

ALBANY UU SERVICE OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

Service Opportunity Name/Title: Holiday Bazaar Contributors

Service Opportunity Brief Description:

The Holiday Bazaar is made up of several fundraising activities that are held at various times in November and December. The activities yield approximately \$4,000 that is used to support the Albany UU General Fund.

Service Opportunity Detailed Description:

Activities of the Holiday Bazaar are held in November and December. There are four sales activities that include selling soup, pies, crafts and vendor items. These activities are coordinated by activity leaders/coordinators. There is also one Overall Bazaar Coordinator, who ties all the events together.

Soup Sales: Anyone willing to make soup for the Bazaar should contact the Soup Sales Leader, who provides each volunteer with enough pint and quart plastic re-usable containers/lids for their contribution. Volunteers make the soup and bring it in, either fresh or frozen. Soups are sold in Channing Hall during coffee hour, typically on the Sunday before Thanksgiving and two weeks later. Volunteers are also needed to staff the soup sales table. These volunteers receive, label, and organize the soups as they arrive, collect cash or checks.

Pies Sales: Anyone willing to help make pies for sale should contact the Pie Sales Leader. The volunteers make crusts prior to Election Day. On Election Day, volunteers gather at the church kitchen to peel apples and assemble pies. On the Sunday before Thanksgiving volunteers sell pies. Sales continue each Sunday until all the pies are sold.

Crafts Sales: Anyone willing to make crafts to be sold at the Bazaar should contact the Craft Sales Leader. Crafts are sold in Channing Hall on the first two Sundays of December. Volunteers are also needed to assist with setup before, with selling, and with cleanup after each Sunday's sale. For those who enjoy making crafts as a group, there is a craft evening, sometime in November.

Vendor Sales: In addition to volunteer crafts, vendors are invited to sell their crafts directly at the Bazaar. Vendors are Albany UU members who donate at least 10% of what they earn to the Bazaar proceeds. Contact the Vendor Coordinator for further information. Vendors only sell their wares on the day of the bazaar.

Length of Service Commitment: a few days over the course of two months

This opportunity will enable you to find fellowship and have fun; feel a sense of accomplishment for a successful event; know they have contributed to the financial health of the church; feel the satisfaction of teamwork as they revel in "We did it!"

Skills Needed: a variety of skills are needed from a variety of people

Training, assistance, and safety requirements: On the job training.

Number of positions available: Unlimited – come one, come all!

Key words: crafting, crafts, cook, bake