

It's All About Community

by Dianne Turner, Chairperson, & "Mother Blueberry"

When I took on the task of chairperson for the "new" Blueberry Festival, my main focus was to make it a community event. An event whereby people worked together to enjoy the day together. To celebrate not only our heritage, but also what we have right now.

And it happened.

I am so proud of **all of you** who participated. YOU made it an enormous success in so many, many ways. Down-to-earth, human-to-human ways. I am also especially thankful for the untiring efforts of John Adams and Red Roudis, without whom there just would not have been a festival. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

It's about a month later and the community spirit is still bouncing. I love it! Let's not lose ground. Focus on the good out there – and there is lots of it! Get involved in other community events and functions. Make our community shine.

I would like to take a moment and express our appreciation for the generous contribution to our **Blueberry Festival** by our *Friends of the Festival*. Our street fair this year was as good as it gets. The Blueberry Pancake Breakfast put on by *Pioneer Engine Co.* #1 started the day as a sellout. The **Shawangunk Mountain** exhibits, the blueberry pie bake off and sales were a huge success.

We had entertainment, games, crafters, a climbing wall, horse-drawn wagon rides, face-painting, food, raffles and the dunking booth for a truly worthy cause. We had a real people-to-people day.

The festival committee donated serious time and energy to create this success, and I appreciate all the help I received. I can't list everyone that helped for fear that I will forget someone, but you know who you are and I thank you. The following are the generous *Friends of the Festival* who donated at least \$100 toward this event.

Again, thank you for your generous financial support and sharing in a community activity. I look forward to working with all of you next year.

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