



A Welcoming Congregation

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MARCH 2: "TO LOVE A PLACE"

BY REV. ROBERTA HASKIN

Love for people and love for places are interrelated. Both relationships thrive when we promise to care for the other whether it is a person dear to us or a place in nature or a place built by human hands. How does loving a place enrich our spiritual lives?

MARCH 9: "CONFLICT: CREATIVE OR DESTRUCTIVE?"

BY REV. ROBERTA HASKIN

Conflict is an important part of life. It can deplete us or serve to enliven

us. How do we engage in conflict so that it is creative?

MARCH 16: "WEAVE THE WEB"

BY REV. ROBERTA HASKIN

The seventh principle, which affirms the interdependent web of all existence, and the first principle, which affirms the inherent worth and dignity of each person, reflects the tension between the needs of the community and the needs of the individual. As we ponder the image of the web, let us engage our imaginations to envision creative patterns of life in community.

MARCH 23: "EASTER SUNDAY: FLOWER CELEBRATION"

BY REV. ROBERTA HASKIN

At Easter, we celebrate the power of transformation and new life. Bring a flower to this celebration for our annual flower festival!

MARCH 30: "STEWARDSHIP"

BY REV. ROBERTA HASKIN

A faith community only thrives when everyone gives from their material wealth to sustain their beloved community.



Greetings from your Ministerial Search Committee!

It is wonderful that this update comes in March, which is a time of renewal and rejuvenation. If all continues to go as well as it has, my next Horizons article will be an introduction to our ministerial candidate. Our Candidating week is scheduled for April 13-20th.

It's appropriate now to remind you and to thank you, the UUCP, for the patience and fortitude you have shown over these past three years. It is even more appropriate to thank you for all the progress that has been made toward building our community, despite not having a settled minister. The UUCP is stronger, healthier and more united than it has been since I became a member.

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From the Interim Minister in the between-time...

March is the month of the Vernal Equinox, which announces Spring to the inhabitants of the northern hemisphere. We humans keep in balance with the season by re-affirming hope in new life and faith in a seed. The abiding promise of the earth's bounty gives us comfort in the present and a sense of security for our future and the future of those we love. I find assurance when I meditate on the enduring words of Julian of Norwich, English mystic of the Middle Ages: "Let the winters come and go, for all shall be well again, I know. All manner of things shall be well."

Spring brings a breath of fresh air. I feel a kind of collective holding of our breath right now. Anxiety and fear are high whether we are worrying about the shadow of war, the global economic picture, quality care for children, health care, or a myriad of other concerns. Challeng-

ing times provide opportunities to expand or diminish the human spirit. The choice is obvious, but putting action behind our will power is difficult. The true challenge to spiritual growth is in reaching out to others and together expressing feelings, celebrating joys, comforting sorrows, and working toward making our values a reality here and now.

To counteract this environment of fear and anxiety, I invite you to: Breathe! Take a deep breath of refreshing air and breathe out all the toxins. Let the gift of fresh air replenish and relax you. Breathing is a sign of life. Let us take in the Spirit of Life and be grateful for one more moment on earth.

Henri Nouwen gives us another way to diminish anxiety when he writes: "Every time I take a step in the direction of generosity, I know I am moving from fear to love." The word, *liberal*, literally means generous. We are a liberal reli-

gious tradition. We are generous people.

It is a well-known fact that people become involved because – "Someone asked me." For example, when non-blood donors were asked why they didn't give blood, the most common response was – "nobody asked." At UUCP, you will not be asked to participate in a blood drive; rather, you will be asked to make your 2008-09 pledge to the future of UUCP at the end of this month. You will be asked to prepare for your new ministe at the end of this month. Please, be generous with your time and financial resources as you are able.

Blessings of Spring ,
Roberta

These Unitarian Universalists, whose ashes were interred in the Memorial Garden this month in past years, are still remembered. . .

Christine Albrecht Campbell
Helen Dycus Lane
Jacquard H Rothschild
Phyllis Mills Rothschild
Lloyd Dewitt Oxley
Catherine Bird Olsen
Marti Teresa McDermott
Orval Floyd McVey
Lenore Caroline Bendheim

The Ties that Bind

Our daughter is getting married this month, near Houston, to a fine young man. We joke that his parents are from two foreign countries: his father from Japan, his mother from Texas. Our son will be officiating, which is a little odd because he just got his R.N., which even in Texas does not qualify as an ordination. But I am not to worry about the details . . . just send money and show up in a tux to give my darling Leah away.

As you might imagine, I am feeling a complex mix of emotions at this time. Mostly I feel thankful that both of my children have grown up to be such fine people and have found equally fine people to marry and share life with. As a parent, one could hardly wish for more (although grandchildren would be nice.)

Our son's wife was born in Kiev and is Jewish. By tradition, Jewish ethnicity passes through the maternal line, so if Jacob and Elena have children, they will be Jewish. There is a neat story in our family for which this is an apt epilogue. My father worked as a manager in a factory in Kansas City, and one day at lunch a coworker made some anti-Semitic comments. My dad never had much patience for such things, so he leaned forward at the table and asked, "What kind of name do you think Ezzell is?" A clever question, really, because no one had any idea what kind of name Ezzell is (French Huguenot). In any case, the conversation turned to other matters. Well,

after a couple of generations, perhaps Ezzell will be a Jewish name.

There is another good story about our (soon-to-be) son-in-law's surname, Tatebe. Ken was not born with that name. He changed it some years ago, with his father's consent, to that of his maternal great-grandfather, who had no male children. During World War II, as an officer in the Japanese army, Mr. Tatebe commanded a prisoner of war camp in Asia. He was one of the few who treated the Allied prisoners decently and refused to carry out the order to kill them as the war was ending. As a result of the prisoners' testimony in his behalf, he was released and not hanged as a war criminal. Ken wanted to honor his great-grandfather by continuing his surname. If Ken and Leah have children, our grandchildren will bear a name that is worthy of respect. In June we will be traveling to Japan to meet the extended family. I am looking forward to it. Such is life – the stories twine and intertwine as they go on. Our family now has ties to Ukraine, Japan, and even Texas. The root of the word "religion" is "re-ligare": to bind back together that which was separated. At UUCP, our religious community, we are at our best when we are most connected. Let's share our stories as we make more together.

In community,

Gary Ezzell
Board President

Special Congregational Meeting

A special meeting of the congregation will take place on April 20, 2008, for the purpose of voting on the call to a settled minister.

A list of voting members will be published in the next Horizons. The bylaws state that a voting member must make an "identifiable financial contribution" (not a pledge) within the "current or past fiscal year" to cover the cost of basic membership (PSWD/UUA membership dues, Horizons and other mailings). The Board sets the exact dollar amount. For the past several years that amount has been \$150. If you wish to verify your voting status, please contact the office.
Board of Trustees

Renovation Project

Milestone Reached

On February 19, the Paradise Valley Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of our application for an amendment to our Special Use Permit. It now goes to the Town Council for final approval.

What does this mean? Before we can begin any construction on a new lobby, new restrooms, etc., there are a series of permissions that need to be obtained. Our "Special Use Permit" is essentially a zoning decision that allows UUCP to exist in a residential area.

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Greetings from your Music Director!

UPCOMING DATES:

March 2 at 6:00pm ~ Soulful Sun-down

March 8 – Colorific Cabaret –

6:30 Social Hour – 7:00 p.m.

SHOW! Come hear your favorite music about the BLUES, the Lady in Red, Mood Indigo, Deep Purple, Blue Moon, Colors of the Wind, Brown-Eyed Girl, Somewhere Over the Rainbow, and so much more!

This is the music program's big yearly fund-raiser. We have great support from you, our congregation in our budget – so THANKS! What you don't know is that this year's combined service with the Valley UU Choir is an extra big deal. This is not only a ground breaking musical work, but, the first year we really need a full string orchestra and serious rehearsal time. This is because of the difficulty of the work and also because it is a new score.

So thanks in advance for coming out to our show and supporting the music at UUCP.

March 27 DVLC Choir Concert (including guest performers from UUCP)

April 12 – PRIDE Parade – We are putting together a “Singing Float” Riders and walkers welcome! Sign up with Sandy Weir or Connie Jahrmarkt.

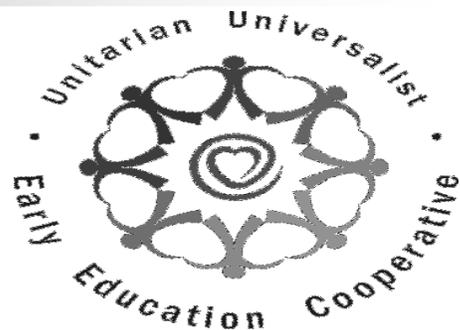
May 4 ~ 10:30am Service:

“Sources” New UU Cantata by Jason Shelton & Kendyl Gibbons & Justice Whitaker – UUCP Choir & Valley UU Choir + other singers from UU congregations in AZ and NM! (More about this next month)

Thanks to the **Family Choir** for the music you brought to us on February 24th. What fun!

Just to let you know: our pianist, Dr. Lynne Haeseler, now has a corner office upstairs. She has started a DVLC children's choir, and is planning music with UUCP youth and children. She is very happy to be working with us, and we are glad to have her here!

I think that's it for now!
Connie Jahrmarkt



From the Early Education Co-op Director

March is another busy month for the EEC.

Saturday, March 1 is our first annual Open House for prospective families. If you have friends or family with preschool aged children, please stop by between 9:30 am and 12:30 pm to experience “A Day in the Life of the EEC”!

We will be on Spring Break from March 10 – 14. I will be in and out of the office. Please call 480-710-7004 if you need to reach me during that time.

Beginning March 1 we begin our open enrollment time. Classes fill up quickly!

Many, many thanks to those of you who were able to attend our annual Auction! Events like this are a wonderful way to get to know each other better and help to support the EEC. Thank you.

In Community,
Jane Armstrong
EEC Director



“To Seek Knowledge in Freedom . . .”

“HAPPINESS 101” BROUGHT TO YOU BY SHERRY CELINE

This class is for you because there is no such thing as being too happy. Find out what it takes to feel better & stay that way. You can train your self to be happy. This class will offer insights from the most successful class in the history of Harvard as well as many other resources that will be sure to inspire & empower you. Live the best life you can - find out how now.

Instructor: Sherry Celine

Date & Time: Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. – 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16 (with the possibility of extension to 3/23 and 3/30, depending on interest)

Location: Room 9

Fee: \$10.00 or presentation of UUS Pass

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE IN ROOM 15 AT 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

GREEN TIP OF THE MONTH

Adapted from

www.coopamerica.org/

by Juli Harvey

March is a great time to Green Your Spring Cleaning. Buy green cleaners at your local natural foods store or via mail order or the Internet or make your own cleaners. To avoid toxic chemicals, consider making your own cleaners. Household items like baking soda, lemon juice, vinegar, and club soda, can be combined to clean everything from carpets to toilet bowls. Use old clothing and sheets for dusting and cleaning rags, rather than paper towels. Install a clothesline in your backyard or basement, and let your clothes dry naturally. Eliminate the need for chemical fabric softeners by adding ¼ cup of vinegar to your washing machine’s rinse cycle. Let your houseplants do the cleaning! Some houseplants—such as Boston ferns, English ivy, rubber plants, and peace lilies—can help clean your indoor air by absorbing toxic chemicals. Sit back, relax and enjoy the clean fresh air of your Green spring!

“TEN SPIRITUAL TUESDAYS” CONTINUES IN MARCH & APRIL

As of the writing of this article, three of the ten “Spirit in Practiced” workshops have been conducted, and the third is on its way. Thus far participants have learned about the place of spiritual practices in our UU faith tradition and have been shared and been exposed to personal and communal spiritual practices. The remaining classes and facilitators are listed below. The classes will be held on

Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. in Room B:

February 26 Workshop 4: Spiritual Partnerships led by Rev. Roberta Haskin

March 4 Workshop 5: Mind Practices led by Lois Leader

April 1 Workshop 6: Body Practices led by Dianne Pela

April 8 Workshop 7: Soul Practices led by Jay Alagia & Juli Harvey

April 15 Workshop 8: Life Practices led by Jay Bastani

April 22 Workshop 9: Justice Practices led by Kathy Kruse & Sarah Carlson

April 29 Workshop 10: Looking Back and Moving Forward led by Terry Simmons

The cost will be the usual \$10 fee or presentation of the UUS pass (no pro-rating, please).

SICKO MAKES PREMIER AT UUCP

The Adult Religious Education Committee will be hosting a viewing of the Academy Award nominated documentary Sicko on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the Johnson Room. There is a \$5 suggested donation (no one is turned away), and refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Kim St. Clair redirector@phoenixuu.org. From the film's website: "The words "health care"

and "comedy" aren't usually found in the same sentence, but in Academy Award winning filmmaker Michael Moore's new movie 'SiCKO,' they go together hand in (rubber) glove. Opening with profiles of several ordinary Americans whose lives have been disrupted, shattered, and—in some cases—ended by health care catastrophe, the film makes clear that the crisis doesn't only affect the 47 million uninsured citizens—millions of others who dutifully pay their premiums often get strangled by bureaucratic red tape as well. The film also details "how the system got into such a mess."

“Love is the Doctrine of this Congregation . . .”

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 1: Youth Empowerment Saturday (YES!) for 6th, 7th & 8th graders hosted by YRUU

March 2: 9:00 a.m. – UU Pals Service Project (Johnson Room); 10:30 a.m. - Children's Worship; 5th-6th grade OWL begins (go directly to classroom); 12:00 – New Family Potluck

March 16: Sunday school (1st-4th grade begin in sanctuary – all others go directly to room)

March 23: Sunday school; 11:45 – Spring Egg Hunt; 1:00 – UUCP Ice Skating at Alltel Ice Den

March 30: Sunday school

5TH-6TH GRADE OWL

BEGINS ON MARCH 2ND

Our nationally acclaimed sexuality education program for 5th-6th graders will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings from March 2-April 27, 2008. Parents of children participating in the program are asked to sign-in the participants promptly at 10:30 a.m. in Room H in the new annex. The 5th-6th grades will NOT participate in Children's Worship or go to Together Time on those dates. Thank you!

A “TREASURE HUNT” IN THE PRE-K-KINDERGARTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BY GERALDINE MENDEZ

In the pre-kindergarten it's all about the children interacting with other children that they have never met. For instance, we had two new members in our class, Travis and Julie, who were a bit worried by being in the class at first because they didn't know many of the kids, but as class continued, they realized that all the children wanted to be their friends. Each Sunday we have the children participate in some sort of hands-on-activity where they all get a chance to come out of their shell. At the beginning of the school year Katerina used to be one of our shyest children, but as each Sunday went by, she became one of our most active children. I might be a high school student but I enjoy every second of teaching the pre-k-kindergarten class because I know I help the children interact with new people around them. We have also created books about ourselves, play hide-n-seek with them a lot, and do

other activities that help the children learn more about themselves and their classmates. The children created “treasure boxes” at the beginning of the year that we continue to add to as we go on various “treasure hunts.”

NO MUSS NO FUSS LUNCHEON TO WELCOME NEW FAMILIES

Our “No Muss No Fuss” luncheon will be held on March 2, 2008. We will be celebrating our new UUCP families, so we are asking that everyone set aside this date to bring a potluck item and spend some time getting to know one another. We will have little welcome gifts for the new families, too! The luncheon will begin immediately after service on the Desert View playground. EVERYONE is invited to this luncheon – just bring an item based on your last name; paper goods and lemonade will be provided by the Children's Ministry Committee.

A-L – Main dish/sandwiches

M-T – Side dish/appetizer

S-Z - Dessert

A SNAPSHOT OF UUCP EASTER SUNDAY TRADITIONS

We have three beloved traditions on Easter Sunday here at the UUCP. One is the flower communion, which will occur at the beginning of the Sunday morning Celebration of Life. The second is the Spring Egg Hunt, which occurs after Sunday school. Children and youth are invited to come to the sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. on March 23rd to participate in the flower communion (please bring one flower for each

member of the family). The children (and youth) will then be sung out to their classrooms for a regular class, with the younger children (up to 4th grade) making egg collection bags. Then, at 11:45, the younger children with the help of the older ones will embark on their egg hunt! After they have collected 5-10 eggs, they can turn in their eggs for a fun goodie bag! Finally, everyone is invited to attend our third annual ice-skating event at the Alltel Ice Den in Scottsdale at 1:00 p.m.

UU PALS AND UUCP GO ICE SKATING

When: Sunday, March 23 (Easter); free skate starts at 1:45

Where: Alltel Ice Den, 9375 E. Bell Rd, just off Loop 101, north of Westworld

Cost: \$5-7 for skating; \$4 for skate rental There is a Peter Piper Pizza on site if you want lunch before hand.

ROOTS & SHOOTS BY NANCY CRUSE

In February Roots & Shoots families made Valentines for UUCP Unicare and helped with a project for the Desert Botanical Gardens. We now have R&S pen pals from Kenya, Africa. We look forward to learning more about their group. We also set our sights on (2) new projects such as one that will benefit children in South Africa, and another for a local animal adoption center.

Be on the look out for our teddy bear (gently used or new) and flip flop (new) collection boxes we will make next month, so you can be a

part of some global giving. Know of a good place for a drop box? Let Emily Cruse know about it.

We meet the second Sunday of the month in Room H, from 12:15-2:00 pm bring your lunch and a friend. Questions? Contact Nancy Cruse or Susan Leung.

Greetings from the ever-active UUCP YRUU group! By Mike Zduniak

We wanted to give you a little update as to our happenings (because we know how much you care, and because we care that you care!), so here goes! We have been quite busy as of late. Very recently—as those of you who attended the February 3rd service know—we had a Lutheran Youth Group join our church for a service and some interfaith discussion, experience a little bit of what UUism is about.

The youth in the group are making their choices regarding their faith direction, and they feel it appropriate as a faith to introduce their youth to the many different spiritual options available to them before they make that decision. If you ask us, that is an awesome and impressively open-minded move for any church to make, and we were very glad to have them.

Besides that, we also took part in the Phoenix Animal Care Coalition's (PACC 911) Pet Adopt-a-thon held at the UUCP on the 10th of February. We enjoyed seeing

all of the animals get adopted and helping out; and a few of us even ventured so far as to don the dog and cat costumes they had, and function as big, fuzzy crowd greeters!

As to the future, we have much planned there as well. Saturday, March 1st and 2nd, YRUU will be communing with the 6th-8th graders for a leadership-oriented, community-building Youth Empowerment Seminar. Moreover, we have several PSWD YRUU conferences to attend over the next few months. And finally, we currently have an end-of-the-year YRUU weekend trip in the works.

So that is what's going on at our end. We hope yours is just as exciting!

JUNIOR HIGH OWL UPDATE

Our large class this year has enjoyed meeting about twice a month to work through fun activities and games, interactive discussions about contraception, conception, misconceptions, friendships, relationships and pirate ships. Attendance has been steady and strong, laughs have been many and often, and conversations have been plenty spirited and insightful! We are winding down to our last block of classes, and we look forward to planning our end of the year celebration! Extra special thanks and love goes out to my co-teacher **Steve Harris**, for being such a rock this year; to **Lee Spencer** and **Diana Saylor** for sharing your time, energy and knowledge during several daunting lessons; to **Lani Comp**, **Julie Erfle** and **Tom**

Brookshire for your support of the team and the program; to **parents and families of all OWL participants** for your commitment, encouragement and help; and to all of you current **OWLs** who are part of the program this year: you each bring a unique energy to our group, and it has been a joy and an inspiration to see your faces each time we meet! Thank you all for reminding me over and over again why I love to be at UUCP, and never letting me forget that you are the future. In peace, Jaynn Turan

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In the same spirit of purpose and serenity, as chair of the search committee, I humbly ask all of us to prepare ourselves to welcome the ministerial candidate. We can do this simply by rededicating our efforts to build our future in a way that mindfully focuses on our larger purpose and mission. Expressed another way, let us use this next month to take a deep cleansing breath and remember why we are here, before we inhale the first fresh spring breeze of our incoming ministerial candidate.

As Buddhist teachings would remind us, preparing for change is also preparing for parting. Welcoming the ministerial candidate is the be-

ginning of parting with our interim minister, Roberta Haskin. Over the past year, the search committee has received innumerable comments along the lines of "why can't we keep Roberta?" I myself have said this more than once, as Roberta has been a great help to the search and as you all know, she is an awe-inspiring preacher and a terrific minister to our congregation. Alas, she is our *interim* minister, (one of the best interim ministers, in my opinion) and therefore, not strictly "ours" to keep. Part of welcoming the new minister is letting Roberta go; letting her continue her interim ministry, as there are many other UU's out there that can use her expert help. This will allow us to open our hearts and minds to what comes next.

It would also be appropriate to remind ourselves to use the same mentality with respect to Jean Wahlstrom, John Burciaga, Linda Bunyard, Fritz Hudson, Bettye Doty, Arthur Olsen, Edwin Broome, Burdette Backus, Charles Donaldson, John Findly and of course, Ray Manker. Every one of us has a different set of remembrances of our previous ministers; let us revere and honor all that this group has done for us. We would not be here if not for their contributions. Whoever will be our ministerial candidate, let me state absolutely and unambiguously that we should not expect our next minister to be Roberta, or Jean, or John, or Ray, etc.

On the other hand, let me also state

unambiguously some of the things the search committee thinks we can expect our next minister to be: a religious leader honoring our traditions and aspirations; an excellent preacher and director of services; growth oriented; willing and capable of a long term settlement; a supportive staff leader; a good board and executive team member; capable of supporting all of our ministries (children's, youth, YACM, pastoral care, RE, covenant groups, etc). Above all, and most of all, we should expect the new minister to have many new ideas and methods, new talents and vision, new sensitivities and needs. He or she will bring a new ministry to merge and synergize with our own. My hope is that we will grow together, minister and congregation, building beloved community and the beacon in the desert.

You will soon get to meet this person in April.....Get ready!

Yours,
Jimmy Leung

*People get ready, there's a train a-comin'
You don't need no baggage, you just get on board
All you need is faith to hear the diesels hummin'
Don't need no ticket, you just thank the Lord
-Gospel song by Curtis Mayfield
1965*

On Stewardship: Celebrating Our Beloved Community!

When I started this article, I thought I'd write about all the wonderful things our UUCP congregation accomplished and/or experienced in 2007-08. Then I'd focus on all the great things we expect for 2008-09. Unfortunately (despite my proven proclivity for purple prose), there was no way our Horizons' editor would be able to devote enough space to what quickly became a very, very long list.

So, I've gone to Plan B, which is to take time to celebrate my UUCP joys and ask that you take a few minutes to contemplate your own list. For me, although my list is very long, nothing exceeds the support and love I received last fall when breast cancer rudely and briefly interrupted my life (It's gone. I'm fine. You're terrific). Next on my list (yes I care about the money, too) is our highly successful stewardship campaign—not just the dollars, but the fact that we've reached 200 “pledging units” and an official membership of 309. Our growth cheers me because I know that in these turbulent times, there are so many people who need what UUCP has to offer. As our Beloved Community strengthens perhaps we will be able to help them find us. Did you know that our sanctuary can hold 300 worshipers?

That leads me to our upcoming 2008-09 stewardship campaign. Our

financial goals haven't yet been set, but there's a plan and I have a goal. Let's fill the sanctuary to overflowing on Sunday, April 6th—Commitment Sunday. We will have a special service, followed immediately by a garden party brunch (instead of a dinner the night before). We will enjoy good food, good company, talk about UUCP, anticipate the arrival of our settled minister candidate and make our financial commitments (pledges) for the coming year.

In Community,
Joan Laurence,
Stewardship Chair

Members & Friends mark

this on your calendars:

Commitment Sunday

April 6th, 2008

Special Service followed by

a garden party brunch.

Finance Committee

The current financial reports indicate that Building and Grounds expenses are running considerably over-budget, but as Gary Ezzell has pointed out in the congregational meeting, we have been successfully completing some very important projects. We're extremely proud that with the leadership of our dedicated B&G chair, Bill Mee, we're now keeping our building properly maintained.

The increase in pledges by longtime members and the fact that our new members are pledging as soon as they join are both helping to offset the overall deficit, which is less than expected. We will, however, have another major expense coming up soon: The roof over the classroom wing of our main building has exceeded its useful life and is actually leaking. Estimate for this repair: \$20,000.

Committee/group leaders: It's not too early for you and your members to start thinking about your group's financial needs for the next fiscal year, 2008-9. Budget worksheets to assist you in determining those figures are scheduled to be sent out in early March, and must be returned to the office by March 25. If you need information about your group's 2007-8 expenses and current balance, you may find it helpful to refer to the reports that Heidi sends out every month.

Ellie Murphy, for the Finance Committee

Instructions on Donating

Stock

To complete the transfer of stock to UUCP your broker needs a letter of instruction with the DTC number and UUCP's account number. Your brokerage company probably will require the letter be signature guaranteed or notarized. Either of these can be obtained at your bank.

The DTC # is 0705

The Scottrade account is in the name of Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Phoenix # 80491162

Our Branch is Scottrade Inc
2575 E Camelback Road 150
Phoenix AZ 85016
Telephone: 602 277 7911
You will not need to contact Scottrade to donate the stock.

Sample of letter to broker:

To Whom it May Concern:
Please transfer xx shares of X Company from (your account number) to Scottrade using the electronic transfer DTC 0705 Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Phoenix, account #80491162.

Sincerely,
Name of Donor(s)

IMPORTANT!

After making the donation please email or mail a letter to the UUCP office to report the donation. Include the following information:

- Your name
- Name of stock being donated
- Date of stock donation
- Instructions on how where to apply the stock proceeds: Stewardship or Capital Building pledge?

Scottrade has no way of knowing who is donating the stock.

SOCIAL ACTION MEETING

Social Action Committee meeting will be March 9 at 12 noon in annex B. Bring your coffee and ideas ... newcomers most welcome the 2nd Sunday of the month.

SOCIAL ACTION LUNCHEON

Please join us noontime March 16 in the Johnson Room for our monthly Social Action Luncheon. This month our guest speaker will be the new director of Booker T. Washington Child Development Center, Kim Sellers Pollins. Mrs. Pollins has over 15 years of Head Start experience. She previously worked with the City of Phoenix Head Start Program, and has served as a consultant with the Office of Head Start in Washington, D.C. Some of her areas of expertise are child development, health services and program design and management. Mrs. Pollins holds a Bachelors degree in Social Work and is completing her Masters in Education. UUCP's long association with Booker T will be enhanced when you meet its new director. For a small donation you will eat a delicious lunch and learn about one of our most favorite UUCP projects.

NEW SANCTUARY MOVEMENT

At our February meeting we invited a member of Interfaith Worker Justice to give an overview of the organization's involvement in the immigration situation in America and especially in Arizona. We agreed that our UU principles dictate that we become members of the New Sanctuary Movement in Arizona. A subcommittee was established to educate ourselves on how to assist

the Latino community in the immigration crisis. Our February luncheon speaker further informed us of the dire situation with its racist tones. He told us of "Endgame," a 10 year secret plan to wipe undocumented residents off the face of the U.S. map. This 50 page document was released in June 2003 and details how our government (and Haliburton!) intends to realize this objective by the year 2012. More information is available at the Social Action table.

FAIR TRADE SALES UPDATE

Beginning in March all Fair Trade coffee will sell for \$8.00 per bag to bring us more in line with supermarket prices. The little extra profit will benefit our social justice projects here and around the world. As you may remember, the increase was originally scheduled for February.

AFRICA PROJECT

The date of the next tour to Africa has been rescheduled to January 09. Contact Janice Brunson for further information.

NEW DAY FAMILY SHELTER

The sign up board is waiting for individuals, committees, covenant groups to sign up beginning in May through the summer. Our thanks to all those who have kindly assisted in shopping, cooking and serving the meal the first Sunday these past months, especially assistants Lydia Yanak and Katie Raife. Nourishment for the soul is rich, the time so little.

CIRCULO DE AMIGAS

We have received many letters of love and appreciation from our two sponsored students, Lisbeth and Jaritza. UUCP's sponsorship of CDA students in Jinetego, Nicaragua provides schooling, uniforms, lunches and a little left over for holidays and family necessities. Thank you Tony Banegas and family for transcribing all the letters.

If you are interested in learning more about sponsorship please visit the Social Action table.

WANT TO BE THE CHANGE YOU SEEK IN THE WORLD?

Consider contributing your time and energy as a UU Service Committee representative at UUCP.

The mission of the UU Service Committee (UUSC) is the advancement of human rights and social justice in our communities, our country and the world. UUSC works: to advance economic justice, such as workers' rights; to defend civil liberties and democratic processes under challenge; to promote environmental justice, such as defending the human right to water in communities facing water-service privatization and resource depletion; and to protect rights during humanitarian crises, natural and/or human-caused, such as the Pakistani earthquake, the Indonesian tsunami, Hurricane Katrina, and Darfur. UUSC also sponsors JustWorks camps, short-term experiential learning projects that help volunteers examine and understand the causes and damaging effects of injustice, and JustJourneys, unique educational travel experiences that focus on human rights

and social justice issues.

How can I help?

One or two volunteers are sought to serve as UUCP's UUSC representative(s).

Is it hard?

No, many resources are available online or by snail mail from UUSC, plus former representatives are available to help. What's the time commitment? A minimum is probably one or two hours a month (less in summer) that can be fit in around your schedule.

Will this get me into heaven?

Maybe not, but you can help make the change you want to see in the world!

Contact Sarah Carlson with questions or for more information.

Global Justice Teach-in Featuring UUCP Hosted Public Art Project

The Local to Global Justice Teach-in is in its exciting 7th year! This year's theme is "Turning Walls into Bridges." On March 1-2, 2008, hundreds of progressive activists will converge on ASU in Tempe, Arizona to build on this theme through workshops, speakers, music, and shared food. The event is free and open to the public.

Of special interest to UUCP members is One Heart Betrayed, the public art project based on a 20 foot metal shipping container, created by members of Amnesty International and this congregation in our parking lot two summers ago. The interactive multimedia art project tells the story of human rights abuse in Eritrea where former UUCP member Aster Yohannes and her husband Petros Solomon have been political prisoners since 2003 and 2001. The Eritrean government uses containers to house prisoners. The March 1-2 display of One Heart Betrayed is sponsored by the new Master's Degree program in human rights offered at ASU West.

This year's Justice Teach-in speakers include author and POOR Magazine founder Lisa "Tiny" Gray-Garcia, educator and activist Mara Sapon-Shevin, and muralist Mike Alewitz. There will also be lots of social justice workshops

presented by grassroots groups on both days. New this year, the Teach-in will feature workshops and activities organized and presented by youth! All children ages 3-17 are welcome to participate.

For more information go to <http://localtoglobal.org/>

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Welcome to our New Members on February 17th!

Would you like to explore the meaning of membership in our liberal faith community?

Our next New UU Class experience is being offered Sunday mornings March 30th and April 6th, with a potluck dinner to follow. Please contact membership@phoenixuu.org for more details, and to register, or see us at the Membership Information table at Coffee Hour!

Would you like to be part of the membership ministry's welcoming process? We'd like to have most of our congregation wearing the star of STARS, to help greet our visitors. How about giving the fun training a try? Your best opportunity is soon, on Sunday March 9th, either 9:45 to 10:15 am, or just after the service. Please contact membership@phoenixuu.org!



This past month has brought with it many milestones for our inter-generational community.

Diana Forrester, a longtime member of both UUCP and Valley UU, passed away on Friday, February 8 after a five-year struggle with ALS-related disease. Diana sang in the UUCP choir and taught Spanish in the Paradise Valley Unified School District. A memorial service will be held at UUCP at a later date.

A memorial service was held for Rod Engelen on February 10th in our sanctuary. Rod was a long-time member and President of the Board. He worked as a city planner for the City of Phoenix.

Pat Weare, a former member and faithful office volunteer was also remembered in a memorial service on the 16th of February.

To the families and friends of these members we offer our sincere sympathy and hope for comfort in their loss.

UUCP's very own Valentine's, Billye and Kermit Butler, celebrated their 65h wedding anniversary on the 14th. Hopefully you too "read all about it" in the feature story in the "Arizona Republic"!

We are most happy to report that Greg Weir, just having graduated, is successfully and gainfully employed with a firm doing website programming in the real estate industry in Charlotte, N.C. Any other stories out there from recent empty-nesters? We'd love to hear them!

Best wishes are sent to Joanne Michaels who should be recovering from hip surgery even as you read this!

Many bouquets are sent out to our crack Unicare team which has stepped up to care for our community this month in so many imaginative ways. You are an inspiration!

Sincerely,
Julie Smart

From the Sunday Services Committee

The Sunday Services Committee is looking for several new members to assist in planning future Sunday services. If you have an interest, please be our guest at the next meeting, Thursday, March 20 at 7 pm. For further information contact Terry Simmons or Heather McLellan.

Wednesday Night Covenant Group Openings

Veteran or rookie to UUCP, the Wednesday Night Covenant Group has two openings for our next shoot-around on March 12. Enjoy the benefits of smaller ministry circles. Contact Gene Harvey for more information eugeneharvey@msn.com or 602-361-9067.

Leadership Development Day Huge Success

On January 19 more than 50 current, future and past leaders of UUCP met for a half-day workshop at the church. The theme was "Building a Beloved Community". The day was a combination of concurrent sessions and whole group sessions. The first of the two concurrent sessions was "Community Building through Committees and the second was "Community Building through Leadership". Energy was very high and much optimism was expressed during this fast-paced fully packed day. The expertise of our staff and senior lay leaders were

showcased. Presenters included Robert Haskins, Gary Ezzell, Kim St. Clair, Piya Jacobs, Connie Jarmarkt, Kate Ottig and Jaynn Truan. Glen Lockwood moderated the event. Topics for future leadership development activities are being considered by the Nominating Committee. If you have a topic or a need you would like to see addressed, please send them to nominating@phoenixuu.org.

Nominating Committee

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Before adding any square footage, we need to amend the "SUP". We have been in front of the Planning Commission for nearly two years, so this is a significant milestone. We do not expect problems at the Town Council and hope to have Town Council approval this spring.

The Planning Commission approved our total Master Plan and has stipulated that the Phase I construction needs to be completed within 5 years of the Council's final approval. Additional phases would need to be completed within another 7 years (12 years total). This is a significant accomplishment because the normal approval term is 3 years. We hope that the Town Council will ratify this recommendation.

The Board of Trustees is actively

considering how and when we can move forward with Phase I in a financially prudent way. Phase I is to include the lobby expansion with accessible entrances, new restrooms, sewer connection, frontage improvements, sign, safety and code improvements. No decisions will be taken without congregational approval. So -- there is much yet to be done, but we have finally cleared a major obstacle. While we have been mired in details with the Planning Commission for a very long time, it was gratifying at the end of the day to obtain the approval and to have them follow the vote with a comment that the architectural design is outstanding. UUCP and our architect, Doug Sydnor, were commended for bringing forward a plan that suits the existing buildings and the property so well.

Gary Ezzell



Job Club Returns

If you are out of a job, about to lose your job, or hate your job come to the Job Club. We will meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation. The structure and content will be determined by the needs of those in the group. Get help with your resume, clarify your job goals, network effectively and mechanisms to cope when unemployed. Pauline Peverty and Larry Agle will be facilitating. They bring a wealth of experience in career services and workforce development. For more information email: job-club@phoenixuu.org or call Pauline at 602-274-8342 or Larry 602-374-4623.

Poikilos

Poikilos (Greek for "of many colors") will not be published this year, but we are aiming for a 2009 volume. Keep on writing and we'll have enough poems, stories, and essays for a full book. (We do have some work left over from 2007 that we can use.) Questions? Call Tish Gauntt at 602-992-1563.



Circle Dinners

Circle dinners are continuing in the congregation

for March, April, and May before we take a break for the summer. These dinners are a popular UU activity in many congregations across the country. They have been part of the Phoenix Congregation's life for many years. These are small dinners of 6 to 10 people that bring together new and old friends. The host provides the main dish and then assigns dishes for guests to bring. We welcome new participants, but really need hosts so everyone who wishes to participate can.

In our congregation they are held on the third Saturday of each month in members' homes. We would love to have more guests and hosts for these monthly get togethers. If you want to join, please call Mary Wilber at 480-473-1150 or email phuucircle@yahoo.com.

Since a lot of you have some really tough security on your email accounts, it is important that you put the above email address in your email contacts/addresses when you respond.. Current Circle Dinners participants who have not been getting the emails should do the same. We really want to hear from you!



Outdoor Group

Have you heard that one of the sure-fire bullets for good health is exercise and that outdoor exercise can be even more therapeutic than indoor? We will say no more! (except to ask you to join us for a hike and to ask a new member to join you)

MARCH 8 - BARNHART TRAIL

Location: Mazatzal Peak Wilderness Area

Distance: 6.5 miles round trip (approx.)

Difficulty: Moderate plus

Leaders: Marshal Smart and Eve Simon

MARCH 22 - BELL TRAIL AT WET BEAVER CREEK

Location: East of Sedona exit

Distance: 7 miles round trip with a shorter alternate

Difficulty: easy to moderate

Leaders: Bernie Hall and Julie Smart

For details about meeting places and times please stop by the Outdoor Group table in the back of the sanctuary at UUCP on Sunday mornings.

If you want up-to-the minute information on the next hike, contact Jessica Stahl at lists333@aol.com and she will put you on her e-mail list.

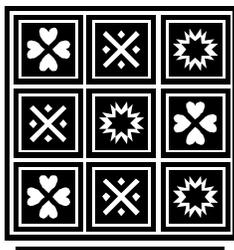
Traveling 2ND Fridays

Mark your calendars for the 2nd Friday of each month. It is held in the sanctuary from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

Friday, March 14 - Visual and Spoken Images of Bandelier National Monument - Presented by George Karas

For ten out of the past eleven summers George & Shirley Karas have served as volunteer campground hosts at several national parks. For the past three summers they have been at Bandelier National Monument, New Mexico which this year celebrated the 91st anniversary of its founding. They plan to share several of the many photographs which they have taken in those three summers. Before Shirley and George arrived this past summer, Barbara and Dave Cawthorne visited Bandelier and she will have much to say about a first-time visitor's perspective of this historic and beautiful archeological park.

If you have any questions about Traveling 2nd Fridays, call Barbara Cawthorne at (480) 994-1452.



Main Street Mavericks Quilt Exhibit

In March, April and May our sanctuary will be filled with the beautiful quilts and fiber art pieces made by members of the Main Street Mavericks. This art quilting group is known for innovative, unique and modern twists on traditional quilts and techniques. Many of the members are nationally known fabric artists who exhibit and sell in a variety of venues. On March 23, Sharon Hise and Joan Gale, members of both the Mavericks and UUCP, will host the coffee hour and invite the artists. Please join us for an opportunity to meet the artists, ask questions and admire their work.

"Why Do We Need to Keep Doing Welcoming Congregation if We are Already One?"

Saturday, April 26, 2008

1:00 p.m to 5:00 p.m.

UU Church in Surprise, AZ

The Rev. Keith Kron, Director of the UUA Office of Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, and Transgender Concerns, will lead this workshop to explore and discuss the activities, programs and education we can continue or even start with, to ensure our Congregation is "Welcoming" to all.

A graduate of Starr King School for the Ministry, Rev. Kron spent nine years as an elementary school teacher in Lexington, Kentucky. He has been director since January 1996. He collects children's books and plays tennis. An elementary school teacher before entering the ministry, Rev. Kron teaches a course on children's literature for the Starr King School for the Ministry. Home Hospitality can be arranged for persons wishing to stay over Saturday night. Rev. Kron will also be delivering the Sermon at the UU Church in Surprise, AZ, the following morning.

Contact: Mary Anne Poggenburg at poggy1@aol.com or 623-398-8070 for more information or to register



Remembering Pat Weare

By Rev. Ray Manker, Minister Emeritus

With the death of Pat Weare we lost one of the original members of Sierra Ancha Wilderness Unitarian Universalist Religious Association (SAWUURA). Pat and her husband, Roger, were a significant and vital part in our securing the lovely mountain retreat. When we were first looking for mountain property for a youth camp, while property was still available, the congregation appointed a committee to find us a place. We found a beautiful piece of property, 110 acres, just south of Young, Arizona, for \$110,000. The committee recommended that the congregation buy it. At our Annual Meeting, before the Property Committee could make its recommendation, the Buildings and Ground Committee reported to the congregation that we had massive leaks in the church roof which would mean spending too much money which we didn't even have. Our Property Committee decided that this was not the time to expect that we would spend \$110,000. on a Youth Camp, so they decided not to present it to the Congregation and the dream died there. Ten months later, someone one from the Tempe Congregation called and asked what had happened to the project and suggested that the people in Tempe would support it also. So the project was revived and

we telephoned the Young realtor and asked about the property. We were told that the property had been sold to a retired couple. So the dream died a second time. Then a couple weeks later the realtor called to say the property was back on the market as the elderly man had had a heart attack and died. A hurriedly called Committee voted to buy the property immediately, and ask the Congregation later. It this critical point, Pat and Roger Weare volunteered to buy the property and hold it while our Committee raised the money. A year later, after raising more that the down payment and securing the pledges for most of the rest, we paid Pat and Roger and transferred the property from Pat and Roger's name to the Church. When I saw last week the Memorial for Pat, ancient precious memories flooded back. The Weares wre instrumental in our securing SAWUURA for this congregation and for all Arizona UUs.

Thank you, Pat and Roger!

SAWUURA 30th

Anniversary Picnic!

What: SAWUURA 30th Anniversary Picnic (www.sawuura.org)

When: Saturday, March 15, 2008, 11 am - 3 pm

Where: Utery Mountain Regional Park in east Mesa (<http://www.maricopa.gov/parks/utory/>). From central Phoenix, I-10 east to US 60 east. Exit Ellsworth Road north to the Utery Mountain Regional Park entrance. Go to Ramada C2. The ramada has picnic tables, a patio, grills and nearby playground and hiking trails. There is a \$6/car park entry fee. The park also has camping areas available first come, first served for \$20/night - see the park website for details.

Join us at beautiful Utery Mountain Regional Park to celebrate SAWUURA's 30th birthday! There will be sun burgers, cake, and games. Please RSVP with the number of people in your party by March 8 and contact Erin Mullarkey or John Matthews with any questions. See you there!

John: 480-664-7507;
matthews_x@yahoo.com

Erin: 480-353-1833;
mullarkeys@cox.net

UUA/PSWD Connections

It's not just time to mark your calendars - it's time to celebrate! Thank you and kudos to everyone who shared your time and treasures during the **Association Sunday** worship service we had in October.

Our congregation raised and contributed a healthy \$3,271 as a commitment to help grow Unitarian Universalism, and we should be so excited at the possibilities! Funds raised during the national campaign will be given as grants to congregations involved in or working toward growing the mission and principles of Unitarian Universalism within our congregations or broader communities.

WEAVING THE TAPESTRY OF A BELOVED COMMUNITY

District Assembly is April 25-27 this year in Del Mar, and the keynote speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Marilyn Sewell of the First Unitarian Church of Portland, who believes that we can create congregations that embody the kind of loving, inclusive community that a broken world is looking for... The workshop schedule looks outstanding, and Saturday night entertainment will feature nationally known author Dr. Richard Lederer. Make plans to join others from around the district at the San Diego Marriott Del Mar for community, worship, spiritual growth, social justice work, music, food, fun, and fellowship! We have been invited to join members from the Tucson area who are arranging for at least one bus to make the trek this year, so this is a great opportunity to make even more connections AND

not have to drive! Space is limited, so please go to www.pswduua.org for registration information and register as soon as possible! If you are interested in the bus trip, or have any other questions, please contact Jaynn Truran at JATuran@aol.com, or 480-600-8816.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE/ UNSUNG VOLUNTEERS

Are you often reminded of someone who deserves recognition for their work for Unitarian Universalism? Is there someone who has provided distinguished service in the PSWD? Or an unsung volunteer who has provided so much? Perhaps a youth advisor or an unsung UU youth? The Pacific Southwest District is asking you for nominations for this year's awards to be present at the 2008 District Assembly. Nomination forms are available at www.pswd.uua.org and due by March 10.

COMMON THREADS

General Assembly is June 25-29 in Ft. Lauderdale this year. General Assembly is the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations. General Assemblies shall make overall policy for carrying out the purposes of the Association and shall direct and control its affairs. Voting at each General Assembly shall be by accredited delegates from certified member congregations, certified associate member organizations, and trustees. The 2009 General Assembly will be held in Salt

Lake City and the 2012 General Assembly will be held in (drumroll please...) PHOENIX! The GA planning committee reported an exceptionally warm welcome from the Phoenix Convention Center and is really looking forward to 2012! For more information, and to register for GA, please go to www.uua.org.

UUSC (UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SERVICE COMMITTEE) HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM

Steve Spanier, executive director of RecaimDemocracy.org will be speaking at this Forum focused on Globalization, Immigration and Poverty, April 12 at Throop Memorial Church in Pasadena. Special guests include Iraq Veterans Against the War and Lucia Munoz organizer of the Southern California UUSC "New Sanctuary Movement". For more information, please contact Ruth Shapin at 714-567-0188.

For any other information regarding the Unitarian Universalist Association or the Pacific Southwest District, please visit www.uua.org, www.pswduua.org, or contact our Association and District Representative, Jaynn Truran at JATuran@aol.com or 480-600-8816. Don't forget to read, submit to and subscribe online to the PSWD NetwUUrK, our district newsletter, which is filled with events and news from around the district and beyond.

Calendar of Events...

Saturday March 1 2008

9:00 AM YRUU Leadership Building
9:30 AM Preschool Open House
10:00 AM Art Committee

Sunday March 2 2008

9:00 AM Poetry Coffeehouse
9:00 AM Sunday Covenant Group
9:00 AM Book Discussion Group
9:00 AM Meditation Group
10:30 AM Celebration of Life Service
10:30 AM Children's Worship
12:00 PM New Day Center Meal
12:00 PM Young Adult Group
12:00 PM Family Choir Rehearsal
12:00 PM New Family Potluck
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch
1:00 PM OWL
6:00 PM Soulful Sundown Service

Monday March 3 2008

7:00 PM Women's Spirituality Circle

Tuesday March 4 2008

12:30 PM President's Council
6:30 PM Spiritual Practices Class
7:00 PM Tuesday Covenant Group

Wednesday March 5 2008

1:30 PM Covenant Group
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 6 2008

7:30 PM Campus Ministry

Saturday March 8 2008

6:30 PM Colorific Cabaret

Sunday March 9 2008

9:00 AM Nominating Committee
9:00 AM Book Discussion Group
9:00 AM Meditation Group
10:30 AM Celebration of Life Service
10:45 AM Children's Ministry
12:00 PM Young Adult Group
12:00 PM Social Action Meeting
12:00 PM Family Choir Rehearsal
12:15 PM Roots & Shoots
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch
6:00 PM MUUvie

Monday March 10 2008

6:30 PM Covenant Facilitator Mtg.
7:00 PM Women's Spirituality Circle

Tuesday March 11 2008

12:00 PM Covenant Group

Wednesday March 12 2008

6:00 PM ARE Committee
6:30 PM Covenant Group
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 13 2008

6:00 PM Children's Ministry Cmte.
6:30 PM Covenant Group
7:00 PM Green Sanctuary Cmte.
7:00 PM Finance Committee

Friday March 14 2008

7:00 PM Traveling 2nd Friday

Saturday March 15 2008

Taylor Wedding
6:00 PM Circle Dinner

Sunday March 16 2008

9:00 AM Covenant Group
9:00 AM Book Discussion Group
9:00 AM Meditation Group
10:30 AM Celebration of Life
10:45 AM Children's Ministry
12:00 PM Young Adult Group
12:00 PM Social Action Luncheon
12:00 PM Family Choir Rehearsal
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch

Monday March 17 2008

7:00 PM Women's Circle

Tuesday March 18 2008

7:00 PM Covenant Group

Wednesday March 19 2008

1:30 PM Covenant Group
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 20 2008

Canvass Training
7:00 PM Sunday Services Cmte.
7:30 PM Campus Ministry

Friday March 21 2008

9:00 AM Canvass Training
6:00 PM Covenant Group

Saturday March 22 2008

8:00 AM Clean Up Day
9:00 AM Canvass Training

7:00 PM Bridge Group

Sunday March 23 2008

Spring Egg Hunt
9:00 AM Book Discussion Group
9:00 AM Meditation Group
10:30 AM Celebration of Life Service
10:45 AM Children's Ministry
12:00 PM Young Adult Group
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch

Monday March 24 2008

7:00 PM Women's Spirituality Circle

Tuesday March 25 2008

12:00 PM Covenant Group
4:00 PM Committee on Ministry

Wednesday March 26 2008

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Green Sanctuary Committee

Thursday March 27 2008

6:00 PM Roots & Shoots
6:00 PM Family Singalong
6:30 PM Covenant Group
7:00 PM Board Meeting

Friday March 28 2008

9:00 AM Canvasser Training

Saturday March 29 2008

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

Sunday March 30 2008

9:00 AM Book Discussion Group
9:00 AM Meditation Group
9:00 AM New UU Class
10:30 AM Celebration of Life Service
10:45 AM Children's Ministry
12:00 PM Young Adult Group
12:00 PM No Fuss No Muss Potluck
12:00 PM Canvasser Training
12:30 PM Lunch Bunch
1:00 PM OWL

Monday March 31 2008

7:00 PM Women's Circle

Interim Minister: Rev. Roberta Haskin minister@phoenixuu.org
Minister Emeritus: Rev. Ray Manker
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Our Mission

Our religious community aspires to:

- Embrace diversity as we engage in the passionate pursuit of Unitarian Universalist principals;
- Share ministry that promotes lifelong spiritual growth through Service, Worship, Ritual and Education thereby inspiring lives of joy and hope;
- Grow and be effective in the greater community.

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