



**Announcements for Sunday, April 9, 2017  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Eggs Around the World" by Paula Brayden.

### **Happening Today**

**The Personnel Committee** is conducting evaluations of some ALUUC staff (not the minister) in April. Evaluation forms have been distributed to the congregants that each employee works closest with for their input. If you are given an evaluation form, please complete and insert in the box on the desk in the foyer by TODAY - April 9, 2017. Contact Dianne Roberts with any questions.

**Coffee Hour – Every Sunday after service!** Join us every Sunday morning after the service for coffee (or tea, or lemonade) and conversation. We need a hand or two in our kitchen for Coffee Hour. This includes making the coffee, setting out a few tables and food donations, and cleaning up. If you're interested in helping out on a Sunday, please contact Marissa DeWeese at [email@aluuc.org](mailto:email@aluuc.org).

**Rev. Woulfe will hold a "round table" discussion** today at 12:15pm in the Sanctuary near the piano to discuss issues relating to the resignation of UUA President Peter Morales and other top UUA officials.

### **Coming Soon**

**Game Night—April 14, 6pm.** Come out for a night of fun, food, and of course, games! Pizza will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own sides, snacks, drinks, and games.

**Hiking Group, Saturday, April 15:** Meet at ALUUC at 10:30 or trail head at 10:45. **Trial head** — Take Route 4 (Veteran's Parkway) south to Woodside Road. Turn east / left on Woodside and go about 0.4 miles to the Old Route 4 (Old Chatham Road) turnoff on your right. Old Route 4 will take you to the Preserve's parking lot. **More Info:** <http://springfieldmoms.org/lick-creek-wildlife-preserve-springfield/>

**The Fifth Street Renaissance/SARA Center is holding a Gala Art Auction** here at ALUUC on Saturday, April 29. The preview starts at 6:00 pm and the auction begins at 7:00 pm. Hors d'oeuvres, wine, dessert and coffee will be served. Admission is \$10 per person and proceeds benefit the Fifth Street Renaissance Programs: Homeless veterans, HIV+ Services and Homeless Individuals. Major credit cards are accepted. For more details, contact Bob Croteau or Buff Carmichael.

**2017 UUA General Assembly News: New Orleans, June 21-25!** The early registration fee is \$360 per adult. After May 1, it goes up to \$415. This date is important especially if you want to reserve a hotel room – Hotel reservations are available via the GA Housing Reservation System. Rev. Woulfe recommends that you reserve your room first. There will also be a limited number of opportunities for home hospitality.

**The Committee on Ministry is seeking nominations for this year's UnsUng Volunteer award.** This award is given in appreciation to that individual who has volunteered above and beyond the norm. Who is it that shows up, pitches in and follows through in the most exemplary manner? Who has gone above and beyond time and again? Who are *you* most glad to see when *you* show up to volunteer? Please email your nominations to the Committee on Ministry at [com@aluuc.org](mailto:com@aluuc.org)

**The UUA MidWest Leadership School** will be held July 9-15 in Decorah, IA. Midwest Leadership School is a weeklong intensive experience designed to engage participants in all aspects of leadership in a Unitarian Universalist faith community. For more information and to register, go to [www.mwls.org](http://www.mwls.org)

### This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, April 9	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Green Sanctuary Com. Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton
	RE Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Senior Youth Group	12:00 PM	Channing
	Adult RE Understanding the Bible	12:00 PM	TBA
	Conversation on the UUA	12:15 PM	Sanctuary
	Monday, April 10	Passover Begins at Sundown	
Tuesday, April 11	A Course in Miracles Adult RE	6:00 PM	Barton
	Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
Thursday, April 13	Membership Committee Mtg.	6:00 PM	Fuller
	*Drum Circle	6:30 PM	DeWeese studio
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, April 14	Game Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, April 15	Zen Meditation Group	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	*Hiking Group	10:30 AM	Lick Creek Preserve
	Kids Club	5:00 PM	Commons Area
Sunday, April 16	Easter		
	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary

\*Off Site

### Happening Elsewhere

**Make Your Reservations – IIP Defenders of the Innocent Event!** The Illinois Innocence Project will host its annual Defenders of the Innocent Event on Saturday evening, **April 29, 2017, at the Crowne Plaza Springfield.** The event will feature New York Exoneree Yusef Salaam and his mother, Sharonne Abdus-Salaam, who never stopped fighting to prove his innocence. For more information, call or email Larry Golden at (217) 206-6569 and [LGOLD1@uis.edu](mailto:LGOLD1@uis.edu).

**Opportunity to buy native plants for your yard.** On Saturday, April 29, 9 AM, the Illinois Native Plant Society will hold its annual sale of native plants. Held at the Illinois State Fairgrounds Commodities Pavilion, the sale offers a wide variety of flowers, grasses, shrubs and trees native to Illinois. By planting native plants, one is providing habitat and food for native birds, insects and other wildlife. It's a good way to celebrate spring and earth day.