



**Announcements for Sunday, December 4, 2016
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "The Spirituality & Poetry of William Butler Yeats" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

Happening Today

Change for Change today will go to **Mini O'Beirne Crisis Nursery**. This nursery was started by community volunteers in 1989 to prevent child abuse and neglect. It provides free emergency, temporary care, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, for children from birth to 6 years of age, who may be at risk or whose parents are experiencing some type of crisis. Free developmental and medical screenings, and referrals for education, psychological, medical, dental, food and clothing sources are available. Other free services include: in-home parent education classes, monthly parent support groups, crisis counseling, follow-up home visits, advocacy, and referrals to other needed services such as drug or alcohol abuse treatment, medical, food, clothing and shelter. Please be generous and support this needed community resource. **Donations are most welcome by check made out to ALUUC with Crisis Nursery noted in the memo line.**

This Sunday 12/04, Hannah Rucker will be collecting holiday supplies (paper, gift bags of all sizes, bows, etc.) for a gift wrap fundraiser at White Oaks Mall; all proceeds will benefit the Northside Children's Community Library. Please bring any spare items that you can donate. Volunteers are also needed to help wrap items. NCCL provides services through reading programs, tutoring, homework help, mentoring, technology access, after-school snacks, thousands of books, and a safe place in the community for underserved grade school children in Springfield's Enos Park District. Thank you!

Coming Soon

The News Group will meet on Thursday, December 8, at 6:00 p.m. at Renata and Heiko Buchloh's, 7901 Hunt Road. Call Renata at 585-1944 if you have any questions. This is a onetime change from the usual first Thursday meeting date.

Scrip Deadline: For your holiday shopping, remember to use Scrip. See the ALUUC newsletter for instructions or contact Kerri Skrudland at scrip@aluuc.org. The deadline to order is December 11.

The Book Discussion Group will not meet in December. If you are interested in joining the Book Group when it starts up again, let Barbara Moore or Penny Wollan-Kriel know of your interest. You could catch us after church, or email one of us letting us know of your interest and possibly what reading is of particular interest to you. Barbara Moore's email address: barmoo@comcast.net and Penny's is pennywolla@aol.com

Greater Springfield Interfaith Association (GSIA): The next regular meeting of GSIA will be on Tuesday, December 6; the program will look at how extremists like Neo-Nazis & ISIS use the Internet to spread their hatred and recruit followers. The speaker will be Junaid Afeef,

Director of the Targeted Violence Prevention Program, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. GSIA will meet at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 1615 West Washington Street (first floor), Springfield from 11:45 am to 1:30 pm. Bring your lunch! (There will also be a public presentation by Mr. Afeef that same evening at Brookens Auditorium, UIS, at 7:00 pm.) For more information, please contact Rev Kevin Laughery, kl@kevinlaughery.com or Dr. Ali Nizamuddin, aniza2@uis.edu .

Game Night December 9 at 6pm: Come out for a night of fun, food and of course games! Pizza is provided. You're welcome to bring your own sides, snacks, drinks and games! If you have any ideas for group games we can play for upcoming Game Nights, let us know.

A new edition of the **ALUUC Cookbook** will be ready by Christmas. Great for a present or stocking stuffer! Contact Rob Ewart at robert.ewart.47@gmail.com .

Vinnie Gupta and Rev. Woulfe are both selling tickets for the **Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast** on January 16, 2017, 7:30 AM, Wyndham Hotel, 7th and Adams, Springfield. The breakfast supports charitable projects by Frontiers International. The guest speaker is Anna Jackson, Professor, SIU. Tickets are \$ 25 each. For tickets, contact Vinnie Gupta, 217-622-7118 vkuptammmd@yahoo.com or Rev. Woulfe at minister@aluuc.org.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Dec. 4	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Services	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change		
	Movie Night "Some Like it Hot"	5:00 PM	Sanctuary
Monday, Dec. 5	*Drum Circle	6:30 PM	DeWeese studio
Tuesday, Dec. 6	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton
Wednesday, Dec. 7	Men's Group	6:00 PM	Commons
Thursday, Dec. 8	News Group	7:00 PM	Buchloh's home
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
	Game Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, Dec. 9	Game Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, Dec. 10	Zen Meditation Group	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Dec. 11	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Scrip Deadline		

