

# The Village Way

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## Join the Society

To join the Society, call 532-0884 or download a registration form off [WWW.VPIS.ORG](http://WWW.VPIS.ORG).

## Attic Treasures Sale

Saturday, May 1, 1999 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

In the late 1960's, the Village Preservation and Improvement held its first Attic Treasures Sale at the historic Lawton House - home of Ernest and Louise Shepard. The purpose of that sale was to raise money for special projects of the Society and to feature the elegance of this special home. This annual sale is now held in the Community Center and the purpose remains to provide citizens with a good time and to raise money for special local civic projects.

All items are generously donated by our members and local citizens.

### *Sale Funds Special Projects*

The funds from item you donate or purchase help:

- Tricentennial Projects** - City's News Years Eve celebration, a George Mason monument, a Big Chimneys Inn display, and a Tricentennial Garden.
- Summer Concerts in the Park** - Free Thursday night concerts in Cherry Hill Park from June 25 to August 6, featuring big bands and small combos.
- Tree Planting and Natural Resource Restoration** - Many trees, shrubs and wildflowers are planted annually in Falls Church to restore the environment.
- Dozens of Other Falls Church Civic Activities and Projects** - Stop by the "Village Center" to study our list of activities and projects.

### *How to Get the Most Out of The Sale*

1. The Sale opens at 10:00 a.m. in the Falls Church Community Center.
2. Study the store descriptions on page 2 and Sale map on page 3 to ensure to get to the "store" you want first, before the best items are sold.
3. **PAY AT EACH STORE** for the items you want at that store. There is **no** central checkout. Do **not** take items unpaid from one store to another.
4. **Auction** begins at 10:30 am. Great fun and great deals.
5. Please be kind and good humored with our volunteers.



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Society*

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The Society, founded in 1885 as the Village Improvement Society, was part of a national movement to preserve and improve village life through the planting of trees, creation of cultural events, and other efforts. Reestablished in 1965, the Society continues its devotion to preserving and improving the natural, cultural and historic environment of Falls Church.

# Historic Attic Treasures Sale Stores

The sale is arranged in small-town shops, as depicted on the next page, representing Falls Church shops of the past and present.

**Auctions at the Village**

Special treasures are auctioned at 10:30 am by TV newscaster, Gary Reals, and Skip Brandon. Silent auction at 10:00.

**Browns Hardware**

Falls Church's vintage (1885) store, this shop features everything from hardware, sporting goods & appliances to small furniture.

**Colonnas Book Shop**

This 1950's shop features books for every interest.

**Falls Church Bakery**

This 1890's bakery features cookies and other baked goodies.

**Falls Church Jewelry Shop**

Named after a long-term, still-operating business, it features, rings, necklaces, earrings and other beautiful adornments.

**Giant Music**

This classic Falls Church music store provides you with a large selection of records, tapes, CDs and musical accessories.

**Mankins Notions & Dry Goods**

This 19th century store features houseware, kitchenware, linens, curtains, fabric, Christmas decorations, baskets, and notions.

**Mother's Day Gift Shop**

This special store is for "children only" to find an inexpensive, distinctive gift for mother.

**Old Market Antiques**

This current store on Tinner Hill, it features fine antiques and true attic treasures, including glassware and silver.

**Perrygo's Ice Cream Shop**

Named after Falls Church's first ice cream shop (1880's), it features, ice cream, soft drinks, popcorn, and pizza.

**Robertson's Five & Dime**

This store stood at the crossroads. It features children's toys, stuffed animals, games, bikes, puzzles and infant items.

**Smith's Nursery**

This famous 1930's nursery, features high quality ferns, hostas, annuals, perennials and herbs. Everything sells out early.

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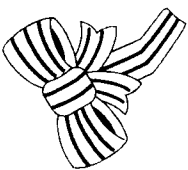
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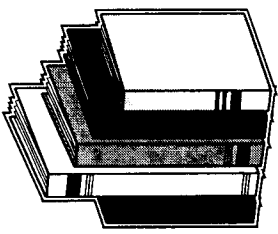

The Society wishes to thank Nancy and Grace for their extraordinary efforts in producing this event.

*Open 10-2 p.m. FLOOR PLAN Auction 10:30 a.m.*


*Mother's  
Day  
Corner*




*Colonna's  
Bookshop*

*Giant  
Music*

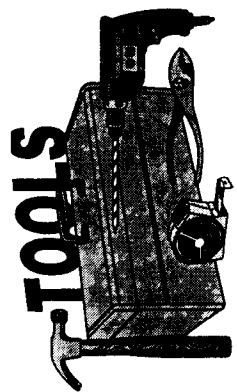


**Robertson's**  
5 & 10



**BROWN'S HARDWARE**


**TOOLS**



*Old  
Market  
Antiques  
& Jewelry*




**AUCTION CENTER**



**VILLAGE CENTER**

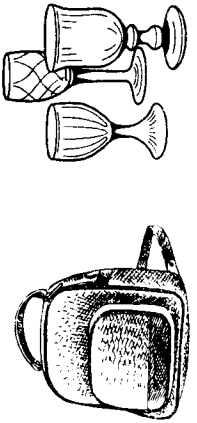
**Smith's  
Nursery  
Plants**



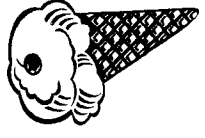
*Falls  
Church  
Bakery*



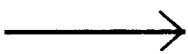
**Mankin's Notions  
& Dry Goods**



*Perrygo's  
Ice  
Cream*



Cafe Tables  
On the Patio




**EXIT**

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**ENTRANCE**

*The Falls Church Village Preservation & Improvement Society*

**Join the Fun With the Attic Treasures Sale  
May 1, 1999**

Donate your Treasures on April 30,

Help setup on Friday, April 30.

Bake for the *Falls Church Bakery*.

Dig up your extra yard plants for *Smiths Nursery*.

Be a fresh helper at the end of the sale.

Call 536-8230 for information.

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