



Announcements for Sunday, July 7, 2013
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Next Sunday: "Fury and the Face of Fear Itself" by Rev. Tom Burdett

***** HAPPENING TODAY *****

The Grace Mutual Support Group meets today at 12:15 in the Fuller. This group is open to people who have had to struggle with the effects of illness and other serious problems. We hope that by sharing our experiences and coping strategies we will be able to help each other. Everyone is welcome.

The Pagan Group will have a Planning Meeting on Sunday, July 7, at 12:30pm. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Tracy Zieber-Minks at 217-329-2255 or email at aluucpagans@gmail.com.

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

Office Manager Cheryl Wycoff will be on vacation July 8-12. Rev. Woulfe will be responsible for the July 14 Announcements.

Free Earth University Ecology Camp: EU at UU. REGISTER FOR CAMP TODAY:

Diana DeWeese will be taking registrations for Ecology Camp today in the sanctuary during coffee hour. Stop by her table to register your children or grandchildren. Eco Camp is for children ages 5 to 12 and runs July 29th through August 4th. Camp will provide 5 full days of activities, crafts, nature and green tech, land stewardship and many other surprises. A 6th optional day on Saturday will have children and councilors at the Farmer's Market demonstrating local and global WATER issues. Sunday August 4th there will be a graduation program and celebration during Sunday Service. There are a limited number of spaces so don't delay. If you would like to be a Junior Councilor, ask Diana how to register. Junior councilors must be at least 13 and have their parent or guardian's permission. **PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIP:** Since this is a free camp for children from the community as well, we ask that you be generous with your scholarship donations. \$35 will provide this camp experience for one child whose parents may not be able to afford any other summer camp experience for them. Why not make it possible for three children to attend with a \$100 tax-deductible donation? Make checks payable to ALUUC, write "Eco Camp" in the memo and give them to Phil Anderson. **FOOD/SNACK DONATIONS:** Vicki Lock will be asking for help with lunches and snacks for the camp week, as well. Why not work with another family or with committee members to provide and/or serve lunch? Call Vicki at 494-0300. Thank you to all who have already volunteered as we train activists to help our hurting world. There are many ways, large & small to help with camp. To volunteer, call Pat Goller, 494-1162

Eco Camp is still in need of donations: t-shirts (can be used but need to be clean, any size); fabric markers (all colors); puffy fabric paint (all colors); rain gutters; Velcro dots; paper towel rolls; toilet paper rolls; aluminum foil; clear packing tape. Contact: Marla (cre@aluuc.org)

REMINDER: Eco Camp planning meeting Tuesday, July 9, 6:30 pm in the Fuller room.

The News Covenant Group will meet on Thursday, July 11 for a potluck. (Note: this is a one-time change from our usual first Thursday meeting date.) Join us at 6:00 p.m. at Linda and Frank Kopecky's, 20 Villa Grove. The Kopecky's will provide a main course. Bring a dish to share if you

can. A discussion of the news will follow. Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, call Frank or Linda at 529-3235.

Join us in a community organizing meeting to re-commit to passing **Illinois Marriage Equality** this Thursday evening at 7 pm at ALUUC. Even after the Supreme Court made some steps forward last week, committed same-sex couples can't get married in Illinois! Unless our legislators act, loving families will continue to be denied the respect and dignity they deserve. Come hear statewide legislative updates, and learn what YOU can do!

The Book Discussion Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Join us on July 23, 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss *The Life of Pi* by Yann Martel. A review on *Bookbrowse.com* says "*Life of Pi* is at once a realistic, rousing adventure and a meta-tale of survival that explores the redemptive power of storytelling and the transformative nature of fiction. It's a story, as one character puts it, to make you believe in God". The book received the Mann Booker prize in 2001. Future books we will read include *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver; and *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo. Everyone is welcome. Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have any questions.

Drum Circle Workshop: Do you want to play in a drum circle, but are wondering how to fit into one? Join us at ALUUC on Wednesday, July 10 and August 14 at 6:30 p.m. to learn drum circle etiquette, plus some easy, fun rhythms that everyone enjoys! We can continue the fun by planning to hold monthly drum circles! Peggy Patty has presented drum workshops locally and across the Midwest for the past thirteen years for women's conferences, cancer center's etc. Donations are accepted with a portion of the proceeds going to ALUUC. Contact Peggy, if you have questions at earthbeat3@wildblue.net.

Yoga Class: In our busy environment, few people give themselves time each week to relax and refresh. If the body is under constant stress, you feel it. Amanda Curl is very excited to introduce Refresh Yoga to ALUUC. Starting July 17th at 6:00 p.m., classes are scheduled for July 17, 24 and 31. To reserve a spot, contact Amanda at amandacurl@ymail.com. Check the July ALUUC Newsletter for details.

If you're interested in arranging flowers, Vi Lanum is looking for additional members to join **The Flower Committee**. A Special Flower Arranging Class at Fifth Street Flower Shop, 739 S. Fifth Street, will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 2013 from 5-6 PM. Patrick O'Connor will teach design elements using your own small to medium vase or basket. All ALUUC Members & Friends are invited to attend. Cost is \$20.00 which includes instruction and flowers. Due to limited space your cash payment will reserve a space for you. All monies will go directly to Fifth Street Flower Shop. Questions may be addressed to flower@aluuc.org.

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

DATE	EVENT	Starting Time	Room
Sunday, July 7	Change for Change donations	10:30 am	Sanctuary
	Grace Mutual Support Group	12:15 pm	Fuller
	Pagan Group Meeting	12:30 pm	Emerson
Tuesday, July 9	Eco Camp Meeting	6:30 pm	Fuller
Wednesday, July 10	Drumming Workshop	6:30 pm	Commons
Thursday, July 11	News Group	6:00 pm	20 Villa Grove
	Marriage Equality Meeting	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Saturday, July 13	Zen Meditation Group	9:30 am	Sanctuary