



Announcements for Sunday, June 26, 2016
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Next Sunday's service is "What to do when you don't know what else to do" by Rachell Anderson.

Coming Soon

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 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.

Change for Change: Next Sunday, July 3, the **Change for Change donations will go to Compass.** Compass is a free after-school program for homeless and low-income students of Springfield School District 186. The after-school program includes academics, life skills/enrichment, and a healthy dinner served family-style. Compass works on educating children as whole persons, and recognizes that social, emotional, and life skills contribute to overall well-being and academic success. Compass aims to help all participants perform at or above grade level in school and is sponsored by the Family Service Center, a licensed non-profit social-service agency. Later in July, Molly Berendt from Compass will speak to us about the program.

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.

Don't miss the **Eco Camp fundraising barbecue and pool party** on Saturday, July 16, from **4 pm to 8 pm** at Kent and Gwen Childs' home, located at 15 Forest Ridge, Springfield. Please let the Childs or an Eco Camp staffer know if you plan to come, and bring a side dish to share. The Eco Camp planners are asking for a \$20 donation per family to help sustain the costs associated with putting on the camp each year. This allows us to purchase supplies, materials, and bring in fun and exciting programming. A \$35 dollar donation will sponsor one child to attend our weeklong camp, which is free to all participants, and allows us to reach deeper into the Springfield community so more children may have the opportunity to learn about good stewardship of the Earth. If you would like more information about the fundraising party, or about volunteering for this year's Eco Camp, please contact Tracy Zieber Minks at 217-801-7926 or email cre@aluuc.org

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

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, June 26	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
Monday, June 27	Humanist Group Meeting	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, June 28	*Book Group	7:30 PM	Barb Moore's
Thurs., June 30	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sat., July 2	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, July 3	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change donations	10:30 AM	
	Pagan Group Meeting	12:30 PM	Fuller

*Off Site

Happening Elsewhere

Adams Wildlife Center: Sunday, June 26, 2016 | 1:00pm - 3:00pm Join us for an ice-cream social fundraiser at Adams Wildlife Sanctuary! There will be guided nature hikes, live music, a Live Birds of Prey presentation by the Illinois Raptor Center, cake and ice cream, and other children's activities. \$5 per person, 3 and under free. This event will kick-start a stewardship and equipment fund-raising campaign for this local, urban sanctuary. Approximately one-half mile from downtown this 40-acre sanctuary provides habitat for 70+ species of migratory and non-migratory birds, as well as common types of mammals, reptiles and insects. The sanctuary consists of woodlands, prairies and wetlands. **Adams Wildlife Sanctuary**, 2315 East Clear Lake Avenue, Springfield. **Location Contact:** Tracy Zeman, Phone: 217.544.2473.

You are cordially invited for a discourse on "**ESSENTIAL VALUES OF MAHATMA GANDHI**" by Pujya Swami Chidatmananda ji from Monday, June 27th to Tuesday, June 28th in our IRC (India Recreational and Cultural center) center from 7pm to 8:30pm. Pujya Swamiji comes from Chinmaya Mission, Hyderabad, India, a spiritual teacher whose core teaching emphasizes the Oneness (Non-duality) of all beings. Swamiji visited Springfield several times and gave discourses on several topics of Vedanta. The event is free. It is the least price to pay for self development. If questions, please contact Vinod Gupta at 217-546-5877.

Capital City Celebration, July 2-3. Includes a dog beauty pageant, giant inflatable obstacle courses and a 25-foot tall inflatable rock wall will be available for families free of charge on Sunday, July 3rd from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. Bags Tournament on Saturday afternoon and a CrossFit competition. This year's entertainment lineup includes Hipbone Sam and FUN DMC on Saturday, July 2nd, and New City Road and the Shenanigans on Sunday, July 3rd. Before the fireworks, the Springfield Municipal Band will set the tone by performing patriotic music on Sunday, July 3rd, at 7:00 p.m. The Fireworks Extravaganza will begin at dusk on Sunday, July 3rd. - See more at: <http://business.qscc.org/events/details/springfield-jaycees-capital-city-celebration-7244>

The **Springfield Optimist Club** is having a free concert in Douglas Park on July 12, 5 to 8.30 PM, to benefit Camp Coco, the summer camp for children with cancer. Dessert, ice cream and soft drinks will be sold. Desserts are \$ 3 each. Soft drinks and ice cream are \$ 1 each. Contact Vinnie Gupta for more information.