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FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

OULD'NT it be grand if the upstairs at the Inn could be completely restored by the year 2000? It is a compelling thought. Our energy seems to come in spurts. The infusion of new folks with ideas, talents and experience helps to keep the ball rolling. The large issue is fund raising. We must resort to small projects hoping for community support. An example is the pie a-la-mode sale we are experimenting with on Hardscrabble Day. If successful we may include it as an annual event.

October ushers in our annual Art Sale. A used book sale will also be held at the same time. Before years end there will be a Christmas sale and raffle as well as the annual Christmas Open House. As always, in each event, we welcome and encourage you to participate.

Thanks to the Etc. Shop, Shirley Brown and her great volunteers, we can pay our bills. We even have enough to have the roof painted and gutters installed on the east side. Painting the exterior will wait another year, however the upstairs window sills need attention now.

All that you do is deeply appreciated. Each of you have made an important impact on the saving and restoring the Inn for future years. You are to be commended.

Sincerely,
JOAN LEWIS
President



RESTORATION COMMITTEE

N between our restoration projects we take great pleasure in seeing the Elmendorph Inn used by so many diverse groups and activities. This July 25th and 26th, the 150th New York State Volunteer Infantry Regiment and the Hudson Valley Ladies Aid Society ran the Inn as it would have been done in 1863, populated by soldiers, servants and their children and distinguished guests, all dressed in typical clothing of the period. Meals were cooked over the kitchen hearth, soldiers drilled on the back lawn, children rolled hoops and played checkers, and in the elegant parlor, hoop skirted ladies knitted and worked on a patchwork quilt and chatted about events of the day.



VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Joan and Jack Lewis paint the ceiling and beams of the newly restored Historical Society archive room on the 2nd floor of the Inn.

On September 12th, the Old Dutch Village Garden Club transformed the Inn into a glorious tea room with delicate china, white linen table cloths and bouquets of flowers. The tap room became a fragrant garden with plants and shrubs borrowed from the Greig Farm Nursery. We were pleased to hear one member comment how fortunate the Club was to have such a beautiful building in which to stage their fund-raising tea party.

Meanwhile, the work of maintaining the Elmendorph Inn goes on. Two large catalpa trees which had become insect infested and were staining the roof and rear of the building were removed this summer. The metal roof has been power washed in preparation for repainting. The siding needs scraping and painting but that will have to wait until next year.

However, the moisture exposed window sills are in need of immediate treatment. Volunteers are needed to scrape and paint the sills before the winter rain and snow does more damage. This work can be done from inside the building so ladder climbing is not required! The newly restored 2nd floor gallery awaits a finish coat of paint on walls, ceiling and trim and the floor needs a good old-fashioned scrubbing on hands and knees to remove old accumulations of dirt and plaster.

New volunteers have become increasingly important to the maintenance and fund-raising operations as the faithful corp which has worked for more than 20 years earning money and restoring the building grows older and less energetic. This summer has been brightened by help in the Elmendorph Etc. Shop from some wonderful Red Hook school students listed elsewhere in this newsletter. We're very grateful for their assistance and hope that more young people, and oldsters, will want to help care for and fund Red Hook's own historic site.

ELMENDORPH, ETC.

ONE more month before another season at the shop, Elmendorph Etc. closes for the winter. We were especially fortunate on having young honor students clerking for us.

Thank You:

Margot Krieder-Mueller, Annie Rossi, Annie Harris, Kerin Evens and especially Serena Winchill who gave us 3 days a week.

The last two weeks in October will feature a half-price sale. Everything above a quarter will be half off!!! In conjunction with the Art Show, Columbus Day Weekend, we will have a gigantic Book Sale under a tent. Our annual Christmas Sale will be bigger and better than ever! The first week in November the Tap Room in the Inn will be full of holiday treasures. Our staff is so appreciative of your continued support.

If you can help us at the of the forthcoming events, please leave a message at 758-5887. Thank to everyone, donor, staff and customers!

Richard Coons & Shirley Brown, Co-Chairs

Elmendorph Inn CALENDAR

The following events have been scheduled through December 1998. Please call the Elmendorph Inn at (914) 758-5887 for information about scheduling further community events.

SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	26 9-12	Red Hook History Fair (Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of E.B.H.S.) Friends of Elmendorph Art Show
		October 9: 7 pm - 9 pm, Opening Reception
		October 10: 10 am - 4 pm
		October 11: 1 pm - 4 pm
		October 12: 12 pm - 3 pm
	10	Book Sale 10 am - 4 pm
	20	Egbert Benson Historical Society Meeting
NOVEMBER	17	Egbert Benson Historical Society Meeting
DECEMBER	15	Egbert Benson Historical Society Meeting
	7	Etc. Shop Christmas Sale
	6	Open House

HEAR YE, HEAR YE...

Presenting the EIGHTH ANNUAL

FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH ART SHOW

FRIDAY - MONDAY, OCTOBER 9-12

Once again the Friends of Elmendorph welcomes the community to its **COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND ART SHOW AND SALE.**

Over 50 artists the will exhibit original works, including oils, watercolors, pastels, photographs, and much more. Many new artists, along with seasoned favorites from throughout the Hudson Valley, will be showcased in the South Room.

The show opens on *Friday evening, Oct. 9th, from 7 - 9 pm* at the Elmendorph Inn with a reception for the artists. All are invited, and refreshments will be served.

Hours for the rest of the weekend are:

Sat., Oct. 10th, 10am - 4pm

Sun., Oct. 11th, 1pm - 4pm

Mon., Oct. 12th, 12pm - 3pm

Also being featured on Saturday from 10-4 is a Book Sale in conjunction with the Art Show, where hundreds of books will be available for your pleasure. We wish to thank the new **PREMIER NATIONAL BANK** for providing a grant covering the *entire* cost of an up-to-date display system for art works.

Please join us for this popular event, and bring a friend! Admission to the public is free. For more information, or to volunteer, please call 914-758-5887.

THERESA DOCHERTY

Art Show Coordinator

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DONATIONS

September 14, 1998
Dr. and Mrs. Kennth Appel
Mark Day - in memory of Rosemary Coons
Anne Elmendorf Impellizzeri
Mr. and Mrs. William Maple
Cherly P. Morrison
Joan Morrison
Frank and Ruth Oja
John and Diane Smith
Joe St. John - in memory of twin brother, Jim - IBM Match Grant

NEW MEMBERS

John and Lori Curran
The Lomards
Cheryl P. Morrison
John and Diane Smith

A Special Thank You...

THANK YOU for all the work done for our APPLE PIE A-LA-MODE SALE on Hardscrabble Day

John Hardman for the apples

Stewarts for the ice cream

Lyceum Cinemas for the movie passes

The Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome for admission passes

Linda Greenblatt, Janis Lawson, Sally Sober, Millie Sheldon, Ann Van Ness, June Elsemore, Joan Lewis, Barbara Lewis, Ann Schwan, Pat Somma, Beverley Riley, Judy Riley, Denise Riley and Diane Donohue for making the pies

Thank You Veronica Halverson and Bob Bielenberg for making signs THANK YOU to all the following student volunteers from the Linden Avenue Middle School for helping at the APPLE PIE A-LA-MODE SALE on Hardscrabble Day:

Margot Kreider-Mueller, Ava Kreider-Mueller, Heidi DiRenzo, Crystal Sosta, Nicole Kelly, Kaity Zitz, Lauren Zitz, Gillian Hourihan, Sarah Daley, Maria Rizzolo, Jessica Neilson, Heather Michael, Nicole Devaren, Kristin Cleaveland, Erica Skov, Jen Dolan, Kelly Oles and Allison Lord.

Heidi DiRenzo and Crystal Sosta carried the banner for us in the parade.

MORE PICTURES FROM THE CIVIL WAR ENCAMPMENT



Civil War soldiers prepare their muskets for firing at the living history reenactment presented at the Elmendorph Inn in July.



Gwen Harding-Peets of the Hudson Valley Ladies Aid Society preparing dinner in the Elmendorph Inn's kitchen.

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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