

Junior Warden's Report, George Rector

Looking over my shoulder toward the last year the responsibilities of Junior Warden have largely been directed toward the usual issues of maintenance. Mowing and trimming continue during the warmer months of the year. The windows of the church and parish hall have been washed, the carpets of the two buildings have been cleaned, and the gutters have been cleared of a year's accumulation of leaves, pine cones, and small branches. We have a new church sign on Forest Hills Road which invites all who pass by to stop and join us in fellowship and worship. And the old metal sign which once hung next to the cemetery driveway is undergoing an experimental facelift. If it survives the process it will be placed along Hwy. 107 near the intersection with Forest Hills Road.

As we look ahead to the year to come we are all aware of the absence of our dear friend Muff Lyons, whose recent move leaves a void in the life of this congregation. Muff, during her time here at St. David's, was a study in motion and a constant presence who worked tirelessly to ensure that our buildings and grounds were well cared for. In any given year, quietly working alone, she accomplished more than most crews of hired hands might have done. How, then, do we compensate for this loss? This was a question raised at our recent vestry meeting. The proposed answer was to form a Buildings and Grounds Committee which would include the Junior Warden among its members. So I invite anyone who might be interested in serving on such a committee to speak to me at church or to contact me at home. If enough of us work together we might be able to approximate Muff's level of care and attention.

Finally, I hope that in the spring and again in the fall we can continue the tradition of an all-hands-on cleanup of the church grounds. Maybe two weeks or so before Easter? And a fall cleanup either close to WCU's homecoming or to All Saint's Day might be possibilities.