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July 3, 10am "Interdependence Day!"

d. maria & Amy Raven, Worship Associates; Susanne Giordano, Pianist
We are an Interdependent Community of people held together by many things including our 7 principles. Today we will devote as much time as we wish to sharing our Joys, Sorrows, and Concerns which might be one of the core ways we connect with one another. We will also explore some of the other ways we depend on each other.

July 10, 10am "Oh the Places You'll Go"

Dennis Reynolds; Marilyn Junkins, Worship Associate; Lynn Smith, Pianist
The journeys we travel can take us places beyond our imaginings, places like seminary and the highlands of Haiti to build houses. Reflections on what we build and who we build with offers road maps for our continuing journeys.

July 17, 10am "UU's Great Religious Gift - Transcendentalism"

Rev. Sir Edgar Peara; Anna Sontag, Worship Associate; Lynn Smith, Pianist
Earlier this year the Rev. Forsey spoke of the social action contributions of the Transcendentalists. Also, they made a unique religious assertion of an ideal transcendental reality. It was seen to be the source of primal life values. Accessible through nature and intuition, Transcendentalism generated a new epoch in American thought. Its value to contemporary UU's is inestimable.

July 24, 10am "Searches for Truth and Meaning"

Anna Sontag & Marilyn Junkins, Worship Associates; Jean Weick, Pianist
The spiritual perspectives of women across the history of our faith tradition empower us contemporary women and men to step forth in our own free and responsible searches for truth and meaning. What threads in these women's legacies inspire our own quests and insights? From early movements beyond the traditional concept of a personified diety, to modern healing and transformation, we embrace the breadth and power of the many faces of the divine.

July 31, 10am "Listening to Albert Camus"

Rev. Björn Olson; Jean Weick, Pianist

In the essay, "The Myth of Sisyphus", Camus introduces his philosophy of the absurd - man's futile search for meaning in the face of an unintelligible world devoid of God and eternal truths or values. In this presentation, Björn will accept part of Camus' premise and challenge others.

In other words, is there meaning to life?

Now is the Time, the BUUB is the Place

In his 1965 song “Children of Darkness,” Richard Farina wrote,

*“Now is the time for your loving dear,
And the time for your company....
Now in this age of confusion
I have need for your company.”*

Living, as we are, in an age of confusion as great or greater than the ‘60s, it is a joy to have a project so worthy, straightforward and simple to work on as our new home-to-be at 13th and Chambers.

At the BUUB (the Beautiful Unitarian Universalist Building) we are in sore need of each others’ company. Hourly. Daily. Weekly. We need all the volunteers we can get to bring the project to completion, within budget, by October.

Whatever time and strength and will—or donations of food for the workers—you can spare, we need them.

We know it is a long slog. But to paraphrase a well-known saying, “Slogging wins the race.”

No one knows, and feels that more strongly than our guiding force and Project Coordinator Ed Zack. But we need to support his efforts with our own. There is no question that the volunteer burden has fallen most heavily on him and the other retirees among us. More volunteers would lift his spirits greatly and give him renewed energy for the task.

Think of it this way: Every hour you contribute is money for the capital campaign. Every hour you contribute you are walking the talk, living our principles, showing you care about the well-being of our community.

Need motivation?

Perhaps you would like to get a suntan. There is so much light in the building from our 43 skylights that you’ll gain that rosy glow, even working indoors. Perhaps you plan to have lunch with a friend. Bring that friend to work with you at the BUUB—then enjoy your lunch there, at Mama’s table, for free. Need to find something for your teenagers or college students home from school to do this summer? Encourage them to help. Working folks, (cont.)

if you have a week or two of vacation, try to set aside a portion of that to the BUUB. If you can only work after 6 pm or so, or on the weekends, let us know, and we will arrange to have a worker there to guide you.

But Monday through Friday, all you need to do is show up. Ed will find something for you to do—whatever your age and capability.

We hope to see you there!

Matching Gift Opportunity for our New Church Home!

The renovation of our Beautiful Unitarian Universalist Building at 13th and Chambers is speeding along! We’ve re-used or recycled 80% of the original building materials, in keeping with our principle to care for the Earth, and saved more than \$200,000 in the process. In addition, we’ve had more than \$400,000 in donated professional time and equipment and more than 12,000 hours in volunteer work from UUCE



members and friends!

The costs to meet occupancy permit requirements, however, call for additional gifts beyond our original financial commitments to fund our new home.

A group of 12 church households has pledged to match every first-time or additional contribution, dollar for dollar, up to an additional \$255,500. Your additional gift will go twice as far!

Please consider a new or additional matching gift to help us fund our new church home. You can:

- (1) Fill out an additional gift form, available from the church office or the capital campaign webpage.
- (2) Contact Karen Gaffney at 541-344-2073 or karengaffney@comcast.net.
- (3) Bring or mail a contribution to the church with “capital campaign” in the memo line.

Thank you for all the time, talent and treasure you are giving so that our church can have Room to Bloom!

President's Message

Like many in our congregation, I am a regular reader of Judie Hansen's "400 Days Blog". Earlier this week, the following thought, taken from *A Cherokee Feast of Days* by Joyce Hifler, appeared in that blog:

"New life comes in only as we turn loose of the old. There must be a place for what we want or need. If there is not a place prepared, the new circumstances flow on by—and we are left with the same things we have always had. If we think we cannot bear to part with an old way of life, we are not ready to accept anything new. Instead we can make a personal decision, a firm commitment, to forget what is behind and push forward to what is ahead."

I wouldn't take the idea of forgetting what is behind too literally, because we can learn much from history, and we must honor those whose past efforts have brought us to where we are today. But unless we are willing and able to face the future with open minds and hearts, taking nothing for granted in the way of "business as usual", we will not be able to take advantage of the opportunities or successfully meet the challenges that this next church year is sure to bring.

We face a period of uncertainty and change, occasioned by both our coming move and the fact that we are in a period of interim ministry.

This past year, we have been introduced to the concept of "public church", also sometimes called missional or outwardly focused church. Guided by Rev. Alicia, the Board has begun work on a new governance structure, whose aim is to provide clearer lines of authority, responsibility and accountability for church functions and to make it easier for our members to do more ministry with less bureaucracy standing in the way. The Board has worked on a new and shorter mission statement which will be presented to the congregation this fall, along with a covenant of right relations. A Board-appointed task force, consisting of Jason Dedrick, Betty Hosokawa, and Wanda Kuenzli will undertake a review of bylaws and policies this summer and the results will be presented to the congregation in the form of proposed amendments to our bylaws. And, since our long time DRE, Candee Cole, will be leaving us in August 2011, we will be welcoming an acting director of religious education.

And then there is the move, which will offer us the chance to be together at a single worship service and will give us much needed space. Along with that come questions involving the timing and integration of the Sunday worship and religious education experiences for children and adults. We will also face the challenge of co-ordinating the space needs of our church programs with those of outside organizations that will provide essential rental income.

All this change will not come without missteps and stress. It's important for us to face change with an attitude of trust and the resolve to work for the good of all. We also need a willingness to assume good intentions, be generous with forgiveness, and gentle in criticism. If we do this well, we will be able to look back with pride, not just on what we accomplished, but also on how we accomplished it.

Mary Otten, Board President

Finish Your Pledge by June 30th!

June 30th (not December 31st!) is the end of the pledge year. At the beginning of June, we had about \$35,000 in pledges outstanding. In order to finish our Fiscal Year in the black, we need your pledge to be completed by the end of June. If you are unsure how much of your pledge is remaining to be paid, please contact our Administrator, Kim Harris, at the church office office@uueugene.org , 541-686-2775. Finishing your pledge is crucial to the health of our church. Thank you for making sure we can meet our obligations! ~John Wagner, Treasurer

Rev. Forsey will be on vacation in July and August. If there is an emergency related to the building at our current location, please call Judy Sawyer (541) 302-0944 or Ken Ross (541) 686-1549.

In the event of an urgent pastoral care need, UUCE's Pastoral Care Associates are Scott Tuttle, Shamblin, Sally De Cou, Bob Coleman, Kathleen Dillon, Leora White, Abby Tuttle Shamblin, Dianne Watson. Their contact information can be found in the Church Directory.

Social Justice News

This has been a great year for SJUUCE. We have succeeded in providing areas of education, social action, and service and advocacy throughout the year. We will have an annual report for all to see on the website, at a later date. Be sure to go to our SJUUCE link on our UUCE web site. It will be fun for all to see how busy we were this year, and also some the activities that are planned for next year.

We are working hard to prepare for our new site, and for the ideas and hopes that are a part of this move. To that end, we invited all to a wonderful and insightful program on understanding some of the problems faced when people are raised in generational poverty. Many thanks to United Way for providing Mary Walston as the presenter.

We welcome Joe Sanders as our newest member to SJUUCE. Joe has been very involved with the Food for Lane County Garden. It is great to have his help and interest on board.

Our next meeting is planned for Aug 25, 2011, and we hope you will join us to further our goals and plans for our next year. Meeting place to be announced. For further information contact Sue Craig at [541-607-0204](tel:541-607-0204)

Save the Date for the 2011 CROP Hunger Walk!

October 16th 2011 2:00 PM
Alton Baker Park

The CROP Hunger Walk supports hunger programs locally and globally. It is sponsored by Food for Lane County and Church World Service. Last year, UUCE raised \$2,941 and won the Golden Sneaker Award. This year's goal is to double our effort, both in terms of walkers and money raised. Sign up will begin in mid-August to collect pledges and/or walk with us. Watch for more information in the August newsletter. In the meantime, you can contact your UUCE recruiter Berry Broadbent at either berrybroadbent@gmail.com or 344-9037. Save the date!

COORDINATING COUNCIL'S JUNE MEETING

In spite of graduation ceremonies around town and other distractions, eleven church leaders gathered for another Coordinating Council meeting on June 11, 2011. The new chair of the Council is Susan Verner, Vice President of the Board of Trustees. In her report, she indicated that a Rentals task force has been formed, at the request of the BPOC and the Board. This task force consists of Susan, Judy Sawyer, Chuck Wagar, Ed Zack, and the church staff, including the custodian. Todd Woodward, one of the sound technicians, will serve as a consultant. Revenue from rental of the building will be extremely important to us, in making the mortgage payments, for instance.

There was discussion about UUCE's participation in the Eugene Celebration Parade. The parade is on Saturday, August 27th, on the weekend before Labor Day. It was agreed that it would be excellent to have our presence in this parade. It was pointed out that the work can be simplified and that check lists from previous years can be treated as guidelines. Elan volunteered to be a co-organizer, and her offer was accepted. It is expected that CUUPs and Interweave will participate too.

It was noted that our 40th & Donald property definitely needs some sprucing up. Our realtor keeps making the point that the better it looks, the better it shows to prospective buyers. We need volunteers to help make the property look better, but we don't want to dip into the pool of BUUB (13th & Chambers) volunteers. But if you're someone who would like to do some outdoor work at 40th and Donald, please contact Ken Ross.

Candles of Community

On most Sundays, we include "Candles of Community" during the worship services. To include joys and sorrows, please contact Jake Walsh by noon on Saturday before a given service. Leave your message at 541-342-6184 or jakewalsh@msn.com. Please include your name & phone number.

Dear Members, friends, children and youth of the Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene,

With much sadness, but a positive and hopeful heart, I am writing to let you know that I will be leaving my position as the Director of Religious Education (DRE) effective 8/31/2011. Although I had planned to stay with you as a consistent staff member through the next year, sudden family obligations need more of my attention at this time. My partner Mike and I will be moving to Washington to help some family members going through difficult times.

My intentions have always been that when it was time for me to leave this community, it would be at a time of healthy energy and strength. I believe that time is now. I have been on two sabbaticals which gave this congregation an in-depth look and experience in running our Religious Education program. The R.E. Committee is strong and growing. Next year's volunteer teachers are either experienced or committed to supporting children and youth. I feel excitement rising for the upcoming year! I know I am leaving our program in strong and capable hands.

Next steps for the minister and board will be to hire an acting DRE who will maintain the program for the next year while the congregation searches for an interim DRE for the following year. Hiring an interim DRE helps you take the time you need to find a settled DRE that matches the qualifications you are looking for. Like an interim Minister, an interim DRE will come to you with a fresh perspective and will be able to recognize areas that need more energy or improvement in the R.E. program. A Search Committee will be recruited to search for a settled DRE and congregational and ministerial input will be sought during this search. I am confident that this process will be useful to the congregation in seeking out a Religious Education professional that will enrich the community as a whole and will assist in providing excellence in programming for all ages!

I have created a list of goals for this year and feel I can accomplish many of them before I leave you. Mainly, I would like to leave the incoming DRE a full teaching team and a basic curriculum in place; as well as a detailed R.E. "how to" manual, so that the next DRE can walk in and begin getting to know the congregation and the systems/culture of our community. I will leave the program organized and ready for new eyes, new ideas and new energy!

This August will mark my 20th year with this congregation. I have watched a generation of our children grow to amazing adults. Words cannot express how much I love and care for you all: adults, children and teens. Please know that I leave with warm feelings toward this community. The support, learning, caring and community connection I have received over these many years has helped me reach my higher self. EVERY skill I have developed has been because of my work, ministry and education here at UUCE. Thank you from the deepest part of my heart for these gifts. I will carry you with me wherever I go.



Blessings,

Candee Cole

Director of Religious Education



Seeking Proposals for History Book Cover Design

The Archives Committee is seeking proposals for the cover design of our Eugene UU church history, "Our First One Hundred Years," to be printed early this fall. Design proposals do not need to be finished art. The book will be 6" x 9" and the cover can be either color or black & white. Proposals may be submitted by email to ijalc@comcast.net or dropped off at the church office.

Deadline for proposals is July 31st
Contact: John Clay, Kathy Dillon



CHOIR NOTES

Thank you singers and musicians for your generous gift of time and energy throughout the year to bring uplifting music to Sunday services. Thank you also to the Music Committee for your support, organizational skills and the vision you offer to the music program.

It is because of the dedication and effort you all bring that we have a flourishing music program. You rock!

Our choirs are taking a much-deserved break over the summer. We will gather again on Wed., August 31 at 6:00 pm for the Music-at-UUCE Kickoff Potluck. Anyone who is interested in music at UUCE is invited to attend. The music program will begin in September with rehearsals starting after Labor Day.

I will be taking a week-long choral conductors workshop in Cannon Beach, August 1-5. Led by Dr. Rodney Eichenberger, the workshop concludes on Friday evening with a free choral concert open to the public. If you're looking for a fun overnight at the coast you might consider coming to the concert.

I will be in and out this summer and will be happy to answer your questions regarding our choirs and opportunities for instrumentalists.

If you would like additional information about our Music Program please visit us online at www.uueugene.org / Our Church / Music. Or contact Tom Sears 541-686-5972, tesears@comcast.net.



Food for Lane County Night

Thursday, July 28th 6:30 pm
770 Bailey Hill Rd.

Please join us at Food for Lane County this month. Student volunteers are on vacation so the need is greater than ever. Our group repackages donated food so that it can be distributed to the hungry in our community. In addition, FFLC prepares sack lunches for 4000 children, Monday through Friday, all summer long. Youth are welcome to attend. Just wear a hat or ponytail, and wear close toed shoes.

We need at least 6 volunteers!

Contact Diane Wooldridge at woolietoys@msn.com or 541-342-8071 to sign up.



TAKING CARE OF OUR BLESSED EARTH



- * Buy organic cotton
 - * Make your next outfit vintage
 - * When buying clothes, say no to tissue wrap
 - * Hang dry your clothes
 - * Take extra hangers to dry cleaners
- Green Sanctuary

Welcome New Membership Committee Members

The Membership committee is growing! We've added FOUR new team members: COCM Chair, Maren Peterson-DeGroff, and new UUCE members, Susanne Giodano, Laurie Quies, and Carole Rose. Current team members include Audrey Maslin, Ava Swanson, Carol Bilyeu Bonnevie, George Carroll, Nisco Junkins, and Robin Schantz-Mulford. We will welcome Erik and Erin Troberg as incoming Co-Chairs in the fall. Welcome to our new team members!

Exciting New Initiatives And Programs

The Membership Committee has several exciting new initiatives under way:

- Calling for submissions for a new name tag design from the congregation! Designs should be easy to reproduce, have first and last name clearly visible and include "The Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene." The dimensions for the art for our new name tags are 2.5" x 3.75". Please send your submissions to the Membership Committee Chairperson no later than July 31, 2011. We will select a new design in August so that our new name tags will be ready for the move-in to our new building. We will be standardizing on this new name tag for all UUCE friends and members in the fall.

- We are in the process of updating the UUCE Membership web pages. Please take a minute to see what we are up to on the Membership pages.

- Do you know someone who hasn't been coming to church, or expressing less interest? We are beginning a new Membership Retention program to follow up with folks we've not seen in a while. If there are individuals or families that you'd like to bring to our attention, please send their names to the Membership Committee Chairperson and someone from the committee will follow-up with them.

- Based upon the work of Michael Durall in *The Almost Church, Revitalized*, the membership committee is working on new UUCE Membership Guidelines, customized for our culture and mission. We anticipate completing this project this summer and sharing the results with the congregation this fall.

- The Membership Committee met at the BUUB in May to gather information, check out the building layout, and talk about Membership needs in our new building:

- How and where will we store name tags?
- Discuss type of name tag storage unit (similar to Salem UU)
- Show sample of new name tag size and shape
- Need a pamphlet rack for UU brochures
- Need a place for display items - sign-up sheets, newsletters, etc.
- Need table and bulletin board space for community literature
- Plan for a pull up table in lobby area
- Plans for a public telephone in the lobby
- Examine options for coat closets
- Examine options for storage
- Talk about traffic patterns, how to direct new people to sanctuary
- Talk about "newcomer reserved parking spaces - how many?"

If you are interested in joining the good work of the membership committee, please let one of our current team members know. We anticipate that there will be much to do in our new building and many hands make light work!

~Marilyn Junkins, Membership Committee Chairperson

SAVE THE DATE!

All you grUUvy guys and gals! Our DRE, Candee Cole, has been called to her next adventure, but before she leaves us to head to Washington, we want to celebrate her 20 years with us -- and say thank you for her gifts of time, creativity and dedication!

PLEASE HOLD this date and rough time for a party in Candee's honor: Sunday, August 21, late afternoon/early evening at 40th & Donald

Details will be forthcoming! For more information, to help plan the festivities, or simply to suggest a great party idea, please call:

Chris Phillips (541-726-5255)
 Judy Shaw (541-434-2462)
 Elizabeth Weber (541-682-3237)

Summer Program Childcare for Infants-Age 10

This Summer, activities for the children will be organized by our own Svetlana Dunbar. Infants-young preschoolers will do art, bubbles, and lots of outdoor play. Older preschoolers and elementary aged children will have opportunities for a variety of fun theme days. Older children and youth (ages 11-18) that attend are welcome to assist in the classroom or attend the service.



Activity Line-Up for Age 5-10

July 3-**Under the sea**

July 10-**Super space science sleuth**

July 17-**Crazy concoctions**

July 24- **Caribbean splash** (Pirate Day...arrrrrr!)

July 31- **Weird, wild, and wacky**

August 7- **Technology** (Robotic fun)

August 14-**Superheros Day**

August 21-**Wizardry Day**

August 28- **I spy with my eye**

During the Summer, we hold one service at 10am. Children are delivered directly to the classrooms prior to the service. Please try to arrive by 9:45 to allow time for transition and sign-in. Visitors will need to fill out a visitor form at the classroom. Currently registered families will be listed on the sign in sheet. Children are released to the playground (supervised) at 11:00 and must be picked up by the parent who dropped them off by 11:20.

Printable Calendar Available Online



Summer Time Visitors: Non-registered families may visit over the summer and there are special visitor forms for these families. Registered children are welcome to bring friends to visit as well. Parents are asked to fill out a visitor form for the visiting friend. Please indicate on the form if the visiting child's family might be interested in a welcome packet.

What is happening with Youth this Summer?

Special activities and get-togethers will be planned for the summer.

Middle or High school youth may attend the service or assist in the younger kid's classrooms on Sunday.

2011-2012 World Religions Year in Religious Education!



Join our amazing team of teachers and learn along with the children and teens! Four-five week sessions on the major faith traditions: Judaism, Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, Earth-centered traditions, Hinduism, and more! Easy to use lesson plans, teams of 4 share the lead, two Sundays per month at the 11:00 service. Orientation, training and support provided! Hear visitors from various religions speak on their spiritual practice and experience celebrations of heart, sight, sound and taste!

Current Openings: 10 more volunteers are needed!

Preschool – 2

2nd-3rd grade – 4

4th-5th grade – 2

6th-8th grade – 1 female advisors

9th-12th grade – 1 female advisor



CLUTTERBUSTING GARAGE SALE

Judie and Ed Hansen are hosting an ALL CHURCH Clutterbusting Garage Sale on Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30 to raise money for the church General Fund. It will be held at 310 Brae Burn Drive in Eugene...8 AM to 4 PM both days. In order to make this a great success we need donations from church members. Items needed are small appliances, housewares, picture frames, small furniture, sporting goods, jewelry, collectibles, linens, garden tools, toys, and games. Everything should be gently used and in working order.

This is NOT a rummage sale. We cannot accept: clothes, books, large furniture, or computer equipment. The space for the sale is a two car garage, so space is somewhat limited. To schedule a pick up or to make arrangements to drop something off, call Judie Hansen [541-335-1637](tel:541-335-1637). Items will be accepted beginning Saturday, July 23. We will have our truck at the church on Sunday, July 24 to accept items. Brae Burn is west off Willamette Street at the light on 46th Street. Tell your friends and plan to come shop to help raise money for the church. We made \$1800.00 at the sale in April - let's see if we can top that! -- Judie Hansen

CUUPs in July

Thursday July 14 Full Moon
Gather 7:00pm, Ritual 7:30pm
Monroe Park - Lawn area near 10th Ave. & Adams
Bring: your own chair or blanket to sit on and a finger food snack or Juice to share.

Lammas Camp Out end of July or first weekend in August. To Be Announced

All members of the congregation -- pagan and non-pagan alike -- are invited to attend CUUPS events. More Info, Contact - 541-844-2339 (Shale or Elan)

Intergenerational 4th of July Celebration & Fundraiser for UUCE General Fund Strawberry Shortcake, Music & Croquet

2410 1/2 Washington St
July 4th, 2011

Young Children: 2-4pm | Teens: 7pm-Dark
Come share your patriotic tales of war & peace with our youth on Independence Day!

Cost: 10 cents/swing
Handicaps for the young & old
Limit 25 people per session. RSVP
Phyllis Kesner
541-684-4495.
Please Also Call If You Can
Volunteer.



Interweave

Potluck, Discussion & Movie Night

InterWeave is a group of Eugene-area Gays, Lesbians, Bi-sexual, Transgender individuals and Allies that gather to eat, then watch and discuss an LGBTQ-themed movie every Second Friday evening.



WHEN: July 8, 2011
Potluck at 6pm
Movie at 7pm & discussion after

WHO: All LGBT folks and allies

WHY: Because we're really fun!

WHERE: 40th & Donald

COST: FREE

Featured Movie: *Prodigal Sons (2008)*

In this award-winning personal documentary, filmmaker Kimberly Reed attempts to reconcile with her long-estranged brother Marc, who has seen her as a rival since childhood. Their paths diverged long ago: Marc was permanently debilitated in a car accident, and Kim left their small-town roots on a journey of self-discovery.

More info, contact Nisco at

nisohappy@comcast.net

Calling all Artisans, Crafters. Painters of Pictures, Jewelry Makers, etc. etc. etc.

The UUCE Bazaar will be, if all goes as planned, on Dec. 3, 2011.

We already have several wonderful artisans hard at work, with some delightful objects ready for our event!

Summer is a great time to find a little time ...or a lot... to make something wonderful for us to sell. Please remember that we can sell a FEW of what you make; it is better to have lots of variety! So do think preserves, dried fruit, etc. as well as any wonderful thing you can think to create. Enjoy, and lets see what we can come up with. Also, are there others who want to work on the organization (not too much involved) of this event. Sue Craig 541-607-0204

Iron Mountain Hike

Saturday, July 23rd,
8:30am
Strenuous 6.6 mile
loop, 1900 ft.
elevation gain



This trail is a biological wonderland, climbing through old growth forest and an incredible array of summer wildflowers. The last mile to the peak is very steep, with views of all of the eastern Cascade peaks. Bring a sack lunch, water, personal first aid supplies, and sturdy footwear. Carpool drivers are needed. We will leave from the church parking lot at 40th and Donald. No dogs please. The hike is limited to 12 participants. Contact Diane Wooldridge to sign up: woolietoys@msn.com or 541-342-8071.

Women of All Ages Join the Thundereggs on Thursdays

We continue to meet during the summer - every Thursday afternoon from 2-4 PM at Tsunami Books. This is an informal get together for women. The small setting allows an opportunity to meet in a relaxed atmosphere to share our stories and talk about current events. There is always hot water available for tea and we welcome newcomers.

For more info call Judie at 541-335-1637.

Save your ink cartridges . . .

Recycle for Rewards for UUCE

Your empty ink printer and toner cartridges earn us \$3.00 in rewards to use for office supplies at Staples. Our Staples Acct #0490063120.



Or just *drop them in the box in the copier room at church.*

A New Sister Circle is Forming. The first meeting will be **Tuesday July 5th, 3pm.** Jean Carley has offered to hold the first gathering at her home. The circle will be in the late afternoon for those who wish to meet during the day.

This circle is newly forming, the members who join will determine the path the Circle takes. Sister Circles can be many things including discussions about: UU, Our church – UUCE, Life, Reading, Cooking (and eating!), Spiritual Topics, Current Events, Hobbies, Family, Personal triumphs or challenges, etc...

Please email Laura Keys at Laura@dunholly.com or Jean Carley at Jeanv123@comcast.net or call Jean at [541 484-1392](tel:5414841392).

OPEN MEN'S GROUP

July 13 & 27 at 7pm, in Rm6. All Men Welcome!

We meet the 2nd and 4th Wed. of each month.

JUST SHOW UP AND YOU WILL BE PART OF THIS INTERESTING GROUP!



Questions? Bob Coleman at 541-461-0956 or email milndoc@msn.com

UUCE CONNECTIONS & APPRECIATIONS

Staff Office Hours

Ishbel Lane, publications specialist: [website/OOS/announcements](#) publications@uueugene.org & webteam@uueugene.org
(regular week: 5hr/wk Thurs & Fri;
NL week: 30+hr/wk Mon-Fri)

Tonya Cates, office assistant: [calendar/church member database](#) assistant@uueugene.org
(20hr/wk): Tues-Fri: 9-1:30)

Matt Kosanke, custodian:
[cleaning/setups](#)
custodian@uueugene.org (24hr/wk): Fri-Tues (hours subject to calendar schedule)

Kim Harris, church admin:
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office@uueugene.org (24hr/wk): Mon-Thurs: 9-3)



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Please check the lost and found box in the kitchen closet for missing items.

If you recently lost your glasses there is a pair on the kitchen window sill.

Eugene Celebration - Let's Toot Our Horn, Aug. 27

For those of you who have read [Almost Church Revitalized](#), you will remember Durall stating that UUs were not very good about spreading the UU word. Here is a chance to make a difference in a fun, painless way! Join other UUs in walking in the Eugene parade with a banner, already constructed, that says "Come see us at our new home,,, (address included)." So put your hammer, broom or rake down and spend a few hours with other UUs inviting Eugene to come check us out!

Ken Ross at -541-686-1549 ruthken1@pacinfo.com
for more info or to sign up.

3rd Sunday Community Collection

The July offering will be given to Nearby Nature, a local organization dedicated to fostering appreciation of nature nearby and providing tools for ecological living. Staff and volunteers lead nature walks, teach summer daycamps, host school programs, teach adult workshops, and work on environmental restoration projects, primarily in the Whilamut Natural Area of Alton Baker Park. They act on our shared belief that people of all ages, from the tiniest tots to the wisest elders, thrive when they connect with nature nearby.

Dear Members of UUCE,
Everyone at big Brothers Big Sisters of Lane County wants to express how much we appreciate your continued support during a time when providing mentoring services for the youth in our community is so important. . . .we are especially grateful for your generous donation of \$1,161.78. Your investment supports our award-winning mentoring programs that serve Lane County's most vulnerable youth. Sincerely Jean Vinson, Director of Leadership Giving (original letter in the Social Hall)

Thank you for your patience!

We want to thank everyone for their patience over the last several months with the new website changes and calendaring. Thank you also for your patience with the exchange of pledge duties placed with the office.

I personally want to thank our minister, Rev. Forsey and the congregation for the funds to budget in for our new office assistant.

Our goal is perfection and we strive to obtain and sustain always. If you have any issues or see any discrepancies, please contact us directly and cc: office@uueugene.org

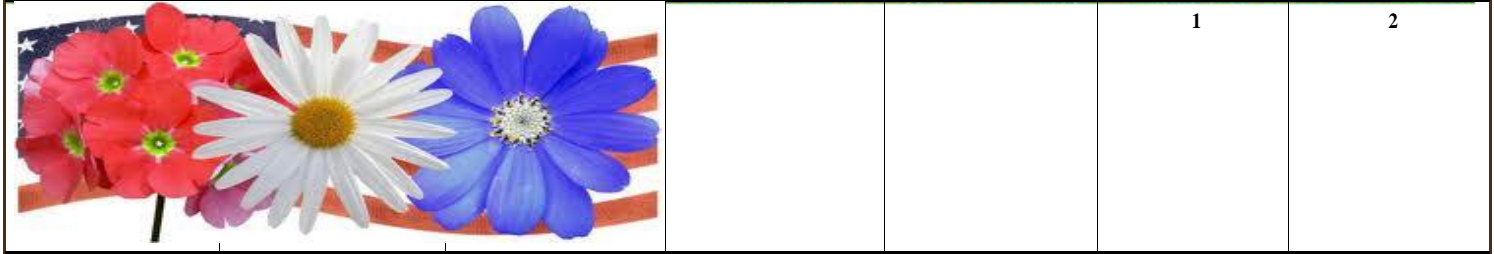
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UUCE Office Manager

**A special THANK YOU to the
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UUCE collected \$752.50 for Sponsors, Inc-Women in Transition.

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| 3 Sunday Service 10am | 4 SJUCE 7pm, SH Men's Group (closed) 7pm, offsite Intergenerational 4th of July Party 2pm-Dark, Offsite  | 5 Morning Doves 8am Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 6 | 6 Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 5 | 7 Thundereggs 2pm Meditation 6 pm, B RE Committee 6pm, Rm2 Exec. Committee 6pm, SH | 8 Women's Alliance Potluck 12pm, SH Interweave Potluck & Movie Night 6pm, S/SH | 9 |
| 10 Sunday Service 10am Coffee Store Open After Services | 11 Men's Group (closed) 7pm, offsite Interfaith Prayer Service 6:45pm, offsite | 12 Morning Doves 8am Archive Cmte 10am, SH Staff Mtg 11am, B Stewardship 6:30pm,SH Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 6 | 13 Men's Group (open) 7pm, Rm 6 | 14 Thundereggs 2pm offsite Calm Abiding Meditation 6pm, B Board Meeting 7pm, SH | 15 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> | 16 Garden Party 4pm, Phylis Kesners |
| 17 Sunday Service 10am | 18 FOC 5:30pm, SH Men's Group (closed) 7pm, offsite | 19 Morning Doves 8am Membership Cmte 6pm, SH Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 6 | 20 Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 5 | 21 Thundereggs 2pm offsite Meditation 6pm, B | 22 Newsletter Mailing 10am, SH | 23 |
| 24 Sunday Service 10am Coffee Store Open After Service | 25 Men's Group (closed) 7pm, offsite | 26 Morning Doves 8am Men's Group (closed) 7pm, Rm 6 | 27 Memoirs Writing (closed) 6:30pm, Rm 5 Men's Group (open) 7pm, Rm 6 | 28 Thursday Book Club 2pm, Offsite Thundereggs 2pm offsite Meditation 6pm, B FFLC 6:30pm | 29 | 30 Ed Peara B-Day 2pm, SH |

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| 31 Sunday Service 10am | <p>K B: Breezeway room BPOC: Building Project Oversight Cmte E CC: Coordinating Council Y COCM: Cmte on Congregational Ministry</p> <p>FOC: Finance Oversight Cmte L: Library NL: Newsletter</p> <p>RE: Religious Education SC: Sandburg Center S: Sanctuary SH: Social Hall SGM: Small Ministry group</p> <p>SJUUCE: Social Justice at UUCE SPC: Strategic Planning Cmte T: Tentative meeting UUCE: Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene</p> |
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Deadline for next newsletter: Friday, July 15th at 11 am
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