



## Announcements for Sunday, February 21, 2016 Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Next Sunday's service is "Thich Nhat Hanh" by Rev. Martin Woulfe..

### Happening Today

#### Long Range Planning at ALUUC – we need your input!

No Cottage Group Meetings this week due to the potluck, but we'll be signing up participants for Cottage Group meetings on Feb 28, Mar 6, Mar 13 and after. The Cottage Group meetings are an integral part of the Long Range Planning (LRP) project at ALUUC. The committee hopes to involve all members and friends. **We really want to know what each of you has to say about the future of ALUUC!** Please take a moment to appreciate our Gratitude Tree in the hall outside the kitchen. Each leaf represents something for which we are grateful. We will post updated information there about our Long Range Planning progress.

**NEW Interim Coordinator of Religious Education!** Please welcome Tracy Zieber-Minks as our Interim Coordinator of Religious Education. You can reach her at [CRE@aluuc.org](mailto:CRE@aluuc.org)

**Who are all these new people? Let's find out together!** ALUUC is looking for a small team to create a new photo directory. We also need to update contact information. We've collected quite a few photos and although that's not complete, our next step is to compile the 2016 directory. Please contact Rev. Woulfe if you can help with this next step.

### Coming Soon



**SAVE THE DATE: The Fantasy Auction** is coming Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> , 7-10:30 p.m.

The theme "**Jazz and Jambalaya!**" should put you in the proper mood. Special feature: Music by Frank Parker "Taste of New Orleans" and our very own Bonnie Ettinger on piano. Advance tickets will be on sale Sunday after the service for \$25 (\$35 at the door).

It's time to gather your treasures or talents that you will offer up as donations for the silent and live auctions. Please also consider volunteering your time and getting involved to make this annual fundraiser the party of the year!!

Contact Phil or Tracy Anderson for details.



**The “Sacred Conversations about Race” Kick Off and Prayer Service** is Monday, Feb. 22, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at St. Cabrini Church, 1020 N. Milton. We would like at least 25 people from the ALUUC to attend. All Faith Coalition for the Common Good participating congregations will be represented at the kick off. Rev. Woulfe needs to have people sign up and then a date in March will be selected for ALUUC to host Session 1 “Sacred Conversations”.

**The Humanist Group:** On Monday, February 22 at 7 pm, Tom Solon will review *The World Beyond Your Head: On Becoming an Individual in an Age of Distraction* by Matthew Crawford. This work by Crawford, like his previous *Shop Class As Soulcraft*, concerns the interplay between mind and body, and how working with one’s hands builds focus, creativity and character — all of which are indispensable for sustaining our culture and democracy. For the author’s website, go to <http://www.matthewbcrawford.com/new-page-1-1/> If you have questions about this group, email Susan Solon and/or Vi Lanum at [humanistgroup@hotmail.com](mailto:humanistgroup@hotmail.com).

**The Book Discussion Group** meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Join us on February 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough. Future books we will discuss include *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson and *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*. Everyone is welcome. Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have any questions.

**The Springfield Choral Society**, of which several in our choir are members, is celebrating its 45th Anniversary by performing the epic piece, Bach Mass in B minor. It requires funding for an orchestra so we are having a **Trivia Night** here at ALUUC on Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>, doors open at 6pm with play beginning at 7pm. Please join in on the fun and also come for the performance on May 7th at Central Baptist Church. Table sizes are 8-10 players at \$100 per table, or \$10 for walk-ins. See Kathy Schultz, Becky or Bob Croteau for more details. Come and show off all that trivial knowledge you have been amassing and have a great time.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Feb 21	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	New Member Ritual	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Potluck	12:00 PM	
	RE Committee Meeting	12:15 PM	Fuller
Monday, Feb 22	Humanist Group Meeting	7:00 PM	Commons
Tues., Feb 23	Book Discussion Group	7:30 PM	Barb Moore’s
Wed., Feb 24	Fantasy Auction Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
Thurs., Feb 25	Pathway to Membership #3	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation Group	7:15 PM	Sanctuary
	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sat., Feb. 27	Red Tent	1:30 PM	Sanctuary
	Phoenix Center Trivia Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Feb 28	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Social Action Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Long Range Planning Meetings	12-3 PM	Commons, Classrooms
	Movie Night, <i>The Martian</i>	5:00 PM	Commons