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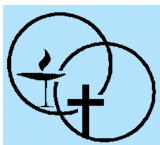
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New Prophetic Imperative Classes Begin

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**Raina Rose/
Rebecca Loebe**

Saturday, April 14

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BOLD Justice Nehemiah Action

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Beltaine Celebration

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**Official
Notice**

UU CFL Annual Election Meeting

Sunday, May 20 at 1:00pm

Members will vote on elections for the Board of Trustees, The Nominating Committee and Members of the UUCFL Endowment Fund Board
See nominees on Page 2

Other voting items may also appear on the agenda including
proposed Endowment Fund charter revision (see page 2)

From Your Board President



Like everyone else, I am always delighted to see visitors and guests attend our Sunday Services. I am happy to see smiling faces of people participate in our service and enjoy sharing coffee hour treats while chatting with new friends. I am so happy to be part of this community, that when someone new comes to attend our service, I feel like I am welcoming guests into my home!

UUCFL is a place where I have felt welcome from the very first time I came for service. I saw that no one "put on airs" and everyone treated each other with equal warmth.

I am an introvert and feel more comfortable observing rather than participating, so I started by volunteering in the kitchen. Once I got my bearings I felt comfortable including myself in conversations at coffee hour.

Whether you are a long term member, or a new member finding your bearings, this is truly an open and loving community. Welcome to UUCFL!

Colette Saucier

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee presents the following candidates for Election at the upcoming Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday May 20.

Board of Trustees:

President Elect - Jeffery Hutt

Treasurer - Benny Rivera

Trustee - Hildra Tague

Trustee - Victor Garlock

Trustee - Susan McAlpin

Nominating Committee:

Larry Wilkner

Jerry Waltz

Gary Ladka



UUCFL Endowment Fund Board Nominees Announced

In accordance with the Bylaws of the UUCFL Endowment fund, The Minister, The President of UUCFL and the Chair of the Finance Committee nominate the following candidates for Endowment Board:

Guy Jeanty

Steve Lange

The Board of EFI consists of 6 Members and terms are for 3 years.



ENDOWMENT FUND

Words from the Board



What sort of trouble is your Board stirring up now? A complete overhaul of the system! A breakdown of UUCFL processes and regulations! I admit I am exaggerating; however, there was discussion about change at Monday's Board Meeting. One of the topics examined included the number

of members that serve the Board and the frequency of Board Meetings. If you are interested reviewing the UUCFL bylaws and charter, or have an opinion of what changes, if any, need to be implemented please avail yourself to Myra Symons, Ken Beier, or Bill Schoolman.

There is another change coming to our congregation to help with bookkeeping duties. Douglas Paul is on a quest for a part-time, temporary bookkeeper to assist in getting our financials in order. The search is for a consultant from outside of our congregation, but if you have any recommendations, please see Douglas. This is a paid position that was approved in the budget, not a volunteer opportunity and I'm sure many of you share my sentiments when I say I'd rather crunch on raw cashews than numbers.

Are you more interested in joining forces with other UUs to compel political changes?

Consider attending this year's General Assembly from June 20-24 in Phoenix, AZ. For more information on "Justice GA" see www.uua.org/ga.

Don't forget to take some time for yourself and change up your weekends! Victoria Abbott is back in town and looking to organize "Friendly Fridays," a once or twice a month outing or dinner to promote bonds within our community. Connect with Victoria to help get this project off the ground. Also, keep an eye out for an upcoming flyer advertising a "Peace and Freedom Seder."

There is a local secular Jewish congregation heavily involved in Jewish-Muslim relations planning a non-traditional Passover Seder. Although this event is still in the works, UUCFL will more than likely be one of a group of host sites around Broward for this multid denominational celebration.

Please join us at the next convening of the board of trustees, the second Monday of every month (for now)!

Alexis Blasenheim, Secretary

Endowment Fund Charter revision proposed for voting on May 20:

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by not less than four (4) not more than seven (7) members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale, Florida for a term of three years except the current past president shall serve an additional term of one (1) year as a member of the Board.

Rev. Gail's Space

The Search Goes On

The World Religion text book I used for the classes I taught at Strayer University this winter was truly a thing of beauty. I only wish I had been exposed to such an excellent introductory text when I started seminary at Harvard Divinity School. Called Living Religions the text covered the religious landscape in a remarkably even handed and creative way. I learned a lot about several religious traditions I was not too familiar with proving the old adage "we only teach what we need to learn."



So many of my classes when I was at HDS were classes based on a particular professor's research and covered some rather narrow area in great detail. While it can be very important to know more and more about less and less, it is also very crucial to have a big picture. Much of what I liked best about the book was the interesting way it connected what one might call tribal religions with many of the new types of religious groups that have cropped up in the last 30 to 50 years. What is seemingly true across all religious lines is that people are absolutely determined to find some kind of meaning in life. Life often feels random and unfair and we all see that the world is full of both beauty and horror. All belief systems attempt to offer some hope in the way of seemingly hopeless situations. Some of the systems that have evolved over the course of human history seem very strange to us and I realize that many of us as Unitarian Universalist take a rather skeptical view of many of the more colorful religious groups. However, in thinking about some of these groups, I realize that they all provide ways to offer comfort to someone. It certainly might not be for me or for you but as almost all the students in my World Religions class noted in our final discussion, we all need to learn to be more open minded and realize that for some people - not just the answers but the questions are different. Each student had to do a final research project that involved attending a service and interviewing someone who was part of a religious group that was way out to their comfort zone. The results were amazing to me and the discussions we had on the last night of class in both my sections were eye opening. I feel like I would like to give each and every one of you the same assignment and see what you would come up with. Where would you go? What religion would you like to know more about? Don't depend on me. Step out of your comfort zone. I think I will make the next year a kind of World Religions revisited.

Blessings on our journeys, ***Rev. Gail***

Seder for Freedom and Peace

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Ft. Lauderdale is proud to host and be one of the sponsors for the "The Seder of the Children of Abraham: A Story of Israeli-Palestinian Reconciliations." This very special event will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday April 7, 2012 right here in the UUCFL Sanctuary. It will feature a gourmet vegetarian meal with traditional dishes. The Seder will be professionally led and will include a cantorial soloist. The Haggadah will be in the progressive Secular Jewish tradition.



Tzedakah(charity) project: Donations accepted for "Food Not Bombs" food bank.

RSVP by April 2, by mailing a check (payable to Secular Jewish Humanists) to Ilana Miller, 5911 NW Manor, Parkland, FL 33067.

For additional info, please call 754-200- 1048. Cost is \$35 per adult, \$25 for children and students.



Religious Education

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It is hard to believe that it is already April, and we are heading into our hot months soon. I encourage everyone to take advantage of the last days of lovely weather, and, the great bunch of events here at church this month. We will be having our usual Easter activities, which always include our kid's egg hunt. This is a good time to invite those friends or family members that you think would maybe be a good fit at UUCFL. Nothing like a good egg hunt to get families out of bed on Sunday. To that end, **I am accepting donations of non-chocolate, individually wrapped candy and plastic Easter eggs for the egg hunt. Thanks in advance.**

Don't miss our Empty Bowls supper on April 12. We will be serving soup and raising money for Lifenet4Families, (Cooperative Feeding Program). This is a great event, where you can stuff yourself on homemade soups of all kinds, socialize with your friends, and do good while you are doing it-what's not to love? April 14 will be the 9th annual John U.

Lloyd workday and beach bar-b-que in honor of Earth Day. This is a great event for families of all kinds, where plants are planted, beaches are cleaned, and all manner of delicious food is enjoyed.

It is usually warm enough for swimming too. I think we will also be hosting a Passover Seder this month and April will feature the Bold Justice Nehemiah Action that we have been working towards. Anyone that wants to know anything about any of these events can contact me. So, why, you ask, are you telling us about stuff that is talked about elsewhere in the Journey? I'll tell you why. BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO GO TO THESE THINGS!!! People always tell me how great the choir sounds, and that we look like we are having such a good time. We are. You know why? Because the choir goes to things here at church, and they are involved, and they have a real sense of community. Granted, they have to look me in the eye later if they choose not to show up, but, that is a story for another day. They have a close knit group that they enjoy the company of. Everyone here at church can have that. All it takes is showing up, pitching in, and reaping the benefits. Community is created; it does not just emerge without some effort being put into it. So, get out there you folks, and create your own community.

Love and Blessings, *DRE Susan*



April Children's Religious Education Schedule

Sunday April 1, 11AM
Passover Lesson
Kids Start in Class

Sunday April 8, 11AM
Easter
Kids Start in Church

**Sunday April 8, 12:15PM
Easter Egg Hunt**

Sunday April 15, 11AM
Regular RE
Kids Start in Class

Sunday April 22, 11AM
Earth Day Lesson
Kids Start in Church

Sunday April 29, 11AM
Regular RE
Kids Start in Class



LifeNet4Families

Cooperative Feeding Program

LifeNet4 Families/ Cooperative Feeding Update

We had a good group for our March workday. They worked hard and had fun. Our next workday will be in May. Remember to keep bringing in the canned or bagged (no glass) non-perishable food for the baskets, and take your unwanted clothes to the GOODWILL.

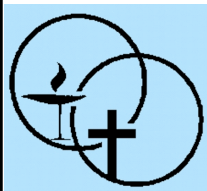


Huge BOLD Justice Action Set

It is finally just around the corner folks- the reason we got involved in the BOLD Justice initiative. The big Nehemiah action where several thousand people of all faith across a spectrum of beliefs, ages, races and circumstances gather in mass at the War Memorial on a Thursday evening to represent their religious community and to speak out for Justice. Public officials in the education and employment sectors will be appearing and will be asked questions about how they are serving the public interests. The idea is to really hold them accountable for their actions. This is the event we have been building up to all year. We will gather to register and sit together with our fellow UUCFL's at 6:30 p.m. on April 26. Come early to get a parking space. Our goal is to get about 70 UUCFL folks and their friends to set proudly with our sign. Be there or be part of the problem not the solution.

Rev Gail and the BOLD Justice Team

Prophetic Imperative Classes



Starting on April 3 and running for four Tuesdays, Rev. Gail Tapscott will be offering a class that will follow up on last fall's class on prophecy in the Jewish traditions. This series will focus on prophecy in the Christian and Unitarian Universalist traditions. Part of the Purpose of this class is to give people a philosophical underpinning for our church's

involvement in BOLD Justice and other social action projects like the Empty Bowls dinner.

The class will take place on 4 Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. leading up to the big BOLD Justice Nehemiah action on April 26, 2012. Price for the whole series is \$30.00 or \$8 per class.

April 3- The Prophetic Tradition in the Gospel of Luke – Part I

April 10- The Prophetic Tradition in the Gospel of Luke- Part II

April 17- James Luther Adams- the Prophethood of All Believers

April 24- Richard Gilbert- The Prophetic Imperative

Having attended the fall series is in no way a prerequisite to attending this series.

Rev. Gail

"Fairy Tales and You" Class in May

Following up on member Victor Garlock's class on dreamwork Rev. Gail has been inspired to follow-up with a class on Fairy Tales and some aspects of their impact on psychological life and popular culture. Watch for announcements of days and times for this new class series.

Music Notes

Laura Sue, the Silver Nightingale brought her lovely and original flute music to the Sunday Service on March 11. Dot joined her in the Offertory, "Sicilienne" by Maria Theresia Von Paradis which was chosen



because the service was about the women's revolution. The composer was born in Vienna, Austria in 1757. At the age of 2, she became blind but her musical talent was already evident. She learned more than 60 piano concertos by memory. Her compositions were dictated. At 20, she was treated by Dr. Mesmer, the doctor-hypnotist and for a brief time she regained her sight but lost her musical abilities. When her blindness returned so did her creative musical genius. She composed choral cantatas, solos, and many sonatas for piano and other instruments. She died in 1824 leaving an amazing musical legacy.

March 18 brought our choir to sing "Cat's In The Cradle" about a father who loved his son but never had time for him as he grew up. It is a reminder to all parents to find time to spend with their children. Gail will be speaking on "The Family Drama".

The March 25 service is about Kabbalah. Don't know what that is, then come and learn about it.

As we move on to April we wonder what Rev. Gail has to say about Fools and all manner of other April 1 personages.

No telling what Dot may bring to this service either. Come and find out! Easter Sunday is April 8 when the choir will sing Alleluias and "I Will Sing with the Spirit". We promise to make this a joyous and worthwhile experience. The choir returns on April 22, Earth Day with the familiar "Garden Song".

April 15 and April 29 will be guest speakers. On the 29th there will also be guest musicians. Both services will address issues of interest to all UU's.

Somehow Lore provided us with programs on March 11 when family pressures and her father's funeral service were creating great emotional stress. I hereby nominate Lore for Sainthood for fitting in UUCFL concerns in a very difficult week. Thank you, Lore.

Dot Muise, Director of Music



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www.suusi.org
For more information



Name Tags – If you have not yet received your new name tag lanyard, please sign up in church on Sundays. You have a choice of designs between a picture of the church and a chalice. Please wear your name tags each Sunday so our veterans and our newer members and visitors recognize each other better.

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Larry Wilkner - Membership Committee

CUUPS Update

Walk our beautiful labyrinth on the new mulch. The Pagans found \$650 outside of the church budget to fund this project. Nice grounds and good programs keep people coming back.

Our Thursday evening Study Groups continue.

Saturday, April 28, we celebrate the High Holy Day of Beltaine. This is the planting season and beginning of Summer in Ireland, Mesopotamia and in between. It is the time to heard the cattle between the bonfires for prosperity and tic removal. It is the time for your couples to go swithing in the fields and set an example for the plants and animals. It's all a very religious thing.

Our program starts at noon and includes workshops, belly dancers, live music, vendors, a Sadie of the Hawk Chase, a may Pole, and a Beltaine Ritual at 5 PM. Do come out and play.

Kip, Resident Pagan



9th Annual EARTH DAY! 2012 Park Work Day & Pot Luck Picnic John U. Lloyd State Park, Dania Beach

In celebration of Earth Day!, on Saturday, April 14th from 8:00am to 1:00pm at John U. Lloyd State Park in Dania Beach, we will gather to volunteer our time for some community service work.



This year marks the 9th anniversary of Earth Day Service to J.U. Lloyd Park. We have raised \$400.00 this year, so we will be planting some large native species and doing some clean-up if time allows. Please be at the Park Gate by 8:00am, tell them you are a work volunteer and they will tell you how to get to parking lot #2, where we are meeting. From there we will organize into two teams—the Cooks and the Cleaners. Don't forget to bring some food for the feast, call Lisa Holstein at 954-597-6882 / taralefey@bellsouth.net to let her know what side dish, chips, or sweet you'd like to bring.

NOTE: Kids in Broward County Schools, this is an opportunity to earn Community Service Hours, make sure you bring your school's Service Hour Recording form so the Park Ranger can sign-off.

IMPORTANT NOTE: please bring or wear the following items:

Gloves & Hat, Sunscreen, Closed shoes, socks, long-sleeved shirts & pants (recommended for safety), Bathing Suit & Towel, Permission Slip (if under 18 without parent or guardian present), Food for the Pot-Luck BBQ Feast

To RSVP or for more information, please contact:

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call Lisa regarding food

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Annual Filling Empty Bowls Fundraiser

EMPTY
BOWLS



Join us Thursday, April 12, 2012 from 5:30pm -8:00pm for the 10th Annual Empty Bowls Dinner at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale. Buy a handcrafted bowl for a minimum donation of \$10 have it filled with soup and bread, listen to music and eat with your neighbors! All proceeds to benefit LifeNet4Families/Cooperative Feeding Program. This is an event that was spawned right here at UUCFL and has expanded to include other interfaith groups in Broward County. For information about how to help the hungry families in our community, call (954) 792-2328 or visit www.LifeNet4Families.org

**Labyrinth Café Concerts Presents:
Raina Rose/Rebecca Loebe
Saturday, April 14 at 7:30pm**

As the second daughter of a country music historian and a Jewish poet, Americana musician and songwriter **Raina Rose** revels in sharing with you her beautifully twisted, yet refreshingly optimistic perspective on the world. Her unique voice and exceptional guitar playing transcend age, gender, generation, and even catch the ears of those who aren't typically into acoustic guitar-driven songwriting. With a naturalist's eye, an artist's pen, and a lion's attack, Raina lays everything she has on the line; she makes you feel as if she's your best friend whispering a honeysuckle-sweet secret in your ear, warmly inviting you into a joyfully intimate and darkly candid conversation. It's that ability to forge her own path in the world of music that sets Raina apart from her contemporaries, and her "no holds barred, lay it on the line" brand of Americana that secures Raina's place in music history as more than a mere footnote or a passing trend.
www.rainarose.com



Berklee College of Music graduate **Rebecca Loebe** is a laid-back award-winning indie-folk singer from Atlanta, GA. Since quitting her job as a full-time recording studio engineer in 2006, she has performed 100+ shows per year at colleges, coffeehouses and theaters in over 30 states of the US and in Europe. She has garnered rave reviews for her high-energy performances, weaving together skillful, emotional songwriting, folk storytelling and whimsical comedy for the ADHD generation. Rebecca was recently a contestant on the NBC television show *The Voice* and her cover of Nirvana's "Come as You Are", which she performed for her blind audition, reached #7 on the iTunes US

Alternative song chart. **www.rebeccaloebe.com**

Reservations requested but not required: Contact Susan at 954-478-8637 Visit www.labyrinthcafe.com

\$15 at the door; \$12 advance reservations (checks made out to the performer received in the UU church office no later than Wednesday before Saturday show)...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)

Susan Moss - Labyrinth Café Concerts

Labyrinth Café - Season Finale

May 12 – Amy Carol Webb & Kat Eggleston

A Course in Miracles Study Group Meets on Mondays at UUCFL



A Course in Miracles Study Group, one path of many to the experience of oneness. These are free (we pass around a donation envelope when we have expenses to meet).

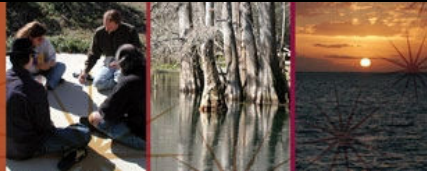
They are open to experienced and new students of the Course alike and you can come at any time. We see our discussion groups as an adjunct to personal study. Markus Edmiston and Ken Rosenberg are the two principal facilitators, however we also encourage regular attendees to facilitate and we seek to provide

a nurturing environment for exploration and implementation of the Course's teachings where everyone can learn together. The ACIM Study Groups page has detailed times and locations. We meet at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Fort Lauderdale on Monday evenings at 7:00pm.

Oneness: A state in which there is only the experience of peace. No conflict or difficulty exists because the mind has removed its belief in projecting *otherness*. Competing alternatives and the illusion of contrasting thoughts are seen as mirages. Belief in it reboots you to your original settings - the infinite, eternal and changeless.

Project: An endeavor towards a defined goal.

Contact Markus 954-380-9524 or Ken 954-816-8090



UUA Florida District - Trustee Tidbits

March is the month when many of us will begin planning for our attendance at Justice GA (General Assembly) 2012, Phoenix, AZ. Although it will be a "hot" time GA promises to be one of our most important events in our 50+ history. Each month leading up to GA I am committed to writing about something related to this historic June gathering. There are several groups working with the Administration and the General Assembly Planning Committee (GAPC), the primary umbrella group being the Arizona Immigration Ministry (AZIM). AZIM is a ministry of the UU Congregation of Phoenix which fosters UU partnerships with organizations representing those most affected by current immigration and enforcement policies with support from our UUA. To continue my goal of writing about GA 2012 this column will be devoted to continuing information about GA partnership groups.

The Arizona Advocacy Network (AZAN) works to secure electoral justice, political rights and full civic participation, especially for underrepresented and marginalized constituencies, to achieve government for the people, not corporations. The scope of their work includes, but is not limited to: defending, strengthening and expanding Arizona's Clean Elections system, advocating for full disclosure of contributions by corporations, promoting anti-corruption and conflict of interest laws including gift bans, guarding voting rights, voter registration and election integrity, and protecting and improving Arizona's ballot initiative processes.

The Arizona Worker Rights Center/Centro de Derechos Laborales de Arizona (AIAW) is Arizona's only worker rights center. The Center is worker run and led to better challenge workplace injustice in collaboration with faith and labor communities, ethical business owners, and government agencies. It is a place where the state's working people are able to take charge of solving their own workplace issues. Though the Center continues to assist individual workers file claims with courts and government agencies, it is also engaging in activities with build community, develop and educate leaders and community members, and proactively address the socio-political climate.

Humane Borders is motivated by faith and offers humanitarian assistance to those in need through the deployment of emergency water stations on routes known to be used by migrants journeying through the desert. Their mission is to take death out of the immigration equation by provision of water tanks on both public and private lands, in all cases with permission in writing from the landowners.

I am looking forward to being with many, many Florida UUs in June for our work and witnessing at Justice GA 2012. As always you are welcome and encouraged to contact me.

Joan Lund - UUA Florida District Trustee

jlund@uua.org or 813-931-9721

Interested in Attending the "Justice GA" in Phoenix?

The UU Legislative Ministry is encouraging UUs in Florida to attend the UUA General Assembly in Phoenix, Arizona June 20-24, 2012, and will offer partial scholarships to needy UUs who want to attend. This will be an historic GA, a gathering of UUs nationwide with multiple ways of engaging in justice work for people of all ages. "Joining with the people of Arizona, we will worship, witness, learn and work together. We will leave General Assembly grounded in our faith, energized for justice and with resources to bring this work home to our congregations".

See <http://www.uua.org/ga/2012/index.shtml>.

Registration and housing reservations are open. **Act quickly.**

Expect that inexpensive rooms, especially inexpensive rooms that are close to the convention center, will sell out.

Please contact UULMF Co-Chairs

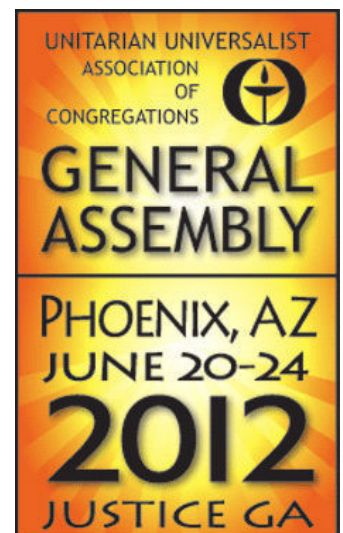
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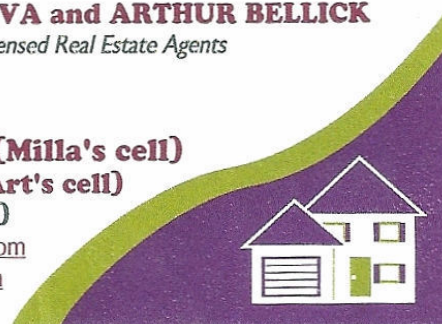
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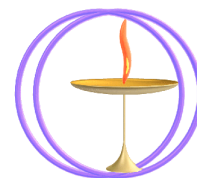
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There are seven principles which Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote:

- 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.



April Birthdays

David Griswold 4/1
Erika Rose Elardi 4/2
Betty Brantley 4/3
Joe Lawson 4/12
Larry Wilkner 4/21
Caden Ryals-Luneburg 4/23
Mark Woodpecker 4/29



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April Calendar



1 •9:30am - UU Sisterhood	2 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles (see page 7) •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation	3 •7:00pm - Prophetic Imperative Class with Rev Gail (see page 5)	4 •6:30pm - Choir Practice (High Voices) •7:00pm - Choir Practice (Low Voices)	5 •7:30 pm CUUPS	6	7  (begins at sundown) •6:00pm Seder for Freedom and Peace (see page 3)
8  •Journey Submission Deadline •12:45pm Building the World We Dream About (see page 6)	9 •7:00pm - Board Meeting •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles (see page 7)	10 •7:00pm - Prophetic Imperative Class with Rev Gail (see page 5)	11 •6:30pm - Choir Practice (High Voices) •7:00pm - Choir Practice (Low Voices)	12 •5:30pm - Filling Empty Bowls Fundraiser (see page 6) •7:30 pm CUUPS	13	14 •8:00am 9th Annual Earth Day Workday/Picnic at John U Lloyd Park (see page 6) •7:30 pm Labyrinth Café Concert (see page 7)
15 •9:30am - UU Sisterhood	16 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles (see page 7) •7:30pm - Sunday Services Committee •7:30pm - Peaceful Meditation	17 •7:00pm - Prophetic Imperative Class with Rev Gail (see page 5)	18 •6:30pm - Choir Practice (High Voices) •7:00pm - Choir Practice (Low Voices) •7:30pm - Membership Drumming	19 •7:30 pm CUUPS	20	21
22 •1:00pm - UUCFL Book Discussion Group	23 •7:00pm - Membership Committee •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles (see page 7)	24 •7:00pm - Prophetic Imperative Class with Rev Gail (see page 5)	25 •6:30pm - Choir Practice (High Voices) •7:00pm - Choir Practice (LowVoices)	26 •6:45PM BOLD Justice Nehemiah Action at War Memorial Auditorium (see page 5) •7:30 pm CUUPS	27 •7:00 pm - Vespers Service	28 12:00pm - Beltaine Celebration 
29	30 •7:00pm - A Course in Miracles (see page 7)	Every Sunday : 11:00 AM- Church Service and Children's Religious Education	Religious Education Events See special calendar on the RE page 4	Visit our on line calendar for late-breaking events www.uucfl.org and click "Coming Activities"		

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April 1 - On Fools, Tricksters, Clowns and Comics

Rev. Gail has done several sermons on the Fool archetype. This year she will focus on a range of figures that play through our lives and bring us joy, fun and enlightened wisdom in some surprising ways.

April 8 - What Was It Really Like? – Using a range of portraits of Jesus and the Easter experience from “Godspell” and “Jesus Christ Superstar” to more disturbing movies like “The Passion of Christ” and “The Last Temptation of Christ,” Rev. Gail will attempt to see common elements in what interpreters see in the Easter story. Our choir will be supporting us with song.

April 15 - Nothing is Sure Except.... Myra Symons and her team will present a service on Death, Taxes and tithing. We promise it will be a happy upbeat service with a few laughs to get us through these serious subjects. This is a big promise since the service is not written, but after all Myra is coordinating this and you know how she is... Come and see what she comes up with this time.

April 22 - An Earth Day Puppet Show - Rev. Gail will be presenting some young friends doing a call to environmental activism through the medium of puppets. Some special choir offerings will be in the same vein ecological vein.

April 29 - A History Of The American Labor Movement

An overview of the origins, struggles, achievements, and present state of organized labor in the Western world, from the latter half of the 19th century until the present, with particular reference to events occurring in the United States, and the relationship of Unitarian Universalist principles to those events. Guest speaker Richard Palermo is a retired chiropractor, a former newspaper reporter and columnist, and is an active member of the UU Congregation of the Palm Beaches. He also has made presentations on assisted dying. His partner pianist Susan Gross is also active in that congregation, is in its choir and was its Music Director. She also helps organize and acts in church-sponsored theatrical events.

May 6 - I Lost It At the Movies - Rev. Gail will offer another in her ongoing looks at the incredible richness to be found in movies mainstream and otherwise. She will try to put to rest the idea that they just don't make decent movies anymore.

