

The Prologue

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10/19/2010	4:00 PM	CCMA rehearsal	10/23/2010	9a-12n	Clothing Swap
	6:45 PM	BCS Rehearsal	10/24/2010	12:45 PM	Green Spaces Committee
	6:45 PM	RE Teacher Recruitment Party		2:00 PM	CCMA Concert
	7:00 PM	Chalice Circle - Dave Parsons		3:00 PM	Leadership 101 Training
	7:00 PM	UU Men's Group	10/25/2010	9:00 AM	Carpet cleaning upstairs
	7:00 PM	UU Yoga		6:30 PM	Belief Buddies and Critical Communities
10/20/2010	6:00 PM	Leadership Development Cmte		6:30 PM	RE Committee
	7:00 PM	Barry Sanders on The Green Zone		7:30 PM	Green Spaces Committee
	7:00 PM	Chal Circle - D. Crane		7:30 PM	Voces Novae Chamber Choir
	7:00 PM	UU Board of Directors	10/26/2010	6:45 PM	BCS Rehearsal
10/21/2010	6:30 PM	Earth Kin Discussion		7:00 PM	UU Yoga
	7:00 PM	Attuning to the Sufi Path	10/27/2010	7:00 PM	Dying Consciously
	7:00 PM	UU Choir Rehearsal	10/28/2010	7:00 PM	Chal Circle - Jeannette Miller
	7:30 PM	The Historical Jesus		7:00 PM	UU Choir Rehearsal
10/22/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group		7:30 PM	The Historical Jesus
	4:00 PM	CCMA rehearsal	10/29/2010	10:30 AM	Life Stories Writing Group
				12:00 PM	UU Staff Meeting
				7:30 PM	UU Coffee House

For more event info, go to www.uubloomington.org

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Monday, October 18, 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, October 24, 2010 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

Dying Well, Living Well Reverend Andy Burnette

In this season, our thoughts begin to turn toward the end of life. Leaves fall and are pushed to the curb. In preparation for our "Day of the Dead" service next Sunday, our former sabbatical minister Reverend Burnette will reflect upon living well and dying well in this age of technological advancement.

Reverend Macklin and Reverend Breeden will also provide a brief report on their recent "Leap of Faith" training.

Sunday, October 31, 2010 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

Remembering Our Ancestors Rites of Passage: Memorials Reverend Mary Ann Macklin and Reverend Bill Breeden

In this annual "Day of the Dead" worship service, we will learn about the commemoration of ancestors from various traditions including "El Dia de los Muertos" celebrations in Mexico. We, the ministers, consider this worship service one of our holy days as we remember those who have gone before. As part of this year's focus on rites of passage, we will offer reflections about memorial services.

You are invited to bring a picture or small memento of an ancestor, loved one or beloved pet that has died; a special altar will be created during the service to celebrate those who have given us love and life.

Wednesday, November 3, 2010 5:30 p.m. dinner, 6:15 p.m. worship

Family Worship: Celebrating our Ancestors Reverend Emily Manvel Leite

People of all ages are invited to share their family stories and learn a little bit about our Unitarian Universalist ancestors at this interactive, story-based half-hour worship service. We will enjoy sharing, singing, and celebrating together. 5:15PM craft, 5:30PM dinner (provided, including a vegan option--\$1 donation requested), 6:00PM shared clean up, 6:15PM worship.

The West Window

As noted elsewhere, this is the last bulk mailing of the printed edition of the Prologue. I know that change is painful. Because I have slow dial-up service, I will be making an extra donation of \$20 a year to receive it by mail. That is less than one round of golf. If you do not have internet access and need it mailed, contact the office. If the \$20 would present a hardship for you, we will cover the postage for you. Hopefully most can adjust to the on-line edition. This will save us money, and it will save trees. Every little bit helps.

I urge everyone to vote in the upcoming election. While our electoral process is far from perfect, it is the best we have, and I have come to believe that voting is important. This is our nation, and elections won or lost provide a glimpse of our soul.

Peace--bill Reverend Bill Breeden

MAM's Musings

Deborah (the one to whom I am wedded) and I continue to offer our gratitude to everyone for helping us celebrate our wedding which took place in Vermont on September 22, 2010. It was quite the rite of passage and we thank everyone for sharing that joy with us. After numerous conversations, I want to clarify what this wedding means in terms of our legal status. Basically, it comes down to this, as long as we remain Hoosiers, it doesn't mean a lot. Regardless of how completely we are lovingly committed to one another, we are treated like strangers under Indiana law. In terms of Federal Law, as a result of the so called DOMA (Defense of Marriage

Act), 'marriage' is restricted to the legal union of heterosexual couples. With that restriction, we are denied the myriad benefits and protections of Federal law.

We are legally married in Vermont. A few other states will recognize our status: Maryland, New Jersey (our marriage is treated as a civil union), New Mexico (this has been confirmed by court but not official policy), New York and Rhode Island (for some purposes). Lambda Legal, a national organization committed to the full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people and those with HIV, through impact litigation, education and public policy work, states:

The good news is that when you return home married, you will have a unique chance every day to serve as role models for what married same-sex couples look like and to show that your marriage strengthens your relationship, and harms no one. Your personal example of love and commitment will be an important contribution to our civil rights work. But if you choose to get married, remember that you are married. You cannot say you're married only when it helps but not when it hurts. That means, for example, you will identify yourself as married on applications and forms for jobs, apartments, credit, mortgages, insurance, medical treatment and, where advisable, on state or federal returns.

And so, 'we do.'

Peace, MAM

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

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Community Connections Our faith in action in the community

Shape Note Sing October 23

Come and sing shape note music at the Friends Meeting House, Saturday, October 23, 10-4 and enjoy this uplifting early American form of choral music. Potluck dinner at noon. Loaner books available. To hear what this sounds like, go to Fasola.org. For more information, call Barb Lund 339-8476.

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: 812-322-0205

Rev. Breeden's regular day off is

Thursday.

On call M, T, W, F

breeden@uubloomington.org,

mobile: 812-360-1779



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.

Ministers Away October 20-23

Reverend Macklin and Reverend Breeden will be out of the office October 20-23. In case of a pastoral emergency please contact Reverend Emily Manvel Leite at 333-9822 or mre@uubloomington.org.

Attendance and Offering

Sun, Oct 10, 9:15: 125; 11:15: 176; RE 133

Total: 434

Sun, Oct 17, 9:15: 117; 11:15: 163; RE: 118

Total: 398

Sun, Oct 10 non-pledge offering: \$432

Sun, Oct 17 non-pledge offering: \$367

Total to PALS* : **\$200**

*People & Animal Learning Services

UU Men Meet Every 3 Weeks

The UU Men's Group will meet every 3 weeks on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. on the following dates: Nov 9 and 30, and Dec 21. Location varies: contact Chris Haynes, chaynes@indiana.edu

For additional event information, go to www.uubloomington.org and click on Full Calendar.

Q: Where can I read the Prologue after this issue?

A: Online at www.uubloomington.org

If you do not have internet access, please call the office, 812-332-3695.

Bulletin Board:

4-Part Spirituality and the Drum Workshop w/ Colleen Haas, in November. Reg. deadline Nov. 8. Contact Colleen: comhaas@indiana.edu, or 334-7641.

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UUs Changing the World



Feed Our Hungry Neighbors Next Bounty-Full Sunday is Nov. 7

Current needs at Monroe County United Ministries:

canned meats: tuna, chicken, stew, canned vegetables: beets, carrots, greens, potatoes, baked beans fruit, dried or canned baby food. Our congregation donated 145 pounds of food in September and October combined.

"The Ecological Costs of Militarism" -- Barry Sanders Speaks Here October 20

On Wednesday, October 20, at 7:00 p.m., in our Meeting Room, author Barry Sanders will speak on "The Ecological Costs of Militarism." Sanders is the author of *The Green Zone*, a book examining the environmental impact of the U.S. military. The talk is sponsored by the Just Peace Task Force, the Green Sanctuary Task Force, and 12 local organizations including Bloomington Peace Action Coalition, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Center for Sustainable Living, and the city's Environmental Commission. Bloomington Mayor Mark Kruzan will give the introduction. It is free and open to the public.

Bloomington has a vibrant Green movement. People are changing their light bulbs, driving less and supporting local agriculture. But each of us has a hidden carbon footprint: our share in the Pentagon.

Please come on October 20 to hear Barry Sanders analyze the ecological costs of our military addiction. Bring a friend! There will be a reception and book signing in Fellowship Hall following the talk. For questions, please contact David Keppel, keppel@sbcglobal.net, (812) 331-2815.

Women's Alliance Meets November 4

The Women's Alliance will meet on Thursday, November 4. Iris Kiesling and Carol Seaman of the Bloomington Funeral Consumers Alliance will speak. The meeting begins with a brown bag luncheon at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Our hosts, Lynne Gilliatt and Don Halford, will provide beverages and dessert. Guests are always welcome. Info, Lois Holl, loisholl8@yahoo.com

Our Folks...

We send our continued good wishes for quick healing to Tommie Owens, who is at home recovering well from surgery.

Special Ticket Price for UUs for Souvenir Performances:

For several performances the first weekend of the run of *Souvenir* starring Susan Swaney and Ray Fellman, October 29, 30 and 31st, EXCEPT for the 7pm Saturday show, Cardinal Stage Co. is offering members and friends of our congregation a \$4.00 discount. The discount offer includes the following dates and times:
Friday, October 29th at 7:30pm
Saturday, October 30th at 3:00pm
Sunday, October 31st at 2:00pm or 7:00pm

To receive the discount:
Tickets must be bought online at Cardinal's website: www.cardinalstage.org
Purchaser must enter "UUC" in the discount code box. Please be aware that the \$2.00 per ticket online service charge will still apply. Join us for "Comedic brilliance! A laugh riot!"

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Unsung Hero: Joanna Clees

For about 8 years Joanna Clees has been an unsung hero in Religious Education as our Children's Librarian.

We cannot and have not thanked her enough. Did you know that children can check out library materials from our children's library upstairs? This has been possible thanks to Joanna who organized our shelves and checked books in and out. She has processed donations and improved the quality of our collection by getting rid of damaged or older books. She has shelved and reshelved countless books and kept the library tidy and inviting. In addition, Joanna quietly rotated books in the display rack to showcase seasonal books or a UU theme.

The children's library provides a quiet space that is always open to our children; it is a place that tells our children they belong in our building and congregation. Countless parents have been aided in getting their family to the car when they find out the book their child hasn't finished yet can be checked out! Joanna is retiring from this position; please join me in thanking this unsung hero!

YRUU Schedule for October:

All youth grades 9th-12th (or equivalent) are invited to check out YRUU, our high school youth group, anytime! Come join us for fun, food and fellowship, or stop in on Facebook!

Oct 24th YRUU is not meeting
Oct 31st YRUU attends Day of the Dead service. Costumes optional! Meet us in Room 110 at 11am, or look for the group

in the back of the left hand side of the Meeting Room during the 11:15a worship service. We'll be in the row roped off with crepe paper! After service, we'll go out to lunch. Join our Facebook page or contact Abby Gitlitz, agitlitz@hotmail.com
Cindy Port, Director of Religious Education dre@uubloomington.org
Rev. Emily Manvel Leite, Minister of Rel Ed mre@uubloomington.org

Saving Paper, Going Green Final Paper Bulk Mailing of The Prologue

Welcome to the final paper issue of The Prologue. After today's issue, please go to www.uubloomington.org on the first and third Wednesday of each month to read the newest issue. This will begin with the November 1 Prologue, which will be posted by Wednesday, November 3. Please be sure we have your correct email address so we can send you a brief reminding email; send email corrections to Office Assistant Ruthann DuBois at office@uubloomington.org. If you do not have access to the internet, please call the church at 812-332-3695.



UU Knitters Group Formed

The UU Knitters (and crocheters and embroiderers) will be getting together on the second Wednesday of every month starting on November 10th. We will meet at 7pm in the Meditation Room (207b). If you are interested, you are invited to join us. More information? contact Judy Bennett, Membership Coordinator.

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All-Congregation Potluck Friday November 5

Share a meal and free-flowing conversation on a casual Friday night.

Everyone is invited to the all-congregation potluck, with a special invitation to our newer members. Please bring food to share. Beverages will be provided. The Green Spaces Committee will share the latest about our exciting project to Renew, Reinvest, Reach Out . Join us on Friday, November 5, 6-8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be available after supper, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Room 108. --The Membership Committee.

Call for Course Proposals: Winter 2011 Adult Religious Education

Are you a spiritual seeker, an avid reader, a poet, parent, or activist? Do you have an interest you would like to share and explore with fellow Unitarian Universalists? If so, you are encouraged to submit a course proposal to our Adult Religious Education (ARE) Program. We are now accepting proposals for winter classes (January-March), single session or multiple sessions. Please go to www.uubloomington.org to download a proposal form (under Religious Education, Adult Religious Education), or pick up a form in the church office. Proposals can be mailed to the church or emailed to the ARE chair: Carolyn Emmert, at davidjemmert@sbcglobal.net. Proposals submitted by November 1 will receive first consideration.

Next UU Children's Choir- Nov. 7th

All singers Kg- 6th grade, new & returning, are welcome!
Sun. Nov. 7: 10:30-11:00 rehearse for 11/21
Sun. Nov. 14th: 10:30-11:00 rehearse for 11/21
Thurs. Nov. 18th: 7:00-7:30pm, rehearse for 11/21
Sun. Nov. 21: Sing at Multigenerational Thanksgiving Sunday services, times TBA



Fall Grounds Clean-up Nov 13

Grab your favorite rake and gloves and join us please for fall grounds clean-up Saturday morning, Nov. 13, from 9:00 to noon. We'll rake, trim, sweep, and generally put things to sleep for the winter. In case of rain, we'll try again the following afternoon 1:00-4:00. Contact John or Julie Lawson 335-1856 with questions.

New Book on Funeral Planning

There is a new book in the Fuchs Library that may be helpful when the need arises. The title is "In Memoriam - A Guide to Modern Funeral and Memorial Services" by Edward Searl.--Your library committee

Many Thanks to the Prologue Folders

A big thank you to our loyal Prologue folding crew, including but not limited to: Joanna Clees, Marjorie Crosby, Lois and Rick Holl, Sylvia King, Karla Kunoff. Don't fret; we'll find another job for you! ☺ --Carol Marks, Ch.Admin.

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Green Spaces: Broadening Our Horizons

Ever have trouble parking on a Sunday morning?

As a newcomer, did you ever wonder WHICH door to enter? Ever walk gingerly across one of our ice patches in winter? How should we respond to our new exposure to the Bypass?

In addition to beautifying and fixing up our spaces, these issues of function and safety are also top priority for Green Spaces. After interviewing several landscape firms, we hired Craig Glazier of the Indianapolis firm CONTEXT to help turn these longstanding problems into exciting opportunities. We've asked him to consider our ENTIRE PROPERTY; taking into account drainage, traffic, parking, access, beauty, energy savings, visibility, function, and highway noise. We've also given him all the great ideas you shared with us at the recent Focus Groups, including drawings some of you generously took the time to pass along.

In late October, Context will provide Green Spaces two or three initial design options, which the committee will help refine. On Sunday, November 7th at 12:45, the entire congregation will be invited to meet Mr. Glazier, ask questions and consider the reconfigured site plan. A final site plan should be completed by mid- December.

It's hard to express how excited we are about taking this fresh look at our spiritual home! Please continue to contact us at Greenspaces@uubloomington.org!



UU Coffee Houses Are Back!

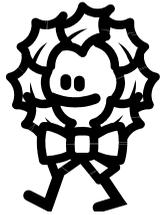
Friday October 29th 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall will be the first of five Coffee

Houses planned for your relaxation and entertainment this year. Meet your UU friends for refreshments, listen to a wide variety of live music, and hear from some of our poets-in-residence. This month our guests include the Creek Dawgs with Dan Lodge-Rigal, Kevin Reynolds and Matt Zink. Children are welcome! Future dates are November 19th, January 28th, February 25th and March 25th. (Note: this is a correction of the dates published in the last newsletter).
Judy Bennett, Membership Coordinator

Q: Why are we changing to a paperless Prologue?

A: There are two reasons.

One: it makes environmental sense. It saves paper and ink and the electricity used in the manufacturing and printing processes.
Two: it makes economic sense. In June we approved our budget to accommodate lower than expected pledge income. We budgeted for a paperless Prologue which will save about \$2500 per year.



Holiday Art Fair and Bazaar Dec 3 & 4

UU Groups Space

Application Deadline: Nov. 1 The 52nd annual Holiday Art Fair and Bazaar will take place on December 3rd and 4th. UU task forces and other non-profit groups who want booth space must apply to the Bazaar Committee by November 1st. Space is limited as you know, so we appreciate your cooperation. Contact Julie Lawson 335-1856 or juliakarini8@gmail.com or Joanne Henriot 855-6571 or jhenriot@indiana.edu for application forms or if you have questions.



“C” Is For Cookies

The Holiday Bazaar is coming and you are committed to baking holiday cookies. You are committed, aren't you?

The frost is almost on the pumpkins, so turn on some music and bake, bake, bake! Remember bar cookies are heavy and we sell by the pound. Lots of pounds. Decorated cookies are our very best seller. So call out your family elves and frost and sprinkle to your heart's content. We can never have too many cookies so double your supplies this year and fill that freezer. Watch for the sign up sheets in Fellowship Hall and you will be rewarded with buttery treats! Thank you. The Cookie Walk Committee

Volunteer to Help at the Bazaar!



Knock Knock!
Who's there?
Canoe.
Canoe who?
Canoe tell me how to

help with the UU Bazaar?
Sure, just check the sign-up board in Fellowship Hall between services in November and sign up to help with our annual Art Fair and Bazaar on December 3 and 4. Lots of ways you can help before, during and after the event. There's a job that's perfect for you. Paddle on over and sign up.



Fill Your Freezers for the Gourmet Galaxy

We need lots of breads, candies, jams, relishes, chutneys, coffee cakes, pies, spiced nuts and other special treats to satisfy the demand. Fudge and peanut brittle and persimmon pudding are very popular. People in the community count on our special food talents; we make lots of money from this sale! Give yourself plenty of time to make your specialty in time for the Bazaar Dec. 3rd and 4th. Donations should be wrapped and labeled. We will do the pricing. Let's make this the best year ever.



Persimmons Available Nov. 7 to Benefit the Bazaar

The frost may not be quite on the pumpkin, but there are persimmons once again this year. Lee and Al

Strickholm have prepared persimmon pulp to sell for the benefit of the Holiday Bazaar. Beginning November 7th, they will have packs of frozen pulp ready for purchase each Sunday between services in Fellowship Hall for \$5.00/pint. Stop by and buy some for your holiday baking!



Clothing Swap - Saturday, Oct. 23

Clear your closets and clean the air while refreshing your wardrobe. Bring your unneeded clothing (clean and in wearable condition) to Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October 23 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, and then "shop" for whatever you can use. No money exchanged. Men's women's and children's items welcome. For more information, contact Stephanie Kimball at kimball.stephanie@gmail.com.



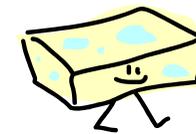
Earth Kin Celebrates All Hallows Oct. 30

Halloween, All Hallows, Samhain, All Saints, The Feast of all Souls, The Day of the Dead--all these ancient festivals celebrate the last harvest of the year; the beginning of winter when plant life goes dormant. At this time the Veils between the Worlds are thinnest and we may reach out to those who have departed this life. This is the time we honor our Ancestors and celebrate another turning of the Wheel of Life and of Death. You are invited to join us in this celebration. We will gather in the

Fellowship Hall at 7:00pm on Oct. 30th. Circle will be cast at 7:30pm. Come dressed as your favorite ancestor to honor them or bring a memento that reminds you of them and place it on the ancestor alter. After ritual we will eat together so bring food to share. We hope to bob for apples and make scrying mirrors as we visit together before and after ritual. This event is open to all church members and friends. Sorry, there is no childcare for this event. Questions should be directed to elmbeckie@yahoo.com

Thanksgiving Pitch-In Dinner November 25, 5:00 p.m.

All are warmly invited attend our Thanksgiving Pitch-In dinner here in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, Nov. 25 at 5:00 p.m. Students and others whose families are too far away to visit are especially invited. Please call the church office 332-3695 or email office@uubloomington.org by Sunday, November 14 to let us know if you are coming, and also to let us know what food you will be bringing to share. Turkey and dressing will be provided.



BUTTER not forget your checkbook on Sunday so you'll be able to buy a grocery card.

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