



Your Weekly Newsletter for Upcoming Events

the SUUNday Focus

November 7, 2010

Upcoming Services

Sunday Services at 9:15 & 11 am

- November 14 — Hollis Bredeweg, Minister *An Adventitious Occasion*
- November 21 — Hollis Bredeweg, Minister *Cranberry Relics*
- November 28 — Sara Edlin Marlowe & Cheryl Rohrig *Abrahan Service*
Guest Speakers

Notices & Upcoming Events

Just two more weeks to bid on Community Marketplace items!

Here's your chance to bid on indoor and outdoor items from the annual Marketplace, our major fundraiser of the year. Bid on one of these fabulous items and help supplement the church budget!



- ✦ picnic at Williams Lake
- ✦ tango lessons
- ✦ exotic getaways and cabins
- ✦ cat sitting services
- ✦ landscape design
- ✦ computer support
- ✦ fresh herb baskets, and much more.

NEW this year are two raffle ticket items:

- ✦ a fabulous basket of Washington Wines valued at over \$150
- ✦ a beautiful necklace of lapis crystal and Italian beads, hand-crafted by Maeve Aeolus.

Raffle tickets are available at the Marketplace table in the back of Friendship Hall, as are bid numbers for auction items.

The complete catalog is available on our UUCS website.

Bidding will continue through Sunday, November 14, when there will be a *scrumptious* luncheon and raffle drawing.

Make a Difference: Fill the Food Barrels for the Hungry People of Spokane

We have two food barrels in the foyer from the Second Harvest Food Bank of Spokane. **Please take this opportunity to make a difference in the lives of local families and seniors.**

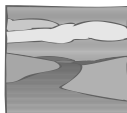


Every can of food you donate feeds hope for the hungry in Spokane. Food collected helps stock 20 emergency food outlets in Spokane County that serve more than 15,000 people every month.

Four out of 10 emergency food clients are children and one out of 10 is a senior.

No time to shop? Cash donations are welcome! Each dollar you give is transformed into six pounds of food — about four meals. Checks made payable to Second Harvest can be mailed to or dropped at the UUCS Office.

If you and/or your family need help, please contact our Minister, Hollis Bredeweg, or Diane Huigen, Director of Religious Education.



Path to Membership Class

The final Path to Membership class is today in the Thoreau Room from 12:30 to 2 pm. Lunch is provided.

Celebrating Religious Education at UUCS

✦ A Small Time Commitment with BIG Impact



Would you like to have fun with children? We would love to have you volunteer in our Preschool through Fourth Grade classrooms. We're not asking for every week, just once in a while when it fits your schedule, maybe once, twice, three times or more a year. The time commitment is as little as ONE HOUR but the impact is huge. If this sounds good to you, please contact Diane Huigen in the RE Office or talk with one of our great teachers. Appreciation will be shown with hugs, smiles, and/or laughter.

✦ Offerings — Our Social Justice Project

The children are starting to remember their own money for their classroom offering and they're proud of themselves. It shows on their faces. Please continue to help them remember so this becomes a positive experience. Where are the donations going? The Spokane Humane Society, Vanessa Behan Nursery, & the Spokane Food Bank are some ideas from the children. Thank you!

✦ Holiday Party & Cookie Potluck

The annual RE Holiday Party & Cookie Potluck will be Saturday, December 4, from 5 — 8:30 pm. This is a party for anyone ages 1 — 100+, who enjoy having fun. Dinner will be cooked and served by our Senior High Youth. This is one of their fundraisers for the year, so a donation for your meal will be expected. This is an evening full of fun and excitement! We will decorate the tree, try out 3 or 4 different crafts, sing carols, play games, socialize with friends, and have a visit from a special guest with a white beard and a red suit! We look forward to seeing everyone there for some UU camaraderie.

✦ Learn Our 7 UU Principles

Would you like your own chalice? Ed Tyler has made some wonderful chalices for anyone — young, old or in between — who has learned the 7 UU principles and can recite them to Diane Huigen, Director of Religious Education. Just let an RE teacher or Diane know you would like to do this and we will make it so! Need a refresher? *See below!*

UU Principles for Children (and those who love them)

RED → RESPECT for the importance and value of all beings.

ORANGE → OFFER fair and kind treatment to all.

YELLOW → YEARN to learn throughout life and accept our differences.

GREEN → GROW by exploring ideas and values together.

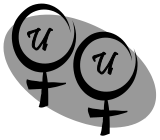
BLUE → BELIEVE in our ideas and act on them.

INDIGO → INSIST on peace, freedom and justice for all.

VIOLET → VALUE our interdependence with nature.

The Inside Scoop

✦ UU Women November Events



Wednesday. November 10 at 11:30 am. Lunch at the "Service Station" deli in the YMCA on north Monroe. At 12:30, we'll tour the YWCA including "Our Sister's Closet".

Sunday. November 14 at 12:30 pm. Monthly meeting. Thoreau Room.

All UU Women events are open to all the women of the church. No need to sign up. Just show up! For more information, please call Judy Gammon at 363-0535.

✦ Share Your UU Thoughts or a Little of Your Time — or Both!

Be a part of the Sunday service by sharing your "What I Believe" statement. Each week we'll feature a member – old, young or in-between – sharing what being a UU means to them. The Worship Team is also seeking assistants to help with sound or as a worship leader a few Sundays each year. Please contact Erich at erichter@verso5.com.

✦ Lost Your Name Tag?



For members who have lost their name tag and want a replacement, permanent name tags will be ordered after New Member Sunday on November 14th. They cost \$8 and must be prepaid. The signup sheet is on the clipboard by the name tag board in the back of the Sanctuary. Make your check payable to UUCS and **write "name tag" in the memo line**. Then, just drop

your check in the offering basket, give it to Linda Greene, or drop it off at the church office during the week. Questions? Call Linda Greene at 926-7616.

✦ Ministerial Search Update

We are ready to enter the official search for our settled minister! In preparation, the Search Team has created a special website to showcase all that we – and Spokane – have to offer a minister. Dan Eacret, Dale Avery and Jet Tilley have worked countless hours to design, create and complete this amazing site. You can access it by selecting the "Ministerial Search" tab on the sidebar at the church's homepage: www.uuspokane.org. Check it out!

✦ Save the Date — Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Retreat at UUCS

Saturday, November 20 Venerable Semkye and Venerable Jigme, Monastics from Sravasti Abbey, will offer a Tibetan Buddhist meditation retreat titled "Meditation on the Buddha" in the Chapel from 9 am - 4 pm. This teaching is open to all faiths from beginning to advance practitioners. The practice is offered free of charge although donations are welcomed. For more information, contact Nancy Boroughs at 688-5534 or dawa_neb@yahoo.com



✦ A Gentle Reminder...

As the church year moves into full swing and the Winter Holidays approach, there are lots of folks using the facilities in the evenings and on the weekends. Given all this activity, please do keep in mind the words of Robert Fulghum, UU minister and writer of the classic, "All I Ever Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten." In Fulghum's words, "Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess."

From the Music Director's Desk

✦ Come Sing for the Holidays

Love to sing, but can't commit to choir on an ongoing basis? Why not join the Mixed Choir for the Holidays? On Thursday November 11, we will start rehearsing for our Thanksgiving and December services. Rehearsals for our Thanksgiving and December services happen every Thursday from 7–8:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Choir Sundays will be November 21st, December 5th and 19th.



✦ Invitation to the Children's Choir for the Pageant

The pageant is coming, the PAGEANT is coming, THE PAGEANT IS COMING! It is time to start thinking about our beloved Christmas Pageant and once again singing those wonderful songs that help tell the good old story in a "UU way"! All kids from 3rd through 6th grades are invited to sing in the choir. We start rehearsals on Thursday, December 2 at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Parent info letters will be out to you by mid-November.

Contact Music Director, Deborah J. at 325-6383 ext 303 or at uumusic@uuspokane.org if you are interested in any of these opportunities to be part of the UUCS music program.

The Inside Scoop

✦ Storytelling Workshop on Saturday, November 13 from 9 am - noon

A Story for All Ages Workshop will happen on Saturday, November 13, 9 am - noon in the e.e. cummings room. We will discuss the basic necessities of the Story time as well as the spirit, content and delivery. For information contact Sarajoy Van Boven at 509-592-7215 or sarajoyvb@yahoo.com.



✦ Church Directory Now On-Line

If you want to access the Church Directory and other contact information via our website (www.uuspokane.org), just fill out an On-Line Policy and Access Agreement located on the table by the sound booth and leave it in the folder. You will be snail-mailed the Directory user name and password. Questions? Contact Jet Tilley, Business Administrator, at 325-6383 ext 302/admin@uuspokane.org.

Covenant Statement

We, the Unitarian Universalist congregation of Spokane, promise to:

- *support and care for one another,*
- *embrace diversity of persons and spiritual paths,*
- *search for truth and understanding, and*
- *work for social justice and environmental stewardship.*

With this covenant, we honor each other with our laughter and tears, our compassion, and respect. We are a community of open hearts, open minds, and open hands.