

Christmas at the Historic Naval and Military Establishments... a respite from festive frenzy

Snow is falling, hearths are freshly laid with dry logs as the Establishments Heri-

tage Association prepares to welcome visitors to the eleventh annual Establishments Christmas celebration,

Dec. 21 and 22. For many families, Christmas at Penetanguishene's Historic Naval and

Military Establishments has become part of the festive ritual. This year, new activities ensure an old-fashioned

good time for everyone.

The first step into the Christmas of another century is in the Establishments Visitor Centre where a display of antique Christmas greeting cards awaits your inspection. Also on view will be entries in the E.H.A. greeting card design contest.

Outdoors the scent of woodsmoke will lead visitors to the historic Keating house, where members of the Descendants Organization will be decking the halls in 19th century-style. Children can learn to make clothespin dolls and everyone is invited to assist in stringing popcorn and cranberries for the Keating Christmas tree. The Keating family all lived on this site from 1829 to 1856. It's easy to imagine their excitement as they prepared for a simple family Christmas in this isolated Upper Canada settlement.

A horse-drawn sleigh pulled by Everett Marshall's "Bob" and "Silver" will transport visitors down the picturesque roadway to the sailors' barracks. There, members of the BEE Brigade will tell tales of Christmas in the 19th century British navy. They'll offer you some hot cider and there's every likelihood that they'll show visitors a rope trick or two.

The sleigh will be

available for the return trip, but many visitors may prefer to walk with the snow crunching underfoot and the crisp December air nipping their cheeks. Walkers may meet members of La Chorale de la Baie Georgienne or the Huronia Harmonizers. Both will be strolling from place to place with the songs of Christmas.

Those who have not quite tied up their Christmas shopping will find unusual and beautiful items in the special gift boutique operated by the Establishments Heritage Association in the nearby Children's Centre. While parents browse, children may enjoy a special Christmas puppet show.

The Establishments Traditional Community Christmas is a warm-hearted and memorable way to remind yourself and your family that the festive season is more than gaudy glitter and greed. Come to "A Traditional Community Christmas" at the Historic Naval and Military Establishments, December 21 and 22 between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. The admission charge?

There isn't one. That's the Establishment's gift to you.

The Historic Naval and Military Establishments are located at the end of Church Street, Penetanguishene.



Let Bob and Silver sleigh you at the Establishments

Everett Marshall's horses Bob and Silver will be at the Penetanguishene Establishments Dec. 21 and 22 to take visitors around the site in an open sleigh. "A Traditional Community Christmas" is sponsored this year by the Establishments

Heritage Association and includes a number of new seasonal attractions.

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Books for Christmas made super reading

by VALORIE BRUCKER Bookworms will be happy to note there is a terrific selection of books for holiday reading on local book shelves.

Huronia Office Supplies in Midland reports, popular books are Straight from the

Heart by Chretien, Company of Adventure by Peter C. Newman, Bill O'Brahms Ontario, and Hello Canada.

Books Unlimited report similar findings in popularity. They also mentioned Mammoth Hunters by Jean Auel, The World of Robert

Bateman and a variety of cookbooks.

Coles says books on sale at this time include: Texas by James Mitchener, Secrets by Danielle Steele, several Stephen Kings books, One Dancing Light by Shirley MacLaine. If Tomorrow Comes by

Sidney Sheldon, and Elvis and Me by Priscilla Presley are also popular gift giving ideas.

Books make a super gift especially if the recipient has several days of leisure time to sit down to relax and enjoy a good book.

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