

COMMUNITY NEWS



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A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

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November 2: We welcome back Dr. Phillip Lucas, professor of Religious Studies from Stetson University. His topic will be "Taoism: The Path of the Mysterious Tao." The message will be followed by a study, Lessons We Can Learn from Taoism to Address the Ecological Crisis. There will be no Lunch Bunch today after church. Laura Chilkott leads the service.

November 9: Our own Carmen Rivera, communication specialist and life coach, will speak on "Three Mistakes to Avoid When Making Life Decisions." Nancy McCormick leads the service.



November 16: Reverend Ben Collins, minister of an "alternative church" in Deland, returns to deliver the message, "Food and Spirituality." Debbi Zill is the service leader.

November 23: Our own Joe Wolfarth, member of the national CUUPS group and CUUC Board member, speaks on "Evolving Gratitude," his message for the Thanksgiving season. Martha Swanson is the service leader.



November 30: Rev. Mark Spivey, counselor and author, continues the Thanksgiving spirit with the message "Spiritual Pilgrims." Laura Chilkott leads the service.

Looking ahead to December we welcome, Rev Dr Donald Musser, Laura Chilkott, and Martha Swanson and Lloyd Dunham.

November 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<p>1 Fall Country Jamboree Barberville ----- What if Your Religious Rights are Wrong? UUCS NSB 10 am Free</p>
<p>2 Building Fund Sunday</p> <p>Dr. Phillip Lucas "Taoism: The Path of the Mysterious Tao"</p>	3	4	5	6 Volusia County Fair Starts	7 Ormond UU Potluck with a Purpose	8 Flamingo Follies Art Show Flagler Ave NSB ----- Classic Car Show Canal St. NSB
<p>9 Scholarship Sunday</p> <p>Carmen Rivera "Three Mistakes to Avoid when Making Life Decisions"</p> <p>Children's Book Sale</p>	10	11 Festival of Trees MOAS thru Nov. 29	12 Board of Trustees Meeting @Cullisons 6:00 social 6:30 meeting	13 UU Alliance Mtg Noon	14	15 UUCF 5 pm Location TBA
<p>16 HUM Sunday</p> <p>Rev. Ben Collins "Food and Spirituality"</p> <p>Children's Book Sale</p>	17 Worship Committee Meeting 7 pm @Debbi Zill's	18	19	20	21 Drumming 7pm @ Herr's	22 DeLand Fall Festival of the Arts
<p>23 Thanksgiving Sunday</p> <p>Joe Wolfarth "Evolving Gratitude"</p> <p>Children's Book Sale</p> <p>Gift at Our Table Begins</p>	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Daytona Turkey Run Car Show thru Nov. 30	28 Spark the Spirit Canal St. NSB 5-7	29
<p>30 The Rev. Mark Spivey "Spiritual Pilgrims"</p> <p>Children's Book Sale</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <p>Anna Grainger 11/22</p> <p>B.J. Bishop 11/23</p> <p>Libby Hilderbrandt 11/23</p> <p>Shirley Beleff 11/25</p> </div> </div>					

Remember Armand and Angelina? They will be appearing at the 15th Health and Community Fair @ Sunshine Park Mall in South Daytona on November 8. The fair is from 10am to 4pm. A&A have a concert at 11am and a Native American flute playshop at 1pm. There is no admission fee. Come see and hear old friends.

BOOK SALE - EACH SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER

We have a number of children's books left over from when we had a Sunday school full of young children. We are offering them for sale during the coffee hour each Sunday in November for \$2/book. This is a great opportunity for you to purchase books for your grandchildren and great grandchildren that epitomize UU values. These books are in very good condition, although they have been marked on the spine. Come prepared to buy!

CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT GIVING

Debbi Zill and I, Nancy McCormick, have friends, Karin and David Jenkins, who own Applause Salon in New Smyrna Beach. Each year for the last two years, they have helped families at this time of year through a NSB based organization called Helping Hands. This year their list includes 18 families with a total of 30 children, ages 1 through 18 and two older woman who are alone except for a small dog each. About half of the children are age 11 and above. These are struggling families that include many problems such as drugs, divorce, abuse, and other family conflicts. Our church board has decided to make this our Christmas Project this year. We will be collecting gifts on November 30 and December 7, so I can get the gifts to the Jenkin's by December 13. Some ways you can help are: Cash; Grocery Store Gift Cards(Publix does not let a person use these for alcohol or cigarettes, W-D may also prohibit this, please check); Actual food items(please buy an entire meal such as, canned ham, canned sweet potatoes, canned pineapple, canned green beans, or pancake mix and syrup and hot chocolate, or spaghetti sauce, pasta, and canned fruit, etc.);Toys, such as teddy bears(good for all ages). skate boards, art kits, beading kits, dolls, puzzles, books, CD's and DVD's for older children, etc. Maybe the men in the congregation have some ideas of gifts for older boys (that's my weak spot). Since the Jenkins own a beauty salon they have access to hair and beauty products for all ages and both sexes. Nancy McCormick is the contact person for this project. If you have questions call me at 904-860-4983. Let's make this a great Christmas for these families and in the process make it a great Christmas for ourselves!

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dear Members and Friends,

The Fall season is always a busy time. The month of November will welcome back to our pulpit Dr. Phillip Lucas, Carmen Rivera, Rev. Ben Collins, Joe Wolfarth and Rev. Mark Spivey.....an outstanding group. Applause! Applause! to our Worship Chairs, Laura Chilkott and Nancy McCormick.

Some of our activities for this month include restocking HUM's pantry (Halifax Urban Ministries) and the beginning of UUSC's (Unitarian Universalist Service Committee) 'Guest at Your Table' program.

For restocking HUM's pantry, bags will be passed out November 2nd. to be returned, full to the brim with food, on November 16th. This food is delivered to HUM'S central distribution center on Bay ST. in Daytona Beach.

On November 23rd. you will received a UUSC box to be kept on your dining table.....your 'Guest at Your Table'. This box has a healthy appetite for US currency and each day until you return it on January 4th. it will be happy to receive whatever pocket change or paper money you wish to feed it.

UUSC is the Social Justice arm of the UUA. They have advanced human rights through grassroots collaboration in more than a dozen countries throughout the world. Many years ago Charley and I spent a week working in South Dakota on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, a UUSC project.

As a service leader during this season a couple of years ago, I used the following prayer as closing words. I would like to share it with you again. In many ways it reminds me of our family's Thanksgiving celebrations when we have 12-20 family members sitting at the dinner table.

Spirit of the Harvest
Each of us will be grateful this Thanksgiving in differing ways,
Gathered in our separate families,
Each with our own distinct recipes, customs and traditions;
For some will have pies of mince,
And others of pumpkin or apple;
And some will dine early
And some sit down late to the meal,
Passing on the wisdom of the elders
As to the question of whether the stuffing
Should have raisins or currants,
And whether to add sage to the gravy.
For such differences of opinions,
Make us truly appreciative,
Realizing that as there is no one right way
To celebrate the gifts of life,
So there is no wrong way
To share in love or friendship.
But amid our diversity,
Let us also be united in our gratitude
For a world in which there are many faiths,
A nation in which there is freedom of worship,
A community in which people of many backgrounds
Can gather in mutual care and respect.

A prayer by Gary Kowalski

Enjoy the Season,

With Love,

Audrey Barcelo
President

**Board of Trustees Meeting
Home of the Cullisons
October 8, 2014**

Present: Bud Cullison, Audrey Barcelo, Martha Swanson, Debbi Zill, David Herr, Nancy McCormick, Dana Jacobsen, Joe Wolfarth

Excused: Pat Gadbow

Guest: Sharon Herr

Dana Jacobsen recording.

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm.

Minutes from September meeting: Debbi moved to accept the minutes as written. Seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Our GIFT pledge to the UUA was recalculated from \$1785 down to \$1289 based on our current operating budget. We have \$6,099.16 currently in our checking account to cover expenses. We are at the 25% point of our fiscal year and we have collect 23% of our pledges to date. Nancy moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Media Presentation: Sharon Herr is willing to take on our media presence through Facebook and webpage. She thinks we should have a cohesiveness between our online presence and our newsletter (since it is posted online as well). Our website should have two purposes: 1. to keep our members informed 2. to have interested people find us easily and like what they see. Our website needs to be redone. Proposed Sharon use DreamWeaver 6 software to redesign our website. This will include search optimization.

We discussed allowing others to post to our Facebook page so they can upload photos of events. Sharon will monitor, once Dana resets the settings. We discussed advertising through Facebook. This might be money well spent as it can target very specific populations with a certain mile radius.

Multiple access points to the webpage won't work. In the event that Sharon is not capable of doing the webpage, we could recruit a DSC student familiar with Dreamweaver 6 to help us with our webpage. Perhaps down the road, another person will share the responsibility with Sharon so it does not fall on one set of shoulders. Cost \$199.00 for Dreamweaver 6. Wish list for future would be the Photoshop program. Dana moved that we spend \$200 to purchase DreamWeaver 6 software for webpage redesign. Seconded. Discussion. Nancy would like to see Martha and Dana work with Sharon for our electronic media committee. Should we buy two site licenses to the software. Bud amended motion to purchase 2 copies of Dreamweaver 6 software. Motion was not seconded. Motion died. Called the motion. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

September Action Items:

Dru & Debbi will be attending the October 13th Cudas Unhooked event.

Bud had our UUA Gift pledge recalculated. The GIFT includes the UU Justice Fund.

Joe registered for a booth at the Volusia Pride Festival for \$30. We are registered as a non-profit so we may not sell any items. Dana brought bookmarks and fliers. Audrey had pamphlets. Debbi ordered pens and they are in. All other Action items were completed.

Pastoral Care: Pastoral care is a topic for the long range planning committee. Audrey spoke with Bev Richardson; she was very helpful as to approximate fees. She gave us some names to consider. The committee will address costs, funding, criteria/ground rules for accessing pastoral care.

Long Range Planning: This committee will be headed up by David Herr. Charlie Barcelo, Bud Cullison and Lloyd Dunham have agreed to serve on it. This committee will look at planning for the future of our church. Early topics to be explored include: media presence and pastoral care.

Volusia Gay Pride: We have pens, flyers, bookmarks and pamphlets for our table. Discussion focused on having a short questionnaire for names and emails of people who are interested in our church. A token gift for completing the questionnaire or raffle item is being considered. Talk centered on how to advertise our space. Perhaps the car magnets that were on the Fregin's car for the parade can be used. Joe is looking for booth sitters.

Holiday project idea: There is an organization, Helping Hand of NSB, which has 18 families and 2 grown women in need (30 children in 18 families). Nancy has a list of these children and their families, identified by a first initial and age. Ex. female, G., age 5. Could CUUC purchase necessary basic items and some toys for children and/or donate monies to fill baskets? This could become our holiday project charity. We could do small baskets of non-perishables, small stockings etc. We will also look at Cudas Unhooked and their needs for the holidays.

We need to consider gifts to Dudley Memorial Chapel and to our employee. Martha moved that Bud & Pat Cullison, as well as Al & Ginny Fregin be put in charge of holiday gifts to Dudley memorial, not to exceed \$100. Seconded. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

Martha moved that we enclose a holiday bonus check of \$50.00 in an X-mas card for Kathy & family for December. Seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Other:

Nancy shared a United Church of Christ event for November 1st, involving the Hobby Lobby case and religion. It is November 1st. A discussion will follow. Nancy will write an invite/blurb and send to Audrey so she can forward to our distribution list.

Audrey shared emails to obtain newsletter for NE FL Cluster News "The Breeze". Contact lc Reid99@aol.com if interested in receiving news on what is going on in UU churches in our area. Another regional newsletter is the Southern region. You can submit a request at southernregion@uua.org for that newsletter.

Back of Church Bulletin: Need corrections on back of bulletin. Nancy had sent out corrections, but recently they were incorrect. Perhaps an old file was inadvertently used. Audrey will bring this concern to Kathy C.'s attention. MCUUPS will call themselves a Pagan affinity group since their formal status has ended.

Dana will take a two month leave of absence from her position as secretary due to health and family concerns. Debbi will fill in as acting secretary during her absence. Thank you Debbi!

Calendar items were shared and determined. Next meeting will be November 12th at the home of the Cullisons.

Martha moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 8:38 pm.

CARING AND SHARING

Sharon and I found ourselves having lunch recently at The Dancing Avocado Kitchen in downtown Daytona Beach. The two of us had a pleasant surprise: our server was Ashley; you may remember seeing this Ohio native in church, sometimes, with her beautiful little girl... some have even met her handsome husband! As I am job-hunting again, I inquired if the restaurant was hiring; I was impressed by the statement of conscience attached to the application. It stated that the business depended on workers with integrity, requiring dignity and respect in the relationships between management and staff. I thought of this at the October "Potluck With a Purpose" event, hosted by Ginny and Al, where Pat led us in a discussion of the book, "Behind the Kitchen Door," inspired by the real-life struggles of workers in the food service industry. Pat suggested asking servers, when dining out, if they receive any benefits, such as health insurance or sick pay, and paying compliments to managers whose establishments do award these considerations to servers, bussers, and kitchen staff.

In addition, many of us averred that we would sign the online petition at rocunited.org which was created by the book's authors to draw attention to the issue and demand that our nation's lawmakers raise the federal minimum wage, paying special attention to the abysmally low federal minimum wage of \$2.13 per hour for tipped workers, frozen since 1991.

When you see Connie next, feel free to say, "Aho!" (a native American - Sioux? - blessing...) We celebrate her return to the area!

CUUC members have positive news. My family celebrates the birth of wee Brinley to my nephew Sean and his lovely wife Rachel, whose wedding I attended in June along with my brother Ned and others. Brinley was born on Ned's birthday, October 16th. Lloyd and Laurie, celebrating 61 years of marriage, share their joy at plans to visit Laurie's alma mater, West Virginia's Wesleyan University, with their daughter Meg, who also matriculated there and will be celebrating her 30-year college reunion. [A needed correction: Lloyd's stop in Atlanta this past year was only the first leg of a journey to see his brother out west, during which he had the pleasure of preaching to non-UUs!] Debbie and Fred celebrated "Biketober" by traveling out of town, riding THEIR motorcycles AWAY - into the sunset! Anna celebrates her husband Dale's excellent recovery from heart surgery; prayers and thoughts of healing go out to Al, injured while searching for car-parts at the junkyard (it wasn't the proverbial "junk-yard dog" that got him!) Laura asks for serenity for her aunt Peggy, now residing in Port Orange, whose health is delicate. Lorrie would appreciate any letters or cards, as she is lonesome in St. Cloud and misses her "church family."

Have a Terrific Thanksgiving!

Namaste!

Joe Wolfarth, Trustee

'CUDAS UNHOOKED PROGRAM

The 'Cudas Unhooked program was designed to aid students at New Smyrna Beach High School. The main goal of the program is to give students needed assistance to ensure they can earn their high school diplomas, overcoming obstacles such as poverty, a lack of resources such as food and clothing, and even homelessness. Some students have used this program to obtain support while experiencing family struggles due to the

existence of an abusive environment or the addiction or incarceration of a family member. Volunteers are needed to help the students obtain what they need, and a "safe house" in New Smyrna functions as a temporary home (currently three students and a houseparent reside at the location) and doubles as a drop-in center for other students with less intense needs.

Volunteers can help students by just being available to talk, or taking them to shop for shoes, clothes or other basic needs. Other volunteers bring items that are always needed - for example, soap, shampoo, shavers, toilet tissue, paper towels, bleach, etc., so that the site has a ready supply of such items on hand. The best way to find out what is needed: visit their web page at www.CudasUnhooked.org for contact information (needs change daily and with the happenings at school.) Also they are on face book at www.facebook.com/cudasunhooked

The program's coordinators hold an open community meeting on the 3rd Monday of every month; anyone who'd like to volunteer is encouraged to attend. In addition, an Open House "picnic" is held monthly at the house. If you want to know more about the youths, visit the open house or ask Dru, who makes a point of getting to know them personally. It's part of the process she uses to help CUUC select a recipient for the scholarship monies we collect each year. In each of the past two years, the candidate selected was the first member of his/her family to attend college.

Got running shoes? On Saturday, November 29th, the 4-Mile "Run to the Sun 4 Jeff" will take place in New Smyrna. All proceeds (registration fees, vendors' fees, and donations) will be given to the 'Cudas UnHooked program. The annual event's organizer, Angi Ridgdill-Palmieri, is a native of New Smyrna and a graduate of NSB HS. Each year her organization selects a different charitable organization which benefits from the funds raised by the annual event, held to honor the memory of her late father, educator Jeff Ridgdill. For more information, check out the website: www.runtothesun4jeff.com

Included below is a contact list and upcoming events.

~ Debbi Zill and Joe Wolfarth

The Mission of CUDAS's UnHooked is to provide necessary support to students dedicated to becoming educated, independent, contributing members of society.

Community Meeting – Monday October 13, 2014

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Coronado Community United Methodist Church

	I. Student Events a. Student Orientation b. Dinner at the CUDA House i. 3 rd Wednesday each month – date for October? c. Student Service Project i. Run to the Sun – Nov. 29 th www.runtothesun4jeff.com – Angi Ridgill-Palmieri 904-742-5299 angi@runtothesun4jeff.com d. School Club Meetings i. Tuesday's 12:26 – 12:56 Guidance conference room. ii. Events/Program calendar iii. Student Needs
	II. Marketing/Fundraisers Ray Catheline a. Yard Sales Saturday November 1 st 8AM -12 PM – StoreQuest 1375 Pioneer Trail (corner of W. Canal & Pioneer Trail) b. Do you know of a group we can speak on behalf of UnHooked (organizations, churches, small groups) c. Txt monthly updates – “unhooked” to “72727” (you can unsubscribe at any time) a. Like us on www.facebook.com/cudasunhooked
	III. Pillars of Success – Leaders for each “Pillar” a. Senior Life new Teacher Sponsor – Mrs. Little b. Mentoring c. Personal Development - d. CUDA House 200 Spruce St. NSB – Susan Joy

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Open	Monthly Picnic/Open House		

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“Emerging” Christianity is UUCF’s present focus.

At our October gathering we looked at our reasons for being Unitarian Universalist instead of Baptist, Methodist, Catholic or Presbyterian. Guided by the writing of respected Jesus scholar Marcus Borg in his book *The Heart of Christianity* we considered the difference between belief as matter of head and as a matter of heart. We will delve further into “Emerging Christianity” as a matter of heart. Location of our November 15 gathering is yet to be determined.

WHO SAYS THAT ESSENTIAL TREMOR IS A MINOR AFFLICTION???

As many of you know, I lead a support group of local people who contend daily with a condition known as essential tremor. Some who have never struggled with ET, call it minor. Take it from one who lives with it: ET can be a big problem, even for those of us who have had Deep Brain Stimulation surgery. While ET is not life threatening, it is progressive and drives many into social isolation. I lead this support group to help others find ways to adapt and avoid the isolation that can come with ET.

There are ten times as many people with ET as compared to the more serious Parkinson’s. Nonetheless, for those who struggle with ET it is a serious and often disabling condition.

If you or someone you know has ET, I hope you will try to put us in touch so that we can help one another live life more fully in spite of this challenge.

Lloyd Dunham – 761-6509



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