

THE LIGHTED CHALICE

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

OCTOBER 2016

SUNDAY FORUM

Forum meets at 9 am in Room 101/103.

Everyone is welcome. Childcare is provided.

Co-chairs: Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, Bill Welge

10/02/16

THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Jay A. McCann

McCann conducts research on public opinion, electoral processes, participation, and representation in the United States and cross-nationally. His work has appeared in many leading scholarly journals, including the American Political Science Review, the Journal of Politics, the American Journal of Political Science, and the British Journal of Political Science.

10/16/16

THE INTELLIGENT INFANT: NEW RESEARCH ABOUT POTENTIAL AND RISK

Jim Elicker

Highlights of new research that emphasizes the importance of the infant-toddler phase as a critical period in development.

10/23/16

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION BY CHILDREN

Kate French

Children are able to learn an entire language in about three years. Why can't adults do the same? Kate French, who is studying linguistics at Purdue, will talk about the process that kids go through to pick up language in such a short amount of time.

10/30/16

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION STUDENTS, GRADES 6-12

Various Topics: Climate Change, How to Improve Relationships Among Diverse People, the Students' Future.

A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes 10:30 a.m.

Nursery and childcare available.

Sunday, October 2

WHY I GIVE TO UUCTC

Several congregants share their perspectives for why they financially support the UUCTC.

Speakers: Dorothy Hughes, Frank Arnold, Erin & Jonathan Hoke and Mary Ann Foley

Associate: Kris Taylor

Music: Janine Cochran

Joys & Concerns

Pulpit prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Sound: Mary Finley

Children begin in Sanctuary

Sunday, October 9

FREE AND RESPONSIBLE SEARCH FOR TRUTH AND MEANING

We all have a sense of what religious freedom is. What is religious responsibility? Are the two in conflict?

Speaker: Rev. Charlie Davis

Associate: Janice Thiel

Music: Janine Cochran

Sound: Dan Lybrook

Pulpit Prep: Don Gresham

Children begin in Sanctuary

Sunday, October 16

DEMOCRACY

UUs affirm and promote the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large. The majority rules but we must always respect the rights of the individual.

Speaker: Rev. Charlie Davis

Associate: Bill Welge

Music: Janine Cochran

Sound: Jason Dufair

Pulpit Prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Children begin in Sanctuary

Sunday, October 23

INTERDEPENDENCE

Respect the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. What does this mean in our day to day lives? How do we make it real in this congregation?

Speaker: Rev. Charlie Davis

Associate: Don Gresham

Music: Janine Cochran

Pulpit Prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Sound: Noemi Ybarra

Children begin in Sanctuary

Friday, Oct. 28

SAMHAIN celebration led by Kathy Willowode at the Fire Circle or Room 210.

Sunday, Oct. 30

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM AND MYSTICISM

One of the sources of Unitarian Universalist tradition is the direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life.

Speaker: Rev. Charlie Davis

Associate: Dianna Poindexter

Music: Denise Wilson

Sound: John Finley

Pulpit Prep: Robin Poindexter

Children begin in Sanctuary

MINISTER'S MUSE

Run with confidence you will find courage.
Something will help you along the way

Fake it to make it, take a placebo
If you don't try it then how will you know
The only failure is never trying
Living is more than hiding from dying

Run with confidence you will find courage.
Someone will help you along the way

Overindulging in analyzing
Makes life uncertain and paralyzing.
Sprint or marathon maybe steeplechase
You will learn the truth as you run the race.

Run with confidence you will find courage.
Some faith may find you along the way

Inspire yourself with high expectations
Follow your dreams and anticipations
As you spring forward you can fall back on
your dedication to inspiration

Run with confidence you will find courage.
Some hope will help you along the way.

With Gratitude and Hope,
Rev Charlie

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Grateful for All the Volunteers in Action

There are numerous committee, subcommittee and ad hoc projects in the works to maintain and improve our church and how we function as an institution and a community. While it is impossible to be inclusive of all projects, I will highlight a few.

Building and Grounds is collecting estimates for roof and plumbing repairs, for the purchase of a new water heater and water softener, and new carpeting for the administrative wing.

Ad hoc Communications Committee is taking its first step in improving communication getting us organized and systemized by creating standard operation procedures.

The newly formed **IT Steering Committee** has developed a multi-phase plan to improve the church's technology. The first phase procured the church's nonprofit status with Microsoft which included the option of creating numerous functional email addresses, for example: art fair, board, building use, finance, interest groups, membership, minister, office, OWL, pastoral care, religious education, social justice, stewardship, and Sunday forum. This will enable direct communication with church leaders without having to track down who the specific individual is.

Amanda Estes and Todd Rush have agreed to co-chair the annual **Art Fair**, scheduled for Dec. 2 and 3. Please give them and their committee support when they ask for help for this annual event. The Art Fair is not only our largest fundraiser of the year, it is the biggest single opportunity for us to come together as a community and for the community at large to join us and see us in action.

Looking for a leadership position? We have two committee chair positions open. **Pastoral Care** continues to function without a chair, and **Adult Religious Exploration** has been inactive for over a year. If you have a passion for either of these, please contact me or the minister.

The annual stewardship campaign wraps October 30. If you have not done so, you can turn in your pledge card at the stewardship table before or after service, mail it to the office, or email it to UUCTCstewardship@gmail.com. I look forward to celebrating with you at the second annual Talent Show and Soup Cook-Off Saturday, November 5.

Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in room 101/103. Meetings are open to members of the congregation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Looking Back:

In September, we focused on principles 1, 2, 3, and 6. We also worked to build our classroom community and learn more about each other.

Looking Forward:

In October, we'll focus on the following UU principles/sources:

Principle 4- free and responsible search for truth and meaning

Principle 5- democratic process

Principle 7- interdependent web

Source 1- transcending mystery and wonder

Important Reminders and Upcoming Events:

October 6- UUCTC will receive 50% of the proceeds from ANYBODY who attends Monster Mini Golf on Thursday, Oct, 6 from 2-9pm. No flyer needed! Join us for a good time and help support UUCTC!!!

Forum- Please consider attending the following Sunday forums that may be of interest to RE parents:

October 23- RE alumni, Kate French, will discuss language acquisition of children.

October 30- Our 6-12 graders will discuss how the current political landscape affects them in their day to day lives.

Please see the RE bulletin board in the fellowship hall and <http://regluu.wordpress.com/> for important RE information and announcements. You can also e-mail me at drenicoleric@gmail.com.

Service Project (Illiteracy Horcrux)- The RE classes will begin performing the offertory in the classroom by collecting new and gently used books, new school supplies, and change to donate to local schools and other community centers in need. This collection will end on October 23.

Feel free to donate a book to the RE library. You can find the link here: <http://tinyurl.com/pt329cy>. Donations are much appreciated to help us build our RE library. We are now collecting any books in the Harry Potter series to use in the 6-12 grade classroom.

RE Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/pgspcsb>

WANT TO BE A MYSTERY PAL?

October 9th-November 6th

Mystery Pals is a program to match youth and adults of all ages so that we, as a congregation, can make connections, learn more about each other, and support intergenerational community.

Anyone is eligible to participate as long as you:

- * Are over the age of 4
- * Can commit to delivering letters

starting October 16

* Can attend the November 6 mystery pal reveal celebration potluck

Rules:

1. If you meet the participation requirements, please fill out the information at the bottom of the sheet (available at the RE volunteer table) and turn in to the DRE, Nicole Rice, via e-mail (drenicoleric@gmail.com) or in the DRE mailbox. All information must be turned in by Sunday, Oct. 9 in order to participate.

2. You will be assigned a number that corresponds with an envelope on the large orange bulletin boards in the fellowship hall. Your number is the same as that of your youth/youthful adult counterpart. You can use these envelopes to leave and receive letters, drawings, small gifts, etc. If your item is too big to fit in an envelope, please get the DRE to deliver the item by labeling with the following information:

a. Deliver to: youth or youthful adult

b. Number

3. Calendar and Suggested Items:

a. October 9- must have signed up for the program with the DRE

b. October 16- introduction letter

c. October 23- response letter

d. October 30- a Halloween or autumn memory or tradition, drawing, etc.

e. November 6- final reveal- You may choose to bring a small gift or other token. We will celebrate by eating potluck lunch together and getting to know each other better. Special treats provided by the DRE!!!

Nicole Rice, drenicoleric@gmail.com

MOVIE NIGHT:

DEFYING THE NAZIS: THE SHARPS' WAR

The 2016 Ken Burns film, "Defying The Nazis: The Sharps' War," will be shown at UUCTC, room 101/103 on Sunday Oct. 16 from 7:00-8:40 p.m. (doors open at 6:45).

Defying the Nazis: The Sharps' War is an account of a daring rescue mission that occurred on the precipice of World War II. It tells the story of Waitstill and Martha Sharp, a Unitarian minister and his wife from Wellesley, Massachusetts, who left their children behind in the care of their parish and boldly committed to multiple life-threatening missions in Europe. Over two dangerous years they helped to save hundreds of imperiled political dissidents and Jewish refugees fleeing the Nazi occupation across Europe. This story of courage and conviction is told through the letters and journals of the Sharps. It features firsthand interviews with the now adult children whom the Sharps saved, as well as leading historians, authors and Holocaust scholars, including William Schulz, Deborah Dwork, Modercai Paldiel, Ghanda DiFiglia and Yehuda Bauer.

Jean Herr, jeanfiddle@gmail.com

NEWSPAPER SUPPORT

The UUC and the Lafayette Independent newspaper have an agreement that the newspaper will provide 140 sq in of ad space to the church in exchange for the use of the fellowship hall once a year for a fundraiser.

We have just completed a year and the paper provided 196 sq in, 40% more than the agreement. The newspaper is glad to support the church and appreciates the use of the building. The fundraiser is scheduled for Oct 30.

Tom McConville, tmconville1200@gmail.com

UNDER OUR ROOF

Lee Sullivan has recently joined about 20 other UUCers in residence at Westminster Village. Her address is 2741 N. Salisbury St., Apt. 1109A, 47906. Her phone remains the same as stated in the UU directory. jandsull@aol.com

MAKE MONEY WITH FOOTBALL PARKING

Does your church group need some extra money? Purdue's football season is about to start and that means we need people to park cars on Saturday game days.

Games are on Saturdays (not every week) and continue through mid-November. We sell spaces in our parking lot for \$10 per car.

Any church group that agrees to coordinate the parking team for a specific game gets half of the revenue from that date. Some games have bigger crowds than others. The bigger games offer a bigger payoff but require more workers. And if Purdue has a good season, that increases the crowds.

Most of the games this fall will need 2-3 workers, a few might need 5-6. Most games start at noon, so the workers need to be there from 9 - noon. But games can also be in the afternoon and start times have not been announced for many games. If interested, talk / email / call Barny Dunning at 765-412-8760, misner13@frontier.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

SECOND ANNUAL

TALENT SHOW AND SOUP COOK-OFF !

Nov 5 from 5-9 pm

Child and youth talent from 5-6, followed by the soup cook-off dinner at 6 and adult talent from 7-9. Contact Sherry Tripodi at sherrytripodi@yahoo.com if you or your child wish to perform in the talent show or if you want to enter the soup contest. Volunteers will also be needed to bring other food and to set up, clean up, and help in the kitchen.

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the first eight months of 2016, General Fund revenues exceeded expenditures by about \$12,000 because expenditures to date are well below budget. On the revenue side, higher than budgeted building-use revenue continues to largely offset lagging pledges and donations. The August data do not alter our projection of a sizable year-end budget surplus.

Finance Committee, jac47906@gmail.com

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<p>2 Rev. Davis is out of the office World Communion Sunday 9:00 AM Forum (101) 9:45 AM DRE: Office Hours 10:30 AM Worship & RE 11:45 AM POTLUCK SUNDAY! 7:30 PM Lafayette Area Peace Coalition (101)</p>	<p>3 Rev. Davis is out of the office 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 1:30 PM Writers' Group meets (Westminster C-3 Lounge) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)</p>	<p>4 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 5:00 PM Improving Your Sense Of Self (101/103) 5:00 PM President's Meeting (Rev. Charlie's Office) 6:00 PM Program Council (First Tuesdays, 101) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)</p>	<p>5 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 7:00 PM Blue Moon Rising (101)</p>	<p>6 2:00 AM Monster Mini Golf FUNdraiser 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 5:00 PM Meditation (M) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL 6:00 PM Finance Committee (104) 6:00 PM League of Women Voters (101/103)</p>	<p>7 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 12:00 PM Meeting (FH)</p>	<p>8 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (101/103)</p>
<p>9 Mystery Pals forms due 9:00 AM Forum (101) 9:45 AM DRE: Office Hours 9:45 AM RE volunteer meeting 10:30 AM Worship & RE 11:45 AM RE Newspaper meeting 12:15 PM Nursery Volunteer Training/Callout</p>	<p>10 Columbus Day 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 1436 (FH) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Committee on Ministry (108) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)</p>	<p>11 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 5:00 PM Improving Your Sense Of Self (101/103) 5:30 PM Pastoral Care (102) 6:30 PM BOARD MEETING (2nd Tuesdays, 101) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)</p>	<p>12 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 7:00 PM ACLU(212) 7:00 PM Blue Moon Rising (101)</p>	<p>13 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 4:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 4218 (FH) 7:00 PM Meditation (M) 5:30 PM Worship Committee (104) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL 7:00 PM Social Justice Meeting (101)</p>	<p>14 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 12:00 PM Meeting (FH)</p>	<p>15 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 8:00 AM West Lafayette Puja (S) (FH) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (101/103)</p>
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<p>30 Mystery Pals Reformation Sunday 9:00 AM Forum (101) 9:45 AM DRE: Office Hours 10:30 AM Worship & RE 3:00 PM Lafayette Independent Annual Fundraiser (FH)</p>	<p>31 Reformation Day 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)</p>	<p>1 All Saints Day 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 5:00 PM Improving Your Sense Of Self (101/103) 5:00 PM President's Meeting (Rev. Charlie's Office) 6:00 PM Program Council (First Tuesdays, 101) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)</p>	<p>2 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 7:00 PM Blue Moon Rising (101)</p>	<p>3 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 5:00 PM Meditation (M) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL 6:00 PM Finance Committee (104)</p>	<p>4 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:00 AM Music Practice (212) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 12:00 PM Meeting (FH)</p>	<p>5 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 5:00 PM Kids Talent Show (S) 6:00 PM Adult Talent Show (S) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (101/103)</p>