

MARCH 2011 PROGRAMS

MARCH 6 "PARADISE FOUND"

Reverend Michael Nelson reflects, "The Social Gospel of progressive religion proclaims that paradise needs to be worked on and found now. We strive to create a just, abundant, and beautiful world for all so that we may find wholeness and harmony today. The mission of our Fellowship challenges us to fulfill this promise to ourselves, one another and the world. Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

MARCH 13 "WE; THE PEOPLE"

"The visionary ideal of forming a more 'perfect union' calls on us to promote the general welfare of all people. Why is the US constitution fundamental to our free faith? How does it establish justice and ensure tranquility?" Rev Michael Nelson and Charles Dedmon explore how these issues impact the quality of our personal and shared lives. Learn more from Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

MARCH 20 INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICE

As stories have long been a way to share messages, we'll share a story of helping those in need, and caring for people who are different. Join us for the Wizard and the Hopping Pot, a story from the world of Harry Potter. Learn more from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

MARCH 27 "A JOURNEY OF HOPE: MURDER VICTIM'S SON SAYS NO! TO DEATH"

Four and one half years after his father's 1972 murder, Bill Lucero, a member of the UU Fellowship of Topeka, co-founded the Kansas Coalition Against the Death Penalty, in response to the question, "Is executing the killer in the best interest of the survivors?" Whether one favors or opposes capital punishment, society should address the needs of the victims' family. Contact/convener is Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net



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Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !!!

A brief ceremony welcoming new members to our congregation, and recognizing the special contributions each of us brings to this community will be held during the Sunday morning service on MARCH 6. Join us in welcoming Stacey Broughman, Laura Lott, Megan Shell, Cory and Sam Zeller, Slawomir Dobrzanski, Jennifer Bryan, Randy Hagin, and John Wesley to our family.

MICHAEL'S MUSINGS - REVEREND MICHAEL NELSON, FEBRUARY 24, 2011

Reverend Michael Nelson addresses some "frequently asked questions" and comments ...

WHY ARE YOUR MUSTY MUSINGS SO LENGTHY?

I want to share from as many points of entrance and departure as I can.



What do you mean by that? The links between mind, heart, body, and spirit create the tension that can make us whole. I seek multiple connections-ways to encourage deep coherence as an individual and community.

THIS MAKES NO SENSE TO ME. WHY

NOT USE A LOGICAL APPROACH TO SERIOUS QUESTIONS? *I could, but then you'd get partial answers.*

YOUR QUASI-MYSTICAL RESPONSE EVADES THE QUESTION. WHY NOT BE AS CLEAR AS A MATHEMATICAL EQUATION?

Equations avoid the messiness of life. We are more than a sum of our parts. The imperative to apply reason to "know ourselves" creates an equal imperative to allow room for the unknown. Opposites need each other. Imbalance breaks wholeness. A dynamic balance between reason and mystery allows for revelation to evolve--to surprise us with discovery.

YOUR SLOPPY THINKING PRODUCES SENTIMENTAL ANSWERS.

Sentiment comes from the Latin sentire, meaning to feel, perceive. It implies a full use of the senses, which opens a gateway to imagination and its ability to move beyond the limitations of the mind. It can bring us to where logic ends and genius begins. A great technician does not a great pianist make.

THAT IS INSCRUTABLE MUMBO-JUMBO.

It is inscrutable because you want a finite answer. Answers to big questions are found in the infinite.

WHY?

If you don't allow for the infinite in your life everything is minimized--leaving too much room for despair and its cocoon of complacency--robot mind, the Tin Man without a wish.

HOW DOES THIS PALAVER HELP ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, GLOBAL WARMING, POVERTY?

If everything gets crunched into reason it contracts the capacity to respond. The room in the heart to feel another's pain, their isolation and loss, encourages us to have the empathy necessary to make connections that help us to react constructively. Infinite optimism balanced with realism nurtures a

community that cares enough to share generously--to extend that help which will make a positive difference.

YOUR RESPONSE IS SIMPLISTIC AND VAGUE.

I have worked with the homeless, battered women and their children. There is no simple, direct answer that resolves the complexity of why so many people are homeless and why so many people are abused and abandoned. My Unitarian theology calls me to see/feel/know how we are disconnected so that we can make healing connections. Universalism challenges me to navigate the force fields of life to live so that love is not a smiley face icon. Without embodying love, living its complexity, we can't be saved from hell we create on earth.

SAVED FROM WHAT?

Self-righteousness, feeling superior, indifference, greed, separating people into good and bad categories, making someone into an abstraction so that I don't have to feel.

YOU TAKE YOURSELF SO SERIOUSLY. Someone has to!

Michael

MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE

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

Thursday, March 3 - 12 to 2 pm Monday, March 7 - 5 to 7 pm Thursday, March 10 - 5 to 7 pm Wednesday, March 16 - 12 to 2 pm Thursday, March 17 - 4 to 7 pm Wednesday, March 30 - 12 to 2 pm Thursday, March 31 - 12 to 2 pm

During office hours, Michael may be contacted at the Fellowship at 537-2349. To chat or arrange meetings, contact him at (785) 765-3650 or minister@uufm.net. Michael will be on vacation March 19 thru 25, and available for emergencies only.

SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION

TAKING TIME FOR THE INNER LIFE continues in March. Watch for scheduling announcements.

Michael Nelson leads **DEEPENING UNITARIAN UNIVER- SALISM**, in two sessions following Sunday services,
March 13 and 27. The class focuses on new members, and friends considering membership. Learn
more from Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

REFLECTIONS - MARIA SNYDER, DRE, FEBRUARY 26, 2011

The kids and I are looking forward to sharing our Intergen-



erational Service. We will begin practice and set design this Sunday [February 27]. The story has a couple of valuable messages. A wizard who doesn't care for non-magical folks, learns a lesson from the community that he is part of and little gift left from his

recently deceased father.

Please sign up to help in RE over the summer. As you may know we give the teachers the summer off. During the summer we share culture, creativity, science and world religion through tours with guests. Sign up to be a guest tour guide. Pick your date early!

Maria

You can find Maria at the Fellowship on most Sunday mornings, or contact her during office hours, seen at right, at 537-2349, or email anytime to dre@uufm.net

RE NEEDS YOU

It takes a village to raise a child, and our children need all of us to share our knowledge, experience, time and love. There are openings in all areas, including nursery, Pre-K, Kindergarten thru 2nd grade, and 3rd grade and up. Teach a single class, a series, a semester or a year. Be an occasional helper in Sunday classes, facilitate fun and discussion at teen movie night, help keep RE rooms clean and organized, train as an OWL instructor, or join our RE Committee. Committee

members do not need to be teachers. We need more members of all ages, to participate in our children's growth.

Learn more from RE co-chair Sandy Nelson at 341-0135, or RE@uufm.net

MOVIE SERIES VOLUNTEERS

Attendance at our popular Popcorn Theology films for tweens and teens has fallen, and the series will be put on hold indefinitely. There has been considerable discussion about the possibility of beginning a children's/family movie night, featuring films that will raise thought and discussion on a variety of topics, selected with our younger members in mind.

We need adult volunteers to organize this new activity. We hope to find several individuals to share the responsibility. Learn more from RE co-chair Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or RE@uufm.net

MARIA SNYDER'S SCHEDULE

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

Wednesday, March 2 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 7 - 2 to 5 pm Wednesday, March 9 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 14 - 2 to 5 pm Wednesday, March 16 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 21 - 2 to 5 pm Wednesday, March 23 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 28 - 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

All children who love to sing are invited to join our UUFM Children's Choir. Learn more from Sarah Nuss-Warren at 537-3738 or nusswarr@gmail.com

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE!



Thank you everyone, for making sure all matches are secured following use, safely out of reach of small, curious fingers. Kids, please an about any matches you find. Let's all stay safe!

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

The **Women's Lunch** group meets Wednesday, March 9, at 11:30 am, at the Little Apple Brewery, in the Westloop Shopping Center. Join us for lively discussion of current events in local, national, and international news. All are invited. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865, 410-9379 (cell), or ahjanke@sbcglobal.net

The **UUFM DRUM CIRCLE** gathers on Friday, MARCH 11, at 7 pm, at the Fellowship. UUFM members, friends, and the community, beginners and regulars, and those of all ages are welcome. All multi-cultural forms of drumming are welcome. We love learning new songs. Bring your favorite rhythm instrument, or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net

On March 17, at 5:30 pm, immediately preceding Third Thursday Supper, Mark Moser leads a **TAI CHI**, movement-based meditation session in the Main Sanctuary. Contact Mark at 537-5028 or mark@grapeviner.com

THIRD THURSDAY SUPPER gathers on MARCH 17, at 6 pm, in the Inez Alsop room. We welcome food you bring to share, but it is not required. Just bring your smile, family, and friends and join us for good food and great company! Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

Following Third Thursday Supper on MARCH 17, join Fellowship member Diane Barker for **GOING TO THE MOVIES IS MORE THAN PICKING YOUR SEAT.** Films are selected based on respect, humor, an uplifting level of truth, and artistry. Learn more from Diane at 539-9163 or dogsbodyd@yahoo.com

The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** gathers on Wednesday, March 30, at 7 pm, at the Franz residence. We'll discuss *The Book Thief*, by Marcus Zusak. Contact Terri Franz at 537-2291 or terrijfranz@sbcglobal.net, or Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net

Michael Nelson continues the adult RE class **TAKING TIME FOR THE INNER LIFE** in March. Watch for scheduling announcements on the Fellowship email list and in Sunday morning bulletins. Learn more from Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

READ A BOOK -- CHANGE THE WORLD!

Members and friends are invited to join a discussion group at the Fellowship on Wednesday, **March 9**, at 7 pm, as we meet to examine efforts to avert our planet's impending ecological disasters. Bill McKibben's *Eaarth, Making a Life on a Tough New Planet*, will serve as our textbook. We hope to partner with local initiatives to reduce personal and community carbon footprints. One planned outcome of the project is a Sunday morning service in the early summer to share the results of our efforts with the congregation. Michael Oldfather and

David Breckenridge coordinate the project. Learn more

from Michael at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu



The Fellowship's biggest fundraiser, the annual UUFM Garage Sale, will be held on Friday, APRIL 29, and Saturday APRIL 30.

Recycling is good for all of us, so start sorting out those closets, and exploring the attic for good, usable items to contribute. We also need volunteers to help pick up, sort, and price donations, and organize and staff the sale. Learn how you can help from Sarah Nuss-Warren at 537-3586 or nusswarr@gmail.com

CIRCLE DINNER

Our Social Committee will organize a Circle Dinner on, **March 19**. Circle dinners are a fun opportunity for new members and friends to meet established members in a relaxed, homey atmosphere. A sign-up sheet will be provided in the narthex on Sunday mornings, or ask Anne Marchin at annemarchin22@hotmail.com or 539-3026

UUFM SINGERS

The choir rehearses twice this month at 9:30 am, on Sunday, **MARCH 13**, in the Main Sanctuary. We will perform during the service later that morning. Learn more about vocal music at the Fellowship from music director Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

This month's UUFM Meadowlark Hills Service meets Wednesday, **MARCH 30**, at 3 pm, in Wroten House Library. Rev Michael Nelson leads an exploration of the many ways people find renewal in their lives as we celebrate the arrival of spring! Learn more from Kathleen Oldfather at kjoldfather@gmail.com or 537-3738

UUFM VOLUNTEER OPENINGS

The annual **UUFM GARAGE SALE** will be held Friday, APRIL 29, and Saturday, APRIL 30. We need volunteers who can help pick up, sort, or price contributions; also organizers and sale staff. Learn how you can help from Sarah Nuss-Warren at 537-3586 or nusswarr@gmail.com

Currently, there are two unstaffed committees at UUFM--GREEN SANCTUARY, formed to identify ways to minimize our environmental impact, and complete the UUA goals to become a certified Green Sanctuary Congregation and Welcoming Congregation, coordinating activities to welcome and support LGBTQ members, friends, visitors, and families. If you have a commitment to either of these vital goals, consider volunteering to chair one of these committees. Support and guidance will be provided. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

The **Social, Welcoming and Membership**Committee seeks a co-chair to support important welcoming activities. New or long-time members interested in this opportunity to foster an open and hospitable atmosphere at our Fellowship can learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net

Our **Religious Education** team needs your enthusiasm. Teachers, substitutes, and occasional volunteers are needed, as well as RE Committee members, and individuals to train to teach next year's scheduled OWL classes. Learn more from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

This month, Fellowship volunteers will prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, MARCH 14 and 28, from 7:30 to 9 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. **Volunteers are needed** to occasionally fill in. The meal is free and open to all, providing a good meal for many community members who might otherwise go without. Donations are welcome. Learn more from Ana Franklin at 341-9908 or yogaconnection@gmail.com

Find more exciting, volunteer opportunities on the **HELP WANTED** bulletin board in the Fellowship's narthex.

SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

Each month our Social Action Committee selects a non-profit agency or organization to receive the morning offering on the second Sunday of the month. On Sunday, MARCH 13, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **Manhattan Day Care**, a non-profit childcare organization, providing subsidized services to low-income families. Learn more from our Helping Hands coordinator Betty Banner at bettybanner@gmail.com or 776-1887.

The February 13 Helping Hands collection for the Fairy Godmothers' Fund raised \$457. Thank you for your generous contributions which will be applied to immediate grants assisting low-income women.

HELPING HANDS APPLICATIONS

The Social Action Committee is accepting applications for Helping Hands for the fiscal year that begins in June. The purpose of Helping Hands is to provide support to 501(c)(3) qualified local agencies offering direct service to benefit the community. If you know of an organization that should be considered for Helping Hands funds please let them know. Find an application form at www.uufm.net/media/HelpingHandsApp.pdf. Deadline for application is March 31, 2011. Submit applications to Betty Banner at bettybanner@gmail.com. Learn more from Betty at 776-1887, or Yvonne Lacy at 539-4404 or socialjustice@uufm.net

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 or talk to Anne on Sunday mornings. COMPACT FLUORES-CENT LIGHT BULBS (CFLs) are also offered on Sunday mornings, supporting the Fellowship's efforts to encourage green living. Purchase for yourself, or for families seeking help from Shepherd's Crossing.

FAIR TRADE SALES TO BECOME A FUNDRAISER -- The sale of Fair Trade coffee and chocolate turns over quite a bit of money with almost all of it going to the product cost and sales tax. The Fair Trade sub-committee has determined that the sales could be a real fundraiser for the UUFM; therefore, we are going to raise the price of each item by twenty-five cents with the added income benefiting the UUFM General Operations fund, enhancing fundraising without added volunteer hours. New prices go into effect March 15, 2011.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The UUFM Social Action Committee will meet at the Fellowship building at 5:30 pm, on Wednesday, MARCH 9. Please join us if you would like to learn about Social Action at UUFM. Learn more from Yvonne Lacy at 539-4404 or socialjustice@uufm.net

News From the Treasurer

Thanks to the help of several Fellowship members and friends, our budget shortfall decreased from last month to approximately \$7,000. While the gap decreased, we still need to ask our members and close friends who ...

- have not fulfilled their pledges to please fulfill their pledges for the current year at their earliest convenience.
- were unable to pledge to make a financial contribution that fits their budget.
- made a pledge and already paid it in full to consider making an additional contribution.

These measures will help us to curtail the shortfall we are facing and to start the budget process for next year on a positive note. Thank you very much for your generosity and continued support.

Learn more from UUFM Treasurer Elke Lorenz at 539-3527 or ellorenz@uufm.net

2011 UUFM ANNUAL MEETING

The Fellowship's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday morning, April 17. Voting members are asked to make every effort to attend, if possible, as important issues concerning our congregation's future direction and goals will be open for discussion, suggestions, and questions. Members present will vote on nominees for Board positions, and discuss and the proposed budget for our upcoming fiscal year 2011/2012, which runs from June 1, 2011, thru May 31, 2012. Watch for detailed information on nominees and the proposed budget in the April edition of The UUFM Voice. Learn more from UUFM Executive Board Chair Larry Weaver at 539-3176 or lweaver@uufm.net

PSD Annual Conference

The Prairie Star District of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations will hold the PSD Annual Conference, April 8 to 10, in Des Moines, Iowa. This multi-generational conference features family centered activities, workshops, speakers, worship, and opportunities for networking with UUs from across our District. Learn more, and register online, at www.psduua.org/AnnualConference2011. Flyers and registration forms will also be available to pick up from the information display in the narthex.

UU CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES

Come to **CAMP STARTRAIL** (between Omaha and Lincoln) from July 31 to August 5 for a grand adventure/retreat for UUs of all ages. Past activities have included bead-making; dream analysis; painting; quilting; survival skills; Amazing Race; sock hop; talent show; barn dance, camp fire (with s'mores); challenge courses; OWL for adults; swimming, nature hikes; ad hoc

writers' group, bridge games and lots more. The Prairie Star District of the Unitarian Universalist Association sponsors Camp StarTrail. Learn more at www.psduua.org/campstartrail

CAMP UNISTAR is a Unitarian Universalist camp for families, individuals, and youth located on Star Island in Cass Lake, Minnesota. UniStar is owned by the Prairie Star District of the UUA and offers 13 weeks of awesome experiences. In 2011 there will be Work Week

(June 4-11), two Youth Weeks for 7th to 12th graders (June 11-18; June 18-25), and ten Family Weeks for families and adults of all ages (every week from June 25 through September 3). Each Family Week has a theme with a daily two-hour morning program. Programs may include topics such a sailing, dance, yoga, science, religion, current events, nature, and crafts. Campers may choose to stay in the lodge or cabins, or tent right next to the lakeshore. Information on 2011 summer programs and the annual Camper Reunion party (newcomers are welcome!) is available at www.campunistar.org



creates the welcoming and encouraging spiritual home that we have found here at UUFM.

Our Fellowship needs you ...

your unique talents, time, energy, and enthusiasm -to fill volunteer openings, large and small.

Through short- or long-term service, WE create the Fellowship's continued presence serving the diverse, liberal religious community of Manhattan and surrounding counties.

There are so many ways to get involved:

~ Fellowship Garage Sale

The annual UUFM Garage Sale is our biggest fundraiser,
while supporting our congregational goal of minimal environmental impact
through recycling of useful goods. Have a pick-up truck or van?

You can pick up large items for delivery to the sale site. Contributions must be sorted, priced, and set up. Or help staff the sale on Friday, April 29, or Saturday, April 30.

~ Religious Education (RE)

To more fully involve our children in the life of the Fellowship, and foster lasting inter-generational relationships benefiting young and old, our RE Committee seeks adult volunteers of all ages--young singles to great-grandparents--to be classroom teachers, occasional substitutes and helpers, movie night facilitators, and RE Committee members. Lots of training and support are provided.

Our goal is to recruit and train enough volunteers so that no teacher will be in a classroom more than one Sunday each month.

~ Financial Support

Non-profit organizations are struggling to maintain services in these times of financial anxiety.

As the end of our fiscal year approaches, a budget shortfall of \$7,000 looms.

Your renewed commitment to fulfill a pledge, a one-time donation, extra cash in the collection basket-all contributions allow us to maintain this community of progressive tolerance that we have created, and look to the future by expanding our work as community need becomes apparent.

~ Committee Chairs / Organizers

Currently, there are two unstaffed committees at UUFM-Green Sanctuary and Welcoming Congregation.

The Green Sanctuary committee was formed to assist the Fellowship
in minimizing our environmental impact, and to complete
UUA requirements to become a certified Green Sanctuary Congregation.
The Welcoming Congregation Committee coordinates activities to provide support and opportunities for LGBTQ members, friends, visitors, and their families.

If you have a commitment to either of these vital projects,
please consider volunteering to chair and coordinate one of these committees.

Support and guidance will be provided.

~ Coffee and Greeting Teams

For those with limited time to offer, consider serving on one of our coffee and greeting teams, providing a warm, welcoming atmosphere before and after Sunday services. It's a great way to get acquainted!

Teams are scheduled just three or four Sundays each year.

To find more volunteer opportunities, check out the HELP WANTED bulletin board at the Fellowship. Learn more from Fellowship administrator
Susan Turner, 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.



COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- March 6: Colina and Stew Stanton, and Mike and Laura Bonella
- March 13: Yvonne Lacy, Marolyn Caldwell, Steve Mull, and Doug Walter
- March 20: Cathy Hedge, and Dan and Kathy Swenson
- March 27: Angela Hayes, Shirley and Brice Hobrock, Monta Manney

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. This is a great way to give to the Fellowship with a minimum investment of time. Learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net

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

Tuesday, March 1 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, March 3 - 12 to 5 pm

Monday, March 7 - 3 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 8 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, March 10 - 4 to 7 pm

Monday, March 14 - 3 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 15 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, March 17 - 4 to 9 pm

Thursday, March 24 - 12 to 5 pm

Saturday, March 26 - 11 am to 6 pm

Monday, March 28 - 3 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 29 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, March 31 - 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-chair Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net, or Rev Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net, for information and assistance.

Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, 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 discussions of interest, receive information on community events, and last minute updates and announcements on our UUFM **EMAIL LIST**. Contact list 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 any use of the Fellowship building, including **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

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the April edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Tuesday, **MARCH 15**. *Committee chairs and activity coordinators, let Sue know about volunteer openings* in your group, for inclusion in announcements! Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.nett