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From Our Rector

Father Alan

Thanksgiving was one of the new holidays I experienced when I came to the United States. I love all the holidays but there was something different about Thanksgiving. In England the traditional Christmas meal was turkey and dressing with all the trimmings. So to be eating turkey in November mingled a lot of Christmas memories along with the Thanksgiving festival. It was like Christmas, but with no exchange of gifts--until we sat at table.

It was then that the most profound gifts were shared. Each person was invited to say for what they were thankful. For most of the time it was nothing earth-shattering, and it was familiar stuff: kids being thankful for their parents, parents for their kids, happiness, pets, homes, etc. What was profound and deeply moving was that you actually got to say it, and often in front of the person for whom you were thankful. We think about them most of the time, but so often don't say it.

At funerals, when all the nice things are being said about the person who died, I often wonder if those nice things were said when the person was still alive and could hear them.

We have much to be thankful for, and one day just to focus on that should not be the be all and end all of saying thank you. In our society, which has become so critical of others, very competitive in its nature, very judgmental in its character, very isolating by its technology—we need to ask ourselves how often we tell those for whom we're thankful, that we are.

Our Lord in many ways asked us to observe sparrows, lilies, a man sowing seed, and a child. I believe he did so to slow us down. Take stock! Acknowledge who and what are important...tell them-often.

Happy Thanksgiving—November 23rd and EVERYDAY.

With All My Love and Prayers,
Your Friend,
Fr. Alan

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Woodford Sun or the Advocate should be
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DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER EAGLE WINGS IN NOVEMBER 15TH!

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve is on Sunday this year.
As we are a liturgical church, that Sunday
morning is considered the 4th Sunday of
Advent and the Eve of Christmas begins
that afternoon. Our services December
24th will reflect the difference.

December 24th Schedule:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, 4 Advent

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, 4 Advent

**5:00 p.m. Children's Pageant with
Christmas Eve Eucharist**

10:30 p.m. Singing of Carols

11:00 p.m. Festival Eucharist

**December 25th, Christmas Day: Holy
Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.**

A KENTUCKY CELTIC CHRISTMAS

You are invited to celebrate a Celtic
Christmas at St. John's on Friday,
December 8th at 6:00 p.m. This will be an
evening of fun, fellowship and festivities!

Hosea Hall will be decorated for
Christmas and there will be Celtic enter-
tainment after dinner, plus a live auction.
All proceeds from the \$2 admission fee
and the auction will benefit Reading Camp
and Children of the Americas.

For the dinner portion of the evening,
please bring a covered dish to share. Non-
alcoholic drinks will be provided—and in
the purest sense of a very Celtic celebra-

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tion, BYOB. As always, there will be a food
sign up sheet in Hosea Hall.

Please join us for a stomping, dancing,
and kicking good time at St. John's on
December 8th!

Presented by the Celtic Heart
Foundation

Allison Assay, Co-CEO

Linda Reeves, Secretary/Treasurer

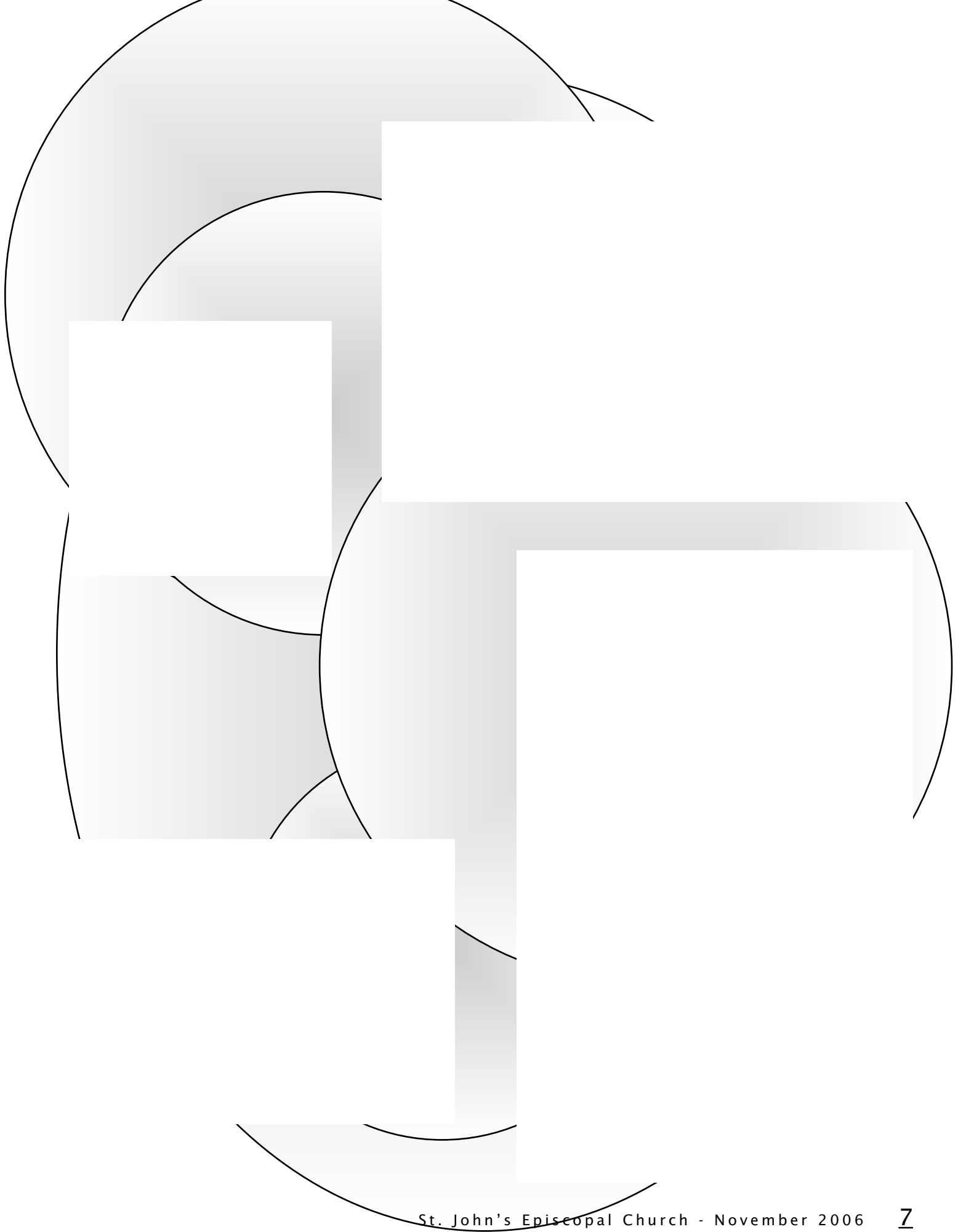
MORE THAN 100 FOSTER CHILDREN ON THE 2006 ANGEL TREE

According to Sarah A. Cooper, at
Family services in Versailles:

"We currently have 43 foster homes in
Woodford, Franklin and Anderson
Counties. The number of children in care
is approximately 131. That number will
probably increase a bit, but I don't know
by how much. That is a lot of kids so I
didn't want you to be shocked. Thanks a
lot, Sarah A. Cooper"

With that number of children it's a
good thing that we will have names avail-

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8am and 11am. (Nov. 12, 19, and 26)

Bring the Bagged gifts back to Hosea Hall on or before Dec 3,

Remember please don't seal the gifts in boxes and paper

Please place the unwrapped gifts in a holiday bag, cover with tissue and attach the list for identification

Feel free to sign from St. Nicholas on the gift tag.

E-mail Walter Kuntz at Sporthog8@aol.com or leave a phone message at 873-6961

Elves Needed

I've volunteered to work on two projects this fall, and can use some more helpers on both. I'm filling in as bake sale chair on the bazaar committee, and coordinating the Foster Child Angel Tree. If you can help out during either the Saturday (bazaar 10a-5p) or Sunday angel tree (8a-11a) please contacts me as listed above.

During the Bazaar I'll need help at both the foster child angel tree and bake sale. On Sundays I'll need help from 830am to after the 9 O'clock service.

In December it will take 5 or 6 sleigh loads to deliver the gifts to Family services. Delivery time TBA. Walter Kuntz

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR BLOG!

Our bazaar now has a blog: <http://stjohnsbazaar.blogspot.com>. Laura Gibson will post at least twice a week, and will check for comments daily. Just read the posting, and click on "Comments" if you want to respond. These comments will be visible to anyone who checks the comments area. This is the perfect place for everyone to make suggestions or offer goods/services. You may also just email Laura at lauragibson@hotmail.com.

Visit the blog often, and get your thoughts together for a fabulous 2006 Bazaar!

THE PIANIST'S KEYS

The 11:00 choir rehearsal and services are in full swing! Weekly rehearsals are at 7:30 on Wednesday evenings and we practice on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. prior to the service.

We're currently working on expanding our repertoire—trying new songs, creating original arrangements, and medleys, and adding some of our favorites by singing parts and using percussion instruments. Jessica Hicks, a musical technology student at Transylvania University, is working on music for the new congregational songbook, and it should debut in the pews very soon.

We'd love to have you join us for rehearsals and services. No prior musical training is required—just a love of worshipping God through song. If you aren't able to fit choir into your schedule, consider submitting your ideas for new songs to me and we will work on making them part of the 11:00 a.m. worship. We love an eclectic mix of songs: spirituals, bluegrass, praise/contemporary worship music, hymns, music used by other denominations, etc. Please submit any new ideas you may have; everything will be considered and you may see your favorite song in the bulletin! If you are considering joining the 11:00 a.m. choir, please keep in mind these dates:

Wednesday, November 8th

Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. for 11/12 service.

Sunday, November 12th

Rehearsal at 10:30 a.m. for 11 a.m. service.

We hope you'll join us! In Christ's Love, Allison

able for people in the community outside of the St. John's family.

I'd also like to offer the parishioners first choice to take multiple names and get gifts for all the children in one of the 43 Foster households.

PARISHIONERS WHO WANT TO SHOP FOR ALL THE CHILDREN IN ONE FOSTER HOME SHOULD TALK TO ME PRIOR TO SATURDAY THE 11TH, AND I WILL SELECT A GROUP WITH THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN YOU DESIRE TO SHOP FOR.

Gift lists will be available beginning during the Holiday Bazaar, November 11th. Each list will be for one child and have 2 or 3 items on it. You will be able to take a child's whole list or just half a list. Each half list will be an item valued between \$25 and \$50.

Last year we also made Fruit baskets, for the foster families at a cost of around \$7 a basket. That would be about \$300 for 43 fruit baskets. Everyone please let me know if we want to make the baskets again this year.

If the people where you work would like to adopt a family, then you can be the contact for your co-workers, and distribute the lists and collect the gifts.

After the Bazaar opens, it may not be possible to find all the lists in a family group, so only individual lists will be available. You may take as many names as you wish.

After Saturday the 11th, you can pick children's lists every Sunday in November between

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 5TH

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING.
HOLY EUCHARIST AT 8 A.M. &
10 A.M. PARISH MEETING
AFTER 10 A.M. SERVICE.
POTLUCK LUNCH FOLLOWS
THE MEETING, NO SUNDAY
SCHOOL.

NOVEMBER 11TH

2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 18TH

ALTAR GUILD POLISHIN'O'THE
BRASS & SILVER 9A.M.

NOVEMBER 19TH

KIRKIN'O'THE TARTANS AT
10 A.M. NO SUNDAY SCHOOL.

DECEMBER 8TH

A CELTIC CHRISTMAS CELE-
BRATION 6:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 9TH

DOK ADVENT QUIET DAY 9
A.M. - 1 P.M.

DECEMBER 10TH

BISHOP SAULS' VISIT TO ST.
JOHN'S

MARCH 9, 2007

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

St. John's Annual Parish Meeting

November 5, 2006 10:30 a.m.
(Potluck after meeting)

The 2006 Nominating Committee would like to present to those nominees who as of 10-14-06 have agreed to submit their names for election to serve on your next Vestry. They are as follows:

**Carol Filson
Ben Harper
John Range
Laura Steen
Linda Wardle**

Please note that all of our ballots list all nominees in alphabetical order. We are encouraged by our By-Laws to present a slate of twice the number of vacancies being filled. Our goal is to have at least six nominees on the ballot. However, we would like to see a slate of as many of you who wish to serve presented. The more the merrier. Our by-laws dictate that we present a slate to you in writing at least two weeks prior to the Annual. Nominations will be accepted up to the Annual Meeting and will be accepted from the floor during the Annual Meeting. However to have the name printed on the ballot, we must have that name given and approved by Wednesday November 1, 2006.

In addition, the Nominating Committee is also asking for nominees to present a ballot for the election of deputies to the 2008 Diocesan Convention. The names of those nominees for the Convention should be given to any of the Nominating Committee as well as any Vestry person or the Rector.

Some information taken from our By-Laws

A copy of the entire set of By-Laws can be found in the Church office.

Eligible Voters. By Diocesan Canon 17.03, the following persons are eligible voters at Parish meetings: (1) Communicants over the age of sixteen years, whose names have for three months (immediately preceding the meeting) been on the list of communicants of the Parish, and (2) baptized persons, other than communicants, who are regular worshippers at St. John's, and known to be regular contributors to the support of the Church, for a period of at least six months prior to the meeting.

Vote by Proxy. No vote shall be cast by proxy at a Parish meeting. No ballot shall be valid which does not contain as many votes as offices being filled on that ballot.

Quorum. Twenty (20%) percent of the eligible voters of the Parish shall constitute a quorum. It shall be the duty of the judges of the election (see Article 13) to determine immediately prior to the Parish meeting the total number of the eligible voters. If 20% of the Parish eligible voters are not present at the meeting, a second meeting will be called for the following week. If 20% are not present at that meeting, a third meeting will be called at which a quorum will be constituted by 10% of the eligible voters. Those persons receiving the highest number of votes for the vacancies available shall be elected. In the event a tie prevents the election of the required number, a second ballot shall be taken between those tied.

Election of Vestrypersons. At the annual Parish meeting there shall be elected by ballot, from the qualified voters of the Parish not less than three persons to serve as members of the Vestry for the term of three years and until the election and qualification of their successors; provided, however, that at the expiration of their term, each shall be ineligible for re-election for one year thereafter.

Election Judges. Prior to each annual Parish meeting the Vestry shall appoint three qualified voters of the Parish to act as judges of the election. Said judges, two of whom shall constitute a quorum, shall conduct the election, determine the qualified voters present, and declare the result; and it shall be their duty to certify as to the correctness of the minutes of all Parish meetings at which

members of the Vestry are elected, so far as the same may relate to such election. If no judges shall have been appointed by the Vestry, or if a quorum of those appointed shall not attend, the presiding officer shall appoint judges of the election. In cases of dispute of the judges at elections as an appeal shall be made to the Diocesan Standing Committee, whose judgment shall be final.

Per our Diocesan Canon 17, those nominees on the ballot for vestry must be “members of the Parish who are sixteen years of age or older and are confirmed communicants in good standing....” Serving as a Vestry member is a ministry of service to the Parish. Standing for Vestry election is also a ministry since parishioners need choices in any election.

Some Information about the Vestry's Work

Currently, the Vestry meets on the last Tuesday in the month at 6:00p.m. Most meetings concluded within the hour or hour and a half. The Vestry is responsible for the temporal affairs of the Parish, and our Rector is responsible for the spiritual life of the Parish.

The Vestry consists of nine elected members, each with a 3 year rolling term. Each year, three members' terms expire and three new members are elected.

The Vestry members have different areas of responsibility assigned by the Rector. The Senior Warden is appointed by the Rector and approved by the Vestry and is the main contact for business affairs and general matters as well as being responsible for the church in the Rector's absence. The Junior Warden is appointed by the Rector and approved by the Vestry and has primary responsibility for the physical plant and building maintenance.

Other areas of responsibility are:

Christian Formation: Sunday Schools, Bible Studies, EFM, and other programs.

Music and Worship: Scheduling servers for all services and training. Music and Choir issues.

Parish Life: Events, Meals, Bazaar, Weddings, Funerals, among others.

Finance: Annual Audit, Budget, fundraising other than Stewardship.

Long Range Planning: Developing a plan for the physical future of the parish facilities.

Outreach: Community charitable efforts like Repair Affair, Race for the Cure, Fish Fry, Clothing Bank, Food Bank, Reading Camp, Flu shot clinic.

Stewardship: The annual stewardship fundraising effort.

Area assignments may vary from year to year within a member's term as the Rector sees fit. He assigns duties according to the needs and abilities of the group.

Being a Vestry member is a big responsibility as those who have been at St. John's for several years know. It is important to understand that what is asked of Vestry members is service to Our Lord and to the whole parish and not to anyone's personal agenda. Diversity is encouraged and is one of several goals of the Nominating Committee.

Please do not hesitate to talk to any of the Nominating Committee if you have any questions.

Ann Richmond
Sammy Cundiff
Ann Cox

BREAKFAST ANGELS

Take an opportunity to thank the following families for their often unsung work on Sunday mornings. These are the folks who bring you the breakfast many of us enjoy between services!

Berger • Bruens • Clark • Cox • Donovans
Hawkins • Harper • Lawrence • Meekins
Mobley • Ruggles • Sullivan • White

If you would like to help cook breakfast, tell Ann Richmond. She will be delighted to add you to the schedule. It is a great way to serve the parish and have fun at the same time!

Jim Fitzpatrick, assistant organist

FROM THE PARISH RECORDS

Holy Matrimony

September 30

Gordon Campbell and Ann West

Deaths

October 7

Margaret Dawson

mother of Allen Dawson.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Margaret. May light perpetual shine upon her.

Everything will be just fine!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Cole Mielcarek	2
Afton Skeeters	2
Nancy Miller	3
Charles Kinhead	3
Scott Wade	3
Jill Crawford	5
Kathryn Mielcarek	5
Zach Kemper	6
Barney Lewis	8
Dan Sparrow	8
Corbin Crutcher	11
Megan Delamielleure	15
Moss Vance	18
Paul Huber	19
Jeffrey Cardwell	20
Haywood Alves	21
Jim Hawthorne	21
Mary Oldiges	21
Laurel Kemper	21
Sallie Cochran	22
Karen Meekins	23
Michael Gardone	24
Laura Boison	28
Sara Menges	29

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Cook & Sammy Cundiff	11/20
Paul & Lindy Huber	11/18
Bill & Georgia Lockridge	11/24
Ernie & Shirley Potter	11/05
John & Teresa Range	11/11
Bruce & Kathy Sparrow	11/13

