



❖ LIVING *continued from page 15*



The Dinner Plates of England

Aside from Christmas dolls, trees, and miniature villages, Jeannette has also collected a number of dinner plates from across the globe. These plates in particular originated from England and Holland and are majestically mounted upon her wall.

(Not Pictured) The Educated Christmas Ornament: Years ago when Jeanette was a little girl in school, her teacher would ask students during the Christmas season to bring their personal favorite Christmas ornament from home to show to the rest of the class. Jeannette's top pick every year was a clear, pink teardrop ornament she valued above all other ornaments as a child. She eventually named this, "The Educated Christmas Ornament," due to it being her top pick of ornaments she would bring to school.

Aside from being a collector of Christmas items, Jeannette is also an artist of sorts. All Christmas wreathes found hanging in her porch windows have been hand-crafted by her and has even obtained the attention of the Yankton community. A business downtown once asked if she would allow them to sell her wreathes to the public which she happily agreed. Sometimes the wreathes that decorate her windows are replaced with candles because, according to Jeannette, "A candle in the window is always a sign of welcome."

Today, Jeannette continues to keep up her holiday decorating tradition which is no small task as she begins decorating shortly after the first of November, giving her plenty of time to transform her home into the winter wonderland she desires. Friends will help her with the enormous task by assisting in putting up lights as well as putting together some of the much larger Christmas trees. Each year she tries to add something new to her collection and plans to add a new white flocked Christmas tree with a silver and gold look this year.

"I love Christmas," said Jeannette. "The decorations, the smells, the decorating. I've enjoyed Christmas all my life."

❖ *By Rob Buckingham*

Got The Knitting Bug? Check Us Out!

• Yarn • Books • Needles & Hooks • Gift Certificates • Classes Available



1101 Broadway, Suite 104 • Morgan Square
605-689-3999 • www.eweknitit.com
Open: Mon.-Fri. 10am-6pm • Sat. 10am-5pm



MANNINGTON
RESIDENTIAL
mannington.com | 1.800.356.6787

212 Walnut | 605.665.2067
Historic Downtown Yankton



Laminate | Porcelain | Resilient | Hardwood