

# THE LIGHTED CHALICE WEEKLY



Sunday Forum 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes 10:30 a.m. Nursery & Childcare Available.

# UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, TIPPECANOE COUNTY, INDIANA 13 July 2014

# **SUNDAY 13 JULY**

•FORUM, 9 AM Please join us as Tetia Lee presents *The Tippecanoe Arts Federation*. Tetia Lee has worked in the arts field for nearly 20 years. She has served in multiple roles throughout her artistic career including Gallery Director, Outreach Coordinator, and Assistant Professor. She is the Executive Director of the Tippecanoe Arts Federation, an arts council and umbrella organization for a fourteen county region in North Central Indiana. As Executive Director of the Tippecanoe Arts Federation, she has developed and implemented programming to provide access to the arts to at risk and underserved individuals and communities. Lee has also designed specific organizational services to activate local community leadership which has strengthened arts advancement throughout the region. During her tenure with the Federation, she has elevated the profile of the organization with nationally recognized programs. Lee holds degrees from the School of the Art Institute, the American Academy of Art, the Florence Academy of Art, Indiana State University, and Texas Tech. Lee is a community service volunteer and is a member on the boards of the West Lafayette Public Library Foundation, the Indiana Coalition for the Arts and Foundation, and a member of Quality of Life Council for Greater Lafayette. Lee is a Joyce Fellow for Americans for the Arts.

•SERVICE, 10:30 AM Please join us as Worship Leader Bill Welge presents *Freewill: An Illusion?* Worship Associate, Dianna Poindexter. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sound Technician, Noemi Ybarra. Sanctuary Preparation, Robin Poindexter. Fellowship Team Leader, Mark VanMeeter.

# **SUNDAY 20 JULY**

- •FORUM, 9 AM Cheryl Fowler & David Ayers discuss *Two Area International Student Programs: International Experience and International Friendship Program* (IFP). Cheryl is Local Coordinator for International Experience which is a high school student exchange program. She and her family hosted Johanna from Germany for the school year 2009-2010 and had a wonderful experience. Her family has kept in touch with Johanna and her family, most recently traveling to Germany this May. Dr. David Ayers is Associate Dean of International Programs responsible for assisting faculty with institutional agreements, administering grant programs for study abroad, leading annual pre-departure orientations for new incoming international students in Asia, and the domestic/international student integration on the Purdue West Lafayette campus. Dr. Ayers moved to our community from the University of Akron, 3 ½ years ago with his wife Betsy. Both he and Betsy have been actively involved with hosting international students and scholars in their home for the past 30 years. Forum Co-Chairs are Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, and Bill Welge.
- •SERVICE, 10:30 AM Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents, *Man on the Moon*. It has been 45 years since Neil Armstrong landed on the moon. Was it really a giant leap for mankind? What have been the actual results of this endeavor? Worship Associate, Bill Welge. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sound Technician, Carl Seese. Sanctuary Preparation, Nina Kirkpatrick. Fellowship Team Leaders: Beth Misner & Barny Dunning.

CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION I will begin having regular office hours this coming week, which are as follows: M 9-12 and T 9-12 or by appt. The RE search committee will be holding a parent meeting (date TBA) concerning the hiring of a new DRE. Correction from last week: the search committee for the new DRE is as follows, Sherry Tripodi, Alanna Steffen-Nelson, Beth Hoffmann, Sarah Cannon, and Rev. Charlie Davis. Fall RE is right around the corner. I am in the process of confirming RE guides, as well as workshop rotation volunteers. The curriculum is based on the Six Sources of our UU church. Our summer RE still has approximately five weeks left. Last Sunday, we took a close up look at the reproductive life of flowers with our magnifying glasses. The kids also took pictures for an outdoor photo journal that they will have as a remembrance of their RE summer. Our pizza garden to the right front of the church is flourishing! Our basil will provide us with yummy pesto this Sunday that the children will help make. Something to ponder with our children: How is the science of nature a highly spiritual and/or magical event? As we discover the inner workings of nature, and label plants and parts of plants, how does that encourage, rather than discourage the mystery of the powers of life? Your Interim DRE, Michelle Miller

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# ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

- •THE TWENTY MINUTE TUNE-UP Please join us for this Taoist Immortal Internal Exercise 6 Week Class taught by Master Jason Argos. Begins Thursday, July 3, 2014 from 11;15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., UUC Room 101/103. \$48 for 6 classes, to be paid at first class. Exercise level set for seniors; all ages welcome. During the first 20 minutes Master Argos will guide you through 16 exercises from the book, "Xing Yi Nei Gong" by Tim Cartmell (book is recommended but not required). During the last 10 minutes of each session Jason will share a powerful form of a technique known as bone marrow washing which is performed while standing still; this is thought to deter arthritis. As you become familiar with the 16 movements Jason will share more Nei Gong from his decades of Xing Yi study. Xing Yi and bone marrow washing, brought to China by Bodhidharma, has been passed down from ancient times. Possible benefits of this practice include:
  - •Improved kidney function
  - •Removes toxins and increases bone mineral density
  - Eases arthritis symptoms
  - •Improved cardiopulmonary fitness
  - Normalizes blood pressure
  - •Deeper, more restorative sleep
  - •Maximizes digestion, reduces appetite, reduces waistline
  - •Improves balance and reduction of falls
  - •Improves immunity
  - •Builds core strength and speeds recovery time
  - •Improves whole body-mind coordination
- •DRUMMING SESSIONS in the West African style facilitated by Sundeep Rao and Robin Pickett of circAfrique! The next regular A-REC session will meet Monday, July 14 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary (rather than the usual 2nd Tuesday of the month). Please note this date change—bring your drum, bells, shakers, and other percussive instruments. \$10 donation is requested per session. RSVP & details: <a href="http://goo.gl/2gw21">http://goo.gl/2gw21</a> or information email <a href="mailto:info@circafrique.com">info@circafrique.com</a> or call Suzan Windnagel, 765-714-6173 or via Facebook pages for UUC or CircAfrique!
- •MONDAY MEDITATION Have you wondered what it might be like to meditate with a group? Here's an easy way to test the waters come and give it a try with the friendly group that gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in room 101/103. Monday Meditation is sponsored by the Adult Religious Exploration Council. You'll find more information on the Monday Meditation Facebook page and also at http://www.meetup.com/west-lafayette-Buddhist-study/. Contact person is jrschust@gmail.com.

**BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2014** Board Meetings now take place each 2nd Tuesday at 6:30 pm in Conference Room 101/103, next on Tuesday, August 12, 2014. Church members are welcome to attend and are encouraged to speak with members of the Board of Trustees regarding congregational questions and concerns.

<u>MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE</u> The Membership Committee has a mission of nurturing and supporting members through all stages of their membership journey. The Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM, next **July 24** in Room 104. For questions about the committee, please contact Sallie Cooke, salliec@frontier.com.

- TALK AND TOUR ON SECOND SUNDAYS AFTER SERVICE Please join us immediately following service each 2nd Sunday for "Talk and Tour," next on August 10. This 15-minute guided walk through the building is designed to familiarize newcomers with our congregation and facilities. Participants do not need to sign up in advance—simply gather at the Newcomers Table outside the Fellowship Hall at 11:45. Thanks!
- PHOTO DIRECTORIES We have recently printed another edition of our UUC picture directory. If you would like your picture added or updated, contact Rosemary Leary at 463-4246 or <a href="releary207@aol.com">rleary207@aol.com</a>. Look for a copy of the directory at the Newcomers' Table on Sunday—requested donation \$3.00 to cover printing costs. Many thanks to Rosemary Leary for all her ongoing work with this project
- UU MEMBERSHIP CLASSES, FIRST SUNDAYS, RECONVENING IN THE FALL OF 2014 UU Membership Classes meet each first Sunday on a rotating basis after service, presented by Rev. Charlie Davis and the Membership Committee. Sessions will be held in Rm. 101/103; please select your meal from the potluck and bring your food to the class. Child care will be available if requested one week in advance. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Sallie Cooke, Membership Chairperson (sallie@frontier.com) one week prior to class, so we have an accurate count for child care.
  - •UU HISTORY **September 7.** This class will cover topics such as: How did this denomination get to where it is today and how did Unitarian Christianity and Universalist Christianity evolve into the free religion we have today? By reviewing some of the controversies of the past we see how they shape our present. Intended for everyone new and old to UU congregations.
  - •EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP: PARTICIPATING AT UUC, WEST LAFAYETTE October 5. Learn more about the history of our UU church and what it means to be a member. This course is intended for visitors who are interested in learning more about membership.
  - •DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL PATH November 2. What gifts have you kept from your religious heritage? What have you discarded? How do you wish to improve yourself and the world? Come explore and share your stories with others. By speaking our truth and listening to others, we can deepen the meaning of community. Intended for everyone.

"[Research] suggests that what we think of as free will is largely an illusion: much of the time, we are simply operating on automatic pilot, and the way we think and act – and how well we think and act on the spur of the moment – are a lot more susceptible to outside influences than we realize."

<u>UU CHURCH ANNUAL RETREAT!</u> The 2014 UU Church Annual Retreat will be held at Ross Hills Camp, from Friday evening, August 1<sup>st</sup> through Sunday afternoon, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is a great time to meet and get to know fellow UU members, and has been a tradition in the church for over 30 years.

The Retreat includes workshops, a Saturday night dance, meals, campfires and informal hanging out. Workshops will include yoga, drumming, a discussion of our Director of Religious Exploration search, a nature hike, a birding workshop, and a presentation on Native American medicine, with more workshops still to be scheduled. Workshops run on Saturday morning, Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning; there will also be a service led by Martha Gipson after lunch on Sunday.

Accommodations are available in the A-frame lodge building or at a number of electric and non-electric campsites near the lodge – get your reservations in early! Registration forms are available at the church, either in the office or in the narthex, or get in touch with Eric or Janice Thiel.

OPEN MEETING FOR RE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO GET INPUT ON NEW DRE HIRE 9:30 AM, August 2, Ross Camp during retreat As part of the process of hiring a new DRE, an open meeting will be held for the parents and guardians of RE participants to voice their thoughts on the future of the RE program. Specifically, we ask parents to consider the following questions; what would they like us to ask the prospective DRE, what strengths of the RE program would they want to carry forward, and is there anything that they wish the DRE would start for the RE program? The meeting will be held at the retreat but all are welcome; there is no cost. Childcare will be provided. If you are unable to attend, your input is still welcome. Please email your answers to the above questions to Sherry Tripodi at sherrytripodi@ yahoo.com by August 3rd to ensure that your input is heard before interviewing candidates for the job. For further information, contact DRE Search Committee member Sherry Tripodi, sherrytripodi@yahoo.com

**LIBRARY PROJECT** Since George Wulff retired as church librarian some two years ago, the library has been in need of new energy. We thank George for his diligent and careful work and hope he will be pleased to see a rebirth. A small Library Committee of Linda (Lou) Prokopy, Sallie Cooke and Christine Schertz are beginning a project to cull, re-shelve and clean up the library. You can continue to use the library and donate books. Please be patient and excuse any inconvenience as this will take some time to complete. Books recently donated will be shelved under a new system. If you have questions or concerns, or would like to help, please call Linda Lou Prokopy at 746-6926.

"How can we be 'free' as conscious agents if everything that we consciously intend is caused by events in our brain that we do not intend and of which we are entirely unaware? We can't."

-Sam Harris

"Honestly, I cannot understand what people mean when they talk about the freedom of the human will. I have a feeling, for instance, that I will something or other; but what relation this has with freedom I cannot understand at all. I feel that I will to light my pipe and I do it; but how can I connect this up with the idea of freedom? What is behind the act of willing to light the pipe? Another act of willing? Schopenhauer once said:

Der Mensch kann was er will; er kann aber nicht wollen was er will (Man can do what he will but he cannot will what he wills)."

~Albert Finstein

**THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE:** There is much to be done in the social justice arena. If you are interested in becoming involved in our activities, please join us at our next meeting--**Tuesday, July 22 at 7:00 pm in Room 101/103**. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, contact co-chairs Joan Marshall, jmarshal900@yahoo.com, &Tom McConville, tmcconville1200@comcast.net.

- CHANGE FOR CHANGE: The theme for 2014 is "Helping Our Community." The July/August C4C recipient is Family Promise® of Greater Lafayette, Inc. (FPGL). Family Promise is a non-profit 501(c)3 and non-denominational organization for families in transition. Part of a national network, FPGL is one of over 136 Networks across the United States. There are over 4500 congregations and 110,000 volunteers making up these Networks. Based on the support of volunteers and host congregations, Family Promise® (formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)) programs are funded by donations, grants, and fundraising opportunities. Family Promise® builds programs from existing resources so they can be implemented quickly, and without major start-up costs. All the Family Promise® Networks are successful. Our statistics show that 89% of the families who complete our program are successful in finding and maintaining permanent housing along with employment or supportive financial assistance. Others even enroll in school. FPGL has begun to touch many volunteers within our Network as they prepare to care for families in need in a loving and caring way.
- WOMEN'S SHELTER COLLECTION The UU Church at all times has a bin located in the Fellowship Hall to
  collect items for the local Women's Shelter. Please consider donating new underwear for women and
  children (all sizes), shirts for women (all sizes), pens, hand sanitizer, small pocket memo pads. Thank
  you.

<u>OUTfest</u> Mark your calendars now for Saturday, August 2, 4:00 pm to midnight when Greater Lafayette will once again join our GLBT community in our annual pride celebration, OUTfest. The event is held in downtown Lafayette and will feature live bands, food, information, dancing, entertainment, and a family area. It is always a fun filled afternoon and evening. Our Social Justice Committee will host a booth as we have in past years, and will need volunteers for two shifts, 4:00 to 6:00 pm and 8:00 to 10:00 pm. To volunteer for a shift, contact Joan Marshall (<u>imarshal@yahoo.com</u>). If you aren't able to help with the booth, just plan to attend--it's a wonderful event. We realize it is the same weekend as our church retreat, but if you want to take a brief break from the retreat, we'd be happy to see you!

MEETING OF THE INDIANA MORAL MONDAYS WORKING GROUP IN WEST LAFAYETTE A meeting of the Indiana Moral Mondays Working Group will take place on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 5:30 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 Meridian Street in West Lafayette Room 101/103. An overview will be presented to attendees regarding the formation of this new effort to bring social justice to Indiana. A group of civil rights, labor, environmental, religious, women and other activists has been meeting since March in Indianapolis inspired by the North Carolina "Moral Mondays" movement. For more information on Indiana Moral Mondays see the Blog by Harry Targ, Purdue Professor; Coordinator, Committee on Peace Studies: <a href="http://heartlandradical.blogspot.com/2014/04/does-indiana-need-moral-mondays-movement.html">http://heartlandradical.blogspot.com/2014/04/does-indiana-need-moral-mondays-movement.html</a>.

"This is one of the two great labyrinths into which human minds are drawn:
the question of free will versus predestination."
~Neal Stephenson, Quicksilver



12, Saturday 8:00 AM Zen M

13, Sunday

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

 $12:\!00~PM~Stewardship~Committee~Meeting~(104),~Sherry~Tripodi,\\$ 

Chairperson

12:00 PM UU Fiberarts Quilting Bee (101/103)

July 14, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

7:00 PM Meeting (anon FH)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

7:30 PM Drumming Circle (Sanctuary)

July 15, Tuesday

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:00 PM Ongoing Buddhist Book Discussion (101/103)

1:30 PM Writers' Group 101/103

# 5:30 PM Indiana Moral Mondays Working Group in West Lafayette (101/103)

July 16, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

9:00 AM Old Tippecanoe Quilting Guild

12:00 PM "The Principled Group" Noon Discussion (101/103)

2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)

6:00 PM Meeting (anon.), 101/103

## July 17, Thursday

11:15 AM "The Twenty Minute Tune-Up" Taoist Immortal Internal Exercise based on Xing Yi Nei Gong Movements; taught by Master Jason Argos 11:15-11:45 (101/103)

5:30 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M)

6:30 PM IVOW Dream Study Group (101/103)

7:30 PM SHM (Spontaneous Hopeful Monster) House Band (S) 1st and 3rd Thursdays

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8:00 AM Zen M

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9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

4:00 PM UU Photo Group (101/103)

7:00 PM UU Book Group MOVIE: "Life of Pi" (101/103)

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Rev. Davis on vacation July 21-27

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

7:00 PM Meeting (anon FH)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

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12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:00 PM Ongoing Buddhist Book Discussion (101/103)

6:30 PM Committee on Ministry (101/103)

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Lafayette Independent Deadline: Wednesday before last Tuesday of

month

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6:00 PM Membership Committee Meeting: Sallie Cooke, Chairperson

(104)

7:00 PM Social Justice Committee Meeting (101/103)

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10:30 AM Worship & RE

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