

## Christmas Bazaar November 23<sup>rd</sup>



Here is a preview for the Christmas Bazaar on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, sponsored by the Women of the Church. Please sign up on the bulletin board. Contact [Carol Bouchard](#) if you have questions.

**Craft Table** - Chairperson, [Carol Bouchard](#) - We need hand made items such as mittens, scarves, ornaments, jewelry, wooden items, Christmas or other holiday decorations.

**Bake Sale Table** - Chairperson, [Rebecca Dubois](#) - We need all sorts of baked goods including pies, cakes, cookies, candies, breads, jams, pickles, fudge etc. The bake sale table is one of the most popular. *Please package cookies, bars, fudge etc. in small packages.*

**Plant Table** - Chairperson [Sally Metro](#) - We are looking for houseplants, dried flowers, wreaths, gourds, gifts for gardeners.

**Attic Treasures** - Co-chairs [Peet Grobler](#) & [Sylvia Maloney](#) - We are looking for *small* items: collectibles, old linens, jewelry, Christmas decorations, small treasures.

**Silent Auction** - Sponsored by the youth - Contact [Ashley Dubois](#) - Donations of goods & services are needed. Some ideas are: yard work, computer help, babysitting, pies, art work, tickets to a local sporting event, a weekend at a camp,

a dinner in your home. Be creative. Proceeds benefit the youth group. Follow this [link](#) for the online donation form or pick one up near the sign up sheet.

**Ready to Go Meals** - Co-chairs Vicki Walker & Polly Malik. A variety of take home meals will be available. This will be our only sale of Take Home Meals so stock up on your favorites. We also have canned goods - your favorite jams and pickles. Proceeds to benefit the Community Dinner Fund

**Nancy Stone** will be selling her recently published book [251 Vermont Vistas](#). A unique gift, it holds a watercolor painting of each Vermont town that she and Ken visited as members of the VT251 Club.

**Solmate Socks** - Brenda Howley is selling these mismatched socks to benefit Dragonheart Vermont, a breast cancer survivor group.

**Lunch** - We will be serving home made soups, pulled pork & Pulled chicken sandwiches and chili. Donations of soup are needed.

**Set Up** - Thursday, Nov. 21st 1- 4 and Friday, Nov. 22nd 9 - 4 - Card Tables and holiday table cloths are needed. Bring your donated items and come help us set up.



## Lost But Found

(My Thanksgiving Story)

The first part of September I was looking thru my memory box and found a pencil drawing of a Gerber baby face that filled an 8 x 11 1/2 sheet of paper. I remembered that a patient drew this for me during my first year working at the Mary Fletcher Hospital.

I had graduated from the Fanny Allen Memorial Practical Nurse School as an LPN in July 1959.

Soon I remembered why this 14 year old patient on the Neurology Floor of the hospital drew this for me. It was June 1960 and David and I were expecting our first child.

I was 20 years old at the time. I felt I had to find this person and returned the drawing to him. Thanks to the internet I found his last name - did not remember his first name.

I called the phone number on Tuesday evening, September 10th. I had reached his brother's wife and after explaining who I was looking for she told me his first name and that he still lived in Vermont and was now 73 years old. She also had graduated from FAMPNS a few years after I did and her husband's name was David too! I was unsuccessful reaching him that evening.

The next day, Wednesday, September 11th I received a phone call at 12:30 pm. It was HIM!

His first name was Tom. He asked if I was going to be home in an hour as he and his wife would be here for a visit! Of course I was!

He arrived and I met him and his wife and noticed he walked with a limp. His wife shared what I did not remember from his being a patient. He was there for nose surgery. He had a roommate who was not in the room at the time. He was given some medication while sitting on the wide window sill of an open window in his room

There was a screen on the window. All of a sudden he fell backwards out of the window from his 5th floor room! He hit a metal railing when he fell and broke his back. He had several surgeries afterwards.

Today he is retired. He was grateful to have his drawing and I was grateful to find him after 59 years!

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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.....

The NAMI VT MINDWalk raised \$32,040 toward our goal of \$40,500. Thank you to all of you who contributed and supported our team "Minds Matter 2."

The National Alliance on Mental Illness provides many programs free of charge throughout the state of Vermont. These programs provide support, education and advocacy to family members

and to those dealing with mental health challenges. We are grateful for your support!

Sincerely,  
Sara Moran, Carmyn Stanko  
and Rita Dessau



## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Can you spend 4 Sundays this year with our children?

The Education Committee is asking for two adults to co-teach for one month. The next month another two people take over. That is it!

No long term commitment.

We have great materials! Subs are always available if something comes up.

Please sign up on the bulletin board.

## THANK YOU!

Call Susan Lamb with questions. 878-1251

## Book Club News November 18

The next meeting of the book club will be on November 18 at the home of Mary Lue Rodes at 334 Commons Rd. We'll be discussing 'The Alice Network' by Kate Quinn.

In an enthralling new historical novel from national best-selling author Kate Quinn, two women—a female spy recruited to the real-life Alice Network in France during World War I and an unconventional American socialite searching for her cousin in 1947—are brought together in a mesmerizing story of courage and redemption.

1947. In the chaotic aftermath of World War II, American college girl Charlie St. Clair is pregnant, unmarried, and on the verge of being thrown out of her very proper family. She's also nursing a desperate hope that her beloved cousin Rose, who disappeared in Nazi-occupied France during the war, might still be alive. So when Charlie's parents banish her to Europe to have her "little problem" taken care of, Charlie breaks free and heads to London,

determined to find out what happened to the cousin she loves like a sister.

1915. A year into the Great War, Eve Gardiner burns to join the fight against the Germans and unexpectedly gets her chance when she's recruited to work as a spy. Sent into enemy-occupied France, she's trained by the mesmerizing Lili, the "Queen of Spies", who manages a vast network of secret agents right under the enemy's nose.

Thirty years later, haunted by the betrayal that ultimately tore apart the Alice Network, Eve spends her days drunk and secluded in her crumbling London house. Until a young American barges in uttering a name Eve hasn't heard in decades, and launches them both on a mission to find the truth...no matter where it leads.

in December we'll read 'The one in-a-Million Boy' by Monica Wood.

All women are welcome to attend.

Please call or email Mary Lue if you plan to attend. 802-233-2434 or [rodes6@msn.com](mailto:rodes6@msn.com).

