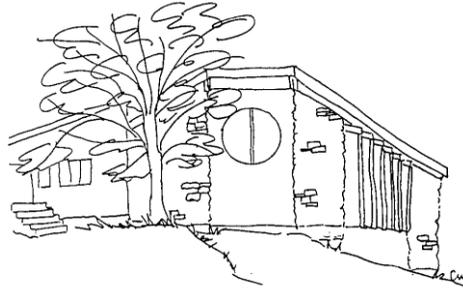


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| 11/12/2008 | 10:00 AM | UU Wednesday Walkers | 11/16/2008 | 10:00 AM | Bake Sale for MCUM; 2nd-3rd grade class |
| | 5:15 PM | SOFT Mini Advance | | 10:15 AM | Children's Choir rehearses |
| 11/13/2008 | 2:00 PM | Membership Integration task force | | 2:00 PM | Evans Recital |
| | 7:00 PM | Adult Rel Ed Cmte | | 3:00 PM | Exploring UU |
| | 7:00 PM | Campus Ministry Gathering/Worship | | 6:00 PM | YRUU |
| | 7:00 PM | Chalice Circle | 11/17/2008 | 6:30 PM | Program Team |
| | 7:00 PM | Jung Adult Religious Education Class | | 6:30 PM | Science and Religion ARE Class |
| | 7:00 PM | UU Choir | | 7:30 PM | Voces Novae |
| 11/14/2008 | 6:30 AM | Center Stone | 11/18/2008 | 10:00 AM | Chalice Cir - Ulla L. |
| | 8:00 AM | UU Staff Breakfast at Uptown | | 6:00 PM | 7&8th Grade OWL |
| | 10:30 AM | Lifestory | | 6:45 PM | Bloomington Chamber Singers |
| | 7:00 PM | Simply Healthy Fair - Local Food Dinner | | 7:30 PM | Quarryland Men's Chorus |
| 11/15/2008 | 7:00 AM | Simply Healthy Fair - All Day | 11/19/2008 | 10:00 AM | UU Wednesday Walkers |
| | 10:00 AM | Run to 100 Class | | 6:00 PM | Earth Kin Potluck supper |
| | 10:00 AM | Silent Theft ARE Class | | 6:00 PM | Nominating Cmte |
| 11/16/2008 | 9:00 AM | Age of Reason Ceremony, both svcs | | 7:00 PM | Bazaar Cmte |
| | | | | 7:00 PM | UU Board |

For more church event info, go to www.uubloomington.org and click on [Full Calendar](#).

~ The Prologue

Monday, November 10, 2008 ~

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana

Congregation founded 1949
 Welcoming Congregation since 1995
 Green Sanctuary since 2007



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

Sunday, November 16, 2008 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Ex Libris: The Age of Reason Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

This worship service will feature our beloved "Age of Reason" ceremony with our young new readers during the Children's Moment. Following on this theme, we will celebrate the books in our lives (both banned and otherwise), the search for truth and meaning and the role of reason in our Unitarian Universalist heritage. As a congregation, we will also covenant with our Board of Directors to honor and support their leadership of our community.

Sunday, November 23, 2008 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Multigenerational Thanksgiving Celebration Rev. Emily Manvel Leite

Before we get to holiday meals and football-watching, let's take time to count our blessings and share our gratitude. This service is designed for all ages to enjoy together through ritual, story, poetry, and song. Come celebrate with us!

Special Event November 23: "Renewal" – a film about hope

Sunday, November 23rd, 10:00 am in the Library (between services)

The Green Sanctuary Task Force on Global Climate Change is pleased to present a showing of the first part of "Renewal". This inspiring film tells the stories of different faith group's responses to environmental crises. Join us!

Women's Alliance Features Music on December 4

The Women's Alliance will be meeting December 4 in Fellowship Hall. The meeting begins with a brown bag luncheon at 11:30 a.m.; beverages and desserts will be available. The program is holiday music from 12:00 - 12:30 with Ray Fellman and Scott Hogsed. Hostesses will be Elizabeth Lion and Harriett Pfister. Guests are always welcome.

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From the Ministers:

Last Sunday's services celebrated a week in which this American experiment in democracy provided evidence that "*E Pluribus Unum*" is more than a bit of Latin on the 1776 Seal of the United States of America and the back of coins. It is descriptive of an action not a state of being. According to Wikipedia the phrase originates from "*Moretum*, a poem attributed to Virgil but with the actual author unknown, on the subject of a cheese, garlic and herb recipe. In the poem text, *color est e pluribus unum*, describes the blending of colors into one."

How is it that something as mundane as a cheese, garlic and herb recipe can provide the image for what may have been the rebirth of a dream in the middle of a nightmare. As Unitarian Universalist ministers we believe in the inherent worth and dignity of all persons and in the democratic process. We celebrate the fact that this election was settled, not by a single issue, nor by a small ideological sector of the electorate, but rather by a decisive majority of persons of all colors of skin, political affiliations and religious or secular persuasions. Following the election, both candidates eloquently called for all to work together as one people to meet the challenges of our time. We have taken an historical step together.

We must now commit ourselves to continue the struggle to affirm the proposition that all persons are equal before the law, and that all have an equal share in the blessings of liberty. We must commit ourselves to pursuing peace and justice, and we must remember to breathe, breathe, and breathe.

Let us hold our President-elect in our thoughts and/or prayers, and let us not base

our hopes and dreams upon our expectations of Barack Obama, but rather on expectations of ourselves to be fully human and ready to say yes we will build a more just, sustainable and loving community for all the children of the earth. Let us be about the work of blending the cheese, the garlic and the herbs.

Peace—bill and mary ann
Rev. Bill Breeden
Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

Our Folks...

Our thoughts of comfort are with Patty and Danny Callison and their family and friends. Patty's father, Gib Houtz, died November 2.

Our healing thoughts are with Velma Harrison, who is recovering from surgery.

Thanksgiving Dinner Plans

Finalize Our Thanksgiving Dinner Committee is finalizing the food for our Dinner, and we wish to extend invitations to all to join us at 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27. We welcome members to bring family and guests and food to share. Signup will be between services in Friendship Hall with Deanna Lahre.

Friends of Prisoners Task Force YARD WORK NEEDED?

Bob Taylor highly recommends a parolee who has been out of jail about 2 weeks, who is looking for employment doing yard work. He is strong, with long work experience with Able Nursery. Richie Brown: cell 340 5254. His mother's house 824 7829. He is headed for Amethyst House but is temporarily with his mother. Details, Call Bob Taylor, 336-1234.

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Community Connections

Our faith in action in the community

Adoption Seminar Nov. 22 "How to Adopt from the Indiana Adoption Program" Presented on behalf of the Indiana Department of Child Services by Indiana Foster Care and Adoption Association (IFCAA) Saturday, November 22, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. in our Library. A representative from IFCAA will present information about adoption through the public sector and how it is different from private adoption. Learn about the preparation process and becoming approved as a pre-adoptive parent. Find out about the children available for adoption. There will be time for questions. There is no cost to attend.

Quarryland Men's Chorus Fall Concert December 7

The Quarryland Men's Chorus will present its Fall Concert, "To Friends and To Life" in our Meeting Room on Sunday, December 7 at 4:00 p.m. A dessert reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are available at Flowers and Interiors, BLU Boy Chocolate Café, Athena, or at the door. Founded in 2002, the Quarryland Men's Chorus provides a positive performance-based community for gay and bisexual men and their allies in south central Indiana. Membership is open to all individuals who support and affirm its mission and purpose.

Lunch with a Minister Dec. 9

Bring a brown bag lunch and have lunch and conversation with Rev. Bill Breeden and others, Tuesday, December 9 at 12:00 noon, Fellowship Hall.

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.

Ministers' Availability

Rev. Macklin's regular day off is Tuesday.
On call M, W, F afternoons, and Thursdays
macklin@uubloomington.org
mobile phone: 322-0205
Rev. Breeden's regular day off is Thursday.
On call M, W, F mornings, and Tuesdays
breeden@uubloomington.org
mobile phone: 360-1779

Hookers, Needlers and Shuttlers! You

know who you are! It's never too late to spin your magic that will help feed our hungry neighbors. Last year we were able to raise over \$1500 for



Monroe County United Ministries through the sale of your beautifully crafted fiber art projects at our UU Christmas Bazaar. With your help in restocking our inventory, we hope to surpass last year's record sales this December. A MCUM project drop box will be located by the Social Justice table between services on Sundays for the collection of hand made scarves, hats, slippers, mittens, miniatures, afghans, quilts - no project too large or too small! Info, Mary Blizzard, 333-8957 or mary_blizzard@hotmail.com, subject line MCUM PROJECTS.



Using Hearing Assist Radios During the Service? – You Can Also Bring Your Own!

If you use the hearing assist radios regularly, you may also wish to bring your own radio/earphone combination from home. Just tune to 88.1 FM for the Sunday service.

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UUs Changing the World



HELP FEED OUR HUNGRY NEIGHBORS
Next Bounty-Full Sunday is **December 7**
Current Needs: rice, canned mixed



vegetables, canned carrots, canned potatoes, Jiffy Cornbread mix, baking mixes, powdered milk, canned fruit. (No Expired Food Please) Questions? Contact Mary Blizzard at 33-8957 or mary_blizzard@hotmail.com.



Hosts Needed for Singers of United Lands (SOUL) Visit in February

Singers Of United Lands will

be returning to the Bloomington area in late February 2009! In 2007 this group made a brief visit to Bloomington with the support of families from the our church. The 2009 line-up for this unique vocal quartet includes singers from Chile, Kenya, Latvia, and South Korea. The group is seeking Host Families to from our congregation, for each of the 5 young adult members of the team (4 singers and 1 tour manager) to be provided a bedroom and food during a stay in the Bloomington area that would likely be no more than 3 days. (The itinerary will be clear by the end of 2008). The group will schedule their own day-time programs at schools in the Bloomington area, and in return for our hospitality, would offer a program of their native songs at the church. Details: www.singersofunitedlands.org.

If you would like to host one or more of the members of SOUL during their visit to Bloomington please contact Jason Blankenship

with the International Outreach Task Force, 765-318-8851, jasonblank33@yahoo.com.



Double Bag It! Holiday Miracle Food Baskets

C'mon! Admit it! You know you feel warm and fuzzy as you wander up and down the grocery store aisles trying to decide – hm..

blueberry pancake mix or buttermilk, tuna in water or oil, cranberry sauce smooth or lumpy. Yep! That's because you're buying food to fill a Monroe County United Ministries Food Basket. And once again you have the opportunity to join in the UU annual holiday food drive that shares our many blessings with families who are less fortunate than we are. Food shortage is an ongoing struggle for MCUM – the demand is up and the supply is down. In fact, to ensure they don't turn any hungry families away, they are forced to REDUCE the amount of food given to each family from a 5-day supply of food per week to a 3-day supply of food per week. Please sign up at church near the Social Justice table. Grocery lists with instructions are with the sign up sheet. Take all the information you will need. And note: you may bring in your food baskets anytime the UU offices are open. The deadline for this year's basket deliveries is the morning of Thursday, December 4th. VERY IMPORTANT – PLEASE PUT YOUR TURKEY OR HAM IN THE REFRIGERATOR DON'T LEAVE THEM IN YOUR GROCERY BAGS! Questions, call Mary Blizzard 333-8957. And remember to double that warm, fuzzy feeling by purchasing the grocery store coupons for Kroger, Marsh, and Bloomingfoods, sold every Sunday between services, which donate 5% of the proceeds to our Church! Thank you for contributing. Your efforts and generosity will be much appreciated by families who receive food baskets.

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Plans Afoot for January Intersession

Friends,

Do you like to cook, craft, write, act, or play outside? Please join

us for our January intersession on Unitarian Universalist Family Values! We are seeking interested adults and older youth to help make this program happen, and are looking forward to sharing enthusiasm for these activities with our kids.

The January UU Family Values curriculum is designed for inter-age interest-based groups, so all of our children from kindergarten through eighth grade will need to indicate their preferences for drama, outdoors, cooking, creative writing, or crafts. Preference forms will be available starting THIS SUNDAY, November 16. Groups will be filled beginning on Sunday, December 7. After that time, choices will be limited to those with space remaining. If you have any questions about this program, please contact us. And sign up soon to help us with our planning!

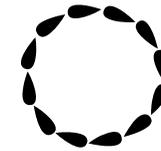
Cindy Port, Director of Religious Education
dre@uubloomington.org

Rev. Emily Manvel Leite, Minister of Religious Education

mre@uubloomington.org

YUUMS Raises Over \$300

The Young UU Middle School class raised over \$300 to support the purchase of MCUM food baskets during their bake sale on November 9. Thanks to all who supported this worthy cause (and who enjoyed their tasty treats)! Watch for the 2nd-3rd grade RE class's muffin sale on November 16. Our kids keep us well fed so that we can help feed others!



Chalice Circles Invites New Members

Chalice Circles, our program of small group ministry, welcomes new members. Groups of up to

ten people, including a facilitator, meet once or twice a month with a focus on deep listening and sharing personal experiences. Prepared session plans are used to guide each session, with topics such as forgiveness, gratitude, or saying goodbye. Groups also do service projects for the church and community. Participants find that they get to know themselves, and often others, more deeply in these small groups. For more information please contact Anne Haynes at 336-3221 or Judy Bennett at 331-4181 or judybennett2@gmail.com.

Attention Fellowship Dinner Participants

This is my 12th year manipulating your Fellowship Dinners. I have told you who you could entertain in your Home and whose Dinner Table you could partake of. It is now time to turn this position over so someone else can enjoy this power over you. Get your bid in early so you don't miss out on this opportunity. Contact Dolores Freiburger-ASAP.

Attendance

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| Sun, Nov 2, 9:00: | 114 | 11:15: | 155 | RE: | 137 | Total: | 406 |
| Sun, Nov 9, 9:00: | 123 | 11:15: | 218 | RE: | n/a | Total: | 341 |
| Sun, Nov 2 non-pledge offering: | | | | | | | \$ 452 |
| Sun, Nov 9 non-pledge offering: | | | | | | | \$ 632 |
| Total to Volunteers in Medicine: | | | | | | | \$ 271 |

Scheduling a Meeting? Check out our new Web Calendar! Go to www.uubloomington.org and click on [Full Calendar](#). You can search on it, too!

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Earth

Tip: Holiday Travel Plans?

Millions of people will spend part of the upcoming holidays traveling through an airport. Ever notice the overflowing garbage cans everywhere in the terminals? Travelers generate 1.5 pounds of trash per person during each airport visit, and that doesn't include whatever trash is left behind on the plane! An investigation found that the U.S. airline industry discards enough aluminum cans each year to build 58 Boeing 747 airplanes. In a single year, U.S. airlines also discarded 9,000 tons of plastic and enough newspapers and magazines to fill a football field to a depth of more than 230 feet. You can help by bringing your own containers and taking recyclables with you if there are no receptacles available. Airports are essentially like small cities, and greening them will make a big impact. We salute Boston Logan airport. The new Terminal A, with a heat-reflecting roof and windows, low-flow faucets, waterless urinals, self dimming lights and storm water filtration, is the nation's first terminal to be a certified green building. Congratulations! Source: Natural Resources Defense Council

--Green Sanctuary Task Force

UU Children's Choir Schedule



New singers, Kg-6th grade are welcome any time! Unless otherwise stated, rehearsals are from 10:15-11:00am on the scheduled Sunday mornings, in the

Library. For more info, contact Jill Courtney at jcourtne@mccsc.edu.
11/16 Rehearse
Thurs. 11/20 rehearse 7-7:30pm
11/23: Sing both services
12/7, 12/14, & 12/21 Rehearse
12/21 evening: Sing @ Winter Solstice svc



Fall Grounds Clean-up Nov. 15

The Grounds Committee invites you to join in on the annual Fall Clean-up, Saturday, November 15th from 9:00 to noon. Please bring your favorite rake, clippers, and gloves. We'll be raking, trimming, mulching, and spiffing up. Join us! Questions, Julie or John Lawson, 335-1856.



Control is an Illusion

The carpeting in the Meeting Room will be cleaned on Monday, November 17. Though we know that control is an illusion, it would be so helpful if we would not bring coffee and other staining beverages into the Meeting Room. We dwell in hope, but if you happen to spill coffee there, please help by cleaning it up after the service is over.
--C. Marks, Ch.Admin.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service November 25

Our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service is Tuesday, November 25 at 7:00 pm at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. Rabbi Mira Wasserman will bring the message.

NOVEMBER FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

- #10-HOST-BILL BAUS
GUESTS-Velma Harrison & Jean Knowlton
Rick & Lois Holl
Glee Noble
David Parkhurst
Nancy Richman
Doris Wittenburg & Harlan Lewis
- #11-HOST-KAREN & JACK CASSIDY
GUESTS-Patsy Flint
Elizabeth Lion
Denise & Harold Ogren
Stephanie & Tom Wilson
- #12-HOST-SANDY & FRED CHURCHILL
GUESTS-Rob & Joan Hongen
Steve Lessmann
Ted & Diane Lock
Beverly McGahey
- #13-HOST-KEVIN ROTTET & DAVE3 CRANE
GUESTS-Jessie Cook & Klara Cook
Dick & Harriet Pfister
Ray & Rita Rust
- #14-HOST-GEORGE & MARYANN CUSACK
GUESTS-Pat Aungst
Jon R. Chaffin
Bob & Libby DeVoe
Cathy & Dick Hiatt
Renee Reed
Carol Sandberg
- #15-HOST-COOKIE & BILL LYNCH
GUESTS-B.J.Lawrance & Jan Skinner
Mary Overley & Don Halford
Dixie Welch & Peter Schwandt
- #16-HOST-JACKIE HALL & LLOYD ORR
GUESTS- Cyndi & Dale Nelson
Ann Robins
Alison Williams
Loren & Lindsay Wood
- #17-HOST-TOMMIE & WALT OWENS
GUESTS-Bob & Laura Campbell
Diane & Tom Gregory
Paul Petersen
Ann Watzel

New Church Directory

Corrections Perfection is impossible, and yet we strive for it. We are sincerely sorry for any omissions and errors in the recent church directory. Please clip and save the following info to update your copy. Send further

corrections to Carol Marks at admin@uubloomington.org. Thanks!

Chaffin, Jon, Winter Address (Jan 1-Mar 31):
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Lessmann, Steve, 317-507-4194

Peters, Jon, 812-340-2043

Peters, Linda, 812-876-5097



Green Spaces Initiative, the building improvement and courtyard design project continues to

explore options that will address necessary repairs and create lasting improvements to our property. Recently we held two all-congregation meetings where we received comments, feedback and questions. The committee will be integrating this information while educating ourselves about sustainable site practices and sustainable building improvement practices, including the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for Existing Buildings (LEED-Eb) certification and the Sustainable Sites Initiative, www.sustainablesites.org. We continue to welcome feedback from the congregation.

Cindy F. Port, dre@uubloomington.org and Cynthia L. Port, cport@epi.umaryland.edu



COME ONE, COME ALL *to the 50th consecutive Holiday Art Fair and Bazaar!*

Dec. 5th and 6th

Friday, Dec. 5, 10a.m. to 7p.m. and Saturday, Dec 6, 9a.m. to 4p.m.

This annual event offers a chance to do some holiday shopping, have lunch or dinner at the cafe and enjoy a festive atmosphere--all in support of our church.

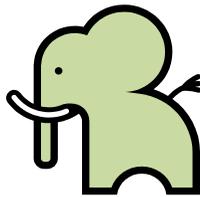
Bazaar Co-chairs: Julie Lawson, juliakarin.j8@gmail.com and Joanne Henriot 323-9941 or jhenriot@indiana.edu



PIES, PIES, PIES Needed

Bakers of pies needed for the UUNIQUE CAFÉ at the

Holiday Bazaar December 5 and 6. Call Diane Gregory at 334-2978 if you can donate a home-baked pie. Thank you.



Books and White Elephant Items to Donate?

The Bazaar committee requests that, because we have no

storage space at church, you please hold your Book Sale and White Elephant's Trunk donations to the bazaar until after 1:00pm Sunday, November 30. We don't want them to get lost or mixed up with other donations. If there is stuff that you absolutely must get rid of before November 30, please contact Julie Lawson, Joanne Henriot or any other Bazaar Committee member.



The UUNIQUE Café

Come dine with us at the UUNIQUE CAFÉ during the Holiday Bazaar December 5 and 6. We will be

servicing a scrumptious lunch on Friday beginning at 11 am and throughout the day. On Saturday, lunch will be served from 11 to 2 pm. The menu will include our famous soups and pies prepared by great UU chefs and bakers. Friday evening from 4 pm to 7 pm, a homemade LASAGNA dinner will be served. We will see you at the UUNIQUE CAFÉ! Diane Gregory 334-2978 and Diann Lock 824-2950

Off-street parking for Bazaar

workers, artisans, and visitors: Parking down the hill on Jordan Ave is permitted all day Friday and Saturday while you work or visit the Bazaar. Doing so will free up valuable spaces for our patrons, who often outnumber our parking capacity. You may also park across Fee Lane in the former State Police lot, *or* across the Bypass in the former Church of God (now "Marching Hundred Hall") lot. You will not be towed.

FHB seeks CCUUVs

Festive Holiday Bazaar seeks 200 UU Volunteers on Friday Dec 5 and Saturday Dec 6 to sell books and cookies, move chairs, price gently used items, make sandwiches, collect money and reassemble the church after it's all over. There is a place where you can make a difference, whether you are a newcomer, friend or member. Look for the big chart in Fellowship Hall with

the ladybug floating above it and sign up for the task and time that fit your schedule.



GOURMET GALAXY Keep on Cooking and Baking

The Gourmet Galaxy is happy that a number of people already signed up to bake and make "goodies" for the Holiday Bazaar. We still need more

commitments to have enough breads, candies, jams, coffee cakes, spiced nuts and other special treats to satisfy the demand. Fudge and peanut brittle are very popular, along with persimmon pudding. Sign up on the easel in Fellowship Hall. Please drop off your donations in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, December 4th from 5pm-8pm, or at 9am on Friday Dec 5th or Saturday 6th. Goods should be wrapped and labeled, and we will price them. Thank you, Judy Bennett, Karen Cassidy, Denise Ogren and Marjorie Crosby, Gourmet Galaxy Co-Chairs



Last Call for Cookies!

The time for serious baking has arrived! Large cookies, small cookies, drop cookies, bar cookies--we sell them all at the ever-popular Cookie Walk table. Get your friends together for a baking party, share recipes, butter, sugar, and flour, and help us reach our goal of 250 pounds of cookies sold! Bring your cookies to Fellowship Hall between 4pm and 8pm on Thursday, December 4th or on Friday or Saturday morning of the Bazaar. Thanks in advance for your help! Your friendly

cookie walk committee (Karla Kunoff, Jane McLeod, Peggy Schulz) The Cookie Walk Motto: Bazaar Bakers Boast Butter in their Biscuits.

New Member Biographies

Lisa Lloyd

Raised Unitarian in the New York area, but moving here from Berkeley, California, Lisa Lloyd has been gradually settling into Bloomington life, and is delighted to rejoin the UU fold after these many years. Last year she married a wonderful native Indiana man, Teddy, and enjoys teaching philosophy of science, especially evolutionary biology, at IU, in the History and Philosophy of Science Department and the Human Biology Program. She spends part of her summers in Boulder, Colorado, and enjoys her cats, her garden, hiking, and cooking with her husband.

Betty Wagoner

I was raised on a farm in Indiana and received my BA from IU. I taught school in Arizona; was a medical records technician in Chicago; managed medical records in the veterinary colleges of Purdue and University of Illinois. After receiving my MS in Library Science, I worked for 17 years in the medical research libraries of Columbia University and the SUNY Health Science Center in Brooklyn. I developed a library for an organization that researched substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. I was active in social justice programs at the UU church in Brooklyn. I retired and moved to Martinsville in 2007.

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