

# COMMUNITY NEWS



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## A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

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**September 7:** The summer program concludes with a discussion about **"The Idolatries of Mind and Spirit"** that humanist teachings warn against. If you would like to read up on this topic, doing an internet search for Idolatries of Mind and Spirit UU will bring up various websites. Laura Chilkott is the discussion leader.



**September 14:** At this time of year, many Unitarian Universalist congregations throughout the world hold a service known as the Water Ceremony to commemorate gathering after a summer of travel or other activity. This has been a tradition in our church now for many years.

Our own Joe Wolfarth, member of CUUC Board of Trustees and a member of the national Unitarian Universalist CUUPS Board (pagan) will conduct this service, entitled **"Let the Healing Waters Flow."** If you have water saved from a trip you made this summer, you are welcome to bring this water to pour into a vessel on the worship center. Laurel Moehring is the service leader.

**September 21:** We welcome back Presbyterian minister and former hospice chaplain, the Rev. Laura Walters Baskett from Deland. Previously she delivered a very engaging message about how the senses inform faith. She will continue in this vein with the message: **"Explorations into a Faith Enlivened by Sensory Practice and Reflection."** Lloyd Dunham leads the service.



**September 28:** We welcome back our own Carmen Rivera, life coach and communication expert, who will speak about **"Three Mistakes to Avoid When Making Major Life Decisions."** Laura Chilkott is the service leader.

*Looking ahead to October we welcome back the Rev. Dr. Donald Musser, the Rev. Laura Walters Baskett, Laurel Moehring, and newcomers Ray and Carla Jeffords.*

Services Sundays @ 10:30  
Dudley Memorial Chapel  
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(US Rt. 1)  
New Smyrna Beach  
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**September 2014**

<b>Sunday</b>	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Ormond UU Potluck with a Purpose 6 p.m.	6 Buckner Craft Fair 10-5 Deland Fairgrounds
7 Building Fund Sunday  Laura Chilkott "The Idolatries of Mind and Spirit"	8	9	10 Board of Trustees Meeting @Cullisons 6:00 social 6:30 meeting	11	12	13 Feed the Homeless 9:45@ Bridge of Hope/Star Center ----- NSB Car Show 4pm
14 Scholarship Sunday  Joe Wolfarth "Let the Healing Waters Flow"  ----- Buddhist Group Meeting @ Chi Ling Pai Academy 6:30	15	16	17	18  UU Alliance Mtg.12 noon	19 'Potluck with a Purpose' Topic: "Behind the Kitchen Door" Location TBA; Pat Gadbow, coordinator	20 Coastal/Halifax River/ Indian River Cleanup ----- Dog Show 8-7pm@Deland Fairgrounds
21 HUM Sunday  The Rev. Laura Walters Baskett "Explorations into a Faith Enlivened by Sensory Practice and Reflection"	22	23	24 Worship Committee 7:00 p.m.	25 Billfish Invitational Backwater and Bluewater Tournaments through the 28th	26 NSB Jazz Festival through the 28 <sup>th</sup> - various locations	27 UUCF @ Dunham's Home 5927 Aruna Dr. Port Orange  Come at 4:00 if you wish to swim.
28 Carmen Rivera "Three Mistakes to Avoid When Making Major Life Decisions"	29	30				



Laurie Dunham Sun. 9/14  
Barbara Jean Smith Wed. 9/24

## **UNITARIAN – AND CHRISTIAN???** A 21st century look at the Man of Nazareth

UUCF picks up its discussions on Saturday, September 27 (one week later than usual). We will gather at 5 PM (4:00 if you wish to swim) with our usual pot luck supper at 5:30 at the home of Laurie & Lloyd Dunham, 5927 Aruna Drive in Port Orange. (Please make full use of our drive – six cars and then on our side of the street only – feel free to use tree-lawn) Contact us about your part in our shared meal – 761-6509 or dunham@cfl.rr.com Helpful articles will be available at our Sunday services dealing with some fresh ideas on the relevance of Christianity in this new age.

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### **PRESIDENT'S COLUMN**

Welcome Home to our Summer Travelers! Community Unitarian Universalist Church is having a wonderful summer of excellent programs with very good attendance. The missing voices of the travelers have returned and are ready to participate. We are happy to have our friends home refreshed and well.

Our new Trustees will have their first meeting of the fiscal year September 10th. They, too, will be refreshed and looking forward to an active interesting church year. Each member of the BOT will be actively involved with the responsibilities of keeping our church message alive and well.

Please know you are welcome to attend our BOT meetings. They take place on the second Wednesday of each month except for the months of July and August which is vacation time. September's meeting will be at Bud and Pat Cullison's home in Pelican Bay. Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

We'd love to have you share your ideas with us. Vice President, David Herr will be chairing a Long Range Planning Committee and would like to have volunteers with great ideas join his team.

Think Big! As Charley Barcelo would say, "Everything is 'Fantastic' but getting better!"

See you in church!

Sincerely,

*Audrey Barcelo*  
President

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### **CARING AND SHARING**

Hello Everybody!

Once again September finds Floridians ready to cool down after a long hot summertime... We have to find ways to celebrate the joys of life; for some of us the answers may contain a simple, inexpensive method: visiting Florida's Beaches, Springs, Rivers and Lakes and letting the cool waters and sunshine work their magic! At our annual U.U. Water Ceremony we give thanks for the amazing natural resources of Florida's Water Element components...

CUUC members always amaze me with the volunteer work they are doing for the community... David had to miss church recently, sending wife Sharon without him, to allow for his participation in the Coastal Clean-Up, removing debris and trash from our shoreline... David and Sharon have now hosted two lovely drum circles - in August there were 17 present, with lots of pizza and rhythms to share... Steve (a faithful presence at our Buddhist Group meetings, and now, with his lovely Hungarian wife Katie, at the aforementioned drum circles) took the pulpit this summer to remind us that as voters

we have a say in the future of Florida's ecology... he and Pat reminded us that the Volusia County League of Women Voters has a website devoted to increasing voters' mindfulness on candidates' records and stances on the issues - useful not only for primary elections but major elections as well... Pat, who, on a related note, took the pulpit to share with us facts about the contemporary dangers facing Florida's natural Springs, has been working on the Potluck With A Purpose schedule for the year ahead... many CUUC members have read the UUA's highly recommended selection, "Behind the Kitchen Door," which exposes the truth about ill-treated and underpaid restaurant and hospitality industry staff; Nancy reminds us that when we tip generously in restaurants - and compliment servers - and tell their managers how awesome the service was - we become a bigger part of the solution to this problem... Debi reminds us that the issues are pervasive in Florida's tourism-based economic hubs; she has even seen guests at Disney Parks - which Debi so loves to visit - abusing the trust and kindness of "characters" (park staff of various kinds)... "How could someone do that at 'the happiest place on Earth?' - Honestly!" I agree with her lamentation. Debi celebrates husband Fred's 60th birthday as friends and relatives convene from all over to wish him joy, peace and many more happy returns!

CUUC members have been traveling this summer. I attended my nephew's wedding in Winter Garden, Florida (west of Orlando) and missed our U.U. General Assembly in Providence, Rhode Island; but such memories - an unforgettable family gathering! Julia and David attended her daughter's wedding in Indiana (chef Julia fed scores of people, working from a vegetarian menu!); the groom's family and many guests belong to the Jainist Religion of India (which includes many many vegetarians!)... Dana took a trip to Scotland and Ireland, where, she reports, she met other redheaded folks of Irish descent who had come to see the "homeland" - as if called together! Laura traveled to Utah for a conference and met a personal hero who has been a voice for women's rights in religion (the Mormon faith in particular)...

Sandy celebrated bringing the "Flo-Bus" - and the "I-Dignity" Program - to Daytona Beach to help underserved people get a foot in the door to receiving much needed aid...

Lorrie, who was ill, has found a new home. She has been in our hearts and prayers.

Members of our pagan community and others have been saddened to note the death of another heroic figure, Margot Adler, from cancer. She wrote the seminal nonfiction book, "Drawing Down the Moon," describing the rise of Neo-Paganism in American culture, and was a longtime presence on National Public Radio as a host.

Our minds and hearts are grateful for the contributions of so many individuals to the cause of liberal religious freedom. We pray for healing for those afflicted by physical and mental illness. Let the cooling time come!

Namaste,

Joe Wolfarth, Trustee



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