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AUGUST 2012 PROGRAMS

AUGUST 5 "A CONSCIOUS IMPULSE"

Rev Thea Nietfeld reflects, "New spiritual thinkers are calling our human yearning to explore and create an 'evolutionary impulse.' When this yearning is conscious, and we actively follow it for the good of all future beings, it can be a source of meaning and purpose for our time." Contact Thea at (785) 323-7177 or okiethoreau@yahoo.com

AUGUST 12 "GOING HOME? COMING HOME?"

Fellowship member Elke Lorenz will reflect on her recent visit to Germany and on the impressions she gained during her month-long stay in Eastern and Southern Germany. During her stay she was able to combine study, cultural immersion, and leisure. After 25 years in the United States, what is her concept of home? Contact Elke at 539-3527 or ellorenz@uufm.net

AUGUST 19 "BEYOND JUSTICE: A UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST DESTINY"

Rev Michael Nelson muses, "Our world view, how we live in the everyday, relies so much on the concepts of right and wrong, good and bad, love and hatred ... A truth that lives does not depend on duality for its ultimate questions or answers. Neither should we!" Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

AUGUST 26 ELEVENTH ANNUAL UUFM MUSICALE

It's that time of year when more than 30 UUFM members and friends dazzle us as they share their amazing musical gifts with the congregation. Rev Michael Nelson gets us started with just the right words to prepare everyone to be awed, entertained, and (*intentionally!*) amused. Learn more from Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

There are still just a few openings available in this year's Musicale--they won't last long. Interested singers, pianists, percussionists, horn blowers, string players, et al, hurry to contact Michael Oldfather, music committee chair, at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

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UUFM is a WELCOMING CONGREGATION

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

When I was young and attending Sunday school, I often had questions about the inconsistencies in the Bible and Christian theology; however, my questions were nearly always rebuffed. I don't know why, but I never did believe what I was told I should believe, and that made me feel like there must be something wrong with me.

When I moved away to college, I stopped attending church but still felt like I wasn't normal. It took meeting other atheists, agnostics, and humanists to realize that I wasn't alone and that I was normal. Living in the Washington, DC area, I was surrounded by like-minded people, so moving back to Kansas gave me a bit of culture shock.

UUFM provided the necessary safe place where I could be myself and not worry about offending anyone with what I said or believed. I started attending UUFM because I was looking for a community of thinkers and doers. I was searching for a place where I could discuss topics rationally and philosophically with people who are open-minded and thoughtful.

I was also looking for a place where my son would be encouraged to learn about all types of things and know that there are lots of perspectives and that's okay. Thankfully, I've found all of that and more at UUFM. My son, Jake, and I have found friends and a supporting, loving community.

Marisa (Marisa Larson)

REV MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE

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

Thursday,	August 16 -	4 to 7 pm
Friday,	August 17 -	3 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	August 21 -	3 to 5 pm
Thursday,	August 23 -	3 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	August 28 -	3 to 5 pm
Friday,	August 31 -	3 to 5 pm

During office hours, Michael may be contacted at the Fellowship at 537-2349. To arrange meetings, please call and leave a message or email minister@uufm.net

During the first two weeks of August, Michael will take some accumulated vacation and study leave time. Please contact the Fellowship office with urgent matters at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.



FELLOWSHIP MEMBER MARISA LARSON
AND JAKE ...

THE SEVEN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PRINCIPLES

There are seven principles, which Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Unitarian Universalism (UU) draws from many sources:

- Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, moving us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic women and men challenging us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions, which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

These principles and sources of faith are the backbone of our religious community.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RE HAPPENINGS - SANDY NELSON, JULY 25, 2012

It's hard to believe, but the end of summer is within sight. Those of you who have not yet had the opportunity to directly participate in the "UU World Travelers" religious education program may not know all the wonderful things the students have been learning or how the program works.

Here's a quick synopsis ... The students are sung out of the sanctuary and gather in the Jupiter Room. We light a chalice and each child is given the opportunity to share during "joys and concerns." This is an important part of each Sunday as our younger members find their voice in this mostly adult-centered institution. At the conclusion of joys and concerns that day's volunteer "tour guide" is introduced and s/he shares information about a particular "destination." Often times that destination has been a real place. This summer we've carpoled to Tom and Monta Manney's homestead, we've toured the UUFM kitchen, camped in the UUFM back yard, and will soon head to the Community Gardens. Students learned about Japan via photos, food, and origami. They experienced Mt Olympus via stories of Zeus, Athena, Hercules, Achilles, and other Greek gods. They enjoyed Morocco via photos, food, and donning traditional Moroccan clothing; and London via language, sports, and tea and crumpets.

The students are enjoying their "travels" as they use all their senses--sight, sound, taste, touch, and smell--to experience the world around them courtesy of a caring, adult volunteer. We're all looking forward to the culmination of lessons and our own RE Olympics. Many thanks to everyone participating this year and in past years. You are the reason our children feel a part of this faith community.

Other news ... a DRE Search Committee has been formed and is working with the Board toward the goal of a new Director of Religious Education. By the time of this newsletter publication the posting should be live and advertised.

On the horizon ... Classes this school year will focus on our UU identity and the seven UU principles. We're excited to be using a curriculum that Cory Zeller put together but admittedly sad that she won't be here to teach. As we have long hoped, we are now ready to begin an older class for 6-10th graders. However--to do this we need one additional teacher volunteer each week. If you have even a small interest in spending a few weeks leading our youth, please contact Sandy Nelson (sandralounelson@yahoo.com) or Molly McGaughey (molly_mcgaughey@hotmail.com). We'd love to talk with you about how you can help the program.

In August we will not be hosting a family fun event. Instead we need you to staff, visit and/or otherwise find a way to

support the UU booth at the Purple Power Play on Poyntz August 30 and 31. This should be an exciting opportunity to share the values of the UU with the larger Manhattan community. The RE Committee is working with the Communication Committee on organization now!

Sandy

Sandy Nelson, RE Committee chair

AUGUST FAMILY FUN !!!

Bring the kids for **PARENTS' NIGHT OUT** on the first Friday of each month. On **AUGUST 3** drop the kids off at 6:30 and pick them up at 9:30 pm. We'll have a fabulous evening with an *Olympic* theme. *Bring a towel and come dressed for water fun.*



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On Sunday, **August 5**, our UU World Travelers go on a field trip with Sylvia Beeman, to learn about Manhattan's *Community Gardens*. On **AUGUST 12**, Cathy Hedge helps students explore the wilds of *Imagination*. Next, on **AUGUST 19**, Charles Dedmon takes us on a tour of exotic *Egypt*, and on **AUGUST 26**, we prepare for our *RE Olympics*, coming up on September 2.

Learn more about all youth and family activities at the Fellowship from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or sandralounelson@yahoo.com

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE !



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

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS - *events are open to all interested people ...*

The **MEN'S LUNCH** group meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 12 noon, in the Jupiter room (large RE room). Bring a desire for spirited conversation and a sack lunch for yourself. Learn more from Jack Warren at 539-4073 or jomega@ksu.edu

On Saturday, AUGUST 4, the **PAGAN FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE** celebrates Lammas, the first harvest festival of the year, with a potluck beginning at 6 pm, and ritual beginning at 7 pm. We meet again on Saturday, AUGUST 18, for a New Moon ritual celebrating Hekate, the Greek goddess of darkness. Join us for light snacks at 6 pm, followed by ritual at 7 pm. As always, events are family-friendly, and open to all interested individuals. Learn more from Sarah Burns, (218) 387-4273 or adelamae@gmail.com

The **WOMEN'S LUNCH** group meets Wednesday, AUGUST 8, at 11:30 am, at Houlihan's Restaurant, 1641 Anderson Avenue, in Manhattan. Come for lively discussion and great company. 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, AUGUST 10, at 7 pm, around the Fellowship fire circle (or inside in case of inclement weather). UUFM members, friends, and the community, and those of all ages are welcome. Bring your own drum or borrow one of ours. Pat Embers, 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net

THIRD THURSDAY SUPPER will be held on AUGUST 16, at 6 pm, in the Inez Alsop room. We really enjoyed and appreciated all the food contributed to the July meal. We're going to continue the change to a potluck meal this month. If you can bring a dish to share, please do. If you aren't able to bring a dish, just bring your smile, family, and friends and join us for good food and great company! Mark Moser leads a brief **TAI CHI**-based meditation session before dinner, at 5:30 pm. Attend one, or both events. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** gathers at 7 pm, on Wednesday, AUGUST 29, at 7 pm, at the home of Buddy and Bobette McGaughey. We'll discuss *Finding Nouf*, by Zoë Ferraris. Learn more from Bobette at 539-6872 or kbmcmgoy@ksu.edu, or Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or lmcross@kansas.net

SUMMER POTLUCK IN KEATS PARK !!!

Join us on Sunday, **AUGUST 25**, at 5 pm, in Keats Park for our annual late summer Potluck Picnic. A beautiful valley setting 5 miles west of Manhattan, the park facilities include a tot lot, horseshoe pits, walking trail, basketball court, building with tables, outside covered tables, and restrooms. Water and grills are available for our use. Bring your family and friends and a dish to share. Learn more from Barbara Hacker at 587-8002 or barbardhacker@yahoo.com



FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

The Fellowship Dinner Committee is planning to start Fellowship Dinners (formerly Circle Dinners) in September. This is a long tradition at UUFM, and a great way to get to know other UUs. Hosts provide the place, and those attending bring a dish--an entree, vegetable, bread, salad, etc, and have an evening of fellowship and food together. *Please consider joining us.* More detailed information will be provided on the UUFM email list, in Sunday morning bulletin announcements, and in the September newsletter. Learn more from Jim Shanteau, 537-0526 or shanteauj@yahoo.com, or Anne Marchin, 539-3026 or annemarchin22@hotmail.com

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

This month's service gathers on Wednesday, **AUGUST 22**, at 3 pm, in the Manhattan Room, in Meadowlark Hill's main building. Brice Hobrock, retired Director of KSU's Hale Library, will explore *The Value of Libraries in Our Lives*. Learn more from Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

MUSICALE XI IS COMING !!!

HIDE YOUR TALENT UNDER A BUSHEL? NO, YOU GOTTA LET IT SHINE! Slots still remain open for the 11th annual Musicale, on Sunday, **AUGUST 26**, but they will not last long. Members and friends are invited to share their musical, dramatic, and movement skills with the rest of us. Learn more from any member of the Music Committee: Dick Beeman, Marolyn Caldwell, Pat Embers, Cathy Hedge, Jim Shanteau, Jack Warren, or Michael Oldfather (chair) at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

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, AUGUST 12, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for the **FLINT HILLS COMMUNITY CLINIC**. Their mission is to understand and serve the health and wellness needs of the medically underserved in our community by providing quality, compassionate, and personalized care.

On July 8, Fellowship members and friends contributed \$512 to the Manhattan Boys and Girls Club. Thank you all for your generous gifts. Learn more from Helping Hands coordinators Drew and Amber Vennum at (713) 828-3307 or drewvennum@gmail.com



FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Fair Trade whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate and tea are offered for purchase at the Fellowship following Sunday programs. To learn more, or to purchase Fair Trade products, ask Anne Cowan, 537-2025 or acowan@uufm.net, or talk to Anne on Sunday mornings at the Fair Trade display in the Fellowship's narthex.

AREA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The **SPEEDY PD RACE FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE** will be held Saturday, AUGUST 25, at Tuttle Creek State Park. There are 5K, 10K and 1/2-mile Family Fun Run/Walk options. Register online at www.active.com, or pick up a registration form at Meadowlark Hills or UMB Bank. Learn more from Race Director Corri Frigon at 410-2814.

SUNFLOWER CASA Project seeks community volunteers. There are foster children in the court system, waiting for your care as a Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Fall training begins Monday, SEPTEMBER 10, at First Lutheran Church, in Manhattan. Learn more from Bridget Howland, CASA Resource Development Director, at 537-6367 or bridget@sunflowercasa.org, or visit <http://casa.manhattankas.org>

The **PEGGY BOWMAN SECOND CHANCE FUND** seeks volunteers to staff a pro-choice booth at the Kansas State Fair. Each volunteer will cover one shift between Friday, SEPTEMBER 7, and Sunday, SEPTEMBER 16. There are three shifts each day, from 9 am to 1 pm, 1 to 5 pm, and 5 to 9 pm. Contact Peggy at 316 650-6906 or pbowman4@cox.net to learn more.

The **AIDS BICYCLE CRUISE**, on Sunday, SEPTEMBER 16, is noncompetitive charity ride raising funds for HIV/AIDS service organizations in Kansas City. This year's "party on wheels" follows a 15-mile route through Westport, The Plaza, Brookside, Waldo and the organizations that benefit from the ride. All skill levels are welcome. Visit www.abckc.org, call 816 931-0959, or email ride@abckc.org to learn more.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE--if that's your mantra, we have an opportunity for you!!! The kitchen recycling bins usually fill up following Sunday services, and we need a volunteer to take the full bags from the bins, put in new bags, and take the contents to Howie's Recycling. We also need someone to take waste paper and cardboard from our office to Howie's once every two or three months. Learn more from Enell Foerster at 537-0977 or foerbande@gmail.com

There are always openings for volunteers on our Sunday morning **COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS**. New members and friends find this is a great way to get acquainted, and it's an easy way to give to the Fellowship with a minimal investment of time--only three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Elke Lorenz, 539-3527 or ellorenz@uufm.net

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, AUGUST 10 and 24, from 7:30 to 9 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. *Volunteers are needed to occasionally fill in.* Breakfast is free and open to the community, providing a good meal for many who might otherwise go without. Learn more from Jennifer Bryan at 537-0057 or snowbird@violinifer.com

Our Communications Committee seeks volunteers familiar with social media outlets, and interested in spreading the word about our Fellowship to the wider community. **WEB, FACEBOOK, or TWITTER** savvy members and friends can learn more from Dan Swenson at 537-4733 or web@uufm.net, or Scott Tanona at 537-6208 or stanona@uufm.net

MANHATTAN EMERGENCY SHELTER

Donate your aluminum cans to benefit the Manhattan Emergency Shelter, Inc (MESI), at Howie's Recycling, 625 S 10th Street. Funds generated from recycled aluminum will be put in a designated account benefiting the shelter.

ALL ABOUT US

CATHY HEDGE writes, "My life is exploding with sweetness! I just finished a fantastic trip to Montana with my 87-year-old mother. We saw my grandmother's birthplace, where my father proposed to mom, and a thousand other delightful memories. Also, my beautiful daughter, Amy [Rintoul] will be celebrating her 30th birthday on July 19." *A special thanks to Cathy for interviewing new members each month for this column.*

Please welcome new member **COURTNEY ALBIN**, a native from Quinter, in western Kansas. She married her high school sweetheart, **NATHAN**. Their lovely **MAIA** is three years old. Courtney has moved "all over" since her high school graduation. She has lived in Hawaii, Utah, Germany, and California, but returned to Kansas to be near family. Courtney is trained in communication and has worked in the medical field. She is thrilled to currently be a stay-at-home mother with Maia. Courtney and Nathan have attended other UU fellowships in the past and looked up UUFM when they moved here. They wanted their daughter, Maia to grow up in an open-minded spiritual community. Courtney is an artist at heart with special interest in ceramics and photography. She is working toward something lovely for our Fellowship gallery. We look forward to it ... and to getting to know you and your family better, Courtney. Welcome!

Social Action at Work. **LILY COLBURN'S** grandparents (in town recently) are joined by a few of our UU youth. The whole group got together to make cookies for The Second Helping. Similar to the Happy Kitchen, The Second Helping is a Sunday evening soup kitchen open to anyone who needs it and is the primary local mission of First Congregational Church. Pictured from left are Claire Nelson, Harry Nelson, Lily Colburn, Helen Mayfield, Clara Mayfield, and Maeve Tanona. Lily's mom is **SANDY NELSON**.



Jim Shanteau recently travelled with The Flinthills Masterworks Chorale, to sing the noon mass at St Peter's Basilica at the Vatican in Rome, which has been called "the greatest of all churches of Christendom." Jim said, "It was a strange experience for me as a Unitarian to sing at the seat of the Trinitarians. Aside from theology, the size and wealth of St Peter's was awe inspiring; the sound in there wasn't too bad either." The choir also sang a Saturday evening mass at St Mark's Basilica in Venice, a Sunday evening mass at St Mark's Cathedral in Florence,

and a one-hour concert of its own in the Basilica of St Francis in Assisi while touring Italy.

Finally, we bid farewell to **PHILIP KIRMSER**, who passed away July 26. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, August 2, at 12 noon, at the Fellowship. Phil and his wife Jeune, who passed June 4, were founding members of our Fellowship in the 1950's, contributing so much to keeping our Fellowship going over the years.

Please, share your news--milestones or millstones--with Caring Committee chair Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com.

"WHO'S THE UU?" CAN YOU GUESS?

- ~ This UU became a firefighter in West Virginia at the age of 18.
- ~ This UU, whose parents were both Social Workers in Denver, followed in their footsteps and also became a Social Worker.

Find answers on page 8 of this newsletter.

GRINS AND GIGGLES

WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF "UU DIVERSITY?"

... Three colors of Prius hybrids in the parking lot.

WHY WOULDN'T RALPH WALDO EMERSON LET HIS DENTIST GIVE HIM NOVOCAIN?

... because he wanted to *transcend dental medication!*

YOU MIGHT BE A UU IF . . .

- You think a Holy Day of Obligation is your turn to do coffee or be a greeter.
- You get email from committees you didn't even know you were on!
- You know at least two people who are upset that trees had to die for your church to be built.
- You think the Holy Trinity is "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle."
- You are unsure about the gender of God.

HOW MANY UUS DOES IT TAKE TO SCREW IN A LIGHT BULB?

- 1) *Fifty-three*: One to change the light bulb, one to take it for recycling, 50 to drink the coffee, and the last one to suggest we find a light source that doesn't use up our planetary resources.
- 2) *Twenty*: Seven to form a committee to discuss the eco-implications of compact fluorescent vs incandescent bulbs, six to form a committee to discuss labor practices, six on the aesthetics committee to discuss the exact tint and wattage, and one who goes ahead and does it without consulting anyone else.

Have a favorite UU joke? Send it to Sue at office@uufm.net!

FROM OUR CHAIR - SCOTT TANONA, JUNE 22, 2012

In his sermon here on July 15, Ron Knapp questioned the UU search for theological and religious diversity. UUs rightly value such diversity, but Rev Knapp said it was a mistake to value it for its own sake. Religious diversity, in his view, has mostly *instrumental* value--it has value as an instrument or means to helping us achieve some other aim. We can better discover truths, he said, by being exposed to a variety of views and discussing them. He urged us, and urged Unitarian Universalists more broadly, to engage in a deeper search, not to focus on breadth of diversity, but work collectively to harness that diversity to fulfill a greater purpose--the search for moral truth.

Whether or not you think religious diversity has only such instrumental value, or instrumental value for other ends, or has fundamental value in and of itself, there is a lesson here. When I heard Rev Knapp speak, I heard echoes of what our UUA consultant said in the spring: we do a lot of great things here, and are in a great position for working towards our many goals, but we will do better if we harness our efforts by working towards a common, deeper vision. We need to look to all the things we value at UUFM and decide collectively why we value them. How many of our values are shared? Which of those values do we care about for their own sake, and which do we care about mostly because of what else they help us achieve? Which of all the ultimate or fundamental values do we care most about, as a group, right now?

Asking these questions doesn't diminish what we have already accomplished, and does not mean that we do not already have very important causes and goals towards which we are working, and working well. But it does present a hope that if we better identify our collective, fundamental values that underwrite those current goals, and if we become more explicit about working towards those common values, then we can make even more progress and have that progress be more meaningful for each of us. The fellowship is "on the verge" of becoming even more alive, active, and purposeful than it has yet been.

Please take advantage of the "values discussions" that will be happening in the coming months. Read *Serving with Grace*, as recommended by our consultant. Start up your own reading group, and invite a few members you don't know that well. Discover the diversity of our

values, and talk about why they matter. Get to know people better, get to know UUFM better as it is today, and have fun!

Scott

** Molly McGaughey and Cathy Hedge are helping organize "voice our values" discussions. Please talk to one of them to find out more about what you can do. Contact Molly at molly_mcgaughey@hotmail.com or 776-4543, or Cathy at catherinejeanhedge@yahoo.com or 537-1101.*

Contact Board Chair Scott Tanona at 537-6208 or stanona@uufm.net to learn more about the on-going vision-setting process, or with any questions or suggestions concerning our Fellowship's governance and Board activities.



SCOTT TANONA SHARES A STORY
WITH RE STUDENTS
DURING THE SUNDAY SERVICE
ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2009



COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- Aug 5: Laura and Mike Bonella, Kim Belanger, and Marisa Larson
- Aug 12: June and Charley Kempthorne, Amy Hilgendorf, and Anne Cowan
- Aug 19: Barbara Hacker, Terri Franz, Sam Lacy, Gwen Geiselman, Terri Franz, and Cathy Hedge
- Aug 26: Harriette Janke, Tom Phillips, Stacey Broughman, and Ruth Friedmann

Volunteering to serve on a Coffee and Greeting team is a great way to give to the Fellowship with a minimum investment of time. Learn more from Elke Lorenz, 539-3527 or ellorenz@uufm.net

WHO'S THE UU? questions on page 6 ...

- ~ **ESTHER SIMMONS** worked as a firefighter from age 18 until having to quit when her husband, Stephen, was transferred to Ft Riley.
- ~ **LORRIE CROSS** relocated to Manhattan in 1964 to accept a position at Pawnee Mental Health Center after earning her Master's degree at KU.

Administrator's Schedule

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

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| Thursday, August | 2 - 12 to 5 pm |
| Monday, August | 6 - 3 to 5 pm |
| Tuesday, August | 7 - 12 to 5 pm |
| Thursday, August | 9 - 12 to 5 pm |
| Monday, August | 13 - 3 to 5 pm |
| Tuesday, August | 14 - 4 to 7 pm |
| Thursday, August | 16 - 4 to 9 pm |
| Thursday, August | 23 - 12 to 5 pm |
| Saturday, August | 25 - 11 am to 6 pm |
| Monday, August | 27 - 3 to 5 pm |
| Tuesday, August | 28 - 12 to 5 pm |
| Thursday, August | 30 - 12 to 5 pm |

Call Susan at 537-2349 during office hours, or drop by the office. She may be reached at other times 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 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.

Please consider signing up for **ELECTRONIC GIVING**. UUFM relies on the financial support of our congregation and electronic contributions offer a simple and easy way to give on a recurring basis. For details, contact Fellowship bookkeeper Sandy Nelson at sandralounelson@yahoo.com or 341-0135, or pick up literature and a form from the information carousel in the Inez Alsop room at the Fellowship. *Thank you!*

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.

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.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the September edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Wednesday, **AUGUST 15**. *Committee chairs, please let the newsletter editor know about your upcoming activities, and volunteer opportunities.* Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net

AUGUST 2012 at UUFM

Sunday

Monday

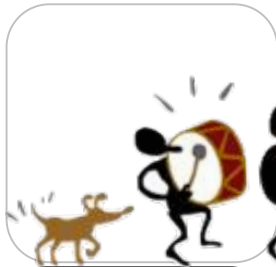
Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



1
12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH
 Jupiter room. Jack Warren at 539-4073
LAMMAS - Christian feast of first fruits

2 **12 TO 5 PM**
SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
LUGHNASSAD - Pagan/Wiccan feast of first harvest
RAKSHA BANDHAN - Hindu celebrating the relationships of brothers and sisters

3
6:30 TO 9:30 PM PARENT'S NIGHT OUT!!!
 Sandy Nelson, 341-0135
VASSA - Buddhist three month retreat for Buddhist monks begins

4
6 PM PAGAN CIRCLE
Lammas / potluck
 S Burns, (218) 387-4273

5
10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE
w/ Rev Thea Nietfeld

6
3 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Orthodox Christian

7
12 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

8 **11:30 AM WOMEN'S LUNCH** - Houlihan's Harriette Janke, 539-0865
12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH
5:30 PM SOCIAL ACTION MTG - Alsop room, Stacey Broughman, 410-9413

9
12 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

10 **7:30 AM HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church Jennifer Bryan, 537-0333
7 PM UU DRUM CIRCLE
 Pat Embers, 539-2819
KRISHNA JANMASHTAMI - Hindu birthday of Lord Krishna

11

12
10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE
w/ Elke Lorenz
HELPING HANDS SUNDAY
 Flint Hills Community Clinic

13 **3 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER** at Fellowship, 537-2349
AUGUST 12 - Shi'a
AUGUST 16 - Sunni
LAILAT AL QADER - Islam Night of Power, Allah reveals Qu'ran to Muhammad

14
4 TO 7 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
7 PM BOARD MEETING
 Inez Alsop room. Scott Tanona, 537-6208

15 **12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH**
 Jupiter room. Jack Warren at 539-4073
DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS Orthodox Christian
ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY Catholic Christian

16 **4 TO 9 PM M NELSON / S TURNER** at Fellowship, 537-2349
5:30 PM TAI CHI
6 PM 3RD THURSDAY SUPPER
 Susan Turner, 537-2349

17
3 TO 5 PM MICHAEL NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

18
6 PM PAGAN CIRCLE
New Moon ritual
 S Burns, (218) 387-4273

19
10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE
w/ Rev Michael Nelson

20
EID AL FITR - Islam conclusion of Ramadan

21
3 TO 5 PM MICHAEL NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349
LAST MINUTE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

22 **12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH**
 Jupiter room. Jack Warren at 539-4073
3 PM MEADOWLARK SERVICE - Manhattan Rm K Oldfather, 537-3738

23 **12 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER**
3 TO 5 PM MICHAEL NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349
SAMVATSARI - Jain final day of Paryushana

24 **7:30 AM HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church Jennifer Bryan, 537-0333

25 **10 AM TO 4 PM MUSICALE REHEARSALS**
11 AM TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER available at Fellowship, 537-2349
5 PM SUMMER POTLUCK
 Keats Park, Barbara Hacker, 587-8002

26 **9 AM MUSICALE REHEARSALS**
 Main Sanctuary
10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE
Annual MUSICALE !!!

27
3 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

28
12 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER
3 TO 5 PM MICHAEL NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

29 **12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH**
 Jupiter room. Jack Warren at 539-4073
7 PM BOOK DISCUSSION
 Lorrie Cross, 539-7883
BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST - Christian

30
12 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

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3 TO 5 PM MICHAEL NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349
ULLAMBANA - Buddhist offerings to ancestors and ghosts without families

