



**Announcements for Sunday, February 2, 2014
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday: "Lincoln's Wit" by Vi Lanum & Mick Bray

***** Happening TODAY *****

Today there will be a Change for Change collection. The Social Action Committee has selected the Animal Protective League as the recipient. For over 50 years, the Animal Protective League has been the voice for animals in Springfield and Sangamon County. APL operates a shelter for sick, injured, abused and abandoned dogs and cats, along with comprehensive animal-welfare programs. APL is a private, not-for-profit organization and operates entirely by donations. APL provides several services including matching animals with carefully screened, loving, permanent owners; providing foster families who provide interim homes until space is available at our shelter and investigating hundreds of calls each year about neglected and abused animals.

Effective Immediately: At the end of the service, please leave your hymnals, bulletins, inserts and other paperwork in your seat. Volunteers will collect and return items to their appropriate place.

Senior Youth Group News: We are pleased to announce that Tom and Laura Vaught have joined Tara Crowley as youth advisors of the Senior Youth Group (SYG). The SYG **WILL** meet every Sunday following church services in the Channing room. All youth in 9-12th grades are welcome to join them for planning, food, and fun! Contact Marla Johnson, DRE at dre@aluuc.org for more information.

Say 'YES' to ALUUC Circle Suppers in February, March and April. The information is on the table next to the name tag rack. Please fill out the form to host and attend these dinners and place it in the box on that table. For more information talk to Susan Solon or contact Nancy Standen, 217 381 3468, or email standen@royell.org.

An updated directory has been posted on the ALUUC website at <http://www.aluuc.org/togetherweshare/wp-content/uploads/ALUUC-2014-Member-Directory.pdf> The password remains the same.

ALUUC needs a lead editor for the monthly newsletter, the Sisters Newsletter and the church directory. If you are interested in any or all of these, please contact Rev. Woulfe.

Rev. Woulfe is seeking volunteers to share stories (and bread) about their ethnic identities on Sunday, February 16. Please contact his ASAP.

***** COMING SOON *****

The News Covenant Group meets on the first Thursday of each month. Join us at 7:00 p.m. on February 6, 2014 at Renata and Heiko Buchloh's, 7901 Hunt Road. Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions call Renata or Heiko at 585-1944.

Next Sunday February 9: It's a HOTDISH Sunday Potluck – rescheduled!! The January 5th service was cancelled due to weather conditions; therefore, we'll enjoy this event next week. The history of the hotdish goes back to when "budget-minded farm wives needed to feed their own families, as well as

congregations in the basements of the first Minnesota churches.”

Adult Education Class Continues: Paul Oakley is offering the second half of the "What Moves Us" adult class on five consecutive Wednesdays, February 5 - March 5. We will begin at 6:00 PM with a simple meal, after which class will go for an hour and a half. You do not need to have participated in the first half to join this class.

Paul Oakley is leading a small group focused on exploration of the spiritual practice of prayer meeting at 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting of this group will be February 18. If you haven't signed up, you may still attend this class.

The Phoenix Center's annual Trivia Night will be held here at ALUUC on Saturday, February 8. Doors open at 6pm, game begins at 7pm. If you'd like to be part of an ALUUC table, add your name to the signup sheet posted above the drinking fountain. Cost is \$10 per person.

Personnel Committee: The Personnel Committee will be conducting evaluations of some ALUUC staff in February. They will distribute evaluation forms 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. Contact the Personnel Committee chair, Dianne Roberts, if you have questions.

Allies for Racial Equity Workshop: From 1:30-4:30 PM, Saturday, February 22, Paul Oakley will lead a workshop exploring ways we can enhance our contribution to racial equity as allies of African American individuals and organizations. A signup sheet is posted above the drinking fountain.

Get ready for the Fantasy Auction March 15, 6:30 p.m. How can you help with this important fundraiser? Donate lovely items, solicit donations from local businesses, volunteer to help with ticket sales, setup, check-out, food preparation and clean up. Buy tickets and have a great time! Buy something wonderful! Please contact Linda Quigley, chairperson at linquig63@gmail.com. Tickets will be ready soon. Theme: **Bringin' In The Green!!**

****This Week at a Glance ****

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>EVENT</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Room</u> |
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| Sunday, Feb 2 | Change for Change donations | 10:30 am | Sanctuary |
| | Pagan Group Meeting | 12:30 pm | Emerson |
| Monday, Feb. 3 | SAC Study Group | 6:30 pm | Commons |
| | Dream Group | 7:00 pm | * |
| Tuesday, Feb 4 | Choir Rehearsal | 7:00 pm | Sanctuary |
| Wednesday, Feb 5 | "What Moves Us" part II | 6:00 pm | Channing |
| Thursday, Feb. 6 | Meditation | 7:00 pm | Sanctuary |
| | News Group | 7:00 pm | *Buchloh's |
| Friday, Feb 7 | Kids Club/District 12 | 6:00 pm | Commons |
| Saturday, Feb. 8 | Zen Group | 9:30 am | Sanctuary |
| | Phoenix Center Trivia Night | 6:00 pm | Sanctuary |
| Sunday, Feb. 9 | Potluck "Hotdish" rescheduled | 12:00 pm | Sanctuary |
| | Fair Trade Sales | | |

*Takes place off-site.