



Thanks & a Tip of the Hat to...

To Julie Lawton and Ron Johansen for doing yard work at the Parsonage.

To Sue, Jenny, Ken, and Norm Burr for upkeep of the grounds at church.

To Sue and Norm Burr for cleaning out the Sunday School closet.

To ALL who have worked at Heavenly Treasures Thrift Shop

To Jean, Kaitlyn & Bethany Arbec and John & Peg Rogers for covering Lemonade on the

Lawn in August. And to John Rogers for making our Lemonade cart.

To Meg Dorian, Emily Dorian and Betty Monk for collating the August Messenger.

To Carrie Scott & Ellen Fields for providing special worship music on August 2nd.

To Bev Johansen for initiating morning yoga.

To Gay Encarnacao for donating a trunk load of items to the food pantry.

To all who donated socks for the Gifts to Give Sock Drive.

To Bob & Bev Heskett for hosting a coffee hour in August.

To Bob Heskett, Al Jones, Bev Johansen and John Rogers for providing worship leadership in August.

Would you throw a dime in the trash?



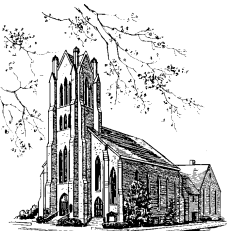
Then don't throw away those box-tops! Saving Box Tops for Education is a great way to help support our schools. There is now a collection box for them in the William Street entrance. If you don't already save them for someone, you can drop them in the box and Sharon will see that they get distributed to our Fairhaven Schools. Each box top is worth \$.10 and can be found on a wide variety of products from cereals to toilet tissue and Kleenex.



Next Messenger Deadline: September 21st

The Messenger

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Greetings to all women of the church.....members and friends-

Women's Fellowship is undergoing a restructuring. We want to encourage ALL women to participate whenever your schedule permits. There are no dues. Women by their very nature are nurturers. We need to let our nurturing instincts work for the church and for each other.

The first gathering is a salad potluck at the church on Thursday September 17th. At 6:00 p.m. we will get together for munchies and mocktails, then sit down to eat at 6:30 p.m. There will be brief devotions and maybe a small program, but basically we are gathering to meet and greet. It will be such fun; please come. Bring any ideas you might have for future programs. Please call if you know you will attend so that we will be sure to have enough tables set. (Carol Gage-508-994-7901) If you decide at the last minute just arrive with a salad to share.....anything from arugula to zucchini.

We plan to communicate through the Messenger and the Sunday bulletin. For certain events such as Bake Sales or funeral collations, we will make phone calls. If we somehow miss you and you want to be called, just let Betty Monk or me know.

We plan to have car pools to Church Women United and Old Colony Women. That will give us a chance to meet with other women. The phone tree will alert you to these opportunities.

One item on our radar screen is adopting a family for Christmas. We plan to buy gifts and have a wrapping session one evening along with carols and Christmas cookies.

Perhaps you do a craft that you would be willing to teach to a group of interested women. Maybe you have taken a trip and could share that experience with others at a brown bag lunch. Just call me or Betty Monk (508-992-2004) so that we can set things in motion.

Dot Bungert is our Sunshine person. If you know of someone whose day would be brightened by a card, please call Dot at 508-997-9163. Hope to see you on the 13th of September.

Cheers,
Carol Gage, Volunteer Chairperson

Fill a Back-Pack Campaign

Many wonderful donations have come in over the last few weeks and we have enough materials to fill several backpacks. Six will be going to East Fairhaven Elementary and Wood School has requested a few as well. Please continue to take advantage of the back-to-school sales and pick up some extra supplies when you can. Items for all ages are needed and extra materials will go into the pantry where they will get distributed very quickly. Place items in the purple tote in the William Street entrance.

