UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF EVANSVILLE

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- Sept. 9– TBA– Tom Moor
- Sept. 16–
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- Sept. 23–
  Follow The
  Yellow Brick
  Road– Rev
  Julie DennyHughes
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   -Bill Guption

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# The Compass

SEPTEMBER 2012

# **Board Meeting Highlights**

At recent meetings of the Board, repairs and replacement were high on the agenda. At the July meeting Hardin Rathgeber, Chair of House & Grounds, presented three proposals to replace the dead HVAC unit which helps cool the sanctuary. H.A. Lewis Heating & Airconditioning presented the lowest bid and it was accepted. The unit was replaced July5<sup>th</sup>. Then at a subsequent meeting in August, Hardin reported that lightning had struck yet another HVAC unit and it had been replaced also. Oi vey!

Meanwhile, the three bids for replacing the roof of the Chalice House are still on hold, pending the replenishment of our House and Grounds account w/an insurance settlement for the HVAC unit struck by lightning.

In July, Chris Norrington announced that Linda Fugate, the Office Administrator, by agreement, had reduced her hours at UUCE in order to work full time as a receptionist at Kenny Kent. (She subsequently resigned August 12<sup>th</sup> when she found she couldn't carry the burden of two jobs. An ad hoc search & training committee of the Board is charged with hiring her replacement.)

At the August 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, the President presented the name of Beverly Tonso as a Replacement for Rick Stivers who resigned on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. They approved.

Finally, Tom Moor, Chair of the Worship Committee, said his group is striving to contract with UU ministers in the area to preach one Sunday a Month in addition to a standing arrangement with the Rev. Anisa Evans to preach monthly. The Rev. Forrest Gilmore, from Bloomington, IN, preached on July 29th. The Rev. Doddie Stone, who was our visiting minister in June, will return to preach on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

Ed Howard, President

## Halloween Party

Attention, all ghosts and goblins! The Congregational Life Committee is planning a Halloween party for all ages on Saturday, October 27 at the church from 7 to 9 PM. There will be games, other activities, and snacks. Those

attending—children and adults alike—are encouraged (but not required!) to come in costume. It promises to be a fun evening, so make plans to join us!





### Farewells & Welcomes

#### GOODBYE AND HELLO!

We are sorry to report that we have lost the efficient services of Linda Fugate, our Administrative Assistant to a full-time employer. She left us on August 11th after finding she could not balance two jobs.

Linda was not only efficient, but gracious, and willing to do what we asked of her. She expressed regret at having to leave because she "enjoyed the job" and the people she worked with at UUCE.

At the Sunday Service on August 12th, President Ed Howard announced the vacancy and got an immediate response from Ashley L. Perkins, the mother of three-month old baby Jude in our nursery. After receiving her resume and interviewing her the Board voted unanimously to hire her as a replacement for Linda

Ashley is a graduate of Harrison College with a

major in Office Administration. Her resume is impressive! She is a graduate of Mater Dei. Her husband is employed at Berry Plastics. Ashley will work fifteen hours a week, divided between Thursday, Friday & Saturday from nine a.m. until two p.m., beginning September 6th. She will be instructed by and report to our Treasurer, Chris Norrington.

#### **MOVING ON**

We say so long, but not goodbye, to Pam and Rick Stivers whose last Sunday at Church was August 19th. They are moving to their new home in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Their new address is: Pam and Rick Stivers 300 Calle Estado Santa Fe, NM 87501

In the too-short length of time Pam and Rick were members of UUCE, they worked hard to make our programs succeed. As a couple, they helped prepare and serve meals to some 120 indigent men and women at the United Caring Shelter. And they underwrote the cost of cleaning the carpet at the Chalice House.

Rick served on the Board, and Pam partnered with Beverly Tonso, in instructing new members. That involved a lot of effort and assured us that these new members are now well -grounded in our Church. I'm sure I've left out something they also did.

Pam & Rick will be returning at least twice a year for physical exams at which time they promise to visit us. We wish them well.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

We welcome new members Amy Durbin and her partner Alisha Holbrook, Wes Furlong, Karim Shelton, Pam Thoren, Jessi Wiggers, and Sarah Wolfe. More about these new members in the next issue of The Compass.

# **Church Directory**

An updated members and friends directory has recently been published to our website and is available as a .PDF file here:

http://

www.uuevansville.org/ links.htm

If your information is incorrect or if you would

like a printed copy mailed to your home, please contact our church administrator

If you are new to our church and would like to be listed in the directory, please contact Bev Tonso.



### **UUCE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

UUCE has a new method to distribute announcements to all communications teams including Church Bulletins, Weekly e-News emails, The Compass and the UUCE website. Anyone who has an announcement can simply send an email to <u>uuce-</u>

announcements@googlegroups.com and it will be automatically forwarded to all of the above mentioned "publications" for inclusion.

Whether you have a meeting announcement, a special request for your project, upcoming sermon topics, an opportunity to serve our community by volunteering or a new idea for a class, you can send a single email (be sure to include all relevant details) and

it will automatically get distributed and published (if appropriate) in the next version of the communication media mentioned above.

Can you still write an article for the newsletter? Of course! Please continue to send your articles to <u>uuceeditor@hotmail.com</u>. But you won't have to remember to include The Compass in your distribution of the meeting notice for the next meeting of the XYZ committee because sending the meeting notice to <u>uuce-</u>

announcements@googlegroups.com will automatically send it to all parties.

How does this help? It allows the information to flow quickly to all parties who work behind the scenes to create

the various publications that you use to learn about all the things going on at UUCE. Weekly order of service bulletins are a great way to communicate, but they only work for those in attendance on any given Sunday. The Weekly e-News offers timely information every week, but what about those who don't have access to email? The Compass is delivered monthly to all interested parties but sometimes is too late for the big event that happens next Tuesday that you just heard about today.

### LIKE NEW AGAIN

The church membership owes a debt of thanks to Jack, Alice, and Zack Cardin, who recently spent literally hours cleaning and re-painting the interior of the Chalice House.

The colors for the four rooms & hallway were selected by Joan DeVillez, Religious Exploration (RE) Director, based on what she felt the children and young adults who will receive instruction therein would have chosen.

And boy are they bright - yet altogether pleasing.

To keep the cost of the refurbishment to a minimum, Jack solicited funds from other members to purchase new venetian blinds, and Rick and Pam Stivers paid Stanley Steemer to clean the carpet. The results so pleased one member she commented "I wouldn't mind living in this house".

Meanwhile, Joan has been contacting the parents who have at some point in

time visited our Church and expressed an interest in the RE program.

She has secured promises from four prospective teachers and thus hopes to revitalize the program. Judging by the response on three consecutive Summer Fun Sundays the future of RE at UUCE is as bright as the "new" Chalice House.

### 2 POTLUCKS IN SEPTEMBER!

In September we will have TWO potlucks back to back because we will be having two visiting UU Ministers. Potlucks will be September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Potlucks are a great way to visit with each other, meet new members and get to know the visiting ministers.





### FALL FESTIVAL

#### **WORKERS NEEDED**

Fall Festival is almost upon us! This year the festival runs from Monday October 1st through Saturday October 6th. We need a minimum of 3 workers per shift.

Please sign up on the sheet in the church lobby. Contact Teri Rawlings with questions (477-9813).

#### IT'S CHICKEN COOK-ING TIME!

Join us on Saturday, September 8th at the church

to cook the chicken for our African Peanut Chicken. We have 120 pounds to cut up and cook, so we'll need lots of help! Bring an electric skillet, sharp knife and cutting board if you can. We'll start cooking at 9AM.

Please sign up on the sheet in the church lobby. Contact Teri Rawlings with questions (477-9813).

#### **BOOTH CLEANING**

On Sunday September 23 we will meet to clean out the booth and prepare

it for Fall Festival. We will meet following potluck. It should only take about an hour or so.

Please sign up on the sheet in the church lobby. Contact Teri Rawlings with questions (477-9813).

#### BROWNIE BAKERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to bake Bacon Brownies to sell at the Fall Festival booth. Contact Teri Rawlings (477-9813) for details.

### **Book Club**

The book club will meet on the last Thursday of the month from 11:30 am—1:00 pm. Bring a brown bag lunch if you want.

For the next three months we are reading: The First Tycoon, the epic life of Cornelius Vanderbilt. It's a tough read – but worth it to learn how our country developed.

Part one will be discussed on August 30<sup>th</sup> Part Two will be discussed on September 27<sup>th.</sup> Part Three will be discussed on October 25<sup>th.</sup> Read about the growth of America's Tycoons and our growth.

### **Donations**

In the church foyer are two donation boxes. One is for the AIDS Resource Group. They are collecting toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, disposable razors, diapers, and other personal care items). The Second box is for donations to our monthly meal at the Rescue Mission. Donations of spaghetti sauce and noodles are needed. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

# Congregational Life

The Congregational Life Committee, in an effort to be more responsive to the congregation's needs, is asking that anyone who has an illness or death in their family (or knows of one in another member or friend's family) notify Ed Howard at (812) 477-5703 or via email at <a href="mailto:ebutterflybridge@wowway.com">ebutterflybridge@wowway.com</a>. He will, in turn, let one of our committee members know so that we may convey the church's concern or sympathy.



#### Unitarian Universalist Church of **Evansville**

2910 East Morgan Avenue Evansville, IN 47711 812-474-1704 Services Sunday at 10:00 AM

Youth RE at 10:30 Sundays



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# **Upcoming Events & Activities**

SEPTEMBER 2ND Water Communion led by Ed Howard

SEPTEMBER 6TH Worship Committee at 7 p.m., at the Church

SEPTEMBER 8TH Chicken cooking 9 AM- finished

SEPTEMBER 9TH tba. Tom Moor, Worship Leader

SEPTEMBER 10TH Board meeting at 7 p.m. at the Church

SEPTEMBR 16TH Sermon by Chuck Meny "The Jesus Seminar" Part 2.

**UNITED CARING SHELTER** DINNER: 3:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21st, UCS

SEPTEMBER 23RD Sermon by Rev. Julie Denny-Hughes: "Follow the Yellow Brick Road"

SEPTEMBER 23RD Potluck following service

SEPTEMBER 23RD Booth cleaning following potluck SEPTEMBER 27TH Book Club at 11:30AM

SEPTEMBER 30TH Sermon (tba) by Rev. Bill Gupton

SEPTEMBER 30TH Potluck following service

OCTOBER 1-6 Fall Festival

OCTOBER 27TH Halloween Party 7-9PM

