



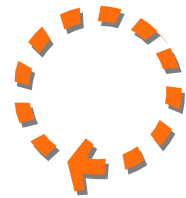
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ALEXANDER'S MEANDERS

Well, for the first time in many months the temperatures dipped below 50° the other night. It didn't take Kimi and I long to conclude that we're facing an early autumn. This may be wishful thinking on our part, due perhaps to a long and intensely hot summer, but history has proven that we have some uncanny knack for being right about predicting the fall season. Thus, we've already begun forcing the tomatoes to ripen.

Whether or not Kimi and I are right about an early autumn, there's no question that things are changing at UUCF! As I said in one of my sermons recently, change always brings anxiety, even if it's change for the better, because human beings tend to feel that the devil they know is better than the angel they don't. I've heard rumblings of that anxiety lately. So I thought I would take this opportunity to share a little ministerial wisdom about change.

First, change is inevitable. The question isn't whether or not life brings us change. The question is how we respond to that change. We can either recoil from it, or, we can embrace it wholeheartedly. When it comes to congregational systems, congregations that recoil from change signal their own death knell. Congregations that wholeheartedly embrace change tend to thrive. So I want to encourage us, even in the midst of some inevitable anxiety, wholeheartedly to embrace the change that is happening at UUCF.



Second, it is important to remember that you, the congregation, have chosen this change. First, the congregation chose to change in 1994. This is when, under the previous minister's leadership, the congregation voted a set of goals to pursue. For various reasons it did not achieve these goals. The congregation reaffirmed these goals five years later when it was in the midst of a ministerial search. Again, for various reasons it did not achieve these goals. Finally, last January I challenged the congregation to make a concrete decision about the goals it had set 10 years ago. It was time to make a final decision about whether it was serious about these goals or not? Under the very capable leadership of George Rourk, the congregation affirmed that it was serious about these goals, and restated them. As I informed everyone last January, I now consider these goals my mandate as your minister. I am absolutely convinced, with the capable lay leadership we have at this time and my determination as your minister, that this time these goals will be achieved. In other words, I am guaranteeing change. So remember, YOU chose change and for a very good reason! Together, let us be excited about it.

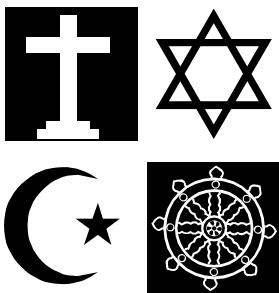
Finally, I have heard some negative rumblings about the removal of the wall between my office and the Marge Brown room. This is a perfect example of how people respond to change. The reason this is happening is because we simply do not have enough room to run the programs we are running. People are literally turning away at the door because we do not have enough seats for them. In other words, we have a **good** problem on our hands. Not to make room for everyone who wants to attend programs to attend programs is to resist growth. By removing the wall between my office and the Marge Brown Room we solve this problem. And, truth be told, we lose nothing. I can as easily occupy the much larger space that will be created as I can my current office. This change will not hamper my ability to be on the premises, or to meet with people when necessary. In short, we will lose a wall, create program space, and not, as some people currently believe, lose the minister's presence at church. This is the best win/win situation we have at the moment. And, it is the tip of the iceberg. As we move in all the right direction, we will become accustomed to change -- **and it will be good!**

Looking Forward to All the Change Ahead! - Alex

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First of all, thanks to everyone who inquired after the health of our old horse, Vega, whose travails were the topic of my August newsletter article. Vega is doing great. She is eating her grain again and regaining the weight she lost. Her sores and abrasions from the winch straps have all healed completely, except for one on her left front leg, which is slowly improving. Each morning now she trots out into the field, gives her body a big shake and looks like she is happy to begin a new day. Her feistiness has returned and she's back to criticizing the behavior of those younger geldings in her charge. She is very grateful to all of you for sending her healing thoughts and good wishes.

My other big family news is that my older daughter, Rebecca, competed in the National Roller Skating Championships in Pensacola FL and won her figure event, making her the national champion of Novice Ladies A Figures. (I'll have photos for anyone who wants to see.) Becca has been a competitive roller skater since she was 7. Winning nationals is her dream come true.



The summer felt like a roller coaster ride to me, very fast moving, with extreme highs and lows. I hope that your summer has been more relaxing and enjoyable. Now that September is upon us and our lives are settling down, we are getting ready to begin a new school year and our fall Religious Education season. Our

UU living tradition draws from many sources, and it is these sources that we will be exploring for the next nine months in our Art and Soul Program. We will be looking at wisdom from many of the world's religions. "Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision." (from our UU Principles and Purposes)

In September, our Children's Chapel discussions will center on what we think religion is and the differences between beliefs, opinions and facts. We will create a timeline of the world's religions. We will begin to think about and record our own personal beliefs. As the year progresses and our knowledge increases, we will add to our journals on a regular basis.

Hinduism, dating back to 4000 BCE, will be introduced in late September or early October. In our various activity groups we

will learn about its many gods, spiritual practices, holidays and special foods. Around Halloween, we'll discuss Celtic beliefs and culture. During the winter holidays, we'll learn about some birth stories of great religious leaders and share those with everyone. Maybe we'll even create a play for the Christmas Eve service! In the New Year, we'll be looking at Judaism, Christianity, Buddhism and Islam. The spring of 2006 will bring an exploration of Humanism, Native American spirituality and Wicca.

In order to help parents understand better what we'll be doing in RE this year, I strongly encourage everyone to attend the kick-off event for our adult education program, "The Lifelong Learning Forum." On the evening of September 22, there will be a panel of six leaders from various religions gathered in our Meeting House for discussion and questions. Judaism, Christianity, Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam and Unitarian Universalism will be represented. Don't miss it!

As in previous years, Religious Education will have a pre-school class for children aged 3-K at each service. The emphasis here will be on learning to feel safe and comfortable in church, making new friends, and having a great time.

We will also have a youth program at both services on Sunday mornings for grades 8-12. Grade 8 is included with the youth this year to keep classmates from last year's OWL program together. Watch your mail for more details on this.

We want your child to enjoy coming to church and participating in a church school program that is fun, friendly and different from regular school. Our mission in the UUCF Religious Education Program is to create a community of learning, service and caring for the children and youth of our church. In order for us to be successful, we need many adults to help. Please sign up on the RE bulletin board in Adams Hall or talk to the DRE or RE committee members. We ask for about 10 Sunday services of your time, very little prep work and no previous experience, just your good will and good humor. Please help!

See you at church!! Kathy

EXECUTIVE EXCURSIONS

We've had an excellent summer at UUCF! Our average attendance on Sunday mornings this summer has been 80, a significant increase over last year (69). The Program Committee did an outstanding job of preparing interesting, insightful Sunday morning programs in July when Reverend Alex was on vacation. Those of you who are fairly new to our congregation may not know that prior to 2003 we did not conduct services in July and August. Some of our attendees this summer have been people new to Unitarian Universalism and/or UUCF, who were looking for a church home. Others started attending earlier in the year and the thought of not coming to church in the summer never entered their minds. We have had 11 new members join us since May, an excellent growth rate. I'm encouraged by this summer's activity and look forward to an even more robust summer program next year.

We are in the process of significantly upgrading the children's play area between our parking lots. The RE committee has replaced our old swing set, which was on the verge of being unsafe, with a new "industrial strength" set. There are also wood chips coming to cover the area as a safety measure. All of the work related to this project (taking down the old set and constructing the new one) was done by UUCF members and friends.

We're moving ahead with the project expanding the area of the Marge Brown Room. The north wall in the room is scheduled to come down this week. We want to make this new area as attractive as we can and an ad hoc team led by Leslie Travis has put together some excellent suggestions. However, in the near term, we are going to be limited by available funding to acting on only the highest priority items on their list.

A number of you have asked me about our "water leak problem". An unusually high water bill caught our attention recently, leading to the assessment that we have a leak somewhere in the hot water heating system which heats all the areas of our building. Finding the leak has been difficult as some of the suspect heating pipes are under the floor in Adams Hall.

The west wing of our building and Adams Hall were built in 1967 when the Meeting House was moved from downtown Farmington to its present site. Our heating system (boiler and pipes) are showing their age. Over recent years we have been minimizing our Building and Grounds expenditures to balance our annual budget. It's clear that in 2006 we are going to have to reverse that trend.

George Rourk



Join the "Blue Print" Panel (Planning for our Facilities Goal)

Handicap access, a paved parking lot, comfortable and attractive classrooms, offices, and meeting spaces – we've discussed all of these possibilities over the years. Well, as we all know, one of the four goals we adopted for ourselves is to "develop/upgrade our building and grounds to meet the needs of our church community". If you have an interest in helping this dream become a reality, please consider joining the "Blue Print" team that is forming now.

This team will be responsible for presenting possible building alternatives to the congregation, guiding the process that leads up to a capital campaign, and working with an architect to develop the final plans (based on the capital campaign results) for our beautiful new facilities. I know, that sounds like a lot, but we'll have a lot of help, from other congregation's experiences and a comprehensive planning process – that includes working with a consultant - from the UUA. Yes, it will be an investment of time, but the results will be a church building that meets our expanding needs.

I'm excited about what we're going to accomplish. I hope you are too, and will join me on the team. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 14, at 7 PM at the church. .

If you're interested, or have any questions, please call Linda Brown, e-mail, (or come to the meeting!).

IDEAS ...THOUGHTS ... JOYS ... SORROWS ...



Member Musings

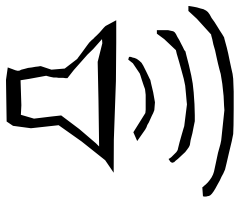
Have you ever wondered what's going on at UUCF in addition to your Sunday morning experience? "What a silly question", you say; "There's all kinds of information available in the Magnet and the Orders of Service." This is true; but sometimes if you're fairly new to the church, or if you haven't been involved in a particular activity in the past, the announcements about "who's meeting for what activity" can be confusing.

To assist you in finding your "UUCF Connection" whether you are a new or seasoned member, we have created a 4-page brochure of what is going on at UUCF along with a contact name. For your convenience, this brochure can be found on the Newcomer Table in Adams Hall. If you still have questions, feel free to call Mary Mancini, UUCF Office Administrator, at 248.478.7272. Mary is a powerhouse of information.

There has also been a question of what a person can do at UUCF if they are not yet a member. You can do almost anything including usher, greet, join a committee or activity, attend a congregational meeting, express your joys / sorrows, or make announcements. You cannot hold a Board position, be a Chairperson of a committee, or vote at a congregational meeting.

We hope that all members and friends of UUCF can find a "connection", whether it be in the leadership of the church or with a committee or other activity.

Linda Rourk,
Membership Chair



The Great Turning - Events with Joanna Macy Sept 23-25, 2005

The Great Turning is a name for the essential adventure of our time: the shift from an industrial growth society to a life-sustaining civilization.

Join us for a public gathering of kindred spirits on Friday, Sept. 23 at 7-9:00 PM at Birmingham Unitarian Church - free-will offering. There is also a workshop for wimmin on Sat, Sept. 24 and Sun morning, Sept. 25 at Louhelen Baha'i Retreat/Conf Center in Davison. Contact Peg Collins for a registration flyer or more info.

Joanna Macy, Ph.D., is an ecophilosopher grounded in Buddhism and general systems theory. She is known worldwide for her workshops to empower social change (www.joannamacy.net).

"A silent revolution is underway, as we work together to create a life-sustaining civilization. This 'Great Turning' towards an ecological consciousness will touch all aspects of our lives, engaging our hearts, heads, and hands. As we take part in it, we come alive to our own intelligence and strength, and reconnecting with each other, we find the teamwork and deep community we deserve."

Joanna Macy

Hi Friends,

On October 8, 2005 I will again be walking on Belle Isle (5 miles) in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk. If you can support me, please send checks made out to American Cancer Society and mail them to me before September 25, 2005. I will turn them in at the registration table.

As all politicians say, "Thank You for Your Support".

Barb Windsor
23550 Whittaker
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SPECIAL EVENTS



Welcoming Congregation Upcoming Events

● Welcoming Congregation Refresher Course -

We earned the status of Welcoming Congregation in 2000. We are committed to keeping the goals, set forth from that two year long process, in motion. In order to ensure this, we are going to offer a refresher course of some of the original classes that were attended by some people in this church back in 1998, the classes are open to all members and friends of UUCF. These classes will take place on **Sundays from 12:30 - 2:30 PM**. The dates we have set for these classes are **Sept. 25, Oct. 2, Oct. 16, and Oct. 23**. Grab a bagel and coffee or brown bag a lunch, if you prefer. Our plan after these classes will be to present "Living the Welcoming Congregation" in January 2006. This series is a continuation of the original curriculum and will enable us to continue our development of this program, and better serve the community.

● Welcoming Movie Night - Friday, Sept. 30 at 7:30 PM.

The movie we will feature is "**Paul Monette: The Brink of Summer's End**". This movie is an intelligent, unsentimental, yet deeply moving documentary about a man dying of AIDS. Paul Monette was an outstanding American writer, who didn't achieve his potential until well into his adult years, when he finally came out and admitted his gayness by writing an explicitly gay novel, *Taking Care of Mrs. Carroll*. He followed that with several other 'gay novels'. Following the 1986 AIDS-related death of his lover and companion, Monette wrote *Borrowed Time: An AIDS Memoir* (often cited as the first book about AIDS to cross-over strongly to straight readers) and several other important works about the gay experience. It doesn't matter if you know Monette and his works or not. The film gets you acquainted with him quickly, and its straightforward presentation of Monette's last few years powerfully shows his daily life and travels, as he maintained his activism in the gay community almost to the end. If you consider Paul Monette to be a stranger at the start of the film, by the end, you'll feel that you have lost a friend.

We are asking for a \$2.00 donation to cover soda and snacks. See the **Welcoming Congregation** bulletin board in Adams Hall for a full review of this great movie. Questions?

Millie Foss

We welcome you to attend our next committee meeting on Wednesday, **August 31 at 6:30PM** in the Marge Brown Room. We are a congregation that publicly and successfully welcomes bisexual, gay, lesbian and transgender people. **We are a Welcoming Congregation!**

Questions? Terri Spencer, Chair.

Pot Luck Dinner with Bonfire

Your Social Events Committee is planning a pot luck dinner in Adams Hall followed by a bonfire in the lower parking lot on Saturday, September 10 (please park on the upper lot). We hope you will join us. No need to sign up. Just bring one of your favorite dishes, your drink, and a lawn chair. For your dish, please label what it is along with your name (this is useful information for those with allergies). Your children are very welcome at this intergenerational event as are your musical talents. Please bring your dulcimer, your guitar, your flute, or whatever instrument is transportable.



Let's start gathering at 6 PM with a planned start for dinner at 6:30 PM.

Linda Rourk , Social Events

Yoga at UUCF

Yoga class for people who purchased as a auction item, or for everyone else who wants to enjoy calmness and flexibility. Beginners welcome to our 1 & 1/4 hour starting Sunday evening, Sept. 18 at 7:30 pm through Oct. 23. The student moves at their own pace to develop focus and strength. Donation to UUCF is \$10 per class or \$50 for all six. Partial scholarships available. If any questions, please contact Charles Baber, RYT.

MORE ... SPECIAL EVENTS

Lifelong Learning Forum Update

Mark your calendars for our Fall Kick-off Program on Thursday Sept 22nd for what we hope to be the beginning of many World Religion and interfaith programs. The topic of the panel discussion will be **"Do All Paths Lead up the Same Mountain: Searching for Common Ground Among the Major World Religions."** Representatives from 6 world religions including Unitarian Universalism (Rev Alex Riegel) will participate in this interfaith dialogue. Reservations are being accepted in Adams Hall after services through September 18th or by calling 248-478-7272. Donations are 6 dollars in advance and 8 dollars at the door. Reserve your ticket now.

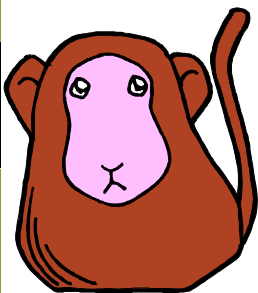
The remainder of the 6 week program runs Oct 6th – Nov 10th. Brochures outlining the program are available in Adams Hall. Please take more than one copy and pass them on to your family and friends.

The Friday Night film series continues on September 2nd with "The Ninth Configuration." From William Peter Blatty, Director of "The Exorcist," comes another fascinating film that explores the depths of good and evil. "The Ninth Configuration" is a dark and at

times humorous film. As opposed to "The Exorcist," in which evil rears its ugly head from what appears to be peace and success, this film dares to explore human altruism and unbridled love surfacing in an atmosphere of foreboding, dread, insanity, and fear. As one reviewer said, "Buckle your seatbelts for a rock'm, sock'm ending that will leave you breathless." A "must-see" to be appreciated as it's probably Stacy Keach's definitive film role." Consider joining us, won't you - and bring a friend. Friday, August 5th, at 7:15 pm sharp. Suggested donation is three dollars. Snacks and Soft drinks provided.

Nietzsche's Nook meets Sunday Sept 11th. We will meet in the Marge Brown room at 12:30 P.M. Please remember to bring yourself a bag lunch. All interested parties are invited to attend. No previous attendance is required. For a tentative schedule of discussion topics please email. Rev. Riegel at revalexriegel@aol.com Facilitated by Rev. Alexander Riegel and Professor Jim Berry

*Thanks for your support and interest
Vanessa Baber*



Dave Durham's in "Monkey Business"

Dave Durham would like all his friends in the congregation that he has been working on a new musical comedy that opens in September & plays through November. Details on the dinner theater production will be posted in Adams Hall, or you can contact Dave. "Monkey Business" is a delight on so many levels. It is a fun, entertaining show with some catchy showtunes made all the more novel when one considers they are all performed by monks in robes! At the same time we see a classic struggle between good and evil. For Unitarian Universalists, it is nice to see the brothers of St. Bernards Monastery represented with the flaws one would expect people to develop under the rules of "monkdom".

While the monks struggle with their apparently failed fund raising event, (what UU can't relate to that!), it is inspirational to watch them run the gambit of questioning themselves and their faith. Bop along with the brothers as they question their wardrobe with the "Mohair Rag." Try to imagine the pain of frustrated Brother Lee Love as he laments with the song, "Celibacy". Pick up a few tips on how to pass the plate as the boys show their skills in "God Loves a Cheerful Giver." As their fearless leader, Abbott Costello (played by Dave) keeps them grounded in faith and levity. They poke good humored fun at their religion and their predicament, but learn the virtue of staying true to what they believe. Sometimes a leap of faith brings you further than waiting for solid proof. Dave's sidekick, Andy Dandy, also makes a cameo appearance. The Unitarian Universalists have their roots in Christianity, and sharing some light fun with those who have clung to it "religiously" can bring an empathetic chuckle. The frenzy with which they tackle their vaudeville style radiothon will have you in stitches. Amen!

Daytimers

The Daytimers held the August meeting at the church at the usual time, the third Thursday of the month, which was August 18, at 12:00 noon. We had a very nice attendance – 18 people. The dessert, a carrot cake, was furnished by Bette Christie.

As usual, we went around the table with each Daytimer telling what was new in his life. Bud Baggett talked about the church's Red Vest group which will start putting on a forum once a month at church starting on Sunday, September 18, at 12:30 p.m. The subject at the forum that Sunday will be the Patriot Act. Bud will make a presentation on the Patriot Act and then there will be an open discussion. Everyone is invited to come.

In September on Thursday, September 15, the Daytimers will take our bag lunches and meet at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center at 12 Mile and Meadowbrook in Novi. This is a 160 acre farm complex right in the middle of suburbia. We will eat lunch at 12:00 p.m. at picnic benches in the rose garden which is located just west of the farmhouse. All seniors age 50 and over at UUCF are invited to join us at the Tollgate Center.

Some of the Daytimers would rather go directly there – others would rather meet at church and carpool from the church to the Tollgate Center.

Thank you! — Thank you!

The playground is really shaping up. The new swing set is up. The fort has new ladders, there are sand and toys in the sand box. Wow! What a summer. The RE Committee would like to thank Leah & Stan Baker, Barb Danielson & Steve Curtin, Aaron Sleep, Deb Christiansen & Bob Guzick for all the wonderful work you've done ... THANKS! The children have already had a chance to enjoy it this summer.



Everyone should drop by and see the RE Garden It's really growing. Special thanks to Jim and Sally Richards for checking on it during the week. The RE class is having a great time seeing everything grow!

*Karen Schnell-Goldberg
Religious Education Chair*

If you want to go directly to the Tollgate Center, Nancy Bailey will be in the Tollgate Center's rose garden at 11:30 p.m. to set up the picnic benches. Nancy will be bringing a homemade punch for us to drink, and Dolores Garden will be furnishing the dessert. The entrance to the parking lot is north of 12 Mile on Meadowbrook a little north of the farmhouse. The entrance to the parking lot is quite small; it may only hold the width of one car. The rose garden (where we'll be eating) is near the parking lot a little behind the farmhouse.

If you would rather meet at the church, Paul Bailey will meet you at the church between 11:30 pm. and 11:45 p.m. Paul will have his 7-person van to transport those who wish to drive with him from the church to the Tollgate Center. He will leave the church at 11:45 a.m.

At 1:00 p.m. the Farm Manager of the Tollgate Center will take the Daytimers on a tour of the center which has a large barn, farm animals, a large pond, and many flower gardens.

When we are eating lunch in the rose garden, we'll discuss an outing for the October Daytimers meeting which will be right at the peak of the fall color season. Many of the Daytimers have already discussed going to a cider mill that day with our bag lunches.

Special Note: If it is raining extensively on September 15, we'll all meet as usual at the church at 12:00 noon.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Campaign team for the 2006 canvass has been making tremendous progress over the last months. The General Gifts chairpersons, Linda Rourk, Hank Holst and Paul Denawetz, have filled the 12 positions of Canvass Captains and those folks have started recruiting the general canvassers. If you were part of the Stewardship campaign last year and had a good experience like most folks did, let Linda, Hank or Paul know that you are interested in helping again.

Why are we putting the team together so early? One reason is the number of people we need. The campaign had more than 60 members directly involved last year!! Also, training will take place in early September so we need for people to schedule their calendar. Your participation would require approximately 2 hours of training time in early September and then 6-8 hours of home canvas visit time in October. Less than 10 hours of commitment and involvement and most of that with your fellow UUCF friends and members. We really hope you will consider being involved!!

The business of directing the yearly pledging process has taken many forms over the years, with the Stewardship canvas a different and very powerful way of connecting with each member. We are ALL responsible for helping to insure the vitality of the future of UUCF with our annual pledges. For more than 155 years, members of this church have annually made pledges of financial commitment. This yearly process should not be something to dread or shun but a time to powerfully assert your support for the strength of Universalist Unitarian values and beliefs and your part of the life of UUCF.

Barb Eglington and Peter Travis

2006 Co-chairs, Stewardship Campaign



LAST CHANCE THIS YEAR !

UUCF's last **MDOT Highway Trash Pickup** for 2005 will take place at 8 AM on September 11th and 18th. It will take 2-3 hours on each day. Please mark your calendars and meet us in the church parking lot on either or both days. This really is a rewarding experience-for our environment and for us !

Students who need community service hours for school can earn them by helping on this project. A parent must accompany anyone 12-15 years old, and sign a release form for anyone under 18.

Remember to wear work boots or sturdy shoes, long pants and sleeves, bring garden gloves, a hat and water . Call or email me if you have any questions. Hope to see you there.

Julia Petro



Money Matters

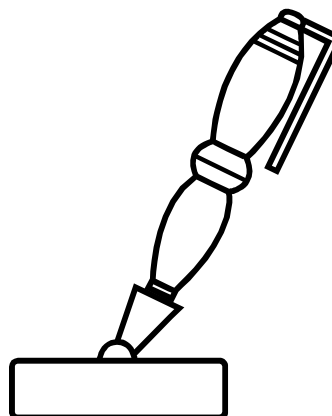
As we cross the midpoint of the year and head into fall, we are falling behind in our pledges. As we begin the fall season, let's begin again to make sure our pledges are in our treasury.

*Marsha McCullough,
VP Finance*

Mystery Book Club

will meet the 4th Monday in September, Sept. 26. We will meet at LaShish for dinner at 5:30 PM and return to the church for the book discussion at 7 PM. If you can't come for dinner, come for the book discussion. The book we are reading for September is Small Vices by Robert Parker.

Helen Head



FREE Wood Workbench

My father built a sturdy wood workbench and used it while I was growing up for various woodworking projects. He kept it all the time in our garage.

My husband Paul Bailey and I do not need this workbench, and it is FREE to anyone who can use it.

The workbench is 38" high, and the top of the bench is 21" deep and 60" wide. Attached to the top is a heavy vise. At the bottom of the workbench is a shelf that is the same size as the top.

SHOP—EARN—SHARE

Every time you shop at Meijer, you can help UUCF earn up to 4% cash back on qualified purchases. It's really easy to participate! Just pick up an application downstairs in Adams Hall or in the literature kiosk by the front entrance. Or if you prefer, you can sign up online at meijer.com/rewards.

Writers Group

You've never been published? If not, or even if you have, here's an opportunity to have one of your writings in the UUCF 2006 "Musings".

It's not too late to conjure up a personal poem or an essay about a special event. We'd love to have you join us in providing another creative and quality booklet for the UUCF congregation.

Your entry may be placed in the Artists Group mailbox in the church office, or give to a member of the Writers Group.

The deadline is September 25.

Bud Baggett, Janet Barna, Helen Head, Valerie Kosaka, Marsha McCullough, Jack Olds, Connie Porter and Kelly White



Church Woods Stewardship

Accomplishments of the last work parties: Ron Campbell, Charles Baber, Julia Petro and Linda Brus worked on clearing the trail and pulling Dames Rocket in the woods. Ann Ford, Marianne O'Conner, Alec Scarlet, Jim Tedesco and Barb Eglinton cleared out the undergrowth by the cedars near the lower parking lot.

The next work party will be Sept .25 after the first service. For more information contact Barb Eglinton

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"Green" Issues



Remember to sign up for "email only" of the Magnet on the church website at uufarmington.org or bill@hayhow.org. Save the church money, and save a tree.



The Green Sanctuary Committee would like to encourage you to bring a coffee mug from home for coffee hour and take it home with you rather than using paper or styrofoam cups or water for the dishwasher.

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