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June 20 - 24  
In Phoenix Arizona

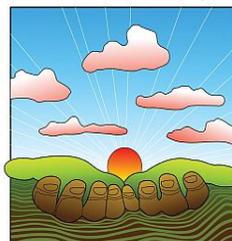
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SUUSI 2012

**Southeast Unitarian Universalist  
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July 15 - 20  
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### From Your Board President

Here goes my very first Presidential Article. By the time you read this it will be too late, I will already be President of the board at UUCFL.

I suppose you might want to know what I have in mind, besides being the best servant leader ever, with appropriate boundaries and good

delegating skills. I hope that ends up being true. I've been busy. I assume you know by now I've recruited some new leadership. We have 2 new Sunday Service chairs, John Shearer and Opal Murray. Opal will soon be an ordained minister, not a UU ordained minister, but ordained none-the-less. Look for Sunday Services with her this summer. John who is studying to become a UU minister will be helping me with the Interdependence Day coffee house and other services this year. They will be taking turns running the committee. The membership committee will be being run by Debbie Rivera and Tom Karneth. Tom is a great Data Guy and Debbie is an awesome people person. I think between them they will be able to energize the committee, and help our membership grow. It's been a dream of mine that we should have a coordination of the Social Justice Groups in our church and now Lore Bernier has consented to run our Social Justice committee. She is planning on keeping our attention focused on our mission as well as keeping our activity level to something manageable. She wrote an article for the Journey this month already hitting the ground running. I'm really excited about running the board. I plan to run a snappy efficient board meeting by not spending too much time discussing stuff we agree on. I hope I can manage it. I'm planning on using the left over time to talk about our vision and our 5 year plan.

I'm pretty excited about getting that done and invite congregational participation.

Wow, all these people...all this activity, I wonder if /I hope that you wonder where you fit in. There's lots of stuff to do here at UUCFL. I have some great ideas, but I will need people to do these things. I'm a pretty good delegator. I'm a pretty poor do-it-all-myself'er. So, I will be asking you if you have a plan for next year. I'm looking for people with all kinds of skill sets. I would love to find you something to do. If I don't catch you and ask you, please contact me and tell me what is your passion for the church and I will endeavor to find you something serviceful to do. I have great hope that with your help, we can make this a great year.

**Myra Symons**

### Board Minutes

Board Minutes are available online at [www.uucfl.org](http://www.uucfl.org) where you can review current and past meetings.



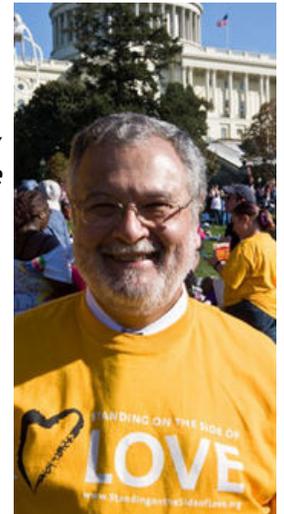
**Alexis Blasenheim - Secretary**

### UUA President Applauds Statement on Same Sex Marriage by President Obama

May 9, 2012

The following statement was issued by Unitarian Universalist Association President Rev. Peter Morales:

*President Obama's announcement today that he supports the right of same sex couples to marry is a courageous step forward in the direction of justice and equality for all Americans. I applaud the President's decision to declare his support for the freedom to marry for all loving couples. Like many Americans, President Obama says his position on this issue has evolved over the years, and today it seems clear that the arc of the universe is bending toward justice.*



*The Unitarian Universalist Association called for the freedom to marry for same-sex couples in 1996. Unitarian Universalists will continue to stand on the side of love for marriage equality until the freedom to marry belongs to all.*

**Name Tags** – If you have not yet received your new name tag lanyard, please sign up in church on Sundays. You have a choice of designs between a picture of the church and a chalice. Please wear your name tags each Sunday so our veterans and our newer members and visitors recognize each other better.



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### Membership Committee

*Then followed that beautiful season... Summer....  
Filled was the air with a dreamy and magical light;  
and the landscape  
Lay as if new created in all the freshness of childhood.*

~ **Henry Wadsworth Longfellow**



## ***Rev. Gail's Space***

### **Transitions and Reframing**

I talk a good game about how we all need to embrace change and remain flexible in all aspects of our lives but in reality, I dislike change as much as anyone. Often I will stay in a bad situation way too long because change just feels too scary. When I think about which changes in my life I deliberately chose and which ones were thrust upon me I am convinced that either way it always took me quite a while to actually adjust to a major change.

I have lived alone for much of my adult life. I have also spent time living with a romantic interest, a roommate or with several other people. Whenever, I switch from one lifestyle to another it always feels like a huge adjustment. As most of you know for much of the last year and a half, I have lived with a young man (David -- who I think of as my adopted son) and a dog (Whisper). In the last couple of months David relocated to work and look into school possibilities out West. I found a foster home for Whisper where he can get more attention that I can give him. I feel that both these developments are for the best in the long run. However, while I enjoy having my house more orderly and more freedom of movement, I also feel a deep sense of loss. I am sure that David and I will visit, take a trip together or meet at holidays in the future, but it is unlikely that we will live together in quite this way again. It feels deeply sad to me. I never wanted to have children but while sharing my home with David, I learned that I had a nurturing and motherly side that I had no idea existed. Negotiating the ups and downs of a family of choice was stressful at times but it was also great to have someone to process the day with, to share comments about the day's news, and to chat with about what we were reading or thinking about.

Now I am back to having to plan my own schedule again and call friends if I want to share thoughts or discuss a problem. I am a very extraverted person but I am also someone who can entertain myself. I love to read, watch movies, listen to music and write as well as all the solitary aspects of what I do as a minister. However, I miss having a more normal work life with colleagues to chat with everyday.

Everything in life is a trade off and we never know what any decision will bring us. I loved being a late life mom. Of course David and I will stay in close touch but this has been a unique time in my life. I don't know yet what the next phase of my life will be but I am sure it will reveal itself and be another adventure. I plan lots of travel, more college teaching at Strayer and maybe other settings. I plan to continue doing ministry for many years into the future and I hope to do more writing. I come from a long lived family, so I am hoping I will be around for a long time and have many more adventures but change is in the air for me right now and part of me is not embracing it yet. I will be doing my traveling in June this year and back for July and August where I will be teaching World Religions again for Strayer, doing some summer services and offering more sessions of the Soul to Soul class. I hope that perhaps the often slightly smaller church services that are normal in summer will allow me more time to interact with more of you and perhaps get to know you a little better. Changes will continue to come to each of our lives and to the church. Our challenge is always to find ways to respond that both honors what we have just experienced and open ourselves for the next stage of life. May your changes all lead you to new and richer horizons.

Blessings,

***Rev. Gail***





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So much to do, so much to see, so much to hear, so much to eat. It is summer time, the living gets a bit easier for some of us and we can relax just a bit, slow down, and take time to enjoy the little joys of life.

I hope that everyone can spend some time away from the regular tasks of life. Even if you can not afford a vacation for money reasons, (or because your boss just can't seem to get along without you) go to the beach. How many of you never get to our most important asset here? Even if you are not a sun worshipper, go in the evening just before sunset; it is delightful. Try to spend more time with local friends and family. Cook a meal with a couple of chums and just enjoy each other's company. Things will be slower here at church. I will be off for the last week of June, all of July, and the first three weeks of August. I will be around, but not in charge of RE. Volunteers will be providing some sort of activity for the children on Sundays, so don't be afraid to bring your kids, or invite friends who have children. IF you have a special hobby or talent that you would like to share with our children, this would be a great time to come and show your stuff! Please let me know. Before we finish our church year, I want to invite everyone to our fabulous Father's Day bar-b-que. We will celebrate our fathers and the important men in our lives with a delicious lunch after the service on June 17.

This event is sponsored by the Religious Education department and other friends of dads. Try to be here, and bring your dad!! Remember, even if I am not working at church, I am usually around town and always available by phone or email. In my off time, I will be working on plans for next year's curriculum and activities, so if you have any ideas, or if you want to get involved in RE in any way, don't hesitate to contact me.

So, grab a beach chair, a cool drink, and enjoy, enjoy, enjoy.

Love and Blessings, *DRE Susan*

### Summer Children's Religious Education Schedule

**Sunday June 3, 11AM**  
**Rehearsal for RE Sunday**  
**Kids Start in Class**

**Sunday June 10, 11AM**  
**RE Sunday Service**  
**Kids are in the Service**  
**Please have all participants**  
**at church by 9:30AM**

**Sunday June 17, 11AM**  
**Preparing Father's Day Lunch**  
**Kids Start in Class**  
**Sunday June 17, 12:15**  
**Father's Day Bar-b-que Lunch**  
**All are Welcome**

**Sunday June 24, 11AM**  
**Children's Activity**  
**Kids Start in Class**

**Sunday July 1, 11AM**  
**July 4th Activity**  
**Kids Start in Class**

**Sundays July 8, 15, 22, 29**  
**Children's Activity**  
**Kids Start in Class**



**LifeNet4Families**  
 Cooperative Feeding Program

### LifeNet4 Families/ Cooperative Feeding Update

Thanks to a great group of volunteers all over Broward County, the Postal Food drive for CFP was a success once again this year. Thanks to Mark Woodpecker, Judy King, Sara Keeley, Monica Pavik, Laura Lange, Steve Lange, Peter Lange, Geneva Lange, Caterina Turner, Valerie Turner and Doug Friend from UUCFL for their hard work. Food was separated, boxes packed and pallets filled. This is a really fun day every year, good work and good times, so keep it in mind, especially those of you who missed it, for next year. Our next regular workday at CFP is Saturday July 7. We will meet at CFP at 8:45AM. As always, thanks to those who keep filling our lobby baskets. Keep the non-perishable canned and packaged foods coming, and keep taking those clothes to Goodwill.  
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## A Call for Social Justice

There are conceivably hundreds of causes vying for your attention. There's the animal shelter down the road and Sarah McLachlan pleading with sad-eyed puppies on your television screen, there are people waving signs on the news, there are friends posting petitions and inviting you to rallies via FaceBook, there are strangers handing you fliers and asking for donations and there are people at your church who make announcements. All of them want just a few minutes (or hours) of your time or a few dollars from your wallet.

It can be exhausting. You want to volunteer at the shelter or give money to the children in Darfur or spend an afternoon trying to get people to sign a petition down at the mall. You want to do a lot of things but you just don't have the time.

At some point, you have to look someone in the eye and say "no". Which is difficult but also, certainly, necessary. That brings you to a dilemma of whom to give your time and money to. On a personal level that comes down to a matter of morals and beliefs - which causes speak to you most personally.

As a church we face similar issues. We have a beautiful, diverse congregation full of passionate people. Every single one of us has a cause, or several, that we want people to give attention to.

As a church we also have the dilemma of deciding where to direct our efforts. This is often going to come down to where we will make the most impact. Which causes will we, as a community, be able to do the most good for? Where are we needed as a group of individuals?

This, too, comes down to our morals and beliefs but also requires of us a certain level of ruthlessness. We have to be honest with ourselves about what we're able to do as a small congregation. We have to accept and embrace our unique set of circumstances.

Justice is like an arrow - without proper direction and adequate force it will never reach its mark. We must become skilled archers. We must pull the bow taut and keep our aim straight and true.

I have faith that our beloved community is up for this task.

Because we are so wonderfully diverse, there are a great many causes which speak to us, so I would like to know:

Where does your passion for justice lie?

E-mail me at [starofinanna@gmail.com](mailto:starofinanna@gmail.com) and sound in on what causes matter to you most.

**Lore Bernier - Social Justice**



## Music Notes

Here we are at the end of May and the choir will be on summer break until September. How we will miss them! Dot will still be playing most Sundays June after which she will also be off for 2 months. Obviously, we are heading into hot weather down time but never fear UUCFL will still be here every Sunday.



May 6 brought us another beautiful and moving solo from Vernon Allen. He sang the nostalgic "Once Upon a Time" lamenting that familiar memories no longer remain. The Mothers Day program with 3 heartfelt statements dedicated to Good, Bad, and Pretty Good Mothers were presented. The choir's chant-like "The 23rd Psalm" dedicated to McFarrin's mother was well received as well as "Love Can Build a Bridge". What was not included was a song by a beloved alumnus of UUCFL, Dr. Arnold Eichert who had a wonderful sense of humor. He sang, "If it wasn't for your father, would your mother be your mother, so remember Dad on Mothers Day".

Alfredo Tamburrino played two lovely Schubert flute pieces and a postlude by Handel for the May 20 service.

The month ended with the choir singing "We Shall Be Free". Could this have been a subliminal message because their church season was closing? I believe Susan chose it to commemorate Memorial Day.

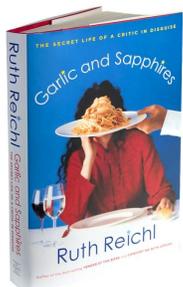
We look forward to varied programs offered by Sunday Services during June with some special music as well. The Religious Education Department will be closing the current year with the Sunday service on June 10 in the efficient hands of our R.E. Director, Susan Friend.

Other June programs are in the planning stage but will include a tribute to Fathers on June 17. How we miss Arnold and his parodies when we need him.

Have a wonderful rest from weekly rehearsals on Wednesdays and Sunday mornings, choir. We really appreciate all your efforts and the resulting moving musical messages. Our thanks to Charlie for enhancing the hymns most Sundays. We miss you when you are not here.

**Dot Muise, Director of Music**

## Join Us at the Daytime Book Club



Daytime book club will begin Friday, June 8 at 1 p.m. at the church. First book will be Garlic and Sapphires by Ruth Reichl. This is an amusing memoir by a previous restaurant critic of the New York Times. Future meeting dates and book titles will be discussed on this day. Bring your own refreshments.

Contact for more info 954-649-5717 or [mstcavish@yahoo.com](mailto:mstcavish@yahoo.com)

**Molly St. Cavish**

## SUUSI Returns for Summer 2012

*Look to This Day*



**SUUSI 2012**

Radford, Virginia July 15-21  
Southeast Unitarian Universalist Summer Institute

Looking for a great, affordable value for your whole family, with lots of adventures and filled with friends? Then come to SUUSI! July 15-21 in Radford, Virginia.

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"Look to This Day!" is this year's theme.  
Visit <http://www.suusi.org>  
for more information and to register

## Election Results

Congratulations to all of our Board Officers, Trustees and members of the Nominating Committee and our Endowment Fund Board who were elected at our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday May 20.

### Board of Trustees:

**President Elect - Jeffery Hutt**  
**Treasurer - Benny Rivera**  
**Trustee - Sara Keeley**  
**Trustee - Victor Garlock**  
**Trustee - Susan McAlpin**

### Nominating Committee:

**Larry Wilkner**  
**Jerry Waltz**  
**Gary Ladka**

### Endowment Fund Board

**Guy Jeanty**  
**Steve Lange**



## Coming CUUPS Events

In June we celebrate Mid-Summers or Litha. Warning, there will be faeries about. Saturday June 25, we gather at 7:30 to share in a pot luck feast. And come dark, about the time fire flies appear, we shall gather outside for



Ritual and Ceremony.

Do wear bright colors, faerie wings, and reread Shakespeare's *MidSummer Night's Dream*.

On the Sunday Service July 15, Nancy Abello of the Hollywood Fellowship will present on "The History of Psychics." The Sanctuary will be ringed with tables of diviners and soothsayers dealing with the past and the future. Following Service that will be Coffee Hour and a Psychic Faire going on until 6 PM. Will this be good or what? If you were psychic, you'd already know.

Thursday 7:30 PM Study Group will continue though the Summer. Elrick the Apothecary will be back for his third visit sharing more knowledge and lore on herbal medicines.

*Kip, Resident Pagan*

## Building and Grounds Update

I hope everyone had a nice vacation from Buildings & Grounds. We have not met in a while due to the building being occupied on Saturday. But now we need to do a little loving work so the whole place does not fall apart on us. We need volunteers with ideas, suggestions and elbow grease to make our church the home away from home.

Our first project will be to clean and organize our shed which stores many of our supplies and tools that we will need for our near future projects. If you are interested in helping out, sharing your skills and ideas that concern our physical grounds please come to the Church on June 2 at 8 AM while the day is still cool.

*Mark Woodpecker - Building and Grounds Chair*



## Interested in Attending the "Justice GA" in Phoenix?

The UU Legislative Ministry is encouraging UUs in Florida to attend the UUA General Assembly in Phoenix, Arizona June 20-24, 2012, and will offer partial scholarships to needy UUs who want to attend.

This will be an historic GA, a gathering of UUs nationwide with multiple ways of engaging in justice work for people of all ages. "Joining with the people of Arizona, we will worship, witness, learn and work together.

We will leave General Assembly grounded in our faith, energized for justice and with resources to bring this work home to our congregations".

See <http://www.uua.org/ga/2012/index.shtml>. Registration and housing reservations are open.

**Act quickly. Expect that inexpensive rooms, especially inexpensive rooms that are close to the convention center, will sell out.**

Please contact UULMF Co-Chairs Steve Segner ([steve\\_segner@uulmf.org](mailto:steve_segner@uulmf.org), 386-788-3039, or Kindra Muntz ([kindra\\_muntz@uulmf.org](mailto:kindra_muntz@uulmf.org), 941-497-1764) for more information.

**UU Legislative Ministry of Florida**

For more information on UUA General Assembly visit [www.uua.org/ga](http://www.uua.org/ga)



## Labyrinth Café Closes Season on a High Note

Thanks and gratitude to Amy Carol Webb and Kat Eggleston for their amazing show at the Labyrinth Cafe Saturday night, May 12... our last concert of the season - there were tears, there was laughter and our venue shone with a musical magic that gave new definition to the word harmony...

I'm still pinching myself at this past season's line-up... and I'm also counting my blessings for our dedicated volunteers: Erik, Virginia, Myra, Judy, Kris, Laura Sue, Victoria and Lore... and to Reverend Gail and the UUCFL for housing and supporting our series - together we have created and sustained a musical community to be proud of and inspired by... and we are appreciative of you, our loyal audience, for continuing to choose live, original music on the second Saturday of each month!



We ask you now to save the following dates (2012: August 11/Sing-along, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8 / 2013: January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11) and join us once again for song and camaraderie - have a great summer and watch your e-mail, check your Facebook and listen to Michael Stock's show for notice of the harmonic treats in store for 2012-13, our 10th (yes, TENTH!!!) Season... :-)

*Susan Moss, Coordinator, Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series*



## Building the World We Dream About

### What a Journey (BtWWDA)

Nearly two years ago a group of us gathered to consider the UUA's new Building the World We Dream About program/curriculum. Rev. Gail Tapscott, Colette Saucier, Noralee Traylor, Christian Herrera and Vanessa Gilyard were included in that original group. Some of us journeyed first to Boca then to Orlando in our deliberations and "training". In the two years that followed, some participated as workshop facilitators. All in all, The Dream Team MADE IT HAPPEN!

I learned much during this journey. One of the failures of anti-racism/anti-oppression/multiculturalism programs in this country has been the way many of them engendered massive amounts of guilt in the participants. In contrast, Building the World We Dream About created a safe space place to reflect and share experiences and feelings. Boy did we laugh a lot. The value of humor should never be overlooked.

Having said all that, there are two things you definitely should not miss. The first is the BtWWDA Improv Players in the June 17th Sunday Service: SAVE THE DATE! It occurs to me that there's a worst case scenario in which the skit could still be amusing to everyone else. We might blow the whole thing sort of like unintentional Keystone Kops. Hopefully, we'll provide an inspirational, thought provoking, moving service.

Following the service we'll be showing the Tim Wise appearance/talk from the 2011 GA one more time. Rev Gail called him Jon Stewart on steroids. We used this entertaining but informative presentation in lieu of one of the BtWWDA Workshops. Rev. Gail and the entire Dream Team enthusiastically recommend that the whole congregation see it. Some of his comments would make good coffee hour topics for conversation. Use the link below to view it or stay after the service on the 17th. (Or, you could just borrow the CD from me.)

<http://www.uua.org/economic/ga/184974.shtml>

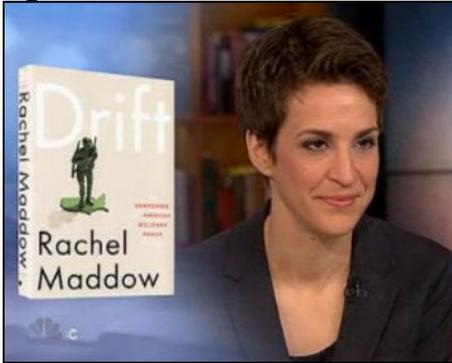
It's been an amazing trip. I'm sure that all of us have been affected to some degree and we'll carry those effects with us from now on. Those effects will inform and transform our actions as we go forward.

*"Let's stop wishing for Beloved Community and start dreaming it, planning it, seeing it, living it, until we wake up one astonishing blessed morning to find the dream come true."*

(Excerpted from a sermon by Rev. Fred Small, delivered at First Parish in Cambridge, Massachusetts on December 6, 2009; used with permission in BtWWDA.)

*Betty Brantley and the Building the World We Dream About Team*

### Save the Date - FAU Professor to Lead Book Review at UUCFL



On Sunday, September 23 at 12:50 p.m. distinguished FAU professor and activist Mike Budd will lead a review at UUCFL of Rachel Maddow's best-selling book, *Drift: The Unmooring of American Military Power*. Naomi Klein says, "... Maddow tells the epic story of how American warfare came to be both never-ending and practically invisible....she revives a radically old-fashioned idea: waging war should be wrenchingly difficult for a nation, for that is what prevents unnecessary battles from being waged. This courageous book deserves to spark a national debate about the purposes of war."

Mike Budd, a Boca Raton resident is active with War vs Human Needs, The Truth Project, which informs high schoolers about realities of military service, and Occupy Palm Beach County. The public is welcome to attend and participate. Thanks to UUCFL for facilitating this community event.

**Bob Bender**



This is the time of year most of our congregations shift their leadership focus to the next program year. New officers are installed. Planning retreats are held.

It is also a good time to do a thorough review of your ministries. How goes it? What's happened with worship and educational attendance this year? How does this year's membership data (demographics as well as numbers) compare with the previous 5 years? Where are we on our 3-5 year plan (oh, you say, "what plan?" – time to get one going!). What are we doing really well and how we can we do more of that? What's the buzz? How is our morale?

And, perhaps the most important question: Are we more mature in our understanding of religious conviction and more successful living our values in daily life? And: how do you measure that?

Assessing ministry is a subtle and difficult task, so it is often avoided. However, you cannot plan for where you are going without first knowing where you are. And if you are unclear of your purpose (remember all the admonitions to craft a short statement of purpose or mission?), how will you know what matters most as you move ahead?

Review and update your Mission statement!

The District can provide leadership with assessment and planning tools. Do ask if you'd like some assistance. Meanwhile, here's a quick checklist for your leadership retreat:

- What are we doing well and can improve further?
- Are there pinch-points in our work that can be quickly fixed and put off the agenda?
- On a "doing well" vs. "needs work" basis, how would you rate your:

- o Community worship.
- o Adult education, faith development.
- o Children's faith instruction/development.
- o Member to Member caring & support.
- o Congregational involvement in the larger community.
- o Leadership development.
- o Transparency and integrity regarding stewardship & finances.

Good luck, plan well, be well. I hope you have made your plans for Justice GA . I'll see some of you in Phoenix.

All blessings,

**Rev Kenn Hurto - UUA Florida District Executive**

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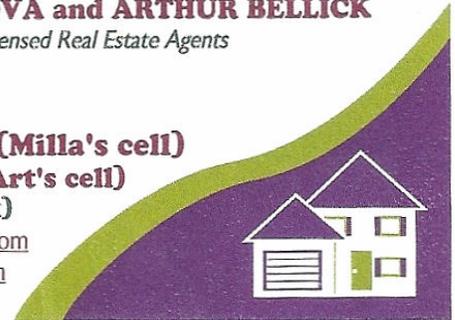
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- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



**June/July Birthdays**

Vanessa Gilyard 6/5  
 Myra Symons 6/7  
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 Keats Goodwin 6/10  
 Frank Shulman 6/13  
 Betty Highton 6/19  
 Douglas Paul 6/27

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 Jennifer Ladka 7/28  
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**June/July Calendar**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Every Sunday :</b>  <b>11:00 AM- Church Service and Children's Religious Education</b></p>	<p><b>Religious Education Events</b>                      See special calendar on the RE page 4</p>	<p>Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events <a href="http://www.uucfl.org">www.uucfl.org</a> and click "Coming Activities"</p>			<p><b>1</b>                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>2</b>                      •8:00am Building and Grounds Workday</p>
<p><b>3</b>                      •9:30am-UU Sisterhood</p>	<p><b>4</b>                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles                      •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b>                      •7:00pm - Occupy Related Group</p>	<p><b>7</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>8</b>                      •1:00pm - Book Group (see page 5)                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b>                      •7:00pm - Board Meeting                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles                      •7:30pm - Drumming</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b>                      •7:00pm - Occupy Group</p>	<p><b>14</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>15</b>                      7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17</b>                      •9:30am—UU Sisterhood                      •12:45pm - Building the World We Dream About - Tim Wise Video</p>	<p><b>18</b>                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles                      •7:30pm—Sunday Services Committee                      •7:30pm—Peaceful Meditation</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b>                      •7:00pm - Occupy Group                      •UUA General Assembly (through 6/24) (see page 6)</p>	<p><b>21</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>22</b>                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>23</b>                      •7:30pm Litha Celebration (See Page 6)</p>
<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b>                      •7:00pm Membership Committee                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b>                      •7:00pm - Occupy Group</p>	<p><b>28</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>29</b>                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>
<p><b>July 1</b>                      •9:30am-UU Sisterhood</p>	<p><b>2</b>                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles                      •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b>                      •7:00pm - Occupy Group</p>	<p><b>5</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>6</b>                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>7</b>                      •8:00am - Cooperative Feeding Program Workday (See Page 4)</p>
<p><b>8</b>                      Journey Submission Deadline</p>	<p><b>9</b>                      •7:00pm - Board Meeting                      •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b>                      •7:00pm - Soul to Soul Part 2 with Rev Gail                      •7:00pm - Occupy Group</p>	<p><b>12</b>                      •7:30 pm CUUPS</p>	<p><b>13</b>                      •7:00pm - Foreclosure Group</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>
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## The JOURNEY



### Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

### JUNE/JULY 2012

**June 3 - Pomp and Circumstance** - Susan Moss (with a little help from Anna Quindlen, Patti Digh and Anne Lamott) discusses the topic of graduation advice... words of wisdom that seem relevant for all our life passages, actually!

**June 10 - Coming and Going** - This RE Sunday service will feature leavings and returnings as well as the exceptional talents of some of our great UUCFL kids. We will hear a round-up of adult RE from the past year and DRE Susan will share her wit and wisdom.

**June 17 - Father's Day/Building the World We Dream About Improv Troupe** - Betty Brantley and the BtWWDA Improv Players will provide an inspirational, thought provoking, and moving service. Following the service will be an encore showing of the entertaining but informative Tim Wise appearance/talk from the 2011 UU General Assembly.

**June 24 - The Path to the Pulpit** - Opal Murray, one of our new members as well as recently-appointed co-chair of the Sunday Services Committee, shares her experiences and wisdom on what it means to be "called."

**July 1 - Interdependence Day Coffee House** - Please join us for another edition of the Interdependence Day Coffee House. A few hardy souls do not skip church for the fourth of July weekend and they are given a rare treat. The coffee hour starts just after the service starts and we have a rousing UU Discussion with coffee and bagels. It's like heaven. This year we will be discussing our ideas about how we can all work on growing this faith locally. John Shearer and Myra Symons will be running the show. This service is a little longer because it covers church and coffee hour too.

**July 8- Meeting Needs, Not Just Having Meetings** - Rev. Gail Tapscott will suggest some new frameworks for how we can think of church work in a more creative and spiritual and fun fashion.

**July 15 - Psychic Energy in the UU World** - Nancy Abello, Hollywood UU Fellowship congregation president, shares her journey through the psychic realm. The sermon will include a brief history and the many uses that the psychic realm has in today's world: counseling, healing, soul work, past lives regression and finding lost objects.

**July 22 - Travel and Transformation** - Rev. Gail Tapscott will discuss the role that travel and experiencing foreign settings can have on our psychological and spiritual growth.

**July 29 - At Home in Lands Afar** - Colette Saucier will talk about her experience traveling through Cambodia and Laos - a friend's last wish for her to go to a place she knew Colette dreamt of going to for more than 20 years, Angkor Wat. Climbing temples' narrow stairways, boat ride down the Mekong River, and feeling right at home through the whole experience.

**August 5- Living Past Fundamentalism and Provincialism** - Rev. Gail Tapscott will look at how even within liberal circles we have our own versions of these two qualities that most of us would say we are exempt from in our lives.

