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Upcoming worship services

Sunday, Jan. 29:
"The State of the Church"

Rev. Bill Gupton

Our minister's annual reflection on the state of Heritage Church will focus on the many exciting opportunities – and changes – that await us in the year 2012. For ancient Mayan astronomers, the calendar may have ended with this year, but for Heritage, great things are only beginning to happen!

Sunday, Feb. 5: "Music for the Soul"

Matt Quick & Connie Booth

John Phillips Sousa remarked that there is music for the head, the heart and the feet. Music enriches our worship services in all of those ways. Today's service brought to us by Matt Quick and Connie Booth will celebrate music through the spoken word and the gifts of several musical folks in our congregation.

We will be joined by special guest musician Suzanne Bona Hatem, a professional flutist.

Sunday, Feb. 12: "My God: A Work in Progress"

Rev. Bill Gupton

Every so often, it behooves a minister to share with the congregation what he or she means by the word "God" – especially if that understanding of the Divine changes and evolves over time (which, of course, it should – though creedal and dogmatic faiths would disagree). Today is the first in a two-part worship series in which we will consider the biggest of all words.

Sunday, Feb. 19: "Our God: UU Theological Diversity"

Rev. Bill Gupton and Friends

We conclude our two-part worship series with lay voices from the congregation sharing their own thoughts about God. If you would like to participate in this service, please contact Rev. Bill by Feb. 5.

Sundays, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 26: "Poetry Sunday"

Erica Minton

It's time again for Poetry Sunday! The theme of this Sunday's poetry will be "the future"-- if you are interested in contributing a poem or reading a poem that we supply, please contact Erica Minton. We love to hear many voices and many perspectives!

Sunday, March 4: "Do Not Enter"

Rev. Bill Gupton

We join other Unitarian Universalist churches in Cincinnati in celebrating "March Fourth for Immigration Justice" with today's service focusing on the issue of immigration in

America. Following the service, at 3 o'clock, join others from all faiths in an important rally and march downtown; then participate in a Heritage Church book discussion on the topic on Saturday morning, March 10 (see article elsewhere in this newsletter).





On the Path

by Rev. Bill Gupton



When Hollie Johnson first told me that this would be her final year as our Director of Religious Education, I felt a powerful sense of sadness and loss. As the news began to settle in, I became acutely aware of the challenges we will face, as we move forward into the next chapter of our congregation's unfolding journey.

Then, last Sunday morning as Hollie spoke with the children about her decision to resign as their DRE, my heart filled with gratitude for all she has done for the families of this church, gratitude for the graceful and professional way she has always handled the challenges of her position, for the kind and compassionate manner in which she has handled her decision to move on – and for the gentle way she continues to teach us all, even as she prepares to hand our children's program over to someone new.

Her courageous realization that family and health must come first, and always must, should be an inspiration to us all. May her time at home with Natalie, Meredith and Reese be filled with joy and happiness.

Between now and June 30, Hollie's last day as our Director of Religious Education, there is much to be done. We will, of course, plan celebrations to honor Hollie's five incredible years on our staff. We will each, in our own way, begin the process of letting go and saying "goodbye," because although the Johnsons will remain members of our church, Hollie's role in religious education will be ending.

She has indicated a commitment to good professional practices and the guidelines of her professional association that require at least a two-year break from leadership positions in the church she has served, and counsel against any involvement in the R.E. program, in order to create

room for her successor to lead in her or his own way.

After Hollie handed her letter of resignation to the Board of Trustees, a process began that will include a search for a new Director of Religious Education. The Board empowered Chris Sofge, chair of our Religious Education Committee, and me, to recruit a Search Committee to work with us in selecting the next DRE.

By the end of January, it is expected that the Board will have officially appointed and empowered the Search Committee, which will then review the DRE position, job description, pay scale, and so on, before publicly posting the position as open for applicants.

We will receive applications (please note that this part of the process requires complete confidentiality to protect both those who have applied, and the congregation), interview candidates, and recommend one candidate to the Board for hire. It is hoped that the Board will be able to come to a professional agreement and contract with the next DRE during May, in time to make an announcement at the May Annual Meeting of the congregation. We expect our new DRE to begin work this summer, in time for the August start up of next year's Religious Education program.

The next several months will be a time of transition, of uncertainty, of both sadness and anticipation – but let us not forget, also, of gratitude and celebration for Hollie's contributions to our congregation.

We have been so blessed to be served by someone with a Master's degree in education, a passion for teaching Unitarian Universalist children and for encouraging their (and our) spiritual and emotional growth, and a deep commitment to religious community. I'm sure I'll be saying this often, in the days ahead, but thank you, Hollie!

Namaste,

Rev. Bill

President's Letter

by Dave Small, Board President

Martin Luther King's Birthday, Valentine's Day, our building process, and the HUUC Forum –

What do they all have in common? The common denominator I would like to reflect on is respect (or, dare I say, *love*?). Love is the spirit of our church. In that spirit, let me reflect on the four seemingly unconnected subjects.

Reflecting on the assassination of MLK – which I have been doing more, perhaps, this year than ever, I am struck by the disconnect between what he preached, and how he passed. King envisioned a world of love and respect, regardless of the color of our skin or other differences. I find it striking that his death so deepened his message even beyond the depth of his artful, passionate oratory. Had King not given his life, I wonder if his voice would have been simply lost amid the din. As it is, how wonderfully powerful his message has become! I feel deep gratitude that our society has dedicated a day to honor his passing, and all he stood for.

Valentine's Day – simple enough, right? A time for expressing love for someone you have chosen to love. But what are the parameters? Who gets a "pass"? What if we are all One?

The conversations we have been having, for more than half a year now, about a possible building project have been a conscious exercise in love and respect, designed to allow our community to flesh out a collective vision and dream by holding space for each of us to share and listen to each other.

And finally, my mind turns to the now-defunct HUUC Forum, which was "virtual" in the sense that it was online, and was also very real, in the sense that it was a weekly, open discussion group held before the Sunday morning service. A "forum" can



be the perfect place to practice what we preach – to hone the skills needed to nurture genuine communication. It can be a place where ideas and views on a particular issue can be exchanged, an opportunity to speak our truth and seek conciliation and balance, an opportunity to practice respect (or, again, dare I say *love?*).

Here at Heritage we are constantly invited to stay connected in the face of diversity. I spoke with a dear friend who teaches at a local Montessori school, who told me a story about some second and third graders she was teaching. She said the students were struck by the fact that prior to desegregation, these youngsters of different colors would not have been friends with one another. Louis Armstrong says it well in a line from one of his songs: “I see friends shaking hands, saying how do you do? They’re really sayin’, ‘I love you’.”

There are countless ways to say “love you.” Often the little things matter most. The other part of the equation is to recognize the gift in the “little” things. But of course, there are the larger issues, too. Yet in truth, it’s the same deal. I’m sure all of us have heard Jesus’ message, “Love one another, as I have loved you.” This has been a message from many great voices for thousands of years.

One of the easiest (and hardest) places to create that dream is within my own heart. From that place of deep understanding and recognition, I find I can then more effectively reach out beyond myself.

May love be our guide.
This is our Heritage.



What’s Going On With Our Building?

You’ve heard and read a lot lately about upgrades to our 26-year-old church building. In addition to ongoing discussions about possible renovation projects to improve our kitchen, sanctuary and more, on Dec. 18 at a special congregational meeting the church membership voted to approve moving forward with installing new furnace and air conditioning units, and energy efficient lighting, to make us a much “greener” building.

This will also take advantage of generous grants from the Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance and other rebates. We continue to receive and consider

thoughts about how to better protect and maintain our new equipment.

Meanwhile, excitement is growing as our potential building project unfolds. We have chosen a contractor / builder to work with in planning, pricing and perhaps eventually executing any building renovation project the congregation might approve at its May Annual Meeting.

After interviewing three companies, we chose to work with Roy Schalk Fine Carpentry LLC. This firm does quality work, has a great track record, is fair and will look out for HUUC’s interests. Roy is very willing to accommodate our participation in the work as it goes along. Our in-house architect, Susan Conley, is comfortable with Roy and has worked with him before.

At our last open building meeting, participants discussed and arrived at a “Scope of the Project.” Following that meeting, a motion was passed by the Board of Trustees to have the Building Committee price out that project, with Susan Conley pricing out the architectural design parts of the project. (Susan is generously contributing her own time and professional talents pro bono.) Various parts of the potential project will be priced out separately.

At this point, our kitchen working group is looking at each piece of equipment in the proposed new kitchen, exploring the best configuration and value. Plans are being made for changes in the nursery, pre-school room, and back hallway, as well as much-needed and much-improved storage space.

Meanwhile, our Worship Committee has submitted its recommendations and proposed pricing for the sanctuary. We are including a new wheelchair accessible bathroom to the overall plan, and are also pricing out some options for improving our exterior sign on Newtown Road.

Finally, we are looking at funding the project. The Board is learning about the process involved in conducting a capital campaign, should the congregation approve one, and wants you to know that, at this point, nearly a year of thought, consideration, and deliberation has gone into looking at our building needs and dreams from every possible angle. In the next few months, we continue to welcome and encourage your thoughts and ideas.

Fellowship and Fun(d)-Raising At Pasta Dinner Jan. 28

Come one, come all – and come hungry! This month marks the return of our popular Pasta Dinner evening out at Heritage Church. For the low, low advance price of \$10 per adult, \$8 per senior / student, \$5 per child or \$30 per family (prices are slightly higher at the door), you can partake of as much yummy pasta and fixings (including vegetarian and gluten-free options) as you like. This is a fundraiser to support the work and mission of Heritage Church, so mark your calendar and get your tickets – Saturday evening, Jan. 28. We will be serving from 5-8 p.m.; childcare will be offered.

Social Action News...

It isn’t the big contributions of one or two individuals but many people working together that bring change. The Social Action Committee continues to look for opportunities to reach out in the greater Cincinnati community.

Heritage is continuing our commitment to Inter-Parish Ministries (IPM). Please look for the upcoming announcements for ways to help. We have changed out meeting time to the second Sunday of the Month. Our next gathering will be on February 12th at 9 a.m. in the middle classroom. If you have questions, comments, or ideas, please contact Liz Hamilton at zard213@yahoo.com.

Ever sent a tweet, posted on face-book, or heard of a google.doc? We need your help. The Committee is putting together a workshop on social media and needs computer / cell-phone-savvy volunteers. This is a hands-on program for anyone in the congregation to get up to speed with the many social networks developing before our eyes. No formal schooling in these ‘apps’ is required, just a willingness to help enlighten technologically challenged folks with how to embrace the innovations of the electronic boom.

We are looking for anyone who has some hands-on experience with facebook, tweeting, or google and yahoo groups. If interested, please contact Heidi Stickney at sticknhk@muohio.edu or Liz Hamilton at zard213@yahoo.com.

Youth News...

Heritage High School Youth should mark their calendars for our next youth “con” trip – the Social Action Con in Columbus March 16-18. Registration information and details coming soon!

Get Acquainted Dinner Set for Feb. 11

Newcomers to the church are warmly invited to join us for a VALENTINE'S DAY Get Acquainted Dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 11th to enjoy good company, conversation and food!



Appetizers and beverages in honor of Valentine's Day will be served, followed by a light dinner at 6:30. This casual setting is a great way for you to get to know other Heritage folks better as well as answer any questions you may have.

Following dinner, Rev. Bill will lead "Intro to UUism and Heritage," an optional, brief and informal discussion which will take place in the Heritage Room. Childcare WILL be available all evening. Please contact Tracy Jo Small at 474-6607 or obatola@fuse.net with questions or to RSVP.

"Common Threads" Meets Every Tuesday

Looking for some cold-weather community? Common Threads is a group of women and men that meets every Tuesday from 6pm-9pm in the private dining room of the New England Club (Beechmont Avenue near St. Timothy's).

Designed as a gathering place for folks who knit, crochet, embroider, or do any other fiber activity or art project, the group offers assistance with projects and a homey atmosphere in which to gather and share our lives. If you are interested in joining the group, or would like to be included on the Yahoo list, please contact Cori at Cori@fuse.net. (Conversely, if you are currently on the list and would like to be removed, contact Cori).

We welcome any level of skill, and have experts to help you get started or assist you on projects. We ask members to make at least one item per year to give to charity (afghans or baby blanket or baby hats for hospitals, hat or socks for troops.) We have begun the practice of "blessing" our articles and filling them with love and good intentions before donating them to charity or gifting them to friends.

"Common Read" Series Focuses Our Attention On Important Books

This spring, you'll want to participate in two book discussions on issues our Unitarian Universalist Association is encouraging us to ponder. The idea is to get Unitarian Universalists, all over the country, thinking about, and talking about, the same thing. What if everyone in the church read the same book, then came together to talk about it?

Each book will relate to a subject Rev. Bill is preaching about that particular month. We begin this innovative new adult program on Saturday morning, March 10. Join us to discuss and react to the powerful human stories presented in "The Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona-Mexico Borderlands," by Margaret Regan.

This first "Heritage Common Read" (which simply means that we will all have read the same book, and thus share that experience in common) will bring us more deeply into the hot-button issue of immigration. This will follow on the heels of the previous weekend's Cincinnati UU Council-sponsored workshop on immigration (see article elsewhere in this newsletter) and Sunday sermon by Rev. Bill titled "Do Not Enter."

The next month, in April, our Heritage Common Read will be "Acts of Faith: The Story of An American Muslim and the Struggle for the Soul of a Generation," by Eboo Patel. We will gather on Saturday morning, April 14 for a timely conversation about religious diversity in America; then, the next morning, Rev. Bill will be preaching a sermon titled "Who Owns God?"

Both Common Reads begin at 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of the month, and will last until approximately noon. (Who knows, maybe we'll be inspired to continue the conversation at a local lunch spot!). Books may be purchased through the UUA Bookstore (www.uuabookstore.org) or Amazon or many other book outlets.

Please go ahead and get your books now, to assure delivery and give you enough time to have read and considered the book before our conversation. We look forward to seeing you there!

Church Council Meets Feb. 26

Committee chairs, Board members, and other interested church leaders are invited to the winter Church Council meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 26. Among the topics will be an update on the recommendation about our potential building renovation. Please plan to attend. Child care will be provided.

Rev. Bill's Adult Education Class Resumes This Month

Rev. Bill Gupton will be offering adult education opportunities each Sunday afternoon beginning Feb. 12, through March 25.

While most of the sessions will be a continuation of the "Faith Like a River" curriculum on Unitarian Universalism which we began in the fall (newcomers to the class are more than welcome to join the group), there will be three distinct stand-alone subjects on particular Sundays. See the listing below for subjects:

Feb. 12: UUism and Boston (youth, parents of youth, and adults who will be going on the Coming of Age trip to Boston should attend this session)

Feb. 19: Tolerance and Covenant

Feb. 26: Idealism and Utopianism

March 4: Class is encouraged to participate in the March for the Dream Act rally downtown

March 11: Martyrs and Freedom

March 18: UUism in the 21st Century / Faith Like a River Wrap-up

March 25: What Is the UUA and Why Should I Care?

All sessions meet from 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room except March 4, when we will carpool downtown for and afternoon of social justice activism. If child care is needed for any session at Heritage Church, please notify Rev. Bill well in advance of Sunday.

Hollie Johnson, DRE, Speaks to the HUUC Congregation...

To the Board, Members and Friends of Heritage UU Church,

Five years ago I began a new journey as Heritage's Director of Religious Education. My original goal was to maintain the strong Religious Education program passed on to me. I also wanted to bring a fresh perspective to the way Religious Education was taught at Heritage. This job challenged me in many ways, and I've grown through each of those challenges.

This position has been a true blessing to me. It provided me the opportunity to explore my own beliefs and really think through what we as a church should be passing on to our children. I have been passionate about writing new curriculum, training volunteers about the ins and outs of teaching children, and providing Our Whole Lives to every age group. Overall, this job has allowed me to follow my path, doing what I love and am passionate about: educating. I have had the privilege of working with children birth through high school, congregants who are learning how to teach in the classroom, and families who want to provide their children with the values of an open-minded, liberal religious education. I've been able to do all of this with my church family.

Although this is a very hard decision, I've decided to resign as your Director of Religious Education as of June 30, 2012. I realize that my own children are growing so quickly right before my eyes. I want to be more present with our girls as well as be able to spend more time as a whole family. Weekends and evenings are when I am most able to do my work for the church, which means I miss a lot of those moments I want to share with my family.

Often times Reese and I pass the girls back and forth as one goes to work as the other comes home from work. I was feeling very torn between my job at the church and my family, and Reese and I are both feeling a very strong need to reprioritize our family's values as we know our girls will be grown before we know it and we both want to be present together with our girls more often.

I want to thank Rev. Bill for being an incredible supervisor and mentor to me. I have truly enjoyed working with him. Thank you to all of the people who continually say YES to volunteering and to giving their time and energy to the Religious Education program. All of you are making a difference. I have seen firsthand the magic that volunteers bring to our children.

LREDA (Liberal Religious Educators Association), my religious professional organization, says the following about an outgoing Director of Education as a CODE OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE:

"When leaving a position of religious education leadership for any reason, I will refrain from being involved in the process of selecting my successor. Further, I will support my successor by leaving room for her/him to establish her/his own identity and leadership in the congregation and by refraining from accepting positions on policy-making bodies in the congregation (such as the Board, Religious Education Committee, Finance Committee, or Personnel Committee) for two years after my professional leadership has been concluded in that congregation. For two years, I will not accept or volunteer for roles in the religious education program, and will encourage members of the congregation to speak to the current religious educator or other appropriate persons for answers to all current religious education issues or concerns."

I will use this code of ethics as a guideline as I reintegrate into the community of Heritage as a member. For the remainder of the church year, I will work with the Religious Education Committee, the Board of Trustees and Rev. Bill to create as smooth of a transition as possible. My family and I will remain members in the church and look forward to continuing the relationships we have made and hope to grow new relationships in other areas of the church. I am looking forward to being back in the roles of volunteer, member and friend while I spend more time being with my family. Thank you for everything you have given to me.

Yours in Service,

Hollie Johnson

Gather Your Books, CDs for Annual Sale!

Don't forget the annual Clara Barton Book Sale will be February 26 and March 3 and 4. By February 19th, we need the "goods" to come in. So, gather up your books, CDs, DVDs, videos, magazines, puzzles, unused greeting cards, maps...if it's made of paper, it is likely a good candidate. Place items in the bins under the coat rack in the back hall at church. The profits support projects of the women of the church. Any questions? Contact Robin Wickett, 513-237-5292.



Clara's List Begins!

Looking for help but don't know where to turn? Welcome to Clara's List, a database for professionals and services used and recommended by fellow Heritage friends.

The initial booklet is posted at church. The hope is that eventually Clara's List will be added as a

resource to the website. Susan Conley has generously offered to be the keeper of the database during this formative stage.

Please send any suggestions you have for Plumbers, Pet Sitters, Pediatricians, Painters, and any other letters of the alphabet you can think of. Copy your Rolodex (does anybody still have those?) and attach it, or email your recommendations for professional and service providers to Susan Conley at sconley@cinci.rr.com.

UUs Plan Local Immigration Program

With the help of a generous grant from the UUA Funding Office's Fund for Social Responsibility, the UU Council of Greater Cincinnati (UUCGC), six UU congregations, is planning a major conference on Immigration Issues for March 3, 2012.

Phoenix UU minister Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray will be the keynote speaker, presenting information about developments nationally and especially in Arizona, which have been at the forefront of the national immigration debate. The US Supreme Court has announced that it will hear appeals related to the Arizona Immigration law in April.

Titled "March Forth for Justice," the conference is seen as the highlight of a weekend devoted to immigration issues. The conference itself will be held in the Sharonville Convention Center. Sermon topics that weekend at all area UU congregations, and at many other supporting and cosponsoring houses of worship, will focus on immigration.

The conference will include three learning tracks, allowing participants to build their own programs. Twenty-seven different speakers will provide information on a wide range of topics including the Dream Act, Human Trafficking, Economic Realities, and Politics and Law. Besides keynote speaker Rev. Gray, other confirmed speakers to date include Mike Corradini of Physicians for Human Rights and Dayton (OH) City Manager Tim Riordan, several local immigrants and immigration justice professionals. Corradini will discuss the legal changes that helped develop the situation we currently face and the forces that supported these. Riordan will present the Dayton "Immigrant Friendly Plan" which he hopes will be copied by charter municipalities across Ohio and elsewhere.

Representatives of local cosponsoring organizations will be on hand to discuss their services to the immigrant community. Don Sherman of First Unitarian Church will be among them.

On the afternoon of March 4, organizers plan a "March for the Dream Act" rally at Friendship Park on the Cincinnati Riverfront, between Sawyer Point and the Montgomery Inn Boathouse at 3:00 pm. The

“Dream Act” is a proposed federal law that would make it possible for individuals brought to the USA in infancy or childhood to follow a shorter, well-defined path to citizenship. Many “dreamers” have no memory of any home other than the USA and speak English as a native language.

US census figures for 2010 indicate that most “dreamers” are the oldest children in households that represent one of the fastest growing population groups in the United States. This means that they tend to have younger siblings who, having been born in the states, are US citizens who will be eligible to vote as soon as they turn 18.

Reverend Frederick-Gray will offer brief remarks, along with a few other speakers. Dream Act petitions will be available for signature. For more information, visit the conference website at immigrationjustice.org. Lee Meyer is Project Chair.

Green Team Offers Tips for Ice and Salt

As winter approaches we wanted to give some green tips on using deicers on walks and driveways. All salt-based deicers used for melting ice have negative environmental impacts and even the non-salt deicers have some negative impacts. To limit these negative impacts, it is best to use environmentally friendly deicers and limit their use. The better environmental deicers are usually labeled “pet-safe” but as always make sure to read the ingredients, not the claims. Here is a partial list of deicers ingredients broken down by environmental impact.

Better: Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA), potassium chloride (KCl). OK: calcium chloride (CaCl₂). Avoid: Common salt (NaCl).

Ways to reduce the use of chemical deicers: Remove snow and ice by mechanical means whenever possible. Use only the amount of deicer that is necessary. Practice Moderation! Use dark colored abrasives (e.g. sand, ash) as an alternate or supplement to chemicals. For more information: <http://1.usa.gov/deicers>, <http://bit.ly/bgp-deice>.

Concert Features UU Musicians

Brother Sun is the dynamic new male trio formed by Pat Wictor, Greg Greenway, and Joe Jencks. Their harmonies, as much as their lyrics, tell what they are about - warm as a campfire, stirring as a gospel



church, rousing as a call to arms. Calling upon contemporary songwriting, and informed by the deep roots of gospel, blues, and folk, the trio weaves a tapestry of harmony that is brilliantly fresh and yet familiar.

These professional, touring Unitarian Universalist musicians are folk artists from three major points on the map - New York, Boston, and Chicago. Pat, Greg, and Joe celebrate the amazing power of singing together. Their combined musical skills make for an unforgettable evening - three rich voices blending on a well-crafted foundation of guitar, slide guitar, and piano.

Concert info: Brother Sun Concert, Friday, February 17, 7:30 p.m. at Miami Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 8690 Yankee Street, Dayton OH 45459. For tickets and information call 937-436-3628, or visit www.mvuuf.org. All are welcome; please pay what you can. Suggested donation \$15/person \$30/family. Learn about Brother Sun at their website: <http://www.brothersunmusic.com/>

Pagan Community Corner

As the Wheel of the Year turns, leaving Yule and the longest night of the year in the past, we enter a time when it seems winter is never going to end. The decorations are packed away and presents are a distant memory. This is the season of the long dark night of the human soul. The light is slowly returning, but you can't really see it. Spring is coming, but you can't feel it. Life is getting ready to burst forth, but everything still looks grey, brown, muddy and dead.

This is also the season of Imbolc, from the Old Irish *i mbolg* (“in the belly”), celebrating the pregnancy of the sheep. It is a time to celebrate, to look to the future for signs of things to come, to recognize that the long dark will eventually give way to the dawn.

It's a season of hope, a chance to remember that, as the wheel turns, the Spring will come again. Come help us celebrate this turning of the wheel at Heritage, on Saturday, February 4th at 7:00p.m.

Coupons Discussion

Have you been interested in learning how to save 50% on your grocery bill? Have you wanted to talk to other people regarding your obsessive compulsion to check websites for the best deals on milk? Is your favorite family hobby bragging about the great deals you got? Have you ever been curious how you can help others with very little money? If so please join Melanie Gant on Sunday, February 12th from 9:00a.m.-10:30a.m. to discuss couponing, how to get started, your favorite resources and more. If you have any questions please contact Melanie at m_jonesgant@hotmail.com.

Babes & Book Candy

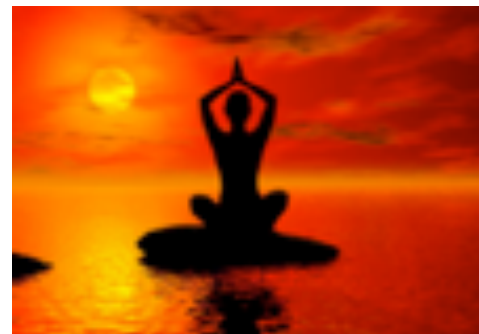
With February 14 rapidly approaching, some spouses may need a subtle (or not so subtle) reminder that a form of chocolate will be required from them for their sweetie. Whether or not chocolate is received, the next evening Babes with Books will continue to discuss our own “book candy.” Shown below is the listing of our next meetings and selections.

Feb 15: *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See; March 21: *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson; April 18: *Freedom* by Jonathan Franzen.

All women of the congregation and female friends are invited to all of these events held 7-9 pm in the Heritage Room. Feel free to come whether or not you've attended before or read the book.

Yoga Continues...

Anusara®-Inspired Yoga classes with Rev. Bill will continue on the second and fourth Tuesday nights of the month, through May, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.



Calendar of Events: February 2012



Thursday February 2

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal

Friday February 3

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Heritage Room Spring Cleaning
3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Piano Lessons

Saturday February 4

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
10:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Piano Lessons
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Imbolc



Sunday February 5

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM
Religious Education Committee
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
Sunday Service
11:45 AM - 2:00 PM
Auction Committee
1:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Piano Lessons
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Women's Chalice Circle

Monday February 6

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Worship Committee

Tuesday February 7

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Men's Chalice Circle

Thursday February 9

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal

Friday February 10

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Piano Lessons

Saturday February 11

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Piano Lessons
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Get Acquainted Appetizers and Dinner
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Q&A with Rev. Bill Gupton

Sunday February 12

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Social Action Committee Meeting
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Couponing Class
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
Sunday Service
1:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Piano Lessons
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
UUism and Boston

Monday February 13

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Board of Trustees

Tuesday February 14

St. Valentine's Day
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Anusara-Inspired Yoga

Wednesday February 15

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Babes with Books

Thursday February 16

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal

Friday February 17

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Piano Lessons

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Interweave Movie Night

Saturday February 18

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
10:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Piano Lessons
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
SHF birthday - all HUUC invited

Sunday February 19

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
Sunday Service
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM
LAF Committee
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Potluck Lunch
1:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Piano Lessons
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Faith Like a River: Themes in Unitarian Universalism

Monday February 20

Washington's Birthday
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Personnel Committee

Tuesday February 21

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Tuesday Night Chalice Circle

Wednesday February 22

Ash Wednesday

Thursday February 23

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal

Friday February 24

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Piano Lessons

Saturday February 25

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
10:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Piano Lessons
12:30 PM - 4:00 PM
Book Sale Set-up



Sunday February 26

8:30 AM - 10:15 AM
Church Council Meeting
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Religious Education Classes
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
Sunday Service
11:45 AM - 3:30 PM
Book Sale
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Membership Committee
1:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Piano Lessons
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Faith Like a River: Themes in Unitarian Universalism, Then and Now

Monday February 27

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Committee on Ministry

Tuesday February 28

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Ahn's of Anderson Taekwondo Class
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Anusara-Inspired Yoga

