

Fall Festival Thank You!!!

Our Family Fall Festival, held this past Saturday, was a wonderful day, filled with fun, food, families, and pumpkins! Thank you to all who attended – we were so happy you could join us!

There are many people to thank, starting with Father Michael. The idea of the festival started with him. This idea grew into what we all shared on Saturday. Thank you, Father Michael, for your vision and your support as we planned and prepared for the festival.

To make the Festival and the Basket Raffle a reality we needed many hands. A special thank you to Linda Denninger and Mary Ann Viscusi, our Raffle Chairs, for making the Basket Raffle such a huge success. Thank you to everyone who donated an item, a gift card, a bottle of wine or a scratch off. With your help, we were able to create and offer over 80 beautiful baskets. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped create each basket, set up and sell tickets. We could not have done it without you.

Thank you to Jennifer Miller and Linda Denninger for collecting hundreds of dollars of gift certificates from local businesses. Thank you to all the businesses who supported us with a gift certificate, a donation of an item or a monetary donation. Please see the list below of the businesses that donated, and if you can, please support them with your patronage as a way to say thank you.

I want to thank all the festival committee members for their dedication, support, creativity, and hard work that made the day a wonderful experience for all. Each committee member oversaw one activity, from the planning to the execution of the activity, and what a great job they did. Thank you to all the committee members for helping to make the Family Fall Festival a success.

Thank you to all our YCC volunteers who helped with face painting, sand art, tattoo art, games and concession. Also, thank you to all our volunteers who helped with carnival games, security in the parking lot and especially those who helped with clean up. You all made the day run easier. Thank you all!

Thank you to Kim and Andrew Bodor who graciously donated all the pumpkins for our pumpkin patch. Also, thank you to Barbara and Bill Burger for the two beautiful signs at our entrance and exit.

I must say thank you to our Taste Test judges, Tom Muscarello, Sal Finocchiaro, and Janice Schwarz who had a hard job judging all the wonderful baked items at our Taste Testing Contest. A special thank you to all our bakers for sharing their baking talent with us. Our bakers were Jo-Ellen May Wadsworth, Ingrid Hanley, Linda Marino, Diane Cook, Patrice Saccone, Meg Prybella, Donna Akuntius and Lucy Brown Pugliese. We are grateful to you for being part of our contest.

Congratulations to Linda Marino, Diane Cooke and Donna Akuntius on being the judges' top three choices.

A special thank you to Frank Mondo for spending the day taking pictures of all the activities, capturing all the people who attended and sharing in the fun. Thank you, Frank.

Thank you to the Nesconset Fire Department for participating in our Family Fall Festival. Kids of all ages had a great time on the fire trucks, the smoke house and the ambulance. Thank you for all you do for our community and all the good information you shared with us.

A big thank you to our very own Knights of Columbus Council, The Blessed Sacrament, who generously donated and cooked all the food at our concession stand. Their donation of treasure, time, and talent is greatly appreciated. We are grateful for your help and support in making this day a success.

The sun was out and so were the many families who enjoyed the day. It was a magical day shared by many. Thank you again to everyone who made this day possible. Happy fall, and we hope to see you next year!

Thank you to all the local businesses that supported our Family Fall Festival. Please be sure to support them with your business.

Our Family Fall Festival Committee is made up of the following volunteers:

Karina D'Angelo
Jude Pickel
Jennifer Miller
Patrice Saccone
Joellen May-Wadsworth
Gerri Schreiber
Arlene Lechner
Mary Ann Viscusi
Linda Denninger
Susan Lampach
Donna Akuntius
Kim and Joe Pepe
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Mary Pannone
Chris Hessel
Laura O'Donnell
Julie Plume
Shawn Ryan

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