

SPOOM

Mid-Atlantic Chapter

Notes & News

December 2006

Colvin Run Mill (10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls, VA 22066)



December

Children's Holiday Shopping

Colvin Run General Store

Saturday, December 2, 10am-2pm

Sunday, December 3, noon-4pm

Monday, December 4, 1-4pm



Unique items in all price ranges.
Volunteers help children find the perfect
gift for everyone on their lists.

FREE wrapping!

Please call ahead for groups of 6 or more.
Adults are invited to wait on site.

**For more information call
703-759-2771.**

Model Train Display

Saturday, December 2, 10am-4pm

Sunday, December 3, noon-4pm

Come watch the G-gauge trains as they
wind their way through the snowy scenery
of a miniature western town in the Colvin
Run Barn. **FREE**



Country Christmas

*Saturday,
December 9
3-6pm*



Enjoy an old-
fashioned
evening of family
holiday fun. Visit
Santa in the mill
and peek at toys

under the country Victorian Christmas tree. Join the
49th Virginia Infantry, for their 20th year leading
carols around the campfire. Other activities include
crafts, caroling around the old upright piano and
roasting marshmallows.

\$5 (ages 3 to 93)

January

NEW!

Beginning Knitting

Sundays, January 14, 21, 28

and

February 4, 11, 18

1:30-3pm

Adults and children 12 years and older will learn
all the skills needed and make a ribbed, roll-brim
hat in this six week class session. Class limit 8.
Reservations required by 1/7.

\$70 (includes supply fee)

SpOOM-MA will meet on Saturday March 3, 2007 at the Colvin Run Mill (CRM) in Fairfax County Virginia. The Friends of Colvin Run Mill and the CRM staff will host the meeting. Your hosts are working with Chuck Ives and our members to insure a fun and educational experience coupled with ample time for a productive business meeting.

We are giving thought to having a late afternoon session on Friday that could be a meeting ground for dinner and a round table discussion of some mid-Atlantic mill history or preservation need. The meeting on Saturday will include a business meeting, a tour of the Colvin Run Mill, and talks by invited guests. Prof. Brooke Hunter of Rider University has agreed to speak on aspects of early American milling history in the mid-Atlantic region. Michael Rierson, of the Fairfax County Park Authority will tell the story of the 1968-1978 restoration of the CRM. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am on Saturday with a light breakfast. The formal program will begin at 10:00 am. The meeting will close by 3:30 pm. The formal agenda will be sent, by e-mail, to all SPOOM-MA members by mid January.

Old mill available in area

The mill at Doubs, Md., is located on .82 acre in Frederick County near Point of Rocks and Adamstown and dates back almost 200 years. While in need of stabilization and restoration, there is considerable early milling machinery in this stone and frame building, including wooden flat belt drive wheels, sifting and other processing equipment and the hub and some of the cast spokes of the overshot water wheel that once provided the power. There are water rights to the creek that originally powered the mill and other buildings currently used for mechanical hobby and storage. The original building could be restored as a mill or become a very unique mill theme residence, studio, or gallery. MARC commuter trains that board at Frederick and Point of Rocks pass right by the property. Priced at \$150,000; for further information including digital pictures, contact the owner: Al Haracz, 6633 Pine Rd. Alexandria, Va. 22312, Tel: (703) 354-0833, e-mail: al.haracz@verizon.net.

*Please send any notes, news & pre-meeting information to me for the next update by February 16th, 2007.

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Thanks, Susan.

