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At the Meeting, we also talked about the use of our wonderful building and our partnership with Sai Baba who contributes substantially to our community life and to our budget. The Board of Trustees believes that there are other community based programs delivering services consistent with our Ministries and Social Action who may well be in need of rental space that Community Church can provide. This is win-win for everyone -- providing space allows their programs a home to grow, enhancing our own Ministries and budget as well as the residents of our community. Therefore we are creating a Marketing Task Force - starting with a brainstorming session to spawn ideas and to explore this avenue of activity and ending with a marketing plan. If you have not yet been asked and have ideas and/or energy to contribute, contact me at [\*\*president@communityuuchurch.org\*\*](mailto:president@communityuuchurch.org).

Next, Community Church was quite successful last year in fundraising efforts collecting about \$20,000 from the Balloon Festival parking concession, the Community Church Service Auction and the Summer Pops Concert. And, although we did well...we need to make more. Sarah Reiling is heading another "think tank" to develop one or two more ideas for fundraising for Community Church. By the way, this set of fundraisers will be focused on attracting contributions from people outside our church community not just milking further dollars from our own population.

If you did not want to think about the Marketing Plan, then how can you resist bringing your creativity to expanding our fundraising efforts? There are lots of budding ideas buzzing around both work groups and lots of emerging energy. But do not be misled...there is much work to do and your ideas are essential to make it fun and profitable. So go to your computer or pick up your phone and contact Sarah Reiling at [\*\*sarahreiling@verizon.net\*\*](mailto:sarahreiling@verizon.net).

Fun...did he say fun? Really? Yes Virginia, really!! To make my point, let's think about Summer Pops which will take place on Saturday, August 27th with the theme of "Just Kidding", songs from our childhood in production format. Now how can you resist that? Even I will be offering a rendition of a favored tune. So here is a chance to perform with friends, family or by yourself. Contact Robin Coulonge, Dawn Graham or Kelly Poche Rodriguez with your ideas and energy as a performer, stage hand, publicist or more. But, even more importantly (to continue the fundraising theme from above), now is the time to set a date with friends and family who are not part of the congregation to attend with you. Let's show our talents to others in our life, in our family, in our community. We have lots to share and lots to give.