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**INNS, ANTIQUES DEALERS AND BRICK STORE MUSEUM PRESENT  
1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL ANTIQUES AFFAIR WEEKEND, NOVEMBER 11-13, 2005**

**THE KENNEBUNKS** – Fifteen inns throughout the Kennebunks have joined with fourteen antiques dealers from Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Arundel and Wells and The Brick Store Museum to present the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Antiques Affair Weekend, November 11– 13, 2005. Designed to appeal to casual collectors and connoisseurs alike, the weekend’s activities showcase the region’s treasured array of antiques shops and tastefully appointed inns amid autumn splendor. For complete program details, reservations, and links to the participating inns and antiques dealers, see [www.brickstoremuseum.org/antiquesaffair.shtml](http://www.brickstoremuseum.org/antiquesaffair.shtml).

Highlights of Antiques Affair Weekend include the following:

- An Antiques Affair Weekend Package exclusively for inn guests, featuring an orientation and antiques mini-seminar at The Brick Store Museum, a special wine and cheese reception at a local antiques shop, and a one-of-a-kind antiques scavenger hunt at participating shops with a chance to win a rare Waterford crystal vase valued at more than \$2,000, generously donated by Old Goose Gifts & Antiques of Kennebunkport.
- Period-appropriate antiques from the various shops on view at each of the participating inns.
- The Brick Store Museum’s Antiques Appraisal Day on November 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kennebunk Town Hall, located at the junction of Routes 1 and 35. The public is invited to bring family heirlooms in for verbal appraisals from among an assembled team of seven area auctioneers, antiques dealers, conservators and experts who are donating their services for the day. The cost is \$10 per item or three items for \$25. Special appointments for appraising collections of coins, stamps and jewelry are available at the cost of \$15 per 15- minute session.
- Discounts for inn guests at participating antiques shops.

In honor of Veterans’ Day, a portion of the Antiques Affair Weekend’s proceeds will be donated to an area veterans’ charity.

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