Wesley Newsletter

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Rev. Dr. Nelson Ngoy, Pastor



FINANCIAL UPDATE

Things are slowly getting back to "normal" here at Wesley. Worship services are back to in-person and feel very joyful. We are all enjoying being together at Coffee Hour following the worship service. We had a wonderful experience with our Spring Fair on 4/9. We got to see many old friends and make some new ones and we raised close to \$2000. Be sure to mark your calendars and come and see the play "Fox on the Fairway" (Aileen Sesso is one of the actors) – a Ken Ludwig comedy in May. We also have a Flea Market planned for Saturday, June 18. We will need lots of help!

Hopefully, with these three fund-raising events we will be able to catch up on our finances and possibly create a small emergency fund. Right now when there has been an emergency – and we had several – individuals from the congregation had to step up and cover the costs because the church just doesn't have any extra funds. The Trustees are also re-negotiating contracts with Catholic Charities and the Pre-school to help increase our annual income.

We are small but we are mighty in our faith and commitment!

Faithfully,

Linda Renzo Finance Chair

UMW News

On Saturday, April 9th we had our Spring Fair. This could not have been possible without the cooperation of our Wesley Family. The Wesley UMW truly appreciated the help of so many volunteers. Whether you set-up, worked in the kitchen, cleaned-up, sold items, baked for the gourmet table, your dedication to Wesley is clearly recognized. Thank you to everyone that made the Spring Fair a very successful event financially and spiritually.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:30 in the parlor. Our program for the evening will be led by Joan Highland. She is the founder of the nonprofit, Love Nana. This organization provides gifts to mothers and infants in need of layette supplies. Please plan on attending this informative program.

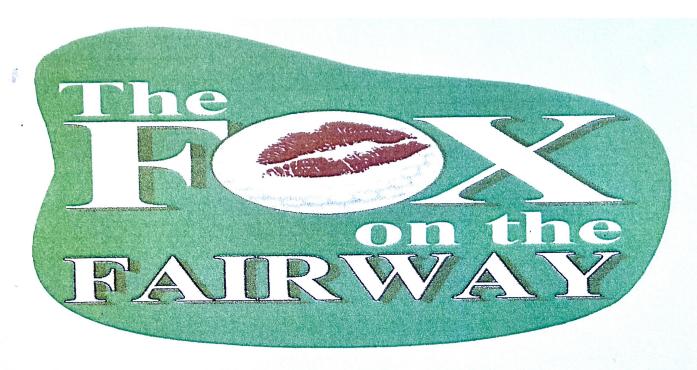
The Summer Celebration meeting will be on Tuesday, June 7^{th} . This meeting will start at 7:00 pm. This is a dinner meeting. Please bring your appetite and ideas for the fall UMW season.

We are also planning a Women's Retreat for July. It will most likely be at the Parish Resource Center in Elmont. The title of this retreat is "Masterpiece." I need to know by the middle of May who is interested in attending so that I can order the necessary materials. Additional information will be provided in a flyer.

We will be taking the summer off. Our next meeting will be in September. Please relax and refresh during this respite.

Your sister in faith, *Aíleen Sesso*





PRESENTED BY THE WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FRIDAY- MAY 6TH – 8 PM SATURDAY-MAY 7TH – 8 PM SATURDAY- MAY 14TH- 8 PM SUNDAY- MAY 15TH – 3 PM

RESERVED TICKETS \$15. FOR TICKETS CALL 516 735-2039 OR EMAIL NICK.TYD@GMAIL.COM ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE CHURCH

COVID GUIDELINES- WESLEY CHURCH NO LONGER HAS A MASK REQUIREMENT AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED. WE WILL STILL ATTEMPT TO SOCIALLY DISTANCE SEATING, FOR YOUR SAFETY. THE ENTIRE CAST HAS BEEN VACCINATED.

"The Fox on the Fairway" is written by Ken Ludwig and will be performed by the Carlyle Players Theater Group. The play stars Elizabeth Zimmermann, Nick D'Avanzo, Evap Hillel, Rachel Frey, Mark York & Aileen Sesso. Directed by Peter Goike.

Assisted by Mark Warner.

Wesley Church is located at 619 Fenworth Blvd, Franklin Square.

Easter Season

This Easter Season we had so many opportunities to spiritually gather. Pastor distributed ashes on Ash Wednesday in the sanctuary. There were Wednesday night zoom services. Friday night prayer sessions were held in the sanctuary. We had a palm waving special service on Palm Sunday. We celebrated a Maundy Thursday Seder service in the parlor. We had a wonderful Easter Sunday service. Kevin delivered a meaningful and thought-provoking skit. Weiyu provided awe inspiring music. We all participated in an egg hunt which reviewed many symbols related to Easter. Chocolates were provided as well. Pastor gave a profoundly spiritual sermon connecting us all to the death and resurrection of Jesus. It was a great feeling, with our Wesley family, to usher in Easter together.

WALK WITH ME

Let's get moving again. Let's gather out troops and walk around Hall's Pond as we have in the past. This is a great way to get in shape and improve endurance. It is also a great way to reconnect with your Wesley Family. Speak to me if you would like to get moving so we can determine a time and day that works for us.

Aileen Sesso

Financial Accomplishments

THANK YOU to all who have contributed to the following fundraising events:

<u>Ukraing:</u>

\$460 (funds will be sent to UMCOR)

Spring Fair:

\$1921 (used to help pay off some back bills)

Bottle returns:

\$79 (also used to help pay off bills)

Our next fund-raising events are the play, "Fox on the Fairway" and our Flea Market.

Be sure to help spread the word and help make these successful events.

Newsletter Delivery Options

Please call Karen in the Church Office (516-481-1797) or let Linda know what your e-mail is and whether you would prefer the Newsletter be delivered to you by e-mail or a hard copy by regular mail.

FLEA MARKET

Saturday, June 18 (raindate June 25) 9 am - 3 pm

Many Vendors Hamburgers, Hot Dogs

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TRAVEL WITH US TO THE HOLY LAND

Israel - February 23 2023 to March 2 2023 \$3098

& Egypt Extension March 2 2023 - March 7 2023 \$1226

Price is all inclusive— Round Trip airfare from JFK airport, 4* Hotels, bus tours, site visits and breakfast and dinner each day.

Visit the Holy Land sites you have read about— Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee, Capernaum, The Mount of the Beatitudes, The Upper Room, The Rock, The Via Dolorosa, Golgotha and the Garden Tomb and more...

In Egypt, Cairo and the Route of the Exodus, the pyramids and the Sphinx...

For further Information see any member of the NYAC United Methodist Men