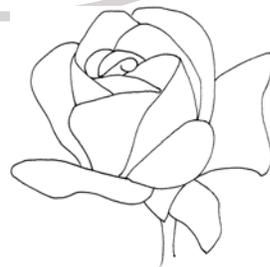


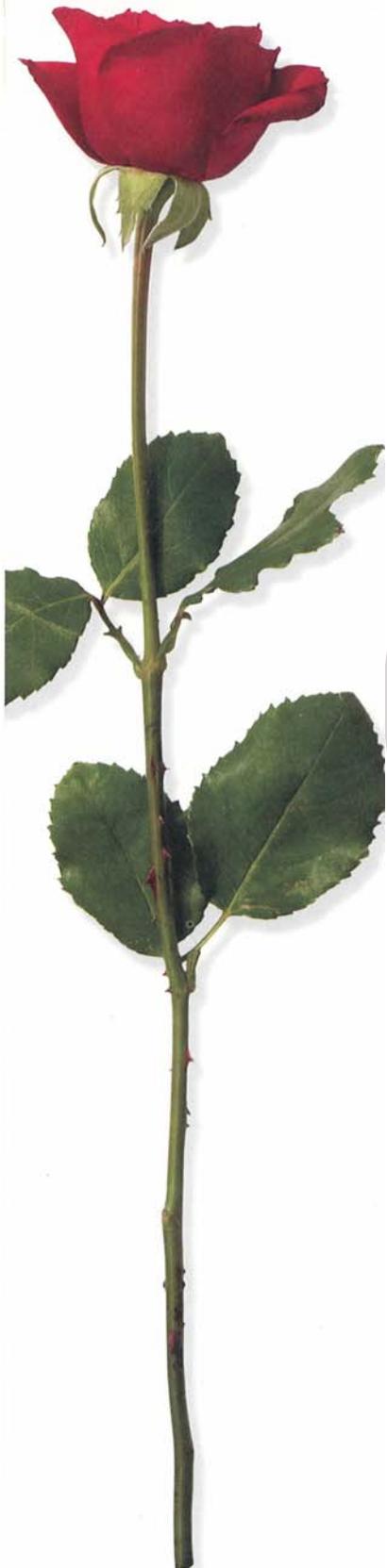
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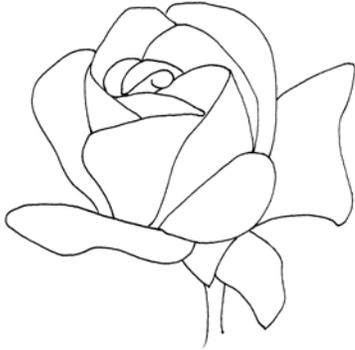


Spring Banquet!



Fancy Schmancy ...Living The Good Life!

Calling All Fancy Gals!



Bonjour Dearly:

Life is too short not to enjoy the fancier things of life. Revel in sparkling crystal, delicate china and elegant decorations. Eat fine foods. Indulge in rich chocolate. Listen to exquisite music.

This is not a “flight of fancy”. It’s real and it’s coming to your church. Create a memorable Spring Banquet filled with the finer things of life. Eat well, enjoy the company of friends and live the good life for one evening. Heavens! It may be such fun that “Fancy Schmancy” spills over into every day life! Now, wouldn’t that be fancy?

From the top of your tiara down to your sparkly shoes, delight in this girly girl event for all ages! Throw a “fancy fete” for your church! It is finally time for you to become “Posh Spice”, guilt free.

Along the way, praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

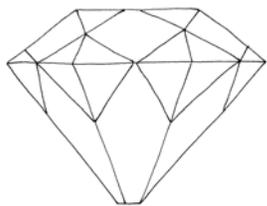
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Begin the Beguine!

Take time to smell the Roses!

Pinkies out! Let the Fun Begin!





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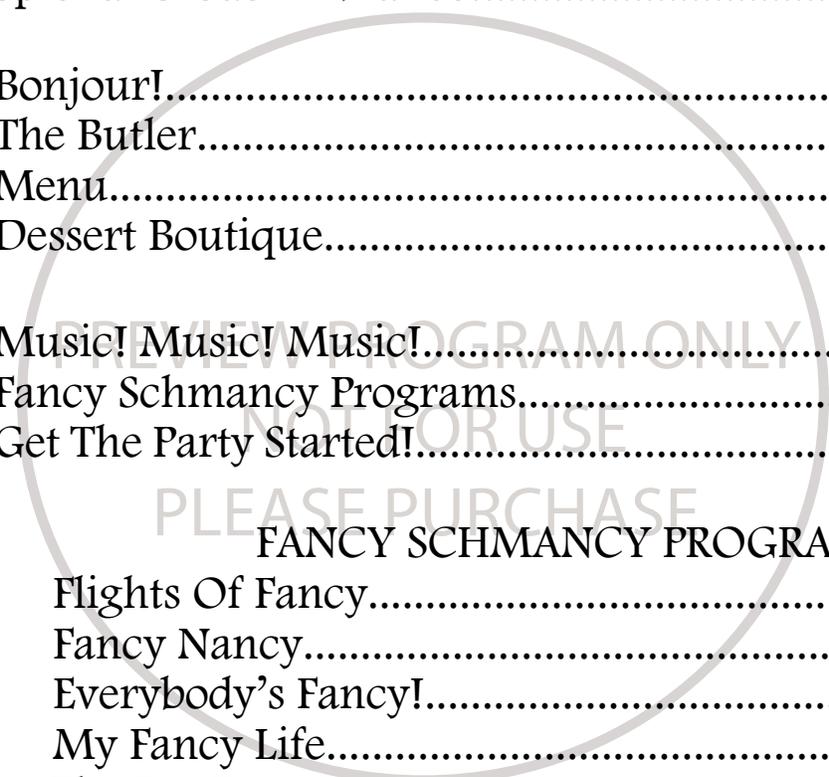
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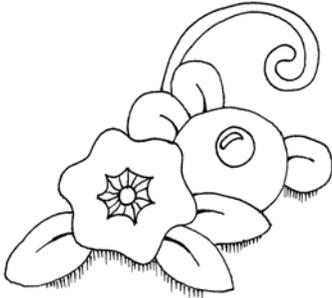
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Fancy That!



Follow these tips and add your own creative “fancies” to make your Spring event “one of a kind” elegant! Manage basic arrangements and then have fun developing the theme.

Do You Fancy A Banquet?

A banquet is a party with food as the main attraction. Add a short program, a speaker or entertainment. The occasion is enjoyable, comfortable and social. The most popular traditional spring banquet is the Mother and Daughter Banquet. There are other occasions when banquets are enjoyable. Ladies Evenings, Women’s programs, Holiday gatherings, Annual Retreats, summer picnics and even father and child banquets.

Do You Fancy A Party?

A party is a fun and games event where people mix for sparkling conversation, good food and laughter. Parties tend to be informal and hosts do not go to extra trouble to decorate. While party games were once wildly popular, there are groups who do not enjoy a lot of organized activity. It should be a highly enjoyable experience. The activities should fit the needs of the guests.

Sometimes parties do not have to be planned at all. A larger party requires good planning to handle the program, publicity, decorating, welcoming, refreshments and clean up. Delicious refreshments are offered and you know you have had a great party if you had a chance to create your own fun and remember the event fondly.



Pay Attention To Fancy Schmancy Details

Often it is the smallest detail that makes the biggest impression. Wild flowers on a table, small table gifts for each guest, background music, greeters at the door and other thoughtful gestures make individuals feel welcome, special and, well...fancy!

Practice Fancy Schmancy Christian Hospitality

In the middle of a fun activity, people should be growing in their understanding of the Lord. Everyone should be giving affection and receiving love from other Christians in the family of God. Begin friendly conversations, avoid gossip or mean spirited comments.

Set Fancy Schmancy Goals

What do you want to see happen during the two hours your guests are with you? Be specific! Plans in this workbook are complete. However, you may have more fun if you change our details to fit your needs. Add creative ideas and change any activities as desired.

Work With A Fancy Schmancy Team

Choose a small leadership team to complete all advance arrangements. The team may be as few as three or as large as ten or more. Divide tasks between team members and trust them to finish their tasks. While the leadership may be divided, one person should be in charge to keep the whole affair moving smoothly.

Fancy Schmancy Organization

Follow our suggestions adding your own creativity at the beginning of the planning process. Write down exactly what will happen and when the jobs must be completed. Do not leave organization to the last minute.



Purchase Supplies As Needed

Decide what the banquet budget is and stay within the limit. Keep expense records. Use the church tax exemption number.

Practice a Positive Approach

Maintain a light and happy atmosphere during the planning process. If your attitude is right, the rest of your team will catch the spirit. After all, this is a party!

Pray!

Pray for the event, the team and the guests. Pray as a team. Take each detail before the Lord and then-Relax!

Set Up

Provide adequate time to set up tables, decorations, props, food and other items necessary for the event. Reserve the church for the entire day and there may be situations when room arrangements must take place a day before the party.

Say Thank You

The behind-the-scenes team is the core of this event. Take time to write thank you notes, call and give small thank you gifts. Recognize your team publically at the banquet.

Clean Up

When the event is over, clean up begins. The party is not complete until the church is in order. Encourage the team to remove their props immediately. Stay to help with kitchen clean up.



Speaking Of...

A Fancy Schmancy Speaker

Invite A Speaker

By all means invite a special person to share inspirational thoughts. When using a speaker, consider reducing program segments we provide that are best performed by the guests themselves. The speaker should conclude the evening festivities.

The Perfect Person

A good speaker makes a faith connection with the specific group. Choose the speaker from a list of possibilities suggested by friends, relatives, pastor, other churches, community groups or national organizations.



Consider the Cost

Speaking fees are part of the banquet budget. Ask the speaker if she has a set fee. If not, give a generous monetary gift including traveling costs. Think about the time they invest in preparation, travel and presentation.

Give Specific Instructions

Send a letter, make a telephone call and stay in contact through the internet. Include information like highway directions, arrival time and place, group size, time limit, lodging information and other personal details.



Tell the speaker the type of program and details of what you would like their speech to include. Continue to make contact periodically until the speaker leaves home to travel to the event

Care and Feeding Of The Speaker

Assign a pre-arranged hostess "friend" to handle introduction, sit and converse with the guest at dinner to give the speaker a sense of belonging.

Be aware that it is disquieting for a speaker to enter a room of strangers, be expected to speak about personal issues and leave still feeling as if everyone is a stranger.

Pay all expenses from the time the speaker leaves their home until they return. If more meals are required, host or pay accordingly.

After The Banquet

Pay promptly. Stay with the speaker until they leave to return to their home. Thank them from your heart and always follow up with a handwritten thank you note.

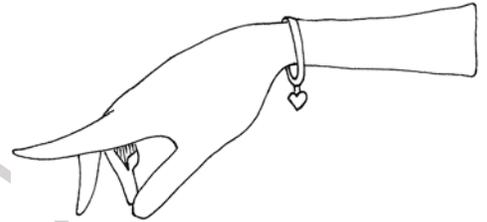
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Shouting Out...

It's DeLovely!

Because you make the effort of preparing a lovely event, filled with fun, fellowship and great food, go the extra mile to publicize. Let's face it, you have to have women come so do your best to convince them it will be a unique experience in fine dining.



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It's All About The Fancy!

Invitations, posters, registration forms, programs, handouts and centerpiece should all relate to your theme. Use the same colors, scripture, picture or logo on every piece of publicity.

Fancy Every Gal!

Send invitations to everyone in your church. If a community wide event is desired, place posters in local restaurants, businesses, offices. Insert invitations in the weekly worship folder and in the monthly newsletter.

Don't forget...one of the best places to put posters is in the Ladies Room at church and in community businesses. If a local business hesitates to put another poster in their window, suggest this "out of the way" place!



Create Buzz!

Involve lots of people in the planning stages. They don't have to be on the team but delegate tasks or small parts. Ask as many people as possible to participate in the formal program. No memorization. They read their part. The benefit? Everyone who is involved will attend and will be more likely to talk about the event and invite others. Many hands make light work. Cut stress with more help.

Wanna Have More Fancy Fun?

Let guests know prizes will be awarded for various games. Ask guests to wear their favorite "fancy" jewelry. Tell stories around the tables about the jewelry. Choose a few gals to judge a jewelry contest casually throughout the evening. Award a prize to the fanciest jewelry....first, second and third prizes make it even more fun!

Be Creative!

If the banquet is around a holiday like Mother's Day, advertise the event to the men of the church that this is a great Mother's Day gift they can give their wives and mothers. Find creative ways to make your banquet a "gift" to the women who attend.



Decorations...

Puttin' On The Ritz!



Create a simple, elegant decor. When guests enter the party area, they should see and feel the theme immediately. Discuss decoration at the beginning of the planning process. Follow our suggestions or invent your own fancy elegance.

Our tips are meant to spark your own creativity. Read and follow directions but use items that are available locally. Not every decoration listed must be used.

Choose the best and leave the rest!

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How Complicated Is This Going To Be?

This event can be as simple or involved as desired. If there are folks in your church who love to decorate, give them the responsibility to turn the room into a work of art. If no one comes forward, decorate simply at each table.

What Should Be Decorated?

Decorate tables with centerpieces and theme related items. Consider decorating the ticket table, the program area and four walls of the large room.



Tasteful, Stunning and Sublime

Remember fancy and elegant means “less is more”. Choose a few lovely pieces to make the room come to life with divine sparkle. Read the list of suggestions and choose what works for your gang and your budget.

Tables

1. White on White on White: This is probably the most elegant of all designs. White cloth table coverings, clear glass hurricane lanterns with white sand and white pillar candle, crystal accessories.

...one small white painted birdhouse
 ...white ceramic birds
 ...one white painted pine cone
 ...white napkins tied with white ribbon, white silk flower tucked inside
 ...white dishes, cups, saucers, clear stemmed water glasses
 ...sprinkle just a little bit of white/clear glitter on the table

2. Pastels: Choose very pale colors like pale green, pink and blue. Mix and match so every table has every color. Pastel table coverings, flower basket centerpieces. Choose live green leaf plants and tuck pastel silk flowers into the dirt.

...tea light candles at each place setting in small glass cups. Choose one pastel tea light color per table.
 ...white napkins tied with twine, pastel silk flower tucked in twine
 ...white dishes, cups, saucers, clear stemmed water glasses
 ...pastel colored glass pebbles scattered near centerpiece

3. Gold on Yellow: Each table covering is pale yellow. Use yellow silk roses or white silk daisies in centerpieces. Just the flower heads tucked inside a tall glass vase or hurricane lantern look lovely. In fact, mix yellow roses and white daisies in the same container.

...tall yellow candles grouped near the flowers in gold candle holders
 ...white napkins tied with wide gold ribbon
 ...white silk flower, brush white glue on tips of flower, sprinkle gold glitter onto glue and let dry.
 ...spray paint pebbles with gold spray paint, scatter on table



4. Silver on Black on White: Each table covering is pale gray (silver). Spray paint small craft boxes glossy black for centerpieces. Add one white or silver pillar candle. Fill box with white flowers, tipped in silver glitter with white glue. Trim with black ribbon bows. Place centerpiece on silver tray or mirror.

...black napkins tied with silver ribbon, pale pink silk flower, brush white glue on tips of flower, sprinkle silver glitter onto glue and let dry.
...scatter faux pearls/pearl necklaces on table

5. Tiffany Blue: "Breakfast At Tiffany's". Choose the Tiffany blue color for table coverings. Add groupings of white candles in crystal candle holders, bowls or vases. Intertwine beautiful white ribbon and small jewelry boxes spray painted Tiffany blue and tied with white ribbons.

...white napkins tied with white ribbon, white silk flower
...silver and pearl costume jewelry scattered on table
...white formal gloves and evening purse draped near candles

There are many dazzling color options. Choose one that you know will delight your group. Stay within the same color family for a more elegant appearance.

Serving Tables

If the dinner is a buffet, place items in the same colors on the serving tables. Scatter items along the length of the table. Flower buds, ribbon, glitter, ceramic pieces, etc. will be follow through to the theme.

Table Gifts

It's always thoughtful to offer table favors. Choose something small to place at each place setting. Tiny white ceramic birds, candles, silver charms, candy box or other items matching the theme.



Stage Presentation

Feature lovely, elegant items on the stage or at one end of the room. Make the display lovely to look at by using beautiful antique items loaned by friends, relatives and church members.

To make the display unified, cover small tables, boxes, stands with large white bed sheets. Scatter white twinkle lights that will show through the fabric. This creates eye appealing multi levels.

Display at least two or three fancy lamps. These extra lights will shine down on crystal, jewelry or quilt fabrics. Request a variety of items so the display will be interesting to view. The result will be unique and personal to your group depending on what people own and are willing to share.

Suggestions for Antiques to display:

- ...Crystal vases, bowls, glasses
- ...Teapots, tea cups
- ...Jewelry
- ...Picture frames
- ...Handmade Quilts
- ...Embroidery work
- ...Lamps, Candle stands,
- ...Hand painted jewelry boxes, furniture
- ...Old clocks
- ...Beaded purses
- ...Antique Wedding gown and veil

Background Music

Play music as guests enter and throughout dinner. Take into consideration the fact that conversations will be taking place. CD/Cassette volume should be carefully controlled. Play music at the end of the evening as guests are gathering their belongs.

Consider music from a specific time period . The big bands of the 1940's still offer beautiful sounds with an upbeat tempo. Look at www.Amazon.com to find bands like Artie Shaw and His Orchestra. Frank Sinatra tunes, smooth jazz, Christian jazz and classical pieces.



Live music is always appropriate and fun. Ask a pianist, organist, harpist, small jazz group, classical string quartet, college or high school musicians to participate. Be prepared to feed them and offer a small honorarium.

Art Supplies, Decorations, Small Gifts

Use resources available in your community. Check out craft shops, party stores, discount stores and rummage shops. Make table decorations, programs and table gifts. Check the Internet for fun, affordable items.

Door Prizes: Ask if businesses and restaurants are willing to donate gifts or gift cards. Buy small, lovely items like picture frames, note holders, lamps, make up bags, pill organizers, tea cups, key chains, potted plants, candles, stuffed animals and costume jewelry.

Find inexpensive items that are appealing to the feminine eye. Gifts are not necessary but often make the event special and fun for those who attend.

If young children are present, include toy gifts that charm them. Stuffed animals, coloring books, jewelry and books are great choices.

Catalog Stuff

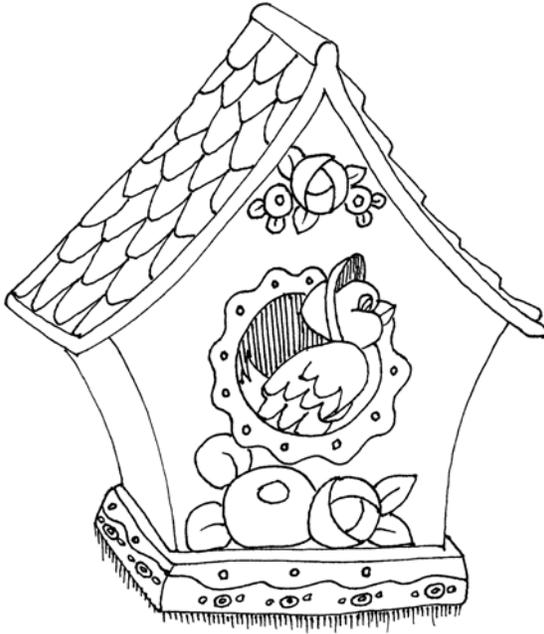
Check out S&S Arts and Crafts web site: www.ssw.com for supplies at a great price.

Oriental Trading Company offers a wide variety of appropriate decorations and gift items. See their website at: www.orientaltrading.com



And So We Begin....

Splendiforous Ambiance!



Consider crowd psychology. No one enjoys going to a party where everyone remains a stranger, little conversation occurs and a subdued mood becomes awkward. Everyone enjoys an event where people are talking and laughing, light and temperature are controlled, music sets the mood, strangers are just new friends and tables are inviting.

When The First Person Arrives, The Party Has Started

Greet guests cordially, give them a name tag and direct them to the party area. If special items are on display, encourage guests to travel from spot to spot as the crowd gathers. They may examine table decorations. Help them choose a place to sit or find their assigned table and specific seat. Point out rest rooms and conveniences within the building. Keep guests out of the kitchen!!!

Get Acquainted

Put people at ease with smiles and hospitality. Help them get acquainted with simple table activities. Place conversation starters under each plate. Scatter pens or pencils at each table and place paper puzzles or short games in obvious places so guests can work together to win a table prize.



Getting Together

Help the guests “sense the whole”. Enthusiastic group singing encourages togetherness and so do mixers.

Small Groups

Place guests in small groups and offer opportunities to make more intimate contact with others. Devise an activity that could be done in pairs or fours. Dividing by birth months is an effective way of creating smaller groups across all lines: age, color, sex.

Alternate The Pace

Some activities might be interactive and some quiet. Have some activities requiring a mental challenge with pencil and paper, group skits and sometimes activities for the whole group.

Build Toward A Climax

Complete a few exciting activities just before dinner and continue the fun after the meal.

Close With a Whole Group Activity

Do not end the evening with refreshments. Bring everyone together with a whole group activity. It could be singing, listening to a story, letting people tell what they enjoyed or a frankly spiritual closing with a serious skit or talk, songs, hymns, praise choruses, sharing and a benediction featuring a fellowship circle.

Clean Up

Leave the church cleaner than you found it. Often those enjoying the fun are asked to help clean up. That can be fun and don't forget “many hands make light work”.

Tip: Keep the music playing through clean up. Take a moment to sing and dance with other workers!

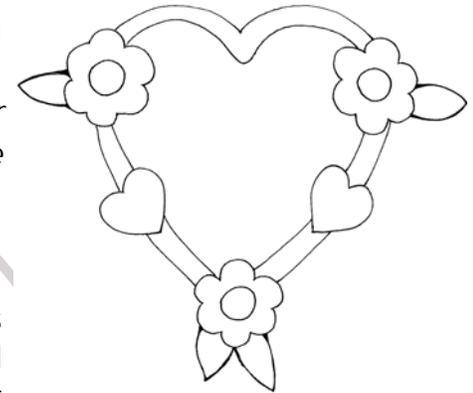


Get Your Glam On....

Bonjour!

(Everything Sounds Better in French!)

Welcome *Fancy Schmancy* guests in an area where they are royally welcomed and treated to delicious chilled punch (*Make our recipe or serve your personal favorite beverage*) while coats are removed and table seating is confirmed.



Make this a delightful treat by serving a delicious cold beverage in crystal punch bowls with crystal cups. Consider serving small appetizers on silver trays. Add color coordinated beverage napkins.

Cover the punch table in white linen and fill the table with lovely silk flowers and candles.

Play soft background music as guests begin arriving one half hour before the banquet begins. Encourage them to enter the hall where they roam from table to table and enjoy the "fancy" table decorations and staged display.

Pink Paradise Punch

- 1/3 cup Kool-Aid Cherry Flavor Sugar-Sweetened Soft Drink Mix
- 1/3 cup Kool-Aid Tropical Punch Flavor Sugar-Sweetened Soft Drink Mix
- 1-1/2 qt. (6 cups) cold water
- 1 pint (2 cups) vanilla ice cream, softened
- 1 bottle (1 liter) carbonated lemon-lime beverage, chilled

PLACE soft drink mixes in punch bowl. Add water; stir until drink mixes are dissolved. Add ice cream; stir until melted. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

STIR in carbonated beverage just before serving.



The Butler!

Ask several men (any age) to become butlers. Their task is to serve the ladies in any helpful way as the event progresses.

FYI (For Your Information): *Butlers are the aristocrats of servants. In fiction and film, the butler is often portrayed as guardian of tradition and protocol who caters to his ladyship's every wish. He has a hospitality mind set and anticipates what is needed. A butler is a man servant responsible for food service, silverware and the department of other servants.*

Butlers dress in white shirts, black bow ties (or regular ties), black dress slacks and dress shoes. If one or more own tuxedos, all the better!



Greet guests formally with arms down at sides. Bow slightly with a quick, stiff bow. Hand them a program as they enter the hall.

Butlers carry silver trays filled with appetizers, beverage and napkins. As guests gather, the butlers mingle with the gathering group, approach and politely offer an appetizer. Assist with seating as guests approach tables.

"Would Madame enjoy an appetizer?"

"May I help you with your coat, Ma'am?"

"Allow me to assist you."

"Allow me to take that for you."

"Very good, Madame."

When cups are empty, place them on the silver trays and return them to the kitchen. Always be aware of the needs of the guests.

Butlers are formal and do not enter into casual conversation. They are unobtrusive, serve quietly and disappear only to return to serve once more.

Butlers become table servers during the banquet meal. The same formal tone should be carried through the meal. Offer coffee and dessert and whisk away dirty dishes as quickly and quietly as possible.

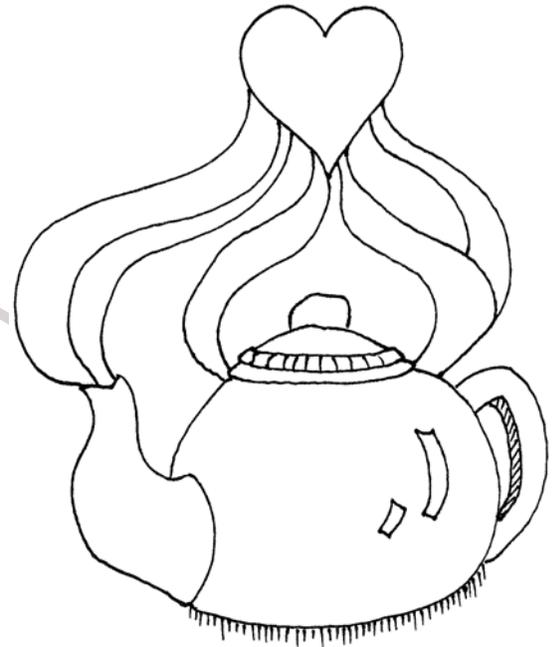


M-m-m-Magnificent... Pinkies Out...
Menu!

The menu is the most important detail of the banquet event. Choose food your group enjoys and will remember fondly! We make suggestions but you know your gang best.

Plan accordingly!
Make it fancy!

Plan the menu and assign a kitchen team to prepare the meal. Since this is a special event for the gals, it doesn't seem fair to ask them to cook their own party food. Ask the men of the church to cook and serve or consider local caterers! Ask a local Boy Scout troop. They often look for community service projects.



Silver Tray Appetizers

(While guests mingle)

- Teriyaki Chicken Skewers Toast points Veggie Tray W/Dip
- Cheese and Cracker Tray
- Stuffed Mushrooms (sausage)
- Meatballs Chicken Wings
- Eggplant Miniature Quiche

Option #1–Dinner Ideas

Soup and Salad Bar

Choose One or Two: Swiss Steak, Stuffed Chicken, Stuffed Shrimp,
 Pasta Primavera, Salmon, Pork Tender Loin, Chicken Florentine
 Baked Potato or Rice Pilaf

Vegetable Options: Asparagus Spears, Buttered Corn,
 Mixed Vegetables,
 Rolls/Butter
 Dessert



Option #2–Breakfast Buffet

An endless buffet of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage patties, home-made home fries, fresh breakfast breads, orange and cranberry juice.

Coffee Tea Milk

Option #3–Continental Breakfast

Include an assortment of pastries and formals, bagels with cream cheese, a fresh fruit tray, orange and cranberry juice.

Coffee Tea Milk

Option #4–Formal Luncheon

An assortment of wraps and classic sandwiches served with a tossed salad, pasta salad and a bowl of chips.

Iced Tea Cookie Tray

Option #5–Dinner

Salad of Choice

Stuffed Pork Chops

Roasted Red Potatoes

Vegetable: Carrots and Peas

Rolls/Butter

Dessert

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Sometimes children do not enjoy the delicious foods adults anticipate eating. Consider an optional Children’s Dinner Menu at a lesser cost.

Children’s Menu #1

Chicken Nuggets W/Ketchup

Jello Cubes

French Fries

Cold Drink Dessert

Children’s Menu #2

Hamburger on Toasted Bun W/Ketchup and Pickle

Potato Chips and Celery Sticks

Apple Slices

Cold Drink Dessert

Children’s Menu #3

Hot Dog On Bun ~ Choice of Toppings

Tater Tots

Fruit Cocktail Cup

Cold Drink

Dessert

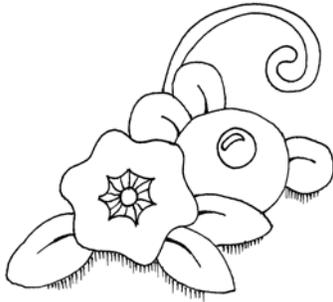


Sweet Confections...

Dessert Boutique

"Let them eat cake." -Marie Antoinette

"Sweets to the sweet." -William Shakespeare



Bring out the "fancy" in *Fancy Schmancy* during dessert time. Don't shrink from the responsibility. It will be fun...really...trust us...fun!

Consider offering a *Dessert Boutique* with an array of fancy desserts served from rolling carts by the formal butlers. Guests choose their favorite dessert at the appropriate time. Replenish beverages as well!

Here are suggestions to get you started. Add your own creations as desired.



Chocolate Cake With Sliced Strawberries

Angel Food Cake With Sliced Strawberries

Cheese cake

Pie (any flavors)

Homemade Chocolate Candies

Brownies and Vanilla Ice Cream

Tropical Fruit Cup

Chocolate Bananas and Vanilla Ice Cream

Tiramisu

Frosted Cupcakes

Strawberry Shortcake

Pudding Parfait Topped with Whipping Cream/Shaved Chocolate

Of course, appeal is in the presentation. Be sure to squirt ribbons of chocolate or fruit topping across the plate before placing the dessert on it. Add a live flower to the top. Cut fruits and place on plates as accessories. Drizzle warm toppings just before placing on the Dessert Boutique cart.

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: While it is not possible to prepare totally separate foods, it may be possible to accommodate those who have restrictions due to health or allergies.



Begin The Beguine....

Music!

Music!

Music!

Play pre recorded background music as the group arrives. Christian CD's, soft jazz, classical music or show tunes are appropriate.

There are great Big Band CD's available. Non vocals work best. Check www.amazon.com for Artie Shaw and His Orchestra, The Glenn Miller Orchestra, Cole Porter orchestrations. Excellent Christian jazz and big band music is available online.

Conversations are a priority so play CD's softly as a pleasant diversion, setting a fancy mood for the event. Carefully control the volume.

Does your community have amateur/professional musicians willing to attend? Think about asking a violinist, guitarist, harpist, pianist or ensemble to perform as guests arrive and as they enjoy dinner.

Sing fun songs and Christian choruses after dinner.

Ask a pianist to accompany the group.

Choose familiar songs.



Group Song Suggestions....

Making Melody In Your Heart

Piano music is not included. Here are a few common songs that you may have or can obtain easily. Some songs can be sung A capella.

Choruses:

Tis A Gift To Be Simple
He Owns The Cattle On A Thousand Hills
Father I Adore You
Majesty

Oh Lord, You're Beautiful

Keith Green

Oh Lord, You're Beautiful Your face is all I see.
And when your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds to me.

More Precious Than Silver

Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
and nothing I desire compares with you.

Hymns:

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Crown Him With Many Crowns
Beautiful Savior

Make New Friends

Sing the first verse as a Round. The other verses will be a novelty for those who have never heard them.

Make new friends, but keep the old.
One is silver, and the other gold.

A circle is round, it has no end.
That's how long I will be your friend.



A fire burns bright, it warms the heart.
We've been friends from the very start.

Silver is precious, Gold is too.
I am precious and so are you.

You help me and I'll help you.
And together we will see it through.

Across the land, across the sea,
Friends forever we will be.

Think about this!

Consider asking local talent to sing throughout the program. Tuck a solo here, a duet there and a trio near the end. You choose the appropriate music.

Consider this!

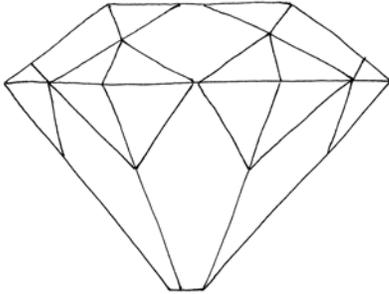
Provide a strolling violinist or guitarist during dinner. The musician wanders from table to table playing lovely pieces of music as desired.

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Make A Memory....

Fancy Schmancy Programs



Many groups enjoy creating a "take home" keepsake in the form of a printed program. While not necessary, it is a nice addition to the banquet event. Use the church copier to make all copies.

Cover

The cover should match the predominant color of the table decor.

Use heavier stock and make copies on the church printer/copier.

Artwork may be simply the name of the event:

Fancy Schmancy...Living The Good Life!

Trim

Punch holes in top or sides and thread wide ribbon.
Tie in knot or bow.

Add an inexpensive charm or colorful bead to the ribbon

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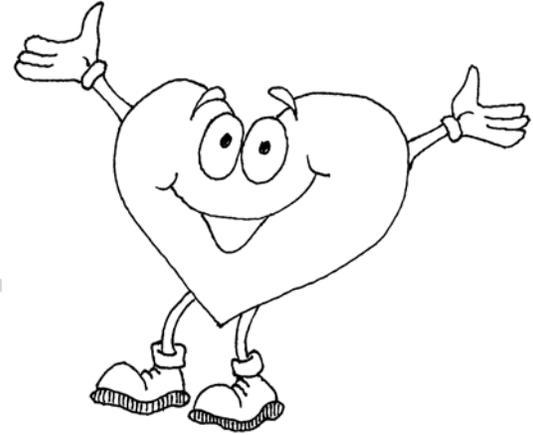
Include the menu, committee members, kitchen crew and servers, song lyrics, small artistic touches and a bit of poetry.
Be sure to use "fancy" titles.



Razzle-Dazzle 'Em....

Get The Party Started!

Seat guests informally
at prearranged tables.
Be sure families sit together
if this is a Mother-Daughter Banquet.



As groups arrive,
encourage them to get to know
one another by playing games
provided on each table.

Guests may team up to answer the questions.

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Furnish small prizes for each successful table group.

Prizes may be Hershey Kisses,

Mini candy bars or other tiny treat.

Walk the prizes to the guests as they win.

Secret: Let EVERYONE win at least once.

Use games we suggest
or find others to fill the need.

Copy as many as desired
on colorful paper.



Snazzy Quiz



Team up with younger gals who may need help completing this 20 question quiz! Have fun and let's see how much you remember about some less-than important things from a few decades back. Have fun!

We'll tell you the answers later.

1. What builds strong bodies 12 ways?

- A. Flintstone Vitamins
- B. The Buttmaster
- C. Spaghetti-O's
- D. Wonder Bread
- E.. Cod Liver Oil

2. Before he was Muhammed Ali, he was....

- A. Sugar Ray Robinson
- B. Roy Orbison
- C. Gene Autry
- D. Fabian
- E. Cassius Clay

3. Pogo, the comic strip character said, "We have met the enemy and..."

- A. It's you
- B. He is us
- C. He's really mean
- D. He surrendered

4. Good night, David.

- A. Good night, Irene
- B. Good night, Chet
- C. Good Night, Gracie
- D. Sleep Well

5. You'll wonder where the yellow went,

- A. When you use Tide
- B. When you clean your tub
- C. When you use Lady Clairol
- D. When you brush your teeth with Pepsodent

6. Before he was the Skipper's little buddy, Bob Denver was Dobie's friend:

- A. Corky
- B. Zippy Zoo
- C. Stuart Whitman
- D. Maynard G. Krebs

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7. Liar, liar...

- A. Join the choir
- B. Jump up higher
- C. Pants on Fire
- D. I'm telling mom

8. Superman fights a never ending battle for truth, justice and....

- A. Wheaties
- B. Lois Lane
- C. World peace
- D. The American Way

9. Hey kids, what time is it?

- A. It's time to do your homework
- B. It's Howdy Doody time
- C. It's time for Romper Room
- D. Scoobie Doo Time

10. Lions and tigers and bears....

- A. On no
- B. Yikes
- C. Oh my
- D. I'm scared

11. Bob Dylan advised us never to trust anyone

- A. Over 40
- B. Over 30
- C. Over 20
- D. Wearing a uniform

12. NFL quarterback in a television commercial wearing women's stockings.

- A. Troy Aikman
- B. Joe Montana
- C. Joe Namath
- D. John Elway

13. Brylcream...

- A. It's a Dream
- B. We're On Your Team
- C. A little dab'll do ya
- D. Greaseball Heaven

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14. I found my thrill...

- A. With my man Bill
- B. Over the hill
- C. Down at the mill
- D. On Blueberry Hill

15. Before Robin Williams, Peter Pan was played by...

- A. Clark Gable
- B. Mary Martin
- C. Doris Day
- D. Sally Fields

16. Name the Beatles

- A. John, Paul, George, Roscoe
- B. John, Paul, George, Ringo
- C. Jason, Betty, Skipper, Hazel
- D. Jay, Paul, George, Ringo

17. I wonder, wonder, wonder, who...

- A. Who did the laundry?
- B. Who ate the Wonder Bread?
- C. Who wrote the book of love?
- D. Who asked me this question?

18. I'm strong to the finish...

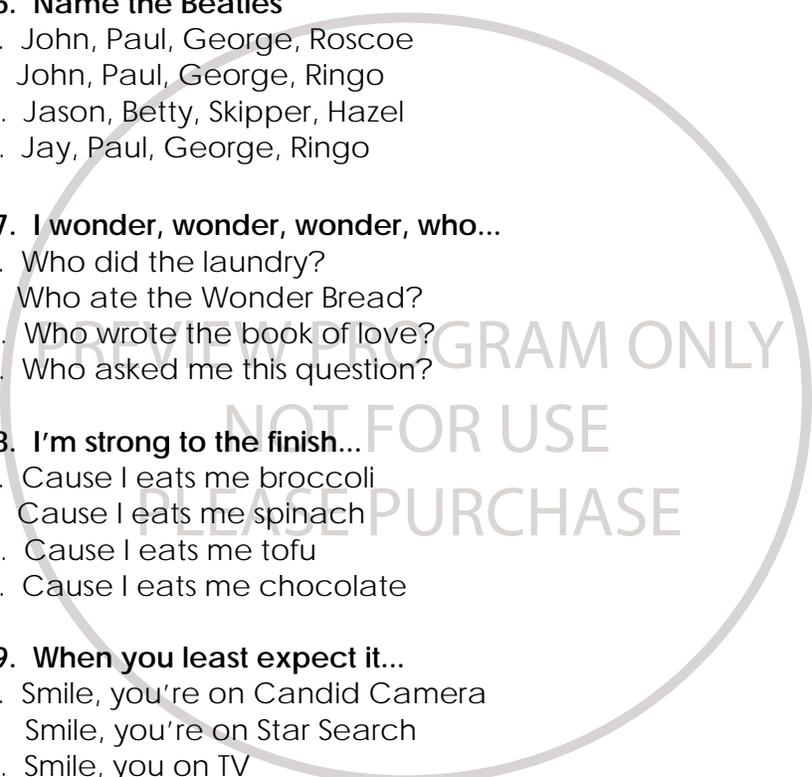
- A. Cause I eats me broccoli
- B. Cause I eats me spinach
- C. Cause I eats me tofu
- D. Cause I eats me chocolate

19. When you least expect it...

- A. Smile, you're on Candid Camera
- B. Smile, you're on Star Search
- C. Smile, you on TV
- D. Smile, you're a hit

20. What do M&M's do?

- A. Make you fat
- B. Melt your heart
- C. Melt in your mouth, not in your pocket
- D. Melt in your mouth, no in your hand



OK, That's It!
Here Are The Right Answers!

*Don't give the answers until everyone has tried to answer.
Prizes? Give all successful Snazzy Quizzers a Hershey's Kiss!*

1. D. Wonder Bread
2. E. Cassius Clay
3. B. He is us
4. B. Good night, Chet
5. D. When you brush your teeth with Pepsodent
6. D. Maynard G. Krebs
7. C. Pants on fire
8. D. The American Way
9. B. It's Howdy Doody Time
10. C. Oh my!
11. B. Over 30
12. C. Joe Namath
13. C. A little dab'll do ya
14. D. On Blueberry Hill
15. B. Mary Martin
16. B. John, Paul, George, Ringo
17. C. Who wrote the book of love?
18. B. Cause I eats me spinach
19. A. Smile, You're on Candid Camera!
20. D. Melt in your mouth, not in your hand!

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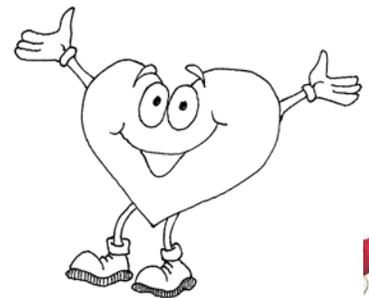
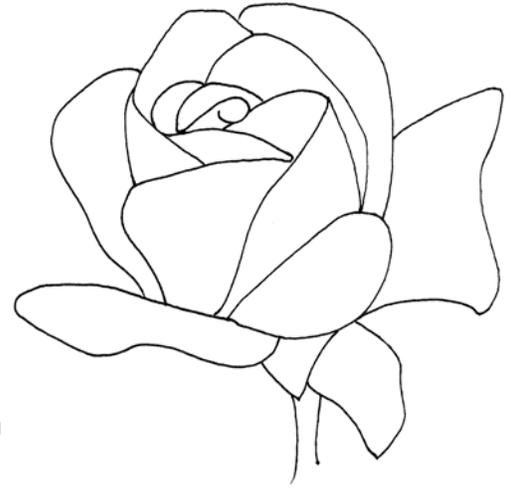


Table Talk

Have fun getting to know each other. Share answers to these interesting questions with everyone at your table before and during dinner.



1. Tell us your middle name and explain why your parents gave it to you.
2. What is your favorite “fancy” piece of jewelry and why?
3. Tell us about your “fanciest” vacation.
4. Tell us who your favorite “fancy” person is and why?
5. Tell us about your favorite “fancy” outfit and where you wore it.



Program Introduction....

Flights Of Fancy



Welcome to *Fancy Schmancy...Living The Good Life!* We trust you are enjoying this fancy event and find it tasteful yet flashy, lovely yet lavish and softly sublime yet splendiferous.

Life is too short not to enjoy the fancier things of life. Let me ask a personal question; how many of you have lovely, fancy things wrapped in soft cloth and hidden in china closets? (Raise of hands) That's what I feared. Too many of us are saving our "fancies" for a special occasion.

Are you saving a beautiful hat or a lovely suit for the perfect event? Maybe you have great clothes hanging in your closet but each day you wear the old clothes for "just around the house." After all, nobody will see. Funny, how as soon as you think that sad thought, the doorbell rings!

Let's make a promise, a pinkie swear which can never ever be broken. Hold your pinkie high in the air and repeat after me:

I will enjoy my fancy stuff. --I promise to set the table with my good dishes-- and real cloth napkins --and a napkin ring. -- I promise to wear my velvet jacket-- to pick up the kids at school. -- I will clean my house-- even if company is NOT expected. -- I promise not to let a "fancy" opportunity pass me by!

Of course there is more to life than fancy stuff. God promised us an abundant life. Jesus said, "I have come that you might have life, abundant and free..." (John 10:10) Now, that's a *fancy* life. We tend to call it the *good* life. Whatever we call it, God has set His children...His girls...apart and wants us to enjoy His good life. With joy and with a few "Flights of Fancy", we hope you celebrate the good life during this "fancy schmancy" evening.



Fancy Nancy



Two gals appear on stage to present this short skit. They are going to have a “fancy” duel deciding who is the fanciest Nancy of all time.

Fancy Nancy #1 wears an evening gown, high heels, colorful boa, lots of jewelry (many necklaces, bracelets, rings on every finger, large earrings), tiara, glittering evening bag.

Fancy Nancy #2 dresses nicely but plain. No glitters, no outward show of jewelry or other accessories.

Begin the skit with the Nancys standing back to back in all their fancy glory. Nancy #1 is high and mighty in speech and snooty in attitude. Nancy #2 is down to earth, loud and practical.

NANCY #1: Bonjour! Good evening, dahlings! My name is Nancy...Fancy Nancy. I just love being fancy, don't you?

NANCY #2: Wait a minute! I'm Fancy Nancy. I just love being fancy, don't you?

Face each other for the “fancy” Contest.

#1: Stop right there. There can only be ONE Fancy Nancy and that's me. My friends all say I'm the fanciest girl they know.

#2: Well, I am the ONLY Fancy Nancy around here. And, *my* friends tell *me* I'm the fanciest girl they know.

#1: There cannot be two Fancy Nancys, Mon Cherie. We must settle this once and for all.

#2: Yeah, we must, *my dear*. How can we do that? Wanna play rock, paper, scissors? Winner takes the title.



#1: No need, deary. I can prove I AM the Fancy Nancy without a common child's game.

#2: Prove it. Right now. Come on. I'm waiting.

#1: Just look at me! I ooze fanciness. Everything I wear shouts "flashy", "dazzling", "flamboyant" and "classy". That's it. I win!

#2: Not so fast! What's wrong with what I'm wearing? I'm neat and clean. I bought this outfit specially for this evening. The lady in the store said all the "fancy" gals are wearing it this season. I'm insulted.

#1: Now, don't get your panties in a knot. I'm sorry if I offended you, dahling. You do look- (*roll eyes*)- nice. If we must, we can call it a tie. Let me think. Fancy comes from the heart. My heart just "sings" fancy. (*Try to sing a few fancy operatic notes-badly.*)

#2: (*Shaking head with finger in ear*) I'll have to give you that one. You have quite a "fancy" singing voice. My heart is fancy too. Let me think. I-I-I, well, I LOVE people. That comes from the heart, doesn't it?

#1: Hmm, right. You've got me there. It's a tie so far. Let me think...I'm the real Fancy Nancy because I have lots and lots and lots of money. Okay, beat that one.

#2: (*Sadly*) I can't beat that one. I have just enough to be comfortable. I pay my bills and I have a little left over to give to folks who need help now and then.

#1: (*Joyfully*) I win! C'est la vie, mon cheri! (That's life, my dear.) Don't you think everything is better in French?

#2: Is that all there is to being Fancy Nancy? There must be more to it. Clothing, Talent, Money and speaking French are nice but there's so much more to living the good life. Why don't we pray about it? God will give us a little guidance.



#1: Pray? What does prayer have to do with anything? Personally, I don't bother God with my little troubles. I can experience the sweet smell of success all on my own, thank you very much.

#2: *(Quietly)* I think I just won the Fancy Nancy Contest. *(Take Nancy #1 by arm)* Let's stroll through the park, friend. I have some very good news to tell you. God loves you and has a plan for your life...and it's going to be fancier than you ever imagined.

EXIT ARM IN ARM

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Fancy Song For Little Girls....

Everybody's Fancy!

Gather the youngest girls to perform this familiar little tune from the television program "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood". The melody is familiar and easy to teach. Sing it A Capella. If you need a reminder, listen to it at www.pbskids.org

Everybody's Fancy by Fred M. Rogers

Some are fancy on the outside.
Some are fancy on the inside.
Everybody's fancy. Everybody's fine.
Your body's fancy and so is mine.

Boys are boys from the beginning.
Girls are girls right from the start.
Everybody's fancy. Everybody's fine.
Your body's fancy and so is mine.

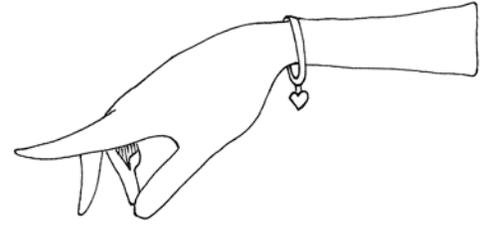
Girls grow up to be the mommies.
Boys grow up to be the daddies.
Everybody's fancy. Everybody's fine.
Your body's fancy and so is mine.

I think you're a special person
And I like your ins and outsides.
Everybody's fancy. Everybody's fine.
Your body's fancy and so is mine.



A Fancy Poem....

My Fancy Life
by Julie Donner Andersen



A big mansion with servants?
Wads of spending cash?
My house is mortgaged to the hilt,
And "I" take out the trash.

I don't watch plasma TV
On a 36" screen.
There's tinfoil on the "rabbit ears"
So programs can be seen.

My rusty auto's radio
Can only get AM.
But the kids learn jazz and classical
When they ride in mom's sedan!

CD's are just useless
When you still own your LP's.
(You can't improve on something that
Brings back great memories!)

My microwave's a toaster.
My phone? It has a cord.
DVD's and VCR's
I can ill afford.

But I have a computer,
The Internet and Word!
And when my kids let me online
I'll finally own the world!



For Young Fancy Girls... The Tea Party

Assign parts as desired to several young girls. (As few as two girls or as many as four or five girls)
Each little girl wears a big, fancy hat.

The girls speak as they sit around a small table on stage or one of the guest tables.

No memorization necessary.



_____ : I love tea parties!

_____ : What's a tea party?

_____ : You know, it's when you get all dressed up in your fanciest clothes, sit around a table and drink tea out of fancy cups and eat cucumber sandwiches.

_____ : Cucumber sandwiches! Yuck! I don't want to go to a fancy tea party. I'll stick with peanut butter and jelly, thank you very much.

_____ : Where's your sense of adventure? Let's have a tea party. You're wearing the right hat for it.

_____ : First we need a fancy teapot, tea cups, lots of flavors of tea and sugar, not just any sugar, sugar cubes. We'll take the cubes out of the sugar bowl with tiny silver sugar tongs.

_____ : Sounds like a lot of work to me. Can't we just go to McDonald's?

ALL GIRLS: No!



_____ : We need real silver teaspoons and lemon slices in a dish with a small fork. We need strawberries on each plate. And cake! We must have cake!

_____ : Don't forget the music! Classical music is best for a fancy tea party.

_____ : Let's put candles on the table. My mom lets me light candles. I know how to do it. You have to be very careful. She says it's a privilege to light candles and only the best girls can do it.

_____ : If we have candles, we need bouquets of pink and white flowers. Everyone knows a fancy tea party must have flowers.

_____ : And we must send invitations! I'm a very good "printer". I'll print the names.

_____ : Should we take pictures? Maybe I can borrow my dad's camera if I promise not to break it.

_____ : Let me think...tea, cake, candles, flowers, invitations. I can't think of anything else we need. This will be the fanciest tea party ever, on the face of the earth!

_____ : I just thought of something we forgot.

_____ : No, I think we have everything.

_____ : Except.....

ALL GIRLS LOOK AT EACH OTHER AND EXCLAIM AT THE SAME TIME:

FRIENDS!

EXIT TOGETHER



For The Mature Fancy Girl....

My Favorite Things

(Tune: My Favorite Things)

This parody of Julie Andrews' great song from "The Sound of Music" was written for Julie to sing when AARP celebrated her sixty ninth birthday. Sadly, a botched surgery for polyps on her vocal cords left Julie unable to sing at the party. Can't you just hear that voice?

Options: Make copies of the lyrics so everyone can sing or ask one "fancy" gal dressed in fancy clothes to entertain the guests. No piano needed unless someone has the original sheet music. Sing A Capella!

Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings
Bundles of magazines tied up with string,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Cadillacs, cataracts, hearing aids, flashes,
Polident, Fixodent, false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

CHORUS: When the pipes leak,
When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad.
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions.
No spicy hot food and no food with onions.
Bathrobes and heat pads and hot meals they bring.
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pains, confused brains and no fear of sinning.
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinning.
And we won't mention our short, shrinking frames,
When we remember our favorite things. **CHORUS**



Fancy Style Show....

Fancy Feet!

Stage a short style show featuring several kinds of foot wear. Each shoe or pair of socks has an inspirational twist!

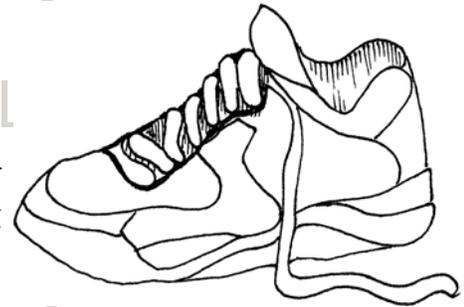
Shoe models wear their fancy feet through the crowd and onto a raised stage so everyone can see their feet. If not available, the models remove their shoes when they reach the front of the room and show them to the guests.

Play soft instrumental music in the background throughout the entire style show. Speak into a microphone in a calm soothing voice.

Welcome to an exceptional FANCY SCHMANCY...LIVING THE GOOD LIFE Fancy Feet Style Show. Sit back, relax and feast your eyes on this fancy footwear!

RUNNING SHOES

We welcome our first Fancy Feet model, _____, wearing her ever popular running shoes. Notice how firmly her feet touch the ground as she runs.



There is no better way to get fit than to go for a run! Whether you are a beginner who is transitioning from walking to jogging or a serious marathoner who wants hill workouts and speed work, there is a running shoe made for you! The most important investment runners should make is in a good pair of running shoes—not cross training, walking or tennis shoes. Go to the right store to get the right shoe. If you do, you will be sure that each time your foot strikes the ground, it is in the right place.

God's Word has lots of great advice for the Christian runner! Listen to this: "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win."
1 Corinthians 9:24





WALKING SHOES

Here comes our next Fancy Feet model, _____, wearing a comfortable pair of walking shoes.

Walking shoes are your most important item of foot gear. There is not one best walking shoe in comfort or in style. The best walking shoe is the one that fits *you* best, the one that gives you proper support, flexibility, cushioning and compensates for any stride problems you may have. Each person’s feet are different. Take all advice with a grain of salt and find an expert to help you find the walking shoe that fits you best.

God broke the mold when He formed you to be the unique person you are. He said, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. And before you were born I consecrated you....” (Jeremiah 1:5) You are different from everyone else on purpose! Take advice with a grain of salt and let the Lord guide you into the good life He has planned for you!

HIGH HEELS

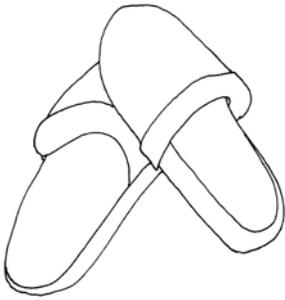
This Fancy Feet model, _____, has a challenge. Can she wear these high heels for long periods of time? Has she chosen well? Perhaps she has “over stepped” her ability to wear a shoe that crams her toes forward.



Nothing will spoil a night faster than feet that are killing you. That is generally what a new pair of high heels will do if your feet aren’t used to them. What do you do if you have looked and looked and can’t find comfortable high heels? Wear shorter heels. Break in your new high heels at home. Wear flat shoes. It could make the difference between a fun night on the town and a miserable one.

Are you living the good life on a higher plain than God planned for you? It could be painful! Be careful! Back off a bit and settle into a more comfortable good life. Don’t worry, God will take care of you and you will have a wonderful, pain free life!





COMFY SLIPPERS

This Fancy Feet model, _____, has "happy feet". She has chosen comfy, cozy bedroom slippers that make her toes smile. Well, if toes could smile, her toes would be grinning!

There was a little girl who wore her bedroom slippers in her bedroom only. When asked why, she had a simple answer, 'they are called bedroom slippers'. This is simply incorrect. Slippers should be worn in the entire house. Don't forget to change them if you go outside!!!

Give yourself the gift of comfy slippers. Whether they are plush, fuzzy, or golden leather with marabou fluff, a good bedroom slipper makes you forget the cares of the world. Choose a color that matches your sleepy mood and drift away on clouds of comfort.

Isn't that the comfortable good life we all desire? A place to rest. The Lord has provided a place of rest if we seek Him.

Jesus said, "Come unto me, all who are weary and burdened, I shall give you rest." Matthew 11:28

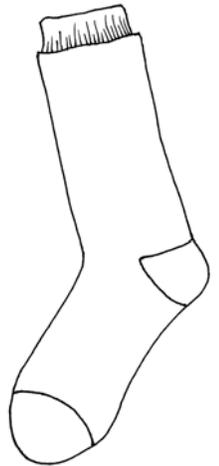
FANCY SOCKS

Get as many children to model socks as possible. From baby girls to teens, ask them to wear the brightest, craziest, fanciest socks they own. No shoes! Socks only. When they get to the front, have them sit on the stage or floor and lift their feet as high as possible, wiggling their socks in the air!

Look at all these Fancy Feet. Everyone is smiling, dancing, running and walking to the beat of their own drumming feet.

Oh, the joy of socks!

Soft socks, knee socks, fancy socks with lacy cuffs,
 ankle socks, bobby socks, sports socks
 White socks, black socks, blue socks, new socks.
 One foot, two foot, lost and found socks.
 Baby socks, grown up socks, clean socks, dirty socks.



Simple socks, argyle socks, knit socks, toe socks.
Cotton socks, nylon, silky and cashmere socks. Socks that
rock, socks that knock, socks that shine, socks that scooch.
Socks with ribbons, socks with lace.
Socks that hang by the fireplace.
Sock puppets and sock muppets.
Homemade socks and socks from stores.

Filly socks and socks so plain.
Socks with stripes and socks in the rain.
Red socks, Green socks, Brown socks, Yellow socks.
...Any sock you can "kick back" in is a great sock!

Look at the variety of fancy feet God made. He loves each and every one and never worries about how big or small the feet may be. Does God have a sense of humor? Oh yes! He made you didn't He? And he made me!

FLIP FLOPS

_____, our flip flops Fancy Feet model knows how to while away a summer day on the beach or on a shopping spree.



Footloose and Fancy free! Toes that peek out to the world to see! So many styles of flip flops have made these a perennial favorite world wide. These flat, backless, sandals were designed around the traditional Japanese wooden soled sandals.

Worn all over the world, in the USA, England and Australia they are known as thongs and flip flops, in South America–Sandalias, in Slovakia–Zabky (frogs), in Denmark–Klip klappere, in Israel–toe slippers. In South Africa–slops. In Uganda–makambos. The US Army calls them shower shoes but in the US Navy they are called "go-slowers" (a play on "go-fasters", the Navy term for running shoes).



Whatever you call them, are you ready to get out into the world as God's Ambassador? Whether you travel next door or to another country, your fancy feet will carry you safely. Jesus gave our fancy feet their marching orders:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." *Matthew 28:19-20*

RUBY SLIPPERS

This is the grand finale of the shoe show. Get an inexpensive pair of pumps. Spray paint them red if they are not red already. Spray glitter on the shoes so they sparkle. Red bows top center, also glittered, make the shoes even more authentic.

OPTION: If possible, dress the model like Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz. Long pigtails, gingham apron over a full skirt, white ankle socks worn with the shoes. She carries a small basket over her arm with a small stuffed dog peeking out of it.

And who is this sweet Fancy Feet model? It looks like, _____, reminding us of someone who wore the famous Ruby Slippers.

Treat your feet to sweet memories of days gone by. After all, Ruby Slippers walked the Yellow Brick Road all the way to the City of Oz. Did you ever once hear Dorothy Gale from Kansas complain about sore feet? Nope! She just danced along that road, making friends and reaching her destination safely!

Isn't the Ruby Slipper a great reminder of where we are heading? Heaven is just a step away. We can limp along the yellow brick road as we make our journey or we can wear comfortable, yet beautiful, shoes and dance our way to the golden streets of God's City.



Jesus said, "If I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also." John 14:3

When we get there, we can expect the fanciest party anyone has ever attended. My fancy feet plan on being there. How about your fancy feet?

CONCLUSION: Let's give all our models a round of applause as they give you another look at their amazing Fancy Feet!

All models walk around the tables and through the room, showing off their shoes/socks as guests applaud.

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Seriously....

Fancy Words

The way we speak every day, completes the picture people see of our lives. We may look fancy on the outside, but what really counts is the fanciness on the inside. Listen to a few three word phrases that can enrich every relationship.

I'LL BE THERE

"Being there" is at the very core of kindness.

I MISS YOU

This powerful affirmation tells partners they are wanted, needed, desired and loved.

I RESPECT YOU

Respect is a powerful way to affirm the importance of another person.

MAYBE YOU ARE RIGHT

This is the humility of admitting, "Maybe I am wrong".

PLEASE FORGIVE ME

A woman should never be ashamed to own up that she has been in the wrong.

I THANK YOU

Gratitude is an exquisite form of courtesy.

COUNT ON ME

A friend is one who walks in when everyone else walks out.

LET ME HELP

Without being asked, a real friend pitches in and helps.

I UNDERSTAND YOU

One of the most powerful tools for healing any relationship.

GO FOR IT

Encourage uniqueness. Everyone has dreams no one else has.

And the three little words you have been expecting to hear have to reserved for those who are truly special....**I LOVE YOU!**



Fancy Advice....
Fancy That!



Advice For Living A Good Life

Mother Teresa of Calcutta
Founder of the Sisters of Charity

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centered;
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;
Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true
enemies;
Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;
Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;
Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;
It was never between you and them anyway!



Farewell....

Goodbye My Fancy!

You and I have something in common. We start with a rough sketch of what we expect our life to be, but at some point on the journey we become broken, maybe disillusioned or lose our way.

We say, "This isn't the good life I imagined. I'm looking for the good life in all the wrong places. I keep thinking if I can just be "fancy-schmancy" everyone will think I'm living the good life. Deep inside I know I'm not fancy at all."

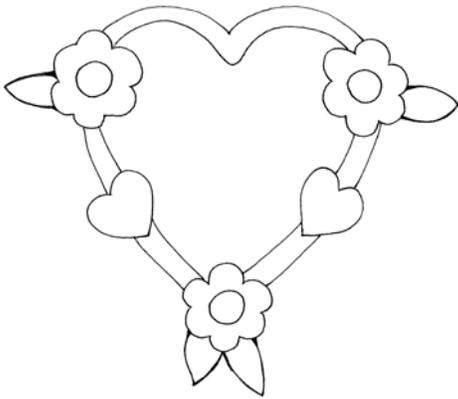
Someone wrote, "The richest man in the world once said, 'A simple life in the fear of God is better than a rich life with a ton of headaches.' Don't settle for just achieving "the good life," because the good life is not good enough. Ultimately it doesn't satisfy. You can have a lot to live on and still have nothing to live for. Aim instead for "the better life"—serving God in a way that expresses your heart. Figure out what you love to do—what God gave you a heart to do—and then do it for His glory!

We women are spiritual creatures who have a deep need to connect with our Creator. It is in connecting with Jesus that we become whole, complete.

How do we connect? There are no shortcuts. God's plan is that we speak to Him in prayer, often. He inspired the words of His love letter to us, the Bible. He obviously thinks we should read it, often. But it is in worship that we truly connect to our loving Heavenly Father. He meets us when we spend time with Him. He hears us when we pray. It's time to know Jesus intimately.

Listen and you will hear His Spirit whisper to you...

"Arise my love, my beautiful one, and come away with me. Winter's past, rains are over and done; flowers appear, the time of singing has come—Come away with Me."
Song of Songs 2:10-13



Fancy Conclusion...

Musical Fancy!

Special Music:

Ask someone to sing
a solo, duet or trio.

Guests Sing Together:

“Tis A Gift To Be Simple”

Close in prayer.

Go home faithful servant
knowing you have done
your best to honor Christ!

Take a fancy-schmancy bubble bath!

