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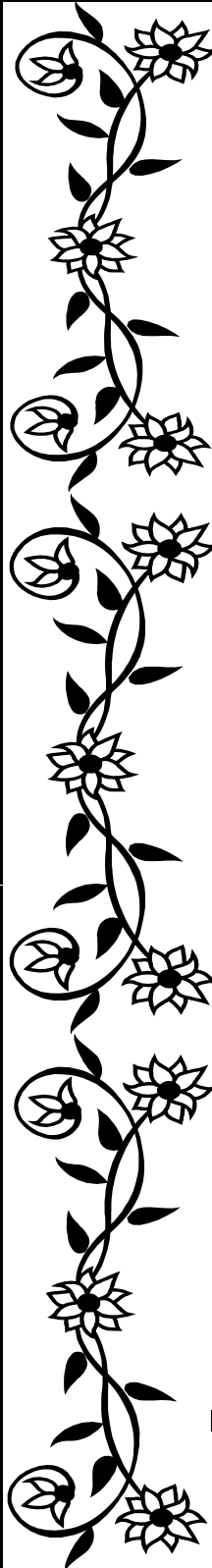
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RELAX, RENEW WITH A SPIRITUAL RETREAT DAY

On Saturday Feb. 28th, Rev. Gail and Clay and Story lady, Serrin Anderson will jointly present a Spiritual Retreat Day consisting of clay and story experiences, a nature walk, guided imagery and a spiritual lunch in silence. We have not offered one of these retreat days for a while, so make sure to plan ahead to be there. Cost for the day will be \$10.00 and includes lunch. We gather at 10:00 am and run until 3:00 pm. Contact Rev.Gail (954-759-6529) for more details or to sign up.

Rev. Gail

WISDOM WEDNESDAY WINTER CLASSES

Wisdom Wednesdays will begin again on February 4th and run for six weeks. Those who have experienced this wonderful program of classes, supper and meaningful fellowship with others will be happy with this news. It is hoped that many more of you will attend the new session and also experience all of this.

Our featured evening class will be "Graceful Passages" offered by Bob Townsend. It will deal with transitions and difficult periods in life and has something to offer everyone. Rev. Gail will offer a thought provoking afternoon class at 4 pm entitled "The Challenges to a Liberal Religion". This topic would be of interest to all UU's and prospective UU's.

There will be the usual free meditation and inexpensive but fancy feast prepared by RE Director, Eileen Donohoe. See the enclosed brochure.

The Wisdom Wednesday Crew

OUR PRESENCE ON THE WEB

Some of us, including this writer, are missing some good info on **our** website, www.uucfl.org. It tells about our Church and our Denomination and exists, thanks to Kip Barkley. It is deserving of an occasional gander from all of us.

Felix Mitchell

REV. GAIL'S SPACE

A World of Gray

One of my favorite singers in the 1960's was Oscar Brown, Jr. He wrote a wonderful song about how, when he was young, the world seemed so well delineated. There were good guys and bad guys and the choices seemed clear cut. He notes that as he got older he noticed the shadings of gray started to be more obvious in an adult world where black and white or good and evil seemed much less clear. He sang, "how does a man find his way in a world full of gray?" It seems more and more that we are living in a world where the nuances, complexity and the many shades of gray in life are no longer grasped by our leaders. We are hearing so much of, "We are so good. They (fill in the blank) are so evil" and the "You are either for us or against us" rhetoric these days. The kind of conservative thinking, whether religious or political, that takes this absolutist stance is so opposite of the liberal world view which is really about loving the gray areas.

My colleague in Lakeland, Dr. Robert Tucker, says that ultimately being one of the much maligned liberals is not about holding certain positions. He notes that intelligent, responsible liberals can and do have honest and valid differences on every issue. He adds that being liberal is about recognizing the undeniable fact that life is complex, that there are no simple questions or simple answers, that few things are very truly black or white, that the color of reality is gray- many, many different shades of gray! I totally agree that seeing gray when others see only black or white is proof positive that you are a liberal. It has nothing to do with muddled waters or muddled thinking. It has to do with having perfect visual acuity.

Right wing thinkers hate ambiguity and shades of gray above all else, and yes it is hard as Oscar Brown, Jr. sang, "to find your way in a world full of gray". But the ability to find our place in that complex and nuanced world is what makes us adults. Let us salute ambiguity and the shades of gray in this new year and recall the Unitarian Universalist mantra, "I could be wrong!" in all that we do. Let us not fall into the trap of another kind of absolutism to counter the current social climate. Let us continue to revel in ambiguity. Blessings on our struggle in a world full of gray.

Rev. Gail



BOOK GROUP

Our book discussion for February will focus on a collection of moving and humorous essays by Unitarian Universalist minister Rev. Meg Barnhouse. Meg has a very unique take on life, and she will make you find magic in the ordinary. *Waking Up the Karma Fairy: Life Lessons and Other Holy Adventures* will be discussed on Feb. 22 after church. This book needs to be ordered from the UUA bookstore. To order by phone call 1-800-215-9076. For on line Ordering, go to www.uua.org/bookstore.

Our book for March is *The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference* by Malcolm Gladwell. One reviewer says about this book, "It is an elegant exploration of how social epidemics work, whether they are fashion trends, diseases or behavior patterns such as crime." This is a book that should make you see the world a bit differently. We will talk about this one on March 28.

At the end of April, or maybe early May, we will have our intergenerational discussion of *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* by J.K. Rowling. Start reading now. It is a very thick book.

Rev. Gail

HELP YOUR CHURCH STAFF WORK SMART

All of us on the church staff are here to serve you as lovingly and efficiently as possible. We all welcome your suggestions and input. However, we all have very busy schedules and new tasks are constantly ending up on our plates. Please help us serve you better by remembering one simple thing - Sunday morning is the ABSOLUTE worst time to try to talk to any of us about anything really important. We all have multiple responsibilities and we are all stressed on Sunday. We know you think it is your only chance to get our attention, but we are all available by phone or email and we can give you much better attention if you speak to us at another time. Rev. Gail and DRE Eileen can be called or emailed at home and Nancy can be reached during regular office hours. When you call the office or call one of us at home, please leave us a detailed

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message so that we can assess the problem before we return the call.

Although Nancy often answers the phone in person during office hours, it is very important that you understand that she has many tasks and duties that require care and concentration and that she has been asked to refrain from answering the telephone for part of each day so she can work without interruption. If she does not answer the phone, please leave a message and she will return the call later that day or the next day. Please do not keep calling back. She will return your call as soon as possible. In the case of pastoral emergencies you can call Rev. Gail at home at any time. By the way, your church leaders would likely also enjoy just being able to attend worship and socialize on Sunday morning. They too can be reached by phone or email. Thanks for your consideration.

Your Loyal Staff

EMPTY BOWL III IS COMING ON APRIL 1, 2004



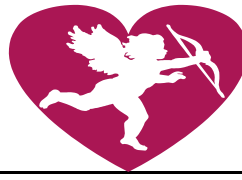
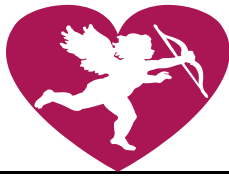
The third annual Interfaith Empty Bowl Dinner is coming up on April 1, 2004. This year's event will be held at two locations: First Congregational Church and Sunshine Cathedral (MCC). Although we will not be a host church this year we are still going to be involved with bowl making workshops, soup making and providing volunteers for the dinner. Most of all, as the founding church of the Interfaith Coalition to Eliminate Hunger of Broward County, we need to attend the event, buy bowls, eat soup and network with the other churches in the Coalition. All of you will receive an invitation, and we hope you will bring friends and get the word out. Keep alert for the dates for our bowl making, and mark your calendars now for Thursday, April 1, 2004. Don't miss this event which will run from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm at each location.

**Rev. Gail
& the Outreach Task Force**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

Monthly Social Justice Project-Love Thy Neighbor...
Monthly Children's Chapel

DATE	TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY	RE INFORMATION
February 1	11:00 AM	MPR Class-rooms	Children's Chapel and class rooms Theme: Friendship	<p><u>DRE'S OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calls accepted any day Phone: 561-279-4281 Fax: 561-279-8511 • Email: dreeileen@aol.com <p><u>NOTES TO PARENTS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♥ Check your RE mailbox weekly! ♥ Offering: Remind children that we collect an offering every Sunday. ♥ Check RE Bulletin Board for Sunday School lessons & events. <p><u>RE TASK FORCE MEETING</u> (Held in Teen Room) Second Sunday of Every Month 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>RE CO-CHAIRS: SUSAN DIRGINS FRIEND 954-424-1910 JANE TOWNSEND 954-753-9956</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPCOMING EVENTS: Celebration of Children's Easter Activities
February 8	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	RE Sunday School	
February 15	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	FRIENDSHIP SUN-DAY ACTIVITIES	
February 22	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	RE Sunday School	
February 29	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	RE Sunday School	
March	TBA	UUCFL	Teen sponsored dinner with music from the 40's to 60's	



FEBRUARY THEMES

PRINCIPLE: Respect for the interdependent web of life of all existence

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION — SUPPLIES ARE LOW!

Please remember to make monetary donations for RE Supplies this month.

Please support our teen activities ,thank you.

SOCIAL JUSTICE PROJECT: Help one neighbor this month

PARENT/CHILDREN DISCUSSION TOPIC — How to be a good friend

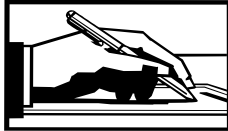
PLEASE TURN IN YOUR "GUEST AT YOUR TABLE" BOXES TO NORALEE TRAYLOR.

Eileen Donohoe will call each family and check in with them She will be also asking about having a OWL group for next year. Any concerns or questions please call or talk to her any time except Sunday morning. She is busy at that time, and you deserve her full attention.

Next year the theme of RE will be World Religions. Please see Eileen for a teaching role.

Thanks again for all of you who Support Our Religious Education Program.





Congregational Budget Meeting January 4, 2004

The meeting was called to order by Gary at 12:35PM, with a quorum of voting members present. Following remarks by Gary, the 2004 budget as approved by the Board was presented by Steve Zorn. The budget reflects real world numbers and shows a deficit of \$28,444.50. Subsequent to comments made by Rev. Gail, Ronnie and Erik, discussion was opened on the budget.

Following discussion, a motion was made to move the budget to a vote and was seconded. Another motion was made to amend the current budget and was seconded.

Three motions followed. The first by Sharon Page, requested that the interest income of \$9,000 be removed from the budget. The motion was seconded. On the vote, the motion failed.

A second motion was made by Bill Rusch to increase the Publicity/Advertising budget from \$1,500 to \$2,500, thus increasing the total budget deficit to \$29,444.50. The motion was seconded. On the vote, the motion carried.

The third and final motion was made by Carole Wilschke, requesting that \$1,500 be added to the Choir Director budget, thus increasing the total budget deficit to \$30,944.50. The motion was seconded. On the vote, the motion carried.

The original motion moving the budget to a vote was entertained with the two line item increases and total budget deficit reflected. On the vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Giblin, Secretary

UU Sisterhood News

We have enjoyed a great start as a group and look forward to a prosperous and enlightening 2004. Our success can be attributed to all of the wonderful women who have attended and given their input at the meetings.

Some of the 2003 happenings that have brought us joy are:

- As a group we raised \$285 selling Christmas cards and presented that and 30 stockings to Women in Distress of Broward County.

- We had 2 outings to the movies and a play

- We started "movie night" at the church

- We enjoyed wonderful conversations and made new friends.

Some of our goals for the new year include writing a covenant, designing a banner, having a guest speaker and continued growth and bonding as a group.

Any woman who would like to join us, please feel free to drop by and see what we are about. We meet at the church every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:30 am in the multipurpose room. We do provide child care and light breakfast. Also look for a schedule of topics to be discussed in the next Journey. Any questions, please feel free to email me at town9898@bellsouth.net.

Thank you.

Jane Townsend

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Welcome to *Love Month*. Share some with another member!

Feb. 4 "Brown Bag" - Lunch and talk at 12 noon at the church.

Feb. 28 "Eating Out" - Dine at Little Italy in Lauderhill, 7240 W. Commercial Blvd.

Our new nametags are on order. See me if you need an interim one.

Please, sign up for coffee hour and/or to be a greeter on the large sheets on the back table.

We really need your help.



Ellen Lubin

MUSIC NOTES

The augmented choir is now rehearsing for the triple choir performances first at the Boca Raton Fellowship on January 25, then February 15 at UUCFL and March 14 at River of Grass. Knowing that the other churches have larger choirs than ours, we have asked former members to sing with us for this short commitment. We would welcome others to help with this program. However, if you wish to sing, you must attend rehearsals. Check with Director Dave Fisher for the schedule. For those of you who are not singers, mark your calendar to attend church on February 15 to hear a choir which could have fifty or more singers. It should be a glorious sound. Our thanks to Dave and Jim for making arrangements with Robin Swan and Gail Giese, choir directors at the Boca and ROG locations.

We plan some musical treats in the next few months. There is much talent in our church so we want to "showcase" the musicians of whom we are so proud. Instrumental and vocal preludes and offertories will be offered. These tend to enhance the worship services. Our thanks to all who participate.

Thank you for the vote of confidence which put Choir Director back in the budget. Having a token amount shows our support for the music program. Those members who attended the budget meeting know that we are operating with a deficit budget. If you would like to give a piano tuning, a new anthem, or just write a check for \$1,000 to help alleviate the cash shortfall, please start writing!

Dot Muise, Music Director

February Birthdays:

2/1-Felix Mitchell
 2/2-Shirley Braunstein & Rita Goodwin
 2/3-Joe Silverman
 2/6-Ron Sweet
 2/9-Godfrey Isaac
 2/12-Judy King Derrick
 2/15-Tripp Page
 2/18-Tish O'Connor
 2/21-Erik Griswold
 2/22-Joe Patterson
 2/23-Joe De Angelis & Susan Goldenberg
 2/26-Caryl Connell

**UU DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS**

The Annual Assembly of the Florida UU District will take place in Oviedo on April 16-17. The Denominational Affairs Committee would like to hear from anyone interested in representing our church at this event. This is an opportunity to meet people from other Florida UU congregations and to learn about the present and future of UUism in Florida.

We also continue to be interested in hearing from anyone who would like to consider attending the Unitarian Universalist General Assembly at Long Beach, California, from June 24-28.

For further information on either event contact:

Bill Rusch, WHRusch@aol.com or 954-522-8248

All UU Congregations have been asked to reflect and provide feedback on the UU Statement of Conscience regarding Civil Liberties. A workshop will be held at 9:30 am on 2/15 facilitated by Bill Rusch. Pat Woeppel from the ACLU will provide info and answer questions before the comments to the Statement are drafted. All members are invited to attend.

"There is a season for every purpose...**A time to welcome and to say good-bye..."**

By the time you read this we will have moved to Central Florida and although we were able to personally extend good wishes to some of you we wish all of you a blessed and Happy New Year. When we arrived at UUCFL we were welcomed with enthusiasm and acceptance. Some called us "Our 3 Angels." Soon we were integrated into the community and overnight had a beautiful extended family. All three of us were given the opportunity to shine our light in different ways: Linda as a religious education assistant, Caryl as our vice-president and myself as the Canvass Chair. And those canvass dinners – we surely had fun and our parties...there was always room for more! So it is with sadness that we say good-bye because each of you has endeared yourself to us in unique ways. We see in you great beacons of hope in what you want to accomplish for the good of the Church and the world. We know that as you build community together you will be strengthened in your commitment to "Do the right thing" for each other. Believe in each other, work with each other, support each other and yes, love each other. Love is the greatest gift of all. When a thought of us comes your way send us a message of peace and prosperity for that is what we send you, always.

Caryl & Linda Connell & MaryAnn Neder

KIPS CLIPS



Publicity!

Some of our groups get it, and some of our groups just don't get it.

Local newspapers want three-four weeks lead time. A press release emailed to them must tell who, what, where, when, why and how much is the cost. Is this an ongoing event?

SophiaLinus@hotmail.com will forward your news to her press list, but she cannot read your mind on what you are planning nor persuade anyone to stop the presses because you are late.

Information in the cUUrrious cUUrier email broadcast comes from either the website calendar or from what Adam Tritt / Gary Ladka find out about. Email broadcasts happen at least once a week.

The website calendar is built from newsletter submissions, the office calendar and whatever else Kip overhears in conversation. Kip is a very slow typist, so email your stuff. Paper pages of text go into the nearest birdcage.

Kip "Two-Finger" Barkley

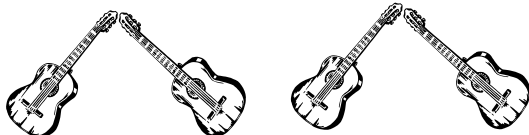
Labyrinth Café:

Saturday, February 7th, at 7:30 pm, our Labyrinth Cafe brings us a double header concert. When brother and sister vocal duo Gary & Ellen Bukstel join forces - watch out! The pure joy and harmony, a product of their "sibling relationship," and combined talents will carry you away. Both talented performing singer/songwriters and their unique blend of acoustic power folk pop style combined with their remarkable harmonies, promise sounds and songs from the soul. See <http://www.bukstel.com/> Zoë Lewis is practically a one-woman band, an energetic, edgy multi-instrumentalist. She has traveled the globe and picked up a vast mixture of musical influences: a touch of Ireland in her tin whistling; a little New Orleans in her piano playing; even hints of Latin America in many of her tunes. A troubadour, a Vaudevillian, a storyteller and an inspired performer.

See <http://www.zoelewis.com>

The suggested donation is \$15 and reservations are requested. Call Myra or Alex (954) 779-2240 or email Myrafly@peoplepc.com Day of concert call 954-240-6313.

Kip, Folkie KipBarkley.Com



Endowment Update

Thanks to Gertie Bell who has made memorial contributions in memory of Jennie Hyde and Carl Zingale. Thanks to Dot Muise for a contribution in memory of Sarah McDaniel. We send letters of acknowledgment to the family when we receive such gifts. For another member, we just paid his 2004 pledge. He put appreciated stock into our Donor Advised Fund and asked us to pay his pledge for four years.

Kip Barkley, Endowment Trustee

Coming CUUPS Events

We have no Sabbath that falls in February this year. February 5th, at Study Group, we just might tell Stories of the Moon and then go outside and do a little invoking. Then on March 6th, Faerie Elaine Silver with bring us her music in concert and a Ritual of the Children of the Moon. Meanwhile, we will have a different topic for each Thursday evening Study Group.

Kip, Resident Pagan

IS UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM YOUR NEW HOME?

On Feb. 1 and Feb. 8, there will be two opportunities for those who have been visiting our church to explore with Rev. Gail and long time members to determine if they want to make our community their new spiritual home. At 12:45 p.m. on these two days, you can learn about our history, beliefs, religious education and social justice commitments as well as activities and opportunities for spiritual growth and service. We will have some snacks and will share our spiritual paths to the doors of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Ft. Lauderdale. On Feb. 15 we will have a ceremony to welcome those who decide to join our community and an opportunity to sign our membership book. You need only attend one session. Please, let Nancy in the Office know which one you will be attending.

Rev. Gail Tapscott

Unpacking Deepak

Well, I've been in my new house for a few months now, and I've finally come down to the last box or two that got left in the closet. Among them was a box of books, some I have read, some I haven't, so I thought I would pick one out since they may have thought they were unloved in my closet. Chance had it that I picked out *The Seven Spiritual Laws for Parents* by Deepak Chopra, and it inspired me - being here in my new surroundings, feeling a new awakening of my spirit and wanting to share that with Jennifer and Amy, my daughters. After reading the book and visiting our own www.uucfl.org, I was happy to learn that Deepak Chopra was coming to Florida. I plan to attend his lecture, *The Spontaneous Fulfillment Of Your Desire*.

The Seven Spiritual Laws... is a light and practical little handbook with some actual exercises that parents can do with their children to help them on their own spiritual journey. It is also very Unitarian Universalist. It presents views from Emerson and Maharaj, to Buddha and Hans Christian Anderson, and more.

The book focuses on making children feel like everything really is possible, and helping them realize that they are here for a reason. These are empowering thoughts that our children may only hear from parents and a select few sages in their lifetime, but ideas that are the seeds that allow them to explore and fulfill their own human potential. It also shows how to teach children that in order to get something you first need to give it, and to ultimately enjoy the journey and reflect on its meaning. I realize more and more, as time passes by, as Jennifer has passed into teen hood, that my children are here to carry on after me. I need to slow down some of the craziness that life can become to regroup, and to share more of that kind of time with the girls. We have to talk with our kids, listen to them, plant seeds with them and allow them to plant their own before those precious few years of childhood get away. We also need to know, as Chopra puts it, that we can "guide children but never control them." Let's make sure we give them the tools to let them really feel like they are the ones capable of making a difference.

Gary Ladka, President

Wind in our Sails

Congratulations to the recipients of the UU Church of Ft Lauderdale "Wind in Our Sails" awards". These awards were presented to people who consistently go above and beyond in their dedication to making UUCFL a great place and even stronger in our community. We will present more awards later in the year because we know there are many more of you to thank. The recipients of our first "Wind in our Sails" awards are : Bill Rusch, Virginia Anderson, Kip Barkley, Ronnie Van Sickle, Sharon Page, Rita Goodwin, Colette Kiliany, Dave Fisher, Carole Wilschke, Donna Zumstein, Dot Muise, Shirley Braunstein, Adam Tritt, Felix & Louise Mitchell, Elaine Elle, Jim Giblin, Bob Van Sickle, Ellen Lubin, Janine Griffiths, El Rhondda (Mr. Y) Ystradyfodwg, Judy Keiser, Susan Friend, Lyn Kurpiewski, Scott Gettemy, Bob Zumstein, Scott Bejlovec, Myra Symons-Kazanci, Noralee Traylor, Robby Greenberg, Ruth Pearl, Sally Simonis, and Debbi Holt.

If you think someone should be up for the next series of awards, let us know. We want to recognize everyone who is out there working hard for the church. Also, look for the UUCFL Lifetime Achievement Awards coming soon !!

Church Task Forces Needed

The church is forming the following task forces, and we need people to take them on. The goal of each of these task forces is finite.

The first is the Major Renter Task Force to find one or two renters to fill some rental space in the next few months.

The second is a Fundraiser Force. We are looking for new ideas for a large scale fundraiser for this year.

Please call me at 954-969-7221 or email me at [gary-ladka@mindspring.com](mailto:garyl-ladka@mindspring.com) if you can offer the church help in these areas.

Our Shared Vision

The church will soon be having a Visioning Weekend in which we will examine the collective vision of our church as a spiritual home and in the community. Please, watch for the dates, and plan to participate in this great opportunity to share your ideas as we work together to shape the future of the church.

Gary Ladka

Letter from Our UUA Rep

There is a letter on the bulletin board from Joan Lund, Representative for our area to the UUA who recently visited Boston to work on the Commission on Social Witness. The Commission welcomes input from local congregations.

For Latest Calendar, visit uucfl.org/Journey0204.pdf

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Church Concerns



Kitchen Angels Needed !

We need dish & dishwasher detergents, sponges, paper goods (plates, cups, & napkins), window cleaner, plastic bags, and aluminum foil. A One-hour "kitchen cleaning" would be greatly appreciated. Boxed milk, cookies, and crackers, as well as, coffee and tea are ALWAYS welcome.

The JOURNEY Newsletter

Please submit articles via email to: journey@uucfl.org or at the church office.

**Publication Deadline:
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Remember the Hungry People Around Us
Continue To Fill The Food Containers in the Sanctuary

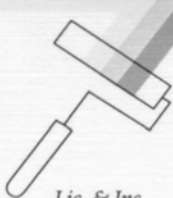


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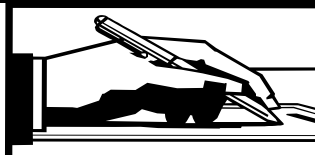
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Sunday Morning at 11 am

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Feb. 1 – Late Night T.V. – Despite her reputation as a bit of an intellectual, Rev. Gail has a dark secret. She spends a great deal of time channel surfing late at night. In this service she will try to justify her bad habits by trying to find some useful lessons in sitcom reruns, old Hallmark specials and other offerings not found on PBS, CNN or the History channel.

Feb. 8 A Natural History of Love – Preparing for Valentine's Day, Rev. Gail will address everyone's favorite four letter word. She will try to find something new to say about the history and future of an emotion that is infinite in its variety.

Feb. 15 – Roots and Wings VI: A UU Mysticism- Rev. Gail will take a look at the sense of transcendent mystery and wonder that Unitarian Universalists draw on, as set down in the first of our living traditions. She will also look at more traditional approaches to mysticism and transcendence in other religious traditions.

Feb. 22- A Personal Journey Through the AIDS Years- Singer/songwriter and AIDS activist Ellen Buckstell, a UUCFL favorite will share in words and music her personal story of losing her husband to AIDS and her resultant years of involvement as an AIDS activist.

Feb. 29 – Celebrating Religious Pluralism- Joined by colleagues from other faith groups, Rev. Gail will address the joys and challenges of living in a world where different religious groups need desperately to dialogue together and work together. Following the service we will have time to ask additional questions to a panel of faith leaders.

March 7- A Unitarian Universalist Style Tour of the Criminal Justice System- Guest speaker Mara Taub of the National Coalition for Prisoners Rights and author of Juries: The Conscience of The Community will help us understand the jury system and the need for prison reform in our country. Prison Reform was voted on at the 2003 General Assembly as an item for Study/Action within UU congregations. Mara will be available for further dialogue after the service.