

**Sunday Programs****February 7**

9:30 Adult RE: (MH)

10:40 Program: Anton Flores, Co-founder of Alterna and Coordinator for GA Detention Watch  
Title: **"Resiliency in the Face of Xenophobia"**Service Leader: Rick Spradlin  
Opener: Ursula King  
Closer: Connie Ussery and Robert Burnham  
Greeters: Ursula King and Anna Hensley  
Children's RE

10:40

12:00 First Sunday Potluck Lunch  
Bring donated food for Feeding the Valley Food Bank  
Bring a Friend Day**February 14**

9:30 Adult RE: (MH)

10:40 Program: Maureen Humphries  
Title: **"More Alike Than Different"**Service Leader: Anna Hensley  
Opener: Kirstin Mix  
Closer: Patricia Lassiter  
Greeters: Bill Edwards and Ann Newland  
Children's RE

10:40

12:00 Social Action Committee meeting

**February 21**

9:30 Adult RE: (MH)

10:40 Program: Dr. Zdeslav Hrepic, CSU Assistant Professor, Department of Earth and Science  
Title: **"Nature My Teacher: Physics, Life Success Principles and Spirituality"**Service Leader: Marjorie Harlan  
Opener: Heather Saxton  
Closer: Robbie Henson  
Greeters: Justine Wade and Mark Berger  
GATP: **The SafeHouse**  
Children's RE

10:40

**February 28**

9:30 Adult RE: (MH)

10:40 Program: David Shemwell, Administrator for Feeding the Valley  
Title: **"Feeding the Valley"**Service Leader: Paul Lee  
Opener: Chris Nix  
Closer: Paul Lee  
Greeters: Kirstin Mix and Robert Burnham  
Children's RE

10:40

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## Activities

### Wednesday Night Discussion Group

This group meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm and is open to everyone. The topic to be discussed is announced on the website calendar a few days in advance of the next meeting. (MH)

### Women's Group

The Women's Group meets monthly on the second Thursday. The time of day and the specific plans vary from month to month. The details are usually announced a month in advance and are found in the newsletter and on the website. The February meeting will be held on February 11th. We will be attending a free concert featuring the CSU Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble. It will be held at Legacy Hall at the RiverCenter at 7:30 pm. Feel free to invite your husband, partner or friend. We will try to meet in the lobby at intermission and see if anyone wants to go out for drinks or dessert after the concert. It is suggested that we try to be there by 7:00 to get seats.

### Women's Book Club

A monthly meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 5 pm in the Meeting House. The current book is announced a month in advance, giving everyone a chance to read it before the meeting. We will resume on February 23, 2016 and review the book, "A Lesson Before Dying" by Ernest J. Gaines. It is the book selected for "The Big Read" in Columbus. We welcome new members!

### UU Singers

If you are interested in music or singing, please consider joining our UU Singers. Connie Ussery and Marj Harlan will lead the rehearsals every Wednesday night at 6 pm. (GFH)

### Yoga

NEW!! Sonya Saxton, group fitness instructor and personal trainer, has offered to teach a FREE beginning yoga class at Grace Fellowship Hall. It will run from January 7—February 25 on Thursdays at 1:30 pm. Please bring a yoga mat.

### Media Lunch Group

This group meets at a different restaurant each Friday at 12:30 to have fun and discuss current events. It was formed by Don Nahley, Bill Harlan, Dick McMichael and Ed Wilson to discuss their experiences as newsmen. It has evolved to inviting all members and friends of the Fellowship to join them for a lively discussion. Please call Bill Harlan at 605.390.0590 to see where they will be meeting this month.

## Joys and Concerns

- \* Our January GATP donation of \$232.00 went to the Literacy Alliance.
- \* In February we will donate to the **SafeHouse**, a program of the Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry.
- \* We want to acknowledge Pat Hart and John Kaminsky for their flower contributions each week.
- \* Grace Jordan is facing some serious health issues, please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
- \* Joyce Hickson is now walking with a regular cane! She expects to be back in her home the first part of Feb.



Opal Godwin February 2  
Ursula King February 3  
Larry Meisel February 4  
Harry Underwood February 5

Fran Cox February 10  
Heather Saxton February 20  
Chris Nix February 22  
John Hart February 28

### Bits and Pieces:

Our GATP recipient this month is the SafeHouse which is sponsored by the Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry. They describe their program: " The SafeHouse has contact information for recovering people and ex-offenders to find the help they need to successfully transition back to the community. They point individuals to opportunities for housing, employment, transportation, education, emergency assistance, government programs and private groups for a better chance for success for the the future."

In January we donated 161 pounds of food to Feeding the Valley Food Bank.

Notes from the Board Meeting...

Bill Harlan is putting the finishing touches on the video from our Dedication Ceremony which will contain the entire ceremony. Right now parts of it may be seen on our website. Let him know if you'd be interested in purchasing a copy. The Board has authorized a professional cleaning crew to come in monthly to clean the Fellowship. Bill Harlan is getting information on a new sound system for the Fellowship. Stay tuned! The Social Action Committee is gearing up to being more active this year. They are looking into varied activities to aid others in the community.

A Meditation Garden will be constructed over the old pool site. Hal Midgette is in charge of this project and welcomes all ideas. He has several designs and would like input from all of the Fellowship who are interested in helping select the design and would like volunteers to help construct it. This will be a long term project. Please contact Hal for further info.

The children had a lesson about social action and have decided to gather the following items for Ronald McDonald house here in Columbus. The following items are needed:

- 1) Aluminum cans
- 2) Used printer cartridges
- 3) Any type of old cell phone

There is a poster and bin for items in the main building. Thanks everyone!

For the latest news, visit our dynamic new website:  
[www.uucolumbusga.org](http://www.uucolumbusga.org) for all the latest info about programs, schedules, announcements, etc. Our website is a blog, so click on "subscribe" on the home page and you will be notified by email whenever a new post is made.