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RECYCLING PAYS OFF...by Juanita Sparks

Hard work and dedication to getting the job done is bringing in the dollars for St. John the Apostle Church.

Juanita has been helping with her church recycling program three times per week for the past year. The program has recently announced that it is close to reaching \$1,500.00 in donations!

Juanita's regular contribution to this program consists of the following:

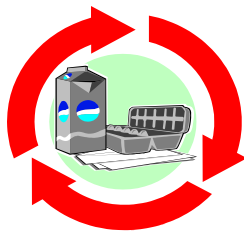
Mondays: Juanita picks up recycling items from O'Sushi Restaurant

Wednesdays: Additional recycling items are picked up from the Church Hall.

Thursdays are Juanita's big day. First she assists her support worker in loading the weeks-collected recycling items into the truck of her staff's car. They head down to "Biggar Recycle" in Port Coquitlam. Upon arriving at "Biggar Recycle", Juanita pushes the cart full of items into the shop, where she unloads the opened bags of containers onto the table to be sorted. She then brings staff the boxes to stack the containers in. Juanita helps sort the cans in their own box, and helps to place the boxes onto the counter to be paid.

Juanita is responsible for leaving the work area clean by placing all bags into the garbage. Washing her hands and waving goodbye, signals to Juanita that the day's activity is finished.

All proceeds benefit St. John the Apostle Church in Port Moody, towards renovations or programs to assist those in need. Juanita's benefit is positive community involvement.



RECYCLED BOTTLES, CANS, ETC.

This ongoing project will soon be reaching the \$1,500 figure of funds raised. We are thankful for the people of the parish who bring their "refundables" and our thanks go to Brenda Binns, coordinator of this project and to Juanita Sparks and her assistant who faithfully come to the church every week to take the donations to the depot.

You can bring your returns to the church and leave them by the stairway off the kitchen or go directly to "Biggar Enterprises" on Kingsway in Port Coquitlam and ask them to credit the value of your returns to the account of St. John the Apostle. Please be aware that only containers that have a deposit refund are acceptable for this program.

ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES...by various authors

CLASSES

SAFETY CLASS...Mel Murray

We just finished 10 weeks of Safety Class. I liked the course a lot. We learned about fire safety. If there is a fire, get out of the house fast and call 911. Be sure to tell the operator your name, address and the problem—fire at home. If you are trapped inside, feel the door. If it's hot, don't open it, crawl on hands and knees, put a towel under the door to stop smoke and call for help or try to get out by a window.

We practiced fire drills, earthquake drills, and traffic safety. I gave a review of traffic safety rules as my final presentation on something they learned about. They were great fun.

We also went to the fire hall and learned how to use a fire extinguisher. The firemen showed us and then let every person practice. The whole course was fun and I want to do it again in September.



LAW SOCIETY VIDEO PRODUCTION ...by Youlanda Hennessey

On January 25, 2003, I went to Vancouver to be filmed for the production on the Developmentally Disabled. I took the bus to Vancouver with Rosemarie. It took place in the Vancouver Courts. The court is three blocks long. They filmed me with the actors and actresses. I played the part of Cathy. They filmed part two first and then part one second. They had food and drinks as well before

and afterwards. My part was about Cathy going to the courts to file to sue her boss for not paying her because she was developmentally disabled and the process she had to go through. It was also about how people react to people with developmental disabilities. They said I was a natural and good at it too! It was an interesting experience.

SELF ADVOCACY CLASS...Mel, Peter and Faye

On May 27th, 2003, lots of people

went to a Self Advocacy class. There were two female teachers. They talked to us about our rights. We played games—telling about our interests without words. They talked about ways to stick up for ourselves and about how we feel about ourselves. We got a book and an award at the end of the class. We watched a video. It was fun.



ATTENTION: ACTORS/ACTRESSES...Rosemarie Mailloux

Come join us this summer as we prepare our production of "Grease".

Remember Sandy and Danny? Pink Ladies? Thunderbirds? We've got them all.

We will be meeting at Lady of Fatima Church at 315 Walker St. in Coquitlam (just off Blue Mountain and Rochester).

It will be held on Friday mornings beginning June 6, 2003. It will be by donation, suggested, \$1.00 or \$2.00 donation. We hope to have the play the last week of August for family and friends.

Tentative time for rehearsal will be 10:00am until 11:45am.

Everyone is welcome.



Sue Peck—one of the Pink Ladies

BIRTHDAY'S A BOOMIN'...by Sean Craig

We celebrated lots of birthdays this quarter: In February, Fiona, Faye, Chris P., Salina, Sandy, Steven, Dave, Tracy and Maureen. In March more were still ready to party: Natasha, Jack, Joanne L., Ravin, Julia, Michelle and Kathryn. Still more came in April: Kelly M., Lynne, Jenny, Patti, Vivian, Minh, Katherine and Minde. Happy Birthday to all!!!

May's birthday list includes: Debbie, Cindy, Cheryl, Lisa Bourget, Jen, Kathy and Kim. Hope all goes well for you!

EXTRA, EXTRA

CAMP LUTHER...Faye Headridge

Last week, May 20th to 22nd, we went to camp. We watched movies because it was pouring rain. We ate lots. We ate hotdogs and pasta, homemade stew, Kentucky Fried Chicken and lots of other good stuff.

Some of us went to Harrison Hot Springs. We went for a walk and we dipped our feet in the water but it was too cold to go swimming. We ate ice cream cones and walked the beach.

We had fires and roasted hotdogs. Some people roasted marshmallows, but I don't like them. I liked camp and had fun!



CINDY'S CORNER...by Cindy Monssen

Hi folks! It's me again. I've got some interesting news for you from the Surrey side. I heard that Sue and MaryAnne are going on vacation. MaryAnne is going on a train trip. She is leaving on Thursday, May 15 and coming back on the 19th. Her trip begins in Vancouver and then goes to Kamloops, Jasper, Banff and then back home the same way. Wow, I wish I could take a train trip like that. On the other hand, Sue is going camping with all you nice people from CVS. Hope everyone has a good time! After Sue gets

back from camping, she is going to celebrate her birthday. Her party is going to be at CVS on Tuesday, May 27, at 12:00 noon. House staff has news too. Linda Johnston is taking folks from Toronto on the New Westminster Paddlewheeler. They are going on a dinner cruise on May 18th. Minh Mayer is now doing beauty care. Boy is Sue and MaryAnne lucky! Sometimes I wish we had someone like that too.

The news from Guildford Glen now. We are still trying to find a new place to live. We want to stay in the Guildford area. It's been complicated to find a place as there have been only a few to look at and everyone has to agree on it. All of us are going to join Sue and MaryAnne in going sailing. I'm looking forward to going sailing because I love being on the water! As for vacations, Jack is trying to make arrangements to visit his Mom and Dad in Kamloops. I want to take a vacation too. I am making plans to go to West Edmonton Mall at the end of July. Fiona has no plans for a holiday but is looking forward to becoming an Aunt for the second time at the end of December. Marlene Gobillot has plans to go camping in Penticton. Ray Marson and his family are going back home to Timmons, Ontario for vacation this summer. Sam McKerracher will have a friend come here to visit when she is on holidays.

I asked Jenny Taylor how it was going and she said there was nothing new to report. Well, that's all for now. Chat with you next time.

BOOK OF THE MONTH...by Sean Craig

SHANIA TWAIN

In 1993 Shania made her first album. In 1995 producer Robert John "Mutt" Lange (Shania's husband) went to work on her album "Woman in Me". With "Woman in Me", Shania won two Grammy Awards. In 1997 Shania produced "Come on Over" and in 2001, "The Complete Lime Light Sessions" album was created. Shania won three Grammy Awards for these albums. In 2002, she made her new album called "Up".



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Community Ventures will be selling 2004 Entertainment Books as a United Way Fundraiser. Cost is \$46.00. Put your orders in to Kathryn Urquhart at 604-939-8070 or Kathryn.urquhart@cvs.carenetbc.com



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April Fools
Babies
Birds
Blooming
Buds

Bunnies
Easter
Eggs
Exercise
Flowers

Hunt
March
May
Mothers Day
Showers

Springtime
St. Patrick's Day
Sunshine

FUNNY SECTION...(THIS CAN BE FOUND ON INTERNET)

BUYING TOY WITH FAKE MONEY

Little Johnny went into a toy store. He took a toy plane and gave the clerk fake money. The clerk told him, "Hey you, this isn't real money." Little Johnny did not reply and continued to walk out of the store.

The clerk yelled at Little Johnny again, "Hey you, this isn't real money." Little Johnny continued out of the store.

The clerk ran after Little Johnny and told him again, "This isn't real money." Little Johnny finally replied, "And this isn't a real plane."

BRAINTEASER

Every fall the Ace Hotel saw the pilgrimage of the Blue Society in their quest to watch the leaves change color. They counted their nickels and rank large quantities of tea, but otherwise, there were no trouble except for this year. One of their members was a thief. Hotel rooms were invaded and wallets were stolen. Then the hotel called in a detective.

The detective ordered dinner in his room where he could devise a plan of capture. First, the maid came in to deliver fresh towels. Then a newlywed couple, locked in embrace, accidentally entered his room before making an apologetic departure. Next, an elderly lady knocked and entered, then apologized when she saw it was the detective's room and not hers. Then room service knocked, bringing in the detective's dinner. Half way through dinner he suddenly knew who the prime suspect was. Who?



Answer: The elderly lady. Would you knock on your own door?