



Good Old Days Country Shop Newsletter

Special points of interest:

- Grand Re-Opening, Huge Success
- What we are now carrying
- Christmas Open House

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Good Old Days Country Shop Has Relocated

On September 12th, the Good Old Days Country Shop opened the doors of their new shop in Pultneyville after relocating the shop from our home in Marion. We found a great building with plenty of traffic, on a great site, in a great community. It was very difficult NOT to take advantage of this opportunity. So all Summer long we cleaned, painted, remodeled, made improvements, and moved inventory. We had a vision and worked diligently to make it come true. However, not everyone saw the same vision we saw. When we took possession of the building in early June, it was a mess. Friends and family thought we were crazy. The porch had just caved in from the past winter, the roof had 3 huge holes in it and had



been leaking for over a year, the basement had 25 years of accumulation, and the whole building had not been painted or maintained properly for a LONG time. So, I guess I could understand a few "raised eyebrows" when we took on this project. Barb and John split up the work, each with their own list of activities and due dates. The Summer moved forward and we chugged along on our activities even though the shop remained open at our home until mid August. After we closed the shop at

home, it was all gears ahead in order to complete by the deadline.

We really didn't have much of a choice if we wanted to grow. If you remember, our inventory was getting jammed in our current space and we were overflowing onto the driveway. When the weather was bad, we couldn't display a lot of our items. Parking was becoming a problem, storage was a problem, and there was no place to grow into. So the decision was made to look for a more suitable building that would allow us to grow. We found it, and never looked back.

We thank you for your continued patronage and support thru the transition.

A Very Special Christmas Open House is Planned

On November 14th, we will be hosting our first Christmas Open House in the new building. We will be decorating, moving inventory, adding lighting indoors and out, and preparing for this special event. In order to get the shop ready, we will be closed on Nov 12th and 13th just prior to the Open House. We hope this doesn't cause any inconveniences for

you. We will be adding over a dozen more cupboards, dozens of more



decorated stoneware, many Christmas trees, decorations,

hand-made specialty items, and lots of great gifts, just to name a few.

As usual, we will be offering refreshments, good cheer, and a free gift for the first 150 customers. Please mark your calendars and try and join us at this very special time of the year!

Good Old Days

Area Shops Unite for an Evening of "Christmas By Candlelight"



Pencil post beds, in King, Queen, and Full sizes are available in a dozen colors.

On Friday evening, December 12th, four of the area shops will be open in the evening for their customers to enjoy not only extended shopping hours, but also to enjoy the season's display of lights and decorations. The theme this year for this event is "Christmas By Candlelight".

Each of the shops will offer "goodies" for you to snack on while browsing. Also, each shop will be offering a free drawing for a gift certificate at their shop. As an added bonus, for the shoppers

who fill out an entry form at EVERY one of the 4 shops, your name will be added to the Grand Prize Drawing for a gift certificate valued at \$100, to be redeemed at any one of the 4 shops.

Entry forms for the various drawings are available NOW at each of the shops and can be handed in the evening of the event. So be sure to get an early start and plan to stop at each of our shops for a chance at the big prize. This event begins at 5:00 and will end at 8:30. The Grand Prize Drawing will be

held that same evening and the winner will be contacted the next day.

The four shops who worked together to bring you this delightful evening are:

- Cobble Ridge Antiques
- The Hen House
- The Leaning Barn
- The Good Old Days Country Shop

New Items in the Shop

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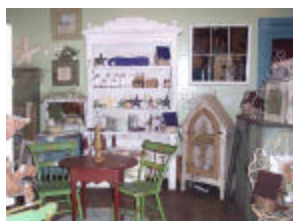
This season, we continue to bring to you the finest in Primitives, Antiques, and Country Traditions. We have brought in a couple of new lines of reproductions, candles, and gift items that you will not find elsewhere. We opened the shop with 24 cupboards and over 50 pieces of stoneware, many of which are decorated. We also try to hand-make those unique primitive pieces you keep

asking for. New this year is a section of the shop dedicated to shabby chic and country cottage. Many of these items already have a more for the Open House in a couple weeks. We also hope you enjoy our new line of Early American reproduction painted furniture we started carry-



ing this year. There is so much more we know you want, and we will strive to carry the product lines you enjoy at a price you can afford. As we grow, we are learning as well on how much to order, how many, and what colors etc... Please bare with us during these growing pains if we happen to be out of what your interested in.

Next year there will be lots more surprises in the wings!



This is part of our new "Shabby Chic" area in the shop. This has proven to be quite popular, as just about everything in this photo has sold in just 6 weeks.

Calendar of Events

- **November 14—16**

Christmas Open House - 9:00 to 5:00

- **November 28th**

Shop stays open till 8:00 on Friday nights until Christmas

- **December 12, 5:00—8:30**

Christmas by Candlelight—

Local area shops open their doors

- **January 25th, 2004**

Shop closes for the season. We will re-open in the Spring! However, if the business is slow and the heating bills are high, we may opt to close a bit earlier. We hope you understand. If there is any doubt whether we are open, please give us a ring—589-2775.

Odds & Ends

Our new address is:

7643 Jay Street
Pultneyville, NY 14538
Phone—(315) 589-2775

You can always check our website for more information at <http://www.goodolddayscountryshop.com> or call us at home at 315-926-7615.

Please email us with suggestions for improvements or suggestions for the shop. We would love to get some testimonials from you for the website, so please send us your thoughts.

Our hours are Wed-Fri from 11:00 A.M. till 5:00 P.M., Sat from 10:00 A.M. till 5:00 P.M., and Sundays from 1:00 P.M till 5:00 P.M.

Starting on the Friday after Thanksgiving, we will be open Friday nights till 8:00 to offer shoppers an evening to shop if you can't get out during the day.

Consider giving us your "wish" list whereby your friends, relatives, and spouses can come and shop for you using your wish list as a guide.

Don't forget, we always carry gift certificates for that special someone (you?). Tell your friends and family members to just simplify matters and get you a gift certificate from the Good Old Days



Remember this Stove? It was actually the stove that was in this location when it was "The Country Warehouse". We purchased this stove about 5 years ago. Little did we know at the time that it would find it's way back "home".

Recipe Corner

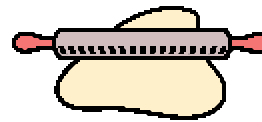
Good Old Days Snicker Doodles

This recipe is for those great cookies we serve at our open house events.

1 cup butter flavored Crisco shortening
1 1/2 Cups Sugar
2 eggs
2 1/4 Cups Flour
1/2 tsp. Cream of Tartar
1 tsp. Soda
1/4 tsp. Salt
2 tbl. Sugar (save this part for later)
2 tsp. Cinnamon

Mix shortening, sugar and eggs. Blend in flour, cream of tartar, soda, and salt. Shape dough into balls. Mix together the 2 tablespoons of sugar and cinnamon in another bowl. Roll dough balls in the mixture until coated. Place 2 inches apart on a greased cookie sheet. Bake 8-10 min or until set at 350 degrees. Remove from cookie sheet

immediately. ENJOY!!!



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Antique Tips

Why do those table tops crack?

Have you ever looked over an old antique table or stand and found that the table top has cracked or split, sometimes in several places? Here is what may have happened. Wood naturally expands and contracts with the changes in humidity. Modern day finishes tends to minimize this however nothing

eliminates wood expansion altogether. A wide board, or glued up boards found in a tabletop, may expand and contract up to 1/2 inch or more from season to season. If the top is glued to the rails or otherwise fastened so that the wood cannot "move", something has to give. Usually it is the top that cracks. Sometimes the rails split out. Master Craftsman of a century or more ago knew about

this phenomena and built their furniture to accommodate wood movement. However, farmers and everyday tradesman were not educated in the craft and these people often made their own furniture. Sometimes they would nail, screw, or glue the tops on their tables thereby restricting the top from moving across the grain. Over the years, the top eventually cracks.



We are now stocking stylish Windsor chairs to complement the various farm tables. These chairs can be ordered in many different styles and colors