

**The Prologue**

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Monday, June 21, 2010

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana

Congregation founded 1949  
GLBTQ Welcoming Congregation since 1995  
Green Sanctuary since 2007



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

**Sunday, June 27, 2010 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.**

**The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane:  
How A China Rabbit Got a Heart, and How We Might Get One, Too**  
Reverend Andy Burnette

Kate DiCamillo, in her children's book *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*, offers us a way of relating to perceived difference. It's a parable worth exploring. Our former sabbatical minister Reverend Andy Burnette will use some experiences as a hospital chaplain to do just that. The Bloomington Chamber Singers will provide our gift of music.

**Sunday, July 4, 2010 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.**

**Happy Birthday, America Reverend Bill Breeden**

Special music will be provided by Rev. Breeden, Darrell Breeden, Dan Lodge-Rigal, David Sharp, and the usual suspects.



## Water Communion Services Aug 22

Are you traveling this summer? Remember to collect some water, a stone, or a shell for our Water Communion Ceremony which will be held on Sunday, August 22 during the services. Children will also participate in this ritual so let them help collect water during your adventures this summer, even if the adventure is in your own backyard. On August 22, we will pour our collected waters together as a symbol of our reunion as a community. (We won't be drinking the water, of course!)

6/24/2010	5:30 PM	Chal Cir Exec Team Mtg	7/10/2010	10:30 AM	BCS Board Meeting
6/25/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group	7/11/2010	3:00 PM	Exploring UU Class
	12:00 PM	UU Staff	7/12/2010	10:00 AM	Summer Poetry Reading class
6/28/2010	7:00 PM	Talent Auction Cmte		6:00 PM	Pastors for Peace Caravan event
6/29/2010	7:00 PM	UU Yoga (\$)	7/13/2010	7:00 PM	UU Yoga (\$)
7/1/2010	11:30 AM	Women's Alliance	7/16/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group
	6:00 PM	Earth Kin Picnic	7/18/2010	10:15 AM	IOTF Bake Sale
7/2/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group		2:15 PM	A Year to Live Class
7/4/2010	9:00 AM	Children's Task Force bake sale		3:00 PM	Exploring UU Class
7/6/2010	10:00 AM	Prologue Deadline	7/19/2010	10:00 AM	Prologue Deadline
	7:00 PM	UU Men's Group	7/20/2010	6:30 PM	Earth Kin Discussion
	7:00 PM	UU Yoga (\$)		7:00 PM	UU Yoga (\$)
7/9/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group	7/21/2010	7:00 PM	UU Board of Directors

For more event info, go to [www.uubloomington.org](http://www.uubloomington.org); click on Full Calendar.

## From the Ministers

In our last column we recognized the winners of the 2009-2010 Outstanding Service Award which were initially announced at our June 6<sup>th</sup> congregational meeting. Chris Clothier and Guy Loftman were honored for their longtime dedication, service and hard work to this congregation. In this column we wanted to say a bit more about each recipient.

**Chris Clothier.** Chris has served as Vice President, President and Past President of this congregation. Chris has served on countless committees including our Expanding the Circle Committee which worked for almost two years to engineer our move to two services. She was a Chalice Circle facilitator and served on the Chalice Circle Executive Team as a member and then as co-chair. Her passion for leadership fuels this congregation's ongoing involvement with MidWest Leadership School. Chris has served often as a greeter and has played an important role in greeter training.

As ministers of this congregation we deeply appreciate Chris's steadfast dedication to the life of this congregation. As one congregation member stated, "Chris is a person who empowers others without calling attention to her own efforts. She can always be counted on, no matter what the job, to do what needs to be done creatively, thoroughly and energetically. Her joy in serving is positively contagious." Whether Chris is running a meeting, greeting newcomers, creating a new training manual or a 3-D version of an organizational chart, we owe a great deal to Chris and are very

fortunate to have her as a member of this congregation.

**Guy Loftman.** Guy receives this award for perhaps the longest standing volunteer position in our congregation, that of being our legal advisor and counsel. He has served in this capacity for 35 years. Former Presidents have spoken highly of this work which has included legal advice on contracts regarding real estate, construction, employment practices and our policies which address safety issues for children, youth and all ages. He also has given legal counsel with regard to issues such as alcohol, gambling and other topics that Baptists and Nazarenes don't even need to consider.

As ministers of this congregation, we have Guy's telephone number in our cell phones, and he has received calls from us on numerous occasions when we need advice. He has always been available and responsive. Some of the issues that Guy has assisted us in resolving have not been easy and have required significant numbers of meetings, document preparation and appearances in court. Guy has always provided us (and former ministers and lay leaders) with excellent legal advice and has done so with a spirit of love for this community.

Guy and Chris, we look forward to many more years with you. Of note, next year we will create a formal nomination process for this award. Look for news of this new process in January of 2011. Again, congratulations Chris and Guy. Peace, MAM and Bill

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin  
Reverend Bill Breeden

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## Community Connections Our faith in action in the community

See Our Bulletin Board for a number of volunteer opportunities now available in the larger community.

### 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 will be out of the office until June 23.

Rev. Breeden's regular day off is Thursday.

On call M, T, W, F  
[breeden@uubloomington.org](mailto:breeden@uubloomington.org),  
mobile: 812-360-1779

### Interested in UU Summer

**Camp?** Have a look at this YouTube link about Midwest UU Summer Assembly <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNWMdbrjxuE> **It's not too late to register!**



### Membership Coordinator Availability

Membership Coordinator Judy Bennett will be available at church in the meditation room (207b) on Thursdays 9am-11am. If you have questions please come by. Her email is [memcoord@uubloomington.org](mailto:memcoord@uubloomington.org). Judy will be out of town Thursday, June 24.



**Thank SHALLOT**  
to all you UUs for buying grocery cards! Over

\$1500 was just deposited to the operating budget from sales of Marsh, Kroger and Bloomingfoods grocery cards!

### Attendance, Offering, Membership

Sun, June 13, 9:15: 89; 11:15: 129; RE: 70  
**Total: 288**  
Sun, June 20, 9:15: 88; 11:15: 131; RE: 75  
**Total: 294**

Sun, June 13 non-pledge offering: \$462  
Sun, June 20 non-pledge offering: \$324  
Total to Crestmont Boys & Girls Club: \$197  
**Our certified membership (Feb 2010) is 431.**  
**Current membership: 452**

### UU Men Meet Every 3 Weeks

The UU Men's Group will be meeting every 3 weeks on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. on the following dates:

July 6, July 27, Aug 17, Sep 7.

The location varies: contact Chris Haynes, [chaynes@indiana.edu](mailto:chaynes@indiana.edu)

### Women's Alliance July 1

The Women's Alliance will meet on Thursday, July 1. The meeting begins with a brown bag luncheon at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The Alliance always welcomes guests. Info, Diane Gregory, [diane.gregory1@comcast.net](mailto:diane.gregory1@comcast.net)

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## UUs Changing the World



**Feed Our Hungry Neighbors**  
**Next Bounty-Full Sunday is July 4**  
Current needs at Monroe County

United Ministries: Canned vegetables: potatoes, beets, carrots; jelly or jam; baking mixes: cornbread, pancake, biscuit; canned meats: salmon, chicken, beef stew, spam.

## Our Newest Members

Welcome to these new members, who signed our Membership Book on Sunday, June 20:

### **Sarah Shannon-Firestone**

Sarah Shannon-Firestone came to us from sunny California in 2007. She is pursuing a Ph.D. in Biology at I.U., where she is studying invasive shrubs such as bush honeysuckle and autumn olive. She enjoys gardening, spinning yarn, and playing with her dog, Sky. For the past year, she has also enjoyed singing with the choir.

### **Alicia Suarez and Mark Welk**

Alicia Suarez is from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, but has been in Bloomington over a decade via Indiana University. Mark Welk is from Camden, Indiana, but has been in Bloomington since 1990. They lived in Tacoma, WA for two years before returning to Indiana. Alicia is a sociologist at DePauw University. Mark is a motorcycle technician at Bloomington Power Sports. Alicia, Mark, and their son, Asher, live near Gosport with their dog

and cat. Alicia likes dance, perennial gardening, knitting, babies, and eating with friends and family. Mark enjoys gardening, fixing things, cooking, and spending time with his family at home. He looks forward to finishing his chicken house and raising chickens and guineas and maybe even a cow one day.

## Our Folks...

We send our thoughts of healing and comfort to Deb Hutton, who is recovering at home from recent surgery.

## New Welcome Banner by Sandy Hill



A big THANK YOU to Sandy Hill who has made a beautiful new welcome banner for use at the welcome table in the foyer. She designed and created the banner for us, and even repaired the stand from which it hangs. We are lucky to have such a talented, generous artist as a member of our congregation.

## Younger adult camping trip: July 10!

The campus ministry and younger adult (ages 18-35) groups are planning a camping trip! On Saturday, July 10, we'll be traveling to an undisclosed (i.e., as yet undecided) location nearby for a day of hiking, camping, and roughing it! If you'd like to join us for any part of the trip, or if you'd like more information, contact Susan Blake, [blakes@indiana.edu](mailto:blakes@indiana.edu). (Extra tent space will be available if you don't have a tent!)

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## Lemonade For Haiti

Did you know that 54% of Haiti's population survived on **less than \$1 a day** before the terrible 7.0

earthquake on Jan. 11, 2010? Here is a way UU kids can help!

The International Outreach Task Force (IOTF), in conjunction with Religious Education, is proud to sponsor this

### Lemonade for Haiti – UU Kids Summer Fundraiser.

- Get parental permission and supervision, discuss safety with parents.
- Get lemonade packet and signs from IOTF at church (*optional*).
- Have a lemonade stand with signs that say "all money will be donated to help people in Haiti".
- Bring the money you raise to UUCB by August 22, 2010!

Thanks to all who bought lemonade on June 20; we raised over \$120!

All proceeds from this event will be split between the UUSC/UUA Joint Haiti Relief Project and Partners In Health-Haiti. Proceeds from specific sales can be given directly to UUCB 'Lemonade for Haiti', 2120 N. Fee Lane, Bloomington IN. Checks can be made out to UUCB with the words "Lemonade for Haiti" on the memo line. Please contact Jason Blankenship (765-318-8851) with any questions, suggestions or comments.

Cindy Port, Director of Religious Education  
Rev. Emily Manvel Leite, Minister of Rel Ed

## Coffee As a Ministry



We practice radical hospitality here in our congregation, and having fresh hot coffee and tea available on Sunday mornings is one very welcoming ministry we all can support. Please volunteer to help on Java Crew, especially with cleaning up. Call 332-3695, email [office@uubloomington.org](mailto:office@uubloomington.org), or sign up on Sunday on the sign up list in Fellowship Hall. Fresh coffee! Ahhhh...

## Greeters & Java Crew Schedules

### Greeters

#### Sun, June 27,

9:15: Joanne Wilhelm, Aleisha Kropf, Ann McEndarfer, Clarke Miller  
11:15: Steve Lessmann, Bob DeVoe, Sharon Yarber, Sylvia King, Libby DeVoe, Kelly Rauch

### Java Crew\*

#### Sun, Jun 27,

8:15-9:15: Chris Haynes, \_\_\_\_\_;  
9:00-10:30: Rob & Joan Hongen, Ruth Ann Cooper;  
10:30-11:10: (clean up) Fred & Sandy Churchill

#### Sun, July 4,

8:15-9:15: Don Halford, Russ Boulding;  
9:00-10:30: Don Halford, Russ Boulding;  
10:30-11:10: (clean up) Andrea Murray, Scott Burgins

→ \*After July 4, we have lots of open spaces in the Java Crew schedule!  
Volunteer now, [office@uubloomington.org](mailto:office@uubloomington.org).

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enhancing courtyard safety and providing an inviting outdoor space for people of all ages.

The new logo reflects these goals as well as our commitment to use green approaches and energy efficient materials whenever possible.

Look for our table between services to learn more about all of these areas. And keep talking--'cause we're listening! Contact us at [greenspaces@uubloomington.org](mailto:greenspaces@uubloomington.org).  
Cynthia Port and Libby DeVoe

### Summer Prologue Dates

Articles for The Prologue are due by 10 a.m., to [admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org), on the following dates:

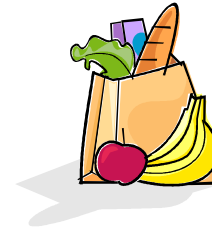
Tues July 6; Mon July 19  
Mon Aug 2; Mon Aug 16  
Tues Sep 7; Mon Sep 20

This year, we will publish the Prologue on the first and third Mondays of each month (except July and Sept when the first issue will be on a Tuesday due to federal holidays.)

### Where's the Lost and Found?

Lost items will be placed on the courtyard coat rack or in the basket underneath it. Every 8 weeks or so we will give these unclaimed items to a local charity. Small items such as cell phones, keys, and eyeglasses, will be kept in Room 204. Ask the Office Assistant or Church Administrator for assistance.

Offices will be closed Monday, July 5 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.



### Grocery Card Testimonial

Ken Pimple shares his thoughts on participating in our grocery card fundraiser: "It took us more than a year to get

into the habit of buying grocery cards at church early every month and using them for the bulk of our food purchases, but we are so glad we stuck with it. Now at the end of the month, when our credit card bills come due, they are noticeably lower. It's a welcome relief."

If you want to make a monthly purchase like Ken, you can special order cards in denominations larger than \$100. Just e-mail Mary Goetze ([goetze@indiana.edu](mailto:goetze@indiana.edu)) before Sunday noon and it will be waiting for you the next week.

### Reimbursement Vouchers Due June 27

To Committee Chairs and Others with Budget Line Oversight: Vouchers for reimbursement from the 2009-10 budget must be submitted to Church Administrator Carol Marks by Sunday, June 27. If you have any questions about balances remaining in budget lines, please contact Carol at 812-332-3695 or [admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org). The budget through June 17 is also posted on the Message Board at our online database. Voucher requests submitted after June 27 will be reimbursed from the new budget, which will be effective July 1, 2010.

This issue will be posted at [www.uubloomington.org](http://www.uubloomington.org) by June 23.

**Office Assistant Sought** We are very sorry that our wonderful Office Assistant Ginger Ko will be leaving Bloomington this summer. Her last day in the office will be in the first week of August. This hourly position is therefore available early August, with training during last two weeks of July. 12-month, 19 hrs/wk M-F position; includes some Sunday mornings. Skills: Microsoft Office, fearlessness of technology, sense of discretion, ability to work under pressure. Knowledge of Quickbooks or other accounting program a plus. Send letter of interest and resume to Ms. Carol Marks, [admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org) or Attn: Carol Marks, Church Administrator, Unitarian Universalist Church, 2120 N. Fee Lane, Bloomington IN 47408, by June 25.

### Seeking Religious Education Assistant

We are looking for an upbeat, organized multi-tasker with experience with children to join our Religious Education team. One hourly part-time position is available. This RE Assistant will work 32 hours a month. Hours include Sunday mornings, Monday afternoons, and the first Wednesday of each month, 4-7 p.m. Please send a letter and resume to Cindy Port, DRE, [dre@uubloomington.org](mailto:dre@uubloomington.org), 812-332-3695, by June 30.

**SEEKING SUMMER WORK.** High school graduate seeks summer work. childcare, administrative work, summer projects, etc. 812) 606-5408 [sophie.krahnke@mail.mcgill.ca](mailto:sophie.krahnke@mail.mcgill.ca)

### Keep Talking . . . We're Listening!

The **Green Spaces** committee has been hard at work incorporating the ideas you have shared with us. The result is a new logo and sharper focus in three areas.

- **RENEW:** The church building and grounds need significant basic repairs. In the process, we can make our spaces more beautiful, functional and efficient.
- **REINVEST:** We have never funded adequate reserves to keep our building in good repair. With a solid maintenance reserve fund, we can schedule smart, ecologically sound upkeep, instead of stopgap emergency repairs.
- **REACH OUT:** We can become accessible and welcoming to all by improving sound, removing stairs, adding handicap entry buttons,