



## JUNE 2010 PROGRAMS

### JUNE 6 "A GREAT AWAKENING"

In Rev Michael Nelson's first service following his return from sabbatical, he shares discoveries from his exploration of historic area Unitarian and Universalist congregations. He comments, "The call to live a life with authentic purpose in 21st Century Kansas accords with the needs of 19th Century Unitarians and Universalists in Chanute, Delphos and Grasshopper Falls, Kansas. The need for liberty and union to become inseparable still awakens us to seek and extend justice and joy for every person." Contact Michael at 913 961-2626 or minister@uufm.net

### JUNE 13 "FINALLY FREE: HOW LOVE AND ACCEPTANCE SAVES US"

Reverend Michael Nelson reflects, "The ex-gay movement is alive in Manhattan. Efforts to convince LGBTQ people that they can choose to be straight occur in our local cafes and churches. Let us celebrate and expand a vision of what it means for our Fellowship to be a Welcoming Congregation, offering a welcoming home, and acceptance to all LGBTQ people and their families." Contact Michael at 913 961-2626 or minister@uufm.net

### JUNE 20 "A UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PERSPECTIVE ON HUMANISM"

Over the last twenty years a number of prominent people have called for a "new humanism" and secular humanism has been seen as a replacement for religious humanism. How did we end up as the humanist faith tradition? What shall we make of this tradition today? Contact/convener is Eric Banner at 776-7649 or banner.eric@gmail.com

### JUNE 27 "NONBELIEVERS DON'T GET NO RESPECT"

The group of us who read and discussed Harvard's Humanist Chaplin Greg Epstein's "Good Without God, What a Billion Nonreligious People DO Believe" will share our personal reactions to the book and its implications for humanists, atheists, agnostics, and other nonbelievers in the Fellowship and elsewhere. Contact/convener is Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

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### RE BON VOYAGE PARTY AND WELCOME BACK RECEPTION

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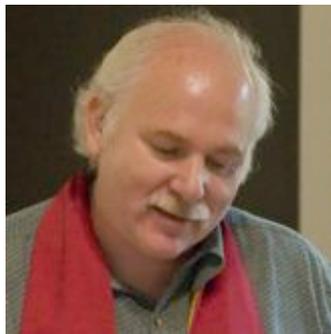


## UUFM is a WELCOMING CONGREGATION

Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at  
[www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml](http://www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml)

*"In a way (perhaps a superficial way) I know more than I really want to about several of our UU greats. I do not minimize their achievements; I simply note that we may emphasize them to the neglect of other worthy contributors to our movement. If we fill up tee shirts and coffee mugs with these names are we more likely to content ourselves without even pursuing the contributions of our less prominent UU's?" ... Janet Bowering*

Socked in by snow my sabbatical began and now the gleaming green of spring surrounds our home in the hills as spring ends. A pair of tanagers swooped in front of us and sat on a walnut branch as we watched the sun in its last hour early last evening. The meadow swarms with life. Thousands of insects, golden in the slanted light, floated as birds dived and flew back to their nests, teeming with life.



The tiny, insistent cries for food swell into a chorus of "Feed me, feed me, feed me now..." A pair of eastern phoebes built a home above the light fixture on the front porch. Last week a recently hatched chick fell. Its gangly salmon flesh sported a few feathers. Chuck got a ladder and put it back in the nest. It survived the plunge to earth.

I write this on the morning we travel to Boston to stay at the Picket-Eliot House, the Unitarian Universalist lodging for visiting UU's. Chuck and I will be spending two days at the Andover-Harvard Theological Library, the official site for UU archives searching through the 40 boxes I chose out of the thousands possible for documents from Unitarian and Universalist pioneers who brought progressive religion to Kansas. In the past months the research and archival librarians have led me to many resources, like Google books on line, accessible through the Internet. How little I knew about our regional UU history. The more I discovered, the more I realized I had to go to original sources to begin to fill out and focus some of the stories that provide insight into who we are and who we are called to be.

Exploring Unitarian and Universalist life in Kansas in the 19th Century draws me into the courageous lives of pioneers who wanted to keep this a free state and make it a more just place to live. Universalist Olympia Brown, the first known woman to become an ordained minister in the United States, traveled throughout Kansas in the early days of our statehood, lecturing about the need to give women the right to vote. Enoch Powell, a Unitarian minister, spent years or-

ganizing Unitarian societies in places like Newton, Kansas. There has been a Unitarian and Universalist Kansas cluster since the early 1860's. The impulse for intellectual and spiritual freedom moves beyond a few people and places. Knowing our history inspires me to want to learn more. I want to help tell our story in ways that inspire others to celebrate our heritage. UU's are working to make the world a better place for all people regardless of their doubts and certainties, their race or gender, providing a safe haven for those in need of universal love.

I look forward to being back in the current of Fellowship life,

*Michael*

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### **REVEREND MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE**

In June, Michael Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Wednesday, June	2 - 12 to 2 pm
Thursday, June	3 - 2 to 4 pm
Tuesday, June	8 - 4 to 6 pm
Thursday, June	10 - 3 to 5 pm
Wednesday, June	16 - 2 to 4 pm
Thursday, June	17 - 4 to 7 pm
Wednesday, June	30 - 2 to 4 pm

From June 21 thru 27, Michael will be away attending the UUA General Assembly and UU Ministers' Association Ministry Days. During office hours, Michael may be contacted at the Fellowship at 537-2349. At other times, you may reach Michael at (913) 961-2626 or [minister@uufm.net](mailto:minister@uufm.net) to arrange meetings, talk, or make appointments for other get-togethers.

### **WELCOME HOME MICHAEL!**

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Join us following the Fellowship's Summer Potluck Lunch on Sunday, June 6, for a Dessert Reception to welcome Rev Michael Nelson's return from a sabbatical leave, focused on spiritual rejuvenation. Come learn more about Michael's studies of the past five months.

# RE NEWS

## REFLECTIONS - MARIA SNYDER, DRE, MAY 27, 2010

School has ended and summer has arrived. As the season changes so does RE. Check out some of our changes--we have a new rug in the big RE room and a new shelf for the mobile classroom to keep their supplies in. Summer also brings a change in classes. Each summer our RE teachers take a well deserved break and we have guest tour guides each week. Our guest tour guides take our kids on trips of the imagination, guiding us through experiences of various places and cultures.



This year we are looking at an exciting tour schedule. We will kick off the summer on June 6 with our annual Bon Voyage party. This event happens along with the post Memorial Day annual picnic. It will be a day of fun for all ages. Join in for games, balloons, temporary tattoos and food.

Our tour guides will take us on exciting adventures from as far away as the Galapagos Islands, Europe to as close as our own back yard. We will be visited by Autumn Scoggan a Senior at K-State in dance, who will join us to teach dance from Ghana. Emily and Eric will lead us in learning about wildfire prevention. Larry Weaver will take us on a canoe tour of Pillsbury Crossing. Join us for these and many more adventures this summer in RE.

We will also continue our youth group over the summer as we finish up our series of movies about afterlife and move onto movie with Social Justice themes. In June we are beginning with racial justice and we are watching *Swing Kids* and *Rabbit Proof Fence*. We are contemplating a move from Friday to a weeknight, how does Tuesday sound? We hope to get some teens who are busy on Friday nights. So spread the word and let me know if another night works better for teens that you know who are interested!

Check out the website for current schedules, and contact me if you have any comments, questions, or concerns. I look forward to seeing you all this summer.

*Maria*

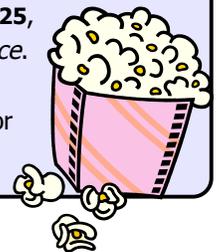
## ***BON VOYAGE PARTY!***

Following the morning service on Sunday, **JUNE 6**, we'll gather to see our RE students off on their *Postcards from UUFM* adventures with a fun and fabulous Bon Voyage Party. There will be a potluck, with meat and veggie sandwiches and dessert provided. Bring a side dish, or fruit, or salad to share, and join us for the fun and games! If you have a place or adventure to share this summer, please ask Maria Snyder how you can volunteer. She may be reached at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net or drop in during Maria's posted office hours (in rose box at right).

## TEENS - ***POPCORN THEOLOGY***

Teens, tweens, and parents are invited to join us for Popcorn Theology on scheduled Friday evenings. Movies are contemporary selections, evoking introspective thought, and stimulating discussion. Recently viewed films have included *Willow*, *The Fellowship of the Ring*, and *Defending Your Life*. This month, our theme will be Racial Justice.

We meet at 6 pm, in the Inez Alsop room (old sanctuary). On Friday **JUNE 11**, we'll watch *Swing Kids*, and on Friday, **JUNE 25**, we'll be viewing *Rabbit Proof Fence*. Invite your friends! Learn more from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net



## ***MARIA SNYDER'S SCHEDULE***

This month, Maria will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Tuesday, June 1	- 2 to 5 pm
Friday, June 4	- 2 to 5 pm
Tuesday, June 8	- 2 to 5 pm
Friday, June 11	- 3 to 6 pm
Tuesday, June 15	- 2 to 5 pm
Friday, June 18	- 2 to 5 pm
Tuesday, June 22	- 2 to 5 pm
Friday, June 25	- 3 to 6 pm
Tuesday, June 29	- 2 to 5 pm

During office hours, call Maria at 537-2349, or drop by the Fellowship building. Contact Maria by email at anytime at dre@uufm.net

## ***YOUTH CHOIR***

The UUFM Youth Choir will not practice in June. All kids who enjoy singing are invited to join us when rehearsals resume. Learn more from UUFM Singers director Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@k-state.edu

## ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

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The **MEN'S LUNCH** group meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 12 noon, in the Fellowship's large RE room. Bring a desire for lively conversation and a sack lunch for yourself. Learn more from Jack Warren at 539-4073 or jomega@ksu.edu, or Charley Kempthorne at 564-1118 or charleykempthorne@dishmail.net

The **WOMEN'S LUNCH** group meets Wednesday, JUNE 9, at 11:30 am, at the new Olive Garden restaurant, on the corner of Bluemont and Tuttle Creek Blvd. We'll gather to discuss current events in local, national, and international news. All interested members, friends, and guests are invited. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865, 410-9379 (cell), or ahjanke@sbcglobal.net

The **UUFM DRUM CIRCLE** gathers on Friday, JUNE 11, at 7 pm, around the Fellowship's fire circle, or inside in case of inclement weather. UUFM members, guests, beginners and regulars, and those of all ages are welcome. Bring your favorite rhythm instrument, or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net

**THIRD THURSDAY SUPPER** gathers on JUNE 17, at 6 pm, in the Inez Alsop all-purpose room (old sanctuary). This is not a potluck. You may bring food to share if you wish, but it is not required. Just bring your smile, family, and friends and join us for supper and great conversation! This will be Michael Nelson's first Third Thursday since returning from sabbatical. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

Fellowship member Ana Franklin invites members and friends to the third in a series of free workshops exploring **CHANT IN YOGA**, on Saturday, JUNE 26, at 3 pm, at *Yoga Connection*, 321 Poyntz, in Manhattan. This informal event includes a "physical" yoga class, followed by a class focusing on Vedic chanting. Learn more from Ana at 341-9908 or yogaconnection@gmail.com

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** gathers at 7 pm, on Wednesday, JUNE 30. The location and title will be announced on the Fellowship list serv, and in Sunday morning bulletins. Learn more from Anne Marchin at 539-3026 or annemarchin22@hotmail.com

UUFM members and friends meet once or twice a week for **MORNING COFFEE** at various locations around Manhattan. Learn more from Anne Marchin at 539-3026 or annemarchin22@hotmail.com, or watch for email announcements on the UUFM list serv. If you have not joined our list serv and would like to receive announcements and join discussions of interest, email Susan Turner at office@uufm.net to receive an invitation.

## UUFM WELCOMES NEW PIANIST

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*Michael Oldfather, UUFM Music Committee chair, shares this announcement:*

The Music Committee is pleased to announce that we have hired a pianist to replace Cherie Geiser, who is retiring and moving to Arkansas later this year. *Slawomir Dobrzanski*, Assistant Professor of Pianoforte at KSU, has agreed to play for us on approximately 20 Sundays during the fiscal year that begins June 1. He will accompany choir rehearsals and performances, provide meditation/offertory music, accompany hymns, and work with member and guest instrumentalists as needed.

We will miss Cherie's skilled and patient service to the Fellowship's music program over the past several years. We wish Charles and her well in this new chapter in the life they will create for themselves where spring begins earlier and fall arrives later than both show up in Manhattan.

## MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

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This month's UUFM Service at Meadowlark will be on Wednesday, **JUNE 2**, at 3 pm in the Wroten House Library. Michael Oldfather will lead a program focused on Fathers, as we remember our fathers and/or those who were like fathers to us. Let's talk about it. Learn more from Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

## UUFM HUMANISTS

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Fellowship Humanists and fellow travelers meet Thursday, **JUNE 3**, at 7 pm, in the large RE room to continue discussion of Greg Epstein's "Good Without God--What a Billion Nonreligious People DO Believe." On Sunday, June 27, participants will share personal reactions to the book and its implications for humanists, atheists, agnostics, and other non-believers. Learn more from Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu



## PSD SOUTHERN CLUSTER CAMPOUT

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Rev Thea Nietfeld facilitates a weekend focused on *Everyday Peacemaking* during this year's UU Southern Cluster Campout at White Memorial Campground, at Council Grove Lake, on Friday, **OCTOBER 1**, thru Sunday, **OCTOBER 3**, 2010. Thea comments, "... we will open ourselves to stories and songs, poems and prayers, games and dances about peacemaking. If each family or individual brings one such gift, we will return home rich with resources." Michael Nelson offers a caution to those who will be tent camping: the grass is tall, and will not be cut this year. Learn more from Thea at 323-7177 or thean@uufm.net

# SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

## VOLUNTEER AND SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES

Our Welcoming and Membership Committee is *seeking a few volunteers* to help Sunday **REFRESHMENT AND GREETING TEAMS**. This is an easy way to give to the Fellowship with a minimal investment of time--only three Sundays each year. Learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com

Sunflower **CASA PROJECT** Summer training begins Monday, JUNE 7, at 6 pm. Volunteers are needed to make a difference in the life of a child in the foster care system. Email [bridget@sunflowercasa.org](mailto:bridget@sunflowercasa.org) or call 537-6367, or to learn more. Independent study training is also offered. There is a child waiting for your voice--become a Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for a neglected child in the court system.

This month, Fellowship volunteers will prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFASTS** on Friday, JUNE 4, and JUNE 18 from 7:30 to 9 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to occasionally fill in for regular helpers. The meal is free and all are invited to join us for good food and fellowship. Donations are welcome. Learn more from Ana Franklin at 341-9908 or [yogaconnection@gmail.com](mailto:yogaconnection@gmail.com)

The **MANHATTAN EMERGENCY SHELTER** needs *our help!* Many small items are needed, such as disposable razors, individual soaps and shampoos, deodorant, ibuprofen, pacifiers, kids' socks, and nail clippers. Non-perishable FOOD is also needed at this time. Contributions may be placed in the box decorated by RE students in the southwest corner of the narthex. Learn more from Pat Weisenburger at 539-4711.

## MAY HELPING HANDS

The May 9 Helping Hands collection for the Peggy Bowman Second Chance Fund raised \$616. *Thanks for your generous support!*

## HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

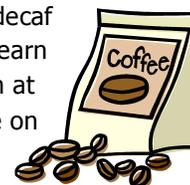
Each month our Social Action Committee selects an agency or organization to receive the morning offering on the second Sunday. On Sunday, **JUNE 13**, our morning collection will benefit **SHEPHERD'S CROSSING**, a multi-denominational organization providing financial assistance to low-income families of Manhattan and Riley County for rent, utility bills, and prescription medications.

All cash contributions and checks placed in the offering basket on the second Sunday of the month go to the Helping Hands Sunday beneficiary unless otherwise indicated, and should be made out to UUFM. Write "for UUFM" in the memo line if you wish your contribution to benefit the Fellowship.

*The Social Action Committee has selected the following organizations to receive Helping Hands collections in the next fiscal year:* Area Transportation Agency (aTa Bus), Big Brothers/Big Sister, The Crisis Center, Fairy Godmothers' Fund, Peggy Bowman Second Chance Fund, Flinthills Community Clinic, Manhattan Day Care Boys & Girls Club,, and the UFM Teen Scholarship Program. Learn more from our Helping Hands coordinator Betty Banner at 776-1887 or [bettybanner@gmail.com](mailto:bettybanner@gmail.com).

## EQUAL EXCHANGE COFFEE AND CFL SALES

**FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS** are offered for purchase at the Fellowship following Sunday programs. Whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate, and tea are available. To learn more, or purchase Fair Trade products, ask Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or [anne\\_cowan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:anne_cowan@sbcglobal.net) or talk to Anne on Sunday mornings.



Anne also coordinates the sale of **COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS** (CFLs) on Sunday mornings, in support of the Fellowship's efforts to encourage green living. Bulbs are \$4, and may be purchased for your own use, or donated to families seeking help from Shepherd's Crossing.

## SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE 2010 REPORT

*A report on the Social Action Committee's work in the past year appears on page 8 or this newsletter.*



Shepherd's  
Crossing  
FAITH HOPE LOVE

Eat at **SIRLOIN STOCKADE** on the **Third Tuesday** each month. Sirloin Stockade will donate a generous part of the cost of your meal to Shepherd's Crossing to assist families with rent, utilities, or prescription medication. Give this coupon and your receipt to the cashier at Sirloin Stockade on Tuesday any time after 11 am.

This message is Ex Cathedra, or something like that: I am speaking as Chair of the Fellowship for 2010/11. I think the Fellowship will probably survive my tenure,



but I'll need a lot of help! Please bug me if you think I am not doing something you think I ought to be doing; I need those nudges.

All of us have hopes and visions of what

UUFM can be; it would be good for us to talk of these things with each other, and I think that one of our committees is organ-izing something like this for the fall. Here is one of my hopes: I hope we can increase our level of tolerance

for spiritual and political diversity. We've made a good start. In recent years we've added Pagan and Wiccan adherents. We have long had folks inspired by Native American religious traditions. And of course we have lots of humanists, agnostics, and atheists. But I think we could be more welcoming of folks who express their faith in more traditional theistic Christian, Jewish, or Muslim ways. A number of our members and their children fit this description, and I hope that UUFM will be a helpful church home for them as it is for the many non-traditionally religious folks among us.

This fall brings many elections, and so I am sure our tolerance of political diversity is going to be tested. Let's remember that we are friends who sometimes disagree.

Finally, if you do not now receive the magazine UU World please tell me [*available free to members, or by subscription to interested friends ... ST*]. It is a quarterly source of provocative articles and letters. The current issue examines "UU Culture," and several articles point out the problems (and downsides) of the inclusivity I urged on us above.

Amen, *Larry Weaver*

UUFM Executive Board Chair

Contact Larry at 539-3176 or [lweaver@uufm.net](mailto:lweaver@uufm.net)

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD RETREAT**

The Executive Board meets Thursday, **JUNE 10**, at 6 pm, at the home of Larry Weaver, 1009 Karla Lane, in Manhattan. Outgoing, continuing, and new Executive Board officers are urged to join us for a thoughtful evening as we discuss our goals, hopes, and dreams for the Fellowship in the coming year. Dinner will be provided. Learn more from Board Chair Larry Weaver at 539-3176 or [lweaver@uufm.net](mailto:lweaver@uufm.net)

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WONDERFUL WIZARD LARRY WEAVER  
AND FELLOW DENIZENS OF THE LAND OF OZ TAKE A BOW FOLLOWING  
THE INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICE ON DECEMBER 13, 2009



## GREETING AND REFRESHMENT TEAMS

- June 6: POTLUCK / RE PARTY / WELCOME BACK  
MICHAEL - *bring a dish to share*
- June 13: Ana Franklin, Jim Shanteau, Pat Embers, and Florence Schwab
- June 20: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert, Jo and Jason Maseberg-Tomlinson
- June 27: Harriette Janke, Anne Marchin, Tom Phillips, Dick Pannbacker
- June 30: Kristan Corwin, Brian Washburn Sarah Nuss-Warren, and Chris Nakamura

Coffee and greeting teams consist of one leader/coordinator, and three or four helpers to provide Sunday morning greeting and refreshments. Teams sign up for only three Sundays each year.

**WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO FORM THREE OR FOUR ADDITIONAL COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS.** Learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com

*THANKS* to everyone who has already volunteered for one of our teams! Coffee and greeting teams are vital to the welcoming atmosphere of Fellowship life, helping visitors get acquainted, and providing a comfortable setting for after service conversation.

### Administrator's Schedule

In June, Susan Turner will be available in the Fellowship office on:

- Tuesday, June 1 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, June 3 - 12 to 5 pm
- Monday, June 7 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, June 8 - 12 to 5 pm
- Monday, June 14 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, June 15 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, June 17 - 4 to 9 pm
- Thursday, June 24 - 12 to 5 pm
- Saturday, June 26 - 11 am to 6 pm
- Monday, June 28 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, June 29 - 12 to 5 pm

Call Susan at 537-2349 during office hours, or drop by the office. She may be reached at any time by email at office@uufm.net

## HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net to **UPDATE YOUR MAILING, PHONE, or EMAIL** information, or to **CANCEL YOUR SUBSCRIPTION** to this newsletter. Members and friends may also reach Susan during her posted office hours (*seen at bottom left*) at 537-2349.

If you have been considering **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, please ask our Membership / Social Committee co-chairs Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or Jo Maseberg-Tomlinson at 477-2759 or welcome@uufm.net, for information and assistance.

Fellowship members may receive the UUA magazine **UU WORLD**, without cost. *UU World* is available on audiotape, for those with visual or reading difficulties. Subscribe by contacting Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Read *UU World* online at www.uuworld.org

Join in email discussions of interest to Fellowship members and friends on our **LIST SERV**. List serv members may choose to receive each message individually; as one daily "digest;" or check messages by logging into our list serv web site. Contact list serv moderator Ruth Welti at welti@ksu.edu to subscribe.

UUFM bookkeeper Sandy Nelson would be happy to help you set up **ELECTRONIC PAYMENT** of your pledge contributions. If you wish, pledge installments can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account on a weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly basis. There is no cost for this service. Ask Sandy at 341-0135 or sandralounelson@yahoo.com, or pick up literature and a form from the information table in our narthex.

## SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please contact fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net, **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY EVENING** with announcements and information for inclusion in the Sunday morning Order of Service bulletin. Check the bulletin each week for important announcements of upcoming activities and events.

## CARING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

If you could use a hand, or if you know members or friends who are experiencing life challenges, and would appreciate assistance, please let our Caring Committee know. Contact Caring Committee co-chairs Yvonne Lacy at 539-4404 or yvcq67lacy@sbcglobal.net, or Barbara Hacker at 587-8002, or let us know at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

## BUILDING USE AND SCHEDULING

Please check with Susan Turner to be sure your desired date is available before finalizing plans for **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**, Fellowship activities, or private events that will be held in the Fellowship building. To confirm building availability and schedule your activity, or for more information, contact Sue at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

## JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the July edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Tuesday, **JUNE 15**. Please send news, meetings, announcements, and events to Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net

**YEAR-END REPORT  
FROM THE UUFM SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

*Our Social Action Committee is committed to furthering social justice awareness and action within our Fellowship, and in the wider community. The Committee offers the following report to the congregation, detailing their activities in the past year:*

Fair Trade and energy saving light bulb sales have been good this year. The Social Action Committee report at the end of this fiscal year shows that \$367 from sales was turned over to the UUFM general budget. In addition, twenty cents of every pound bought from Equal Exchange is donated by that company to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. Sales average over one thousand dollars per quarter.

The budget for the Social Action Committee annual budget for this past year was \$667. Activities included Souper Sunday, Adopt a Family at Christmas time, being a member of Shepherds Crossing, serving a community breakfast twice a month at the Episcopal Church, supporting the Flint Hills GI Rights Hotline, Fair Trade Sales, and Helping Hands Sunday.

Helping Hands collections brought in \$6,187.45 this past year. An amazing \$1,237 was collected for the UUSC Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund.

Thank you everyone who helped with these many efforts. Like Unitarian Universalist Fellowships everywhere, UUFM considers social action an important part of our lives.

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