

Just so you know! . . . April 29, 2017

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. . . Village D-tails – no word yet of the promised delivery date of the new edition. The latest email from the publisher said we would be told by April 24th sooo . . .

. . . Taking down our display zoo I was reminded how much I liked the many animals from Dept. 56. "Rocky Mountain Wildlife-Bears And Bobcat" were bought when a local dealer stopped selling Dept. 56. Many more were also purchased (then and later). We always receive many good comments on the Penguins (and Polar Bears). We found them at a Dept. 56 gathering thanks to Tom I (or did he find them for us?). I do believe he found them at an early Michigan event.



... Now there is an idea – getting married at the Spam© Museum (Austin, MN). A couple from Halewood, England exchanged their vows at the museum on April 25. This was the first couple ever to too be married there. Village connection? How about an opportunity for those with the Dept. 56 Spam Museum to make a historical vignette. The building was a Dept. 56 Snow Village Profile Series 2003 introduction. It was a promotional item licensed by Hormel Food Corporation. You could even add the Snow Village ‘On Our Wedding Day,’ ‘Will You Marry Me?’ or advance the story with ‘Over The Threshold’ accessories.

... Kathy Belfanz, Dept. 56 Regional Account Executive/ Village, will be at our May 17th *Village North Collectors Club* meeting.

... Once again I couldn't find our car in the public parking ramp attached to the Sheridan Hotel in downtown Duluth. It took us twenty minutes (and almost cost us another dollar). Linda and I had just seen ‘The Zookeepers Wife.’

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