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NEWSLETTER

FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH





2002

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Te had a successful Apple Blossom Day this spring with open house tours hosted by students dressed in period clothing. The Etc. Shop was open and lawn sales were brisk. Running the shop involves much more than what meets the eye. Many box lots of potential sales material come to the Inn "as is". This material then needs to be sorted, examined, often times cleaned, marked, and placed on shelves. This amounts to a significant extra time demand on the people running the shop in addition to time behind the counter.

The shop is the primary means of generating the finances needed to keep the Elmendorph Inn in operation and to continue serving the entire community. Out of a membership of more than 500 people, only a very few donate time to the shop endeavor. As a member, please consider giving some time and effort on behalf of the shop. Time can be devoted to set-up in the mornings, pack up time in the late afternoon, cleaning and organizing material in the evenings, or daytime sales. Just please get involved. Everyone working together makes it less cumbersome for the few and besides, it can be fun.

The Friends site planning committee and the board are aggressively reviewing plans to improve the attractiveness of both the shop and grounds. If the commitment is made to this goal, then we must have the commitment from the membership to sustain it.

Plans are underway for Hardscrabble Day on Sept. 14 with apple pie and ice cream sales and open house tours. The State Lottery Tour Bus Traveling Museum will be on hand, and an exhibit of Native American artifacts and craft people will be set up on the grounds.

We look forward to an exciting and challenging year and hope that each and every one of you can take pride in the accomplishments of The Friends of Elmendorph as a community project.

Sincerely,

LARRY THETFORD

President

# Seeking a Barn

o you have a barn (or know of an old barn) that needs a new home? As we consider improving the appearance of the Inn property, we are considering constructing a new (old-style) barn or reconstructing an old barn to replace our cinder block Etc. Shop.

Donation of a barn to the Friends would be tax deductible. Perhaps your land taxes might even be reduced with the removal of a barn.

Something in the area of 1,500 square feet would be ideal. A structure that has a main barn and a smaller "add-on" is one style we're considering. Please contact Ellen Phelan at (845) 758-0964 or via e-mail at spphelan@ulster.net, or Larry Thetford at (845) 758-4145, or email thetfordl@webjogger.net for more information.

## Etc. Shop to hold book sale

he annual Columbus Day Weekend Book Sale at the Etc. Shop will take place this year on Friday Oct. 11 and Saturday Oct. 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. You'll find great used books at great prices! Volunteer shop managers Shirley Brown and Richard Coons are always looking for volunteers to help with setup and during the sale. Please leave a message at (845) 758-5887 for more information.

### ETC. SHOP NEWS

e would like to thank everyone for his or her donations to the Etc. Thrift Shop, the main fundraiser for the Elmendorph's operations and maintenance. We can always use more merchan dise -- remember, donations are tax deductible.

Donations may be dropped off during regular shop hours, on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (We accept just about everything but clothing. If you have a question about whether we'll accept an item, please call us at 845-758-5887.) The shop will remain open for the season until the last weekend in October.

Shop managers Richard Coons and Shirley Brown have each been volunteering their time to the Etc. Shop for more than 20 years. They would appreciate hearing from other Friends who are interested in taking over some of their duties at the shop for the next season. It's a fun job -- please come and get involved!

Shirley Brown & Richard Coons

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#### FRIENDS of ELMENDORPH

**SUMMER 2002** 

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# Computer, anyone?

e are looking for the donation of a rela tively up-to-date computer and printer to help modernize our office at the Inn. (Right now everything, from membership records to our financial reports, from our meeting minutes to creation of this newsletter, is spread out among a variety of computers owned by board members and other volunteers.) We don't need the "latest and greatest," just a machine that can perform simple office functions and that is compatible with the computers used by our volunteers. We're seeking a machine that runs Windows 98, ME, or even 95. Of course, the donation would be tax deductible. Please contact Leslie Coons at (845) 758-6228 or LECoons@aol.com, or Larry Thetford at (845) 758-4145, or email thetfordl @webjogger.net for more information.

# HARDSCRABBLE DAY at the Inn

aturday, Sept. 14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Inn enjoy a slice of homemade apple pie a la mode made by community volunteers, with fruit from Red Hook-area farms, during our annual Apple Pie Sale, part of Red Hook's Hardscrabble Day community festival. Whole pies also will be sold. Visitors to the Inn that day can also enjoy an exhibit of Native American artifacts, crafts people, tours of the Inn and a visit by the State Lottery Tour Bus Traveling Museum.

## Upcoming Events at the Inn

Sept. 14 - Hardscrabble Day events & Apple Pie Sale Oct. 11 & Oct. 12 - Etc. Shop Book Sale Dec. 8 - Annual Christmas Open House

PLEASE NOTE: With respect for the rights and convenience of the IGA requested to park in the George Cole Auction parking lot, just north of the IGA.

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