



Welcome To Our New Members!



Back row: Bob Owens, Walter Dobbins, Kim Park, Tim Wixted
Front row: Dorothy Dobbins, Gretel Timan, Kathy Hood, Charles Ferguson
Not pictured: Kay Kummerow, Robbie and Tom Zarske

STANDING ON THE SIDE OF LOVE — FAITH's Annual Action Assembly

This year the Action Assembly will be on the evening of Monday, March 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Bethune Cookman University Performing Arts Center.

Last year 89 of us attended. This year our goal is to have at least 90 UU's there. For ease of parking we recommend parking at Allen Chapel AME Church where a bus shuttle will take us to the Performing Arts Center. (The Allen Chapel AME Church is located at 580 George W Engram Boulevard, Daytona Beach.)



Monday, March 16th — please plan to attend!

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: Time is of the Essence!

As is the case with every fundraising effort, our 2015-2016 Stewardship Canvass Campaign has reached its critical stage. As the sixth week of the campaign draws to a close, generous pledges from 72 pledging units have resulted in a total of \$107,954 raised toward our goal of \$120,444. That means we have attained 89.6% of the pledges needed to assure our Society's capacity to call a settled minister. We've made great progress! Grateful thanks are due to the members of our Stewardship Canvass Committee and to our members who have made their personal commitment to the Society's future.

Now the hard work lies ahead of us. The Ministerial Search Committee has worked hard for several months, and those efforts are paying off. The search team is now talking with five potential candidates and will be inviting one or more of those candidates to visit with the committee for a weekend very soon. One such visit has already been scheduled for March. This is exciting news!

But — there's always a "but" with exciting news of this kind — as the Ministerial Search Committee members proceed with this crucial work, they must be confident that our congregation totally supports their efforts and that we will reach our pledge goal. What that means is that the 34 pledging units that have not yet responded hold our Society's dream for a brighter tomorrow in their hands and in their hearts!

Thus our challenge for the weeks ahead— we must generate \$12,490 in additional pledges in order to achieve this campaign's goal and to give the Ministerial Search Committee the support it needs and deserves for all the hours its members have spent in our behalf. The pledges we make during this campaign do not become effective until May and are expected to be paid in full until the end of April 2016, so there's time to plan. Now's the time for our entire congregation to stand together and make that dream of an even brighter tomorrow become a reality for the Unitarian Universalist Society of the Daytona Beach Area. We've shown that we can meet the challenges put before us in the past; surely, we can and will meet this one.

--Preston & Susan Garrison

CRAIG'S COLUMN

"That happiness is to be attained through limitless material acquisition is denied by every religion and philosophy known to humankind, but is preached incessantly by every American television set."(Robert Bellah) Every religion speaks of the foolishness of seeking happiness through material wealth. The Buddhists and Hindus speak it of as "attachment." Jesus said that it was easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who's rich to enter the empire of God.

Yet every time I turn on the TV, someone tells me that if I buy this or that, I will be happy. It's a lie. Although I'm far from rich, I've had more than enough experience in acquiring things to know I'll always want more. I struggle with the temptation to have much every day. I love to go shopping. I love to spend money. I love to have things. But sometimes I can manage to get myself off the treadmill of the rat race and be content with what I have. At such times, I feel less driven. I don't feel like I need to fill the emptiness of my life with more and more stuff. I am content.

What allows me to drop out of the rat race is not my will power. I've never been a particularly self-disciplined person. What helps me escape from the compulsion to have more is a strong sense that there's more to life than having much. Most of the time this sense of promise is just that, a promise and nothing more. But sometimes, the world seems to glow. In her well-known book, *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*, Annie Dillard eloquently remembers such a moment:

“Then one day I was walking along Tinker Creek thinking of nothing at all and I saw the tree with the lights in it. I saw the backyard cedar where the mourning doves’ roost charged and transfigured, each cell buzzing with flame. I stood on the grass with lights in it, grass that was wholly fire, utterly focused and dreamed. It was less like seeing than being for the first time seen, knocked breathless by a powerful glance. The flood of fire abated, but I’m still spending the power. Gradually the lights went out in the cedar, the colors died, the cells unflamed and disappeared. I was still ringing. I had been my whole life a bell, and never knew it until that moment I was lifted and struck.”

--Craig

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

March 1, 2015— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “The Gospel of Jesus”

What was the Gospel, the Good News that Jesus proclaimed? Could it have any relevance to our lives today?

Service Leader: Cliff Jackson

March 8, 2015— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “Selma, Lord, Selma”

On March 7, 1965, six hundred unarmed African-American marchers attempted to begin a fifty mile march from Selma to Montgomery. Alabama state troopers and county sheriff deputies viciously attacked them with billyclubs and tear gas. Fifty years later, we will commemorate the courage and resolve of those marchers and the ones who followed. The sermon title is from *Selma, Lord, Selma: Girlhood Memories of the Civil-Rights Days*. Service Leader: Jenny Nazak

March 15, 2015— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “The Meaning of Worship”

Service Leader: Chris Rengue

March 22—Dan Kerr, “Where Am I and How Did I Get Here?”

Reflections on a journey from being a devout practicing Catholic for five decades to becoming an active Unitarian--some remarkable changes in values and beliefs have led to a number of spiritual revelations.

Service Leader: Dan Gribbin

March 29— Rev. James Shoopman, “The Quality of Heroes: Biblical vs. Greco-Roman”

Our modern conception of heroism seems to be a combination of the qualities of heroes whose stories appear in the Bible and in Greek and Roman texts.

Service Leader: Ellen Nielsen

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE—Looking Ahead

We’re about 60 days from our annual meeting and about 180 days from a new settled minister. It will be the beginning of a new era for our UU community—an exciting future to imagine, plan and unfold.

Within those next few months, we’ll also have a good thing come to its end. I’m thinking, of course about our interim ministry and the varied experience, excellent service, caring, persistence and wisdom of our Interim Minister, Rev. Craig Roshaven. He has helped us, I believe, become a stronger congregation. We will miss his presence but continue to value his friendship.

Good things: Our Minister Search Team reports contact with five potential candidates. The Valentine Dinner Party was a wonderful evening – many thanks to all who volunteered to make it happen! Progress in our Annual Stewardship Canvas is excellent and success anticipated – if you haven’t yet responded please do so as soon as possible. Special performances and Life-Long Learning events are attracting banner attendance,

as well as new faces. New members are finding ways they wish to become involved in our community, and volunteering to do so. Our longer term members are doing likewise. It feels good.

We've had some interesting discussions concerning the possibility of making a change in our name. Soon you'll be receiving an invitation to respond to alternatives which have emerged from the discussion. Please respond. We are anticipating a proposal at the Annual Meeting.

Looking ahead: New Minister . . . New name . . . New members . . . New activities . . . Lots of new ideas to discuss! All those good things are good reasons for the Board to involve all of us in long-range and strategic planning to kick off our next— **our new**— era. Together we can do just about anything we set our minds and hearts to accomplish. Thanks for all you do for all of us.

--Bill Ternent

IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN---- UUSDA Elections for 2015-2016

The aim of our annual elections is to select individuals with appropriate skills, values, integrity, energy, attitudes and spirit and who agree to work together in a team in order to fulfill the mission of the congregation. Please consider running for a position or nominating an individual before February 28.

For our Board of Trustees, the following positions will be open: President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer. Five additional trustee positions are open, completing our nine-member Board. In addition, five positions for the 2016 Nominating Committee are open. New terms of office begin on May 1, 2015.

Timeline to be considered for the Nominating Committee's slate or for placing a name on the ballot:

- February 28— Notify Nominating Committee if you are willing to be considered for the slate
- March 14— Nominating Committee completes interviews of candidates who are willing to serve
- April 19— Members may request Board President Bill Ternent to place their name on the ballot seven days before the annual congregational meeting
- April 26— Members may also request Board President Bill Ternent to place their name on the ballot during the annual congregational meeting.

--Nancy Scherr

THE ALLIANCE— an Update

Allen Gilbert, our dear friend and fellow UU member, passed away in September 2014. He was a strong advocate of social action – especially helping others who are in need. Allen was an active member of the Alliance for many years and a staunch supporter of the good works performed by our dedicated, hardworking Alliance members. His bequest to the Alliance totaled \$4,312 to be used to continue our work helping people in need. Allen's generous spirit will help us continue our mission to help make a difference in the lives of needy people in our congregation and beyond our doors.

The volunteer work and fundraising activities of Alliance members have raised thousands of dollars both for our UU congregation and for our Share-the-Plate partners in recent years. The proceeds from soup lunches also help to support our many programs, especially the Christmas Giving Project, which raised \$1,500 to help a needy family. We are so grateful for the widespread support in our congregation for the vision and for the accomplishments of the Alliance. Some of our other recent contributions include the purchase of new hymnals, Family Renew, Shoes that Fit, and a pledge to update our sound system for the hearing impaired.

The work of the Alliance can only continue with the help of many hands, so we invite you to join us and volunteer your time and talents to further our goals. Don't sit on the sidelines when you can be a player! Is there a more rewarding endeavor than helping others? Community is what we do!

Please join us at our soup lunch on March 15th after the Sunday service.

--Jeanne Young, Alliance President

SHARE-THE-PLATE—Family Renew Communities

On Sunday March 15, 2015, Family Renew Communities will be the recipient of our Share-the Plate offering, sponsored by the Alliance. As Unitarian Universalists, we are committed to fighting for social injustice. Family Renew is a non-profit organization that gives families with children a second chance at life. We can help give that second chance by digging just a little deeper into our pockets on this special Sunday. Your donation will help Family Renew to continue its quest to give homeless families with children a brighter future. Thanking everyone in advance for your kind and generous support.



Family Renew Community was created to provide temporary/transitional housing and support for families with children that were willing to work toward their own economic stability. The plan included services to break the cycle of poverty and transform their lives. After 25 years of successfully serving that community, we now operate 34 temporary/transitional housing apartment units in Daytona Beach, Holly Hill and DeLand. I personally want to thank UU for everything they have done for Family Renew Community in the past. Please help us continue to serve families with children by donating during the offering on **Sunday, March 15th.**

Namaste,

--Terri Kolaska

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

The UU spring rummage sale will take place on **March 27 -28**. Now is the time to plan for the items you will donate. Bring them to UU on **Thursday, March 26**, between the hours of 8 am to 4 pm if possible. Please be sure that your items are clean and in good condition, with suggested prices if you can determine them.

We need many volunteers all that day to help with unloading, sorting and pricing. Jewelry can be brought in sooner, for help with pricing. Donation receipt forms will be available for you to fill out. If you need help getting your things to the UU building or advice about storing them with a fellow UU until March 26, call Cliff Jackson at 677-7687 or e-mail: reelseeker@aol.com

We also need to borrow extra card tables or long tables. Please bring them Thursday, March 26th marked "not for sale" and your name. We need volunteers to help 8 am-4 pm on Thursday and 8 am -2 pm on Friday and Saturday. Cleanup of our sanctuary is important Saturday afternoon. We especially need strong helpers to get leftover items ready for removal, on Saturday afternoon. Please sign up for part or all of any of the three days, using the sign-up sheet on the table. We bring our own lunches, usually with extra to share.

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--Cliff Jackson

Selma—Friday and Saturday, March 6th and 7th showings

FAITH is joining together with Allen Chapel for a special viewing of the movie **Selma** on the first weekend of March, the 50th anniversary of the civil-rights marches in Selma, Alabama. We hope everyone can join in this community-building activity. A group of lay leaders from our UU are working with leaders at Allen Chapel AME Church to create a discussion format for the movie afterwards. Location: 580 George W Engram Blvd. DB. The Friday night showing is at 7:30 pm, and the Saturday showing begins at 5:30 pm. Bring a friend!

LIFE-LONG LEARNING—Heavily into Science

Our March schedule promises some religion and lots of science. We'd love it if you join us for all of these programs, which meet in Room One from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

March 2 (Monday): We will once again meet with the community group Women into Life Long Learning for a program entitled Buddhism 101. One of our members who is a dedicated and long-term Buddhist will be the featured speaker. Please note the departure from our usual Wednesday meetings—the **Monday** schedule is for this meeting only. The time will remain the same: 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

March 11 (Wednesday): Dr. Emily Faulconer, from Embry Riddle, will present a program entitled "Fracking in Florida." We are indebted to Tom Hilburn for making this contact for us after he had attended her presentation at the university and found it excellent.

March 18 and March 25 (both Wednesdays): Dr. Dan Kennedy and I are working on a program incorporating videos, short informative lectures, and lots of discussion on the subject, "Science vs. Pseudoscience." We will look at what distinguishes the two, and how pseudoscience prevails today in spite of the advances in science. Pseudoscience includes belief in a wide variety of disproven or unproven areas ranging from fad diets and other "alternative" medicine claims to beliefs in alien visitations and an abundance of paranormal beliefs.

--Joan Thate, chair

CHOIR NOTES—We're Back in Full Swing

Well, you've probably noticed by now that our choir is back in full swing at the Sunday Services. It has been a very good start, bringing some old favorites and some new messages to our Sunday gatherings. It is wonderful to have all our choir members back and have the addition of Bob Owens, Bill Patterson, and Brian Bielick to our Men's section. We also welcome back Meg Bower from the cold climes up North and look forward to having Pat Maden and Bill grace us with their presence, as soon as Bill regains his strength in recovery from his medical condition. A special note: we could use some extra sopranos to help us carry the melody in the songs we sing. If interested contact either Cathy or me for details.

Working with the Worship Committee, we have been planning several special Sunday services that will feature important messages from the anthems the choir will present. In some instances, the choir will break new ground with music from contemporary Broadway, a country song from The Eagles, and some music from Bob Dylan and Bob Marley--all with messages that we should hear and heed. On Memorial Day Sunday, we will be ready with "21 Guns"—a protest song to underscore the senselessness of war. Stay tuned!

--Dan Kerr, Choir Director

DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS—Special Guest, Rev. Peter Morales

The 2015 joint Annual Assemblies will be held April 17-19, 2015 in Orlando, Montgomery, Greensboro, and New Orleans. The programs include an important vote to help define our future relationships as well as a message from UUA President, Rev. Peter Morales and a Q & A session, streamed live from the Orlando site. In addition, the Rev. Jeanne Pupke will deliver a joint keynote address. Participants will also enjoy other programs, fellowship, singing, and fun! See <http://www.seduua.org/aa2015.html> for registration details.

--Jean Scott

March 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>Discussion Group: 9:15-10:15 am</p> <p>Service: 10:30-11:30 am</p> <p>Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Buddhism speaker— Life-Long Learning: 4-5:30 pm</p> <p>Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Crafts: noon – 2 pm</p> <p>Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Ma Jongg practice 1-3 pm</p> <p>Choir rehearsal 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Caring Committee 10 am -noon</p> <p>Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm</p> <p>Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm</p> <p>Membership mtg. 5-6:30 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p> <p>Superhuman workshop 7-9 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Advaita & Happiness 10 -11:30 am</p> <p>Home-school: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>Tai Chi: 3-4 pm</p> <p>Potluck Supper: 6-8:30 pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p><i>“Selma”</i> --movie shown at Allen Chapel AME Church in Daytona</p> <p>Subud Mtg. 6 -9 pm</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Daylight Savings time begins</p> <p>Discussion Group: 9:15-10:15 am</p> <p>Service: 10:30-11:30 am</p> <p>Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Worship Committee meeting noon - 1 pm</p> <p>Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Writers Group: 10 am – noon</p> <p>Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Ma Jongg practice 1-3 pm</p> <p>Life-Long Learning 4-5:30 pm</p> <p>Choir rehearsal 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm</p> <p>Alliance: noon- 2 pm</p> <p>Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Home-school: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>Tai Chi: 3-4 pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Private event 3-5 pm</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Discussion Group: 9:15-10:15 am</p> <p>Service: 10:30-11:30 am</p> <p>Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm</p> <p>FAITH Action Assembly at Allen Chapel AME Church in Daytona 6:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Crafts: noon – 2 pm</p> <p>Finance Committee meeting: 1:30-3 pm</p> <p>Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Ma Jongg practice 1-3 pm</p> <p>Life Long Learning 4-5:30 pm</p> <p>Choir rehearsal 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm</p> <p>Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm</p> <p>Board Meeting: 5-7 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Home-school: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>Advaita & Happiness 10 -11:30 am</p> <p>Tai Chi: 3-4 pm</p> <p>Trivia 5-8 pm</p> <p>Crystal Meditation: 6-7 pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Articles for the <i>Jotter</i> due on March 20th ← ← ←</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Discussion Group: 9:15-10:15 am</p> <p>Service: 10:30-11:30 am</p> <p>Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Writers Group: 10 am - noon</p> <p>Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Ma Jongg practice 1-3 pm</p> <p>Life Long Learning 4-5:30 pm</p> <p>Choir rehearsal 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Rummage Sale Set-up: 8 am-4 pm</p> <p>Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm</p> <p>Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm</p> <p>N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Rummage Sale: 8 am-2 pm</p> <p>Home-school: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>Tai Chi: 3-4 pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Rummage Sale: 8 am-2 pm</p>
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Upcoming Pulpit Presentations

Date:	Topic	Presenter:	Service Leader
March 1--	“The Gospel of Jesus”	--Rev. Craig C. Roshaven	--Cliff Jackson
March 8--	“Selma, Lord, Selma” Story for All Ages	--Rev. Craig C. Roshaven	--Jenny Nazak
March 15--	“The Meaning of Worship” Share-the-Plate Offering—Family Renew—Renny Roker Soup Lunch following the service sponsored by the Alliance	--Rev. Craig C. Roshaven	-- Chris Rengue
March 22--	“Where Am I and How Did I Get Here?”	--Dan Kerr	--Dan Gribbin
March 29—	“The Quality of Heroes: Biblical vs. Greco-Roman”	--Rev. James Shoopman	--Ellen Nielsen
April 5--	Easter Sunday	--Rev. Craig C. Roshaven	--Gaia Davies

--- March Birthdays!



Peggy Bosworth- 3rd
 Dorothy Dobbins- 11th
 Cliff Jackson- 11th
 Martin Feigenbaum 11th
 Scott McLeish- 15th
 Linda Sanders- 15th

Carol Thomas- 22nd
 Ron Melvin- 22nd
 Marilou McKemie -27th
 Bob Palmer- 30th
 Caryl Koses- 31st
 Bev Berger- 31st



The Jotter

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