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NCC Silver Rush 2017 25th Anniversary Gathering



Many collectors will start arriving in Tempe, Arizona in just one week to help the NCC (National Council of 56 Clubs) celebrate their silver anniversary. This nationwide (and in Canada) group enjoys meeting and sharing ideas about collecting and Villages. Collectors are some of the most generous people I know. A few years ago I offered to make a quilt to be auctioned to raise funds for their designated charity and this year is no exception! Clubs sent fabrics that I incorporated into this black, white and silver quilt. The convention will raise funds for Crops of Luv -- an organization that makes scrapbooks for children who are ill. For more information about this event go to: www.ncc56.com



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LIVE Auction Exclusive



With the NCC Silver Celebration only a few days away, we wanted to help ramp up the enthusiasm for the live auction to be held Saturday evening by showing you a couple of the items that will be available to bid on. As many of you know, the proceeds from this auction will benefit the Gathering's charity of choice and we hope to raise lots of money for the charity!

Pictured above on the right is the new "Bon Appétit Bistro" for *The Original Snow Village* along with the coordinating accessory, "Musique de Café". On the left is our re-interpretation that we call "Bistro 56". If you remember, in 2014 we did this with "La Fiesta Restaurante" and were pleasantly surprised by the interest in the piece at auction. So here we go again!

The lit building and accessory were repainted by our in-house sculptor, Kiri Namtvedt. She enjoys challenges like this and was gracious enough to sign the piece as well. Knowing that this was the NCC's silver anniversary, Kiri added a few extra silver touches that made the piece look extra special.



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Live Auction Items

- Item #1** Sound of Music 50th Anniversary
- Item #2** Haunted Halloween Sets
- Item #3** North Pole “Marie’s Doll Museum”
- Item #4** ENESCO Gift Basket #1
- Item #5** Village Friends Trees
- Item #6** Dickens’ Village “Comb’s Honey Cottage”
- Item #7** Bob Richardson Village Display
- Item #8** Possible Dreams Margaritaville Santa
- Item #9** St. Paul’s Cathedral Vignette
- Item #10** Christmas Place Exclusives
- Item #11** Winter Silhouettes Lot #1
- Item #12** Paul Lundburg North Pole Designs
- Item #13** Neilan Lund “Dickens’ Village Church” Vignette
- Item #14** Silver Memories
- Item #15** Golden Dreams
- Item #16** Michael Griffith Surprise
- Item #17** Melinda’s NCC 25th Anniversary Quilt
- Item #18** Dickens’ Village “Belle’s House,” Special Edition
- Item #19** Christmas in the City 30th Anniversary “Kringle & Sons Boutique”
- Item #20** ENESCO Basket #2
- Item #21** Dickens’ Village 25th Anniversary Display
- Item #22** Possible Dreams Santas
- Item #23** Dickens’ Village “London Gallery”
- Item #24** A Snowbabies Celebration
- Item #25** Nutcracker Wreath
- Item #26** Knott’s Scary Farm Extravaganza
- Item #27** “Bat’s Motel”
- Item #28** “Bistro 56”
- Item #29** Department 56 History Mystery Bag
- Item #30** Club 56 Exclusives
- Item #31** American Architecture Series “Heurtley House”
- Item #32** Winter Silhouettes Lot #2