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Every Sunday:

9:45 AM Choir Practice: not 5/22
9:45 AM Adult Forum
10:30 AM Child Care - until
12:30 PM
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Youth
Group (Ages 12-20)
11:00 AM Youth RE:
Pre-K-Elementary

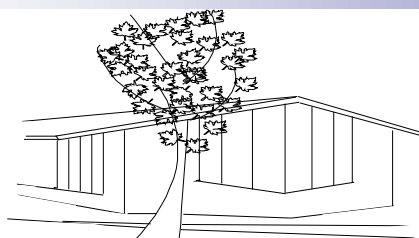
Adult Forum Topics:

- May 1, Cheryl Ward, "Noah's Flood: Myth and Archaeology"
- May 8, Ben Wilcox, *Common Cause*, "Restoring Our Democracy"
- May 15, Leo Sandon, "On Separation of Church and State"
- May 22, Rabbi Stanley Garfein, "My Roots in Ukraine"
- May 29, Harold Hawkins, "The Search for an Adequate Myth" (Same topic as service.)

May Highlights:

- "No-Pig" Picnic, Sat. 5/14, Noon - 6 PM
- Congregational Discussion Meeting, Sun. 5/15, 12:30 PM
- Congregational Conversation, Sat. 5/21, 9 AM - Noon
- Annual Congregational Meeting, Sun. 5/22, 12:30 PM

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee



The Meridian

May Sundays - 11:00 AM Main Service (*Vespers on Page 2*)

May 1 | The Great Agreement

When God expelled Adam and Eve from the garden, Dog whimpered and complained until God agreed that any creatures that wished could join the humans. Adam and Eve promised to protect and love animals that joined them. Humans could eat a few if they did it with gratitude. But humans have broken the deal with industrial chicken processing. So God sends a recently deceased diplomat back to earth as a chicken to restore the proper balance. It's a story about a chicken and about *justice, equity, and compassion in human relations*. **Speakers: Jack and Anne Rudloe; Lay Leader: Charlotte Dudley**

May 8 | Motherhood and Unitarian Universalism

The inherent worth and dignity of every person, and respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. On this Mother's Day, we'll share thoughts on raising children within the living tradition of Unitarian Universalism and why it is important for us to do so. How does it inform our words and actions as mothers? Which of the UUA principles are most relevant? (We'll light candles of joy and concern.) **Speakers: Melanie Brooks, Katya Taylor, Trudy Deyle; Lay Leader: Trudy Deyle**

May 15 | A Robert Ingersoll Sampler

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning. A sampling of the speeches and letters of America's Voltaire on the subject of religion. Ingersoll was the most popular orator of his day and the leading voice of America's golden age of free thought—from 1875 to 1910. A champion of human rights, he also embodied UU virtues. Many saw Ingersoll as one of the chief American secular philosophers of his day. We'll hear about Ingersoll's life and how he was perceived by such thinkers as Mark Twain, Frederick Douglass, and Clarence Darrow. **Speaker: Ron Crowe; Lay Leader: Dan Damerville**

May 22 | Intergenerational Youth Religious Education Sunday

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations. A service to honor students, teachers, and all those who work to make our Youth Religious Education program a success. Join us for a celebration of our young people and Youth Religious Education! **Speakers: Youth Religious Education Committee; Lay Leader: DeWayne Carver, VP for Religious Education**

May 29 | The Search for an Adequate Myth

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning. Is the myth that has dominated the Western world proving inadequate to meet most people's needs for fulfilled and happy lives? Before we can explore this possibility, we need to ask three questions: what has been the dominant myth, what constitutes a myth, and from what source(s) can we find a more adequate myth? The search and its consequences are necessary--but many find this process so threatening that they regress to worn-out orthodoxies. **Speaker: Rev. Harold Hawkins; Lay Leader: Jack McDevitt**

April Sundays (7:00 PM Vespers Service, Room L)

May 8 | **Trust and Being UU**

Reflections, led by Christine Boczarska.

May 23 | **Sufi Path of Inspiration**

Poetry of the heart, led by Tom Taylor.

President's Message

By Richard Dempsey

Hard to concentrate this morning with a great day shaping up outside. Am watching through the window as morning sun bathes the trees and azaleas in full light. It's like looking through the opening of the Cave that Plato wrote about and seeing the world anew. I want to rush out and stand in sunshine, walk about on green grass, suck in some True Being while trying not to crush the bug life underfoot. (I'm in their territory, out there, and a toad could make a hearty meal of them.)

It was a delight having Rev. Nels Oas speak to us. As he was talking about Emerson, I thought, "Now that's the kind of minister we want to go after." Articulate, insightful, well-read, experienced, likeable, comfortable in the role. Enjoyed Ralph Waldo's personal appearance, too. A weird

guy. No patience for shallow thinking. I wish I could show him my yard this morning. It's never looked so good.

Saturday, March 19 a dozen or so of the hardier souls gathered to continue our dialogue about the church. Nearly fifty ideas generated in the last two discussions, a lot of them about how we communicate among ourselves. Consensus is that we could have done a better job letting everyone know we had problems with the minister that weren't going away. No conspiracy, either. The grumbling went on for years. We tried to deal with it quietly, and that was a mistake. Because when it broke into the open, so many of you were surprised, which surprised those of us who knew. Surprise all around! It's sort of obvious, in hindsight, that a better course would

have been just the kind of dialogue we're now having. Lesson learned.

No news, yet, in the search for an Interim Minister. By the time this *Meridian* reaches your mailbox there might be something to report, but we'll keep you abreast with emails and pulpit announcements. Just to be clear, you should know that procedure calls for the Task Force to identify, interview, and recommend a candidate to the Board, which then must vote up or down. If the Board accepts, the contract will be signed and announced to the congregation. Per UUA guidance an Interim Minister is hired by the Board. A Settled Minister requires a congregational vote.

I'm going outside and take a look at the real world.

Richard Dempsey, Board President

Congregational Conversations

By Christine Boczarska, President-Elect

A lively group of 17 met for April's conversation regarding the present and future of our church. Hot coffee, tea, juice, bagels and cream cheese, and fruit and cheese helped us stay alert. Based on the listing of important issues from this conversation and the March 19 one, the group listed 49 issues it felt were both important and urgent for our congregation to work on. We voted on which of these we felt were the most important/most urgent issues and ranked the balance.

The majority present on April 16 decided to leave the poster sheets on the windows for the entire congregation to read before and after the Sunday service the next day, including voting on the 10 most urgent

and important issues. The lists will be posted in the sanctuary again on **Sundays, May 1 and May 8**. Members and supporting friends, if you have not done so already, please take a look at the lists and vote on those issues you feel are most important/most urgent for us to address. Each person gets ten dots to vote with. You may cast each of your votes for a different issue, all of them for one issue, or split your votes among several issues. The issues list will be the basis for future conversations as we decide how we can work on each issue.

On **Saturday, May 21 from 9 AM to noon**, our conversation will cover the soon-to-be-released, complete Committee on Ministry congregational

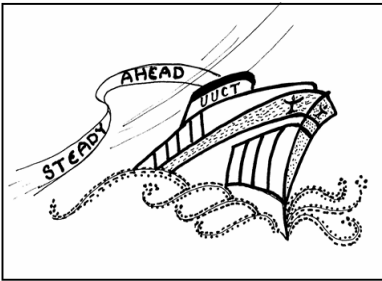
assessment. If additional issues arise from that conversation, they will be added to our issue list. (Please note that the May conversation is in Room L, not the sanctuary.)

If you have been frustrated, surprised or angry before and/or after the resignation of Rev. Amy McKenzie, the conversations are the forum where you will be heard and where we will work on change together. We welcome all interested for these conversations – frequent visitors and those contemplating becoming members or supporting friends, as well as current members and friends. Join us. The rewards will be all yours.

In Community, Christine

2005-06 Annual Canvass

By the Canvass Committee



We did exceptionally well this year. Many were able to significantly increase their pledges, and many new members and friends were very generous with their first pledges. Thank you all! We are wrapping things up by calling those who haven't yet pledged, but Collecting Treasurer Tom Chase estimates our combined pledges will total \$10,000 more than last year. Our projected, overall, asking budget income shortfall is only about \$5,000, a sum which can largely be accommodated by cutting several, non-staff items put in the budget for the coming year only.

The one-day Canvass Sunday event proved to be a pleasant and efficient way to get the job done! Thanks to

Linda Winn-Brown for overseeing the kitchen and super potluck and to **Barbara Sterling** for the great decorations. **Kandy Crowe** baked another wonderful celebration cake.

Bruce Brandt and **Richard Dempsey** provided motivating talks, while **DeWayne Carver**, **Howard Pardue**, and **Linda Winn-Brown** offered personal testimonials at Sunday services leading up to Canvass Sunday.

The Canvass Committee was chaired by **DeLos DeTar** and included **Trudy Deyle**, **Margaret Mooney** and **Isabel Sheridan**. As always, **Tom Chase** played a crucial role in the canvass by recording pledges and letting the committee know on a daily basis which pledges were still outstanding and how the canvass was going overall in terms of total pledging level. We were assisted by our dedicated canvass callers: **Kandy Crowe**, **Jim Dawson**, **Frank Deasy**, **Jim Denny**, **Earl Enge**, **Barbara Gearhart**, **Dick Leinberry**, **Amy Mann**, **Ed Oaksford**, and **Mary**

VanSciver. Also, **Mimi Jones** and **George Knight** helped with the asking budget/canvass mailing.

Important upcoming dates:

- **Sun. 5/1, 12:30 PM**, Church Council meeting on '05-'06 fund raisers and other topics.
- **Mon. 5/9, 7:00 PM**, Joint Council & Finance Committee meeting to finalize and approve a proposed final budget for Board consideration.
- **Wed. 5/11, 7:00 PM**, Executive Board meeting to approve proposed final budget for mailing to congregation.
- **Sun. 5/15, 12:30 PM**, Final Budget Congregational Discussion meeting.
- **Sun. 5/22, 12:30 PM**, Annual congregational meeting with votes on '05-'06 final budget and fund raisers, as well as the election of new Board and Nominating Committee members.

Announcements



R.E. Bake Sale - Bakers Needed

On May 22, delicious goodies will be on sale at this fundraiser for the Youth Religious Education program. Money raised will go towards our annual teacher appreciation dinner. Come buy a treat and help with the Youth RE Program. To donate food items to sell or to help out, contact Maggie Geraci (877-6301 or DREMaggie@earthlink.net) or Kelley Turnage (553-9416).

Music for 5/22 Service?

Parents, children and youth would you be interested in playing music for the May 22 Youth Religious Education

Service? Contact DRE Maggie Geraci (877-6301, dremaggie@earthlink.net) or Music Director Helen Falb (309-6853, pianoskin@comcast.net).

Spring into Action

We need you for one hour this month. Please sign up to sing, dance and play and keep pace with the toddlers in the nursery one Sunday this month. Sign-up sheet is in the nursery. For more information, please contact Georgia Ackerman (894-0182, georgiaackerman@earthlink.net).

Missing Hymnals

If you have borrowed a hymnal in the past, please check at home. We are missing some of UUCT's 100 hymnals.

If you'd like your own, order from the UUA Bookstore (800-215-9076, Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM, www.uua.org/bookstore, or pick up a copy of the mail-in order form from the church office). Current cost is \$28 plus shipping and handling.

Hymnals can also be purchased and given to the church in memory or honor of a loved one or fellow UUCTer.

Trustee Tidbits Posted

May's letter from our FL District UUA Trustee, Joan Lund, is posted on the sanctuary bulletin board, or you can email Meridian editor Trudy Deyle for a digital copy (gdeyle@juno.com). Topic: "right relationship" "with our UU youth."

Announcements (Continued)

Staff Opening Campus Ministry Coordinator

Looking for a way to be a trendsetter and leader in the UU movement? Be a voice for liberal religion on campus! Assist UU young adults in developing their spirituality!

Apply now for this ten-hour per week paid position as UUCT Campus Ministry Coordinator. Applicants should demonstrate: an interest in and commitment to young adult ministry, a strong identification with and articulation of the UU Purposes and Principles (as UUs or in personal philosophy), and ability to facilitate groups and lead through shared

ministry. Applicants need to be flexible in schedule and outlook. Position is year-round with 20 hours of paid vacation per year. Depending on experience, compensation will be \$10 - \$11 per hour.

For a copy of the position description, visit the University UU website (www.uuutally.org). For information contact Kim Ross, Campus Ministry Committee Chairperson (877-1972, kim@cennexus.com). To apply, send a resume with cover letter addressing the points mentioned above to: DeWayne Carver, VP for Religious Education, UUCT, 2810 N. Meridian Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32312.

Application deadline is May 20.

Office Closed Some Mondays

Office Administrator Kathie Mackie will be taking some well-deserved, accrued vacation days the first two Mondays of each month from February through the end of 2005. Kathie has vacation days left to use from previous years!

Audio Tapes

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

Social Justice

Harmony Camp 2005

Thanks to all the members and friends who have volunteered to be part of Harmony Camp this year. Almost half of you are new to the camp.

Do you have children, grandchildren, or neighbors who are entering first grade through entering fifth grade and want to have fun the first week of August? Take some brochures from the display at the back of the church and have them fill them out! It's the best bargain in town – for only \$75, they can build a bird house, make a puppet, be in a play, make bead jewelry, write a camp newspaper, interview a senior about life “long ago,” or just make cool things in arts and crafts and cooking. And, of course, they will make new friends from all backgrounds. Scholarships are available, thanks to your generosity at the special collection in January 2005.

Want to be part of the fun yourself? Come to our meeting Sunday, May 15 at 12:15 PM in Room L. Our camp leader, Lorraine Warren, will be there

to share her vision for the camp and to hear what the staff have planned. If you want a sandwich, contact Isabel Sheridan by Friday 5/13, 5:00 PM (668-0785, iasheridan@nettally.com).

From UU-United Nations Office

Barnett Cook, Florida District Envoy and Neil Mooney, UUCT Envoy

Barnett Cook attended the UU-UNO Annual Intergenerational Spring Seminar in New York April 14-16. It was well attended with about 60 youth and 60 adults from as far away as Dallas and Toronto. The theme was “HIV/AIDS: Defusing a Biological Time Bomb,” chosen to emphasize the United Nation's sixth millennium development goal which is to combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases. Speakers included a UN AID's officer, a medical doctor, prevention activists and persons living with AIDS. The youth presented a beautiful and well-thought-out statement about the AIDS pandemic that will be presented to the UN. Read this statement and about the conference at www.uu-uno.org.

At this meeting, a resolution endorsing a UUA study/action issue about peacemaking was adopted. The adoption of this issue will be considered at the Fort Worth General Assembly (GA) in June. The UU-UNO urges each congregation to support this issue through their elected representatives at GA.

On Sunday, April 10, Neil presented a chalice lighting reading and a prayer concerning Darfur, both of which were prepared by the UU-UNO. He also gave members information about a Darfur bill in Congress. He requested that members e-mail their representatives in support of this bill. Nine members of UUCT responded to this request. Forty congregations across the nation responded to this appeal by generating 1,200 e-mails.

The UU-UNO will present five workshops at GA. Workshop descriptions are available in the sanctuary or at the UU-UNO website.

Caring Network and Membership News

Caring Ministries Network

We extend our sympathy to **Clara Stafford** as she copes with the loss of her son, **Les**.

Our love and thoughts are with **Peggy Lentz** since the loss of her mother, **Anna Bloom** of Ellsworth, Maine. Anna had been ill for a long time, and as Peggy said, "Her body has now joined her spirit."

We send appreciation to **William Adkins, Joe Lama, Linda Winn-Brown, Dick Leinberry, Jan Miller, and any others** who are assisting **John Murphy** at Cherry Laurel.

We are delighted that **Ruth Pestle** is recovering so rapidly from colon surgery on April 14. We rejoice with her that the polyp removed was benign. She would enjoy cards and phone calls.

Welcome New Members!

- *Sneed Collard*
- *Pam & Joe Grigg*
- *Mary Pope grattan*

Calling All Extroverts!

If you genuinely enjoy meeting and talking with new people, consider being in the "After-Service Greeter Corps" – a group who will take the initiative to connect with visitors and newcomers during Sunday social time. This corps will be in addition to the efforts of the regular Sunday greeters, and a person can do both.

We hope to have enough corps volunteers to have 3 or 4 people every Sunday, with two alternating groups of 5 or 6 each – to cover for those who are out of town or otherwise indisposed. Let's see what instituting this corps would do for UUCT! Contact Membership Chair Trudy Deyle (422-1057, gdeyle@juno.com).

Pictures Taken Sundays

Immediately following the service on Sunday, May 15, Mary VanSciver will be asking members and friends to have their pictures taken for UUCT's future photo-directory. Couples and families should be together. There is no need to be dressed up. If you have not had your picture taken, please make a point of connecting with Mary that Sunday. There will be another opportunity in June. Then we go to press! For questions, please contact Mary (893-0353) or Trudy Deyle.

SIGN UP - "DINNERS FOR 8"

"Dinners for 8" is a way to get better acquainted with UUCT members and friends. A main purpose is to introduce newcomers to longer-term members. Dinners are specified as adults-only or intergenerational. Intergenerational dinners are for families and adults who would enjoy an evening with children. Parents are also welcome to attend adults-only dinners. Hosts provide the main dish and coordinate with guests who bring the rest of the meal.

At this time, five hosts have volunteered their homes for the following dates in this dinner series:

Saturday, May 14, 5:00 PM – Intergenerational, Host: Eliza Coyne in Thomasville

Sunday, May 22, 6:00 PM – Adults-only, Host: Joanne Taylor

Sunday, June 5, 6:00 PM – Adults only, Hosts: Barbara & Richard Gearhart

Friday, June 10, 6:30 PM – Adults only, Hosts: Jeanne & William Ryder

Saturday, June 25, 6:00 PM – Intergenerational, Hosts: Margaret & Neil Mooney

Check your calendars. Look for the table with sign-up sheets on Sundays at church or contact Dinners' Coordinator, Junelle Brandt (893-5511, junellebrandt@earthlink.net).

Current UUCT Stats

- **Certified Membership (as of 1/05) -178**
- **Current Membership - 186**
- **Current Number Friends - 52**
- **Average Sunday Service Attendance - Adults**
 - **Mar. 2005: 110**
 - **July 2004 - Mar. 2005: 106**
 - **July 2003 - June 2004: 107.4**
 - **July 2002 - June 2003: 96.5**
- **RE Enrollment: 61 (nursery - 12th grade)**
- **Average RE Attendance (not including Fun Days)**
 - **April: 27**
 - **Sept. - April: 34.4**

Ongoing Opportunities

- **Music Committee:** Contact Ed Tribble (877-1845, cbfia@earthlink.net).
- **Nursery Help:** Contact Georgia Ackerman (894-0182).
- **2nd Monday Shelter Meal:** Contact Susan Snyder (907-1740, deasyf@comcast.net).
- **Sunday Service Greeter:** Contact Nancy Harvey (668-9096, npharv@aol.com).
- **Sunday Hospitality and Clean Up:** For May, contact Gwendlyn Waldorf (668-3346, dcbgbw@comcast.net).
- **Sunday Service Set-up:** Contact Elinor Elfner (224-3651, eelfner@comcast.net).

Appreciation

To:



- **Sara Reece, Pam and Don Crosby, Pat Farris, Tim Campbell, Barbara Sterling, Susan Snyder and Frank Deasy, Laura Cook, Barbara Gearhart, Carolyn DuBard, Nancy Bass, Linda Jamison, and Lugenia Dixon** for greeting on Sunday mornings – 3/27 - 4/24.
- **Will Adkins, Sheila Meehan, Ruth Pestle, Jennifer Carver, Carolyn Pardue, Isabel Sheridan, and Marcia Holcomb** for providing hospitality on March Sundays.
- **Randall Gann, Jerri Lee Wagner, Rod Oldenburg, Steve Adams, and Marcia Holcomb** for March Sunday clean-up.
- **Marcia Holcomb** for very bravely (for a new UUCT member) serving as March kitchen controller (recruiting and overseeing the volunteers).
- **Nina Cline, Christen Ellrich, Lauren Ellrich, Emmy Barthel, Ansel Bailey-Mershon and Patrick Lineberry** for volunteering in the nursery recently.
- **Ellie Whitney, Eric Stierna, Stowe Alrutz, Earl and Eleanor Enge, Randall Gann, the Oaksford family, Michele Hope, Don and Pam Crosby, and Elinor Elfner** for April sanctuary set-up.
- **Dan Damerville, Eleanor Enge, Chelsea Fox, Dorothy Mann, Linda McConnell, Jan Oldenburg, Gwendolyn Waldorf, and Susan Snyder** for cooking and serving the March Shelter Meal.
- **Carolyn and Keith Collins** for donating a mattress to replace our renter's one accidentally sold at the yard sale.
- **Pam Hoskins** for coordinating the April "Pot Luck with a Purpose."

• **Christine Boczarska, Jennifer Carver, Barney Cook, Trudy Deyle and Dick Leinberry** for being UUCT delegates to the FL District Annual Assembly.

Building & Grounds Thanks

At the church workday on April 9, we had a very small turnout of volunteers. Hopefully, we'll have a larger turnout next month on May 14. Thanks go out to the following for the work done: **Don Berger** and **Chris Ellrich** installed door closers on the men's and women's restrooms. They also cleaned out the gutters and unclogged downspouts on the new building. **Tom Chase** stained the deck on the west side of the pods. **Dave Harvey** removed mold and mildew stains from the sidewalks around the new building. **Steve Urse** and Dave deposited gravel around parking spaces that were being eroded. Steve raked gravel parking spaces to eliminate ruts. Steve, Don, Chris, and Dave moved the refrigerator in the kitchen to provide space for the new dishwasher to be installed.

Other time and effort spent outside of the church workday: Dave reset the thermostats and lighting timer to daylight savings time. Since late March, volunteer gardeners have been working in the UU evolving garden once per week. **Charlotte Dudley, Michele Hope** and Steve cleared vines from the azaleas and cleared a path around them. Then Charlotte, **Dot Mann** and Steve weeded the lawn and most plant beds. Mulch was spread in beds and on bare areas. After that, it was time to plant flowers – ageratum, black-eyed susans, mona lavender, plumbago, purple coneflower, spiderworts, verbena and zinnia. **Pam Hoskins** has been working in the butterfly garden – weeding and mulching.

Dave and Steve met with David Copps, a landscape and wildflower

meadow consultant, to determine plans for restoring our forest and landscaping our overflow parking area. Dave and Steve also met with Julian Ganoudis from city Utility Services for an energy audit.

Thanks To All Our Relations

Responsive reading written for Earth Day 2005 service by Michele Hope:

We give thanks for **dirt**: red clay of Tallahassee hills, white sands of coastal plain, and black muck of Tate's Hell Swamp

How diverse are our ancestors.

We give thanks for **air**: gentle, cool, and fierce winds, too.

We breathe you deeply.

We give thanks for **waters**: springs of Wakulla and Wacissa join rivers we call Aucilla, St. Marks, Ocklocknee, Sopchoppy. They flow to the Gulf.

Our deepest longings flow with you.

We give thanks for communities of wild **plants**: white lilies and purple irises clustered in green ditches, yellow pitcher plants standing tall in bogs south of Hosford, pink azaleas dancing at the edges of old fields and forests, and white Cherokee Rose peeking through roadside fences.

Your colors surprise and delight us!

We give thanks for **trees**: the loquat bursting with fruit outside this window, mossy oaks draping country roads, for cypress, magnolia and beech and long leaf pine forests.

Your harmony fills our senses and spirits.

We give thanks for **wild beings**: the barred owl calling to us from the trees above our sanctuary.

We answer you, "Hoo Hoo!"

We give thanks for blue Florida **skies**.

For "all our relations" we give thanks.

We are grateful for all of Earth's blessings.

Lifespan Religious Education

Youth Religious Education (RE)

Youth RE Committee Meeting, Sunday, May 1, 9:30 AM, Rm. K

YOUTH RE CONTACTS:

- **Kelley Turnage, Youth RE Committee Chair (553-9416; kelleyturnage@hotmail.com)**
- **Georgia Ackerman, Nursery Sub-Committee Chair (894-0182; georgiaackerman@earthlink.net)**
- **Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education (DRE), (877-6301 or dremaggie@earthlink.net)**

R.E. Fun Day: End of Year Party.

Sunday, May 29, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM. This Fun Day will kick off with planting some flowers on the UUCT property as our gift to the church. Then, we will go into Rm L to cool off and celebrate with friends the end of the RE year with snacks, drinks and games. Contact: Pam Hoskins (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

Summer RE Classes. This summer, June 5 - August 28, kids will get "green" in RE with 13 lessons revolving around the UUA's Seventh Principle. Activities will include making a self-guided nature trail at UUCT, preparing organic vegetarian snacks, gardening, and learning about energy science and Florida wildlife. The children will build up to putting on an end-of-summer event to show the congregation what they have learned and accomplished. **Adults, this could be your chance to teach a class and get in on this fun and enriching summer with the kids.** For more information, contact Pam Hoskins (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

Registration for 2005 - 2006.

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 month of July. Please return the forms and any corrections to DRE Maggie Geraci by early September. Most of the 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 one child, \$40 for two, and \$45 for three or more. Scholarships are available. Contact DRE Maggie Geraci for information.

What Does It Take? Have you ever thought about volunteering as teacher in the Youth RE Program, but hesitated because you thought it would be too time-consuming? Do you love kids, but are afraid that you wouldn't make an effective teacher? How much time does it really take to teach RE? What about curricula? What experience is necessary? Teaching RE isn't just for parents with children in the program; we need help from all members and friends of UUCT. See what it really takes to make a difference in a child's life! For more information, contact DRE Maggie Geraci.

UU Youth Group

Youth, from grades 6 to 12, are invited to join us in Room 3 on Sunday mornings (11:00 to 12:30) for our UU Youth Group. As a group, we plan social events, educational experiences, social action, and lots of fun! Check us out! For more information, contact advisors Scott Geraci (sgeraci68@yahoo.com, 877-6301), John and Barbara Donaldson (john0148@comcast.net, 878-5521), or Chelsea Fox (chelsuu@yahoo.com, 421-1575).

Adult Enrichment

ADULT ENRICHMENT CONTACTS:

Bruce Brandt, Adult Enrichment Coordinator (blbrandt@earthlink.net; 893-5511)
Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education (dremaggie@earthlink.net; 877-6301).

There will be a meeting in May of people interested in the Adult Enrichment (Adult Education) program at UUCT. Who should come? People who led classes this year, some of the people who participated in classes, people who might like to lead a class in the future, and anyone with any concern about Adult Enrichment at UUCT. The meeting will be **Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 PM in Room K.** Contact: Bruce Brandt.

New Classes

Breaking Free: Aging with Wisdom and Insight. Will meet Wednesday evenings May 4 – June 1, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM in Rm. 3/6. Based on the book *Breaking Free: Women of Spirit at Midlife and Beyond*, edited by Marilyn Sewell (Beacon Press, 2004), with essays by women. The class brings together women over 50 to discuss aging as the development of character, a breaking free of old restraints, and an opportunity to deepen their spiritual lives - so that they may experience aging with vitality, grace, and joy. Books are available from Beacon Press, Amazon.com or locally. Contact: Peggy Lentz (878-2226, peglentz@aol.com).

Continuing Classes

Deep Ecology. Meets 2nd Sundays at 1:00 PM in Rm. 2 to explore environmentalism from a variety of perspectives through reading and discussion. Contact: Mary Janik (marybethtally@earthlink.net).

Lifespan Religious Education (Continued)

Global Climate Change/Disruption Action Group. Meets 7:00 - 9:00 PM on second and fourth Mondays in Rm. K to study and recommend action on the 2004-05 UUA Study/Action Issue, The Threat of Global Warming. Contact: Elinor Elfner (524-1026, eelfner@comcast.net).

Future Classes

New UU sessions. Are offered on a regular basis for those new to Unitarian Universalism and UUs new to UUCT - next sessions mid-summer or early fall. A sign-up sheet is on the back counter. You may also contact the church office (uuct@nettaly.com, 385-5115) or Membership Chair Trudy Deyle (gdeyle@juno.com, 422-1057).

On-Going Opportunities

Adult Forum. Meets Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 AM, Room L. Open to all. See front page for the month's topics. Contact: Norene Chase (422-1985).

The UUCT Book Club. Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month in Room C. Newcomers welcome. Contact: Linda Oaksford (lloaksford@earthlink.net, 422-0240).

May 10, *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*, by Anne Fadiman. The book describes the encounter of a Hmong child and her family with the American medical system.

June 14, *The Forest Lover*, by Susan Vreeland. The book is a fictionalized account of the life of artist Canadian Emily Carr, who painted at a time of industrialization and active government efforts to eradicate Indian cultures. She spent much of her time in the forest and Native villages trying to capture a way of life that was quickly disappearing.

UU Buddhist Fellowship. Meets every second and fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in Room 3/6. The series of talks on Buddhist philosophy

and history by Anne Rudloe, Ph.D. will continue in May. Contact: Anne Rudloe (984-5204).

Knitting for All. Meets Thursdays at 7:00 PM in Room 3. This class is for people who would like to learn or improve skills, and/or knit with others. Contact: Chelsea Fox (chelsuu@yahoo.com, 421-1575).

Women's Spirituality Group. Meets on Mondays at 7:00 PM off-site. Contact: Bonnie Foster (539-5563, dbdfoster@yahoo.com).

Freethinkers' Forum. Meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in Room L for 30-minute presentations followed by 60-minute, round-table discussions. The current book being discussed is Carl Sagan's *The Demon-Haunted World*, on how scientific thinking is necessary to safeguard our democratic institutions and our technical civilization. Contacts: Harold Hawkins (893-1331) or Ron Crowe (997-5307).

Campus Ministry Corner

By Kim Ross, Campus Ministry Committee Chair & Diana Bell, Campus Ministry Coordinator



The spring semester is winding down, and the UUU's went out with a bang! Most of you witnessed the excellent service they put on for the Flower Communion (Easter Sunday). This was followed by a retreat attended by fourteen people. Thank you to Nancy Bass, who allowed us to visit her beach condo and relax for a weekend

before coming back to face finals. Between playing on the beach and in the water, eating fantastic food, and growing together as a group, a few people even studied!

Many thanks and praises to Melissa Forgey for her hard work as assistant campus ministry coordinator this spring! Melissa is officially moving from staff to volunteer status as of May 1; she's done an excellent job of supporting the students and Diana. Before heading to seminary this fall, Diana Bell has agreed to stay on as campus ministry coordinator through June, to keep the program going in the summer and get it ready for the fall. In the meantime, we are actively seeking a new coordinator. If you are interested, talk to Kim (877-1972). The application deadline is May 20.

During the summer the group will be getting together once per week after the UUCT Sunday service. They'll meet outside the sanctuary at 12:45 to determine the off-site meeting location for that day. Contact Diana or Kim to get yourself on the UUU email list if you are interested in attending.

The Campus Ministry Committee will also be meeting this month to prepare for a new coordinator and to gather ideas from Diana and Melissa. Stay tuned for the date and time.

Contact information for University UUs: Diana Bell (222-0399, ladydibell@hotmail.com), Kim Ross (877-1972, kim@cennexus.com) or www.uuutally.org.

Green Corner



By Michele Hope, Green Sanctuary Committee

Current National Legislation

There is much UUCT members can do *right now* to participate in ethical discussions concerning the use and misuse of Earth's resources, an issue being debated nationally. One bill which is worth your investigation and support is the **Climate Stewardship Act** which would cap and reduce carbon dioxide and five other heat-trapping pollutants emitted by power plants, refineries and other industries.

In contrast with the (unsuccessful) voluntary approach to curbing global warming pollution the current administration has in place, the bill calls for using a market-based approach, with emissions caps and emission trading, to cut global warming pollution from the biggest U.S. sources at the lowest possible cost. An MIT economic analysis of the bill finds that meeting the bill's emission limits would affect household purchasing power by less than one-tenth of one percent. This translates to a cost per household of only \$19 per year by 2020.

This bill was re-introduced in both houses of Congress in February 2005. To gather more background information, check out the Natural Resources Defense Council's website: www.nrdc.org/globalWarming/csa/csafact.asp, from which the above information was taken. Then call or write your representatives in support of this bill.

A second act is the **Clean Power Act** (in the Senate) and the **Clean Smokestacks Act** (in the House). There are four major air pollutants important to human health being released into the atmosphere through coal-powered plants in this country. They are mercury, sulfur dioxide, carbon dioxide (40% of all U.S. emissions of CO₂), and nitrogen

oxides. Coal-powered power plants are responsible for approximately 40% of all U.S. emissions of carbon dioxide, which has both serious health and environmental impacts throughout the country. The technology to clean up these plants has existed for decades. If these old power plants were made to be as clean as newer power plants, each year we'd save three times as many lives as are saved by seatbelts.

One in six women of child-bearing age has enough mercury in her blood to pose a risk to her unborn child. Airborne mercury pollution from power plant smokestacks rains down on our rivers and lakes where it accumulates in the food chain, especially in fish. Breastfed infants and developing fetuses are exposed when their mothers consume tainted fish. This can result in lowered intelligence, learning problems, and brain damage.

To gather more background information on these two acts, check out www.cleartheair.org, from which the above information was taken. Then call or write your representatives in support of these bills.

Personal Action

There is also personal action which we urge you to take *now*, if you have not already taken it. Please stop by the Green Sanctuary table after Sunday services to sign the 1-2-3 Pledge for Global Warming, which is a simple three-point commitment your family can make immediately to reduce your household's energy costs. Or visit http://www.nettally.com/uuct/gs/gs_1-2-3.htm to download the form, then complete and return it to the Green Sanctuary Committee.

A second pledge form, Food for Thought and Action, concerning responsible choices for food consumption is also available through

the Green Sanctuary Committee or http://www.nettally.com/uuct/gs/gs_foold.htm. Remember, environmental stewardship begins, not in Congress, but in our daily lives. Let's increase our awareness, education about, and commitment to the earth's resources.

State Legislative Wrap-Up '05

Saturday, May 14 from 10 AM until Noon is **Legislative Wrap-Up '05**, co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters/Tallahassee, the American Association of University Women, Big Bend Environmental Forum (which includes our Green Sanctuary Committee), Tallahassee Women's Club and the Tallahassee Bar Association among others. It is a brunch meeting with the Leon County state legislative delegation at the Capital City Country Club. Cost for brunch: \$18. The public is invited. For more information or to make a reservation, call 309-3005. Leave your name, phone number and the number of reservations.

Executive Board Actions in April

By Carolyn DuBard, Executive Board Secretary

The actions of the April 13, 2005, meeting of the Executive Board were:

- Approval of the February 18 and the March 9, 2005 minutes.

- Acceptance as "received" of the Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet through February 2005. They will be reviewed and accepted at the next

board meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn DuBard, Executive Board Secretary

Facilities News

By Dave Harvey, Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairperson

COMING SOON, A DISHWASHER, AND ALREADY ARRIVED, A NEW SOUND SYSTEM!

At its January meeting, the Executive Board approved the establishment of two new funds for much-needed facilities improvements. Our goal for the Dishwasher Fund was about \$6,200. This will enable us to purchase and install a commercial dishwasher in the existing kitchen (including the electrical and plumbing work required), with the option of moving it to the new kitchen when we build the Fellowship Hall.

Leftover funds from the Piano Fund and substantial and generous donations from **Ellen and Richard**

Dempsey, Tom and Norene Chase, Del DeTar, Dave and Nancy Harvey, and Steve Urse enabled us to buy the new sound system. Substantial and generous donations to the dishwasher fund from **Jean and Ken Wood, Nancy and Dave Harvey, Ellie Whitney, Karlene DeTar, Del DeTar, Carolyn Fixel, and George Knight** will enable us to buy the dishwasher as well. It will be installed the latter part of April or the beginning of May. Many thanks to those who made these purchases and installations possible! Also, thanks to **Carrie Hamby** for lending us her PA system to use the Sunday our sound system was in the process of being installed.

*Editor's Note: Both **Dave Harvey** and VP for Management **Steve Urse** are due major thanks for their work getting the new sound system and dishwasher purchased and installed – plans that have been in the making for a number of years, starting with the Capital Improvement Committee and then moving to the Buildings and Grounds Committee, once the Phase One building expansion, site work and sanctuary improvements were completed.*

Florida District Assembly

By Trudy Deyle

Five UUCTers (Christine Boczarska, Jennifer Carver, Barney Cook, Dick Leinberry and myself) traveled to Oviedo for the Florida District Assembly in early April. It began with a banner parade of all congregations present, followed by each sharing a little good news about current programs and initiatives.

Saturday started with an excellent worship service done by various FL District ministers. We then heard UUA President William Sinkford speak on raising the awareness of the value of liberal religion in American society. I personally found him down-to-earth, engaging and very focused, with no wasted words. President Sinkford said that he spends much of his time bringing the UU voice into the national discourse, as a way of helping us bring

it into local discourse. The UUA has received about a dozen invitations over the past two months to participate in interfaith efforts, with each one claiming to be the response to the religious right. It is has become necessary to evaluate, prioritize and make a choice about where to participate. They have chosen the Center for American Progress as the effort to join. It is a broad-based coalition, has access to significant funding sources and has one of the best chances of being a voice in opposition to the religious right.

He challenged us to find ways to work with those of other faiths by starting from a position of humility and by emphasizing areas of commonality, but also by articulating the complexities of the issues before us as a society. He

feels that it is absolutely crucial that UUs contribute to re-framing the debate on moral values. For far too long, the only moral voice in our society has been the fundamentalists.

President Sinkford was followed by an excellent workshop given by John Hurley, UUA Director of the Office of Public Witness. He gave us a primer on public relations, including how to get free press and control what is reported to as great a degree as possible. After lunch, Kiersten Homblette of the UUA Washington Office gave another excellent workshop on public advocacy.

The day concluded with the FL District Annual Meeting: reports, a vote on the District budget, and District Board and Nominating Committee elections.

Events: UUCT Upcoming & Social

Upcoming UUCT Events

May Day Musicale, Sunday, May 1, 12:15 PM. In the sanctuary, a 25-minute concert featuring pianist Helen Falb and the guest musicians from the Sunday service -- cellist Andrea Beidler and clarinetist Yasmin Flores -- playing the Brahms Trio for these instruments. All are invited to stay and enjoy the music.

Church Council Meeting, Sunday, May 1, 12:30 PM. To review and approve the proposed list of fund-raisers for 2005 – 2006 and to review a draft of the proposed final budget. Contact: Christine Boczarska (893-7079).

Public Talk by the Ontul Rinpoche, Thursday, May 5, 7:00 PM. The Tibetan teacher, Ontul Rinpoche, will be giving a public talk hosted by the Cypress Tree Zen Group, the UUCT Buddhist Fellowship group and the Lotus Lake Buddhist Community. (\$10 donation requested.) Information: <http://webdharma.com/ctzg/> or <http://lotuslake.org>.

Tour of "Art and Ecology Triennial," Friday, May 6, 7:00 PM. See and discuss this exhibit of works of art with ecological themes, guided by Barbara Sterling, who is a volunteer docent at the Mary Brogan Museum of Art and Science. For more about the exhibit, go to the museum's website at www.thebrogan.org/. The museum will be open until 9:00 PM, and admission will be free. Pam Hoskins will supervise young children in the second floor play area, so parents can tour the exhibit. Contact: Pam (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

Peace Dances, Saturday, May 7, 7:30 PM. In the sanctuary. Simple, meditative circle dances, rejuvenating and uplifting. Contact: Tom and Katya Taylor (656-9321, katyata@earthlink.net).

Joint Finance Committee & Church Council Meeting, Monday, May 9, 7:00 PM. To finalize and approve a proposed final budget for Board consideration and then distribution to the congregation prior to the Annual Meeting. Contacts: Del DeTar (877-6649), Christine Boczarska (893-7079).

All Church Workday, Saturday, May 14, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Enjoy fellowship working on chores and projects to keep our buildings and grounds in shape. Contact: Dave Harvey (668-9096, daveharv@mac.com).



"No-Pig" Picnic and Swim Party, Saturday, May 14, 12:00 - 6:00 PM. FREE! Come up to the Georgia country home of Ken and Jean Wood. Everyone bring your own chairs, dishes and utensils, AND your own food and beverages. This is not a potluck, and no pig will be roasted. However, bringing food to share is encouraged, and barbecues will be available for cook. This event is for socializing, swimming, canoeing and water-sliding. Bring sunscreen, bug repellent, towels, swim wear, and life jackets. Carpooling is a good idea. For more information and directions, call Ken or Jean (229-377-8739), or contact Pam Hoskins (pvhoskins@aol.com, 893-5030). Printed maps will be available in the sanctuary and also sent out in a church-wide email.

Note: We will be inviting our Muslim friends from the FSU Muslim Tolerance and Dialogue Group to this event. So it is important that if you bring food to share, it not contain pork or pork products. Also, please list the ingredients of any dish you bring to share, and if you bring beverages to share, bring ones without alcohol.

Congregational Discussion Meeting, Sunday, May 15, 12:30 PM. An opportunity to ask questions about and discuss the items to be voted on the following Sunday at the Annual Meeting. Background material will be mailed to all members and friends in advance. Contact: Richard Dempsey (671-2748).

Playground Lunch and Get-together, Sunday, May 15, 1:00 PM - until? Maclay Gardens State Park playground and Lake Hall swimming area. Come have fun together after church on a beautiful afternoon! Families can bring a picnic lunch, or come after lunch, then socialize, swim and play together. There is an admission fee to Maclay Gardens. Also, the bathrooms/changing rooms/pavilion are under reconstruction; the only facilities are porta-potties. If raining, rescheduled for May 29. Contact: Pam Hoskins (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

UUCT Movie Discussion Group, Sunday, May 15, Afternoon. See a movie chosen by consensus, then go to a restaurant for discussion. Contact: Dave Harvey (668-9096, daveharv@mac.com).

Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday, May 22, 12:30 PM. Our yearly meeting to elect Board and Nominating Committee members, adopt a final budget and approve the list of fundraisers for 2005 – 2006, and transact any other important business. Contact: Richard Dempsey (671-2748).

Hot Fun in the Summertime, Sunday, June 19, 1:30 - 3:30 PM. After church, eat well, socialize, and get cool in a lake. We will meet up at the Silver Lake Recreation Area for a potluck meal and swimming. They have brand-new hot showers and other facilities. Bring your dish to share, and

Events: UUCT Social, FL District, & Beyond

your own dishes, utensils and beverages. Contact: Pam Hoskins (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

Harry Potter Party, Saturday, August 13, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. At UUCT. Fun and magic for all adults and children. Want to help? Contact: Pam Hoskins (893-5039, pvhoskins@aol.com).

UUCT Social Events

See Upcoming UUCT Events for details. Contact Pam Hoskins (pvhoskins@aol.com, 893-5039) regarding possible social events.

- **Tour Art & Ecology Triennial**, Fri. 5/6, 7:00 PM
- **Peace Dances**, Sat. 5/7, 7:30 PM
- **"No-Pig" Picnic & Swim Party**, Sat. 5/14, 12:00 - 6:00 PM
- **Playground Lunch & Get-together**, Sun. 5/15, 1:00 PM
- **Movie Discussion Group**, Sun. 5/15, Afternoon
- **Hot Fun in the Summertime**, Sun. 6/19, 1:30 - 3:30 PM
- **Harry Potter Party**, Sat. 8/13, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

May Non-UUCT Events

- Every Sunday, 7:00 PM, Gentle Shepherd Metropolitan Community Church (Sanctuary)
- Every Thursday, 7:00 PM, Zen Meditation (Sanctuary)
- Sat. 5/7, 1:00 PM, Personal Event (Sanctuary)
- Wed. 5/11, 6:30 - 9:30 PM, Therapy Group (Rm C)
- Sat. 5/21, 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM, FCALC (Sanctuary)
- Wed. 5/25, 6:30 - 9:30 PM, Therapy Group (Rm C)
- Tues. 5/31, 7:00 PM, Personal Event (Sanctuary)

UUA General Assembly

Open to all, Thursday, June 23 - Monday, June 27 in Fort Worth, Texas. The theme is "Ministering to Families in Today's World." Information in back of sanctuary or at www.uua.org/ga/.

Roots Hold Us Close

Connect to spirit, build community, deepen your roots! *What is at the core of Unitarian Universalism today?* Come explore this question and be part of the answer! "Roots Hold Us Close: An All-age Florida Fest" will convene UUs for the Memorial Day weekend (May 27-29, 2005) at the Canterbury Retreat Center in Oviedo, FL (near Orlando).

For families and for singles, for young and for the mature, "Roots" offers the chance for connection and for meaning all in an amazing natural environment. A series of workshops in the morning and afternoon will explore our faith traditions, beliefs and practices, with live entertainment ("the Irthlingz") and a keynote speaker in the evening, as well as dramatizations of famous UUs, yoga and more. The program includes structured activities for children and free time for play and fun.

All meals and lodging (hotel-style rooms) are included in the fee. Early-bird rates apply, so register NOW. Registration: www.floridadistrict.org, 407-894-2119. For information regarding "Roots," contact Michael Malone, UU Miami (305-281-4089, uukids@aol.com).

Mountain News

"Discover The Mountain" Memorial Weekend: May 27-29. The program this year is entitled "War and Remembrance: Creating a Legacy of Peace." If you or your family hasn't visited The Mountain yet, this may be the weekend for you!

Family Camp at The Mountain: July 1-3 or July 15-17. This is an opportunity to take the entire family to The Mountain for a few days of camp activities - a great way to introduce your children to camping.

Information can be found on the bulletin board in back of the sanctuary,

contact UUCT Mountain Ambassador Linda Winn-Brown (562-4755, lwinn41@earthlink.net) or The Mountain directly (info@mountaincenters.org), or visit www.mountaincenters.org.

Come to SUUSI!

Looking for a great, affordable vacation for your family, one with lots of adventures and filled with UU friends? Come to SUUSI (the Southeast UU Summer Institute), **July 17 - 23, 2005, on the university campus of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA.**

You'll be welcomed warmly and invited into a community of 1,000, who together create a week of conversation, reflection, activity, and family. Be challenged intellectually and nurtured spiritually. Stay up all night dancing or making music, and spend all day communing with nature or enhancing your personal growth. So many choices! There are special programs for youth and teens, so be sure to bring the whole family. Visit www.suusi.org or check out the brochure in the sanctuary.

UU Wine Country

The UUs of Napa, California invite you to a unique opportunity to enjoy two of America's most scenic valleys, Napa and Sonoma. Locally savvy UU guides will drive you to selected wineries, historic sites and mountain trails. You'll stay in UU homes for good conversation, good breakfasts and warm hospitality.

The offer is limited to June, July and August. Plan three nights with two days of touring. Fees are well below market rate for similar services. All proceeds benefit the Napa Valley UU Fellowship. Openings are limited, so contact us now for details: Tom Wilson (707-254-7443, twilson9@sbcglobal.net).

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UUCT is to be a
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individual spiritual
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to others in a
community of
open hearts,
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Our Board

- * Richard Dempsey, President
- * Neil Mooney, Past President
- * Christine Boczarska, President Elect
- * Carolyn DuBard, Secretary
- * Steve Urse, VP for Management
- * Rod Oldenburg, VP for Worship
- * (Vacant) VP for Social Justice
- * Del DeTar, VP for Finance
- * DeWayne Carver, VP for Religious Education
- * William Adkins, VP for Church Community

Non-Voting Members are:

- * Ellen Dempsey, Treasurer
- * Joan Patterson, Asst. Treasurer
- * Tom Chase, Collecting Treasurer

The Committee on Ministry

Bruce Brandt, Chair
Sara Reece
Bob Deyle

Directory Changes

If your mailing address, phone number or e-mail address changes, please let the office know. Unless you direct us otherwise, changes will be published in updates.

Membership Notes

To explore becoming a member or supporting friend, contact Membership Chair Trudy Deyle or a Sunday greeter.

Help our visitors by wearing your nametag on Sundays. New members and friends receive name tags. Contact church office for replacements (\$6.20).

Next new member recognition is Sunday, August 7.

Mark Your Checks

- Note the purpose of every check in the memo line (pledge, UUSC...)
- Note the month or fiscal year for pledge checks.