

Attic Treasures at the Cranberry Fair

Before the Fair:

- Donations can be brought to the church October 15 November 6. See below for acceptable donations.
- Volunteers needed to help sort and price donations. We try to get a few of us together at several times to do this and it is fun, especially if you like antiques, vintage items, collectibles and flea market finds.

During the Fair (November 19):

- Come and buy treasures to take home or give as gifts.
- Volunteers are needed as cashiers and to assist customers with purchases.

After the Fair:

- After church on November 20, take home a leftover item for free.
- Volunteers are needed to dispose of leftover items. If you have an hour or 2 we need you to load items in your trunk and take them to your favorite donation center such as dump swap shops, local thrift shops, and charities. Be aware that these organizations have become more discerning in what they will accept so you may have to dispose of the "undonatable" in your trash, recycle bin, or dump.

What donations we accept for the Fair:

- Usable, attractive and salable household goods.
- Children's toys and storybooks.

What we cannot accept:

- No computers, TVs, small appliances, or other electronics.
- No clothing.
- No books (except for children's storybooks).
- No children's equipment such as strollers, cribs or high chairs.
- No large or heavy furniture. No desks.
- Nothing it takes 2 people to carry.
- No lamps that do not work or need rewiring.
- No single dishes, glasses, or silverware. No "advertising" mugs.
- No florist glass vases.
- Nothing broken or soiled.
- Nothing after November 6. Our volunteers need time to sort and price.
- Nothing you would not buy assuming you needed it.

It is a large effort and waste of the earth's resources for you to drive donations to the church that cannot be sold because our weary volunteers will need to sort and drive leftovers to the dump or donation centers after the Fair. Save gas, your time and our volunteers' time by disposing of these items yourself. See suggestions below.

What to do with items we cannot accept:

Instead of bringing unsaleable donations to the Fair please consider the following ways to dispose of your items:

- Bring items to your dump swap shop.
- Put recyclable items in your home or dump recycle bin.
- Put non-recyclable items in your trash.
- See if a local animal shelter or boarding kennel needs clean towels and small blankets.
- See if local florists, flower growers (e.g. Sabatia Flower Farm), or farmers' market flower sellers would like your florist vases, mugs or other glass containers.
- Google "donating books near me" to find organizations that take books. Check with your town library as many take book donations for their book sales.
- Put clothes in the donation bins at your town dump or see if a local thrift store accepts them.

Hope to see you at the Cranberry Fair! Peg Flood