



Your Weekly Newsletter for Upcoming Events
the SUUNday Focus
 May 15, 2011

Upcoming Services

Sunday Services at 10 am

- May 22 Rev. Hollis Bredeweg, *Interim Minister* **Thinking Inside the Box**
 May 29 Michael Hoffman, *Guest Speaker* **Be Memorable: Find a Sense of Purpose**

Notices & Upcoming Events

Don't Forget the Annual Meeting Sunday, May 22, 2011

All UUUCS members are invited and encouraged to attend this important church business meeting where the congregation will consider and vote on the following:

- ✦ FY 2011-12 Operating Budget
- ✦ Board of Trustees & Nominating Team Candidates



May Special Collection

Our Special Collection on Sunday, May 22, will go to support Transitional Programs for Women. *Transitions* sponsors and initiates programs in Spokane that, according to their mission, "...foster the personal growth and wholeness of women and children in need."

PRIDE Networking Event at UUUCS May 25

It is the UU mission to "Stand on the side of love and justice." But, to do that more effectively, we need YOU!

Won't you join us? The PRIDE Team of the UU church will be hosting a GQBLT community networking event on May 25 from 7-9 pm. Our goal is to learn what you do, how we might be able to support you and the work you do, and how we can more effectively work for equality for all in the Spokane Community. Please RSVP by May 22 to Nancy Avery at Nancy.Avery@comcast.net

Gardening for the Hungry

Our first three beds are ready to go! Kelly LaGrutta weeded, spread the compost and turned the soil on Saturday, the 7th! They look beautiful! Thank you, Kelly!! Four more beds to go. Come by any day and work on a bed so we can start planting. The sun is out and the soil is warming up! Hallelujah!

Memorial Service for Bobbie Bennett

The memorial will be held Sunday, May 22 at 5 pm. at UUUCS. The family requests we bring a flower on one stem unless we need to purchase a flower. Instead, please use the money for charity like bringing a contribution for the Second Harvest food bin in the foyer.



New Buddhist Meditation Classes Start on Monday

Mark your calendar with these dates: May 16 – June 27; July 18 -- Aug 8; Sept 12 – Oct 24 ; and Nov 14 – Dec 5. *Guided Meditations on the Stages of the Path*, a meditation manual by Venerable Chodron, will be our textbook. As before, developing and sustaining a daily meditation practice is the goal. Regular attendance will bring the most benefit, and drop-ins are always welcome. If you have questions, contact Tracy Morgan (reikihobo@gmail.com) or Susan Virnig (susan@newstories.org).



Celebrating Religious Education at UUUCS

✦ **Now Recruiting Religious Education Teachers — 24 Volunteers Needed!**

It's that time of year – Teacher Recruitment. Come join the fun of working with and becoming friends with our UU kids. We need 4 teachers for each of our classes – Preschool, Kindergarten – 2nd, 3rd – 4th, 5th – 6th, Junior High, and Senior High, which means we need 24 teachers. You would work, according to what your team decides, every other Sunday, or two Sundays a month for an hour. You spend approximately ½ hour preparing, which is reading your lesson to become familiar with what you are teaching. This is one of the most important jobs in our church, because the teachers are helping our UU kids learn what being a UU means. Look for our table in the Friendship Hall with the balloons. There will be RE Council members at the table to help you, or you may call/email Diane Huigen (325-6383/re@uuspokane.org).

✦ **Senior High Youth Group - No Gathering Tonight**

✦ **Another Chalice Earned!**

Delaney Ennis recited our 7 Principles last Sunday and chose her chalice filled with delicious kisses. Congratulations, Delaney! Anyone else ready to pick out a chalice? Come see me, Diane Huigen.



✦ **RE Sunday Morning Offering**

This Sunday we are going to decide where our classroom offerings are going to go. Thank you, parents/grandparents, for making sure your children have a penny or more for their offerings. This is a great way to act on our Principles! The class offerings will be counted on our last Sunday, June 12, before our summer program starts. Come see how much your class collected.

✦ **Classroom Volunteer Help Still Needed**

We have 3 more RE Sundays left counting today. They are May 15, June 5 & 12. Are you available? We would love to have you volunteer to help in our Preschool through Fourth grade classrooms. It's a great way to get to know the children of our church and for them to get to know you. Call/email Diane.

✦ **Our Famous UU Summer Program Needs Actors & Volunteer Helpers**

We are going to do our wonderful Famous Unitarian-Universalists summer program again this year. If you are interested in participating as a famous UU, contact Diane soon. It's lots of fun for everyone! We also need classroom volunteers to help manage everything. I look forward to hearing from everyone!

Camp Starwheel

✦ **Camp Starwheel Registration is Happening Now**

Don't be late, register for Camp Starwheel soon. Registration forms are in the SUUN, online from our website (uuspokane.org), you can get one from Diane Huigen in the RE Office, or contact Barb Stuebing at 385-1548. Camp will be Memorial Day weekend from 5 pm Friday night, May 27th, through 3 pm Sunday afternoon, May 29th. The regular registration deadline will be May 21st. After that you pay more for registration. Please write Camp Starwheel on your check on the memo line. There will be no refunds after May 21st. Send your form and payment to the church office (4340 W. Ft. Wright Dr., Spokane, WA 99224), or drop it off at the church office. Join in the fun!

