

**Sunday Programs**

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**January 05**

9:30 Adult RE: Faith Like a River, Workshop #10, Rise in the Sea-Universalism  
 10:40 Children's RE: Session 15: It's Fun to Wonder  
 10:40 Program: Rick Spradlin  
     Title: "Starting Off on the Right Foot: Keeping Balance in Mind"  
     Service Leader: Rick Spradlin  
     Opener: Rick Spradlin  
     Closer: John Kamisky  
     Greeters: Kristin Mix, John Land

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**January 12**

9:30 Adult RE: Faith Like a River, Workshop #11, From Why to Why Not?  
 10:40 Children's RE: none today  
 10:40 Program: James T. Bradley, Auburn University Professor Emeritus in Biological Sciences and author of Brutes or Angels: Human Possibility in the Age of Biotechnology  
     Title: "Human Embryos, Biotechnology, and Human Values"  
     Service Leader: Barry White  
     Opener: John Kamisky  
     Closer: Chris Nix  
     Greeters: Bill Edwards, Barry White



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**January 19**

9:30 Adult RE: Faith Like a River, Workshop #12, I've Got Tears Like Raindrops-Freedom  
 10:40 Children's RE: ART PROJECT with Sidney Wilson and Paul Lee  
 10:40 Program: Reverend Doak Mansfield, of the UU Church of Tampa, Florida  
     Title: "The Essence of UU"  
     Service Leader: Paul Lee  
     Opener: Chris Nix  
     Closer: Ashley and Dave Walker  
     Greeters: Mark Berger, Robert Burnham

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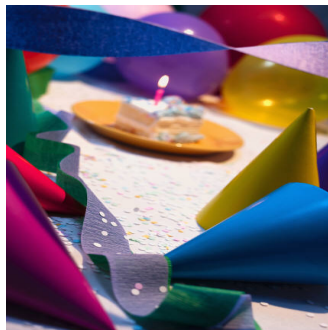
**January 26**

9:30 Adult RE: Faith Like a River, Workshop #13, Mirage and Oases-Idealism and Utopianism  
 10:40 Children's RE: none today  
 10:40 Program: Bill Edwards, Professor of Communication at Columbus State University  
     Title: "Reflections on the Big Power of Small"  
     Service Leader: Ron Ussery  
     Opener: Ashley and Dave Walker  
     Closer: Carolyn Searcy  
     Greeters: Hal Midgette, Evelyn Roebuck

Thank You to Michelle Midgette for coordinating the January programs.

**Happy Birthday!**

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| Brenda Stevens | January 1  |
| Nikki Rohrs    | January 4  |
| Linda Bass     | January 5  |
| Chris Newland  | January 9  |
| Ann Newland    | January 12 |
| Mary Schley    | January 13 |
| Pat Hart       | January 16 |



**Building Fund Total**

\$58,000.92



## Building Fund Challenge

Two anonymous donors have challenged the congregation to raise money for the Building Fund. The donors will match contributions to the Building Fund up to \$25,000. Any contribution to the Building Fund between now and March will be matched. Everyone is encouraged give as generously as you can. This is a great opportunity to grow our Building Fund.

## Board Members Elected

The following is a list of the people recently elected to the Board for 2014: President, Paul Lee; VP of Programs, Michelle Midgette; VP of Adult RE, Chris Rohrs; VP of Children's RE, Kayla Spradlin; Secretary, Connie Ussery; Treasurer, Nikki Rohrs; Trustees, Grace Jordan, Linda Hagberg, and Dave Walker. Congratulations to everyone.

## Faith Development Summit

A Faith Development Summit will be held in Birmingham, Al. on January 25, 2014. The summit will be held at the Birmingham UU Church. The workshops include: Starting Campus Ministry, Building Strong Youth Groups, and Creating a Small Group Ministry. Bill Edwards is attending and is willing for others to travel with him. He will be leaving around 6:30 am and returning to Columbus before 7:00 pm. Let him know if you want to travel with him. Bill will presenting his reflections on the Summit during a Sunday program titled: "Reflections on The Big Power of Small. The registration fee is \$35. More information can be found on the Southern District website and from Kathy Charles at kcharles@uaa.org.

## Synopsis of Board Meeting—17 December 2013

Connie Ussery presented the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. Nikki Rohrs reported that total income for November 2013 was \$5,288.58 and expenditures were \$3,668.72. She also reported that the Building Fund now totals \$58,000.92. She presented a proposed budget for the fiscal year 2014. The proposed budget was accepted.

Nikki gave a report on the cost to have the French doors replaced. The doors are rotting and need to be replaced. The estimate for replacement was \$1,235 which included installation. The speaker wires that are along the floor against the wall by the French doors need to be rerouted. The cost for rerouting the wires in the ceiling is \$455. It was unanimously voted to spend \$1690 to have the doors replaced and the electronic wires moved to the ceiling.

The Board determined that a Building Fund Committee was needed. It was decided that we establish parameters for its function at the next Board meeting.

The Children's program needs play equipment in the form of soccer balls, baseballs, bats, etc. The Board authorized Paul Lee to purchase play items for outside activities.

The Board reviewed the Administrator's Report and the Board Time Line.

It was suggested that several associations labeled as committees be abolished because their jobs have changed or merged into other offices or committees. The Finance Committee was relabeled as the Budget Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm. The Board spent some time after the meeting decorating for the Christmas Party.

## Dates to Remember

**Movie Night**—Movie Night will be on January 31 at 7 pm. The movie being shown is "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel". Popcorn will be available. You are encouraged to bring your favorite beverage. This is a great movie. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

**Women's Book Club**—The Women's Book Club meets on January 7 at 6 pm at the Fellowship. The book selection for this meeting is Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo.

**Ladies' Night Out**—Ladies' Night Out will be a luncheon at the Hibachi Grill. The restaurant is located at Bradley Park near Michael's.

**Wednesday Night Discussion**—The Wednesday Night Discussion Group topic on January 8, 2014 will be "Your Hopes for the New Year". Everyone is invited to participate in the discussion of Wednesday. The discussions are always lively and informative.

**Food Bank Challenge**—The Social Action Committee would like to remind the congregation that we are within 70 lbs. of reaching our goal 1,000 lbs. of food given to the food bank. Remember to bring non-perishable food or personal care items on January 5, 2014.

**Committee Updates**—A list of committees will be posted on the bulletin board for the purpose of updating it for 2014. You are asked to make corrections to the list of committees if you are no longer serving on a committee or if you wish to change your membership on a particular committee.

# January 2014

| Sun   | Mon    | Tue  | Wed  | Thu   | Fri   | Sat   |
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| 5<br><br>Adult RE: "Rise in the Sea-Universalism"<br>Children's RE: "It's Fun to Wonder"<br>Program: Rick Spradlin, "Starting off on the Right"<br>Foot: Keeping Balance in Mind"<br>Service Leader: Rick Spradlin<br>Opener: Rick Spradlin<br>Closer: John Kamisky<br>Greeters: Kirstin Mix, John Land | 6      | 7<br><br>Women's Book Club<br><br>6 pm<br><br>Fellowship House | 8<br><br>Discussion Group<br><br>7 pm<br><br>"Your hopes for the New Year" | 9<br><br>Ladies Luncheon<br><br>12:30 pm<br><br>Hibachi Grill at Bradley Park | 10  | 11  |
| 12<br><br>Adult RE: "From Why to Why Not"<br>Children's RE: none today<br>Program: James T. Bradley, "Human Embryos, Bio technology, and Human Values"<br>Service Leader: Barry White<br>Opener: John Kamisky<br>Closer: Chris Nix<br>Greeters: Bill Edwards, Barry White                               | 13     | 14   | 15<br><br>Discussion Group<br><br>7 pm                                     | 16  | 17  | 18  |
| 19<br><br>Adult RE: "I've Got Tears Like Raindrops-Freedom"<br>Children's RE: none today<br>Program: Rev. Doak Mahsfield, "The Essence of UU"<br>Service Leader: Paul Lee<br>Opener: Chris Nix<br>Closer: Ashley & Dave Walker<br>Greeters: Mark Berger, Robert Burnham                                 | 20     | 21<br><br>Board Meeting<br><br>7 pm                            | 22<br><br>Discussion Group<br><br>7 pm                                     | 23  | 24  | 25<br><br>Faith Development Summit<br><br>Birmingham, Al. |
| 26<br><br>Adult RE: "Mirage & Oases-Idealism & Utopianism"<br>Children's RE: none today<br>Program: Bill Edwards, "Reflections on the Power of Small"<br>Service Leader: Ron Ussery<br>Opener: Ashley & Dave Walker<br>Closer: Carolyn Searcy<br>Greeters: Hal Midgette, Evelyn Roebuck                 | 27     | 28   | 29<br><br>Discussion Group<br><br>7 pm                                     | 30  | 31<br><br>Movie Night<br><br>7 pm<br><br>"The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" | Feb. 1  |
| Feb. 2  | Feb. 3 | Feb. 4   | Feb. 5   | Feb. 6  | Feb. 7  | Feb. 8  |

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