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Every Sunday:

- 9:45 AM Choir Practice
- 9:45 AM Adult Forum
- 10:30 AM Child Care - until 12:30 PM
- 11:00 AM Youth RE Summer Program (k-5th, Rm K)

Adult Forum Topics:

- August 6, TBA
- August 13, TBA
- August 20, TBA
- August 27, TBA

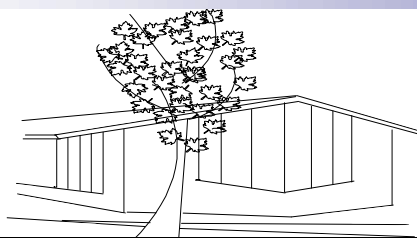
August Highlights:

- \* 2nd Sun. Potluck & Welcome to Rev. Lyn, 8/13, 12:30 PM
- \* Woohoo Wednesday, 8/16, 6:30 PM
- \* Congregational Discussion Meeting, Sun. 8/27, 12:30 PM



GATHER WATER ON YOUR TRAVELS

for our In-Gathering and Water Ceremony at summer's end.



# The Meridian

## August Sundays (11:00 AM)

### Aug. 6 | The Freethinkers' Bible for Survival

*A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.* Today Professor David Felder will present ideas from his *Freethinkers' Bible for Survival*, a work he is currently completing. Prof. Felder's bible reflects his belief that the world needs more freethinkers to meet growing crises in population, environment, energy, and extinction of life forms; and new developments in warfare, genetics, and computer technology. He asserts that, to survive these crises, we must discard obsolete views and find new way of thinking. We must generate appropriate wisdom to confront our multiplying global conundrums. (Also brief greetings from Rev. Lyn Plumb.)

**Guest Speaker: Prof. Dave Felder; Lay Leader: Tony Lloyd**

### Aug. 13 | Between Hello & Good-bye: Not Hell, But Hope

*Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations, and the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.* Universalist founder John Murray's most famous quote advocated not hell, but hope. As we bid hello to new leaders and a new interim minister, Rev. Lyn will explore ways that this church both is and can continue to be a place not of hell, but of hope. (Also leadership installation ceremony.)

**Rev. Lyn Plumb**

### Aug. 20 | Chronicle, Parable or Myth?

*A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.* Telling our stories can provide facts, lessons or even deep meaning. Rev. Lyn will tell stories about how a church's life and members' lives are so often intertwined. What can these stories, and others, become for you - chronicles, parables or even myths? (We'll also light candles of joy and concern.) **Rev. Lyn Plumb**

### Aug. 27 | "For the Times They Are a-Changin' "

From the decades-old words of Bob Dylan comes a timeless message about change for us all. **Rev. Lyn Plumb**



WELCOME TO OUR INTERIM MINISTER, REV. LYN PLUMB !!

## *Rev. Lyn's Plumb Lines*

As of this writing, I am still knee deep sorting boxes, books, and a million other sundry items (how do they multiply?!). I am also preparing to begin my interim time with you by doing much reading, studying and taking an interim training course.

One of the things that has become abundantly clear to me during my first few days in this lovely city of Tallahassee is that all the people from this church I've met or talked to so far have been wonderfully welcoming, gracious, thoughtful, and insightful, and extremely helpful and eager to be of service.

I look forward to meeting even more of you during August. And, if the rest of you are even half as wonderful as those I've already met, I know our year together will be a profitable one, hopefully putting you in a most propitious position for your future.

Many blessings, Rev. Lyn

## *Committee on Ministry Report*

### *Newest Member - Proposed Bylaws Changes*

By Bob Deyle, COTM Chair

We honor Sara Reece for her dedicated service on the Committee on the Ministry for the past three years. Sara completed her term at the end of June, and Tony Lloyd has been appointed by the Board to fill the vacant position. Maria Mena has begun her second year on the committee, and Bob Deyle has assumed the duties of chair as the senior member of the committee.

A little about our new member, Tony Lloyd – Tony is a budget analyst with the FL Department of Revenue and also a 21-year veteran army officer. He has been an active member of the Finance Committee since joining the church in August 2005 with his wife Hollie, who currently serves on the Settled Minister Search Committee. Tony attended church (mostly Baptist) every Sunday growing up in West Virginia, Kentucky, and Georgia, but became disenchanted with the Christian church in college and has been agnostic for the past 20 years.

Tony and Hollie began attending UUCT shortly before we experienced the upheaval of Rev. Amy's departure. Tony reports that, "As an interested but dispassionate party, I witnessed the congregation face its challenges with openness, frankness, and inclusiveness. The honesty and resolve of the congregation I observed over the ensuing four months

convinced me that this is a community worthy of my commitment." He and Hollie hoped to find a "church home" for their family in UUCT. Tony says: "I wanted to find a community where I could grow spiritually without having to accept dogma I no longer believe. I wanted a place where my daughters, Sierra and Drew, could have our teachings of right and wrong, fairness and social equality reinforced. I wanted to find a church that truly accepts and welcomes all human beings." We are very fortunate to have Tony joining the COTM at this time.

One of the principal tasks to which the COTM devoted its time and energies during the past year was to examine its role in the UUCT congregation in the light of contemporary concepts of how committees on the ministry can function most effectively in mid-sized churches. This newer model is described as follows by the Rev. Anne Heller, District Executive of the UUA Pacific Northwest District, in her book, *Churchworks: A Well-Body Book for Congregations* (Skinner House, 1999): "Committees on Ministry are designed to track the heartbeat of ministry within a congregation; how the members . . . take care of themselves and each other, how the lay ministerial leadership serves a congregation; and how the called minister serves the congregation. It seeks to understand,

assess, support, and advocate for robust ministry throughout the context of congregational life."

The COTM's self-study was punctuated by the experience of Rev. Amy's resignation, and the congregation's efforts to come to terms with her resignation and to move on in ministering to each other and to the greater Tallahassee community. As a result of its self-study and those experiences, and with input from Rev. Bill Murchison and UUA FL District Executive Rev. Mary Higgins, the COTM has proposed some revisions to the UUCT Bylaws. Some of the proposed changes refine the role of the COTM. Others concern the congregation's relationship with the minister.

The UUCT Board reviewed and discussed the proposed revisions with the COTM in early July. Following approval by the Board for a congregational vote, the proposed revisions will be made available in pdf format on the UUCT website and in hard copy at the church. A congregational discussion meeting will be held on Sunday, August 27 to address any questions or concerns that members of the congregation may have. A formal voting meeting on the proposed Bylaws revisions is scheduled for Sunday, September 10.

## *President's Message*

### **Sailors on the Sea of Fate -- Church Navigation**

By DeWayne Carver

Imagine a waterfall at the edge of the universe. Below in the abyss is Chaos -- utter disorder and dissolution, but also heat and light. Away from the waterfall is perfect order -- frozen and unchanging, but also cold and dark. And we, my friends, are a ship on the sea somewhere between the two. What's more, it's a sailing ship, just because I'm writing this and I think sailing ships are cool. But I digress.

Get too far from the waterfall, and we freeze and stagnate. Perhaps you can imagine this as a church closed to newcomers, cliquish and unwilling to accept new ideas or new energy. But, if we get too close to the waterfall, over we go, sucked down into the chaos. This might happen if a church outpaced its finances, or if the vision of the leadership was not aligned with the congregation.

The curious notion they teach in leadership school is that we should hover somewhere near the waterfall, but not too close. We need the change, the uncertainty, and the unknown outcomes near the edge, so we can grow spiritually as a community. But we need surety of our common vision and love for each other to remain a community of faith. This means we have to be willing to take some risks, but we must always be aware of how close we are to the edge, and how much we have to lose.

If you are a church leader (and with the number of committees we have, who isn't?) keep this in mind. What is the vision of your committee or vice presidency or board? What are you going to do this year to bring our church closer to the beloved community that we seek? What are you going to do to challenge us, and

yourself, to make a difference in the wider world? And how do your plans fit in with UUCT's mission and vision? Are you sailing into the safety of "what we've always done?" Surely you are not charging recklessly over the edge! What will you and your part of the ship do to keep us in our holy, precarious condition at the edge of chaos?

With all this in mind, we are blessed to have a new interim minister joining us this month. Reverend Evelyn Plumb is with us for the coming year. I hope she will teach us how to get a little closer to that edge while still keeping control of our ship. So put on your life jacket, if you feel so compelled, and be open to trying something different, but also help us all remember why we come to UUCT and what it is we love about our church and each other.

In faith, DeWayne

## *Settled Minister Search Committee (SMSC)*

By Bob Deyle, SMSC Chair

### **Draft Ministerial Search Congregational Record to be Available for Review**

The SMSC plans to have the first draft of our UUA application ready for review and comment by the congregation by mid-August. Once finalized, the so-called "Congregational Record" will be "unveiled" (posted online at the UUA's website for settled minister candidates) after it is reviewed and approved by our ministerial settlement representative, Rev. Katy Korb. Prospective candidates who find our congregation attractive will then submit their "Ministerial Records" to the SMSC through the UUA website.

The Congregational Record (CR) provides the first impression that prospective candidates will have of us.

It is important, therefore, that we describe ourselves positively and accurately. Feedback from the congregation on the SMSC's draft, will, therefore, be valuable.

We plan to post a copy on the UUCT website and provide copies for review at church. We will have SMSC members available to answer your questions and hear your comments after church on August 20 and 27 (and possibly August 13 if the CR is ready by then). Written comments can be sent to the committee by mail or email.

One critical piece of the information that is included in the CR is the salary and housing compensation being offered to prospective candidates. A Negotiating Team recently appointed by the Board set to work in July to

prepare a proposed compensation package for review and approval by the Board and the congregation. The Team includes SMSC member, Mimi Jones (chair), Committee on the Ministry member, Tony Lloyd, and President-elect, Steve Urse.

The Board is scheduled to consider the proposed compensation package at its meeting July 30. The proposal will then be made available to the congregation for a discussion meeting on Sunday, August 27, coincident with the discussion on the proposed Bylaws revisions described in a separate article from the Committee on the Ministry. A congregational voting meeting will be held on Sunday, September 10, on both the proposed compensation package and the Bylaws revisions.

## Social Justice

### Harmony Camp News

By Joanne Taylor

Harmony Camp was a huge success because of our many wonderful volunteers. Our gratitude goes to **all who donated to the scholarship fund** and to all of you who participated in our numerous camp activities.

Time and expertise were generously donated by the following: **Melissa Angel, Don Berger, Althamese Barnes, Tina Bush-Rester, Carolyn Canterbury, Fenn Cawthon, David Cook, Mary Cordero, Kandy Crowe, Charlotte Dudley, Elinor Elfner, Amy Hall, Dave Harvey, Debbie Holt, Pam Hoskins, Linda Jamison, Geraldine Johnson-Johnson, Abbe Justus, Terri Martin, Maria Mena, Sheri Mishler, Peggy Lentz, Margaret Mooney, Ed Oaksford, Claire Sand, Isabel Sheridan, Barbara Sterling, Joanne Taylor, Kelley Turnage, and**

**John Whitton.** My apologies for anyone who may have been omitted from this list, as it was submitted before camp. And a big thank you also goes to **UUCT Office Administrator Kathie Mackie** for going above and beyond the call of duty in supportive work before camp began.

We cannot say enough about the spirit of generosity of UUCT members in their support of our camp. We are even planning to share our success at General Assembly!

Note: Extra special thanks go to **Joanne Taylor** for coordinating our 2006 Harmony Camp!

### TEAM

By Pam Crosby

TEAM (Tallahassee Equality Action Ministry) is a congregation-based community organization comprised of 19+ faith-based groups united to hold

systems accountable to their intended purposes. TEAM brings diverse people together (faith, racial, ethnic, social/economic) to redress community concerns that affect poor and low-income people.

In July, Adrienne Davis, lead organizer for TEAM, spoke at UUCT about TEAM's latest efforts. This session was the first of several sessions throughout the year at UUCT that will offer opportunities for UUCT members, friends, and others to find out more about TEAM, learn more about social action issues in Leon County, and contribute ideas to the ongoing mission.

To learn more and to get involved, contact Pam Crosby (385-3292) or Brian Lee (877-1972), UUCT's TEAM co-coordinators. You can also visit <http://teamtally.org>

## Trustee Tidbits

By Joan Lund, FL District UUA Trustee

Thanks to all the FL District UUs who attended the 2006 General Assembly (GA). A report on my GA observations/ doings should be on the District website now (or soon). Of importance now: 1) how you could serve our Association, and 2) the CCF Initiative.

1) Our UUA Nominating Committee is seeking candidates who offer a balance of skills, life experiences, cultural competencies, abilities, and geographic representation for the committees, commissions, and positions elected at GA. Consistent with the intention to become an anti-racist/anti-oppression/multicultural institution, we want groups to embody that intention. If you are interested in helping carry out the UUA's mission, contact me ([jlund@uua.org](mailto:jlund@uua.org)). Applications (available on-line) must be received by 8/15/06. We need you!

2) CCF ("Congregations Come First") is an initiative of our UUA moderator, Gini Courter. The purpose is to find ways to remove organizational obstacles to congregational health and vitality, with a goal of recommending actions to ensure equitable allocation of resources for service and support of our congregations and their missions. A team of elected and appointed lay leaders, religious professionals, our moderator, and several UUA staff will consult with congregational, district, and national leaders, both lay and professional, taking a comprehensive systems approach to address the inequities, inefficiencies, and bureaucracies that impede service and support of congregations. They have been asked to report their findings and recommendations to the January, 2008 UUA Board of Trustees meeting.

How it is...And how it should be: Although our UU covenant calls us to be equitable, open, and in right relationship, staff support for congregations is inequitable and insufficient. Geography, access, and design vary enormously among districts. The way we fund our faith is cumbersome, commercial, and divisive. Now is the time to remember, refresh, and revitalize our UU covenant and strengthen the connections within our UU community.

What you can do: Visit [www.uua.org/administration/committees/ccf/](http://www.uua.org/administration/committees/ccf/), which will be updated as materials are received and/or developed, and review the materials. Send the CCF team your best thinking at [ccf@uua.org](mailto:ccf@uua.org). Respond to invitations to conversations. Answer surveys that are posted on this site. Talk with me if you wish.

## Announcements



### VP Social Justice Vacancy

Due to her upcoming move, Melissa Forgey has resigned as VP for Social Justice. This is an important position at UUCT that needs to be filled soon! The Bylaws provide that the Board may appoint someone to the position temporarily until the next congregational election takes place.

If you'd like to find out more about this position, view the job description, or suggest yourself or someone else for consideration, please contact Board president DeWayne Carver (402-0622, [ddcarver@earthlink.net](mailto:ddcarver@earthlink.net)) or Nominating Committee chairperson Don Crosby (385-3292, [donald.crosby@att.net](mailto:donald.crosby@att.net)). The other members of the Nominating Committee are Eliza Coyne, Howard Pardue, Linda Oaksford and Richard Dempsey, who is the past president serving on the committee.

### To All Who Pledge

We have begun our July 2006 to June 2007 fiscal year. Please mark your checks "06/07 pledge" for contributions to this year's pledge. We urge those who did not complete last year's pledge to do so now. Please mark these checks "05/06 pledge." We accept contributions at any time. This past year we received \$11,489 in pledge contributions for the preceding fiscal year ending in June 2005, some as late as September 2005. - Thomas Chase, Collecting Treasurer

### Volunteers Needed For Nursery

Love babies? Like reading stories to kids? Need an excuse to play with legos or doll houses? Consider volunteering for one hour in the nursery! We need a few good volunteers to help out our nursery staff. Contact DRE Maggie Geraci if you'd like to help!

### Three People Needed!

The Youth RE Program is looking for three people who are willing to give 3 hours a month of their time and energy to the kids in the program. We need three teachers – one for the preschool class (ages 3 to 5) and two for the Bridgers Class (grades 3 – 5). Have you ever thought about volunteering as teacher in the Youth RE Program, but hesitated because you thought it would be too time-consuming?

With our teaching teams, teachers rotate their teaching schedule, and it works out to about one class a month (only an hour). Most teachers report needing about two hours of preparation time for a class. So, for 3 hours a month, you could make a difference in a child's life. We provide the curricula, training, and supplies. You provide the time, love and support of our children. Teaching RE isn't just for parents with children in the program; we need help from all members and friends of UUCT. For more information, contact DRE Maggie Geraci.

### Sunday Set-Up Help Needed

Only 14 individuals have signed up to help with Sunday morning chair set-up in 2006 - 2007. It takes 2 or 3 people each Sunday morning. With 52 weeks of services, we desperately need more people willing to be on the e-mail list to help with this UUCT task. We're sure there are others who could help from 9:00 - 9:40 AM on Sunday mornings! Please e-mail Elinor Elfner ([eelfner@comcast.net](mailto:eelfner@comcast.net)) to indicate your willingness to help. THANKS!

### Audio-tapes & CDs

Audio-tapes and CDs of Sunday services are available for 4-week loan. Sign-out information, tapes and CDs are in the church audio closet. Contact: Gwendolyn Waldorf (668-3346, [dcbgbw@comcast.net](mailto:dcbgbw@comcast.net)).

### Sunday Social Hr. Experiment

Just a reminder that in August we'll continue to experiment with serving only coffee after Sunday services, with potluck continuing as always. Individuals and groups who want to celebrate an event by sharing food with the congregation should let the controller coordinator (Nancy Harvey) or the controller for that month know. Those bringing food will be responsible for food set up and kitchen cleanup.

### Kitchen Volunteers Needed

We are still looking for November and December kitchen controllers. If you can volunteer to be responsible for only 2 or 3 Sundays in one of those months, please let Nancy Harvey ([npharv@aol.com](mailto:npharv@aol.com)) know, and she will look for someone to do the other Sundays.

Also, each week we need at least one clean-up volunteer strong enough to lift trays full of dishes and glasses into and out of the dishwasher. If this sounds like you, consider volunteering more often! Sign up at the back of the church or contact the month's kitchen controller or Nancy Harvey.

### E-Mail Distribution

If all goes according to plan, this *Meridian* will be the last issue sent via bulk mail. We will switch to electronic distribution for all those who have e-mail and are willing to receive it that way. Members and friends without e-mail or those who experience technical difficulties with large electronic files will receive the newsletter via first-class mail. Visitors will be asked to provide their email addresses, purchase a subscription to receive *The Meridian* via first-class mail (\$25 minimum), or pick up a copy each month at the Sunday visitor table.

## Appreciation



### To:

- **Eleanor and Earl Enge, Barbara Sterling, Mary Braunegel, Christine Boczarska, Lugenia Dixon, Frank Deasy and Susan Snyder, Mary and Francis Ventre, and Isabel Sheridan** for greeting Sundays 6/25-7/16.
- **Dorothy Mann, Jan Miller, and Nancy and Dave Harvey** for hosting June Sunday social hours.
- Dishwasher wizards and clean-up champions **Jerri Lee Wagner and Randall Gann**; pot-luck Sunday all stars **Carolyn and Howard Pardue**; and helpers **Jan Miller, Dorothy Mann, Will Adkins, Marja Millard, Earl Enge, Christine Boczarska, Joe Lama, and Dave Harvey** for June kitchen clean-up duties.
- **Eleanor and Earl Enge, Joan Patterson, and Jan Miller** for giving Jerri and Randall rides to church and waiting while they worked their wizardry!
- **Nancy Harvey and Isabel Sheridan** for serving as June kitchen kontrollers.
- **Nina Cline, DeWayne and Jennifer Carver, Logan Hunter-Thompson, and Susan Snyder** for helping in the nursery in July.
- **Michele Hope, Earl and Eleanor Enge, Kim Ross and Brian Lee, John Whitton and Elinor Eflner, Jim Stangel and Bob Deyle** for June Sunday set-up.
- **Eleanor Enge, Jan Oldenburg, Eliza Coyne, Joan Patterson, Logan Hunter-Thompson, Lorin Pratt and Chelsea Joyner, Susan Snyder and Frank Deasy, and University UUs Brian Lee, Jessica Gist, Kim Ross, C.B. Smith, and Charles Starr** for doing the July Shelter meal.
- **Tom and Debbie Holt and Isabel Sheridan** for hosting dinners for 8.
- **Eleanor Moore** for the gift of some of her books to the church library.

- **Melissa Forgey** for serving on the Board as VP for Social Justice for the past year.

### Buildings and Grounds Thanks

By Don Berger

The all-church workday on July 8 was attended by 7 volunteers. Thanks go to each and every one of them for a job done well. We do not get everything done that needs doing with so few workers at our monthly, all-church workdays. More helpers are needed, so if you could come by for even an hour or two, it would be a big help!

**Chris Ellrich** mowed. **Dave Harvey** phoned many companies who pump out holding/septic tanks until he found one to pump our tank, so that the restrooms could continue to be used over the weekend. (Note: UUCT has a holding tank under the south courtyard – our former septic tank. We have a pump which transfers its contents up to the sewer line running along Meridian Rd. The eventual plan, when we have the funds, is to use gravity and tie into the city sewer line on Starmount Ln., behind our property.)

**Don Berger and Dave Harvey** moved a cabinet to the minister's office.

**Francis Ventre and Don Berger** measured out spaces for additional handicapped parking. **Tom Chase and Steve Urse** continued work on our never-ending maintenance tasks, such as weeding and pruning, picking up small pieces of trash, cleaning junk off windows, fixing signs, etc. – tasks done throughout the month. **George Knight** cleaned the leaves and trash off all the driveways and sidewalks on the workday and on other weekends.

Also thanks to those who were not at the workday but helped maintain and improve the buildings and grounds throughout the month: **Mitch McDermott** for mowing and **all those on the watering and weeding crew.**

### Membership Thanks

Thanks to those who filled important roles in the area of membership this past year: **Nancy Harvey** as greeter coordinator; **Barbara Sterling** as supplies, pamphlet and Sunday records coordinator; **Nancy, Barbara, Carolyn DuBard, Sara Reece, and Susan Snyder** as chief greeters; the many **members and friends who served as greeters; Junelle Brandt** as dinners coordinator and **those who hosted Dinners for 8; Mary VanSciver** as directory photographer; **Jean Chulak** as special records and statistics keeper; **Charlotte Dudley, Rod Oldenburg and Annette Pearce** as New UU facilitators; **Nancy, Charlotte, Barbara, Pat Farris, Logan Hunter-Thompson and Fran Boyle** as membership committee members; and **Trudy Deyle** as membership chairperson. It truly takes a team of people, plus the invaluable support of Office Administrator Kathie Mackie, to have an effective membership effort, and we could always be doing more! The possibilities are virtually endless!

### Tantalus Quartet Thanks UUCT

Thank you for the generous support we have received. The audience's reception at the concert was a profound expression of the continued interest we have in Tallahassee. It was a pleasure to share our music with the Unitarian Universalist community.

Your liberal support has brought us out of the debt related to our trip to Nova Scotia. Of the three concerts we gave, the UUCT was the smallest congregation but donated nearly as much as the other two combined! This is certainly testament to your statement of open hearts and open minds. You've made a positive impact that extends far beyond the Saturday afternoon concert. We wish you well.

## Caring Network and Membership News

### Caring Ministries Network

The wonderful news is that summer is agreeing with all of us and everyone seems to be rather hale and hearty. If you know of someone who needs special care, please let Joanne Taylor know (893-9024). Also report special joys, as we like to share those as well as concerns!

### New UU Sessions

Offered on a regular basis for those new to Unitarian Universalism and UUs new to UUCT, usually two weeknights from 7:00 – 9:00 PM, but occasionally in one 3-hour Sunday afternoon session. Participants share some about themselves, including their spiritual journeys, and learn a little about the church and the greater UU movement. There's time for some discussion. The next sessions will be in early Fall; watch for announcements of specific dates later this month. Or contact the church office (385-5115, [uuct@nettally.com](mailto:uuct@nettally.com)) or membership chair Trudy Deyle (422-1057, [gdeyle@juno.com](mailto:gdeyle@juno.com)). Childcare available on request.

### Summer Series of Dinners for 8

Two spaces available at the Sat. 8/19 adult dinner at Oyster Bay hosted by Elinor Elfner and John Whitton. The dinners are a special opportunity for

newer members and friends to get better acquainted with our UUCT community. To sign up, contact Junelle Brandt ([junellebrandt@earthlink.net](mailto:junellebrandt@earthlink.net), 893-5511).

There are two dinner categories -- adults only and intergenerational. Adults without children may sign up for intergenerational, and adults with children can find a sitter and enjoy an adults-only evening. Hosting means providing the main dish -- any style or theme you'd like -- and calling the others to complete the menu.

### On-going Opportunities

- **Buildings & Grounds 2nd Saturday Workdays:** Contact Don Berger (422-2847, [berger-don@comcast.net](mailto:berger-don@comcast.net)).
- **Nursery Help:** Contact DRE Maggie Geraci (877-6301, [dremaggie@earthlink.net](mailto:dremaggie@earthlink.net)).
- **2nd Monday Shelter Meal:** Contact Susan Snyder and Frank Deasy (907-1740, [deasyf@comcast.net](mailto:deasyf@comcast.net)).
- **Sunday Hospitality and Clean Up:** August kitchen controller is Carolyn Pardue (386-1494, [pardue2@comcast.net](mailto:pardue2@comcast.net)).

### Current UUCT Stats

- **Certified Membership (as of 1/06) -174**
- **Current Membership - 173**
- **Current Number Friends - 58**
- **Average Sunday Service Attendance - Adults**
  - June 2006: 89.5
  - 7/05 - 6/06: 99.4
  - 7/04 - 6/05: 107.3
  - 7/03 - 6/04: 107.4
  - 7/02 - 6/03: 96.5
- **RE Enrollment (nursery - 12th)**
  - 04-05: 61
  - 05-06: 52
- **Average RE Attendance (not including Fun Days)**
  - 9/04 - 5/05: 33.8
  - 9/05 - 5/06: 27
- **Sunday Service Greeter:** Contact Debbie Holt (553-3231, [holt0119@earthlink.net](mailto:holt0119@earthlink.net)).
- **Sunday Service Set-up:** Contact Elinor Elfner (524-1026, [eelfner@comcast.net](mailto:eelfner@comcast.net)).

## From the July 9 Sunday Service

For those who'd like to hear it again and those who missed it, here are the chalice-lighting words from the July 9 Sunday service where Susan Cerulean spoke to us. The words are from a book Susan highly recommends, *Coming Back to Life: Practices to Reconnect Our Lives, Our World*, by Joanna Macy and Molly Young Brown.

*Voice of our Ancestors: Be with us now all you who have gone before, you, our ancestors and teachers. You who walked and loved and faithfully tended this Earth, be present to us now, that we may carry on the legacy you bequeathed us. Silently, in*

*our hearts, we say your names and see your faces.*

*Voice from the Present: All you with whom we live and work on this endangered planet, all you with whom we share this brink of time, be with us now. Fellow humans and brothers and sisters of other species, help us open to our collective will and wisdom. Silently, we say your names, and picture your faces.*

*Voice for the Future: All you who will come after us on this Earth, be with us now. All you who are waiting to be born in the ages*

*to come, it is for your sakes, too, that we work to heal our world. We cannot picture your faces or say your names--you have none yet--but we would feel the reality of your claim on life. It helps us to be faithful in the work that must be done, so that there will be for you, as there was for our ancestors--blue sky, fruitful land, clear water.*

*All Three Together: Ancestors, all you alive on this planet today, beings of the future, waiting for your time to live, we ask you--gather with us now in this hour. Join with us now in this place.*

## Lifespan Religious Education

### Youth Religious Education (RE)

**Youth RE Committee Meeting, Sun., August 2, 9:30 AM, Rm. K**

#### YOUTH RE CONTACTS:

- **Eliza Coyne, Youth RE Committee Chair (877-5415; [krelcoyne@gmail.com](mailto:krelcoyne@gmail.com))**
- **Vacant, Nursery Sub-Committee Chair**
- **Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education (DRE), ([dremaggie@earthlink.net](mailto:dremaggie@earthlink.net); 877-6301)**

#### Traveling Around the Globe!

Our elementary-age children have been doing some majoring “traveling!” As part of the UU World Travelers summer RE program, the children have “visited” some wonderful destinations, with the help of members of the congregation. The month of July had us visiting Greece and Crete with Isabel Sheridan. Kathie Mackie brought a real, live German for show and tell when we visited Germany and Switzerland. Steffan Hartwig talked of his childhood in Germany.

As of this writing, we’ll be visiting exotic Egypt with Richard Dempsey and intriguing Israel with Eliza Coyne. The schedule for the rest of the summer includes:

August 6 – Turkey with Bruce Brandt

August 13 – Canada with the Lloyd Family

August 20 – Russia with Kim Ross

August 27 – Welcome Home Party

This program is a fun way for children to learn about different cultures. If you have any questions about UU World Travelers or would like more information, contact DRE Maggie.

### August WOOHOO Wednesday!

The August WOOHOO Wednesday will begin at **6:30 PM on August 16** in the sanctuary, with a potluck community meal. Bring a dish to share. After dinner, we’ll move on to Room L for an old-fashioned, ice-cream social. Bring your favorite ice-cream topping. Ice-cream will be provided. Everyone is invited to this intergenerational end-of-summer event! For more information, please contact DRE Maggie Geraci.

#### Registration for 2006 - 2007

Registration for the upcoming year in Youth RE will be held Sundays in August and early September. New registrants should stop by the RE table then to fill out a registration form. Parents of currently registered children will receive a printout of the information on file to update during the summer. Return the forms and any corrections to DRE Maggie by early September. Most expenses of the RE program are met through pledges to the church budget. A yearly fee covers additional costs. Family fees will be \$30 for 1 child, \$40 for 2, and \$45 for 3 or more. Scholarships available; see Maggie.

#### Youth Group for Summer

Our middle and high school youth group will not be meeting weekly this summer on Sundays but will get together for one or more special activities over the course of the summer. Watch for announcements; details will be provided to the youth through the youth e-mail list. For more information about the group, contact advisors Scott Geraci (877-6301; [sgeraci68@yahoo.com](mailto:sgeraci68@yahoo.com)) and Jennifer and DeWayne Carver ([jzcarver@earthlink.net](mailto:jzcarver@earthlink.net); [ddcarver@earthlink.net](mailto:ddcarver@earthlink.net); 402-0622).

### FL District CONS

The Youth Group and their advisors will be deciding which FL District CONS to attend over the next year. Trained advisors must accompany youth to district CONS. This year’s advisor training is August 25-26. The district CON schedule for the fall is:

8/18-20	All-Age CON, Oviedo
9/15-17	Trans-In CON (place tbd)
10/13-15	All-Age CON, Sarasota
11/10-12	All-Age CON, River of Grass
12/1-3	Social Action Con (place tbd)

### Adult Enrichment

#### ADULT ENRICHMENT CONTACTS:

- **Kim Ross, Adult Enrichment coordinator (877-1972; [kim@cennexus.com](mailto:kim@cennexus.com))**
- **Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education ([dremaggie@earthlink.net](mailto:dremaggie@earthlink.net); 877-6301).**

We’re looking for a new Adult Enrichment coordinator. If you’re able or want to learn what’s involved, see the DRE or current coordinator.

#### Interpreting the ‘intergenerational coding’ in the Adult Enrichment listings

To address the needs of all, find the following codes under some classes:

Baby-friendly – Infants and young toddlers may attend with parents, who assume responsibility for them.

Childcare provided – Childcare has already been lined up for this.

Childcare available upon request – Let the contact know you need childcare; s/he will arrange for it at or near class.

In addition, transportation can be arranged upon request for those who cannot or prefer not to drive. Please contact the AE coordinator for assistance.



## *Lifespan Religious Education (Continued)*

### **Summer Camp for Parents**

This is a time for parents to come together and enjoy learning in a group setting. The camp focus will be on *Being a UU Parent*, a UUA curriculum that offers 5 sessions on theology and real-life child rearing. Parents often wonder how they can better understand and interpret UU values during the week. This curriculum offers an initial theological exploration, an examination of ways we can encourage a greater sense of our religion in our family lives, and an opportunity for parents to raise and discuss real-life, childrearing questions and challenges and how these might be answered from a UU perspective.

Camp began in late July and will occur once a week on the following **Monday nights in August: 8/7, 8/21, and 8/28**. We might do potluck or brownbag dinners, depending on the will of the participants. If you are interested, please contact DRE Maggie Geraci or sign up at the Adult RE sign-up board near the Sunday RE welcome table. In the future, follow-up curricula will be offered, including *Parents as Resident Theologians*, which helps parents and kids explore together their beliefs about God, prayer and other religious issues, and *Parents as Social Justice Educators*, which provides sessions on values clarification and how to talk about social issues. Childcare provided.

### **Future Classes and Opportunities**

**Transitions: Making Sense of Life's Changes.** What is the difference between a change and a transition? A change is an external event; a transition is the process people go through to assimilate a change. The basis for the keynote speech at this year's UUA National Conference for Midsize Congregations, the book *Transitions: Making Sense of Life's*

*Changes* by William Bridges deals with transitions at every phase of one's life. Classes centered on the book will meet from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Thursdays: **September 14 and 28 and November 2 and 16**. Please read the preface and first chapter for the first class. The book (2nd Edition) is available online and in book stores. The ISBN is 0-7382-0904-X. Contact: Isabel Sheridan (668-0785, [iasheridan@nettally.com](mailto:iasheridan@nettally.com)).

### **Choices for Sustainable Living.**

Each of us makes choices that have an impact on the earth. We can choose options that are more sustainable than others. Participants will consider steps toward ecologically sustainable lifestyles, communities, and organizations. Topics covered will include: a call to sustainability, ecological principles, sustainable communities, sustainable business and economy, sustainable food, sustainable buying, home/health/leisure, and visions of sustainability. Planned to be offered after the holiday season. Limited seats, so please express your interest now. Contact: Elinor Elfner (524-1026, [eelfner@comcast.net](mailto:eelfner@comcast.net)).

UUCT is also planning for other future classes. Decisions will be made in August regarding what classes will be offered and when. The following class is being considered. Visit the Sunday RE welcome table for the latest information and to express an interest in classes.

**UU Committed Couples Enrichment Program.** A new 20-hour enrichment program designed for married/partnered adults. It may be offered as a series of short workshops or as a more intensive, retreat-type program. With creative activities and conversation starters, workshops help partners nurture intimacy, spiritual connection, and emotional fulfillment in

their long-term, committed relationships, gay and straight alike. This UU principles- and values-based program helps couples grow in faith together. Program topics include: intention/covenant, trust, dignity, generosity, connection, play, collaboration, commitment, love, and celebration.

### **On-Going Opportunities**

**Adult Forum.** Meets Sundays 9:45-10:45 AM, Rm. L. Open to everyone. The month's topics to be announced. Contact: Norene Chase (422-1985, [nochase@earthlink.net](mailto:nochase@earthlink.net)).

**The UUCT Book Club.** Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month in Rm. C. Newcomers are welcome. Contact: Linda Oaksford (422-0240, [lloaksford@earthlink.net](mailto:lloaksford@earthlink.net)). Childcare available upon request.

August 8 - A culminating book celebration. Since many of our book lovers are traveling, we did not choose a specific book for August. Instead, bring a friend, lover, or family member and books, if you'd like, to this celebration. We will be discussing the books we have read over the last few years - both for the book club and for ourselves. Which books have sparked your interests? Why were they great reads? Do you have some favorites that you would recommend to your fellow book-lovers?

September 12 - We will be choosing books for the next 5 or 6 months. Come prepared to make recommendations. Bring your lists, synopses and books, if you have them. Depending on the number of people and recommendations, we will choose our books through February or March 2007! All are welcome.

## *Lifespan Religious Education (Continued)*

**Freethinkers' Forum.** Meets Thursdays, 7:00 PM to about 8:30 PM, Rm. L. August will consist of a series of one-time presentations by members on various subjects. Contact: Ron Crowe (rongcro2@juno.com, 997-5307).

The tentative schedule is as follows:

August 3: Ronald Crowe on "Humor in the Bible "

August 10: Harold Hawkins on "Voltaire"

August 17: Richard Hull on "Thomas Paine"

August 24: Joan Patterson on "Rational Mysticism"

August 31: Joan Patterson on "Rational Mysticism, cont."

**Knitting for All.** Meets Thursdays at 7:00 PM in Rm. 3/6. This class is for

people who would like to learn or improve skills, and/or knit with others. Contact: Chelsea Fox (421-1575, [chelsuu@yahoo.com](mailto:chelsuu@yahoo.com)) to get the latest information via email list. Baby-friendly.

**UU Buddhist Fellowship.** Will begin meeting again when Anne Rudloe is able to resume leading the group. Temporary contact: Joanne Taylor ([taylorjoanne@earthlink.net](mailto:taylorjoanne@earthlink.net), 893-9024).

## *Campus Ministry Corner*

By Brian Lee, Campus Ministry Coordinator

The UUA General Assembly in St. Louis was quite an amazing experience. I appreciate being sent by UUCT and the support I received from the congregation that allowed me to take the opportunity to go.

I was lucky to attend young adult worship services every night at GA, run by and for young adults, including a Soulful Sundown service with rock and roll music and beat poetry. I also went to workshops targeted at Young Adult/Campus Ministry professionals and found out some interesting things about where UUCT stands in relation to other congregations with our campus ministry.

UUCT has one of the longest running campus ministries of any Unitarian Universalist congregation. And the

number of campus ministries in the country is growing rapidly. The young adults and college students involved in UUU here in Tallahassee reflect national trends: they are committed to involvement in social justice activities; they are interested in interfaith dialogue; and they are disinclined to attend regular Sunday morning worship services.

That last trend does not have to be one that continues to define UUCT's young adult/college student population. I will be working with the interim minister and the congregation to try to find ways to help integrate our young adults and college students with the rest of the congregation. I would appreciate any suggestions to help in achieving this goal.

We've suspended Monday UUU meetings (except for Shelter meal Monday – August 14) for the summer, resuming in September at a regular time to be decided by UUU members. However, for the month of August, **coffee hour will continue at 6:30 PM Fridays** at All Saints Café located at 903 Railroad Avenue, one block south of Gaines street.

For more information about the University Unitarian Universalists, please contact your Campus Ministry coordinator Brian Lee ( 877-1972, [brianlee@hcsmail.com](mailto:brianlee@hcsmail.com)). To sign up for our email list please send an email to [UUUTally-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:UUUTally-subscribe@yahoo.com).

## *Board News*

By Molly Schmid, Executive Board Secretary

Board Meeting Time - The board meeting time for August and the regular meeting time for 2006-2007 will be announced after the Board's July 30 meeting.

Additional June Board Action - The following action should be added to the list of June 4 board actions published in the July *Meridian*:

Accepted the 2006-2007 interim ministry contract with the revised wording of item #6: "The general expectations of the interim minister are stated in the Expectations of the Interim Minister attached to the contract, and may be revised pursuant to the process set forth in item 2.2."

Note: Item 2.2 of the Expectations of the Interim Minister provides that

"within the first month of this interim year, the interim minister will work with staff and representatives of the Committee on Ministry, the Program Committee, the Religious Education Committee, the Search Committee, and the Board to identify goals and expectations to be accomplished during this interim year."

## Green Corner

By Elinor Elfner

### Solar Power Fund Created

UUCTers have started contributing to a Solar Power Fund. Almost \$20,000 has been promised. With \$73,000, UUCT can have a 10 KW system installed on the south-facing roof of the new building. This system will enable the sun to provide approximately 31% of UUCT electricity needs. Through a system of net-metering, UUCT will get credit for electricity when the panels are producing more electricity than the church needs.

The cost is approximately \$1,500 per PV (photovoltaic) panel, and 50 panels are needed for our optimistic plan. To move forward quickly we might install the first 25 panels this fall and install the rest later. Financial assistance is being investigated, but your contributions are needed. They show your willingness to avert the disruptive climate change coming from the use of fossil fuels for generation of electricity and enable UUCT to act now and apply for a state rebate.

You may make a pledge, write a check, or transfer appreciated stock to UUCT. On checks please note "Solar Power Fund" on the memo line. For more information, contact Steve Urse, President-elect ([surse2@earthlink.net](mailto:surse2@earthlink.net), 385-2864).

### Strong Statement on Global Warming Adopted at GA

With much effort and with strong support from your representatives at General Assembly, the gathered congregations adopted a strong statement of conscience on global warming. It was great to see UUs effectively using the democratic process to over-ride the recommendations of the UUA Commission on Social Witness.

The call to action includes these personal actions. How many of these are you doing?

- Reduce use of energy and consumption of manufactured goods that become waste;
- Use alternative sources of energy to reduce global warming/climate change and to encourage the development of such sources (**watch for opportunities to influence City Council commissioners on this one**);
- Choose the most energy-efficient transportation means that meet your needs and abilities (e.g., walk, bike, carpool, use mass transit and communication technologies, and limit travel)
- Determine your personal energy consumption and pledge to reduce your use of energy and carbon emissions by at least 20 percent by 2010 or sooner and into the future;
- Reuse, recycle, and reduce waste;
- Plant and preserve trees and native plants and choose sustainably-harvested wood and wood products;
- Eat and serve energy-efficient food that is locally produced and low on the food chain;

- Use financial resources to encourage corporate social responsibility with reference to global warming/climate change;
- Model these practices by committing to a life of simplicity and Earth stewardship;
- Consume less, choose appliances that are rated energy-efficient (e.g., by the EPA Energy Star Program), and choose products and materials that are made from renewable resources and can be recycled at the end of their usefulness; and
- Commit to continue to learn about the science, impact, and mitigation of global warming/climate change and communicate this knowledge by teaching about and discussing the problems and dangers of, and actions to address, climate change.

Have you also joined UUCTers in financial support for photovoltaic panels to provide some of UUCT's needed electricity? See preceding article on UUCT Solar Power Fund.

### GS Kick-off Potluck

The Green Sanctuary Committee is having a special kick-off for their work over the next program year. All who expressed interest in the committee on their 2006-2007 Gifts of Self will be invited to a potluck in the sanctuary at 11:30 AM on Saturday, August 19. Contact: Michele Hope (894-0976, [Michele\\_hope@yahoo.com](mailto:Michele_hope@yahoo.com)).

## Events: UUCT Upcoming, District, National, The Mountain

### Upcoming UUCT Events

**Peace Dances Resume in September.** Simple, meditative circle dances, rejuvenating and uplifting. Contact: Tom and Katya Taylor (656-9321, katyata@earthlink.net).

**Movie Discussion Group Resumes September 17.** See a movie chosen by consensus, then go to a restaurant for discussion. Contact: Dave Harvey (daveharv@mac.com, 668-9096).

**All-Church Workday, Saturday, August 12, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.** Enjoy fellowship working on chores and projects to keep our buildings and grounds in shape. Contact: Don Berger (422-2847, berger-don@comcast.net).

**Leadership Installation Ceremony, Sunday, August 13.** As part of the Sunday service, we'll celebrate and recognize those who have answered the call to leadership service at UUCT this year: Board members, committee chairs and others. Contact: DeWayne Carver (ddcarver@earthlink.net, 402-0622).

**Second Sunday Potluck & Rev. Lyn Welcome, August 13, 12:30 PM.** Bring your favorite dish and plan to attend this special welcome for our new interim minister, Rev. Lyn Plumb.

**Woohoo Wednesday, August 16, 6:30 PM.** A communal meal in the sanctuary followed by an ice-cream social in Rm. L. See *Youth RE* for details. All welcome! Contact: DRE Maggie Geraci (877-6301, dremaggie@earthlink.net).

**Congregational Discussion Meeting, Sunday, August 27, 12:30 PM.** An opportunity to ask questions about and discuss the items to be voted on September 10 (see next entry). Materials will be made available beforehand. Contact: DeWayne Carver (ddcarver@earthlink.net, 402-0622).

### Congregational Voting Meeting, Sunday, September 10, 12:30 PM.

To vote on the proposed compensation package to be offered to the settled minister and proposed Bylaws revisions. See Settled Minister Search Committee and Committee on the Ministry articles for more details. Contact: DeWayne Carver (402-0622, ddcarver@earthlink.net). Note: The potluck in September will be on the 3rd Sunday.

**Church Council Meeting, TBA in September.** Are you a committee chair or an activity or group coordinator? Wondering what's going on with other committees, groups and activities at UUCT? Plan on coming to this bi-monthly Church Council meeting to share and coordinate plans. Contact: Steve Urse (385-2864, surse2@earthlink.net).

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### Non-UUCT Events

- Every Sunday, 7:00 PM, Gentle Shepherd Metropolitan Community Church (Sanctuary)
- Every Tuesday, 7:00 PM, Zen Meditation (Sanctuary)
- Sat. 8/12, 3:00 PM - 11:00 PM, Family Tree Fundraiser (Sanctuary)

### FL District Events

For more information on these events, contact church office, look on the sanctuary back counter or bulletin board, or visit [www.floridadistrict.org](http://www.floridadistrict.org).

**Fall Leadership Conference, Sat. 11/11, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Oviedo.** Our new district executive, Rev. Kenn Hurto, will give a workshop on systems theory as it relates to churches.

**Religious Challenges to our Constitution & Everything You Need to Know Scientifical, Sat. 11/4, 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM, UU Society of Daytona.**

**Youth Ministry Gathering, Sat. 2/10, location TBA, a gathering of youth and adults to discuss ministry to youth in the FL District.**

### National Events

**Vermont Escape. Fri. 9/22 - Sun. 9/24, UU Church of Rutland, VT.** Enjoy the beauty of Vermont, UU bed & breakfast hospitality, and a choice of guided activities: hiking, canoeing, visiting the studios of local artists, touring historic sites and quaint towns, and much more. Registration after August 1, \$275 (single) and \$475 (double). Contact 802-438-2095 or [ufoilagevermont@yahoo.com](mailto:ufoilagevermont@yahoo.com).

### Programs at The Mountain

For more information, contact The Mountain ([info@mountaincenters.org](mailto:info@mountaincenters.org), 828-526-5838) or UUCT Mountain Ambassador Elinor Elfner (524-1026, [eelfner@comcast.net](mailto:eelfner@comcast.net)) or visit [www.mountaincenters.org](http://www.mountaincenters.org).

**Interfaith Visions for Peace. Mon. 8/7 - Sat. 8/12 with UU minister Rev. Rosemary Bray McNatt and others.** A conversation in community. There is an urgent need to explore religious pluralism and how diversity can strengthen non-violent social action. Peacemaking resides in the heart of spirituality. Flyer posted at back of sanctuary; extras on counter.

**Compassionate Communication & Peaceful Living. Fri. 9/8 - Sun. 9/10 with Mary Mackenzie, author of *Peaceful Living: Daily Meditations for Living with Love, Healing and Compassion*, as facilitator.**

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**“The mission of UUCT is to be a liberal religious presence that supports individual spiritual quests and service to others in a community of open hearts, minds, and doors.”**

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