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SHIVERICK – CAPE COD’S LOST SHIPYARD HELP SOLVE THE MYSTERY

SHIPYARD ARTIFACTS COULD BE WORTH THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS

MARITIME EXPERTS WILL ATTEND APPRAISAL DAY TO BENEFIT CAPEABILITIES

9:30 AM – 4:00 PM on February 27, 2007

Until the 1860’s, The Shiverick Shipyard was a hub of Cape Cod’s maritime community. The only shipyard on Cape Cod to build magnificent clipper ships, the shipyard disappeared in 1865 – and with it, any photographs and information about this important historic site.

Experts in maritime and Cape Cod history will be on hand to help solve the mystery of Shiverick Shipyard. Artifacts from that period could be very valuable.

According to Eldred’s – “A photograph of the shipyard could be worth hundreds of dollars – a painting of one of the clipper ships could be worth up to thirty thousand dollars.”

Eldred’s Auctioneers & Appraisers of East Dennis will be holding an Antique Appraisal Day on Tuesday February 27 to benefit capeAbilities. **Items in all categories (from photographs to silver – see below) are welcome** – but Eldred’s is hoping that Cape Codders will look into their attics and basements to find artifacts relating to the Shiverick Shipyard in Dennis.

Many of the most prominent families from across Cape Cod were associated with the Shiverick Shipyard – Crowell, Sears, Hall, Howes and Shiverick. According to Eldred's – “ People may not realize how valuable these artifacts can be – anything – a logbook, ship model, letters, postcards, registers, can help solve the mystery of the shipyard.”

Eldred's, Cape Cod's leading auctioneers and antiques appraisers, will have seven highly qualified appraisers to evaluate other items as well. The event will run from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served. Eldred's is located at 1483 Route 6A in East Dennis.

All evaluations are verbal and are limited to three (3) per person.
Donation: \$5.00 per item or \$10 for 3 items.

All proceeds from the Antique Appraisal Day will benefit capeAbilities. capeAbilities is a non-profit organization that provides jobs, homes and therapeutic services for Cape Codders with disabilities. Founded as Nauset Workshop in Orleans in 1968, capeAbilities now serves people with disabilities from Bourne to Provincetown.

Eldred's will have qualified appraisers for the following categories: paintings, photographs, silver, pewter, Oriental rugs, decoys, Americana, pottery and porcelain, glass, marine art, dolls, toys, tools, jewelry (not precious stones), ephemera (paper collectibles), Paul Jacoulet prints and Japanese, Korean and Southeast Asian art.

For more information contact Eldred's at 508-385-3116.