



Your Weekly Newsletter for Upcoming Events

the SUUNday Focus

February 13, 2011

Upcoming Services

Sunday Services at 9:15 & 11 am

February 20	Rev. Hollis Bredeweg	<i>Visions of Greatness</i>
February 27	Rev. Ken Jones, Guest Minister	<i>Two Stories: Immigrants in America</i>
March 6	Rev. Hollis Bredeweg	<i>Spiritual Composting</i>

Notices & Upcoming Events

Take the Nominating Team Challenge



Your Nominating Team invites you to seriously consider applying for one of the Board of Trustees (BOT) positions or the Nominating Team itself. You will serve a three-year term beginning in July. As a

BOT member you will deepen your understanding and show your love of our church community as you help set the vision and direction of our congregation. With the Nominating Team your knowledge of other church members and the workings of the church, plus your positive attitude will garner successful candidates.

We are looking for church members who have successfully served on one or more teams and are ready to move to a broader perspective. Applications are available at the Board table on Sunday, from the office, or on our web site.

Deadline for applications is March 10, 2011.

Thank you for considering these most important roles in our church. — Devon Greyerbiehl, Julie Rector, Sue Wotring, Renee Compton. Contact us at nominatingteam@uuspokne.org.

“Fair Share” Conversation & Potluck with PNWD Representative — Today!

Paul Blackburn, a member of the Mid-Columbia UU Fellowship in Hood River, Oregon, will be meeting with the Board of Trustees and interested members of the congregation today, beginning at 4 pm, and ending with a potluck dinner at 6 pm. Paul represents the Pacific Northwest District of the UUA and encourages congregational participation in and support of the District. Currently, UUCS contributes ¼ of the designated “fair share” amount to both the District and the UUA.

Today’s Special Collection — Odyssey Youth Center

This “Standing on the Side of Love Sunday” special collection will benefit the Odyssey Youth Center. The mission of Odyssey is to work with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth and their allies to provide a safe place, education and advocacy to promote positive growth and self empowerment. If this is a ministry that speaks to you, we invite you to give generously.

A Highlight from the February SUUN

Save the Date: the Annual UUCS Congregational Dinner will be on April 30—table hosts will be calling in late March! Check out the SUUN online for more info.

Celebrating Religious Education at UUCS

✦ 5th – 6th OWL Parent Orientation TODAY!

We will meet in the Sanger Room from 12:45 – 2:15 pm -see you there!

✦ K-1 OWL Starting Soon



Session begins on Wednesday, March 2 with a Parent Orientation. There are eight Wednesday classes which will run from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Please contact Diane Huigen as soon as possible as the maximum number of students is 10. Our teachers are Barb Stuebing, James Beebe, Maggie Dale, and Dean Tyler-Babkirk.

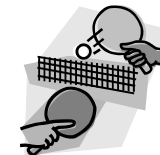
✦ Another Chalice Earned!

Piper Quimby recited the seven principles on Sunday, February 6, and earned her own chalice! Congratulations, Piper!

Respect the importance and value of all people. Offer fair and kind treatment to all. Yearn to learn throughout life and accept our differences. Grow by exploring ideas and values together. Believe in our ideas and act on them. Insist on peace, freedom and justice for all. Value our interdependence with nature. Recite these to Diane Huigen, Director of Religious Education, and receive the chalice of your choice.

✦ Senior High Youth Group Tonight

Feng’s Ping Pong Tournament — There will be prizes for players and spectators alike. Meet at 7 pm in the Bartok Room. Come have some fun!



✦ Camp Starwheel

It’s time to begin planning Camp Starwheel – our fun-packed camping, swimming, workshop experience for everyone who attends. If you are interested in helping plan this wonderful event and/or leading a workshop, please contact Barb Stuebing at 327-3803 or email her at bbkesc@earthlink.net.

✦ Donating One Hour to Our Children

Our classroom volunteers have been a wonderful addition to our K-2 and 3rd-4th classes! Do you have one hour to donate to the future leaders of our church? Would you like to have fun with our children? We would love to have you volunteer! Contact Diane Huigen at church, 325-6383 ext. 306, or email her at re@uuspokane.org if you are interested in hugs, smiles, and laughter.



✦ Learning to be Generous

Thank you for helping your children remember their change for the classroom offerings! Their containers are filling up.

✦ **Garden Plots to Feed the Hungry**

Anyone interested in being part of this project, let's meet Wednesday evening, February 23, at 6:30 pm in the Potter Room. We will discuss building a deer fence, fertilizing, planting, watering, etc. If you have questions please feel free to call Diane Huigen at 325-6383, ext. 306, or email her at re@uuspokane.org.

✦ **Donate Food Items to help the Hungry All Year**



Think of the difference we could make if each person brought just one food item each week! The most needed food items are: peanut butter, canned meat, hearty soups, chili, stew, macaroni & cheese, beans, canned fruits & vegetables, canned or boxed juices, boxed mashed potatoes, dried fruit, pasta, rice, healthy cereals (low sugar & low fat) and oatmeal. Thank you for your continued generosity in filling the food barrel in the foyer.

✦ **EWU HOME Tea — Wed, March 2**

All are invited to attend the 13th annual EWU tea given by the HOME (Helping Ourselves Means Education) Chapter. The theme will be "Quilts and Conversation." It will be held on Wednesday, March 2 from 2 — 4 pm in Room 205 of Monroe Hall at EWU. The purpose of the tea is to raise money for childcare scholarships for student parents attending Eastern Washington University. Among the raffle ticket items is breakfast for six with University President Arevelo and his wife Nadine.

Tea tickets are \$20 if purchased before February 25 and will be available in the Friendship Hall on today and next Sunday. We will arrange carpooling. For more information call Diane Huigen (999-6437), Judy Gammon (363-0535), or Elizabeth Keeler (536-0858).

✦ **Warm Socks = Warm Feet = Warm Heart**

We will continue to collect socks through the end of March. This is a social justice project we have taken on with the Spokane Interfaith Council and others in Spokane to ensure all our neediest neighbors have warm socks this winter. Put your socks in our "Sock It to Spokane" box located in the back of the Friendship Hall. Your generosity is appreciated!



✦ **Friendship Hall Features Watercolors by Greg Pritchett**

Spokane artist Greg Pritchett expresses his love of nature through his watercolors and drawings. Colorful examples of his work will hang in the church Fellowship Hall through March 6th. On Sunday mornings until then, Greg will be present to answer questions about his art and show a selection of his handsome greeting cards, which will be for sales. A percentage of any sales will benefit the work of our UU Art Wall Team.



✦ **Sermons On-Line Update**

For those who want to listen to sermons on their mobile devices, have we got a deal for you! Sermons will now be published on our website in both WMA (PC) and MP3 (mobile device) formats. So now you can take it on the road!

✦ **Ethical Eating Movie Night Showing *King Corn***

Saturday, Feb 19 at 6:30 pm in the Thoreau Room

Ian Cheney and Curt Ellis move to the heartland to learn where their food comes from. With the help of friendly neighbors, genetically modified seeds, and powerful herbicides, they plant and grow a bumper crop of America's most-productive, most-subsidized grain on one acre of Iowa soil. But when they try to follow their pile of corn into the food system, what they find raises troubling questions about how we eat — and how we farm. Come enjoy the movie and discussion to follow!

✦ **Menu for the Future Discussion Series**

Continue the discussion of Ethical Eating issues by participating in the Menu for the Future discussion series, starting 2/27! Learn about the historical shift from family farms to industrial agriculture. Explore emerging food system alternatives and influences that shape our choices. Examine the issues of hunger, equity and Fair Trade as well as the benefits of choosing local, seasonal and "sustainable" growing and production of food. Purchase the book for \$20.00, bring a brown bag lunch, and discuss that session's topic on Sundays, 2/27 - 4/3, 12:30 - 2 pm, in the Sanctuary or Thoreau Room. Need child care? Register before the groups begin by contacting Deanna Fendler at (509) 835-5011 or deannafendler@hotmail.com. Questions about the series: contact Linda Moulder, Coordinator, at (509) 747-7637 or lindamoulder@gmail.com or Ann-Scott Ettinger at 998-7072 or bark4snow@comcast.net.

✦ **Job Search & Support Group**

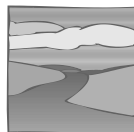
A job-search and support group will begin meeting on Monday, February 21 at 6:30 pm in the Sanger Room. The group is intended to serve those seeking employment or needing to change their occupation and re-gear because of changing conditions. The group will begin with a two-hour introductory session to identify individual needs and negotiate continuing sessions. RSVP to Doug Huigen at 328-3158 or doughuigen@msn.com.

✦ **Sage Tea Bulletin Board Featuring Darlene Pursley and Doug Graef**



Take a look at our outside bulletin board to share some fascinating information about these two long time members of our church. You'll discover the name of the book that Darlene has found so helpful that she has given away more than fifty copies! And you'll learn about the many activities that keep Doug busy in his retirement years.

✦ **Path to Membership Classes Start Feb 27**



If you are considering membership in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Spokane please attend our Path to Membership program starting on Sunday, February 27 and ending on Sunday, March 6. Each class starts at 12:30 and ends around 2 pm. Lunch is provided and childcare is available with advance notification. Sign up at the Welcome Table in the foyer or call the church office at 325-6383.