

Part XV

Managing Our Money – Fund Raising Results

(This is part of an ongoing series of articles about the church's finances by Dual Macintyre, Treasurer)

As we all know by now, St. Paul's depends heavily on our fund raising events to balance our budget. We are trying to change this by urging people to increase their pledges or gifts during the Every Member Canvass this year, so that the total amount they plan to give to the church is reflected in their pledges, not in a combination of pledges and support for the fund-raisers.

We have all dreaded the year when there was bad weather for one of our major fund-raisers. Unfortunately, the rain from the economic downturn has fallen on our events this year. Despite herculean efforts, several events have fallen below what they brought in last year and below what we budgeted for this year, except for the St. Paul's Fair which is the exception to the trend. While we still have a few events to go, the revenue from those events in the past does not lead me to believe the gap can be closed. Here are the numbers, which are the net amounts after expenses:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>2008 RESULTS</u>	<u>2009 RESULTS</u> (To date)	<u>2009 BUDGET</u>
FAIR			
• Hodge Podge	\$3,219	\$3,494	
• Books	1,005	1,151	
• Flowers	432	425	
• Bake Table	1,402	624	
• Snack Shack	1,018	1,181	
• Crafts	683	930	
• Raw Bar	403	374	
• Kidstreat	1,863	2,923	
• Garden	317	351	
• Tools	1,608	210	
• Lemonade etc.	833	449	
• Monograms		1,111	
• Welch Art	895	390	
• Jewelry		1,858	
• Silent Auction	<u>2,940</u>	<u>1,475</u>	
Totals	\$15,750	\$16,000	\$15,000
RUG RAFFLE	\$10,800	\$6,500	\$10,000
DINNER/AUCTION	\$66,300	\$46,500	\$65,000
COOK BOOK	\$750	\$800	\$500
XMAS BAZAAR	\$5,100		\$5,000
CRAFTS	\$1,800	\$1,000	\$1,000
HARVEST FAIR	<u>\$2,000</u>	_____	<u>\$2,000</u>
TOTALS	\$99,400	\$70,800	\$98,500