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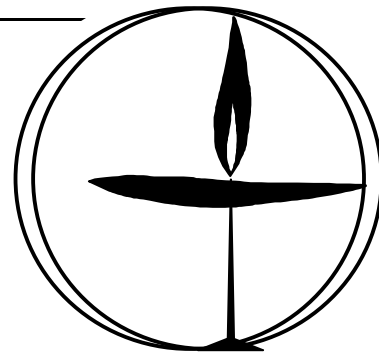
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF ONEONTA
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SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 AM

Love is the doctrine of this church, the quest for truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer

August 27, 2014



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INGATHERING POTLUCK—SEPTEMBER 7!

The annual Ingathering Potluck will be held immediately after the service Sunday, September 7, in the sanctuary. Bring a dish to pass and your sense of fellowship as we celebrate the beginning of fall.

—Elayne Mosher Campoli

PIZZA & GAMES RETURNS!

Join us for Pizza and Games Friday, September 12, from 5:30-8:30 pm in Chapin Memorial Sanctuary. Bring your favorite game to share, \$1.50 per person for pizza, and a smile. This event is fun for all ages and will be hosted the second Friday of each month. —Elayne Mosher Campoli



FROM THE OFFICE:

- Regular **office hours** resume beginning Tuesday, September 2: Monday-Friday, 8:30-12:30.
- The **Fall Worship 2014 Schedule** is included in today's newsletter as a goldenrod insert. Lots of interesting, thoughtful services coming up!
- Please be sure to check out the **Coffee Hosting & Ushering Schedule** insert (blue *or* pink!) in today's newsletter and mark your assigned dates on your calendar; this is a longstanding UUSO tradition. Ideally, every able UUSO member and friend hosts one coffee hour and ushers one Sunday each year. Many hands do indeed make light work!
- Have you ever sat and admired the lovely UUSO chancel table? Have a theme in mind, or a tribute or memorial you'd like to share? This is your chance. There is a chancel table decorating sign-up sheet on the sanctuary bulletin board; please sign up!

—Robin Ahearn

Sawdust from the Board

Your Board of Trustees met this past Wednesday for their regular August meeting and covered a range of agenda items:

- Received the Treasurer's end-of-year report;
- Received the Director of Religious Education's report on summer tasks accomplished in preparation for the start of Religious Education classes in September;
- Completed signing conflict of interest statements for NYS Not-For-Profit law; further action regarding By-Laws will be on October Congregational Meeting agenda;
- Appointed Julian Pecenco as UUSO representative to a proposed Transgender Outreach program originating through SUNY-Oneonta;
- Set October 12 as the date for the Congregational Meeting;
- Set September 27 as the Board Retreat;
- Discussed a suggestion from a member of the Website Committee regarding distribution of Board minutes, and made the decision not to publish Board minutes on the UUSO website at this time. Referred back to the Website Committee for their review;
- Assigned Board liaisons for UUSO committees;
- Approved use of UUSO as the site of the October 2015 NYSCU (New York State Convention of Universalists) meeting and conference, date to be determined.

Complete minutes of regular Board meetings are posted after Board review and acceptance on the Sanctuary bulletin board. Minutes are also available to members either via email, US mail, or in person from the UUSO Office.

As always, members are welcome at regular meetings of the Board of Trustees which are held the third Wednesday of every month, except July, at 6:30 in Chapin Memorial, usually in the Loft. Please note that if you wish to bring something to the Board you will need to submit your request by noon on the Sunday before the meeting to be on the agenda. If you plan to attend and are unable to use the stairs, please let me know and we will meet in the Sanctuary. —April Gates, President, for the Board of Trustees



Among Ourselves...

Former UUSO Minister, the Rev. James Wentz, passed on August 5, 2014, at age 79. He is survived by two children, Lisa and her husband Roger Medley and Nicholas Wentz and his wife Lori, three grandchildren and former spouse, Sara Angus. A memorial service will be held at the UU Congregation of Shelter Rock on November 1, 2014.

NAACP COMMUNITY PICNIC

All are invited to the Community Picnic sponsored by the NAACP Oneonta Branch on Saturday, September 6, from noon to 4:00 pm, at the large pavilion in Neahwa Park. We'll have Zumba, games, music, a silent auction, and a 50/50 raffle. There will be free beverages, hamburgers, and hot dogs. Bring a dish to share and a lawn chair. —Cindy Squires

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE FEEDING HUMANITY...

Members of the Social Action Committee provided lunch for the workers at the Habitat for Humanity house on August 9. Alice Siegfried and Martha Robinson delivered food donated by themselves, Dorothy Hudson, Dawn Kilts, Janet Sutta, Norma Lee Havens and Carol Malz. The workers appreciated the food, the flowers from Alice, and a "Thank You" card made by Dotty. —Martha Robinson, for the Social Action Committee

FREE HYPNOSIS CLINICS RETURN!

Have you noticed a crispness in the air? Copious ads for school supplies? Are you starting to think (maybe even worry) about all you'll have on your plate this fall? This busy time of year is the best time to incorporate easy, self-care activities into your life. How about the free hypnosis clinic the last Sunday of each month at 1:00 in the loft? If you haven't yet attended, the experience is very similar to a guided group visualization. Attendees report feeling more relaxed, calm and rejuvenated after the sessions. Have questions about it? Please feel free to email me at cheryl.dedecker@gmail.com. I hope to see you there!

—Cheryl DeDecker

FREE YOGA CLASS August 28

Gentle Yoga Classes resume September 4

Treat yourself to free gentle yoga classes on Thursday, August 28, and September 4, 5:30-6:30 pm in the UUSO sanctuary (BYOM – bring your own mat). Open to all adults both young and older. Tracy Verma will teach ongoing Gentle Yoga Classes in the sanctuary 5:30-6:30 pm from September 11-December 11 (except on Thanksgiving). Free to UUSO members – donations welcome. \$10/class for nonmembers. For information or a full schedule of Tracy's Hartwick College and home studio classes, call 433-2353 or email atma@stny.rr.com.

—Tracy Verma

ORGAN MUSIC CONCERT

The Swart-Wilcox House Museum, Oneonta, presents "This House Loves Music," an afternoon of music played on the 1870's Packard Parlor Pump Organ by local organists: Sidney Chase, Charles Howe, Doris Martin, Don Embling and others. Informal tours and light refreshments will be available from 1-3 pm. All programs are free and open to the public. For more information, visit <http://swartwilcoxhouse.wordpress.com>. —Submitted by Helen Rees

NOTES OF THANKS...

August 12, 2014

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$173.50 to Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego, and Schoharie Counties in support of the Lantern Hill Community Center. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lynn Glueckert, Executive Director

August 20, 2014

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$3,536.00 to Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego, and Schoharie Counties Caring Connections Program.

Thank you so much for your continued, generous support of our Caring Connections Program. The needs continue to grow and your donation ensures Caring Connections will be there to help our neighbors in need.

With Gratitude,

Lynn Glueckert, Executive Director

***** Religious Education Kick-off
Sunday, September 14 *****



CALENDAR

AUGUST

Aug 28	Thu	5:30pm - 6:30pm/Yoga/CM
		6:45pm - 9:30pm/Bldg Use/CCS/CM
Aug 29	Fri	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Aug 31	Sun	10:30am/Service: "Travels with Aurora"/Rev. Lynn Ashley

SEPTEMBER

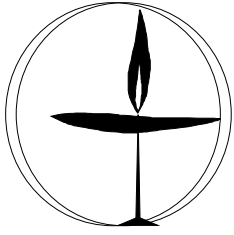
Sep 1	Mon	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		6:30- 8:00pm/Zen Meditation/CM
Sep 3	Wed	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Sep 4	Thu	5:00pm/Small Group Ministry/OBH
		5:30pm - 6:30pm/Yoga/CM
		6:45pm - 9:30pm/Bldg Use/CCS/CM
Sep 5	Fri	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Sep 7	Sun	10:30am Service: "Spirit of Place"/Ingathering and Water Communion/Susan Ryder & Pam Strother/CM
		12:00pm/Welcome Potluck/CM
Sep 8	Mon	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		6:30pm - 8:00pm RE Cmte Mtg/OBH Dining Rm
		6:30pm/Small Grp Ministry/Off-site
Sep 10	Wed	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		1:30pm/Small Grp Ministry/Off-site
Sep 11	Thu	5:30pm - 6:30pm/Yoga/CM
		6:45pm - 9:30pm/Bldg Use/CCS/CM
Sep 12	Fri	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		5:30pm/Pizza & Games/CM
Sep 14	Sun	9:30-10:30am/Building Use/OBH
		10:30am/Service: Elliot Ruggles/"Shifting the Center: What We All Can Learn from 'Queer' Experiences"/CM
		10:30am/RE Kick-off/OBH
		12:00- 1:00pm/Building Use/OBH
Sep 15	Mon	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Sep 17	Wed	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		6:30pm/Board of Trustees/CM

Sep 18	Thu	5:00pm/Small Group Ministry/OBH
		5:30pm - 6:30pm/Yoga/CM
		6:45pm - 9:30pm/Bldg Use/CCS/CM
Sep 19	Fri	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Sep 21	Sun	10:30am/Service: "Overcoming a Betrayal of Faith"/Rev. Sam Trumbore/CM
		6:00pm/Dining for Women/CM
Sep 22	Mon	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		6:30pm - 9:30pm/ Small Group Ministry/Off-site
Sep 23	Tue	10:00am - 12:00pm Small Group Ministry/OBH
		6:30pm - 9:30pm Stop the Pipeline Mtg/CM
Sep 24	Wed	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
		1:30pm - 3:30pm Small Group Ministry/Off-site
Sep 25	Thu	5:30pm - 6:30pm/Yoga/CM
		5:30pm/NAACP/OBH Living Rm
		6:45pm - 9:30pm/Bldg Use/CCS/CM
Sep 26	Fri	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM
Sep 28	Sun	10:30am/Service: "Days of Awe"/A UU Celebration of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur/Pam Strother & UUSO Members/CM
		1pm Free Hypnosis Clinic/CM Loft
Sep 29	Mon	8:00am - 9:00am/Exercise/CM

CM=Chapin Memorial/OBH=Olympia Brown House

*Rev. Craig's Office Hours:
On sabbatical through 12/3/14*

*Office Administrator's Hours:
Monday-Friday, 8:30-12:30*



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UPCOMING SUNDAYS at the UUSO

August 31, 2014

"Travels with Aurora"

Rev. Lynn writes, "In recent years I have made several road trips throughout the United States and Western Canada. Although I had human companions at various times along the way, my most constant companion was Aurora, my global-positioning system, my GPS. Alone with her, I found myself thinking occasionally about religious concepts that can be challenging to some of us Unitarian Universalists, ideas about being in relationship with ourselves, with others and with that which is greater.

In this service, I will reflect upon these and other travels with Aurora."

Rev. Lynn Ashley

Music provided by Karl Seeley

Ushers: Charles King & Kay Stuligross
Coffee Hosts: Carol Malz & Mary Ruhoff

September 7, 2014

"Spirit of Place"

Ingathering and Water Communion
Stay Together Sunday

Please join us and bring water from your travels or elsewhere as we come together for the beginning of the church year.

Susan Ryder & Pam Strother

**Music provided by the UUSO Choir
and Music Director Tim Horne**

Ushers: Board Members Virgil Briggs & Stan Sessions

Coffee Hosts: Board Members

Mary Ambrose, April Gates, & Mary Ruhoff