

The Village Crier

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The Annapolis Villagers



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LET'S DISPLAY OUR STUFF!! DISPLAY CONTEST AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING

Time's a flying..BUT.. there's still plenty of time to get a terrific display together for our Nov. 9 annual display contest. (There better be enough time because I know a Greenbelt couple that hasn't done anything yet.) It only takes a two foot by two foot, or smaller, display base (styrofoam, wood planking, big frying pan - whatever your base will be-I just got a new crock pot -hmmm I wonder!), at least one D56 item, and an idea.

We have three prizes: 1st receives \$75.00; 2nd receives \$50.00; and 3rd receives \$25.00. These prizes will be determined by a vote of the members present. This year we added a \$25.00 prize for the most original display, as determined by judges appointed by Pres. Kate Eustice.

If you haven't signed up yet, Marsha Voigt at 301-345-7631, eagerly awaits your phone call - please before 9pm on Monday night, Nov. 8, so we know how many display tables to set up. E-mail Marsha at mvoigt@iopener.net.

Entrants - please bring your own extension cords and be ready to set up your display at 6:30pm on Nov. 9.

**Next Meeting
NOVEMBER 9, 2004**



Board Update

by Kate Eustice

As you know, Dawn Zimmerman resigned in Sept. as our Newsletter Editor. I'm delighted to announce that John Ehrenreich has agreed to be our new editor. Thanks so much, John!

John has stepped down as our Dealer Relations Chairperson. He did a great job in keeping us in touch with our dealers and making the club aware of the various dealer events. Many thanks, John, for serving as our initial board member in this newly created position.

We have two vacancies on the Board: Dealer Relations and Volunteers. Both positions are very important in the smooth running of the club. We're seeking volunteers to fill these positions. Other board and club members will assist anyone who offers to fill these positions.

e-Village Crier

Did you know that the *Village Crier* is available electronically? Yes it is! You can receive the same great newsletter that you always have but instead of being delivered by mail, you receive it via e-mail, un-tattered or torn. It is sent in an easy to read Adobe Reader format that you can view on your computer screen or print out. Not only will you get the same information as the printed version, that is limited to 8 pages, but you will receive additional information such as the Club's Classified Section and photos, in color, of course. If you are not receiving the *e-Village Crier* but would like to, contact Pete Baer at 410-867-0086 or Baers4D56@Comcast.net and give Pete your e-mail address.



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The Prez Says ...

I just reread the first article I wrote as your Prez a year ago. In a year's time, I went from thinking I did not have enough to say to trying desperately to condense information so the article wouldn't be soooo long.

A big thank you to Dean & John Stevenson for hosting the wonderful Picnic in September at their home. With the excellent preparations by the Stevensons and assisted by our games guru, Stella Angelucci, not even Hurricane Ivan put a damper on the fun filled day. BINGO was enjoyed by the picnickers in the Stevenson's spacious and breezy garage. A special thank you to Millie & Paul Hurlbut for their donations that were used as prizes. As expected, everyone outdid themselves with the delicious food they brought and John, once again, proved to be the master chef on the grill. Also thanks to John for organizing the Silent Auction. Thank you to all members who donated D56 items to the club.

In the past, our dealers have been very good to us by donating their time and Dept. 56 items to the club. I'm strongly encouraging all members to support our dealers by attending their fall functions. Be sure to let the dealers know that you are a member of the Annapolis Villagers. Thank you, Ina Devine, for creating a Halloween display for the contest at the Golden Goose open house. Also, thank you to Bernie Dvorak and Georgina Shultz for placing Annapolis Villagers flyers at several of our dealers.

If anyone has pictures of any activities of our club for the past year, please give them to Georgina. Only a few pictures have been donated to her. When she volunteered to be our Historian she said she was not a photographer and would be dependent on other club members to donate pictures to her.

The November meeting should be an exciting event as we have our display contest. (See article elsewhere in the Newsletter) I'm hoping we will have a number of entries because we all learn from other's creativity. There is still plenty of time to enter a display.

Besides the display contest we have many activities coming up including: Decorating Ronald McDonald's House and The Hospice for Christmas, Ye Olde Christmas Party and the House Tours. We need your help in planning our activities for the coming year. Please let Barbara Schubring know of any activities you'd be interested in for next year and make suggestions to Stella Angelucci for speakers or topics you'd be interested in at our meetings.

One last item before I close, we would like each family bring a Christmas tree ornament or other decorative item to the November meeting that would be used for decorating a tree at either the Ronald McDonald House or The Hospice of the Chesapeake. Many thanks for helping the club by doing this.

Looking forward to seeing you at the end of the year activities.

Kate

Welcome New Members...

Jim & Shirley Dvorak of Severn, MD
Susan & Vincent Sensel of Sykesville, MD
Maxine & James Underwood of Severna Park, MD

Annapolis Villagers Policy on the Sale of Merchandise

Out of consideration for members attending Annapolis Villager functions, guest speakers, and members setting up or cleaning up prior to and after club meetings or other club activities or events, the Board requests that there be no sale of merchandise (i.e., D56 or non-D56 products) before, during or after these functions.

Placing of flyers on the entry table is permitted as long as consideration is shown others and business is conducted outside of the function. Sale of D56 items may be conducted through the newsletter. A list of D56 merchandise for sale may be e-mailed to the editor of the newsletter to be included in the electronically mailed newsletter.

An exception to this would be that a guest speaker could sell products related to his or/her topic or when the Annapolis Villagers sponsors a function permitting sales such as a Bazaar or Swap & Sell.

Annual Picnic at the Stevensons-Recap

by Dean and John Stevenson

The day started with a drizzle but ended with a beautiful rainbow. For most of the day the drizzle stayed away but since it was too wet to play the great games that Stella & Julius had made up for us we were forced to play Bingo. If you ever doubted that we were a bingo group you should have been there. A twist that Stella & Julius provided were blank Bingo cards where you selected your own numbers plus some interesting ways of playing that some of us had never heard of.

We had 32 adults and 4 children and all seemed to have a good time. The food as always was varied and wonderful and there were very little leftovers.

This year we tried a Silent Auction. It seems to John & I that this was a good idea, only our members are more excited about buying items other than houses, such as display materials, small accessories, whether it be D56, Lemax etc. Most of what we have in the way of houses to sell everyone already has. We had 9 people selling and 10 that made bids. I would like some feed back from those who attended whether you think it is an idea to use in the future. Should we perhaps extend it to all collectibles not just D56 related? Please email me or catch me at a meetings. This is your club and we want to know your ideas to make it more interesting and fun. We did make \$13.00 for the club on Silent Auction donations.

I want to thank the following for helping with setting up, cleaning up, prizes, games, Silent Auction, etc. Julius & Stella Angelucci, Terry & Barb Schubring, Jack & Ruth Baldwin, John & Pat Ehrenreich, John Stevenson, Millie & Paul Hurlbut, Ina Devine and Bill & Sherian Roberts. If there is any one I might of missed thank you also.

Golden Goose Display Contest

At the invitation of The Golden Goose in Occoquan, VA, five clubs in the Maryland/Virginia area participated in a Halloween display contest held during their Annual Department 56 Open House on Sunday, October 17. Prior to the contest, The Golden Goose provided each club with a container, a caldron, D56 Halloween accessory, "Rock-A-Bye Vampire" and other accessories, including Bats, Skeletons, Trees and Fence to create a display. No Lit Houses or Porcelain Figures were permitted in the display. Ina Devine volunteered to create the display for the Annapolis Villagers. Once again, Ina demonstrated her creative talents by constructing a delightful display that featured costumed skeletons attending a Halloween party. Participating clubs were permitted to keep their display and Ina will have it at the November meeting.

Volunteers Needed!!!

Volunteers are needed for the following activities:

? **Homestead Gardens Open House**

November 13 and 14
Contact Kate Eustice –
301-5521858 or
kateeustice@hotmail.com

? **Decorating Ronald McDonald House**

Set Up - Tues., Nov. 23
Take Down - Tues, Jan. 04 or 11
Contact Trudi Baer –
410-867-0086 or

Baers4D56@Comcast.net

? **Decorating The Hospice of the Chesapeake**

Set Up - Tues., Nov. 30, 6pm
Take Down-Tues., Jan. 06, 6pm
Contact Dean Stevenson –
410-923-2755 or

dpstevenson@comcast.net

KEEPING CHRISTMAS

He had no further intercourse with Spirits, but lived upon the Total Abstinence Principle, ever afterwards; and it was always said of him, that he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge. May that be truly said of us, and all of us! And so, as Tiny Tim observed, God Bless Us, Every One!

**Charles Dickens'
A Christmas Carol**

We may have originally come together as individuals who shared a love for Christmas villages but over the years we have all given so much of ourselves collectively. You only have to look at the faces of the patients and their families both at Hospice and Ronald McDonald House to see the joy the holiday decorations bring.

HOSPICE HOUSE & RONALD McDONALD HOUSE DECORATING

Once again, it is that time of year to put up displays and think about the holidays. Now that the weather is getting cooler, it seems more like fall with Christmas around the corner.

We will decorate the Hospice House in Linthicum and the Ronald McDonald House in Balt. as we did last year. We have the decorations from last year but if you have something special you think they might enjoy, please call Dean Stevenson for Hospice or Trudi Baer for McDonald.

The following people have agreed to display their baskets Hospice again this year: **Kate & Bob Eustice, John & Pat Ehrenreich**. If anyone else has a small display they would like to lend for display, let Dean know.

We would like some baked goods to take for the decorators and the families and patients there. If you can't go but would like to donate a few dollars for us to buy some cookies and drinks it would be appreciated. You can give Dean or Trudi the donations at the next meeting or mail to Dean at 1729 Baldwin Dr., Millersville, MD 21108.

We'll decorate Hospice Tues. Nov. 30 at 6pm and take down decorations Tues. Jan. 6 at 6pm. If you would like to help, call Dean, **410-923-2755**, to sign up for either or both.

We'll decorate McDonald Tues. Nov. 23 during the day, with time TBD, and take down decorations Tues. Jan. 4 or 11, during the day, time TBD. If you would like to help, call Trudi, **410-867-0086**, to sign up for either or both.

MAVG Wreaths

The Mid-Atlantic Village Gathering is providing each of the sponsoring clubs with two wreaths. The clubs will decorate the wreaths and they will be raffled off at the Gathering in April 2005. Each club will also be given \$250 to purchase necessary supplies. The clubs will be free to choose a theme for each wreath; however, it must be approved by the MAVG Program Chairperson.

Stella Angelucci has graciously volunteered to do one of the wreaths for the club. She has chosen an Irish theme. We are seeking a volunteer to do the other wreath. This is a great opportunity to express your creativity on behalf of the club. If you are interested, please contact Kate Eustice at (301) 552-1858 or kateeustice@hotmail.com.

ANNUAL OLDE FASHION CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE LEGION HALL ON TUESDAY DEC. 14TH

We will have our annual pot luck **Christmas Party** on **Dec. 14th**. Please call **Ruth Baldwin, 410-923-3239** to sign up and let her know what you will bring so we do not have 5 of the same thing. It is such a busy time for all of us, it would help if Ruth does not have to call you to ask what you will bring. Appetizers will be from 6:30 to 7:15pm, Dinner at 7:15pm and Deserts to follow.

We will again have game wheels with prizes during appetizers and after dinner and of course pictures with Santa. **Please call by Dec. 2rd** so we know how many to set up for. In the past, Ruth and others who set up have helped to clean up. This year we thought it would be nice if the people who setup didn't have to clean up. We plan to start setting up around 4:30pm. Anyone wishing to help setup please call **Dean Stevenson, 410-923-2755**. If you wish to help cleanup please call **Pat Ehrenreich, 410-647-1680**.

In addition to Santa, special guest, Mr. Erwin Abrams from the Hospice of the Chesapeake will attend. Mr. Abrams will be accepting the club's Charitable Donation for 2004.

Returning is the "**Unwanted Gift Exchange**". You may have D56 items that are duplicates, no longer displayed or just may not want any more. You can exchange your unwanted item for someone else's unwanted item. There will be two categories: one for items valued between \$20.00 and \$30.00 retail and another for items valued over \$30.00 retail. **Do not wrap item**. You will get a ticket when you arrive as to which group your item is in and will be choosing from those items in that group later in the evening. **Please, retail D56 items only, no dealer promotional items**.

Additionally, there will be a "**Dickens' Village 20th Anniversary Raffle**". A set of D56 Dickens' Village 20th Anniversary items will be offered as the prize in a raffle at the Christmas Party. These items were only available at the collector sponsored conventions held this year in Chicago, Atlanta and Los Angeles. The set includes:

? A commemorative 20th Anniversary scarf. It is like those worn in Victorian England with the Dickens' Village 20th Anniversary logo embroidered on it.

? An 8 page special edition of the D56 Celebrations magazine. The front cover features an image of the "The Original Shops of Dickens' Village."

Mid-Atlantic Village Gathering (MAVG)

The 7th Mid-Atlantic Village Gathering will be held Apr. 8-10, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency in Reston, VA. With the theme "Magic Moments". It's not too early to think about attending the MAVG next spring.

You'll find that the MAVG will include some favorite events like the Market Place (formerly the Swap & Sell, Show & Sell), Make & Take displays, Round Robin, and lots of seminars featuring new speakers. Whether you are a serious collector or merely one who dabbles with Dept. 56, this gathering will have something for you!

If you are looking for rare retired pieces, or some interesting items to accessorize your displays, you will certainly be able to find them in the Market Place. Ticket information will be mailed to club members and previous attendees. The Hotel is now taking reservations. If you would prefer, visit the gathering's website at www.mavg.org. for more information which will be updated as new information becomes available. You may e-mail Trudi Baer at Baers4D56@comcast.net.

THE ANNAPOLIS VILLAGERS HOUSE TOURS 2005

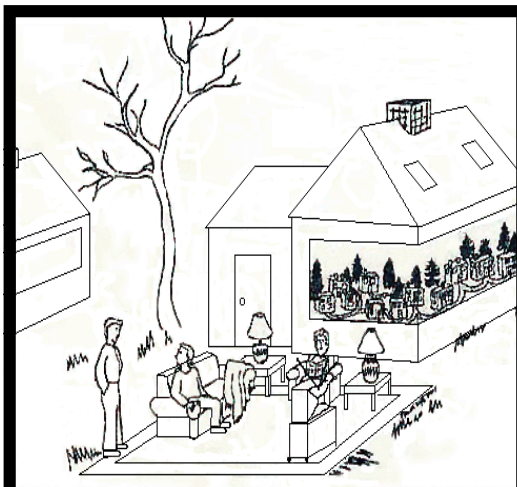
The Villagers will be hosting our annual holiday house tours of members' homes on Jan. 8-9, 2005. Tours will be conducted:

- ? Saturday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- ? Sunday: 2 p.m. - 8 p.m.

In case of inclement weather, tours will be held the next weekend.

The house tours are a highlight event for Villagers. You do not need to have an elaborate display to participate. We have seen many beautiful displays in all sizes and shapes over the years. You just need to be willing to open your home and share your ideas. In the past house tours, members had displays in one room of the house or several rooms, on table tops or on the floor, small vignettes or large layouts, in baskets or on book shelves - and all made for very interesting displays with wonderful ideas to share.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions, please contact Bob Eustice at (301)552-1858 or kateeustice@hotmail.com. We need to have everyone signed up by November 26 in order to allow adequate time to schedule tours by geographic area and prepare directions/maps. A sign up sheet will be available at the Nov. members' meeting.



"I think we over did it this year!"

From Yahoo! Groups

THE (RUMOR) MILL

This was reported in the 56th Street Press, AOL D56 Bulletin Board Newsletter and confirmed by Tom Russ of Russ Country Gardens. It is the 15TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY of the NORTH POLE and they are releasing 5 NEW buildings that will spell S-A-N-T-A. There will be a Numbered LIMITED EDITION of 10,000 "S" houses, Santa's Toy Company, to select dealers available in November. The next batch of "S" will ship in the Spring of '05 with a roof color different from the first shipment. The next building "A", Alfie's Toy School for Elves, will be ordered on-line starting Nov. 8. The remaining letters through dealers in January. The letters of each house that spell SANTA are atop of the house, on the weather vane. Call your dealer to find out if they are one of the select dealers. Photos in the e-Crier of the "S" and "A" house.

THE TOWER BRIDGE

A Stone Dickens' Bridge ... or Is It?



The Tower Bridge, London

The Tower Bridge was reproduced by Dept. 56 in 2004 as a Limited Edition for the Dickens' Village series. Many collectors regard the stone and masonry bridge as one of the most accurate and beautiful Dickens' pieces done by D56. But, is the real bridge made of stone and masonry? Is it from Dickens' era? The answer to both is no.

Construction of the Tower Bridge, designed by Sir Horace Jones, started in 1886 and opened in 1894. Charles Dickens died in 1870. A more appropriate bridge for D56 to reproduce from the Dickens' era may have been the London Bridge but that bridge lacks the character of the Tower Bridge and besides, it is now in Arizona. But, that's another story.

The Tower Bridge is a Bascule type bridge. "Bascule", derived from the French word for see-saw, is a kind of drawbridge which works on a pivot and has a heavy weight at one end to balance the greater length at the other. Steam engines raised and lowered the bascules, or movable roadways, until 1974 when they were replaced with hydro-electric motors. Glass covered walkways stretch between the two towers for pedestrians to cross while the bridge was raised but were seldom used since the bridge was raised and lowered in less than five minutes. Because of the fine masonry work of these towers, Tower Bridge is often mistaken for a stone bridge. It is a steel bridge, however, and it depends entirely for its strength upon the steel columns and girders of which it is composed. As the authorities insisted that the design of the bridge should be in keeping with its surroundings, the steelwork is faced with masonry whose architectural character is made to harmonize with the general style of the Tower of London close by.

So, while the original bridge is neither Dickens' nor stone, the D56 version is still a beautiful rendition and will be a great addition to your Victorian Christmas Village ... if you have the room for it.



Dept. 56, The Tower Bridge

**GERALD CHARLES DICKENS
VISIT TO
THE GOLDEN GOOSE
Sunday, November 14, 2004**



Gerald Charles Dickens, great-great grandson of Charles Dickens again makes his annual visit to the Golden Goose with a performance of "A Christmas Carol" from the original script used by his ancestor in the 1880's. He leaps, laughs and sobs as he portrays all of the voices of the story, bringing awe to all with

his brilliant performance. The performance begins at 3:00pm; seating is on a 1st come, 1st served basis. In order to preserve the ambiance there will be no seating after the performance begins. Before the performance, Mr. Dickens will sign one Dickens memento which you may bring from home, and any number of items which are purchased on the day of the visit. The Golden Goose, on this day only, will have available a large selection of Dickens' books and gifts for sale and signing. Contact The Golden Goose, 703-494-4964 for further details.

Thank You! Christmas Goose

A big thank you to the Christmas Goose, Queenstown, MD for donating the retired North Pole Holiday Gift Set "Naughty or Nice Detective Agency". This delightful set will be used as a prize at future club functions.

**Homestead Gardens Open House
Weekend**

November 13th and 14th

Homestead Gardens in Davidsonville, MD is holding their fall open house weekend on November 13-14. Homestead Gardens uses this weekend to showcase their Christmas displays and themes that have made them one of the area's premier holiday destinations. The D56 holiday display is one of the finest in the metro area. You will have the opportunity to speak with display designers, Scott Daly and Ann Ketchum, who will answer questions and offer tips on setting up you displays at home.

Homestead Gardens is located at Rte 214 (Central Ave.) and Rte 424 (Davidsonville Rd.). Contact Homestead Gardens, (410)798-5000 (Annap.), (410)956-4777 (Balt.) or (301)261-4550 (Wash.) or check web site, www.homesteadgardens.com for further details.

**Valley View Farms' Department 56
Days**

November 13th and 14th

Join Valley View Farms in celebrating Department 56 Days on Saturday, Nov. 13th and Sunday Nov. 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Meet experts:

- Ken Schwartz, founder of Chesapeake 56 (2nd oldest D56 collector's club); author of "Dickens' Village, The First Ten Years"
- Bernie Dvorak, Annapolis Villagers Collector's Club
- John Hessler, Valley View Farm's own Department 56 guru and master village builder.

On Sat., at noon, John Hessler offers expert advice on creating your display on a multi-tiered platform. At 2:00 p.m., Bernie Dvorak will create a unique display, including expert advice on working with styrofoam in setting up villages and displays.

On Sun., at noon, John will show how to build accessories such as icicles, lakes, ponds, tunnels, and steps. At 2:00 p.m., Bernie will give a repeat performance of his seminar from Saturday.

Contact Valley View Farms at 410-527-700 for further details or visit their web site at www.valleyviewfarms.com

D56 Goes On 

On Nov. 28, Department 56 will auction 200 of the 500 numbered Limited Edition pieces of "*Belle's House - 20th Anniversary Edition*" on eBay. Net proceeds for the auction will be donated by D56 to the **March of Dimes**.

This very rare piece carries the 20th Anniversary of Dickens' Village bottom stamp. The 2003 introduction "Belle's House" was modified by D56 designers to create the anniversary edition including these unique features:

- Open second story window interior scene of Belle looking down at young "Scrooge"
- Accessory "Young Scrooge" included
- First level bay window
- Hand-painted porcelain "Belle's" sign above door

Each building has been signed by Dickens' artist Barbara Lund and will include a commemorative Dickens' 20th Anniversary scarf.

CALENDAR

2004 November

- Nov 4 **Snowbaby Retirements Announced.**
- Nov 5 **Village Retirements Announced.**
- Nov 6 **Collectible Yard Sale, 8 AM to 1 PM at Marge & Barry Ebersberger. See e-Crier or call 410-313-9284 for more details.**
- Nov 9 **Annapolis Villagers Member's Meeting and Display Contest (Details in Newsletter)**
- Nov 13-14 **Homestead Gardens, Davidsonville, MD Open House For details call, 410-798-5000.**
- Nov 13-14 **Valley View Farms, Cockeyville, MD. Display tips & demonstrations. For details call 410-527-0700.**

- Nov 14 **Golden Goose, Occoquan, VA. Gerald Charles Dickens for a one man show / reading of the Christmas Carol. See Newsletter article. For details call 703-494-4964**

December

- Dec 14 **Annapolis Villagers Olde Time Christmas Party. Details in the newsletter.**

2005 January

- Jan 8-9 **Annapolis Villagers Annual House Tours. Details in the Newsletter.**
- Jan 11 **Annapolis Villagers Members Meeting. Following the meeting will be an open house at the Ehrenreich's.**

February

- Feb 8 **Annapolis Villagers Board Meeting.**

March

- Mar 8 **Annapolis Villagers Members Meeting.**

April

- Apr 8-10 **Mid-Atlantic Village Gathering. Reston, VA. Seventh gathering hosted by the Annapolis Villagers, et al. Details are in the Newsletter and at www.MAVG.org.**
- Apr 12 **Annapolis Villagers Board**

Let us know about Dealer Events, Open Houses, Swap & Sells, Show & Sells, etc. and we will list it on our calendar.



Meetings Held At American Legion Post 175

Unless otherwise noted, all Annapolis Villagers' Membership Meetings and Board Meetings are held at The American Legion, Post 175, Severna Park in Manhattan Beach. 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 Rd. At the Rt. 2 N and Jones Station Rd intersection (Amoco and Crown gas Stations), turn right onto Jones Station Rd and make an immediate left onto Manhattan Beach Rd which is behind the Crown Station. Follow Manhattan Beach Rd approximately two tenths of a mile. Make a left into the parking lot of The American Legion Post 175. The entrance to the Banquet Room is to the left side of the parking lot in the rear.

From Baltimore Beltway, take Rt. 2 S. Follow Rt. 2 S (Ritchie Highway) through Severna Park. At Jones Station Rd, make a left. From Jones Station Rd., proceed as above.

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,
WE WILL FOLLOW
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY SCHOOLS.**

From the Editor.....

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this edition of The Crier.

If you have news to share, email me at JonAE@aol.com or call me at (410) 647-1680.

John Ehrenreich



**NEWS DEADLINE FOR
THE NEXT ISSUE OF
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Please send your items of interest so that they are received by the deadline.

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Match the feet to the Villager. Don't let your fellow Villagers be "DE-FEETED"

(Answers on page 11)

A)



1)



B)



2)



C)



3)



D)



4)



E)



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F)



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Dear Family & Friends,

I will be giving two 45 minute seminars at Valley View Farms next month.

The first will take place on Saturday November 13th, and the second, on Sunday November 14th. Both are FREE and scheduled for 2:00 PM.

Below are the outlines of my seminars:.

Bernie

SATURDAY November 13, 2:00PM

“Mountains Can Reach the Sky”

- 1) How display ideas originate
- 2) Research & planning
- 3) History of Little Town Of Bethlehem
- 4) One “Magic Moment”
- 5) Styrofoam cutting demo
- 6) Assembling & shaping the mountain display
- 7) Applying & shaping paper mache’
- 8) Rock out-cropping, painting & final touches
- 9) Blackout & light the finished product
- 10) Q & A



SUNDAY November 14, 2:00 PM

Where The Desert Meets the Sea

- 1) Brief Review of Saturday Seminar
- 2) One “Magic Moment”
- 3) A Desert of (Styro) foam
- 4) Oasis
- 5) The Sea Of Galilee
- 6) Ancient Fishing Boats
- 7) Fishers Of Men
- 8) Rome Rules the land & the Sea
- 9) Inexpensive Low Voltage Lighting For Any Display
- 10) Blackout & Light the finished product
- 11) Q & A



KRAMER COLLECTION FOR SALE

SNOW VILLAGE

SKATING RINK DUCK POND 1978	500
VILLAGE CHURCH 5026-1	150
GOTHIC CHURCH 5028-8	125
DEPOT W/TRAIN 5051-2	80
SAINT JAMES CHURCH 5068-7	75
DINER 5078-4	300
LIGHTHOUSE 5030-0	350
COLONIAL CHURCH 5119-5	40
NORTH CREEK 5120-9	40
PRAIRIE HOUSE 5156-0	40
AIRPORT 5439-9	30
JOHN DEER WATER TOWER	350
WATER TOWER 5133-0	50

PLUS ALL OTHER ACCE SNOW VILLAGE

NEW ENGLAND

NEW ENGLAND VILLAGE ORIGINAL S/7	600
SMYTH WOOLEN MILL	500

ALL OTHERS + ACCESS. 50% OFF

ALPINE VILLAGE

ALPINE S/5	100
JOSEF ENGEL	350

ALL OTHERS +ACCESS

CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY -

- Complete Collection

SUTTON PLACE 2 EA	500
CATHEDRAL	150
PALACE THEATRE	400
DOROTHYS	150
ST. MARKS	1000

NORTH POLE

SANTAS WORKSHP	200
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ALL OTHERS
ALL OTHERS

DICKENS LTD EDITION PLATES 2 SET

DICKENS VILLAGE

THE ORIGINAL SHOPS OF DV S/7	1000
CROWNTREE	150
CANDLE SHOP	125
GREEN GROCER	125
GOLDEN SWAN	100
SMITHY	125
BUTCHER	75
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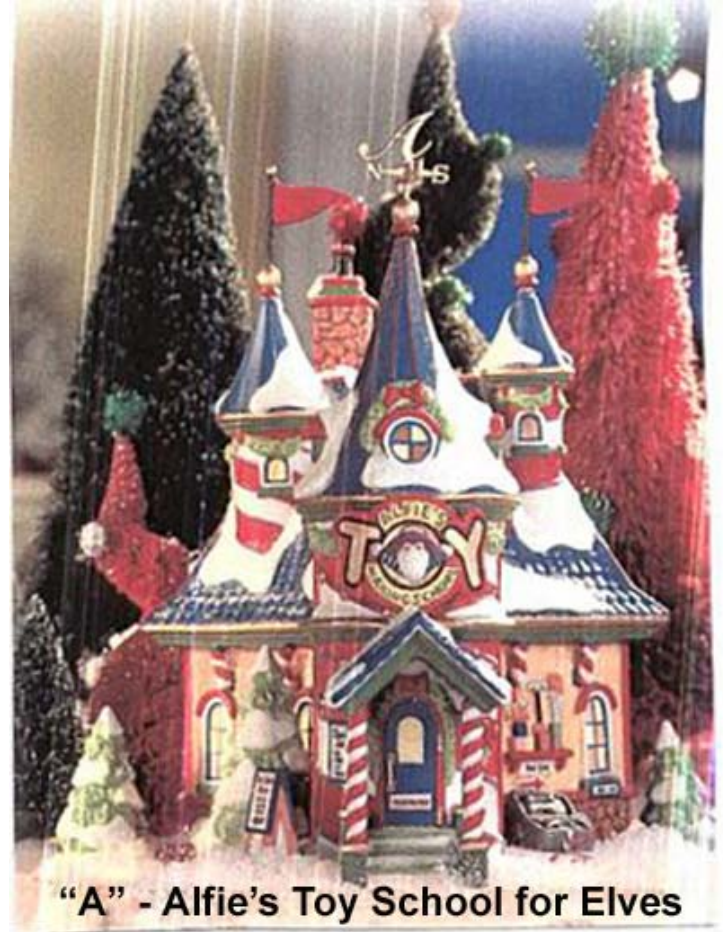
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A/2, B/4, C/1, D/5, E/3, F/6