

## ALBANY UU SERVICE OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

**Service Opportunity Name/Title:** Wine & Cheese Fun(d)raiser Team Member

**Service Opportunity Brief Description:**

Members brainstorm a theme, organize, and run a Wine & Cheese Fun(d)raiser in March each year. The 'd' is in parentheses in order to emphasize the fun aspects of this fundraiser.

**Service Opportunity Detailed Description:**

Each year, starting in December, team members meet three or four times over the three months leading up to the fundraiser to come up with a theme for the event, and to organize a wine and cheese tasting party for 50-75 attendees, who pay \$30 per person for an evening of tasting and conversation. Team members bring wines to these meetings to taste, discuss, and choose which wines and cheeses will be part of the event. During the last month leading up to the event, members sign up attendees during coffee hour, and help with publicity. The day of the event, team members are responsible for setting up and decorating the room.

All team members are expected to purchase a bottle or two for all the members to taste at their meetings, at a total cost of \$15-20. In addition all members are expected to pay the \$30 cost of attending the event.

After the event, usually in early March, there is one last meeting of the committee for the year, a post mortem meeting to debrief the event.

**Length of Service Commitment:** 2 years

**This opportunity will enable you to** enjoy the comradery of planning meetings where wines and cheeses are tasted , discussed, and evaluated. You become part of a creative enterprise that benefits the church financially and provides an evening of entertainment and fun for the church community.

**Skills Needed:**

Members should have an interest and curiosity about wines and cheeses, though no particular expertise is required.

**Training, assistance, and safety requirements:**

None.

**Number of positions available:** 3

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