendorph. We're lucky to have David Brown once again volunteer his services as auctioneer. With possible costly improvements to the Inn's buildings and grounds on the agenda in the next few years, we hope 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.

AUCTION STORAGE SPACE NEEDED - Items for our auction are already being donated, and we are in serious need of accessible storage space. If you have an available garage bay or corner in a barn, please contact Larry Thetford at (845) 758-4145.



FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH, INC. ANNUAL MEETING & DINNER

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The ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH, INC. will take place Monday, March 24, 2003, at the Elmendorph Inn, North Broadway, Red Hook, NY. The meeting will be preceded by crackers, cheese and punch at 6:15 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:45 p.m.

The speaker for the evening will be William B. Rhoads, professor of art history at SUNY New Paltz. He will address the historic architecture of Kingston and Red Hook. Professor Rhoads will have copies available of his new book, "Kingston, New York: An Architectural Guide".

Mary Cioffi has once again graciously volunteered to coordinate our dinner. Please send your proxy or dinner reservations to: Mary Cioffi, 10 Old Post Road North, Red Hook, NY 12571 (845-758-6204). Please make your check payable to RENNERS. All reservations must be made by March 14, 2003. You may choose to attend the program and the meeting without attending the dinner. Please let us know so that we may arrange seating for you.

Now is the time to renew your membership for 2003. Please note the date on your mailing label. Your membership is paid through that date. An envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

PROXY —	
(For 3/24/2003)	
I will NOT attend the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH. In my absence, I hereby appoint the President or his/her deputy or to act as my proxy to vote on all matters that come before the membership on March 24th, 2003.	
Signature	Date
Signature	Date
DINNER RESERVATIONS —	
\$15.00 Per Person March 24, 2003	
Rolls and butter Grilled chicken Mediterranean (tomatoes, olives, mushrooms, onions, olive oil, garlic, capers, herbs, lemon, topped with feta cheese) Cider-braised chuck roast	Smashed red potatoes Green beans with red pepper Apricot bread pudding with amaretto hard sauce Coffee service
Name	Amount enclosed
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Please send your proxy/reservations to MARY CIOFFI, 10 OLD POST RD. NORTH, RED HOOK, NY 12571. Please make all checks payable to: RENNERS

Special thanks also go out to Silvio Bertolini, who crafted two beautiful wooden plaques that we will use to mount the Inn's street number and flagpole, and to Doug Ward and family, who donated a computer, monitor and printer for the Friends' office.

FRIENDS WISH LIST

Photocopy machine

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE INN

March 24, 2003 Annual Meeting & Dinner May 10, 2003

Apple Blossom Day/Art Festival

The Elmendorph Inn is an active community center and educational resource. If your group would like to meet at the Elmendorph, please call (845) 758-5887 to check calendar availability.

FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH

WINTER/SPRING 2003

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(in celebration of Innkeeper Bob Bielenberg's birthday) Anne Elmendorph Impellizzeri Roy Edward Lush Joan Morrison Bob & Mildred Rockefeller Gale Quinn Schaefer (in memory of Elsie Quinn)

NEW MEMBERS

Myron G. Finkle Jim & Diane Goetz Roy Edward Lush Evelyn T. O'Brien

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