

# The Prologue

May 29, 2007

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana  
Congregation founded 1949

***Seeking the Spirit Building Our Community  
Changing the World***



**Sunday, June 3, 2007 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.**

**Frogger, Monkeys, Unknown!**

**Reverend Mary Ann Macklin**

**with Reverend Bill Breeden and Reverend Barbara Carlson (Minister Emerita)**

Join us for this service in which we will explore the spirituality of stepping into the unknown. From sabbatical reflections to personal journeys, we will offer reflections for this transitional time in our congregational community. Our choir, directed by Susan Swaney, will premiere one movement (choral and instrumental) of a piece composed by Deborah Phelps. The piece will be performed in its entirety on December 16, when Reverend Macklin returns from her sabbatical.

**Sunday, June 3 Congregational Meeting, 4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, June 3 All-Church Picnic, 5:00 p.m.**

**(approx.)** sponsored by the Sabbatical Committee.



Please join us on June 3<sup>rd</sup> to honor our co-ministry team, Reverend Mary Ann Macklin and Reverend Bill Breeden, in this pre-Sabbatical celebration of our congregational community. Fun picnic food for all will be provided, both vegetarian and non-vegetarian. The Green Sanctuary Task Force suggests that we all bring our own tableware to cut down on use of paper products. If you like, bring a lawn chair or blanket for sitting on the grass. If you can assist with this picnic celebration, please contact Sabbatical Committee liaison Beth Hollingsworth at 337-9305.

**Sunday, June 10, 2007 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.**

**You Are Born to Fly**

**Reverend Bill Breeden**

Inspiration from Leonardo DaVinci and Amelia Earhart. Special music from Voces Novae. Spoken Joys and Sorrows will also be a part of the service.



## MAM's Musings

As our spring days drift into summer, there are always many departures and arrivals at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington. Our church choir sings for the last time this Sunday before resuming again in August. In the summer Sundays, we will have many talented musicians join us for our Sunday worships. In terms of ministerial absence, I, Reverend Macklin, will be away from the office June 4th through June 24<sup>th</sup>. Reverend Breeden will be away June 11<sup>th</sup> through June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 1 through 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have a **pastoral emergency** during our absence (June 11 through June 24) please contact our Director of Religious Education, Cindy Port (330-9822 or 317-829-4446) and she will connect you with one of our ministers-on-call. If you have Caring Committee needs, please call Sharon Yarber 336-4427.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch (Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington), I am sorry to report, on behalf on the Sabbatical Committee, that our congregation's application for a Clergy Renewal Lilly Grant was not among those to receive funding. This moves us into a more modest Sabbatical plan (Plan B) than originally designed; however, our Plan B still offers many opportunities for our congregation, upon which I will comment during my sermon this Sunday.

I will be on sabbatical leave August 1<sup>st</sup> through December 15<sup>th</sup>.

We hope to see you many times this Sunday: worship services, congregational meeting, picnic.

In presence and absence, MAM  
Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

## The West Window

This Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we have a congregational meeting and an afternoon picnic to celebrate our co-ministry. It is important to understand the broader context of co-ministry. Mary Ann and I have now served this church as called ministers for nearly five years including three with Barbara Carlson. It has been a challenging, wonderful journey, and we hope it continues for some time to come. However, co-ministry is not defined by two or three ministers but rather by the combined effort of this community to be a healing stream in a parched world thirsting for meaning and reconciliation.

At the congregational meeting we will be voting on a budget for next year. This co-ministry depends upon the sustained commitment of members and friends, and our pledge drive this year is very close to meeting the projected needs for 2007-08. If you have not yet pledged for next year, please do so. Your pledge will help us meet those needs. When all of us do what we can, the miracle of community happens. If you have encountered difficulty in meeting a past pledge, do not let that prevent you from making a commitment this year. Tomorrow is a new day. If you can make up a past pledge, that is wonderful, but your participation in the coming year is of most importance, and I hope you will have faith in this community and in your commitment. Call the office with a pledge for 2007-08.

Peace—bill

Reverend Bill Breeden

## Kids Can Change the World!

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### Notably For Newcomers

In his important book *Challenge of a Liberal Faith*, the Rev. George N. Marshall tells us, "Unitarian Universalism is today largely composed of 'come-outers' who are looking for a more modern, ethical, and universal faith. Its potential is unlimited; it is a free faith for the modern world. It is a faith that calls for affirmative social, political, and intellectual action. It is a democratic faith, a realistic faith for a world in turmoil as well as in transition.

"The present day is fraught with danger on many fronts. Personal values, old ideas, national and international relations, the menaces of war and annihilation, the tensions of race and underprivileged, the growing threat of violence at home and abroad, the breakdown of governmental authority, all indicate that a new orientation is needed. The religions of yesterday have failed. Unitarian Universalism, an evolving liberal faith, has the capacity to move swiftly, to adapt adroitly, to bend and blend with the conditions and circumstances that call for a broader and more encompassing horizon. It faces the new day with confidence because it sees clearly the shape of the new day and knows it is different from yesterday. Hence it offers a new faith for the new day."

--Paul Lane, for the Membership Committee

(This column was originally published in the May 24, 2004, issue of *The Prologue*.)

## **Our Folks...**

Our sympathy is with the family and friends of former member Nicole Laws Douglas Carroll, who passed away April 24 in St. Joseph, Illinois, surrounded by her family. Contact Mike Waddell, 334-0634, [mnwaddell@yahoo.com](mailto:mnwaddell@yahoo.com), if you would like to be part of a local remembrance.

Congratulations to Martha Sattinger, who rode her bike 10 miles on Bike to Work Day and won a \$100 gift certificate from Bikesmiths!

## **Adult Religious Education Proposals for Fall Courses Due July**

**31** Part of the life of our church is Adult Religious Education (ARE). Church members propose and facilitate (or co-facilitate) most of our ARE offerings, which in the past have covered a large range of topics of interest to UU members. ARE offerings are welcome on new topics that have not been covered before as well as repeats of previous topics in which interest has been expressed.

The Adult Religious Education Committee invites you to submit a proposal for an ARE offering for Fall 2007. If you have a favorite area of interest that is relevant to ARE, let us know. A proposal form is available from the ARE box in the workroom, from the church office, or electronically from me ([devoe@indiana.edu](mailto:devoe@indiana.edu)). To allow time for adequate planning, please return completed forms by July 31 to the workroom ARE box, or email it to

[are@uubloomington.org](mailto:are@uubloomington.org). The committee will review all proposals by early August 2007 and will contact you about your proposal.

You can view this past spring's ARE offerings at [http://uubloomington.org/re/adult/Adult\\_RE\\_Prospectus\\_Winter\\_Spring\\_2007.pdf](http://uubloomington.org/re/adult/Adult_RE_Prospectus_Winter_Spring_2007.pdf).

Bob DeVoe, Chair, ARE Committee

## **Teal Larsen Speaks at Women's Alliance June 7**

Teal Larsen, who has grown up in our church and has just graduated from Harmony School, will be the speaker at the June 7, 2007, meeting of the Women's Alliance. Teal, who is attending Indiana University as a Herman B Wells scholar in the fall, will talk about her recent experiences at the Limbe Wildlife Center in Cameroon. Teal worked with primates, including gorillas and chimpanzees, in fulfillment of her senior project at Harmony School. A brown bag lunch begins in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m., with dessert and beverages provided by the hostesses, Helen D'Amico and Dixie Welch. The program begins at 12 noon. Guests are always welcome.

Alliance officers elected for the 2007-08 year are President, Jean Knowlton; Vice President, Harriet Pfister; Secretary, Karen Cassidy; and Treasurer, Judy Bennett.

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## Fiscal Year Ends June 30: Request Checks by June 15

To all Committee Chairs, Staff, and Board members with control of a budget line:  
Please submit reimbursement requests for this fiscal year, which ends on June 30, 2007,  
by June 15, 2007. --C.Marks



## Veggie Potluck July 22

Summer veggie potluck picnic on Sunday, July 22 at Bryan Park at 5:00 pm.  
Timm Grimm Trio will be performing that night as well! --Green Sanctuary  
Task Force.

## UU Board of Directors

Jason Hill, President, [pres@uubloomington.org](mailto:pres@uubloomington.org)  
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At Large Board Members: David Cox, Steve Dillon, Dick Hiatt, Chris Judge, Karen Jewell, Bobbi  
Lahre, GK Rowe

## Congregation Welcomes Two New Staff Members

Welcome to Susan Blake, our new Campus Ministry Coordinator  
([uucampus@uubloomington.org](mailto:uucampus@uubloomington.org)), and to Adrienne Summerlot, our new Religious  
Education Assistant ([rea@uubloomington.org](mailto:rea@uubloomington.org)). We are pleased to have these important  
parts of our programming in such capable hands.

## Ministers and Staff

The Rev. Mary Ann Macklin, [macklin@uubloomington.org](mailto:macklin@uubloomington.org)  
The Rev. Bill Breeden, [breeden@uubloomington.org](mailto:breeden@uubloomington.org)  
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Children's Choir Director: Jill Waggener, [jwaggene@mccsc.edu](mailto:jwaggene@mccsc.edu)  
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Sound Manager: Tom Yeiser, [soundmgr@uubloomington.org](mailto:soundmgr@uubloomington.org)  
Cleaning Services: Commercial Cleaners, Inc.

## BULLETIN BOARD

MUSIC IN BRYAN PARK, Sat. June 2 - Boogie Woogie in Bryan Park with Craig Brenner, 5 p.m.  
-8:30 p.m.

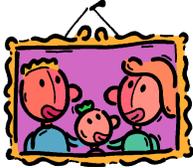
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**Bounty-Full Sunday June 3** Monroe County United Ministries  
Pantry needs at this time: canned salmon, canned fruit, rice meals, side dishes, pudding, gelatin desserts, and paper grocery bags. Bring your donations with you to church on Sunday, June 3. Thank you and let's keep up the great work!

**Be sure to tell us which fiscal year** When you write your pledge checks please be sure to write "06-07" or "07-08" on the memo line so we will know which pledge year it's for. Thank you!



**Pictorial Directory Coming in the Fall** September 20 through September 29, 2007, all church members and friends are invited to have a photo taken for the church pictorial directory. Each family who participates will get a copy of the pictorial directory. You will receive one FREE 8 x 10 and have the option of purchasing additional photos. Glee Noble and Jan Skinner, Co-chairs, Pictorial Directory Committee

**Parent Talk – Parents of Adults** will meet on Sunday, June 10, from 12:15 – 2:15 in the church library. Bring a brown bag lunch/beverage and join the discussion. We meet to share joys and concerns and ideas about staying connected with our adult children. Questions – contact Dorothy Sowell 334-0169, [d.j.sowell@insightbb.com](mailto:d.j.sowell@insightbb.com)

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## **Community Connections** **Our faith in action in the community**

### **Thanks from Shalom Center:**

The Shalom Community Center is grateful for the recent grant of \$1,500 from your Social Justice Funds Committee to help support the Shalom-Templeton Family Market. With the aid of volunteers, many of whom are from your congregation, the Family Market operates year round on Friday afternoons at Templeton as a "client choice" food pantry that allows families to shop for food and basic supplies. Information about community services is also available, as well as bus tickets for transportation. The Family Market, which is free, confidential, and open to all families in need, now serves an average of 125 people each week. It fills an important niche in responding to growing hunger in our community. Thank you for your support.

### **Community Kitchen Needs Helpers**

Community Kitchen of Monroe County needs volunteers for shifts at the kitchen this summer. Please call Annie Brookshire at 332-0999 to schedule your volunteer time!

### **PFLAG Picnic June 2**

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) will hold a PRIDE picnic on Saturday, June 2, 1:00-5:00 p.m. at Cooper Commons Park in Spencer. It's on the corner of Cooper St and West St. The community is invited and food will be provided.

## **Team Ministry**

Our congregation is served by a ministry team: Rev. Mary Ann Macklin and Rev. Bill Breeden. Each minister serves the entire congregation; each has specific areas of focus.

## **Lunch with a Minister**

Have lunch with a minister once a month. Rev. Breeden invites all who wish to attend to bring a brown bag lunch and join him in Fellowship Hall on Monday, July 16th at 12 noon. (No lunch in June.)

## **Faith in Action Forums**

Take place in the Library on Sunday, 10:15-11:30 a.m. (Contact Jackie Hall, [jmhall@indiana.edu](mailto:jmhall@indiana.edu), to schedule a forum.) Forum topics are listed in *The Prologue* as scheduled.

## **Ministers' Schedules**

Rev. Macklin's regular day off is Tuesday.

Office hours: M, W, Th, F

Her mobile number is 322-0205.

[macklin@uubloomington.org](mailto:macklin@uubloomington.org)

Rev. Breeden's regular days off are W, Th

Office hours: M, T, F

His mobile number is 360-1779.

[breeden@uubloomington.org](mailto:breeden@uubloomington.org)

### **Attendance Figures**

**Sun, May 20**, 9:00: 83, 11:15: 152 Tot: 235 Religious Ed.: n/a

**Sun, May 27**, 9:00: 75, 11:15: 148 Tot: 223

Religious Ed.: n/a

### **Sunday Offering Figures**

*Sun, May 20* non-pledge offering: \$364

*Sun, May 27* non-pledge offering: \$425

Total to Stepping Stones Inc: \$197

### **Carpets Recently Cleaned**

On May 29 we had carpets cleaned in Fellowship Hall, Room 210, and the Library. Please use care with food items in these rooms, and as always, please do not bring food or drink into the Meeting Room (sanctuary), including coffee! Thanks. –Carol Marks, Church Admin.