



**"Like snowflakes, my Christmas memories gather and dance - each beautiful, unique and too soon gone."** ~Deborah Whipp

# Historic Dennisville Christmas House Tour ~ Dec. 17th, 2011



Photos above & below ~ The Rev. John Goff Plantation House, Store and Church (Circa 1773) and The First East Creek Post Office (1842-1875) and current home of Steve & Corinne Crist.



**2011 Featured House: Jacob B. Souder, Sr. Tenant House, c. 1840.**

**Editor Note:** My mom and I had the opportunity to attend last year's Historic Dennisville Christmas House Tour, visiting 11 charming homes that put us in the Christmas spirit. The full moon provided a well-lit path to each home where we were greeted by warm hosts and cozy fireplaces. The slight chill in the air reminded us that Christmas was coming! We are looking forward to it again in December. Maybe we will see you there!

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of December each year a minimum of 10 beautifully decorated historic homes, as well as several public buildings, are open to the public. Please think about starting your holiday season with a festive glimpse of history in Dennisville at Christmas time! Tickets are \$10.00, sold at the Dennisville Post Office, the night of the tour only beginning at 4:30 pm. Greeters will distribute programs and get tour goers started on their way. Houses open at 5pm. Soup and sandwich supper at the South Dennis Trinity United Methodist Church beginning at 4pm until food runs out \$8adults, \$3.50 children under 12. Refreshments and comfort stations at the Dennisville United Methodist Church Social Hall. Sunnyside Up Carolers will perform throughout the village. **For more info visit [www.dennistwp.org/dhhoa.htm](http://www.dennistwp.org/dhhoa.htm) or contact Jack Connolly at (609) 861-1338 or at [Dennisvillechristmashousetour@verizon.net](mailto:Dennisvillechristmashousetour@verizon.net).**



"Each home was more beautiful than the one before!"



Reenactment of a Civil War soldier encampment outside the Rev. John Goff house



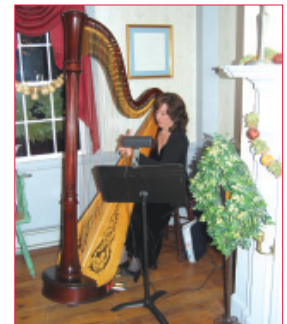
Corinne Crist with her son Jesse who both enjoyed the night of festivities as they entertained visitors at their historic Dennisville home, the Rev. John Goff house. Music and dancing filled their ballroom with



"At Christmas play and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year." ~THOMAS TUSSEER



Frank Unkle & Connie Ross enjoyed welcoming visitors into their lovely old home which was the featured house last year. The Isaiah B. Christian House, c. 1800.



An harpist filled the night with beautiful Christmas music



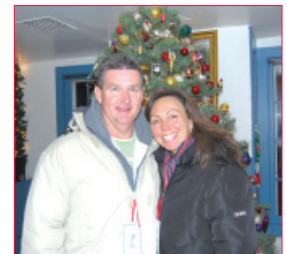
Carol Hauser, dressed in period costume as she served as a tour guide inside one of the older sections of the Rev. John Goff house



Steve Crist proudly poses by the sign hung on his home for his son: **PROUD OF OUR PATRIOT**  
**1Lt. Louis J. Crist**  
**Serving God & the U.S. Army**  
We love you! Mom, Dad, Jesse & Corrie  
"If A MAN DOES HIS BEST, WHAT ELSE IS THERE?"  
~GEN. GEORGE PATTON



Above: The Thomas Ludlam, Jr. House, c. 1790 and owner Joan Berkey



Tim & Simone Barry



Diane McMonagle was impressed with the way each historic home added to the old fashioned Christmasy feel of the evening. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening!