

### JULY 2013 Programs

#### JULY 7 "WORDS THAT MATTER"

If you never had a piece of writing that touched you, would you care to read? Ever? Why is that connection so significant? Cathy Hedge, Diane Barker, and others share texts that have had a significant impact on their lives and why those pieces matter. Contact/convener is Cathy Hedge at 537-1101 or cjhedgewriter@gmail.com.

#### JULY 14 "SPECTRUM OF SPIRITUALITY: LDS"

This program is the first in a series on expanding our understanding of world religions. Join Amber Vennum as she interviews a colleague of hers who is LDS (often referred to as Mormon) to explore common misconceptions, shared beliefs, and how we can work together. Contact/convener is Scott Tanona at 537-6208 or stanona@uufm.net.

#### JULY 21 "LIFE LESSONS LEARNED FROM JUGGLING"

Guest speaker Bill Richter shares what's he's learned in his life from juggling. And yes, there will be juggling. Contact/convener is Dick Beeman at 539-9369 or rbeeman@cox.net.

#### JULY 28 "WE MOVE"

Reverend Eric Banner joins us. He reflects, "Universalist minister Lewis Fisher once said, 'Universalists are often asked to tell where they stand. The only true answer ... is that we do not stand at all, we move.' If this is true, and many would say it is still a defining characteristic of our free faith, then there is no single rock to build on. But build we must. What does it take to build when you're on the move?" Contact/convener is Kathleen Tanona at 537-6208 or kmtanona@hotmail.com.



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#### **UUFM VISION STATEMENT**

After a planning and exploration process spanning over a year, a consensus has been reached by the over 40 participants attending our June 8 Visioning Workshop, with additional contributions from dozens of members unable to attend, who shared their thoughts with Board members and others. The full text of the final *UUFM Vision Statement* may be viewed *page 2*. Learn more from Drew Vennum at 713 828-3306 or drewvennum@gmail.com

# WHERE IS OUR ENERGY? WITNESS FOR EARTH, OUR COMMUNITIES, AND OUR FUTURE

The Public Witness at the Unitarian Universalist General Assembly (our annual international gathering) in Louisville, Kentucky, focused on Environmental Justice. Preceding our march to the Ohio River we gathered in a worship service lead by the Kentucky/West Virginia Ministers Coalition; featuring Wendell Berry, Tim DeChristopher, Rev Cynthia Cain, and Rev Mel Hoover. We did this for Earth, our communities and our future generations.

It is essential for us to know where the energy comes from when we turn on a light switch in own home and at the Fellowship. How we harness and use energy in this country causes our climate to change in ways that imperil our well-being. We are causing harm to our planet, our communities, our neighbors, and our future. "We need to stop the harmful effects of practices like mountaintop removal, hydraulic fracturing, mining, and drilling. They are hurting all of our communities, and most especially, communities of color, low-income neighborhoods, and rural towns. We can find new ways forward together. But in order to change how we get our energy, we must first use the energy within all of us to make a change," it was said. This commitment is central to our faith, our theology, and our respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



Walking with thousands of Unitarian Universalists to the river was simultaneously solemn and jubilant. We were joined in mind and spirit. This public witness and its call for change stop-

ped traffic for blocks and blocks. Kids hung out the car windows, wondering what was going on. The drivers in rush hour traffic were puzzled at this cavalcade of people, some in wheel chairs, others in scooters, babies in back packs and strollers, kids, teenagers, young adults, the gray haired all ambling to the mighty Ohio. All of us in our own way making the journey, asking by our moving presence for others to join us in our call for environmental justice. This action made us a community that values the health of our brothers and sisters and all life.

Wendell Berry asked us to ponder the healthy connection between local and global. "The principles of neighborhood and subsistence will be disparaged by the globalists as 'protectionism'--and that is exactly what it is. It is a protectionism that is just and sound, because it protects local producers and is the best assurance of adequate supplies to local consumers. And the idea that local needs should be met first and only surpluses exported does not imply any prejudice against charity toward people in other places or trade with them."

The principle of neighborhood at home always implies the principle of charity abroad. And the principle of subsistence is in fact the best guarantee of givable or marketable surpluses. This kind of protection is not "isolationism." As we are asked to think about the source of our electricity, we are asked to know who grew our food and to buy what we can from local farmers. This is a primary step in achieving environmental and economic justice.

Let us be good neighbors and take good care of one another!

### Michael and Charles

Reverend Michael Nelson and Charles Dedmon recently attended the UUA General Assembly, held this year in Louisville, Kentucky. They continue their travels through the month of July as Michael takes some time for study.

#### **UUFM Vision Statement**

adopted June 10, 2013

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Manhattan, rooted in living tradition, embraces diversity in all its forms as it expands our thinking and our sense of community.

#### We are:

- A safe haven for spiritual, intellectual, and emotional growth through honest self-examination, provocative dialogue, enriching experiences, and ever-deepening connections ...
- An incubator for the next generation of UUs, fostering spiritual and ethical exploration tailored to age and stage, promoting intergenerational unity ...
- Vibrant, open, and inspirational in what we say and do ...
- A bold model of love, compassion, social action, and justice for ourselves, our society, and our planet ...
- Builders of bridges across faiths and boundaries to honor our shared humanity and common values ...
- A visible beacon of liberal religious messages of hope and meaning in our local community.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**



THE COMPETITION WAS STIFF AT THE COOKIE EATING CONTEST, DURING OUR BON VOYAGE PARTY ON JUNE 2.

STUDENTS HELP SOIL FORM AS THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS EMERGE FROM THE DEPTHS, ON JUNE 9.





THE EXPEDITION POSES FOR POSTERITY, AS STUDENTS AND ADULTS SET OUT FOR PILLSBURY CROSSING, ON OUR CAMPING AND CANOEING ADVENTURE, ON JUNE 15 AND 16.

#### **DRE'S SCHEDULE**

In July, Sandy Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

#### **UU WORLD TRAVELERS**

Our UU World Travelers summer program started with great fanfare at the Bon Voyage Party and Picnic. Everyone had a great time with the scavenger hunt, playing games, eating great food, and visiting. Throughout June the RE students traveled to far off places without ever leaving Kansas! We saw volcanoes in Hawaii; paddled up Deep Creek in a canoe (for real!); and tasted foods from Ghana, Chile, and Thailand (sort of). Read more about the RE adventures in our RE blog at uufm.net/topic/re-blog/.

In July students take a tour of sound (and make a musical instrument) with Tom and Monta Manney, go on a nature scavenger hunt with Sylvia Beeman, and dance around the world with Mark Moser. Plus ... don't miss our mystery trip!

If you have a special place you'd like to share with the children or an idea that needs a little help, contact Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net, or Molly McGaughey, at 776-4543 or RE@uufm.net. We can't wait to have you join us.

#### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Bring the kids for Parents' Night Out on the first Friday of each month. On **JULY 5** drop the kids off at 6:30 and pick them up at 9:30 pm. We'll celebrate our independence! As always there will be fun, games, snacks, and a movie! Since it's a holiday weekend, *please RSVP by Wednesday*, *July 3*, so that Sandy can schedule enough adults to staff the evening.

Contact Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net, to let her know your child(ren) will attend, or to learn more about how you can help us continue this popular event.

#### JULY FAMILY FUN

Bring on the dog days of summer! We'll beat the heat on Saturday, **July 27**, at the Splash Park in City Park. We'll start gathering at 5 pm. Bring a picnic supper or perhaps we'll have a potluck. Last summer the Splash Park closed earlier than the expected 8 pm, so keep an eye out for updates on this event. Afterwards, all those interested may want to head out to the Riley County Fair.

The **Women's Coffee** group meets every Monday and Thursday at 9:30 am, at the Westloop McDonald's in Manhattan. Join us for morning coffee and conversation. Learn more from Barbara Hacker at 587-8002 or barbaradhacker@yahoo.com.

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.

The **FLINTHILLS PAGANS** meet at the Fellowship on Saturday, JULY 6, for *Metageitnia*, an ancient Greek festival honoring Apollo. Family-friendly Pagan events begin at 6 pm with a potluck meal. Old sage and newly curious are invited. Weekly **PAGAN EVENTS** gather at 6 pm on Sundays at the Bluestem Bistro, and Mondays at 6 pm at the Hastings Hardback Café. Learn more about all Pagan events from Stephanie Van Winkle, 375-2671 or stephaniehart22@gmail.com

The **Women's Lunch** group meets Wednesday, JULY 10, at 11:30 am. Join us for lively discussion and great company. All are invited. Watch our weekly email announcements and Sunday bulletins for this month's location. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865, 410-9379 (cell), or ahjanke@cox.net

The UUFM **DRUM CIRCLE** gathers on Friday, JULY 12, at 7 pm, around the Fellowship fire circle. UUFM members, friends, and the community, those of all ages, and experienced or beginning drummers are welcome. Bring your own rhythm instrument or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net

**CONNECTIONS DINNER** (formerly Third Thursday Supper) gathers on Thursday, JULY 18, at 6 pm, in the Inez Alsop room. Michael Nelson is away this month, so, we'll appreciate food you can bring to share during our community meal. 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! Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** meets on Wednesday, July 31, at 7 pm, at the Manney residence. We'll be discussing any title by Tony Hillerman. Learn more from Monta Manney at 537-0624 or tmanney@ksu.edu

## **UUFM M**USICALE **XII** IS **C**OMING !!!

The twelfth annual UUFM Musicale extravaganza will be held on Sunday, August 25. We're calling all singers, instrumentalists, and other performing artists! Members and friends of all ages and experience levels are invited to sign up for a spot in the Fellowship's annual showcase of talent. Anyone interested in performing or learning more about the event, may contact a member of the Music Committee--Dick Beeman, Pat Embers, Renea Hawley, Cathy Hedge, Jim Shanteau, Michaela Sievers, Jack Warren, or Music Committee Chair Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu. Piano accompaniment is available for anyone requiring it.

#### MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

This month's service gathers Wednesday, **July 24**, at 3 pm, in the Manhattan Room, in Meadowlark Hill's main building. All interested members and friends are invited to join us for reflection and lively discussion. Learn more from Rev Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

#### **UUFM SINGERS NOTES**

Sopranos and altos of all ages (and both genders) rehearse at 1:30 pm, on Saturday, July 13, and perform Sunday, July 14 as part of the regular Sunday service. Learn more about vocal music at the Fellowship from Music Committee Chair Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.







<u>UUFM ROCKS</u>
MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
SHARE THEIR TALENTS
AT PREVIOUS MUSICALES

### **SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM**

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The UUFM **CARING COMMITTEE** seeks a Chairperson for the Fellowship year (thru July 31, 2014). If you have caring, compassion, and support to share, ask Kathleen Oldfather for more information at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com.

Members and friends interested in revitalizing the Fellowship's **GREEN SANCTUARY** program are invited to get involved! If you would like to serve on this vital committee, or can volunteer occasionally to assist with projects, this is your opportunity to make a real difference! Learn more from Sarah Hoyt at 236-1345 or sarahhoyt44@gmail.com, or Laura Lott at 410-3695 or lott.laura@yahoo.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, JULY 12 and 26, 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 537-0333 or snowbird@violinifer.com

#### **MANHATTAN EMERGENCY SHELTER**



Donate your aluminum cans to benefit the Manhattan Emergency Shelter, Inc, at Howie's Recycling, 625 South 10th Street. Funds generated from recycled aluminum will be placed in a designated account for MESI.

#### 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 14, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **Big Brothers/Big Sisters**, providing mentorship and guidance to youth in the Manhattan/Riley County area.

On June 9, Fellowship members and friends contributed \$441 to Shepherd's Crossing. Thank you all for your generous donations! Our congregation raised over \$6,000 for local agencies in 2012-2013!

Learn more about the Fellowship's Helping Hands project from Drew and Amber Vennum at (713) 828-3307 or drewvennum@gmail.com

### FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA, AND CHOCOLATE

Whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate and tea are available for purchase, following Sunday services. To learn more, or to purchase Fair Trade products, see Anne Cowan following Sunday morning services at the Fair Trade display in the Fellowship's narthex, or contact her at 537-2025 or acowan@uufm.net

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) coffee project raised \$15,441 in 2012 from Equal Exchange Fair Trade coffee sales. UUs across the country are making a difference for small farmers.

#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE AT UUFM**

The Social Action Committee at UUFM is a small but active committee. Our projects include sales of Fair Trade products, contributing time and money to the GI Rights Hotline (www.flinthillsgirights.com), organization of Helping Hands Sundays, Happy Kitchen activities, and monetary support for the Unitarian Universalist Service committee (www.uusc.org). The committee is also responsible for the formation of the Voices for Justice group that is addressing immigration reform, performing DACA clinics and having one on one discussions with the undocumented community. We have partnered with several other groups, congregations and individuals in the community as well as in the state to do this. Continuing these activities takes time, work and most of all individuals willing to jump in to participate.

Learn more about UUFM social justice actions, and find out how you can get involved from committee chair Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or socialaction@uufm.net

**VISION... SCHMISSION...** When Scott Tanona approached me about 16 months ago to ask if I would consider being nominated for the position of Chair-Elect for the UUFM Board, which includes serving as Chair and then Past Chair in subsequent years 2 and 3, I was honored. But I hesitated. I was trying to simplify my life at that time. I was backing off of serving in leadership roles. On top of that I have always had trouble saying "no" to requests like that when they come along. I asked Scott what I would be getting into with regard to UUFM's "situation." Were there any money problems? No, there was no debt and the bills were getting paid with the member pledges; no looming expenses on the near horizon. Any staff or program issues? No, one of the most successful and valuable programs, Religious Education, had a great Director in Cory Zeller and was drawing in young families and helping to make UUFM a place for many looking for an alternative, liberal religion. What were the issues now facing the Fellowship? How to grow; determine what the physical plant needs; determine what people want; and try to provide new or improved programs. Sounds good! No serious issues; no problems. It should be OK, maybe fun! I said "yes."

Then it happened. Cory, our DRE, announced her resignation because her husband was leaving K-State and the family would be moving back to the Chicago area. About the same time the Fellowship had a UUA consultant named Mary Gleason come in May 2012 for an assessment visit. She reported her findings and concluded that we need to formulate a relevant vision for the Fellowship. To help put our vision into action we needed to get everyone more involved in actual "stewardship" rather than just receiving pledges of money from members to make the budget each year. Oh crap! Now UUFM, at the same time as me serving on the Board, was going to have a major change in how things operate, and we were left without a DRE! My new role, instead of chairing a few meetings and helping to lead a friendly group of like-minded folks, was now taking on serious challenges that may not be easy and certainly could be problematic. Not what I signed up for!

What about this "vision thing?" I had been involved in more than one vision and mission writing exercise with organizations over the past decades, and my experiences were less than stellar. Usually they were exercises imposed by a higher authority. The visioning process was interesting, maybe even an intellectual diversion, and the final product read well when completed, but ... seemed to just go on the shelf and not be referred to afterward. I did not want that to happen at UUFM. When I shared my concern with others, I was assured it would not happen with us.

Back up a bit, to about a year ago, when we were nowhere close to writing a vision statement and stewardship was something the National Park Service does with places like Yosemite and Yellowstone. I started going to Board meetings as Chair-elect. The RE program took care of itself with ample expertise of great volunteers and the skill and hard work of our interim DRE, Sandy Nelson. I met with the Council of Committees, which includes the chairs of all our committees at UUFM, and learned how the Fellowship operates (but not everything; I learn something new every week!). I talked to people. I got to know the Fellowship better than I had in my first five years as a Unitarian Universalist in Manhattan, Kansas. The stewardship process got off to a late and slightly uncertain start, but it had a "good feeling" about it. Eventually we were on a roll. Stewards each had a list of members to visit with, and we were to carry along "pledge cards." We asked members what they value about UUFM; what do they like the most; what would they change; to what would they participate in or contribute their time; what talents and treasures could they give to claim "shared ownership" of the Fellowship? Descriptive words started pouring in, and these have been summarized recently: community, visibility, social action, socializing, friendships, RE, spirituality, happiness, diversity, enriching, go green, going to lunch, ministry, involvement, friendly, loving, etc., etc.

The stewardship process transitioned to the Vision Workshop in early June. Over 40 UUs met for nearly six hours on a Saturday, worked in small groups, had lunch, expressed their values for various aspects of UUFM and eventually gave enough information to a writing team that night, which produced the Vision Statement. "The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Manhattan, rooted in living tradition, embraces diversity in all its forms as it expands our thinking and our sense of community. We are: A safe haven for spiritual, intellectual, and emotional growth ... An incubator for the next generation of UUs ... Vibrant, open, and inspirational ... A bold model of love, compassion, social action, and justice ... Builders of bridges ... A visible beacon of liberal religious messages of hope and meaning in our local community." This statement describes the shared goals toward which we aspire. We are all these things, and we can be *more* of all these things. True, we still need to pay the bills, fix the stairs and maybe find some more Sunday programs. All these are little details that pale in comparison to the current and future impact of our shared vision. I no longer sneer with my flippant attitude of "vision ... schmision." UUFM truly is a beacon on the hill, a safe haven that is a vibrant role model for our community. Join me and many others in being this community and sharing it with the world.

# Tom Phillips

Contact Tom with your concerns, suggestions, or questions at (405) 880-6483 or tphillips@uufm.net.

Final Income/Expense for FY 2013 (June 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013)

Total Income = \$115,333.37 Total Expenses = \$110,296.37 Net income for year = \$ 4,737.00

Learn more about UUFM finances from Treasurer Betty Banner at 776-1887 or bettybanner@gmail.com

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER - BETTY BANNER

I would like to thank everyone for their contributions to UUFM during the past fiscal year which ended 31 May 2013. We finished the year with a slight positive balance, largely due to the vacancy in the DRE position for several months.

Pledge income is a major source of the funds needed to enable our liberal faith to have a presence in this community. The budget that we passed for the next fiscal year is an ambitious one. The pledges we have received to support this budget are currently about \$12,000 short of the budgeted amount of pledge income. The slight carryover funds will be held to help cover deficits. Fundraising activities will be necessary to meet our goals. We would like to expand our income sources and are seeking your assistance.

The Finance Committee has received several suggestions for fund raising activities. These include garage sales, baking and craft sales, goods & services auction and an art auction. There are no doubt other fun fundraising activities that might also help increase awareness of our presence in the community as well. We are seeking persons who would like to be responsible to coordinate a fundraiser. If you are interested, or would like to learn more about these needs, contact a member of the Finance Committee.

Another way you can help with fundraising is by participating in the Smart Shopper program. We know that everyone eats and purchases groceries. The local grocery stores purchase programs bring in money that is a win-win. You don't pay any more for your groceries than you would otherwise and UUFM earns income from your purchases. Ray's, HyVee and Dillon's all have plans. We can sell you a user card from any of these stores. The cards from Rays' and HyVee are NOT reloadable for UUFM credit and must be purchased at face value. You can get a Dillon's card from UUFM free and then reload it as often as you wish, for up to \$500/load. When you use a Dillon's card obtained from UUFM the Fellowship receives a 5% rebate on your purchases including gasoline and prescription medication. You can use cash, check or any credit card you wish to load your money onto this card. Marissa Larson will be available to distribute Dillon's cards or sell you Ray's or HyVee cards on the first Sunday of each month. She can also give you tips on the best way to help UUFM benefit from these programs. We also have several experienced users of these cards who can give you tips.

College bound? Well not yet, but **LILY COLBURN** was recently identified by Duke University as an "academically gifted student." Because of her prior scholastic achievements, Lily was invited, as a 7<sup>th</sup> grader, to take the ACT (alongside high school juniors). Of the some 75,000 7<sup>th</sup> grade stu-



dents participating nationally, Lily was one of the 30% who scored high enough on the test to qualify for the state recognition ceremony at KU in June. (Her parents were told that her composite score was high enough to enroll in K-State on the basis of score alone.) Congratulations to Lily and her mom, **Sandy Nelson**, and dad, **David Colburn**. David and Sandy can also be "high-fived" for celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary recently.

Bravo to **SLAWOMIR DOBRZANSKI** who released a new 3 CD album in May. The album "Maria Szymanowska: Complete Piano Works" (Acte Préalable) is available directly from Slawomir or through Amazon.com. His website is http://dobrzanski.weebly.com/index.html

BRICE HOBROCK's mother, Esther Iola (Ila) Masters Hobrock, died June 4, at the age of 105 years. A memorial service was held at the United Methodist Church in Natoma, Kansas, on June 22. Among her many accomplishments was the fact that she played piano and organ at this Methodist Church for 80 years. She continued to play until her death.

Please send any milestones or other significant events or news to Kathleen Oldfather at kjoldfather@gmail.com or 537-3738. We can't share it if we don't know!

#### \$HOP \$MART GROCERY PROGRAM

\$hop \$mart Grocery Cards - RELOADABLE - Gift Card for Dillon's! Dillon's cards are FREE. Pick one up in the narthex after Sunday morning services. You can add to your card in any amount up to \$500.00 at your favorite Dillon's checkout stand. Important: To add to your card you may use cash, check, or credit card; but this must be done in a SEPARATE transaction BEFORE making purchases at the checkout counter. Use the card to pay for gas, groceries, prescriptions, and more. The Fellowship will receive a 5% rebate from Dillon's on all covered purchases!! (Non-reloadable cards are also available for HyVee and Ray's Apple Market in amounts of \$50.) Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or sandralounelson@yahoo.com

# COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- July 7: Elke Lorenz, Sue Pray, Carolyn Ferguson and Mark Mayfield
- July 14: Kathleen and Michael Oldfather, Bobette and Buddy McGaughey
- July 21: Dan and Kathy Swenson, Linda Kroeger, and Victoria Martin
- July 28: Cathy Hedge, Mark Clarke, and Jen and Matt Campbell

A huge THANK YOU goes out to all of our coffee and greeting team volunteers. Serving on a Coffee and Greeting team is an easy way to give to the Fellowship, with a minimal investment of your time. Thank you all for your time and voluntary contributions! Learn more from Elke Lorenz at 539-3527 or ellorenz@uufm.net

#### **NEED A RIDE TO THE FELLOWSHIP?**

The Caring Committee has organized a group of volunteer drivers to help folks get to our Sunday morning services. Contact Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

#### Administrator's Schedule

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

Monday, July 8 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, July 9 - 4 to 7 pm
Thursday, July 11 - 12 to 5 pm
Monday, July 15 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, July 16 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, July 18 - 4 to 9 pm
Thursday, July 25 - 12 to 5 pm
Saturday, July 27 - 11 am to 6 pm
Monday, July 29 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, July 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. An audio version of *UU World* is available 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.

Consider the convenience of **ELECTRONIC GIVING**. UUFM relies on the financial support of our congregation and electronic contributions offer a simple and easy way to give on a regular 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 need a ride or 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 Monday, **July 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

### Calendar

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<u>30</u>	Beyond Our Comfort Zone 10:45-12:00 pm Pagan Coffee Night 6:00-8:00 pm	1	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Little Apple Metaphysical Paranormal Society 6:00-8:00 pm	2	<u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	3	Men's Lunch 12:00-1:15 pm	4	<u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-10:30 am	<u>5</u>	Parent's Night Out 6:30-9:30 pm	6	Pagan Circle - Metageitnia 6:00-10:00 pm
<u>7</u>	Words That Matter 10:45-12:00 pm	<u>8</u>	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am	9	Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm	10	Women's Lunch 11:30-1:00 pm	11	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am	12	Happy Kitchen 7:30-9:00 am	13	Choir rehearsal 1:00-3:00 pm
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<u>14</u>	Spectrum of Spirituality: LDS 10:45-12:00 pm Pagan Coffee Night 6:00-8:00 pm	<u>15</u>	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Susan Turner 3:00-5:00 pm Little Apple Metaphysical Paranormal Society 6:00-8:00 pm	16	Susan Turner 12:00-5:00 pm Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm Finance Mtg 7:00-9:00 pm	17	Men's Lunch 12:00-1:15 pm	18	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm Susan Turner 4:00-9:00 pm 3rd Thursday Supper 6:00-9:00 pm	19		20	
21	Life Lessons of Juggling 10:45-12:00 pm Pagan Coffee Night 6:00-8:00 pm	<u>22</u>	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Little Apple Metaphysical Paranormal Society 6:00-8:00 pm	23	Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm	24	Men's Lunch 12:00-1:15 pm Meadowlark Service 3:00-4:15 pm	<u>25</u>	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Susan Turner 12:00-5:00 pm Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm	26	Happy Kitchen 7:30-9:00 am	<u>27</u>	<u>Susan Turner</u> 11:00-6:00 pm <u>Family Fun -</u> <u>Splash Park!</u> 5:00-8:00 pm
<u>28</u>	We Move 10:45-12:00 pm Pagan Coffee Night 6:00-8:00 pm	<u>29</u>	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Susan Turner 3:00-5:00 pm Little Apple Metaphysical Paranormal Society 6:00-8:00 pm	30	Susan Tumer 12:00-5:00 pm Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm	31	Men's Lunch 12:00-1:15 pm Book Discussion group 7:00-9:30 pm	1	Women's Coffee 9:30-10:30 am Susan Turner 12:00-5:00 pm Sandy Nelson 3:30-4:30 pm	2	Parent's Night Out 6:30-9:30 pm	3	

Please contact Sue Turner (office@uufm.net) or Dan Swenson (web@uufm.net) to have an event added to the calendar.

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