



Greenville
Unitarian Universalist
Fellowship

The Weekly Spark

Spark the Memory, Spark the Spirit
September 21, 2008

TODAY at 12:30 pm
Fellowship Hall
Topic is Budget for remainder of
2008-2009 FY

~ ~ **IMPORTANT** ~ ~
**CONGREGATIONAL
MEETINGS**

October 26th 12:30 pm
Fellowship Hall
Election of the President-elect &
consideration of by-laws changes

Celebration of the Fall Equinox

Thursday, September 25
Women's Room, 7:00 pm.

All women from 18 to ... are
invited. You do not have to
be a member or guest of the
Fellowship to attend. Please
bring a dish to share. Questions?
609-6058 (Jackie)



~ Congregational Care Items ~

We extend our loving support to:

The family of Bob Monaghan -- death of Bob
Maureen Nery and her family -- death of cousin
Muriel & Glen Rowley -- family members' medical problems
Keith Mundis & family -- brother's work accident

Building & Grounds Work Day – October 4th

Our grounds are beginning to look ragged and need your loving care. Come with your trimming gear to help tame our shrubbery or with your construction gear to help repair holes in the driveway. With your help, we can have prepare our grounds for fall plantings.

Where: Greenville Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Grounds

When: Saturday, October 4 (Sometime between 9:00 and 2:00)

Why: To Work With Others Who Care About the Appearance of the Fellowship

What: Contribute a couple of hours to working to trim shrubs and spruce up campus

Who: You

WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee and good conversation after the service. We have a special newcomer's table with coffee mugs and information about Unitarian Universalism. Our greeters will be there to speak with you and help you feel at home.

Bon Fire and Hay Ride in Pumpkintown

At the home of Lori Morton and her son Case, Saturday Oct 18th, 2008 - \$20 donation to GUUF. Contact Lori at 864-430-0450 or email lori@aerie-corp.com



We have a few slots open so come and join friends and fellow UU's at the quasi-annual Pumpkintown Bonfire complete with veggie chili, adult beverages and weather permitting – a hay ride. Good conversation, good fun. Bring a chair, blanket, an instrument, or a story to share around the fire. No charge for children. "5:00 pm ish" until ...

Looking for Events to Attend, Classes to Attend and or What's Happening with Local Organizations?

Please make it a practice to take a look at the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall next to the kitchen and stage. This board is a place for posting and finding out information about fellow GUUF community services, events and classes in the greater Greenville community as well as what some other organizations are doing.

Enjoy & Explore!

Box Tops for UU World of Children

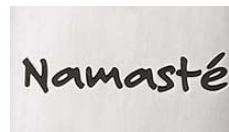
A box top cut out is worth .10 cents. This year we earned \$81 out of box top savings. Please cut out box tops from general Mills products such as Cheerios, Betty Croker products, Glad & Hefty bags, Huggies, Kotex, Scott's & Cottonelle toilet paper and Kleenex.



Thanks
Carole Lavash

Join Yoga Classes

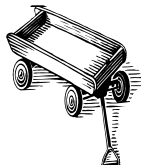
Starting on Oct through Nov Bruce Cable will be offering Yoga classes again. The class will begin at 6:30 and end around 8:15 pm. Questions? Contact Bruce Cable at brucecable@hotmail.com or 906-8067



Pat's Pantry

Please try to make a donation every week. These are hard times and every bit helps.

Thanks
Carole Lavash



Weekly Updates on Attendance & Contributions
9/14/08 Attendance: 150
9/14/08 Contributions: \$2,951

Alternative Gift Fair: November 23, 2008

From noon until 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



Volunteers are needed now to help with the publicity poster, web site, and press releases; plan logistics; and schedule fair helpers. We can also use many of you on the day of the event to set up, bake food for the bake sale, and staff the event. Please contact Nancy Fitzer at scfizers@yahoo.com or 370-3493 to volunteer.

SunTrust will donate \$100 to the charity of your choice (GUUF)

How? "SunTrust has made community involvement an important part of relationships we have in the communities we serve. As part of that commitment, we're offering a special opportunity that can help you help your community"

Open a new checking account with them in September and for each account SunTrust will donate \$100 to GUUF. If 5 people do this, \$500 easy. Ten and it's \$1,000, and so on. Even easier than working the food stand.

~ ~On Going Meetings and Classes~ ~

Childcare begins at 9:30 am each Sunday

A Course in Miracles (LOR) Sundays, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Jean Blank (239-0110)

African Drum Classes (FH) 1st Thursdays, 6:30 — 7:30 pm, Contact: Joan Baker (232-1660)

Community Drum Circle (FH) Last Sundays of each month, 1:00 — 2:00 pm, Contact: Joan Baker (292-6054)

Discussion Group (FR) Every Sunday, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Cliff Beck (848-9734)

Women's Book Group (WR) 2nd Sunday each month, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Susan Cooper (288-4912)

Zen Meditation (LOR) Tuesdays, 7:30 pm, Contact: Carole McAfee (236-8484)

Senior Fellowship (FH) A potluck and program, 2nd Thursday monthly, noon, Contact: Suzy Hart (235-1714) or Mary Foley (232-6003)

Dinner & A Movie (FH) Every 2nd Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm, Contact: Bo Boghani (458-8332)

The ManKind Project (WR) Every Wednesdays of each month, 7:00 — 9:00 pm, Contact: John Szczesniak (901-6068)

Yoga (FH) Every Tuesdays starting Oct. 7th – Nov. 18th, 6:30 — 8:15 pm, Contact: Bruce Cable (brucecable@hotmail.com or 906-8067)

Attention All Singers!

A special choir retreat on September 27th 2:00 – 5:00 pm to help us get started for the year with our new Guest Conductor, Miriam Davidson will be at the mountain home of Jeannette and Marshall Winn. Feel free to bring any other instruments that you play. Please contact Annie Pal 244-5858 or Suzy Boghani 458-8332 if you will be attending.

Are you new to the Greenville UU Fellowship?

Introduction to New UU Orienteering Class – A 7-week class for New Members, Friends and Newcomers. The Class is 7 weeks long beginning Sunday September 21 at 9:45 AM. The Children's nursery and class start at the same time. Classes will be held in the Right Sanctuary Overflow Room across from the ladies rest room. For details see or contact Glen Rowley 859-9992, or glenrowley@charter.net

The classes

Sept 21 - Meet the Class and their Spiritual Journey

Sept 28 - What do UUs Believe? What does the Class Believe?

Oct 5 - GUUF Past, Present, Future, & UU History
GUUF History, GUUF Future, UUism History, Building & Grounds, Work Days, Aesthetics, Landscaping, Memorial Garden.

Oct 12 - Religious Education (Adult & Children) & Staff Functions ARE, Build Your own Theology, Course in Miracles, Covenant Course, Mentors, Spiritual Cinema, YRE, & more.

Oct 19 – **Part A - Sunday Services 9:50 a.m.** - Choir, Sanctuary Aesthetics, Chalice Lighter, Infant Care, Joys & Sorrows, Lay Speakers, Music Instruments. **Part B - Social Justice & Programs 10:15 a.m.** - GLBT, Thrift Shop, Knitting Min, Letters, Pat's Pantry, Rowland/McFerrin House, Safe Harbor, Southern Side, GAIHN, UUA Chalice Lighters, Pastoral Care, Welcoming Congregation, Green Sanctuary

Oct 28 – **Part A - GUUF's Structure & how it relates regionally & Nationally 9:50 a.m.** - Board, Program Council, Denominational Affairs, The Mountain, Interfaith Issues, UU Service Comm., Budget, Office Gov. **Part B - GUUF Social Activities, Fund Raisers, and Website 10:15 a.m.** - Wm. Book Club, A Drums, Hikes, Dinner Groups, River trips, Auction, Greenville. Drive, Sound System & More

Nov 2 - Time, Talent, Treasure Commitment of GUUF Members Review Time & Talent Survey, Volunteer Pool, Operational Costs, Pledging & Canvas and Q & A

Have you read Eckhart Tolle's *A New Earth, Awakening to Your Life's Purpose*? Are you interested in a group that meets to discuss and follow the teachings? If so, newcomer Estelle Craig invites you to join her. Call Kris Beliakoff and she will connect you. Note: The group will decide where and how often they will meet.



Highlights in Lifespan Religious Education
From Babies to Sages
September 21, 2008



Classes and Events Today

9:30	<i>Childcare begins</i>
9:45	<i>Adults — Saving Jesus, Course in Miracles, Discussion Group, Spirit Play</i>
	<i>Children's Chapel (in our new space!) with Kris Beliakoff</i>
10:00	<i>Spirit Play (ages 3 to 4th grade)</i> <i>Kingdom of Equals (5th and 6th grade)</i>
11:00	<i>Middle School and Senior High together with Kris and advisors</i>
11:20	<i>PEACE with Ms Kat</i>

New Books IN!

The Book Nook has a wide selection of new Skinner House and Beacon Press books available for purchase during coffee hour. Buy from the Book Nook and you save on both tax and shipping charges. Best of all, you can preview the book before you buy it. Service provided by the Adult Religious Education Committee.

New Adult Course Offering!

Death and Dying

Four Thursdays October 9, 16, 23 & 30

10:30 am to 12:30 pm Facilitator - Rev. Norm Stewart

This 4 week class will address some of the emotional, legal, medical and spiritual attitudes and issues surrounding death and dying. End-of-life medical realities, legal considerations and planning will be discussed. Plans include one session with an attorney and another with a physician. Our last session will be an opportunity for you to explore and share how you might like to have your own life remembered, honored, and celebrated. You can bring a brown bag lunch and do lunch with friends after the class.

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