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Bingo Fundraiser Every Wednesday

Doors at 6:00pm / Calling at 7:00pm
Have a great time helping to run the game,
serve in the kitchen, set up, publicize the
game, or come and play. This is an All Church
Effort to Raise Money to keep our programs
strong and maintain our church home.
We Need Everyone to Participate
Contact Gary Ladka at 954-650-3728



Prez Says..

The miracle is this: the more we share, the more we have.

Leonard Nimoy

As our stewardship campaign draws to a close, I thank you all for your generosity with the UUCFL



Your support makes a tangible difference in keeping our doors open, making our programs happen, meeting our commitments to paid staff members, and continuing our outreach to the broader community. As we look at the economic and political landscape in late 2010, it is not an encouraging picture. The sluggish Florida and U.S. economies are not providing the job growth that we need. Florida politics continues to be a challenge, particularly on social issues. And nationally, our political system often seems incapable of dealing with looming environmental and fiscal challenges. While I think that engagement in state and national political issues and elections is essential, it sometimes seems that our individual efforts do not make a lot of difference. Where we can make a real difference is in engagement in our local communities, beginning with our congregation. UUCFL is our congregation, and we can directly see the results of our efforts to create and sustain a beloved community. This summer, our members identified music, religious education, "take home value" on Sunday, and building and grounds as areas that merit attention.

community and support of our annual campaign.

Your engagement—by participating in regular events, by talking with committee chairs or showing up at committee meetings, or saying yes when someone asks for help—can make a big difference in the life of our community.

Ken Beier

Stewardship Continues

Please give us a thrill— Judy Knopp or any other Board member will be thrilled to accept your pledge card which expresses your financial commitment to UUCFL for 2011. Of course, we hope the thrill will be mutual; that is, you will get



pleasure from enhancing our treasure.

Please keep in mind that a 2011 pledge is required to continue your membership and participate in our congregational budget meeting on January 9.

Your Stewardship Team

"What Moves Us?" Classes Continue

Our class on how well known Unitarian Universalist heroes and heroines dealt with the kinds of life issues, struggles and crises that we all encounter in life continues through November. Each Tuesday evening we look at



a life issue through the lens of a famous UU and share how we have dealt with similar issues. We gather at 7:15 p.m in Rooms 5 & 7. Cost is just \$5 per session. The topics upcoming are:

Nov. 2- The Human Heart- Margaret Fuller

Nov. 9-Boundless Universal Love-George DeBenneville

Nov. 16- Spiritual Renewal- Charles Chauncy

Nov. 23- Religious Naturalism- Sophia Lyon Fahs

Rev. Gail

Endowment is Thinking Early About Holiday Giving



Every year, EFI is able to set some money aside to give as Holiday Grants to special organizations that provide assistance to our neighbors.

If you know of a deserving non-profit who has a 501(c)3 status, stop by the UU office and pick up a Grant Application. If you would like further information about filling out the form, please see one of the EFI members:

David Armstrong Win Remley Doug Friend Monica Pavlik Kristine Stewart Annette Vafa

We'd be happy to help out and look forward to spreading some holiday cheer!

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The cUUrier carries the latest updates and details of upcoming services, events and activities of the church. Be informed—subscribe today!!



Gary Ladka - Editor

Rev. Gail's Space

Making Use of Your Minister

Many of you see me mainly on Sunday morning preaching, attending services others are doing and running around to meetings before or after church. A fair number of you I see regularly at Board or Committee meetings or one on one meetings concerning board or committee work. Some of you take the classes I offer or come to a Sunday afternoon book group or movie offering that I am either leading or participating in.

Some of you have worked with me to plan for a rite of passage for yourself or a loved one. A number of you have come to me for individual, couple or family counseling during a specific crises and many of you have received hospital or home visits and calls from me at a moment of illness or crises. Some of you have followed me into specific social justice or denominational work and for some of you I have been more of a cheerleader for projects that you have taken the lead on. Still, I would estimate that for about 40% of you and especially many of you who are newer to our community, I am more or less an unknown to you except for my pulpit presence.



That is too bad because one of the great advantages of a smaller church is that each and every one of you can have a personal encounter with me if you choose to take advantage of the opportunity. I am one of the few ministers that will answer my cell phone or return calls almost any day of the week. I tend to stay up later and sleep later than some people, but there are still many hours of the day when we should be able to connect. You can email me for informational requests or scheduling purposes but if there is something on your mind regarding a church issue, a denominational issue or a personal concern on which you could use an outside perspective or opinion please don't hesitate to call me. I may not get back to you immediately depending on my weekly schedule but I will certainly return your call. I can read text messages and reply but I prefer the back and forth of a phone conversation. I am also of course available for an in person conversation either at the church or at a restaurant or coffee shop.

While I have plenty to do and generally stay quite busy, it is very important to me that all the members, friends and guests in our community are aware that I can almost always fit in the time for at least a short conversation with you if you so desire. If we need more time than a short phone conversation, we can arrange for a more formal appointment. So please don't tell yourself that the minister is too busy and doesn't have time for you. Finding time for you is part of my job. So give me a ring. But please don't try to bring me all your issues before or after church on Sunday morning when I am almost always under stress.

In faith,

Rev. Gail

Social Justice Victories



Several important social justice victories have been won lately despite the terribly challenging economic crises we are still stuck in. Several of these victories have been facilitated by Unitarian Universalist grant money and we should all be aware of and take pride in these accomplishments. The Coalition of Immokolee workers which is heavily funded by UU Veatch Foundation money has been gaining more and more ground in their efforts to get an extra penny a pound for all the tomato pickers. The Wage Theft Coalition is spreading its efforts to get new legislation to protect workers income into Palm Beach and Broward having won an important and precedent setting victory in Miami last year. The South Florida Interfaith Worker Justice Group has been a major player in this effort.

Rev. Gail and former Miami UU minister Rev. Lucy Hitchcock were instrumental in acquiring grants from the Unitarian Universalist Fund for Social Responsibility to help in this work. A number of folks from our church and other nearby UU congregations have helped in these important economic justice initiatives.

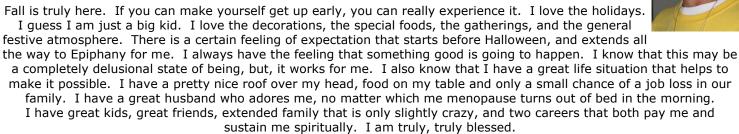
Rev. Gail





Religious Education

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So, for those out there for whom the holidays are something to be endured, let us do something about that. If you are alone, get involved with something at church. From now through the New Year, we have lots of events happening here at church. Whether you try Rev Gail's Tuesday night class, join the choir, attend our December holiday party, come to 4th Friday Vespers or any of the dozens of things that make our church calendar impossible to read, COME. If you have family that is to be endured rather than treasured, endure, and then come and join activities here at church. If you just need someone to talk to, come to us. The Reverend is a very good listener, as am I. We are mostly just known as talkers, but we can, and will gladly listen.

Those of us who are doing well during the holidays need to be more aware of those around us. Perhaps you can invite someone over for a meal, an evening with you and your family, or a daytime outing to a museum, the park, or even to the mall. Holiday shopping can actually be fun if done with someone else. Perhaps a ride to a church event can be offered to an older member who can no longer drive at night, and remember, it won't kill any of us to drive slightly out of our way. The result is well worth it. My real point is that a community takes care of its own. I would like everyone in our wonderful community to have a more joyous holiday season. Let us make it happen.

Love and Blessings,

Susan



Children's November Religious Education (RE) Calendar

Sunday November 7, 11AM Regular RE Kids Start in Class

Sunday November 14, 11AM Regular RE Kids Start in Class Sunday November 21, 11AM Fall Feast Kids Start in Class

Sunday November 28, 11AM Movie Day Kids Start in Class

No Religious Education (RE) Committee Meeting this month



Make sure you mark your calendars for Sunday November 21 after service, for our annual Thanksgiving Fall Feast. RE kids and parents prepare and serve a traditional Thanksgiving meal including turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing and veggies. The cost is still only \$9.00, and the proceeds go to fund the teen trip to Boston. Support our teen group. Tickets will be on sale before and after church.

We also want everyone planning to come to our Holiday Party, which this year is on Saturday December 11, from 7-11PM. We will be serving finger foods, Miss Susan's famous hot mulled wine, making ornaments, decorating the tree, caroling, and enjoying community fellowship. This is a church wide event that you should not miss. Oh, and there will be a visit from a certain jolly gentleman.

4th Friday Vespers Worship at UUCFL



End your work week and start you weekend. We have a new chance for worship here at The Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale.

Our 4th Fridays Vespers service will be a different offering than our Sunday morning service. It will consist of music, meditation, poetry and other readings. The length of the service will be from 45-60 minutes. It will be a reflective, meditative time, allowing us to close our hectic week and set our minds for the weekend. The plan is to have a live musician most weeks. The music will be different each week, but always having a character of reflection and repose. There will also be some group singing. If you have trouble getting up on Sunday, or just want to enjoy a different service, this is for you. Combine Vespers with a walk on our Labyrinth, and you will have a clear mind, an open heart, and a joyous soul. For more information contact me at tiredmomofbob@aol.com (954) 424-1910

Susan Dirgins-Friend
Director of Religious Education and Choir Director
Vespers dates for the rest of 2010

Friday November 26 6PM NO VESPERS IN DECEMBER 4th FRIDAY IS CHRISTMAS EVE

The Committee on Ministry

In the Unitarian Universalist tradition ministry is about how we care for each other in our church community. Ministry, then, is everybody's business. Your committee on ministry would like to hear from you



about how we are doing ministry as a community. What are we doing well and what maybe not so well? After a couple of summer months off your committee on ministry has resumed meeting monthly with Reverend Gail to support her, and all of us in the work of ministry.

We are: Vanessa Gilyard, chair
Victor Garlock, and David Griswold

Music Notes

We are now heading into the holidays with the special music and extra services to enjoy. The Music Committee met to discuss the uses of the David Fisher Memorial Fund in accordance with his wishes as outlined to several members



of the church during David's final weeks. We have compiled a list of musicians with varied talents to enhance the music of services between choir Sundays. If you wish to be part of this planning, be sure to attend future meetings of the Music Committee.

Choir Director, Susan Friend, has chosen the choir anthems for the holiday season. We have openings in all parts for new singers. Come and experience the joy of harmonizing with other choir members in this happy season. We hope to outgrow the choir loft soon. Come and claim your space!

Thanks to Bill Cox for his prelude on October 17. He continues to assist in our music program. If you read this before October 31, just wait for a spooky Toccata on the organ played by Charlie Prather. Thank you Charlie for your Halloween contribution and for accompanying the hymns nearly every Sunday. Thank you to Jose for his solos with guitar on October 3. We hope to hear more from this talented young man.

Speaking of "young", I am sure there are some young people in the congregation who can play piano or other instruments and might want to break into the music program by playing one piece - prelude, offertory, or postlude for a service. Don't be shy, the octogenarian staff will welcome you.

For Association Sunday, Rev. Gail requested music by UU composers if possible. Into research mode, I checked the internet and found a list of UU Composers on the UU Musicians Network which I printed. I also found the web site of music written by Alan Stringer whose "Prelude in F" I downloaded to play on that Sunday. There is an amazing amount of useful information on the internet which I am only beginning to access. Help! Myra or some other computer expert. I need instructions.

Dot Muise, Director of Music

Music is the mediator between the spiritual and the sensual life.

~Ludwig van Beethoven



Labyrinth Cafe Concert Series presents **Amy Carol Webb CD Release Party** Saturday, November 6 - 7:30 pm

What a delight to see the room filled to comfortable capacity with family, new acquaintances and old friends...

all part of our special South Florida music community presenting Dar Williams (with the talented Bryn Roberts) a few weeks ago was truly a dream come true. She came, she sang, she charmed... and she was truly touched and amazed at the enthusiastic and supportive audience - so glad many of you were there to share in the magic...



Now it's time to welcome back local and national treasure Amy Carol Webb -Amy's recent Facebook status reads: "New CD recording finished and mastered. Cover designed. Text being written. To press by Friday planned. November 6 concert in Ft. Lauderdale. It really is like giving birth -- push-push-breathe, and then listen for the sound of a new creation!"...

Please help us welcome Amy's new "baby" into the world

"Amy Carol Webb" defined, is "beloved song weaver." She is passionate, powerful, and poignant. She's the girl next door and no ordinary woman. Born and reared in Oklahoma, Amy traces her heritage back to Native Americans through her Great-Grandmothers who settled Oklahoma when it was still a Territory. Amy's music reflects the same pioneering spirit, tenacity, integrity and never-quit grit. She is "beauty and vulnerability, genuine, sympathetic and electrifying." (Gables Gazette)

Her joy is infectious, her courage inspiring, her songs gifts of literate, humorous, often profound poems of one woman's remarkable journey from precious child, to woman to mother... to "Songweaver."

Reservations requested but not required: Contact Susan at OzWoman321@aol.com or 954-478-8637

\$15 at the door, plus non-perishable item for our local Cooperative Feeding Program (canned meats, beans, fruits, vegetables, peanut butter, dried milk, pasta, rice, cereal, baby food and baby formula); advance reservations: \$12, checks (made out to Amy Carol Webb) received in the UU church office (address above, ATTN: Labyrinth Cafe) no later than Wednesday before Saturday show...

Please visit www.labyrinthcafe.com for further details and the artists' websites, as well as our MySpace page for song samples (coming soon)... and our new Facebook page to give us a thumbs-up, which will then keep you informed of upcoming concerts...:-)

Susan Moss—Labyrinth Café Concerts

What's Your Board of Trustees Up To?

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. ~Margaret Mead

Your Board meets at 7:00 pm the second Monday of each month to transact church business and help make sure that you receive the best possible Service every Sunday morning.

Music begins where words leave off and planning for our musical program is well under way. Twenty plus of you met last month after Service to share your ideas. We're looking for musical talent. Anyone you know come to mind? Let us know! We'll arrange it!

Rev. Gail's adult education class on "What Moves You?" happens every Tuesday at 7:00pm. There's still time to get in on a few of these thought-provoking sessions.

How about that <u>Stewardship</u> Halloween Program and wonderful Unitarian Buffet!! We hope you enjoyed it! We support our Church Community because we believe it points to what is noblest and best in life. Your financial, physical and spiritual support sustains

Our Finance Committee is working on our Budget. A Workshop to discuss it is scheduled for Sunday, December 12th You're invited.



There's talk about bringing back our very inexpensive and healthy Sunday lunch. This can happen only if you volunteer to help. It takes a Village! We have an abundance of talent in our community! Let's get together and make it happen! Get involved! You'll be glad you did!!

Judy Knopp, Your Secretary

Help Feed the Community



Cooperative Feeding Work date for the month is Saturday, COOPERATIVE FEEDING PROGRAM November 6.

Come out and do something for our community at large. We will meet at church at 8AM for carpooling, or at 8:45 at the CFP.

Future Labyrinth Café Concerts

December 4, 2010 - Jennings & Keller/Doug & Telisha Williams January 8, 2011 - Christine Lavin February 12, 2011 - Carrie Elkin/Danny Schmidt March 12, 2011 - Nick Annis/Chuck Brodsky April 9, 2011 - Rod MacDonald/Joe Crookston May 14, 2011 - Marie Nofsinger/Annie Wenzway



CUUPS Update

As you are reading this we are likely just starting our Thirteenth Annual Witches Ball. Do come out and play.

We have no Sabbats in November, but Thursday night Study Groups continue.

Nov 4 we do a Dark Moon Faerie Ritual.

Nov 11 we do "Discover Your Personal Element."

Nov 18 Rev Gail makes her annual visit with stories of Aunties and

what's happening within the UUA.

Nov 25 we stay home and do our own Turkey Ritual, just like everybody else.

Kip, Resident Pagan

Office Notes

Greetings and good wishes from Sandy in the Office.

What a wonderful change is in the air. Our beautiful gardens are filled with birds. We have both year round dwellers and visitors from North and South. Did you know that some Hummingbirds fly across the Gulf of Mexico to visit Florida? I wish you Happy Holidays. Celebrate EVERYTHING!

Some helpful information for guests and new friends:

The ceiling fan, in the library is turned on and off by the round wall switch, on your right as you enter the library.

The air conditioning control switch, for the South wing, is in the Multi Purpose Room.

If you place sharp push pins low on the bulletin boards, little kids can reach them. Kids put everything in their mouths.

The tiles in our entryway will not support a car.

UUCFL is the loveliest Church in South Florida.

Do you need an updated phone directory? Are you planning an event at the Church? Feel free to ask questions, schedule an event on the UUCFL calendar, make suggestions, or get information at the office. Your thoughts are most welcome.

Sandy in the UUCFL office

Book Discussion Group

On Nov. 14, please join us after church for a discussion of the latest book by Barbara Kinsolver.

The Lacuna has been universally

praised as one of the best books by

this beloved author. Also at this meeting we will discuss future directions for the book group and take suggestions for what we should read in 2011 and 2012. Please join us if you find reading to be one of the



spiritual practices you most enjoy.

Melanie Taffel, Discussion Leader and Rev. Gail

UUSC and UUCFL Welcome Guests at Our Tables

You can help make the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's (UUSC's) 70th anniversary a banner year for global human rights. By celebrating Guest at Your Table in your congregation, you are helping nurture a spirit of gratitude and "justice, equity, and compassion in human relations." Guest at Your Table fosters understanding and awareness of UUSC's human-rights work. With each box comes a copy of Stories of Hope, which helps children, youth, and adults learn more about how UUSC works to change our world for the better. The stories introduce human-rights champions like Carolina Lara, a youth leader of a movement in Ecuador that successfully lobbied to have the human right to water included in the country's new constitution.

Consider making it part of a mealtime ritual to read through one of the stories and discuss its meaning and how we can help. When we share our blessings with our "guests," we ensure that UUSC and people like Carolina can continue their important work.

And, thanks to the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock in Manhasset, N.Y., gifts of \$100 or more are eligible to be matched, dollar for dollar, doubling the impact of your support!

We will kick off our Guest at Your Table program on Sunday November 21. Visit www.uusc.org for more details on this and other service committee activities around the world.

Noralee Traylor - Unitarian Universalist Service Committee







Unitarian Universalist Southeast Winter Institute in Miami

SWIM is an all-age Unitarian Universalist camp held near Miami, Florida between Christmas and New Years Day. It's a wonderful time of year to frolic in the sun as we gather for a week of fun and fellowship. We invite you to share this low-cost vacation with Unitarian Universalists and friends, and especially awesome people like you! SWIM will take place this year at Camp Owaissa Bauer from December 26, 2010 through January 1, 2011.

Choose from a wide variety of workshops to relax, reflect and stimulate your mind. Outdoor adventures feature the unique beauty of the Florida Everglades and range from strenuous to relaxing. We provide special programs for children, teens and young adults. If you are a performer, show us your talent at the Coffeehouse. If you like dancing the night away, join us at Serendipity. Do you have something to buy or sell? Visit the SWIM Store. SWIM is also looking for staff.

Please visit www.swimuu.org for more information and to register.

UUA (Unitarian-Universalist Association) Florida District Executive Message

Win some, lose some?

We are blessed in this nation to take our elections for granted. Win or lose, we agree that this is the way to choose our leaders. Far better than the violent way used in too many places around the world.

Accepting a vote's outcome, win or lose, is rather amazing when you think of it.

Our Unitarian Universalist principles commit our congregations to the democratic

Our Unitarian Universalist principles commit our congregations to the democratic process. Mostly that's how it goes, a rather taken for granted kind of thing.

I am startled how often, though, we don't trust the process. We just don't take votes on things that matter to us. Perhaps it is we're a peaceable people; we don't come to church for contention. Shouldn't we all just agree?

It is desirable for us to approach our common goals in an agreeable manner. But it can tie us up in knots. I once worked with a board committed to a consensus approach. They refused to vote on anything. They would spend hours, sometimes months proving to themselves they all agreed before a decision could be made.



Consensus decision making often works well - when little is at stake. Regrettably, it does not help when we have real differences. Seeking consensus leaves a congregation or board vulnerable to a few who won't agree. It leads to a rule by the minority.

Willful bullying is another way we avoid the democratic process. Unwilling to have an open conflict, congregational leaders cave into the squeakiest and most persistent voices. Resentfully giving in, saying, "Oh, alright, we'll do it your way" may buy tranquility, but it does not yield decisions for the good of all. It, too, is rule by the minority.

There will be times when we will not see eye to eye. Democratic process says we resolve differences by taking a vote which means someone loses, someone wins. It may be painful to lose, but, in a real, beloved, community, that's how it is. You win some, you lose some.

Democracy demands the majority rule with respect for the rights of the minority. It also requires the minority to let the majority lead. Withholding support, demanding "my way or the highway," disregarding a Board's decision, or demanding that an issue be revisited over and again are but some forms of anti-democratic behavior.

So, good people, live our 5th principle. Be a good citizen in our society and in your congregation. Take a vote!

All blessings, always,

Rev. Kenn Hurto - UUA Florida District Executive

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H & R Block Fundraiser Continues



Kudos to Ken Wensel who raised over \$2000 for UUCFL through the H&R Block referral program during the first half of this year. If you are a "late" **H&R BLOCK** federal income tax filer, you can still participate. Flyers for this program can

be found on the UUCFL bulletin board and Ken can be found at the H&R Block office in the Northridge shopping plaza at Commercial and Dixie. He can be reached at 954-772-8890.



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There are seven principles which Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations:
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



November Birthdays

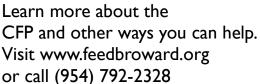
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If you would like to see your birthday announced here and in the cUUrious cUUrier email newsletter, please contact Sandy in the office to make sure we have your updated information in the computer

Remember the Hungry People Around Us

Please continue to fill the Food Baskets at the church with non-perishables for the Cooperative Feeding Program.







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Sundays Service & Children's at 11 am: Religious Education

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Sunday Morning Services at 11 am

NOVEMBER 2010

November 7 – Aging Well – Rev. Scott Alexander who is the newly settled UU minister in Vero Beach is our guest this morning. Regardless of your chronological age there are certain things that can help you age with grace and see the process as an adventure. This baby boomer will share how he is trying to make the aging process an exciting rather than distressing process

November 14- Jazz and Justice – Drawing on a book called "Sweet Dreams in America" by UU thinker Dr. Sharon Welsh, Rev. Gail will look at Jazz as a unique American music form that can both entertain us and nurture us through difficult times in the long road toward a more just and equitable existence. A live Jazz trio will be playing for us.

November 21 – Proudly Not PC Enough- Rev. Gail will discuss how she has often found herself at odds with every political and social movement she has been a part of because of her unwillingness to adhere to any rigid party line. She suggests that it is in our contradictions that we are most authentic. We will also hear about our Guest at Your Table program and enjoy our terrific choir. Our Fall Feast follows the service.

November 28- Beyond World Aids Day -

Rev. Gail, Interweave members and others will look at the connections between the long struggle with the AIDS epidemic and other epidemics like the bullying crisis that targets many marginal groups.

December 5 – The Paradoxes of the Holidays-Looking at the various holidays we celebrate during this season, Rev. Gail will suggest that the season offers many contradictions and stresses as well as opportunities for celebration, fun, fellowship and spiritual deepening.

