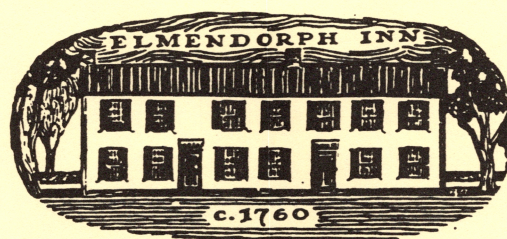


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FRIENDS *of* ELMENDORPH

WINTER



2000

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

As I write this, the northeast is caught in the grips of 'Old Man Winter' and paying the highest price for oil since the 70's. This is great for skiers but I am sure that most of you out there are ready for warmer weather. This is also a quiet time for the Inn as activities decrease during the winter. But spring is close at hand and it is time for our annual meeting. Mary Cioffi is helping co-ordinate the meeting as she has done so many times before. Join us if you can.

Restoration of the Inn is nearing completion with only the south upstairs room to go. Efforts are underway to come up with a plan that will allow us to complete the room by the end of this year. We are close to funding it now, only one more push to get us over the top. It is the hope of a lot of members to complete the Inn in this millennium year, the 25th year since the the Friends were formed.

As spring approaches, efforts to reopen the Etc. shop will begin as they have so many springs before. As most of you know, this is now our main method of obtaining income to maintain and restore the Inn. And as we have done so many times before, we ask for your help. By either contributing articles or by working at the shop this season. We are in great need of finding a few good new workers to help out at the shop. Become part of a wonderful group of people who run the shop now. Try it, you might just like it.

Sincerely,
JOE KAVAKY
President



RESTORATION COMMITTEE

Charles Hapeman and his crew have completed the plaster repairs and carpentry required for the restoration of the two small chambers on the second floor. Under their contract, they will also prime the walls and ceilings as well as all the trim and doors. We hope volunteers will apply the finish coats of paint in the chambers as well as the adjacent gallery. The spaces should be ready for your inspection by the time of the annual meeting!

The Restoration Committee, consisting of Dave and Shirley Brown, Mary Kelly, Madeline Klein and Bob and I, met with Herman Gorgens in the second floor South Room to discuss the work to be done in that area. We estimate that approximately 50% of the plaster will need to be replaced. Carpentry work will include trimming the windows, repairing and replacing the fireplace mantle and replacing a small area of flooring in the northeast corner where a steep stair led to the lower floor when the Inn was a two-family house. Rudimentary wiring and heating have already been installed. It was decided that the fluorescent fixtures which have proved so satisfactory in the Historical Society's Archive Room will be used in the South Room as well.

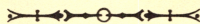
We envision that the large, well lit room will serve as a space for small meetings and workshops. There has even been talk of reinstating art and craft classes held in the Inn in the years before restoration began. But best of all is the knowledge that the restoration of the South Room will complete the entire restoration of the entire Elmendorph Inn, a project which has taken 23 years to date! What a celebration we will have!

Herman will develop a cost estimate based on our decisions and then fund raising can begin in earnest. We would like to complete the restoration during the year 2000 so we can begin the millennium with a fully functioning Elmendorph Inn. We hope you will all help us as you always have in the past!

Barbara Bielenberg



FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH, INC. ANNUAL MEETING & DINNER



The ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH, INC. will be held on Monday, March 27, 2000 at 8:00PM at the Elmendorph Inn on Route 9 in the Village of Red Hook. The meeting will be preceded by hors d'oeuvres at 6:00PM, followed by dinner PROMPTLY at 6:30PM.

All reservations **must be made by Monday, March 17, 2000**. You may choose to attend the program without attending the dinner. Please let us know, so that we can arrange seating for you.

The speaker for the evening will be Christopher Lindner, Ph.D., Staff Archeologist of Bard College. His credentials are as follows:

Christopher R. Lindner Social Studies B.A., Hamilton College; M.A., University of Cincinnati; Ph.D., SUNY at Albany. Charles Phelps Taft Fellow at University of Cincinnati. Cultural resources management researcher (1978-80), Cincinnati Museum of Natural History. Research resident in northeastern U.S. archaeology (1987-88), research associate (1990-94), staff archaeologist (1995-), Hudsonia, Ltd. President, New York Archaeological Council (1997-99). Coauthor of "Chert Microdrills from Eastern New York: Use-wear on Bushkill Tools that Might Have Made Middlesex Beads" in A Golden Chronograph; "Eight Rockshelters in the Ashokan Catskills and Comparison with Site Clusters in the Hudson Highlands and Connecticut in Bulletin of the Archaeological Society of Connecticut 61 (1998); and (with Lisa Folb '93) "Lopuch 3 and Microdrills: Site Report and Use-wear Analysis" in Archaeology of Eastern North America 26 (1998). Coeditor of A Northeastern Millennium and A Golden Chronograph for Robert E. Funk. Interests: geomorphological impacts on archaeological sites; experimental analysis of prehistoric artifacts; evolution of settlement, subsistence, and ceremonialism in the Northeast between 6,000 and 300 years ago; history of land use in the Hudson River basin; archaeology of historic gardens and landscapes; and research and community outreach. Faculty, Graduate School of Environmental Studies. (1988-) Director, Bard Archaeology Field School; Archaeologist in Residence.

Now is the time for you to renew your membership for 2000. Please note the date on your mailing label. Your membership is paid through that date. An envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

PROXY

(For 3/27/2000)

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 the 27th.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

DINNER RESERVATIONS

\$15.00 Per Person
March 27, 2000

MENU

Rolls and Butter
Sauerbraten & Spaetzle
Chicken with Apple Bread Stuffing
Boiled Red Potatoes with Parsley

Green Beans
Linzer Torte with Cinnamon Bavarian Cream
Coffee Service

Name _____ Amount enclosed _____

Name _____

Please send your proxy/reservations to **MARY CIOFFI, 10 OLD POST ROAD NORTH, RED HOOK, NY 12571**. Please make all checks payable to: **FRIENDS OF ELMENDORPH**

