



THE UUFM VOICE

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MAY 2014 PROGRAMS

MAY 4 "OUR YEAR"

In a multi-generational program, UUFM Religious Education program students and teachers share lessons learned while studying this year's World Religions curriculum. Contact/convener is Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

MAY 11 "A CALL TO ACTION"

Members of The New Jim Crow reading group share their most powerful encounters with this book that examines Mass Incarceration in the Age of Color Blindness. We will offer ways for the Fellowship to be an active force for good in helping to establish racial justice in Kansas. Contact Drew Vennum at (713) 828-3306 or drewvennum@gmail.com.

MAY 18 "PERSONAL SPIRITUAL JOURNEYS"

We continue our popular spiritual journeys series with Fellowship members Mark Clarke, Sue Pray, and Marisa Larson, as they describe their personal journeys of spiritual growth. Contact/Convener is Elke Lorenz at 218-4014 or ellorenz@uufm.net.

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MAY 25 "STAR TALK"

Fellowship member Larry Weaver takes us away to ponder other planets, so many planets, and the universe. Did you know the expansion of the universe is speeding up? What are other new discoveries? What do they reveal about our universe and our ability to understand its vastness? Contact/convener is Cathy Hedge at 537-1101 or cjhedgewriter@gmail.com.

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at **481 ZEANDALE ROAD**

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MAY OPPORTUNITIES ...

Don't miss the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation's **GROW GREEN MATCH DAY**, Tuesday, May 6. Contributions to participating organizations (including UUFM) of \$25 or more will generate an additional 50% match. That's free money! Learn more on page 6.

The Program Committee hosts the 2014/2015 **PROGRAMMING BRAINSTORM** on Sunday, May 18. Learn more on page 2.



UUFM is a **WELCOMING CONGREGATION**

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

When the well runs dry we tap our storage tanks for water. Last night when the sound of rain on the roof woke me, something in me eased. I woke up a couple of times to the start and stop of a good rain. The rain was not steady. It came in bursts. This morning I thought as I went to check the rain gage it would be shy of an inch and it was. Living with a well whose waters do not run deep has increased our sensitivity to moisture. We watch the springs. When they stop trickling out the sides of hills we know our supply of water is limited.

Living out here in the hills teaches us the value of water and to monitor its usage. Showers are quick. Get wet. Wash. Rinse. When we clean dishes or produce in the sink there is a watering can to catch the runoff. The garage roof funnels water into a 1,700 gallon tank. One inch of rain yields about 500 gallons. We have two other tanks collecting water from other roofs to water the garden.

Our energy efficient dish and clothes washer help us conserve. My mother laughs when we visit, because it is as if I were back in college, bringing dirty laundry to her house. But now I do the washing and drying.



The stream in front of our house has been mostly silent the last three years. The pools have filled with algae. I miss the thrilling sound of rushing water. I worry about the big blue heron who fishes by the bridge. Will there be enough, or any, fish for her this year? I hope so, because I will miss the sound of her lifting into the air at dusk and flying over our house to her nest.

There is something comforting in the sound of the large wings flapping and the long grace of her body flying overhead as the first stars become visible.

Water is a gift of life. Without water we cannot survive. I sometimes wish I lived back in town and could have a drip system on timers to water the roots of the fruit trees, vegetables, bushes and flowers, but then the intimate relationship I have with all that feeds me would be lessened. In an inferno summer I cuss our situation, but when it rains gratitude spreads through every cell of my body. I feel washed in goodness and the possibility of new and deeper growth. Let us do what we can to conserve water, and to keep water pure and flowing.

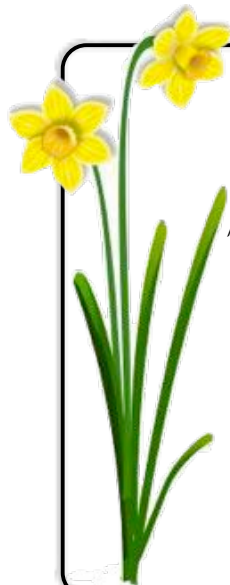
Blessings, *Michael*

REV MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE

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

Wednesday, May 7 - 5 to 7 pm
Tuesday, May 13 - 5 to 7 pm
Thursday, May 15 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, May 20 - 3 to 5 pm
Thursday, May 22 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, May 27 - 3 to 5 pm
Wednesday, May 28 - 5 to 7 pm

During office hours, contact Michael at the Fellowship at 537-2349. To arrange meetings at other times, please call or email minister@uufm.net



A KANSAS WEDDING FOR MICHAEL AND CHARLES

MICHAEL NELSON, CHARLES DEDMON,
AND THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
OF MANHATTAN
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US ON

SATURDAY, **MAY 3**, AT 3 PM

AT THE FELLOWSHIP
481 ZEANDALE ROAD, MANHATTAN

TO CELEBRATE MICHAEL AND CHARLES' UNION

RSVP - JANE PELLETIER
537-0954 OR mjanepelletier@gmail.com

SPECIAL PROGRAMMING EVENT

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE NEWS

April showers finally changed from snow to rain! Hopefully lots of sunshine will follow. In the month of May, the RE program finishes up the World Religions curriculum. On May 4 we will celebrate all that has been learned and share with the whole Fellowship during a multi-generational service. Our students have learned so much about a wide variety of religions especially how it all relates to Unitarian Universalism. The May 4 service promises to be a learning opportunity for everyone.

The school year is coming to an end in May, but the fun is just beginning. This summer the RE kids will travel around the world, learning new skills along the way, without ever leaving Kansas! Every week a new host from the Fellowship will take them on a "tour" of a far away place, new skill, imaginary or real life destination. We'll start the summer off with the traditional Bon Voyage Party on June 1 and then ... a tour of pizza using an outdoor brick oven, Phun with Physics, canoeing, and more.

New this summer will be an occasional program for the older kids--Spirit of Adventure! The curriculum is filled with hands-on activities like ... taking apart a computer, building a boat, and more. It promises to be a great summer! If you would like to help out with our World Travelers program this summer by hosting a tour or serving as an extra adult in the room, please let me know. We still have slots to fill and always welcome volunteers!

Many of you know of the work Ken Embers has done with Vietnamese children. In May, the RE program begins a service project that aims to help as well.

Ken's goal is to establish communication between Vietnamese kids and American kids. To that end, Vietnam veterans, spouses, friends and other interested persons have pitched in to build a library learning center in Bong Son, Vietnam and they are starting to develop an English language program. To help facilitate the learning process, they would like to collect DVD's with English subtitles. Learning to understand and speak English is a daunting task for adults, easier for most kids, and necessary for international communication.

If you have DVD's that you think would be of interest to children and young adults, please bring them to the Fellowship for our students to catalog and prepare for distribution. Our initial target is 100 DVD's from "Dora the Explorer" to National Geographic topics. Thanks for your help!

Sandy

DRE'S SCHEDULE

In May, Sandy Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office on **TUESDAYS** and **THURSDAYS**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Learn about all family and youth activities at the Fellowship from Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net

NO PARENT NIGHT OUT IN MAY

The Fellowship hosts Parent Night Out on the first Friday of each month; however, the May Parent Night Out will not be held, as we make preparations for a very special event, on Saturday, May 3. We're so excited to celebrate the wedding of Michael Nelson and Charles Dedmon, but celebration takes lots of planning and the building will be bustling with activity on Friday, May 2, for the next day's nuptials. Parent Night Out resumes on Friday, June 6.

NOTE: We need parent volunteers to continue this popular event. Volunteer for one night, or just an hour or two if that's all you can squeeze in.

Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.



MAY FAMILY FUN

Come join the fun on Saturday, MAY 24, beginning at 9 am.

We'll be digging in dirt and planting a garden in the raised beds behind the Fellowship. Remember

to bring a sack lunch so we can picnic after we're done.



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

The **WOMEN'S COFFEE** group meets EVERY MONDAY and THURSDAY at 9:30 am, at McDonald's in Westloop. Join us for morning coffee and conversation. Contact 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.

Join us for our **ACTION WEDNESDAY (AWed) POTLUCK DINNER** on Wednesday, MAY 7. Dinner begins at 6 pm, and committee meetings and social activities follow at 7 pm. This is a great opportunity to learn about Fellowship committees. Games and activities for the whole family will be available for those not attending a meeting. Learn more from Kathleen Tanona at 537-6208 or kmtanona@hotmail.com.

The UUFM **DRUM CIRCLE** gathers at 7 pm, on Friday, MAY 9, at the Fellowship. UUFM members, friends, and the wider community, those of all ages, and experienced or beginning drummers are welcome. Bring your own rhythm instrument or borrow one of ours. Contact Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net.

The **WOMEN'S LUNCH** group meets Wednesday, MAY 14, at 11:30 am, at Coco Bolo's, 1227 Bluemont Avenue, in Manhattan. Join us for lively talk and great company. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.net.

The **SPIRITUAL ECOLOGY** discussion group meets on Wednesday, MAY 14 and 28, at 7 pm, at the Fellowship. Learn more from Ron Parks at (620) 767-3403 or ronald6349att.net@att.net.

On Saturday, MAY 17, the **FLINTHILLS PAGANS** gather for a *Full Moon* ritual. On Saturday, MAY 31, there will be a New Moon ritual and workshop. We'll sit down to a potluck meal on both occasions. Family-friendly Pagan events begin at 6 pm. Learn more about all activities from Heather Mingo at 341-6931 or flinthillspagans@gmail.com.

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** meets on Wednesday, MAY 28, at 7 pm, at the Franz residence. We'll be discussing *A Patchwork Planet*, by Anne Tyler. Learn more from Terri Franz at 537-2291 or terrijfranz@sbcglobal.net.

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MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

This month's Meadowlark Hills service gathers on Wednesday, **MAY 28**, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Manhattan Room. Rev Michael Nelson will share wise words from Unitarian Universalist presidents. Who have been your favorite presidents and why? Bring your favorite writing from a president to share. Learn more from Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

UUFM SINGERS

The UUFM Singers will rehearse on Sunday, **MAY 11** and **18**, at 9:30 am, in the Main Sanctuary. Learn more about musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

UU CAMPUS LUNCH

The UUFM Campus group meets on the second Thursday of the month, at 12 noon, at the Bluemont Buffet, on the 2nd floor of the K-State Student Union. Join us on **MAY 8**! All are welcome. Invite your friends. Learn more from Molly McGaughey at molly_mcgaughey@hotmail.com or 776-4543.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON RECITAL

The UUFM Music Committee is hosting a Spring Recital for students of our pianist and member Slawomir Dobrzanski on Sunday, **MAY 4**, at 6 pm. As always members and friends to welcome to come hear some lovely music performed by students of all ages. Learn more from Music Committee chair Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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, 218-4014 or ellorenz@uufm.net

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, MAY 2, 16, and 30, 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. All are invited, and freewill donations help us continue this service. 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 S 10th Street. Funds generated from recycled aluminum will be placed in a designated account to be given to MESI.

HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

On Sunday, MAY 11, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for the **BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB**, whose mission is to provide caring, adult professionals, and a safe place for youth to learn and grow where hope and opportunity is provided through life-enhancing programs and character development experiences. To learn more, visit their web site at www.bgclubmanhattan.com.

On April 6, Fellowship members and friends contributed \$674 to the Fairy Godmothers' Fund. THANK YOU all for your generous gifts!!!

Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA, AND CHOCOLATE

Equal Exchange whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate and tea are available for purchase. 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



Equal Exchange works in collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. They source goods directly from farmer cooperatives, following the standards and principles of fair trade on 100 percent of its products. This ensures that farmers earn a fair price for their crops, allowing them to better meet their families' basic needs for food, education, health care, and long-term security.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The UUFM Social Action Committee meets on Wednesday, MAY 21, at 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. Members and friends interested in Social Justice are invited. Learn more from Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or acowan@uufm.net



A BOLD MODEL OF LOVE AND A VISIBLE BEACON! AS PART OF OUR EFFORT TO WORK TOWARDS OUR VISION, ENGAGE WITH THE COMMUNITY, AND VISIBLY STAND FOR OUR PRINCIPLES, WE WILL BE RUNNING A BILLBOARD SHOWING OUR SUPPORT FOR MARRIAGE EQUALITY AND INVITING OTHERS TO "CELEBRATE LOVE." THE BILLBOARD, WITH PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESIGN BY KIM BELANGER, IN COORDINATION WITH THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE, WILL BE ABOVE SUNFLOWER PETS ON THE WAY OUT OF TOWN, SOUTH ON K-177, IN BOTH MAY AND JUNE. THANKS TO ALL WHO WERE INVOLVED, AND ESPECIALLY TO MIKE AND LAURA BONELLA FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO RENT THE SPACE!

You make a gift.



We make it grow.

GROW GREEN

TUESDAY

Match Day **May 6**
7am - 7pm

Colony Square Atrium • 555 Poyntz Avenue

When you make a gift to participating Nonprofit Endowments, we'll grow it by 50%! Give at the live event at Colony Square to qualify for additional cash prize's to benefit the nonprofits. If you can't make it in person, please make your online gift anytime on May 6 by visiting growgreen.mcfks.org.

**GREATER
MANHATTAN
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

(785)587-8995

For more information &
to give online please visit:
GrowGreen.mcfks.org



On May 6, 2014 the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation will match gifts at 50% for donations made to 28 participating area nonprofit endowment funds.

AAUW
Big Brothers Big Sisters
Boy Scouts
Boys and Girls Club
Crisis Center
David Flinchbaugh Parents
as Teachers
Fairy Godmothers
Fitz House Fund
Flint Hills Breadbasket
Flint Hills Christian School
Flint Hills Community Clinic
Flint Hills Foster Teen Camps
GMCF Operations Fund
Habitat for Humanity

Homecare and Hospice
Manhattan Arts Center
Manhattan Catholic Schools
Manhattan Emergency Shelter
Pawnee Mental Health
Riley Co. Genealogical Society
Roger Trenary Tennis &
Education Fund
Shepherd's Crossing
Sisters of '75 Fund
Sunflower CASA
UFM Comm. Learning Center
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
United Way of Riley County
Wonder Workshop

Here's how it works:

- Come to Colony Square Office Complex, 555 Poyntz Avenue, between 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. to make a donation. Cash, Checks, and Credit Card gifts will be accepted.
- Contributions ranging from \$25 to \$1,000 per organization, per individual will be matched at \$.50 per \$1, so a donation of \$1,000 can receive a \$500 match. Of course groups will gladly accept donations greater than \$1,000!
- When you attend the live event at Colony Square you qualify for cash prizes for the nonprofits in hourly drawings. Also, the three organizations who bring in the most donors overall will earn extra \$green\$ for their nonprofit!
- Donors who are unable to attend the event at Colony Square may make online donations at GrowGreen. mcfks.org anytime on May 6.

**Details at GrowGreen.mcfks.org
(785)587-8995**

ACTION WEDNESDAY DINNER

Happy Spring Everyone! I wanted to encourage you all to come to our last AWED, before the summer, **MAY 7**.

We will NOT be having any events through the summer, June through August. Action Wednesday Dinners have been, I think, a great success. There has been some crossover between committee work. Communication has improved throughout our Fellowship. Forward progress is happening more easily. It has been fabulous to leave UUFM on those Wednesday evenings with a meeting under my belt and my family fed. I really believe this kind of communication and fellowship keeps us on a path to live out our vision, be a bold model of love, and find common values amongst all of our differences.

I want to thank all those who have participated this past year. Thank you for your food, your conversation, your strategizing, your hard work, your commitment and your guidance in taking UUFM forward.

I look forward in continuing this effort come September under the guidance of our new chair-elect Katie Kingery-Page.

In Faith, *Kathleen Tanona*

On June 1, Kathleen Tanona will move from her current position as UUFM Chair-elect to become our Executive Board Chair. Katie Kingery-Page will become our new Chair-elect, taking over the many responsibilities of that position, including organization of our AWed potluck. Share your ideas with Katie at 341-5650 or kkp@ksu.edu.

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

As we wind down this fiscal year, I would like to thank everyone who has fulfilled their pledge this year. Pledges are the backbone of our finances and we depend on you to help insure that UUFM is fiscally healthy. This is what enables us to reach out beyond UUFM, to share our values and provide a liberal religious home in our community.

Active participation in the \$mart \$hopper program (*see below*) has also helped to enrich our treasury. This past year we received at least \$300/month from the Dillons program.

We also received benefits from the Ray's and HyVee programs. This is the best and easiest fund raising program we have ever had. Keep up this win-win!

We have another wonderful opportunity coming up **MAY 6**. UUFM has an endowed fund at the Manhattan Community Foundation. May 6 is the special day to help organizations grow their endowments. Any donation made that day, of at least \$25, will be matched at a 50% rate (*see details on page 6*). Your donation will grow our endowment and the matching money will come to our general operating funds. You may come to the event at Colony Square, 555 Poyntz Ave, between 7 am and 7 pm, to make your donation. If this doesn't work for you, qualifying donations can be made online that day at www.growgreen.mcfks.org. If you need additional information, please contact me.

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

\$HOP \$MART GROCERY PROGRAM

Do you know about the Smart Shopper program, benefiting UUFM each time you shop? For every \$100 you spend at Dillons, Ray's, and Hy-Vee, the store gives UUFM \$5. What a deal! Totally painless! All you have to do is pay \$50 for a grocery card to whoever is carrying around the red notebook after Sunday services. Each card for Ray's Apple Market and Hy-Vee is \$50. Then go buy your groceries. Each card worth \$50 gives our Fellowship \$2.50. Therefore, \$100 earns \$5 for us. Dillons is different, you pay \$5 to UUFM for the card, then go to customer service at Dillons to load it with whatever amount you want to put on it. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.net.

CATHERINE CRITES is pleased to be a member of our UU Fellowship. Born and raised in Junction City, Catherine spent lots of time in the jailhouse...her father was the sheriff! Much of her adult life, she lived in California. Catherine graduated as a certified drug and alcohol counselor from Santa Barbara City College and worked in the Santa Barbara City Jail. She currently is a real estate appraiser with her twin brother in Junction City. Catherine returned to Kansas after the wildfires of 2008 took her home and her marriage ended. She came to help her mother as her father was dying. She settled in Manhattan and enjoys the life of a college town. Catherine has always been a seeker of spirituality. Though raised Methodist, she studied many different faiths including Buddhism, Christianity, Unity, Church of Religious Science, and Agape churches. Her basis was the belief that you can prove consciousness by generating good things in your life and by being a good human being. She knew Pat Embers was a member of the UU's and decided to visit. She stayed because she likes the basis of UU, the freedom of religion, support of gay rights, and progressive nature. "It fits my personality." Catherine says, "I am a Kansas person at heart and came back home." *We are glad you did, Catherine. Welcome to our Fellowship.*

OTHER NEWS -

A few updates: **CATHERINE HEDGE's** mother has had her ups and downs since her stroke. However, she felt good enough to get married! She and her guy looked very happy on Cathy's FaceBook post. **JACK WARREN's** wife, **ALICE STOCKWELL**, is still suffering some seizures but has returned home after a stay at Meadowlark. **DON DAVIS** has moved back to his apartment at Meadowlark. And **FRANZ SAMELSON** is still in Bramlage House at Meadowlark fighting an infection after some surgery.

BARBARA HACKER had knee replacement surgery on April 21 and hopes to move to Bramlage House at Meadowlark this week for rehab. The surgery went well.

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

UUFM FINANCES

Time Period	Income	Expenses	Net
March 2014	\$ 6,765.95	\$ 11,667.02	\$ (4,901.07)
Year to Date	\$97,420.54	\$103,209.90	\$ (5,789.36)

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



COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- May 4: Abigail Conrad, Judy Exdell,
Diane Barker, and Gail Ragan
- May 11: Sylvia and Dick Beeman,
and M'Eliz Maatta
- May 18: Ana Franklin, Jim Shanteau,
and Ken and Pat Embers
- May 25: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert,
and Sarah Hoyt

THANK YOU 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, just three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Coffee and Greeting coordinator Elke Lorenz at 218-4014 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 May, Susan Turner will be available in the Fellowship office on:

- Thursday, May 1 - 12 to 5 pm
- Monday, May 5 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, May 6 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, May 8 - 12 to 5 pm
- Monday, May 12 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, May 13 - 4 to 7 pm
- Thursday, May 15 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, May 22 - 12 to 5 pm
- Saturday, May 24 - 11 am to 6 pm
- Monday, May 26 - 3 to 5 pm
- Tuesday, May 27 - 12 to 5 pm
- Thursday, May 29 - 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 vision 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.

JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the June edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Thursday, **MAY 15**. *Committee chairs and activity organizers*, please let Susan know about your activities and volunteer needs. Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net

Calendar

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
<u>27</u> <u>(Wo)Man, the Pattern Seeker</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Annual Meeting</u> 12:15-2:00 pm	<u>28</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am	<u>29</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>30</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Book Discussion group</u> 7:00-9:00 pm	<u>1</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>2</u> <u>Happy Kitchen</u> 7:30-9:00 am	<u>3</u> <u>Michael and Charles' KS Wedding</u> 3:00-7:00 pm	
<u>4</u> <u>Our Year</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Student recital</u> 6:00-8:30 pm	<u>5</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>6</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>7</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>AWED Dinner</u> 6:00-9:00 pm	<u>8</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Campus Lunch</u> 12:00-1:00 pm <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>9</u> <u>Drum Circle</u> 7:00-10:00 pm	<u>10</u>	
<u>11</u> <u>Singers rehearse</u> 9:30-10:30 am <u>A Call to Action</u> 10:45-12:00 pm	<u>12</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>13</u> <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm <u>Susan Turner</u> 4:00-7:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>Board Mtg</u> 7:00-9:00 pm	<u>14</u> <u>Women's Lunch</u> 11:30-1:00 pm <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Spiritual Ecology</u> 7:00-8:30 pm	<u>15</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>16</u> <u>Happy Kitchen</u> 7:30-9:00 am	<u>17</u> <u>Pagan Circle - Full Moon</u> 6:00-10:00 pm	
<u>18</u> <u>Singers rehearse</u> 9:30-10:30 am <u>Spiritual Journeys</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Brainstorming</u> 12:15-1:30 pm	<u>19</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am	<u>20</u> <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>21</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Social Action Mtg</u> 5:30-7:00 pm	<u>22</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> <u>Family Fun - Gardening</u> 9:00-2:00 pm <u>Susan Turner</u> 11:00-6:00 pm	
<u>25</u> <u>Star Talk</u> 10:45-12:00 pm	<u>26</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>27</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>28</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Meadowlark Hills service</u> 3:00-4:30 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>Book Discussion group</u> 7:00-9:00 pm <u>Spiritual Ecology</u> 7:00-8:30 pm	<u>29</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>30</u> <u>Happy Kitchen</u> 7:30-9:00 am	<u>31</u> <u>Pagan Circle - New Moon/workshop</u> 6:00-10:00 pm	

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