UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF EVANSVILLE

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Proposed Bylaw Changes

In February 2012 the past three secretaries of our board met and came to the collusion the following membership bylaw needed to be changed. The biggest change would be the requirement of \$100.00 payment upon becoming a member to our church this is to offset the cost that we pay to UUA each year for our members. The other changes were made to make it a simpler document to read and understand. Purposed new membership

bylaws: March re-draft of member-

ship bylaws Article III Membership Section I Qualifications

Any individual, 18 years of older, regardless of race, color, sex gender identification, marital status, sexual orientation, religious background, draft or veteran status, handicap, disability or nationality may become a friend or member of UUCE (the Church). Section II Levels of Participa-

tion Visitors to UUCE who wish to become more involved in the church may opt to become either a friend or member of the church. Friend status is granted to anyone who wishes to be listed in the church directory. Friends are encouraged to make both financial and volunteer commitments to UUCE.

Member status is granted to those who:

• Attend, at least, four Sunday morning services at the church.

• Participate in UUCE's new member orientation classes. These classes are scheduled as needed.

• Volunteer in either church or outreach activities. Make a minimum financial commitment of \$100 per year to cover the "per member" annual fees that UUCE must pay to the Unitarian Universalist Association and the Heartland District.

Section III Becoming a Member

Visitor will become a member when these steps are completed:

• The visitor signs the membership book. The Board of Directors recognizes the new member at its next meeting and the name is entered into the minutes of that meeting.

Section IV Voting Rights

New members shall have full voting rights as members of the Church after their name has been entered into the Minutes.

Section V Resignation

Resignation of membership from the church is effective immediately upon receipt of a written resignation e-mail or letter by the Secretary. Absence from the Church, lack of any contact on the part of the member, or not making an annual financial commitment from the member, for a year, will be considered a resignation.

Please read these over and be prepared to discuss and vote on the revisions. Concerns can be sent to any member of the board.

-Linda Sue Cates



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Sermon Topics

April I– Jewish in Evansville– Rabbi Helen Bar Yacov

April 8- New Beginnings-

Rev Anisa Evans

April 15– Our Story– Isabel Lavens, Ed Howard and John Schaeffer April 22– Native American Day– Karin Shelton

April 29– TBA

Book Club

The next meeting of the book club will be April 26th – brown-bag 11:30 am. The next book we will be reading is "A Chosen Faith". This is the new edition of the classic introductory text on Unitarian Universalism. The reading of this book even for longtime UU's will give you food for thought and most likely help you with the answer to the big question, "What's a UU?

I am not sure if the library has copies of this book, but you can purchase it from Amazon or UUA Bookstore www. uua.org/ bookstore (800) 215-9076 or <u>www.uuabookstore.org</u> (Beacon Press).

-Linda Sue Cates

Overheard recently... My daughter-in-law was standing in line at an event the other day and overheard the people in front of her talking out how good the bacon brownies we sold at the Fall Festival were.

Keep them in your thoughts...send a card

Your cards and good thoughts will be appreciated to two of our dearest members. John Schaffer and David Fentress are both recovering from surgery. Their addresses are: David Fen-

tress ; 1743 Stevens, Evansville, IN 47714 and John Schaffer; 1818 N. Meadow Rd., Evansville, IN 47715



Help Needed!

We need people to work our food booth at the Wesselman Birding/Family Day on April 28, 2012. We will have a food booth at this event and need the following: People to make chocolate chip cookies Someone to make coffee at the church put it in the pots and delivery them by nine am. Need volunteers to make peanut butter & jelly sandwiches Need volunteers to help set-up and tear-down on the day off. Need shifts of workers to work in the booth. Hours will be 10:00 am till 3:00 pm. Sign-up sheet will be on the table – thanks Linda Sue Cates

Annual Church Picnic

June 3, 2012 we will have our annual church picnic. It will be held at the Overlook Park in Newburgh.

If you have not been to the park lately you are missing it – there are paved paths that take you all the way into Newburgh along the river – it is a great way to start you day or end it with a walk along the path taking in the sun rise or sun set while you walk.

The Congregational Life

Committee will be furnishing the burgers: Turkey, Beef, and Black bean.

You will only need to bring a side dish along with a chair. There will be songs and games.



Coffee

Place your order for chocolate, cocoa and coffee by the 25th of the month. Contact Chris Norrington for details 471-9867.

Coffee Hour

The sign-up sheets are in the lobby behind the Membership table – Please sign-up for the date you would like to provide the treats. The treats can be homemade bake goods, relish trays, bagels, or fruit trays. We also would like for you to provide fruit juice for those who do not drink coffee or tea.

Monthly Potluck

Join your fellow UU's after church the 4th Sunday of each month for potluck and fellowship.

Patchwork Food Pantry

Donations

Canned vegetables and fruits. Your time. Deposit items in container in foyer or at Patchwork Monday—Thursday from 9amnoon. Questions— contact John Schaeffer.

United Caring Shelter

UUCE prepares a meal at the United Caring Shelter on the 3rd Friday of the month. We work from 3:00 – 6:00. Helpers are needed! Donations of spaghetti noodles, sauce and money are always needed too! Place in labeled container in foyer. Questions- contact John

Social Justice Rally

Big Social Justice Rally Coming Up – CAJE (Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment)

Mark the date in your day timer – April 23 at 7:00 pm come to Crossroads Christian Church and sit with members of our church to represent Unitarian Universalist on our stand for the Nehemiah Action. See Tom Moore for more detail information. Please do plan on attending as we have promised to have 30 people to show/tell to the political officials our stand on drugs in our area.

Schaeffer.

-Linda Sue Cates





Unitarian Universalist Church of Evansville

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Youth RE at 10:30 Sundays



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Upcoming Events & Activities

April 1- service on being lewish in Evansville April I- Adult discussion 9:00am Chalice House April 3– Historical Jesus class 7pm April 4- SMART meeting 7 pm Chalice House April 4– Stewardship Committee 6:30pm April 6– Drum Circle 7pm April 8- service on New Beginnings April 9– Baord meeting 6:45pm April 10– Historical Jesus class 7pm

April 11- SMART meeting 7 pm Chalice House April 12- Women's Group 7pm April 15- service on Our Story April 15- Adult discussion 9:00am Chalice House April 17- Historical Jesus class 7pm April 18- SMART meeting 7 pm Chalice House April 20- Compass submissions due April 20- Drum Circle 7pm April 20- United Caring Shelter 3-6pm April 22– service: Native American Day

April 22– potluck following service

April 24- Historical Jesus class 7pm

April 25- SMART meeting 7 pm Chalice House

April 25- Coffee orders due

April 26– Congregational Life committee 6:30pm

April 28– Food booth at Wesselman Bird Festival

April 29– Adult discussion 9:00am Chalice House