



# The Village Crier

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THE ANNAPOLIS VILLAGERS



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## IT'S TIME FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

by Norma Damico



You will find an application to renew your membership inside this edition of *The Crier*. Our membership year is September 1, 1998 to August 31. Dues are still \$10 per person and \$15 for two people in the same household.

As we are about to celebrate the club's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday, we still have several programs, events and activities planned for the remainder of 1998. Your membership support enables us to publish our newsletter, have activities and events, donate funds to charities, and much more. We hope that you will continue your membership in *The Annapolis Villagers*.

## MEMBERS' MEETING

September 8, 1998

The next meeting of *The Annapolis Villagers* will be 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 8, 1998, at the **American Legion**, Post 175, Manhattan Beach, Severna Park, MD. Directions to the meeting are on page 8.

After the business meeting, we will have a cake and an ice cream social to celebrate our club's 6<sup>th</sup> year.

*Let's Celebrate!*

We are also having a gala dinner party on September 18, 1998 so you will have two opportunities to celebrate!

## VILLAGERS PLAN GALA 6<sup>TH</sup>

## ANNIVERSARY DINNER PARTY

September 18, 1998

By Bill Murphy

Plans are well underway to make our dinner party celebration an event to remember. Once again, we will return to The Fleet



Reserve Club, Annapolis MD, Friday, September 18, 1998, starting at 7:00 p.m. Dinner includes salad bar, choice of any entree' from the menu, coffee, tea and an after dinner cordial.

We can tell you that Jeanette Grebowsky and her committee have created outstanding centerpieces.

Without giving too much away, the theme of the centerpieces is "Village Angels." One lucky person at each table will take a centerpiece home. To show our appreciation, each member attending the dinner party will also receive a thank you gift. Of course, we will have other prizes and surprises.

Tickets for our gala anniversary dinner are the same as last year--\$25 per member and \$35 for non-members. Single members may bring one guest at the member price.

Seating is limited, so please contact me at (410) 757-4582 or Gerry Zimmer at (410) 239-1124 to reserve your place. Payment is due no later than the September 8 members meeting.

Make checks payable to The Annapolis Villagers. You may also send payment by mail so that it is received no later than September 8, 1998, to:

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## THE PRES SAYS.....

Let me begin by thanking you for electing me to serve as President for another term. This will be my last term as President. With your help, I hope to continue the momentum we have created. Congratulations to Trudi Baer on her election as Secretary and to Gerry Zimmer who is stepping in as Vice President as Bernice Smith steps down.

I will be contacting the members who recently mentioned an interest in working on our standing committees. I extend an open invitation to anyone who is interested in working on a committee to contact me.

This year's Christmas in July Party was a great success. The club is indeed grateful to Trudi and Pete Baer for hosting this event again for us at their home. Needless to say, Bernice Smith and Stella Angelucci came up with new and imaginative games and prizes for all who attended. We had a lot of fun with our Wheel of Chance for prizes to raise money for our charities.

We are entering our membership renewal period this month. We hope that you will continue your membership in the club.

The finishing touches are being put in place for possibly our most extravagant Anniversary Dinner Dance. This event is gearing up to surpass all of our previous dinner dances. Do not miss out. Make your reservations early as seating is limited.

Look for information in this edition of The Crier on our upcoming events such as The Christmas Goose Swap and Sell and our Halloween Bus Trip to Mount Hope Winery.

*See you at the meeting!*

*Bill Murphy*

### CLUB LIBRARY by Janice Zimmer

Our club albums are full of great pictures. At the next meeting, look for recent pictures. Our library also maintains samples of publications, videos and many other items related to collecting and displaying D56.

Thanks go to everyone who has donated pictures, publications, etc. to our library. When you donate pictures, it would be especially helpful if you note who or what is in the picture, the event or activity, the date, and who is donating the photo.

We also welcome donations of extra copies of D56's Quarterly or any other publications and videos.

Be sure to check our club photo album and library at each meeting. If you would like to donate pictures, publications or videos, call me at (410) 239-1124 or contact me via email MDLUVU2@aol.com

### SHOW AND TELL TABLE By Gerry Zimmer

Do you have a display idea that you could share with other members, a new D56 item or any item, including non-D56, that would go with our villages? Do you have an interesting D56 item that you have modified? At each meeting, we have a table (on the platform) reserved for members to use for show and tell. Dealers may also use the table to show and to tell us about new D56 village houses and accessories.

Please call me at (410) 268-7158 before the meeting if you would like to use the Show and Tell Table.

## JULY MEMBERS' MEETING RECAP

Elections for President and Treasurer were held after the business meeting. (Please see Carole Dietz' article below on the elections.) Cathy Kramer, area D56 representative, was our guest speaker.

We want to thank Cathy for taking the time to speak to the Villagers. She brought us information about the new releases, including the Kensington Palace, and she brought gifts for those in attendance--adorable mini bears and cute gift bags with candy corn. You can read what Cathy had to say about what is new at D56 on page 8.

## ELECTION WRAP UP

*By Carole Dietz*

The elections for President and Treasurer were conducted at our July 14, 1998 members meeting.

Bill Murphy and John Ehrenreich ran neck and neck for the office of President, with Bill winning by six votes. Congratulations to Bill for taking on the responsibility of a third and final term.

Congratulations to Trudi Baer who ran unopposed. She was elected by acclamation.

A big thank you goes out to the candidates. Also, thank you to Ann Keefer and Ruth Baldwin who worked with me on the Nominating Committee.

In the future, it is my hope that more people will want to get involved. Just speak up and say Yes!

## CHRISTMAS IN JULY PARTY

*By Carole Dietz*

**WOW!...what a wonderful event this was! If you were not there, you missed a very enjoyable day.**

Our hosts, Trudi and Peter Baer, were as gracious as ever and made their home accessible to all who attended. The weather could not have been better. The pool was beautiful and the water was warm and inviting. The food was delicious as always. Thank you to Dean Stevenson for coordinating the food and to the members who brought so many wonderful and varied dishes.

The games...ah, the games. Everyone took part in a basketball game at the pool. Bob Keefer took home the Heinz House as the Door Prize. The crowd at the Wheel of Chance to win prizes was at least three deep at times. At 25 cents a number, it was a good deal and everyone enjoyed playing and winning.

Bernice Smith and Stella Angelucci outdid themselves with the number of games and prizes for everyone. They made this the party event of the year, in my opinion.

The Gift Exchange was a lot of fun. It did go on longer than planned and people were beginning to get frustrated. We do need to think about the time allotted for the Gift Exchange at future events. All in all, I believe everyone went home with a nice

gift. Thank you Dean, for organizing the gift exchange.

The evening was topped off by an auction of more prizes with our very own auctioneer, John Dietz. The auction was fun as always. Thanks, John.

The proceeds from the wheel of chance, duck pick-up game, and auction netted over \$100 for our charity fund. Last but not least, thanks to all who participated in the Christmas in July party.

## HOT WIRE CLASS

*by John Ehrenreich*

The response for the first display class offered by the club was overwhelming. I expected six to ten club members to participate and was totally surprised to have 15 villagers sign up.

The first part of class was a huge success. The villagers attending the class assembled their own Hot Wire tool from kits I provided. With few problems, we had all of the Hot Wire Tools working and were ready to start the next part of the class.

We moved on to techniques of laying out a display, building elevations and using the Hot Wire Tool to add scenic realism to our village displays. Each participant was provided with enough Styrofoam to create a 24 inch by 15 inch display with each display containing an area for one house, mountainous elevation and a mountain back drop. Then the problems started. We started experiencing some technical problems with some of the Hot Wire Tools, mostly blowing fuses, but some units overheating. As a result, we did not get as far as I thought we would.

Two follow up classes are set for September and October for the group. The technical problems with the Hot Wire Tools will be resolved and class participants will pick up where we left off. During these classes, we will learn techniques for adding water to the display, first, creating wax water river and water falls and then creating a stream using caulking compound.. Landscaping details and creating stone fences and bridges with Styrofoam will also be covered.

I want to apologize to those villagers who wanted to join the class after the cut off date. Preparation for the class required a considerable amount of my time and I wasn't sure I would have been able to accommodate more participation. As it turned out, one of the items required for the Hot Wire Tool was special ordered and I would not have received them in time.

## HERE WE GROW AGAIN! WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Since the last newsletter, we would like to welcome our newest members:

- Cyndi Barr & Sue Malin, Shadyside, MD
- Denise Parisi, Severna Park, MD
- Sherry Jaeger, Brinklow, MD

## UPCOMING DEALER EVENTS

### FALL SWAP AND SELL AT THE CHRISTMAS GOOSE

The Christmas Goose, Queenstown, MD, is having a Fall Swap and Sell on Saturday, September 12, 1998, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For table information and directions, call (800) 366-5356.

### VILLAGERS WILL SELL REFRESHMENTS AT CHRISTMAS GOOSE SWAP AND SELL



The folks at The Christmas Goose have again asked The Annapolis Villagers to sell refreshments at the Fall Swap and Sell. Proceeds of the sale go into our charity fund. Gerry Zimmer is coordinating the event. John Ogle will be in charge of the mighty gas grill.

We need members to volunteer for at least an hour to help cook, sell food, hand out information and answer questions about our club. Please call Gerry at (410) 239-1124 to volunteer.

### JUDITH PRICE COMING TO MD and VA

Department 56's Ms. Lit Town, Judith Price, will be at Russ Country Gardens, Taylorsville, MD on Saturday, September 18 and at The Golden Goose, Occoquan, VA on Sunday, September 19, 1998. Last month, we told you that each store is planning a special event for Ms. Lit Town's visit.

We hope you got an entry from the Golden Goose to win lunch with Judith Price. There is still time to enter the display contest to be held on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The deadline to notify the Golden Goose if you plan to enter a display is September 1. For more information call (703) 494-4964.

Tom Russ and staff also have a special day planned for Ms. Lit Town's visit. You will also have the opportunity to order a D56 bench with the store's name. After last year's success, they will again take turns in the famous dunking booth to raise money for Ronald McDonald House. For more information, call (800) 371-2385.

### RUSS COUNTRY GARDENS' SWAP AND SELL

Tom Russ will be hosting a Fall Swap and Sell on Sunday, September 27, 1998, from 1 P. M. to 3 P.M. at the Winfield Fire Hall not far from the store. For table information and directions, call (800) 371-2385.

### MAIN STREET CORNER SHOP DISPLAY DEMONSTRATIONS AND SEMINARS

Main Street Corner Shoppe, Main Street, Laurel, MD is having a series of display demonstrations and seminars through the fall for collectors of Department 56. For more information and a schedule, contact Kay Hoyle or Dixie Boucher at (301) 725-3099.

### GOLDEN GOOSE OPEN HOUSE

The folks at Golden Goose, Occoquan Virginia, are holding their annual open house on Sunday October 18, 1998. Guest speakers include Peter and Jeanne George, publisher and editor of The Village Chronicle and Carl and Rita Carter, of wax water fame. Collectors will have the opportunity to attend seminars and demonstrations throughout the day. There will also be hourly drawings for door prizes.

## CLUB EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### EDGAR ALLEN POE BUS TRIP

Saturday, October 31, 1998



Thank you to all who have signed up for The Annapolis Villager's October 31, 1998 bus trip. Gerry Zimmer says that seats are still available. The trip itinerary includes stops to eat, shop, a performance of *Edgar Allen Poe Evermore* by the Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire, and wine tasting at Mount Hope Winery. Of course, there will be prizes and surprises on the bus for all who attend. Tickets are \$52 per person. Reservations and payment are due no later than September 25, 1998. Make checks payable to The Annapolis Villagers and send to:

Gerry Zimmer  
4815 Hillock Lance  
Hampstead, MD 21074

Contact Gerry Zimmer at (410) 239-1124 or e-mail MDLuvU2@aol.com for more information.

### VILLAGERS' DISPLAY CONTEST WITH TOYS NOVEMBER 10, 1998 MEMBERS MEETING by Jeanette Grebowsky

We are having another display contest! We hope all of our members will participate and bring a display that can be used at any time of the year. Our theme is to use toys as an accessory to the display with one or two houses from your favorite village or one or two delightful Snowbabies.

Here are some ideas to get you started:

Snow Village: "Getting my car fixed"--Holly Brothers Garage and toy cars and trucks.

Christmas in the City: "My first train ride"--Grand Central Station with toy trains.

Dickens Village: "I love going to the Toy Shop"--The Toy Shop with all kinds of toys.

North Pole: "Winter fun" --Elfies Sleds and Skates with toy sleds and skates.

Here are the rules:

1. One or two D56 houses or Snowbabies
2. One or more toy accessories.
3. Table space not to exceed 30 inches deep x 36 inches wide; no height limit.
4. Write the title of your display on an index card with your name on the back of the index card.



There will be a first, second and third place winners. Use your imagination and have lots of fun. Good luck!



Please contact me at (310) 552-2910 before the meeting if you are bringing a display. This will help us to know how many tables to set up before the meeting to accommodate all of the contestants.

### VILLAGERS INVITED TO HELP DECORATE THE RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE



During her visit at the July meeting, Cathy Kramer told us that Tom Russ and his staff will once again decorate the Ronald McDonald House in Baltimore for the holidays. Department 56 donates houses for the a display. D56 also donates gift ornaments for the families staying at the house. The area D56 clubs are invited to help with the decorations, display and ornament wrapping. Cathy spoke movingly about the Ronald McDonald house and the delight that the decorations, display and ornaments bring to those who stay at the house.

Many of our members signed up at the meeting. All members are welcome to participate. The date time and more information will be available in the next edition of The Crier. If you would like to help decorate the Ronald McDonald House this year, please contact Pat Ehrenreich at (410) 647-1680.



**Old FASHIONED CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
Tuesday, December 8, 1998

## Here Ye! Here Ye!

1999 Mid Atlantic Village Gathering  
Williamsburg, VA

**By Dean Stevenson**

Plans are now underway for an old fashioned Christmas party for our members Tuesday, December 8, 1998, 7:30 p.m. at American Legion, Post 175, Manhattan Beach Road, Severna Park.

Our club will have a covered dish dinner at The Legion to celebrate the season. Please contact Dean Stevenson at (410) 923-2755 before December 1, 1998 if you are coming and to coordinate the dishes being brought.



We ask that you bring personal toiletry items unwrapped that will be given as gifts to a needy organization. Examples, are toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, mouth wash, etc.

We will also have a gift exchange for those who attend. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange at the party, please bring a wrapped gift valued between \$10 and \$15.00.

**Editor's Note:** We heard a rumor that someone who is always seen in public wearing a red suit may be our very special guest. Stay tuned. More details on this report will be in the next edition of The Crier!

## HOUSE TOURS 1999

Friday, January 8 and Saturday, January 9, 1999  
by Dean Stevenson

Mark your calendars now!! If you are interested in opening your home for the house tour, please contact Dean Stevenson at (410) 923-2755 no later than November 15, 1998. We need to know by November 15, so we can schedule tours by geographic area and time for traveling.

You do not have to have a large display to participate. Last year, we had 10 homes on our tour, and it was a great success. All of the displays were beautiful. We saw large displays and small displays and more importantly, we saw so many w o n d e r f u l display techniques.



Our House Tour prize drawing last year was also a great success and we plan to do it again at our January 12 meeting. Look for more information on House Tour 1999 in upcoming editions of The Crier.

### Planning Committee Meetings

Thanks to all of the members who donated food for the luncheon during the August MAVG Committee meeting that was held at the home of Trudi and Pete Baer. The committee members enjoyed the continental breakfast and buffet lunch thanks to our generous members.

The Committees are hard at work finalizing the plans for a great Gathering.

**Watch your mailbox**--If you have already registered at one the Gathering hotels, you will soon receive more information in the mail about the Gathering.

## MAVG WEBSITE

You can get the updates on Gathering information on the Internet in between issues of The Village Crier. The address for the MAVG website is:

<http://www.geocities.com/SoHo/Lofts/9756/>

The website will be updated from time to time as new information is available. So, check it out!

## CALLING ALL MEMBERS!

### A CHANCE TO WIN A SPECIAL PRIZE AT 1999 MAVG

Calling all Annapolis Villagers who are planning to attend the MAVG in Williamsburg! Your help is needed. We need all of the members attending to volunteer an hour or two of their time.

Please contact Bernie and Penny Dvorak at (410) 337-0380 or Bernice Smith at (410) 268-715 to place your name on the volunteer list. We will notify you by mail of your time and duty station.

## NEW FOR 1999 MAVG!

All MAVG volunteers will be entered into a drawing for a special prize.

### SWAP AND SELL/SHOW AND SELL AT 1999 MAVG

Interested in a table at either the Swap and Sell or the Show and Sell? Contact Pete and Trudi Baer for Swap and Sell at (410) 867-0086 or Gerry and Janice Zimmer for Show and Sell at (410) 239-1124.

## "This Olde Village" by "Bob Villager"

**A Closer Look at The Emily  
Louise**  
*A Boat for Almost All Villages*



Cathy Kramer shared pictures of the new

## 1999 MAVG Round Robin Display Seminar

In the last edition of The Crier, we told you about the planned Round Robin display seminar for the Gathering. We would like to see several of our members sign up to briefly demonstrate a display technique during the seminar. We know that the Villagers are creative people as evidenced by our own display contests and Open House Tours.

The Round Robin Display Seminar was one of the more popular seminars at the 1997 MAVG. The seminar consisted of a number of display tables set up with speakers giving display tips concurrently.

Unlike most of the seminars, you are not sitting, listening to a speaker. Here, you are up close to the action, learning display tips and talking to the displayers and able to ask questions one-on-one. The individual display tips run about 10 to 20 minutes each and are repeated continuously during the 1½ hour duration of the seminar. As one display table completes its tip, you move on to another table.

If you have a unique tip that you would like to share in this casual environment, contact John Ehrenreich, MAVG Publicity Committee, at (410) 647-1680.

### If You Want Hotel Accommodations Near the Gathering, Act Now!

The Gathering will be held February 19, 20, 21, 1999, at the Williamsburg Marriott. In the last edition of The Crier, we told you that all rooms at the Marriott were sold out in less than a week. As more people hear about the Gathering, hotel registrations are increasing at the two other nearby hotels. You can still get discount accommodations for the Gathering at the following hotels in close proximity:

Courtyard Hotel--\$69 per night (800) 442-3634  
Quality Inn at Kingsmill--\$52 per night (800) 228-5151

**You must mention you are making reservations for the "MAVG Dept. 56 Gathering" in order to get the Gathering rate at any of these hotels.** Ticket order information to join the MAVG Gathering will be sent out soon.

releases with us at the July meeting. She did bring one of the new pieces -- New England Village's The Emily Louise -- D56's first upright lighted boat. It is magnificent. After the ooh's and ah's at the meeting, we are sure that this beautiful boat will find its way into other D56 villages.

Here are some display tips for using The Emily Louise in other villages.



For Dickens', the Emily Louise could drop

anchor at waterfront area of Fagin's Warehouse, Peggotty's Cottage or Grapes Inn.

- ◆ For Christmas in the City, you can attract lots of tourists with a Harbor area complete with restaurants, shops and a floating Emily Louise Museum, much like The Constellation at Baltimore's own Inner Harbor.
- ◆ North Pole--Santa and Mrs. Claus' boat to take them to the Ice Palace for those "after season long weekends." Well, we may be stretching it on this one, but even Santa and Mrs. Claus need a place to "chill out" every once in awhile.



John Ehrenreich's classes will certainly help members who want to add a waterfront scene to their display. The Emily Louise will be a beautiful site in any village waterway.

D56 Easter Pig (large)	Bob Eustice	Carrie's Collectibles, Crofton
D56 Easter Pig (small)	Georgina Shultz	
Photo Album	Claire Coleman	Annapolis Villagers
Thanks again to D56 Rep, Cathy Kramer, for the mini bears and mini gift bags with candy she brought to the meeting. Everyone attending took home either a mini bear or mini gift bag.		
<b>CHRISTMAS IN JULY PARTY</b>		
D56 Profile Series Heinz House	Bob Keefer	Annapolis Villagers
Everyone who attended the Christmas in July Party was a winner!		

## TM PRODUCING A NEW VIDEO

### "A DEPARTMENT 56 CHRISTMAS" COMING SOON

Tom McComas, of TM Books and Videos, announced that they are in the final stages of producing a new video. Scheduled for release this fall, the video is called *A Department 56 Christmas*. TM is licensed by D56 to produce village videos. Club members recently placed a group order for TM's "Toy Trains I" and "Toy Trains II." Both of these videos are delightful and include D56 villages in model railroad displays. We rate both toy train videos "two thumbs up." We will keep you posted on the new video.

## ANNAPOLIS VILLAGERS' WISH LIST

by Jeanette Grebowsky

Is there a retired piece you are looking for? Do you have D56 to sell? If you are a club member and the answer is yes to one or both questions, the Villagers' Wish List may be able to help you.

If you are interested in buying or selling, contact me at (301)552-2910. The club is not a party to any transactions. We only pass on information provided to the Wish List. It is up to the buyers and sellers to conduct the transaction.

<b>Prizes, Prizes, Prizes</b> by Stella Angelucci		
<b>July Meeting</b>		
Prize	Winner	Source

## NEWS ABOUT D56

### D56 WINS TWO INDUSTRY AWARDS

Each year, retail members of the National Association of Limited Edition Dealers (NALED) vote on the most popular collectibles, clubs, artists and producers of the year. The 1998 winners were announced June 26 at the Rosemont International Collectibles Exposition. Retailers voted in 12 categories.

D56 won two of the prestigious awards. Retailers voted D56 the Producer/Manufacturer of the Year, and the Snowbaby Friendship Club was voted the Collectors Club of the Year in its very first year. Congratulations to D56!

Do not forget that D56 will announce its 1998 retirements in USA Today on Friday, November 6, 1998. What will retire? We will just have to wait and see.

### HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS November 5-9, 1998 KENSINGTON PALACE UPDATE

Participating dealers are planning Homes for the Holiday events. At our July meeting, Cathy Kramer confirmed that Kensington Palace will be available only during Homes for the Holidays at participating dealers November 5-9 1998. Dealers must return any unsold Kensingtons to D56 on November 10 (See June-July Crier for more info on the Kensington Palace).

D56 will donate a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Kensington Palace to the Ronald Mc Donald House. We talked to some dealers and learned that some have waiting lists and others will raffle the Kensington. If you are interested in obtaining the palace, call your dealer now to find out how they will handle the Kensington and special events for Homes for the Holidays.

### MID YEAR RELEASES ARRIVING

According to D56, at least three mid year releases are already being shipped. Check your dealer for CIC's Grand Movie Theater, DV's Thomas Mudge Timepieces, and AV's

Federbetten Und Stepdecken.

### SKI MOUNTAIN STARTING TO SHIP

Collectors were beginning to wonder if we would ever see the animated ski mountain. It was a 1997 introduction but due to mechanical problems, D56 went back to the drawing board and delayed its introduction. D56 Consumer Services now tells us that they have been shipping the animated ski mountain for the last two weeks. Watch for it to arrive at your dealer.

### HOW MANY VARIATIONS, YOU ASK?

D56 announced variations for the new Snowbaby "Three Tiny Trumpeters." Look for the trumpets in different color combinations of gold and silver.

The SV Harley Davidson accessory "Two for the Road" will come with three different color motor cycles-red, yellow or blue. Similarly, clothes and hair on the people in the accessory will also come in three color variations.

### D56 ANNOUNCES SNOWBUNNY RETIREMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Dealers should have both lists. If you need information, contact

## VILLAGE MARKET

Unless otherwise noted, call Bill Murphy  
(410) 757-4582 for these items.

**CLUB BADGES** — Green & white badges containing Club Name, Logo and Your Name. \$4.25.

**CLUB PINS** — Specially designed club pin features club logo. \$5.00 for first pin to club member, \$7.00 for additional pins or for non-members. Add \$1.00 S&H if required to mail. Contact Peter Baer at (410)867-0086, E-Mail Peter.Baer@mail.house.gov

**CLUB SHIRTS** — Club shirts, with embroidered club logo, are available in a variety of colors for men or women. Size S to XL is \$20.00 and \$22.00 for XXL. Non-members may order shirts at \$25 and \$27 respectively. Add \$3.00 S&H per shirt for orders that are to be mailed.

**NEW CLUB HATS**--White hat with embroidered club logo and red bill. For men or women, one size fits all. \$8 members and \$10 non-members. Add \$2 for each hat mailed.

Pat Ehrenreich at (410) 647-1680.

## DIRECTIONS TO MEETINGS

HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 175

\*\*\*Unless otherwise noted, all Annapolis Villager Members' Meetings and Board Meetings are held at American Legion, Post 175. Meetings start at 7 P M



From Rt. 50, take Rt. 2 North Exit. Follow Rt. 2 N (Ritchie Highway) through Arnold. After the traffic light at Rt. 2 and College Parkway, the next light is Jones Station

Road. On your right. you will see an Amoco Gas Station opposite a Crown Gas Station.

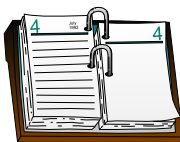
At the Rt. 2 N and Jones Station Road intersection, turn right onto Jones Station Road and make an immediate left onto Manhattan Beach Road which is between the Crown Station and the wooded area with the Manhattan Beach Community and American Legion Post 175 signs. Follow Manhattan Beach Road approximately two tenths of a mile. Make a left into the parking lot of American Legion Post 175. The entrance to the Banquet Room is to the left side of the parking lot in the rear.

If you are coming from the North, take Route 2 S (Ritchie Highway) to Jones Station Road, make a left and then an immediate left onto Manhattan Beach Road. Proceed as above.

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, WE FOLLOW THE SCHOOLS.**



# CALENDAR



Let us know about dealer events, swap & sells and open houses, etc and we will list them here.

- Aug 28-30** **Bachman's Village Gathering**, Minneapolis Convention Center, Minneapolis, MI. Info call (800) 4 BLOOM
- Sep 8** **Annapolis Villagers Members Meeting**, 7 p.m.. Ice Cream Social to celebrate our 6<sup>th</sup> year. See newsletter.
- Sep 13** **The Christmas Goose**, Fall D56 SWAP & SELL, Queenstown, MD. Info, call (800) 366-5356
- Sep 18** **Annapolis Villagers 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner & Dance** at the Fleet Reserve Club. See page 1 of newsletter.
- Sep 19** **Russ Country Gardens**, Fall Festival with Judith Price, Taylorsville, MD Info (800) 371-2385.
- Sep 20** **Golden Goose** Event with Judith Price, Occoquan, VA. Info (703) 494-4964
- Sep 27** **Russ Country Gardens SWAP & SELL**, Winfield Fire Hall. For tables & other info (800) 371-2385
- Oct 13** **Annapolis Villagers Board Meeting**, 7 p.m.
- Oct 9-11** **Cheaspeake 56 Club Bus Trip** to G & L Christmas Barn. Cheaspeake 56 Club members \$270 for 1 person, \$320 per couple in one room. Non-members: \$295 for 1 person and #370 per couple in one room. Info: Joyce McAdoo, (410)321-8690.
- Oct 11** **Group Trip to Bube's Brewery** for Medieval Halloween Feat. Call Gerry or Janice Zimmer at (410)239-1124
- Oct 18** **Golden Goose Open House Event**, Occoquan, VA. Speakers, seminars, demonstrations. Guest include Peter & C Jeanne Geopre, editor and publisher of *The Village Chronicle*, and Carl & Rita Carter, *WaxWater*. Info (703)494-4964.
- Oct 31** **Annapolis Villagers Bus Trip** - Shopping, Buffet Dinner and Mt. Hope Winery to see PA renaissance Faire's Edger Allen Poe Evermore. See newsletter or call Gerry Zimmer, (410)239-1124.
- Nov 5-9** **D56 Homes for the Holidays**. Events at Participating dealers.. See your dealer for details.
- Nov 6** **Dept 56 Village Retirement Announcement**.
- Nov 10** **Annapolis Villagers members Meeting** 7 p.m. Display Contest. See Newsletter for details.
- Nov ?** **Decorate the Ronald McDonald House** in Baltimore. Date and details will be in the next edition of *The*

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- Dec 4** **D56 Snowbaby Retirement Announcement**.
- Dec 5-7** **Snowbaby Event Weekend** at participating D56 dealers. See dealers for details.
- Dec 8** **Annapolis Villagers Christmas Party**, 7:30 p.m. American Legion Post 175, Manhattan Beach Road, Severna Park. Covered dish dinner. Call Dean Stevenson (410) 923-2755.

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- Jan 8-9** **Annapolis Villagers House Tours**. Call Dean Stevenson at (410) 923-2755 by November 15 to be on the tour.
- Jan 12** **Annapolis Villagers Members Meeting**, 7 p.m.
- Feb 8** **Annapolis Villagers Board Meeting**, 7 p.m.
- Feb 19-21** **Mid Atlantic Village Gathering**, Williamsburg, VA See inside *The Village Crier* for updates.

EDITOR'S Note: Information in the calendar is provided as a service. Event information is subject to change. Please verify date, time, information, etc. with event sponsor prior to event.

## FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks again to all of our contributors! We look forward to seeing members at our next meeting.

*Pat Ehrenreich*

## DEADLINES, DEADLINES, DEADLINES!

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