



**Announcements for Sunday, October 26, 2014
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Veiled versus Public Act of Spirituality" by Rev. Martin Woulfe

***** HAPPENING TODAY****

The Annual Trick or Treat Event will be held this Sunday, October 26, 2014 immediately following services in the Sanctuary. Children and adults alike are invited to enjoy the event in costume. Adults are encouraged to bring a treat to share with the children. Contact Marla Johnson, DRE with any questions at dre@aluuc.org.

Helpful elves are needed to assist with kitchen duties, especially cleanup after services. New members are encouraged to join in – it's a great way to support ALUUC and to get to know others.

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

Social Action Committee News: To celebrate Vinnie Gupta's 76th birthday, Vinnie, again this year, is hosting a party for the homeless people in Springfield at Kumler Methodist Church on Carpenter Street on Monday, October 27 at 5:00 p.m. The Social Action Committee is happy to help serve the pizza and refreshments that evening. Email Vinnie at vkuptamm@yahoo.com to wish him "Happy Birthday" and thank him for all he does for the homeless in our community!

Hello fellow churchgoers! On November 14-16, the **Senior Youth Group** will be hosting a regional con for youth. We need volunteers to monitor teens during night and day shifts. Please speak to Celeste Woulfe, Tom Vaught or Laura Vaught if you wish to volunteer!

Pagan Group: Please come join the Pagan Group for a **Samhain Silent Dinner** on Sat. Nov. 1, at 5:00 pm. During this pot luck dinner we observe a period of silence in which we honor those who have passed away by inviting the ancestors to dine with us once more. Bring a family recipe and come join us for this sacred dinner. Because we will be observing at least a 45 minute period of strict silence, we ask that all participants be on time, and be 13 years of age or older. For more information and to RSVP please contact Tracy Zieber Minks at 217-801-7926 or email aluucpagans@gmail.com

The Humanist Discussion Group will meet Monday, October 27 at 7:00 pm in the ALUUC Sanctuary; Dave Evans will review the book, *It's Even Worse Than It Looks: How the American Constitutional System Collided with the New Politics of Extremism* by Thomas Mann and Norman Ornstein followed by discussion. This book centers the current problem of intractability in Congress in the adoption of parliamentary tactics. Check the October newsletter for more information about the book.

Book Discussion Group: Join us on October 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss ***The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society***. Steve Davis's review in *The Guardian* says, "The zany title of Mary Ann Shaffer's first and, alas, last novel derives from an invented book club on the island of Guernsey in the Second World War. This is less a historical novel than a bibliophilic jeu d'esprit by an ex-librarian and bookseller,

posthumously published, and completed by her niece Annie Barrows." Everyone is welcome. Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have any questions.

The **ALUUC Halloween Party** is Friday, October 31st at 7PM. Susan Solon, Martin Woulfe and Randy Pratt invite your help with snacks, decorating music and ideas that would be fun for all ages.

For next Sunday, November 2 Change for Change, we will be collecting funds to support the **ALUUC and the Center for Youth and Family Solutions (CYFS) Third Annual Holiday Party for children in foster care**. On Sunday, November 16 our Third Sunday collection, we will be soliciting gifts for the December 14 Holiday Party. The children, staff, and families associated with CYFS are very excited, and thankful that the ALUUC provides a beautiful location for the party and contributes significantly to raising funds for gifts. As in prior years, CYFS is organizing gift donation trees for the littler ones through other venues, and would greatly appreciate it if the ALUUC would focus again on **gift cards for teens**, who long to make their own choices and purchases. We welcome contributions of any size in cash or checks (made out to ALUUC, in memo note: CYFS), and **gift cards for Target are preferred** (using one store helps keep things equal within households). Of course, **new, unwrapped toys for the little ones are also welcome, as are theme gift baskets!** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jennifer Manthei (ALUUC member and foster mother for CYFS) at jmant2@uis.edu.

Get a jumpstart on your holiday shopping! – Our **2nd Annual Homemade – Handmade Craft Fair** will be Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 10 AM - 3 PM at ALUUC. If you would like to be a vendor, information is on the ALUUC home page. A link to this year's flyer is on the ALUUC home page. Please print copies and post in local businesses or send the link to your friends! For more information, contact Eugena Austin or Diana DeWeese. Please note date change.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Oct 26	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Trick or Treat Kids parade	11:45 AM	Sanctuary
Monday, Oct 27	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Oct 28	*Book Discussion Group	7:30 PM	Barb Moore's
Wednesday, Oct 29	Cosmos - Adult RE	7:00 PM	Fuller
Thursday, Oct 30	Meditation	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
	Men's Group	7:30 PM	Fuller
Friday, Oct 31	ALUUC Halloween Party	7:00 PM	Sanctuary, et al
Saturday, Nov 1	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Pagan Group Samhain Dinner	6:00 PM	Commons
Sunday, Nov 2	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change donations	10:30 AM	Sanctuary

*Off-site

****Happening Elsewhere ****

Lynnda White invites her friends from ALUUC to join with her on Sunday, November 9, 2014 for her ordination the Universalist Unitarian Church in Peoria, 3000 West Richwoods Ave, 61604. The ceremony starts at 4:00 PM. Please contact Rev. Woulfe if you plan to attend.