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JULY 2011 PROGRAMS

JULY 3 "ALLEGIANCE AND DISOBEDIENCE"

In a tribute to Independence Day, Fellowship members read and discuss sermons about patriotism and Unitarian Universalism. Contact Scott Tanona at 537-6208 or stanona@sbcglobal.net

JULY 10 "CHICKEN LITTLE, POGO, AND MALTHUS WERE RIGHT!"

Fellowship members and friends who have been studying Bill McKibben's *Eaarth, Making a Life on a Tough New Planet* will share some of the author's review of scientific evidence for accelerating environmental deterioration, which threatens to render the planet uninhabitable in the not-too-distant future. We'll summarize suggestions McKibben and others offer for how to mitigate the impending catastrophe. Learn more from convener Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

JULY 17 "THEOLOGICAL DETENTE:

THE MERGER OF THE UNITARIANS AND THE UNIVERSALISTS"

Fellowship member Dave Lambert will embellish a previously used sermon from the UUA archives to explore the theological debates surrounding the merger of the Unitarians and the Universalists to form Unitarian Universalism in 1961. Contact Dave at 587-8750 or david.k.lambert@gmail.com

JULY 24 " AYN RAND--INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND 'THE COMMON GOOD'"

Rev David Jones, Director of the Ecumenical Campus Ministry, reflects, "Philosopher Ayn Rand's commitments to individual liberty have enjoyed a growing influence in American religion and economics since the mid-20th Century. Join us as we explore the impact of Rand's thought on religious communities and, more broadly, the notion of 'the common good' in American society." Contact/convener is Brice Hobrock at 776-3175 or bhobrock@uufm.net

JULY 31 "BEAUTY, FAITH, AND WALLS"

Rev Thea Niefeld muses, "The Kansas landscape is open beauty. Our common faith resonates with open landscape and is jarred by physical/political walls. Let's reflect together on the walls of Germany (fallen), Israel-Palestine, and USA-Mexico and how faith can move to restore beauty."

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SUNDAY SERVICES begin at **10:45 AM**
at **481 ZEANDALE ROAD**

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TENTH ANNUAL UUFM MUSICALE

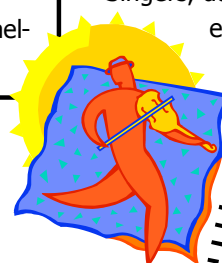
The date has been set for the tenth Annual Musicale--Sunday, August 28. Singers, dancers, instrumentalists, and entertainers whose artistry defies categorization are

encouraged to volunteer before available slots fill up. Learn more from Music Committee Chair Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu



UUFM is a WELCOMING CONGREGATION

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



HISTORY OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS IN KANSAS - REV MICHAEL NELSON

This article below, based on Rev Michael Nelson's research, appeared in the May 2011 issue of The Prairie Star, the monthly newsletter of the Prairie Star District of the UUA ...

The history of Unitarians and Universalists of 19th century Kansas brings to light many of the challenges we face today. Racial justice, educational opportunity for all regardless of economic status, and equal rights for women were a few of the social justice concerns pioneers carried with their progressive faith in their move from New England into the Kansas territory. The Kansas-Nebraska Act, signed by President Franklin Pierce on May 30, 1854, prompted New Englanders who opposed slavery to move to the new Kansas territory. The Act amended the antislavery clause of the Missouri Compromise and provided the right for each new state to decide if it would be a free or a slave state. The New England Emigrant Society, founded by Eli Thayer, a US congressman, Rev Edward E Hale, a Unitarian minister, and Alexander H Bullock, governor of Massachusetts, organized the means for people opposing slavery to move to the new territory. Hale wrote in his book *Kansas and Nebraska*, "Before the end of 1855 we had sent out four or five thousand settlers in Kansas. It is fair to say that every man in the company went for the purpose of making Kansas a Free State and to give a privilege to all other States." Their settlement efforts, organized at first to make a quick profit, became a visionary force helping to prevent pro-slavery forces from making Kansas a slave state. Charles Robinson, a Universalist and an agent for the company, helped settle Lawrence and became the territory's, then the state's, first governor.

The first recorded site of a Unitarian Service occurred in an earthen floor cabin on Mount Oread in Lawrence. It was named after Mount Oread Seminary, one of the early colleges for women Eli Thayer founded in Worcester, Massachusetts. Today, the site is the hill on which the University of Kansas stands. Rev Ephraim Nutt, a missionary of the American Unitarian Association, lead the service. During an August sunset in 1854 one hundred and fifty people gathered to align themselves with the greater purpose which had inspired them to move across the country, no easy feat in the days of dirt roads, horse drawn wagons and ambushes from the "border ruffians" intent on making Kansas a slave state. In 1855 this cabin/chapel was twice used as a fort to defend Lawrence from the invading pro-slavery forces.

Eli Thayer believed the towns established by the Company needed "to go with all our free-labor trophies: churches and schools, printing presses, steam engines, and mills; and in a peaceful contest convince every poor man from the South of the superiority of free labor." The founding of Kansas State University in Manhattan was intertwined with the efforts of the New England Emigrant Society. Zeandale Road, above which the UU Fellowship of Manhattan rises, was named by Josiah Hobart Pillsbury, a devotee of Theodore Parker. This Unitarian held worship services in cabins, served as a minister in a non-denominational Christian Church, started a post office, a civic

center, promoted education and known as a peace maker. His progressive newspaper, the Manhattan Independent, advanced abolition, the rights of women and the humane treatment of animals among the many other progressive causes.

The Kansas Unitarian Conference, since its inception in the 1870's, had always included Western Missouri and sometimes went as far north as Lincoln, Nebraska and as far south as Oklahoma City. The Kansas Universalist Conference had many congregations. An 1891 pamphlet promoting Kansas listed Universalism as the fifth most popular religion in the state. Delving into the conference records, now situated at the Harvard Divinity School Archives, I found that a number of women ministers served in the state, some of whom had been Fellowshiped at meetings in the Hutchinson, Kansas, Universalist Church.

Records from the 19th century indicate at least 80 attempts to begin Unitarian and Universalist churches in Kansas. So much of this history is scattered, much of it is lost forever, and hopefully much of it waits to be found.

In a biography of Jasper Douthit, a Unitarian missionary in 19th century Illinois, it is said, "the gospel of love is more than a match for the gospel of hate," and that "a reasonable religion is better adapted to the needs of all classes and conditions of men than the religion of dogmatism and the unreasoning faith of bigotry." I wonder how different this region would be if more of these attempts had succeeded--doing the good work of our progressive faith today. In 2011, we have 7 UU congregations and one emerging congregation in the Southern Cluster of the Prairie Star District, which continues to be a liberal voice of reason and hope.

MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE

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

Tuesday, July 5 - 2 to 4 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.

July 9 through July 31, Michael will be using some of his accumulated vacation days, and will be available *for emergencies only*. Please contact the Fellowship office at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net with urgent messages for Michael.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

REGARDING RE - CORY ZELLER, DRE, JUNE 26, 2011

I feel truly honored to be the new Director of Religious Education at UUFM. The teachers, families, and Fellowship members inspire me to make the Religious Education program the best it can be. I am excited to enhance the curriculum, add social activities to the calendar, communicate with the Fellowship, and entice new members! The Fellowship has been a wonderful place for my family, and I hope to make it even better for all current and future families.

This summer the children are World Travelers, exploring the world through the experience and expertise of tour guides. They will visit Boston, Japan, South Africa, and Ireland, and learn how to take photos, canoe, climb a wall, and dance!

In June, we bid farewell to our travelers at our Bon Voyage party. There was a bounce house, face painting, sponge toss, cookie eating contest, and three-legged races. The travelers had lessons in digital photography with Kim Belanger and in memory recording with Charley and June Kempthorne. The month ended with a camp out and canoe trip led by Larry Weaver. For details and photos of these adventures, please check out the RE blog: <http://uufmreprogram.blogspot.com/>

This month, the travelers will go on a 3rd of July tour of Boston with Scott Tanona, go mountaineering with John Pratt, visit Japan with David McKee, South Africa with Sam Zeller, and create family trees with me. What a fun summer!

Please consider being a tour guide next year or becoming an OWL instructor this fall. I am looking for members of the Fellowship who are willing to be trained as OWL instructors. *Our Whole Lives* is a series of sexuality education curricula. As the UUA states, OWL "helps participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. It equips participants with accurate, age-appropriate information in six subject areas: human development, relationships, personal skills, sexual behavior, sexual health, and society and culture. Grounded in a holistic view of sexuality, *Our Whole Lives* not only provides facts about anatomy and human development, but also helps participants clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional, and social aspects of sexuality."

We will be leading two OWL classes this fall, one for K-1st graders and the other for 4th-6th graders. August 26 thru 28, we will be attending a training workshop in Lawrence. Please let me know if you are interested in joining me.

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. Feel free to stop by anytime during my office hours on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons or stop me in the hall on Sundays. I look forward to our growing relationship and the growth of the RE program.



UU WORLD TRAVELERS

Each summer, RE students experience weekly adventures, led by Fellowship member and friend tour guides.

Our itinerary in July includes:

July 3 - *Boston*, Scott Tanona
July 10 - *Mountaineering*, John Pratt
July 17 - *Japan*, David McKee
July 23 - *South Africa*, Sam Zeller
July 31 - *Up the Family Tree*, Cory Zeller

Childcare and fun activities are provided for infants and toddlers in the Fellowship nursery during Sunday services. Learn more from Cory Zeller at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

CORY ZELLER'S SCHEDULE

In July, Cory will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Tuesday, July 12 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, July 14 - 12 to 5 pm
Tuesday, July 19 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, July 21 - 12 to 5 pm
Tuesday, July 26 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, July 28 - 12 to 5 pm

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

SPLASH PARK PIZZA PARTY !!!

Relax after what's bound to be a hot week, by coming to the Splash Park at the southeast corner of Manhattan City Park, for a pizza dinner and some refreshing water fun. We'll meet at the Splash Park at 6 pm, on Friday, JULY 15, and have some dinner and water fun to cool down. I hope you can join us!

Cory



KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE !

Please secure all matches following use, safely out of reach of small, curious fingers. Kids, tell an adult about any matches you find. Let's all stay safe!

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

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, JULY 13, at 11:30 am, at the Colbert Hills Golf Course Clubhouse. 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, JULY 8, at 7 pm, around the Fellowship fire circle (inside in case of rain). UUFM members, friends, and the community, beginners and regulars, and those of all ages are welcome. We do multi-cultural drumming and love learning new songs. Bring your own drumming instrument or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 410-3627 or embers1@cox.net

We'll take a break from our regular **THIRD THURSDAY SOUP SUPPER** in July and July. Fellowship staff members; **TAI CHI** leader Mark Moser; and Diane Barker, host of **GOING TO THE MOVIES IS MORE THAN PICKING YOUR SEAT**, hope you'll all be able to join us when we resume this popular evening of events on Thursday, AUGUST 18. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** gathers on Wednesday, JULY 27, at 7 pm. Watch for location and title in Sunday morning bulletins and on the Fellowship's email list. Learn more from Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or lmcross@kansas.net

*For an invitation to join the UUFM email list, contact Susan Turner at office@uufm.net
Join in discussions of interest, get information on community events and issues,
and learn about last minute updates and announcements.*



TENTH ANNUAL UUFM MUSICALE!!!

The 10th annual celebration of the musical, literary, and other artistic talents of UUFM members and friends will occur Sunday, AUGUST 28. If you want to participate in the program--or nominate someone who is too shy volunteer--please do so before the remaining available spots are filled. Inquiries should be addressed to Michael Oldfather, Music Chair, 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

This month's Meadowlark Service will meet on Wednesday, July 27, at 3 pm, in the Manhattan Room in the Main Building at Meadowlark. This room is adjacent to the main dining room and the pub. Brice Hobrock will lead the discussion on a topic to be announced at a later date. Michael Oldfather leads the music. We will now be meeting regularly on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Manhattan Room. Learn more from Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

LITTLE APPLE PRIDE PARADE -- APRIL 16, 2011



SLAWOMIR DOBRZANSKI, MICHAEL NELSON,
AND SARAH NUSS-WARREN



UUFM WELCOMING SIGNS



MAROLYN CALDWELL AND YVONNE LACY
MAKING NEW FRIENDS

SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

UUFM VOLUNTEER OPENINGS

Our **COMMUNICATIONS** Committee is looking for enthusiastic members and friends interested in improving and enhancing the UUFM Web and social media presence. This is an opportunity to volunteer on your own time, since Web work can be done anytime. Learn more from Dan Swenson at 537-4733 or web@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 Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or RE@uufm.net, or DRE Cory Zeller at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

There are currently two minimally staffed committees at UUFM--**GREEN SANCTUARY**, formed to identify ways to minimize our environmental impact, and complete UUA goals to become a certified Green Sanctuary Congregation, and **WELCOMING CONGREGATION**, coordinating activities to welcome and support LGBTQ members, friends, visitors, and families in our congregation and community. If you have a commitment to either of these vital goals, consider volunteering to serve on one of these committees. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

This month, Fellowship volunteers will prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, JULY 1, 15, and 29, 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. Freewill donations are always welcome. 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.*

HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

Each month on the second Sunday, our Social Action Committee selects a non-profit agency or organization to receive the morning offering. On Sunday, JULY 10, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **BIG BROTHERS / BIG SISTERS**, matching youth with an adult mentor. These relationships help children develop their self-esteem, improve school performance, and reduce the risk of drug and alcohol abuse. Additional information is available on the organization's web site www.bbbs.org. Learn more about monthly collections from our Helping Hands coordinator Betty Banner at bettybanner@gmail.com or 776-1887.

On June 12, Helping Hands funds totaling \$415 were collected for Shepherd's Crossing. Thank you for your generous contributions, providing financial assistance for utilities and perscription medications to low-income area residents.

FAIR TRADE 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 acowan@uufm.net, or talk to Anne on Sunday mornings.



COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS (CFLs) are also offered on Sunday mornings, supporting the Fellowship's efforts to encourage environmentally conscious living. Purchase these efficient, energy-saving bulbs for yourself, or for families seeking help from Shepherd's Crossing.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the UUFM Social Action Committee will be on Wednesday, JULY 13, at 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. All Fellowship members and friends interested in Social Justice issues are invited to attend and learn more. Contact Social Action Committee chair Stacey Broughman at socialjustice@uufm.net or 410-9413 for more information.

WORDS FROM OUR CHAIR - ANNE COWAN, JUNE 22, 2011

I have been chair for less than one month so not a good test but so far no major mistakes. The Board Retreat was inter-



esting and transferred a lot of good energy. The result of the retreat was real dedication from all the Board members to reach some goals this year. We spent four hours getting to know each other in our roles as Board members, eating a great lunch, setting some goals and being supportive of each other in our work. Certainly a good start to the year.

During the Retreat we reviewed the results of the membership survey taken a year ago, looking for the priorities mentioned by our members. We are all aware of the priority of religious education for the children. Another survey result is less known but showed that our membership wants increased social action. I believe that most of our members are not aware of the Social Action Committee and the work that it does. This committee meets regularly and welcomes new members bringing ideas and energy.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, July 13, at 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. If social action is one of your priorities and/or you have some ideas, please attend this meeting. Most of the survey comments involved being more out in the community with our values and working to fulfill the UU values. Should we be making more statements to the local governing boards? Should we be writing op-eds? Should we be collaborating more on community programs already existing? Should we be collaborating with other churches on projects? Can we be more supportive of the social action resolutions of the UUA? Social action is a way to share our values and let the community know who we are and at the same time work for justice.

I am very open to comments and suggestions about all of the above.

Anne Cowan, Chair UUFM

Talk to Anne before and after Sunday morning services. She may also be reached at 537-2025 or acowan@uufm.net

We are sorry to say goodbye to **GINNY** and **RANDY HAGIN** who moved back to Hampton, Virginia, where Randy will play drums for the TRADOC Band at Fort Eustis. They have found two UU groups close by in Newport News and Norfolk. Keep in touch with them via Facebook.

LAURA LOTT has welcomed 8-year-old **WILLIAM** into her life and home. William has been enjoying the Story For All Ages and RE class at the Fellowship. He also enjoys fishing with Laura and finding spiders.

Longtime former members, **EDITH** and **AARON HINRICHS**, visited the Fellowship recently. Edith hopes to move back to Manhattan at some point and will likely put her house in Fairhope, Alabama, up for sale in the next few months. While here, she fell in love with her new great grandson.

MICHAELA SIEVERS, a junior at Wamego High, was nominated by her teacher to play flute in the Kansas High School Honor Band for the Kansas Ambassadors of Music program. They will travel to Europe for two and a half weeks. She will also sing with the choir.

DOUG WALTER's son, **BRENNAN**, was graduated from Manhattan High and will enroll at K-State this fall. His goal is to major in urban planning.

THOMAS OLDFATHER, son of Michael and Kathleen Oldfather, graduated from K-State with a degree in political science. He moved to Albany, New York, and accepted a position as a Researcher for the Communications and Information Services Department of the New York State Assembly.

JASON MASEBERG-TOMLINSON recently rode 518.91 miles in nine days during the Bike Across Kansas event. Jason learned much about this state and its people. Jason said, "It was a hoot, and I would certainly do this again. This was one of the best tours I have done."

JENNIFER and **DALE ASKEY** are renting the main floor of an old Victorian home in a "lovely, lovely neighborhood, a very walkable part of Hamilton." Their new address is: 1-312 Queen Street S, Hamilton, ON L8P 3T5 Canada.

Do you have news to share? Call or email Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or caring@uufm.net, or Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net



Ah, Kansas at 150

Southern Cluster, Prairie Star District,
Unitarian Universalist Association

Save
the
dates!

October 14 -16, 2011

Retreat from Friday evening until Sunday noon

White Memorial Camp, near Council Grove, Kansas

The Kansas 150 Years Ago

Ron Parks

A resident of Council Grove since 1990, Ron Parks is a retired historic sites administrator whose passion is writing about the intersections of history and geography embedded in his beloved Kansas landscape. Author of the acclaimed historical pageant, *Voices of the Wind People*, Ron will employ story and place to deepen our understanding of the Kanza (or Kaw) tribe, Council Grove, and the Flint Hills region.



Come
back to
Cluster!



cabin and tent camping
childcare
socializing
hanging out



In recognition of
Kansas history and
place - **a retreat in a
beautiful prairie-
and-lake setting**

Ann Zimmerman

*Kansas singer and
songwriter*



Ann Zimmerman's songs tell stories of life on the windy plains -- its joy, sorrow, grandeur and silliness. Her irresistible stage presence and clear voice have audiences of all ages and backgrounds singing along. Ann's award-winning songs paint pictures in brilliant and unexpected colors, accompanied by piano, guitar or voice alone.



David Carter

Rev. Carter, minister of First Unitarian Universalist Church in Wichita, will lead **Sunday** worship.

nature walks

**photography
workshop**

yoga

rope course

**Cluster is
always a great
place to be!**



More information and registration: <http://www.uucluster.info>

Map and other resources: <http://www.whitememorialcamp.com/map.html>



COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- July 3: Kathleen and Michael Oldfather, and Bobette and Bill McGaughey
- July 10: Cathy Hedge, Mickey Reay, Dan and Kathy Swenson, and Matt and Jen Campbell
- July 17: Shirley and Brice Hobrock, Monta Manney, and Angela Hayes
- July 24: Colina and Stew Stanton, and Mike and Laura Bonella
- July 31: June and Charley Kempthorne, Jack Warren, and Anne Cowan

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 Elke Lorenz at 539-3527 or ellorenz@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 July, Susan Turner will be available in the Fellowship office on:

- Tuesday, July 5 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, July 7 - 12 to 5 pm
- Monday, July 11 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, July 12 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, July 14 - 4 to 7 pm
- Monday, July 18 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, July 19 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, July 21 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, July 28 - 12 to 5 pm
- Saturday, July 30 - 11 am to 6 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 Welcoming and Membership Committee chair Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcomed@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 chair Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or caring@uufm.net, 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

AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the August edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Friday, **JULY 15**. *Committee chairs and activity coordinators, let Sue know about planned events and volunteer openings!* Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net