

\$4.95**2000 Holiday Edition***We Are Now Featuring***Recent Winners****3,252 Retired Lladro Figurines – Market Value \$2,046,465 ***

Since inception in 1969, Lladro has retired figurines every second year. However, starting in 1994, the company changed the process to become an annual event. The newest, Year 2000 Retirements, are now available on our web site at <http://lladrolady.com>! In this issue of our newsletter, we have tried to feature those retirements that we believe will become valued collectibles for the next century. Any of these selections will make a fine holiday gift for knowledgeable collector friend(s), deserving relative(s) or thee.

We have picked ten (10) figurines, retired since 1996, which have appreciated in value an average of 45%. **#5677G and #2302M Twilight Years**, in glazed and gres, increased from \$385 and \$420 to \$500 and \$625, respectively. **#5960G On Patrol**, now at \$625, retired at \$445 in 1997. **#5596G A Gift of Love** retired in 1998 and is now valued at \$625. **#5880G Playful Unicorn**, at \$450, retired at only \$320 retail. **#7679G Enchanted Lake**, the Limited Edition for LCS Members in 1999, sold-out last year at \$1,225 and we are finding it difficult to fill orders today at \$1,600. The 1996 Event Piece, **#6245G Destination Big Top**, is now a hot item at \$475 vs. its \$225 last retail. Our last two picks **#6090G Baseball Player** and **#6108G Hockey Player** are also privileged to have rare prototypes shown on our inside Back cover.

Prototypes are deviations or test pieces not selected by Lladro for the final production run. There are four sports players, **#6107G Football**, **#6108G Hockey**, **#6090G Baseball** and **#6091G Basketball**. They each retired in 1997-8 at \$310-325 retail and they are now valued at \$375, \$575, \$525 and \$575, respectively. These four (4) prototypes can be purchased either as a set or individually at double the regular price; a real steal!

We also have two extra special LCS prototypes **#7603G Spring Bouquets** and **#7609G My Buddy**. The production versions on our web site are priced at \$725 and \$475. These two prototypes will be sold to the highest bidder by noontime, Christmas Day, but not less than \$2,000.00 each. We actually believe the chocolate pants and extra special flower detail on My Buddy makes it equal to or worth more than Spring Bouquets, which has a higher standard price.

Last, but not least, our web site now displays availability on 239 Gres and 62 Gres Limited Editions. One of our favorites, **#2051M Passionate Dance**, a Limited Edition of only 500 pieces, was sold-out in 1975 at \$475 retail. You can buy it today for only \$4,500.00 as featured on the Back cover of this issue. As you know, our web site is now displaying all 4,324 figurines Lladro ever made. We are showing availability on 3,252. Happy New Year !



By popular demand, we offer AMEX, Visa, Master Card & Discover. To expedite processing, **fax orders to #941-383-8865**. *A more extensive Stock List is now available on our web site. In addition to [all Nineteen \(19\) LCS Pieces](#), we have many of the [Thirteen \(13\) Lladro Disney](#) figurines: Tinkerbell, Peter Pan, Cinderella in Rags, Sleeping Beauty's Dance, Doc, Dopey, Sneezy, Bashful, Happy, Grumpy, Sleepy, Snow White (with or without backstamp) and Wishing Well. Place your orders, NOW! Or, if we're temporarily sold-out, you can enter a no obligation Backorder Request.

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