



**Announcements for Sunday, June 19, 2016
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "From Gannett to GateHouse" by Bruce Rushton.

Happening Today

Rev. Woulfe will be attending Ministry Days and the UUA General Assembly in Columbus, OH, June 19-26. During that time, any pastoral cares and concerns should be directed to either Delinda Chapman or Jodi Perko.

Coming Soon

Eco Camp planning and registration is well underway. Don't delay! If you want your children signed up for all the Harry Potter themed, ecology-based excitement, then contact our registrar at eco2016register@aluuc.org. Campers need to be at least age 5, and have completed Kindergarten, through age 12. Junior Counselors, or Prefects, can be ages 13 through 18. Camp is free, but to help offset the cost, we ask those who are able to please sponsor a child for \$35. This enables us to bring in amazing camp programming and to reach out into the community and build connections and bridges with our fellow Springfieldians. Forms for registration can be downloaded from the ALUUC website at www.aluuc.org. For general information, please contact Tracy Zieber Minks at cre@aluuc.org or Phil Anderson at phillip74@aol.com

The Green Sanctuary Committee invites you to experience a **special tour of wildlife prairies** by Vern LaGesse, Executive Director of the Friends of the Sangamon Valley. We will meet at ALUUC on the June 25th at 10 AM to briefly explore our backyard prairie; then we will carpool out to Loami where Vern will lead a tour of the Nipper Wildlife Sanctuary, a 120-acre private-sector nonprofit park and wildlife sanctuary located near Loami. The Nipper Sanctuary specializes in the recreation of the former **tallgrass prairie** once common in central Illinois which have attracted a wide variety of birds and mammals. We suggest people wear long pants and socks, bring water and snacks/bag lunch if they want. Families are welcome! We will provide sweet snacks.

Africa Trip Presentation: Carley Mattimore, John Malan and Suzi Evans recently traveled to Timbavati, South Africa where they spent time with the White Lions at the Global White Lion Protection Trust, traveled to Kruger National Park for Safari and visited local schools and cultural centers sponsored by the Trust. They also visited Adam's Calendar, a 75,000 year old astrological calendar. Carley and John led this tour to South Africa bringing 15 other curious souls on this journey of a life time. After the tour, Carley and John continued on to Zimbabwe to spend time with Mandaza Kademwa, a Shaman and peace keeper, known worldwide. They stayed with him and his family visiting holy sites in Zimbabwe. Join Suzi, John and Carley on Saturday, June 25th from 10:00 am to Noon at the church. They will have stories and slides to share with you, so you too will feel like you have traveled to these special places!

June 26 Sermon: Please note a change in speakers for June 26: "From Gannett to GateHouse" by Bruce Rushton, Illinois Times reporter. He will explore why journalism matters more than ever, and what we should do about it.

Humanist Group: On **Monday, June 27**, at **7 pm** Martin King will be reviewing *Relativism and Religion: Why Democratic Societies Do Not Need Moral Absolutes* by Carlo Invernizzi Accetti. The Humanist Group meets in the Sanctuary. Questions? Email Vi Lanum and/or Susan Solon at humanistgroup@hotmail.com.

The Book Discussion Group will meet Tuesday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss ***Leave Me Alone, I'm Reading: Finding and Losing Myself in Books*** by Maureen Corrigan. An NPR book summary says: *A lifelong book lover and NPR book critic speaks out on the authors and the books that have played a key role in her life, exploring how the magic of reading has helped her understand herself and reflecting on how a love of literature can help transform our lives.* Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have any questions. Future books we will read include ***I am Malala*** by Malala Yousafzai; ***The Invisible Thread*** by Laura Schroff; ***The Immortal Irishman*** by Timothy Egan; ***Lila*** by Marilynne Robinson; and "Our Own Selection" selected by members of the club and announced those members at our August meeting. At our November "Our Own Selection" meeting members will give 10 or 15 minute reviews of the books they have selected.

NEWS COVENANT GROUP: The News Group meets on the first Thursday of each month. Join us on July 7th at 6:00 p.m. at Linda and Frank Kopecky's, 20 Villa Grove for a potluck. Please bring a side dish, a salad or a dessert. The Kopecky's will provide the meat course. Call Linda or Frank at 529-3235 if you have any questions.

Summer breaks: The ALUUC Choir is taking the summer off – no choir in June, July and August. There is no Movie Night in June.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, June 19	Sunday Service FATHER'S DAY	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
Monday, June 20	PFLAG Meeting	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, June 21	Eco Camp Meeting	6:30 PM	Fuller
Wed., June 22	*UUA General Assembly		Columbus, OH
Thurs., June 23	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sat., June 25	Zen Meditation Africa Trip Presentation	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Sanctuary Commons
Sunday, June 26	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary

*Off Site

Happening Elsewhere

World War II Encampment: Living Historians will display uniforms and equipment of Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors and Marines who served during World War II and discuss how service members lived and fought the war in the Pacific and European theatres. **10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. June 25, 2016, Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd, Springfield, IL, 62702, two blocks north of the intersection of MacArthur Blvd. and North Grand Ave.**