



Open Doors

The Newsletter of St. James Episcopal Church

June 2017

THE WARDENS' COLUMN Hail Thee Festival Day!

Come one, come all to the call of the **Strawberry Festival** just ten days from now. A tremendous amount of work has already been done in planning and hauling, sorting and pricing, picking up and trucking out, tapping into resources near and far, cooking and jam making, the list goes on and on. In many ways we are in better shape than ever. Having “**Books & Things**” permanently established in Mills Hall means not having to pack up, move, sort, and arrange hundreds of books in a matter of days. And “**Grandma’s Attic**” (the “Things” part of this duo) is alive and strong in Mills Hall, pulling in purchasers on a monthly basis. The **Gold Elephant**, which resurfaced at the Antique Show this spring, is making another strong showing at the Festival, and Lord willing, will be back in the autumn. We also now have lightweight tables for displaying all our treasures, thanks to the generosity of the Vestry last year. Jam making has resumed in all its glory.

The work is not over, but we are on a trajectory for the best and most rewarding fundraiser ever. For those who have not yet contributed their efforts, we ask you to please step up. It is not a huge burden to give what each of us can in time, treasure, or

talent. It can be just a few hours. Every gesture adds up quickly to a whole parish commitment. Do some gift shopping, relieve a fellow parishioner for a lunch break, eat some delicious strawberries, join in pricing items for sale, hull some berries, and share in the warm and welcoming camaraderie of your fellow worshipers and our friends from the larger community. You can bake a cake or pie, some muffins, or fudge. It is fun and fulfilling. Let the soccer game go for one morning, skip the local vendor’s fair, and contribute to a finer, more just cause. Your church is calling. We hope you will just say “yes”.

*Deliver us in our various occupations
for the service of self alone,
that we may do the work you give us to do in
truth and beauty for the common good...*
(Book of Common Prayer, p. 261)

In peace and hope,
Alex & Jennifer



**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
& YARD SALE**

Saturday, June 10, 2017

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Rain date: Sunday, June 11

12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Our annual Strawberry Festival is less than TWO weeks away! This year will see some changes in the usual tables. As we now have the ongoing Books & Things sale in the lower level of Mills Hall, donations will no longer be collected in the lobby of the Christian Ed. building.

If you have items to donate for Books & Things, Crafts, Gold Elephant, Grandpa's Garage or Jewelry, they are being accepted now. The best way is to bring your items on Sunday morning. Otherwise, you can call the office to set an appointment to drop them at Mills Hall off during the week.

Large items, desks, tables, and other furniture, or equipment, can be brought to Mills Hall starting June 6th. If you need to have large items picked up, please contact Bob Moleti at 631-675-0385 to make arrangements.

Here are some other ways to contribute to making this a successful fund raising event:

Baked Goods: Donations of cookies, breads, muffins, simple cakes, bars, and pies are needed. Gluten-free and sugar-free items are also welcome. Make sure to label your items, especially if they include nuts, and bring them on the morning of the Festival.

Co-Chairs: Colette Tarantino (631-456-2866) & Wylie Hunt (631-258-6848).

Books & Things: Donate dishes, glassware, household items, decorative items, books, and CDs. We are also now accepting new or gently used clothing. Bring them to the

lower level of Mills Hall by June 9th.

Pricing sessions on June 6, 7, 8 and 9 from 9 a.m. - Noon. Chair: Jennifer Lawrence (631-862-7374).

Crafts: Works in fiber, wood, beads, clay, etc. are welcomed. Donations can be given to Pat Kregler or brought into the church office by June 7th. Co-Chairs: Pat Kregler (631-584-0037) and Linda Misa (631-862-6421).

Gold Elephant Treasures: This is a high end version of the yard sale, with china, glassware, linens, lightly used gift items, antiques and collectibles. Bring in by June 8th. Chair: Joan Mercep (631-724-4457).

Grandpa's Garage: We are looking for donations of tools, sports equipment, furniture, garden tools, and working electronic equipment. Large items can be brought in starting June 6th. All donations should be in by June 8th. Pricing sessions have been set for Tuesday, June 6, 1 p.m., Wednesday, June 7, 1 p.m., Thursday, June 8, TBD, and Friday, June 9, 10 a.m. Help is also needed on June 7 to move large items from the Kreussling's home to the church. Please contact Chair: Bob Moleti (631-675-0385).

Jam: The St. James "Jammers" invite you to join them in making jam in the Mills Hall kitchen. Watch the Sunday bulletin for dates and times. Donations of cases of 8 oz. jars are always welcome. Co-Chairs: Louise Harders (631-585-7511) & Laurie Mannix (631-928-8322).

Jewelry: Donations of jewelry can be given to Debbie Sepulveda, or brought to the office by June 7th. Pricing sessions, June 5, 6, 8, and 9 from 9 a.m. - 12 Noon. Help is much appreciated. Chair: Debbie Sepulveda (631-942-8401).

VESTRY LIST

Plant Table: If you are dividing perennials this spring, or thinning seeds, pot them up, label them as to variety and light requirements and bring them to the table on the morning of the sale. Co-Chairs: Tony DeVito (631-724-1233) and Ruth Ward (631-461-8572).

Strawberries for Sale: Help will be needed to hull strawberries right before the Festival, and to staff the table on the day of the Festival, selling berries and ice cream. Co-Chairs: Kelly Lally (631-584-3205) and Lil Moleti (631-675-0385).

Volunteer workers needed:

If you are not available in the weeks before the Festival, there are many opportunities to contribute on Saturday, June 10:

1. Help is needed on the day of the Festival to set up in the morning and to break down and clean up in the afternoon. Chair: Chris Mauro (631-689-1419).
2. Help is needed to cook the hot dogs and hamburgers and sell lunch from about 11 a.m. until early afternoon. If you can help, contact Pat Westlake (631-584-6628).
3. Almost every table or section can use your help for a least a couple of hours on the day of the Festival. Contact any of the table heads to offer your help.

Festival Chair: Pat Westlake (631-584-5560)/pkings20@optonline.net



We have had inquiries from parishioners as to who is on the Vestry. Following is a list of our 2017 Vestry members:

Wardens: Alexandra Rich
Jennifer Lawrence

Vestry: James Andrews
Doug Dahlgard (Treasurer)
Theresa Euler
Frank Giardina
Margo Goodman
Amy Jeffrey
Peter Plaschka
Debbie Sepulveda

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADS!

Jack Euler is graduating from Ward Melville High School, and will attend Suffolk Community College for the welding program.

Kristina Euler is graduating from California Polytechnic with a degree in civil engineering. She will be working in San Francisco.

Lindsay Petschauer graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Packaging Design from Fashion Institute of Technology. She graduated cum laude and Phi Theta Kappa honor society. She will be employed as a junior designer at Pollen Designs in Manhattan. She resides in Brooklyn.

Information on other graduates was not received by publication time. We will include them in our summer issue.

JUNE CALENDAR

- 1 Jam making 1:00 p.m.
Book study 7:30 p.m.
- 3 Mills Hall rental 1:00 p.m.
- 4 Holy Eucharist I 8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist II 9:30 a.m.
Children's Formation class
- 5 Jewelry Table pricing 9:00 a.m.
Smith family interment 3:00 p.m.
w/reception in Mills Hall
Food Addiction group 7:30 p.m.
- 6 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Books & Things pricing 9:00 a.m.
Jewelry pricing 9:00 a.m.
Grandpa's Garage pricing 1 p.m.
Recovery group 7:30 p.m.
- 7 Books & Things pricing 9:00 a.m.
Knitters' group 11:30 a.m.
Grandpa's Garage pricing 1 p.m.
Garden Club Board mtg. 4 p.m.
- 8 Books & Things pricing 9:00 a.m.
Jewelry pricing 9:00 a.m.
Book study group 7:30 p.m.
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- 12 Food Addiction group 7:30 p.m.
- 13 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Recovery group 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Knitters' group 11:30 a.m.
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- 15 Nursery school graduation 10 a.m.
- 12 p.m., Mills Hall
Book study 7:30 p.m.
- 18 Holy Eucharist I 8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist II 9:30 a.m.
- 19 Food Addiction group 7:30 p.m.
- 20 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.

- 21 Knitters' group 11:30 a.m.
Special Connections group 7:30
p.m.
- 22 Book study 7:30 p.m.
- 24 Church prayers for Guthrie before
burial - a.m.
- 25 Holy Eucharist I 8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist II 9:30 a.m.
- 26 Vestry meeting 7:30 p.m.
Food Addiction group 7:30 p.m.
- 27 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Recovery group 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Knitters' group 11:30 a.m.
- 29 Book study 7:30 p.m.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Stephanie Coleman
Alex Rich
Lindsay Petschauer
Chris Mauro
Skyler Baez
Dennis Guinaw
Peter Plaschka
Lauren Tarantino
Ruth LeCluse
Claudette Plaschka
Bill Bowden

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Ken & Linda Misa
Ron & June Davies
Bill & Gabi Reisenauer
Ken & Ruth LeCluse
Art & Arlyne Gureck
Bruce & Jennifer Lawrence

