



**Announcements for Sunday, February 22, 2015  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Women in UU History" by Paul Oakley

**\*\*\* HAPPENING TODAY\*\***

Since the ALUUC formally approved a motion to co-sponsor (with two other congregations) the Ordination of our former intern Paul Oakley, donations are now being taken to cover the costs. Checks should be made out to ALUUC with "Ordination Fund" in the Memo line.

Please remember to take home your pots, pans and dishes in the kitchen.

**\*\* COMING SOON \*\***

The ALUUC will be updating the password for our **online membership directory** at the beginning of March. It will be sent out via email to those members and friends who are on our mailing list.



*Night at the Oscars A Red Carpet Affair*

*ALUUC Fantasy Auction 2015 Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm*

Save the date. More details to come. Donations and volunteers needed.

Contact Phil Anderson: [phillip74@aol.com](mailto:phillip74@aol.com) Cell #217-638-7374

**Conversations on Race:** We are currently discussing strategies to improve police and community relations, and the beneficial information provided at the recent "The Law and You" meeting organized by the Faith Coalition for the Common Good. Plans are under way for a march in early April honoring the legacy of Abraham Lincoln and Martin Luther King, Jr., tentatively titled "Let Freedom Ring". The next Conversations on Race meeting with Calvary Baptist will be held Monday February 23 at 6:00 pm at ALUUC. We will buy pizza. If you want to bring something in addition, please do.

**Humanist Group:** On February 23, 7 pm, Art Meyer and Scott Ebbing will review *Capital in the Twenty-First Century* by Thomas Piketty. There are several articles in the NYT concerning this book, including an ["everything you need to know"](#), and ["Capitalism vs. Democracy"](#). The author has multiple YouTube talks; for a more recent one on this book, visit [here](#). For more information, email Susan Solon and/or Vi Lanum at [humanistgroup@hotmail.com](mailto:humanistgroup@hotmail.com).

**The Book Group** meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Join us on February 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J. K. Rowling. This book was originally scheduled for our January meeting which was

cancelled. Future books we will read include *The Drop* by Michael Connelly and *The Color of Water* by James McBride. Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions call Barbara Moore at 523-6241.

### Change for Change

Thanks to the generosity of ALUUC members and friends, \$312.75 was collected for the Animal Protective League. For the **Sunday, March 1 Change for Change**, we will be collecting funds to support the **Sojourn Shelter & Services**. Sojourn's mission is to build a community free of violence through service, leadership and education. The free and confidential services provided include: (1) emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence; (2) advocacy, information and support to the victims of domestic violence throughout both civil and criminal court proceedings; (3) an on-call advocate who responds directly to a secured scene of domestic battery; (4) individual and group counseling services to adult and child victims of domestic violence who are not staying in the shelter; and (5) education to the community, including professional training, domestic violence awareness and dynamics education, and prevention programs.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Feb 22	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Fellowship Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	
Monday, Feb 23	Conversations on Race	6:00 PM	Commons
	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Feb 24	Book Discussion Group	7:30 PM	B. Moore home
Thursday, Feb 19	Meditation Group	7:15 PM	Sanctuary
	Men's Group Meeting	7:30 PM	Fuller
Saturday, Feb 28	*Habitat for Humanity Work Day	8:00 AM	1514 W. Jefferson St.
	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Phoenix Center Trivia Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, March 1	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change Collection	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Pagan Group Meeting	12:30 PM	Fuller

#### **\*\*Happening Elsewhere \*\***

### **Iraq's Internally Displaced Persons – Their Life and Their Future**

An estimated 2 million Iraqis are internally displaced. Thousands of Christians and other minority groups have been uprooted from their homes by Islamic State forces. Sister Marcelline Koch was part of a delegation to visit Erbil, Kurdistan, Iraq, temporary home to many of these displaced persons. She will share her experience on Sunday, March 1 at 2 pm at Sacred Heart Convent, 1237 W. Monroe, Springfield.

**DATE SAVER: 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Defenders of the Innocent Event, Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 5:30pm** at Erin's Pavilion. Featured are special guest Jennifer Thompson and North Carolina exoneree Ronald Cotton, whose lives are forever connected by a shocking crime and devastating miscarriage of justice. Visit [www.uis.edu/innocenceproject](http://www.uis.edu/innocenceproject) or contact Larry Golden at [lgold1@uis.edu](mailto:lgold1@uis.edu).