



Your Weekly Newsletter for Upcoming Events
the SUUNday Focus
 February 20, 2011

Upcoming Services

Sunday Services at 9:15 & 11 am

February 27	Rev. Ken Jones, Guest Minister	<i>Two Stories: Immigrants in America</i>
March 6	Rev. Hollis Bredeweg	<i>Spiritual Composting</i>
Mar 13	Venerable Thubten Chodron, Guest Speaker	<i>Spiritual Practice & the Evening News</i>
Mar 20	Rev. Hollis Bredeweg	<i>In the Land of Beginning Again (Stewardship Sunday)</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.

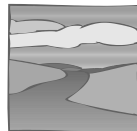
Deadline for applications is March 10, 2011. Thank you for considering these most important roles in our church. — Devon Greyerbiehl, Julie Rector, Sue Wotring, Renee Compton. Contact us at nominatingteam@uuspokne.org.

Report on Special Collection for Odyssey

Thanks to the generous spirit of our members, friends, and visitors, last week we collected \$1239.37 in support of the work done for LGBTQ youth by Odyssey Youth Center.

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.



Come to Our RE Family Potluck

Saturday, February 26 starting at 4 pm in the Thoreau Room. Bring a kid friendly dish to share and bring your kids! Questions? Contact Sarajoy Van Boven at sarajoyvb@yahoo.com or 509-592-7215.



Celebrating Religious Education at UUCS

✦ **Another Chalice Earned!**

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



Do you know the seven principles? 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 a chalice of your choice.

✦ **K-1 OWL Starting Soon**



K-1 OWL Parent Orientation will happen on Wednesday, March 2. At least one parent must attend the Orientation in order for your child to be a part of the class. There are eight Wednesday classes which will run from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. The class will have a maximum of 10 students. Contact Diane Huigen (325-6383 ext 306 or re@uuspokane.org) as soon as possible if you want your child to attend.

✦ **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 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.



✦ **Senior High Youth Group**

No meeting this week — Happy President's Day!

Know your Unitarian Universalist Presidents!

John Adams, John Quincy Adams, Millard Fillmore & William Howard Taft

The Inside Scoop



✦ 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

Remember when you are shopping for groceries to think of the hungry in Spokane. *One out of every four children go hungry and have inadequate food in their homes.* Have your children/grandchildren pick out food for the hungry children and then let them put it in our Second Harvest Food barrel which is located in the foyer. 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 again!

✦ 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 new socks in our "Sock It to Spokane" box located in the back of the Friendship Hall. Your generosity is appreciated!



from the Administrator

✦ Church Directory On-Line Access Information



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.



✦ 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!

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.

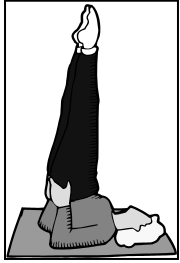
With this covenant, we honor each other with our laughter and tears, our compassion, and respect. We are a community of open hearts, open minds, and open hands.

News from the Adult Enrichment Team

✦ Yoga for the Challenged & the Nimble

If you have considered doing Yoga, but decided not to because of arthritis, artificial joints, etc., please reconsider. We have an instructor who has worked with people who are challenged and she has had real success. I did Yoga when I was younger and had all my parts, and I loved it. Now I have 2 artificial knees and arthritis, but I want to see if I can make Yoga a part of my life again. Those of you who aren't challenged are welcome, too. If you are interested, we will meet on Wednesdays from 3 - 4 pm starting March 2. Please bring a donation for the instructor. Let's give it a whirl, figuratively speaking of course!

Questions? Contact Diane Huigen (re@uuspokane.org/ 325-6383 ext 306)

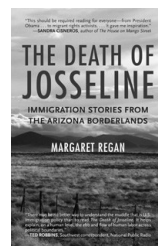


✦ Menu for the Future Discussion Series

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, 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.

✦ "UU Common Read" Book Discussion Groups

Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona Borderlands



Discussion groups will be held on March 6 from 9 to 10:30 am, Tuesday March 8 at 7 pm, Sunday March 13 at 12:30 pm, and Thursday March 24 at 7 pm. Books are available in the back of the church or by ordering from Aunties, Beacon Press or Amazon.com. Stop by the Adult Enrichment Team's registration table at the back of the Fellowship Hall after the service today to register for one of the discussion groups that fit your schedule best. Need more information? Contact Tracy Springberry at (509)638-5316 or at tracyspringberry@comcast.net

Save the Date — *Death of Josseline* author, Margaret Regan, will be speaking here at UUCS on April 14 at 7:30 pm!

✦ 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.