



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, TIPPECANOE COUNTY, INDIANA: 7 JUNE 2015

SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2015

•**FORUM, 9 AM** Board President Bill Welge presents "Overkill: An avalanche of unnecessary medical care is harming patients physically and financially. What can we do about it?" Bill attended Ball State University and for 25 years held various positions in large power transformer manufacturing, including shop supervision, planning and purchasing. He had a twenty year second career in home improvement and is now retired. Through most of this 45 year period Bill has avidly researched wellness through prevention with a special emphasis on exercise physiology. He has spoken several times on this subject at Sun Spot Natural Market "Food for Thought" program.

•**SERVICE, 10:30 AM** The theme for the month of June is the sixth source of the UU living tradition: spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Today, Worship Leader Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents "Mother Earth"—an exploration of the goddess and the feminine spirit. How was it viewed in ancient times; what do modern pagans believe? Today is our new member recognition service. Joys and Sorrows will be observed as well. Worship Chairperson, Dianna Poindexter. Worship Associate, DRE Nicole Rice. Pulpit Preparation, Nina Kirkpatrick. Pianist, Sarah May. Sound, Gary Fowler. Fellowship Team Leaders, Mark VanMeeter, Joshua & Linda Prokopy.

SUNDAY 14 JUNE 2015

•**FORUM, 9 AM** Mark French presents "Purdue from 30,000 Feet." A modern research university is a complex place with many different missions. Balancing the opposing requirements of some of those missions while figuring out how to pay for it all is a challenge of the highest order. The popular view of the role of universities doesn't always match the new reality. It may be helpful to have an overview of what Purdue, as a representative of public research universities, actually does, who its customers are and where the money comes from. Mark French was born, raised and educated. After traveling a very unlikely path, he arrived at Purdue in 2004. He is now an associate professor in the department of Mechanical Engineering Technology. He spends most of his time with his students, but also finds time to work on problems in musical acoustics and experimental mechanics. He's written a couple books, published a bunch of papers and holds two patents.

•**SERVICE, 10:30 AM** Worship Leader Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents "Father Sky." For Fathers Day, we explore the masculine traditions of paganism. How did they influence Christianity? What traditions are being revived in the 21st century? Worship Chairperson, Dianna Poindexter. Worship Associate, Kat Braz. Pulpit Preparation, Nina Kirkpatrick. Pianist, Sarah May. Sound, Noemi Ybarra. Fellowship Team Leaders, Gary & Andrea Burniske.

CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Last week Kat led the RE classes in a spirit circle on the PostSecret project. Next week we'll kickoff the RE summer by

creating adventure journals and tie-dyeing t-shirts.

•**RE Class Information and Guide Schedule for 6/7:** Students will begin in service and be picked up from room 101/103. The RE classes will also be tie-dyeing t-shirts at the Happy Hollow picnic. Meet at 1pm at the picnic shelter. Please bring a 100% cotton, plain white t-shirt and any newspapers.

•**RE Class Information and Guide Schedule for 6/14:** Students will meet in room 101/103 at 10:30 for our field trip to the Purdue gardens. We need drivers/chaperones. Please let me know ASAP if you're interested.

Materials/Supplies Needed:

- scrapbook paper, composition notebooks, newspapers, plain white t-shirts 100% cotton (various sizes for children/youth) needed by June 7th
- three tiered bookshelf (for the junior high classroom)
- Legos, modeling clay
- boxes of Kleenex
- We have a RE wish list for books: http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/33SNCK94EF17U/ref=cm_wl_rlist_go_o

Important Reminders and Upcoming Events:

•Please see the RE bulletin board/table in the fellowship hall and <http://regluu.wordpress.com/> for important RE information and announcements.

•Summer camp and retreat registration is now open. Please contact me if you'd like to attend or grab a packet from the RE volunteer table.

•**Our next FUNdraiser is Wednesday, June 10th at the Wabash Landing movie theater from 4:00-8:00 pm. UU will receive 50% of the proceeds from the concession stand sales.**

•The June birthday celebration is June 28th. Join us in the fellowship hall following service for cake. Please let me know if you'd like to volunteer to bake the cake for this celebration.

•Interested in becoming a guide, shadow, sub, or volunteer? Have a child in RE and want to find out more about the program? Are you a guide who wants to explore interesting and relevant topics for the RE classroom? If so, one or more of these sessions may be for you. Childcare will be provided!

- Sunday, June 21st- (9:45-10:15) Children's literature and encouraging reading- Please bring some of your favorite children's books to share!

"There is a way that nature speaks, that land speaks. Most of the time we are simply not patient enough, quiet enough, to pay attention to the story."
-Linda Hogan

"There are ways in, journeys to the center of life, through time; through air, matter, dream and thought. The ways are not always mapped or charted, but sometimes being lost, if there is such a thing, is the sweetest place to be. And always, in this search, a person might find that she is already there, at the center of the world. It may be a broken world, but it is glorious nonetheless." -Linda Hogan, The Woman Who Watches Over the World: A Native Memoir

Upcoming Events, Dates to Remember

JUNE 6: UU GOODWILL CLOTHING DRIVE 10AM-2PM

This Saturday, June 6, 2015 is the day we will be collecting clothing for the annual Goodwill Clothing Drive. For every bag of clothing we donate to Goodwill, we will receive a \$5 voucher. We then distribute the vouchers to LUM, YWCA Woman's Shelter, Cary Home for Children, and Family Promise. Please use 13 gallon kitchen bags. They are big enough to meet the requirements and not too big to carry. The drop off site is at the side door on Smiley St. Someone will be there to help you carry your bags. No shoes, belts, hangers, or household items are accepted. Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee. Contact person, Susanne McConville, mconville1200@comcast.net, or (765) 477-0344.

UU CHURCH PICNIC SUNDAY JUNE 7 Come one, come all to the UU Church Picnic after worship on Sunday, June 7 at Happy Hollow Park, Shelter I! We'll provide hot dogs & veggie dogs for the grill. Please bring a dish to share (side dishes, salads, veggies & dip, fruits, and desserts) if you are able. Also, bring your lawn chairs, dogs, Frisbees, friends, and outdoor games too! Happy Hollow Park can only be accessed from the Upper Hill/Route 52 Overpass approach at Soldier's Home Road. River Road at Happy Hollow and lower park entrance are closed.

June Calendar

5, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
12:00 PM Meeting (FH)
6:30 PM PRYSM (102)
7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

6, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M
10:00 AM UU Goodwill Collection Drop Off Date, Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Anonymous Group (FH)

7, Sunday, New Member Recognition!

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):
9:45 AM DRE: RE Guide Office Hours
10:30 AM Worship & RE
11:45 AM PICNIC AT HAPPY HOLLOW PARK SHELTER I
3:00 PM Purpose and Destiny Church Service with Pastor Lopez

8, 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)
7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)
7:30 PM Drumming Lesson (S), 2nd Mondays each month

9, Tuesday

11:00 AM DRE/Minister Meeting
12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:30 PM Old Path White Clouds (101/103)

5:30 PM Pastoral Care 102

6:30 PM BOARD MEETING (2nd Tuesdays, 101/103)

10, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
12:00 PM "The Principled Group" Noon Discussion (101/103)
2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)
6:30 PM Blue Moon Rising Choral Group directed by Denise Wilson (S/FH)

11, Thursday

5:30 PM Worship Committee (106)
5:30 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M)
5:40 PM Dinner @MCL
7:00 PM Purpose and Destiny Church, Pastor Philip Lopez: Bible Study (102)
7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

12, Friday

Karin works at TCHA Battle Ground Museum each Fri. Sat. Sun.
7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
12:00 PM Meeting (FH)
7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

13, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M
7:00 PM Anonymous Group (FH)
7:00 PM Purpose & Destiny Church Special Evening!



"John Hay, in *The Immortal Wilderness*, has written, "***There are occasions when you can hear the mysterious language of the Earth, in water, or coming through the trees, emanating from the mosses, seeping through the undercurrents of the soil, but you have to be willing to wait and receive.***" Sometimes I hear it talking. The light of the sunflower was one language, but there are others more audible. Once, in the redwood forest, I heard a beat, something like a drum or a heart coming from the ground and trees and wind. That underground current stirred a kind of knowing inside me, a kinship and longing, a dream barely remembered that disappeared back to the body...

Tonight, I walk. I am watching the sky. I think of the people who came before me and how they knew the placement of the stars in the sky, watching the moving sun long and hard enough to witness how a certain angle of light touched a stone only once a year. Without written records, they knew the gods of every night, the small, fine details of the world around them and the immensity above them.

Walking, I can almost hear the redwoods beating...It is a world of elemental attention, of all things working together, listening to what speaks in the blood. Whichever road I follow, I walk in the land of many gods, and they love and eat one another. Walking, I am listening to a deeper way. Suddenly all my ancestors are behind me. Be still, they say. Watch and listen. You are the result of the love of thousands."

-Linda Hogan, *Dwellings: A Spiritual History of the Living World*