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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

I am honored and excited to have been selected to serve as Patio Planters President. My husband Quitman and I have enjoyed our membership and the friendships made since we moved to the French Quarter 7 years ago. Thank you to Jeff Collins who stopped to chat with me on the day we moved into our home and encouraged me to join Patio Planters as a way to meet neighbors and make friends (provided I liked to drink wine – which I certainly do!). Stephen Swain has left some big shoes to fill and I am grateful for his continued support and mentorship.

The Patio Planters organization has such a grand history of service and community. I intend to continue the good work and important community events we produce. Additionally, I would like to grow our membership and foster greater engagement with current members.

To this end I am pleased to introduce the following:

**Membership Survey**

In an effort to solicit and gauge member feedback, a membership survey was sent to all members in early July along with the member directory. The intent of this survey is to capture member feedback and ideas on programming, service projects, events and member communication.

We have had a strong response however would appreciate every member taking a few moments to complete the survey, so we can hear from you about ways to grow and better engage membership. You can
send back the mailed form or just click below to complete the survey online.

Survey.PatioPlanters.net

Survey feedback will be compiled and shared with all members and the board over the next 2 months.

Patio Planters Happy Hour Social
Our inaugural social was held in June at the Lafitte Guest House with over 50 members in attendance. Thank you to board member Joey DiFatta for offering the Guest House Bar and hosting the tasty hors d’oeuvres. These events will be informal happy hours at rotating locations throughout the French Quarter and are a great way to meet new members, introduce prospective members to the organization, catch-up on all the latest news in the neighborhood, and visit with neighbors over drinks.

Our next social will be Thursday, July 26 from 5pm to 7 pm at The Bombay Club – 830 Conti. Please let us know if you have a favorite “haunt” that would be a good spot for future socials. I look forward to raising a glass with you!

Stephen asks that I remind you all that the Secret Garden Tours will occur on October 13 and 14. He has swung into action with planning and needs patios and volunteers. Please email him at steveswain@cox.net or leave a message at 504-523-7047 to volunteer your garden or your time. An email with a link to volunteer will be sent in the next month. Each day every patio will have two separate two-hour shifts for the volunteer docents to choose. Every docent will receive a free ticket to take the tour both days – not to mention Palace Café Bloody Mary’s delivered via scooter by fellow member John Connor!

Should you have any questions, feedback, ideas please contact me at tracy.treadaway@hotmail.com or (504) 494-0662.

Red Beans and Ricely Yours,

Tracy Treadaway
Patio Planters President
IN CELEBRATION OF LYNETTE STILWELL

Patio Planters is honored to have received a generous donation from the estate of Lynette Stilwell. Lynette passed away at Our Lady of Wisdom Healthcare Center on June 5, 2017. She was a fixture in Patio Planters for many years and we are grateful for her contribution to our organization.

Following is an excerpt from the letter received from her estate.

Lynette Stilwell was a New Orleanian throughout her adult life and spent approximately 50 years living in the French Quarter. She was passionate about New Orleans and wanted to recognize all that Patio Planters has done to contribute to the life of our wonderful city, and most particular the French Quarter.

Lynette volunteered her beautiful home for countless Patio Planters Home Tours and was always thrilled that by doing so she was introducing many visitors to New Orleans their first glimpse of a French Quarter home and garden. She always participated in the White Elephant Sale and volunteered her time on various committees through the years.

Lynette’s birthday often coincided with the White Elephant Sale - an event that she loved and always aided in the success of Sacks Thrift Avenue. To honor Lynette’s memory, we will celebrate with birthday cake and a member champagne toast at White Elephant Sale on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

CALLING ALL WRITERS...
-By Quitman Gahagan

We are putting out the call to all polished, unpolished, experienced, and novice writers- We want your help!

The Punch is always looking to include contributions from our members and guests. Have a short story that you would like
considered? Send it in! Drafted a poem back in college and think it may benefit from seeing the light of day? Send it in! Just found your mom’s recipe for seafood gumbo that sends smiles to all who partake? Please, oh please send it in!

We want to expand our contributor base within the Punch and our sights are zeroed in on you. Whether it’s a recap of a recent event, a nonfictional piece on history about French Quarter, or something in between, let us have a look. Who knows, we may have the next John Kennedy Toole, Tennessee Williams, or Anne Rice flittering about within our midst.

Please email any submissions to admin@patioplanters.net or mail to our PO Box (see page 2).

**PAST GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

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<td>Emily Madero, President and CEO of French Quarter Festivals, will speak on the 35th Anniversary of French Quarter Festival</td>
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<td>Julie Hanks, Development Director at Homer A. Plessy Community School and Valerie Massimi, Parent of Homer A. Plessy Community School Student</td>
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<td>Fellow Patio Planters member B.B. St. Roman will speak about the new low barrier homeless shelter</td>
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Honorary: 9
Household Memberships: 246
Individual Memberships: 90
Household Memberships (Friend of Patio Planters): 17
Individual Memberships (Friend of Patio Planters): 13

Total 387

The new membership management system was introduced for 2018 renewals as a sustainable and cost-effective measure that streamlines membership management.

System benefits include:

- Secure and instant online membership renewals by PayPal, credit or debit card.
- Each member will have an individualized account, so you can update your address, phone, email, etc. online instantly
- Much less administrative work for our volunteer staff

Patio Planters still accepts check payments. Renewal forms can be found at the Patio Planters website or by asking a board member for a printed copy. 2019 renewals will begin in November.

Member directories were mailed out in early July, accompanied by a member survey. If you did not receive your 2018-2019 directory, please send an email to membership@patioplanters.net or let a board member know.

We have had good return of surveys to date but would appreciate hearing from more of you. Please let your voice be heard by taking a moment to complete the survey. It can be found at: Survey.PatioPlanters.net

Tracy Treadaway
Membership Chair
CAROLING IN JACKSON SQUARE
UPDATE

All is on track regarding the 2018 Caroling in Jackson Square event. The only change from the earlier summer status is that we received the requested bid from the cleanup folks. Not much happens in the summer. The Caroling team is in the normal posture entering the fall, when various players begin to confirm their participation and supplies are ordered. We have a special event permit number at the City, which is better than prior years. As indicated, I spoke with Parks & Parkways early June and was assured our application to use Jackson Square was in line for approval, even though we have not seen the contract.

Overall, things are looking fantastic and we all continue to hope for a dry caroling experience this year!

Bob Phelps
Caroling in Jackson Square Chair
Sent from his summer home on wheels, somewhere in the upper northeast

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE AND
AUCTION RESULTS 2017

Thank you everyone for another successful White Elephant Sale & Auction. When faced with the new Chairs and a new team, we step up, and we just do it! Without the sharing of energy, efforts and
donations from all of YOU, our friends and supporters, this event would never be such a success! School Coordinator **Julie Hanks** and **Homer Plessy Community School** made the school yard available to us. Not only that, Julie prepared the school cafeteria for us. However, the extra effort made by Julie is to be commended because: we thank her and the Homer Plessy Community School for being such good neighbors and supporting our community events.

Thank you to all our donors who made the Auction possible. Members: don’t forget to patronize the donors to thank them for their generosity. We’d like to give a special shout out to **Dee Lynott** who was especially successful in soliciting auction items. Of course, the great majority were obtained by **Barbara Richmond, Samara Poché, Sandra Dartus, Tracy Treadaway** and **Quitman Gahagan**.

In addition to the many donations, this year we had “SUPER DONORS” in the $500+ category:


**BRAVO** to them all.

We also received auction items from the **Molly’s @ the Market, Dirty Coast, Doug Barden, Gray Lines New Orleans, Pat O’Brien, Muriel’s Restaurant, Maison Dupuy Hotel, Queork, Janelle Masden, Vicki and Glenn Kirby, ShoeBeDo, Jezebel’s, Ralph Brennan Restaurant Group, Fleur de Paris, Café du Monde, French Quarter Festivals, Inc., Tableau, Barbara Bowen, Save Our Cemeteries, Audubon Nature Institute, Café Beignet, the Junction Bar and Grill, Tracy Treadaway, Stanley Restaurant, Middendorf’s Restaurant, Mr. B’s Bistro, Spa Isbell, Oceania Grill, Deannie’s Seafood, CS Events, Nadine Blake, Crescent City Brewhouse, Steamboat Natchez, Criollo, Royal**
Clip, Susan & David DuPre, Dave & Buster’s, Downtown Fitness, Herman-Grima House, Studio E Salon, 13 Monaghan, New Orleans Paddlewheeler, Café Amedie, Diego Lukezic, Central Grocery, Palm Court Café, World War II Museum, Ron Canedo, Spa Aria, Bourbon Orleans Hotel, Hotel Monteleone, NOLA Christmas Fest, Dirty Coast, Mickey Nolan Salon, and Fogo de Chao.

And we say bravo to our Ace Auctioneer - the ever popular, our own member and crowd favorite, Norman Many. What fun he brought to the bidding that day! The auctioneer team Kym Turner, Mary Paige Phelps, and Carmen Carter didn’t go unnoticed, and we are thankful for their efforts. Nothing makes an auction item look so good as Carmen, Kym and Mary Paige holding it on display. The auction cashiers, Robert Phelps and Jim Kitto did a great job keeping pace with the sales, no matter how crazy it got. And it got CRAZY!

Members and Chairs of the Auction, Tracy Treadaway and Quitman Gahagan, threw themselves into the auction fray, helping showcase the items and identify the winning bids. Carmen and Mary Paige kept up with the bidding frenzy and got the winning bid sheets to the correct people. Norman Many called the entire auction and never missed a beat. Bob and Jim somehow kept track of the money.

But first we had to organize the pricing, which was done by: Stephen Swain, Ron Canedo, Ott Howell, Doug Barden, Dee Lynott, Benay Bernstein, Susan Revels, Diane Smith, David & Susan Dupré, Elsie Deans, Frank & Kim Hammant, Tracy Treadaway, Quitman Gahagan, Ruby Tremont, Mary Finney, Leigh Jeanne & Greg Strain, and Pat Glorioso.

We couldn’t have done this without the generosity exhibited by Bernie Jaffe. To keep Marlene’s spirit alive, he offered their home yet again, for the creating of the baskets. We miss Karen Allayaud, our former Basket Chair, who stayed in the game until the very end last year but was out due to health issues and has since passed away. Special thanks to Sam Poché, Ruby Tremont, Susan Revels, Marilynn, Doug Barden and Stephen Swain.
We raffled 25 baskets and awarded 6 volunteer baskets this year. Donations from several members helped create baskets. **Susan Revels, Sandra Callender** and **Sam Poché** took charge of minding the baskets and ticket sales on the day of the event. Many thanks are offered to all of you for your efforts.

**Tom McGinn** and **Marina Costapoulas** were ready to serve the delicious treats at the Cake & Coffee booth. Home prepared goodies came from several members, **Ralph Ruder, Janice Foulks** and **Wanda McGinn**. Delicious kudos are extended to all who made the effort.

Thanks again to **Barbara Richmond, Dee Lynott** and the Sacks Thrift Avenue Sales Team for their effervescent efforts in being the spunkiest sales people ever! This is dedication at its’ finest. The sorting moved to The Spring Fiesta House again. A great team worked on both pricing and selling of all the fun fashions. **Pat McCluskey, Rickie Maloney, Doug Barden, Pat McClusky, Carol Kulman, Darien Conlee, Diane Smith, Jackie Gamble, Carla Reed, Phil Reed, Maddie Jorgensen, Toni Causey, Nina Tyler, Fran Twiford, Samantha McRaney, Phyllis Evans, Celia Collins, April Renee, Kim McNulty** and **Carmen Carter**, were all fashion experts for the day. The delivery team of **Whitney & Maxine Clements** and **Whitney Johnson** were right on time!

Trash & Treasures was beautifully priced, sorted and sold by **Ralph Ruder, Rick Reiners, Ruby Tremont, Phyllis Bruscato, Doug Barden, Dee Lynott, Carol Fleischman, Lyn Gladney, Ron Canedo** and **Benay & Shelly Bernstein**. Electrical sales were handled by **John Stoval** and **C. W. Lartigue**. The Holiday Booth was chaired by **Janice & Mary Paige Phelps**.

Jewelry was sold by a bevy of sparkling volunteers, headed by **Leslie Perrin, Fallon & Christopher Johnson, Carmen Carter** and **Fluffy Hegenberger**, all of whom glittered like their treasures!

**Adrienne Hartsock, Doug Barden** and **John Hartsock** deserve a mountain of thanks for the piles of books they peddled. This team ticked like a clock.
And yet another year, thanks to the wonderful donation by Harold’s Plant Gallery, the new Garden Thumb Club sold almost everything! Thanks so much to Harold Applewhite and Kurt LeBlanc. There were lovely bedding plants, charming camellia’s, pretty petunias and more. The presentation of plants was lovely, and the lawn ornaments added to the charm. Good job! Thanks to Kim Hammant, Leigh Jeanne Strain, Susan Dupré and Marie Ruppel for adding Miracle Grow to the event. It should be mentioned that these wonderful ladies were assisted by Frank Hammant, Greg Strain and David Dupré.

Ron Canedo said to Celia Collins, “My, what big shoes you have!” And fill them he did… Again! Ron created a team that worked like a well-oiled (second hand) machine. What else would you expect? He’s got the moves!

Thanks to all our indispensable volunteers in order of signing the book:

Adrienne Hartsock, Quitman Gahagan, David & Susan Dupré, Leslie Perrin, Chuck Ransdell, Ralph Ruder, Sam Poché, Eddie Selby, Kate McDonough, Rick Reiner, Steve Swain, Marie Ruppel, Doug Barden, Rickie Maloney, Jim Kitto, John Harsock, Maxine and Whitney Clements, Dee Lynott, Pat McCluskey, and;


Also, Toni Causey, Ron Canedo, Tom McGinn, Norman Many, Bob & Sam McRaney, Nina Tyler, Fran Twiford, Phyllis Bruscato, Susan Revels, Sandra Callender, Terry Smith, Jack Conlee, Debbie Hilton, Bob Balmat, Robin Weiss, Bob & Janice Phelps, Gala Daftary, Phil & Carla Reed, Jim Kitto, Gwen Sims, Joe Peters, and Ernest Tolliver, and;

Also, Mary Paige Phelps, Ruby Tremont, Rick Reiner, Jackie Gamble, Phyllis Bruscato, Norman Many, Lyn Gladney, Frances
Cordell, Frank Hammant, Fallon Perrin & Christopher Johnson, John Hartsock, Fran Twiford, Nina Tyler, Leigh Jeanne & Gregory Strain, Phyllis Goss, and Mark LaCour.

More thanks to behind the scenes workers goes to the publicity Mary Finney who got the word to the right publications and prepared and handed out flyer posters. During the week of the event, Mr. President Stephen Swain, ex-Treasurer James Kitto, Board Member Doug Barden, and Ruby Tremont posted flyers all over the French Quarter. Thanks to Tracy and Quitman for preparing all of the auction booklets, flyers and stationery.

Thanks to our ex-Treasurer, James Kitto who is always around for set up, back up, and for counting the money at the end of a long, long day. Thanks to Treasurer Alan Horwitz for banks and all he does all year long!

When we opened the gates, early this year, the shoppers streamed in. Your efforts make this happen. If we left you out, it’s not on purpose and accept our apologies. We sincerely thank everyone who participated, no matter how little or much, you make this worth doing!

And now… The 2017 White Elephant Sale & Auction Results:

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We look forward to seeing everyone again on Saturday November 10, 2018!

Ron Canedo, Tracy Treadaway, & Quitman Gahagan
White Elephant Sale & Auction Chairs

NOTES ON OUR 72ND BIRTHDAY PARTY

Rain! Two years in a row! But it didn't matter to 70 brave souls who attended our party at the Ursuline Convent last May 26th. We had lots of fun. Members brought wonderful dishes to share, including lots of salads, some great mac & cheese, chocolate covered strawberries and of course, Sonny Faggart's signature Deviled Eggs with Caviar. Jocelyn Connelly's Salmon appetizer was special, too, and Ralph Rudner's cake. I could go on, but we have many more people to thank.

• Thank you B.B. St Roman and Barbara Richmond for creating our charmingly festive invitations.
• Thank you to past president Tom McGinn for picking up those lovely orchids for centerpieces and the raffle. (He went all the way out to Trader Joe's for them)
• Thank you to Frances Salvaggio who welcomed our members at the front desk. Her usual partner, Lea Siegel, suffered an accident that prevented her from attending. We missed Lea and we pray for her quick recovery. Our President, Tracy Treadaway, filled in for Lea at the front desk.
• Thank you to Al Guillot and his lovely wife Susan Guillot for bartending and emceeing the raffle and cutting of the cake.
• Many, many thanks to Barbara Richmond, Kim Turner and Dee Lynot for keeping the food line neat and clean. Barbara
and Kim also helped set up the event and helped to clean up after.

- Thanks to Jim Walpole on piano and Jack Craft on cello and to Al & Susan Guillot for getting the dancing started.
- Thanks to all the wonderful people at the Rectory for letting us use the Ursuline Convent courtyard for our event. That tent kept us dry and happy. How happy? Well, 70 people enjoyed a total of 46 bottles of red wine, white wine and champagne.

We were honored to have four past presidents at the party: Jeff Collins, CJ Blanda, Steve Swain and Barbara Richmond. And thank you Blake Aucoin for donating the boutonnieres.

A special thank you to all the members who helped Clean up, starting with our lovely president Tracy Treadaway. Also pitching in were Quitman Gahagan, B.B. St Roman, Barbara Bowen, Blake Aucoin, Jerry Stowe, Janice Phelps, and new members Julie Weiner & Terry St Germain.

Many times past president Steve Swain even came by the BK House the week following the party to help put the storage area in order. Thank you Steve!

Despite the rain, it was a very successful party and I look forward to next year's event.

**Doug Barden**  
Patio Planters Birthday Party Chair
GUEST ARTICLE: HOMER PLESSY
SCHOOL UPDATES
By: Valerie Massimi

Recently Julie Hanks, Development Director of Homer A. Plessy Community School on St. Philip Street and Valerie Massimi, parent and volunteer gardener at the school, were invited by Tracy Treadway to speak at the May 2 meeting of the Patio Planters.

Julie Hanks spoke about how pleased the school community is to be in the French Quarter occupying the old McDonogh 15 building. She explained a bit about arts integration and project-based learning which is the core philosophy and practice of the school and gave the example of how a student might learn about adjectives by describing someone playing a violin. She spoke about treasuring Plessy’s connection with the Patio Planters and thanked the Patio Planters for their generous gift of benches for an outdoor schoolroom. She then spoke about building more connections in the French Quarter community through our business council, arts council and yearly Plessy Fest. Julie also expressed interest in having the school participate in the upcoming “Secret Gardens of the Vieux Carré” walking tour in October.

Next, Valerie Massimi spoke about recent beautification projects at the school. She described a corporate volunteer event at the school in which many beautification projects were done in one day, including weeding, planting and mulching many of the community facing areas of the school. She continued to describe two garden projects in the back of the school. A vegetable garden and a native garden. Both gardens are enjoyed and tended by Plessy students under Valerie’s supervision. The native garden currently has over forty varieties of native plants, many of them donated by a partner horticulturalist, Laura Reif, formerly of Longue Vue Gardens. The vegetable garden has begun to yield produce and has been nurtured by the volunteer efforts of the Patio Planters, Leslie Perrin. Valerie described her commitment to continuing the work and vision of Lucyanne Carmichael of McDonogh 15 and Constance Fowler of the more recent Kipp
McDonogh 15—both of whom have contributed wonderful and lasting foundations to Plessy’s natural environment.

Both Julie Hanks and Valerie Massimi hope to continue to build opportunities for collaboration with the Patio Planters. We welcome Patio Planters to volunteer with us in beautification or as Reading Buddies, a program that matches volunteers with one beginning reader for ongoing support in building a love of reading.

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MONTHLY RECIPE
From the kitchen of Doug Barden

Blueberry-Tahini Yogurt Cake - 8 Servings

Nonstick vegetable oil spray
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
4 Tbsp plus 1 cup sugar
2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
2 tsp baking powder
8 Servings
1/2 tsp kosher salt, plus a pinch
2 large eggs
1 cup plain whole-milk yogurt
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 tsp orange zest
2 cups blueberries
1/4 tahini

Preheat oven to 350°. Lightly coat a 9" diameter cake pan with nonstick spray; line the bottom with a parchment paper round. Lightly coat parchment with nonstick spray. Mix cinnamon and 2 Tbsp sugar in a small bowl. Set aside. Whisk flour, baking powder, 1 cup sugar and 1/2 tsp salt in a large bowl. Make a well in the center; add eggs, yogurt, oil, and citrus zest and whisk to combine. Switch to a wooden spoon or rubber spatula and gradually work in dry ingredients, mixing until smooth. Fold in berries; scrape batter into prepared pan.

Mix tahini, a pinch of salt and remaining 2 Tbsp sugar in another small bowl. Drizzle evenly over batter; sprinkle reserved cinnamon sugar over top.

Bake cake until a tester inserted into the center comes out clean, 50 - 60 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack and let cool in the pan. Invert onto a plate, remove parchment paper then turn right side up. A dollop of yogurt or whipped cream never hurt anything.
# 2018 Committee Chairs

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2018 – 2019 MEETINGS & EVENTS

Meetings
General monthly meetings are held on the FIRST Wednesday of most months at 6:30 pm and feature refreshments and guest speakers. Board meetings are held on the THIRD Monday of each month.

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Upcoming Speakers:
- August 1 – **Emily Madero**, CEO of French Quarter Festivals will join us to speak about Satchmo Fest (Aug. 3-5)
- September 5 – **Christine Coker**, PhD a Horticulture specialist at the MSU Coastal R&E Center and Director of the MSU Beaumont Farm will speak and do a demo on a mint container garden. To be followed by a specialty cocktail demo using fresh mint in recipe.

2018 Public Events

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2018 Member & Guest Events

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IN MEMORIAM

Patio Planters wishes to acknowledge the loss of the following members and friends since our last issue.

Karen Allayaud
Karen L. Allayaud, 73, New Orleans, LA, formerly of Woodstock, Illinois, died Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018, following a year-long battle with cancer. She was born Aug. 20, 1944, in Pennsylvania. She was a graduate of Woodstock High School and a piano teacher in the area.

Jerry Zachary
Jerry Zachary passed away suddenly on February 6, 2018, at the age of 72, leaving behind his lifetime partner of 27 years, Henry Bernstein. Jerry's main source of pride was his founding of the New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus (his "baby") and for which he served as choral director for many years. He also was a volunteer in many local organizations including the NO/Aids Task Force, from which he received its Volunteer Service Award.

Manolita Chesnut
Noted historic preservationist, neighborhood enthusiast, and retired real estate agent Manolita Hoz Chesnut passed away after a heart attack on February 15, 2018. Known as "Lita" to her friends, she danced splendidly less than a week before her death, charming all during this recent past Carnival.

Faye Lasseigne
Agnes Faye Lousteau Lasseigne, 89, passed away in Baton Rouge on Friday, June 8, 2018. Faye and husband George raised their 5 children in LaPlace, Louisiana. In 1985, George and Faye moved to a Pontalba Apartment on Jackson Square in the New Orleans French Quarter and lived there for seventeen years.
Patio Planters would like to thank

**Harold's Plants**
for donating an orchid to every meeting. Visit Harold's Plants at 2900 St. Claude Avenue (at the RR tracks).
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**Mary's Ace Hardware**
for allowing us to hold our meetings in their Barkus Room. Mary's is your neighborhood hardware store featuring a premier house and kitchen ware store on the second floor

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**SATURDAY**
**NOVEMBER 10, 2018**

**IN THE PLESSY SCHOOL YARD**
**CORNER OF ROYAL AND ST. PHILIP STREETS**

**WHITE ELEPHANT SALE BEGINS AT 10 AM**
**AUCTION BEGINS AT NOON**
PICTURES