Sunday Programs

March 6

9:30 Adult RE: Discussion (MH)

10:40 Program: Ron Ussery

Title: "Reflecting on Our First Year: Happy Anniversary UUFC!"

Service Leader: Pat Hart Opener: Paul Lee

Closer: Rick Spradlin and Volunteers

Greeters: Evelyn Roebuck, Ursula King and Elaine Lupo

10:40 Children's RE: On the Threshold Volunteer: Kayla Spradlin

12:00 First Sunday Potluck Lunch

Bring donated food for Feeding the Valley Food Bank

Bring a Friend Day

March 13

9:30 Adult RE: Discussion (MH)

10:40 Program: Dr. Dave Walker, Clinical Psychologist

Title: "Hope and Help: the UU Way"

Service Leader: Ron Ussery Opener: Rick Spradlin Closer: John Kamisky

Greeters: Anna Henśley and Justine Wade

10:40 Children's RE: Symbols of Faith Volunteer: Kirstin Mix

March 20

9:30 Adult RE: Discussion (MH)

10:40 Program: Reverend Ed Wilson

Title: "Eden and Other Gardens"

Service Leader: Mark Lupo Opener: John Kamisky Closer: Emily Jones

Greeters: Justine Wade and Robert Burnham GATP: The Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry

Casseroles for Ronald McDonald House

10:40 Children's RE: Children's Art Project Volunteer: Paul Lee

March 27

9:30 Adult RE: Discussion (MH)

10:40 Program: Rick Spradlin

Title: "Moments of Easter"

Service Leader: Tom Sturm Opener: Sidney Wilson Closer: Marjorie Harlan

Greeters: Mark Berger and Kirstin Mix

10:40 Children's RE: Easter Egg Hunt Volunteer: Emily Jones

Thanks to Michelle Midgette for coordinating programs for this month

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A Welcoming Congregation







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)

UU Women

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. This month we will meet on March 10th at 11:30 for lunch at Ruth Ann's (on the corner of Veterans and 10th Street) then go on to the Columbus Museum for a time limited scavenger hunt. Please RSVP to Marj Harlan or Brenda Stevens by Tuesday, March 8th.

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 meet on March 22 and review the book, the life-changing magic of tidying up: the Japanese art of decluttering and organizing by Marie Kondo. It proves to be an interesting discussion! We welcome new members!

UU Singers

If you are interested in music or singing, please consider joining our UU Singers. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday night at 6 pm. (GFH)

Yoga

Sonya Saxton, group fitness instructor and personal trainer will continue a beginner's yoga class on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 in Grace Fellowship Hall. It is free through March 3. There will then be a \$5 per week drop in charge.

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 February GATP donation of \$253. went to the SafeHouse.
- * In March we will donate to the **Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry**.
- * We want to acknowledge Pat Hart and John Kaminsky for their flower contributions each week.
- * Grace Jordan continues to face serious health issues but felt well enough to attend services with her family in February
- * John Kamisky is recovering after knee surgery.
- Brenda Stevens' father has made a remarkable recovery and has reclaimed his independence.
- After months of rehab, Joyce Hickson has returned home and to UU.

Joyce Stokes (1933-2016)

We have learned of the passing of Joyce Stokes, a member of the Fellowship since March, 2014. Joyce was a resident of Spring Harbor and died February 19. She worked many years for Coca-Cola in Atlanta and moved to Columbus in 2012. There will be a memorial service in Atlanta.



Linda Hagberg March 2
John Studstill March 4
Kirstin Mix March 5
Harry Clyde March 6
Lisa Pyburn March 18

Casserole Collection

Sunday, March 20

The Social Justice Committee is asking for the help of the Fellowship in providing casseroles to stock the freezer at the Ronald McDonald House. On Sunday, March 20th we are hoping that all who are able will bring in a frozen or freezer ready 9x13 casserole. We ask that it be in a disposable container and the date, contents and heating instructions be included. It does not have to be homemade. The Ronald McDonald House provides a "home away from home" for families of critically ill babies and children at local hospitals. Please help!

Bits and Pieces:

Our GATP recipient this month is the *Chattahoochee Valley Jail Ministry*. At the jail, the ministry provides many services for the prisoners: an alcohol and substance abuse recovery group, a fatherhood group which allows male prisoners to read to their children, a PTSD and substance abuse program for veterans, a program which helps the prisoners to study for their GED, and a re-entry group which helps prisoners to be prepared to go into housing after they leave the jail.

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: aluminum cans, used printer cartridges and old cell phones. The proceeds from the Ronald McDonald recycling project are used to pay utility costs. There is a poster and bin for items in the maintain building. Thanks everyone!

Donations for Feeding the Valley Food Bank should be non-perishable food in unbreakable containers (no glass).

Bill Edwards is making plans to attend the Mid South district meeting on April 2 and he is looking for members and friends who want to go to this training conference with him. The Mid-South Gathering will be held at the Emerson UU Congregation, in Marietta, GA. The registration fee is \$30., if you register before March 28.

UUMAN (Unitarian Universalist Metro Atlanta North) is sponsoring a workshop led by Rev. Dr. M'ellen Kennedy, the co-coordinator and co-founder of the U.U. Small Group Ministry Network. The workshop, "Healing and Transformation in Small Groups" will be held at UUMAN on Saturday, March 19. The fee is \$25. and includes lunch. Registration deadline is March 16. Please let Linda Hagberg know if you would like more information.

For the latest news, visit our dynamic new website:

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.