



**Announcements for Sunday, May 18, 2014  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Articulating One's Faith" by Rev. Martin Woulfe

**\*\*\* Happening TODAY \*\*\***

**Justice Sunday – Justice Is Planting a Seed** Growing your own food — and having the resources and opportunity to do so — is a powerful act. This year the ALUUC Social Action Committee will lead the Justice Sunday service TODAY - **May 18**. The service will include a presentation, "*Hunger and Obesity: The Cruel Irony of Food Insecurity in America and How Community Gardens Help*" by Dr. Kemia Sarraf, M.D., M.P.H., President and Founder of genHkids Coalition. Dr. Sarraf will be discussing the links between poverty, food insecurity and the public health crisis we face in America today, including an exploration of our current "toxic food environment," and practical solutions that communities can implement to begin correcting the situation. Community Gardens and urban agriculture as a part of local solutions will be explored, and there will be time for Q&A after her presentation.

**Third Sunday Collection** TODAY - **May 18** for our Third Sunday collection, and as part of our Justice Sunday program, we will be soliciting items that are needed by area community gardens. A list of the needed items is available on the table outside of the sanctuary.

The ALUUC youth are invited to join with the choir during practice today, May 18, 2014 at 10:00 am. The choir will be practicing a song with the children to be performed at the May 25, 2014 Religious Education Recognition service. Those children who wish to be involved are asked to also join choir practice today and May 25th. Feel free to contact me with any questions at [dre@aluuc.org](mailto:dre@aluuc.org). Thank you. Marla Johnson, DRE

Effective immediately per the ALUUC Board of Directors, only authorized staff and committee chairs are allowed to use the office and minister's computers. Thank you for your cooperation.

Envelopes are provided today for those who generally donate cash. Please put your name on the envelope so that we can properly credit your donation.

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

Rev. Woulfe will be on vacation May 13 through May 18. Please contact Paul Oakley, Delinda Chapman or Jodi Perko for any pastoral care or concerns during that time.

The *Illinois Times* has requested that ALUUC members write more letters to the editor. They are looking for superior commentary.

**The Humanist Group** emphasizes core values such as dignity of the individual, equality, and social justice. We discuss a variety of topics including morality/ethical values, humanism as way of life, separation of church and state, science/evolution/neuroscience, behavioral economics and bi-partisan politics. On May 26, Mark Palmer will review Sharon Moalem's book, [Survival of](#)

[the Sickest: a Medical Maverick Discovers Why We Need Disease](#). This book considers the role of genetic disease in human evolution and the medical ethics of genetic engineering. The wikipedia entry is here: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Survival\\_of\\_the\\_Sickest](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Survival_of_the_Sickest): [The Surprising Connections Between Disease and Longevity](#). 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 May 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's home. We will be discussing *Flashback*, by Nevada Barr. In an article on BookBrowse.com Barr says, "I met Anna Pigeon in Guadalupe Mountains National Park in Texas the summer of 1990. It was my second season with the park service and I was working as a law enforcement ranger there. Before that I had written four novels, two not too bad, one even got published. With Anna I experience what minor miracle writers' talk about: I found my voice. With the creation of the Anna Pigeon character, I began writing close to the bone, mixing a great deal of myself into my people, places and things. Writing became a joy, a blessing, it all made sense." Future books we will read include, *In the Electric Mist With Confederate Dead*, by James Lee Burke and *Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls*, by David Sidaris. Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions call Barbara Moore.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, May 18	Choir Practice	9:15 am	Sanctuary
	OWL Class	10:00 am	Channing
	Third Sunday Collection		
	Potluck	12:00 pm	Sanctuary
	Social Action Committee Mtg.	12:00 pm	Fuller
	OWL Parents Meeting	12:00 pm	Barton
	Senior Youth Group	12:00 pm	Alcott
Monday, May 19	PFLAG Meeting	7:00 pm	Fuller
Tuesday, May 20	Eco Camp Meeting	6:30 pm	Fuller
	Prayer Group Meeting	7:00 pm	Channing
Wednesday, May 21	Drumming Circle	6:30 pm	Sanctuary
	UU History Class II	7:00 pm	Channing
Thursday, May 22	Meditation	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
	Men's Group Meeting	7:30 pm	Fuller
Saturday, May 24	Zen Meditation	9:00 am	Sanctuary
Sunday, May 25	Choir Practice	9:15 am	Sanctuary
	OWL Class	10:00 am	Channing
	Music Group Meeting	12:00 pm	Fuller
	Senior Youth Group	12:00 pm	Alcott

**\*\*Other Items of Interest \*\***

The Friends of Lincoln Library Summer Book Sale is Friday, June 13 – 10am to 6pm and Saturday, June 14 – 10am to 4pm.