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#### Every Sunday:

9:45 AM Choir Practice: exc. 10/24 9:45 AM Adult Forum 10:30 AM Child Care - until 12:30 PM 10:45 - 12:15 PM Youth Group (Ages 12-20) 11:00 AM Youth RE: Pre-K-Elementary

## Scheduled Adult Forum Topics:

- October 3, TBA
- October 10, Matt Aresco, "Environmental Impacts of the Summerfield Development"
- October 17, TBA
- October 24, Dr. Jon C. Dalton, "Moral & Educational Leadership in College Students"
- Oct. 31, TBA

 Piano Dedication Concert: Fri., ' 10/1, 7:30 PM

 Silent Auction: Sundays, 10/24 & 10/31, 9:30 AM -1:30 PM

#### Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee



# The Meridian

## October Sundays (11:00 AM)

### Oct. 3 Prayer for Democracy

The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large. During my sabbatical I went to a workcamp for increasing voter registration and participation. Even this practical activity feels like a prayer and seems like a spiritual practice. **Rev. Amy McKenzie. Lay Leader: Jonathan Leib** 

#### Oct. 10 Discovery and Conquest

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning. Those we call explorers, invaders, or settlers of our nation had god and guns. The ways they shared them with the people who lived and thrived here set up a pattern of behavior that continues today. If we value discovery, we must watch out for conquest. There's a better way to meet what is new to us (than with a threatening stance).

Rev. Amy McKenzie. Lay Leader: Maria Mena

### Oct. 17 Religious Liberals and Religious Conservatives

The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large. What are the different takes and trends in voting and political action between religious liberals and religious conservatives? Dr. Lance dehaven-Smith of Florida State University and the Askew School of Government will discuss how religion affects political outlook and participation. (Also Shelter Meal Collection.) **Guest Speaker: Dr. Lance dehaven-Smith; Lay Leader: Rod Oldenburg** 

### Oct. 24 Science and Religion: A Scientist's View

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning. Science and religion are often thought to be in conflict; they were in the past and still are sometimes now. They differ in many respects but also have much in common, since basically both are attempts to understand the world around us, its origin and destiny, and our place in it. This talk will explore what has divided science and religion, in what ways the two depend on each other, and how their tenets and conclusions can be reconciled. Hans Plendl, a long-time Tallahassee resident, is a physicist and professor emeritus at FSU.

#### Guest Speaker: Hans Plendl; Lay Leader: Richard Dempsey

#### Oct. 31 Compassion Sabbath and Ritual of Remembrance

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations. Bring a memento--photo, letter, object--that holds an image of loved ones who have died. Your memento could reflect how they lived or portray them as you remember them. We'll honor those who have gone before and consider the fresh starts and inevitable endings we all face. Religion eases major life transitions: for those who die and those who must live on without them. **Rev. Amy McKenzie.** 

### Minister's Message

By Rev. Amy McKenzie

## Three Qualities of Heart for a Better Life

National Coming Out Day isn't meant to go as it did for the New Jersey Governor who just came out as a "Gay American." His was "national" because everyone was there via satellite. Did he choose to tell? I thought it was more confession than assertion, and he seemed pushed not inspired; it's likely that politics (not hope, pride and happiness) led him to speak the truth aloud.

On the other hand, National Coming Out Day, October 11, is "national" because all through the land many people from many walks of life and ages can choose for themselves whether to come out as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) to their family, friends and neighbors.

I know, what do I expect re: GLBT people (or "queer" as some prefer)?! it's politics. Politics messes up coming

### President's Message

#### By Richard Dempsey

When asked to select among options that best expressed their most fundamental belief, two-thirds of the congregation present on Sunday, September 5 circled their choices. One third elected "reason, knowledge, and freedom are essential to the dignity and future of humankind." Another sixteen percent indicated belief that "human beings are primarily responsible for the course of history and for establishing a just society." Thirteen percent believe that the "the meaning of life is found in the living of it." These are traditional humanist points of view.

Twenty-one percent marked the "web of life" choice, giving greatest emphasis to a perspective balancing out, a ritual of self-expression, much as it messes up...(fill in the blank with your personal pet peeve). When I think about politics, I get cynical.

Cynicism doesn't feed the soul, though. Cynical thoughts and words betray a loss of innocence. Innocence is a spiritual quality; maybe cynicism is a survival technique, but it stunts true growth. I can't hold the barbs of cynicism for long before I crave a return to a smoother attitude.

Cynicism is only one example of the debased expression of a quality of heart. Innocence lost is reduced to cynicism. Cynicism wears us down, and we dress it up as realism.

The three qualities of heart are from a book by Ronald A. Heifetz & Marty Linsky, *Leadership on the Line.* The qualities we've got to get back to for our spiritual health are: **Innocence. Curiosity. Compassion.**  If we can get back to these qualities, the best of humanity is preserved. I'll bet our actions as leaders will court creative change. And the open hearts and minds we value so highly can overflow with new ideas and feelings, wonder and awe, and love.

I urge you, as I coax myself: return to innocence from cynicism, especially if cynicism is dressed up as "realism." Get back to curiosity from arrogance, especially if arrogance appears in the guise of "authoritative knowledge." And exude compassion rather than callousness; certainly file down callousness posing as "the thick skin of experience."

In case there's anyone I'm not "out" to, in the joyful and freeing spirit of National Coming Out Day, I'm a "Lesbian American." May Gov. James McGreevey and all of us, whomever we love, find peace and community.

(Rev.) Amy

human needs and nature. And slightly more than one in ten seek a personal vision and meaning in life from values, beliefs, and experience, as opposed to other (possibly divine) sources.

We are, in short, a community largely of those (about 95%) who believe the future rests in our own hands, for good or ill, like it or not. A small number indicated otherwise. We sort of knew this going in. So what have we learned?

Our core belief is pretty solid. If we differ, it's over details. Our faith is that we can handle the job of shaping our world more as we'd like it to be. We aren't flippant about it, but we are selfreliant to a remarkable degree - typical Americans. And this is the faith we want to pass to our children. This is the faith we promote at UUCT. Jesus taught that we can move mountains, i.e., change the world, given faith the size of a mustard seed. (You see, it's really about c-o-m-m-u-n-i-t-y.)

Speaking of that, fellow UUs, there are a couple of small hills that need shoving. All together, now—PUSH!!!

In Community,

Richard

### From the Committee on Ministry

By Bruce Brandt, Chair (blbrandt@earthlink.net; 839-5511)

#### Minister's Sabbatical: "Getting to Know You Again"

Rev. Amy's two-part sabbatical is now completely over. She is easing back into her work with us, and we are all starting to talk about where she and we have been. Those of us who remained in Tallahassee are eager to hear what Amy did, what she learned, and how she might want to do things differently. Likewise, Rev. Amy wonders about where we went on our individual and corporate journeys while she was away.

The Committee on Ministry (CoM) will be organizing, with much help from others, some small-group gatherings with Rev. Amy as part of the "getting to know you again" process. The CoM has already had one such meeting; the Executive Board will have another. Other meetings will be arranged for standing committee leaders and members. There also will be two chances for anyone who wishes to meet with Rev. Amy, both at church -Monday, October 18 from 10:00 AM to noon; and Saturday, October 23 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Please come and find out where Rev. Amy has been and what she has learned and tell her how we have changed, as we make room in our lives again for each other.

#### **CoM Assessment Process**

As I hike or bike from the Forest Meadows soccer complex to Lake Jackson on the many paths through Phipps Park, I tend to focus on the details of where I will put my foot for the next step, nearby flowers, birds, and so forth. But every so often, I must look up, figure out the direction to the lake and decide if the road I am on leads there. I can then keep on, adjust my direction slightly, or, sometimes, change roads and move off in a drastically different direction.

Institutions like UUCT also need to assess where they are and where they are going from time to time. The Committee on Ministry (CoM) is required to assess the status of UUCT about every three years. We want answers to questions like:

- Are we attracting new members? Are we retaining old ones?
- Do members and friends feel a strong sense of belonging?
- Do we share our faith with others? Are we involved in the community?
- Is faith development of people of all ages valued?
- Does our worship inspire and challenge members and visitors, young and old?
- Do our leaders have a clear sense of mission and purpose, a plan for next steps?
- Does the congregation promote generosity with time and money?

 Are our buildings, parking, and other infrastructure adequate for now and the future?

The CoM has a two-part process for getting answers to these and more questions. The part most obvious to everyone will be a questionnaire sent to all members and friends in late October, filled out by everyone (we hope) and returned to the committee. The responses to that questionnaire will be analyzed by the CoM and reported to the Executive Board and congregation.

The second part of the CoM assessment process will focus on our committees. A survey with different questions will be given to current and recent members of a particular committee. The questionnaires relating to a particular committee will be analyzed, and the CoM and the recent and current members of the committee will discuss the results. The goal is to find out what has contributed to each committee's successes, what constraints have been overcome, which objectives have not been achieved, what barriers blocked the achievement, what crises arose, how they were dealt with, and what resources from UUCT would help the committee reach its goals.

We hope that this process will give us all a clearer view of where we are on the road to meeting our goals and what direction we should choose to reach them most efficiently.

## Social Justice

#### Harmony Camp Update By Joanne Taylor

Since Kate Taluga, the Harmony Camp Director, was unable to attend our debriefing meeting right after camp, part of our committee met with her on September 23 to hear her assessment of our week of camp. She praised the skill and dedication of all of our volunteer camp staff and commended us on providing a meaningful experience for the children who attended. She agreed that next year the pre-registration process can include making choices from the classes to be offered during the camp. Kate expressed that she felt honored to have worked with all of us and would be interested in working with us again.

### Social Justice (Continued)

#### TEAM

The Tallahassee Equality Action Ministry (TEAM) issue committees have been meeting separately and working on the current issues: housing, healthcare, public transportation, and teen-age needs. UUCTers are not on any of the issue committees at the moment, but many thanks to Nancy Bean for representing us at overall TEAM meetings. The

TEAM Action to move forward on these issues will be **Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 6:30 PM** at Innovation Baptist Church. To learn more about TEAM and participating, contact Rev. Amy (566-1388, revamq@earthlink.net).

## Covenanting for Excellence in Religious Experience

By Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education

After much planning and organizing, the Covenanting for Excellence in Religious Experience weekend finally happened at UUCT. The kick-off party was held on Friday, September 24, with 33 people in attendance. Laurel Amabile, Southeastern Region Lifespan RE Program Consultant, and Connie Goodbread, Florida District Healthy Congregations Consultant, were welcomed to our congregation, and spent time getting to know us and answering questions about the covenanting process.

The workshop was held on Saturday, September 25. Over 37 people, representing a variety of ages, families and lengths of time as UUs, attended. The morning was spent reviewing our church history and the history of religious education in our congregation and discussing the professional aspect of the director of religious education position. After a delightful lunch provided by the Caring Committee, the group got to work clarifying and prioritizing goals and expectations and articulating a common vision, in order to formulate a working covenant. The Covenant was shared with the congregation at a celebratory service on September 26 and is as follows:

#### We, the members and friends of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee, covenant to support lifespan religious experience (R.E.) in our congregation by...

Recognizing lifespan R.E. is fundamental to our lives as UUs and to our unique role in Tallahassee.

Making R.E. a priority by providing our time, energy, talents and financial resources.

Putting fun, passion, and enthusiasm into our R.E. programs for all ages.

Committing ourselves to personal spiritual growth.

Putting our beliefs into action: in our lives, our church, and our wider community.

Purposefully and "funly" interacting with other generations.

Integrating R.E. activities into the greater community.

Cultivating a sense of congregational ownership of lifespan R.E., mindful that every moment of our congregation life <u>IS</u> religious experience. We are R.E. (WE'RE).

#### We covenant to support Maggie Geraci in her role as Director of Religious Education by...

Supporting the R.E. Program Committees by attending meetings, and by volunteering by setting priorities.

Providing fiscal support.

Supporting her in her leadership role.

Having realistic expectations.

Providing support for her professional development.

Offering feedback, input, and recognition.

Sharing our own passions, time, our energy and our commitment to a program that is fun, educational and based on our principles.

Taking personal responsibility to carry out our R.E. vision!

Rev. Amy and Maggie Geraci also created a covenant:

#### We, as Minister and Director of Religious Education colleagues, covenant...

To the Children and Youth of this congregation that we will...

Be advocates for them.

Care for them as valued members of our community.

Learn from them!!

To the Congregation that we will...

Prioritize our time according to our covenants.

Be faithful to the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee mission and vision as we devote our passion and energy to our ministries.

#### As colleagues...

We will communicate and support each other as we develop ourselves. *AND...* 

Have fun with purpose.

Apply the five central aspects of the *Congregation as Curriculum* model (Social/community, Social Justice, Worship, Learning, and Leadership) in all we do.

#### Announcements 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 Unitarian Universalist 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, contact the church office (385-5115). For more 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 noon on

October 29, 2004.

#### **Silent Auction**

We are having the Silent Auction in the fall this year - on two **Sundays**, **October 24 and October 31**, so that as many people as possible will have the opportunity to bid on the great items that will be available. The auction tables will be open for bidding both before and after the church service on both days. Watch for the signs and come ready to bid.

We hope you have been thinking about what you might offer for auction. Always popular and very welcome are: dinners in your home; a party with a theme; a game night such as poker, cards, croquet; airport transportation; music lessons; use of your pickup truck; carpentry work; cleaning services; a massage; babysitting, etc. Forms to list your donation can be found in a basket at the rear of the sanctuary. On the back of the form are some ideas that might help you think about what you can donate. If you have questions, contact Joan Patterson (309-1248 or 443-1964: patterson090@comcast.net).

#### **Bakers Needed!**

On **Sunday**, **October 24**, the Youth RE Program will hold our semi-annual bake sale. Delicious delectables, freshly made, can be purchased to munch on during coffee hour, or to take home as treats for the family! Funds raised by this event will be used to help maintain the two playgrounds on our property. To donate food items to sell, or to otherwise help out, contact Kelley Turnage (553-9416).

#### **Ongoing Opportunities**

- **Music Committee:** Contact Ed Tribble (877-1845, cbfia@earthlink.net).
- Nursery Help: Contact Scott Geraci (877-6301) or Holly Mackie (926-4324).
- 2nd Monday Shelter Meal: Contact Carla Conaway (575-8684).
- Sunday Service Greeter: Contact Nancy Harvey (668-9096, npharvey@aol.com).
- Sunday Hospitality and Clean Up: For October, contact Eleanor and Earl Enge (926-9352, curmudgeon@hcsmail.com).
- Sunday Service Set-up: Contact Elinor Elfner (224-3651, eelfner@istal.com).

#### **Grounds Help Weekdays**

To better keep up with our necessary landscape tasks (weeding, pruning mulching), VP for Management Steve Urse will be having work mornings during the week (for no more than 90 minutes) a couple of times a month. Please let him know if you are interested (385-2864, surse2@earthlink.net).

#### **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).

### Caring Network and Membership News

#### **Caring Network**

By Joanne Taylor, Caring Ministries Chairperson

We keep in our thoughts and prayers, minds and hearts... all who are recovering from illnesses and surgeries.

It's good news that **Joe Chulak** is home after a week in the hospital and is doing much better. Joe, we hope that continues.

We are thinking of **Tom Pratt** as he continues chemo-therapy treatment and wish him as much comfort as possible with this tedious process.

Our wishes for a speedy recovery go to **Alex Falb** following knee surgery on Thursday, September 23.

Our sympathy to **Kata Taluga**, whose mother died in Arizona after a lengthy illness. Kate was the director of this summer's Harmony Camp.

We're happy that **Barney Cook** is home from the hospital after some adjustments of his heart medication.

**Congratulations** to **Allen Turnage** on the wonderful results of lasik eye surgery a few weeks ago. We hear it's wonderful to see the world so much more clearly.

### **Board** Actions

By Carolyn DuBard, Secretary

- Approved the April and August minutes as amended.
- Accepted the Treasurer's report for July-August and the Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2004.
- Approved revisions to the position descriptions of the elected officers.
- Approved revisions to the description of the Personnel Committee.

Our thoughts will be with **Sharmin Herrin and Charles Shelfer** as they travel to China to meet their new daughter. Hannah.

#### Lend Membership a Hand!

The Membership Committee needs:

- A Dinners for 8 Coordinator (preferably one coordinator for both Intergenerational and Adults Only dinners, but separate coordinators also okay)
- A Digital Photo Directory Coordinator (to compile and prepare for posting securely online - working with volunteer photographers, the office, the Membership Committee and the webmaster)
- Someone willing to provide transportation on Sundays and for other UUCT events to a long-time UU who has moved to Tallahassee, lives off Ox Bottom Rd., and does not drive.

Contact: Trudy Deyle (422-1057, gdeyle@juno.com).

#### **Membership Notes**

To explore becoming a member or supporting friend, contact Membership Chair Trudy Deyle (422-1057) or a Sunday greeter.

#### **Current UUCT Stats**

- Certified Membership (as of 1/04) -178
- Current Membership 170
- Current Number of Friends -54
- Average Sunday Church Attendance for month of August - 115.8
- Average Sunday Attendance
  - July August 2004: 110.3
  - July 2003 June 2004: 107.4
  - July 2002 June 2003: 96.5
- RE Enrollment: 33 (incomplete)

Next new member recognition is Sunday, November 7.

Help visitors get to know us by wearing your name tag! New members and friends receive name tags. Contact office for replacements (\$4.75).

- Approved the committee descriptions for two new committees: the Internal Audit Committee and the Fundraising Committee.
- Approved revisions to the personnel policies and adopted new personnel policies.
- Approved the donation of a car to UUCT. The donor specified that the car is to be sold to a specific needy individual at a bargain price.
- Passed without objection the opinion that the Ad-Hoc Committee on Campus Ministry is moving in the correct direction and has the permission of the board to use the focus and descriptions in its draft report in the search for a Campus Ministry Coordinator.
- Expressed appreciation for those persons who "carried the ball" during Reverend Amy's sabbatical.

# Appreciation

- To:
- Nancy Harvey, Leslie
  Wurster, Jim Dawson, Peggy Lentz, Junelle Brandt, Jean Chulak, Annette Pearce, Steve Urse, Carolyn DuBard, Mary and Francis Ventre, and Barbara Sterling for greeting on Sunday mornings 8/29 - 9/26.
- \* **Dorothy Mann, Leslie Wurster** and all others who provided Sunday hospitality in September.
- \* All who were clean-up "heroes" in September.
- Ansel Bailey-Mershon, Melissa Forgey, Heidi Keating, Patrick Lineberry, Chelsea Fox, and Lee Tanner for volunteering in the nursery.
- Margaret Mooney, Carla Conaway, Amy Mann, Dorothy Mann, Pam Davidson, Jared Homan, and Kathie Mackie for volunteering for The Shelter meal.
- George Knight, John Sandstrum, Ed Tribble, Elinor Elfner, Jerry Lawrence, Randall Gann, Greg DeAngelo, Jim Dawson, Joe Lama, Ellie Whitney, and Earl and Eleanor Enge for setting up the sanctuary in September.
- Eleanor Moore for donating a dining room table and chairs for Rm 3&6.
- Ellen Dempsey and Joe Lama for helping to give John Murphy rides on Sundays and to Finance Committee meetings.
- Barbara Gearhart for coordinating Dinners for Eight for the past two years.

#### Thanks from the Foster Family

Bonnie, Derrick, Dean and Autumn wish to thank Bonnie's former Voluntary Simplicity group for preparing new arrival dinners for them.

### ۶ R.E.

#### **R.E.** Covenanting Thanks

Thank you to: Kelley Turnage, Richard Dempsey, and DeWayne Carver for getting the covenanting process to happen; all who attended the kick-off party to welcome our District facilitators; Joanne Taylor, Peggy Lentz, and all who brought food for lunch Saturday; all who attended the Saturday workshop and helped create the covenant; Isabel Sheridan for crafting the covenant wording; Gwendolyn Waldorf for turning the workshop flipcharts into easy-to-read notes;

**Margaret Mooney** for organizing the reception after the celebratory service, and **Jennifer and DeWayne Carver** for providing home hospitality to a facilitator unable to return home due to Hurricane Jeanne.

#### And from DRE Maggie...

Thanks to everyone for your part in the Covenanting Workshop. The care and concern for R.E. by this congregation was very evident, and I appreciated all the positive comments and shows of support. I look forward to the future as we work together to make our Religious Education Programs truly outstanding.

P.S. Dylan and I want to say thanks for all the birthday wishes, the yummy cake, and the singing. It was wonderful to share our special day with all our friends at UUCT!

#### **Building and Grounds Thanks**

By Steve Urse, VP for Management and Chair (temporary) of B&G

There continue to be more tasks than people for the urban forest and buildings of UUCT, but considering there were three storms this month much was accomplished. An overall acclamation of appreciation is for **Francis Ventre**, who has chaired the Building and Grounds Committee and organized workdays for more than two years. The Committee will build upon his accomplishments. A detailed report on work accomplished at the September 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday workday and at many other times during the month is available on line in *The More Meridian.* Thanks to the following individuals: youths **Michael Wei and Oliver Dutta, Bruce Brandt, Don Berger, Tim Campbell, Tom Chase, Elinor Elfner, Randall Gann, Dave Harvey, Pam Hoskins, George Knight, Joe Lama, Dot Mann, Rev. Amy McKenzie, Barbara Sterling, Steve Urse, Francis Ventre, and Debbie Wolfe.** 

Work included pressure-washing, weekly leaf and debris blowing, pruning, weeding, mulching, flowerbed tending, raking, watering, trimming tree limbs, picking up and mowing our lawns, ordering and installing new "First Time Visitor" signs, picking up and delivering furniture to UUCT, repairing and cleaning lights, fixing an electrical switch and a toilet, and purchasing various supply parts for projects.

Our largest problem is storm-water flow and erosion. Trudy Deyle, Steve Urse and the rest of the B & G Committee have been working with Mad Dog Construction and its subcontractors on one-year warranty follow-up for the new construction and landscape. The solution will have many components and will be an ongoing endeavor. Steve Urse is obtaining estimates for tree removal of dead or dying trees and for rain gutters for the old classroom building, south side - another drainage and erosion control measure.

Thanks to all who pitched in with hurricane preparations during the month, those whom I have omitted and those who did more than I noted, and welcome to **Dave Harvey** who will become B & G chair and organize workdays beginning Nov. 1.

Lifespan Religious Education 👳

#### Youth Religious Education (RE)

#### Youth RE Committee Meeting, Sunday, October 3, 9:30 AM

#### **YOUTH RE CONTACTS:**

- Kelley Turnage, Youth RE Committee Chair (553-9416; kelleyturnage@hotmail.com)
- Scott Geraci, Nursery Sub-Committee Chair (877-6301, sgeraci10@direcway.com)
- Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education (DRE), (877-6301 or DREMaggie@direcway.com)

#### This Year in Youth Religious Education

The Youth RE program has begun an exciting new year with new teachers, new students, and new curricula! We're so grateful for all the participation we receive from our members and friends...it certainly makes a difference. This year, our children will focus their learning on UU principles, getting to know the UU denomination, and stories of true heroes. Here's what each class will be focusing on:

Explorers (Ages 3, 4, and 5): *Chalice Children* – Based on the premise that children learn best through experience, this program helps nurture spiritual growth, creativity, and a sense of community through imaginative activities and rituals such as rhymes and finger plays. Concepts such as birth and death, dreams, and the natural world will be introduced.

Artists and Bridgers (Elementary Grades): Super Heroes – This curriculum introduces children to the stories of Unitarian Universalists and people of the Bible who have acted with courage and wisdom in their attempts to live their lives fully and make the world a better place for others. By studying the lives of these important characters, we show the children how the lives of these people confirm the principles which we, as Unitarian Universalists, strive to promote.

This year is full of fun and interesting things to learn and do at UUCT!

#### Thank a Teacher!

And don't forget to thank all our wonderful Youth RE teachers for dedicating this year to our children and spreading the knowledge of Unitarian Universalism! Our teachers for 2004 – 2005 are:

Explorers (ages 3, 4, and 5) – Eliza Coyne and Melissa Forgey

Artists (grades K, 1, & 2) – Yvonne Gsteiger, Margaret Mooney, and Mary Stewart

Bridgers (grades 3, 4, & 5) – Pam Hoskins, Terri Martin, and Allen Turnage

Youth (Middle/High School) – John Donaldson and Scott Geraci, with assistance by Barbara Donaldson

## October 31 Fun Day - Costume Party!

Elementary and middle school - aged children are invited to join us on October 31, during normal RE class time, for a Costume Party Fun Day. Share in some spooky games and treats, and show off your costume. We may even do a Costume Parade after the service to show off to the congregation! For more information, contact DRE Maggie Geraci.

#### **Mountain Cons**

Youth Cons at The Mountain this fall are:

11/5-7, Senior High

11/19-21, Junior High

12/10-12, Elementary

Parents interested in taking a group from UUCT to any of these should contact DRE Maggie Geraci for more information.

#### Youth Group for Ages 12 - 20

#### Plans for Year:

Parents of middle and high school youth should have received a letter outlining plans for the group for this year. Meetings will be Sundays from 10:45 AM - 12:15 PM, with Scott Geraci and John Donaldson as advisors.

#### **Upcoming FL District Cons:**

10/8-10, All-age - First UU Orlando

11/5-7, All-age - Tampa

**For more information**, contact DRE Maggie Geraci.

#### Adult Enrichment

ADULT ENRICHMENT CONTACTS: Bruce Brandt, Adult Enrichment Coordinator (blbrandt@earthlink.net; 893-5511) Maggie Geraci, Director of Religious Education (DREMaggie@direcway.com; 877-6301).

The fall 2004 Adult Enrichment program is underway. New classes are leaving the starting gate one or two per week, as on-going classes continue or resume after an August break. I would like to thank all the people who are preparing classes this fall. You folks continue to surprise and delight us with the range of subjects that interest you enough to share them with others.

Here is what is happening. For more details about the classes listed below, see *The More Meridian* at the church web-site, call the contact person, or come by the RE table on Sundays.

#### FALL CLASSES

The Artist's Way Creativity Workshop I & II: Meets Saturday afternoons starting October 2, in Rm K. Contact Amy Mann (222-1420 or amann@infionline.net).

## Lifespan Religious Education (Continued)

Choices for Sustainability: Starts Saturday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 AM, in Rm C. Contact Kathie Mackie (385-5115, uuct@nettally).

**Christianity Without God:** Started Sept. 28, meeting for 8 - 10 Tuesdays at 7:30 PM, in Rm K. Contact Harold Hawkins (893-1331) to order a copy of the book for the class.

**Dream Interpretation Workshop:** Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 PM for 8-10 weeks starting Oct. 6, in Rm K. Contact: Elizabeth Vigil (656-9921).

Four Spiritualities - Growing Your Spirituality: Meets Wednesdays at 10:30 AM beginning Oct. 6, in Rm C. Contact: Maggie Geraci (877-6301).

**The Knitting Goddess:** Meets Thursdays at 7:00 PM starting Oct. 7, in Rm 3&6. Contact: Chelsea Fox (339-9103).

Nature-Centered Spirituality: Meets Wednesdays, 7:15 – 8:30 PM, Sept 22 – Nov. 10, in Rm C. Contact: Donald Crosby (385-3292). **Understanding the Bible:** Started Sept. 7 meeting first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:15 PM, in Rm L, until Nov. 2. Contact: Bob Kenon (878-3647).

#### **FUTURE CLASSES**

**New UU sessions** are offered on a regular basis for those new to Unitarian Universalism and UUs new to UUCT. The next sessions will be Thursdays, November 4 and 11, 7:00 - 9:00 PM, taught by Rev. Amy and UUCT member Rod Oldenburg. A sign-up sheet is on the back counter, or contact the church office (385-5115, uuct@nettaly.com) or Membership Chair Trudy Deyle (422-1057, gdeyle@juno.com).

#### **OPEN PARTICIPATION**

Adult Forum. Sun., 9:45 -10:45 AM, Room L. Open to everyone. See front page of this *Meridian* for the month's topics. Contact Norene Chase (422-1985).

UU Buddhist Fellowship. The UUBF meets every first and third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in Rooms 3&6. We read and discuss books and have just starting Learning to Fall, the Blessings of an Imperfect Life by Phillip Simmons. This group of essays shares a remarkable ten-year spiritual journey as a young husband and father searches for peace and a deepening relationship with daily life as he faces a fatal illness. He offers us the gift of connecting deeper and more joyously with our own imperfect lives. For information, contact Anne Rudloe (984-5204) or William Riedell (562-0739, wmpat88@att.net).

**The UUCT Book Club.** Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month in Room C. The October book is *West With the Night* by Beryl Markham. November's book will be *The Great Fire: A Novel* by Shirley Hazzard. Contact: Elizabeth Vigil (656-9921).

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

## Campus Ministry Corner

#### From the Out-going Coordinator By Chelsea Fox

The Fall semester has had a slow start for the University UUs, but we are definitely still moving and growing. It's my last month as Campus Ministry Coordinator, so I'm basically just keeping things running smoothly and gearing up our members for some selfdirection, which I believe they are entirely capable of. We are meeting twice a month for social and groupbuilding activities, in addition to our regular weekly coffee hour, and will be coordinating the October Shelter Meal.

Our meetings are held every-other Monday at 8:00 PM. The location varies, so please check our website for up-to-date info: www.uuutally.org. Coffee Hour: 6:30 every Friday at All Saints Café, in the building that was once called Javaheads, 903 Railroad Avenue, one block south of Gaines St.

Please contact me with any questions, comments, or willingness to help: chelsuu@yahoo.com or 421-1575.

#### From the Committee Chair By Kim Ross

With Chelsea's resignation as Campus Ministry Coordinator, we will soon be hiring a new coordinator. The position is advertised under *Announcements*. Since this is a time of transition, we have taken a look at our campus ministry and the coordinator position to see where we can improve the program. An ad-hoc Committee on Campus Ministry Reformation was formed, with the Vice President for Religious Education as our fearless leader. I am very excited by the results of our meetings!

One of the things we looked at was the mission of our campus ministry program. While there has always been a mission, we realized it was not well-defined and visible. So the following is our newly defined mission: "In support of the greater UU movement, be a voice and presence for liberal religion on campus, maintain an intergenerational link between young adults and the congregation, and provide a peer group for college students and young adults to develop and articulate their spirituality."

### Campus Ministry Corner (Continued)

We also looked at the duties of the coordinator and the role of the Campus Ministry Committee and made revisions so that the coordinator's role is more that of a lay minister and facilitator. Following from our mission, the primary duties of the coordinator are to: provide support to the members of the group, be a voice for UUism in the Campus Ministry Associations of FSU and FAMU, and facilitate the development and leadership of the group members through the weekly meetings and special events. If this sounds like you, be sure to apply!

#### We discovered that we also need a stronger, more vibrant Campus Ministry Committee, which has several tasks we must fulfill in order to have an effective program. We will serve as the primary advocate and liaison between the campus ministry group and the congregation, and will provide strategic and institutional vision for the campus ministry program. We will also serve to mentor and advise the coordinator, as needed.

The first meeting of the newly revised Campus Ministry Committee will be on October 17 after church. Please come, or email me at kim@cennexus.com if you are interested in helping out but cannot attend. I'm looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

### Green Corner

#### By Michele Hope, Green Sanctuary Committee

There is much we can do to mitigate flooding and to preserve water quality in our homes and community. Please take advantage of the seminars, meetings and events coming in October. Bring your children! Education is power. UUCT member participation in the following three events will contribute to satisfying our criteria for accreditation as a Green Sanctuary Congregation.

Saturday, Oct. 9 at 11 AM: UUCT will host a TAPP (Think About/Take Action on Personal Pollution) seminar for members and friends. The seminar will focus on landscape best- management practices for a water-friendly yard. Choose to water efficiently, manage for healthy soils, slow storm-water runoff, mulch and use yard bounty, minimize use of fertilizer and pesticides, and, if you live by a water body, protect the shoreline. Bring friends and neighbors!

Thursday, Oct. 7 at 7 PM at the RA Gray Building: "Secrets of Wakulla Springs" sponsored by the Friends of Wakulla Springs and the Big Bend Environmental Forum. UUCT Green Sanctuary is a member of this alliance. Another related event will occur on **Saturday, November 13,** a community **"Walk for Wakulla Springs"** - a great opportunity for families to learn firsthand about the sources of the springs and understand some of the issues affecting the spring's water quality.

UUCT member Elinor Elfner encouraged members at a recent Adult Forum to attend a **Monarch Butterfly tagging Saturday, October 9 at 6 AM** at the St. Marks Wildlife Refuge. Contact the Wildlife Refuge (850-925-6121) for more information.

The Green Sanctuary Committee and the UUCT congregation congratulate member **Anne Rudloe and husband Jack** on being awarded the 50th Annual Chevron/Texaco Conservation Award for their environmental efforts in marine science education! Their Gulf Specimen Marine Laboratory in Panacea supports both academic research and education. They are authors of many environmental articles and books about this area. Check out their website at <u>www.gulfspecimen.org</u>. to learn more about the work they are doing on behalf of the environment.

Thanks go to UUCT members and friends participating with the International Coastal Cleanup Day Saturday, September 18. Working with Big Bend Sierra Club at the Aucilla River were Steve Urse, Pam Hoskins, Michele Hope and Robert Lide. The 5 teams included students from the Jefferson Co. High School 4H club. 789 lbs. of trash was gathered from the Aucilla in a couple of hours. **UUCT** member John Whitton organized and led another coastal cleanup at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. Elinor Elfner, Neil Mooney and son Pierce participated in this effort with John. Gwendolyn Waldorf and daughter Cate Waldorf Bryan also gathered trash at Shell Point. Devin Geraci participated with her Girl Scout troop.

## October UUCT Calendar of Events

\*Note: Contacts for weekly and bi-monthly Monday, 11 Wednesday, 6 activities listed at end. 10:30 AM Four Spiritualities, Rm C. See Rev. Amy Away (FL District UU The More Meridian for details.\* Ministers' Association Meeting -Friday, 1 FUUMA) 11:30 AM UU Downtown Chow-Down, 6:30 PM University UUs, off-site.\* 7:15 PM The Shelter Meal, off-site. (Carla off-site. First Wednesday of the month, 7:30 PM Piano Dedication Concert, Jacob's Doubletree Inn, all welcome. Soup Conaway: 264-3249; sanctuary. Musicians and performers from and salad \$6.95, full buffet \$10.95. No carlaconaway@hotmail.com) UUCT and the Tallahassee community. RSVP; just come. (Annette Pearce: 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality Group, Free childcare and a reception afterwards. 386-4053 or 891-8660) off-site.\* (Helen Falb: 309-6853; 3 PM Buildings and Grounds pianoskin@comcast.net) 8 PM University UUs, off-site.\* Committee, Rm C. (Steve Urse: 385-2864, surse2@earthlink.net) Tuesday, 12 Saturday, 2 10:30 AM Choices for Sustainability Rev. Amy Away (FUUMA) 7 PM Dreams Workshop, Rm K. See The organizational meeting, Rm C. See The More Meridian for details.\* 6:30 PM Spiral Scouts, Rm 3&6.\* More Meridian for details.\* 7:15 PM Nature Centered Spirituality, 7 PM UU Fiction Book Club. Rm C. See Afternoon - Artists Way, Rm K. See The Rm C. See The More Meridian for details.\* Lifespan RE and The More Meridian. More Meridian for details.\* 7:30 PM Choir, sanctuary.\* (Elizabeth Vigil: 656-9921, 7:30 PM Peace Dances, sanctuary. evigil@lpoffice.com) Thursday, 7 Simple, meditative circle dances, 7:30 PM Christianity Without God. Rm K. 7 PM The Knitting Goddess, Rm 3. See rejuvenating and uplifting. (Tom and Katya See The More Meridian for details.\* Taylor: 656-9321; Katom@istal.com) The More Meridian for details.\* Wednesday, 13 Sunday, 3 Friday, 8 Rev. Amy Away (FUUMA) 9:30 AM Youth RE Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM University UUs, off-site.\* 10:30 AM Four Spiritualities, Rm. K. See Rm 2. (Kelley Turnage: 553-9416; Saturday, 9 kelleyturnage@hotmail.com) The More Meridian for details.\* 8:30 AM - 11 AM All Church Workday. 12:30 PM Fundraising Committee, Rm 2. 7 - 9:30 PM Dreams Workshop, Rm K. Enjoy fellowship working on chores and See The More Meridian for details.\* (Joan Patterson, 309-1248; projects to keep our buildings and grounds patterson090@comcast.net) 7:15 PM Nature Centered Spirituality, in shape. (Dave Harvey: 668-9096; Rm C. See The More Meridian for details." Monday, 4 daveharv@mac.com) 7:30 PM Choir, sanctuary.\* 7 PM New UU Course, Rm L. (Trudy 10:30 AM Choices for Sustainability, Rm Deyle: 422-1057; gdeyle@juno.com) C. See The More Meridian for details.\* Thursday, 14 7 PM UU Buddhist Fellowship, 11 AM - 1:30 PM Green Sanctuary and Rev. Amy Away (FUUMA) Rm 3&6. See Lifespan RE for details.\* Buildings & Grounds Seminar, 7 PM The Knitting Goddess, Rm 3. See sanctuary. See Green Corner. (Steve Urse: 7:30 PM Building and Grounds The More Meridian for details.\* 385-2864; surse2@earthlink.net) Committee, Rm C. (Steve Urse: 385-2864; 7 PM Green Sanctuary Comm., Rm C. surse2@earthlink.net) Afternoon - Artists Way, Rm K. See The (Pam Hoskins: 893-5039; More Meridian for details.\* 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality Group, pvhoskins@aol.com) off-site.\* Sunday, 10 Friday, 15 12:30 PM Potluck. Bring your favorite Tuesday, 5 6:30 PM University UUs, off-site.\* dish to share. 6:30 PM Spiral Scouts, Rm 3&6.\* Saturday, 16 12:30 PM Church Council, Rm L. 7:15 PM Understanding the Bible, Rm C. (Christine Boczarska: 893-7079: Afternoon - Artists Way, Rm K. See The See The More Meridian for details.\* rrlee@infionline.net) More Meridian for details.\* 7:30 PM Christianity without God. Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\* Sunday, 17 12:30 PM Campus Ministry Comm., Rm C. (Kim Ross: 508-9100; kim@cennexus.com)

## October UUCT Calendar of Events (Continued)

#### Sunday, 17

12:30 PM Meridian Deadline.

**1:30 PM Crop Walk,** off-site. At Tom Brown Park, with registration from 12:30 -1:10 PM. Walk 1 or 3.5 miles. Contact Rev. Amy and walk with her to raise funds to fight hunger.

#### Monday, 18

10 AM - 12 PM "Getting to Know You Again" with Rev. Amy, sanctuary. Details under Committee on Ministry.

7 PM Finance Committee, Rm 2. (Del DeTar: 877-6649; ddetar@infionline.net)

**7 PM UU Buddhist Fellowship**, Rm 3&6. See Lifespan RE for details.\*

7:15 PM Program Committee, Rm L. (Eric Draper: 668-5075; edraper@audubon.org)

**7:30 PM Women's Spirituality Group,** off-site.\*

#### Tuesday, 19

6:30 PM Spiral Scouts, Rm 3&6.\*

7:15 PM Understanding the Bible, Rm L. See The More Meridian for details.\*

7:15 PM Committee on Ministry, Rm K. (Bruce Brandt: 893-5511; blbrandt@earthlink.net)

**7:30 PM Christianity Without God,** Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\*

#### Wednesday, 20

7 PM Executive Board, Rm. L.\*

**7 - 9:30 PM Dreams Workshop,** Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\*

7:15 Nature-Centered Spirituality, Rm C. See The More Meridian for details.\*

7:30 PM Choir, sanctuary.\*

#### Thursday, 21

**12:00 PM Membership Monitoring Meeting,** Rm 2. (Trudy Deyle: 422-1057; gdeyle@juno.com)

#### Friday, 22

6:30 PM University UUs, off-site.\*

#### Saturday, 23

Afternoon - Artists Way, Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\*

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM "Getting to Know You Again" with Rev. Amy, sanctuary. Details under Committee on Ministry.

#### Sunday, 24

**9:30 AM - 1:30 PM Silent Auction,** Rm L. (Joan Patterson: 309-1248; patterson090@comcast.net)

12:00 PM Youth RE Bake Sale, sanctuary. (Kelley Turnage: 553-9416)

*Afternoon - Movie Discussion Group, off-site.* See a movie chosen by consensus, then go to a restaurant for discussion. (Dave Harvey: 668-9096; daveharv@mac.com)

#### Monday, 25

7:30 PM Women's Spirituality Group, off-site.\*

8 PM University UUs, off-site.\*

#### Tuesday, 26

6:30 PM TEAM Action, Innovation Baptist Church. (Rev. Amy: 385-5115, 566-1388, revamq@earthlink.net)

6:30 PM Spiral Scouts, Rm 3&6.\*

**7:30 PM Christianity Without God,** Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\*

#### Wednesday, 27

**10:30 AM Four Spiritualities,** Rm C. See The More Meridian for details.\*

**7 PM Dreams Workshop,** Rm K. See The More Meridian for details.\*

7:15 PM Nature Centered Spirituality, Rm C. See The More Meridian for details.\*

7:30 PM Choir, sanctuary.\*

#### Thursday, 28

**7 PM The Knitting Goddess,** Rm 3. See The More Meridian for details.\*

Friday, 29

6:30 PM University UUs, off-site.\*

Saturday, 30

*Afternoon - Artists Way, Rm K.* See *The More Meridian* for details.\*

#### Sunday, 31

**9:30 AM - 1:30 PM Silent Auction,** Rm L. (Joan Patterson: 309-1248; patterson090@comcast.net)

11 AM Youth RE Fun Day

**12:30 PM Executive Board Learning** Session, Rm L.\*

#### Contacts for Weekly and Bi-Monthly Activities

Artists Way: Amy Mann, 222-1420; amann@infionline.net

**Choices for Sustainability:** Kathie Mackie, 385-5115; uuct@nettally.com

**Choir:** Helen Falb, 309-6853; pianoskin@comcast.net

**Christianity Without God:** Harold Hawkins, 893-1331; RevHLHawk@aol.com

Dream Interpretation Workshop: Elizabeth Vigil, 656-9921; evigil@lpoffice.com

**Executive Board:** Richard Dempsey, 671-2748; richardd@nettally.com

Four Spiritualities - Growing Your Spirituality: Maggie Geraci, 877-6301; DREMaggie@direcway.com

**The Knitting Goddess:** Chelsea Fox, 421-1575; chelsuu@yahoo.com

Nature-Centered Spirituality: Don Crosby, 385-3292; donald.crosby@att.net

Spiral Scouts: Patty Burton, 942-4056

**Understanding the Bible:** Bob Kenon, 878-3647; rkenon@aol.com

**University UUs:** Chelsea Fox, 421-1575; chelsuu@yahoo.com

**UU Buddhist Fellowship:** William Riedell, 562-0739; Wmpat88@earthlink.net or Anne Rudloe, 984-5204

**Women's Spirituality Group:** Bonnie Foster, 539-5563; dbdfoster@yahoo.com

#### **Upcoming UUCT Social Activities**

See events write-ups for details. Contact Ludy Goodson (531-9819, songsavor@hotmail.com, or with a note on a Sunday) about possible social events.

- Piano Dedication Concert, Fri., 10/1, 7:30 PM
- Peace Dances, Sat. 10/2, 7:30 PM
- UU Downtown Chow-Down, Wed. 10/6. 11:30 AM
- Second Sunday Potluck, 10/10, 12:30 PM
- Movie Discussion Group, Sun. 10/24, afternoon
- Joe Lama's Housewarming Party, All-invited, Sat. 11/13, 1 - 4 PM
- Thanksgiving Dinner, 11/25, 1:00 PM
- Winterfest Dinner & Celebration, Fri. 12/10, 6:30 PM (Musicians start thinking!)

#### Meetings: Other Committees

Adult RE Committee, TBA. Bruce Brandt, 893-5511; blbrandt@earthlink.net

Endowment, meets quarterly. Jim Dawson (383-1213)

Membership, Wed. 11/3, 7:15 PM. Trudy Deyle (422-1057)

Publicity, TBA. Kristin King (425-4658)

Racial & Cultural Diversity, meets via e-mail. Isabel Sheridan (668-0785)

#### **District Events**

More information at back of sanctuary or in office.

- Managing Our Differences Workshop, Sat. 10/16, South Daytona
- Women & Religion Fall Retreat, Fri.-Sun. 10/22-24, The Pines
- Fall Leadership Conference, Sat. 11/13, Orlando
- Social Justice Workshop, Sat. 12/4, Orlando
- Southeast Winter Institute (SWIM), • 12/26 - 1/1, Miami
- Healing the Interdependent Web...Let • It Begin with Me, NPR Commentator Margot Adler, Fri.-Sun., 2/18-20, Ft. Myers
- District Annual Assembly with UUA President Bill Sinkford, Fri. & Sat. 4/8-9, Oviedo

#### **Meridian Schedule**

Please have your articles for printed or web version either e-mailed or turned in to Kathie Mackie and Trudy Deyle no later than the third Sunday of every month. Please make your articles for the printed version brief. Articles for the web version can be longer, but should still be concise.

#### **October Non-UUCT Events**

- Every Sunday, 7:00 PM, Gentle Shepherd Metropolitan Community Church (Sanctuary)
- Every Thursday, 7:00 PM, Zen Meditation (Sanctuary)
- Tues. 10/5, 7 9 PM, No Casinos Inc. (Rm L)
- Tues. 10/12, 6:30 9:30 PM, Therapy Group (Rm L)
- Tues. 10/26, 6:30 9:30 PM, Therapy Group (Rm L)
- Fri. 10/29, 6:30 PM & Sat. 10/30, 6:30 PM, Scottish Dances (Sanctuary)

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#### A Word of Explanation

As part of our effort to shorten the printed Meridian and in response to requests to have all event information in one place, we have combined the calendar and events. for the month. Please let us know what you think!

## "The More Meridian" at UUCT Website (www.nettally.com/ uuct)

#### **Adult Enrichment**

For more detailed course descriptions, visit The More Meridian.

#### **Buildings and Grounds**

For a more detailed report on UUCT **Buildings and Grounds Committee** work during the month of September, visit The More Meridian.

#### **Church Community Corner**

Periodic articles will appear on-line.

#### **Denominational Affairs**

On-line now:

- News Clips from the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA)
- **UUA Trustee Tidbits**

### **Mountain Notes**

By Linda Winn-Brown

Celebrate Thanksgiving at The Mountain, Nov. 24 - 28. And check out for current months; Sunday Services this fall's Elderhostel Programs. .

Information on any open-participation,

upcoming programs at The Mountain is available on-line in The More Meridian or contact Linda (562-4755, lwinn41@earthlink.net) or The Mountain Retreat and Learning Centers, Highlands, NC (828-526-5838, www.mountaincenters.org).

#### **Repeated On-line**

Calendar of events & social activities descriptions.

#### Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee 2810 N. Meridian Road Tallahassee, FL 32312

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These and others by appointment. E-Mail: revamq@earthlink.net Church: 385-5115; Cellular Ph: 850-566-1388

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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

Rev. Amy McKenzie, Settled Minister

#### The Committee on Ministry

Bruce Brandt, Chair

Sara Reece

Bob Deyle

#### **Directory Changes**

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#### Mark Your Checks

- Note the purpose of every check in the memo line (pledge, UUSC...)
- Note the year for pledge checks: 03/04 or 04/05.
- Write separate checks for the Operating Budget (payable to UUCT) and Capital Campaign (payable to UUCT Building Fund).
- And a reminder that the three-year Capital Campaign pledge period ended 6/30/04.