

4th Annual Redbank Renaissance Arts & Crafts Show, November 29, 2010

The 4th annual Redbank Renaissance Arts and Crafts show will be held on this Saturday, December 4th from 9 AM until 3 PM at the New Bethlehem Presbyterian Church in New Bethlehem at the corners of Penn St. (Rt. 861) and Wood St. (Rt. 66), just 3 blocks North of Rt. 28. Like the 4th of July show this past summer, the Saturday show is part of Redbank Renaissance's continuing efforts to showcase the many talented artists and craftspersons from the area. A goal is to form an artist's cooperative with a retail location where artists can share overhead and staffing and display and sell their unique, hand made arts and crafts. More than 20 artists plan to participate on Saturday with a wide variety of high quality art, crafts and tasty treats. Parking is available in the lot behind the church entered from Wood Street. The church and show are handicapped accessible.

The show starts at 9 AM with baked goods, including breakfast rolls and cookies, being offered for sale by the ladies of the church. A light lunch will be offered by Redbank Renaissance and lunch is also available at many local restaurants. Following the Chamber Christmas Parade at 1 PM on Broad Street, a live nativity will be presented by the Redbank Valley Church Association in the church parking lot. With the show's hours extended until 3 PM this year, people can shop for unique, handmade, quality Christmas gifts and decorations before or after the parade. For children, the annual Snack with Santa will be held at the New Bethlehem Fire Hall by the Ladies Auxiliary following the parade.



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Artists and craftspersons at this year's show include Rich Horner of Horner's Pens & Things who is featuring pens made from wood of the 1883 New Bethlehem dam, as well as many other beautiful pens, key chains and accessories made from an amazing variety of materials. Dennis Morgan Photography will be on hand with local and historic photos, including some of the dam before and after renovations and pictures of the logs from which Horner's pens were made.

Harvey Bauer of Spinner of Tales will present his exquisite wildlife photography and art, including

There will be several types of jewelry presented, including Sandy Scherf with hand crocheted necklaces with Murado style glass pendants, Brenda Niklas of Laughing Dog Mosaics with jewelry, book marks and other items made of fused and stained glass, Keli Reddinger of Beadiful Kreations with handmade and beaded jewelry and Zenobia Baer with ceramic jewelry.

Carol Wahl of Wahl Street Design, Kathy Hoenig of the Handbag Hatchery, Phyllis Maxwell of Today's Heirlooms, Zenobia Baer, Kathy McMillen and Tracy Edminston will present a variety of hand sewn and homespun products including designer handbags, accessories, insulated lunch

bags, jean purses, table runners, tea towels, soft cloth children's books, decorations and other items.

It wouldn't be a Christmas show without good things to eat. If you have someone for whom it is hard to buy gifts, food is usually welcomed and a special treat anytime. Homemade jelly and jams, Thomas' Candies with homemade fudge, gourmet caramel apples, hard tack and other candies, Edminston's teas and coffees, and more will be available.

To get people in the decorating mood, several artists will offer Christmas and other home decorations including wreaths, snowmen, nutcrackers, pillows, novelty crafts, clay pots, and home made lighted bottle candles by Dublin Kandle Connection. For home decorating year round, the show will feature fine art in a variety of mediums by Linda Moore, painted crafts, wood carvings by Roger Anthony of Pleasant Hills Oak'n Art, Stamps by Dee Yeane, wooden toys and more.

Table fees, lunch proceeds and a 50/50 raffle will benefit Redbank Renaissance. There will also be displays with information on Redbank Renaissance's revitalization efforts, Trail Town planning, upcoming community events and Redbank Valley Trails Association rails to trails projects. For more information, call 814-275-1718 or visit www.redbankren.org.