



# THE KEY

## ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH

### BEDFORD N.Y.

October

To know Christ and to make Him known

2011

## No Greater Power

Dear Friends,

If I were to ask you to name the greatest power in the world, what would you say? Great wealth? Political power? Military? Some form of mind control? The ultimate in educated wisdom?

In reality, the greatest power available to you and me is the power of prayer.

"Prayer?" You may say. "I don't buy it. You have no idea how many times I've prayed for something and didn't get it. If there's so much power in prayer, why do disasters and tragedies keep happening?"

But prayer is the greatest power you and I have for the living of our lives. The reason: because prayer—which is simply talking to God—puts us in direct and immediate contact with the source of all power, our mighty Creator God.

To pray is to come into His presence and hook up to Him. It means to come to Him in whatsoever mood we find ourselves and find in Him, our loving Father, a responsive, caring heart. "Cast your care upon Me, because I care for you," He says.

In the new Sunday morning classes led by my colleagues Danny Lennox and Susan Wyper, beginning this month, we will be exploring prayer in deeper, more life-transforming ways.

I will be preaching on prayer, and its great potential power for your life, in at least one sermon this month. And I encourage you to join with me this autumn season in praying as we've never prayed before: for our nation, for our St. Matthew's, for ourselves, for our loved ones and for each other. Because prayer is power—the greatest power for good there is. Please pray with me.

Faithfully,

## A Busy, Busy October

There is no question - St. Matthew's is in full swing, with an October full of exciting activities. Starting this weekend, and running through the entire month, there are a variety of events of interest to everyone in the family.

There is the return of the College Jamboree, with great a cappella groups from five colleges and also a night of our Distinguished Speaker Series, with Russell Reynolds interviewed by well-known journalist Mary Civiello. There will be a Trail Walk, a newcomer orientation and the wonderful Blessing of the Pets. We have two outstanding music events in October plus Donald Gregg speaking at St. Mary's and the annual Joint Service at Antioch Baptist Church. Then, the month ends with our traditional, scary Haunted Hike and Spaghetti Supper.

This is what makes St. Matthew's so wonderful. It is a vibrant community, full of interesting activities and fun. It will be a great month in our parish - Join in!

### October Key Dates

Sat., Oct. 1	9:30 a.m.	Fall Trail Walk
	12-2:30 p.m.	All-Parish Jamboree Picnic
	4-6:30 p.m.	St. Matthew's College Jamboree
Sun., Oct. 2	2:00 p.m.	Blessing of the Pets
Wed., Oct. 5	8:00 p.m.	Bedford Chamber Concert
Wed., Oct. 12	7:30 p.m.	Distinguished Speakers Series with Russell Reynolds
Sun. Oct. 16	5:30 p.m.	St. Mary's Service with Donald Gregg
Sun., Oct. 23	10:45 a.m.	Joint Service with Antioch Baptist Church and St. Mary's, at Antioch
Wed., Oct. 26	8:00 p.m.	Anthony Newman lecture
Sun., Oct. 30	5:30 p.m.	Haunted Hike & Spaghetti Supper

## Events This Weekend – Don't miss them!

**Sat. Oct. 1:**

**Fall Trail Walk – Meet in the parking lot at 9:30 a.m.**

**College Jamboree – Picnic at 12 noon & concert  
4:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room**

**Sunday, Oct. 2:**

**Blessing of the Pets – 2 p.m., in the field near the  
Parish House**

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## Russell Reynolds to Speak Oct. 12

Please join us for a lively and valuable evening on Wed., Oct. 12, when the fall Distinguished Speaker Series will open with one of America's leading experts on executive career success: Russell Reynolds. This program will feature the dynamic "interview" format that has become a signature of this series.

Considered one of the pioneers of today's executive search profession, Mr. Reynolds has counseled the chairmen, presidents and CEOs of a wide range of companies and has been featured on the Today Show, The CBS Evening News and the BBC. The founder of Russell Reynolds Associates, one of the world's leading international executive recruiting firms, he is now Chairman and CEO of RSR Partners, consultants in executive search, succession planning and corporate governance. A Yale graduate who was a First Lieutenant and Navigator-Bombardier in the Air Force Strategic Air Command, he is also a committed civic leader with extensive board memberships and non-profit affiliations.



Our guest "interviewer" will be Mary Civiello, the former co-anchor of NBC's Today in New York and a former news anchor for CNBC and MSNBC. The winner of 6 Emmys as well as the Society of Professional Journalists prestigious "Deadline Club" award for investigative street reporting, today

she is president of Civiello Communications Group, a leading executive communication coaching consultancy.

The evening will begin with a reception at 7:30 p.m., followed by the speaking program at 8:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For information, call (914) 234-9636.

## Formation Hour

### October: Praying People

As part of our program year at St. Matthew's, we will explicate the idea that we are praying people. As Christians, we are people that pray to and petition God. But what does this mean? What does it mean to be a prayerful person and to pray to a distant God? What does it mean to be devout? What does it mean to honor God? What does prayer look like? How are we to pray? When are we to pray? Throughout the year at St. Matthew's, we will try to answer these timeless questions. We start with a series on prayer entitled: Praying People. This series will be co-taught by The Revs. Danny Lennox and Susan Wyper. The series runs October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and will meet in the Conference Room of the Parish House following the 10 a.m. service. The Oct. 16 session will meet in a classroom. All are welcome.



## Newcomer Orientation, Oct. 16

The Welcome Commission will sponsor an Orientation for Newcomers to St. Matthew's on Sun., Oct. 16 after the 10 a.m. service.

We will meet in the Conference Room.

This is a great opportunity to meet with members of the Vestry and Clergy to learn more about St. Matthew's and to ask any questions.

## Fall Trail Walk – Woodlands Commission

Please join us for the annual Fall Trail Walk on Sat., Oct. 1, from 9:30 to approximately 11:30 a.m.

For those of you who have not been on one of our trail walks, we urge you to do so to experience the wonders and beauty of the Woodlands. There is a tremendous variety of ecological systems, from forested woodland (what first comes to mind) to marshy lower areas filled with song birds and butterflies. Our trails crisscross with those of the BRLA, so you'll occasional see a rider on horseback. You might also come across one of our visitors to the Woodlands.



Give yourself a break on an early fall morning and join us.

We begin our walk at the trail head at the end of the St. Matthew's parking lot. From there, we walk down past the Chapel-in-the-Woods, across the bridge over the Beaver Dam Creek and up a half mile to the summit of the Ketchum Sanctuary where there is a beautiful clearing perfect for rest and reflection. For those up for further adventure, we will proceed onto the Outer Look Trail which in total is another mile or so (about 30 minutes at a leisurely pace). The entire group will descend from the summit by way of a curving trail that is easy to follow and navigate, and leads back to the bridge and Glebe Trail.

Please make sure to wear good walking shoes as the trail is rocky in spots, and it is also a good idea to bring a bottle of water. Our woodlands are truly one of the things that make St. Matthew's so special. We hope you'll join us on Oct. 1 at 9:30 a.m.

Please send us an e-mail at [chriswburdick@gmail.com](mailto:chriswburdick@gmail.com) if you'll be joining us, so we can let you know any change in plan.

*Chris Burdick and Fred John*

## Two Great Music Events in October

The eleventh season of the Bedford Chamber Concerts opens on Oct. 5 with Great Keyboard Quintets, featuring two great works composed for keyboard and string quartet: Bach's E Major Harpsichord Concerto, which was written for usage in Zimmerman's Koffeehaus, and perhaps the greatest piano quintet ever written, Johannes Brahms' quintet in f minor. The director's own Chaconne and Fugue for Piano Quintet will round out the program. Anthony Newman will play the harpsichord and piano, and will be accompanied by the following members of the Bedford Chamber Ensemble: Renée Joles and Xiao Dong Wang on violin, Danielle Farina on viola, and James Wilson on cello.

On Oct. 26, Professor Tony Newman will discuss the Classical era, in the second of his three-lecture series on the great periods of music. Contemporary history and politics, the burdens of patronage, and the peculiar circumstances that shaped the music these masters created will all be covered in these sessions. This lecture and demonstration will feature works of Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven. Mary Jane Newman will play the Three Marches (opus 46) of Beethoven with Tony.

Don't forget to send in your subscription forms—the Bedford Chamber Concerts counts on each and every one of you!



## Don't Forget



The Jamboree Committee of St. Matthew's Church along with the Princeton Tigertones, Trinity Pipes, Williams Ephlats and Yale Whiffenpoofs cordially invite you to attend the 2011 St. Matthew's College Jamboree:

Date: 10/01/11

Time: 4:00-6:30

Location: Fellowship Hall at St. Matthew's Church, 382 Cantitoe Street, Bedford, NY 10506

Ticket Price: \$30 (light supper included)

Please make checks payable to "St. Matthew's Church" and send to St. Matthew's Church (Att: Kelly Napolitano), PO Box 293, Bedford, NY 10506. Please indicate "2011 Jamboree" in the memo and include an e-mail address or phone number for confirmation.

Please note that space is limited and we expect to sell every seat, so we cannot consider reservations complete until payment is received.

If you have any questions at all, please call us at 917-907-4394 or e-mail [CollegeJamboree@gmail.com](mailto:CollegeJamboree@gmail.com)

Thank you for your support of the 2011 St. Matthew's College Jamboree.

## Save the Date

Please join us on Wed., Nov. 16th for a Holiday Shopping Event. It will take place from 9-5 in the Fellowship Room. This boutique will feature vendors that will have something for everyone on your holiday lists. We have some great new and exciting booths this year.

On Thurs., Oct. 20, one of the vendors, Paper Plus, will have a pre-show at the home of Libby and Cutler Whitman, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The vendor carries a beautiful selection of Christmas cards, stationery, and personalized gifts. You won't want to miss either of these events! 15% of all sales goes to St. Matthew's.

## Haunted Hike: Sun. Oct. 30, 5:30 p.m.

The ghouls and ghosts will be haunting the churchyard on Sun., Oct. 30 at 5:30 p.m. Join us for this St. Matthew's fall classic. A spaghetti dinner will be prepared by the Men of St. Matthew's. Don your costumes and join the spooks for this traditional All Hallows' Eve event!



## Blessing of Pets, Oct. 2 – 2 p.m.

On Sunday, Oct. 2, St. Matthew's will be celebrating the feast of St. Francis when we remember the important role animals and our pets have in our lives. Our annual Blessing of the Pets will be held at 2 p.m. by the Parish House. In addition, our spectacular Flower Committee will be doing their wonderful arrangements and decorations around the church — don't miss them! The traditional Pet Memorial will be by the altar rail. In addition, this year a donation will be made to "Canine Companions for Independence," who visited St. Matthew's in September to describe the wonderful things they do. Pictured are Debra MacKenzie and dog Sergio from "Canine Companions" with Terry.



## Church School 2011/2012

Each September brings many new beginnings for our children - school, sports, the arts, social events - and here at St. Matthews, Church School. This year, we are off to a great start. We have 34 teachers teaching 125 children ages Pre-k through 7th grade. It is not too late to get involved. Children and new teachers are always welcome to St. Matthew's.

Regular attendance in St. Matthew's Church School provides a solid foundation in understanding the Bible, our beliefs and our traditions. Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and 1st grade have their own worship service including their own sermon or story, about characters in the Old Testament, stories about Jesus' life and teachings, seasons of the Church calendar and more. Following the lesson, children proceed to their classrooms where an arts and crafts project is used to reinforce the sermon. A snack is also served.

Children may be dropped off in their classrooms in the basement of the Parish House prior to the 10 am service and picked up following the service.

Children in 2nd grade through 7th grades attend church with their parents for the first portion of the 10 am service. During the Church School recessional, children follow the Junior Crucifers out of the church and proceed to their classrooms. 2nd and 3rd grades have class under the church and 4th-7th grade have class in the Parish House. Lessons are taught on the Old and New Testaments of the Bible, our Church history and seasons of the Church calendar.

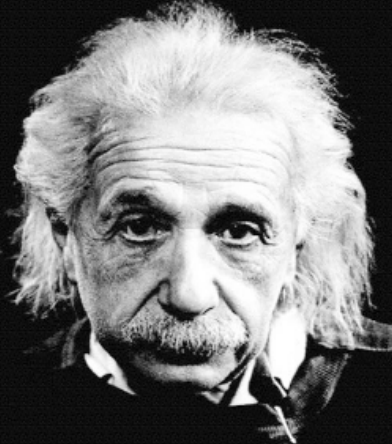
All children also learn about and practice "outreach" to help others in need and "stewardship" in the care of our wonderful St. Matthew's Church. Music is a part of each Sunday class, and children learn songs for occasional performances before the entire congregation.

Please contact Marian Fife if you'd like more information or would like to join our Church School.

*Marian Fife, Church School Director*

## Donald Gregg at St. Mary's, Oct. 16

Donald Gregg, Former U.S. Ambassador and Chairman Emeritus of the Korea Society, will be the featured speaker at St. Mary's, our sister church in the woods, on Sun. Oct. 16 at 5:30 p.m. After a 43 year career in government, with service in the CIA, as national security advisor to Vice President George H.W. Bush, and as U.S. Ambassador to South Korea, and with postings to Saipan, Japan, Burma, Viet Nam and Korea, Don Gregg returned "home" to Westchester in 1995. He is now chairman emeritus of The Korea Society, a New York based not-for-profit organization dedicated to education and cooperation between the peoples of the U.S. and Korea, which played a significant role in the arrangements for the NY Philharmonic concert in Pyongyang in February 2008. If you have never been to St. Mary's, this captivating speaker should draw you to this historical church, located on Hickory Kingdom Road in Bedford.



**We're Back!**

**What Is EMC?**

**It still doesn't take a genius to know  
we have to support St. Matthew's.**

**The Every Member Canvass starts  
in November.**

**Now, More Than Ever.**

## St. Matthew's School

Fall is just around the corner as St. Matthew's School begins its second year of pre-school, with an enrollment of 38 children. We are excited to be welcoming 14 new families into our program for the upcoming year, as well as several new faculty members. Classes are off to a great start and it is wonderful to have the rooms and hallways filled with the sounds and laughter of these precious little cherubs once again.



*Four-year-olds Baya Becker and Luca Marano enjoy their day at St. Matthew's School.*

As many of you know, a lot of thought and effort went into renovating the nursery over the summer for our new 2s program and we are all quite pleased with how beautiful everything looks. The updated room is so warm and inviting, it is sure to be enjoyed by the school children and nursery children alike. Stop by and take a look when you get a chance!

With the addition of our 2s program and all of the wonderful activities we have planned for all the classes, it promises to be another fun-filled and exciting year at SMS!

## Feeding of Five Thousand- Oct. 16

New Group for Parents and Youth Interested in Mission and Social Outreach

There will be a parents and youth (post-Confirmation aged students) meeting in the Vestry Room following the Oct. 16 10 a.m. Service. At this meeting we will discuss the formation of the Feeding of Five Thousand Committee which will aim to work in the fields of mission and local outreach. If you are interested in mission and/or social outreach or are interested in involving your children, please attend the meeting. For questions contact. [dlennox@stmatthewsbedford.org](mailto:dlennox@stmatthewsbedford.org)

## The Annual Joint Service

**St. Matthew's, St. Mary's and Antioch Baptist Churches  
At Antioch Baptist Church, Sun. Oct. 23 at 10:45 a.m.**

Three churches gather together in a true celebration of community! This joint service brings together the congregations of St. Matthew's, St. Mary's and the Antioch Baptist Church for a special service at Antioch in Bedford Hills. The energy of fellowship that arises from these gatherings fills us with joy and sharing and is a highlight of our spiritual year. The Rev. Dr. Paul S. Briggs, Pastor at Antioch, and our own Rev. Terry Elsberry will speak and the Antioch choir isn't to be missed!

## Lych Gate

Sitting quietly between our churchyard and vestry wing is a small arbor-like structure, which is known as a lych gate. The word lych in Saxon (Old English) means corpse, and going back to medieval times it was the tradition to carry the deceased through the lych gate to the final resting place in the church yard. Our rector Terry Elsberry officiated at the funeral of William Jay Iselin in 2008, after which the coffin was carried through the lych gate to the Jay burial plot. Our church secretary Hilda Minarik recalls that at the funeral for her father in Oct. 1977, the family walked through the gate. She said, "It was raining, and the burial was in the older part of the cemetery, near Cantitoe Street, so it made sense to walk from the church through that gate."



It is hard to determine when our gate was constructed. There is no mention of it in Thatcher Luquer's "Historical Sketch of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, N.Y. 1694-1938." However, it is mentioned that in 1857, "the east wall of the burying ground was moved to coincide with the new boundary of the Jay plot" that had been requested by Judge William Jay the prior year. This is interesting since the lych gate faces directly into the Jay plot. It can be speculated that the gate was erected as part of this churchyard expansion.

In the hallway of the Parish House that joins the main hall to the children's school there is a watercolor painting of our lych gate. (Look for it next time you are in the Parish House.) The painting is dated May 1913, but is not signed. The view of the gate is from the other side of the stone wall that stands between the church and the rectory. It is curious that in 1913, the Reverend Lea Luquer was in his 47th year as Rector of St. Matthew's and that his daughter Eloise, who was a well known artist, would have had access to the view that is depicted in this charming little painting. When you look at the painting, please note the two horse barns that stand on either side of the gate that the automobile would soon make obsolete.

*John Stockbridge*

## Community Center of Northern Westchester

The CCNW seeks to improve the dignity, security and well-being of people in our area by providing food and clothing to those who are in need. The Center also offers employment counseling and a variety of classes to help their clients regain financial independence. It is sustained by the generosity of people in the local community who often get involved in one of three primary ways - donating food and clothing, volunteering time and teaching skills, and/or providing monetary support towards the



Community Center's mission.

Most of the volunteer opportunities lie in the Center's clothing boutique and food pantry where one quickly gains appreciation not only for Center's mission, but also for the number of members in the local community who are either in need or are generously contributing their support. Many times this initial introduction may lead to even more involvement with the Center, such as becoming a Community Partner, committee member, and/or board member.

St. Matthew's has actively supported the Community Center throughout the years.

Not only has it regularly hosted the Center's fall benefit in the Parish House, but Terry has often led the spring fundraiser with a prayer at The Antioch Baptist Church Concert in April.

St. Matthew's parishioners pick up donated food from Scotts Corner Market

Tuesday through Saturday and deliver them to the Community Center. Volunteers include Carin Andresen, Connie Combes, Christian and Pierre Daviron, Lindsay

Keller, Chris Perkins, Jan Pinckney, Caroline Shepherd, Twig Stickney, Laurie and Paul Sturz and Had Talbot. If interested in volunteering please call Laurie Sturz at (914) 764-8494.



## October Music

The October anthem list is all rejoicing music. Joy is not only a prominent theme in English music of the 17th - 18th centuries but also in many parts of the Anglo-Catholic mass.

Handel wrote predominantly joyous music and I think that it is safe to say that the greatest thing that music offers is joy. Our October anthem composers write with various forms of joy:

Handel: Triumphant

Mozart: Subdued

Lully: Serene

Beethoven: Grant

Come listen and be joyous.

*Tony Newman*

Midweek Holy Eucharist on  
Wednesday at 10 a.m. Bible  
study begins Sept. 14

# October Church Calendar



**St. Matthew's Church**  
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## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 2

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
Altar Guild: Kimberly Morella  
Ushers: Mr. and Mrs. Fagan  
Lay Reader: Mr. Claude  
Lector: Mrs. Mankiewicz  
Acolytes: Gus Carlson and Charlie Carpenter

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
Altar Guild: Mesdames Blacker and Borner  
Ushers: Messrs. Moody, Gaynor, Sturz; Lee Brown  
Lay Reader: Mrs. Thompson  
Lector: Mrs. Ehrlich  
Acolytes: Georgia Morley and Sophie Boyd  
\*Lay Minister: Mrs. Farrell

## 2:00 p.m. Blessing of the Pets

## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 9

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II**  
Altar Guild: Mesdames Mankiewicz and Whitman  
Ushers: Mr. MacDonald and Herb Foster  
Lay Reader: Mary Hamill  
Lector: Roger Vincent  
Acolytes: Henry Farrell and Jack Farrell

**10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon**  
Ushers: Messrs. Borner, Markowski, Taylor, Mockridge  
Lay Reader: Mrs. Farrell  
Acolytes: Brendan McCree and Colin McCree

## Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 16

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
Altar Guild: Mrs. Keese  
Ushers: Messrs. Vincent and Boe  
Lay Reader: Mrs. Foster  
Lector: Mr. Cox  
Acolytes: Alexander Foote and Gamble Freyberg

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I, and Church School**  
Altar Guild: Mesdames Pinckney and Sturz  
Ushers: Messrs. Belknap, de Menocal, Cummings, Keller  
Lay Reader: Mary Hamill  
Lector: Mrs. Finn  
Acolytes: Christian Magnan and Tucker Johnston  
Junior Crucifers: Olivia Grubb and Carter Henshaw  
\*Lay Minister: Mrs. Foster

## Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 23

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II**  
Altar Guild: Mesdames Meyer and Scott  
Ushers: Mr. and Mrs. Fagan  
Lay Reader: Andrew Heath  
Lector: Mrs. Finn

**10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Church School, and Sermon**  
Ushers: Messrs. Swift, McCree, Fife, Maybank  
Lay Reader: Mr. Jackson  
Acolytes: Andrew Harrison and Andrew Izzo  
Junior Crucifers: Julia Hutchings and Katje Knoblauch  
\*Lay Minister: Mary Hamill

## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, October 30

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
Altar Guild: Mrs. Boe  
Ushers: Messrs. Claude and Bowers  
Lay Reader: Kimberly Morella  
Lector: Mr. Freeman  
Acolytes: Danielle Kulick and Nina Montross

**10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Church School, and Sermon**  
Ushers: Messrs. Talbot, Lange, Baldwin, Tingue  
Lay Reader: Mr. Seaman  
Acolytes: Spencer Matthews and Taylor Matthews  
Junior Crucifers: Clementine Marcogliese and Hallie Mitchelson  
\*Lay Minister: Andrew Heath

## All Saints' Sunday, November 6

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II**  
Altar Guild: Kimberly Morella and Ginger Getz

Ushers: Mr. Bolen and Roger Vincent

Lay Reader: Mr. Claude

Lector: Mr. Bogert

Acolytes: Meghan Moran and Alex Needham

## 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Church School, and Sermon

Altar Guild: Mesdames Blacker and Borner

Ushers: Messrs. Haskell and LaMotte; Mr. and Mrs.

Lindsay-Stewart

Lay Reader: Mr. Stockbridge

Lector: Amb. Foley

Acolytes: Andrew Bowers and Patrick Foote,

Torch Bearers: Brooke Edgar and Virginia Durfee

Junior Crucifers: Findley O'Brian and Pearse O'Brien

\*Lay Minister: Mrs. Thompson

\*Children's Service

## Comings & Goings

### Change of Address

Mrs. Terry M. Gumz  
174 Goldens Bridge Road  
Katonah NY 10536

### Holy Baptism

Received into Christ's Holy Church  
Akari Gale, September 15, 2011

### In Memoriam

In sure and certain hope  
Edward Rayner, August 21, 2011  
Ruth T. Marsh, September 1, 2011

## Don't Forget Amazon!

Whenever you order something from Amazon, you should think about going through the St. Matthew's website! A percentage of every sale will be contributed to the church..... and it's easy.

Go to our website and on the right hand side, half way down the page, is the Amazon box. What more can you ask? You buy something and make a contribution to our parish at the same time.



## Mark Your Calendars

Wed., Nov. 9	8:00 p.m. Bedford Chamber Concert
Sat., Nov. 12	Fall Clean-Up
Sun., Nov. 13	5:00-7:00 p.m. Newcomers Cocktail Party
Wed., Nov. 16	Holiday Shopping Boutique
Sun., Nov. 20	11:00 a.m. Book Fair
Thurs., Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day	10:00 a.m. Harvest Festival service